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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 \$7,831,237,950, against \$8,136,433,448 last week and \$8,128,838,045 the corresponding week last year.

Clearings—Returns by Telegraph. Week ending July 31.	1920.	1919.	Per Cent.
New York.....	\$3,365,293,035	\$3,644,033,070	-7.7
Chicago.....	503,518,208	485,225,516	+3.8
Philadelphia.....	389,315,096	334,153,363	+16.5
Boston.....	265,952,099	271,050,822	-1.9
Kansas City.....	196,526,745	201,684,699	-2.6
St. Louis.....	125,466,581	131,837,036	-4.8
San Francisco.....	*135,500,000	119,192,103	+12.8
Pittsburgh.....	142,834,383	111,852,286	+27.7
Detroit.....	*110,000,000	78,628,303	+39.4
Baltimore.....	78,528,048	76,496,615	+2.7
New Orleans.....	58,143,566	52,294,002	+11.2
† Eleven cities, 5 days.....	\$5,371,077,761	\$5,506,447,815	-2.4
Other cities, 5 days.....	1,164,241,243	926,471,948	+25.7
Total all cities, 5 days.....	\$6,535,319,004	\$6,432,919,763	+1.6
All cities, 1 day.....	1,295,418,946	1,695,918,282	-23.6
Total all cities for week.....	\$7,831,237,950	\$8,128,838,045	-3.7

*Partly estimated.

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 24 show:

Clearings at—	Week Ending July 24.				
	1920.	1919.	Inc. or Dec.	1918.	1917.
	\$	\$	%	\$	\$
New York.....	4,187,233,562	4,879,336,300	-14.2	3,288,306,449	3,111,975,886
Philadelphia.....	488,705,923	409,237,156	+19.4	390,777,515	284,048,142
Pittsburgh.....	193,205,230	143,670,180	+34.5	137,659,231	90,338,924
Baltimore.....	97,628,992	91,742,938	+6.4	64,274,039	39,189,242
Buffalo.....	50,947,912	33,375,422	+52.6	21,155,728	17,979,029
Washington.....	15,574,890	13,856,193	+12.4	12,566,032	9,467,957
Albany.....	4,793,353	5,139,828	-6.7	5,100,000	5,291,071
Rochester.....	10,993,095	8,323,238	+32.1	6,904,018	5,043,952
Scranton.....	5,368,884	4,682,962	+14.6	3,400,000	3,220,573
Syracuse.....	4,655,528	3,451,818	+34.9	4,117,700	4,300,000
Reading.....	2,666,829	2,143,389	+24.4	2,915,601	2,392,446
Wilmington.....	3,150,000	3,500,000	-10.0	3,564,206	3,112,646
Wheeling.....	6,038,648	4,729,718	+27.7	4,602,718	4,049,936
Wilkes-Barre.....	3,130,442	2,456,093	+27.4	2,069,578	1,711,981
Trenton.....	4,327,658	2,619,755	+65.2	2,826,897	2,236,839
York.....	1,351,926	1,299,511	+4.0	1,214,598	1,254,627
Erie.....	2,476,300	1,978,523	+25.2	2,179,736	1,518,820
Lancaster.....	2,682,084	2,070,790	+29.6	2,075,620	1,723,399
Chester.....	1,366,266	1,258,754	+8.6	1,828,245	1,466,165
Greensburg.....	1,909,057	1,025,000	+86.2	1,196,343	800,000
Binghamton.....	1,187,100	911,000	+26.1	742,800	805,000
Altoona.....	1,286,403	890,336	+44.5	740,800	716,214
Mentclair.....	389,808	349,806	+14.3	316,235	389,554
Bethlehem.....	3,516,062	Not included	in total		
Huntington.....	1,876,544	Not included	in total		
Total Middle.....	5,091,069,890	5,618,078,710	-9.4	3,960,534,089	3,593,032,403
Boston.....	361,486,508	337,352,774	+7.2	277,608,764	221,034,469
Providence.....	12,363,000	10,264,500	+20.4	10,105,200	8,590,000
Hartford.....	9,371,162	9,719,613	-3.6	6,549,525	8,074,645
New Haven.....	6,332,550	5,784,800	+9.5	5,272,009	4,388,439
Springfield.....	5,082,581	3,999,297	+27.1	3,595,997	3,112,894
Portland.....	2,200,000	2,000,000	+10.0	2,186,289	2,500,000
Worcester.....	4,858,525	3,258,729	+49.1	3,625,323	3,280,962
Fall River.....	1,866,159	2,248,093	-17.0	2,379,158	2,310,409
New Bedford.....	1,662,515	1,855,299	-10.4	1,663,811	1,482,782
Lowell.....	1,332,770	942,067	+41.4	1,000,000	1,038,100
Holyoke.....	850,000	771,752	+10.1	683,196	751,151
Bangor.....	775,000	693,205	+11.8	712,536	681,341
Tot. New Eng.....	408,180,770	378,890,129	+7.7	315,381,808	257,245,192

Clearings at—

Week Ending July 24.

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	1920.	1919.	Inc. or Dec.	1918.	1917.
	\$	\$	%	\$	\$
Chicago.....	666,393,734	588,328,576	+13.3	491,341,796	453,571,114
Cincinnati.....	73,606,223	60,951,431	+20.8	63,870,919	43,090,648
Cleveland.....	143,002,088	105,615,615	+35.4	92,786,359	79,726,647
Detroit.....	122,335,440	102,584,971	+19.2	57,459,331	49,459,511
Millwaukee.....	33,569,207	25,020,466	+34.2	25,786,631	20,800,646
Indianapolis.....	18,163,000	18,065,000	+0.5	18,665,000	11,662,000
Columbus.....	14,260,800	14,552,200	-2.0	12,503,100	11,288,200
Toledo.....	15,912,901	14,249,780	+11.7	11,582,129	9,475,457
Peoria.....	5,163,911	4,927,300	+47.9	4,564,063	5,847,990
Grand Rapids.....	6,169,793	5,765,352	+7.0	4,805,390	4,483,014
Evansville.....	4,761,938	4,966,175	-4.0	4,997,305	2,163,283
Dayton.....	5,215,730	5,344,811	-1.4	3,607,185	3,433,302
Akron.....	11,258,000	10,296,000	+9.3	6,725,000	6,761,000
Youngstown.....	4,991,694	5,466,802	-8.7	4,607,937	3,250,778
Canton.....	5,455,846	3,453,130	+57.9	2,500,000	3,403,740
Springfield, Ill.....	3,130,692	2,786,867	+12.3	2,921,549	1,505,416
Fort Wayne.....	1,987,557	1,688,348	+17.7	1,201,079	1,072,495
Rockford.....	2,000,000	1,800,000	+11.1	1,780,065	1,491,393
Lexington.....	825,000	805,000	+2.6	700,000	525,000
South Bend.....	1,155,000	1,050,000	+10.0	1,176,482	934,023
Springfield, O.....	1,959,168	1,698,493	+15.4	1,220,409	1,202,450
Bloomington.....	1,653,585	1,459,603	+13.3	1,008,365	925,484
Quincy.....	1,596,947	1,394,320	+14.5	1,343,189	761,291
Mansfield.....	1,928,946	1,397,284	+38.0	1,136,786	984,890
Danville.....	752,956	750,662	+0.3	475,000	420,000
Owensboro.....	472,035	528,320	-10.6	169,912	576,642
Lima.....	813,371	1,213,100	-33.0	914,192	700,000
Lansing.....	1,635,807	1,367,800	+19.6	1,013,950	988,399
Decatur.....	1,365,459	1,398,634	-2.4	1,046,038	789,921
Jacksonville, Ill.....	546,693	978,756	-44.2	771,629	339,379
Ann Arbor.....	493,857	384,965	+28.3	284,462	245,399
Adrian.....	249,109	111,593	+123.3	97,243	96,775
Tot. Mid. West.....	1,152,856,487	990,351,354	+16.4	823,665,495	722,036,287
San Francisco.....	155,200,000	147,099,903	+5.5	108,474,640	81,524,013
Los Angeles.....	74,562,000	195,000	+48.5	30,105,000	27,343,000
Seattle.....	38,936,408	39,100,431	-0.4	38,541,293	22,551,278
Portland.....	34,893,210	26,252,377	+32.9	23,894,541	14,058,550
Salt Lake City.....	13,206,025	13,252,456	-0.4	11,350,000	11,798,371
Spokane.....	11,902,208	8,767,033	+35.8	7,340,599	5,600,000
Tacoma.....	4,881,675	5,242,971	-6.9	4,115,217	2,472,050
Oakland.....	10,459,405	9,008,322	+16.1	6,362,448	4,625,976
Sacramento.....	5,962,530	4,637,611	+28.6	4,088,045	2,683,455
San Diego.....	2,561,420	2,100,000	+22.0	1,899,612	1,809,666
Pasadena.....	1,957,506	1,362,614	+43.7	804,929	910,052
Stockton.....	6,559,100	2,188,553	+199.9	1,777,276	1,486,571
Fresno.....	3,997,863	3,234,145	+23.6	2,185,927	1,365,193
San Jose.....	1,902,813	1,379,227	+37.9	975,000	735,349
Yakima.....	1,397,502	974,941	+43.4	503,929	472,249
Reno.....	900,000	678,603	+32.7	575,000	503,740
Long Beach.....	2,464,370	1,446,021	+70.4	1,170,065	586,143
Santa Barbara.....	787,555	not included in total.			
Total Pacific.....	371,744,137	316,926,208	+17.3	244,163,521	180,525,626
Kansas City.....	249,916,654	225,504,284	+2.2	201,743,220	132,429,560
Minneapolis.....	80,046,202	39,210,857	+104.1	23,803,796	22,253,762
Omaha.....	54,000,000	57,690,249	-2.2	52,606,339	29,658,482
St. Paul.....	40,672,000	19,520,950	+108.3	14,750,645	13,084,722
Denver.....	19,773,671	21,951,001	-9.9	21,558,857	12,781,564
St. Joseph.....	14,712,734	16,239,243	-9.4	16,569,712	12,821,966
Des Moines.....	9,630,944	10,142,111	-5.0	8,683,384	5,808,183
Wichita.....	15,735,351	11,295,432	+10.1	9,966,479	8,398,532
Duluth.....	8,848,080	6,881,145	+28.6	4,755,447	4,697,789
Sioux City.....	8,190,673	9,957,675	-17.7	7,832,235	5,567,233
Lincoln.....	4,600,785	5,038,350	-8.7	3,759,592	3,230,362
Topeka.....	3,318,767	3,584,618	-7.4	2,700,000	2,897,204
Cedar Rapids.....	2,229,728	2,379,790	-6.3	1,761,380	2,226,320
Waterloo.....	2,130,102	1,891,453	+12.6	1,570,637	2,567,132
Helena.....	1,480,386	1,890,858	+2.2	1,661,857	1,954,480
Fargo.....	2,743,452	2,783,111	-1.5	1,700,000	1,559,634

STATE AND CITY SECTION.

A new number of our "State and City Section," revised to date, appears to-day, and all readers of the paper who are subscribers should receive a copy of it. As previously announced, this Supplement is now printed in two parts, Part One containing the New England, Central and Middle States, being issued to-day, while Part Two, embracing the rest of the country, will be published next December. The change is due to the fact that with the growth and multiplication of the municipalities of the United States the demand for additional space has become too heavy to satisfy within the limits of a single number.

THE FINANCIAL SITUATION.

The stock market steadied itself towards the close of the week after several sharp downward plunges and several severe sinking spells early in the week. Monetary conditions are still tense, and the call loan rate on the Stock Exchange has again been up to 10%. However, this cannot be said to have been much of a factor in this week's collapse in prices. Stock speculation has for a long time been at low ebb and the demand for Stock Exchange credit accommodation is very light as a consequence. Though high rates are asked for call loans the supply is ample. Recent reports have had it that Stock Exchange borrowing now aggregates no more than \$800,000,000 as against \$1,750,000,000 at one time last year when speculation was rampant and the prices of industrial shares were soaring in the skies. The reduction in borrowing in the interval is evidence at once of the drastic character of the liquidation that has since been effected and of the vigor with which the mandate of the Federal Reserve authorities that bank credit, in these times, must not be employed for speculative uses, has been carried out.

To be sure, last Saturday's bank statement showed that the New York Clearing House institutions were below the legal requirements as to cash reserves. But that situation no longer disturbs or deceives anybody—least of all stock market habitués. Last week the Federal Reserve Bank gained at the expense of the Clearing House banks. This week the situation will no doubt be reversed and the Clearing House institutions gain at the expense of the Reserve Bank, for all that the banks need do to restore their reserves is to resort to additional borrowing at the central institution. This shuttle-cock performance has been going on for many months and a change for the better or the worse in the one case or the other no longer constitutes much of an element in anybody's calculations.

Primarily this week's renewed weakness on the Stock Exchange has been due to anxiety with reference to the developments growing out of the Russo-Polish situation. There has been a further great decline in foreign exchange rates on London and on the Continental centres as a result of the same circumstance. There are fears of serious complications that might lead to the breaking out of a new war—with Russia on one side and the Allies on the other. At one time this week the Russian Soviet Government seemed to be showing a conciliatory attitude and to be willing, and even anxious, to conclude an armistice. Latterly, however, the Allies have again thought it best to step in and to take a stand in defense of Poland. Last night's cable

dispatches from Paris stated that the Governments at London and Paris had "notified the Polish Government that they will not permit Poland to accept possible Soviet armistice demands, involving: (1) Whole or partial disarmament of Poland; (2) A change in the Polish system of Government dictated or brought about by the Soviets; (3) Acceptance by Poland of a boundary line less favorable than that provisionally drawn by Premier Lloyd George. (4) The use of Poland as a bridgehead, in any sense, between Germany and Russia."

Why should the Allies object to disarmament of Poland, seeing it was Poland's military aggressiveness, which the Allies did nothing to check, that is responsible for the present trouble. It is plain enough that should Soviet Russia attempt to crush or exterminate the Poles, foolish Poland could not be left to its fate. But that is a different thing from compelling the Poles to lay down their arms so that they cannot commit any more damage.

As we pointed out last week, General Smuts, Premier of the Union of South Africa, in an interview with a correspondent of the London "Daily Chronicle" (which was reproduced in London advices of June 2 to the New York "Times") predicted precisely what has now happened. Here are his words:

"Russia is invaded by Poland, who has declared war upon her, for that is what it amounts to. Here is Poland, starving, kept going by foreign loans, making war on Soviet Russia. Formerly Poland was crushed between the upper and nether millstones of Germany and Russia. To-day her imperialistic action invites a repetition of the old process. At San Remo you have conferences going on to resume trade relations with Russia, which are declared to be necessary for the safety of Europe. In Poland you have Marshal Pilsudski making war on Russia, though large parts of Poland are starving, and typhus is raging. What, then, is the League of Nations doing that it cannot stop this? It ought to have said to Poland: 'This cannot be'; it ought to have prevented these operations, and yet the official answer in the House of Commons is: 'This is not a new war but the old one. Great Britain was not consulted, and it is not a case for the League of Nations to interfere.' Who, then, is to interfere? Poland is an ally member of the League of Nations and yet cannot be checked in this enterprise."

As we see, the situation has now reached a stage where the Allies feel themselves obliged to interfere. But why should not Poland, having needlessly provoked war (as these small nationalities are always sure to do) be compelled to accept defeat and suffer the punishment which she has so justly merited—if for no other reason than that she may not in the future be tempted to repeat her act of folly. It must be admitted that a juncture has been reached where for a time the situation will require very careful handling and any untoward move on the part of either Russia or the Allies be attended with very grave consequences. The treatment of the whole matter has not been such as to inspire confidence in the League of Nations. At this distance it seems as if Lloyd George and Premier Millerand of France were the whole thing. The former yields to the latter and the latter yields to the former. The one consolation is that neither the Allies nor Russia can afford to embark upon a new war. As we stated last week, if the United States were an active member of the League the situation would be different. With Europe exhausted we would then be urged to supply the army deemed to be needed for the occasion (half

a million men, a million or even more) and we would also be asked to throw our resources into the balance, in a stand against Russia. With that out of the question there will be yielding and concessions by both sides, thereby affording a peaceful solution. And best of all the United States will not be involved—which is surely an advantage all around, since absolutely nothing could be gained by having us drawn into the affray.

Having considered, Mr. Gompers issues a manifesto against laying-off workers, which he arraigns as “a tremendous indictment of management and a heinous offense,” he would have us believe, “against a people in need of every possible ounce of production.” The great need he considers to be “continuous operation of industry, with a fairness and honesty and intelligence upon the part of employers that will make continuous operation possible.” Any laying-off of men by the railroads will not increase freight movement, he is certain; but he may be assured that the roads really intend such an increase and that any laying-off of men is, in the judgment of managers, in the direction of reducing burdens and also increasing efficiency by making men really work. He is equally disturbed over a possible wage-reduction in industries which are not controlled by political boards. For such action, he declares, there is no possible excuse, and he gives notice that “at all hazards we will resist wage reductions . . . we will tolerate no reduction of wages, and even yet we have ground to cover before we restore to all the purchasing power of 1913.”

The country certainly has much ground to cover before restoring to the dollar its lost size, but that will not be restored by continued sweating and clipping through increasing wage for decreasing service. Mr. Gompers is greatly exercised over the shut-down by the American Woolen company, and he cites figures to show its great recent increase in earnings and the present excellent outlook for it. Without examining his figures, it suffices to say that the company is looking for profit and the temporary closing is according to the business judgment of the managers, who must still be allowed their own decision on such points. But it is interesting to get a frank avowal that there is one kind of closed shop to which organized labor is inflexibly opposed, the shop which is closed by its owners and not by its employees. In the decalogue of labor, the right to quit working and the right to quit hiring work are not equally God-given, which is as we have been led to suspect. To diminish production by stopping work and incidentally destroying existing products agrees with the rights of man and promotes the welfare of society; to lay off men or to shut down an industrial plant is “a heinous offense against a people in need of every possible ounce of production.” It is well, of course, to have these distinctions in industrial morals clearly understood.

The Russo-Poland situation has continued to attract the attention not merely of ordinarily careful, but even of superficial, students of European affairs. Those who have made a close study of recent happenings between those two countries, realize that those events are susceptible of far-reaching and serious developments. The hope has been, of course, that an armistice would be agreed upon soon and the way thus paved for reaching a definite settlement of

differences without further recourse to arms. At the close of last week there were well defined rumors that negotiations between Poland and the Soviet Government would be taken up direct with each other without the active intervention of Great Britain. In fact, the Soviet Government apparently spurned the offer of the latter's assistance.

Last Saturday morning it became known definitely here, through cablegrams from Zurich, Switzerland and Warsaw that Poland had “asked the Soviet Government for an immediate cessation of hostilities and the dispatch of a Government military detachment to meet the Poles in order to arrange an armistice.” The official proposal from the Polish Government was signed by General Rozwadowski, Chief of the General Staff, and stated that it was “in conformity with a note sent by the Polish Government to the Soviet Government to-day” (Thursday, July 22). The proposal called also for “the immediate cessation of hostilities on the whole of the front,” and it was stipulated that the Polish authorities would wait until 3 P. M. the following day for a reply. In their judgment “the best spot for the meeting will be on the Warsaw-Moscow high road between Baranovitchi and Brest-Litovsk, where the frontiers cross.” In another dispatch it was stated that the battlefront in question is about 720 miles in length.

A wireless message was reported to have been sent out from Moscow at that time, in which it was indicated that the League of Nations had decided to take up the situation between Soviet Russia and Poland. In a London cablegram the Secretary of that organization was quoted as having declared that “the League of Nations Council never has answered the questions at issue between Russia and Poland, and has never offered mediation, since neither of those countries, nor any member of the League, has brought the questions before the Council.” Quite naturally and properly it might be asked, “What could be accomplished if the League Council were to take up these questions?” It is still a body without real power to do anything of importance. Seemingly the discussion could scarcely go beyond the academic stage. It is interesting, nevertheless, to note, the statements made by a special correspondent in Paris of the New York “Tribune” in a cablegram from that centre to his paper, under date of July 25. He declared that “with the meeting which takes place at San Sebastian, Spain, the 30th of this month, the League of Nations enters upon a militant phase.” He went on to say that “the League has now begun to realize that it lives in a world filled with wars and rumors of war in which lofty ideals carry little weight unless they are backed by force.” Continuing to express his opinions relative to the League the correspondent said that “after failing to show anything but the feeblest signs of life in considering the German, Persian and Polish problems, and after having the financial conference at Brussels summarily postponed by the Supreme Council, it is believed that the League Council must now endeavor to take a more active stand in the world's affairs.” After having further portrayed some of the fundamental elements of weakness in the League, the correspondent was disposed to look on the brighter side. He said that “nevertheless, the League of Nations, despite much opposition, is likely to become stronger instead of weaker. The European Governments are becoming more and more convinced of the necessity

of a central body of representatives of all nations which can take immediate action in case of trouble and thus prevent all the onus and responsibility in such cases from falling on the heads of one or two Powers." Lord Robert Cecil, the most ardent champion in England of the League of Nations, ever since the idea of the organization was conceived at the Peace Conference, was quoted in an interview with the Paris "Journal" as expressing the belief that "America will join the League of Nations when it becomes a tangible and solid edifice." There are not a few observers who are disposed to believe that if America waits until that time to ally itself actively and officially with the League, the patience of Lord Robert Cecil and every other enthusiastic supporter of the undertaking will have been exhausted long before.

Washington advices stated that "Prince Lubomirski, the Polish Minister to the United States, has discussed with the State Department officials the situation resulting from the success of the Red drive against Poland, with a view to ascertaining what assistance, if any, could be obtained from the United States." According to a dispatch to the New York "Times" the Polish authorities asked that "the State Department and President Wilson issue statements in support of the Polish cause, urging that the moral support thus given would be of considerable help to the Poles in their emergency." The message added that "so far as can be learned, action in line with these requests is not contemplated." Most of the advices from Washington in the intervening days have been to the same effect.

The London cablegrams indicated that "the British public is disturbed by the possibility confronting it that the Allies may be compelled to enter another European war to save Poland." Apparently Premier Lloyd George's speech in the House of Commons late last week on the Polish situation had a pronounced effect upon his own people. The London advices conveyed the impression clearly that there was even more apprehension in Government circles as to what might come out of it. A man declared to be "close to Downing Street" was quoted as follows by a correspondent of the "Sun and New York Herald." He said: "I'm betting Russia is as tired of war as the rest of us are. But it would be folly to ignore the opposite possibility. That possibility would mean that Europe would become Red right up to the Rhine—red, not with Bolshevism, perhaps, but with the new powerful imperialism, which would wrest every vestige of victory from the hands of the Allies." The Germans were represented in Berlin advices as being "stirred by the rapid Red sweep" in Poland. The Berlin correspondent of the "Sun and New York Herald" cabled that the Government would pursue a "hands off" policy regarding the Polish situation and also that it would not "permit the Allies to send troops through Germany to the aid of Poland." That genuine apprehension actually existed in Government circles in the German capital seems to have been shown by the statement from that centre that "Berlin and its vicinity have been almost denuded recently of troops, which, with extreme secrecy, were dispatched to the eastern frontier to guard against Polish or Russian invasion."

In a Paris cablegram made public here Sunday morning a statement appeared that offered ground for the hope, and belief in some circles, that an armistice between Poland and Soviet Russia would

be arranged soon. Word was said to have been received by a news agency in the French capital, through the medium of a wireless message from Moscow, that "the Russian Soviet Army is falling back on the order of the Soviet commander." London heard positively that such an order had been issued. A wireless message was received there containing a copy of the telegram sent by "George Tchitcherin, Russian Soviet Foreign Minister, to Prince Sapieha, the Polish Foreign Minister at Warsaw." It read as follows: "The Russian Soviet Government has given orders to the Supreme Command of the Red Army to commence immediately with the Polish military command negotiations for the purpose of concluding an armistice and preparing for future peace between the two countries. The Russian command will advise the Polish command as to the place and date for commencing negotiations between the military commands of the two sides." The Vienna correspondent of the New York "Times" cabled that he had learned "from well informed sources that the Soviet peace conditions for Poland will be very severe, but that the Soviet Government will not insist on Russia and Germany having a common frontier and will only demand free commercial intercourse with Germany and unhindered use of Danzig harbor." An Associated Press dispatch from Warsaw stated that the understanding in Diet circles there was that "armistice negotiations between representatives of Poland and Soviet Russia probably will be held at Brest-Litovsk." In another cablegram from the same centre it was reported that "M. Witos, the new Polish Premier, addressing the Diet, said that the new Government was prepared to conclude peace with Soviet Russia, based upon the principles of justice and freedom, but that otherwise the entire nation would unite to fight for the Republic's independence."

Dispatches from both Paris and Washington last evening contained what purported to be the essential features of the stipulations said to have been dispatched by the British and French governments to the Polish Government with respect to the terms of an armistice. In a Paris cablegram it was stated that those two governments "will not permit Poland to accept possible Soviet armistice demands involving—whole or partial disarmament of Poland; a change in the Polish system of government dictated or brought about by the Soviets; acceptance by Poland of a boundary line less favorable than that provisionally drawn by Premier Lloyd George, and the use of Poland as a bridgehead, in any sense, between Germany and Russia."

That the Russian Soviet Government had changed its mind and decided after all to accept of Allied intervention, in negotiations with Poland for peace, was first announced in London by the "Daily Mail." According to that paper "the Russian Soviet Government has notified Great Britain that it is willing to meet the leading Allies for a peace conference in London, but as a preliminary to such a conference it demands the surrender of General Wrangel, the anti-Bolshevik commander in the south, under a guaranty of personal safety." Later Premier Lloyd George, speaking in the House of Commons, confirmed the announcement of the "Daily Mail." He added that "the Soviet had also suggested that representatives of the leading Powers attend the conference." The Premier likewise announced that

"Great Britain was conferring with the Allies on the subject," and he was reported to have said in reply to questions concerning Russia, "I am very hopeful of peace, and that is what the world wants." The Premier made known, furthermore, that "since the Russian Government had agreed to the Polish armistice, Great Britain had withdrawn her objections to the Soviet trade delegation proceeding to London."

It soon became known that the British Premier would leave London last Monday for a conference at Boulogne Tuesday with Premier Millerand, "on the Allied reply to Tchitcherin's latest note." It was said also that there will be "communications at the same time with the Italian Government to ascertain its views and to arrive at an agreed policy." Attention was called to the fact that "the Soviets' reply is not an acceptance of the proposal made by Lloyd George, but a counter-proposal for a London conference of a different pattern." Dispatches from Boulogne Tuesday afternoon told of the arrival there, at 11 o'clock that morning, of Premier Millerand, Marshal Foch, Finance Minister Francois-Marsal and Philippe Berthelot, Political Director of the Foreign Office." The day before a news agency in Paris sent out a dispatch to the effect that "the health of Premier Lloyd George is causing serious uneasiness and the British Prime Minister's physicians are said to have ordered an immediate absolute rest for him." Whatever the Premier's health may have been, dispatches from Boulogne on Tuesday stated that "the steamer Riviera, carrying Premier Lloyd George, Earl Curzon, the British Foreign Minister, and Sir Laming Worthington, Minister Without Portfolio, in the British Cabinet, arrived at noon." That the meeting would not be prolonged was indicated by the statement that "Premier Millerand expects to return to Paris to-morrow morning." At about the same time reports were in circulation in political circles in Paris that "France would agree to be represented at the proposed London peace conference only on condition that the Soviets recognize Russia's debts to France." The belief was said to have been entertained also that "the French would refuse the Moscow demand that General Wrangel be surrendered." On the other hand a cablegram from London stated that "the Allies will agree to the surrender of General Wrangel as a preliminary to a peace conference to be held in London."

The Boulogne conference was held in the Imperial Hotel instead of the District Government Building, as originally planned. It began at 2 o'clock in the afternoon and continued until 5:30. It seems that the gathering, lasting only three and a half hours, was considerably shorter than had been expected before the conferees arrived in Boulogne. The British Premier before leaving was said to have told a news agency correspondent that "complete agreement had been reached on all points, and that it had decided, subject to Italy's approval, to send a reply to Russia saying that certain things must be made clear before the Allies will attend the proposed conference." He was reported to have added that "Poland and other border States must participate in the conference." It became known also that the same evening "the British Government sent a note to Moscow saying that Lloyd George had talked over with Premier Millerand the proposed conference and that the French Premier said that he could consider no such conference which did not take up the question

of Polish peace." The note was reported to have added that "the British Government is of the opinion that peace between Russia and Poland should be the first subject of the conference at which other matters might subsequently be discussed." It was regarded as significant that "the note was signed by the British Government alone."

According to a telegram from Washington to the "Sun and New York Herald" the belief was entertained in political circles there, that "the Moscow Government of Russia is manoeuvring to force political recognition of the Soviet headed by Lenine and Trotsky, as a result of the Polish situation." It was declared in the same dispatch that "the United States will not be represented in the proposed London conference, but the present situation is expected to change the policy of hands off which this Government has maintained relative to European affairs since the Versailles Treaty became a subject of protracted discussion in the Senate." In another dispatch from our National Capital the assertion was made that "the United States is watching closely the Russo-Polish developments and should Bolshevik Russia try to impose too harsh terms, or to take from Poland any of the territory allotted to the new nation by the Treaty of Versailles, the United States would take such action on the part of Russia into consideration, but with no intention, it is understood, of intervening by force of arms on the side of the Poles." This information was said to have come from "an authoritative source." In still another dispatch from Washington made public here Thursday morning it was stated that the United States would be represented at the conference unofficially by an "observer."

That the whole question of what may be accomplished at this conference is still very much in the air was indicated in a cablegram from London, also received here Thursday morning, in which it was stated that "the success or failure of the proposal to hold a conference in London between representatives of the Entente and those of Soviet Russia and the Russian border States, depends almost wholly on the armistice terms which Russia will lay down to the Poles, probably on Saturday [to-day], in the opinion of officials here." The same morning a cablegram was received from Paris in which it was claimed that "the French Government has asked Comte de Galard de Bearn, French Charge d' Affaires in Washington, to ascertain without delay the attitude of United States toward the proposed conference with the Soviet Government, as well as the attitude of America toward the Allies assisting Poland, should the armistice negotiations fail to bring peace. Intimations were said to have been received in London, that "the Russians themselves are not finding it easy to decide on peace terms." The differences were said to exist principally between Lenine and Trotsky and their respective followers."

Whenever the Allied Premiers have returned from any one of the numerous conferences that they have attended since the signing of the Armistice with Germany they have been called upon by their respective legislative bodies to make a report on what had been done. When Premier Lloyd George appeared in the British House of Commons on Thursday he declared in reply to questions that "France, Italy and Great Britain are in complete agreement regarding negotiations with the Russian Soviet Government, despite statements to the contrary, made by sensa-

tional and inaccurate newspapers." Answering a question as to whether the Soviet military activities in Poland were still in progress, he said that "he had just received a message from the British Military Mission saying that the Bolshevik advance in the north had slowed down, and it did not appear that it was being pushed with great vigor." In a cablegram from Warsaw Thursday afternoon announcement was made that "the Polish Committee of National Defense sent out a wireless message to the Soviet Supreme Command on July 27 stating that it would send delegates on July 30 with full power to negotiate an armistice." The message added that "the delegates would appear at 3 P. M. on the road between Brest-Litovsk and Baranovitchi, the time and place requested, when they would meet an advance post of the Soviet Army." The dispatches from Warsaw yesterday morning indicated that the Soviet military forces in Poland were still active. They were said to have captured Bialystok, about 40 miles southwest of Grodno, and were endeavoring to reach Lemberg.

The Greeks have continued their military activities in Turkey. A week ago Adrianople was reported to have been burning. Subsequent advices from London stated that definite reports had reached there to the effect that "the Greeks had occupied Adrianpole." Still a little later an Associated Press dispatch was received from Athens in which it was stated that an official announcement of the fall of the city had been made. It was claimed that "the Turks fled in a panic, throwing away their arms and abandoning supplies, guns and ammunition." The Turkish commander was said to have "escaped from the city in an automobile, proceeding to Kirk-Kilisseh." Just about the same time that this event occurred, announcement was made in a cablegram from Constantinople "that the Council had approved the signing of the Peace Treaty with the Allied Powers." The Sultan was said to have presided at the meeting at which this decision was reached, and which was held in the Yildiz Palace. Opinion in favor of accepting the terms of the treaty does not appear to have been unanimous. The assertion was made in one cablegram that "three Imperial princes have sent a letter to the Sultan urging him to abdicate." In this letter the assertion was made that "the signing of the treaty makes Turkish conditions worse," and it was declared that "the Sultan should emphasize Turkey's wrongs by leaving the Caliphate empty, thus arousing the Moslem world." It was stated that "these princes are all young Nationalist sympathizers," and also that "the Sultan shows no disposition to abdicate." At that time it was expected that Turkey's peace delegation would go to Constantza, Rumania, within a day or two on a French warship and proceed thence to Paris by rail. In a cablegram from the latter centre the information was conveyed that "Sevres, a town four miles north-east of Versailles, had been chosen for the signing of the Turkish Peace Treaty, after a long search for a place that would give the Treaty a sufficiently dignified and historical name." It was understood that "the signing of the Treaty will take place in a magnificent building of a famous national porcelain manufactory." Word was received through a cablegram from Constantinople Thursday morning that "because of a railway and shipping strike affecting the Rumanian line, the Turkish peace delegation would

not be able to reach Paris in time for the signing of the Turkish Peace Treaty there on Thursday."

According to an Associated Press dispatch from Athens Thursday afternoon, "the Greek army in Asia Minor is waiting to see if the Turkish Nationalists submit to the Peace Treaty before occupying more territory and pursuing Mustapha Kemal Pasha, the Nationalist leader, to Angora." The cablegrams from Paris yesterday morning stated that the Turkish delegation did not arrive on Thursday. Doubt was expressed, moreover, as to whether the Treaty would have been signed on schedule time, even if the delegates had not been delayed en route as already indicated. The correspondent of the New York "Times" declared that "Italy and Greece have got into a row over the provisions of the Treaty, and the nature of their dispute is such as to hold up the signatures of Greece, France and England."

Conditions in Ireland have been somewhat quieter than they were last week. At the outset the disturbances in Belfast and other centres were still in progress, however. Rioting was reported at Ballymacarret, a suburb of Belfast, during which "a mob attacked the Catholic chapel of St. Matthew." Things appear to have been pretty lively in Belfast last Sunday, in spite of a steady downpour of rain. Extra precautions were taken by the civil and military authorities, and, according to an Associated Press cablegram, they "were not ill-timed, for early in the afternoon another saloon in the Falls Road district was wrecked, and the premises of certain hardware merchants met with a similar fate." It was estimated that "the death list as a result of the recent fighting between the Unionists and Sinn Fein factions has reached 17." It was added that "Police charges are ineffective and soldiers had been brought out to restore order." Sir Hamar Greenwood, Chief Secretary for Ireland, declared in the House of Commons Monday night that "the troops and police have shown the sternest impartiality in Ireland," and added that the presence of the troops and warships has saved Belfast from a possible massacre of thousands and North Ireland from a devastating war." The Secretary announced that 18 persons were killed and about 200 wounded during the disturbances in Belfast. Premier Lloyd George stated in the House of Commons the same day that "the British Government has no intention of withdrawing the Government of Ireland Bill." He added that the Government "will press the measure forward with all possible speed when the House reassembles after the holiday recess." The Prime Minister is said to have made an important speech "at a conference with about 120 Unionists of both Houses of Parliament on the Irish question" on Thursday. According to a cablegram to the New York "Times," "the meeting was a sequel to one held by the Unionists on July 7." Sir Edward Carson is reported to have said to Lloyd George that "all over the world there are enemies of this country [Great Britain], in India, Egypt and America," and to have added that "they have an organization which pours out hostile manifestoes and literature on somewhat the same lines as the Sinn Fein." Regarding the latter he is said to have asserted that "their activities represent not really a Home Rule propaganda in any Irish sense, but have for their objects the detachment of Ireland from Great Britain." Andrew Bonar Law, the Government leader in the House of Commons, announced

to the members of that body on Thursday that "a bill to deal with the disorders in Ireland will be introduced next week in the House of Commons and passed in all its stages." It was declared that it will be a drastic measure.

Announcement was made in a cablegram from Dublin last evening of the fatal shooting, at the Westlandrow Station in that city, earlier in the day of Frank Brooke, Deputy Lieutenant for County Wicklow. The victim was also Chairman of the Dublin & Southeastern Railway, and was connected with other business and corporate interests in Ireland. It was stated that his assailants made their escape.

Scarcely a day passes without cable advices being received from London, Paris and other European capitals in which the opinion is expressed that the assistance of America is needed in straightening out affairs in Europe. In an address a few days ago in London, on the occasion of the acceptance "on behalf of the British Nation, of the bronze replica of St. Gaudens's statue of Lincoln, which was unveiled in Canning Square, just opposite Westminster Abbey, Premier Lloyd George made the eloquent and impressive assertion that "this torn and bleeding earth is calling to-day for the help of the America of Abraham Lincoln."

The British Treasury statement for the week ending July 24 shows that the outgo exceeded revenues and income, leaving a deficit as a result of the week's financing of £599,000. Expenditures were £10,217,000, against £12,474,000 the previous week, while the total outflow, including Treasury bills, savings certificates, advances and other items repaid, was £160,362,000, in comparison with £163,612,000 for the week of July 17. The total of receipts from all sources was £159,763,000. This compares with £164,618,000 last week. Of this total, revenues yielded £19,996,000 against £30,434,000. Savings certificates contributed £750,000, the same as a week ago, while advances brought in £7,700,000, in comparison with £17,000,000 last week. Sales of Treasury bills reached the large total of £128,217,000, as against £116,094,000. Treasury bonds were issued to the amount of £365,000, compared with £340,000 a week ago. Repayments of Treasury bills were £127,967,000, so that the volume outstanding has expanded slightly and is now £1,066,358,000, against £1,066,090,000 a week earlier. Temporary advances, however, have been reduced to £205,341,000, against £213,141,000 the week preceding. Total floating debt aggregates £1,271,699,000, a further reduction for the week of £7,532,000. The Exchequer balance stands at £3,457,000, in comparison with £4,056,000 last week.

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 ranges at 6@6¼ for 60 days and 6 11-16@6¾ for ninety days, as against 6¼@6¼ for sixty and ninety-day bills a week ago. Money on call in London is still reported at 5½%. No reports, so far as we have been able to ascertain, have been received by cable of private discount rates at other centres.

The Bank of England continues to add to its gold stocks and this week reports an additional gain of £226,305. The total reserve, however, was reduced £1,040,000 in consequence of an increase in note circulation of £1,217,000. Public deposits fell £1,411,000 and other deposits £944,000 although Government securities registered an expansion of £3,324,000. Loans (other securities) were contracted £4,600,000. The proportion of reserve to liabilities is slightly lower, having been reduced to 12.20% as against 12.74% a week ago and 20.44% last year. The Bank's holdings of gold on hand now stand at £123,234,383, which compares with £88,414,829 in 1919 and £67,259,490 a year earlier. Reserves aggregate £16,315,000 against £27,477,574 and £28,839,150 one and two years ago, respectively. Circulation has reached a total of £125,369,000 as contrasted with £79,387,255 a year ago and £56,870,340 in 1918. The current total for loans is £75,481,000. A year ago it was £81,745,550 and in 1918 £106,787,164. The Bank's official minimum discount rate continues to be quoted at 7%. Clearings through the London banks total £685,490,000 against £741,417,000 last week and £712,190,000 a year ago. We append a tabular statement of comparisons:

BANK OF ENGLAND'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	1920. July 28. £	1919. July 30. £	1918. July 31. £	1917. Aug. 1. £	1916. Aug. 2. £
Circulation.....	125,369,000	79,387,255	56,870,340	40,476,410	36,657,625
Public deposits.....	15,148,000	17,881,009	37,789,088	44,811,739	51,009,979
Other deposits.....	118,648,000	116,554,700	138,440,986	128,744,196	85,517,391
Government securities.....	59,912,000	43,143,806	58,601,132	50,439,661	42,188,361
Other securities.....	75,481,000	81,745,550	106,787,164	110,654,852	75,657,166
Reserve notes & coin.....	16,315,000	27,477,574	28,839,150	30,429,593	36,676,809
Coin and bullion.....	123,234,383	88,414,829	67,259,490	52,456,003	54,884,434
Proportion of reserve to liabilities.....	12.20%	20.44%	16.40%	17.53%	26.78%
Bank rate.....	7%	5%	5%	5%	6%

The Bank of France in its weekly statement reports a further small gain of 296,067 francs in its gold item this week. Gold holdings now aggregate 5,589,174,975 francs, comparing with 5,567,075,910 francs last year and with 5,432,509,764 francs the year previous; of these amounts 1,978,278,416 francs were held abroad in both 1920 and 1919 and 2,037,108,484 francs in 1918. Silver during the week gained 120,000 francs, bills discounted were augmented in amount of 225,398,000 francs, and general deposits rose 141,604,000 francs. On the other hand, advances were reduced 25,194,000 francs and Treasury deposits fell off 24,552,000 francs. The contraction in note circulation continued, a reduction of 68,954,000 francs having occurred. The total outstanding is now 37,696,905,370 francs, contrasting with 35,024,724,685 francs at this time in 1919 and with 29,320,647,015 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. Francs.	July 29 1920. Francs.	July 31 1919. Francs.	Aug. 1 1918. Francs.
Gold Holdings—				
In France.....	Inc. 296,067	3,610,896,559	3,588,797,491	3,395,401,279
Abroad.....	No change	1,978,278,416	1,978,278,416	2,037,108,484
Total.....	Inc. 296,067	5,589,174,975	5,567,075,910	5,432,509,764
Silver.....	Inc. 120,000	247,635,495	299,880,311	286,285,486
Bills discounted.....	Inc. 225,398,000	2,032,907,298	945,252,792	1,079,965,701
Advances.....	Dec. 25,194,000	1,930,338,000	1,260,042,896	852,182,530
Note circulation.....	Dec. 68,954,000	37,696,905,370	35,024,724,685	29,320,647,015
Treasury deposits.....	Dec. 24,552,000	109,617,000	48,801,293	29,470,126
General deposits.....	Inc. 141,604,000	3,306,666,894	2,919,885,577	3,701,855,918

In its statement, issued as of July 15, the Imperial Bank of Germany shows the following changes: An increase in total coin and bullion of 570,000 marks and a decrease in gold of 1,000 marks. Treasury notes expanded 61,792,000 marks, while notes of other banks increased 572,000 marks and advances 4,299,000 marks. Bills discounted registered the large reduction of 2,380,607,000 marks and deposits fell off 2,089,281,000 marks. There was a decline of 7,650,000 marks in investments, a contraction of 30,575,000 marks in other securities and a decrease in other liabilities of 187,403,000 marks. Note circulation, for the first time in several weeks, was cut 198,495,000 marks to 53,846,874,000 marks, which compares with 29,596,340,000 marks a year ago and 12,470,980,000 marks in 1918. The German Bank's stock of gold on hand now stands at 1,091,632,000 marks. A year ago the total held was 1,113,060,000 marks and in 1918 2,346,940,000 marks.

Saturday's statement of New York associated banks and trust companies, issued on Saturday, was somewhat disappointing, inasmuch as it reported a loss in surplus of more than \$33,000,000, wiping out that item and leaving a deficit; this, too, in the face of a heavy contraction in deposits. Loans increased \$415,000. Net demand deposits declined \$58,113,000, to \$4,101,582,000. This is exclusive of Government deposits of \$72,938,000 an increase in the latter item of \$14,025,000. Net time deposits expanded \$1,395,000 to \$253,590,000. There was a decline in the reserves of member banks with the Federal Reserve Bank of \$40,665,000, to \$522,001,000. Cash in own vaults (members of the Federal Reserve Bank) fell \$2,902,000 to \$90,518,000 (not counted as reserve). Reserves of State banks and trust companies in own vaults were reduced \$245,000 to \$8,087,000 while reserves in other depositories of State banks and trust companies declined \$66,000 to \$8,845,000. There was a loss in the aggregate reserve of \$40,976,000 bringing that total down to \$538,933,000. As to surplus, this was cut \$33,512,650, not only eliminating last week's total of \$29,236,130, but leaving a deficit of \$4,276,520. This is a feature which no longer causes much concern, as it is looked upon more or less in the light of a bookkeeping transaction and is almost certain to be remedied in the course of the next week or two. 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 \$90,518,000 held by these banks last Saturday. The Reserve Bank statement showed a fall in its reserve ratio from 40.8 to 40.2%. There was a loss in gold of \$26,300,000 and a contraction of \$23,731,000 in total cash reserve. The total of bills held under discount was reduced \$9,367,000. The bank statements in more complete detail will be found in a subsequent page of the "Chronicle."

The local money market has been quiet and without notable features. The demand from Stock Exchange houses to finance speculative transactions in stocks and from investment houses to float new issues, has not been large. Rates for call money seemed to have been affected adversely for a day or two by the announcement that the Government would make two withdrawals, of \$8,000,000 each, of its deposits in the local banks, during the week. The latter half of the week 8% was the ruling rate for call loans.

Comparatively little has been said regarding the commercial demand for money. The report of the Federal Reserve Board, in which conditions for July were reviewed, and other advices, would seem to warrant the assumption that the commercial and mercantile demand for funds may have fallen off somewhat. Opinion regarding the money market in this country during the Autumn continues to vary about as much as it has for some weeks. A few days ago one banker was quoted as saying that in his opinion there was undue apprehension over the probability of stringency in money during the crop moving season. Governor Harding of the Federal Reserve Board, about the same time, gave expression to views relative to the credit situation, movement of the crops, &c., to which an optimistic interpretation was pretty generally accorded. The Federal Reserve Board review of conditions indicates that the readjustment from a war to a peace basis, about which so much has been said for a long time, is well under way in various lines, and that in others there is considerable hesitancy. Bankers and railroad officials still believe that a clearing up of the congestion of traffic on the railroads would do more to help the money position than any other event that is now regarded probable. With increased facilities by the railroads for handling traffic these same authorities believe that the general business position would be greatly improved as well.

Dealing more specifically with the rates for money, loans on call have covered a range this week of 7@10%, which compares with 8@9% a week ago. Monday a maximum figure of 10% was touched, though renewals were made at 8%, which was also the low for the day. Tuesday there was a decline to 9% for the high. Renewals, however, were negotiated on the basis of 9%, while the low was 8%. On Wednesday and Thursday the range was 7@8%, and 8% the ruling rate for each day. There was no range on Friday, 8% being the high, low and renewal rate. While call funds were scarce during the early part of the week, a perceptible easing was noted before the close, mainly, it was said, as a result of the recent liquidation on the Stock Exchange. The above figures apply to both mixed collateral and all-industrial loans alike. In time money the market is as dull as ever. Little or no disposition is being shown on the part of large lenders to put out funds for either short or long periods; hence trading continues to be confined to occasional trades for small amounts. The range of quotations remained unchanged until Friday when there was an advance to 8½@8¾% on regular mixed collateral and 9@9½% bid on all-industrials, against 8@8½% and 8½@9%, respectively, last week.

Mercantile paper rates continue to be quoted at 8% for sixty and ninety days' endorsed bills receivable and six months' names of choice character, with names not so well known still at 8¼%. A fair demand is reported, but the turnover has been comparatively light. Out of town institutions, as is usually the case of late, were responsible for most of the business transacted.

Banks' and bankers' acceptances have been moderately active and offerings of prime bills are said to have been promptly absorbed at rates previously current. Both local and country banks were in the market as buyers. A firm undertone is noted with rates unchanged. Loans on demand for bankers'

acceptances are still at 5½%. Quotations in detail are as follows:

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

So far as our knowledge goes, there have been no changes in Federal Reserve bank rates this week. 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 29 1920.

Federal Reserve Bank of—	Discounted bills maturing within 90 days (incl. member banks' 15-day collateral notes) secured by—			Bankers' acceptances discounted for member banks	Trade acceptances maturing within 90 days	Agricultural and live-stock paper maturing 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.....	16	5½	6	5½	6	6
Cleveland.....	5½	5½	6	5½	5½	6
Richmond.....	16	6	6	6	6	6
Atlanta.....	16	5½	6	5½	6	6
Chicago.....	16	6	7	6	7	7
St. Louis.....	*5½	5½	6	5½	6	6
Minneapolis.....	5½	6	7	6	6½	7
Kansas City.....	16	5½	6	5½	6	6
Dallas.....	16	5½	6	5½	6	6
San Francisco.....	16	6	6	6	6	6

*5½% on paper secured by 5¼% certificates, and 5% on paper secured by 4¼% 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 Richmond, 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.

After a partial rally early in the week on advices that an armistice had been agreed upon between Bolshevik and Polish troops on the Russo-Polish front, the sterling exchange market sustained another sharp setback and prices again slumped violently, this time 9¼ cents, to 3 70 for demand, or the lowest point touched since March last, as a result of reports that fighting had again broken out in Poland and that the Soviet armies were advancing along the entire Polish front. This once more aroused fears of international complications of a serious character and completely offset the recoveries that had followed Lloyd George's announcement confirming the armistice proceedings and subsequent arrangements for a Polish-Russian peace conference. Cable quotations from London which had also reflected the more favorable European political situation by a substantial advance, showed material recessions, and this as usual helped depress price levels at this centre. Just how far the leading European nations are likely to become involved in a new clash of arms, remains for the future to determine, but informal utterances by prominent British statesmen have led to the belief that extensive expenditures for war purposes may be required. Accordingly heavy selling has been in progress on the part of holders of sterling bills anxious to lessen their commitments as a precautionary measure against possible untoward developments.

Aside from international political happenings, offerings of grain and other commercial bills continue on an enormous scale, and as most of the important buyers are largely out of the market for the time being much lower levels have been inevitable. A low level of 3.50 is now talked of. It had been confidently predicted that adequate support would be put forth by London bankers to arrest any too drastic declines. It now develops, that London has been buying dollars in considerable amounts, but apparently not in

sufficient volume to counterbalance the huge commitments of London and Liverpool grain merchants. It would thus appear that Great Britain may again be compelled to export gold in large quantity for the purpose of stabilizing her exchanges. Gold has been arriving in small amounts, but this is said to represent for the most part Transvaal gold bought for American account on the open market in London. One shipment which came in this week was said to be from Canada. Talk is heard of a consignment amounting to \$10,000,000 British gold said to be on its way here. This report could not, however, be definitely confirmed. Those in closest touch with the situation hold out little hope for a recovery in price levels in the immediate future, as even in the event of a satisfactory adjustment of the new Central-European crisis, grain bills are expected to appear in continued large volume during the next few weeks. It has been noted that there has been a total absence of cotton bills in recent offerings, a fact which tends to confirm the belief that when these are added to the flood of grain bills, quoted rates may undergo further revision downward. Of course, with the clearing up of the European situation, bankers would undoubtedly show a greater willingness to come to the aid of the market with liberal supporting orders. Under present conditions the course of sterling at the moment is purely a matter of conjecture.

As to the day to day rates, sterling exchange on Saturday of last week was firmer and demand rallied to 3 78¼ @ 3 79¾, cable transfers to 3 79 @ 3 80½ and sixty days 3 75 @ 3 75½; the recovery was undoubtedly in response to cable advices that an armistice had been agreed upon between Bolshevik and Polish troops and that fighting on the Russian-Polish front would cease. Monday's market was quiet, but about steady, with rates only fractionally changed for the day; the range for demand was 3 78 @ 3 79, cable transfers 3 78¾ @ 3 79¾ and sixty days 3 74¾ @ 3 75¾. Very little activity was noted on Tuesday, until late in the day when higher quotations from London had a strengthening effect on prices here; inquiry from one or two large banking concerns coupled with somewhat lighter offerings was also a factor in raising rates, which moved up to 3 78¼ @ 3 79¼ for demand, 3 79 @ 3 80 for cable transfers and 3 75 @ 3 76 for sixty days. On Wednesday there was a sharp break on news that fighting had been resumed on the Russo-Polish front; prices dropped 3½c. with demand at 3 75¾ @ 3 78¼, cable transfers 3 76½ @ 3 78⅞ and sixty days 3 72½ @ 3 74⅞; trading was dull, but London quotations were substantially lower and this was the principal factor in depressing the local market. Increased weakness developed on Thursday and under the pressure of heavy selling, rates again broke, this time to 3 72½ @ 3 74½ for demand, 3 73¼ @ 3 75¼ for cable transfers and 3 69⅞ and 3 71⅞ for sixty days. Friday's market was dull and irregular; the range for demand bills was 3 70 @ 3 71¾, for cable transfers 3 70¾ @ 3 72½, and for sixty days 3 66¾ @ 3 68½. Closing quotations were 3 67¾ for sixty days, 3 71 for demand and 3 71¾ for cable transfers. Commercial sight bills finished at 3 70½, sixty days 3 64⅞, ninety days 3 61⅞, documents for payment (sixty days) 3 65, and seven-day grain bills 3 69½. Cotton and grain for payment closed at 3 70½. Gold arrivals this week comprised a shipment of \$1,110,000 from Canada. It is reported, however, that \$3,200,000 of the precious

metal is on its way here from London on the S. S. Philadelphia. Rumors are also heard, though they could not be confirmed, that British gold amounting to \$10,000,000 is soon to come to this country. Gold coin to the amount of \$100,000 has been withdrawn for shipment to Cuba.

Movements in the Continental exchanges also reflected developments abroad and following substantial recoveries on news that the threatened political crisis in Central Europe had been averted, prices reacted sensationally later in the week when it became known that Bolshevik troops had resumed military operations regardless of the armistice agreement. Exchange on all of the new mid-European Republics fluctuated erratically, closing at sharp net losses. French francs and Italian lire, which had ruled firm and higher in the initial transactions, relapsed into weakness and losses of as much as 80 centimes took place. In the case of the latter, fluctuations were violent in the extreme, a rally to 17.98 being followed by a series of recessions which carried the price down to 18.89 for checks. Exchange on Paris first went up to 12.72 francs to the dollar, then sagged off to 13.22. Antwerp francs as usual followed suit. German marks, which were in freer supply than for some time, figured prominently in the downward movement, though to a lesser extent than either francs or lire. The range for the week in this currency was 2.46@2.24. Austrian kronen moved in sympathy with Berlin exchange. Trading, while not especially active, was feverish and excited, while speculative operations added in no small measure to the general confusion which attended dealings at times.

The official London check rate on Paris closed at 48.63, compared with 50.15 a week ago. In New York sight bills on the French centre finished at 13.14, against 13.36; cable transfers at 13.12, against 13.34; commercial sight at 13.18, against 13.40 and commercial sixty days at 13.25, against 13.47 last week. Belgian francs, after advancing to 11.96, reacted and closed at 12.34 for checks and 12.32 for cable remittances, in comparison with 12.67 and 12.60 the week preceding. Closing quotations for Reichsmarks were 2.32 for checks and 2.34 for cable transfers, against 2.22 and 2.24 last week. Austrian kronen finished at 00.59 for checks and 00.60 for cable transfers. A week ago the close was 00.59 and 00.61. For lire the final quotations were 18.77 for bankers' sight bills and 18.75 for cable transfers, which compares with 18.82 and 18.80 on Friday of the week previous. Exchange on Czecho-Slovakia closed at 2.09, against 2.14; on Bucharest at 2.57, against 2.99; on Poland at 53, against 58, and on Finland at 3.75, against 4.04 last week. Greek exchange was weaker and finished at 12.25 for checks and 12.35 for cable transfers, against 12.55 and 12.70 a week ago.

There is very little in the way of news to report in neutral exchange. Generally speaking rates have moved in sympathy with the other Continental exchanges, although changes were comparatively unimportant. Swiss francs continue heavy. Guilders ruled around the low levels recently prevailing, while Spanish exchange touched another new low level on the current downward movement. Scandinavian rates were conspicuous for weakness, particularly Copenhagen and Christiania remittances which at one time registered losses of more than 30 points,

though without specific cause being assigned therefor, other than the unfavorable condition of trade balances and the prospect of still further delays in arriving at a satisfactory basis of international trade relations.

Bankers' sight on Amsterdam closed at 34 $\frac{1}{4}$, against 34.45; cable transfers at 34 $\frac{3}{8}$, against 34.50; commercial sight at 34 3-16, against 34.40 and commercial sixty days at 33 15-16, against 34.05 a week ago. Swiss francs finished at 5.88 for bankers' sight bills and 5.86 for cable transfers in comparison with 5.80 and 5.78 last week. Copenhagen checks closed at 15.60 and cables 15.70, against 16.10 and 16.20. Checks on Sweden finished at 20.95 and cable transfers at 21.05, against 21.45 and 21.55, while checks on Norway closed at 15.65 and cable transfers 15.75, against 16.20 and 16.30 a week earlier. Final quotations for Spanish pesetas were 15.34 for checks and 15.36 for cable remittances. A week ago the close was 15.70 and 15.72. With regard to South American quotations the trend was downward and declines to as low as 39.00 for checks on Argentina were recorded. Before the close, however, there was a rally, with the final quotations 39.60 for checks, and cable transfers 39.75, against 39.20 and 39.35 a week ago. For Brazil the close was 21.60 for checks and 21.75 for cable transfers, in comparison with 21.55 and 21.65 in the preceding week. This is regarded as a natural reaction from the heavy losses of recent weeks. Chilean exchange has not been changed from 21, although Peru is a shade higher at 5.03, against 5.02 last week.

Far Eastern rates follow: Hong Kong 76 @ 76 $\frac{1}{2}$, against 72 $\frac{1}{2}$ @ 72 $\frac{3}{4}$; Shanghai, 106 @ 106 $\frac{1}{2}$, against 102 $\frac{1}{2}$ @ 103; Yokohama, 51 $\frac{1}{2}$ @ 51 $\frac{3}{4}$, against 51 $\frac{3}{8}$ @ 51 $\frac{5}{8}$; Manila, 47 $\frac{1}{2}$ @ 48, against 48 $\frac{1}{2}$ @ 49 $\frac{1}{4}$; Singapore, 47 $\frac{1}{4}$ @ 47 $\frac{1}{2}$, against 47 @ 47 $\frac{1}{2}$; Bombay 37 $\frac{1}{4}$ @ 37 $\frac{1}{2}$, against 37 $\frac{3}{4}$ @ 38, and Calcutta, 37 $\frac{1}{4}$ @ 37 $\frac{1}{2}$, against 37 $\frac{3}{4}$ @ 38.

The New York Clearing House banks, in their operations with interior banking institutions, have gained \$3,921,000 net in cash as a result of the currency movements for the week ending July 30. Their receipts from the interior have aggregated \$8,194,000, while the shipments have reached \$4,273,000. Adding the Sub-Treasury and Federal Reserve operations and the gold imports, which together occasioned a loss of \$65,032,000, 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 \$61,111,000, as follows:

Week ending July 30.	Into Banks.	Out of Banks.	Net Change in Bank Holdings.
Banks' interior movement.....	\$8,194,000	\$4,273,000	Gain \$3,921,000
Sub-Treasury and Federal Reserve operations and gold imports.....	13,295,000	78,327,000	Loss 65,032,000
Total.....	\$21,489,000	\$82,600,000	Loss \$61,111,000

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

Banks of—	July 29 1920.			July 31 1919.		
	Go'd.	Silver.	Total.	Gold.	Silver.	Total.
England	£ 123,234,383	£ —	£ 123,234,383	£ 88,414,829	£ —	£ 88,414,829
France a	144,435,862	9,880,000	154,315,862	143,551,899	11,960,000	155,511,899
Germany	54,581,600	216,500	54,798,100	55,467,400	988,950	56,456,350
Aus-Hun..	10,944,000	2,369,000	13,313,000	10,927,000	2,383,000	13,310,000
Spain	98,101,000	24,332,000	122,433,000	91,612,000	25,992,000	117,604,000
Italy	32,191,000	2,999,000	35,190,000	32,365,000	2,973,000	35,338,000
Netherl'ds	53,028,000	1,226,000	54,254,000	54,284,000	553,000	54,837,000
Nat.Bel..	10,659,000	1,055,000	11,714,000	10,642,000	1,175,000	11,817,000
Switz'land	21,525,000	3,566,000	25,091,000	18,708,000	2,758,000	21,466,000
Sweden	14,513,000	—	14,513,000	16,046,000	—	16,046,000
Denmark	12,668,000	147,000	12,815,000	10,432,000	143,000	10,575,000
Norway	8,120,000	—	8,120,000	8,174,000	—	8,174,000
Total week	584,000,845	45,790,500	629,791,345	540,624,128	48,925,950	589,550,078
Prev. week	583,559,697	45,640,600	629,200,297	540,645,404	48,933,800	589,579,204

a Gold holdings of the Bank of France this year are exclusive of £77,131,137 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.

GOVERNOR COOLIDGE'S SPEECH OF
ACCEPTANCE.

We cannot recall any Presidential campaign in which the attitude and utterances of Vice-Presidential candidates have excited the interest and attention which have been surrounding them since the present year's nominations. That the action of the conventions in selecting the second names on the Republican and Democratic tickets was taken with an unusually careful view to political qualifications, was manifest enough. It is true that, both at Chicago and at San Francisco, the vote on the Vice-Presidential candidate was cast in the late hours of a weary convention, after prolonged deadlock on the Presidential candidacy and when the delegates were anxious to go home. Both Governor Coolidge and Mr. Franklin Roosevelt were named virtually by acclamation—a fact which of itself would ordinarily have meant the nomination either of a candidate who had achieved personal popularity with the delegates, as in the selection of James S. Sherman in 1908; or because he came from a politically strategic State, as with Mr. Marshall in 1912; or because he represented a political leader or a political faction which had been defeated in its own effort to name the Presidential candidate, as with Mr. Arthur in 1880.

None of these methods of choice favored the naming for the Vice-Presidency of a candidate who would measure up to Presidential responsibilities, in case that office were to devolve upon him. As a matter of fact, it long ago became a tradition of political conventions that the Vice-Presidential nomination was not much more than an empty compliment; that the public man who accepted it was almost certain to be politically shelved thereafter, and that therefore the result to be expected in the convention's choice was the naming of a statesman of respectable but admittedly second-rate qualifications. Very rarely was the Vice-President selected even from prominent aspirants for the Presidential candidacy. The nomination of Theodore Roosevelt as McKinley's running mate in 1900 was one of rare exception to this rule; but people will remember how Mr. Roosevelt himself resisted the efforts of the party leaders to induce him to stand for the nomination—believing that this pressure was part of a plan by his political antagonists to remove him from active politics.

For whatever reason—possibly because of a feeling that, in default of a well-known statesman at the head of the ticket, it would be wise to strengthen the campaign by a useful candidate for the second place—this year's two conventions acted on a different theory. One of the effects of this action was soon disclosed by Senator Harding's announcement that he proposed, if elected, to give the Vice-President a place in the Cabinet consultations. That has been tried before, notably in Mr. McKinley's effort to bring Vice-President Hobart into a share of the responsibility for the decisions of his first administration. The experiment never accomplished much, but possibly because the Vice-Presidents on such occasions were not important statesmen. There might be considerably more chance of real results in a similar experiment under the present conditions. In any case, the changing attitude of the public toward the Vice-Presidential nominee has been clearly indicated this week by its reception of Governor Coolidge's speech of acceptance.

The Massachusetts Governor is the kind of individual that used to be described in New England as a "character." He is reserved, sometimes apparently shy in speech and manner, homely in dress and habits, and unconventional in both private and public relations. Half a century ago he would have been described as a typical product of the New England town meeting. But underneath this exterior—nowadays unusual for an American public man—there undoubtedly lies an unusual store of political acumen and of plain common sense. His political career has been remarkable for the achievement of a State-wide popularity which was in no respect dependent on the arts and graces, yet which attracted to him not only the confidence of the voters but the good will even of politicians of the opposite faith.

He is not, we believe, at all an orator in the sense of an imposing and impressive speaker; yet his public speeches have been widely read, reprinted in book form, and greatly admired even outside of his own constituency. All of these qualities were displayed in his speech of acceptance, delivered at Northampton last Tuesday to a great audience of visitors from New England and elsewhere, and with the town decorated as if for the visit of the President himself on a great occasion. We doubt if that demonstration has been exactly parallel with any Vice-Presidential nominee since the convention system was established.

Governor Coolidge's speech was eminently practical, free from the rather familiar and rather transparent political evasions and ambiguities, and directed from first to last to the homely principles underlying good government and considered in the light of the present situation. Of the League of Nations issue he speaks frankly. His party, he declares, "approves the principle of agreement among nations to preserve the peace and pledges itself to the making of such an agreement, preserving American independence and rights, as will meet every duty America owes to humanity. This language is purposely broad, not exclusive but inclusive." But he demands modification of the League of Nations plan as submitted by Mr. Wilson. What he insists on is a return to full recognition of the fact that "the three co-ordinate branches—executive, legislative, judicial—are separate and distinct, and neither one directly or indirectly exercises any of the functions of either of the others." War powers were necessarily delegated to the Administration in war time; but these are and must be temporary expedients," and "the chief task that lies before us is to repossess the people of their government and their property."

But there is an equally grave duty:

"No one in public life can be oblivious to the organized efforts to undermine the faith of our people in their Government, foment discord, aggravate industrial strife, stifle production and ultimately stir up revolution. These efforts are a great public menace, not through danger of success, but through the great amount of harm they can do if ignored. The first duty for the Government is to repress them, punishing willful violations of law, turning the full light of publicity on all abuses of the right of assembly and of free speech, and it is the first duty of the public and press to expose false doctrines and answer seditious arguments."

Governor Coolidge speaks with sound sense regarding the cost of living. "The mounting prices of all sorts of commodities," he declares, "have put a well-nigh unbearable burden on every citizen."

The problem must be and can be met. It should be handled first by reducing government extravagance, then by revising taxation, then by punishing willful profiteering—or which, however, he remarks that “it is idle to look to such action for relief,” because such people “profit by scarcity but do not cause it.” More particularly: “Diminishing resources warn us of the necessity of conservation. The public domain is the property of the public. It is held in trust for present and future generations. The material resources of our country are great, very great, but they are not inexhaustible.”

These resources must be thoroughly safeguarded by law, but without imposing such conditions on their use as will prevent their proper development by private capital. On this point the Governor is emphatic. Back of all these considerations, however, stands the extravagance of the people themselves—an extravagance not only morally bad in itself, but sure “to withdraw needed capital and labor from essential industries, greatly increasing the public distress and unrest.” The welfare of the Government and the country depends on private thrift, character, self-sacrifice and recognition of sound principles. With these, and not without them, “America will live in security, rejoicing in an abundant prosperity and good government at home, and in peace, respect and confidence abroad.”

The speech by this Vice-Presidential candidate seems to us well worthy of reading and pondering by the American citizenship, high and low. It was full time that the attention of our people should be directed to something else than verbal fencing over the merits of disputed political issues to which neither party wishes to commit itself irrevocably, or extravagant ideas in the way of creating new conditions through the ignoring of the teachings of our history and the principles of human nature.

THE DESERT BLOSSOMING—FRANCE BENEFITING.

In these days when “news” seems to consist chiefly of bad news, anything encouraging in respect to the world’s restoration is peculiarly welcome, and therefore a recent favorable report of agricultural prospects in France deserves distinct mention. It is not very long (hardly many months) since there was a doleful story that some French engineers, not named but presumably competent to speak, had pronounced large sections of the devastated regions of northern France almost hopelessly ruined; the upheaval, said these men, was so deep and complete that the soil itself was gone; there was nothing within human power to be done, and it would be necessary to wait the slow work of Nature through probably a half-century or more. There had been still earlier reports of tree surgery along roads where the Germans had deliberately sought to kill both fruit and shade trees, the restorative treatment being so successful that the trees were blooming again, this story of the soil was depressing enough; but now comes an observer who declares that the Germans unintentionally turned sterile into fine agricultural land.

Speaking to the American committee for restoration of France, of which Miss Anne Morgan is head, Mr. H. B. Fullerton told his personal observations, at a meeting here on July 13. When he went to France, more than two months ago, he said, he was of the belief that the French agriculturists were mis-

taken in deciding that the devastated areas must be given over as hopeless; he felt this, because of his own experience with dynamite on Long Island, when he had found the subsoil fertile. It is an old maxim, he said, that subsoil cannot be productive, and upon this premise the French Government had condemned large areas of what was once the most productive part of France. With Miss Morgan and representatives of the French Government, he visited one of the worst spots in the Aisne war zone, “Red Monkey Plateau,” which had been taken and retaken 18 times; not even a trace of cellar wall remained to indicate where a village had been, and the soil was overturned from two to five feet. But let the observer relate for himself what else he saw, where this artificial earthquake had operated:

“At the foot of the hill, the French experts were still maintaining that nothing could grow there. When we reached the top we found ourselves wading through the richest red clover I have ever seen. The leaves were as big as silver dollars. Alfalfa covered the deepest holes.

“I will say this for the French: they were prompt to admit their error. Within two days the order condemning this territory was revoked, and 4,000 people returned to their homes in one day. It appears that the plowing done by the shells brought to the surface the deep soil which contains valuable materials of which the top soil, used for generations, had been depleted. Riding through France, one can trace the lines of the trenches, now filled in and planted, by the richer, darker green of the wheat growing in the deep-plowed soil.”

Now, if this observer were a banker, a member of the Red Cross, or a traveler for either pleasure or business, a doubt of the thoroughness or the competency of his investigation might remain; some superficial appearances might have appealed to his optimism. But Mr. H. B. Fullerton was once a cyclist and an amateur photographer, and when the Long Island RR. came under control of the Pennsylvania the late William H. Baldwin, Jr., of the former road, decided that Long Island needed to be “discovered,” and he set Mr. Fullerton at showing its scenic and residential attractiveness. Having an agricultural bent and agricultural experience, Mr. Fullerton enlarged his work. He purposely selected, at a place in the interior, several acres of the most unpromising land to be found, where little except scrub had grown or apparently would grow, and he went at it, with his wife, equally enthusiastic, as a valuable aid. They tackled the problem, and solved it, by a vegetable product of astonishing fecundity and size, and Mr. Fullerton has averred that Long Island, underlaid with fertility and abounding in water courses below, will grow almost anything not absolutely tropical. The reader who will turn back to the “Chronicle” of June 10 1911, page 1526, will find a brief reference to his work; for example, he said there were few potato-growers on the island who did not get 150 to 200 bushels per acre in a season, 300 bushels were a common yield, and 400 was “occasional.” Mr. Fullerton did more than talk production, he accomplished it; possibly his “market baskets” are not forgotten by those who saw them or ate their contents.

As for dynamiting, the reader who cares to turn to the “Chronicle” of Dec. 2 of 1911, page 1503, can find some account of dynamiting on the farm, taken from an illustrated pamphlet of 112 pages on that subject, issued by the Pennsylvania. Somebody had the happy thought that stumps might be loosened

for removal by explosives, and trial showed the best way was to let the explosive lift the stump completely out, shattering it to fragments as well. People did so, and then found that cellars for houses and barns could be best "dug" by judicious handling of dynamite, and that this sudden agent is excellent for making ditches, holes for fence-posts, cutting rock when rock is encountered in sinking for wells, etc. Three men, with 250 pounds of this explosive, can "dig" 1,000 feet of ditch in three days; and as for getting through hardpan and planting trees it is exactly the best servitor. Readers who can conveniently refer to this sketch of the Pennsylvania's pamphlet may find it encouraging; what was true in 1911 is true now.

"The desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose;" so declared the prophet Isaiah. There are several chapters in that old prophetic roll which any of us can read with interest and even with profit in these times which try men's souls and half shake their faith. And is it not remarkable if, when the Germans were incidentally, as they supposed, making France a desert, they were really doing deep plowing for her with their high explosives?

ORGANIZATION FOR COTTON GROWING AND OTHER AGRICULTURE.

Speaking to the Cotton Manufacturers' Association of North Carolina, at Asheville, about a month ago, Theodore H. Price, editor of "Commerce and Finance," in an address entitled "From Fig Leaves to Foulards," said some timely things concerning the prospects of cotton and other soil products as menaced by the trend of population to the town, and made one suggestion which deserves very thoughtful consideration. He cited some of the increasing uses of cotton which now go farther than formerly to bear out the assertion of its industrial kingship, saying that "even the paper money we are now spending so lavishly is made of cotton mixed with silk." This country is now consuming, he said, about 7 million bales a year, which is at the rate of 35 lbs. per capita, and if the world's population (estimated at about 1,600 millions) consumed as much cotton as we do here they would need 112 million bales of 500 lbs. each, whereas the annual crop is now under 20 million bales, and the total appears to be decreasing rather than increasing.

This tendency he presented for serious consideration. The law of supply and demand does not operate correctively enough. Sixteen years ago, this country produced more cotton than it will in this present season, although in the term the price has risen from under 10 to over 40 cents a pound; until the last decade a price above 12 cents seemed to be increasing production, but it has not been doing so of late.

Mr. Price cannot believe cotton is not profitable at 40 cents, or that other agricultural crops yield a preferential profit. The Agricultural Department lately issued an exhaustive study showing that in 1918 the cost of growing ranged from 8 cents to \$1 07 per lb., averaging 23 cents; so "the trouble seems to be social rather than economic."

Most of the whites and the negroes who formerly lived in the country and worked on the land are leaving or have left; they have gone into the towns and will not return. The census figures indicate a large increase in urban population in the South, but Mr. Price doubts that the rural will show much gain.

In part, the industrial development, expressed in cotton mills and other manufacturing establishments, is responsible for this, but mainly it is the lure of city life.

It is of interest to note that, even more than ten years ago, the "Chronicle" made editorial references to complaints over the increasing cost of food, which seems to have been attributable to the drift from agricultural districts. "The abandoned farms of New England" have sometimes been mentioned, and the traveler over country roads, in some parts of Massachusetts and New Hampshire, even in the early years of this century, could see pathetic examples of deserted and crumbling farmhouses. The special industrial demands of the war, with its great bounds in wage, accelerated the movement city-ward of whose effects we have now a full fruition; for although there has been little new building there is more housing accommodation, here in New York, for example, than there was five years ago, and so the housing spasm means an abnormal drain hither.

Sometimes "the lure of the land," which is a very pretty expression, is spoken of, and "back to the farm" is certainly an excellent slogan. But who is to go back, and how shall people be made to do it? If they continue leaving the soil for the paved street not even shooting a hundred alleged profiteers in food every week could keep its cost from indefinitely rising. It is somebody's duty to grow food for the world, but whose? Mr. Price frankly told his audience that he suspects most of them were born on farms and probably in log cabins, yet that no power on earth could get them to touch the hoe or the plow or a cotton plant, and he confessed that while he talks and writes much about back-to-the-farm he does not "expect to lead it or follow it." Except as to "gentleman" farming or the possible notion of smelling fresh earth again when we retire because of age, this is about as we all feel, is it not?

What then? Mr. Price believes that if something effective is not done the spinners in this country and Europe will be out of raw material within the next eight or ten years. He also believes (and here comes his remedial proposition) that since men and women will not stay on the farm the farm must (in a certain effective sense) be brought to them, doing this by "the very same methods you have applied so successfully in the development of your mills." It is by another turn of the co-operative idea, doing for work on the land what is already done as to work in the factory. Said Mr. Price:

"Why should not a group of cotton spinners get together and organize a cotton plantation just as you organize a mill, with a plantation village instead of a mill village, in which the farm laborers and their families should be provided with the comforts and amusements that other city dwellers enjoy and from which the workers could be taken out each morning in automobile vans to the fields, where they would be expected to work intensively, but no longer than your factory hands work? For overtime, when it was necessary, they should be paid at the same rate that their co-laborers in the city receive."

Folks like to be where folks are, and the gregarious desire is as rooted in human as in animal nature. The rural free delivery, the telephone, the automobile, the "lyceum," and other means of spiritual satisfaction and recuperation have done much to remove the isolation which must have been the primary cause of the comparatively large ratio of in-

sanity among farmers' wives, so far as the figures which used to be cited to show that unhappy condition were trustworthy. Yet not enough has been done yet. "Intensive" cultivation is a prime requisite, for only by that and by the increased use of machinery can human labor be lightened without diminishing results. Mr. Price is correct in saying that if scientific methods, the latest labor-saving machinery, and efficiency through intelligent organization cannot make agriculture profitable then our industrial system itself must fail, "for there will not be enough raw material to keep it going or enough food to feed those whose labor is required to sustain it."

The key-word is "organization," clearly. There is no mechanical difficulty in the proposed moving of workers to and from the cotton field, and that could even be done by a light railroad, operated by the gasoline motor. The plan would agree with human as well as with mechanical nature, for workers who are taken from town and back would as soon work without as within, so long as being "together" is satisfied. The idea seems to the "Chronicle" both fertile and timely, and it is applicable to food-growing as well as to any other. It proposes a change of method to meet and fit other changes which no push of statute and no admonitory remonstrance and urging can possibly reverse.

MR. GOMPERS AND THE RAILROAD WAGE INCREASE.

As was expected, the railway employees accept the wage award sullenly, retaining their pose of injured yielding, but Mr. Gompers has volunteered to speak publicly for them. They are disappointed, he says, and rightfully, with what he calls "a sop" thrown to each one; collectively they may feel bound to accept it, "but the whole theory of the Esch-Cummins act is an indictment against it." With his customary inaccuracy of statement, he declares that "the railway executives have the guarantee of the Government that a 6% dividend will be supplied by the Government if it cannot be earned by the roads." If this were correct it would remain immovably sure that whatever is "supplied by the Government" must first have been supplied by the people; this is true of the 100-million shortage for April (about one-fourth of it deficit in operating income and the remainder being the guarantee) and it will continue true. In the last pre-war year the railway operating revenues were some 3,125 millions and the operating expenses some 2,169 millions; in the last year before the taking over, the total operating expenses did not exceed three billions, but before this last wage award the payrolls alone were estimated at over three billions. And neither permanence nor satisfaction as to wages can be reasonably deemed more attainable now, by feeding the discontent in yielding to it, than before.

Mr. Gompers views the world with only a single eye, and does not even keep that fully open; so he does not note that the wage award is retroactive by several months, while the increased rates are not yet announced and will not be retroactive at all. He does see, however, that the people must pay, and he flippantly dismisses this part of the subject by remarking that "the situation need not cause them, [the railway executives] any particular worry, the only question being one of how to best extract the required amount from the public." It is something

to see and admit so much as this, especially if the injured and dissatisfied employees also perceive that they are a part of the public, and the question of how to "best" take it out of the public is indeed a difficult one. The executives are not so indifferent about it as Mr. Gompers intimates. He indulges in contemptuous flings at them, saying that "this whole clamor and speculation is an evidence of the intellectual bankruptcy of railroad statesmanship and of railroad operating genius . . . if operating brains are put to work the solution of the railroad problem will be found."

Shall we ascribe to intellectual bankruptcy in management the fact that (including this latest award) the payroll alone is a third more than the total operating revenues of the last pre-war year and not far from double the total operating expenses of that year? After having starved the roads, through a number of years, by forcing up their expenses (large in payrolls) and refusing to allow them to adjust their charges to their outgoes, as every other business does and must do, government took the properties from their owners, as an exercise of emergency powers. Not an ounce of physical efficiency was added thereby, merely a tangle of priority orders being cut, which could have been as well done otherwise; politicians displaced practical men, and the first act of the former was to fling another "sop" to employees who had been having periodical increases, year after year. Then, grudgingly and with great difficulty, and only because public opinion clearly appeared to demand it, the properties were returned, under an act marred by defects and compromises though the best which could be obtained—returned in a condition of combined physical and financial exhaustion which positively must be made good, somehow and by whatever sacrifice, at the cost of the whole American people (in which cost the whole world cannot escape some participation) because the alternative to this burden is a national paralysis. The way of practical wisdom is to see and profit by the blunders of the past, not to stand and bemoan them; but a better-informed and a wiser critic than Mr. Gompers must give judgment before the railroad men of to-day will stand condemned for intellectual bankruptcy.

He thinks it has apparently not occurred to either the Government or the roads "that it might be possible to increase railroad operating efficiency to a point that would eliminate the extra cost," and he ventures to say that "it is possible to so increase the operating efficiency of the railroads as to not only afford a proper wage to the workers but also to allow a proper return to the railroad investor." He would like more efficiency, and so would all of us who do not hold union cards. It was lately announced that the railway executives have resolved upon measures for getting increased service out of present rolling-stock, and that the Pennsylvania is about to lay off on its eastern division some 12,000 men (about 10%) as not needed, the callous remark being added that men will be expected to really work and earn their pay. There was a further intimation that the payrolls as well as wage rates were needlessly enlarged under Government control. To stuff the payrolls is characteristic of Government, and if this occurred in one road it was doubtless applied to others. Who can accurately estimate how much burden could be lopped off by carrying fewer men and getting more out of the remainder?

This will seem to Mr. Gompers a further evidence of intellectual bankruptcy, since organized labor has for many years adhered to the delusion that the amount of work to be done in the world is a fixed quantity, so that, in order to support the largest number of workers, the product of each must be held down. The number of mouths to be fed and bodies to be clothed is expected to increase; so, in the distribution of necessities, the divisor keeps growing larger. The total divisible (dividend) should therefore increase; but organized labor persists in seeking to hold it down, and then grumbles at the smallness of the quotient, its continual effort being to see that each holder of a union card shall produce as little as possible, the enormous waste of material and of time being added to round up the whole destructive process.

Reason seems unable to teach where ordinary sense is lacking, and the hard school of experience must be the corrective. All of us have some need of that school, and it is a wholesome first step that even the railway employees are beginning to see that the burden they impose must fall upon the whole consuming public, although they still imagine they can somehow escape their fair share of it.

POPULARIZING THE BANK.

Though it may not appear so upon the surface, conditions are conspiring to bring an increased test of the public services of the bank. Not so much the services of the bank to the community as a whole but to the community of individuals with new wants and needs occasioned by a changed commerce and a newly created finance. Huge bank consolidations in the large cities of the country some aver are due to a desire for strength to meet any future demands. It is to be noted, however, that in these cities there is at the same time a marked tendency by means of these consolidations to provide branches and get closer to the people. Unless we are mistaken, this tendency must have for its motive not only increase of business but a closer intimacy and a more direct and efficient service between bank and depositors and there is reason for this on both sides of the case.

The inestimable services of large banking institutions to individuals of all classes, free of charge, during the war, must have brought to tens of thousands of citizens locally tributary to the large bank a knowledge of its, shall we say, "democracy" never before obtained. It must have made innumerable friends for the bank. With the thoughtful it must have removed much of a lingering feeling of austerity and aloofness to the common man and the common interests. It must have done much to awaken a sense of the co-operative nature of banking. The war bond work performed by huge banks for the people at large could only result in arousing the good will of all irrespective of station. It many have had its origin, probably did, in a sincere desire to serve the country rather than the individual, but the result must have been the same. This result must be regarded as an advantage and at the same time a responsibility.

It will not be possible, and it should not be possible, to give the same "attention" to the small customer as to the large in a great financial institution in a populous city. Besides, there are classes of banks to be reckoned with, also trust companies and savings institutions making their own peculiar appeal to the

small depositor. But it is safe to say that the all-round commercial bank, national or State, is a more "popular" institution in the city than it ever was before. That it will ever bear the same relation to its vicinage and possible patrons the "country bank" has to its community and customers is not likely, and in some respects is not desirable. For the institution with millions of capital and still more millions of resources cannot have the close knowledge of the individual possessed by the country bank, and must not only be more rigid in its rules, but more systematic in its operation. Nevertheless it has earned for itself, as we believe, a new regard which is of great value and which should be preserved over against the time when certain forms of popular agitation are directed against it, as they almost certainly will be at some time in the future.

There never was a time in the history of banking, or of any bank, when service was not the basis of its success, and, whether rightly or wrongly, since "the people" are everywhere asking for "more," wisdom would dictate that an increased service (that is independent of station or financial worth) should not be abandoned or diminished. Of course we speak of the spirit without reference to details or particular designations. And yet it might be said here that rigidity of "clearing-house" rule as to the seemingly insignificant items of personal service, while protection against unjust demands or expectations, *may* by a certain relaxation afford opportunity to the individual bank to build its career more freely on the kind and amount of service it is willing to give.

The Federal Reserve banks occupy a peculiar position, bear the stamp of Government institutions, and in consequence their work takes on a partial aspect of service to the people. And in their war-bond exchange departments they literally serve persons in their private capacity by the millions. This will not continue on the present ratio indefinitely, but it will not disappear. And it is an index and a criterion to the new need of keeping the bank close to the people if they are to escape the growing injustices contained in many political and economic theories of the times.

The nature of these services and the existence of this condition (passing now from the suggestion obtained from the Federal Reserve banks) would constitute an argument, if our surmises are correct, against the extension of branch banking or its adoption as a banking policy for the country. By subtle rather swift changes we seem to be establishing (outside savings banks) a sort of universal departmental bank. One thing seems imperative, if this form of bank is to persist, and service is to be preserved in essence, the customer known in one department must in some degree be known to all. Nationals may undertake limited trusts, and trust companies may do a modified banking business almost approaching the commercial. State banks under certain conditions can become quasi parts of the Federal Reserve system. These changes may be for the better or worse, but they indicate a breaking down of distinct cleavages, in a way a return to more primitive relations of bank and customer, and if they are not sustained by an increase of service by the bank to the customer—the banks will yet have to meet and overcome that vague demand for the popularization of credit now heard in certain quarters that now welcome Government ownership.

We do not undertake to apply these observations to any of the current questions such as interest rates,

par clearance of checks, the relation of all-around banks to industrial securities, or to the extension of branch banking. We merely point out what seems a tendency, and which if it be existent carries with it a responsibility. The typical bank in the United States, if true, to its purposes and powers, has nothing to fear. It is its own exemplar, its own publicity agent. But size gives it no immunity over service. It is an institution of the people and for the people, and can inaugurate and extend its own educational processes with a consciousness it does nothing in vain, nothing that militates against its growth and success when by its appointments, helpfulness, and system, it enlarges its services to the community, through the individuals it makes its loyal friends.

STEEPLE-JACKS AND WORLD CIVILIZERS.

The steeple-jack was at the very top of the spire of St. Paul's. This church edifice is said by some to be the oldest important public building in New York City. We do not know. We have made no historical investigations. And history is not always to be trusted. But it is very old, its massive columns are dark with the weather stains of many years, and its gravestones are crumbling into dust. No doubt the church spire needed repairs, needed refurnishing of some sort, restoration. Not reconstruction, however, in the modern sense of making it something more progressive, but just what it was in the olden days when religion, perchance, had more room to breathe and to aspire in this section than it has now. Religion, it occurred to us in our idle, aimless watching and musing, has a way of being primitive, almost reactionary, despite its modern advances.

So, we surmised, the steeple-jack was doing a very useful work. And one not possible to every man. Perhaps not one in ten thousand of the myriads thronging the streets below was capable of restoring this steeple of old St. Paul's. From the ground the man looked very small, and his position perilous. Small groups here and there were watching him, fascinated. But thousands upon thousands gave him only a passing glance. For it was at the hour of noon in the "financial district" round about. The swarming masses filled the sidewalks and overflowed into the streets. All "civilization" was out for its lunch. There were many men of many minds, characters, purposes. Some with millions of money, others with none and even negligible dollars. There were serious business women, and multitudes of girl stenographers not so serious. Some of the latter, having consumed what passes for a midday meal, were sauntering along, imparting confidences, using all the allotted time, and incidentally making it harder for pedestrians who have somewhere to go to move along in a place where there is hardly room for the feet. There were bank clerks, important and eager; office men, on whose faces sat the changelessness of all things having to do with accounts; perhaps one man in a thousand was working for himself. All races were there; all tongues were spoken; all sorts and conditions were there—for round about were the great power houses of America's commercial and financial industries and enterprises, and but a few blocks away were mighty ships that set sail for the ports of the "wide, wide world." Yet, we confessed to ourself, in our interested and somewhat vague musing, a certain respect for the man on top the steeple working calmly, carefully, methodically at his useful task. Of course old St. Paul's is an ana-

chronism, but what of that? Sentiment clings to us in spite of our narrowing world and new missions.

The church does occupy very valuable ground and one can worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience up town or in forest aisles, if one will. And of all these passing myriads bent upon tasks that more or less connect with the stock ticker not one paused to drop a tear where, as Oliver Wendell Holmes so tenderly said in that little poem, "The Last Leaf," "the mossy marbles rest on the lips that he has pressed." Still it is well to keep some of the old things in the midst of the new, if only to remind us of what we once were. And, did we not just say it, true religion is much the same in essence in all ages among all peoples. Not even wars destroy it, though they may give rise to new church movements, after the fact, whose exchequers do not seem to run full as a spring freshet. Anyhow, though we saw the ropes and ladders we wondered how the steeple-jack got up there so high above the world, and were content to remain on the ground, with all "civilization" jostling us in a most unceremonious and self-centred manner.

But time, though not so pressing, still had its claim upon us. Our glance wavered, and as we turned away, lo and behold, only a block or so distant, glowing white in the sunlight, stood the Woolworth Building—superb and supreme. Involuntarily, we turned again to the steeple-jack,—and his elevation looked very small, almost insignificant, in the presence of the tower of this tall office building, commanding the sinuous windings of the very sea that surrounds, well let us claim it is, the largest port of the world! And then we wondered, for no reason perhaps, were these two buildings symbols—one the "outworn shell" of an old life, the other the energy, aspiration, accomplishment, of the new? We could not tell, looking upward, just what the steeple-jack was doing—but one thing was evident, he was not trying to build it higher, to make St. Paul's into another Woolworth. His art was the art preservative. He was not awed by the towering majesty of the famous modern structure so near at hand, he was content to repair and restore the old—in which, and around, cluster old memories and associations of decades long forgotten; of times when there was room to live and to be, and to watch the morn and evening with quiet and joy; when there were no "housing problems," no subway rush hours, and, they do say, no profiteers; when by invisible routes no voice was wirelessly to listening ear, no roar of 'plane propeller desolated the "quiet skies," and when the evil necromancy of the latest war imagined no coming conflict terrible with the incredible roar of innumerable cannon beating their eight million death-harvest upon the records of destiny. Time past has much to answer for—but what of progress?

Has St. Paul's still a place in human life as well as the Woolworth symbolism? And are we really so submerged in the majesty of the new era that we are willing to forget utterly the old? What futile sentiment this, that would restore an ancient spire, and preserve, in the midst of national missions, this relic of religion of a day that is past? New York City—the world in miniature!—Civilization, in example,—seething, turbulent, grovelling and mounting, doing and dreaming, building and destroying—ever moving like the rolling currents of the river to the ocean of eternity! Are we to spurn the paths we have

passed over, the ways we have come, we who boast of prowess and progress and who ply our ideals in the thin air of the heights above and beyond? To love and to labor, to greet the new with gladness, and clasp the old with regard, to see in the furrowed cheek of age the solicitude of parental affection while we smile down into the faces of children, are these merely lethargies of apathy and indifference to those who love their kind and would do good unto others?

How can civilization preserve itself that will take no note of its past; that will not count its components; that refuses to recognize that the newly liberated voter *may* be a vapid matinee-devotee as well as a competent, serious woman; that will not admit that ideals shrink in crystallization into concrete ideas and accomplishments; that will not acknowledge that for all the devices of super-governments wars will persist as long as the human heart hates and covets and breaks its own commandments; that will not rest in the fact that a State by its *own virtues* may draw all the world to it, though it cannot command obeisance even by peacefully forcing its spirit upon others equally free, equally self-willed? If St. Paul's is a symbol of humble and reverential good in the lower walks and ancient ways of life, is there any magic of thought or power that will lift it up to the utilitarian elegance and arrogance of Woolworth's? Can this heralded, vaunted, vain-glorious progress, build for the future save upon the foundations of the past, the safe and sane life that has succored man in adversity and sustained him in prosperity, that has been "contented with little and canty with mair," while the noble fabric of the state, the generous environment of civilization, the welcome "advance" we revere and would not part with, has grown from more to more by the slow accretion of the toiling earnest and honest years?

"Civilization"—what is it, but that which we are now? Can it be advanced without being preserved? Is it something to be found in the "dawn of to-morrow" and not existent in the "twilight of yesterday?" Can politics or economics, like a magician's wand, change in the twinkling of an eye, all that has been into all that will be? Homely as it is, must we not live in the old house until the new one is roofed? Who can jump civilization out of its boots, by a mere phrase, into the "dawn of to-morrow," when to-morrows never come, but ever are to be? It is said that we could not have progressed without the heart as well as the brain, which is true. We must love as well as labor. It is said that women will put added heart element into "civilization" by the vote. We believe this—but the exercise of suffrage is yet to prove it. But what can a "destiny" be which has no past, no background, no foundation, save it be still a vague and unrealized dream?

If forsooth "civilization" were to remain stationary, would that mean the destruction of all its physical accomplishments, its functioning institutions, and its multiple good? Why is not politics but a passing wave upon its surface? And did politics ever change anything that was not already changed in the minds and hearts of the people—where a people is free? What does he mean who says: "My campaign will be dedicated to the task of bringing peace with honor, of *readjusting the affairs of civilization*, and of creating a new day out of which we will make the best of the lessons of the past." If the

world ever has peace will not that peace exist in honor? If the "affairs of civilization" are ever "re-adjusted," will a nation without a past and unconscious of the present have part therein? And how infinite is the task? As well expect the running wavelet to obliterate the shore as a political campaign in the United States to "readjust" . . . "the affairs of civilization!" And who can *create* the "new day" one "to-morrow" in all the earth?

To-morrows are born of to-days; and he who loves to-morrow for what it may be will look well after to-day. Yes, even the steeple-jack knows his task and does it—he is not an Indian necromancer who grows a mango tree out of nothing, or throws a rope into the sky and climbs the rope until he disappears from view. There are not many steeple-jacks—but they never climb the spires of to-morrow. Even the dead who wrought (we often say better than they knew) are entitled to our respect and veneration. He who would so quickly forsake the old, will have no guide on his flight to the new. And besides, even the thoughtless on lower Broadway do not despise or decry the dead who were good enough to erect St. Paul's!

FOREIGN TRADE OF UNITED STATES 1919-20.

A volume of trade on both the export and import sides of the account, covering a value greater than ever before recorded for a twelve-month period in the history of the country, was the outcome of the foreign commerce of the United States in the fiscal year 1919-20, with a resultant heavy balance in our favor. But as the expansion in the imports in the late year was much heavier than in the exports, that balance shows considerable contraction as compared with the net credit built up in 1918-19, although nevertheless exceeding in amount the sum of our exports in any year down to, but not including, 1914-15.

It was to be expected that for a more or less extended time after cessation of hostilities in Europe demand upon us for supplies of various kinds, such as foodstuffs, reconstruction materials, raw products and some lines of manufactures would be so great that, even without the aid of inflated prices, our exports would continue much above what might be considered a normal level. But, it is quite safe to state that the most sanguine hardly looked for such a result in 1919-20 as is now disclosed. As the 928 million total of exports for June 1919 was taken to represent the zenith, for many years to come, in monthly aggregates, so was the 7,232 million aggregate for the fiscal year 1918-19 viewed as the apex in annual results. Instead of this latter turning out to be a correct assumption we now have a sum of 8,111 millions. A part of the 879 millions increase must, of course, be set down as due to higher prices.

In the six or seven months following the close of the war foodstuffs and a variety of other commodities, very essential under the conditions then existing in Europe, were rushed abroad with all speed and were most largely effective in building up the extremely large export total established in 1918-19. In the late fiscal year, however, foodstuffs with the exception of a few articles, and most of those of secondary importance, went out less freely, but greater shipments of raw materials such as cotton, leather, lumber, tobacco and various important manufactures, served with the assistance of higher prices, as very much more than an offsetting factor.

It thus follows that we are yet to witness the important shrinkage in our export totals that has been confidently predicted, though such an outcome is now believed not to be very far off.

We have intimated above that higher prices were an important factor in the further increase in our foreign exports in 1919-20, and for evidence to that effect we do not have to go very far, the advance in prices being phenomenally great when comparison is made with pre-war times. A striking example is raw cotton of which the quantitative outflow in 1912-13 was fully 22% greater than in 1919-20, but value now is heavier by over 150%. This instance is, of course, somewhat exceptional, but not as much so as one might be inclined to think, as in the case of such items as cotton cloth, starch, many articles of breadstuffs, bituminous coal, fruits quite generally, rosin, turpentine, sugar, leaf tobacco, lumber, wood pulp, upper leather and some minor commodities, prices now are three times or more those of 1912-13; the general run of iron and steel manufactures is about double, crude mineral oil and its refined products, fish, cottonseed cake, boots and shoes, butter, linseed cake, paper, hides, sole leather and paraffin are in the same category, and there are notable increases in the various meat products, cheese, and many articles of lesser prominence. We shall not attempt to make any extended calculations in order to determine what proportion of the 5,600 million dollars increase in exports in 1919-20 was due to higher prices, but bearing in mind the investigation made in reviewing the trade of 1918-19 and the appreciation in values since, it would seem to be safe to assume that very much the greater part is thus to be accounted for.

The augmentation of 879 million dollars by comparison with 1918-19, moreover, also finds explanation largely in the higher prices secured. Cotton exports for the fiscal year 1919-20 showed a quantitative gain of a little under 30% but the value of the shipments was greater than in 1918-19 by 60%; a decline in coffee on the one side of over 7% is accompanied on the other by a gain of 30%; canned salmon for the eleven months 13% under 18% over; paraffin oil 9% smaller and 32% above; butter nearly 20% less, value approximately the same. And many other articles could be named in the same category including several items in the wood schedule. While there are, of course, many cases of increases in both quantity and value they are as a rule much the heaviest in the latter. A few instances are: rice gain in quantity, 193%, value 300%; fertilizers 237 and 320; raisins 13 and 76; hops 323 and 683; leather 43 and 95; sugar 65 and 110; tobacco 13 and 60 &c. On the other hand, with the demand from abroad less urgent iron and steel manufactures, chemicals, copper and provisions have gone out on lower price bases than a year ago.

Breadstuffs shipments for the 12 months of 1919-20 reflecting a decrease in the outflow of wheat and flour, were 146 million dollars below those of 1918-19 and meat and dairy products show a drop of 385 millions. Cotton exports, however, rose in value about 508 millions and mineral oils, 82 millions. Other gains of more or less importance for the eleven months ended May 31 (the twelfth months' figures not being available) were in leaf tobacco, 95 millions; cotton manufactures, 120 millions; leather and manufactures, 131 millions; fruits, 52 millions; vegetable oils 44 millions; wood and manu-

factures, 62 millions; tobacco manufactures, 16 millions; sugar, 65 millions; automobiles and parts, 108 millions; cars for railways, 35 millions; coal, 50 millions; fertilizers, 23 millions; furs, 25 millions; wool manufacturers, 26 millions and in amount running from 3 to 20 millions in distilled spirits, confectionery, rubber tires, naval stores, oil cake, cattle, bicycles, cement, chemicals, electrical machinery, glucose, hides, paints, paraffin, fish, glass, eggs, photographic goods, corn starch, molasses, and malt. On the other hand, a considerable decrease is observable in the shipments of explosives, 94 millions; iron and steel manufactures, 100 millions, and smaller amounts in brass, horses, mules, lead, nickel, agricultural implements, aeroplanes, coke, twine, paper and vegetables.

Taking up specifically the part that higher prices have played in swelling the 1919-20 totals, we note that cotton cloth, already ruling very high in 1918-19, showed a further advance for the eleven months ended May 31 (the latest available complete details), having averaged 23.9c. per yard against 23.2c.; and a similar comparison for sugar is between 9c. per lb. and 7½c.; butter 57c. and 47c.; cheese, 33c. and 30c.; raw cotton, 40c. and 31.8c.; newsprint paper, 5.1c. and 4.3c.; tobacco, 42.3c. and 30.6c.; cottonseed cake, 35c. and 30c.; fertilizers, \$30 per ton and \$24; anthracite coal, \$8 50 and \$7; bituminous coal, \$5 40 and \$4 10; apples, \$9 10 per bbl. and \$7 64; rosin, \$18 80 and \$12 26; spirits turpentine, \$1 47 per gal. and 72½c.; calf upper leather, 75c. per sq. ft. and 55c.; kid, 64c. and 45c.; cattle, \$137 per head and \$44; all mineral oils higher and likewise barley, wheat, corn and rice. Copper, on the other hand, ruled lower, as was the case with meat products and several other important commodities. The value of the exports of the articles enumerated above and in addition, autos, flour, rye, railway cars, eggs, fish, cottonseed oil, prunes, raisins, hides and skins, sole leather, boots and shoes, hops, linseed cake, paraffin, distilled spirits, tobacco manufactures, and wood and manufactures for the eleven months, July 1 1919 to May 31 1920, was \$4,750,431,536 against \$3,731,323,598 for the like period of 1918-19, or an increase of \$1,019,107,938, but upon the basis of the prices prevailing in 1918-19 there would have been a gain of less than 700 million dollars. The total above for the eleven months of 1919-20 accounts for nearly 65% of the exports of domestic products for the period. Assuming a like relation between the latest year and the previous year for the remaining articles and for the missing month (June) it becomes evident that high prices accounted for an increase of about 650 million dollars in the latest fiscal year's exports, this following a gain of close to a billion dollars, due to the same cause, in 1918-19 over 1917-18. Stated in another way, upon an equal price basis the outflow of 1919-20 would record an augmentation of but about 230 million dollars instead of the 879 millions noted above, and the gain over 1917-18 would shrink from 2,192 millions to less than 550 millions.

The 1919-20 outward trade was, as heretofore, principally to Europe, and the most noteworthy gains, shown were in the shipments to Sweden, Norway, Denmark, the Netherlands, Greece, Germany, Austria and the lately created Poland, &c. But we have to note also that our trade made considerable progress in those directions where the war enabled us to get a better footing. For the eleven months

for which details are available it is to be pointed out that the shipments of goods to Germany rose from almost nil in 1918-19 to a value of 182½ million dollars; to Austria, Austria-Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Poland from 14 millions to 79 millions; to Denmark from 66 to 122 millions; to Greece from 20 to 47 millions; to the Netherlands from 74 to 237 millions; Norway 85 to 108 millions; Russia, 38 to 65 millions; Sweden, 59 to 120 millions; United Kingdom, 1852 to 2031 millions; Cuba, 209 to 353 millions; South America as a whole 357 to 444 millions; China, 76 to 114 millions, and Japan 296 to 418 millions. An augmentation in the aggregate exports to the East Indies from 93 to 127 millions is, moreover, to be noted, as well as expansion from 77 to 115 millions to Africa. Following the enormous drawing upon us for supplies in recent preceding years our exports to France fell off noticeably in 1919-20 and the same is true of Italy. It will be interesting to note the expansion of our trade with what may be called the newer or less cultivated markets in the last decade. In that period (1909-10 to 1919-20) the exports to South America rose from 93 million dollars to about 480 millions and the imports therefrom from 196 millions to 840 millions; to Asia the outward movement from 61 millions to 800 millions and the inward from 194 millions to 1,350 millions; Oceania from 51 to 190 millions and 37 to 155 millions and Africa 19 to 136 millions and 18 to 188 millions.

As indicating the changes in the foreign trade totals we append a compilation showing the imports, exports and balances of merchandise, month by month and quarter by quarter, and quarterly aggregates of gold and silver for the last two fiscal years:

FOREIGN TRADE MOVEMENT IN 1918-19 AND 1919-20.

	1918-19		1919-20	
	Exports	Imports	Exports	Imports
Mdse., July	\$507,467,769	\$241,877,758	\$568,687,515	\$343,746,070
August	527,013,916	273,052,914	606,054,425	307,293,078
September	550,395,994	261,668,644	595,214,266	435,448,747
Mdse., first quarter	\$1,584,877,679	\$776,549,316	\$1,809,956,206	\$1,086,487,895
Silver, first quarter	71,575,015	19,648,998	34,998,965	21,394,617
Gold, first quarter	12,760,971	6,762,560	5,998,411	5,808,612
Total first quarter	\$1,669,213,665	\$802,960,874	\$1,993,868,182	\$1,113,691,124
Mdse., October	\$501,860,550	\$246,764,906	\$631,618,449	\$401,845,150
November	522,236,594	251,008,037	740,013,585	424,810,242
December	565,886,112	210,886,517	681,415,919	380,710,323
Mdse., second quarter	\$1,589,983,256	\$708,659,460	\$2,053,948,033	\$1,207,365,745
Silver, second quarter	87,494,096	16,586,730	61,916,647	25,425,803
Gold, second quarter	6,806,052	5,156,140	142,263,725	20,280,401
Total, second quarter	\$1,684,283,404	\$730,402,330	\$2,257,228,405	\$1,253,012,009
Mdse., January	\$622,036,726	\$212,992,644	\$409,044,082	\$473,823,869
February	585,097,012	235,124,274	349,972,738	467,402,320
March	603,141,648	267,596,289	335,545,359	523,923,236
Mdse., third quarter	\$1,810,275,386	\$715,713,207	\$1,094,562,179	\$1,465,149,425
Silver, third quarter	75,821,902	20,530,694	54,431,366	30,729,253
Gold, third quarter	10,309,480	16,539,253	*6,229,773	33,476,133
Total, third quarter	\$1,896,406,768	\$752,783,154	\$1,143,623,614	\$1,529,354,796
Mdse., April	\$714,800,137	\$272,956,949	\$441,843,188	\$495,738,571
May	603,967,025	328,925,593	275,041,432	431,004,944
June	928,379,203	292,915,543	635,463,660	533,000,000
Mdse., fourth quarter	\$2,247,146,365	\$894,798,085	\$2,061,406,840	\$1,479,743,515
Silver, fourth quarter	66,283,537	22,058,844	27,690,282	25,349,788
Gold, fourth quarter	86,699,032	33,905,780	57,526,035	90,975,054
Total, fourth quarter	\$2,400,128,934	\$950,762,709	\$2,146,623,157	\$1,596,068,357
Mdse., year	\$7,232,282,686	\$3,095,720,068	\$4,136,562,618	\$8,111,176,131
Silver, year	301,174,550	78,825,266	222,349,284	102,899,506
Gold, year	116,575,535	62,363,733	54,211,802	150,540,200
Grand total, year	\$7,650,032,771	\$3,236,909,067	\$4,413,123,704	\$8,756,805,997
			\$5,492,186,286	\$3,264,619,711

* Excess of Imports.

The aggregate value of the merchandise exports for the fiscal year 1919-20 was \$8,111,176,131

against \$7,232,282,686 in 1918-19 and \$5,919,711,371 in 1917-18. Prior to the breaking out of the war in Europe the heaviest total was that of 1912-13, \$2,465,884,149. Here is an expansion of nearly 5½ billion dollars largely the result of inflated prices. The imports at \$5,238,746,580 in 1919-20 is also a high record, comparing with \$3,095,720,068 and \$2,945,655,403 respectively in 1918-19 and 1917-18. The balance of exports in the latest fiscal year was, therefore, less than in either of the three preceding years, \$2,872,429,551 contrasting with \$4,136,562,618 and \$2,974,055,968 and \$3,630,693,209 but vastly exceeding all earlier periods. The total foreign trade of the country, imports and exports combined, was in 1919-20 no less than \$13,349,922,711 against \$10,328,002,754 in 1918-19 and only 3302 millions a decade ago.

High prices were, of course, an important element also in swelling the values of the merchandise imports for the twelve months. Here, however, there was also great expansion in quantity. The increase in the sugar imports for the eleven months was 255 million dollars and of this 195 millions was traceable to the advance in price; of a gain in coffee of 157 millions some 83 millions was similarly accounted for; for raw silk the results were 227 millions and 152 millions respectively and hides 229 millions and 51 millions. Suffice it to say that gains in quantity were quite the rule throughout the list of commodities imported and with prices higher it is readily understandable why there should be such increases as 113 millions in India rubber, 117 millions in raw cotton, 72 millions in seeds, 71 millions in furs and furskins, 67 millions in diamonds and other precious stones, 65 millions in cotton manufactures, 56 millions in wood and manufactures, 54 millions in fruits and nuts, 55 millions in silk manufactures, 46 millions in oils and 40 millions in cocoa, in addition to the four mentioned further above. In fact, of the leading articles of import, only two or three register any decrease. As regards the countries from which our imports were drawn in 1919-20 the results for the eleven months indicate an increase of over 240% in the United Kingdom aggregate—from 138 millions to 474 millions—and a gain of 134% in the figures for the remainder of Europe, with France, Italy, Germany, the Netherlands and Switzerland the conspicuous beneficiaries. Wheat, furs, hides and wood pulp account in the main for the 56 million increase shown in the Canadian figures, sugar for the 220 millions increase in the imports from Cuba; hides and skins principally for the 94 millions from Argentina; coffee, the 141 millions from Brazil, and the same commodity for the augmentation of 24 millions and 15 millions in the figures for Colombia and Venezuela. A decrease in the inflow of copper from Chili was the principal item going to make up the drop of 37 millions in the imports therefrom as was the smaller movement of wool hitherward responsible for the falling off of 25 millions in the Australia-New Zealand total. We do not need to go beyond silk to find the main reason for the 212 million increase in the shipments from Japan to the United States, and the same explanation can be offered as regards China's 106 million increase. Rubber and hides cover the major portion of the gain of 123 millions from the East Indies, cotton the 81 millions from Egypt, while the decrease of 13 millions in the value of articles coming from the Philippines is found in sugar and manila hemp.

The gold movement of the twelve months, while much heavier than in either of the two preceding fiscal years, was decidedly less than in 1916-17, and netted a considerable loss to the United States. In each month from July 1919 to March 1920, inclusive, the outflow of the metal largely exceeded the inflow, so that the movement in our favor in the last quarter merely served moderately to reduce the export balance. In the final month of the fiscal year (June) the exports were the smallest since May of 1919, reaching only \$5,319,875 and going mainly to Mexico and the Far East. On the other hand, there was a renewal of shipments of gold by Great Britain from its depository in Canada to the United States, and these, with receipts direct from Great Britain and from South America, made up the greater part of the total imports of \$26,764,983, leaving a net inflow of \$21,445,108 for June. For the twelve months the aggregate of imports was \$150,540,200 and of this much the larger portion was from Canada for account of Great Britain and from the mother country direct—about \$104,000,000 in all—and in addition some 24 millions came from Hong Kong, and 4 millions from Mexico. Of the exports of \$466,592,606 approximately 141 million dollars went to South America (of which 116 millions to Argentina), 86 millions to Japan, 54½ millions to China, 56 millions to India, 21 millions to Mexico, 14½ millions to Spain, 60 millions to Hong Kong and 8 millions to Canada. The net efflux for 1919-20 of \$316,052,406 compares with similar adverse balances of \$54,211,802 in 1918-19 and \$66,438,741 in 1917-18, but with a net inflow of \$685,254,801 in 1916-17 and like results, but smaller in amount, in the two preceding years. It follows, consequently, that in the six years since the breaking out of the war in Europe our net gold imports have been \$677,656,212. Exports of silver for the twelve months were considerably less than the record total of 1918-19, having reached \$179,037,260, much the greater part going to China. Against this there were imports of \$102,899,506, largely from Mexico. The net silver outflow for the year was, therefore, \$76,137,754, which contrasts with \$222,349,284 in 1918-19 and \$68,853,246 in 1917-18.

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 26.

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 30.

PROPOSALS TO LIQUIDATE DEBTS OF THE ALLIES BY FLOATING LOANS IN THIS COUNTRY.

As bearing on the above the New York "Times" had the following to say in a special Washington dispatch, July 27:

Financial experts familiar with the negotiations the Government is conducting relative to war loans to the Allies, are not inclined to look favorably upon any proposal to supplant Liberty bonds with a foreign issue backed by European nations.

Treasury officials will not discuss the matter for publication. It is understood from ordinarily authoritative sources that the Government believes its best course is to continue its defined policy. The policy is to make agreements with the Allies whereby they will repay the loans direct from

their treasuries, rather than by offering promissory notes to American investors, which would serve to retire the Liberty bonds.

It is said here that the Government is not worried over the foreign loan situation, and considers that it will all work out well in the end. While negotiations are proceeding toward deferring the collection of the huge interest charges on the loans, these negotiations are not being hurried.

The advancement of the European nations in their after-the-war reconstruction is being taken into consideration. It is believed here that those most able to pay will be asked to pay first, and leniency will be offered to the poorer countries, such as Serbia and Rumania.

As far as can be learned in Washington, the idea seems to be that the chief Allies, Great Britain, France, Belgium and Italy, will be allowed a considerable period in which to discharge their indebtedness. It is said to be probable that from a date to be fixed interest charges will be deferred two or three years. At the end of that time the back interest will be added, perhaps by degrees, to the current interest.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT CONSIDERS APPLYING CLAIMS ON ALLIES' DEBTS.

Consideration of the reduction of the Allied debt to the United States by the application of the debts of the various Governments of amounts awarded them on claims of this country growing out of the war, was given by the Treasury Department at Washington on July 27, according to press dispatches, which also state:

Payment of claims against the United States will not be made in cash or credit to debtor nations, according to present plans, but amounts recovered from this country will be charged off America's bill.

Negotiations are under way with France to settle in this manner claims amounting to \$19,000,000 awarded that country by the War Department. France is said to be anxious to receive the amount of the claims in cash, so it may buy certain commodities in the United States, but the Treasury takes the position, according to officials, that it cannot pay out if a greater sum is owed in return.

Claims of the French and Italian Governments against the Shipping Board for materials taken over at the outbreak of the war probably will be liquidated in this way. France is asking approximately \$12,000,000 and Italy \$2,000,000.

Only amounts awarded foreign Governments, however, can be charged off against their debts, officials asserted, as the claims of individuals against the United States must be paid in the usual manner.

BRITISH CHANCELLOR OF EXCHEQUER ON REPAYMENT OF ANGLO FRENCH LOAN INTERESTS ON DEBTS TO U. S.

On July 20 it was reported that Robert P. Skinner, American Consul-General at London, had given details to the Department of Commerce at Washington regarding the remarks of the British Chancellor of the Exchequer, J. Austen Chamberlain, in the House of Commons on June 24, as to the intention of the British and French Governments to redeem the Anglo-French Loan. Reference to the remarks of the Chancellor, which also bore on the interest on the debt due the United States, was made in these columns June 26, page 2612. We quote as follows the advice received at Washington as reported in the daily papers.

Robert P. Skinner, American Consul-General at London, reported to the Department of Commerce that Mr. Chamberlain, Chancellor of the Exchequer, replying to a question in the House of Commons stated that, following upon larger reductions already made, Great Britain has paid off since April about \$15,175,000 of Treasury bills in New York and that the British and French Governments have announced their intention to pay at maturity in October the Anglo-French loan of \$500,000,000, of which Great Britain's share is \$250,000,000. He could not make any statement at the present time as to possible further repayments.

Mr. Chamberlain further stated that the amount of interest on the debt due the United States Government accrued in the period from May 1919, the date of the last payment, to June 1920, is \$245,500,000, and the amount for the financial year 1919-20 about \$210,000,000.

Approximate value at issue price of the longer date war securities issued in Great Britain and now outstanding is £4,440,000,000, Mr. Chamberlain declared, and their approximate value at present quoted prices is £4,100,000,000.

OPPOSITION OF FRANCE TO MAKING FINANCIAL ADVANCES TO GERMANY UNDER SPA AGREEMENT.

Regarding the opposition of France to the granting of financial advances to Germany in accordance with the Spa coal agreement, Edwin L. James in a copyright cablegram to the New York "Times" from Paris July 29, said:

After the Chamber of Deputies Finance Committee had refused yesterday [July 28] to report a law providing for advances to Germany in accordance with the Spa coal agreement, Premier Millerand went before a joint session of the Senate and Chamber Finance Committees to-day and persuaded them to report the measure, which will form the subject of a debate in the Chamber within the next day or two.

The main difficulty which the Government has to face is realization by the public of the fact that this money, some \$15,000,000 monthly, which is to be turned over to Germany as a loan, does not represent the lending of money which the French Government will realize from re-sale of the coal to French industrialists, but represents an out and out loan to Germany, its connection with the coal problem being only secondary. Germany's realization of the loan is based on her living up to the coal agreement.

That this is true is due to the plan which the French Government has of selling to French industries all the available coal at a fixed price. This price amounts to very little more than the German price, which is 35 marks gold, allowed on the reparation account. Thus the profit which France might realize on the sale at the market price of coal received from Germany the French Government will allow to French industry. Therefore there is no return to the French Government out of which the loan could be made.

Advances to Germany, whether made from direct appropriations or from the sale of bonds guaranteed by the Allies add to the financial burden of the French Government.

Many French Deputies oppose making an out and out loan to Germany, which owes France such a great reparation bill which she is not showing any great haste to pay. They argue that France possesses under the treaty the power to get German coal without this loan.

In a dispatch to the "Times" on July 26 I emphasized the fact that at the Spa conference, at which America was not represented but Germany was, an arrangement had been made which reduced France's ability to pay her debts to America and at the same time aided Germany. This dispatch was cabled back to Paris by French officials in America. At the Finance Ministry this afternoon it was argued that it was inexact to say that France was turning back to Germany "profits" which she might have used to pay America. It was argued that there were not going to be any profits, in as much as what would have been profits were allowed to French industry. This, it was said, was necessary to allow French industry to compete with German industry which got coal at the same price as that on which the treaty allowed it to France.

French finance officials admitted that the point that the Spa coal arrangements decreased by the amount of the advances to Germany the ability of the French Government to pay its obligations was correct. It was added that France would naturally be in a better financial situation as reparations were received from Germany and therefore better able to meet her obligations to the United States as well as to other creditors. It was pointed out that the value of the coal delivered by Germany could not be used at this time for debt payments because it was essential that French industries should receive coal at a price nearly equal to the price to German and English industries.

BONDS TAKEN BY U. S. FROM LIBERATED NATIONS FOR SURPLUS ARMY SUPPLIES.

The amounts in American money of the bonds or other securities taken from the "liberated nations" in exchange for surplus army supplies was made public on July 21 by the United States Army Liquidation Commission. The total amount is reported as \$140,104,021, dividend as follows: Poland, \$59,365,111; Kingdom of Serbs, Croats and Slovenes, \$20,464,191; Rumania, \$13,012,689; Russian Government, \$428,299; Czecho-Slovakia, \$19,098,887; Revalis (Esthonia), \$12,262,818; Vilnis (Lithuania), \$4,414,861; Central Union Konsums (Latvia), \$2,556,952; Ukrainian (Ukraine), \$8,500,222. The press accounts from Washington state:

The foregoing amounts represent sales of surplus army property abroad at the time of the armistice. There is yet to be made public the amounts of bonds taken by the army sales division, which sold and exported surplus property in the United States at the time of the armistice; bonds taken by the Navy Department, bonds taken by the Shipping Board in payment for cargo space, and bonds taken by Herbert Hoover (said to aggregate \$88,000,000) incident to the distribution of food supplies in the countries formerly composing the Empire of Austria.

W. S. KIES GOES ABROAD TO STUDY BASIC CREDIT CONDITIONS.

W. S. Kies, Chairman of the board of the First Federal Foreign Banking Association, sailed last Saturday (July 24) for Liverpool on the SS. Celtic for the purpose of making a three-months study of basic credit conditions in Europe, and to organize, as far as is practicable, a basis for establishing sound commercial credits of from 90 days to 6 months and longer which American exporters can use in re-establishing their European connections. Before his departure Mr. Kies met and talked informally with a group of newspaper men and periodical writers on this subject. In his introduction he spoke of the three-weeks experience of the First Federal Foreign Banking Association (formed under the Edge law), of the extensive inquiry and interest manufacturers have shown in the new enterprise. He said that the experience of the first three weeks of business had shown that while there is still hesitancy on the part of manufacturers to under take foreign merchandising credits, and particularly European credits, the disposition was evident to adopt a policy based on the undoubted fact that we are getting out of the "sellers' market," we have had during the war and must give credits abroad if we are going to maintain our steady distribution and good-will. Mr. Kies said that he would cover pretty fully the western part of the Continent, as far south as Italy and as far east as Danzig and Poland; that he would go to Czecho-Slovakia and possibly to Rumania, and will also spend some time in Germany. A synopsis of his talk gives the following as to his observations:

In talking over the situation in Europe he said it was natural, because of the general lack of knowledge of European credits in this country, and particularly on account of the supposed political element in credit risk, for our manufacturers to hesitate about sending their goods on a purely credit basis.

He said he believed, however, that it will be perfectly feasible, after going over the ground, to make arrangements in such countries as Great Britain, Holland, Belgium; the Scandinavian countries, Italy, Spain and France for a co-operative basis of credit extension. That is, inasmuch as the manufacturers and merchants are working in an abnormal situation and require credits of a length which is entirely out of the ordinary, they would be perfectly agreeable to an arrangement by which certain good sound banks would give unconditional and irrevocable guarantees of the payment of bills at maturity.

This business, known as *delcredere*, is an old institution in Europe and is not exactly the same as acceptance credit. European banks are used to this method and are in the habit of according to business concerns of established credit such guarantees.

On the basis of such guarantees it would be perfectly safe for American exporting concerns to extend credits, and the First Federal Foreign Banking Association may enter into such arrangements, using the guarantee and the endorsement of the exporter, and will finance these credits even if they run to much longer periods than the ordinary ones.

Mr. Kies said that in the case of certain unsettled parts of Europe, where the government appears to be not yet upon a permanent basis, the credits will have to be worked out on an entirely different basis. Mr. Kies said it was evident that the mercantile communities of adjacent States that had settled governments, such as Holland and Scandinavia, were able to do business with these unsettled countries, and there was apparently some sound method which they had found they were able to use in conducting this business. Mr. Kies said that it was impossible to be definite about what arrangements might be made, but he thought that it might be possible to negotiate some plan by which groups of banks and of merchant concerns would act as intermediaries in our trade and take up the burden of credit on some equitable arrangement. He hopes that the new "Edge Law" bank will be able to assist export manufacturers materially in negotiating and organizing these special arrangements, which may combine an element of credit with an element of barter, and in which the giving of various collateral securities and guaranties will play an important part.

Mr. Kies said that as far as Germany was concerned there seemed to be no present basis of credit extension, the principal difficulty being the fact that the Reparations Commission has so firm a grasp upon the situation there and is exercising its power so rigidly as to make it impossible even for the German banks to guarantee to carry out any agreement which involves the transfer of property or assets of any kind out of the country. Mr. Kies said that he had already had conferences with representatives of very important German financial institutions, and this seemed to be the present situation. He is, however, hopeful that in his visit to Germany, where he will make a very careful study with his staff, he will be able to turn up data which, if not useful immediately, will form the basis of credits at the very first opportunity.

Mr. Kies expressed the opinion that it was very unfortunate that this country has no representative on the Reparations Commission, and that he hoped the condition would be changed at the earliest opportunity.

Mr. Kies expressed the opinion that while in this country we are at present somewhat hesitant over the immediate future, any possible reaction here should be of a very mild and temporary character, whereas he believes that Europe will for at least 10 years present a steady receptive market for American rehabilitation material.

This material would include not only our raw materials but an immense quantity of machine tools, of machinery, particularly of our machinery specialties, and of every kind of thing except possibly consumptive luxuries.

In answer to questions, Mr. Kies said that it was not at all necessary to think that Europe would have to pay us direct in manufactures that are competitive with our own. While we will present a good market for Europe in many things that we want here, Europe will probably pay us indirectly, furnishing credits for us in many far distant corners of the world where we can obtain materials that we need.

The author of the Edge Act, under which the First Foreign Banking Corporation was formed, sailed for Europe two weeks ago (as noted in the "Chronicle" of July 17, page 249), partly, it is understood, with a view to looking to the development of American trade in foreign markets.

RUMOR OF NEW GERMAN CURRENCY DENIED.

"Commerce Reports" of July 20 is authority for the following:

A cablegram from Berlin says that the press report to the effect that a new issue of so-called gold paper marks for use in foreign commerce is to be issued by Germany is stated in official circles to be without foundation.

UNFITNESS OF SILVER AS MONETARY STANDARD AS SHOWN BY PRICE MOVEMENTS.

The unfitness of silver as a monetary standard has again been demonstrated by the recent unprecedented movements in the price of that metal, says an article on "The Silver Situation" in the August issue of "Commerce Monthly," published by the National Bank of Commerce in New York. Within a year silver quotations have fluctuated more than 100% in the London market and 70% in the New York market, the bank points out. In some countries, the article continues, the high price of silver led to the melting and sale of hoards of silver accumulated during the war and even to the melting and sale of coins still in circulation. Some countries, in order to retain their small change, were forced to lessen the amount of silver in their subsidiary coinage or to substitute coins of base metal for silver. As a result of these developments, the demand for the metal for coinage purposes slackened, and to-day the dependence of the world on silver for coins is less widespread than it was. The bank emphasizes as an important factor in the high price of silver the decline in production, particularly in Mexico, where, largely because of political disturbances, the output fell from 71,000,000 ounces in 1913 to 28,000,000 ounces in 1914, only to fluctuate between the latter figure and 63,000,000 ounces in 1919. There is no evidence, the bank says, that the mines in Mexico are becoming naturally less productive, and "there is every reason to believe that the Mexican output, once the political atmosphere has cleared, will be at least as large as before." In discussing the probable future price of silver, the bank says:

The result of the purchase provisions of the Pittman Act and of the Mint regulations is to establish two separate and distinct markets and quotations for silver. In the United States, domestic commercial silver .999 fine is virtually pegged at 99½ cents. If the price for foreign silver should rise above \$1 per ounce, Treasury purchases would automatically cease. But the price would probably not get much above \$1. The annual output of the United States is about one-third that of the entire world, and a price materi-

ally above \$1 would add this amount to market supply, increasing it possibly by one-half. It would therefore seem that the price could at most rule only fractionally higher than the Pittman law figure, unless it is to be supposed that demand and supply should both be as abnormal as during the war period.

It has frequently been asserted that a greater use of silver as standard or redemption money would be inevitable as a means of stabilizing inflated paper currencies, particularly in view of the decline of gold production. But it is apparent that if new silver is to be relied on for this purpose it will be many years before adequate reserves for existing issues can be accumulated. Unless the price of silver goes above \$1 per fine ounce, or the purchase clause of the Pittman Act is repealed, the output of the United States will not for at least three years be available for these reserves. If silver is so used, either it must be adopted by some countries as the exclusive monetary standard, or a legal ratio between the values of gold and silver must be settled upon. Either alternative involves the question of bimetallism.

A return to bimetallism would in all probability mean a return to an alternating standard, now of gold, now of silver, such as the world sought relief from when it chose gold as the more stable monetary standard.

The adoption of a single silver standard by some countries while other important commercial nations use gold would result in giving the foreign exchanges with the silver countries a fluctuating par of exchange such as China now has. The conduct of international business would thereby be interfered with rather than facilitated, and the proposal is therefore undesirable.

JOHN H. MASON HOLDS U. S. VITALLY INTERESTED IN RESTORATION OF EUROPE.

An expression of his views as to the present-day situation, based on his observations in England and the battle areas of France and Belgium, is furnished by John H. Mason, President of the Commercial Trust Co. of Philadelphia and formerly President of the Trust Company Section of the American Bankers' Association, following his return from a ten week's trip to Europe. Mr. Mason maintains that we are vitally interested in the return to normal conditions not only of our former Allies, but likewise Germany and Austria. In part he says:

Are we interested in the restoration of France, Belgium and Central Europe, or can we just ignore them and think of ourselves?

After a visit to the battle areas of France and Belgium and then through the beautiful chateau districts of France, and parts of that wonderful country not knowing any of the scars of war, my contention is that we are more vitally interested, not only in our former Allies returning to normal, but also Germany and Austria and all the others.

Many persons are asking me "Will France and Great Britain come back?" Why, of course they will, but only in time. The leaders of those two countries are quite awake to the problems of to-day and in an orderly and normal way are endeavoring to solve them. They have not the slightest thought that they can be solved in a year or two—they expect it to take generations, and if we in our impatient way can only adopt the same idea that it will take time for the world to right itself, we will play a more important and stronger part in the "come-back" of the world. M. Millerand, the French Premier, recently stated that the battle area of France comprised about 11,250 square miles, which is just about the size of the State of Maryland, and that 30% of this area was in crops this year. I think this fact more than any other answers the question "Will France come back?" In my opinion England with all her training and experience as a great international power will, beyond all question, regain her place as the financial centre of the world. With the greatest appreciation of my country, I am more than ever impressed with the fact that we have not as yet had the experience and training to become Internationalists and that in some ways we are not even Nationalists, but are rather prone to be Localists. World problems must be solved by world vision and the British are more sound and experienced in this field than any other nation.

FRENCH MINISTRY OF FINANCE TO SEND REPRESENTATIVE TO UNITED STATES RESPECTING ANGLO-FRENCH LOAN.

It is announced that M. Parmentier, one of the specialists of the French Ministry of Finance, is to come to the United States on a mission regarding the repayment of the French part of the Anglo-French Loan. Discussing the possibilities of a French loan incident to the visit of M. Parmentier, the "Journal of Commerce" July 23 said:

News that French financial representatives were coming to this country led to renewed speculation yesterday as to the possibilities of a French loan being offered here, either in connection with the Anglo-French maturity or after this has been met, to provide funds for the purchase of raw materials. Bankers hold forth little hope of France's ability to raise a loan, say, of \$100,000,000, and a lesser amount would hardly be worth while in anticipation of the maturity, not so much because France's progress toward recovery or her position is doubtful but because France has proved a poor propagandist. At a later date a \$25,000,000 or \$50,000,000 French loan might be placed successfully, it is thought, as buying for sentimental reasons and because of the confidence aroused by settlement of the Anglo-French joint obligation might be counted upon to supply the bulk of such an amount. However, it was recalled in some quarters that before the Belgians arrived a Belgian flotation was held out of the question, yet a loan for \$50,000,000, the amount sought, was arranged and proved more than an average success.

POLAND'S DEBT TO UNITED STATES.

The fact that the obligations of the Polish Government to the United States reach a total of some \$100,000,000, has been pointed to the current week as a material factor in the interest which this Government has in the military situation between Poland and Russia. A statement respecting Poland's indebtedness was made by Secretary of War Baker on July 27, and the following as to his account of this debt appeared in special Washington advices in the "Journal of Commerce" of July 28:

The total indebtedness of Poland to this Government, all told, is \$71,920,111, which covers sales made from supplies shipped to France for use of the American Expeditionary Force there and left over after the signing of the armistice. The latter total is roundly, \$59,000,000.

For these sales the Polish Government gave the United States Treasury notes with interest at 5% and running three, four and five year, each note being for one-third of the total amount purchased. All these supplies were sold to Poland before the present war between Russia and the Poles began. There are to be added to these amounts further items for purchases made through the Grain Corporation and the Navy Department. It is estimated that these latter transactions would bring the entire total up to \$100,000,000.

The sales by the War and Navy Departments and by the Grain Corporation had the approval of the State Department. The sales of goods to France amounted to \$59,363,111. The sales by the Director of Sales of the War Department in Washington amounted to \$12,555,000. Of the goods sold in France to Poland there was \$20,288,155 worth of clothing and textiles, \$13,865,252 for subsistence supplies, \$13,170,143 for transportation equipment, \$3,984,735 for ordnance and gas equipment, \$3,982,340 for household furniture, machinery and metals and \$2,773,267 for hospital and other supplies.

Out of the entire amount of these sales Secretary Baker said there was but about \$5,000,000 worth that could be classified as war materials, being chiefly ordnance and gas materials. Of the \$12,555,000 paid here in Washington to the Director of Sales \$8,616,000 was for 4,600 railway cars and the remainder for food, mainly canned stuffs bought for our army. It is understood the War Department has made similar sales of army supplies, mainly of foodstuffs, and on a much smaller scale to the Governments of Latvia, Lithuania and Ukraine.

FRENCH UNDER SECRETARY UNINFORMED REGARDING TOBACCO MONOPOLY.

The following information comes in a Paris cablegram to the daily papers July 29:

In reply to a letter written by M. Delpont, President-General of the Confederation of Tobacco Planters of France, M. Brousse, Under Secretary for Finance, asserts that he had never been informed of any proposals on the part of American financiers concerning the purchase of the French tobacco monopoly.

Rumors regarding the proposed purchase of the French tobacco monopoly by American interests were referred to in these columns July 10, page 137.

BRAZIL EXTENDS CREDIT TO ITALY.

The Department of Commerce at Washington was advised on July 26 by its representative at Rome that the Brazilian Government had granted an extension of credit of \$25,000,000 to Italy for the purchase of Brazilian products. It is stated that under the credit agreement preference will be given to Brazilian ships in the transportation of commodities purchased by Italy.

ARGENTINE FOOD APPROPRIATION FOR VIENNA.

The Argentine Senate on July 23 approved a measure appropriating 5,000,000 pesos to send food to Vienna. The bill had previously passed the Chamber of Deputies.

MORATORIUM FOR MONTEVIDEO BANK.

A Montevideo cablegram, July 29, to the daily papers says:

A moratorium of six months has been granted the Italian bank at Uruguay which closed its doors following the bankruptcy of an important client and the defalcation of an employee. Directors of the institution, which had deposits of nearly \$14,000,000 in addition to savings accounts amounting to \$5,600,000, have promised to pay all claims.

INTEREST RATE ON NEW CHRISTIANIA LOAN TO VARY WITH BANK RATE.

Advices to the Department of Commerce from Consul General Marion Letcher, Christiania, June 19 1920, are published as follows in "Commerce Reports" of July 26:

The City of Christiania, Norway, has made arrangements with the Christiania Sparebank (Christiania Savings Bank) for a loan of 12,000,000 crowns (\$3,216,000 pre-war exchange). The loan is for a period of three years and the interest rate is to vary in direct relation to the discount rate of the Bank of Norway. This is one of the first loans that has come to my knowledge having a variable rate of interest.

WITHHOLDING CHINESE BOXER INDEMNITY FROM RUSSIA.

The Associated Press in Peking advices July 25 says:

The long contemplated withholding of the Boxer indemnity to Russia will become effective in the near future, it is officially announced here. The customs inspector has been instructed to deposit the money monthly in the Bank of China for future disposal.

The indemnity payments have in the past been used for the maintenance of the Russian legations in Peking and Tokio.

ALBERT BRETON ON EUROPE'S ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL RECOVERY—RECONSTRUCTION IN FRANCE.

After a visit to the principal countries of Europe during which he devoted his attention to the economic and foreign exchange conditions, Albert Breton, Vice-President of the Guaranty Trust Company of this city, has returned with the conviction that the terrific tests of four-and-a-half years of warfare will be translated into

greater achievement and progress. Mr. Breton has presented his conclusions in an article which appears in the July number of the Trust Companies Magazine, issued July 27, and in his remarks as to Europe's ability to effect economic and industrial recovery, he says:

A great deal of emphasis has been laid on various aspects of Europe's rehabilitation and futuro, especially in the matter of finance and economics. But it would seem that too little attention has been paid to the most important of all factors—Europe's chief asset now, as it was during the war—namely, the psychological attitude of her people.

As character is the most precious possession of men, so it is of nations. And when we reflect on the crucial test—the severest that humanity has ever known—to which the character of the belligerents, particularly those who bore the brunt of the struggle from the beginning, was subjected in the World War, we cannot fail to have faith not only in Europe's ability to recover fully from its frightful cataclysm, but also to create a greater and more prosperous Europe than ever. This will happen just as surely as right triumphed over might in the war; just as surely as Galveston, twice swept by floods, has risen a finer and better city; just as surely as San Francisco, razed by earthquake and fire, has become greater and more beautiful; just as surely as our South developed so wonderfully and prosperously after the Civil War.

It was only natural that, following the terrific strain and drain of four-and-a-half years of the most destructive warfare in all history, the weary fighters should pause for breath, as it were, before undertaking the herculean task of reconstruction. The surprising thing is that they did not suffer a severer reaction. But they are now once more at work in earnest, and every school boy knows the eternal verity of the aphorism Labor omnia vincit.

Mr. Breton also observes that "everyone is familiar with the fact that for some time past Great Britain has been shipping gold here in anticipation of paying the \$500,000,000 Anglo-French loan, which matures next October. That alone," he says, "is supremely significant evidence of the present psychology of the British and French peoples—their determination to meet their financial obligations in full, and promptly;" and he adds, "it bespeaks volumes for the amazing progress that England and France have made in the last year and a half, for otherwise they could not prepare to discharge so large an obligation." As to reconstruction in France, Mr. Breton says:

Furthermore, France's recovery has progressed with prodigious energy and success, as the following official table, showing some of the most important direct losses of the war and the extent to which they have been repaired, discloses:

		Acres.
Towns and villages entirely or partly destroyed.....	3,720	
Population driven out and rendered homeless.....	2,712,000	
Of which the following have now returned home.....	1,533,000	
Houses entirely destroyed.....	319,269	
Houses partly destroyed.....	313,675	
Houses reconstructed.....	2,000	
Houses repaired.....	182,000	
Houses, temporary.....	11,000	
Bridges, viaducts, &c., destroyed.....	4,785	
Bridges, viaducts, &c., reconstructed.....	3,424	
Railways destroyed.....	3,460	
Railways reconstructed.....	2,526	
Canals destroyed.....	997	
Canals reconstructed.....	490	
Roads destroyed.....	24,375	
Roads reconstructed.....	4,417	
Arable land rendered useless.....	7,200,000	
Arable land since cleared of shells.....	6,525,000	
Arable land leveled.....	3,825,000	
Arable land plowed over or dug.....	2,587,250	
Factories and manufacturing plants destroyed.....	11,500	
Factories and manufacturing plants reconstructed and at work.....	3,540	
Factories and manufacturing plants under reconstruction.....	3,812	
Employees formerly engaged in these factories and plants.....	679,000	
Workers now employed in the reconstructed factories and plants.....	257,874	

REASONS SOUGHT FOR GOLD SUSPENSION IN ARGENTINA.

The Argentine Chamber of Deputies, according to Buenos Aires press dispatches July 29, has called on Minister of Finance Salaberry to explain on Thursday next the reason for suspending the release of Argentine gold deposits in the United States, which, they point out, has been followed by a 10% rise in exchange on New York. It is added that he will also be asked to explain why the prohibition on gold exportation should continue and why the Government is refusing payment of gold for paper money. The suspension of the release of gold deposits was noted in our issue of Saturday last, page 337.

GOLD SHIPMENTS TO JAPAN—BARON TAKAHASHI ON FINANCIAL DEPRESSION.

Referring to the fact that the gold exports to Japan amounted to \$7,568,471 during the first ten days of July, the New York "Times" of July 24 stated that it was expected that the shipments would continue until the total of the July engagement reached \$11,500,000. It was added that the metal was being shipped from San Francisco at the direction of Japanese banks in New York. The paper in question also quoted Akira Den, the Japanese Financial Commissioner, as saying:

Neither the Japanese Government nor the Bank of Japan has any connection with this gold export, which is only the normal exchange operation of private banks. At present the total reserve held by the Government of Japan and the Bank of Japan, consisting of gold reserve at home and current credit abroad, is 1,921,000,000 yen, or about \$1,000,000,000, and the capacity of the Government to hold this credit is limited by the condition of the Treasury.

The Government does not buy up trade balances in New York from Japanese exchange banks, as it did in former times. The banks are consequently compelled to remit the balances to Japan, and chose gold export as the most businesslike course of remittance during a time when high ex-

change rates prevail. Therefore, there is no change of gold policy on the part of the Japanese Government and the Bank of Japan, which Baron Takahashi, Minister of Finance, stated in a message on behalf of the Government and the Bank, which message was published on April 23.

We also quote the following from the "Times" of July 30:

In banking circles there is some mild apprehension over the possibility of rather substantial gold withdrawals from this country for export to Japan. Not that the Japanese Government is likely to do this, but some of the private Japanese banks are said to be liquidating balances and investments, and it is thought possible that this movement toward greater liquidity may foreshadow a withdrawal of the balances in the form of metal. As there is estimated to be upward of \$70,000,000 of private Japanese money invested in securities in this market, and as some of this already has been translated into cash, the possibilities of heavy gold exports are thought to be pertinent. The purpose of taking gold, it was explained by an international banker yesterday, probably would be to allow the private banks to improve their reserves with the Bank of Japan, which is the State institution.

COMPARATIVE FIGURES OF CONDITION OF CANADIAN BANKS.

In the following we compare the condition of the Canadian banks, under the last two monthly statements, with the return for June 30 1914:

	ASSETS.		
	June 30 1920.	May 31 1920.	June 30 1914.
Gold and subsidiary coin—	\$	\$	\$
In Canada.....	63,682,026	63,830,589	28,948,341
Elsewhere.....	17,282,255	16,368,010	17,160,111
Total.....	80,964,281	80,198,599	46,108,952
Dominion notes.....	173,691,988	172,068,567	92,114,482
Depos. with Minister of Finance for security of note circulation.....	5,997,526	5,956,029	6,667,568
Deposit of central gold reserves.....	100,400,000	108,050,000	3,050,000
Due from banks.....	265,995,430	265,156,786	123,608,936
Loans and discounts.....	1,641,663,632	1,622,858,235	925,631,966
Bonds, securities, &c.....	370,791,751	370,982,232	102,344,120
Call and short loans in Canada.....	115,272,587	119,114,493	67,401,484
Call and short loans elsewhere than in Canada.....	219,214,431	213,964,182	137,120,167
Other assets.....	117,682,722	121,333,535	71,209,738
Total.....	3,091,674,348	3,080,682,658	1,575,307,413
	LIABILITIES.		
	\$	\$	\$
Capital authorized.....	197,075,000	197,075,000	192,866,666
Capital subscribed.....	122,855,100	121,522,300	115,434,666
Capital paid up.....	122,400,044	121,266,885	114,811,775
Reserve fund.....	128,675,000	128,575,000	113,368,898
Circulation.....	227,775,253	226,335,037	99,138,029
Government deposits.....	207,869,376	236,789,621	44,453,738
Demand deposits.....	1,019,980,969	991,052,704	495,067,832
Time deposits.....	1,243,700,977	1,229,073,515	663,650,230
Due to banks.....	56,216,099	58,302,441	32,426,404
Bills payable.....	6,272,311	6,047,677	20,096,365
Other liabilities.....	49,343,722	55,876,215	12,656,085
Total, not including capital or reserve fund.....	2,811,158,707	2,803,477,210	1,330,488,683

Note.—Owing to the omission of the cents in the official reports, the footings in the above do not exactly agree with the total given.

GROWTH IN RESOURCES OF RHODE ISLAND BANKING INSTITUTIONS.

The resources of all the banks under the direction of the Banking Department of the State of Rhode Island totaled \$336,523,748 on June 30 1920, having increased during the year \$48,683,935, or from \$287,839,813. As an indication of the prosperity of the people of the State, Bank Commissioner George H. Newhall calls attention to the fact that the savings deposits moved up \$20,345,062 in the twelve months, this representing the largest increase ever known in the history of the Rhode Island Savings banks. The summary of the resources of the State and National institutions of Rhode Island is shown as follows in the statement compiled by Bank Commissioner Newhall:

	1918.	1919.	1920.
Savings banks.....	\$101,139,695	\$108,973,022	\$121,540,154
Trust companies.....	171,078,705	172,800,898	207,696,165
State banks.....	4,959,357	6,065,893	7,287,428
Total resources State institut.....	\$277,177,757	\$287,839,813	\$336,523,748
National banks.....	63,019,069	63,610,179	69,778,659
Grand total.....	\$340,196,826	\$351,449,992	\$406,302,406

We are further advised that the building and loan associations, credit unions, Morris Plan Company, &c., which also come under the direction of the State Banking Department, likewise show a very material growth during the year.

WYOMING LEADS IN NUMBER OF BANK DEPOSITORS PER 1,000 OF POPULATION.

A statement showing the States whose National banks had, on May 4 1920 the largest number of deposit accounts in proportion to population, was issued by the Comptroller of the Currency under date of July 22. Wyoming stood first with 394 depositors per 1,000 of population. Montana was next with 349 per 1,000 of population. The twelve States

whose National banks reported the next largest number of deposit accounts in proportion to population were in the order named: Idaho, 293; Pennsylvania, 289; Colorado, 280; Oregon, 275; Minnesota, 271; Iowa, 262; Virginia, 259; Vermont, 255; California, 248; South Dakota, 244; Maine, 239; Texas, 236. per 1,000 of population. In presenting the details the Comptroller also says:

For the entire United States there were 190 deposit accounts for each 1,000 of the population, or approximately one bank account for every 5½ of the population.

The number of demand deposit accounts in the entire country was 12,315,000; the number of time deposit accounts was 8,065,000, making a total of both time and demand deposit accounts for the entire country of 20,380,000.

The percentage of demand deposit accounts to the total number of deposit accounts was 60.43%; the Time deposits, 39.57%. The percentage of the total number of Time or Savings accounts to the total number of all deposit accounts varies greatly in different sections. In Pennsylvania 48.09% of the accounts were Time deposits; in New Jersey 46.48% were time deposits; in New York State 41.44%. The only States where a majority of all deposit accounts were carried on Time were Maine, where the percentage of time deposit accounts was 63.83%; Vermont, 56.99%; Massachusetts, 50.09%; Michigan, 72.85%; Wisconsin, 70.25%; Minnesota, 56.28%.

In the following States the larger portion of the deposit accounts were carried on demand. In Texas, 88.55% of all deposits were on Demand; Missouri, 65.43%; Oklahoma, 87.43%; Louisiana, 82.58%; Alabama, 71.84%; Mississippi, 84.04%; Georgia, 64.91%; Kansas, 79.80%, Colorado, 68.04% and California, 73.68%.

The banks in portions of New England and in the Northern Central portion of the country had the largest number of deposit accounts on time. In the South, Southwest and far West, demand deposit accounts largely predominated.

The Comptroller of the Currency gives the following statement to show the total number of national bank deposit accounts in each State as of May 4 1920, as reported to his office, under oath by the national banks together with the population of each State and the number of deposit accounts for each 1,000 of population.

States—	No. of Deposit Accts.— —as of May 4 1920—			Total Deposit Accounts in 1,000s.	Population (Est. of July 1 '19).	No. of Deposit Accts. to 1,000 of Pop'n.
	National Banks July 1 1920.	Demand Deposit Accounts in 1,000s.	Time Deposit Accounts in 1,000s.			
Maine	63	68	120	188	787,042	239
New Hamp.	55	84	21	105	448,274	235
Vermont	49	40	53	93	367,439	255
Massachusetts	159	289	290	579	3,889,607	149
Rhode Island	17	22	10	32	618,964	49
Connecticut	66	122	80	202	1,307,163	154
New York	497	934	747	1,681	10,833,795	155
New Jersey	215	380	330	710	3,146,547	225
Pennsylvania	855	1,344	1,245	2,589	8,936,091	289
Delaware	19	21	8	29	218,722	133
Maryland	92	123	103	226	1,395,405	162
Dist. of Col.	15	76	44	120	379,886	319
Virginia	166	347	239	586	2,255,036	259
W. Virginia	122	213	129	342	1,465,729	233
No. Carolina	87	168	97	265	2,497,668	106
So. Carolina	82	136	72	208	1,678,664	124
Georgia	93	185	100	285	2,975,394	95
Florida	55	126	71	197	961,569	205
Alabama	101	199	78	277	2,426,602	114
Mississippi	31	79	15	94	2,026,361	46
Louisiana	38	109	23	132	1,912,603	69
Texas	562	982	127	1,109	4,687,136	236
Arkansas	83	132	22	154	1,819,587	85
Kentucky	134	284	68	352	2,423,001	145
Tennessee	98	229	119	348	2,337,879	148
Ohio	374	607	517	1,124	5,335,543	210
Indiana	254	410	196	606	2,872,842	211
Illinois	484	646	551	1,197	6,400,473	187
Michigan	112	117	314	431	3,173,089	136
Wisconsin	151	169	399	568	2,580,800	220
Minnesota	333	282	363	645	2,378,128	271
Iowa	358	329	254	583	2,224,771	262
Missouri	136	299	158	457	3,467,401	132
North Dakota	182	100	79	179	817,554	219
South Dakota	136	108	76	184	753,897	244
Nebraska	188	197	106	303	1,309,627	231
Kansas	252	312	79	391	1,896,520	206
Montana	146	114	60	174	499,816	349
Wyoming	47	52	24	76	195,791	394
Colorado	141	198	93	291	1,040,842	280
New Mexico	48	55	12	67	450,381	148
Oklahoma	358	459	66	525	2,465,402	213
Washington	90	187	131	318	1,723,757	185
Oregon	90	169	83	252	914,483	275
California	309	588	210	798	3,209,792	248
Idaho	84	108	32	140	478,356	293
Utah	29	42	29	71	463,431	154
Nevada	10	12	5	17	118,745	148
Arizona	21	40	8	48	280,280	174
Alaska	3	3	--	3	94,000	30
Hawaii	3	4	1	5	235,000	24
Total	8,093	12,315	8,065	20,380	107,206,895	

a Population April 15 1910.

GROWTH IN DEPOSITS OF NEW ORLEANS BANKS.

An increase of \$25,321,171 in the deposits of the banks of New Orleans in the nine months from September 1919 to June 30, 1920 is shown in a table appearing in the New Orleans "Item" of July 17, the figures at the latest date, at \$211,432,398 comparing with \$186,111,227 at the end of September 1919. The writer of the article, Thomas Ewing Dabney, in presenting the figures, says in part:

The increase has been made since the merger of the Canal-Commercial and the Whitney-Central systems—mergers planned that New Orleans might handle bigger business. But it will be noted that every bank shows an increase—proving that the condition is general.

The increase in the past nine months is nearly a third of the total deposits of six years ago. In 1914, there was in the banks of New Orleans only \$90,000,000.

Except for New England, the Central South is the only section of the country in which the the commercial failures for the first six months of 1920 total less than for the same period of the year before. And Louisiana had fewer failures than any other State. The total was only some \$72,000, or nearly \$200,000 less than its closest second.

The following is the compilation:

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS OF THE NEW ORLEANS BANKS AS OF SEPTEMBER 1919 AND JUNE 30 1920.

Name of Bank—	Sept. 1919.	June 30 1920.	Increase.
American Bank & Trust Co.-----	\$431,981	\$691,641	\$259,660
Canal-Commercial National Bank, Canal-Commercial Trust & Sav- ings Bank-----	58,569,141	61,638,192	3,069,051
Citizens Bank & Trust Co.-----	6,242,830	6,818,876	576,046
Hibernia Bank & Trust Co.-----	42,414,777	45,902,957	3,488,180
Interstate Trust & Banking Co.---	10,497,992	12,338,083	1,840,091
Liberty Bank & Trust Co.-----	631,677	1,954,731	1,323,054
Marine Bank & Trust Co.-----	11,664,797	14,345,230	2,680,433
Pan-American Bank Trust Co.---	5,915,688	7,609,430	1,693,742
Whitney-Central National Bank, Whitney-Central Trust Savings Bank-----	49,742,344	60,133,258	10,390,914
	\$186,111,227	\$211,432,398	\$25,321,171

COMPTROLLER OF CURRENCY JOHN SKELTON WILLIAMS' HOPEFUL VIEW OF FUTURE—INTERESTING FIGURES.

The belief that "we have the right to look to the future with confident hope" was expressed by John Skelton Williams, Comptroller of the Currency, in an address before the Maine Bankers' Association at Bangor, Me., on June 27. Comptroller Williams stated that "the deflation and subsidence in prices is proceeding by orderly and satisfactory steps and methods," and "if we continue to act on wise counsel and keep clear heads and steady hands we can and will avert a panic or crisis like those which have in the past followed periods of wild prosperity and excessive business activity." In part the Comptroller's remarks were as follows:

I can find in the facts no confirmation of the opinion, sometimes expressed, that we have grown rich by squandering our capital, exhausting our natural resources. The truth seems to me to be that we have not yet taken the cream from these resources. We are finding continually new ways to multiply them. We get from coal, from oil, from gas, from cottonseed—which we used to throw away—from animals we kill for food, a thousand new useful products and by-products undreamed of a generation ago. We have in reserve within our own borders 80,000,000 horse-power of water-power yet untouched and undeveloped and ready to give us light, heat and driving force equivalent to 640 million tons of coal a year perpetually, or more coal than we have ever yet produced in any one year. We have learned how to take from air, from the sea, from the unconsidered waste or desert lakes, the means of keeping our soil perpetually replenished.

And how are we prepared to provide for utilizing all this for ourselves and doing the part becoming the strongest of the nations in the rebuilding of nations, the readjustment of the world, the hastening of a time of ordered peace and more progress, safety and happiness for humanity than the world ever has seen?

Let us turn now for a while to the figures which tell us something of our present financial position and looking back over certain important features and aspects of our banking record we may perhaps read more clearly the prospects for the immediate or near future of money conditions and the banking outlook upon which all other business interests so greatly depend.

Until the Spanish-American War we were regarded by the older countries of Europe with rather supercilious disdain, and more or less as an experiment in Government. Perhaps all the powers but Germany began to realize after that event, and the rapidity with which its climax came, that we were to be reckoned with. Now we are conceded by all to be the mightiest, strongest and richest Nation of the globe—the balance wheel of the world.

Our industrial and financial growth has broken all records in the history of progress. Hardly 20 years have passed since England exceeded us and led the world in the production of steel, iron and coal—the foundation stones of industrial wealth. This country is now mining yearly more coal than was produced in the whole world as late as 20 or 25 years ago, and our present output already is more than twice that of Great Britain—and with the water-power and the limitless oil shales of the West to re-enforce and conserve our stores. In 1918 our furnaces turned out nearly twice as much pig iron as all the rest of the world produced in 1897, and our production of steel in 1918 was three times as great as that of all other countries of the world combined just 20 years before.

In 1919, the foreign commerce of the United States amounted to twelve billion dollars, exceeding by more than five billion dollars the total foreign commerce, at the time of the outbreak of the European War, in 1914, of Great Britain, until that time the greatest commercial Nation on the globe; while our exports of merchandise last year were two and a half times as great as the maximum exports ever reported by Great Britain at any time in her commercial history.

Our growth in banking power has fully kept pace with our industrial and commercial expansion and at this time it is estimated at fifty billion dollars, or more than three times the banking power of the whole world in 1890. It is amazing but nevertheless true that the banking power of the United States has grown more in these past seven years than in the entire century and a quarter which elapsed from the adoption of the Constitution in 1789 down to the year 1913.

We have been swiftly transformed from a debtor Nation, owing to the rest of the world as we did in 1914 some four or five billion dollars, represented by securities and debit balances, into the world's greatest creditor, holding

the demand obligations of foreign governments for more than ten billion dollars, in addition to several billion dollars due to our merchants, bankers and investors by the banks and business men of the most solvent nations in Europe and South America.

The total resources of the National Banks of Issue of the leading countries of the world—including the Bank of England, the Bank of France, the Bank of Italy, also the great National Banks of Spain, of the Netherlands, Belgium, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Switzerland, Roumania, the Imperial Bank of Japan, the Reichsbank of Germany and the Austro-Hungarian Bank—now aggregate, at the normal rates of exchange, approximately fifty-one billion dollars; but at the exchange rates which prevail at this time, the combined resources of all of the National Banks of these fourteen leading countries of Europe and Asia, are worth in American money less than twelve billion dollars, which is about one-half of the resources of the National Banks of the United States alone, exclusive of the resources of our Federal Reserve Banks, about six billion dollars, and of our State Banks and Trust Companies whose resources amount to over twenty-six billion dollars additional. This means that the assets of these foreign banks show a depreciation in value.

The tremendous impetus which was given to industrial development here by the European War and the insatiable demand arising from the absolute need for American products of all kinds, food, equipment and munitions regardless of cost, brought about a price inflation and expansion, resulting in unprecedented increase in wages and profits which sound economists believed could not continue without leading ultimately to explosion and collapse. Through many months past the best thought of statesmen, economists and financiers has been directed towards the problem of replacing our business and industrial interests on a solid and enduring basis. The deflation and subsidence in prices is proceeding by orderly and satisfactory steps and methods. If we will continue to act on wise counsel and keep clearheads and steady hands we can and will avert a panic or crisis like those which have in the past followed periods of wild prosperity and excessive business activity. The fact that deflation is gradual, marked by occasional pauses, is the best possible evidence that it will proceed safely. A process of change involving many billions of dollars, a hundred millions of our own people and, less directly, all the Nations of the earth, must be smooth, slow and steady to avert a crash.

In the three years from our entrance into the war this country raised for itself and its allies 37½ billion dollars, about one-third by taxation and two-thirds by the sale of bonds and short-time notes. Present indications are that within the first two years from the signing of the Armistice, this Government will have reduced its debt from the highest point by two, if not three billion dollars. In other words, we will, in two years have paid off an amount almost equal to the total debt of the United States at the close of the Civil War, then at the highest point since the formation of our government.

The total amount of Liberty Bonds and Victory Notes placed by this country was about 21½ billion dollars, the balance of the Government debt being made up of short term certificates of indebtedness. The records of our national banks show that at the beginning of May, 1920, the amount of Liberty Bonds and Victory Notes owned by them, plus the amount upon which they were making loans, was only \$1,940,000,000.

If we assume that the State banks and trust companies of the country hold an equal amount of these securities for investment and as collateral, it would appear that the aggregate amount of Liberty Bonds and Victory Notes now owned by investors upon which no money is being borrowed in the banks, reached the huge total of Sixteen Billion Dollars. This vast sum therefore represents savings of the American people which they have invested in Government securities during the past three years exclusive of the enormous investments which they have made in the same period in other securities and enterprises.

I believe that the banks of our country both National and State are now fully prepared to meet any strain or shrinkage in business. The Federal Reserve System, without which it would have been impossible for this country to have financed itself or the Allies, and without which the war would have been lost to us—involving miseries which baffle imagination and would have been protracted through generations—is operating smoothly and most efficiently, with the gathered and accumulated experience of the past five and one half years.

I am happy to be able to say to you that I see no clouds upon the horizon to justify fears of a financial cyclone, but we can not count upon enjoying fair weather forever. There will necessarily be some stiff breezes, perhaps some stormy weather, but none that we can not safely endure by adjusting our sails and holding firmly the helm. He is a foolish captain who fails to reef when weather signals and barometer tell of squalls coming.

Much has been said in the newspapers recently of alleged scarcity of money and credit, and grave fears and doubts have been expressed regarding the ability of the banks of the country to furnish the funds which will be required in the next few months for the movement of the crops. The popular idea is that the money needed for crop movement may be obtained only by loans and accommodations from banks, National and State. I am not in a position to give you full figures as to State banks and trust companies but I have figures in regard to the national banks which I think throw much light upon the present situation.

The loans and discounts of the national banks of the country at the time of the last reports from all banks, just a year ago, amounted to something over 11 billion dollars as compared with about 7 billion dollars of loans and discounts in State commercial banks, and private banks; 3 billion dollars of loans and discounts in mutual and stock savings banks, and 4 billion dollars of loans and discounts in the trust companies. As the loans and discounts in the National banks therefore represent so large a proportion of the total, I think we may be justified in assuming that the figures as to the National banks are typical of general banking conditions.

An analysis recently made of the loans and discounts of all the National banks of the country, as reported at the time of each call for the past 50 years, brings out the difference shown between the third call for statements of condition, usually in June, and the fourth call, usually in September or October. This interval is the active period of crop moving, supposed to be the critical time of the year. For the past fifty years the loans and discounts of the National banks have shown between the Summer and Autumn calls the following average percentages of increase for each of the five decades:

From 1870 to 1880	Average yearly increase in loans and discounts.....	1.5%
From 1880 to 1890	Average yearly increase in loans and discounts.....	2.3%
From 1890 to 1900	Average yearly increase in loans and discounts.....	.4%
From 1900 to 1910	Average yearly increase in loans and discounts.....	2.2%
From 1910 to 1920	Average yearly increase in loans and discounts.....	1.5%

It is also worthy of note that in years of financial panic or special money pressure the loans and discounts of the National banks instead of increasing

in this particular period of the year have usually shown an actual contraction. For example, in the year 1884, between June 20 and September 30, there was a reduction in loans and discounts in the National banks of 1.9%. In the panic year 1893 between July 12 and October 3, there was a shrinkage of 8.8%. In 1896, between July 14 and October 6, there was a decline in loans and discounts of 4%. In 1914 between June 30th and September 12th, there was a shrinkage of .5% and in 1918, the last year of the war, between June 29th and September 1st, there was a shrinkage of .4%.

The present indications, unfortunately, are that some of the principal crops of the current year are likely to be less abundant than in 1919 and as prices are also showing a declining tendency, the amount of money necessary to move the crops this year should be proportionately reduced.

The primary function of the Reserve Banks as originally designed was to provide an agency which could furnish credit and currency in times of financial emergency, or in periods of the year when additional funds were necessary for the movement of crops or to meet the legitimate demands of expanding business. Until the creation of the Federal Reserve System, and until Secretary McAdoo, just before this system was inaugurated, deposited government money in the banks to help move the crops, the only means the banks had for providing funds for special emergencies was by borrowing through loans and rediscounts of other banks which might happen to be better supplied, or by drawing upon their reserves, principally carried with the National banks in the Reserve cities. For some years prior to 1914 there had been no opportunity for increasing the circulating currency by issuing more Bank notes because of the scarcity of the old issues of Government bonds, nearly all of which had been retired, except those which were already deposited as security for Bank circulation.

Let us now consider the extent to which the banks, on their part, have met the demands upon them by borrowing money from other banks. The records of the Comptroller's office show that the total borrowings of all the National banks of the country for the 44-year period prior to 1913, both on notes rediscounted and on bills payable, had never exceeded at the time of any call for reports of condition 100 million dollars; the maximum of 100 millions being reached at the time of the 5th call in 1907 for reports of condition, after the panic in October of that year. By November, 1908, the total borrowings of all the National banks on notes re-discounted and bills payable had been reduced to 39 millions. In the summer of 1913 the aggregate of notes re-discounted and bills payable again went up, this time, to 108 million dollars, at the time of the August call. In 1914 after the outbreak of the European War the total amount of bills payable and re-discounts of all National banks reached 162 million dollars—the highest that had ever been recorded prior to the inauguration of the Federal Reserve System.

During the year 1915, after the opening of the Federal Reserve banks, the maximum borrowing of all the National banks was 105 millions, at the time of the September call. In 1916 the highest borrowing of the National banks on notes rediscounted and bills payable was 91 million dollars, in September of that year.

The records show and it is worthy of note that the National banks of the country did not avail themselves of the discount facilities of the Federal Reserve System to any material extent until the first Liberty Loan was placed in the summer of 1917—two and one-half years after the opening of these banks.

In the year 1917 the First and Second Liberty Loans were placed, reaching a total of nearly six billion dollars, but the maximum borrowings by National banks at the time of calls that year, including all advances from the Federal Reserve banks were reported, in December, at 741 million dollars. In 1918 the Third and Fourth Liberty Loans aggregating over eleven billion dollars were floated, and the borrowings from the Federal Reserve and other banks at the time of the December call, in 1918, had increased to 1,380 million dollars. The Victory Notes for four and one-half billion dollars were placed in 1919, and the borrowings of the National banks from the Federal Reserve and other banks advanced from 1,380 million in December, 1918, to the then maximum of 1,911 million dollars in December, 1919, of which the far greater part was borrowed on notes secured by the war bonds.

It is also distinctly reassuring to contemplate how comparatively small has been the expansion, which the placing of these huge bond issues has involved, in the Loans and Discounts made to their customers by the National banks during the period in which the Government was thus marketing and collecting the proceeds of 21 1-2 billion dollars of Liberty Bonds and Victory Notes, and several billion dollars additional of short term certificates of indebtedness. Although these vast transactions were carried through in a time of extraordinary business activity, yet the increase in the loans and discounts of the National banks, exclusive of rediscounts, in the three years between May 1, 1917, and May 4, 1920, was only about three and a half billion dollars—less than 15 per cent of all Government securities placed in this period.

At the present time, the total amount of money which all the National banks of the country are borrowing on notes rediscounted and bills payable, from the Federal Reserve banks, and from all other banks, is only about 2 billion dollars. As these National banks now, themselves, own only about one billion dollars of Liberty Bonds and Victory Notes and are holding, as stated, approximately one billion additional as collateral, it is apparent that, if by any means the Government should take over or redeem the two billion dollars of Liberty Bonds and Victory Notes owned and held as collateral by National banks, these banks would be able to discharge practically all their loans obtained from the Federal Reserve banks and from all other banks. These figures are indicative of the strength of the banks at this time, but there is neither need nor probability that the Government will redeem its bonds in the immediate future save by purchases in the open market, and through the operations of the Sinking Fund, as provided by law.

The surprising feature of the situation is not that the Banks of the country should have become as much indebted to the Federal Reserve banks as they are, but that they should have been able to handle these gigantic transactions during these past three years so easily and so comfortably, with so little inflation, and with such comparatively small borrowings, when we consider the unprecedented size of the bond issues which were sold and collected for through our banks, both National and State, from twenty million buyers.

It will probably be surprising, and certainly reassuring, to the public to know that at the time of the last call for statements of condition, the fourth of last month, 4,596 National banks, out of a total of eight thousand, reported that they were *not* borrowing one dollar from their Federal Reserve banks either through notes rediscounted or on bills payable; the total number so borrowing being less than 42 1-2% of the whole.

The Government financing is now practically completed, and the Nation is reducing instead of increasing, the public debt. With the declining tendency in the prices of commodities, now visible in many directions, with the

quieter tendency in many classes of business, there are cumulative reasons for expecting a gradual and healthy reduction of the indebtedness now due by the Member banks of the country to the Federal Reserve banks and an early return to more normal financial and industrial conditions.

In view of the apprehension which has been expressed as to a possible shrinkage in bank deposits between the summer and autumn calls, incident to the harvesting of the crops, it may be interesting to you to learn first, that in the amount of deposits held by National banks for other National banks in the past half century there has been an increase between the times of the summer and autumn calls for reports of condition almost as frequently as there has been shown a shrinkage. Increases are reported in 22 years and reductions in 28. Secondly, the individual deposits in the National banks of the country for the past 50 years have far more frequently increased than they have declined during the period while banking resources have been drawn upon to furnish the crop moving fund. In 30 years of this period the individual deposits of National banks actually increased; and in only 20 years of this time did they show a decline.

For reasons which I have endeavored to explain to you here in some detail the probabilities are that the demands upon the banks for funds for crop moving purposes this year will be less than last year and less than for several years past. But if this anticipation should not be fulfilled and if the Member banks should make larger calls than ever upon the Federal Reserve banks, these will be abundantly able to meet any legitimate demand for which human foresight may provide.

I have shown you that the largest amount the National banks of the country ever borrowed in any one year through rediscounts and bills payable prior to 1913 was \$100,000,000. Without reducing their Reserve limits which, under the law, the Federal Reserve Board has the right in its discretion to waive, the Federal Reserve banks showed last week an unused lending power of more than \$700,000,000 and by reducing the gold reserve requirements by only 10% on deposits and on notes this additional lending power could be increased to two and a half billion dollars which, added to the two billion dollars already loaned mostly on war issues would bring the total lending power of the Reserve banks up to about four and a half billion dollars, or forty-five times as much as the maximum amount which the National Banks of the country (comprising a vast majority of the membership of the Reserve System) ever borrowed at any one time prior to 1913, as disclosed by the official records, and for more than they are likely to avail of for a great many years to come.

At the outset of his address Comptroller Williams told the Maine bankers that their State "has the remarkable record of no failure of a National bank since the system was established fifty-seven years ago."

**NATIONAL BANK DEPOSITORS EXCEED 20,000,000—
DEPOSITS TWENTY-TWO BILLION.**

Depositors in the National banks aggregated 20,380,350 on May 4 1920, this, according to Comptroller of the Currency John Skelton Williams, being the greatest number ever reported. The resources of the National banks on that date totaled \$22,038,714,000—the highest ever reached with the single exception of Dec. 31 1919. The Comptroller's statement, making known these figures, was issued under date of July 2, as follows:

Reports just compiled by this Bureau show the constantly widening diffusion of wealth in this country. On May 4 1920 the number of deposit accounts in our National banks reached the unprecedented total of 20,380,350 an average of one deposit account for every five and one-half of our population. This is an increase of 12,689,882 or 165% in ten years.

Pennsylvania led all the States with 2,589,697 deposit accounts in her National banks. New York State next with 1,681,581 deposit accounts. Illinois 1,197,040, Ohio 1,124,482, Texas 1,109,972. The other States whose National banks reported 500,000 or more deposit accounts were: California, 798,697; New Jersey, 710,703; Minnesota, 645,320; Indiana, 606,319; Virginia, 586,259; Iowa, 583,078; Massachusetts, 579,975; Wisconsin, 568,043; Oklahoma, 525,940.

Resources.—The resources of the National banks of the country at the time of the last call May 4 1920, as just compiled, aggregate \$22,038,714,000, being the highest point ever reached with the single exception of Dec. 31 1919. The increase in resources since Feb. 28 1920 was \$176,174,000, and the increase since May 12 1919, was \$1,213,723,000.

Deposits.—Individual and demand deposits on May 4 1920 stood at \$13,533,908,000 being an increase over Feb. 28 1920 of \$230,541,000 and an increase as compared with May 12 1919 of \$1,701,129,000. United States deposits on May 4 1920 were \$115,200,000 an increase over Feb. 28 1920 of \$47,286,000.

The amount due to other banks and bankers on May 4 1920 was \$3,275,435,000 which represented a reduction of \$318,406,000 as compared with Feb. 28 1920, and a reduction as compared with May 12 1919 of \$265,031,000.

The net reduction therefore in deposits, individual, bank and United States deposits, on May 4 1920 as compared with Feb. 28 1920 was \$40,579,000.

Total deposits May 4 1920 including individual, United States and banks, were \$16,924,543,000.

The Ratio of Loans and Discounts to Deposits May 4 1920 was 72.61% which compares with 62.28% May 12 1919.

Loans and Discounts.—With a net reduction in deposits of \$40,579,000, we find that loans and discounts on May 4 1920 amounted to \$12,288,582,000, being an increase since Feb. 28 1920 of \$294,059,000. The increase in loans and discounts was provided for principally by drawing down the balances due from other banks and bankers which, on May 4 1920, amounted to \$3,159,232,000, a reduction as compared with Feb. 28 1920 of \$207,307,000.

Between Feb. 28 1920 and May 4 1920, the Reserve and Central Reserve cities of the country, outside of New York City, showed a net reduction in loans and discounts of something less than \$2,000,000; 33 Reserve and Central Reserve cities, outside of New York City, showing a reduction in loans and discounts and 32 such cities a slight increase. The principal increase in loans and discounts from Feb. 28 1920 to May 4 1920, took place in the country banks, and amounted in these banks to \$177,496,000, the country banks in 43 States showing an increase, while in the States of North Carolina, Mississippi, Louisiana, Nebraska and Idaho small reductions were reported.

United States Government Securities held on May 4 1920 footed up to \$2,375,801,000, being a reduction as compared with Feb. 28 1920 of \$83,-

623,000, and a reduction as compared with May 12 1919 of \$1,656,952,000. Of the \$2,375,801,000 United States Government Securities held May 4 1920, 704 millions were old bonds held to secure circulation, 779 million were United States Liberty bonds, 258 million were Victory notes, practically all the remainder were U. S. Certificates of Indebtedness.

Liberty Bonds.—The total amount of Liberty bonds held as collateral by all the National banks on May 4 1920 has been reduced to \$677,000,000. The total amount of Victory notes held as collateral has been reduced to \$228,000,000. The total amount of United States Certificates of Indebtedness held as collateral by all the National banks of the country on May 4 1920 was reported as something less than \$25,000,000.

The Total Cash on Hand and Due from Federal Reserve Banks (including items with Federal Reserve banks in process of collection) amounted May 4 1920 to \$2,177,218,000, an increase over Feb. 28 1920 of \$76,317,000, and an increase as compared with May 12 1919 of \$251,372,000.

The Total Bills Payable and Rediscounts for all National banks May 4 1920 was \$2,265,000,000, being an increase over Feb. 28 1920 of 200 million dollars, and an increase as compared with May 12 1919 of 717 million dollars.

The Bills Payable of all National banks on May 4 1920 amounted to \$1,051,000,000, of which 952 million dollars were with the Federal Reserve banks. The total rediscounts of all National banks May 4 1920 was \$1,214,000,000, of which 993 million dollars were with the Federal Reserve banks. As the total of bills payable and rediscounts, \$2,265,000,000, included bills payable and rediscounts made by the smaller banks with the larger banks, and subsequently rediscounted by the larger banks with the Federal Reserve banks, it should be noted that the actual amount of bills payable and rediscounts outstanding is, on account of some being reported twice, considerably less than the aggregate of the figures given here.

Bonds and Securities, other than United States Securities, held May 4 1920, amounted to \$1,835,000,000, a reduction since Feb. 28 1920 of 24 million dollars, but an increase since May 12 1919 of 92 million dollars.

Capital, Surplus and Undivided Profits May 4 1920 amounted to \$2,613,068,000, an increase over Feb. 28 1920 of \$82,417,000, and an increase since May 12 1919 of \$254,008,000.

**DATA COMPILED BY FIELD, RICHARDS & CO. ON
BUYING AND SELLING OF SECURITIES.**

An exceedingly interesting document, which it may be said in truth confirms the claim that it represents a long step forward in the gathering and presentation, to those most interested, of specific data on the bankers' position in the investment field of a State, has been compiled by Field, Richards & Co., of Cleveland. The work is copyrighted, and the firm states that while they have tried to provide for any requests they may have from Ohio bankers, they cannot undertake to offer the same promiscuously for general distribution. Evidence of great care in the preparation of the work is seen throughout its entire make-up. Numerous graphic charts are used in the presentation of the information which is supplied under the title "On the Buying and Selling of sound securities in Ohio Banks—Excerpts from a survey made by Field, Richards & Co. in thirty-two counties of Ohio, to learn the bankers' attitude on investments—his own investments and those of his customers." Among other things it is stated therein that "more than one-half of the 109 bankers interviewed stated that the activity of investors in their community in buying sound securities has increased since the war." Also that "practically 90% of the 109 banks reporting state that their deposits have increased since the war, and during the same period in which the purchasers of securities by investors in their communities have increased." In presenting charts showing the increase in deposits coincident with the increase in investors' purchases, the firm says:

The above figures seem to prove again—if further proof is needed—that the buying of high-grade securities in a community tends to increase, and not to reduce, the deposits in its banks. In other words, the banker who encourages his customers and the people of his community to become investors does not see his deposits suffer in consequence, but finds that he is using a logical method of promoting his bank's growth.

The increase in banks' sales to individual investors is dealt with as follows:

Nearly one-half of the 104 banks reporting on this feature stated that the proportion of their security purchases for individual investors is increasing. The degree of this increase, as well as the few instances of decreases, are shown in the tabulation below:

Sales Made by Banks:	No. Banks Reporting	Per Cent of All Reports
Increasing greatly.....	13	12.9%
Increasing moderately.....	37	36.6
No material change.....	41	40.6
Decreasing moderately.....	3	3.0
Decreasing greatly.....	4	4.0
Do not know.....	3	3.0

These figures are unchanged materially when analyzed according to size of town; but when analyzed according to size of bank, we find that only 31% of the banks having deposits of three to ten million dollars are increasing the proportion of their purchase for individual investors; while 75% of the banks having over ten millions of deposits are increasing the individual investors' proportion.

It should be noted that the increase of these purchases for customers is by no means confined to banks that maintain "bond departments." It is another indication of the banker's rapidly growing tendency to enlarge his business by paying more attention than heretofore to one of his legitimate opportunities.

Of the 109 banks interviewed on the question as to whether it is the bank's function to advise investors regarding the purchase of securities, 76 (or 69.7%) held it to be decidedly the bank's function; 23 (or 21.1%) expressed the view that

it was probably the bank's function; 4 were doubtful on the subject, and 6 declared that it was not within the province of the bank. The survey made by the firm is most comprehensive and covers numerous inquiries aside from those we have especially mentioned.

INVESTMENT YIELD OF SECURITY ISSUES OF VARIOUS CLASSES.

In pointing out the opportunities for permanent investment in good securities yielding a high return and emphasizing the desirability of investing under the unusually favorable circumstances that now prevail, J. H. Brooks & Co. of Scranton presents the following compilation of the average yields of new security issues of various types showing how the price of capital has moved in recent years.

Year	Municipals.	Rails	Public Utilities.	Indst. Bonds.	Indst. Pfds.
1920.....	5.07%	6.88%	7.51%	7.56%	7.82%
1919.....	4.62	5.96	6.30	6.57	7.25
1918.....	4.54	5.79	5.66	6.46	7.19
1917.....	4.22	5.10	4.91	5.97	6.98
1916.....	3.97	4.75	4.46	5.26	6.48
1915.....	4.35	4.89	4.81	5.57	6.83
1914.....	4.28	4.92	5.01	5.96	6.88
1913.....	4.30	4.41	4.90	5.35	6.42
1912.....	4.15	4.26	4.80	5.18	6.16
1911.....	4.06	4.23	4.77	5.17	6.25
1910.....	4.00	4.21	4.79	5.25	6.23
1909.....	3.90	4.08	4.71	5.16	6.13
1908.....	3.82	4.35	5.11	5.90	7.09
1907.....	3.90	4.30	4.91	5.76	6.97
1906.....	3.60	4.01	4.56	5.18	6.32
1905.....	3.40	3.91	4.43	5.19	6.34
1904.....	3.35	4.05	4.60	5.81	7.33
1903.....	3.31	4.10	4.63	5.69	7.27

In its circular submitting the above, the firm also says:

Extraordinarily high commodity prices and the tremendous demand for money which were ushered in by the war as well as the inflation consequent on the flotation of about twenty-five billion dollars worth of United States Government securities have depressed bond values to such an extent that every high grade issue of seasoned long term bonds is to-day on the bargain counter. The yield rate at which these bonds are selling on the exchanges of the country is reflected in the rates at which the very best of the new issue are being offered.

But these new issues are for relatively short terms which shows that financiers expect that the present high money rates will last for only a short time; they feel sure of refinancing at a lower interest rate. It is clearly to the interest of the lending public then to take advantage of the very favorable situation. A selection of long or short term securities, according to your needs and plans for future investments is advisable at this time. All financial authorities are agreed that the man who saves and invests in bonds now is offered the highest return in a generation. And as prices of commodities come down the money saved now and put into good securities will, later, not only buy as much as two dollars will buy now, but the securities it is put into will also increase in value.

The depression in bond prices which has extended through several years has brought the price of bonds very low and the return on them is now very attractive.

It seems as though the turn has about arrived and that people who invest carefully now will in the next few years reap handsome profits and be safe all the time while speculators in fancy priced stocks are likely to see their profits turn into losses.

LOUISVILLE CLEARING HOUSE RAISES INTEREST ON COUNTRY BALANCES AFTER SOME LOSS OF MEMBERS.

The ruling of the Louisville Clearing House Association limiting to 2% the rate of interest which members may pay on country bank deposits is said to have brought about the resignation from the Association of the First National Bank of Louisville. Another withdrawal from the association that of the Liberty Insurance Bank, is said to have been occasioned by the fact that practically all the functions of the Clearing House have been assumed by the Federal Reserve Bank. In its account of the withdrawals, the Louisville "Courier-Journal" of July 20 said:

Resignation from the Louisville Clearing House Association of two of the larger banks here was accepted yesterday at a special meeting called by Earl S. Gwin, president.

The First National Bank, which presented its resignation July 15, gave as its reason that the interest rate of 2% required by association rules to be paid country banks for their reserve deposits was not sufficient to meet the competition of banks in cities in neighboring States. A rate of 3% was sought by the bank but denied by the association.

At the same time the Liberty Insurance Bank resigned from the organization, but for an entirely different reason. According to A. P. Winkler, president of the bank, the resignation was turned in because practically all functions of the clearing house have been assumed by the Federal Reserve branch bank here. This includes clearing of checks.

Rules Are Changed.

Immediately after the acceptance of the two bank resignations, the association, with President Gwin in the chair, passed a rule amending its by-laws so as to authorize member banks to pay 3% on country bank deposits at their discretion.

Hugh L. Rose, vice-president and cashier of the First National Bank, commenting on the situation, made the following statement:

"Banks in adjacent cities have been paying 2½ and 3% to country banks for their reserve deposits, while Louisville banks have persisted in holding to the old rule of 2%. This bank has tried for six months to induce the clearing house to raise the rate, realizing that cities out of the State were taking money out of Kentucky that rightfully should have gone to Louisville. Last week we determined to force the issue, and on July 15,

sent in our resignation and at the same time announced to banks in towns near here that we would pay 3% on their deposits.

"The result of this action has been that the clearing house has raised the rate. However, we will not go back into it as members."

Relations Remain Cordial.

Mr. Winkler said the relations between his bank and other Louisville banks continue to be cordial, and that the resignation was based solely on the fact that the functions of the association have now become merely nominal.

Mr. Gwin, president of the Clearing House Association, said the resignation of the two banks would not affect the existence of the organization. It would continue to operate as an agency of member banks.

Clearance of checks, the principal business of the Louisville Clearing House Association, was taken over by the Louisville Federal Reserve branch bank April 15. A short time afterward the furniture and other property of the association was advertised for sale. An office is still maintained, however, in the Columbia Building. Humphrey Robinson, expert accountant, is manager.

FEDERAL FARM LOANS.

Loans of \$6,429,100 were extended to 1880 farmers of the United States in June by the Federal Land Banks on long time first mortgages according to the monthly statement made to the Federal Farm Loan Board. In the announcement, made public July 15, it was stated that the Federal Land Bank of Omaha leads in the amount of loans closed, its figures being \$1,176,900, the Federal Land Bank of Spokane following with \$959,700. The other banks closed loans in June as follows: New Orleans \$902,350; Columbia, \$780,750; St. Louis \$685,700; St. Paul \$658,400; Louisville \$397,000; Wichita \$332,500; Baltimore \$288,900; Springfield \$177,100; Berkeley \$69,800; Houston none. It is stated that during June 156 applications were received by the 12 banks, asking for \$751,600 and during the same month 106 loans were approved by them amounting to \$464,500. On June 30 there were operating in the United States 3,983 farm loan associations, and the total mortgage loans made by the Federal land banks through these associations to 127,238 farmer-borrowers as of that date, amounted to \$354,302,441. Deducting from this amount the loans paid off in full by borrowers, namely \$11,268,580 and also the total amount of instalments on principal matured, \$4,399,612 leaves the grand total of loans in force (unpaid principal) amounting to \$338,634,249, which amount is distributed within the Federal land bank districts as follows:

Omaha	\$45,644,727	St. Paul.....	\$45,273,258
Spokane	42,972,923	Houston	37,973,006
St. Louis	27,963,321	Wichita	27,536,681
Louisville	25,475,919	New Orleans.....	23,530,501
Berkeley.....	16,826,464	Baltimore	13,612,679
Columbia	18,593,697	Springfield	13,231,043

CO-OPERATIVE LABOR BANK PROPOSED IN PHILADELPHIA TO FIGHT OPEN SHOP.

The organization of a co-operative bank to be controlled and operated entirely by the labor organizations of Philadelphia, is called for in a resolution adopted in that city on July 25 by the Central Labor Union. This action is reported in the Philadelphia "Ledger" of July 26, which also has the following to say regarding the movement.

As explained by Felix Heinzl, the re-elected financial secretary, the co-operative bank plan is the first step organized labor in Philadelphia has taken to combat the action of the Chamber of Commerce in indorsing an "open-shop" program.

According to a brief outline of the plans, which the committee in charge hopes to present at the next meeting of the Central Labor Union, the basic principle is for every member with a bank account to withdraw his money from the various local banks, particularly those in which members of the Chamber of Commerce are interested, and place it in the co-operative bank.

By withdrawing our funds from the banks controlled by "big business" we take away the very rope by means of which they proposed to hang organized labor, said Mr. Heinzl.

While the resolution was officially placed in motion to-day, he continued, we have been formulating plans to combat the "open-shop.. propaganda ever since the Chamber of Commerce started its drive. We do not propose anything along direct radical lines, but are confident that we can beat them with their own weapon—and that is, money. If we stood by and did nothing to fight the open shop, unionism in Philadelphia would perish like a snowstorm in the spring.

Mr. Heinzl then told of a financial expert from New York, who is assisting the local committee. It is predicted by Mr. Heinzl that there will be one large central bank with several branches established in various sections of the city. It is also proposed that instead of the usual interest paid by savings banks throughout the city the co-operative bank shall pay to its depositors a regular dividend.

FINANCIAL NEEDS OF CANNING INDUSTRY PRESENTED TO FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF CLEVELAND.

Representations in behalf of the canning industry, so far as their financial needs are concerned, are understood to have been made to the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland by a committee representing the National Cannery Association composed of L. A. Sears, of Chillicothe. J. D. Fuller, of Cleveland, and C. C. McDonald, of Elyria. In our issue of July 10, page 137, we gave details of the attitude of the

Federal Reserve Board toward the financing of the canning and other essential industries as conveyed to J. H. Covington, counsel for the National Canners' Association by W. P. G. Harding of the Federal Reserve Board. As pointed out by us Governor Harding indicated a new therein that the Board "has not undertaken to define or to give any expression of its views as to what constitutes essential paper." and he stated that "if certain farm products should be put into cold storage or sold to canners at certain periods of the year in order to secure a uniform supply throughout the year, it follows that loans for these purposes should be made freely at seasons of the year when such products are available for such purposes." He also said, "this is the season when the small crops which are the basis of the canning industry are coming into the market, and they must be utilized now or not at all and it is apparent that applications of canners for accommodations at this time are entitled to greater consideration than at any other time of the year."

The New York "Commercial" of July 26 had the following to say regarding the needs of the canners as presented to the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland:

The committee in their statement to the Cleveland Reserve bank called attention to the fact that canning was a seasonal industry and the canners were, therefore, entitled to special consideration in the granting of loans. They made clear that during the season of canning of perishable vegetables and fruits a large amount of money was needed to pay for the raw products used in the plants, declaring that unless this financial need was met a serious shortage of food would result. Farmers, because of inability to market crops grown for canning purposes, would suffer extreme hardships.

It was further said that the financial burdens of the canners this year have greatly increased. This was due to lack of proper transmission of the finished product, caused by car shortage, strikes and other railroad troubles. In addition, the committee said that because of conservative buying on the part of wholesalers, the canners would have to carry in warehouses a much larger part of their product than usual, thus adding to their already heavy load. The wholesalers' conservative buying was largely attributed to the policy of the banks in the extension of credit, causing fear of obligating themselves to the usual extent by contracting for a reasonable season's supply of canned foods.

It was considered that to take care of the needs of the country for a whole year, canned foods, fresh vegetables and fruits must be produced during the season of their normal growth, covering a period of six weeks to four months. This requires for production purposes around \$300,000,000, according to their estimation. The individual canner, therefore, must have at the peak of the season a very large amount of money compared with other industries which operate the year around and turn over their capital several times a year.

The committee pointed out that high interest rates do not bring about lower cost of living, since easily 80% of the commerce and industry of the country is done on bank credits and borrowed money. Further, it was contended that increased production answers most of the problems confronting the nation. With production reaching the point of satisfying human needs it was thought reasonable reserves would be created in foods and other essentials and re-adjustment in trade and finance would be automatic.

In the interest of cheaper living for the people of the nation, the canners urged that their financial needs have full consideration.

BUILDING LOAN OBTAINED BY N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE BUILDING CO.

The New York Stock Exchange Building Co. has obtained a building loan of \$7,500,000 from the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. on the property at 8 to 18 Broad Street, and Nos. 4 to 16 New Street. The money is to be expended in the improvement of some of the buildings and for the erection of the 22-story office building now under construction on the site of the Wilkes Building at the southwest corner of Wall and Broad streets. The new building is to be ready for occupancy on or about Jan. 1923.

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

Withdrawals of \$16,800,000 of Government deposits from member banks in the New York Federal Reserve District were made this week; \$8,800,000 was withdrawn on July 27, while \$8,000,000 additional was withdrawn July 29. The withdrawal of a total of \$44,000,000 earlier in the month was referred to in the "Chronicle" of July 10, page 140 and July 17, page 249.

GOVERNOR HARDING OF FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD IN VISIT TO N. Y. OPTIMISTIC ON SITUATION.

The general situation is viewed optimistically by W. P. G. Harding, Governor of the Federal Reserve Board, who during a visit to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York on Wednesday last, July 28, gave voice to his opinions in an informal talk with newspaper men. In stating that Governor Harding declared himself as particularly optimistic over the general credit outlook, the New York "Times" of July 29, also reported him as further expressing himself as follows:

Mr. Harding was especially impressed, he said, with the improvement which has been noted recently in the Middle West.

"The crops are beginning to move," he said, "and the credit situation is improving markedly. Old loans are being liquidated at a fair rate and the

banks are in unquestionably better shape than they were a short time ago. The wheat which was carried over in the Northwest from last year and the carryover of corn in Iowa have been pretty well moved out of those districts, and while at Chicago, Minneapolis and Kansas City there probably will be big burdens to carry later in the year, as the new crops come in, the bankers in those sections anticipate no difficulty in handling them." As an evidence of the improvement in the Middle West, Governor Harding said that the Chicago Reserve Bank, which a short time ago was rediscounting as much as \$50,000,000 with other Reserve banks, yesterday had completed repayment of its borrowings. Some of the other Reserve banks, which maintain theoretical nominal lines of credit for their member banks, are now down below 50% of these lines.

The situation in the South, where the credit structure appears to be suffering from more strain than elsewhere, is largely one of seasonal character, said the Governor. The cotton crop is responsible for this, for the Southern banks have to bear the load of cotton at this time of year. Later this burden will be transferred to other sections and in the late Fall the Boston Federal Reserve Bank will be called upon to stand the major portion of it. The Boston Reserve Bank, Governor Harding pointed out, is getting itself into excellent condition to do this.

Asked as to the workings of the progressive rediscount system, which was made possible by an amendment to the Federal Reserve Act last Winter, Governor Harding said that in the districts where it had been tried it had worked with entire satisfaction. But he went on to say that this system would not work well in all districts. For example, in the New York district, where the big banks conduct a business which is not only nation-wide but international in scope, and where the member banks are rediscounting for other banks and for corporations in all parts of the country, it would be unfair to establish the progressive rediscount system. But in districts where business is largely local the scheme works well.

FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD ON BUSINESS CONDITIONS IN JULY.

Uncertainty and the continuance of industrial transition have been the characteristic features of the month of July in the business field according to the monthly review of the Federal Reserve Board made public yesterday (July 30). In part, the Board says:

Some districts report that the price-cutting movement begun in May and continued through June is slowing down, while in other districts reduction of prices is reported still in progress. Industrial activity in many lines has been shortened in consequence of lowered demand, cancellation of orders and general re-adjustment. In some districts, however, production continues upon old orders which are still on the books, despite the fact that new business has fallen off. In the agricultural regions, improved crop conditions and the development of a more confident tone in business are reported to have brought about a turn distinctly for the better. Speculation in commodities is in many parts of the country reported to have been greatly reduced and in some practically eliminated. There is a general feeling that extravagant buying is at least less extreme and dangerous than it was some time ago, while labor in many parts of the country is reported as increasing in efficiency and a better spirit of co-operation exists between employer and employee. From the credit standpoint there is general expression of the belief that unessential demands have been reduced and that even where there has been no lessening in the volume of loans the advances that are being currently made are in a much greater proportion than those which grow out of bona-fide commercial and agricultural necessities than at any time for many months past. Transportation continues to be perhaps the least satisfactory phase of the month's development, and while there has been some improvement in a number of parts of the country it is still true that there is great congestion and that in consequence of it an undue and unnecessarily severe strain has been brought to bear upon credit for the purpose of making possible the carrying of goods which would otherwise have gone to market and would have been liquidated.

Probably the most hopeful element in the outlook during the month has been the continued improvement in crop prospects in general, and the special improvement seen in certain important agricultural lines. The 9th District (Minneapolis) reports both winter and spring wheat in a healthy condition, with the prospect of a yield considerably above normal and an indicated yield of 186,000,000 bushels of spring wheat, 7,500,000 bushels of winter wheat and 273,500,000 bushels of oats. The 10th District (Kansas City) estimates a combined crop of winter and spring wheat of 260,000,000 bushels, with oats at 185,000,000 bushels and corn at 400,000,000 bushels. In the middle west generally the crop output is improving and in many sections corn "never looked better." Wheat and oats also hold out excellent prospects. District No. 8 (St. Louis) reports wheat low in quantity but high in quality, corn in favorable condition, oats bearing out optimistic estimates and hay the most satisfactory ever raised in the region. Cotton is improving and labor conditions better than expected. The combined condition of all crops in the district as reported by the Department of Agriculture is 95.8%. On the Pacific Coast spring wheat is now estimated at about 59,000,000 bushels or 10,000,000 bushels more than 1919.

In live-stock conditions appear to be exceptionally good the country over. District No. 10 (Kansas City) reports excellent pasturing conditions but states that prospects for any material increase in the supply of animals during the autumn and winter are not encouraging because of the length of time required to build up the industry after the inroads suffered during the war. The 11th District (Dallas) reports excellent range conditions, with stock making satisfactory progress practically throughout the district and prices materially higher at the close of June. In other parts of the country the live-stock situation is also encouraging.

The wool and woolen outlook has been of special importance during the past month. In raw wool the inactivity which has been characteristic during the past six weeks continues and the market has become entirely a buyer's market. The raw wools are in numerous instances being quoted at 30% below the level of last January in District No. 3 (Philadelphia). In District No. 1 (Boston) dealers in raw materials are placing practically no orders and such wool as is going into the market is being received on a consignment basis. "It is still felt . . . that with more wool in the world than was ever before known, prices have not yet reached bottom." Goods returned to the mills together with cancellations are estimated at \$100,000,000. An encouraging feature in the situation is the willingness of wool dealers to extend longer time and to accept cancellations of orders. In the woolen and worsted goods industry, yarn spinners are having but few inquiries for their product, while for finished textiles conditions are equally discouraging. In the 3rd District (Philadelphia) "there is no demand for the product and the closing of plants is general . . . ; while some manufacturers feel that activity will be resumed in the early fall, others have no hope for a decided improvement in conditions until after the presidential election. Nevertheless it is believed that "when business is resumed . . . manufacturing conditions should be much more favorable than those prevailing during the

first six months of the year. The raw material supply is plentiful and lower in price and labor conditions show signs of real improvement." Collections in the industry generally are slowing up. The strain however, has, on the whole, been well borne by the industry.

In cotton goods there has been a reduction of activity. In the Massachusetts cotton-milling region demand continues light, many mills reporting supplies of raw cotton sufficient to last until next year.

The past month has seen but little improvement in the depressed situation existing in leather and shoes month earlier. Shoe manufacturers are not placing many orders with leather dealers. July is usually a dull period in any case, but the dullness began earlier and is lasting longer this year. A great curtailment of operations both in the manufacture of leather and in that of shoes is noted in New England. Manufacturers, however, on the whole anticipate a brisk autumn business due to belated orders, and they also look for a greater demand for shoes of grades other than the finest. Export shipments are believed likely to fall off. In the Third District (Philadelphia) curtailment which exists in the Massachusetts region likewise prevails. There is conflicting opinion throughout the trade as to the outlook, some believing that a sudden autumn demand will spring up, others that retailers are sufficiently well stocked to "carry on" for a good while to come. Manufacturing conditions in the shoe industry are fairly satisfactory. In the middle west "shoe manufacturers have been marking time," and output is only 30% to 40% of that of a year ago, but conditions are considered better than in the east. Retailers' stocks are depleted.

One notable feature of the business situation during the month has been a change in labor conditions. An important factor in this connection has been the development of unemployment in various parts of the country. This unemployment has been apparently chiefly due to three factors. Where poor transportation prevented deliveries of fuel and raw materials some plants have been obliged to curtail operations and thereby reduce opportunities for employment pending better conditions; in other manufacturing districts the shutting down of mills as a result of cancellation of orders and lack of demand has also thrown considerable forces of men out of work; elsewhere, inability to obtain capital for construction and consequent abandonment or suspension of undertakings that had been contemplated have produced a certain amount of unemployment with some shifting of workers from one occupation to another. An effect of the changed labor situation, which has been the subject of quite general comment in the various Federal Reserve Districts, is an increase in the efficiency of labor.

FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD ON CAUSES OF CANCELLATION OF ORDERS.

Stating that "the outstanding feature of the past month appears to have been the excessive cancellation of orders received by manufacturers representing various lines of industry" the Federal Reserve Board in its monthly "Bulletin" for July adds:

It is a situation that might be interpreted as presaging industrial depression were it not for certain special circumstances that go far toward explaining the prevalence of these cancellations. In the first place the transportation tie-up remains, as it has been for several months, the dominant factor to be reckoned with, and the chief cause inhibiting productive activity. Inability to deliver goods or delayed deliveries are sufficient explanation of many cancellations. Fuel shortage, likewise attributable to transportation difficulties, has also led to a reduction of output in certain industries, thereby diminishing the demand for raw materials and semi-finished products. These factors also inevitably react upon the buying power of those ultimate consumers whose wages are reduced by a slowing up or cessation of industrial activity.

But, on the whole, the ability of producer and distributor to sell goods appears to have been fairly well sustained, except in the case of clothing and of boots and shoes. In these lines the consumptive buying demand has undeniably fallen off, at least for the time being, but here, too, delays in delivery and unseasonable weather have been important contributory factors. The situation in the clothing industry has been inevitably reflected in textile lines—particularly in the case of the woolen mills which have suffered exceptionally heavy cancellations. The result of this has been that the wool grower is unable to market his product. The hide and leather markets have similarly felt the effects of the cancellations received by the boot and shoe manufacturers.

Credit contraction is sometimes alleged as a prime cause of the reduced volume of business. But the total amount of credit available cannot be said to have been restricted. There exists rather an abnormal demand for loans due to freight congestion and inability to make shipments.

It is the generally accepted opinion that if the transportation problem can be solved present hindrances to productive activity will largely disappear.

BOSTON FEDERAL RESERVE BANK ON TRANSPORTATION DIFFICULTIES AS FACTOR IN CREDIT SITUATION.

Discussing business and money conditions, Frederic H. Curtiss, Chairman and Federal Reserve Agent of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, states in his monthly review made public July 28 that it is becoming more and more clear that "transportation difficulties constitute one of the most important factors in the present credit and industrial situation in New England. He adds:

It is generally believed and conceded that speculation in commodities, which was unquestionably one of the prime factors in the rapid rise of prices during the past year, has been to a very large degree eliminated from the channels of trade; that the public is recovering from the disease of extravagant buying which afflicted it so acutely a year ago; that labor is becoming more sensible of changing conditions, prompting it to a more reasonable spirit of co-operation in its attitude toward employers and the public; and, perhaps most important of all, that no legitimate, well-established business has suffered from lack of adequate banking accommodation as a result of a more discriminating use of credit and the influence of high discount rates. The pressure for loans upon member banks in this district has receded somewhat during the past few weeks, leaving bank reserves in a more satisfactory condition to meet the demands of the crop-moving season.

But while there need be no fear that production will not speed up again automatically the moment that the economic law of supply and demand gives the signal, production which cannot be marketed when needed will not solve the problems either of the retail dealer or the consumer. It is the wheels of transportation, therefore, which now need acceleration and it is the transportation problem which must be attacked more vigorously

and earnestly than any other; and, although this is apparent the country over, the evidence of merchants and manufacturers in this territory indicates how acute the problem is in New England, which produces no coal whatever and so few of the raw materials upon which its great industries and the economic life of its people are principally dependent.

Mr. Curtiss also says in his review:

Liquidation of consumable commodities in ways pleasing to the ultimate user, which has been so marked during the past two months, continues, but as midsummer passes shows signs of shortly running its course. In the textile and shoe and leather centres, factories have been altogether closed down or running on short time with thousands out of employment, or living on reduced earnings even if at higher wage rates; purchasing power in these communities is therefore beginning to show signs of diminishing though no serious inroads have yet apparently been made on savings deposits nor are Liberty bonds being generally sacrificed by small holders; and an interesting psychological corollary of this situation is that a certain amount of increasing efficiency on the part of workers still kept employed and anxious so to remain, has been noted, causing some manufacturers to be more optimistic with respect to being able to develop more satisfactory work conditions for the future. In other industrial centres not specifically affected by cancellations resulting as yet in a slowing down of production, the public is still spending freely in the satisfaction of its wants, but its tastes are not along as extravagant lines as a year ago and a demand is gradually being created for cheaper grades of merchandise. The jewelry manufacturers of Attleboro and Providence, who have been enjoying unprecedented prosperity during the past two or three years, while still behind in their orders in certain branches, e. g. chain making, and hoping for a good fall business, appear to be slowing down somewhat, though wages remain firm and the supply of help is, in general, short. Conditions in the wool, cotton and leather industries have not materially changed.

FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD ON DEVELOPMENT OF ACCEPTANCE MARKET.

On the subject of the development of the acceptance market, the Federal Reserve Bulletin for July says:

There has been a decided advance during the past year in the expansion of the acceptance market. This has resulted in increasing considerably the holdings of that class of paper by Federal Reserve banks. According to figures prepared by the Federal Reserve Board, the total amount of bankers' acceptances growing out of both domestic and foreign trade operations held by all Federal Reserve banks was at the close of June 1919, about \$315,520,000. The corresponding figure for June 1920, is about \$412,000,000, while the total of trade acceptances, including both domestic and foreign trade, held by all Federal Reserve banks about the end of June 1919, was \$9,389,000, the corresponding figure for June 1920, being \$30,000,000 (including acceptances held under discount). According to a computation made by the Division of Statistics of the Federal Reserve Board, the total of member banks' acceptance liabilities on March 4 1919, was approximately \$451,264,000. A computation completed in June 1920, shows that for May 4 the total outstanding acceptance liabilities of all accepting member banks were approximately \$678,172,000. The growth in acceptances during the year has been in part the natural outcome of the large figures attained by business and industry during that period. It has also been due in part, however, to the fact that there has been a very general search for all possible methods of financing the movement of goods in export and import trade. Credit should also be given to the development of new establishments which have undertaken the work of dealing in acceptances and which co-operated in the creation of a broader market and a wider demand than had previously existed. Better marketing conditions have naturally tended to promote the use of the acceptance method in the transaction of business, while on the other hand country bankers and other investors have in an increasing degree undertaken the practice of purchasing and holding bankers' acceptances as a form of investment for surplus funds. A special service in connection with the selection and purchase of satisfactory acceptances on behalf of country member banks has been taken up by Federal Reserve Bank of New York. The experience of the year has, however, been in other ways difficult for the development of the acceptance market because of the high rates of interest which prevailed and the stringency of money during the latter part of the period which has undoubtedly reduced in no inconsiderable degree the scope of the demand for acceptances as a form of investment. This situation has been more generally applicable to bankers' acceptances, both domestic and foreign, than to trade acceptances. Progress has been made in some directions toward correcting abuses growing out of faulty technique in the use of the acceptance, and the movement for the correction of these errors or defects of practice has been aided by the work of the American Acceptance Council.

W. P. G. HARDING REAPPOINTED GOVERNOR OF FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD—EDMUND PLATT, VICE-GOVERNOR.

W. P. G. Harding was reappointed by President Wilson on July 27 as Governor of the Federal Reserve Board. Edmund Platt, who was named as a member of the Board in May, has been made Vice-Governor. References to Mr. Platt's appointment to membership on the Board appeared in the "Chronicle" of May 8, page 1934, and May 28 page 2621.

ADMINISTRATION OF TRUST DEPARTMENT OF A NATIONAL BANK.

Attention to the regulations of the Federal Reserve Board governing the administration of funds in the trust department of a national bank is called by the Board in its July "Bulletin," from which we quote as follows:

The Federal Reserve Board has received several inquiries with reference to Regulation N, series of 1919.

Section V of this regulation provides that—

Funds received or held in the trust department of a national bank awaiting investment or distribution may be deposited in the commercial department of the bank to the credit of the trust department, provided that the bank first delivers to the trust department, as collateral security, United States bonds, or other readily marketable securities owned by the bank, equal in market value to the amount of the funds so deposited.

Before a national bank deposits any of its trust funds in its commercial department it must deliver to the trust department securities of the kind and in the amounts specified in this section of the regulation. A deposit

of securities with the State banking authorities, as security for court and private trusts generally, is not a compliance with the specific requirement quoted above.

Section VI of the regulation deals with the investment of trust funds and provides that such funds must be invested in strict accordance with the terms of the instrument creating the trust and that where the instrument creating the trust authorizes the bank, its officers or its directors, to exercise only in those classes of securities which are approved by the directors of the bank. It was not intended, however, to require that each particular investment of trust funds be specifically approved by the board of directors but merely that the directors define the classes of securities in which trust funds may be invested in cases where the bank is authorized to exercise its discretion.

Section III of the regulation requires that the trust department of a national bank shall be placed under the management of an officer or officers whose duties shall be prescribed by the board of directors of the bank. Because of the difference in the laws of the various States governing the relation of fiduciary and beneficiary the Federal Reserve Board has not considered it practicable to formulate a uniform set of by-laws for national banks which have been granted authority to exercise trust powers, and has not in any other manner attempted to define the duties and powers of the officer or officers in charge of the trust departments of national banks. The precise duties and powers of these officers is a matter for the determination of the board of directors of the bank.

When national banks about to open trust departments have asked the Federal Reserve Board for information as to the proper manner of conducting those departments, the Board has suggested in each case that the trust department be placed under the management of a competent and experienced trust officer and that competent local counsel be employed to assist in prescribing the duties of that trust officer, and to advise with reference to the exercise of the bank's trust powers.

FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD'S REVIEW OF SYSTEM FOR PAST YEAR.

A review of the condition of the Federal Reserve system for the year ending June 30 1920 is presented by the Federal Reserve Board in its July "Bulletin," and so much of the analysis is likely to be of general interest that we print what the Board has to say herewith. It will be noted that in its resume the Board makes mention of the fact that during the year an aggregate "of about \$316,000,000 in gold was shipped abroad, and was in the main withdrawn from banks of the Federal Reserve system." It says, however, that this was offset by the amount received from the German Government in payment of supplies. "Of the gold thus received," it adds, "about 111 million is now held by the Bank of England for the account of the Federal Reserve banks." The following are the comments of the Board:

A New Epoch in the Federal Reserve System.

A year ago, in the August issue of the Federal Reserve Bulletin, there was presented a general statistical review of the condition of the Federal Reserve System for the year ending June 30 1919. In the present issue this general review is continued and brought down to June 30 1920. As was pointed out in the former statistical issue, the annual report of the Federal Reserve Board supplies a general description and outline of existing conditions by calendar years. It has been thought well, however, to furnish a critical analysis from the statistical standpoint, covering the intermediate periods ending June 30. In the analysis published a year ago it was sought to discuss the most conspicuous activities of the system. The time was especially opportune since the close of June, 1919, practically marked the formal termination of the war period, coinciding with the end of the fiscal year. Within the past fiscal (public) year ending June 30, 1920, important developments indicating the distinct transition from the close of the war period to a peace footing in banking and finance have occurred, and the figures herewith submitted will show in a general way the character of the situation as affected by reconstruction and financial transition.

It was pointed out in the last annual statistical review that, historically speaking, developments in the Federal Reserve System might be divided into four rather distinct periods: November, 1914, to December, 1916; January, 1917 to April, 1917; May 1917 to November 11, 1918; November 12, 1918 to June, 1919. There may now be added to these distinct periods in the history of the Federal Reserve System a fifth epoch, extending from the close of June, 1919, to the present time and perhaps longer—how long cannot, of course, as yet be precisely stated. During this latter period the characteristic phases have been found in the effort to check the growth of the volume of war paper carried by Federal Reserve Banks, in the successful shifting of the discount rate from the low stabilized level necessitated by war conditions to the higher basis corresponding to commercial conditions and reflecting the effort of the system to control the expansion of credit and the corresponding attempt to induce member banks to curtail excessive or unessential advances of funds. During the year in question the earnings of Federal Reserve Banks have continued large and there has been a steady advance in rediscounts paralleled by corresponding decline in the reserve ratio. The volume of notes in circulation has tended upward, although there has from time to time been fluctuation. The resumption of freedom of movement for specie has resulted in a reduction in the country's stock of gold and silver. These conditions and others ancillary to them may now be reviewed at somewhat greater length.

Advances in Resources.

The period immediately following the flotation of the Victory Liberty loan of the spring of 1919 witnessed a very considerable release of banking resources and industrial effort. Removal of the restraints upon capital investment which had been made by the Capital Issues Committee of the Federal Reserve Board under legislation enacted by Congress opened the way for the development of many enterprises whose efforts had been held in check during the war period. On the other hand, the activity of business and the continued growth of the export trade of the United States, largely for the purpose of meeting the urgent necessities of European nations, led to the continued rise and growth of applications for discount at member banks and from them for rediscount at Federal Reserve Banks. Coupled with these factors, which would in any case have been very evident, has been the growth of speculative demands for accommodation which have steadily tended to enlarge the volume of loans rendered available by the banking system of the country as a whole. A comparison between conditions existing at the end of June, 1919, and those at the end of June, 1920, shows that capital of the Federal Reserve Banks at the former date was approxi-

mately \$83,000,000 and resources somewhat less than \$5,300,000,000, whereas at the present date capital may be figured at \$94,500,000 and total resources at \$6,100,000,000. The increase in capital has thus been at the rate of approximately 14%, reckoning the condition at the end of June, 1919, as a base, with the expansion of resources proceeding in approximately the same ratio. The increase in capital during the year 1919-20 has not presented the periods of sporadic and fitful growth which had been observed during the early war period. Advance has been due rather to the steady progress in the enlargement of the capital of member banks, with corresponding increase in the subscriptions to the capital stock of Federal Reserve Banks, and to the slow and steady movement of members into the system. Analyzing these two elements individually it will be found that the total number of new State bank members gained during the year ending June 30 1920, has been approximately 368, their contribution to capital stock being \$3,013,000, to which should be added \$953,000 subscribed by newly organized national bank members, while on the other hand the increase in capital stock due to enlargement of the capital and surplus of former members may be taken as the balance of the net growth in Federal Reserve Bank capital, or approximately \$7,776,000. The increase in total resources is seen from the following table, in which are presented for the dates corresponding roughly to the end of the two years in question the changes that have taken place in total reserves, in total earning assets, and in total resources.

	June 27 1919.	June 25 1920.	Increase or Decrease of 1920 over 1919.
Total reserves.....	\$2,216,256,000	\$2,108,605,000	—\$107,651,000
Total earning assets.....	2,354,167,000	3,183,275,000	+829,108,000
Total resources.....	5,288,008,000	6,074,596,000	+786,588,000

From this it will be readily seen that the principal sources of advance during the period in question have been found in the item "Total earning assets," which shows a growth of about \$829,000,000. Total reserves held, on the other hand, indicate a decline of approximately \$108,000,000. Reserves of late have shown continued tendency to decline, and this decline has been coincident with an expansion in the total volume of paper under rediscount, which, of course, has added to the total volume of earning assets.

Change in Reserve Ratio.

The movement of principal items already referred to is better understood in connection with the study of reserve ratios. So important has the movement of this ratio been considered during the past few months that it has been deemed necessary to follow it closely in former issues. Recent events indicate that it has now passed the low point of decline and may be considered on its way upward. Reviewing the year as a whole, it may be said that the reserve ratio has passed through three periods, the first extending from the opening of the fiscal year on July 1 1919 to approximately Nov. 4 1919. During this period, mainly as the result of the large volume of discounts of war paper and the loss of gold taken for export, the ratio shows a decline from 50.4 to 46.6%. Beginning with November 1919 effort was definitely made to control the reserve position through the application of higher rates of discount at Federal Reserve Banks. From that date onward until the last week in May 1920, may be considered a period of fluctuation and uncertainty, the ratio moving irregularly up or down, but maintaining itself throughout the period practically at a low level or near it. Subsequent to the last week in May, successive advances in the ratio, partly due to Government operations, occurred, an increase of ½ of 1% being shown in the weekly report of condition for June 11, while a further increase of 1½% was shown in the weekly condition report for the close of business on June 18. For the week ending June 25 a reduction of 9-10ths of 1% occurred. This movement of the ratio may be indicated in the following figures, which represent the average of the monthly ratios for the year in question (taking as the basis of average the percentages announced each week, whether four or five in number):

Average Monthly Reserve Ratios, June 30 1919 to June 25 1920.

1919.	1920.
July.....50.4	January.....44.7
August.....50.8	February.....43.1
September.....51.1	March.....42.8
October.....48.7	April.....43.0
November.....46.6	May.....42.6
December.....46.0	June.....43.4

As has been explained on former occasions, the movement of the reserve ratio of a banking system does not necessarily in all cases serve as a true index of its strength. The ratio may move upward as the result of an increase in actual cash reserve even though the holdings of paper may be non-liquid or "frozen," or the ratio may decline as a result of the liquidation of credit at a time when the portfolio is in a satisfactory state and when the reserve is amply able to care for all probable demands brought to bear by depositors. The movement of the ratio of reserves in the Federal Reserve System during the year 1919-20 has been the outcome of a somewhat complex group of influences. During the year in question an aggregate (net) of about \$316,000,000 in gold was shipped abroad and was in the main withdrawn from banks of the Federal Reserve System. This total is partly offset, however, by the amount of gold received from the German Government in payment for food supplies. Of the gold thus received about 111 millions is now held by the Bank of England for the account of the Federal Reserve Banks. This net export movement would have tended at least to bring about a lower reserve ratio. Coincident with this movement of gold, however, there set in an increasing demand for larger accommodation at Federal Reserve Banks, partly due to the general economic factors already reviewed, but partly also to the circumstance that business establishments found it necessary to obtain a larger volume of credit at their banks because of the fact that prices were ruling higher and that accordingly a larger amount of credit was necessary to move a given volume of goods at any one time. Coupled with all these factors must be borne in mind the circumstance that a very substantial part of the assets of Federal Reserve Banks have been in a measure unliquid, due to the fact that they so largely represented paper collateralized by Government obligations, and not the result of actual self-liquidating business transactions.

Notes and Deposits.

No analysis of reserves would, however, be instructive unless compared with changes in the movement of outstanding Federal Reserve notes and deposit liabilities of Federal Reserve Banks. Comparison between the two dates which are under consideration shows that the movement in the deposit item for the year in question has been from approximately \$2,437,000,000 to \$2,473,000,000, while the note circulation has expanded from approximately \$2,500,000,000 to approximately \$3,171,000,000 (Federal Reserve notes only). The growth in deposits is thus seen to be in round numbers \$36,000,000, while the growth in notes may be taken as approximately \$617,000,000. This enlargement in the circulation of reserve notes, as compared with the small increase in deposits, after a period of intermediate growth in which the deposit item reached a figure much higher than that for the close of the year, may be best understood by studying the movement of these two items at selected dates.

	Federal Reserve Notes.	Deposits (Total Gross Deposits).
June 27 1919-----	\$2,499,180,000	\$2,436,757,000
Nov. 7 1919-----	2,806,759,000	2,807,688,000
Jan. 23 1920-----	2,844,227,000	2,840,476,000
May 14 1920-----	3,083,234,000	2,646,800,000
June 25 1920-----	3,116,718,000	2,472,709,000

It will be observed that while both notes and deposits have passed through periods of fluctuation, so that their growth is by no means parallel the general tendency throughout the country has been that of quite steadily enlarging the circulation of notes. This is partly due to the fact that the note issue has been required in current use because of the great rise in prices and the consequent necessity of carrying a larger supply of money in pocket with which to meet current requirements. It is also in part due to the growing necessity for a larger amount of actual currency for payment over the counter at the several banks of the country in order that current demands of depositors, rendered more intense by the high prices, might be freely met. Notwithstanding that the reports of condition of member banks show only a very moderate amount of vault cash or till money carried by the banks, the average being between 4 and 5% of outstanding demand liabilities, it is nevertheless true that the actual total so carried by the banks has materially increased because of the increasing volume of demand deposits which has amounted to very nearly 10%. The progressive substitution of Federal Reserve notes for gold and silver has also continued during the year. It should also be remembered as noted a year ago, that Federal Reserve notes have come to circulate in increasing volume in Mexico, Central America, and West Indian countries, and even in the Orient, and the evidence at hand would indicate that instead of declining in their popularity in these regions the Federal Reserve notes have continued to retain the field which they had occupied during the war.

Discount of War Paper.

The year 1919-20 had seen a material improvement in the war-paper situation in various banking institutions. In the Federal Reserve System, for example, the total holdings of paper secured by Government war obligations have evidently passed their peak and begun to decline. The Board's statistical review for the year ending June 30 1919 showed that on June 27 of that year the total volume of paper secured by Government war obligations under discount was \$1,573,500,000, while at the close of June 1920 (June 25) the holdings of paper secured by war obligations were approximately \$295,500,000 less than that figure. Member bank reports to the Federal Reserve Board show that taking the returns from institutions in 100 selected cities there were on June 20 1919 loans secured by United States bonds and other war obligations amounting to \$1,412,000,000, while the total of United States securities owned was \$2,337,000,000. The corresponding figures for June 18 1920 show a very material decrease in the total amount of United States securities owned, while a corresponding decrease in the total volume of loans secured by Government war obligations is likewise reported, the respective figures being \$742,388,000 of paper and \$1,587,832,000 of securities owned. Unquestionable progress has been made during the period in reducing the total holdings of war securities, both under the form of ownership and under that of collateral advances. This progress may be attributed in no small measure to the increasing rates of discount and interest which have tended to make it unprofitable for owners of Government securities to continue carrying them through the medium of advances obtained from banking institutions. The experience of the year has shown that there is also danger of "inflation" to be seen in the growth of loans secured by other stocks and bonds which represent advances made by the banks to borrowers who desire in many cases to obtain a comparatively long-period accommodation.

FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD ON MOVEMENT OF GOLD RESERVES DURING PAST YEAR.

According to the July Bulletin of the Federal Reserve Board, "the principal element in reserves which has shown fluctuation during the year has been gold." The Board submits a table showing for the close of June 1919, and for a date about a year later, figures of total gold reserves of Federal Reserve banks, and of legal-tender notes, silver, &c., and says:

It will be noticed that the changes have been found in the first item, gold holdings having been reported at about the close of June 1919, as in round numbers \$2,150,000,000, while at the close of June 1920 the gold holdings were reported as \$1,970,000,000. This loss of approximately \$180,000,000 has been offset in a measure by the increase of legal-tender notes, silver, &c., which amounted to only about \$69,000,000 a year ago but stands to-day at about \$140,000,000.

Movement of reserves.
In thousands of dollars.]

	June 27 1919.	June 25 1920.	Increase or decrease.
Total gold reserves-----	2,147,784	1,969,375	-178,409
Legal-tender notes, silver, &c-----	68,472	139,230	+ 70,758

The factors influencing the fluctuation of the gold holdings of Federal Reserve banks are in part tolerably obvious. The removal of the gold embargo, which had been applied as a war measure, took effect on June 9 1919, and almost immediately led to some considerable exportations of the metal to the Far East and to South American countries. These movements of gold appear to have continued somewhat longer than would otherwise have been the case on account of the belief prevalent in some quarters that the free movement of gold could not be maintained or continued. There was no warrant for such supposition, as the outcome has shown, and return movements of the metal currently took place. Early in the year 1920 there came a turn in the trend of our export trade, some countries, notably those in the Far East, which had previously enjoyed a favorable balance of trade with the United States and had been in consequence able to draw upon us for gold, suffering a reaction and finding their trade balance unfavorable instead of favorable, so that they were no longer able to increase their imports of gold from the United States. Changes of internal trade conditions in such countries as Japan and India also tended to accentuate this situation. A third important factor has influenced our gold position. As is well known, the approach of the date for settling the so-called Anglo-French 5% bonds, amounting to some \$500,000,000, brought about during the late spring of 1920 an inward movement of gold into the United States, aggregating in all about \$75,000,000. This had been accompanied by shipments of gold amounting to perhaps two-thirds as much to South American countries for British account, but it is probable that in the absence of the approach of the date of maturity of the Anglo-French bonds no offsetting movement into the United States would have occurred. As

It was, the gold which moved to this country was largely the product of the South African mines which, instead of ending its journey in London, continued it to New York. One considerable consignment was, however, imported via the Pacific coast from Hongkong and was presumed to represent Russian specie which had left that country during the war. The movement of silver has been subject to conditions very similar to those affecting gold, save that silver which had shown an unprecedented popularity and price during the war because of the more severe restrictions which surrounded the movement of gold, has naturally been less in demand since the arrival of a time when the use of gold was more freely thrown open to the general trading public. One outcome of this situation has been the decline in silver from a maximum price of about \$1.38¼ to a figure which, at its low point, was about 57 cents below that level. The price of domestic silver has been in a measure restored through the operation of the Pittman Act as interpreted by the rulings of the United States Mint, but the restoration of the older relationship between gold and silver is nevertheless progressing.

In the following table are briefly shown the net exports of gold from and to the United States in trade with other countries, and in a parallel column the item "Total gold reserves" in Federal Reserve banks for the beginning and end of the year now under study:

[In thousands of dollars.]

	Gold reserves.			Net Exports of gold during preceding year.
	Held in United States.	Held with foreign agencies.	Total.	
June 1919-----	2,147,784	-----	2,147,784	54,212
June 1920-----	1,857,844	111,531	1,969,375	316,053

As against a loss in the Federal Reserve banks' total gold reserves of \$178,409,000 the excess of gold exports over gold imports for the corresponding fiscal year is shown as \$316,053,000. But as pointed out on page 664, gold imports are exclusive of amounts of gold received for food supplies furnished to the German Government. Of the total amount received (\$173,385,000) about \$111,531,000, shown under caption "Held with foreign agencies," is at present held by the Bank of England and constitutes part of the gold reserves of the Federal Reserve banks. In order, therefore, to harmonize the loss in gold reserves with the net exports shown, the amount of gold held abroad for account of the Federal Reserve banks has been segregated in the above exhibit. When comparison is made between the loss in the Federal Reserve banks' gold reserves held in the United States and the net gold exports during the corresponding period, it is found that the loss in gold reserves is about 26 millions less than the loss through net exports.

FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD ON WORKING OF CREDIT CONTROL.

The Federal Reserve Board in its July "Bulletin," made public July 23, has the following to say under the above head:

The question constantly asked within the past few months has been the relationship noted between control of credit, the application of higher discount rates and the actual expansion of operations. On this subject the evidence is still conflicting and lacking in certainty as to details. The general conclusion to be drawn is unmistakably to the effect that the operation of credit control through higher discount rates has had a marked success. It is true that during the earlier period of its application, in the months of November and December 1919, and January and February 1920, an absolute check to the growth of rediscounting at Federal Reserve banks was not afforded. This fact, however, should be interpreted not in the light of absolute figures, but rather in that of relative conditions. There was, in fact, during the months in question an absolute increase in the total amount of rediscounted paper held by Federal Reserve banks, but the real question at issue is not whether there was an absolute increase, but whether the increase which actually occurred would have been larger had it not been for the application of this method of credit control. On that point there would seem to be no doubt. The advance in the total of earning assets from about the beginning of March, a date roughly corresponding to the opening of the great growth in industrial and speculative operations throughout the country, to the beginning of November, at the time of the first application of the higher rate policy, amounted to the difference between \$2,348,000,000 on March 7, and \$2,923,000,000 on Nov. 7, or about \$575,000,000 in round numbers. Between Nov. 7 1919, the date last cited, and the close of June 1920 the increase of total earning assets from the point already mentioned was approximately \$260,000,000, the growth having thus been "slowed down" by over 50% during a period of roughly the same duration. Recent returns have shown an even more positive effect as the result of credit control and Government operations, the total earning assets having declined from \$3,244,425,000 on May 28 to \$3,183,275,000 on June 25—a decrease of \$61,150,000. The success in thus controlling the growth of credit has been the more noteworthy because of the difficult conditions which have prevailed, chief among which has been the very unsatisfactory transportation situation, which was in part the result of a lack of equipment on the part of the railroads and in part the consequence of the very severe weather of the late winter. These factors working together had the effect of compelling the retention of large quantities of goods at points of production or trans-shipment, with corresponding necessity of extending the lengths of the bank credit by which they were sustained, in addition to disorganizing distribution and market conditions at points of delivery.

TWO EDITIONS OF FEDERAL RESERVE BULLETIN.

The intention of the Federal Reserve Board to print hereafter two editions of the Monthly Bulletin is announced as follows in the July number:

In the interest of conservation of paper, the Board has decided to print the "Federal Reserve Bulletin" in two editions (a complete edition and an abbreviated edition), beginning with the July number. The abbreviated edition (24 pages) contains the review of the month, official announcements, the national review of business conditions, and other matter of a general character, and is distributed without charge to the member banks of the Federal Reserve system. The complete edition (116 pages) contains the review of the month, detailed analyses of business conditions, special articles, review of domestic and foreign banking, complete statistics showing condition of Federal Reserve banks and member banks, &c., and is distributed at a charge of \$4 per annum to cover the cost of paper and printing. It is estimated that a saving of practically one-half in the amount of paper used will be effected in thus distributing the two editions instead of one large edition as heretofore:

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 23:

	Capital.	Surplus.	Total Resources.
District No. 3— Northeastern Trust Co., Reading, Pa.---	\$250,000	\$25,000	\$688,937
District No. 6— Peoples Bank, Carrollton, Ga.-----	60,000	27,000	594,065
District No. 8— Bank of Russellville, Russellville, Ark.---	75,000	37,750	585,607
Cass Avenue Bank, St. Louis, Mo.--- --	200,000	50,000	3,368,836
District No. 11— Farmers Guaranty State Bank, North Zulch, Texas -----	25,000	-----	158,657

SECRETARY OF TREASURY HOUSTON ON GOVERNMENT DEBT.

In reviewing the financial operations of the Government during the past year, Secretary of the Treasury Houston reports that the total ordinary receipts for the fiscal year ended June 30 1920 amounted to \$6,694,565,389, while current ordinary disbursements amounted to \$6,766,444,461, leaving a net current deficit of only \$71,879,072. He adds, however, that "after taking into account the special deposit of the War Finance Corporation resulting from its redemption of United States securities, the net ordinary disbursements for the fiscal year 1920 were \$6,403,343,841, leaving an adjusted surplus . . . of \$291,221,547 for the fiscal year." Secretary Houston reports the gross debt on June 30 1920 as \$24,299,321,467, against \$25,484,506,160 on June 30 1919 and \$26,596,701,648 on Aug. 31 1919. The Secretary also gives figures of the floating debt, and states that further issues of Treasury certificates will be offered as necessary from time to time, the amounts depending "upon the extent of the burdens imposed upon the Treasury by the Transportation Act of 1920, in connection with the return of the railroads to private control, including particularly the liability on the guaranty, which is as yet unascertainable." Secretary Houston's statement was issued as follows on July 25:

My letter of June 10 1920, to banks and trust companies, in connection with the offering of Treasury certificates of indebtedness dated June 15, called attention to the fact that Treasury certificates to the amount of nearly \$1,000,000,000 would mature on or before July 15 and stated first, that the completed operations for the fiscal year ended June 30 1920, should show little if any current deficit, and second, that both gross debt and floating debt would be further greatly reduced by the operations incident to the handling of the Treasury certificate maturities from June 15 to July 15. The results show that the Treasury's expectations have been realized.

On the basis of daily Treasury statements, the total ordinary receipts for the fiscal year ended June 30 1920 amounted to \$6,694,565,388 88, and current ordinary disbursements amounted to \$6,766,444,461 09, leaving a net current deficit (excess of current ordinary disbursements over ordinary receipts) of only \$71,879,072 21 for the fiscal year 1920, the first full fiscal year after hostilities ceased. After taking into account the special deposit of the War Finance Corporation, resulting from its redemption of United States securities, the net ordinary disbursements for the fiscal year 1920 were \$6,403,343,841 21, leaving an adjusted surplus (excess of ordinary receipts over ordinary disbursements) of \$291,221,547 67 for the fiscal year.

The operations incident to the handling of the maturities of Treasury certificates from June 15 to July 15 have now been completed and have resulted in further reductions in both the gross debt and the floating debt of the United States. The gross debt on June 30 1920, on the basis of daily Treasury statements, amounted to \$24,299,321,467 07, as against \$25,484,506,160 05 at the end of the previous fiscal year on June 30 1919, and \$26,596,701,648 01 on Aug. 31 1919, when the gross debt was at its peak. In other words, the gross debt on June 30 1920 had been reduced by \$2,297,380,180 94 from its peak on Aug. 31 1919, and by \$1,185,184,692 98 from the figure on June 30 1919. On July 20 1920, on the basis of daily Treasury statements, the gross debt amounted to \$24,264,309,321 54, showing a further reduction of about \$35,000,000 after taking into account the \$201,061,500 face amount of Treasury certificates issued under date of July 15.

The floating debt (loan and tax certificates unmaturing) on June 30 1920 amounted to \$2,485,552,500, as against \$3,267,878,500 on June 30 1919, and \$3,938,225,000 on Aug. 31 1919. On July 20 1920, the loan and tax certificates outstanding amounted to \$2,453,946,500, showing a further reduction of about \$31,000,000 as the result of the redemption of loan certificates since the close of the fiscal year 1920 in the amount of some \$232,000,000 and the issue of loan and tax certificates dated July 15 in the amount of some \$201,000,000.

Further issues of treasury certificates will be offered as necessary from time to time to provide for the current requirements of the Government and to meet maturities of treasury certificates now outstanding. The amounts of these issues will depend in large measure upon the extent of the burdens imposed upon the Treasury by the Transportation act of 1920, in connection with the return of the railroads to private control, including particularly the liability on the guaranty, which is as yet unascertainable.

While, as the result of new issues of Treasury certificates in the intervals between the large income and profits tax installments there may be temporary increases in both gross debt and floating debt, the Treasury expects, though it is impossible to speak positively, that both gross debt and floating debt will, during the first two quarters of the current fiscal year, be reduced on the figures outstanding on June 30 1920, and that unless additional burdens should be imposed by legislation there will be an important further reduction in the last two quarters of the fiscal year.

Secretary Houston's statement of June 10, referred to in above, was published in our issue of June 12, page 2443.

RECEIPTS OF OVER FIVE BILLION DOLLARS FROM INTERNAL REVENUE TAXES.

Internal revenue tax collections of \$5,410,284,875 for the fiscal year ended June 30 1920 are reported by the Bureau of Internal Revenue in a statement made public July 26. The yield from income and excess profits taxes is given as \$3,944,555,738, while the miscellaneous taxes produced \$1,465,729,137. In his annual report for last year the Secretary of the Treasury reported for the year ending June 30 1919 internal revenue receipts of \$3,840,230,995, of which \$2,600,762,735 represented the receipts from income and excess profits taxes, while \$1,239,468,260 was derived from miscellaneous taxes. While the total collections for the current fiscal year are reported as \$5,410,284,875, it is pointed out that the daily Treasury statement shows collections for the fiscal year June 30 1920 of \$5,405,031,574, the difference of \$5,253,300 being accounted for by the fact that reports of deposits made in the fiscal year 1920 did not reach the Treasury in time to be included in the daily statement. In New York State the total tax yield the present year was \$1,416,939,275, of which \$1,106,010,878 came from income and profits taxes and \$310,928,397 from miscellaneous taxes. Total collections by States or by groups of States in cases where more than one State comprises a district were announced as follows (figures subject to minor revisions when the various accounts are finally adjusted):

District—	Income and Profits Tax.	Miscellaneous Taxes.
Alabama, including Mississippi-----	\$24,168,656	\$5,391,578
Arkansas-----	9,921,788	2,312,088
1st California, including Nevada-----	95,526,509	34,001,457
6th California-----	34,802,015	15,419,823
Colorado, including Wyoming-----	31,315,084	8,254,412
Connecticut, including Rhode Island-----	109,955,470	41,363,291
Florida-----	8,067,172	7,269,365
Georgia-----	33,737,627	8,928,165
Hawaii-----	10,737,113	1,190,432
1st Illinois-----	286,693,270	115,224,041
8th Illinois-----	25,598,260	14,717,497
Indiana-----	49,691,162	23,917,604
Iowa-----	30,325,441	8,693,937
Kansas-----	29,109,467	11,520,726
Kentucky-----	25,534,606	22,258,416
Louisiana-----	31,868,415	19,115,908
Maryland, incl. Dela. & Dist. of Columbia-----	77,582,741	43,169,716
Massachusetts-----	302,193,679	48,757,553
1st Michigan-----	176,903,568	82,465,874
4th Michigan-----	19,103,179	5,276,026
Minnesota-----	53,406,118	23,591,282
1st Missouri-----	71,235,998	37,278,363
6th Missouri-----	30,495,647	9,599,315
Montana, including Idaho and Utah-----	13,560,192	7,197,548
Nebraska-----	16,240,390	7,971,085
New Hampshire, including Maine & Vermont-----	33,890,484	7,706,166
1st New Jersey-----	22,583,895	8,778,611
5th New Jersey-----	84,753,997	37,442,729
New Mexico, including Arizona-----	6,358,858	2,037,424
1st New York-----	52,527,016	35,966,772
2d New York, including former 3d Dist.---	901,108,639	233,988,763
14th New York-----	50,410,740	14,221,776
21st New York-----	30,898,912	9,958,268
28th New York-----	71,065,569	16,792,815
North Carolina-----	45,032,387	124,173,620
North and South Dakota-----	7,200,487	2,341,196
1st Ohio-----	55,504,770	30,410,192
10th Ohio-----	29,110,666	14,760,853
11th Ohio-----	21,711,687	6,175,490
18th Ohio-----	171,353,074	43,292,811
Oklahoma-----	18,118,509	7,476,575
Oregon-----	21,924,824	5,339,299
1st Pennsylvania-----	214,193,373	83,006,583
12th Pennsylvania-----	25,918,033	8,817,364
23d Pennsylvania-----	186,304,695	37,485,036
South Carolina-----	23,913,518	2,710,023
Tennessee-----	26,241,971	9,893,155
Texas-----	76,817,330	26,187,029
2d Virginia-----	23,693,386	28,115,441
6th Virginia-----	13,768,552	3,734,969
Washington, including Alaska-----	35,137,737	7,041,918
West Virginia-----	27,667,341	5,665,041
Wisconsin-----	69,561,695	23,361,656
Philippine Islands-----	-----	1,423,478
P. O. sales of internal rev. stamps (11 mos.)-----	-----	2,538,551
Total-----	\$3,944,555,737	\$1,465,729,136

PROVISION FOR ABOLITION OF SUB-TREASURIES—HISTORY OF N. Y. SUB-TREASURY.

Under a provision carried in the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Supply Bill approved by President Wilson on May 29 the Sub-Treasuries at Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, New Orleans, St. Louis, San Francisco, Cincinnati and Chicago will be abolished on July 1, 1921. With their discontinuance their functions will be transferred to the Federal Reserve Banks. The Legislative, Executive and Judicial Supply bill as finally approved by President Wilson had been shorn of its provision which occasioned the veto on May 13 of the earlier Judicial Supply bill (referred to in the Chronicle May 22, page

2144), the President's disapproval having been voiced against the authority it conferred on the Congressional Joint Committee on Printing over Government publications, which provision the President claimed imposed "a flat prohibition against the exercise of Executive functions." Following the President's veto of the Judicial Supply bill on account of this provision Congress incorporated in the Sundry Civil Appropriation bill a rider vesting in Congress, instead of in the Joint Congressional Committee on Printing, power to control Government publications. The provision in the Judicial Supply bill whereby the Sub-Treasuries are to be discontinued reads as follows:

Section 3595 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, as amended, providing for the appointment of an Assistant Treasurer of the United States, at Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, New Orleans, St. Louis, San Francisco, Cincinnati and Chicago and all laws or parts of laws so far as they authorize the establishment or maintenance of offices of such Assistant Treasurers or of Sub-Treasuries of the United States are hereby repealed from and after July 1, 1921; and the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to discontinue from and after such date or at such earlier date or dates as he may deem advisable, such Sub-Treasuries and the exercise of all duties and functions by such Assistant Treasurers or their offices. The office of each Assistant Treasurer specified above and the services of any officers or other employees assigned to duty at his office shall terminate upon the discontinuance of the functions of that office by the Secretary of the Treasury.

The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized, in his discretion, to transfer any or all of the duties and functions performed or authorized to be performed by the Assistant Treasurers above enumerated, or their offices, to the Treasurer of the United States, or the mint or assay offices of the United States, under such rules and regulations as he may prescribe, or to utilize any of the Federal Reserve Banks acting as depositaries or fiscal agents of the United States for the purpose of performing any or all of such duties and functions, notwithstanding the limitations of Section 15 of the Federal Reserve Act, as amended, or any other provisions of law: *Provided*, That if any moneys or bullion, constituting part of the trust funds or other special funds heretofore required by law to be kept in Treasury offices, shall be deposited with any Federal Reserve Bank, then such moneys or bullion shall by such bank be kept separate and distinct from the assets, funds and securities of the Federal Reserve Bank and be held in the joint custody of the Federal Reserve Agent and the Federal Reserve Bank: *Provided further*, That nothing in this section shall be construed to deny the right of the Secretary of the Treasury to use member banks as depositaries as heretofore authorized by law.

The Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to assign any or all the rooms, vaults, equipment and safes or space in the buildings used by the Sub-Treasuries to any Federal Reserve Bank acting as fiscal agents of the United States.

From the New York "Evening Post" of June 12 we take the following bearing on the abolition of the Sub-Treasuries:

It is an interesting, not to say a curious, fact that coupled with the announcement of the proposed abandonment of the Sub-Treasury through an act of Congress recently passed, the famous institution on Wall Street was never functioning so vigorously as at the present time.

None the less on July 1, 1921 this department of the Government—there are nine sub-treasuries throughout the country—will pass out of existence; giving way to the Federal Reserve System whose local headquarters will be in a building to be erected on Nassau Street. It is not at all likely that the Reserve building will be completed in time to serve in place of the Sub-Treasury as a repository. If not the present structure may be taken over by the Federal Reserve authorities until such time as the new structure is ready. This, however, is mere supposition.

In the meantime the fact remains that the Sub-Treasury has by no means fallen into disuse. There is, in sooth, at the present time more money in the vaults deep down under Wall Street than there was ever before in the history of the building. This is partly through fortuitous circumstance, partly through natural process of the daily service of the department.

It staggers the imagination to attempt to scope the sum which now lies in those vaults. It will not be named here for various reasons which are good and sufficient. It may, however, be said that the building contains nearly a billion dollars in gold bars alone. They are held in charge of the Government and there are outstanding gold certificates against them. There is likewise a large amount of silver and a great deal of paper.

Thus in its ancient capacity as a treasure house the Sub-Treasury, it will be grasped, is very much alive. Custom House funds are still brought there and the banks send vast sums thither each day. Banks are constantly calling for thousands of dollars' worth of pennies, nickels, quarters and the like, and the railroads bring money here to exchange for notes.

One extremely interesting phase of the present service of the department is the examination of coin, which has the result of keeping it always in excellent condition. Every hour of the day employees are overhauling the coin brought in, extracting the worn pieces, for recoinage and tossing aside the counterfeits. The counterfeit branch of the service is of great value not only to the Government but to the business of the nation. Here as nowhere else activities of counterfeiters are first recognized and the nature of their nefarious work analyzed. Coins of this sort go from the Sub-Treasury to the Secret Service, where the work of detection is carried on, for the most part successfully.

It is very doubtful if the Federal Reserve will carry on with this work, but it will be recognized that it is important that some one should. Perhaps the Treasury Department will create a special department for this work, assuming the Federal Reserve does not contemplate going in for it.

Fine Old Building

Whether the building itself will stand, taken over by another governmental department, or sold to a bank or other corporation may not at this time be said. It is a stunning old building, a Wall Street landmark, which gives a certain grace and solidity to the thoroughfare, without which, one fancies, there would be something lacking architecturally.

On this site stood from 1789 to 1834 old Federal Hall, from the balcony of which Washington took the oath of office as President. Before 1789 the "second City Hall" stood here. Federal Hall was planned after this city became the capital of American Confederation. It came into being through the reconstruction of the City Hall and became the home of the First Congress. The railing of that balcony, over which Washington spoke—part of it, at least—stands on the porch of the Administration Building of Bellevue Hospital. For some years in front of the Sub-Treasury, under the statue of Washington, was a stone upon which was engraved the information that Washington stood upon it when he took the oath of office. Generations of patriotic pilgrims came to this stone and stood upon it in sentimental ecstasy.

But an iconoclastic lawyer, Algernon S. Sullivan, adduced proof that the stone was spurious, and a few years ago it was taken away. Inside the building, in the stately old rotunda, in the days of Fisk and Jay Gould and the rest of the money barons, men of finance gathered on Wednesdays to hear announcements concerning the price at which the Government would sell

gold and on Thursdays bids for government bonds were received. Both practices were long ago abandoned. This rotunda was the centre of interest on Black Friday in 1869, when Jay Gould and Fisk, having cornered the gold market, thought their influence was sufficiently great to prevent the Government from selling its gold. To this building came word from President Grant that the Government would part with its gold. It broke the corner and created all sorts of financial Hades.

"A Fake Billion Dollars"

In former times it was the custom for bridal couples from all parts of the country to go to the Sub-Treasury and visit the vaults. They used to have a few bills of large denominations wrapped around a chunk of wood; it was labelled "a billion dollars." Brides of that time who have gone through life telling their children they once held a billion dollars in their hands will be shocked to learn that they held a vastly smaller sum.

Visitors are not welcome to the vaults any more. Life is too complex and the lure of gold too potent. A group of brides and grooms might turn out to be avaricious, not to say lawless persons whose motives for their visit were far from sentimental.

The present building was begun in 1834 and completed in 1841. It served as the Custom House until 1862, when the Sub-Treasury, organized in 1846, with quarters in the old Assay Office, next door, moved in. As already said, it is still going strong, and right up to July 1 of next year will undoubtedly continue its functions as a financial discharging and receiving agency for the Government.

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REDUCTION IN THE PRICE OF SUGAR.

A reduction of 3 cents a pound in the wholesale price of refined sugar was announced July 22 by Arbuckle Bros., of New York. Their price for bulk granulated is now 21 cents while the American Sugar Refining Co. maintains its price of 22½ and the National Sugar Refining Co. holds to 22 cents.

Granulated sugar for the first time in two months was extensively retailed at 22 cents a pound on July 24 at New Orleans. That there was apparently plenty of sugar to be had was shown by the fact that one dealer announced he would sell as high as 100 pounds to a customer.

Small shipments of foreign refined sugar have been coming to New Orleans regularly during the past few weeks, it was stated.

EMBARGO ON ARGENTINE WHEAT.

"Financial America" yesterday (July 30) said:

Cable from Broomhall says that the Government of Argentina already has refused to issue some permits for the exportation of wheat to foreign countries. It is stated that the expectations are that there will be total prohibition of exports of wheat before long. It is calculated that there are only 370,000 bushels of wheat left for shipment, excluding the 6,000,000 bushels already purchased by the French Government and permitted to be exported.

CO-OPERATIVE GRAIN ELEVATOR COMPANIES.

In the United States there are some 14,000 co-operative marketing associations. To many of them, the Bureau of Markets, United States Department of Agriculture, has given valuable assistance by furnishing specimen copies of by-laws and by indicating proper methods of organization and administration. "The Organization of Co-operative Grain Elevator Companies" is the title of Bulletin No. 860, just issued by the United States Department of Agriculture upon this subject. The bulletin is addressed to those who desire assistance in the formation of co-operative grain elevators, but the subject matter is treated in a manner that makes the bulletin of interest to those engaged in other lines of co-operative endeavor as well. The scope of the pamphlet is limited to matters regarded as fundamental and general, and it is intended that the suggestions and recommendations be considered with references to and in connection with special co-operative laws and the laws governing corporations in each of the several States of the Union. The bulletin points out that the success of any organization, whether co-operative or for private profit, rests upon social or economic need; a sound organization plan, and efficient management. It then details the various factors that produce these basis conditions. It dwells upon the organization of joint stock companies, private corporations of the capital stock form, and co-operative associations incorporated under special co-operative law, the three common forms of organization of farmers' elevator enterprises in the United States. Under the chapter of preliminary survey, matters of local conditions, prospective membership, capital, volume of business, and methods of survey are covered. Then the processes of actual organization are discussed and a suggested form of by-laws given. The bulletin also contains some general suggestions regarding the selection of the plant, the choice of directors and a manager, a maintenance agreement, emergency capital and speculative tendencies. The appendix gives detailed forms to cover every phase of the administration of the organization from a capital stock subscription contract to a form of stock certificate, and service and maintenance agreement. The bulletin may be had upon request of the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

**SHIPPING BOARD AND CAR SERVICE COMMISSION
ACT TO AID GRAIN MOVEMENT.**

Arrangements to utilize thirty-five new ships built on the Great Lakes in the movement of this year's grain crops have been made with the United States Shipping Board, according to an announcement on July 21 by the American Farm Bureau Federation. The purpose of this action, it is stated, is to relieve rail congestion which is blocking the movement of grain from the Northwestern grain states to seaboard. Simultaneously with the Bureau's announcement the Commission on Car Service of the Association of Railway Executives issued orders for the movement of 25,000 additional box cars from Eastern and Southeastern roads to Western lines to assist in handling the new grain crop. The movement will begin July 25 and continue for thirty days.

Regarding the plan for turning over the vessels on the Great Lakes to the grain movement, O. M. Kile, of the Farm Bureau Federation on July 21 had the following to say:

In many parts of the grain growing region a large share of last year's crop still remains unmoved. In Kansas this is estimated at 20%. The new crop is crowding storage space to overflowing and causing heavy losses. Local elevators either refuse to accept the wheat at all or can offer only low prices. Yet at the seaboard grain prices are high. Rail movement seems totally inadequate and transportation relief must be obtained from every possible quarter.

At the carrying rate granted, which is the same as the regular lake rate and much cheaper than the rail rate, the Shipping Board feels that there is no profit in the operation of these boats and looks upon it as an emergency proposition only.

It is hoped that the plan will work so well that after the expensive bulkheads are once built in, and if return cargoes of coal can be secured to upper lake points, the board may see fit to allow some of the boats to make a number of round trips, leaving the lakes just in advance of the closing of the St. Lawrence to navigation.

First shipments will probably be made from Chicago elevators, following later with shipments from Milwaukee and Duluth. Operation will be handled through H. L. McDonald at Cleveland, the Shipping Board's representative for the Great Lakes division.

**REMOVAL OF ITALIAN EXPORT EMBARGO
ON LEATHER.**

Commercial Attache, Alfred P. Dennis, has cabled from Rome, July 20 1920 to the Department of Commerce that the embargo on the exportation of leather, which has been in effect practically since the beginning of the war, was lifted on that date by ministerial decree. Leather of all kinds may now be freely exported from Italy.

PURPOSES OF AMERICAN COTTON ASSOCIATION.

An outline of the purposes of the American Cotton Association is made available in concise form in a paper prepared for The Banker-Farmer, by Dr. Bradford Knapp, from which the following is an excerpt.

1. To improve and enlarge the *warehousing facilities* so that cotton shall not be damaged by standing in the open, and so that the producer may carry the crop with a minimum expense, practically without physical damage, and with a maximum of security and financial ability.
2. To bring about a more equitable rule regarding *tare*, which rule should be that the tare is the actual weight of the bagging and ties and should be subtracted from the actual weight of the bale of cotton, in order to obtain the net weight of the raw cotton in the bale.
3. To assist the farmer in so organizing that he may know *before the sale* of his cotton the *length of the staple*, the *grade* of the cotton, and the *market price* of that length of staple and grade at the principal markets on the day when he offers it for sale. In other words, the object of the American Cotton Association is to try and place as much knowledge of the quality of his product and its fair market value in the hands of the producer as is now often held solely in the hands of the buyer.
4. To encourage the establishing of *gin compressing and better baling and wrapping* of American cotton.
5. To so *regulate and systematize the sampling of cotton* that the indiscriminate and often useless sampling of cotton may be reduced to a minimum and the American cotton bale may reach its ultimate market looking like a respectable and valuable package of material to be woven into cloth, instead of like a bedraggled and disreputable bundle of rags.
6. To *collect information* regarding domestic and foreign consumption, the state of the trade, extent of acreage, supply and condition of cotton, prices at all markets, and all other information regarding the cotton industry, and to disseminate this information widely and place it especially in the hands of cotton producers and their organizations.
7. To *broaden the market* for raw cotton; to *enlarge the uses* for cotton goods, and to educate those outside as well as inside the cotton area to understand the cotton problem in all its phases.
8. To improve *transportation and distribution facilities*.
9. To promote the intelligent growing of standard varieties of cotton and the improvement and standardization of the quality in each community as a basis for better marketing.
10. To promote diversification of crops and a safe and well balanced agriculture as the sound basis for a thrifty rural people.
11. To protect the interests of the cotton producer and to improve his condition generally.
12. To encourage, by all proper means, the gradual marketing of cotton throughout the year, and the intelligent production of cotton on the basis of supply and demand, in order that unintelligent and wasteful fluctuation in acreage and production, and ruinous and rapid changes in prices, due to no other reason than speculation, may be avoided.

B. E. Cowell, Vice-President of the American Cotton Association and Vice-President of the Southern Trust Company of Little Rock, Ark., who has furnished us with the above, states that it is realized "that it will take time to

accomplish what we have undertaken, but we are having the unstinted support of the cotton producers, bankers, business and professional men of the cotton producing states, and we will eventually have the Association so thoroughly organized that it will perform a real service to the growers of cotton."

**AMERICAN WOOLEN COMPANY WILL NOT
REDUCE WAGES.**

"Wages will go on as before" when the mills of the American Woolen Company reopen, William M. Wood, its president announced on July 25. Mr. Wood denied that the recent shutting down of the company's mills at Lawrence Mass., is part of a nation-wide scheme to force labor to accept lower wages. He calls such stories "false and malicious" and declares that the increased wages paid during the war will be continued as soon as the mills open. Mr. Wood, in his statement, said:

There will positively be no reduction. I was the leader in the raising of wages and I'll be the last man on earth to reduce them. The most positive assurance that I can give my help is that their wages will go on as before.

I regard present conditions as temporary depression. The solution of our trouble lies with the retail store. It is all a question of supply and demand. I can't afford to keep 15,000 employes working when there is no demand for their production. There have been no large orders for several months.

**INDICTMENT AGAINST THE AMERICAN WOOLEN
COMPANY FOR PROFITEERING DISMISSED**

A Federal Grand Jury indictment charging the American Woolen Companies of New York and Massachusetts, and their president, William M. Wood, with profiteering, was quashed on June 11 in the U. S. District Court by Judge Mack. The quashing of the indictment sustained the demurrer of Charles E. Hughes, counsel for Wood and the two corporations. Mr. Hughes contended that a piece of woolen cloth is not an article of wearing apparel, and therefore is not subject to price control, as provided in the Lever Food and Fuel Control Act.

Following Judge Mack's decision the Federal Government on June 15 filed notice of an appeal to the U. S. Supreme Court. The indictment was returned May 26.

In his decision directing the dismissal of the charges Judge Mack said:

The substantial question in this case is whether the piece of cloth is a necessary within Section 4 of the Lever Act or is wearing apparel or a necessary as defined in the section of that act as amended by the act of October 22, 1919. The indictment is based upon that provision of Section 4 making it unlawful to make any unjust or unreasonable rate or charge in handling or dealing in or with necessities.

Section 4 cannot be read independently of Section 1. If Section 4 had forbidden unreasonable rates as to any necessities, wearing apparel, clearly a necessary in the general sense of the word, would have been embraced therein even before the amendment of 1919.

The amendment would therefore have been unnecessary, Congress did not so consider it and therefore by the amendment of 1919 expressly included it in the class of necessities that were to become subject to the prohibition of the act.

Either the word "necessaries," as used in Section 4, is free from any limitation by reason of the definition in Section 1, in which case, even before the amendment of 1919, it would have included wearing apparel, or it is to be limited to those articles expressly stated in Section 1 as hereafter in this act called "necessaries."

It is practically conceded, and if it were not conceded it must be held, especially in view of the amendment, that "any necessities" as used in Section 4 does not include "all necessities."

When then is the limitation? Evidently it is to such articles as are stated in Section 1 to be called "necessaries" in the later sections.

If Section 1 had merely mentioned specific articles, without stating that they were hereafter called "necessaries," such a limitation in Section 4 would be more accurately expressed by the phrase "any such necessities."

The government contends, however, that under the *ejusdem generis* rule—necessaries rule—as used in Sections 1 and 4, included not only those specifically defined as such, but others of the same nature. Reference is made to Section 10, providing for the requisition of foods, feeds, fuels and other supplies necessary to the support of the army or the maintenance of the navy or any other proper use connected with the common defense.

Regardless of the *ejusdem generis* rule, the ordinary and reasonable interpretation of other supplies is any supplies of any kind necessary for the purpose designated.

It would, therefore, include both wearing apparel and its ingredients. The word necessities, subsequently used in Section 10, of course, refers to any and all articles which the President is empowered by this very section to requisition for the purposes stated.

But the language of neither Section 1 nor Section 4 affords any scope for the application of this rule of construction. I can find in the act no intent thus to control distribution of all or indeed any of the ingredients that enter into wearing apparel. Apt words to indicate such an intent were readily available.

Coincident with Judge Mack's decision on June 11 Federal Judge Hand sustained demurrers interposed to indictments obtained by agents of the Department of Justice charging the Eugene A. Sullivan Company, Inc., and Andrew Spada, a produce merchant, with violation of the Lever act by profiteering in the sale of potatoes. In his decision Judge Hand said:

The indictments charging the defendants with making an unreasonable profit in handling potatoes specify the price paid for them and the price at which they were sold, but it is impossible from these factors alone to ascertain whether the potatoes were sold above the market price or whether the defendants made any profit.

Of course, I realize that what may be reasonable or negligent or in restraint of trade, or what may be done with intent to defraud, is a matter of degree and is determined in the ordinary case by the opinion of a jury.

In other words, enough ought to be apparent to enable the court to say whether the charge is based on a tenable legal theory. Less than this is a statement of mere claim of a pleader, unsupported by sufficient surroundings to give it legal significance.

I am in no way attempting to define or limit the different varieties of conduct which may come within the prohibitions of the statute. I merely hold it insufficient to allege that a defendant sold at a certain price and that that price was unreasonable. The demurrers are sustained and the indictments dismissed.

SAMUEL GOMPERS' STATEMENT ON CLOSING OF AMERICAN WOOLEN MILLS—"WE WILL TOLERATE NO REDUCTION OF WAGES."

Professing concern because of the "need of every possible ounce of production," Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, in a statement on July 28, declared that the laying off of workers at this time by corporations "is nothing less than a tremendous indictment of management." Mr. Gompers attacked the American Woolen Co. for closing its mills and the Pennsylvania Railroad for its reported lay-off of 12,000 men. He asked if men were being laid off during a political campaign to "drive them in fright and necessity into a political camp." Wage reduction, he said, will be fought to the utmost by labor. His statement follows:

For months we have heard the cry dinned and dinned into our ears, increase production, increase production. How can increased production be accomplished under a policy of laying off thousands of workers?

The American Woolen mills in Massachusetts close their doors. It may be of interest to note the record of profits for this company and to recall recent statements of President William W. Wood.

The American Woolen Company increased its net income 316% for 1918 over 1914. The net increase in common stock earnings was 531%. Since the American Woolen Company controls so large a portion of the business of making wool cloth, being commonly known as the "Wool Trust," it may be well to go into mere detail regarding its operations. There were for the year ending Dec. 31 1919, after deduction of all taxes and charges, net earnings of \$10,779,804, equal to \$39.89 per share on the \$20,000,000 of common stock. This is after allowance has been made for preferred dividends. In 1918 the earnings per share on common stock were \$13.86, a total of \$5,572,527. President Wood told his stockholders that the close of the year left the company with unfilled orders sufficient to keep the machinery fully employed well into 1920 and with good prospects for full production for the entire year. Foreign deliveries increased approximately 100% during 1919.

In addition to this case there is the action of the Pennsylvania Railroad in laying off approximately 12,000, if reports are accurate. Will this help move freight, will it help give the nation that increased production of which it stands in real need?

Or is the laying of workers a revival of that old and crude policy of laying off men during a political campaign for the purpose of driving them in fright and necessity into a political camp?

In addition to the laying off of men there have been reports of efforts to decrease wages. It will be recalled that in 1907 and 1908 employers sought to reduce wages, the result of which at that time would have been to produce a panic.

The American Federation of Labor sent forth the warning that we would resist and resist and resist, and we paraphrased a saying and declared it better to resist and lose than not to resist at all.

The policy of reducing wages was abandoned as a result of that warning. We repeat that warning to-day. At all hazards we will resist wage reductions. There is no excuse and much less a reason for reduction of wages. We will tolerate no reduction of wages. Even yet we have ground to cover before we restore to all the purchasing power of 1913.

The nation needs production. Employers have called for production too frequently as a means of driving the workers to unpaid efforts, and in order to cast a reflection upon their efforts and their honesty and integrity. There is no trouble with the efficiency of the workers. There is a growing efficiency of workers. There is too infrequently an equal efficiency and integrity and intelligence in the management of industry. The action of corporations that to-day lay off thousands of men is nothing less than a tremendous indictment of management and a heinous offense against a people in need of every possible ounce of production.

What is needed above everything else to-day is continuous operation of industry, with a fairness and honesty and intelligence upon the part of employers that will make continuous operation possible. Two employment policies will hinder production. These are either reduction of working forces or brutal efforts to drive the workers without consultation and without agreement with the workers.

The mills and the factories should run. Management should consult with workers through the chosen representatives of the workers. The co-operation to be achieved by such a policy will give the nation the production that it needs and that is needed by the whole world. Arrogance, bigotry and autocratic conduct of employers is a waste that society can ill afford.

REDUCTIONS IN PRICE OF SHOES

"Tight money" was given as the chief cause for a recent reduction in the wholesale price of shoes by the Hamilton-Brown Company of St. Louis. This firm is one of three of the largest St. Louis shoe manufacturing establishments which on June 8 announced price reductions ranging from 25 cents to \$2 a pair for various styles of shoes. The three companies making the reductions were the International

Shoe Company, the Hamilton-Brown Shoe Company and the Brown Shoe Company. A. C. Brown, president of the Hamilton-Brown Company, asserted that "tight money" and the resultant difficulty met by retailers in borrowing money was the chief cause of the lowered prices. Reduced prices on certain grades of leather was assigned as a contributory cause.

Commenting on the price cutting movement begun by the shoe manufacturers, Boston advices of June 12 to the "Wall Street Journal" said:

The inevitable reaction has gotten into full swing in the shoe industry and reductions in wholesale prices of various styles of shoes have started. The movement is bound to be reflected in retail prices to a considerable extent.

The step taken by three of the largest shoe manufacturing concerns in St. Louis in reducing prices is certain to spread to other shoe centers. It is expected that the Chicago district will promptly follow suit.

Some of the larger New England manufacturers are giving consideration to some price revision downward, but definite reductions have not yet been fully determined. It is not expected that the cut will average more than 5% on present wholesale prices here. On medium-priced shoes it will be comparatively small and will range to larger proportions on high-grade shoes.

Many New England lines of shoes have been figured on the basis of a comparatively low level of prices and, of course, in such cases little readjustment can be made. The reductions made in St. Louis, it is understood, range from 10 cents a pair to \$1.50, rather than from 25 cents to \$2, as stated in press dispatches. The largest reductions are made on dress shoes made from calfskins and kidskin. On many of these grades reductions are from 50 cents to \$1 per pair.

The reductions affect about 50% of the lines of shoes manufactured by the St. Louis concerns; other lines are practically unaffected. The decline in calf and kidskin prices is largely responsible for the greater reductions made in shoes manufactured from those materials. On heavy shoes there is practically no reduction.

The shoe industry in New England is now operating at greatly reduced capacity, probably not over 50%. Although the present period of the year normally witnesses a let-up in manufacturing activities, being a season between hay and grass, it has been unusually sharp this year.

Many factories in Brockton have closed down, as they have also in Haverhill and elsewhere. For New England as a whole the cancellations will bulk large.

The present let-up has been brought about by tight money market, causing caution as to future commitments; a breakdown in transportation, causing tying up of one or two months' supply of merchandise; and by unseasonable and rainy weather since March 1, causing a temporary overstock of merchandise in hands of retailers.

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION FINDS INCREASES IN OIL PRICES DUE TO SUPPLY AND DEMAND—SUGGESTS RESTRICTIONS OF EXPORTS

"Varying conditions of supply and demand" have been chiefly responsible for recent advances in the price of petroleum products, according to the Federal Trade Commission. On June 1 the Commission delivered to Congress its report in response to House Resolution No. 501, adopted April 5, 1920, which directed the Commission to investigate the causes of the advance in prices of gasoline, fuel, oil, kerosene, and other refined oil products; and to report also as to any combination or restraint of trade existing in the industry, as to profits, and as to the sources of crude oil supply of the United States. The resolution was offered by Representative Dyer of Missouri. The conclusions of the Commission may be briefly summed up as follows:

1. It seems that there is greater justification in assigning the advance in price of crude oil and petroleum products to varying conditions of supply and demand in the light of emphasized and pessimistic statements as to future of supply, than to a combination in restraint of trade. The Commission has previously reported upon competitive conditions in the oil industry. Nothing has been developed in the course of this inquiry which shows a change in the conditions so reported.

2. It is probably true that the recent advances in the prices of petroleum products (gasoline, kerosene, gas oil and fuel oil and lubricants) have been due primarily to the strong demand for such products coupled with the difficulty of many companies in getting adequate supplies of crude oil, the increased prices thereof and the increase in other expenses of operation.

3. The explanation of the men in the oil industry regarding the reasons for the advances in the prices of crude oil—namely, the strong demand for crude oil, the decline in stocks, the increasing consumption during the last half of 1919, and the decreasing production during the last quarter of 1919, the increased costs of drilling and producing crude oil and the unfavorable developments in the Mexican oil field—has substantial force, especially in 1919, but it should be noted that the conditions in 1920 appear to have greatly improved with respect to production and imports. It is also the opinion of the Commission that the psychological factors in the situation were more important than the actual statistical position, the mental attitude of the oil trade being strongly affected on the one hand by the frequent statement that there was an impending decline of production in the United States, which was aggravated by the sudden slump of North Texas output in the middle of 1919, and by the unfavorable development industrially and politically in Mexico in the autumn of that year.

4. Taking the refining branch by itself, it is not possible to say at present whether the advance in the prices of petroleum products (gasoline, kerosene, gas oil and fuel oil and lubricants) were disproportionate to the advances in crude prices, because this question can only be determined from the aggregate profits of operation of refineries and the available data so far obtained are inadequate to answer the question. For the same reason it is impossible to show what the profits of the integrated companies (which have a large crude production of their own) have been in 1920, though in 1919 the profits of many of the large oil companies whether producers, refiners or distributors of oil, were large.

The following are the recommendations made by the Commission:

1. While the production of crude oil in this country is still on the increase and the present sources of supply appear to be adequate for some time to come the probable gradual decline of crude oil production in this country in the not remote future, according to the general prediction of geologists and the men engaged in the industry makes it seem the part of prudence to encourage those engaged in the oil industry in this country to develop production in such foreign countries, which have oil resources, as are most available for furnishing supplies of oil and that such enterprises should be given all proper diplomatic support in obtaining and operating oil producing property.

2. In view of the excess of present consumption over production from domestic sources and the increase of exports despite this deficiency, it seems that the natural resources of the United States are being depleted more rapidly than would be the case were the products of these resources applied first to domestic needs and that the diminution of stocks on hand due to export, contributes to an increase in cost to the domestic consumer. We suggest that the Congress consider whether the situation does not indicate the advisability of its consideration of restriction upon the exportation of domestic crude oil and its products.

3. Wasteful methods in drilling for oil should be a subject of special study in its technological, economic and legal aspects with a view to discovering what remedies may be possible through State legislation or otherwise.

4. The study of more economical methods of utilization, the scientific determination of the possibilities of oil shale, and the availability of substitutes should be provided for in the appropriations to the government establishments specially conversant with these matters.

5. The great importance of information regarding changes in industrial and commercial conditions in the oil trade suggests the need of making provision for having such information currently collected and reported for the use of Congress, the public and the industry; such work should be entrusted to a body equipped to deal with industrial and economic questions and possessing adequate powers with respect to obtaining and verifying reports made by the various branches of the industry.

BANKERS TRUST CO. ON IMPORTANT FINANCING SINCE THE ARMISTICE.

As a partial answer to the question whether the great volume of securities that have been issued since the Armistice is in excess of the legitimate needs of business, the Bankers Trust Co., of this city, in a recent booklet styled "Important Financing Since the Armistice," presented some conclusions based on information compiled for special studies of American financing by its Securities Department. Probably the most unexpected of these conclusions is the deduction that productive units are represented to-day by a lesser amount of corporate securities than were productive units before the war. A statement respecting the information imparted in the booklet says:

During the nine months immediately following the signing of the Armistice there were offered a total of \$1,716,000,000 of railroad, public utility and industrial securities according to the tabulations presented by the company. These securities have been grouped in three sections: Railroads, \$262,000,000; public utilities, \$354,000,000; industrials, \$774,000,000. In addition to the above is, i. e., which cover bonds, notes and preferred stocks only, there were marketed approximately \$326,000,000 par value of common stocks. The financing for industrial concerns has been preponderant, with a total issue of \$1,454,000,000 of public utilities and industrials against \$262,000,000 of railroads.

It may be assumed that the normal increase in the demand for products requires a relative increase in financings to create plant capacity and carry heavier inventories. With this comparison in mind, the Statistical Department of the Bankers Trust Company has prepared a chart which is published in a pamphlet, "Important Financing Since the Armistice," in which they have shown for each year from 1905 through 1918 the par value amount of securities issued by railroad, industrial and public utility enterprises in comparison with a figure indexing the excess of commodity units produced each year over the units produced in 1914; and the actual value of the output of commodities each year over the actual value of commodities provided in 1914.

Examination of the chart shows that from 1915 through 1918 industry in this country increased its productivity under the stimulus of war out of all proportion to any normal requirement. It also indicates the surprising fact that the amount of corporate financing during the four years 1915 to 1918 inclusive was less than the amount done in the preceding four years and, of course quite substantially less than what might have been normally anticipated from a study of the trend of business for many years previous.

The explanation of this apparent contradiction of the premises of the chart, presumably can be found by analysis of the amount of surplus of our industrial enterprises which was available for reinvestment in business and of course the money contributed by the Government to increased productive capacity for war materials. The undistributed surplus during the four years, 1915 to 1918 inclusive, allowing \$4,000,000,000 for corporation and excess-profits taxes, aggregates \$14,800,000,000, against \$3,835,000,000 for the preceding four years. We find, therefore, that corporations had undistributed surplus available for reinvestment in plant and inventories in the war years approximately \$10,000,000,000 in excess of the amounts available in the preceding four-year period. The significance of this statement becomes apparent when we discover that the aggregate par value of securities issued in the four years 1911 to 1914, inclusive, was \$3,591,000,000.

Add to this unusual source of capital investable in plant capacity and inventories the large expenditures made by the Government for these purposes—which has in but small part been capitalized by issuance of corporate securities—and we come upon the conclusion that, taking no account of the increased level of values for plant properties, which is likely to remain considerably above the pre-war level of values, each productive unit in the United States is to-day covered by a lesser outstanding amount of corporate securities than was each productive unit prior to the war.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY ATTORNEY-GENERAL TO FIX FAIR PROFIT ON BITUMINOUS COAL.

At a conference in New York, July 27, with representatives of the bituminous coal trade, Attorney-General Palmer

appointed a committee to "consider the feasibility of naming a fair margin of profit for producers and dealers." The committee is made up of men representing producers, wholesalers and consumers. It was felt by all concerned, said a statement issued after the conference, that "this action on the part of the Department of Justice will have a deterrent effect upon those who are now taking excessive profits, and it is hoped that it may result in a decline in the price of bituminous coal." The statement in full read as follows:

Attorney-General Palmer has asked this committee to consider the feasibility of naming a fair margin of profit for producers and dealers in bituminous coal. It is not the intention of the Department to fix prices, but merely to ascertain a maximum margin of reasonable profit beyond which prosecutions under the Lever Act will be commenced. It is expected that the committee will advise the Attorney-General on this matter within a few days, and it is the purpose of Attorney-General Palmer, upon receipt of that advice, to instruct the United States Attorneys, and the special representatives that a producer or dealer selling coal at or under the figure will be presumed to be within the spirit and the letter of the Lever Law, and that as to those who exceed the margins, whether producers or dealers, such action will call for an investigation on the part of the department.

It is felt by Attorney-General Palmer and concurred in by the committee, representing as it does, producers, wholesalers and consumers, that this action on the part of the Department of Justice will have a deterrent effect upon those who are now taking excessive profits, and it is hoped that it may result in a decline in the price of bituminous coal.

The Lever Law against profiteering applies to export as well as domestic coal, and the Attorney-General is determined that profiteering shall cease. In this purpose he has the unqualified support of the Advisory Committee.

In connection with the above, the New York "Times" of July 28 said:

Attorney-General Palmer came from Washington yesterday and spent nearly all day conferring with representatives of the bituminous coal trade at the Whitehall Club. At the close of the conference it was announced that he had agreed upon a committee to decide on a fair price and that the price so fixed would be used as a basis for the prosecution of profiteers under the Lever Law. In a statement it was predicted that there would soon be "a prompt and material reduction in prices."

Charges that there is profiteering in spot soft coal have been made at the hearings in this city of the Senate Committee on Reconstruction and Production. Witnesses told Senator Calder, the Chairman, that while they had been unable to get deliveries on coal at contract prices they had been able to go into the open market and get spot coal for as high as \$12 a ton. The New York Edison Company paid even more than that for coal brought here from Hampton Roads. Witnesses representing the consumers expressed the opinion that greater activity by the Department of Justice was needed. To check this profiteering Mr. Palmer wants first of all to have the trade declare what it considers a fair margin of profit.

The session yesterday was an outgrowth of a meeting held at the instance of the Wholesale Coal Trade Association of New York last Wednesday.

Mr. Allen [executive secretary of the committee] would not hazard a guess as to the price the committee would agree upon, but said that it undoubtedly would be lower than the present market price of soft coal. One of its effects, it is hoped by the committee, will be to insure not only a price reduction, but a larger percentage of deliveries under contract prices to the large consumers and a consequent reduction in spot coal offerings.

The representatives of the wholesalers are all connected with large dealers in this and nearby cities.

The committee Mr. Palmer selected to determine upon the fair margins of profit is composed of Vance C. McCormick, who was President Wilson's campaign manager in 1916; William C. Potter, who was Pennsylvania State Food Administrator, and who will represent the public; G. N. Snider, coal traffic manager of the New York Central, representing the railroads; J. W. Lieb, Vice-President of the New York Edison Company, representing the consumers; Willis G. Towne, Charles A. Owen, Harlow Voorhees and Charles L. Couch, representing the wholesale dealers in bituminous coal. Charles S. Allen, Secretary of the Wholesale Coal Trade Association, will act as executive secretary. Representatives of the producers on the committee will be named later by the National Coal Association.

CANADIAN RAILWAY BOARD ISSUES ORDER FOR EMBARGO ON COAL EXPORTS.

An order restricting exportation of coal from the Atlantic, St. Lawrence River and Lake ports of Canada to the United States and Newfoundland was issued on July 22 by the Railway Board at Ottawa. With reference to the order, Ottawa dispatches to the Canadian press had the following to say:

It was issued subsequent to the holding of a couple of private sittings of the board, at which special consideration was given to the situation arising out of the prospect of the fuel shortage in the light of information gained by Commissioners Carvell and McLean in their conference at Washington with the members of the United States Inter-State Commerce Commission.

Other steps looking to the conservation of the fuel supply are being considered by the board, and special efforts are being made, in conjunction with the United States authorities, to increase the movement of coal from the mines to Canada, it being recognized that the threatened shortage is to a very large degree a matter of transportation rather than an actual dearth of fuel.

I. C. C. ISSUES ORDER TO RELIEVE COAL SHORTAGE IN NEW ENGLAND, FOLLOWING APPEAL TO PRESIDENT WILSON.

Further action looking to the relief of the New England States from the present coal situation was taken on July 27 by the Inter-State Commerce Commission. The Commission issued an order authorizing preference and priority in

the movement of bituminous coal for New England and also ordered an embargo against tidewater shipments until daily consignments to New England are filled. The order came after conferences between coal operators and railway executives in New York called to work out a plan for facilitating coal shipments and coal distribution generally. An appeal had been made by five New England Governors to President Wilson regarding the coal shortage, and on July 23 it was announced that the President had sent to the Governors the following message, through his Secretary, Mr. Tumulty:

Answering your telegram with reference to the coal situation in New England, the President directs me to say that he has kept in touch with the various departments handling this important matter during the last week and he is now able to state that as a result of these conferences coal in sufficient quantities for the needs of that community would be delivered to New England. The President wishes me to assure you that everything that can be done in this vital matter is being done.

Similar telegrams with reference to the coal situation in the Northwest were sent to the Governors of North and South Dakota and Wisconsin. The main features of the priority order issued by the Inter-State Commerce Commission on July 27 (to which we have alluded above), were brought out in Washington press dispatches of that date which had the following to say:

Requirements of New England amounting to approximately 1,250,000 tons of coal each month must be transported from mines in Pennsylvania, Maryland, West Virginia and Virginia by rail and water, the commission said, pointing out that the rate at which bituminous coal was being transported to New England was short of requirements by approximately 350,000 tons a month.

The order is effective August 2, and rescinds previous preference and priority orders for the shipment of coal to coastwise ports, including New England.

J. W. Howe, manager of the Tidewater Coal Exchange at New York, was selected by the commission as its agent to assign cars which the mines are to fill for New England shipment through the ports of New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore. E. M. Graham of Newport News will act in a similar capacity for shipments passing through Hampton Roads.

The order provides for monthly shipments through New York of approximately 200,000 tons, through Philadelphia of about 100,000 tons, through Baltimore of 250,000 tons and through Norfolk and Newport News of approximately 660,000 tons.

The plan for supplying New England with fuel was worked out last week by coal men, including operators, and New England dealers and railway officials, who met in conference at New York at the suggestion of the Inter-State Commerce Commission. All features of the plan agreed on at this conference were embodied in the commission's order to-day.

The conference agreed that the priority shipments for New England should continue from August until the end of the current coal year next April 1. The commission's order does not set any date for ending it, this being left to future determination.

Export coal, which has been blamed largely by New England folk for their shortage, will practically be shut off by the commission's order, according to coal operators, through the operation of the embargo provision against such ships until the daily needs of New England are filled by the miners.

On July 30, railroads were ordered by the Interstate Commerce Commission to move 20,000,000 tons of coal to New England territory under the coal priority order, referred to above, by the close of navigation on the Great Lakes. The Commission, on the same day, sent letters to J. M. Griggs, manager of the Coal and Ore Exchange; J. W. Howe, commissioner of the Tide Water Coal Exchange, of New York; E. M. Graham, manager of the Lamberts Point Coal Exchange, of Norfolk; Daniel Williard, chairman of the Advisory Committee of railway executives at Baltimore, and D. B. Wentz, chairman of the Bituminous Coal Shippers Committee, urging that coal shipment be maintained to the volume contained in the commissioner's schedule.

JOHN L. LEWIS, OF UNITED MINE WORKERS, ASKS COAL OPERATORS TO MEET UNION MEN FOR PURPOSE OF RESTORING "NORMAL CONDITIONS" IN INDUSTRY.

A request for a conference of coal operators and miners in the Central Competitive Field to discuss practical measures to restore normal conditions in the industry and to bring to an end the strikes which had broken out in the Illinois and Indiana fields was sent on July 27 by John L. Lewis, President of the United Mine Workers of America, to Thomas T. Brewster of St. Louis, Chairman of the Operators' Executive Committee. The text of the telegram follows:

The present disturbed situation in the coal industry is a matter of grave importance and of tremendous public concern. The commercial and social equilibrium of our country will be increasingly disturbed unless prompt remedial adjustments are made by those elements charged with such responsibility. It is my profound conviction that any remedies which must be applied should be done by orderly processes and through the instrumentality of the existing machinery within the coal industry.

I am accordingly herewith making an official request that you join me in a call for the immediate assembly of a joint conference of operators and miners of the Central Competitive Field for the purpose of giving consideration to the confusion now existing in the coal industry and the national emergency which has thus been created, and for the further purpose of applying practical measures designed to restore normal conditions.

Please advise me at the earliest possible hour of your action.

Mr. Lewis supplemented the above with this statement:

Action was taken by this office (Indianapolis) to-day requesting the operators of the central competitive field to meet in joint conference at

an early date with the mine workers' representatives to discuss the emergency in the coal industry and apply practical measures for relief. Previously laid plans for such action were seriously disturbed by events in Illinois during the last ten days. The foolish attempts of the Illinois operators and Frank Farrington to make a local settlement of the questions at issue in the coal industry have quite naturally come to a disastrous failure.

The embarrassing position in which Farrington now finds himself could have been avoided had he adhered to the constitutional requirements and policies of his organization by consulting with his superior officers on these questions. The surreptitious and nocturnal activities of Farrington are meeting with an almost universal condemnation of the members of the United Mine Workers and the public at large. His feeble attempt to disregard the material welfare of the mine workers of the country in general, of course, cannot be sustained.

I am advised that protests against his action are being filed by the local unions in Illinois.

This office is hopeful that the coal operators of the central competitive field will acquiesce in the suggestion for a conference with a view to arrive at a satisfactory solution which will take into consideration the mine workers of the entire country.

SAMUEL GOMPERS SEES ISSUE DRAWN IN POLITICAL CONTEST "BETWEEN REACTION AND PROGRESS."

In his regular monthly contribution to the "American Federationist," Samuel Gompers, in the August issue, again calls upon organized labor to defeat its enemies in the coming elections. Mr. Gompers says that the national "non-partisan" campaign which the American Federation of Labor is conducting is making great progress and has already obtained the defeat in primary elections of fifteen candidates hostile or unfriendly to labor. The "American Federationist" is the official organ of the Federation of Labor, of which Mr. Gompers is president. The article by Mr. Gompers in the August number of the "Federationist" in part follows:

The most virile movement in political life to-day is the national non-partisan campaign being conducted by the American Federation of Labor. Eloquent testimony to that effect is heard wherever the political situation is intelligently discussed. There is no mistaking the influence which is being exerted for the defeat of candidates who have shown themselves to be antagonistic to the best interests of the working people and to our citizenship generally.

The records show that in the primary elections which have been held thus far the national non-partisan political organization of labor has played a decisive part in more than fifteen contests. In that many districts those who have been hostile or unfriendly have been defeated. A number of primary elections remain to be held and in these there is certain to be additional achievement for the welfare of our people.

Politicians who fear retribution at the hands of an outraged electorate have made the charge that labor in some cases has abandoned its non-partisanship. There is no labor vote to be delivered and there is no labor partisanship to any political party. There is, however, a vote of working men and women and of those citizens generally who are forward-looking and who are determined to guard the principles of freedom and justice, who will vote more unitedly than ever before for the retirement of those who have betrayed the trust placed in them and for the election of those whose principles and records indicate that they may be trusted to uphold the rights of the people in public office.

The forces of greed and plunder, the profiteers and the autocrats of our political and industrial life leave no doubt as to what they desire and where they will mass their support.

The challenge of these forces to the citizenship of the nation is brazen and blunt. That the right thinking men and women of our Republic can afford to allow this challenge to reap a harvest of political power in the coming election is unthinkable. More than in any political contest since the days of the civil war the issue is clearly drawn between reaction and progress. The wish of the enemies of labor and of the people generally is not merely to stand pat for what is; it is to go back to what was.

Against this concept of darkness the people must mass themselves solidly and invincibly for progress. There burns in the hearts of the American people a great and noble ideal. The spirit that made of our war a great crusade and that made of our wonderful army a host of crusaders sworn to fidelity to human rights and human freedom lives in everything that is truly American and demands expression in the acts of our public representatives and of our Government.

In wanton denial of this nobility of thought and concept the Hessians of greed and plunder seek to ride down the rights of the people and destroy their liberties.

LABOR HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR INCREASED BUILDING COSTS—DECREASED PRODUCTION.

A county Grand Jury which investigated housing conditions in Cuyahoga County, Ohio, found that the large increases in building costs were due chiefly to labor's refusal to do "a day's work for a day's pay." The report of the grand jury made to Judge Kennedy on June 8 in the Common Pleas Court of Cleveland charged that workmen employed in building operations are doing less than one-half the work they did in pre-war times and are receiving twice the wages. The report is said to have followed a three months' investigation in which members of the jury heard testimony of more than a score of witnesses, including builders, dealers in material and supplies and representatives of labor organizations. The report declared that no evidence to indicate the existence of a combination or trust to keep up building prices had been found. County Prosecutor Samuel Doerfler, who directed the jury's investigation, made the following comment on the report:

If the workman continues in his present attitude he will constitute himself a very able and efficient ally of the profiteer. The profiteer can only exist where there is a shortage of commodities, and the easiest way

to pull his fangs is to increase the supply of merchandise of all kinds. The workingman can do this by applying himself to his day's work.

The report of the grand jury concluded with these words: "The cost of dwellings will depreciate to a marked extent and rentals will be lower when men who build homes will do a full day's work ungrudgingly, with pride alike in the quality and quantity of their output." The report in part follows:

To the Hon. Thomas M. Kennedy, judge of Common Pleas Court: Pursuant to your instructions that we, the members of the present grand jury, investigate the increased cost of building and the consequent increase in rentals, we beg to submit the following:

Every possible witness that could throw any light upon the present state of affairs in respect to the building costs was called before us and thoroughly examined.

From the testimony of the witnesses we determined that the following are the chief reasons for the increased building costs:

1. The fact that building operations for a period of almost three years were at a standstill. Naturally this created a shortage of housing accommodations which inevitably resulted in higher rentals.

2. When building operations were resumed the demand for materials of every kind was abnormally great with the natural result that prices on such materials soared upwards.

A very careful and thorough investigation failed to disclose that there were any unlawful combinations, at least locally, to control these prices. Natural conditions made it unnecessary that any combination be formed for such purposes, as those who were anxious to obtain materials willingly paid almost any price therefore, stipulating only for reasonable speedy delivery so that building operations could be resumed.

There are, however, a few unnatural conditions to which we deem it our duty to refer, which have a marked tendency to increase building costs and, therefore, are a public detriment. These unnatural conditions can and should be eliminated and hence we advert to them in this report.

We should be remiss in our duty did we not point to a lamentable condition which no doubt has injured the very group which created it as much, if not more so, than the public generally.

We refer to the present tendency on the part of mechanics, artisans and laborers of all trades to do less than a full day's work. The testimony adduced before us indicates conclusively that it requires approximately twice as long, with the same number of men, to erect a house to-day as it did in pre-war times.

Impartial tests show that it takes twice as many carpenter hours to do the carpenter work on a building as it did five years ago.

Bricklayers lay less than half the number of bricks; paperhangers, painters and plasterers, all do less than half the work in the same time they did it five years ago.

Manufacturing firms which make and sell building materials prove by their records that wages have gone up 200%, indicating that their employees are getting double pay for one hour's work, as compared with the period before the war.

These conditions are not healthy. They cannot but inflict disaster upon those who foster them. Short sighted, indeed, is the man who believes that he can produce wealth by idling.

The war has created a tremendous void in materials and commodities of all kinds, and prices are high by reason of this scarcity. The law of supply and demand is as inexorable as any law of nature, and prices can only be lowered when the world's storehouse has again reached its normal level.

This is true of buildings and building commodities, just as of any other commodity. The cost of dwellings will depreciate to a marked extent and rentals will be lower when the men who build homes will do a full day's work ungrudgingly with pride in the quality and quantity of their output

THE OPEN SHOP "MUST BE PRESERVED IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE," DECLARES CHAIRMAN BENSON OF SHIPPING BOARD.

"Arbitrary discrimination in employment"—the closed shop—is strongly opposed by the U. S. Shipping Board.

Rear Admiral Benson, Chairman of the Board sent a telegram recently to C. W. Saunders, president of the Waterfront Employers' Union, at San Francisco, saying: "The Shipping Board must insist that proper longshoremen be given an opportunity to work on its vessels regardless of affiliation with any particular organization." "No other position," he said, "is compatible with equality of opportunity for employment, which must be preserved in the public service." The telegram, made public July 7, in full read as follows:

Further complaints are received that your organization is continuing discrimination on Shipping Board vessels. The Shipping Board must insist that proper longshoremen be given an opportunity to work on its vessels regardless of affiliation with any particular organization. No other position is compatible with equality of opportunity for employment, which must be preserved in the public service. We do not intend to prohibit rational discrimination against individuals on account of their reputation, known participation in attacks on persons or property in the course of industrial disputes, disloyalty or other legitimate disqualification for employment justifying their rejection by responsible management, nor can there be objection to reasonable means to establish the identity of such persons. Such means must under no circumstances be permitted to become or to be used as a means of arbitrary discrimination in employment. I have stated our position thus clearly in order that we may not be misrepresented by interested parties and authorize you to give this telegram such publicity as you desire.

Commenting on the above, the N. Y. "Commercial" of July 8 said:

The situation at San Francisco is interesting because of its relation to the situation in New York. Last year the International Longshoremen's Association there came under the control of the radical element, which promptly called a strike in violation of contracts still in force. The conservative element thereupon withdrew from the longshoremen's organization and became affiliated with the Stevedores' and Riggers' Union. New contracts were entered into by the Waterfront Employers' Union with the conservatives in the Stevedores' and Riggers' Union, and since that time they have declined to employ the members of the old Longshoremen's Association. Whereupon a complaint was

made to the Shipping Board that the employers operating vessels of the Board were discriminating against the Longshoremen's Association.

It is significant that Admiral Benson declares that we do not intend to prohibit rational discrimination against individuals on account of their reputation, known participation in attacks on persons or property in the course of industrial disputes. In other words, that men on strike who commit disorderly acts may be discriminated against when the dispute is settled. The telegram further states that proper longshoremen be given an opportunity to work on its (the Shipping Board's) vessels, regardless of affiliation with any particular organization." In other words, any longshoreman who knows his business can obtain employment regardless of his labor affiliation unless he be disqualified by previous acts of a disorderly character.

In San Francisco the old union, now dominated by radicals, is appealing against the employment of other union men, while in New York the complaint has been against the employment of any but union men. The telegram of Rear Admiral Benson's clearly puts the Board on record as favoring the "open shop."

The Shipping Board again placed itself squarely on record in favor of the open shop on July 13, when Commissioner John A. Donald, of the Board, replying to a telegram from Philip de Ronde, president of the Oriental Navigation Co. (New York), made plain the Shipping Board's position. The company had refused a demand for the "closed shop" which had been made by the longshoremen employed by it on Shipping Board vessels

As a result the longshoremen struck on July 12. They returned to work, however, the following day when, in reply to a request for assistance from the Shipping Board, the Oriental Company received the following by wire:

Telegram received. Shipping Board's policy is not directed against unions but is in favor of equality of opportunity for employment, either for union or non-union men. Your action in refusing to comply with demands of union men working on your docks, that union truckmen only shall deliver goods to your dock receives the Board's hearty endorsement.

(Signed) DONALD,
Commissioner.

The message to which the above was a reply, read as follows:

This morning we were tendered, by independent truck, forty-five cases of merchandise emanating from the Savannah Line for overseas shipment from our Pier 86, N. R. A union delegate informed our pier superintendent that acceptance of this cargo would result in his calling out every union man on our pier. We naturally declined to recognize such interference, and have, as a consequence, seen all work stopped on our said pier.

The steamers working at this pier were the Shipping Board vessels Inoko, Chappaqua and Chester Valley, hence the board is vitally interested. We ask your ratification of our action, which was taken on our own judgment and without reference to recent court proceedings compelling similar action by other common carriers. We furthermore believe that the Shipping Board should either publicly support the steamship companies or should of their own accord make a declaration of principles and undertake to settle the ridiculous, though serious, situation in the Port of New York.

CONVICTION OF LABOR ORGANIZERS FOR ATTEMPT TO HOLD PUBLIC MEETING UPHeld.

In the Common Pleas Court of Pittsburgh, on July 8, Judge R. M. Kennedy upheld the conviction of six organizers of the American Federation of Labor for attempting to hold a street meeting in Duquesne, Pa., without a permit last May.

A fine of \$100 which originally had been imposed by the Magistrate, was reduced by Judge Kennedy in each case to \$25. In reviewing the action against the labor leaders, the Court said: "The time for the meeting was fixed for a Sunday afternoon in May, at which time an unusually large number of idle and curious people are on the streets, ready and willing to be entertained by any attraction which might furnish them excitement, many of them, no doubt, deeply interested in the subject matter of the meeting, having divergent and pronounced feeling, opinion and conviction, and ready and willing and anxious to express them, and in the heat of argument liable to overstep the bounds. "The Court's decision was further quoted in press dispatches of July 8 from Pittsburgh which had the following to say:

Under a city ordinance it is necessary to obtain from the authorities a permit before a public meeting can be held, and if the Mayor, in his judgment, feels that the meeting will be detrimental to the public interest, may refuse a permit. On May 3 R. W. Riley, secretary of the National Committee of Iron and Steel Workers in the Pittsburgh district; Baza Danich, organizer of the United Mine Workers; John Olehon, general organizer of the American Federation of Labor; J. S. Beaghen, organizer of the Bricklayers' Union; James S. Sause, organizer of the Boilermakers' Union, and W. M. Finek, an instructor in Brookwood College, Katonah, N. Y., each tried to make a speech at a street meeting in Duquesne.

The men claimed they had applied for a permit for the meeting, and had heard nothing from Mayor Crawford. As each tried to address the crowd he was approached by Chief of Police Flynn and asked if he had a permit. When none was shown, the man was arrested and taken to the city jail. The men were arraigned the next morning and each fined \$100 with the option of 30 days in the county jail in Pittsburgh, and later was removed to this city. The case was appealed on the ground that the ordinance was "void, illegal, unfair, discriminatory, oppressive and unreasonable and in violation of the constitutional rights of the people to free speech and free assemblage."

Free Speech Not Forbidden.

Judge Kennedy held that under the ordinance it is necessary, before public meetings can be held, to obtain a permit, which the Mayor can refuse to grant. Refusal of such a permit, the Court held, is not an invasion of the rights of the people, but, if a meeting might tend to provoke disorder, refusal of a permit affords a protection and a preservation of their rights.

"It is true that the Mayor," said Judge Kennedy, might have thrown a cordon of police around the meeting and permitted it to proceed, but the presence of police at such a time is not always an assurance of peace, and, if the Mayor in his judgment deemed that impractical or unsafe, and I feel that the safer way was to forbid the meeting, how can his actions, viewed in the broad sense, be an infraction of the rights of the people?

"It is to be observed that the ordinance does not prohibit assemblages, public meetings, etc. On the contrary, it provides that the Mayor shall issue a permit therefor, unless detrimental to public interest, and that the city of Duquesne, voting through and by him, is the judge. It is not the cause of organized labor to which the Mayor objects; it is the open discussion of such a subject. He cannot refuse a permit because he does not approve of the subject, but the open discussion of the subject, which presents to him an entirely different question.

Subject Cause for Disorder.

"This was an assemblage upon a public street. The avowed intention of the meeting was to publicly discuss a subject in a locality where in the past its discussion had been the cause of riots, bloodshed and death, a subject which at this time provoked great excitement, bitter feeling and inflamed passions among those who discuss it.

"The time for the meeting was fixed for a Sunday afternoon in May, at which time an unusually large number of idle and curious people are on the streets, ready and willing to be entertained by any attraction which might furnish them excitement, many of them, no doubt, deeply interested in the subject matter of the meeting, having divergent and pronounced feeling, opinion and conviction, and ready and willing and anxious to express them, and in the heat of the argument liable to overstep the bounds.

"Is an ordinance which authorized a municipality to forbid such a meeting within its limits an invasion of the rights of the people of such municipality? Does it not rather afford protection to and a preservation of their rights? Believing, therefore, that the ordinance in question is of the same general class as that sustained in the cause of the Commonwealth versus Curtis, Supra, the defendants were legally convicted of its violations. In view of the testimony in these cases we are, however, of the opinion that the offenses do not call for the extreme penalty imposed by the ordinance, and have therefore fixed the fine at \$25 in each case."

Following Judge Kennedy's decision an appeal, it was announced, would be taken to the United States Supreme Court.

JUSTICE RODENBECK UPHOLDS USE OF INJUNCTION IN LABOR DISPUTES—CONDEMNNS "CLOSED SHOP."

"There must be . . . a recognition of reciprocal rights and a return to the spirit of law and order if there is to be a true solution of the industrial problems that confront the present age," said Justice Adolph J. Rodenbeck in a decision handed down on July 19 in the State Supreme Court at Rochester, N. Y. Justice Rodenbeck refused to modify or vacate a temporary injunction granted to the W. B. Coon company, Inc., shoe manufacturers, against 96 members of the United Shoe Workers' Union of America and its business agent, Fred Meinhart. Justice Rodenbeck sustained the injunction with a slight modification as to the persons enjoined. For some time past the Coon company's plant had been picketed by members of the United Shoe Workers, and the corporation has claimed that the labor union was using unlawful methods to gain control of its employees. An injunction was issued several months ago on application of Lynn Brothers, attorneys for the Coon firm, ordering the union to stop unlawful and coercive methods. Argument on the company's application to have the injunction made permanent will be heard in equity terms of the Supreme Court in September.

In his opinion Justice Rodenbeck declared: "The course pursued by the defendants as described in the complaint is the substitution of the doctrine of rule or ruin, upon which no genuine progress in industrial affairs can be achieved, for the principle of reason and right, upon which alone real advancement can be attained." The opinion in part follows:

It is claimed by some that injunctions should not issue in labor cases. This is an extreme view and is not supported by a reasonable consideration of the evils of abolishing such a remedy. As heretofore suggested some of the acts of the defendants described in the complaint constitute a crime under the penal statutes of the State, which provide that it shall be a crime for two or more persons to conspire "to prevent another from exercising a lawful trade or calling or doing any other lawful act by force, threats, intimidation, etc.," and the assaults alleged to have been committed in the complaint also constitute a crime under the statutes of the State and not only is the person actually engaged in the assault liable to prosecution therefore, but one who "aids and abets in its commission, and whether present or absent, and a person who directly or indirectly counsels, commands, induces or procures another to commit a crime."

The defendants who have violated any of these provisions of the statutes are liable to criminal prosecution therefor, but this remedy can be resorted to only after the commission of the offense and after the injury has been done. This remedy is not adequate to all cases. The very acts in this case which the injunction seeks to prevent the defendants from doing illustrate the necessity for such a procedure.

Forbidden Acts Enumerated.

This injunction, based upon a reasonable apprehension of the continuance of past acts, restrains the defendants from conspiring to compel the employees of the plaintiffs who do not belong to the United Shoe Workers of America to join that union, to compel the plaintiff to make membership in that union a condition of employment and to ruin the plaintiff's business if it failed to impose such a condition. It restrains them from threatening, intimidating and committing acts of force and violence to secure the exclusion of non-union employees from plaintiff's factory; from parading and marching in masses and companies in front of plaintiff's factory for the pur-

pose of frightening and intimidating plaintiff's employees and those seeking employment; from interfering with the free passage of employees to and from the factory; from obstructing the employees on the streets and in public places; from annoying them and threatening them and their wives at their homes; from calling man and woman employees scabs and strike-breakers and other opprobrious names; from falsely calling the plaintiff an employer of strike-breakers; from seeking to cause the abrogation of the contract made between plaintiff and the Boot & Shoe Workers' Union affiliated with the American Federation of Labor.

Lawful Acts Not Forbidden.

It restrains them generally from preventing by unlawful means plaintiff from carrying on its business and earning wages for its employees and its employees from working at their trades and supporting themselves and their families, and from resorting to physical violence to accomplish these ends. It would be a weak answer to the remedy by injunction in this case to say that for some of these acts the defendants could be arrested. It does not appeal to a reasonable mind to say that these things must be tolerated in the interest of the improvement of the workers, and that the rights of employers and employees must be subordinated to the accomplishment by unlawful methods of these illegal ends.

Cannot "Deny Rights to Others Which They Claim for Themselves."

It is far more rational to prevent the commission of these acts when they may be reasonably apprehended than to wait to punish the offender after some serious damage to life or property has been done. The defendants cannot and should not be permitted to secure illegal purposes described in the complaint by the unlawful methods there enumerated, by acts that would not be tolerated if committed against them and which they would be quick to resent by an appeal to the courts if necessary. The defendants cannot reasonably deny rights to others which they claim for themselves. The injunction in this case does not prohibit peaceful methods of picketing or peaceful persuasion or any peaceful and lawful means to accomplish a lawful purpose, but is directed only against illegal purposes and unlawful methods, both of which the law condemns, whether indulged in by the defendants or anyone else.

Pleads for Fair Play.

The course pursued by the defendants as described in the complaint is the substitution of the doctrine of rule or ruin, upon which no genuine progress in industrial affairs can be achieved, for the principal reason and right, upon which alone real advancement can be attained. There must be an exemplification on all sides of the essence of fair play and justice in labor matters, a recognition of reciprocal rights and a return to the spirit of law and order if there is to be a true solution of the industrial problems that confront the present age.

FEDERAL JUDGE KNOX GRANTS INJUNCTION TO CITIZENS' TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE AGAINST LABOR UNIONS' BOYCOTT.

For a second time within a comparatively few weeks an injunction was issued in New York on July 20 restraining the truckmen's unions here from discriminating or placing a boycott against non-union goods. The injunction was obtained in the U.S. District Court by the Citizens' Transportation Committee, acting through Walter Gordon Merritt, chairman of its law committee, in behalf of Samuel Beyer & Co., 935 Broadway, manufacturers of garters, notions, etc. It enjoins the Old Dominion Transportation Company, its officers and employees, District Council 16 of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Stablemen and Helpers, District Council of New York and Vicinity of the International Longshoremen's Association, and the various local unions of teamsters, longshoremen and their officers from combining and conspiring together to prevent transportation between New York and Norfolk of merchandise of Samuel Beyer & Co. An effort was made on July 27 to have the injunction dissolved until hearing of argument in the proceedings is resumed Aug. 5. The effort, however, was unsuccessful. Following is a summary of the events and circumstances which resulted in the granting of the injunction:

The facts out of which this suit has grown are stated in voluminous affidavits submitted with the bill of complaint. It appears that Samuel Beyer & Co. have a factory in Norfolk, Va., to which they ship raw materials from New York and from which they ship the finished product to New York. That the Old Dominion Transportation Company, plying between Norfolk and New York, is the defendant. That Samuel Beyer & Co. are absolutely dependent on the steamship company for transportation, because at the present time it is the only satisfactory means of transportation between New York and Norfolk. That Samuel Beyer & Co., in the usual conduct of their business, have from time to time employed the Citizens' Trucking Company to haul their merchandise to and from the piers. That the longshoremen's and truckmen's unions, aiming to obstruct the business of the Citizens' Trucking Company, have threatened that they will prevent the trucking company from hauling merchandise to or from New York steamship lines by calling a strike of longshoremen wherever the Citizens' Trucking Company was rendering service.

In furtherance of this plan it appears from the affidavits that the Citizens' Trucking Company on several occasions attempted the delivery of merchandise to the piers of the Old Dominion Transportation Company in behalf of Samuel Beyer & Co. and that the union employees of the steamship company thereupon refused to accept such materials. Efforts were then made by Samuel Beyer & Co. and the Citizens' Trucking Company to have the manager of the steamship company receive said goods, but the steamship company refused to do so for fear of difficulties with the unions.

This was the emergency which led to the granting of the injunctions yesterday.

Mr. Merritt's Statement.

In commenting upon the case Mr. Merritt, who represented the complainant in behalf of the Citizens' Transportation Company, said:

"This case is almost identical with the suit brought by the Burgess Brothers Company in the State Supreme Court, Brooklyn, where a similar injunction was secured against various transportation companies, longshoremen, teamsters, etc. In that case Judge Fawcett held that the steamship companies were conspiring with the unions to prevent transportation of

lumber by Burgess Brothers and that such action violated the provisions of the United States Shipping Board. The suit just commenced in the Federal courts presents the same question and is of still greater importance, inasmuch as the Federal courts are the final interpreters of the Federal statutes. "It is difficult to exaggerate the importance of the principle here at stake. The very liberties of our people are dependent upon impartial service on the part of the transportation companies and unions controlling the employees, and if transportation service can dictate what people and what classes of merchandise shall be transported and what classes shall not be transported, the lives and liberties of our people and the very life of the nation itself will be at their mercy."

The Dominion Transportation Company served the territory formerly served by the Old Dominion Steamship Company, which was driven out of business by the strike of the longshoremen last March. It is one of the most important of the coastwise lines, and it has been operated only a few weeks, having just announced regular sailings three times a week. Its longshoremen are all union men.

CITIZENS' TRUCKING COMPANY FORMED TO BREAK UNION BOYCOTT OF "NON-UNION" GOODS.

Incorporation of Citizens' Trucking Company to carry on the business of transportation and trucking was announced on June 12 by the Merchants' Association of New York. The new trucking company, formed to help the city rather than to obtain profit for individuals, was incorporated in Albany with a capital stock of \$100,000, divided into 1,000 shares of \$100 each.

It marks the culmination of the efforts of leading commercial bodies during the past several weeks to secure impartial and uninterrupted transportation service, which union boycotts of merchandise have made impossible. The company will operate trucks that have been acquired by the Citizens' Transportation Committee, appointed recently by the business organizations following the refusal of the trucking unions to move goods from piers at which longshoremen's strikes have been in effect or where the goods have been handled by non-union men. The following news item from the N. Y. "Evening Post" (June 14) illustrates quite clearly what has been described as "union domination" of the port's trucking facilities:

Eight truckloads of rice which the Citizen's Transportation Committee has tried three times to move since last Saturday [June 12] started for the Merchants Refrigerating Company at Seventeenth Street and Tenth Avenue this noon. The trucks paraded down West Street trailed by an automobile loaded with union pickets, which was in turn followed by a police department car filled with members of the industrial squad.

The trucks arrived at the warehouse and four were unloaded when Thomas Ryan, business agent of the Warehouse Employees Union, stepped out and informed the superintendent of the warehouse that if the remaining trucks were unloaded he would call a strike of 400 meat handlers who were working in the warehouse.

In the warehouse 2,000,000 pounds of beef was waiting for transatlantic shipment. Officials conferred for a few minutes and then decided not to unload the four remaining trucks, which then returned to the piers.

The Citizens' Transportation Committee on June 15 informed the steamship companies, other than the coastwise lines, that unless they complied with the law as common carriers by refusing to discriminate in freight offered them, proceedings would be taken for the imposition of the civil and criminal penalties which the law prescribes for violations. Following this action, William Fellowes Morgan, chairman of the Committee, Walter Gordon Merritt, chairman of the law bureau of the Transportation Committee, former Attorney General George W. Wickersham and Walter Drew, members of the same body, called on United States District Attorney Francis G. Caffey at his office in the Federal building and asked him to prepare to take action upon any case of violation presented to him. The letter sent by the Committee to the steamship lines said:

The Citizens' Transportation Committee has commenced trucking operations in the City of New York in order to relieve the public from the hardships of freight congestion arising from obstructions to the free flow of commerce. The committee is acting solely in the interests of all citizens. It proposes to perform that part of the necessary work of transportation which existing groups of employers and employees are refusing to perform. No person or organization will obstruct this public service except those who oppose the general welfare, and none other will fear or feel the hostility of the committee.

It has now come to the attention of the committee that certain steamship and port service companies, together with their employees, are refusing to receive or deliver freight where the committee's truckmen are involved. By this action it is proposed to continue the existing tie-up and to inflict further injury on the city. We think we speak the mind of the community when we say that it will brook no such opposition to the efforts of the committee to perform the service for which the public has voluntarily subscribed.

The legal duty of the steamship and port service companies to serve the public without discrimination cannot be evaded because their employees rebel or for any other reason. Drastic penalties of the United States Shipping Act and the Interstate Commerce Act, one of which is applicable to each of said companies, place upon these companies the affirmative duty of seeing that impartial service is rendered by these they employ, and they cannot escape responsibility for the acts of such employees.

The committee is satisfied that the courts and the United States Government are sufficiently strong and resolute to deal with such malpractices and, if it further encounters them, will resort to the courts for such civil and criminal proceedings as are best calculated to protect the public interests.

The action of the unions against the open shop has been approved by the American Federation of Labor.

R. B. RUSSELL, WINNIPEG STRIKE LEADER, LOSES APPEAL TO PRIVY COUNCIL TO HELP LIBERTY BONDS.

An appeal to the Privy Council at London, by R. B. Russell, leading figure in the general labor strike which took place during the summer of 1919 in Winnipeg, Canada, was recently dismissed by the Council. Russell was the chief of eight labor leaders in the general strike in Winnipeg, which began in May of 1919. He was sentenced by a Superior Court of the Province of Manitoba to two years in the penitentiary on charges of seditious conspiracy. An appeal was taken by Russell through counsel to the last court of appeal in the British Empire, the Judicial Council of the Privy Council in London.

The appeal of the rest of the labor leaders sentenced to varying terms of imprisonment will now be heard by the same tribunal.

"THE RIGHT TO STRIKE MUST BE MAINTAINED," SAYS SAMUEL GOMPERS.

In answering the question as to whether the public has any rights in an industrial dispute, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, says "the public has no rights which are superior to the toiler's right to live and . . . defend himself against oppression."

"The right to strike must be and will be maintained." Mr. Gompers asserts, "as a measure necessary to public progress."

The above quotations are taken from a statement issued by Mr. Gompers at Washington on June 6 in reply to questions propounded to him by Gov. Henry J. Allen of Kansas at a recent debate in New York on industrial issues. Mr. Gompers' statement in part follows:

Governor Allen asked a question which required no effort in the asking, and were I so minded I might put to him countless questions equally easy to ask. His question, really three questions, follows:

When a dispute between capital and labor brings on a strike affecting the production or distribution of the necessities of life, thus threatening peace and impairing the public health, has the public any rights in such a controversy, or is it a private war between capital and labor?

If you answer this question in the affirmative, Mr. Gompers, how would you protect the rights of the public?

And in addition, I wish him to define for us, if he will, who had the divine right to forbid the switchmen to strike in their "outlaw" strike: who controls this divine right to quit work?

In the first place, the language of the question is improper, as I stated on the platform in Carnegie Hall. To describe a strike as a "private war between capital and labor" is to come perilously near applying the language of either thoughtlessness or ridicule to a struggle of humankind toward the attainment of an ideal.

Employment, as employers would have it, is something offered by them to workers; has meant the purchase of something which would result in profit; has been a means to an end. It has been an impersonal thing, and the aim has been to secure the best possible terms.

Employment, to workers, has been and is vastly different; is the means of sustaining life. Workers have labor power to contribute to society. The reward which they secure for their labor power fixes the manner in which they may live. By the day's pay is measured the meagreness or the fullness of life for them.

Employment to the employer is the basis of profits. Employment to the worker is life. These viewpoints conflict from opposite angles. They will conflict so long as industry is conducted for profit alone. This conflict will not be ended by statute law. It can neither be argued out of existence nor legislated out of existence.

The strike is the only effective weapon by which the workers may compel consideration of just demands.

The freedom of workmen in enjoyment of the right to strike means the freedom of men to make life better, safer, happier—the right of men to elevate the whole tone of society and to force abolition of abuse, injustice and oppression.

There is no denial that strikes of magnitude temporarily affect the general public. Gov. Allen's public seems to be for the most part an employing and non-union public. The real public includes all union men and women and is in fact fully one-fourth union.

Few strikes affecting production or distribution actually threaten the public health. Strikes in which there has been a threatening of the public peace usually have been strikes in which employers or public officials influenced by employers have created the breach of peace by the use of thugs, armed guards and detectives.

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 his right to defend himself against oppression.

So far as labor is concerned, the right to strike must be and will be maintained, not only as a measure of self-defense and self-advancement, but as a measure necessary to public progress. The strike has won its right to a post of honor among the institutions of free civilization and the temporary inconvenience it has caused is but a small price to pay for the permanent benefits it has brought.

Every strike against deterioration is a check upon avaricious employers pressing the unorganized still further down. Every strike for the improvement in the condition and standards of those engaged in industry has its reflex and influence for the uplift of all.

Throughout the debate Governor Allen expressed the same ill-conceived notion which is so often unsonndly uttered, that is, that there is a public wholly separate and apart from employers and employees, when, as a matter of fact, other than those who may be paupers or charges upon the community, everyone is either an employer or employee.

Strikes are caused by the refusal of employers to reach agreement with workers—often by the refusal of employers to negotiate at all with workers. It becomes necessary for the workers to cease working, to withdraw their service from the industry. It is the duty of the public to throw the

weight of its influence on the side of the protagonists of progress and justice—the workers.

As to the third section of Gov. Allen's question, relating to the switchmen, it is absurd. Labor is damned if it does and damned if it doesn't, which reveals the insincerity of the critics. Labor believes in and practices majority rule—democracy. In the case of the switchmen a minority, goaded by employers beyond endurance, defied the majority. That is all there is to that. When the Governor talks of divine right he leaves the issue and resorts to inconsequentialities. Strikes are ordered by the majority vote of the union membership, they are not ordered by officials at will. When officials issue strike orders they do so as the result of a vote of the membership authorizing such an order.

The hope of the public, the hope of the workers, the hope of all for peace and progress, for continuity of production and for safety from oppression, lies not in a state-erecled machine, but in acceptance by employers generally of the machinery of collective bargaining. Trade agreements reached through collective bargaining offer the only safeguard that will work. The public rights are not safeguarded by laws that aim to prevent strikes.

SECRETARY OF TREASURY IN APPRECIATION OF LABOR UNION'S EFFORTS TO HELP LIBERTY BONDS.

Appreciation of the educational, economic and financial policy recently adopted by Organized Labor, as a factor in the protection of holders of Liberty Bonds and government securities and the advancement of individual and national welfare and prosperity was expressed by Secretary of the Treasury David F. Houston in a letter to Samuel Gompers, made public on July 21. Secretary Houston's letter was in acknowledgement of the action taken by the Montreal convention of the American Federation of Labor which urged the purchase of Liberty Bonds at present prices and their retention until maturity by all union members and reiterated endorsement of the thrift and savings campaign of the government. The letter declared that if the principles adopted by the American Federation of Labor were followed by the nation, all holders of government bonds would be protected, for the basic intrinsic of these securities backed by the good faith and resources of the nation were unchanged and would remain so. The reiteration of the principles of thrift, saving and safe investment, Secretary Houston said could not but tend to the welfare both of the individual and the nation. Secretary Houston's letter was as follows:

The Treasury Department had learned with keen interest of the educational, economic and financial policy outlined by the American Federation of Labor, in convention at Montreal, looking to the advancement of the financial welfare and future prosperity of the individual and the nation through purchase and retention until maturity of government securities.

The patriotic part played by Organized Labor in the financing of the United States during the war, already has been fittingly acknowledged. Permit me to say that, in my opinion, the policy of the American Federation of Labor, enunciated in Resolution No. 98 at Montreal, faithfully and successfully carried out, as I am sure it will be, will perform no less a service in time of peace.

The prosperity, the stability and the well being of the nation and of every state and community in it, is inseparably linked with the prosperity, the financial independence and the moral strength of its citizens. Waste and extravagance will produce not only economic ills but inevitable individual deterioration and unhappiness. The reiteration therefore of the principles of thrift, saving and safe investment, outlined so forcibly in the Federation resolution, cannot but tend to the welfare both of its members and the country as a whole.

Nowhere are Liberty Bonds more widely distributed than among the ranks of Organized Labor. Both the Treasury Department and the American Federation of Labor are desirous of protecting the holders of those Government obligations. They can protect those who hold their bonds and buy more, but they cannot protect those who sell at present prices. But if the principles adopted by your organization are followed out by the nation, all holders of bonds will be protected, for the basis, intrinsic value of the securities backed by the good faith and total resources of the nation is unchanged and will remain unchanged.

I sincerely hope that the request of the Federation for the provision of facilities for partial payment purchase of Liberty Bonds and Victory Notes may be accorded the hearty and immediate response from employers, banks and other agencies which it deserves.

LAW TO PREVENT PROFITEERING IN RENTS NOT RETROACTIVE, N. Y. SUPREME COURT HOLDS

"A fundamental principle of our Government . . . is that the obligations of contracts lawfully made must be protected." This is one of the outstanding points in decision handed down by Justice Lehman in the State Supreme Court bearing on the laws recently passed by the New York Legislature to prevent profiteering in rents. The Legislature, Justice Lehman said, did not intend to make the laws retroactive and it could not, under the Federal Constitution, impair existing contracts. Justice Lehman granted a motion for judgment to the Paterno Investing Company against one of its tenants who alleged that the rent for which the action had been brought—although agreed to in a lease which became effective Oct. 1, 1919—was "unjust and unreasonable and the agreement under which the same is sought to be recovered is oppressive." It was further contended by the defendant that the rent had been increased more than 25% over that existing one year prior to the coming into force of the lease. In decid-

ing in favor of the plaintiff, the Paterno Company, Justice Lehman said that it was quite evident that the legislative intent was to provide that in all tenancies created after April 1, 1920, or continued or renewed either by agreement or by operation of law, there must be an implied term that the tenant may urge as a defense that the rent reserved is unjust, unreasonable and oppressive, and the constitutionality of that statute was not in any way involved in the decision of the motion.

In his decision, rendered on May 14, Justice Lehman said:

The defendant as a counterclaim . . . seeks . . . to recover the difference between the monthly payments made on the first day of each month from October to May at the rate of \$191.66 and the "fair and reasonable rent" for the said premises. The plaintiff has replied to the counterclaim and has now moved for judgment on the pleadings. At the argument the defendant's attorney admitted his inability to show any legal bases for his counterclaim. If the statute applies to agreements made in June, 1919, then the agreement was presumptively unjust, unreasonable and oppressive. Even if that be so, the agreement was, nevertheless, not forbidden by law, and the defendant has not endeavored to be released from its obligations or to give up its benefits, but, on the contrary, until April 1, 1920, the defendant received the stipulated consideration and paid the stipulated amount of rent. The plaintiff had a right to make the agreement and to demand and receive the rent on the first day of each month. The rent then became its property, lawfully obtained and lawfully retained.

The Legislature has no power, and has claimed no power, to deprive the plaintiff of this property and to transfer it to the defendant after the defendant has paid it over under no mistake of fact, no misrepresentation and in accordance with a legal and binding contract and in return for a stipulated consideration. If the Legislature had attempted to pass a law which would give the defendant a right of action against the plaintiff for moneys properly received under a claim at that time enforceable in a court of law, its acts would have been outside of its constitutional powers beyond any possible argument. The Legislature has, however, not expressly provided that a tenant shall have a right of action to recover rent paid, and it would be absurd to hold that the Legislature intended to give such right of action by implication in cases where it was without power and where its action would be subversive of all constitutional principles.

The question whether the facts alleged set forth a good defense requires more consideration. The statute provides that: "Section 1. Unjust, unreasonable and oppressive agreements for the payment of rent having been and being now exacted by landlords from tenants under stress of prevailing conditions whereby the freedom of contracts has been impaired and congested housing conditions resulting therefrom have seriously affected and endangered the public welfare, health and morals in certain cities of the State, and a public emergency existing in the judgment of the Legislature by reason thereof, it shall be a defense to an action for rent accruing under an agreement for premises in a city of the first class or in a city in a county adjoining a city of the first class occupied for dwelling purposes, other than a room or rooms in a hotel, lodging house or rooming house, that such rent is unjust and unreasonable and that the agreement under which the same is sought to be recovered is oppressive. Section 2. Where it appears that the rent has been increased more than twenty-five per centum over the rent as it existed one year prior to the time of the agreement under which the rent is sought to be recovered, such agreement shall be presumptively unjust, unreasonable and oppressive."

If in fact an emergency exists and conditions have arisen "which seriously affected and endangered the public welfare, health and morals in the City of New York," it was not only the right, but the duty of the Legislature to pass statutes which would tend reasonably to correct the conditions and remove the danger to the public welfare, health and morals. The fact that housing conditions are congested is so well known that the courts might well take judicial notice of it, and certainly have no right to nullify the declaration of the Legislature that such conditions exist. The Legislature has passed this statute to remedy in part this condition, and the court must now consider whether the statute was intended to cover cases where the rent was payable under a lease made

before the act was passed, and if so, whether the act was constitutional. It is to be noted that the act does not expressly provide that it shall apply to leases for a definite term made before April 1, 1919, and though the act is general in form and sufficiently broad to cover all agreements made before as well as after the date of the statute, the courts should not construe it as applying to contracts for a definite term made before that date, unless the intention of the Legislature to include such contracts is clear. The general rule is that statutes are to be construed as prospective only. It takes a clear expression of the legislative purpose to justify a retroactive application.

In the statute now under consideration I find no such clear expression of intention, and it does not even appear that the inclusion within the statute of past contracts would tend to relieve the conditions which, in the opinion of the Legislature, are harmful to the public. It may be that a prohibition placed upon a landlord against entering into contracts in the future at more than a reasonable rental might place landlord and tenant upon a more equal footing and thereby tend to foster contracts between the parties and possibly a reduction of rent on all dwellings to a reasonable figure and might tend to relieve the present unhealthy congestion to at least a small degree by distributing the possible tenants upon a more equitable basis among the available apartments, but it is somewhat difficult to see how a law which would permit a tenant to retain his dwelling and interpose as a defense to an action for rent that his contract was unreasonable or oppressive where the contract was made before the Legislature had declared that an emergency existed would in the slightest degree tend to restore freedom of contract for the future or to relieve the present congestion. It would impair the tenant's obligation under the contract for the tenant's financial benefit, but it would apparently have no other effect.

A fundamental principle of our Government embedded in our Federal Constitution is that the obligations of contracts lawfully made must be protected, and the States are expressly forbidden from passing laws which impair the obligation of contract. It is true that parties cannot by contract obtain a vested right to injure the public or divest the Legislature of its power to enact laws for the protection of the public or the advancement of the general welfare, but the sanctity of contractual obligations lawful in themselves must be preserved, and the Legislature cannot give to a party to a contract, binding when made, an option to tender

in satisfaction of his contractual obligation an amount smaller than he agreed to pay. The Legislature of the State of New York has in the past been as vigilant as the courts in protecting the sanctity of contracts, and there is nothing in the present statute to show that the Legislature intended in this instance to exceed the clear limitations of its authority.

Another quite important decision on the rent laws was handed on June 9 by Justice Kelby in the State Supreme Court. The laws, Justice Kelby held are valid so far as they authorize the court to grant a further extension of time to a tenant unable to find other quarters.

The case was that of Mrs. Amelia Kunzli, Jamaica, who appealed from the decision of the Fourth District Municipal Court of Queens granting a stay until October 1 next to her tenant, William Stone, Jamaica, whose eviction she had asked for April 1 on the ground that she had sold the property and had contracted to give the title by that date. In her appeal Mrs. Kuenzli claimed that the rent laws of 1920 were unconstitutional in that they "impair the obligation of a pre-existing contract."

In dismissing the appeal Justice Kelby said:

Chapter 137 of the laws of 1920 (attacked as unconstitutional) was clearly enacted in the exercise of the police power of the state. Its purpose was to promote the welfare of the more thickly populated sections of the state by reason of a shortage in the supply of housing facilities. The prohibition in the Federal constitution that no state legislature shall pass any law impairing the obligation of contracts does not restrict the power of the state to protect the public health, public morals or public safety in so far as the one or the other may be involved in the execution of such contracts.

The legislative act under review having been passed under the circumstances above noted, it must be held to have been a valid exercise of power and for that reason it cannot be said that the law is void by reason of impairing the obligation of contracts.

As a move to stimulate the solution of the housing problem here Mayor Hylan has recently appointed a Housing Conference Committee, composed of eighty-two men and women, to draw up plans to increase housing accommodations. The committee includes city officials, labor leaders, bankers, real estate men, railroad executives and representatives of newspapers. Frank Maun, Tenement House Commissioner, is Chairman.

S. DAVIES WARFIELD FORMS NEW CORPORATION TO NEGOTIATE LOANS FOR RAILROAD EQUIPMENT.

Papers incorporating the National Railway Service Corporation under the laws of Maryland were filed in Baltimore on July 29 by S. Davies Warfield, President of the National Association of owners of Railroad Securities. One of the powers conferred on the new organization under the charter permits it "to act as agency of the Inter-State Commerce Commission in the matter of loans for the purchase of equipment and to assist or serve the said Commission in any other capacity or way now or hereafter authorized by law." Other powers under the charter are

To aid, assist, further and supplement the service of transportation by carriers by railroad subject to the "Act to regulate Commerce," approved February 4 1887, as amended, or subject to the "Transportation Act, 1920," approved February 28 1920.

To carry on the enterprise and business of constructing, acquiring by purchase or lease or otherwise, selling, leasing, and otherwise contracting with reference to, maintaining, managing, repairing, disposing of and dealing in locomotives, cars, rolling stock, equipment, appliances, materials and supplies required by carriers by railroad.

To receive, administer, invest, lend or otherwise employ or deal with any fund or other assets which may be loaned or made available to the corporation by the Interstate Commerce Commission pursuant to the provisions of the Transportation Act, 1920, as now or hereafter amended or any other act, or by the United States or by any other party or from any source.

The corporation shall have power to act as an agency of the President of the United States in the discharge of any functions relating to Federal control or the relinquishment or liquidation thereof which may be authorized by the President in conformity with law.

The incorporators of the new corporation are S. Davies Warfield, Charles C. Homer, Jr., President of the Savings Bank of Baltimore and William M. Hayden, President of the Eutaw Savings Bank, all of Baltimore. The charter prepared by Forney Johnston of counsel of the Security Owners Association and Piper, Carey & Hall, local Counsel for the Corporation, shows that the first undertaking of the new Corporation will include \$14,000,000 of equipment for the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. It is, however, of far reaching significance to all railroads and to shippers as it provides for securing equipment to relieve the transportation problem. Authority for the formation of this new organization, which according to Mr. Warfield, will operate without profit, is conferred under an amendment to the Transportation Act, carried in the Sundry Civil Appropriation Bill (see "Chronicle," July 17, page 261). In a statement on July 29, setting forth the scope and purposes of the Service Corporation, Mr. Warfield, said:

The organization of the National Railway Service Corporation completes as far as now practicable the Plan for the return and regulation of the rail-

roads presented to the Interstate Commerce Committees of Congress in January 1919 by the National Association of Owners of Railroad Securities. Two of the three fundamental features initiated by the Association in that plan are now essential features of the present Transportation Act. One is the mandatory provision therein that rates are to be made to yield the fixed percentage return named in the Act upon railroad property in the aggregate and essential to preserve the transportation system and continue it under private ownership and operation. The second is a division of earnings of a railroad where rates yield to it more than six per cent on its individual property, one-half to be retained by such road the other half establishes a public fund to be expended by the Interstate Commerce Commission for transportation needs.

The third fundamental of the Plan provided for the organization of a national public corporation designed among other things to finance equipment to be leased or otherwise acquired by railroads. We thought we could foresee the necessity for providing the means to relieve the congestion bound to occur upon the return of the roads to their owners and now taking place.

To accomplish as far as now practicable what was then intended, we are organizing the public corporation referred to, authority for which was obtained under an amendment to the Transportation Act added to the Sundry Civil Appropriation Bill and suggested by our Association when that bill was in conference between the two houses of Congress. This amendment was adopted by the conferees and passed by Congress in the closing hours of the last session. The amendment is as follows:

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.

Accordingly, the Interstate Commerce Commission has recognized the National Railway Service Corporation as an agency to which it will make loans under this amendment and to enable that Corporation to provide additional funds to finance much needed equipment for the railroads.

The Corporation will issue its obligations in series under two plans:

(a) Railroads may purchase equipment outright through the Corporation under an equipment trust providing for thirty semi-annual payments, the trust maturing in fifteen years, at which time the equipment becomes the property of the carrier making the purchase. The Interstate Commerce Commission will make 15-year loans to the Corporation in amounts dependent upon the class of equipment purchased. The railroads, under this plan are required to furnish an agreed amount of collateral to secure the equipment notes given the Government, which have a lien on the equipment subordinated to the lien of the equipment notes purchased from the Corporation by investing institutions and investors. The other plan (b) the Corporation will lease equipment to the railroads under the plan of semi-annual payments running fifteen years, the carriers charging the rental to operating expenses. By a nominal payment at the expiration of fifteen years, the railroads that complete their payments will receive the equipment as their own property. In the case of lease, little or no collateral will be required from the railroads.

In either case the title to the equipment remains either in the corporate trustee or in the corporation. Each series will have a separate trustee.

The issue of equipment notes to be presently made will be \$30,000,000, maturing in fifteen years. Approximately forty percent thereof will be loaned the Corporation by the Government at 6%, either direct or through the carriers participating in the series, the balance (approximately 60%) will be loaned by investing institutions at 7%. We believe this is the lowest interest rate that has yet been obtained by a railroad in purchasing equipment since the war. The present series (a) will be a straight purchase, with thirty semi-annual payments, the notes maturing in fifteen years. The notes of the Corporation will be secured by a direct lien on the equipment of the carriers participating, title to the equipment to remain, as stated, in the trustee or the corporation until paid for. There will be three parties to the equipment trust agreement, the corporation, the trustee and the carrier. Each carrier will give its individual equipment notes which, together with the agreement, will be deposited with the trustee as additional security for the payment of the equipment notes of the corporation. The carriers are to keep the equipment in full repair during the life of the trust.

The carriers participating in the present issue are the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, to the extent of \$14,000,000; the Rock Island and the Minneapolis & St. Louis Railway to the extent of \$11,000,000; the Bangor & Aroostook to the extent of \$150,000. Several other roads applied at the same time for equipment. Decision has not been reached as to which will participate in the present series.

Under the plan proposed the Government is amply secured and the investors are secured from the fact that the equipment notes held by the Government are not paid until the notes of the Corporation in the hands of the investors are paid. This is a public corporation. It will operate without profit. The stock issue is nominal, is owned by the National Association of Owners of Railroad Securities and transferred in blank to the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States. Congress will be asked to reincorporate this Corporation by Federal Act.

The Life Insurance Companies that have tentatively agreed to take the certificates of the Corporation have looked upon the question as one of public concern and are acting in that spirit. They are co-operating with Division Four of the Interstate Commerce Commission which is dealing with those subjects to relieve the congestion to the greatest extent possible.

This corporation presents an economical method to acquire equipment for the relief of the present congestion. If used as a public corporation to the fullest extent it will eventually tend to lower railroad rates. When in full operation it will guarantee shippers an ample car supply and will, if the full plans of the corporation are carried out, enable shippers to secure cars to relieve congestion. It will present the only effective means to relieve the present railroad difficulties. These conditions will not be relieved by passing resolutions and appointing committees. It is cars that are needed and methods adopted that will furnish them.

Fifty thousand open top cars are necessary to relieve the congestion at the steel mills, coal mines and other industries requiring this class of car. The Corporation will suggest to large shippers who have surplus funds for investment that they co-operate with the Corporation to the extent of purchasing part of a series of equipment notes of the Corporation for the purchase of cars designated to meet the demands of their business. The Government to loan the Corporation such amount as the class of equipment justifies, the balance of the series to be raised one-half from the shippers and one-half from investors. Under such a plan the equipment thus purchased would be available to the shipper making the investment, who would receive a good investment unusually secured.

Mr. Warfield stated that the Board of Trustees, when completed, would number twenty. The present trustees are: S. Davies Warfield (President, Continental Trust Co., and President, National Association of Owners of Railroad Securities), Baltimore; Haley Fiske, (President, Metropoli-

tan Life Insurance Company, New York), John J. Pulleyn (President, Emigrant Industrial Savings Bank, and President Savings Banks Association, State of New York), New York; Darwin P. Kingsley, (President, New York Life Insurance Company), New York; Myron T. Herriek, (President, Society of Savings), Cleveland, Ohio; George E. Brock, (President, Home Savings Bank, and Chairman, National Conference of Mutual Savings Banks), Boston, Mass. Forrest F. Dryden, President, Prudential Life Insurance Company, Newark, N. J. has also been asked to serve as a trustee. It is understood that the legislatures of the various states will be asked to amend the law to permit savings banks investing in the equipment obligations of the Corporation.

RAILROADS ASK INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION FOR AUTHORITY TO PAY HIGHER INTEREST RATES ON LOANS.

Permission to borrow from private capital at a higher interest rate than 7% in order to participate in loans from the revolving fund provided by the Transportation Act, was requested of the Interstate Commerce Commission, July 29 by representatives of the railroads.

The Commerce Commission, it is stated, has certified to the Treasury a number of loans to be made to railroads at 6 to 7% interest, and has required carriers to borrow similar sums from private capital at similar interest rates. Spokesmen for the Association of Railway Executives, the American Short Line Railroads Association, the National Railway Service Corporations, the Fruit Growers' Express and a number of individual railroads told the Commission at the hearing on July 29 that private loans could not be obtained at less than 7½ to 10% because of the prevailing short money market.

With reference to the contentions of the railroads as laid before the Commission, Washington advices of July 29 to the N. Y. "Journal of Commerce" said:

Difficulties in the way of railroad financing to meet the needs of the railroad companies for funds with which to build new equipment and otherwise improve rail transportation service were emphasized today at a conference held between officials of the Interstate Commerce Commission and representative railroad and bank officials. The conference had been called by the commission to discuss the question of higher interest rates on money borrowed by the railroad companies to accompany Government railroad loans.

Among the proposals made at today's meeting for the solution of railroad troubles in obtaining adequate funds to match railroad loans extended by the I. C. C. were that the money be obtained by the railroads through the flotation of car equipment trust certificates or through the extension of short term notes bearing 7 or 8% interest and redeemable when financial conditions become more stable.

Speaking for the short line railroads of the country, Bird M. Robinson, president of the American Short Line Association, told the commission that plans had been made by the smaller railroads to obtain funds with which to build new equipment through the creation of an equipment trust corporation.

Present plans of the short line railroads provide for the creation of an equipment trust corporation, upon which would be issued fifteen years' notes, bearing 7% interest. Although it as yet had not been decided to what amount the certificates would be issued Mr. Robinson declared that at least 20,000 standard freight cars were needed by the short lines and that the amount of the notes issued probably would be based on this standard. Formal application already had been made to the commission for permission to organize the equipment corporation, he said.

E. C. Buckland, vice president of the New York New Haven & Hartford, told the commission that the railroad had found it impossible to obtain loans from shippers patronizing the carrier, as suggested by the commission when it announced its intention to extend Government loans to the railroads. It was the consensus of the shippers' reply that it was impossible to lend money to the railroads at low rates of interest, borrowed by the shippers at high rates of interest, notwithstanding the benefit accruing to the shippers from any improvement in railroad service resulting from the use of the loans.

Mr. Buckland suggested the issuance of short term notes at high rates of interest, possibly bearing 7 or 8%, the securities to be redeemed when better financial conditions arrived. This recommendation was taken under advisement to await action by the commission as to whether or not a higher level of interest rates on railroad loans must be approved by the commission to permit the railroads to obtain funds.

F. J. Lisman of New York, who also spoke for the American Short Line Association, declared that since the idea of an equipment trust corporation to finance the equipment requirements of the smaller roads was conceived, it has appeared as increasingly doubtful whether the equipment scheme can be carried out. Present money conditions at least do not appear favorable for the success of the plan, he declared.

Mr. Lisman analyzed the present money situation to show the need of approving the payment of higher rates of interest by the railroads if funds are to be obtained to match the loans extended the carriers by the Commission. Present high rates for money, Mr. Lisman said, was caused by the unusual demand of enterprises of all kinds for financing.

A. H. Harris, speaking for the New York Central Railroad, declared that that company previous to the beginning of Government railroad loans under the Transportation Act contracted for the construction of \$48,000,000 of new railway equipment, money to be borrowed for the construction at the rate of 7½%. While three-fourths of this amount already has been provided, it is sought to borrow from the Government \$12,000,000. Unless this loan can be obtained the company will be forced to borrow the additional funds needed from private capital, probably at 7½%.

The conference held to-day took on a broad scope, discussing all phases of the question of railroad interest rates. Opening the conference, Director Colston of the Commission asked that the discussion take up:

The efforts made by the railroads to obtain necessary funds from shippers and other patrons of the railroads who would receive the direct benefits from any improvement in transportation service resulting from the use of the loans.

The possibility of raising money needed for railroad loans outside of New York if possible, where money rates might be lower.

The issuance of short term notes at high rates of interest, reasons why certain roads are able to obtain adequate funds at 6% interest, while other roads find it impossible to obtain money without paying considerably higher rates of interest. The wisdom of inter-company loans made by the stronger railroad companies to weaker roads, rather than direct loans by the weaker roads from private capital.

THE PREVIOUS ADVANCES IN RAILWAY WAGES.

As pertinent to the application of the railroads for higher freight rates and the addition just made of \$625,000,000 per year to the annual pay roll of the roads by the newest wage award, a statement prepared by the Bureau of Railway Economics, at Washington, in May, showing the increases *previously made* (the general officers, it should be noted, being the only ones that have failed to participate in the increase) is of great interest and we present it herewith.

**ANNUAL COMPENSATION PER RAILWAY EMPLOYEE—
CLASS I RAILWAYS, 1915-1920.**

Class of Employees—	Fiscal year 1915 (average).	Cal. year 1917 (average).	Cal. year 1917 (Dec. basis).	Cal. year 1919 (average).	Cal. year 1920 (Jan. basis).
General officers.....	\$4,528	\$4,558	\$4,683	\$4,317	\$4,313
Division officers.....	2,013	2,099	2,139	2,944	2,989
Clerks.....	832	932	955	1,349	1,410
Messengers and attendants.....	434	514	531	855	888
Assistant engineers and draftsmen.....	1,121	1,145	1,257	1,707	1,857
Maint of way and struct. foremen.....	1,107	1,197	1,283	1,780	1,913
Section foremen.....	772	886	939	1,314	1,381
General foremen—M. E. dept.....	1,533	1,660	1,628	2,975	3,043
Gang and other foremen—M. E. department.....	1,167	1,352	1,467	2,358	2,419
Machinists.....	1,030	1,394	1,513	1,763	2,036
Boiler-makers.....	1,076	1,425	1,532	1,831	2,128
Blacksmiths.....	927	1,258	1,331	1,664	1,920
Masons and bricklayers.....	789	932	971	1,376	1,439
Structural ironworkers.....	898	1,014	1,034	1,630	1,662
Carpenters.....	768	940	980	1,430	1,560
Painters and upholsterers.....	758	951	1,031	1,463	1,657
Electricians.....	941	1,030	1,123	1,721	1,943
Air-brakemen.....	812	1,086	1,207	1,623	1,946
Car inspectors.....	887	1,140	1,272	1,780	2,101
Car repairers.....	751	994	1,053	1,529	1,752
Other skilled laborers.....	855	1,065	1,140	1,620	1,858
Mechanics' helpers and apprentices.....	607	822	890	1,173	1,364
Section men.....	454	601	642	938	1,960
Other unskilled laborers.....	560	695	765	1,062	1,119
Foremen of construction gangs and work trains.....	1,016	1,031	1,221	1,530	1,647
Other men in construction gangs and work trains.....	516	623	711	990	1,132
Traveling agents and solicitors.....	1,495	1,642	1,851	2,115	2,146
Employees in outside agencies.....	980	1,066	1,437	1,718	1,749
Other traffic employees.....	960	1,330	1,502	2,076	2,084
Train dispatchers and directors.....	1,606	1,802	1,868	2,717	2,776
Telegraphers, telephoners and block operators.....	800	917	967	1,543	1,617
Telegraphers and telephoners operating interlockers.....	822	957	1,026	1,614	1,677
Levermen (non-telegraphers).....	731	852	891	1,496	1,527
Telegrapher-clerks.....	797	892	963	1,535	1,592
Agent-telegraphers.....	828	949	1,050	1,675	1,708
Station agents (non-telegraphers).....	937	1,038	1,108	1,654	1,742
Station masters and assistants.....	1,095	1,292	1,309	1,883	1,918
Station service employees.....	605	710	777	1,120	1,157
Yardmasters.....	1,584	1,802	1,896	2,907	2,924
Yardmaster's assistants (not yard clerks).....	1,428	1,705	1,632	2,523	2,546
Yard engineers and motormen.....	1,528	1,790	1,783	2,063	2,349
Yard firemen and helpers.....	916	1,093	1,106	1,468	1,712
Yard conductors (or foremen).....	1,358	1,584	1,556	1,877	2,085
Yard brakemen (switchmen or helpers).....	1,169	1,327	1,342	1,671	1,872
Yard switch tenders.....	720	846	905	1,339	1,481
Other yard employees.....	622	666	728	1,109	1,201
Hostlers.....	976	1,245	1,330	1,595	1,751
Enginehouse men.....	684	835	922	1,278	1,329
Road freight engineers and motormen.....	1,846	2,107	2,281	2,611	3,124
Road freight firemen and helpers.....	1,136	1,273	1,370	1,806	2,168
Road freight conductors.....	1,589	1,854	1,967	2,288	2,664
Road freight brakemen and flagmen.....	1,036	1,202	1,278	1,709	1,999
Road passenger engineers and motormen.....	2,141	2,232	2,418	2,873	3,129
Road passenger firemen and helpers.....	1,287	1,353	1,498	2,052	2,281
Road passenger conductors.....	1,860	1,966	2,058	2,542	2,730
Road passenger baggagemen.....	1,049	1,175	1,236	1,821	1,962
Road passenger brakemen and flagmen.....	1,026	1,093	1,188	1,703	1,816
Other road train employees.....	840	817	897	1,366	1,510
Crossing flagmen and gatemen.....	476	535	579	949	945
Drawbridge operators.....	666	761	839	1,190	1,168
Floating equipment employees.....	775	928	1,111	1,619	1,769
Policemen and watchmen.....	713	896	941	1,372	1,452
Other transportation employees.....	634	845	934	1,200	1,312
All other employees.....	610	663	699	993	1,033

Total..... \$830 \$1,004 \$1,078 \$1,436 \$1,687

Source: Data for 1915 reports of the Inter-State Commerce Commission, covering all Class I railways; data for 1917, 1919 and 1920 from reports of the U. S. Railroad Administration, covering Class I railways under Federal control.

Note.—Averages for the calendar year 1917 (December basis) and the calendar year 1920 (January basis) are based on returns for December 1917 and January 1920, respectively, multiplied by twelve. Averages for the calendar year 1919 were obtained from a compilation of the monthly reports of "Employees and their compensation" issued by the Railroad Administration. Due to the fact that monthly reports subsequent to April 1919 exclude compensation applicable to previous months (i. e., back pay, amounting to approximately \$28,000,000), the total of the compensation shown on the statements for the individual months January-December 1919, does not represent the total pay-roll for 1919; hence the averages shown above are conservative, being below the actual figures. On April 12 1920, in his testimony before the Sub-Committee of House Committee on Appropriations, Mr. Hines estimated the number of employees of Class I

railways under Federal control at 1,891,607 for 1919, and their aggregate 1919 compensation at \$2,744,000,000, on which basis the average annual compensation per railway employee for 1919 amounts to \$1,451, instead of the \$1,436 shown above. The distribution of this fifteen-dollar excess per employee (the difference between \$1,451 and \$1,436) throughout the various classes of employees is impracticable, but the conservatism of the above averages is evident. In similar manner and for the same reason, the 1920 figures are probably below actual.

INTER-STATE COMMERCE COMMISSION APPROVES FURTHER LOANS TO THE RAILROADS.

Loans to the railroads aggregating \$18,915,000 from the revolving fund provided under the Transportation Act have been approved by the Inter-State Commerce Commission, it was announced July 29.

A loan of \$17,910,000 to the Great Northern was approved to enable the road to purchase locomotives, steel ore cars, freight cars and for additions and betterments which will directly promote the movement of freight cars.

The Central of Georgia received \$815,000 for the purchase of additional equipment and the Atlanta Birmingham & Atlantic \$200,000 to aid in meeting \$475,000 due July 19.

Formal investigations of the applications of railroads for permission to float additional securities and to undertake other company financing, was ordered on July 26 by the Inter-State Commerce Commission.

CANADIAN ROADS SEEK ADDITIONAL FREIGHT RATE INCREASE.

It was stated yesterday that an application will be filed with the Dominion Railway Commission by the Canadian Railway Association for an additional increase in freight rates for all roads in the Dominion to meet higher wages equal to those of railwaymen in the United States. Earlier in the month (July 10) the Commission received an application for a 30% rate increase.

ORDER FOR REFERENDUM ON RAILROAD WAGE AWARD.

The executives of eight railroad brotherhoods completed on July 24 at Chicago the order for a nationwide referendum of railroad employees on the wage award of the Railroad Labor Board, with a strong plea against a strike. The wage award was announced in our issue of Saturday last, page 347. The order of the Brotherhood executives says:

The Labor Board is the highest court of appeal in this controversy. No higher tribunal is created by the Transportation Act, and its decision must either be accepted or rejected without further negotiation.

Although the award was much less than the employees should have been awarded, much less than they were entitled to, and although they are, and have a right to be, disappointed with the amount of increase in wages granted, more than 84% of them have agreed through their representatives to accept the award.

An appeal is made to the federated shop crafts, "which constitute not more than 22% of the total employees of the railroads," to vote in support of the action of the majority. The order also details the history of railroad wage disputes, beginning before the passage of the Adamson law. The Chicago Yardmen's Association, represented by 5,000 members, including seventy delegates selected to represent the various "outlaw" organizations of the country, voted unanimously to reject the railroad wage award because it "contained no provision for the seniority rights" for the men who struck last April. According to John Grunau, President of the Association, "the strike could be settled in forty-eight hours if the roads would concede that one point."

SALARIES OF \$20,000 AND OVER PAID TO RAILROAD OFFICIALS IN 1917.

Supplementing what we gave in our issue of January 24, page 325, under the above head, we quote the following from the "Railway Age" of June 11 dealing with the payment to railroad officers of \$5,000 or more that year.

Representative Sims, who, on November 18 published in the Congressional Record a list of some 200 railroad officers who received in 1917 salaries of \$20,000 a year or more, has now published in the same way the entire list compiled by the Railroad Wage Commission, of the railroad officers who were paid \$5,000 or more for that year, a part of which we reprint elsewhere in this issue. This list, from which the earlier one was taken, was furnished to the Congressman by Interstate Commerce Commissioner C. C. McChord, who was a member of the Wage Commission, which Director General McAdoo appointed early in 1918. It contains approximately 2,500 names. As Mr. Sims performed a real service in making public the original list, and thereby showing that only one man received as much as \$100,000 a year, the figure which a certain type of journalism has commonly used as representative of the salaries of railroad executives generally, he has performed a still greater service in making public the more complete list which shows how small were the salaries paid to railroad officers generally. As the Interstate Commerce Commission reports show that the average salary of the 7,500 general officers in 1917 was \$4,558, while the average for the 12,500 division officers was \$2,099, or less than the railway labor organizations now ask as a minimum for employees, it will be noted that the entire list compiled by the Railroad Wage Commission of

the salaries of \$5,000 and over represents only the most highly-paid one eighth of the total number of railroad officers.

The list is especially valuable because its publication makes possible for the first time some interesting compilations as to the exact compensation of railroad officers, which could not be made from the averages shown in the published official reports.

A classification of the salaries shown in the list made publicly by Mr. Sims shows that out of the total of 2,500 there were 781 who received less than \$6,000, 1247 who received less than \$7,000, and 1796 who received less than \$10,000. In other words, only about 700 received \$10,000 or over.

On the other hand, the list includes only two men shown to have received \$100,000 or over. One of these is R. S. Lovett, chairman of the Union Pacific, with \$104,000, and the other is J. M. Dickinson, receiver of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific, and we have been advised that the \$120,000 shown opposite his name was not his compensation for a year, but for the entire 26 months of his service.

There are 12 names in the list shown as having received \$75,000 or over (and this includes Judge Dickinson), 11 more as having received more than \$60,000 and less than \$75,000, 13 as having received \$50,000 to \$60,000, and 13 as having received more than \$40,000 and less than \$50,000. Only 33 individuals, therefore (aside from two law firms), were paid salaries of \$50,000 a year or over and the range for the highest executive officers of a road, president or chairman, is from \$5,000 to \$104,000.

The classification of the list by amounts is as follows:

Salary	Number	Salary	Number
Less than \$6,000	781	\$15,000 to \$19,999	166
\$6,000 to \$6,999	466	20,000 to 29,999	111
7,000 to 7,999	325	30,000 to 39,999	52
8,000 to 8,999	133	30,000 to 49,999	13
9,000 to 9,999	91	50,000 to 59,999	13
10,000 to 10,999	155	60,000 to 74,999	11
11,000 to 11,999	27	75,000 or over	12
12,000 to 12,999	88		
13,000 to 13,999	27	Total	2,492
14,000 to 14,999	21		

Without the slightest intention of doing so, Mr. Sims has completely exploded the idea that railroads pay fancy salaries generally. Doubtless he would consider any salary greater than the \$7,500 received by a Congressman as excessive, but an examination of the list as a whole shows that the great majority of railroad officers were paid salaries so pitifully low in proportion to their responsibilities that it is by no means surprising to note the large number of them that are continually leaving the railroad service for the much more remunerative positions held forth to them by industrial companies. The figures naturally look smaller now than they did during 1917 and many readjustments have been made in the pay of some of the lower-paid officers since that time, but, as it is well known that the Railroad Administration while it was in control was far less generous in its treatment of the railroad general officers than it was in dealing with the employees, it is believed that very little change has been made in the average figures. This belief is supported by the fact that the Railroad Administration payroll for January 1920 showed the compensation of general officers on the basis of an average of \$4,313 for a year, as compared with \$4,558 for the calendar year 1917, the last year of private operation. The 1917 figures, of course, include the more highly-paid executive officers who were not included in the Railroad Administration payroll. The division officers fared better, their average increasing from \$2,099 to \$2,989.

"GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP AND DEMOCRATIC OPERATION" OF RAILROADS FAVORED BY AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR.

Repeal of the Transportation Act and enactment of laws "providing for Government ownership and democratic operation of the railroad systems" is advocated by the American Federation of Labor in resolutions adopted on June 17 at its 40th Annual Convention. Notwithstanding that strong opposition was manifested by Samuel Gompers, president of the Federation, the convention, meeting at Montreal, Canada, approved the resolutions by an overwhelming vote—29,058 to 8,238. Mr. Gompers argued that acceptance of Government ownership would not only place the railroads under Government ownership and control, but would also "by necessity" be extended to all the "tributaries to the railway service, making all of the workers Government employees." He warned the convention of the activities of the Government in the past in preventing Federal employees from "exercising their rights" and participating in political activities. "No man is more loyal to the Government than I," said Mr. Gompers, "but I would not give it more power over one individual citizenship of our country. In asking my vote on this question," he added, "I would not want to enslave my fellow workers under Government authority in their efforts for industrial freedom. Let the future tell the story of who is right or wrong, those who stood for freedom or those who stood for the submission of their freedom to Government." The resolution in favor of Federal ownership of the railroads as adopted by the convention was as follows:

Whereas, The organizations represented by delegates indorsing this resolution and several others have been and are now doing everything possible to educate the American people to the seriousness of the railroad situation and the necessity for adopting some other means for operating the country's transportation systems in order to provide more adequate and cheaper transportation and to eliminate the sinister influence of railroad corporations from our national life; and

Whereas, The railroad question is an industrial question, it is also a social question, and it is far more than a question of dividends to stockholders or the wages of employees—it is a question that involves every industrial activity of the nation; and

Whereas, We believe that the continued operation of the railroads under the provisions of the Transportation Act of 1920 neglects all these questions and makes their solution impossible; and we believe further that the provision of this act providing for a subsidy and the utilization of public funds by private individuals is a betrayal of the public interest and a surrender of the traditions of our country; and

Whereas, The organizations represented by the delegates indorsing this resolution and several other organizations have, after careful deliberation and by instructions of their respective memberships adopted and are advocating a plan providing for Government ownership and democratic operation of the railroad properties; therefore,

Be it Resolved, That the Fortieth Annual Convention of the American Federation of Labor go on record as indorsing the movement to bring about a return of the systems of the transportation to Government ownership and democratic operation, and be it further

Resolved, That the Executive Council be, and are hereby instructed to use every effort to have the Transportation Act of 1920 repealed and legislation enacted providing for Government ownership and democratic operations of the railroad systems and necessary inland waterways.

The Federation's annual convention opened on June 7. It adjourned on June 19 after indorsing the League of Nations without reservations and re-electing Mr. Gompers its president for the thirty-ninth time. The convention also voted to increase Mr. Gompers' salary as president from \$10,000 to \$12,000 a year. In protesting against this action, Mr. Gompers declared that \$10,000 is "all sufficient for a man living in the ordinary modes of life to satisfy him and his needs." The salary of secretary Frank Morrison was likewise increased from \$7,500 to \$10,000 a year. Organizers' wages were increased from \$48 to \$60 a week and their travelling allowance from \$6 to \$8 a day. This was declared necessary owing to the high cost of living. The following is a summary of the demands of organized labor as outlined in the convention's program and given in press dispatches of June 19 from Montreal.

- Ratification of the Peace Treaty.
- Government ownership, with democratic operation of railroads.
- Curb of profiteering and high cost of living.
- Jailing of food and clothing profiteers.
- Right to strike and abolition of compulsory arbitration and anti-strike legislation.
- "Hands off" in Mexico by the United States Government.
- Indorsement of the Irish Republic.
- Right of collective bargaining.
- Advances in wages wherever necessary to maintain the American standard of living.
- Shorter workday, if necessary, to prevent unemployment.

Mr. Gompers in addressing the opening session declared that any attempt to enforce compulsory labor by making strikes unlawful must be resisted at all costs. "I have no fear as to what the results will be," he said. "As long as I have life and my mind is not impaired I shall stand for the right of the men and women toilers of this world to be free, untrammelled and un-owned by any force. The one who fails to understand," Mr. Gompers continued, "that there is a law of compensation in all the life of the world fails to understand the development of human life and progress." He urged organized labor to "hold itself in leash" and use its power of force and influence in moderation, but asserted that all the workers must be kept "on the firing line."

On June 10 the convention authorized the Executive Council of the Federation to charter an International Policemen's Union as soon as the membership of local policemen's unions totals 6,000. In line with this action the convention, on June 15 pledged "moral support" to the Boston policemen who went on strike last September, and instructed its Executive Council to assist in establishing representation for these policemen "and endeavor to obtain their reinstatement." Denunciation of Bolshevism, profiteering, the action of the United States Government in invoking the Food Control Law against the bituminous miners' strike and the failure of Congress to take action to control the cost of living were among the features of the annual report of the Executive Council presented to the convention on June 7. As a programme of "specific remedies" for existing conditions the Council's report proposes the following:

We demand that the Government be authorized to buy standard commodities direct from producers and that these commodities be distributed through regular retail channels at a retail price to be fixed by the Government.

We demand that this power be made use of as a corrective for profiteering, and we call attention to the fact that the Government has established a precedent for such action in its sales of surplus war supplies.

We demand that the Federal Government, through the Internal Revenue Department, ascertain the amount of excessive war profits extorted from the American people during the years 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919 and 1920, and that these excessive war profits be taken through its taxing power by the Federal Government and applied to the extinguishment of the floating debt of the Government and to the partial retirement of Liberty bonds at par in order that the existing inflated structure of currency and credit may be reduced and that the Government may carry out its sacred obligation to the people to maintain its Liberty and Victory bonds at par.

Cooperation should be encouraged as an effective means of curbing profiteering. To stimulate rapid development of cooperatives the Federal Farm Loan Act should be extended so as to give credit to all properly organized cooperatives, just as credit is now given to individual farmers.

Control of credit capital by those whose chief interest is the cumulation of profits results inevitably in the open door for profiteering. We repeat and emphasize the demand of organized labor that control of credit be taken from the hands of private financiers and placed in the hands of a public agency to be administered by voluntary and cooperative methods.

We urge that the United States Department of Labor compile and issue monthly statements of the cost of manufacture of those staple articles which form the basis of calculation in fixing the cost of living.

As a means of aiding these and other anti-profiteering measures the Federal Government should be authorized to establish permanent boards for the prompt investigation of profits and prices. All income and other tax returns should be available for inspection.

We do not demand, nor do we desire, a precipitate collapse in prices generally, for in such a collapse there would be the greatest danger of national calamity. The program we have here laid before the nation is constructive and is practical. Because it is constructive and practical, because it contains measures native to American life and American thought we urge and demand for it the immediate and effective consideration of the people and of the authorities of our country.

The cost of living must go no higher. Wages must be advanced in every case to a point at which the American standard of living is secure. The life and the productive capacity of the great farming community, now stricken sorely, must be brought back to the richness that has marked it above the agriculture of all other nations. This will be possible only when the vicious forces that load the values of the farm with fictitious and fabulous profits have been curbed and made powerless.

Finally we call attention to the vital fact that the present non-partisan political campaign of the A. F. of L. offers to the people everywhere an opportunity to enforce remedial measures with their ballots.

Frank Morrison, secretary of the Federation of Labor, in his annual report said that strikes in the past year had cost labor more than \$1,000,000, not counting the loss in wages. Labor contributed \$426,823 to support the steel strike, which was one of the costliest in the history of organized labor. There were 1,255 strikes recognized by the Federation and 6,000,000 workers secured increased wages or better working conditions. The membership of the organization, according to the report, is now 4,509,213, more than 1,000,000 new members, it is claimed, having joined during the year.

**WM. B. COLVER OF FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION
FOR UNIFIED OPERATION OF GOVERNMENT
SUPPLIED EQUIPMENT.**

Referring to the hampered movement of coal, and the alleged car shortage, William B. Colver, of the Federal Trade Commission, in an address before the Washington Ad Club in Washington, D. C., June 29, argued in favor of the handling of additional and Government-supplied equipment as a unit, "so that it may be mobilized in those sections of the country where seasonal movements of freight are on." This, said Mr. Colver, "does not mean Government ownership or Government operation. It means handling this Government supplied equipment just as the Pullman cars are handled." He observed that "the surplus Pullmans are mobilized sectionally and seasonally to meet extraordinary traffic, and having met it they are hurried away to meet the next emergency. It is just as possible," he contended, "to handle this proposed new supply of rolling stock and motive power in that way as it is to handle the Pullman cars in that way." In part Mr. Colver's remarks were as follows:

Here we are at the end of June. One-fifth of the season of lake navigation is gone and one-tenth of the needed coal for next winter's supply has been moved to the Head of the Lakes. This, unless remedied, means untold suffering and industrial shutdowns in the Northwest next winter. The industries of New England are actually closing down now, in mid-summer, for lack of coal. The number of open-top cars delivered at the coal mines is now and always has been the absolute measure of the possible production of the mines. And in this month of June, the most favorable from a weather standpoint, both as to production and transportation, the coal mines by and large were allotted about 15% of the cars which they needed, the coal miners nominally receiving a wage so high as to seem unheard of and being able to work only one day a week, see their families going hungry. A scale of wages per hour does not mean much unless we know how many hours are to be worked or how many days.

Margin per ton to the producer or distributor may mean profiteering or it may mean an actual loss, depending entirely upon volume of business.

Since 1916 you have heard a continual clamor about "car shortage" and that is taken to mean that there are not enough cars and that the poor starved railroads ought to have more cars. The fact is that if the available open-top cars, after liberal allowance to other industries requiring such cars had been made, were loaded with coal and moved at canal boat speed, being allowed 20 days for a round-trip and being allowed shop-time for repairs in excess of the requirements of experience, there are enough cars now on the tracks to move all the coal that this country could possibly use and have a surplus equipment which would take care of over 50 million additional tons or nearly a 10% over-load factor of safety.

Without coal how can goods be made? Without coal how can goods be distributed? Without distribution how can goods be delivered? Without delivery how can demand be satisfied by supply? Without the satisfaction of demand by supply how can advertising show results? Who is going to buy advertising unless he knows he is going to get results? That seems to put you gentlemen on the freight train.

Within a few days we will begin to harvest a new crop of wheat and 20% of their last year's crop is still in the hands of Kansas farmers because they have not been able to get cars to move that wheat. Other sections of the country are similarly situated. The farmers have borrowed money on this 1919 wheat. The bankers cannot finance the 1920 crop until the loans on the 1919 crop are paid. Those loans cannot be paid unless the grain can get to market. And yet we hear predictions of \$25.00 flour and 25c. bread.

So far as I know, there is just one thing upon which both the believers in private ownership of railroads and the believers in Government ownership of railroads fully and absolutely agree. It is that maximum efficiency can only be had from the railroads of the country if these railroads are one operating unit.

So long as the railroads are operated separately, with separate ownership of motive power and rolling stock, no railroad, not even the richest one, can operate profitably and with reasonable rates if it has to supply itself with a motive power and rolling stock equipment capable of taking care of its peak load.

The great commodities of the country are produced and consumed seasonally and sectionally. No one knows that better than the advertising expert. When the railroads are operated separately, there are stated times in the year when much of the equipment of each road lies idle and there are other times and seasons in the year when all its equipment falls far short of the requirements of the traffic of any given road. The rolling stock, and more especially the motive power equipment, under separate operation, is divided up into water-tight compartments. If the Government is to supply the credit for a great increase in the number of locomotives and cars and if the millions and millions of dollars which have been set aside for that purpose are employed by treating the railroads as separate operating entities, in the end no road will have, or can afford to have, a complete and adequate equipment and we will only have put, out of the public purse, a little more in each water-tight compartment with a very fair chance of having accomplished nothing more than an addition to seasonal and regional congestion.

If the Government is to aid the railroads in obtaining more locomotives and more cars, it would seem to me that the interest of the public and of the roads would best be served by having this additional and Government-supplied equipment hauled as a unit so that it may be mobilized in those sections of the country where seasonal movements of freight are on.

This does not mean Government ownership or Government operation. It means handling this Government-supplied equipment just as the Pullman cars are handled.

This week the Pullmans are mobilized at San Francisco. Two weeks ago they were mobilized at Chicago. In the winter time they are mobilized in Florida and Southern California. In the summer time they are mobilized around Atlantic City and the Maine coast and on the fourth of March every four years they are mobilized at Washington.

The surplus Pullmans are mobilized sectionally and seasonally to meet extraordinary traffic and having met it, they are hurried away to meet the next emergency. It is just as possible to handle this proposed new supply of rolling stock and motive power in that way as it is to handle the Pullman cars in that way.

The cars instead of being sold on credit to an individual road or leased to it by the year, might be rented by the day and if you add to that a bigger penalization of the shipper by way of greater demurrage charges, both railroad and shipper would be under a constant financial prod to use the equipment as quickly and as efficiently as possible and so make it available for the next road and the next shipper.

Separate operation of the railroads in private hands utterly broke down when the strain of war was thrown upon them. Five or six boards of railroad executives attempted one after another, unsuccessfully, to meet the war load and one by one each board failed dismally. At the end of Government operation the roads went back into private hands and, separate operation being resumed, broke down again in less than 90 days.

It seems to me that unified operation of any Government-supplied equipment with the benefits of direct hauling and mobilization of cars and locomotives is self-evidently a necessary thing.

GOV. CALVIN COOLIDGE'S ADDRESS ACCEPTING REPUBLICAN NOMINATION FOR VICE-PRESIDENT.

The greatest need of the nation at the present time, according to Calvin Coolidge, is his speech on July 27 formally accepting the Republican nomination for Vice-President, "is to be rescued from all the reactions of the war." The candidate for Vice-President on the Republican ticket, who is the present Governor of Massachusetts, was formally notified of his nomination by Gov. Edwin P. Morrow of Kentucky, the notification exercises taking place at Northampton, Mass. Continuing his observations as to the need of the nation at the present time Gov. Coolidge in his address stated that "the chief task that lies before us is to repossess the peoples of their Government and their property. We want to return to a thoroughly peace basis because that is the fundamental American basis. Unless," he added, "the Government and property of the Nation are in the hands of the people, and there to stay as their permanent abiding place, self government ends and the hope of America goes down in ruins." Gov. Coolidge also observed that "another source of the gravest public concern has been the reactionary tendency to substitute private will for the public will." "While the law is observed," he noted, "the progress of civilization will continue. When such observance ceases, chaos and the ancient night of despotism will come again. Liberty goes unsupported or relies in its entirety on the maintenance of order and the execution of the law."

Referring to the fact that "the mounting prices of all sorts of commodities has put a well nigh unbearable burden on every home," Gov. Coolidge declared that "the forces of the Government can and must afford a considerable remedy" and he added that "the most obvious place to begin retrenchment is by eliminating the extravagance of the Government itself." "That great breeder of public and private extravagance, the excess profits tax," he said, "should be revised and recourse had to customs taxes on imports." He also declared that "transportation must be re-established;" "there must be different public attitude towards industry, a larger comprehension of the interdependence of capital, management and labor, and better facilities for the prompt and reasonable adjustment of industrial disputes." Gov. Coolidge in pointing out that "there has been a great deal of misconception as to what was won by the victory in France" well said that "it did not create magic resources out of which wages could be paid that were not earned or profits be made without corresponding service." Contending that "it did

conquer an artificial thralldom sought to be imposed on mankind and establish for all the earth a new freedom and a larger liberty," he argued, "that does not, cannot mean less responsibility, it means more responsibility and until the people of this nation understand and accept this increased responsibility and meet it with increased effort there will be no relief from the present economic burdens." As to the stand of the Republican party on the proposed League of Nations Gov. Coolidge said:

The proposed League of Nations without reservations as submitted by the President to the Senate met with deserved opposition from the Republican Senators. To a league in that form, subversive of the traditions and the independence of America, the Republican party is opposed. But our party, by the record of its members in the Senate and by the solemn declaration of its platform, by performance and by promise, approves the principle of agreement among nations to preserve peace and pledges itself to the making of such an agreement, preserving American independence and rights, as will meet every duty America owes to humanity.

Gov Coolidge's speech in full follows:

Governor Morrow and Members of the Notification Committee:

To your new formal notification I respond with formal acceptance. Your presence tells me of a leader and a cause. A leader in Warren G. Harding, the united choice of a united party, a statesman of ability, seasoned by experience, a fitting representative of the common aspirations of his fellow-citizens, wise enough to seek counsel, great enough to recognize merit, and in all things a stalwart American; the cause of our common country, as declared in the platform of the Republican Party, the defense of our institutions from every assault, the restoration of constitutional government, the maintenance of law and order, the relief of economic distress, the encouragement of industry and agriculture, the enactment of humanitarian laws, the defense of the rights of our citizens everywhere, the rehabilitation of this nation in the estimation of all peoples, under an agreement, meeting our every duty, to preserve the peace of the world, always with unyielding Americanism; under such a leader, such a cause, I serve.

No one in public life can be oblivious to the organized efforts to undermine the faith of our people in their Government, foment discord, aggravate industrial strife, stifle production and ultimately stir up revolution. These efforts are a great public menace, not through danger of success, but through the great amount of harm they can do if ignored. The first duty of the Government is to repress them, punishing willful violations of law, turning the full light of publicity on all abuses of the right of assembly and of free speech; and it is the first duty of the public and press to expose false doctrines and answer seditious arguments. American institutions can stand discussion and criticism only if those who know bear for them the testimony of the truth. Such repression and such testimony should be forthcoming, that the uninformed may come to a full realization that these seditious efforts are not for their welfare, but for their complete economic and political destruction.

To a free people the most reactionary experience, short of revolution, is war. In order to organize and conduct military operations a reversion to an autocratic method of government is absolutely necessary. In our own case it was no less autocratic because voluntarily established by the people. It was a wise and successful process for the purpose of winning the victory of freedom, to which all else was a secondary consideration. But voluntary autocracy was established temporarily that freedom might be established permanently. Men submitted their persons and their property to the complete dictation of the Government that they might conquer an impending peril.

This has always been fraught with the gravest dangers. It is along this path that rides the man on horseback. Avarice for power finds many reasons for continuing arbitrary action after the cause for which it was granted has been removed. The Government of the United States was not established for the continued prosecution, or the perpetual preparation, of all its resources for war. It has been and intends to be a nation devoted to the arts of peace. Fundamentally considered its abiding purpose has been the recognition of the rights and the development of the individual. This great purpose has been accomplished through self-government. To the individual has been left power and responsibility, the foundation for the rule of the people. In time of emergency these are surrendered to the Government in return for providing the necessities of life and national safety. But these are and must be temporary expedients if we are to keep our form of Government and maintain the supreme purpose of Americans.

The greatest need of the nation at the present time is to be rescued from all the reactions of the war. The chief task that lies before us is to repossess the people of their Government and their property. We want to return to a thoroughly peace basis because that is the fundamentally American basis. Unless the Government and property of the nation are in the hands of the people, and there to stay as their permanent abiding place, self-government ends and the hope of America goes down in ruins. This need is transcendent.

The Government of the nation is in the hands of the people when it is administered in accordance with the spirit of the Constitution which they have adopted and ratified and which measures the powers they have granted to their public officers, in all its branches, where the functions and duties of the three co-ordinate branches, executive, legislative, judicial, are separate and distinct and neither one directly or indirectly exercises any of the functions of either of the others. Such a practice and such a Government under the Constitution of the United States it is the purpose of our party to re-establish and maintain. All authority must be exercised by those to whom it is constitutionally intrusted, without dictation, and with responsibility only to those who have bestowed it, the people.

The property of the nation is in the hands of the people when it is under their ownership and control. It is true that the control of a part of the property taken for war purposes has been returned, but the hangs over private enterprise still the menace of seizure, blighting in its effect, paralyzing in its result, to the public detriment. But it matters not whether property be taken by seizure or through the process of taxation for extravagant and unnecessary expenditures; there should be an end to both operations. The reason is plain. Ultimately the control of the resources of the people is control of the people. Either the people must own the Government or the Government will own the people. To sustain a government of the people there must be maintained a property of the people. There can be no political independence without economic independence.

Another source of the gravest public concern has been the reactionary tendency to substitute private will for the public will. Instead of inquiring what the law was and then rendering it full obedience, there has been a disposition on the part of some individuals and of groups to inquire whether they liked the law, and if not, to disregard it, seek to override it, suspend it, and prevent its execution, sometimes by the method of direct action, for

the purpose of securing their own selfish ends. The observance of the law is the greatest solvent of public ills. Men speak of natural rights, but I challenge any one to show where in nature any rights ever existed or were recognized until there was established for their declaration and protection a duly promulgated body of corresponding laws. The march of civilization has been ever under the protecting aegis of the law. It is the strong defense of the weak, the ever present refuge of innocence, a mighty fortress of the righteous. One with the law is a majority. While the law is observed the progress of civilization will continue. When such observance ceases, chaos and the ancient night of despotism will come again. Liberty goes unsupported or relies in its entirety on the maintenance of order and the execution of the law.

There is yet another manifest disposition which has preyed on the weakness of the race from its infancy, denounced alike by the letter and the spirit of the Constitution and repugnant to all that is American, the attempt to create class distinctions. In its full development this means the caste system, wherein such civilization as exists is rigidly set, and that elasticity so necessary for progress, and that recognition of equality which has been the aim and glory of our institutions, are destroyed and denied.

Society to advance must be not a dead form but a living organism, plastic, inviting progress. There are no classes here. There are different occupations and different stations, certainly there can be no class of employer and employed. All true Americans are working for each other, exchanging the results of the efforts of hand and brain wrought through the unconsumed efforts of yesterday, which we call capital, all paying and being paid by each other, serving and being served. To do otherwise is to stand disgraced and alien to our institutions. This means that government must look at the part in the light of the whole, that legislation must be directed not for private interest but for public welfare, and that thereby alone will each of our citizens find their greatest accomplishment and success.

If the great conflict has disturbed our political conditions, it has caused an upheaval in our economic relations. The mounting prices of all sorts of commodities has put a well-nigh unbearable burden on every home. Much of this is beyond relief from law, but the forces of the Government can and must afford a considerable remedy.

The most obvious place to begin retrenchment is by eliminating the extravagance of the Government itself. In this the Congress has made a commendable beginning, but although the Congress makes the appropriations, the departments make the expenditures, which are not under legislative, but Executive, control. The extravagant standards bred of recent years must be eliminated. This should show immediately in reduced taxation. That great breeder of public and private extravagance, the excess profits tax, should be revised and recourse had to customs taxes on imports, one of the most wholesome of all means of raising revenue, for it is voluntary in effect and taxes consumption rather than production. It should be laid according to the needs of a creditor nation, for the protection of the public, with a purpose to render us both economically and defensively independent.

A revision of taxation must be accompanied with a reduction of that private extravagance which the returns from luxury taxes reveal as surpassing all comprehension. Waiving the moral effect, the economic effect of such extravagance is to withdraw needed capital and labor from essential industries, greatly increasing the public distress and unrest.

There has been profiteering. It should be punished because it is wrong. But it is idle to look to such action for relief. This class profit by scarcity, but they do not cause it.

As every one knows now, the difficulty is caused by a scarcity of material, an abundance of money, and insufficient production. The Government must reduce the amount of money as fast as it can without curtailing necessary credits. Production must be increased. All easy to say but difficult of accomplishment.

One of the chief hindrances to production is lack of adequate railroad facilities. Transportation must be re-established. A few glaring instances in the past of improper management joined with an improper public attitude thereby created, wrought great harm to our railroads. Government operation left them disintegrated, disorganized and demoralized. On their service depends agriculture and industry—the entire public welfare. They must be provided with credit and capital and given the power to serve. This can only be done by removing them from speculation, restoring their prosperity by increased revenues where necessary, thereby re-establishing them in the confidence of the investing public.

Their employees must be compensated in accordance with the great importance of the service they render. The whole railroad operation must be restored to public confidence by public support.

There must be a different public attitude toward industry, a larger comprehension of the interdependence of capital, management and labor, and better facilities for the prompt and reasonable adjustment of industrial disputes. It is well to remember, too, that high prices produce their own remedy under the law of supply and demand. Already in the great leather and woolen industries there is a recession in the basic elements which must soon be reflected in retail prices. When buying stops prices come down.

This condition has borne with especial severity on the agricultural interests of the nation. To cope with it the farmers need an enlarged power of organization whereby the original producer may profit to a larger degree by the high prices paid for his produce by the ultimate consumer, and at the same time decrease the cost of food. The economic strength of a country rests on the farm. Industrial activity is dependent upon it. It replenishes the entire life of the nation. Agriculture is entitled to be suitably rewarded and on its encouragement and success will depend the production of a food supply large enough to meet the public needs at reasonable cost.

But all these difficulties depend for final solution on the character and moral force of the nation. Unless these forces abound and manifest themselves in work done there is no real remedy.

There has been a great deal of misconception as to what was won by the victory in France. That victory will not be found to be a substitute for further human effort and endeavor. It did not create magic resources out of which wages could be paid that were not earned, or profits be made without corresponding service, it did not overcome any natural law, it did not conquer an artificial thralldom sought to be imposed on mankind and establish for all the earth a new freedom and a larger liberty. But that does not, cannot, mean less responsibility, it means more responsibility, and until the people of this nation understand and accept this increased responsibility and meet it with increased effort there will be no relief from the present economic burdens.

In all things a return to a peace basis does not mean the basis of 1914. That day is gone. It means a peace basis of the present, higher, nobler, because of the sacrifices made and the duties assumed. It is not a retreat, it is a new summons to advance.

Diminishing resources warn us of the necessity of conservation. The public domain is the property of the public. It is held in trust for present and future generations. The material resources of our country are great, very great, but they are not inexhaustible. They are becoming more and more valuable and more and more necessary to the public welfare. It is

not wise either to withhold water power, reservoir sites and mineral deposits from development or to deny a reasonable profit to such operations. But these natural resources are not to be turned over to speculation to the detriment of the public. Such a policy would soon remove these resources from public control and the result would be that soon the people would be paying tribute to private greed. Conservation does not desire to retard development. It permits it and encourages it. It is a desire honestly to administer the public domain. The time has passed when public franchises and public grants can be used for private speculation.

Whenever in the future this nation undertakes to assess its strength and resources, the largest item will be the roll of those who served her in every patriotic capacity in the World War. There are those who bore the civil tasks of that great undertaking, often at heavy sacrifices, always with the disinterested desire to serve their country.

There are those who wore the uniform. The presence of the living, the example of the dead, will ever be a standing guarantee of the stability of our Republic. From their rugged virtue springs a never-ending obligation to hold unimpaired the principles established by their victory. Honor is theirs forevermore. Duty compels that those promises, so freely made, that out of their sacrifices they should have a larger life, be speedily redeemed. Care of dependents, relief from distress, restoration from infirmity, provision for education, honorable preferment in the public service, a helping hand everywhere, are theirs, not as a favor but by right. They have conquered the claim to suitable recognition in all things. The nation which forgets its defenders will be itself forgotten.

Our country has a heart as well as a head. It is social as well as individual. It has a broad and extending sympathy. It looks with the deepest concern to the welfare of those whom adversity still holds at the gateways of the all-inclusive American opportunity. Conscious that our resources have now reached a point where there is an abundance for all, we are determined that no imposition shall hereafter restrain the worthy from their heritage.

There will be, can be, no escape from the obligation of the strong to bear the burdens of civilization, but the weak must be aided to become strong. Ample opportunity for education at public expense, reasonable hours of employment always under sanitary conditions, a fair and always a living wage for faithful work, healthful living conditions, childhood and motherhood cherished, honored, rescued from the grasp of all selfishness and rededicated to the noblest aspiration of the race, these are not socialistic vagaries but the mark of an advancing American civilization, revealed in larger social justice, tempered with an abounding mercy.

In this better appreciation of humanity the war carried the nation forward to a new position, which it is our solemn duty not only to maintain but amply and extend.

There is especially due to the colored race a more general recognition of their constitutional rights. Tempted with disloyalty they remained loyal, serving in the military forces with distinction, obedient to the draft to the extent of hundreds of thousands, investing \$1 out of every five they possessed in Liberty bonds, surely they hold the double title of citizenship, by birth and by conquest, to be relieved from all imposition, to be defended from lynching, and to be freely granted equal opportunities.

Equal suffrage, for which I have always voted, is coming. It is not a party question, although nearly six-sevenths of the ratifying Legislatures have been Republican. The party stands pledged to use its endeavor to hasten ratification, which I trust will be at once accomplished.

There are many domestic questions which I cannot discuss here, their solution is amply revealed in the platform, such as merchant marine, an adequate army and navy, the establishment of a Department of Public Works, support of the classified Civil Service laws, provision for public waterways and highways, a budget system and other equally pressing subjects. I am not unmindful of their deep importance.

The foreign relations of our country ought not to be partisan but American. If restored to the limitations of constitutional authority on the one hand, and to the protection of the constitutional rights of our citizens on the other, much of their present difficulty would disappear. There can be no sovereignty without a corresponding duty. It is fundamental that each citizen is entitled to the equal protection of the laws. That goes with his citizenship and abides where he lawfully abides, whether at home or abroad.

This inherent right must be restored to our people and observed by our Government. The persons and property of Americans wherever they may lawfully be, while lawfully engaged, must forever have protection sufficient to ensure their safety and cause the punishment of all who violate it. This is theirs as a plain constitutional duty. A Government disregarding it invites the contempt of the world and is on the way to humiliation and war. Rejecting the rule of law is accepting the sword of force.

The country cannot be securely restored to a peace basis in anything until a peace is first made with those with whom we have been at war. The Republicans in Congress, realizing that because of the necessary reliance of one nation on another, there was more than ever before mutual need of the sustaining influence of friendly co-operation and rapprochement twice attempted the establishment of such peace by offers of ratification, which were rejected by the Democratic Administration. No one knows now whether war or peace prevails. Our party stands pledged to make an immediate peace as soon as it is given power by the people.

The proposed League of Nations without reservations, as submitted by the President to the Senate, met with deserved opposition from the Republican Senators. To a league in that form, subversive of the traditions and the independence of America, the Republican Party is opposed. But our party, by the record of its members in the Senate and by the solemn declaration of its platform, by performance and by promise, approves the principle of agreement among nations to preserve peace and pledges itself to the making of such an agreement, preserving American independence and rights, as will meet every duty America owes to humanity. This language is purposely broad, not exclusive but inclusive. The Republican Party is not narrow enough to limit itself to one idea, but wise and broad enough to provide for the adoption of the best plan that can be devised at the time of action. The Senate received a concrete proposition, utterly unacceptable without modifications, which the Republican Senators effected by reservations, and so modified twice voted for ratification, which the Democratic Administration twice defeated. The platform approves this action of the Senators. The Republicans insisted on reservations which limit. The Democratic platform and record permit only of reservations unessential and explanatory.

We have been taking counsel together concerning the welfare of America. We have spent much time discussing the affairs of government, yet most of the great concourse of people around me hold no public office, expect to hold no public office. Still in solemn truth they are the Government, they are America. We shall search in vain in legislative halls, executive mansions and the chambers of the judiciary for the greatness of the Government of our country. We shall behold there but a reflection, not a reality, successful in proportion to its accuracy.

In a free republic a great government is the product of a great people. They will look to themselves rather than Government for success.

The destiny, the greatness of America, lies around the hearthstone. If thrift and industry are taught there, and the example of self-sacrifice oft appears, if honor abide there, and high ideals, if there the building of fortunes be subordinate to the building of character, America will live in security, rejoicing in an abundant prosperity and good government at home, and in peace, respect and confidence abroad. If these virtues be absent there is no power that can supply these blessings.

Look well, then, to the hearthstone. Therein all hope for America lies. The speech of Senator Warren G. Harding, formally accepting the nomination of the Republican Party for President, was given in these columns last week, page 353. The placing of their names on the Republican ticket was referred to in the "Chronicle" of June 19, page 2538.

ITEMS ABOUT BANKS, TRUST COMPANIES, &c.

The public sales of bank stocks this week aggregate forty-five shares and were all made at auction. No trust company stocks were sold.

Shares.	BANKS—New York.	Low.	High.	Close.	Last previous sale.
25.1	Corn Exchange Bank	330	330	330	Mar. 1920—440
20	Twenty-third Ward Bank	250	250	250	-----

A New York Stock Exchange membership was reported posted for transfer this week, the consideration being stated as \$99,000, the same as the last previous sale.

The Stock Exchange has issued the following notice respecting the temporary quoting ex-rights of the stock of the National City Bank of this city incident to the proposed increase in capital:

July 15 1920.

Referring to the notice dated July 12 1920 of the National City Bank of New York, advising that stockholders of record on Aug. 14 1920 will be entitled to subscribe at \$125 per share for new stock of said company to the extent of 60% of their holdings subject to the approval of stockholders at a special meeting to be held on Aug. 26 1920:

The Committee on Securities rules that said stock be not quoted ex-rights on Friday, Aug. 13 1920, and not until further notice; that all certificates delivered after said date must be accompanied by a due-bill, in form as follows:

"Due Bearer all the 'Rights to Subscribe' for National City Bank of New York, Capital Stock which may accrue on Certificate No. for (....) shares of Capital Stock of said Company, standing in my—our name at the close of business on August 14 1920, and to which I—we may be entitled."

A due-bill must be signed by the party in whose name the certificate to which it is attached stands, and must state the number of shares and the serial number of the Certificate.

A due-bill signed by a non-member must be guaranteed by a member of the Exchange or a member's firm registered and doing business in the Borough of Manhattan.

Due-bills may be obtained at the Secretary's Office.

In our issue of July 17, page 264, in referring to the plans to increase the capital from \$25,000,000 to \$40,000,000, and the proposed addition to surplus, making it \$45,000,000, we stated that *undivided profits* would then be upwards of \$100,000,000. This latter was in error, and the item should have read: "the capital will then stand at \$40,000,000, the surplus at \$45,000,000, and the *combined capital, surplus and undivided profits* at upwards of \$100,000,000."

The Bankers Trust Co. of this city has announced the opening of an office at No. 16 Place Vendome, Paris, to care for the needs of American tourists on the continent and for the encashment of A. B. A. travelers' cheques. This office is in addition to the Bankers Trust Co. office at No. 9 Rue St. Florentin, where its general banking business is transacted, and both offices are temporary pending the remodeling of the Hotel Bristol on Place Vendome, recently purchased for the company's permanent Paris home.

With interest nationwide in Liberty and Victory issues, which at present prices offer an unusual opportunity to investors, the pocket-sized chart on United States Government war loans just issued by the National City Co. of New York is valuable as a quick, convenient reference. It contains a complete description of the original and converted issues of Liberty and Victory bonds and notes, and shows by chart the conversion privileges and tax exemptions obtained by purchase in the market and by subscription. Yield from a wide range of prices are also shown.

S. Stern, Vice-President of the Columbia Trust Co., of this city, sailed on July 24 on the SS. Finland. Mr. Stern contemplates visiting the company's correspondents in England and France.

Ernest Miller has been appointed Assistant Secretary of the Fidelity International Trust Co. of this city.

The Chelsea Exchange Bank of this city plans to open a branch at 1600 Broadway. The bank has acquired a 21-year

lease on the property. Extensive alterations are planned, including the installation of vaults.

A charter for the Haymarket National Bank of Boston has been issued by the Comptroller of the Currency, and the bank plans to begin business Aug. 10. It has been formed with a capital of \$200,000, the stock being in shares of \$100, and having been placed at \$125 per share. The officers of the bank are Frank DeWitt Washburn, President; Warren C. Blair and Guy E. Healey, Vice-Presidents; Edwin M. Nelson, Cashier, and Irving A. Priest, Assistant Cashier. The bank's quarters are at 46 Canal St. Haymarket Square.

Robert J. Barnett, Secretary and Treasurer of the Ridgefield Park Trust Co., Ridgefield Park, N. J., has been elected Secretary and Treasurer of the Ninth Title & Trust Co. of Philadelphia, and will assume his new duties about Sept. 1 next.

Joseph T. Pearson, Vice-President of the Ninth National Bank of Philadelphia, Pa., and President of Joseph T. Pearson Sons & Co., packing box manufacturers, died on July 22. Mr. Pearson was seventy years of age.

The Great Lakes Trust Company celebrated its first anniversary July 22 with a record of 7,794 accounts opened during the year, \$10,000,000 of deposits and a stockholders list numbering 1,283, the largest number of stockholders it is claimed owning any bank in Chicago. "All the hopes and aims we had when we opened the doors of the bank have been realized, many of them have been exceeded," said President Harry H. Merriek. "The Great Lakes Trust Company has enjoyed the friendship and benefited from the cooperation of all Chicago banks in its first year of experience. We are most grateful to the bankers of Chicago and to the stockholders and depositors who have cooperated with us in our attainment of such measure of success as we have achieved. We look confidently into the future."

The West Side Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago announces the election of Irving N. Klein, Vice-President of L. Klein, Inc., and Charles M. Macfarlane, Vice-President and Treasurer of Morris & Co., as directors of the bank. In making the announcement the President of the bank, C. O. Fetseher, says:

The business standing and financial strength of our directors has been a great factor in the remarkable growth of this bank, and our depositors are to be congratulated on the addition to our Board of these progressive leaders of business as directors. Their years of experience in the commercial world has well fitted them to assist in directing this bank in its development and growth.

Messrs. Klein and Macfarlane come to us at an opportune time. Our assets have reached the \$11,000,000 mark, and this bank should obtain a position of still further importance and helpfulness to this great West Side community.

In an effort to make patrons of its Savings Department business bringers for the department, the First Wisconsin National Bank, of Milwaukee, is making use of a little card which is placed between the leaves of the bank book as it is returned to the customer by receiving and paying tellers. The text of the card is as follows:

Team Work.

"Milwaukee is a Good Town; that's why you live here, and why you advise your friends to do likewise. We feel the same way about it—if we didn't we'd move out.

"We may be a little bit prejudiced, but we think the First Wisconsin is a pretty good bank. Perhaps you do, too; that's WHY you are with us. If you think the kind of service YOU get here is the kind YOUR FRIENDS want, why not tell them about it? We'd appreciate it, and we believe they would, too."

R. N. Sims, Vice-President of the Hibernia Bank & Trust Company of New Orleans, was signally honored by the National Association of State Bank Supervisors at their convention in Seattle, July 6, 7, 8 and 9. Mr. Sims was re-elected Secretary-Treasurer of the National Association, although an amendment to the constitution was required to allow him to hold office, as active membership in the organization is restricted to State Bank Supervisors. Mr. Sims was formerly State Bank Supervisor of Louisiana. The honor paid him is a tribute to his splendid work for the organization. The Association of State Bank Supervisors is an active organization representing the forty-eight States. It was brought out during the Seattle convention that the State banks of the country represent its dominating financial strength; that the National banks are only three-quarters as strong in resources, and that in total deposits the State banks are one-third greater than the National banks. In addition, the State banks outnumber the National banks, three to one.

These figures are shown for the first time in a complete report compiled by Mr. Sims, State by State, for the entire country. Details of Mr. Sims' compilation were given in the "Chronicle" of July 17, page 250.

Nominations for officers at the last session of the convention of the Supervisors called for the election of F. W. Merrick, of Lansing, as President; and R. N. Sims of New Orleans as Secretary-Treasurer. Vice-Presidential elections named H. S. McGraw, Montana, First Vice-President; D. E. Green, Alabama, Second Vice-President, and J. S. Fisher, Pennsylvania, Third Vice-President.

Effective July 9 the capital of the Central State Bank of Dallas was doubled, raising the same from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000 and the surplus increased from \$200,000 to \$500,000. This bank was organized in May 1914 with a capital of \$200,000 and no surplus. It now has deposits in excess of \$5,000,000 and has paid dividends of 14% during the current year compared with 8% last year. A new home for the institution is in course of preparation in the Sumpter Building, Dallas, which will, however, not be ready for occupancy until January 1924. Lester L. Henderson is President.

The officers and directors of the Guaranty Bank & Trust Co. of Seattle, Wash., announce that on July 19 1920 the bank's paid-up capital was increased from \$100,000 to \$250,000 and its surplus from \$12,000 to \$49,500.

The suspension of the brokerage firm of Thornton Davidson & Co. was announced on the Montreal Stock Exchange on July 28, the firm having been placed in voluntary liquidation. The firm, which is said to have had connections in New York and Boston, was established by Thornton Davidson, who was drowned in the Titanic disaster in 1912. Press advices from Montreal quote a local bank official as saying:

The situation is understood to be well in hand and apart from the delay which will necessarily follow in the liquidation of the securities there is nothing of a very disquieting nature involved. On the contrary, it will tend to clear the atmosphere and put a stop to unwarranted and disturbing rumors.

The statement of accounts issued by the London Joint City & Midland Bank, Ltd., for June 30 1920 shows the following: Liabilities—Capital paid up, £10,840,112; reserve fund, £10,840,112; current, deposit and other accounts, £367,667,322, and acceptances on account of customers, £21,670,652. The assets on the same date were as follows:

Cash in hand and at Bank of England.....	£63,328,580
Checks on other banks in transit.....	6,547,129
Money at call and at short notice.....	16,054,150
Investments.....	67,086,357
Bills of exchange.....	32,181,578
Advances on current and other accounts.....	185,172,230
Advances on war loans.....	11,871,913
Liabilities of customers for acceptances.....	21,670,652
Bank premises at head office and branches.....	3,863,744
Belfast Banking Co. Ltd. shares, 200,000 of £12 10s.)	
each, £2 10s. paid.....	At cost
The Clydesdale Bank Ltd. shares, 99,287 of £50	£5,457,197
each, £10 paid.....	
Less part premium on shares in the London Joint City & Midland Bank Ltd., issued in exchange.....	2,215,332
	3,241,865

The assets of the Belfast Bank and the Clydesdale Bank exceeded their liabilities at the date of their last published balance sheets by £3,357,744. The London Joint City & Midland Bank Ltd. holds the whole of the shares of the Belfast Bank and all but 713 shares of the Clydesdale Bank.

That the Imperial Bank of Canada (head office Toronto) enjoyed a prosperous year is evidenced in its forty-fifth annual report, submitted to the shareholders at their annual meeting May 26. Net profits for the twelve months ending April 30 1920, after the usual deductions, were \$1,379,318, being \$131,802 in excess of those for the preceding year. The balance carried to profit and loss last year was \$865,460 and when to this are added the net profits for 1919-1920, the sum of \$2,244,778 was available for distribution. This amount was appropriated as follows: \$910,000 for dividends at the rate of 12% per annum (\$840,000), together with a bonus for the year of 1% (\$70,000); \$142,500 contributed to guarantee and pension funds; \$5,000 donated to repatriation campaign and \$125,000 to pay Dominion taxes, including tax paid on circulation and reserve for war income tax, leaving a balance of \$1,062,278 to be carried forward to next year. Total assets April 30 1920 were \$128,274,168 as compared with \$112,186,457 a year ago, while total deposits have grown from \$83,198,234 in April 1919 to \$97,784,217 as of April 30 1920 and of this increase \$10,964,234 has

been in interest-bearing deposits, equal approximately to 18%. The report also states that forty-two new branches were opened in the Dominion during the year. On the death early in April of Elias Rogers, Vice-President and Director of the bank, Dr. W. H. Merritt was elected Vice-President. Peleg Howland is President of the Imperial Bank and William Moffatt General Manager.

The balance sheet of the Skandinaviska Kreditaktiebolaget (principal offices Stockholm, Gothenburg and Malmo, Sweden) as of December 31 1919 is published elsewhere in our columns to-day. Gross assets are shown at 1,429,-680,255 kronen, while deposits and savings accounts are given at 569,713,274 kronen. Net profits for the twelve months amount to 30,151,815 kronen, with a balance to profit and loss account brought forward of 2,612,469 kronen. The Skandinaviska Kreditaktiebolaget was founded in 1864. It has a paid-up capital and reserve fund of 182,000,000 kronen and maintains branches in all parts of Sweden.

THE ENGLISH GOLD AND SILVER MARKETS.

We reprint the following from the weekly circular of Samuel Montagu & Co. of London, written under date of July 15 1920:

GOLD.

The Bank of England gold reserve against its note issue is £121,469,785, a substantial increase of £1,984,310 as compared with last week's return. The very small supplies of gold in the market this week were taken for India and the trade.

It is reported from New York that \$3,406,000 in gold has arrived from London during the week.

The Transvaal gold output for June 1920 amounted to 715,957 fine ounces, as compared with 699,041 fine ounces for May 1920 and 702,379 fine ounces for June 1919.

The following were the United Kingdom gold imports and exports during the month of June 1920:

	Imports.	Exports.
Sweden.....	£106,000	-----
Netherlands.....	3,340	£728
Belgium.....	115	8,800
France.....	130,387	2,803
Switzerland.....	-----	2,200
Spain & Canaries.....	41,050	-----
West Africa.....	59,537	1,741
United States of America.....	-----	1,554,500
South American countries.....	-----	249,956
Egypt.....	-----	155,050
Rhodesia.....	337,960	-----
Cape Colony.....	-----	856,954
Transvaal.....	4,954,011	-----
British India.....	150,000	-----
Straits Settlements.....	5,513	176,652
Australia.....	4,599	-----
Other countries.....	-----	384
Total.....	£5,792,512	£6,188,468

SILVER.

The market has been devoid of interest most of the week—supplies have been unusually scanty; on the other hand demand has been far from active, so that had it not been for some falling off in sales from the Continent, prices would not have been so good.

Most of the buying has been on account of bear covering; some purchases have been made for the Indian Bazaars, but as this week's steamer is the latest which can deliver in time for the August settlement in Bombay, it is possible that inquiry for that quarter may be less apparent.

Considerable consignments of silver bought two months ago have been shipped to China from the United Kingdom but no fresh purchases have been made. The fact that the Chinese exchange is fairly steady is owing to speculative influences, rather than to the condition of the balance of trade between China and the rest of the world.

Exports of silver from the United States of America seem at a standstill a state of affairs which rather suggests that silver imports from Mexico and elsewhere must be accumulating. This consideration is of importance, for the National City Bank of New York states in its last month's circular that the Mexican production has recently averaged \$6,000,000 per month.

The Circular also states that the output of the U. S. A. for last year was 55,285,196 ounces. Hence, about four years domestic production would be required to replace the \$271,000,000 melted and sold under the Pittman Act. The Circular adds that 4,000,000 ounces are required annually for the new U. S. coinage.

INDIAN CURRENCY RETURNS.

(In Lacs of Rupees)—	June 22.	June 30.	July 7.
Notes in circulation.....	16655	16431	16200
Silver coin and bullion in India.....	4329	4555	4602
Silver coin and bullion out of India.....	---	---	---
Gold coin and bullion in India.....	4390	4348	4306
Gold coin and bullion out of India.....	351	249	234
Securities (Indian Government).....	3555	3555	3780
Securities (British Government).....	4027	3727	3278

The coinage during the week ending 7th inst. amounted to 4 lacs of rupees. The stock in Shanghai on the 10th inst. consisted of about 37,-600,000 ounces in sycee, \$19,500,000, and 1,360 bars of silver, as compared with about 38,150,000 ounces in sycee, \$18,500,000 and 1,650 bars of silver on the 3rd inst. The Shanghai exchange is quoted at 5s. 2d. the tael.

Quotations—	Bar Silver per oz. Standard		Gold per oz. Fine.
	Cash.	2 Mos.	
July 9.....	52 1/4d.	51 3/4d.	104s. 1d.
July 10.....	52 3/8d.	51 1/2d.	-----
July 12.....	53 1/4d.	52d.	104s. 3d.
July 13.....	53 3/8d.	52 3/8d.	104s. 6d.
July 14.....	53 3/4d.	52 3/4d.	105s.
July 15.....	53 3/4d.	52 1/4d.	106s. 6d.
Average.....	53.166d.	51.937d.	104s. 10.4d.

The silver quotations to-day for cash and forward delivery are respectively 3/4d. and 5/8d. below 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 24.	July 26.	July 27.	July 28.	July 29.	July 30.
Week ending July 30.	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.
Silver, per oz.	54 1/2	56 1/2	55 1/2	56 1/2	56 1/2
Gold, per fine oz.	108s.3d.	108s.9d.	108s.9d.	108s.9d.	108s.9d.
Consols, 2 1/2 per cents.	Holiday	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2
British, 5 per cents.	Holiday	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2
British, 4 1/2 per cents.	Holiday	78	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2
French Rentes (in Paris) fr.	58.10	58.40	58.90	58.90	58.30
French War Loan (in Paris) fr.	88.60	88.65	88.65	88.70	88.70

The price of silver in New York on the same day has been:

Domestic, per oz.	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2
Foreign, per oz.	91 1/2	95	93 1/2	94 1/2	92 1/2

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS FOR JUNE.

The Bureau of Statistics at Washington has issued the statement of the country's foreign trade for June and from it and previous statements we have prepared the following:

FOREIGN TRADE MOVEMENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

(In the following tables three ciphers are in all cases omitted.)

Totals for merchandise, gold and silver for June:

	Merchandise.			Gold.			Silver.		
	Ex-ports.	Im-ports.	Excess of Exports.	Ex-ports.	Im-ports.	Excess of Exports.	Ex-ports.	Im-ports.	Excess of Exports.
1920	\$ 631,000	\$ 553,000	\$ 78,000	\$ 5,320	\$ 26,765	\$ 21,445	\$ 4,416	\$ 6,562	\$ 2,146
1919	928,379	292,915	635,464	82,973	26,135	56,838	12,608	7,078	5,530
1918	483,799	260,350	223,449	2,704	31,892	29,188	8,566	5,351	3,215
1917	573,468	306,623	266,845	67,164	91,339	24,175	8,964	2,235	6,729
1916	464,686	245,795	218,891	8,312	122,335	114,023	4,644	3,182	1,462
1915	268,347	157,695	110,652	2,822	52,342	49,520	3,969	3,622	347

f Excess of imports.

Totals for six months ended June 30:

	Merchandise.			Gold.			Silver.		
	Ex-ports.	Im-ports.	Excess of Exports.	Ex-ports.	Im-ports.	Excess of Exports.	Ex-ports.	Im-ports.	Excess of Exports.
1920	\$ 4,248,172	\$ 2,944,893	\$ 1,303,279	\$ 195,416	\$ 124,451	\$ 70,965	\$ 82,122	\$ 56,079	\$ 26,043
1919	4,057,422	1,610,511	2,446,911	97,009	50,445	46,564	142,104	42,590	99,514
1918	2,974,226	1,541,004	1,433,222	21,503	50,124	28,621	93,777	35,152	58,625
1917	3,288,028	1,552,816	1,735,212	202,534	478,165	275,631	38,727	18,152	20,575
1916	2,450,621	1,255,097	1,195,524	66,406	186,979	120,573	31,042	15,412	15,630
1915	1,701,808	865,809	835,999	7,583	144,924	137,341	24,850	15,742	9,108
1914	1,046,844	980,916	65,928	83,974	30,743	53,231	25,510	12,590	12,920
1913	1,166,282	879,587	286,695	63,735	27,910	35,825	33,322	8,132	25,190
1912	1,099,616	884,652	214,964	33,397	25,264	8,133	33,669	25,264	8,405

g Excess of imports.

Totals for merchandise for 12 months ended June 30:

	Merchandise.			Gold.			Silver.		
	Ex-ports.	Im-ports.	Excess of Exports.	Ex-ports.	Im-ports.	Excess of Exports.	Ex-ports.	Im-ports.	Excess of Exports.
'19-'20	\$ 18,111,176	\$ 5,238,746	\$ 2,872,430	\$ 466,592	\$ 150,540	\$ 316,052	\$ 179,037	\$ 102,899	\$ 76,138
'18-'19	17,232,283	3,095,720	4,136,563	116,576	62,364	54,212	301,174	78,825	222,349
'17-'18	5,919,717	2,945,655	2,974,056	190,852	124,413	66,439	139,181	70,328	68,853
'16-'17	6,290,048	2,659,355	3,630,693	291,921	97,176	194,745	78,279	35,003	43,276
'14-'16	4,333,483	2,197,884	2,135,599	90,249	494,009	403,760	59,791	34,514	25,637
'14-'15	2,768,589	1,674,169	1,094,420	146,224	171,569	25,345	50,942	29,110	21,832

h Excess of imports.

Commercial and Miscellaneous News

Canadian Bank Clearings.—The clearings for the week ending July 22 at Canadian cities, in comparison with the same week in 1919, shows an increase in the aggregate of 34.1%.

Clearings at—	Week ending July 22.				
	1920.	1919.	Inc. or Dec.	1918.	1917.
Canada—					
Montreal	147,777,220	116,954,513	+16.4	87,973,944	75,859,819
Toronto	106,544,711	71,310,334	+49.4	63,362,875	57,557,827
Winnipeg	40,475,348	33,156,267	+22.1	25,287,870	40,055,455
Vancouver	16,239,974	11,453,376	+41.8	9,434,727	8,399,454
Ottawa	8,775,325	7,176,981	+22.3	6,397,281	5,165,137
Quebec	8,330,038	5,554,510	+50.0	5,578,569	4,537,155
Halifax	5,172,092	4,461,364	+15.9	3,872,313	2,936,189
St. John	3,539,327	3,389,480	+4.4	2,377,677	1,786,552
Hamilton	7,975,809	5,663,351	+40.8	4,760,288	4,072,018
Calgary	8,067,647	5,955,167	+35.5	4,764,143	5,347,065
London	3,621,118	2,933,915	+23.5	2,153,547	1,908,513
Victoria	4,000,000	2,412,829	+65.8	1,948,591	1,549,267
Edmonton	4,300,000	3,884,813	+10.7	2,932,712	2,405,882
Regina	4,270,899	3,414,793	+24.0	2,916,719	2,609,943
Brandon	800,000	677,529	+18.2	449,000	583,629
Saskatoon	2,433,309	2,005,986	+21.3	1,480,896	1,496,907
Moose Jaw	1,555,855	1,518,389	+2.4	1,231,349	954,575
Lethbridge	650,000	629,810	+3.2	825,000	748,369
Brantford	1,502,063	1,079,788	+39.2	819,032	881,982
Fort William	1,027,084	762,559	+34.8	729,112	712,757
New Westminster	647,918	506,287	+27.9	358,370	389,073
Medicine Hat	488,883	410,011	+19.2	380,556	463,317
Peterborough	1,005,170	688,214	+46.1	563,356	603,718
Sherbrooke	1,549,583	709,217	+118.5	767,834	573,615
Kitchener	1,157,577	790,657	+48.9	559,504	521,354
Windsor	5,146,361	1,997,074	+157.7	1,398,408	-----
Prince Albert	444,961	343,354	+29.4	173,459	-----
Total Canada	387,498,272	288,870,568	+34.1	233,500,132	222,118,772

National Banks.—The following information regarding national banks is from the office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Treasury Department:

CHARTERS ISSUED.

Conversions of State Banks and Trust Companies:	Capital.
The First National Bank of Arco, Idaho.	\$50,000
Conversion of The Bank of Commerce, Ltd., of Arco.	
President, Geo. F. Gagon; Cashier, F. W. Sorgatz.	
The First National Bank of Ruston, La.	50,000
Conversion of The Lincoln Parish Bank of Ruston.	
President, O. E. Hodges; Cashier, Add. Thompson.	

Original Organizations:

The First National Bank of Jennings, Okla.	25,000
President, R. G. Walker; Cashier, Joseph Dvorak.	
The First National Bank of Palfurrias, Texas.	50,000
President, J. R. Scott, Jr.; Cashier, T. R. Bennett.	
The Palmyra National Bank, Palmyra, N. J.	50,000
President, Wm. Burnell; Cashier, Paul H. Powers.	
The First National Bank of Holyrood, Kansas.	25,000
President, R. J. Potts; Cashier, F. J. Moravcek.	
The First National Bank of Flint Hill, Va.	25,000
President, J. B. Williams; Cashier, H. Ewing Wall.	
The First National Bank of Louisburg, Kansas.	25,000
President, C. D. Rogers; Cashier, E. F. Allen.	
The First National Bank of Port Neches, Texas.	25,000
President, C. C. Hawkins; Cashier, A. L. Brooks.	
The Perry National Bank of Hamilton, Texas.	100,000
President, E. A. Perry; Cashier, Joe Cleveland, Jr.	
The American National Bank of Klamath Falls, Oregon.	100,000
President, W. C. Dalton; Cashier, E. M. Bubb.	

Total ----- \$525,000

APPLICATIONS FOR CHARTER.

Conversions of State banks and trust companies:	Capital.
The National Bank of Waynesboro, Penn.	\$200,000
Conversion of The Bank of Waynesboro.	
Correspondent, M. T. Brown; Cashier, Bank of Waynesboro.	
Original Organizations:	
First National Bank of Bridgeport, W. Va.	50,000
Correspondent, Jesse G. Lawson.	
First National Bank of Bruce, Wis.	25,000
Correspondent, P. S. Krantz.	
The First National Bank of Bangs, Texas.	25,000
Correspondent, W. P. Eads, Bangs, Texas.	
The American National Bank of Santa Ana, Calif.	200,000
Correspondent, Edward H. Richards.	
The Inter-State National Bank of Fort Smith, Ark.	100,000
Correspondent, W. L. Curtis, Merchants Bank building, Fort Smith, Ark.	
The First National Bank of Hanover, Kansas.	25,000
Correspondent, W. E. Kornbaum.	
The First National Bank of Saint Francis, Kansas.	25,000
Correspondent, E. E. Kite.	
The Farmers National Bank of Bendena, Kansas.	25,000
Correspondent, J. P. Severin.	
The Liberty National Bank, of Cedartown, Ga.	100,000
Correspondent, N. E. Bowden.	
Succeeds The Farmers & Mechanics Bank.	
The First National Bank of Floodwood, Minn.	25,000
Conversion of The First State Bank of Floodwood.	
Correspondent, First State Bank, Floodwood, Minn.	
The First National Bank of Livingston, Ill.	25,000
Conversion of The American State Bank of Livingston.	
Correspondent, D. E. Aylward, Livingston, Ill.	
Original Organizations:	
The Amherst National Bank of Buffalo, N. Y.	200,000
Correspondent, Leon J. Nowak, 1067 Broadway, Buffalo, N. Y.	
The National Bank of Commerce of Liberal, Kansas.	50,000
Correspondent, L. D. Wendensaul, Liberal, Kansas.	

Total ----- \$1,000,000

CAPITAL STOCK INCREASED.

	Amt. of Increase.	Cap. When Increased.
The National Bank of Commerce of Tulsa, Okla.	\$100,000	\$200,000
The First National Bank of Delmar, Del.	20,000	50,000
The Citizens National Bank of Covington, Va.	40,000	100,000
The Citizens National Bank of Antlers, Okla.	10,000	50,000
The City National Bank of Lincoln, Neb.	200,000	500,000
The Monroe Co. Nat. Bank of East Stroudsburg, Pa.	75,000	125,000
The United States Nat. Bank of Deer Lodge, Mont.	50,000	100,000
The Citizens National Bank of Norfolk, Neb.	50,000	100,000
Irving National Bank, New York, N. Y.	3,500,000	12,500,000
The New London City Nat. Bank, New London, Conn.	50,000	200,000
The Citizens National Bank of Englewood, N. J.	50,000	100,000
The First National Bank of Caledonia, N. Y.	25,000	50,000
The Morganfield National Bank, Morganfield, Ky.	50,000	100,000
The First National Bank of Jellico, Tenn.	25,000	50,000
The Farmers National Bank of Opelika, Ala.	200,000	300,000
The First National Bank of Burbank, Calif.	25,000	50,000
The First National Bank of Lansdale, Pa.	50,000	150,000
The Lehigh National Bank, Lehigh, Okla.	10,000	35,000
The Camden National Bank, Camden, Ark.	50,000	100,000
The Farmers and Merchants N. B. of Henderson, Tex.	75,000	100,000

Total ----- \$4,655,000

VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION.

The Mercantile National Bank of San Francisco, Calif.	Capital.
To take effect July 3 1920. Liquidating Agents, Henry T. Scott and John D. McKee. Assets purchased by a State bank.	\$2,000,000
The Farmers National Bank of Maysville, Okla.	25,000
To take effect April 7 1920. Liquidating Agents, S. L. Thompson, Maysville, Okla. Assets purchased by the First State Bank of Maysville.	
The Farmers National Bank of Lubbock, Texas.	50,000
To take effect June 9 1920. Liquidating Agent, J. E. Vickers. Assets purchased by the Security State Bank and Trust Co. of Lubbock.	
The Cambell National Exchange Bank, Campbell, Texas.	30,000
To take effect July 9 1920. Liquidating Agent, B. R. Brown, Campbell, Texas. Succeeded by the Citizens State Bank of Greenville, Texas.	

CHANGE OF TITLE.

The Farmers National Bank of Kaw City, Okla., to "First National Bank in Kaw City."
The First National Bank of Elm Grove, Oble to "The First National Bank & Trust Company of Elm Grove."

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.
5,000	Caro. Clincht. & O. Ry., com 7 1/2	268	Halcyon Real Estate
399	Edwards Eng. Mfg., com \$50 lot	28	Siegel Stores Corp., com
45,000	Divide Synd. Mfg. (Nev. corp.)	160	Siegel Stores Corp., pref.
		100	Commonwealth Lt. & Pow.
4,500	Nev. Honey Bee Mines \$65 lot		pref. (Md.)
3	1-3 Treblett Realty & Con., Inc. \$10 lot	100	Interstate Elec. Corp., pref.
45	Alpo Hat, Inc. \$215 lot		(Va.)
20	Twenty-third Ward Bank 250	200	United Zinc Smelt. Corp. \$2 per sh
25	1 Corn Exchange Bank 330	100	

By Messrs. Barnes & Lofland, Philadelphia:

Shares.	Stocks.	\$ per sh.	Shares.	Stocks.	\$ per sh.
5	Peoples Trust, \$50 each	45	5	Rittenhouse Trust	125
10	John B. Stetson, preferred	130	9	Philadelphia Life Insurance	10
19	Bank of North America	297	20	Whitehall Cement Mfg., pref.	50
6	Real Estate Trust, preferred	101	500	Quesselle Hydraulic Gold Mfg., pref., \$5 each	7 1/4
5	Aldine Trust	170 1/2	50	Klots Throwing, preferred	88
1	Philadelphia Finance	25			
103	Standard Finance Corp.	250			
2	Flre Assn. of Phila., \$50 each	320			
15	Lumbermens Insur., \$25 each	110 1/4			
8	Phila. Bourse, com., \$50 each	6			
80	Whitehall Cement Mfg., com.	64 1/2			

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).			
Buffalo Rochester & Pittsburgh, com.	2	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 6
Preferred	3	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 6
Cleveland & Pittsburgh, reg. gu. (qu.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 10
Special guar. (quar.)	*1	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 10
Delaware & Hudson Co. (quar.)	*2 1/4	Sept. 20	*Holders of rec. Aug. 28
Street & Electric Railways.			
Connecticut Ry. & Ltg., com. (quar.)	1 1/2	Aug. 1	Aug. 1 to Aug. 15
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Aug. 16	Aug. 1 to Aug. 15
Detroit United Ry. (quar.)	2	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 16
Washington (D. C.) Ry. & Elec., pref.	*2 1/2	Aug. 20	*Holders of rec. Aug. 5
Trust Companies.			
Lincoln (quar.)	1 1/2	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 26
Miscellaneous.			
Am. Brake Shoe & Fdy., com. (special)	\$2	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. Aug. 20
Amer. Hlde & Leather, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 11a
Amer. Water Works & Elec., pref. (qu.)	1 1/4	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. July 31
Armour Leather, common	*30c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 14
Atlantic Sugar Refineries, com. (quar.)	2 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20
Preferred (acc. accum. dividends)	*25	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 20
Buckeye Pipe Line (quar.)	\$2	Sept. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 23
By-Products Cake Corp. (quar.)	*1 1/2	Aug. 20	*Holders of rec. Aug. 5
Canada Foundries & Forg., com. (qu.)	3	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. July 31
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. July 31
Chicago Mill & Lumber (quar.)	*1 1/2	Aug. 14	*Holders of rec. Aug. 7
Cleveland Automatic Mach. (quar.)	1 1/2	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 5a
Cleveland-Buffalo Transit.	2	Aug. 1	July 27 to Aug. 1
Cleveland-Cliffs Iron (quar.)	2 1/2	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 15
Colorado Fuel & Iron, com. (quar.)	3/4	Aug. 20	Holders of rec. July 31a
Preferred (quar.)	2	Aug. 20	Holders of rec. July 31a
Columbia Graphophone Mfg., com. (qu.)	25c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a
Common (payable in common stock)	(p)	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a
Consolidated Cigar, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 16
Consolidated Gas (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 15	*Holders of rec. Aug. 11
Consumers Co., preferred	*3 1/2	Aug. 20	*Holders of rec. Aug. 10
Continental Paper & Bag Mills, com. (qu.)	1 1/2	Aug. 14	Holders of rec. Aug. 7
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Aug. 14	Holders of rec. Aug. 7
Cramp (Wm.) & Sons S.&E.B. (in stk.)	*e150	Sept. 10	*Aug. 11 to Sept. 11
Dallas Power & Light, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 26
Deere & Co., pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 14
Detroit Iron & Steel, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Oct. 15	*Holders of rec. Oct. 1
Emerson Shoe, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 26
Eric Lighting, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15
Famous Players Can. Corp., pf. (qu.)	2	Aug. 2	July 18 to Aug. 1
Firestone Tire & Rubber, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. July 31a
General Asphalt, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 16a
General Chemical, com. (quar.)	*2	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20
General Development (quar.)	50c.	Aug. 20	Holders of rec. Aug. 5a
General Tire & Rubber, common	4	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 20
Goodrich (B. F.) Co., com. (quar.)	\$1.50	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 5
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 21
Grant Motor Car, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 22
Greclack Co.	2	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20
Hayes Mfg., pref. (quar.)	2	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 24
Inland Steel (quar.)	*75c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 10
Internat. Harvester, com. (in com. stk.)	*f12 1/2	Sept. 15	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20
Internat. Harvester, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 10
Invader Oil & Refg. (monthly)	1	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15
Extra	1	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15
Special	1	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15
Jefferson & Clearfield Coal & Iron, pref.	2 1/2	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 6
Liggett & Myers Tob., com. & com. B (qu.)	*3	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 16
Madison Safe Deposit	3	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 10
National Lead, com. (quar.)	1 1/2	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 10
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 20
New Cornelia Copper	25c.	Aug. 23	Holders of rec. Aug. 6
New York Shipbuilding	\$1	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 12
O'Bannon Corp., com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 26
Common (extra)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 26
Pennsylvania Coal & Coke (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 10	Holders of rec. Aug. 6
Pittsburgh Steel, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 14
Pressed Steel Car, com. (quar.)	2	Sept. 8	Holders of rec. Aug. 18
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. Aug. 10
Pure Oil, common (quar.)	*50c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Common (payable in com. stock)	*750c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Rainier Motor Corp., pref. (quar.)	2	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. July 15
Rlordon Pulp & Paper, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 24
Savage Arms Corp., com. (quar.)	1 1/2	Sept. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 1a
Second preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Sept. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 1a
Smet-Solvay Co. (quar.)	*2	Aug. 20	*Holders of rec. Aug. 5
Smith (A. O.) Corp., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 2
Southern Pipe Line (quar.)	4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 16
Standard Milling, com. (quar.)	2	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. Aug. 21
Common (extra)	2	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. Aug. 21
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. Aug. 21
Standard Oil (Calif.) (quar.)	*2 1/2	Sept. 17	*Holders of rec. Aug. 14
Extra	1	Sept. 17	*Holders of rec. Aug. 14
Standard Sanitary Mfg., com. (quar.)	*1 1/2	Aug. 10	*Holders of rec. Aug. 5
Common (quar.)	*1	Aug. 10	*Holders of rec. Aug. 5
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Aug. 10	*Holders of rec. Aug. 5
Stern Brothers, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 20a
Prof. (acc. accumulated dividends)	*1 1/4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 20a
Texas Power & Light, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 23
Thompson-Starrett Co., preferred	*4	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20
Tobacco Products Corp., com. (quar.)	*1 1/2	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 2
United Wire & Supply, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 27
Senior preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 27
United States Steel Corp., com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 29	Aug. 31
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 30	Aug. 3
Wayagamack Pulp & Paper (quar.)	1 1/2	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 16
West India Sug. Fln. Corp., com. (qu.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 14
Preferred (quar.)	*2	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 14

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
Atn. Topeka & Santa Fe, com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. July 30a
Preferred	2 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. June 30a
Baltimore & Ohio, preferred	2	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. July 17a
Canada Southern	1 1/2	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	2 1/4	Aug. 20	Holders of rec. Aug. 2a
Preferred	3 1/4	Aug. 20	Holders of rec. Aug. 2a
Cuba Railroad, preferred	3	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. June 30a
Great Northern (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 2a
Illinois Central (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 3a
Louisville & Nashville	3 1/4	Aug. 10	Holders of rec. July 19a
Mahoning Coal RR., common	\$5	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 16a
Nashville Chatt. & St. Louis	3 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 24a
New York Central RR. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 1a
New York Chicago & St. Louis, 2d pref.	5	Aug. 6	Holders of rec. July 26a
Norfolk & Western, common (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 18	Holders of rec. Aug. 31a
Preferred (quar.)	1	Aug. 19	Holders of rec. July 31a
Northern Pacific (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 2a
Pennsylvania (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. Aug. 2a
Pere Marquette, prior pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 17a
Pittsburgh & Lake Erie	*\$2.50	Aug. 2	*Holders of rec. July 23
Pittsburgh & West Virginia, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. Aug. 3a
Reading Company, common (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 12	Holders of rec. July 20a
First preferred (quar.)	50c.	Sept. 9	Holders of rec. Aug. 24a
Street and Electric Railways.			
Carolina Power & Light, com. (quar.)	1/2	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15
Duquesne Light, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 1
Milwaukee Elec. Ry. & Lt., pref. (qu.)	1 1/4	July 31	Holders of rec. July 20a
Montreal Lt., Ht. & P. Cons. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. July 31a
Montreal Tramways (quar.)	2 1/2	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 16
Pacific Gas & El., 1st pf. & orig. pf. (qu.)	1 1/2	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. July 31a
Philadelphia Co., common (quar.)	75c.	July 31	Holders of rec. July 1
Philadelphia Co., 5% preferred	\$1.25	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 10a
Public Service Investment, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15
Railway & Light Securities, com. & pf.	3	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
Tampa Electric Co. (quar.)	2 1/2	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 2a
West Penn Power Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 21
West Penn Rys., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 1
West Penn Tr. & Water Pow., pf. (qu.)	1 1/2	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 2
York Rys., pref. (quar.)	62 1/2c.	July 31	Holders of rec. July 21a
Banks.			
Continental	3 1/2	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 28a
Corn Exchange (quar.)	5	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. June 30a
Lincoln National (quar.)	2 1/2	Aug. 7	Holders of rec. July 29a
Pacific (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 2	July 24 to Aug. 1
Extra	\$1	Aug. 2	July 24 to Aug. 1
Trust Companies.			
Kings County (Brooklyn) (quar.)	*8	Aug. 2	*Holders of rec. July 24
Miscellaneous.			
Acme Coal Mining	10c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 26
Allis-Chalmers Co., common (No. 1)	1	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. July 31a
American Bank Note, com. (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 2a
American Beet Sugar, com. (quar.)	2	July 31	Holders of rec. July 10a
American Brass (quar.)	*1 1/2	Aug. 14	*Holders of rec. July 31
Extra	*1 1/2	Aug. 14	*Holders of rec. July 31
American Chiclé, common (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 24
American Cigar common (quar.)	*2	Aug. 2	*Holders of rec. July 15
American Druggist Syndicate	40c.	Sept. 15	Holders of rec. July 31a
American Gas (quar.)	1	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 18a
Amer. Gas & Elec., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
American Glue, preferred	4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
Amer. La France Fire Eng., com. (qu.)	2 1/2	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 2a
Amer. Light & Trac., com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	July 16 to July 28
Common (payable in common stock)	*1 1/4	Aug. 2	July 16 to July 28
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Aug. 2	July 16 to July 28
American Radiator, common (quar.)	\$1	Sept. 30	Sept. 23 to Sept. 30
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Aug. 16	*Aug. 8 to Aug. 16
Amer. Rolling Mill, com. (in com. stock)	*f25	Nov. 1	*Holders of rec. Oct. 15
American Shipbuilding, com. (quar.)	2 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
Common (extra)	1 1/2	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
American Soda Fountain (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 11	Holders of rec. July 31
Amer. Sugar Refg., com. & pref. (qu.)	1 1/2	Oct. 2	Holders of rec. Sept. 1a
Common (extra)	3/4	Oct. 2	Holders of rec. Sept. 1a
Amer. Sumatra Tob., com. (quar.)	2 1/2	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 24a
American Sumatra Tobacco, preferred	3 1/2	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 16a
Amer. Tobacco, com. (in Class B com.)	*75	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 15a
Amer. Zinc, Lead & Smeit., pref. (qu.)	\$1.50	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
Anaconda Copper Mining (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 23	Holders of rec. July 17a
Arkansas Nat. Gas, pref. (qu.) (No. 1)	*1 1/2	Aug. 2	*Holders of rec. June 1
Associated Dry Goods, com. (quar.)	1	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 19a
First preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 9a
Second preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 9a
Atlantic Gulf & W. I. SS. Lines, com.	5	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. June 30a
Atlantic Refining, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
Atlas Powder, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Aug. 2	July 21 to Aug. 1
Atlas Tack Corp. (quar.)	*75c.	Aug. 2	*Holders of rec. July 21
Austin, Nichols & Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 23a
Barnet Leather, common (quar.)	\$1.50	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. July 30a
Barnhart Bros. & Spindler—			
First and second preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	July 31	Holders of rec. July 26a
Bethlehem Steel, common (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a
Common B (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a
Non-cumulative preferred (quar.)	1 1/4		

Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed. Days Inclusive.	Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed. Days Inclusive.
Miscellaneous (Continued)				Miscellaneous (Concluded)			
Cities Service, Bankers Shares (mthly.)	45.62c	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 15	Ontario Steel Products, com. (quar.)	2	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. July 31
Cluett, Peabody & Co., com. (quar.)	2	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 21a	Common (quar.)	2	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 30
Columbia Gas & Electric (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. July 31a	Common (quar.)	2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan 31 '21
Columbia Gas & Electric, pf. (qu.)	\$2	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 15a	Common (quar.)	2	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr 30 '21
Commonwealth-Edison (quar.)	*2	Aug. 2	*Holders of rec. July 15	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. July 31
Consolidation Coal (quar.)	1 1/4	July 31	Holders of rec. July 23a	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 30
Continental Motors Corp., com. (quar.)	20c.	Aug. 16	Aug. 8 to Aug. 16	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 16	Holders of rec. Jan 31 '21
Continental Paper & Bag Mills—				Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr 30 '21
Com. & pref. (payable in com. stock)	750	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 9	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. July 30 '21
Cosden & Co., common (quar.)	62 1/2c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. June 30a	Pacific Coast Co., com. (quar.)	1	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 24a
Cruible Steel, common (quar.)	2	July 31	Holders of rec. July 15a	First preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 24a
Common (payable in common stock)	1/16 2/4	July 31	Holders of rec. July 15a	Second preferred (quar.)	1	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 24a
Common (payable in common stock)	14 2-7	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Pacific Development Corp. (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. July 2a
Cuba Company, preferred	*3 1/4	Aug. 2	*Holders of rec. June 30	Special	3	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20
Cuban-American Sugar, com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	Pacific Power & Light, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 22
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	Packard Motor Car, com. (quar.)	25c.	July 31	Holders of rec. July 15a
Cuypey Sugar, common	17	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a	Patchogue-Plymouth Mills, pref. (quar.)	*2	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20
Preferred	3 1/2	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a	Penmans, Ltd., common (quar.)	2	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 5
Davison Chemical	\$1	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. July 30	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 21
Diamond Match (quar.)	2	Sept. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 31a	Penn Traffic	7 1/2c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
Dodge Steel Pulley, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 1	July 22 to July 31	Extra	2 1/2c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
Dominion Bridge (quar.)	2	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. July 31	Phillips-Jones Corp., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 20a
Dominion Coal, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 12	Pick (Albert) & Co., common	4	Aug. 1	July 25 to July 31
Dominion Oil (monthly)	10c.	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 10	Pierce Oil Corporation—			
Dominion Steel Corp., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 1	July 16 to Aug. 1	Common (quar.) (pay. in com. stock)	1/2 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 31a
du Pont (E. I.) de Nemours & Co.,				Piggly Wiggly Stores, com., Class A	(70)	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 20a
debenture stock (quar.)	*1 1/4	Aug. 2	*Holders of rec. July 20	Pittsburgh Oil & Gas (quar.)	*2 1/4	Aug. 15	*Holders of rec. July 31
du Pont (E. I.) de Nem. Powd., com. (qu.)	*1 1/4	Aug. 2	*Holders of rec. July 20	Plant (Thomas G.) Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	July 31	Holders of rec. July 17
Durham Hosiery Mills, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 20	Portland (Ore.) Gas & Coke, pref. (qu.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 22
Eastern Steel, common (quar.)	1	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 1a	Prairie Oil & Gas (quar.)	*3	July 31	*Holders of rec. June 30
Eastman Kodak, common (quar.)	2 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 31a	Extra	*3	July 31	*Holders of rec. June 30
Common (extra)	2 1/2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 31a	Prairie Pipe Line (quar.)	*3	July 31	*Holders of rec. June 30
Common (extra)	5	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. July 31a	Procter & Gamble, common (quar.)	5	Aug. 14	July 25 to Aug. 15
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 31a	Common (payable in common stock)	1/4	Aug. 14	July 25 to Aug. 15
Edison Elec. Ill. of Boston (quar.)	3	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 13	Producers & Ref. Corp., com. (quar.)	12 1/2c	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 10
Edison Elec. Ill. of Brockton (quar.)	2	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a	Preferred (quar.)	17 1/2c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 10
Eisenmann Magneto, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20	Public Service Co of No. Ill., com. (qu.)	*1 1/4	Aug. 2	*Holders of rec. July 17
Eisenlohr (Otto) & Bros., com. (quar.)	21	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 1	Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	Aug. 2	*Holders of rec. July 17
Common (extra)	1/4	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 1a	Pullman Company (quar.)	2	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. July 31a
Electric Bond & Share, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 17	Pyrene Manufacturing (quar.)	25c.	Aug. 2	July 22 to Aug. 1
Electric Storage Batt., com. & pf. (qu.)	3	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 13a	Quaker, Oats, preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	Aug. 31	*Holders of rec. Aug. 2
Elk Basin Cons'd Petroleum (quar.)	2 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15	Republic Iron & Steel, com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
Emerson-Brantingham, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 16	Reynolds (R. J.) Tobacco Co., com. and com. class B (in new class B com. stk.)	200	Aug. 16	Aug. 3 to Aug. 16
Eureka Pipe Line (quar.)	3	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15	Revillon, Inc., pref. (quar.)	2	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 20
Everett Heaney & Co., Inc. (quar.)	2	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 15a	Rhordon Pulp & Paper, common (quar.)	2 1/4	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 6
Exchange Buffet Corp. (quar.)	\$2	July 31	Holders of rec. July 15	Royal Dutch Co.	3.54 1/4	Aug. 4	Holders of rec. July 20a
Fairbanks Co., first preferred (quar.)	2	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 20	Russell Motor Car, com. & pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 17
Fall River Gas Works (quar.)	3	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a	St. Lawrence Flour Mills com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20
Famous Players-Lasky Corp., pref. (qu.)	2	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 15a	Common bonus	1	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20
Federal Sugar, common (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 10a	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20
Common (extra)	5	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 10a	Santa Cecilia Sugar, com. (quar.)	25c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 10a	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20a
Flrestone Tire & Rubber, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 21a	Sapulpa Refining (quar.)	12 1/2c.	Aug. 2	July 23 to Aug. 2
Fisher Body Corp., com. (quar.)	\$2.50	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20a	Savannah Sugar Refg., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20a	Scott-Adams Corp., pref. (quar.)	4	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 1
Ft. Worth Power & Lt., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 21	Preferred (extra)	3	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 1
Gar (Robert) Co., preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Aug. 1	*Holders of rec. July 23	Sears, Roebuck & Co., com. (quar.)	\$2	Aug. 14	Holders of rec. July 31a
General Cigar, common (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 24a	Shell Transport & Trading	\$1,965	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 19a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 25a	Sierra Pacific Electric Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
Debenture preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 21a	Skelly Oil (quar.)	*20c.	July 31	*Holders of rec. July 21
General Motors, common (quar.)	25c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a	Sloss-Sheffield Steel & Iron, com. (qu.)	1 1/2	Aug. 10	Holders of rec. July 25a
Common (payable in common stock)	1-40	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a	So. Porto Rico Sug., com. (to com. stk.)	100	Aug. 9	Holders of rec. July 24a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 5a	Splcer Mfg., common (No 1)	50c.	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 20
Debenture 6% preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 5a	Standard Motor Construction (quar.)	25c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 6
Debenture 7% preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 5a	Standard Oil of Ohio, common (quar.)	*3	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 27
Gillette Safety Razor (quar.)	\$2.50	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. July 31	Common (extra)	*1	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 27
Goodrich (B. F.) Co., common (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 5	Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. July 30
Gossard (H. W.) Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 24	Steel Co. of Canada, com. & pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Aug. 1	*Holders of rec. July 10
Greene Cananea Copper	50c.	Aug. 23	Holders of rec. Aug. 6a	Stewart Mfg., common (quar.)	*\$1	Aug. 15	*Holders of rec. July 31
Guantanamo Sugar (quar.)	50c.	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	Preferred (quar.)	*2	Aug. 1	*Holders of rec. July 15
Extra	50c.	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 10a	Stewart-Warner Speedometer (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. July 31a
Hart, Schaffner & Marx, com. (quar.)	*1	Aug. 31	*Holders of rec. Aug. 20	Submarine Boat Corporation	50c.	Aug. 7	Holders of rec. July 24
Holly Sugar Corp., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15	Superior Steel Corp., com. (quar.)	1 1/2	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
Hood Rubber, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	July 21 to Aug. 2	First and second pref. (quar.)	2	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 2a
Houston Oil, preferred	*3	Aug. 1	*Holders of rec. July 20	Swift International	\$1.20	Aug. 20	Holders of rec. July 20
Hupp Motor Car Corp., com. (quar.)	25c.	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 15a	Taylor-Wharton Iron & Steel, pref. (qu.)	1 1/2	Aug. 2	July 25 to Aug. 1
Idaho Power, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20	Texas Chief Oil (monthly)	15c.	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 5
Ide (Geo. P.) & Co., Inc., com. (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20a	Texas Power & Light, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 23
Illinois Northern Utilities, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/2	Aug. 2	*Holders of rec. July 20	Underwood Computing Mach., pf. (qu.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 18
Illuminating & Power Sec., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. July 31	Underwood Typewriter, com. (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 4a
Indiana Pipe Line (quar.)	\$2	Aug. 14	Holders of rec. July 17	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 4a
Ingersoll-Rand Co., com. (quar.)	2 1/4	July 31	Holders of rec. July 9a	Unlon Oil of Wichita, Kansas, pf. (qu.)	2	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 24a
International Mercantile Marine, pref.	3	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a	Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 5
Pref. (account accumulated dividends)	85	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a	United Drug, 1st pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15
Internat. Nickel, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 22	First preferred (quar.)	87 1/2c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15
Kaministiqua Power, Ltd. (quar.)	2	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. July 31	Second preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 16
Kaufmann Dept. Stores, com. (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20	United Retail Stores Corp., com. (in stk.)	15	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 2a
Kayser (Julius) & Co., 1st & 2d pf. (qu.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 20a	United Verde Extension Mining (quar.)	50c.	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 6a
Kellogg Switchboard & Supply (quar.)	2	July 31	July 11 to Aug. 2	U. S. Rubber, common (quar.)	2	July 31	Holders of rec. July 15a
Kelly-Springfield Tire, com. (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 17a	First preferred (quar.)	2	July 31	Holders of rec. July 15a
Common (payable in common stock)	775c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 17a	Virginia-Carolina Chemical, com. (quar.)	1	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a
Preferred (quar.)	2	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 2a	Common (extra)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a
Kelsey Wheel, Inc., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 21a	Webasso Cotton (quar.)	1 1/2	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 16
Keystone Watch Case (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 22a	Westinghouse Air Brake (quar.)	\$1.75	July 31	Holders of rec. July 5a
Kress (S. H.) & Co., com. (quar.)	1	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. June 20a	Westinghouse Elec. & Mfg., com. (qu.)	\$1	July 31	Holders of rec. June 30a
Lake of the Woods Milling, com. (quar.)	3	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 21	Wickwire-Spencer Steel, com. cl. A (qu.)	\$1	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 22
Common (special)	25	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 21	First preferred (quar.)	2	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 22
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 21	Willys-Overland, com. (quar.)	25c.	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 21a
Lancaster Mills, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 23	Wilson & Co., common (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 21a
Lee Rubber & Tire Corp. (quar.)	50c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 14a	Woodburn Oil Corp. (quar.)	10c.	July 31	Holders of rec. July 10
Lehigh Coal & Navigation (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. July 31a	Woods Mfg., common (quar.)	2	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 25
Libby, McNeill & Libby (in stock)	*650	Aug. 14	*Holders of rec. June 5	Woolworth (F. W.) Co., com. (quar.)	2	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 10a
Liberty Match, Inc. (quar.)	2 1/4	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 15				
Lib-Mar Coal Mining	2c.	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 1				
Stock dividend	65c.		Holders of rec. Aug. 15				
Lima Locomotive Works, Inc., pf. (qu.)	1 1/4	July 31	Holders of rec. July 15a				
Lindsay Light, common	*2	Aug. 31	*Holders of rec. July 31				
Loew's, Inc., common (quar.)	50c.	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 17a				
Lowell Electric Light Corp. (quar.)	2 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15a				
Martin-Parry Corp. (quar.)	50c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 17a				
Massachusetts Cotton Mills (quar.)	4	Aug. 10	Holders of rec. July 20				
Massachusetts Gas Cos. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15				
May Department Stores—							
Common (quar.)	2	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 16a				
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a				
McElwain (W. H.) Co., com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15				
First and second preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 2	Holders of rec. July 15				
Merritt Oil Corp. (quar.)	25c.	Aug. 14	Holders of rec. July 31a				
Miami Copper (quar.)	50c.	Aug. 16	Holders of rec. Aug. 2a				
Middle States Oil (monthly)	40c.						

Philadelphia Banks.—The Philadelphia Clearing House statement for the week ending July 24 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 cities (00) omitted.	Week ending July 24 1920.			July 17 1920.	July 10 1920.
	Members of F.R. System	Trust Companies	Total.		
Capital.....	\$33,225.0	\$4,404.0	\$37,629.0	\$37,629.0	\$37,376.0
Surplus and profits.....	80,382.0	12,478.0	101,860.0	101,859.0	97,332.0
Loans, disc'ts & investm'ts.....	714,511.0	35,858.0	750,369.0	749,059.0	748,576.0
Exchanges for Clear. House.....	25,946.0	397.0	26,343.0	30,092.0	26,708.0
Due from banks.....	118,215.0	18.0	118,233.0	125,842.0	119,090.0
Bank deposits.....	141,576.0	340.0	141,916.0	143,472.0	138,946.0
Individual deposits.....	515,771.0	20,296.0	536,067.0	542,278.0	535,339.0
Time deposits.....	7,670.0	221.0	7,891.0	7,789.0	7,738.0
Total deposits.....	665,017.0	20,857.0	685,874.0	693,539.0	682,023.0
U. S. deposits (not included).....	-----	-----	7,571.0	6,312.0	2,432.0
Res've with Fed. Res. Bank.....	52,120.0	-----	52,120.0	54,425.0	53,515.0
Reserve with legal deposit's.....	-----	2,630.0	2,630.0	2,565.0	2,382.0
Cash in vault*.....	12,214.0	963.0	13,177.0	13,445.0	13,822.0
Total reserve and cash held.....	64,334.0	3,593.0	67,927.0	70,435.0	69,719.0
Reserve required.....	51,548.0	3,044.0	54,592.0	54,230.0	54,117.0
Excess res. & cash in vault.....	12,786.0	549.0	13,335.0	16,205.0	15,602.0

* 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 24 1920.	Changes from previous week.	July 17 1920.	July 10. 1920.
Circulation.....	\$ 2,948,000	Inc. \$7,000	\$ 2,941,000	\$ 2,945,000
Loans, disc'ts & Investments.....	598,328,000	Dec. 53,000	598,381,000	594,615,000
Individual deposits, incl. U.S. Due to banks.....	465,393,000	Dec. 6,311,000	471,704,000	452,888,000
Time deposits.....	114,965,000	Dec. 4,645,000	119,610,000	119,864,000
United States deposits.....	16,273,000	Inc. 164,000	16,109,000	16,203,000
Exchanges for Clearing House Due from other banks.....	5,322,000	Inc. 2,121,000	3,201,000	2,714,000
Cash in bank & in F. R. Bank Reserve excess in bank and Federal Reserve Bank.....	17,170,000	Dec. 4,292,000	21,462,000	22,385,000
	78,683,000	Dec. 2,341,000	81,024,000	77,136,000
	27,203,000	Dec. 2,457,000	29,660,000	27,035,000

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 23 1920, in comparison with the previous week and the corresponding date last year:

	July 23, 1920	July 16 1920	July 25 1919.
Resources—	\$	\$	\$
Gold and gold certificates.....	89,113,950	82,078,280	168,481,000
Gold settlement fund—F. R. Board.....	50,381,029	83,143,395	160,932,000
Gold with foreign agencies.....	40,931,550	40,931,550	-----
Total gold held by bank.....	180,426,529	206,153,225	329,413,000
Gold with Federal Reserve Agent.....	280,222,031	280,907,331	287,953,000
Gold redemption fund.....	35,971,500	35,916,800	24,829,000
Total gold reserves.....	496,619,060	522,977,356	642,195,000
Legal tender notes, silver, etc.....	119,014,853	116,387,622	47,691,000
Total reserves.....	615,633,913	639,364,978	689,886,000
Bills discounted:			
Secured by Government war oblig'ns:			
For members.....	508,424,820	520,951,622	649,147,000
For other Federal Reserve banks.....	21,407,877	21,607,519	-----
All Other:	529,832,697	542,559,141	649,147,000
For members.....	279,567,756	269,258,445	68,746,000
For other Federal Reserve banks.....	17,976,383	18,575,183	-----
Bills bought in open market.....	297,544,139	287,813,628	68,746,000
Total bills on hand.....	141,003,228	147,374,748	91,497,000
Total bills on hand.....	968,380,064	977,747,517	809,390,000
U. S. Government bonds.....	1,456,900	1,456,900	1,257,000
U. S. Victory notes.....	50,000	50,000	50,000
U. S. certificates of indebtedness.....	75,312,000	78,737,500	59,002,000
Total earning assets.....	1,045,198,964	1,057,991,917	869,699,000
Bank premisses.....	3,783,160	3,767,476	3,999,000
5% redemption fund against F. R. Bank notes.....	3,085,000	3,084,600	2,038,000
Uncollected items and other deductions from gross deposits.....	161,585,179	187,211,248	171,898,000
All other resources.....	561,650	663,228	2,351,000
Total resources.....	1,829,847,866	1,892,083,947	1,739,871,000
Liabilities—			
Capital paid in.....	24,676,950	24,678,950	21,477,000
Surplus.....	51,307,534	51,307,635	32,922,000
Government deposits.....	664,942	777,487	28,872,000
Due to members—reserve account.....	713,736,591	757,420,217	694,244,000
Deferred availability items.....	109,487,398	123,260,009	128,628,000
Other deposits, incl. foreign govt. credits.....	21,316,559	23,443,986	50,411,000
Total gross deposits.....	845,205,490	904,901,699	902,155,000
F. R. Notes in actual circulation.....	846,836,340	850,322,755	739,165,000
F. R. Bank notes in circulation—net liab.....	36,015,000	36,340,000	38,636,000
All other liabilities.....	25,776,552	24,535,008	5,616,000
Total Liabilities.....	1,829,847,866	1,892,083,947	1,739,871,000

Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined.....	40.2%	40.8%	46.9%
Ratio of gold reserves to F. R. notes in circulation after deducting 35% against deposit liabilities.....	-----	-----	58.7%
Ratio of reserves to net deposits after deducting 40% gold reserves against F. R. notes in circulation.....	40.5%	41.7%	-----
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 24. 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 (0,000 omitted.) Week ending July 24 1920.	Capital.		Loans, Disc'ts, Investm'ts, &c.	Cash in Vault.	Reserve with Legal Deposit's.	Net Demand Deposits.	Time Deposits.	Nat'l Bank Circulation.
	Nat'l. Tr. Cos.	June 30 State, June 30						
Members of Fed. Res. Bank	\$	\$	Average.	Average	Average	Average.	Average	Average.
Bk of NY, NBA	2,000	6,862	50,292	\$ 810	4,445	31,924	4,168	773
Manhattan Co.	5,000	15,974	141,700	2,815	14,079	101,505	10,908	-----
Mech & Metals.	10,000	14,929	206,872	10,969	19,363	150,392	3,401	1,000
Bank of America	5,500	6,108	59,092	2,209	7,561	55,696	1,784	-----
National City	25,000	58,826	580,885	14,103	65,232	†621,761	35,516	1,389
Chemical Nat'l.	4,500	14,491	166,819	1,494	14,638	111,366	2,077	1,402
Atlantic Nat'l.	1,000	1,076	21,182	480	2,415	17,527	649	244
Nat Butch & Dr	300	158	4,561	113	561	3,634	-----	288
Amer Exch Nat	5,000	6,856	129,559	1,543	12,912	91,436	5,350	4,281
Nat Bk of Comm	25,000	31,533	337,754	2,655	35,457	270,289	6,931	-----
Pacific Bank	1,000	1,765	24,693	1,258	3,379	23,646	23	-----
Chath & Phenix	7,000	7,470	125,690	4,799	14,956	108,211	13,248	4,611
Hanover Nat'l.	3,000	19,995	128,065	4,266	17,328	127,634	-----	100
Metropolitan	2,000	2,988	33,573	1,926	5,348	36,848	-----	-----
Corn Exchange	4,620	8,582	151,037	6,175	20,733	150,977	10,135	-----
Imp & Trad Nat	1,500	8,338	43,541	665	4,111	31,325	46	51
National Park	5,000	21,820	210,000	1,366	21,048	161,098	3,381	4,848
East River Nat.	1,000	764	11,891	356	1,558	11,170	929	50
Second National	1,000	4,439	23,829	891	2,747	19,027	100	625
First National	10,000	36,185	298,157	872	24,070	183,793	5,786	7,574
Irving National	9,000	10,526	198,393	6,273	24,892	188,078	2,038	2,256
N Y County Nat	1,000	443	14,353	835	1,879	12,844	883	194
Continental Bk.	1,000	783	8,009	137	1,114	6,442	100	-----
Chase National	15,000	22,667	376,455	6,064	35,782	279,414	12,673	1,069
Fifth Avenue	500	2,253	20,585	999	2,960	20,512	-----	-----
Commercial Ex.	200	980	7,131	474	1,169	7,209	-----	-----
Commonwealth	400	801	8,877	450	1,165	8,870	-----	-----
Lincoln Nat'l.	1,000	2,173	18,580	1,062	2,580	18,601	26	210
Garfield Nat'l.	1,000	1,496	15,664	490	2,076	15,025	128	389
Fifth National	1,000	665	15,088	278	1,675	12,732	553	247
Seaboard Nat'l.	1,000	4,442	50,721	1,005	6,439	47,620	503	68
Liberty Nat Bk	5,000	7,211	92,002	615	10,210	78,070	2,725	1,940
Coal & Iron Nat	1,500	1,534	20,492	818	2,150	15,551	559	403
Union Exch Nat	1,000	1,466	20,023	450	2,513	18,934	461	389
Brooklyn Trust	1,500	2,596	41,403	779	3,894	27,752	6,116	-----
Bankers Trust	20,000	17,407	299,250	855	31,319	†237,581	15,965	-----
U S Mtge & Tr.	2,000	4,650	58,755	739	6,511	50,467	8,089	-----
Guaranty Trust	25,000	33,260	519,619	2,404	52,793	†532,106	32,164	-----
Fidelity Trust	1,500	1,500	16,541	607	1,987	14,757	781	-----
Columbia Trust	5,000	7,206	79,556	1,158	10,844	81,205	4,238	-----
Peoples Trust	1,500	1,900	33,865	1,234	3,406	32,586	2,008	-----
New York Trust	3,600	11,292	95,053	518	9,172	66,893	1,449	-----
Lincoln Trust	2,000	1,060	24,970	503	3,740	25,196	484	-----
Metropolitan Tr	2,000	3,282	37,130	597	3,670	26,974	1,382	-----
Nassau N. Bklyn	1,000	1,370	17,704	843	1,456	13,990	1,077	50
Farm Loan & Tr	5,000	10,713	126,216	4,321	42,902	†134,263	14,012	-----
Columbia Bank	2,000	1,374	22,846	740	2,907	21,911	112	-----
Average.....	229,520	424,227	4,989,391	94,684	535,176	4,013,805	212,958	34,991
Totals, actual condition July 24 5,001,690				90,518	522,001	4,001,823	213,672	34,935
Totals, actual condition July 17 5,003,642				93,420	562,666	4,061,989	212,761	34,975
Totals, actual condition July 10 4,960,883				101,566	540,668	4,039,405	213,686	34,821
State Banks. Not Members of Federal Reserve Bank								
Greenwich Bank	1,000	1,716	18,606	2,373	1,710	18,970	-----	-----
Rowery Bank	250	842	5,436	670	319	5,312	-----	-----
State Bank	2,500	2,007	66,336	3,346	1,934	28,531	38,281	-----
Average.....	3,750	4,566	90,378	6,389	3,963	52,813	38,281	-----
Totals, actual condition July 24				61,127	6,169	3,845	53,284	38,476
Totals, actual condition July 17								

	Actual Figures.				
	Cash Reserve in Vault.	Reserve in Depositories	Total Reserve.	Reserve Required.	Surplus Reserve.
Members Federal Reserve banks	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
State banks*	6,169,000	522,001,000	528,170,000	526,647,150	422,880
Trust companies*	1,918,000	3,845,000	5,763,000	6,971,250	53,250
Total July 24	8,087,000	530,846,000	538,933,000	543,209,520	4,276,520
Total July 17	8,332,000	571,577,000	579,909,000	550,672,870	29,236,130
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

* 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 24, \$6,388,740; July 17, \$6,412,560; July 10, \$6,452,730; July 3, \$6,493,920.
 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 24, \$6,410,160; July 17, \$6,382,830; July 10, \$6,410,580; July 3, \$6,430,980.

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 24.	Differences from previous week.
Loans and Investments	\$785,704,600	Dec. \$11,001,400
Specie	7,941,000	Dec. -117,300
Currency and bank notes	18,225,600	Dec. 1,315,200
Deposits with Federal Reserve Bank of New York	75,095,600	Dec. 2,631,200
Total deposits	844,689,800	Dec. 20,181,200
Deposits, eliminating amounts due from reserve depositories, and from other banks and trust companies in N. Y. City, exchanges and U. S. deposits	797,480,400	Dec. 16,927,400
Reserve on deposits	136,433,500	Dec. 11,175,700
Percentage of reserve, 19.2%.		

RESERVE.

	State Banks	Trust Companies
Cash in vaults	\$25,327,900 16.03%	\$75,935,300 13.84%
Deposits in banks & trust companies	10,676,900 6.75%	24,496,400 4.46%
Total	\$36,004,800 22.78%	\$100,431,700 18.30%

Banks and Trust Companies in New York City.—The averages of the New York City Clearing House banks and trust companies combined with those for the State banks and trust companies in Greater New York City outside of the Clearing House, are as follows:

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

Week ended—	Loans and Investments.	Demand Deposits.	*Total Cash in Vault.	Reserve in Depositories.
Mar. 20	\$5,891,763,200	\$4,990,480,100	\$134,062,200	\$649,253,400
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	5,970,588,000	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
July 17	5,933,082,000	4,955,519,800	129,651,100	691,297,100
July 24	5,939,839,600	4,909,587,400	124,771,600	641,112,900

* This item includes gold, silver, legal tenders, national bank notes and Federal Reserve notes.

New York City State Banks and Trust Companies.—In addition to the returns of "State banks and trust companies in New York City not in the Clearing House," furnished by the State Banking Department, the Department also presents a statement covering all the institutions of this class in the City of New York.

For definitions and rules under which the various items are made up, see "Chronicle," V. 98, p. 1661.

The provisions of the law governing the reserve requirements of State banking institutions as amended May 22 1917 were published in the "Chronicle" May 19 1917 (V. 104, p. 1975). The regulations relating to calculating the amount of deposits and what deductions are permitted in the computation of the reserves were given in the "Chronicle" April 4 1914 (V. 98, p. 1045).

STATE BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES IN NEW YORK CITY.

Week Ended July 24 1920.	State Banks.		Trust Companies.	
	July 24, 1920.	Differences from previous week.	July 24, 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	732,562,700	Dec. 15,411,700	1,991,653,600	Inc. 3,867,500
Specie	4,390,300	Dec. 224,200	11,015,900	Dec. 206,800
Currency & bk. notes	30,193,700	Dec. 3,358,800	18,878,500	Dec. 431,900
Deposits with the F. R. Bank of N. Y.	74,948,200	Dec. 740,900	205,966,800	Inc. 6,715,100
Deposits	840,852,000	Dec. 40,420,000	2,024,376,700	Dec. 5,940,800
Reserve on deposits	125,953,900	Dec. 5,268,000	274,359,800	Dec. 1,084,600
P. C. reserve to dep.	19.3%	Dec. 0.2%	16.5%	Inc. 0.1%

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 (3) figures (000) omitted.)

CLEARING NON-MEMBERS	Capital.	Net Profits.	Loans, Discounts, Investments, &c.	Cash in Vault.	Reserve with Legal Depositories.	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	1,494	15,329	230	2,049	13,083	72	191
Mutual Bank	200	697	10,758	246	1,543	10,999	305	-----
New Netherland	600	682	9,836	239	1,052	6,782	279	-----
W R Grace & Co.	500	1,108	4,173	28	516	2,323	658	-----
Yorkville Bank	200	755	13,592	392	1,267	7,697	6,669	-----
First Nat Bk, Jer C	400	1,332	9,276	592	1,074	7,902	-----	390
Total	3,400	6,071	62,964	1,727	7,501	48,786	7,983	581
State Banks Not Members of the Fed'l Reserve Bank.								
Bank of Wash Hts.	100	444	3,450	447	210	3,502	30	-----
Colonial Bank	600	1,400	14,643	1,990	1,468	15,748	-----	-----
Total	700	1,845	18,093	2,437	1,678	19,250	30	-----
Trust Companies Not Members of the Fed'l Reserve Bank.								
Hamilton Tr, Bkln	500	1,005	9,045	600	373	7,470	914	-----
Mechanics Tr, Bay	200	452	8,773	467	370	5,279	4,873	-----
Total	700	1,458	17,818	1,067	743	12,749	5,787	-----
Grand aggregate	4,800	9,374	98,875	5,231	9,922	80,785	13,800	581
Comparison previous week			-7,880	-798	-476	-7,446	-382	+2
Gr'd aggr July 3	5,300	9,763	106,755	6,029	10,398	88,231	14,182	579
Gr'd aggr June 26	5,300	9,614	106,507	6,207	10,082	88,143	14,078	577
Gr'd aggr June 19	5,300	9,614	107,048	5,837	10,457	85,601	13,991	578

a U. S. deposits deducted, \$388,000.
 Bills payable, rediscutions, acceptances and other liabilities, \$6,822,000.
 Excess reserve, \$160,400 increase.

The Federal Reserve Banks.—Following is the weekly statement issued by the Federal Reserve Board on July 23. 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.

Moderate reductions in all classes of earning assets, together with a decline of 17.7 millions in Federal Reserve note circulation and a gain of about 15 millions in cash reserves, largely gold, are indicated in the Federal Reserve Board's weekly bank statement issued as at close of business on July 23 1920. Net deposits remained practically unchanged. The banks' reserve ratio shows a further rise from 43.9 to 44.4%.
 Holdings of paper secured by United States war obligations show a reduction of 8.9 millions, other discounts on hand fell off 11.4 millions, while acceptance holdings declined 2.9 millions. Holdings of Treasury certificates, following the redemption by the Government of special temporary certificates held by the Reserve Banks, show a decrease of 6.2 millions. Total earning assets, in consequence of the changes just noted, show a reduction for the week of 29.4 millions.
 Of the total of 1,247.4 millions of loans secured by Government war obligations, held by the Federal Reserve Banks, 600.5 millions, or 48.2% were secured by Liberty bonds, 297.2 millions, or 23.8%, by Victory notes, and 349.7 millions, or 28%, by Treasury certificates, as against 47.4, 24.2 and 28.4% of a corresponding total of 1,256.3 millions reported the week before. Discounted paper held by the Boston, New York and Cleveland Reserve banks is inclusive of 123.3 millions of paper discounted for six Reserve banks in the South and Middle West, while bank acceptances held by the Boston, Philadelphia, Cleveland and San Francisco Reserve banks comprise 42.5 millions of bills purchased from the New York and Chicago banks. All classes of deposits were smaller than the week before; government deposits showing a decrease of 0.3 million, members' reserve deposits—a reduction of 42.9 millions and other deposits, including non-members' clearing accounts and foreign government credits—a reduction of 1.6 millions. These reductions are, however, largely offset by a decrease of 43.6 millions in the amount of the "float" carried by the Reserve banks, with the consequence that calculated net deposits are only 1.2 millions less than the week before.
 With the exception of Chicago and Kansas City, all Federal Reserve Banks report further reductions in Federal Reserve note circulation, the total reduction for the week being 17.7 millions. Federal Reserve bank notes in circulation show an increase during the same period of 0.7 million. Gold holdings of the Reserve banks show a gain for the week of 12.9 millions and other cash reserves, largely silver—a gain of 3.1 millions. An increase of \$278,000 in the paid-in capital of the Reserve banks is due largely to increases in capital and surplus of member banks, chiefly in the Chicago district.

COMBINED RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS JULY 23, 1920.

	July 23 1920.	July 16 1920.	July 9 1920.	July 2 1920.	June 25 1920	June 18 1920.	June 11, 1920	June 4 1920	July 25 1919.
RESOURCES.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Gold coin and certificates	\$180,529,000	168,767,000	168,929,000	171,176,000	171,120,000	162,878,000	168,193,000	164,519,000	270,601,000
Gold settlement fund, F. R. Board	387,345,000	393,905,000	402,760,000	402,760,000	402,628,000	400,833,000	431,905,000	431,227,000	591,532,000
Gold with foreign agencies	111,531,000	111,531,000	111,531,000	111,531,000	111,531,000	111,531,000	111,531,000	111,531,000	-----
Total gold held by banks	679,405,000	674,203,000	683,220,000	685,467,000	685,279,000	675,242,000	711,629,000	707,277,000	862,133,000
Gold with Federal Reserve agents	1,160,215,000	1,152,875,000	1,145,102,000	1,146,944,000	1,150,175,000	1,161,784,000	1,103,751,000	1,110,864,000	1,108,051,000
Gold redemption fund	143,651,000	144,343,000	142,994,000	139,285,000	133,921,000	125,295,000	149,678,000	142,712,000	124,967,000
Total gold reserves	1,983,271,000	1,971,421,000	1,971,316,000	1,971,696,000	1,969,375,000	1,962,321,000	1,965,053,000	1,960,853,000	2,095,151,000

	July 23 1920.	July 16 1920.	July 9 1920.	July 2 1920.	June 25 1920.	June 18 1920.	June 11 1920.	June 4 1920.	July 25 1919.
Legal tender notes, silver, &c.	150,741,000	147,626,000	136,877,000	137,805,000	139,230,000	138,579,000	137,533,000	138,087,000	65,872,000
Total reserves	2,134,012,000	2,119,047,000	2,108,193,000	2,109,501,000	2,108,605,000	2,100,900,000	2,102,591,000	2,098,940,000	2,161,023,000
Bills discounted	1,247,371,000	1,255,258,000	1,296,350,000	1,294,892,000	1,277,980,000	1,231,841,000	1,440,931,000	1,433,415,000	1,616,210,000
Secured by Govt. war obligations	1,222,536,000	1,234,890,000	1,265,243,000	1,250,302,000	1,153,814,000	1,064,296,000	1,082,019,000	1,130,843,000	251,392,000
All other	353,543,000	356,471,000	371,597,000	390,085,000	399,185,000	398,591,000	403,896,000	410,688,000	375,566,000
Bills bought in open market	2,823,450,000	2,846,619,000	2,934,184,000	2,935,279,000	2,830,979,000	2,694,728,000	2,926,846,000	2,974,946,000	2,243,158,000
U. S. Government bonds	26,791,000	26,791,000	26,793,000	26,792,000	26,793,000	26,795,000	26,796,000	26,795,000	27,086,000
U. S. Victory Notes	68,000	69,000	69,000	69,000	69,000	69,000	69,000	69,000	286,000
U. S. certificates of indebtedness	287,909,000	294,182,000	281,942,000	309,379,000	325,434,000	347,091,000	280,108,000	274,816,000	212,028,000
All other earning assets	3,138,218,000	3,167,661,000	3,242,988,000	3,271,519,000	3,183,275,000	3,068,683,000	3,233,819,000	3,276,626,000	2,482,558,000
Bank premises	14,243,000	14,084,000	13,734,000	13,658,000	13,492,000	13,254,000	13,111,000	12,942,000	11,784,000
Uncollected items and other deductions from gross deposits	772,333,000	890,554,000	797,347,000	785,059,000	*750,486,000	949,977,000	772,903,000	789,616,000	690,495,000
5% redemp. fund agst. F. R. bank notes	12,742,000	12,400,000	12,293,000	12,424,000	12,148,000	12,110,000	11,794,000	11,745,000	10,613,000
All other resources	3,576,000	4,271,000	3,822,000	5,191,000	6,590,000	8,053,000	5,751,000	5,640,000	9,898,000
Total resources	6,075,124,000	6,208,017,000	6,178,377,000	6,197,352,000	6,074,596,000	6,152,977,000	6,139,969,000	6,195,509,000	5,366,371,000
LIABILITIES.									
Capital paid in	95,008,000	94,730,000	94,639,000	94,594,000	94,506,000	94,462,000	94,284,000	94,108,000	83,317,000
Surplus	164,745,000	164,745,000	164,745,000	164,745,000	120,120,000	120,120,000	120,120,000	120,120,000	81,087,000
Government deposits	11,280,000	11,700,000	15,919,000	21,704,000	14,189,000	56,356,000	21,830,000	37,113,000	116,038,000
Due to members, reserve account	1,825,564,000	1,867,428,000	1,839,704,000	1,874,161,000	1,831,916,000	1,800,017,000	1,870,240,000	1,858,774,000	1,718,396,000
Deferred availability items	572,109,000	647,782,000	594,434,000	572,105,000	550,012,000	626,580,000	574,684,000	601,639,000	535,178,000
Other deposits, incl. for'n gov't credits	49,024,000	50,885,000	55,159,000	71,980,000	*76,952,000	84,627,000	86,282,000	99,265,000	117,444,000
Total gross deposits	2,457,977,000	2,577,495,000	2,505,216,000	2,539,950,000	*4,472,709,000	2,567,580,000	2,553,036,000	2,596,791,000	2,487,056,000
F. R. notes in actual circulation	3,118,205,000	3,135,893,000	3,180,948,000	3,168,814,000	3,116,718,000	3,104,810,000	3,112,205,000	3,127,291,000	2,504,497,000
F. R. bank notes in circulation—net liab.	190,067,000	189,375,000	190,287,000	189,232,000	185,604,000	183,904,000	181,382,000	181,252,000	193,849,000
All other liabilities	49,122,000	45,779,000	42,542,000	40,017,000	84,939,000	82,101,000	78,942,000	75,947,000	15,565,000
Total liabilities	6,075,124,000	6,208,017,000	6,178,377,000	6,197,352,000	*6,074,596,000	6,152,977,000	6,139,969,000	6,195,509,000	5,366,371,000
Ratio of gold reserves to net deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined	41.3%								48.7%
Ratio of total reserves to net deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined	44.4%	40.9%	40.3%	40.4%	40.7%	41.6%	40.2%	39.7%	50.2%
Ratio of total reserves to F. R. notes in circulation after setting aside 35% against net deposit liabilities	49.5%	48.7%	47.5%	47.2%	48.3%	49.4%	47.5%	46.9%	61.2%
Distribution by Maturities—									
1-15 days bills bought in open market	\$ 97,177,000	\$ 101,612,000	\$ 105,303,000	\$ 109,527,000	\$ 120,799,000	\$ 119,338,000	\$ 101,902,000	\$ 112,306,000	\$ 74,463,000
1-15 days bills discounted	1,422,134,000	1,437,321,000	1,437,411,000	1,389,732,000	1,283,470,000	1,193,472,000	1,440,942,000	1,480,231,000	1,532,918,000
1-15 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness	31,136,000	36,987,000	26,705,000	53,794,000	62,873,000	86,316,000	18,237,000	8,300,000	16,601,000
1-15 days municipal warrants									
16-30 days bills bought in open market	88,680,000	72,802,000	67,968,000	76,971,000	83,588,000	77,966,000	88,285,000	91,779,000	81,152,000
16-30 days bills discounted	240,829,000	241,400,000	285,693,000	291,845,000	335,105,000	291,222,000	246,996,000	245,573,000	103,924,000
16-30 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness	13,773,000	5,600,000	6,600,000	4,400,000	7,559,000	8,655,000	6,982,000	4,796,000	4,111,000
16-30 days municipal warrants									
31-60 days bills bought in open market	138,714,000	142,024,000	163,173,000	158,984,000	152,918,000	153,773,000	166,942,000	163,403,000	146,190,000
31-60 days bills discounted	416,780,000	449,893,000	486,603,000	511,758,000	469,460,000	495,258,000	508,484,000	486,228,000	99,788,000
31-60 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness	23,680,000	36,975,000	19,400,000	17,600,000	13,100,000	8,600,000	13,172,000	11,560,000	13,801,000
31-60 days municipal warrants									
61-90 days bills bought in open market	28,972,000	40,033,000	36,147,000	44,603,000	41,880,000	47,514,000	46,767,000	43,200,000	73,751,000
61-90 days bills discounted	316,347,000	284,650,000	272,743,000	261,835,000	259,993,000	237,256,000	257,812,000	289,520,000	109,773,000
61-90 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness	43,945,000	31,252,000	36,533,000	28,023,000	29,867,000	27,918,000	24,200,000	35,869,000	20,103,000
61-90 days municipal warrants									
Over 90 days bills bought in open market	73,817,000	76,884,000	79,143,000	90,024,000	83,766,000	78,929,000	68,716,000	62,706,000	21,199,000
Over 90 days bills discounted	175,375,000	183,368,000	192,704,000	205,562,000	212,035,000	215,602,000	217,517,000	214,291,000	157,412,000
Over 90 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness									
Over 90 days municipal warrants									
Federal Reserve Notes—									
Outstanding	3,434,186,000	3,450,964,000	3,454,488,000	3,419,457,000	3,396,168,000	3,375,826,000	3,376,028,000	3,377,189,000	2,723,601,000
Held by banks	315,981,000	315,071,000	273,540,000	250,643,000	279,450,000	271,016,000	263,823,000	249,898,000	219,104,000
In actual circulation	3,118,205,000	3,135,893,000	3,180,948,000	3,168,814,000	3,116,718,000	3,104,810,000	3,112,205,000	3,127,291,000	2,504,497,000
Fed. Res. Notes (Agents Accounts)—									
Received from the Comptroller	7,241,340,000	7,231,560,000	7,200,920,000	7,131,660,000	7,091,560,000	7,049,580,000	7,005,980,000	6,962,440,000	4,829,860,000
Returned to the Comptroller	3,350,921,000	3,319,113,000	3,292,919,000	3,271,334,000	3,240,103,000	3,213,860,000	3,187,928,000	3,163,167,000	1,700,712,000
Amount chargeable to Fed. Res. agent in hands of Federal Reserve Agent	3,890,419,000	3,912,447,000	3,908,001,000	3,860,326,000	3,851,457,000	3,835,720,000	3,818,052,000	3,799,273,000	3,129,148,000
Issued to Federal Reserve banks	3,434,186,000	3,450,964,000	3,454,488,000	3,419,457,000	3,396,168,000	3,375,826,000	3,376,028,000	3,377,189,000	2,723,601,000
How Secured—									
By gold coin and certificates	259,226,000	259,226,000	259,226,000	259,226,000	259,226,000	261,227,000	258,552,000	258,552,000	221,248,000
By lawful money									
By eligible paper	2,273,971,000	2,298,089,000	2,309,386,000	2,272,513,000	2,245,993,000	2,214,042,000	2,272,277,000	2,266,325,000	1,615,550,000
Gold redemption fund	107,700,000	111,695,000	116,285,000	110,637,000	113,081,000	113,987,000	108,897,000	108,698,000	84,912,000
With Federal Reserve Board	793,289,000	781,954,000	769,591,000	777,081,000	777,868,000	786,570,000	736,302,000	743,614,000	801,891,000
Total	3,434,186,000	3,450,964,000	3,454,488,000	3,419,457,000	3,396,168,000	3,375,826,000	3,376,028,000	3,377,189,000	2,723,601,000
Eligible paper delivered to F. R. Agent	2,737,010,000	2,765,693,000	2,855,592,000	2,884,290,000	2,788,397,000	2,641,202,000	2,862,936,000	2,908,673,000	2,171,374,000

* Revised figures.

WEEKLY STATEMENT OF RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF EACH OF THE 12 FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS JULY 23 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	\$ 11,760.0	\$ 89,113.0	\$ 1,166.0	\$ 10,227.0	\$ 2,454.0	\$ 7,669.0	\$ 24,396.0	\$ 3,301.0	\$ 7,238.0	\$ 533.0	\$ 5,472.0	\$ 17,200.0	\$ 180,529.0
Gold Settlement Fund, F. R. B'd	49,651.0	50,381.0	36,612.0	73,395.0	17,301.0	5,808.0	68,271.0	12,476.0	5,956.0	23,811.0	7,317.0	36,366.0	387,345.0
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	69,553.0	180,426.0	46,700.0	92,768.0	25,220.0	17,492.0	105,939.0	21,019.0	16,205.0	29,697.0	15,689.0	58,697.0	679,405.0
Gold with Federal Reserve agents	128,670.0	280,222.0	107,672.0	150,539.0	39,215.0	48,261.0	160,670.0	44,744.0	31,691.0	36,694.0	28,488.0	103,349.0	1,160,215.0
Gold redemption fund	16,948.0	35,971.0	10,331.0	2,877.0	8,131.0	7,824.0	38,608.0	5,565.0	75.0	3,737.0			

Two ciphers (00) omitted	Boston	New York	Phila	Cleveland	Richmond	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minneapolis	Kan. City	Dallas	San Fran	Total
LIABILITIES (Concluded)—													
Ratio of total reserves to net deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined, per cent.	56.7	40.2	47.4	55.9	42.6	40.3	40.7	41.6	39.2	40.4	41.2	49.2	44.4
Memoranda— Contingent liability													
Discounted paper rediscounted with other F. R. banks	as endor	ser on:											
Bankers' acceptances sold to other F. R. banks					22,776.0	15,650.0		31,177.0	12,499.0	18,861.0	22,339.0		123,302.0
Counting liability 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.	36,584.0	39,385.0		47,333.0									123,302.0
(b) Includes bankers' acceptances bought from other F. R. banks:													
With their endorsement	4,351.0		10,014.0	10,001.0									
Without their endorsement												18,806.0	42,452.0

STATEMENT OF FEDERAL RESERVE AGENTS ACCOUNTS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS JULY 23 1920.

(In Thousands of Dollars.)	Boston	New York	Phila.	Clevd.	Richm'd	Atlanta	Chicago	St. L.	Minn.	K. City	Dallas	San Fr.	Total
Resources—													
Federal Reserve notes on hand	48,200	135,000	28,780	28,450	28,863	67,725	75,780	13,080	8,255	6,650	12,350	3,100	456,233
Federal Reserve notes outstanding	294,857	985,870	267,280	332,177	130,585	143,376	589,865	144,528	78,617	105,501	84,057	277,473	3,434,186
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	20,770	10,614	16,283	18,514	2,715	2,761	8,526	3,303	1,539	1,834	5,423	14,418	107,700
Gold settlement fund—Federal Reserve Board	107,000	73,000	91,389	100,000	36,360	43,000	152,144	37,631	17,100	36,860	12,734	88,931	793,289
Amount required	166,187	705,648	159,608	181,638	91,370	95,115	429,195	99,784	46,926	68,807	55,569	174,124	2,273,971
Eligible paper: Excess amount held	10,162	228,566	906	29,203	12,685	23,256	54,372	10,926	24,585	42,914	17,068	8,596	463,039
Total	648,076	2,335,306	564,246	722,007	302,718	377,733	1,309,882	313,062	190,074	260,566	197,532	566,442	7,787,644
Liabilities—													
Federal Reserve notes received from Comptroller, gross	611,700	2,233,480	605,880	618,920	341,500	355,420	1,089,200	337,880	166,580	234,280	170,980	475,520	7,241,340
Less amounts returned for destruction	268,643	1,112,610	309,820	258,293	182,052	144,319	423,555	180,272	79,708	122,129	74,573	194,947	3,350,921
Net amount of Federal Reserve notes received from Comptroller of the Currency	343,057	1,120,870	296,060	360,627	159,448	211,101	665,645	157,608	86,872	112,151	96,407	280,573	3,890,419
Collateral received from:													
Gold	176,349	934,214	160,514	210,841	104,055	118,371	483,567	110,710	71,511	111,721	72,637	182,520	2,737,010
Eligible paper													
Total	648,076	2,335,306	564,246	722,007	302,718	377,733	1,309,882	313,062	190,074	260,566	197,532	566,442	7,787,644
Federal Reserve notes outstanding	294,857	985,870	267,280	332,177	130,585	143,376	589,865	144,528	78,617	105,501	84,057	277,473	3,434,186
Federal Reserve notes held by banks	12,573	139,034	14,174	16,156	6,455	4,735	552,146	18,693	1,349	5,880	4,193	40,593	315,981
Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation	282,284	846,836	253,106	316,021	124,130	138,641	537,719	125,835	77,268	99,621	79,864	236,880	2,118,205

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 16 1920.

Substantial additions to Government and other demand deposits, together with increases in Treasury certificate holdings, following the issue on July 15 of over 200 millions of loan and tax certificates, and material reductions of borrowings from the Federal Reserve Banks are indicated in the Federal Reserve Board's weekly statement of condition on July 16 of 813 member banks in leading cities.

Holdings of United States bonds and Victory notes show but slight changes, while those of Treasury certificates show an increase of 73.7 millions, of which 53.9 millions represents the addition to the total held by the New York City member banks. Loans secured by Government war obligations declined about 12 millions, the New York banks reporting a slightly larger reduction. Loans secured by corporate stocks and bonds fell off 33.3 millions, one-half of which represents the decrease at the New York City banks. As against these decreases, other loans and investments, largely commercial loans and discounts, show an increase of about 52 millions, nearly all in New York City. Total loans and investments show an increase for the week of 76.4 millions (71.7 millions in New York City).

Apparently in connection with the takings of newly issued Treasury

certificates, the Government deposit accounts of the reporting banks show an aggregate increase of 77.5 millions, of which 57.2 millions represents the combined increase at the New York City banks. Other demand deposits (net) show an increase of 87.7 millions, largely outside of New York City. Time deposits fell off 5.4 millions. Accommodation of reporting banks at the Federal Reserve Banks, as shown on the books of the latter, decreased from 2,051.1 to 1,989.8 millions, of which nearly one-half was paper secured by United States war obligations. Accommodation of the New York City members at the Federal Reserve Bank shows a reduction from 705.4 to 686.1 millions. The ratio of accommodation at the Federal Reserve Banks to total loans and investments show a decline from 12.1 to 11.7% for all reporting banks, and from 12.5 to 12.0% for the New York City banks.

Reserve balances (all with the Federal Reserve Banks) increased by 18.8 millions, while cash in vault, largely Federal Reserve notes, shows a reduction of 26.4 millions. Reserve balances of the New York City members show an increase of about 14 millions, while their cash holdings declined 8.9 millions.

1. Data for all reporting banks in each district. Three ciphers (000) omitted.

Three ciphers (000) omitted	Boston	New York	Philadel.	Cleveland	Richm'd	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minneapolis	Kan. City	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
Number of reporting banks	46	114	56	92	82	47	107	35	35	83	48	68	813
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	12,311	46,658	11,347	42,413	28,300	14,235	21,550	16,925	7,321	15,358	19,573	32,535	268,526
Other U. S. Incl. Liberty bonds	13,347	251,802	29,359	60,210	33,998	28,309	60,898	13,250	9,480	23,267	21,002	63,215	608,137
U. S. Victory notes	7,360	82,778	8,863	19,326	7,666	4,228	39,754	2,781	1,351	4,521	3,537	12,201	194,366
U. S. certificates of indebtedness	25,420	260,738	27,613	25,270	12,763	8,915	59,753	6,137	3,321	10,456	4,724	27,595	472,705
Total U. S. securities	58,438	641,976	77,182	147,219	82,727	55,687	181,955	39,093	21,473	53,602	48,836	135,546	1,543,734
Loans and investments, including bills rediscounted with F. R. and other banks:													
Loans sec. by U. S. war obligation	52,541	486,312	89,518	77,559	33,269	27,581	111,210	35,564	16,569	26,523	9,873	33,791	1,000,310
Loans sec. by stocks and bonds	185,601	1,290,333	199,987	330,156	105,682	60,736	458,707	123,542	30,820	80,202	37,099	143,668	3,046,533
All other loans and investments	799,718	4,041,291	581,494	929,864	386,794	413,214	1,784,646	409,422	290,489	513,606	247,245	989,159	11,387,042
Total loans and investments incl. rediscounts with F. R. banks	1,096,298	6,459,912	948,181	1,484,798	608,472	557,218	2,536,518	607,621	359,451	673,933	343,053	1,302,164	16,977,619
Reserve balances with F. R. Bank	83,351	693,380	67,502	98,466	35,955	31,107	191,704	39,630	21,099	46,147	25,601	87,582	1,421,524
Cash in vault	24,827	122,016	15,914	34,193	17,061	12,701	67,204	9,456	9,975	13,815	11,320	29,183	367,575
Net demand deposits	839,594	5,247,798	672,455	909,495	342,856	270,605	1,430,410	321,327	215,496	425,677	230,827	642,600	11,549,140
Time deposits	139,048	422,049	33,332	365,339	105,244	151,184	625,544	124,596	63,274	96,674	49,466	517,882	2,693,632
Government deposits	7,958	79,121	6,551	7,197	1,006	1,827	4,719	3,308	138	5,813	508	3,415	121,561
Bills payable with F. R. Bank:													
Secured by U. S. war obligations	20,057	356,962	54,918	38,574	36,194	32,115	91,830	21,035	3,278	26,873	14,863	23,019	719,748
All other				36	100	729		174	450	25		85	1,599
Bills rediscounted with F. R. Bank:													
Secured by U. S. war obligations	20,149	129,875	48,769	14,862	5,291	6,036	15,039	11,368	2,256	6,106	1,721	2,857	264,329
All other	54,255	258,574	37,661	42,332	38,082	50,333	262,367	67,247	49,104	57,870	19,792	66,570	1,004,187

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 16.	July 9.	July 16.	July 9.	July 16.	July 9.	July 16.	July 9.	July 16.	July 9.	July 16.	July 9.	July 18'19.
Number of reporting banks	72	72	50	50	278	279	198	198	337	337	813	814	769
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	36,961	36,961	1,438	1,438	96,717	98,638	71,437	71,866	100,372	100,274	268,526	270,778	269,001
Other U. S. bonds, Incl. Lib. bds.	218,825	220,629	23,838	22,923	342,087	344,588	143,835	143,097	122,215	120,835	608,137	608,520	650,083
U. S. Victory notes	73,310	73,533	12,366	12,292	103,867	103,807	51,629	52,224	38,868	39,866	194,366	195,897	368,189
U. S. certificates of indebtedness	243,490	189,597	22,034	19,777	339,554	270,455	83,637	80,890	59,514	47,606	472,705	398,951	930,124
Total U. S. securities	572,586	520,720	59,676	56,430	882,227	817,488	350,538	348,077	310,969	308,581	1,543,734	1,474,146	2,217,397
Loans and investments, Incl. bills & rediscounted with F. R. banks													
Loans sec. by U. S. war oblig.	451,427	466,635	75,885	73,125	757,753	772,186	140,852	136,622	101,705	103,493	1,000,310	1,012,301	1,382,145
Loans sec. by stocks and bonds	1,134,789	1,151,534	341,253	344,589	2,147,083	2,178,101	480,340	480,011	419,110	421,681	3,046,533	3,079,793	3,089,062
Net demand deposits	3,573,379	3,524,610	1,068,504	1,076,885	7,330,259	7,271,495	2,182,700	2,174,878	1,874,083	1,888,626	11,357,042	11,334,999	11,334,999
Total loans and investments, Incl. rediscounts with F. R. banks	5,735,181	5,663,549	1,545,318	1,551,029	11,117,322	11,039,270	3,154,430	3,139,588	2,705,867	2,722,381	16,977,619	16,901,239	14,840,145
Reserve balances with F. R. bank	646,808	632,818	132,675	137,938	1,046,304	1,036,771	208,106	205,523	167,114	160,406	1,421,524	1,402,700	1,300,919
Cash in vault	107,471	116,414	36,391	39,868									

Bankers' Gazette.

Wall Street, Friday Night, July 30, 1920.

Railroad and Miscellaneous Stocks.—A scarcity of loanable funds in this market has again been a dominant factor in Stock Exchange operations this week. A 10% rate for call loans on Monday caused heavy liquidation during the first two days of the week, a drop of from 2 to 4 points in railway shares and 4 to 8 points or more in a long list of industrial stocks. A substantial reaction followed this movement based on a somewhat easier money market, on expectation that a higher schedule of traffic rates will soon be accorded the railways and later the remarkably favorable weather reports gave assurance of a much larger harvest of wheat and cotton than earlier in the season seemed possible. The highest prices of the week were generally recorded on Wednesday, however, since which prices have been decidedly irregular with a general tendency towards a lower level.

During the week's operation Texas & Pacific covered a range of 6½ points, Reading 5¾, Can. Pac. 4¼, So. Pac. 4¼, Union Pacific and New Haven 3, all of which show a net loss.

At the same time Stromberg dropped 14¾ points, Mex. Pet. 16¼, Chandler 12½, Am. Tob. 12 and other issues in this group from 5 to 10 with moderate recovery in most cases.

A feature of the week has been a steady decline of sterling exchange in this market. It sold today at \$3.70½, against \$3.99¼ during the latter part of June.

The following sales have occurred this week of shares not represented in our detailed list on the pages which follow:

STOCKS. Week ending July 30.	Sales for Week.	Range for Week.		Range since Jan. 1.	
		Lowest.	Highest.	Lowest.	Highest.
Par. Shares		\$ per share.	\$ per share.	\$ per share.	\$ per share.
All-American Cables. 100	60 104	July 27 195	July 27 103½	May 109¾	May 109¾
Am Brake S & F. no par	1,200 58	July 29 60	July 26 53¾	July 60	July 60
Preferred. 100	500 85½	July 29 89½	July 26 86	July 90	July 90
American Snuff. 100	100 101¼	July 29 101¼	July 29 86	Feb 115¼	Jan 86
Am Tobacco com "B". 100	1,500 197¼	July 30 200	July 26 197¼	July 210	June 210
Ann Arbor, pref. 100	100 26¼	July 28 26¼	July 28 20	May 30	July 30
Assets Realization. 10	1,300 2¼	July 27 2¼	July 24 2¼	July 6¾	Apr 6¾
Atlantic Ref, pref. 100	600 104	July 29 105	July 28 103	May 114	Feb 114
Austin, Nich & Co. no par	306 21¼	July 30 21¼	July 27 21¼	July 24	May 24
Auto Sales Corp. 50	600 5	July 29 7	July 24 5	July 19¼	Jan 19¼
Preferred. 50	100 15	July 27 15	July 27 15	July 30¾	Jan 30¾
Barnet Leather. no par	500 53½	July 30 55	July 26 53½	July 93	Jan 93
Brunswick Terminals. 100	700 5¼	July 29 5½	July 27 5¼	July 8½	Mar 8½
Case Thresh M, pref. 100	100 94	July 27 94	July 27 93	May 101	Jan 101
C & E III pref trust recs.	600 5½	July 29 6	July 29 4¾	Jan 11	Mar 11
Computing-Tab-Rec. 100	100 48	July 27 48	July 27 44	Feb 56	Jan 56
Cuban-Am Sug, pref. 100	160 100	July 29 100	July 20 100	Feb 106	Jan 106
Deere & Co, pref. 100	160 94¾	July 29 94¾	July 29 92	May 101	Feb 101
Detroit United Ry. 100	300 85	July 30 90	July 29 85	July 101	Jan 101
Duluth S S & Atl. 100	100 1	July 28 4	July 28 3	May 5½	Feb 5½
Preferred. 100	100 8	July 26 8	July 26 7	Apr 11	Feb 11
Elee Storage Battery. 100	100 115	July 27 115	July 27 115	July 130	July 130
Rights. 3,050	3 3	July 28 3¾	July 26 3	July 3¾	July 3¾
Emerson-Branting'n. 100	100 15¼	July 27 15¼	July 27 15¼	July 29	Jan 29
Preferred. 100	100 73¼	July 30 73¼	July 30 73¼	July 91	Jan 91
General Chem. I. 100	25 169¼	July 28 169¼	July 26 150	June 192	Mar 192
Preferred. 100	100 93	July 28 93	July 28 86½	May 100	Jan 100
Int Motor recs 50% paid	300 32¼	July 26 32¼	July 26 32¼	July 32¼	July 32¼
Lake Erie & Western. 100	300 10	July 29 11	July 26 8½	Feb 12½	Mar 12½
Preferred. 100	200 17½	July 29 19	July 26 16	Feb 22½	Mar 22½
Liggett & Myers "B". 100	200 129¼	July 30 130¼	July 8 129¼	July 155¼	Apr 155¼
Louis-Whies. 1st pref. 100	200 96¼	July 30 96¼	July 30 96¼	May 100	Jan 100
Mall'sou (H.R.) & Co no par	100 20	July 26 20	July 26 20	July 45	Mar 45
Preferred. 100	100 70	July 26 70	July 26 70	July 80¼	Apr 80¼
Martin Parry. no par	200 24	July 27 24¼	July 27 20	June 30½	Jan 30½
Mathison Alkali Wks. 50	200 33	July 29 33	July 29 29	Feb 33	July 33
Maxwell Motor. 100	7,500 12¼	July 24 17	July 24 12¾	July 38	Apr 38
Certificates of deposit. 100	500 10½	July 24 12	July 27 10½	July 35¼	Jan 35¼
1st preferred. 100	200 25	July 28 25	July 28 25	July 63½	Jan 63½
Certifs of deposit. 1,400	24 24	July 27 25¼	July 28 24	July 62¾	Jan 62¾
2d pref of certifs of depos	300 11¼	July 27 12	July 26 11¼	July 30¾	Jan 30¾
M St P & S S Marie. 100	665 67	July 29 70	July 30 63	Feb 80	Mar 80
Mullins Body. no par	300 35½	July 29 36¼	July 26 32¾	May 51	Jan 51
Nashly Chart & St L. 100	100 104	July 30 104	July 30 104	July 111½	Jan 111½
National Biscuit. 100	100 107	July 29 107	July 29 105	July 125	Jan 125
Preferred. 100	200 105	July 27 106	July 24 103½	July 116	Jan 116
Norfolk Southern. 100	100 19	July 29 19	July 29 19	Feb 29	Mar 29
Norfolk & Wes, pref. 100	200 65¼	July 28 65¼	July 24 64	May 72	Jan 72
Ohio Body & Blow no par	200 24½	July 29 25¼	July 27 24½	July 29¾	June 29¾
Pennycy (C) pref. 100	200 90	July 29 90¾	July 27 90	Feb 98	May 98
Pittsburgh Steel, pref 100	100 85	July 29 85	July 29 73½	June 94¼	Jan 94¼
Reis (Robt) & Co. no par	200 15½	July 27 16	July 27 15	June 23	Apr 23
1st preferred. 100	100 50	July 27 80	July 27 75	June 84	Apr 84
Shattuck Ariz Copper. 10	700 8¼	July 28 9	July 27 8¼	June 12½	Jan 12½
So Porto Rico Sugar. 100	100 260	July 27 260	July 27 200	Feb 310	Apr 310
S O of N J recs part paid	300 103¼	July 29 103¼	July 29 100¾	June 105	July 105
Third Avenue Ry. 100	300 10½	July 27 10½	July 28 10½	July 17½	Mar 17½
Times Sq Autosup. no par	3 500 27¾	July 27 30¾	July 26 27¾	July 34¼	July 34¼
Wisconsin Central. 100	100 25	July 27 25	July 27 25	May 33	Feb 33

DAILY TRANSACTIONS AT THE BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA AND BALTIMORE EXCHANGES.

Week ending July 30 1920	Boston		Philadelphia		Baltimore	
	Shares	Bond Sales	Shares	Bond Sales	Shares	Bond Sales
Saturday	5,989	\$27,450	1,313	\$25,400	293	\$3,000
Monday	11,774	53,200	8,051	16,000	1,839	31,500
Tuesday	21,762	92,800	16,271	63,000	918	8,000
Wednesday	12,704	78,000	10,198	66,700	1,128	37,300
Thursday	13,445	81,100	10,609	129,850	2,965	50,000
Friday	14,856	6,000	6,006	8,000	843	6,000
Total	80,530	\$338,550	52,448	\$308,950	7,486	\$135,800

State and Railroad Bonds.—Sales of State bonds at the Board include \$1,000 New York 4¼s, 1965 at 95 and \$121,000 Virginia 6s deferred trust receipts at 58½ to 64.

The market for railway and industrial bonds has been more active and stronger than last week. More than half the active list of 24 issues has advanced and several are notably higher. Among the latter are Brooklyn Rapid Transit 7s, which have recovered more than a point of their recent decline, also Rock Island 4s, So. Pac. 4s, and U. S. Steel 5s, which are nearly a point higher than last week. The Belgian Government 7½s have been heavily dealt in and declined nearly 2 points.

United States Bonds.—Sales of Government bonds at the Board are limited to \$3,000 4s reg. at 105 and the various Liberty Loan issues.

Daily Record of Liberty Loan Prices	July 24	July 26	July 27	July 28	July 29	July 30
First Liberty Loan						
3½s, 15-30 year, 1932-47	High 91.00	91.12	91.10	91.00	91.02	91.04
	Low 90.96	90.98	90.92	90.94	90.96	90.96
	Close 90.96	91.00	91.04	90.92	90.98	91.04
Total sales in \$1,000 units	364	532	731	306	342	736
Second Liberty Loan						
4s, 10-25 year conv, 1942	High 84.72	84.62	84.54	84.56	84.70	84.56
	Low 84.60	84.60	84.38	84.52	84.50	84.54
	Close 84.60	84.60	84.38	84.56	84.70	84.54
Total sales in \$1,000 units	3	65	28	12	38	10
Second Liberty Loan						
4s, convertible, 1932-47	High ---	85.80	85.70	85.60	85.50	85.70
	Low ---	85.80	85.62	85.56	85.10	85.60
	Close ---	85.80	85.62	85.56	85.50	85.50
Total sales in \$1,000 units	---	28	1	6	9	15
Third Liberty Loan						
4¼s of 1928	High 89.08	88.86	88.76	88.90	88.80	88.70
	Low 88.88	88.70	88.50	88.62	88.64	88.50
	Close 88.88	88.82	88.70	88.76	88.66	88.60
Total sales in \$1,000 units	314	1,184	2,619	2,188	991	983
Third Liberty Loan						
4½s of 1st L. conv. '32-'47	High 86.04	85.80	85.70	85.74	85.74	85.72
	Low 85.90	85.60	85.64	85.60	85.60	85.50
	Close 86.04	85.80	85.80	85.64	85.74	85.60
Total sales in \$1,000 units	42	46	82	19	82	51
Third Liberty Loan						
4½s of 2d L. conv. '27-'42	High 85.00	84.94	84.80	84.86	84.90	84.84
	Low 84.80	84.76	84.56	84.66	84.66	84.60
	Close 84.94	84.84	84.72	84.76	84.76	84.62
Total sales in \$1,000 units	360	1,633	1,393	1,581	1,053	1,662
Fourth Liberty Loan						
4½s of 1933-38	High 85.24	85.20	85.10	85.24	85.28	85.22
	Low 85.12	85.02	84.80	84.98	85.06	85.04
	Close 85.16	85.12	85.02	85.16	85.10	85.10
Total sales in \$1,000 units	492	1,843	4,479	2,973	2,422	1,656
Fourth Liberty Loan						
4½s, 1st LL 2d conv. '32-'47	High ---	---	---	---	---	---
	Low ---	---	---	---	---	---
	Close ---	---	---	---	---	---
Total sales in \$1,000 units	---	---	---	---	---	---
Victory Liberty Loan						
4½s conv gold notes, '22-'23	High 95.78	95.80	95.76	95.78	95.78	95.76
	Low 95.72	95.70	95.62	95.62	95.64	95.60
	Close 95.72	95.74	95.62	95.74	95.70	95.76
Total sales in \$1,000 units	310	794	1,269	714	895	782
Victory Liberty Loan						
3½s conv gold notes, '22-'23	High ---	95.76	95.72	95.76	95.76	95.74
	Low ---	95.70	95.64	95.68	95.68	95.66
	Close ---	95.70	95.66	95.72	95.76	95.72
Total sales in \$1,000 units	---	189	636	287	870	1,150

Foreign Exchange.—Sterling ruled weak and lower, prices breaking sharply on news that fresh complications had arisen in the Russian-Polish situation. Continental exchange was likewise heavy.

The range for foreign exchange for the week follows:			
Sterling Actual—	Sixty Days.	Cheques.	Cables.
High for the week	3 76	3 79¾	3 80½
Low for the week	3 66¾	3 70	3 70¾
Paris Bankers' Francs—			
High for the week	12.83	12.72	12.70
Low for the week	13.33	13.22	13.20
German Bankers' Marks—			
High for the week	---	2.46	2.48
Low for the week	---	2.24	2.26
Amsterdam Bankers' Guilders—			
High for the week	34 3-16	34¾	34¾
Low for the week	33 15-16	34¼	34¾

Domestic Exchange.—Chicago, par. St. Louis, 15@25c. per \$1,000 discount. Boston, par. San Francisco, par. Montreal, \$112 50 per \$1,000 premium. Cincinnati, par.

Outside Market.—"Curb" securities have been under pressure this week with losses general throughout the list, and in a number of instances especially heavy. Some slight improvement was noted on Thursday but the market again turned weak and this was wiped out. General Asphalt com. dropped to a new low record, moving down from 64 to 54, with the close to-day at 57¼. Chicago Nipple fell from 14¾ to 13. Wm. Farrell & Son com. sold down from 28½ to 24½ but recovered finally to 26. Transactions in Schulte Retail Stores for the first time resulted in an improvement from 62 to 67, with final transactions to-day at 65. Submarine Boat was off from 12½ to 10½, recovering finally to 11¼. Swift Internat. receded from 35½ to 32½ and closed to-day at 33. South Amer. oils were dealt in heaviest, Maracaibo Oil losing 4½ points to 20½, the close to-day being at 21½. Carib Syndicate sold down from 14 to 12½ and at 12½ finally. Tropical Oil weakened from 19½ to 17½ and sold finally at 18. Simms Petroleum after an early advance from 15¾ to 16¼, sank to 14½ and closed to-day at 14¾. Int. Pet., declined from 34 to 31½, the final figure to-day being 32. Ryan Consol. sold down from 24¾ to 20 and ends the week at 22½. Salt Creek Producers lost 2½ points to 34 and sold finally at 34½. White Oil declined from 19 to 17, recovered to 19¼ and closed to-day at 18¾. Bonds were moderately active and with few changes of moment.

A complete record of "curb" market transactions for the week will be found on page 482.

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

Week ending July 30 1920.	Stocks.		Railroad & Bonds	State, Mun. & Foreign Bonds	United States Bonds.
	Shares	Par Value			
Saturday	172,230	\$11,560			

Table with columns: HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT. (Saturday July 24 to Friday July 30), Scales for the Week, STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE (Railroads, Industrial & Miscellaneous), PER SHARE Range since Jan. 1 (Lowest, Highest), PER SHARE Range for Previous Year (Lowest, Highest). Rows list various stocks like Atch Topeka & Santa Fe, Chicago & North Western, etc.

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. † Ex-rights. § Less than 100 shares. a Ex-div. and rights. z Ex-dividend. v Full paid.

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

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 24	Monday July 26	Tuesday July 27	Wednesday July 28	Thursday July 29	Friday July 30		Shares	Lowest	Highest	Lowest	Highest	
\$ per share												
94 ³ / ₈ 94 ¹ / ₂	94 ³ / ₈ 95	94 ¹ / ₂ 95	94 ³ / ₈ 95 ¹ / ₂	94 ³ / ₈ 95 ¹ / ₂	94 ³ / ₈ 95 ¹ / ₂	4,230	Indus. & Miscell. (Con)	92 ¹ / ₂ May 22	100 ³ / ₄ Mar 18	95 Dec	108 ³ / ₈ Mar	
*205 220	210 210	205 209 ³ / ₄	205 205	198 198 ¹ / ₂	199 ¹ / ₂ 201 ³ / ₄	1,400	Amer Telephone & Teleg	198 July 29	233 Jan 5	191 ⁷ / ₈ Feb	314 ¹ / ₂ Oct	
*87 ¹ / ₂ 89	87 ¹ / ₂ 87 ¹ / ₂	*86 ¹ / ₂ 88	87 ¹ / ₂ 87 ¹ / ₂	*87 ¹ / ₂ 89	*88 89	200	Amer Tobacco	85 ¹ / ₂ May 20	87 ³ / ₄ Jan 7	93 ⁵ / ₈ Dec	106 Jan	
86 ¹ / ₂ 86 ¹ / ₂	84 86 ³ / ₄	81 84	80 84	80 ¹ / ₂ 83 ¹ / ₂	81 82 ¹ / ₂	23,000	Do pref (new)	80 July 28	165 ¹ / ₂ Jan 2	45 ¹ / ₄ Jan	169 ¹ / ₂ Dec	
	*92 ¹ / ₂ 95	44 46 ³ / ₄	44 46 ¹ / ₂	47 48	48 ³ / ₄ 49 ³ / ₄	200	Amer Woolen of Mass	92 ¹ / ₂ July 29	105 ¹ / ₂ Jan 29	9 ³ / ₈ Feb	110 ¹ / ₂ June	
46 ³ / ₈ 46 ³ / ₈	46 46 ³ / ₈	44 46 ¹ / ₂	46 47 ¹ / ₂	47 48	48 ³ / ₄ 49 ³ / ₄	3,400	Do pref	37 May 20	81 ³ / ₄ Jan 3	27 ³ / ₈ Jan	69 Oct	
*12 ¹ / ₂ 13 ¹ / ₂	13 ¹ / ₂ 13 ¹ / ₂	13 13 ¹ / ₂	12 ¹ / ₂ 12 ³ / ₄	13 13	*12 13 ¹ / ₂	900	Amer Writing Paper pref	12 ¹ / ₂ July 28	21 ¹ / ₂ Jan 9	11 Jan	29 July	
47 ³ / ₈ 47 ³ / ₈	*47 48	*44 ¹ / ₂ 48	*45 48	44 ¹ / ₂ 44 ³ / ₄	*44 46	300	Amer Zinc Lead & Smelt	44 ³ / ₄ July 29	59 ¹ / ₂ Jan 9	49 Jan	65 July	
55 55 ³ / ₈	51 ¹ / ₂ 55 ¹ / ₂	53 51	52 ³ / ₄ 54	52 ³ / ₄ 53 ³ / ₈	53 ¹ / ₂ 53 ³ / ₄	16,500	Anasconda Copper Mining	52 ³ / ₄ July 28	66 ¹ / ₂ Apr 6	52 ³ / ₈ Nov	77 ³ / ₄ July	
*31 35	*31 35	\$31 31	---	*30 ¹ / ₂ 35	31 32	473	Associated Dry Goods	28 May 25	67 ¹ / ₂ Jan 3	17 ¹ / ₂ Jan	65 ¹ / ₂ Dec	
*61 65	*58 67	59 59	---	*59 65	*59 67	100	Do 1st preferred	55 May 24	74 ³ / ₄ Jan 17	61 Mar	82 Aug	
*57 65	*56 67	---	---	*59 67	*57 67	200	Do 2d preferred	60 June 5	75 ¹ / ₂ Jan 7	58 ¹ / ₂ Feb	80 ¹ / ₂ May	
*59 93	*59 92	---	---	*80 90	*80 90	10,000	Associated Oil	87 ¹ / ₂ July 28	125 Jan 8	68 Jan	142 Nov	
154 ¹ / ₂ 154 ¹ / ₂	150 153 ¹ / ₂	148 ¹ / ₂ 151	148 151	150 153 ³ / ₄	150 ¹ / ₂ 153	10,000	Atl Gulf & W I S S Line	137 Feb 26	174 ¹ / ₂ Jan 5	92 Feb	192 ³ / ₈ Oct	
*63 ¹ / ₂ 67	*63 67	*63 ¹ / ₂ 67	100	Do pref	61 ³ / ₄ July 1	75 Jan 7	64 Jan	76 ¹ / ₂ May				
114 ³ / ₄ 115 ³ / ₄	110 ³ / ₄ 115 ³ / ₄	108 ¹ / ₂ 111 ³ / ₄	109 ¹ / ₂ 111 ¹ / ₂	109 ³ / ₄ 112 ¹ / ₂	110 ³ / ₈ 112 ¹ / ₂	198,700	Baldwin Locomotive Wks	103 ¹ / ₂ Feb 13	148 ¹ / ₂ Apr 9	64 ³ / ₄ Jan	156 ¹ / ₂ Oct	
							Do pref	96 ⁷ / ₈ July 21	102 ¹ / ₂ Jan 5	100 Dec	111 ⁷ / ₈ June	
*36 40	40 40	*39 41	*39 40	*36 40	*39 40	100	Barnsdall Corp Cl A	40 Apr 23	60 ¹ / ₂ Mar 25	103 Jan	145 July	
*138 142	134 139 ¹ / ₂	131 ¹ / ₂ 137	136 138	136 137 ¹ / ₂	137 ¹ / ₂ 139	6,200	Barrett Co (The)	114 Mar 3	154 ¹ / ₂ June 19	110 Feb	119 May	
*100 110	---	*103 110	*100 110	*103 108 ¹ / ₂	*103 110	---	Do preferred	102 June 4	111 ¹ / ₂ Jan 6	116 Feb	119 May	
*31 35	*1 11 ¹ / ₄	*1 11 ¹ / ₄	1 1	*1 11 ¹ / ₄	*1 11 ¹ / ₄	400	Batoplas Mining	1 Feb 9	1 ³ / ₄ Jan 5	11 ¹ / ₄ Jan	2 ¹ / ₈ May	
20 ³ / ₈ 20 ¹ / ₂	19 21	18 18 ³ / ₈	18 ³ / ₈ 19 ¹ / ₄	18 ¹ / ₂ 19	19 19 ¹ / ₄	9,600	Bethlehem Motors	17 ¹ / ₂ Feb 11	32 ¹ / ₂ Apr 9	26 Sept	45 Oct	
	85 85	83 ³ / ₄ 83 ³ / ₄	83 ¹ / ₂ 83 ¹ / ₂	82 ¹ / ₂ 83 ¹ / ₂	*82 84 ¹ / ₂	300	Bethlehem Steel Corp	77 ¹ / ₂ Feb 27	96 ³ / ₄ May 6	55 ¹ / ₂ Jan	107 ¹ / ₂ July	
87 ¹ / ₂ 88 ¹ / ₂	85 ¹ / ₄ 87 ¹ / ₂	82 ³ / ₄ 85 ³ / ₈	83 ³ / ₈ 85	83 ³ / ₄ 85 ¹ / ₂	83 ³ / ₈ 85 ¹ / ₂	54,900	Do Class B common	81 ¹ / ₂ Feb 26	102 ¹ / ₂ Jan 3	55 ³ / ₈ Jan	112 Oct	
							Do preferred	97 Jan 14	102 ¹ / ₂ Feb 23	90 Dec	108 July	
105 ¹ / ₂ 105 ¹ / ₂	105 105	104 104	105 ¹ / ₂ 105 ¹ / ₂	105 ¹ / ₂ 105 ¹ / ₂	*104 108	1,300	Do cum conv 3% pref	104 July 28	114 Jan 5	101 ¹ / ₂ Jan	118 Sept	
*71 ² / ₂ 9	*71 ² / ₂ 8 ¹ / ₂	7 ¹ / ₂ 7 ¹ / ₂	*71 ⁴ / ₂ 8 ¹ / ₂	*7 8 ¹ / ₂	8 8	200	Booth Fisheries	7 ¹ / ₂ May 17	15 Jan 9	11 Dec	25 July	
*55 92	---	*84 92	*84 92	86 ³ / ₄ 86 ³ / ₄	---	100	Brooklyn Edison, Inc	85 July 12	96 ³ / ₄ Apr 1	85 ¹ / ₂ Dec	102 Aug	
		43 ³ / ₄ 48 ³ / ₄	100 104 ¹ / ₂	103 ¹ / ₂ 103 ¹ / ₂	102 103	300	Brooklyn Union Gas	48 ¹ / ₂ June 30	62 Mar 20	41 Dec	92 May	
*107 ¹ / ₂ 111	107 ¹ / ₂ 107 ¹ / ₂	100 104 ¹ / ₂	7 ³ / ₈ 7 ³ / ₈	7 ³ / ₈ 8	7 ¹ / ₂ 8	1,400	Burns Bros	93 Feb 4	129 Apr 7	115 Dec	168 Apr	
8 ¹ / ₄ 8 ¹ / ₄	8 ¹ / ₂ 8 ¹ / ₂	8 8	---	---	---	100	Butte Copper & Zinc v t c	6 ¹ / ₄ May 20	11 ¹ / ₂ Jan 9	5 ¹ / ₈ Feb	17 Oct	
		12 ³ / ₈ 12 ³ / ₈	20 20 ¹ / ₂	20 21	20 20 ¹ / ₂	100	Butterick	12 May 21	26 Jan 6	13 Jan	39 ³ / ₄ July	
22 ¹ / ₂ 22 ¹ / ₂	22 ¹ / ₂ 22 ¹ / ₂	20 ³ / ₈ 21 ¹ / ₂	20 20 ¹ / ₂	20 21	20 20 ¹ / ₂	3,900	Butte & Superior Mining	20 May 20	29 ¹ / ₂ Jan 12	16 ³ / ₈ Feb	37 ¹ / ₂ July	
*16 ¹ / ₂ 17	16 16 ¹ / ₂	15 ¹ / ₂ 15 ¹ / ₂	15 ¹ / ₂ 15 ³ / ₈	14 15 ³ / ₈	14 15 ³ / ₈	3,100	Caddo Central Oil & Ref	14 July 30	28 ¹ / ₂ Jan 6	19 ¹ / ₄ Dec	54 ¹ / ₂ May	
*69 70 ¹ / ₄	*69 70 ¹ / ₄	68 ¹ / ₂ 68 ¹ / ₂	68 ¹ / ₂ 68 ¹ / ₂	66 68	66 68	3,900	California Packing	66 July 30	85 ¹ / ₂ Jan 28	48 ¹ / ₄ Jan	87 ¹ / ₂ Dec	
30 30	29 30 ¹ / ₂	27 27	27 ¹ / ₂ 28 ¹ / ₂	28 ¹ / ₂ 28 ¹ / ₂	28 28	1,500	California Petroleum	26 May 21	46 Jan 3	20 ³ / ₈ Jan	56 ³ / ₈ Oct	
*69 70	*69 69	*58 69	*58 69	68 ¹ / ₂ 68 ¹ / ₂	*68 70	200	Do pref	65 Feb 10	75 ¹ / ₂ Jan 6	64 ¹ / ₂ Jan	86 ³ / ₈ Sept	
*56 60 ³ / ₄	*55 ¹ / ₂ 60 ³ / ₄	*57 60 ³ / ₄	*55 ¹ / ₂ 60 ³ / ₄	*55 ¹ / ₂ 60 ³ / ₄	*55 ³ / ₄ 60 ³ / ₄	---	Calumet & Arizona Mining	56 July 20	69 Mar 26	56 ³ / ₄ Mar	86 ³ / ₄ July	
10 ³ / ₈ 10 ³ / ₈	59 ⁵ / ₈ 61 ⁵ / ₈	57 ¹ / ₂ 59 ⁵ / ₈	56 58	56 ³ / ₈ 57 ³ / ₄	53 57 ¹ / ₄	300	Case (J I) Plow Wks	10 ¹ / ₂ July 30	19 ³ / ₄ June 18	---	---	
60 ³ / ₈ 61 ¹ / ₂	*98 ¹ / ₂ 101	99 99	98 ³ / ₈ 98 ³ / ₈	*97 ¹ / ₂ 100	*97 ¹ / ₂ 100	23,400	Central Leather	53 July 30	10 ³ / ₄ Jan 6	59 ¹ / ₂ Feb	116 ¹ / ₂ July	
97 98 ¹ / ₂	93 ¹ / ₂	42 ³ / ₄ 41	41 ³ / ₄ 42	42 42	42 42	200	Do pref	95 ¹ / ₂ July 19	108 ³ / ₄ Jan 5	104 ¹ / ₂ Jan	114 July	
		85 95	80 ¹ / ₂ 83 ¹ / ₂	81 ¹ / ₂ 81 ¹ / ₂	79 ³ / ₄ 82 ¹ / ₂	4,300	Cerro de Pasco Cop	40 May 24	61 ³ / ₄ Jan 8	31 Jan	67 ¹ / ₂ July	
*15 15 ³ / ₈	14 ³ / ₄ 15	14 ³ / ₄ 14 ³ / ₄	14 14 ³ / ₄	14 14 ³ / ₄	14 14 ³ / ₄	18,800	Chandler Motor Car	86 ¹ / ₂ July 27	104 ³ / ₄ Mar 29	90 Nov	141 ¹ / ₂ Nov	
29 ¹ / ₂ 29 ¹ / ₂	29 ¹ / ₂ 29 ¹ / ₂	28 ⁵ / ₈ 29	27 ³ / ₄ 28 ¹ / ₂	29 ¹ / ₂ 29 ¹ / ₂	*28 29	1,600	Chicago Pneumatic Tool	78 Feb 26	111 ⁷ / ₈ Apr 8	68 Apr	113 ¹ / ₂ Nov	
36 ¹ / ₂ 36 ¹ / ₂	35 37 ¹ / ₂	35 ³ / ₈ 35 ³ / ₈	35 ³ / ₈ 35 ³ / ₈	35 ³ / ₈ 36 ³ / ₈	36 36	9,500	Chile Copper	14 July 28	21 ¹ / ₂ Jan 3	16 ³ / ₄ Dec	29 ¹ / ₂ July	
	*31 35	31 ¹ / ₂ 31 ¹ / ₂	31 ¹ / ₂ 31 ¹ / ₂	32 32	*31 35	3,400	Chino Copper	27 ³ / ₄ July 28	41 ³ / ₄ Jan 3	32 ³ / ₈ Feb	50 ³ / ₈ July	
*54 56	54 ³ / ₄ 55 ¹ / ₂	54 54 ³ / ₄	53 ¹ / ₂ 54	55 55	*53 55	4,200	Coca Cola	30 ¹ / ₄ May 20	40 ³ / ₄ Jan 2	37 ¹ / ₂ Nov	43 ³ / ₈ Nov	
28 28 ³ / ₄	27 ¹ / ₂ 29 ¹ / ₂	24 ¹ / ₂ 27 ³ / ₈	25 ¹ / ₂ 26	25 25 ³ / ₈	25 ¹ / ₂ 26 ³ / ₄	1,000	Colorado Fuel & Iron	28 May 20	44 ¹ / ₂ Jan 3	34 ³ / ₄ Feb	56 July	
*82 83	81 82	80 ¹ / ₂ 80 ¹ / ₂	81 82	81 ¹ / ₂ 81 ¹ / ₂	81 ¹ / ₂ 81 ¹ / ₂	3,250	Columbia Gas & Elec	50 May 19	67 Jan 9	39 ¹ / ₄ Feb	69 Oct	
*63 ¹ / ₂ 65	64 65 ¹ / ₂	*63 65	60 61	59 61 ¹ / ₂	62 63 ¹ / ₂	30,600	Columbia Graphophone	24 ¹ / ₂ July 27	85 ¹ / ₂ Jan 5	50 ³ / ₄ Oct	75 ¹ / ₂ Oct	
*82 83	*82 83	*82 83	*81 83	80 80	*81 82	1,100	Do pref	80 ¹ / ₂ July 27	92 ³ / ₄ Jan 14	91 ¹ / ₂ Dec	95<	

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Table with columns: HIGH AND LOW SALES PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT. (Saturday July 24 to Friday July 30), Sales for the Week, STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE, PER SHARE Range since Jan. 1., and PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1919. Lists various stocks like Industrial & Misc. (Con.), Manhattan Shlirt, etc.

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. † Less than 100 shares. ‡ Ex-rights. α Ex-div. and rights. s Ex-div. e Reduced to basis of \$25 par. n Par \$100

BONDS										BONDS									
N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE										N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE									
Week ending July 30										Week ending July 30									
Interest	Period	Price		Week's		Bonds	Range		Interest	Period	Price		Week's		Bonds	Range			
		Bid	Ask	Low	High		Low	High			Bid	Ask	Low	High		Low	High		
N Y Cent & H R RR (Con)	M N	64	---	64	May '20	---	54	64	P. O. & St. L (Con)	F A	73 1/2	83 1/4	72 1/4	May '20	---	72 1/4	84		
N Y & Harlem g 3 1/2	M N	92 3/8	---	92 3/8	Jan '20	---	92 3/8	92 3/8	Series E 3 1/2 guar gold	F A	73 3/8	---	72 1/4	Apr '20	---	82 1/4	82 1/4		
N Y & Northern let g 5	M N	78 1/4	---	78 1/4	Apr '19	---	---	---	Series F guar 4 1/2 gold	M F A	73 3/8	---	73 3/8	June '20	---	73 3/8	73 3/8		
N Y & Pu 1st cons g 4 1/2	M N	88	---	113	May '15	---	---	---	Series G 4 1/2 guar	M F A	75 3/8	87 1/2	76 3/8	June '20	---	76	88 3/8		
N Y & Pu 2d cons g 4 1/2	M N	96 1/8	96 1/2	95	May '20	---	95	97 1/2	Series I cons g 4 1/2	M F A	96	97	97	May '20	---	97	99		
N Y & Pu 3d cons g 4 1/2	M N	80	---	77	Oct '19	---	---	---	O St L & P 1st cons g 5 1/2	M F A	---	---	100	June '17	---	---	---		
N Y & Pu 4th cons g 4 1/2	M N	50	78	52	May '20	---	52	62	Peoria & Pekin Un 1st 6 1/2	M F A	---	---	87	Mar '16	---	---	---		
N Y & Pu 5th cons g 4 1/2	M N	60	---	60	Feb '20	---	53	60	2d gold 4 1/2	M F A	---	---	---	---	---	---	---		
N Y & Pu 6th cons g 4 1/2	M N	65	76	101	Nov '16	---	---	---	Pere Marquette 1st Ser A 5 1/2	M F A	75 3/8	---	75 3/8	77	40	75 3/8	87 1/2		
N Y & Pu 7th cons g 4 1/2	M N	90 1/2	---	93 1/2	Jan '20	---	93 1/8	93 1/8	1st Series B 4 1/2	M F A	58 3/8	---	58 3/8	59	7	58	71 1/2		
N Y & Pu 8th cons g 4 1/2	M N	66	---	66	Jan '20	---	65	70	Philippine Ry 1st 30-yr 4 1/2	M F A	40 1/2	44 3/4	42	Apr '20	---	40	42		
N Y & Pu 9th cons g 4 1/2	M N	69	---	69	Jan '20	---	67	69	Pitts Bn & L E 1st g 5 1/2	M F A	80	---	93 1/8	Apr '20	---	93 1/8	93 1/8		
N Y & Pu 10th cons g 4 1/2	M N	79 3/8	---	78 1/2	79 3/8	---	76	87 1/2	1st consol gold 5 1/2	M F A	80 1/2	---	---	Dec '17	---	---	---		
N Y & Pu 11th cons g 4 1/2	M N	76 3/4	---	76 3/4	77	---	74 1/8	84 1/2	Reading Co gen gold 4 1/2	M F A	75 3/8	75 3/4	78 1/2	79	75	77	87 1/2		
N Y & Pu 12th cons g 4 1/2	M N	---	---	84 1/2	Nov '19	---	---	---	Registered	M F A	---	---	75 1/2	May '20	---	77	78 3/4		
N Y & Pu 13th cons g 4 1/2	M N	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	Jersey Central coll g 4 1/2	M F A	---	85 3/8	85 1/2	June '20	---	72	89		
N Y & Pu 14th cons g 4 1/2	M N	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	Atlantic City guar 4 1/2	M F A	---	---	---	---	---	---	---		
N Y & Pu 15th cons g 4 1/2	M N	78	---	93 1/4	May '17	---	93 1/4	93 1/4	St Jos & Grand Isl 1st g 4 1/2	M F A	55 1/2	---	60	July '20	---	55	60		
N Y & Pu 16th cons g 4 1/2	M N	103	---	103	May '17	---	---	---	St Louis & San Fran (reorg Co)	M F A	---	---	---	---	---	---	---		
N Y & Pu 17th cons g 4 1/2	M N	97 1/4	---	130 1/8	Jan '09	---	---	---	Prior Hen Ser A 4 1/2	M F A	54 1/4	---	54	54 1/4	236	52	59 1/2		
N Y & Pu 18th cons g 4 1/2	M N	99	---	95 1/4	June '20	---	95 1/4	95 1/4	Prior Hen Ser B 5 1/2	M F A	65 3/8	---	65 3/8	67	24	62 1/8	71 3/4		
N Y & Pu 19th cons g 4 1/2	M N	82 1/8	---	99 1/2	Aug '17	---	---	---	Prior Hen Ser C 6 1/2	M F A	83 1/2	---	83	83 1/2	15	81	87 1/2		
N Y & Pu 20th cons g 4 1/2	M N	64	---	82	Nov '19	---	---	---	Cum adj Ser A 6 1/2	M F A	60 1/2	---	60 1/2	61	102	56 1/4	66		
N Y & Pu 21st cons g 4 1/2	M N	64	---	77	May '20	---	87	87	Incomes Series A 6 1/2	M F A	47 3/8	---	47 1/2	48	509	39 3/8	50 1/4		
N Y & Pu 22nd cons g 4 1/2	M N	61 1/8	72 3/8	66 1/2	July '20	---	63 3/8	70 1/2	St Louis & San Fran gen 6 1/2	M F A	90 1/2	93 3/8	93	93	1	93	102		
N Y & Pu 23rd cons g 4 1/2	M N	73 1/4	---	74	July '20	---	72	81	General gold 5 1/2	M F A	84 3/4	87 3/4	85	July '20	---	85	92 3/4		
N Y & Pu 24th cons g 4 1/2	M N	68 3/4	80 1/2	70 1/8	July '20	---	67 1/4	81 3/4	St L & S F RR cons g 4 1/2	M F A	66 1/2	---	78	May '16	---	---	---		
N Y & Pu 25th cons g 4 1/2	M N	63 1/2	64 1/2	64	64	---	64	75	Southw Div 1st g 5 1/2	M F A	66	---	90	May '7	---	---	---		
N Y & Pu 26th cons g 4 1/2	M N	69	---	67 1/2	69	---	64 1/2	74 1/8	K C Ft S & M cons g 6 1/2	M F A	93	91 3/8	93	July '20	---	92 3/4	100		
N Y & Pu 27th cons g 4 1/2	M N	65	66 3/8	66 1/2	July '20	---	64	71 3/8	K C Ft S & M Ry ref g 4 1/2	M F A	59 7/8	61	59 1/2	60 3/8	8	56 3/8	70		
N Y & Pu 28th cons g 4 1/2	M N	65	66 3/8	66 1/2	July '20	---	64	71 3/8	K C M R & B 1st g 5 1/2	M F A	64	---	86	Jan '20	---	86	86 3/8		
N Y & Pu 29th cons g 4 1/2	M N	69	---	67 1/2	69	---	64 1/2	71 3/8	St L S W 1st g 4 1/2 bond cfs	M F A	45	48	45	July '20	---	39 3/4	50		
N Y & Pu 30th cons g 4 1/2	M N	65	66 3/8	66 1/2	July '20	---	64	71 3/8	2d g 4 1/2 income bond cfs	M F A	53	---	50	53	48	48 3/8	56 1/4		
N Y & Pu 31st cons g 4 1/2	M N	94 1/2	99 1/4	99 1/2	Feb '19	---	64 1/2	97 1/2	Consol gold 4 1/2	M F A	52 1/8	---	50 1/8	52 1/8	136	49	59		
N Y & Pu 32nd cons g 4 1/2	M N	70	---	70 1/4	July '20	---	68 1/2	97 1/2	1st terminal & nullifying 5 1/2	M F A	---	---	98 1/2	Jan '14	---	---	---		
N Y & Pu 33rd cons g 4 1/2	M N	47 3/4	---	47 3/4	47 3/4	---	45	51	Gray's Pt Ter 1st g 5 1/2	M F A	57 3/8	59	58	58	7	54 1/2	62		
N Y & Pu 34th cons g 4 1/2	M N	39 1/2	---	45 1/8	Feb '20	---	45 1/8	45 3/8	B A & A Pass 1st g 4 1/2	M F A	54 1/8	60	59	59	1	55	60 3/8		
N Y & Pu 35th cons g 4 1/2	M N	39	---	40 1/2	40 1/2	---	40 1/2	48 1/2	Seaboard Air Line g 4 1/2	M F A	49	50 1/8	49 1/2	49 1/2	2	49 3/8	61		
N Y & Pu 36th cons g 4 1/2	M N	45 3/4	---	45 1/2	47 1/2	---	44 1/2	55	Gold 4 1/2 stamped	M F A	33 1/2	---	32 1/2	33 1/2	91	30	41 1/2		
N Y & Pu 37th cons g 4 1/2	M N	46 3/8	---	46 3/8	47	---	45	55	Adjustment 5 1/2	M F A	39	39 3/4	40 1/8	40 1/8	1	38	49		
N Y & Pu 38th cons g 4 1/2	M N	39 3/4	40 3/8	39 1/2	40	---	39 1/2	50	Refunding 4 1/2	M F A	50	52	54	June '20	---	54	64 1/8		
N Y & Pu 39th cons g 4 1/2	M N	70 1/2	71 1/2	70 1/8	70 1/4	---	65	76 1/2	Atl Bria 30-yr 1st g 4 1/2	M F A	72 3/4	---	64	May '20	---	64	64		
N Y & Pu 40th cons g 4 1/2	M N	50	---	50	Oct '17	---	---	---	Carg Cent 1st con g 4 1/2	M F A	---	---	99 7/8	Nov '19	---	---	---		
N Y & Pu 41st cons g 4 1/2	M N	45 1/2	---	45 1/2	Jan '12	---	---	---	Sia Cent & Pen 1st ext 6 1/2	M F A	104	---	101	Dec '16	---	---	---		
N Y & Pu 42nd cons g 4 1/2	M N	60	---	60	July '18	---	---	---	1st land grant ext g 5 1/2	M F A	72	---	81	Mar '20	---	80	81 1/4		
N Y & Pu 43rd cons g 4 1/2	M N	49	---	49	Oct '19	---	---	---	Consol gold 6 1/2	M F A	80	---	93	July '19	---	---	---		
N Y & Pu 44th cons g 4 1/2	M N	62 3/8	---	62 3/8	July '20	---	62 3/8	62 3/8	Ga & Ala Ry 1st con 5 1/2	M F A	81	---	81	81	1	81	88 3/4		
N Y & Pu 45th cons g 4 1/2	M N	49 3/8	57 3/8	49	July '20	---	44	58	Ga Car & No 1st con g 5 1/2	M F A	96 1/4	---	96 1/4	May '19	---	---	---		
N Y & Pu 46th cons g 4 1/2	M N	106 1/2	---	106 1/2	May '15	---	---	---	Seaboard & Roan 1st 5 1/2	M F A	65 1/8	66	64	64 3/8	6	61 1/2	73		
N Y & Pu 47th cons g 4 1/2	M N	87	---	87	July '14	---	---	---	Southern Pacific Co	M F A	76	---	75	76	61	73 1/2	93 3/8		
N Y & Pu 48th cons g 4 1/2	M N	69 3/8	---	69 3/8	Aug '13	---	---	---	Gold 4 1/2 (Cent Pac coll)	M F A	94 3/4	---	93 3/8	95 3/8	178	93 3/8	106		
N Y & Pu 49th cons g 4 1/2	M N	39	39 1/2	39 3/4	40	---	34 1/2	44	Registered	M F A	69 3/8	---	69	69 3/8	88	65 1/8	78		
N Y & Pu 50th cons g 4 1/2	M N	70	---	70	Sept '17	---	---	---	20-year conv 4 1/2	M F A	75 1/4	---	75 3/4	75 3/4	1	75 1/8	82 1/2		
N Y & Pu 51st cons g 4 1/2	M N	32	---	32	32	---	32	40	Cent Pac 1st ref g 4 1/2	M F A	64 1/2	65 1/2	65 1/2	65 1/2	5	60 1/4	70		
N Y & Pu 52nd cons g 4 1/2	M N	67 3/8	---	67 3/8	Feb '14	---	---	---	Registered	M F A	78 1/4	---	100	Oct '18	---	---	---		
N Y & Pu 53rd cons g 4 1/2	M N	74	---	74 1/2	Dec '19	---	---	---	Mort guar gold 3 1/2	M F A	70 1/8	---	87	Mar '20	---	87	87		
N Y & Pu 54th cons g 4 1/2	M N	51	55 1/2	51	55 1/2	---	51	61 1/8	Through St L 1st g 4 1/2	M F A	85	95	95	Nov '18	---	---	---		
N Y & Pu 55th cons g 4 1/2	M N	92 1/2	---	92 1/2	June '12	---	---	---	G H & S A M & P 1st 5 1/2	M F A	80 3/8	84 3/8	84 3/8	July '20	---	81 1/2	85 1/4		
N Y & Pu 56th cons g 4 1/2	M N	60	---	60	Apr '20	---	---	---	1st guar 5 1/2	M F A	81	---	100	Oct '16	---	---	---		
N Y & Pu 57th cons g 4 1/2	M N	54	---	54	54	---	---	---	H & T C 1st g 5 1/2	M F A	84 3/8	89	84 3/8	May '20	---	84 3/8	93 3/4		
N Y & Pu 58th cons g 4 1/2	M N	71 3/4	83 3/8	77 3/8	Apr '20	---	77 3/8	77 3/8	Oen gold 4 1/2 int guar	M F A	90 1/8	95	94	June '20	---	93	94		
N Y & Pu 59th cons g 4 1/2	M N	99 3/8	100	100	July '20	---	100	104 3/8	Waco & N W div 1st g 6 1/2	M F A	85	---	85	Mar '20	---	85	87		
N Y & Pu 60th cons g 4 1/2	M N	98	---	122	Nov '16	---	---	---	A & N W 1st g 4 1/2	M F A	95	99	100 1/4	Oct '17	---	91 1/8	93 3/8		
N Y & Pu 61st cons g 4 1/2	M N	74 1/8	---	74 1/8	74 1/8	---	67 1/4	70 1/2	Louisiana West 1st 6 1/2	M F A	86	---	86	86	9	85 1/2	93 3/8		
N Y & Pu 62nd cons g 4 1/2	M N	79	---	79	Oct '19														

SHARE PRICES—NOT PER CENTUM PRICES.

Table with columns for days of the week (Saturday to Friday) and stock prices. Includes sub-headers for 'Saturday July 24', 'Monday July 26', 'Tuesday July 27', 'Wednesday July 28', 'Thursday July 29', and 'Friday July 30'.

Sales for the Week. Shares

STOCKS BOSTON STOCK EXCHANGE

Main table of stock prices. Columns include 'Range Since Jan. 1.' (Lowest, Highest) and 'Range for Previous Year 1919.' (Lowest, Highest). Lists various stocks like Boston & Albany, Boston Elevated, etc.

* Bid and asked prices. b Ex-stock dividend d Ex-dividend and rights. e Assessment paid. h Ex-rights. z Ex-dividend. w Half-paid.

Outside Stock Exchanges

Boston Bond Record.—Transactions in bonds at Boston Stock Exchange July 24 to July 30, both inclusive:

Bonds—	Friday Last Sale. Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week.	Range since Jan. 1.	
		Low.	High.		Low.	High.
U S Lib Loan 3 1/2s. 1932-47		90.64	91.12	\$7,150	89.04	100.00
1st Lib Loan 4s. 1932-47		85.34	85.84	25,800	82.04	93.04
2d Lib Loan 4s. 1927-42		81.34	84.54	1,400	82.04	92.34
1st Lib L'n 4 1/2s. 1932-47		84.54	86.00	18,200	82.14	93.80
2d Lib L'n 4 1/2s. 1927-42		84.54	85.02	17,850	81.60	92.98
3d Lib Loan 4 1/2s. 1923		88.40	89.20	9,400	86.00	94.96
4th Lib L'n 4 1/2s. 1933-38		84.84	85.34	127,450	81.74	92.98
Victory 4 1/2s. 1922-23		95.44	95.92	30,450	94.84	99.30
Am Tel & Tel conv 6s. 1925		93	93	3,000	93	99 1/2
At G & W 1 SS L 5s. 1959	70	70	70 1/2	7,500	69	81
Carson Hill Gold 7s. 1923		104	115	4,000	100	150
Chie June & U S Y 5s. 1940		74	75	11,000	74	84 1/2
Gt Nor-C B & Q 4s. 1921		93 3/8	93 3/8	2,000	93 3/8	95 3/8
Milehigan Tel 5s. 1924		84	84	1,000	84	84
Miss River Power 5s. 1951	71 1/2	71	71 1/2	25,000	69 3/4	76
N E Telephone 5s. 1932		79	79	1,000	78	85
New River 5s. 1934		79	79	7,000	75	80
Pond Creek Coal 6s. 1923		92	92	3,000	92	93 1/2
Swift & Co 1st 5s. 1944	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2	10,000	82	93 1/2

Chicago Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Chicago Stock Exchange July 24 to July 30, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Stocks—	Par.	Friday Last Sale. Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range since Jan. 1.	
			Low.	High.		Low.	High.
American Radiator new 100	70	68	72	244	68	85	
Amer Shipbuilding pref. 100		75	75	60	73	80 1/2	
Armour & Co pref. 100	91 1/2	91 1/2	93 1/2	910	90 3/4	110 3/4	
Armour Leather 15	16	15 1/2	16 1/2	10,955	15 1/2	17 1/2	
Preferred 100		01 1/2	04 1/2	211	01 1/2	05 1/2	
Beaver Board (*) 100		49	49	25	47	58	
Preferred 100		75	86	90	75	90	
Briscoe common (*) 38		38	42	340	38	75	
Case (J) 10 1/2		10	11 1/2	700	10	24 1/2	
Chi C&C Ry part sh pf. (*) 7		7	7	150	6	11 1/2	
Chicago Elev Ry pref. 100		5 1/2	5 1/2	160	3	8 1/2	
Chicago Title & Trust 100		202	202	75	200	215	
Commonwealth Edison 100		102 1/2	102 1/2	110	101 1/2	108	
Continental Motors 10	9	9	9 1/2	1,345	8 3/4	13 1/2	
Cudahy Pack Co com 100	84	83	84	190	82	101	
Deere & Co pref. 100		95	95 3/4	200	94 3/4	102	
Hart, Snuff & Marx com 100		77	77	75	77	96	
Holland-Amer Sugar 10		15 1/2	16 1/2	250	15	18 3/4	
Hupp Motor 10		14	15 1/2	2,605	13	23 1/2	
Inland Steel 100		58 1/2	58 1/2	100	58 1/2	58 1/2	
Libby, McNeill & Libby 10	12	12	12 1/2	7,125	12	32	
"Warrants" 10		12	12 1/2	850	11 1/2	12 1/2	
Lindsay Light 10	7	7 3/4	8	1,025	5	9 1/2	
National Leather 10	11	11	11 1/2	3,184	10 3/4	15 1/2	
Orpheum Circuit, Inc. 1		25	27 1/2	470	25	35	
Plek (Albert) & Co. (*) 40		40	40	610	40	50 3/4	
PigglyWiggly Stores, Inc (*) 38		38	38	50	38	43	
Quaker Oats Co pref. 100		89	89	30	89	98 1/2	
Reo Motor 10	22	22	22 1/2	775	21	28	
Sears-Roebuck com 100	137	137	142	675	137	243	
Shaw W W, com (*) 266		266	69	702	61	90	
Standard Gas & El pref. 50		35	36	135	35	42 1/2	
Stewart War Speed com 100	287 1/2	287 1/2	40 1/2	10,625	37	50 1/2	
Swift & Co 100	107 1/2	106 1/2	107 1/2	3,485	106 1/2	128	
Swift International 15	31 1/2	31 1/2	34 1/2	4,825	31 1/2	55	
Temtor Prod C & F "A" (*) 40		40 1/2	41	130	40	49	
Union Carbide & Carbon 10	63 1/2	63 1/2	64 1/2	5,980	54 3/4	74 1/2	
United Iron Works v t c. 50		25	26	445	24	42	
United Paper Bd com 100	27 1/2	27 1/2	28 1/2	2,165	20	29	
Vesta Battery Corp. (*) 33		33	34	85	33	40	
Wahl Co. (*) 52		49 1/2	53 1/2	1,655	36 1/2	56	
Ward, Mountg & Co pref 100	101	101	101	25	101	116	
When issued 20	31	30 1/2	32	2,605	30 1/2	40	
Waldorf System Inc. 10		19 1/2	19 1/2	100	19	23	
Western Knitting Mills. (*) 18		18	18	250	17	23 1/2	
Wilson & Co com. (*) 52		52 1/2	52 1/2	80	52	76	
Wrigley Jr com. 25	75	74 1/2	75	460	73 1/2	81 1/2	
Rights 85		4 1/2	4 1/2	85	4 1/2	4 1/2	

* No par value. z Ex-dividend.

Pittsburgh Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Pittsburgh Stock Exchange July 24 to July 30, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Stocks—	Par.	Friday Last Sale. Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range since Jan. 1.	
			Low.	High.		Low.	High.
Amer Wind Glass Mach 100	110	109	113	265	109	135	
Am Wind Glass Co pf. 100		101	101	200	99 1/2	104	
Arkansas Nat Gas com 100	10 1/2	10	12 1/2	16,090	10	45	
Barnsdall Corp class B. 25		36 1/2	37	200	36	45	
Carbo-Hydrogen Co com. 5		1 1/2	1 1/2	100	1 1/2	3 1/2	
Preferred 5	3 3/4	3 3/4	3 3/4	80	3 3/4	5	
Cruible Steel pref. 100	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	50	92	100	
Dollar Savings & Trust—Se	below						
Guffey Gillesp Oil. (no par)	27 1/2	27 1/2	28 1/2	1,760	25 1/2	39	
Habitshaw El Cable (no par)		15 1/2	16 1/2	390	14 1/2	17	
Indep Brewing pref. 50	10	10	10	8	8	15 1/2	
Kay County Gas. 1 1/2		1 1/2	1 1/2	1,550	1 1/2	2 1/2	
Lone Star Gas. 25	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2	490	25	45 1/2	
Mfrs' Light & Heat. 50	50 1/2	48 1/2	50 1/2	725	48 1/2	61 1/2	
Marland Petroleum. 5	4 3/4	4 3/4	4 3/4	2,642	4	6 1/2	
Nat Fireproofing com. 50	5 1/2	5 1/2	6 3/4	240	5 1/2	9 1/2	
Preferred. 50	12	12	13 1/2	830	12	19 1/2	
Ohio Fuel Oil. 1	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	110	22 1/2	34 1/2	
Ohio Fuel Supply. 25	48	48	48 1/2	167	44	55 1/2	
Oklahoma Natural Gas. 25	30	30	31	792	30	52 1/2	
Pittsb Brewing pref. 50		12	12 1/2	110	11 1/2	18 1/2	
Pittsburgh Coal pref. 100	85	85	85 1/2	75	85	92	
Pittsb-Jerome Copper. 1	8c	8c	9c	2,500	4c	25c	
Pittsb & Mt Shasta Cop. 1	29c	29c	33c	5,700	34c	53c	
Pittsb Oil & Gas. 100		12 1/2	14	990	11	18	
Pittsb Plate Glass. 100	150	150	152	300	150	172	
Pittsburgh Trust Co. 100		209	200	10	200	200	
Union Natural Gas. 100		117 1/2	117 1/2	10	117 1/2	130	
U S Glass. 100		58	58	100	52	64 1/2	
U S Steel Corp com. 100		88 3/8	90	285	88 3/8	107 1/2	
Westhouse Air Brake. 50	104	103	105	187	103	118 1/2	
Westhouse El & Mfg com. 50		47 1/2	48 1/2	273	45 1/2	55	

Note.—Sold July 16 and not reported, 30 shares Dollar Savings & Trust Co. at 215.

Baltimore Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Baltimore Stock Exchange, July 24 to July 30, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Stocks—	Par.	Friday Last Sale. Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range since Jan. 1.	
			Low.	High.		Low.	High.
Arundel Corporation. 50			31	31	100	30	40
Atlantic Petroleum. 10			3 1/2	3 3/4	400	2 3/4	4 1/2
Celestine Oil. 1	1.40		1.40	1.70	3,934	1.05	3.40
Central Teresa Sugar. 10			5 1/2	5 3/4	10	5 1/2	9 1/2
Preferred. 10			7 1/2	8	245	7 1/2	11
Commercial Credit. 25			39 1/2	39 1/2	117	39	46
Preferred. 25			22	22	6	22	29
Consol Gas, E L & P. 100	97		97	97	177	95 1/2	103 1/2
Consolidation Coal. 100	78		77	78 1/2	96	74 1/2	89
Cosden & Co, pref. 5			3 3/4	3 1/2	435	3 3/4	4 1/2
Davison Chemical, no par	z36 1/2		z36	38	155	32 1/2	44 1/2
Elkhorn Coal Corp, pref. 50			37	37	15	32	44
Houston Oil pref tr etfs. 100	70		70	70	298	67 1/2	93 1/2
Manufac Finance, pref. 100			25	25	15	25	25
Mt V-Wood M, pf v tr 100	70		70	71 1/2	247	70	95
Northern Central. 50			61	61	55	60	70
Pennsyl Water & Pow. 100	79 1/2		78 3/4	80 3/8	355	74	84 1/2
United Ry & Electric. 50			12	12	215	11	15
Wash Balt & Annap. 50			16	16	75	13	20 1/2

Philadelphia Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Philadelphia Stock Exchange, July 24 to July 30, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Stocks—	Par.	Friday Last Sale. Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range since Jan. 1.	
			Low.	High.		Low.	High.
Alliance Insurance. 10			19 1/2	19 1/2	67	19 1/2	23
American Gas. 100	36		35	36	62	31	36 1/2
American Railways, pf. 100	30		30	30	22	30	64 1/2
American Stores. no par	43 1/2		43 1/2	44	505	37 1/2	46 1/2
1st preferred. 100	91		91	91	10	90	93
Elec Storage Battery. 100	116 1/2		114 1/2	118 1/2	2,055	99	141
Warrants. 100			14 1/2	19	2,252	14 1/2	25
General Asphalt. 100			55	55	100	55	130
Preferred. 100	92		89	96 1/2	1,017	89	193
Insurance Co of N A. 10	28 1/2		28	29	495	27 1/2	37 1/2
J G Brill Co. 100	36		36	38	320	36	58 1/2
Lake Superior Corp. 100	12 1/2		12	13 1/2	3,460	12	22
Lehigh Navigation. 50	258		58	59 1/2	241	57	65
Lehigh Valley. 50			42	43	224	40 1/2	47 1/2
Minehill & S H. 50			41	41	19	40	50
Pa Cent Lt & Pow, pref. 100			41	41	25	41	43 1/2
Pennsylvania Salt Mfg. 50	66		66	66	49	64	76
Pennsylvania. 50			30 3/4	30 3/4	2,453	37 1/2	43 1/2
Philadelphia Co (Pitts). 50			83 3/4	83 3/4	30	33 1/2	42 1/2
Preferred (5%). 50			2				

trustworthiness of this record of "Curb" transactions, and we give it for what it may be worth.

Table with columns: Week ending July 30, Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale, Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Shares, Range since Jan. 1. Includes sections for Industrial & Miscell., Former Standard Oil Subsidiaries, and Other Oil Stocks.

Table with columns: Other Oil Stocks (Concluded), Par, Friday Last Sale, Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Shares, Range since Jan. 1. Includes sections for Mining Stocks and Bonds.

Table of Bonds (Concluded) and German Government and Municipal Bonds. Columns include Bond Name, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1 (Low, High).

* Odd lots. † No par value. ‡ Listed as a prospect. § Listed on the Stock Exchange this week, where additional transactions will be found. ¶ New stock. † Unlisted. w When issued. x Ex-dividend. y Ex-rights. z Ex-stock dividend. ‡ Dollars per 1,000 lire, flat. k Correction.

FOREIGN TRADE OF NEW YORK—MONTHLY STATEMENT.

Table showing Foreign Trade of New York with columns for Month, Merchandise Movement at New York (Imports, Exports), and Customs Receipts at New York (Imports, Exports) for 1919-20 and 1918-19.

Movement of gold and silver for the 12 months:

Table showing Movement of Gold and Silver for the 12 months, with columns for Month, Gold Movement at New York (Imports, Exports), and Silver—New York (Imports, Exports) for 1919-20 and 1918-19.

New York City Banks and Trust Companies.

All prices dollars per share.

Table listing New York City Banks and Trust Companies with columns for Bank Name, Bid, Ask, and other financial details.

* 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.

Table listing New York City Realty and Surety Companies with columns for Bid, Ask, and other financial details.

Quotations for Sundry Securities

All bond prices are "and interest" except where marked "r."

Large table of Quotations for Sundry Securities, including Standard Oil Stocks, RR. Equipments, Tobacco Stocks, and Short Term Securities, with columns for Bid, Ask, and other financial details.

* 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	1,104,581	Missouri Kan & Tex	May	2,921,105	2,702,458	14,747,577	12,805,946
Ann Arbor	3d wk July	96,856	91,400	2,537,579	2,212,532	Mo K & T Ry of Tex	May	2,043,521	2,081,970	11,284,238	9,339,395
Ach Topeka & S Fe	June	1,632,196	1,367,938	99,492,068	78,416,846	Mo & North Arkan	June	148,715	112,671	907,345	703,348
Gulf Colo & S Fe	May	1,881,229	1,548,262	10,366,793	7,326,798	Missouri Pacific	June	9,407,646	7,373,212	53,575,506	42,039,701
Panhandle & S Fe	May	678,472	438,965	3,267,215	1,994,600	Mouongahela	June	238,852	275,936	1,638,637	1,757,784
Atlanta Birm & Atl	May	457,741	413,051	2,317,616	2,002,199	Mouongahela Conn.	June	219,250	98,485	1,513,167	832,668
Atlanta & West Pt.	May	228,411	233,703	1,241,817	1,135,117	Montour	June	150,066	113,543	551,272	559,143
Atlantic City	May	385,294	458,519	1,439,709	1,530,937	Nashv Chart & St L	June	2,004,493	1,460,370	11,795,216	9,061,398
Atlantic Coast Line	June	5,502,056	4,903,597	36,919,086	32,858,908	Nevada-Cal-Oregon	1st wk July	7,780	8,251	142,708	142,645
Baltimore & Ohio	May	1,826,318	1,432,744	82,201,815	64,526,634	Nevada Northern	May	163,437	139,561	768,424	674,797
B & O Chic Term.	May	132,351	149,065	867,488	621,190	Newburgh & Sou Sh	June	139,664	136,368	774,826	841,164
Bangor & Aroostook	May	581,914	427,962	2,715,241	2,238,328	New Or Great Nor.	June	205,513	173,107	1,231,718	1,054,885
Belt Ry of Chicago	May	252,540	307,712	1,539,270	1,268,807	N O Texas & Mexico	May	199,230	185,420	963,360	744,173
Bessemer & L Eric.	May	787,510	1,452,739	3,543,222	4,319,664	Beaum S L & W	May	185,449	87,398	835,908	523,469
Bingham & Garfield	June	157,483	74,795	909,055	583,295	St L Browns & M	May	720,354	451,038	3,096,837	2,034,215
Birmingham South	June	55,536	33,618	291,709	304,739	New York Central	May	2,706,632	2,400,563	12,915,002	11,547,282
Boston & Maine	May	6,819,856	5,605,073	30,801,768	25,925,472	Ind Harbor Belt	May	587,866	496,169	2,957,316	2,467,285
Bklyn E D Terminal	May	51,204	85,164	367,491	360,572	Lake Erie & West	May	848,592	742,297	3,983,473	3,682,051
Buff Roch & Pittsb	3d wk July	462,179	288,235	11,101,846	7,830,019	Michigan Central	May	6,199,722	6,166,489	31,377,211	28,687,751
Buffalo & Susq	May	224,414	161,443	1,131,736	828,251	Cincinnati North	May	269,198	244,464	1,277,746	1,163,730
Canadian Nat Rys.	3d wk July	2,222,500	1,746,289	51,721,278	46,604,648	Clev C C & St L	May	6,318,219	5,539,159	33,208,256	26,264,269
Canadian Pacific	3d wk July	3,648,000	3,202,000	101,305,000	84,494,000	Pitts & Lake Erie	June	1,909,848	2,077,860	12,855,945	13,558,113
Can Pac Lines in Me	May	175,247	124,379	1,374,040	1,435,195	Tol & Ohio Cent.	May	851,062	817,142	4,050,901	3,123,757
Caro Clinch & Ohio	April	609,225	446,073	2,187,447	1,796,087	Kanawha & Mich	May	470,300	449,835	1,840,464	1,546,540
Central of Georgia	May	1,788,736	1,656,785	10,211,073	8,374,458	N Y Chic & St Louis	May	1,850,564	1,962,284	10,060,193	10,037,944
Central RR of N J	May	3,532,857	3,467,309	16,004,562	16,641,811	N Y N H & Hartf.	May	10,000,392	8,507,620	44,919,039	38,570,274
Cent New England	May	566,293	694,716	2,201,716	2,574,376	N Y Ont & Western	May	1,030,375	950,005	3,935,101	3,662,272
Central Vermont	May	638,460	476,832	2,566,715	2,122,136	N Y Susq & West.	May	414,781	335,663	1,641,203	1,525,284
Charleston & W Car	June	261,163	180,090	1,699,616	1,478,481	Norfolk Southern	June	622,605	461,265	3,864,602	3,081,226
Ches & Ohio Lines	May	6,739,755	6,528,053	31,796,586	28,066,217	Norfolk & Western	June	6,396,562	5,467,401	36,696,997	35,358,796
Chicago & Alton	June	2,504,936	2,188,101	13,174,469	12,081,991	Northern Pacific	May	7,981,879	7,574,797	42,405,530	37,524,437
Chic Burl & Quincy	May	13,087,310	11,698,694	69,151,060	56,265,549	Minn & Internat.	May	95,248	95,099	545,690	456,274
Chicago & East Ill.	May	2,033,327	2,051,638	11,887,410	9,507,013	Northwestern Pacific	May	637,437	545,246	2,679,490	2,128,598
Chicago Great West	May	1,655,241	1,596,772	9,088,600	8,026,632	Pacific Coast	May	432,459	572,895	2,567,689	2,081,057
Chic Ind & Louisv.	May	1,160,876	993,641	5,656,958	4,522,881	Pennsyl RR & Co.	May	40,108,665	40,321,410	190,279,592	183,730,589
Chic Junction	May	218,883	314,915	1,244,618	1,378,650	Balt Ches & Atl	May	118,781	117,714	504,997	516,784
Chic Milw & St Paul	May	11,032,590	10,660,417	62,154,805	56,209,942	Long Island	May	2,033,322	2,328,051	8,231,848	8,898,687
Chic & North West	May	12,744,632	11,335,680	58,977,889	50,069,946	Mary Del & Va.	May	105,429	102,870	395,583	451,204
Chic Peoria & St L.	May	153,113	135,427	781,081	496,282	N Y Phila & Norf	May	519,590	607,541	2,878,911	3,061,404
Chic R I & Pacific	May	10,203,561	8,413,300	51,121,766	40,295,542	Tol Poor & West.	May	145,524	114,829	749,920	640,701
Chic R I & Gulf	May	465,008	365,883	2,614,882	1,829,342	W Jersey & Seash	May	970,714	870,298	4,102,913	3,890,657
Chic St P M & Om	May	2,313,018	2,058,907	12,213,375	10,354,732	Pitts C C & St L	April	8,082,920	6,920,967	26,073,527	20,940,762
Chic Terre II & S E.	May	372,070	298,005	1,923,129	1,555,467	Peoria & Pekin Un.	May	99,800	105,701	629,725	492,391
Cinc Ind & Western	May	318,277	246,894	1,674,181	1,132,958	Pere Marquette	May	3,161,077	2,811,977	14,030,404	12,794,694
Colo & Southern	2d wk July	541,993	471,958	14,558,072	12,628,493	Perkiomen	May	95,121	91,391	472,725	418,161
Ft W & Den City	May	885,293	883,751	4,310,803	4,146,492	Phila Beth & N E	May	138,517	57,448	487,204	358,141
Trin & Brazos Val	May	136,299	96,245	739,680	501,352	Phila & Reading	May	7,294,060	6,003,318	34,188,619	26,659,742
Colo & Wyoming	May	90,799	94,011	360,059	473,522	Pittsb & Shawmut	June	120,526	89,179	764,356	535,973
Copper Range	May	65,129	79,051	354,616	402,772	Pittsb Shaw & North	May	103,502	76,469	567,205	406,109
Cuba Railroad	May	1,427,950	1,282,646	6,558,671	6,172,343	Pittsb & West Va.	May	184,153	107,986	715,438	529,159
Camaguey & Nuev	May	213,684	181,781	---	---	Port Reading	May	134,588	232,284	771,440	1,055,598
Delaware & Hudson	May	2,836,639	2,865,022	13,996,379	13,038,820	Quincy Om & K C	April	95,698	91,260	418,066	336,858
Del Lack & Western	June	6,622,859	6,230,382	33,162,829	34,162,323	Rich Fred & Potom.	June	814,204	1,216,107	5,510,288	6,376,312
Deny & Rio Grande	May	2,953,227	2,388,883	14,509,015	11,529,155	Rutland	June	485,387	407,932	2,595,250	2,201,432
Denver & Salt Lake	May	195,249	236,025	890,649	898,579	St Jos & Grand Isl'd	May	249,921	200,955	1,267,077	1,092,245
Detroit & Mackinac	May	155,127	130,480	717,850	583,463	St Louis-San Fran.	May	6,945,326	5,850,155	34,974,331	29,220,477
Detroit Tol & Iron	May	399,292	247,653	1,833,312	1,446,986	Ft W & Rio Gran	May	134,898	117,529	787,268	541,182
Det & Tol Shore L.	May	180,298	154,179	705,012	735,293	St L S F of Texas	May	139,441	100,933	674,507	513,622
Dul & Iron Range	May	1,328,242	1,159,270	1,943,605	2,052,670	St Louis Southwest	2d wk July	452,000	363,000	---	---
Dul Missaba & Nor.	May	1,995,178	3,361,898	2,857,950	5,090,222	St L S W of Texas	May	683,730	501,227	3,562,751	2,361,123
Dul Sou Shore & Atl	3d wk July	112,203	117,250	2,775,453	2,399,678	St Louis Transfer	April	44,522	70,823	450,613	320,392
Duluth Winn & Pac	May	183,680	143,861	978,579	835,127	San Ant & Aran Pass	May	338,470	335,135	1,792,253	1,615,810
East St Louis Conn.	April	36,592	92,205	419,349	361,238	San Ant Uvalde & G.	May	155,479	128,997	601,807	443,830
Elgin Joliet & East.	May	1,770,149	1,522,132	8,805,919	8,791,618	Seaboard Air Line	June	3,970,125	3,356,089	24,677,065	20,449,365
El Paso & So West.	May	1,021,969	1,053,023	5,681,762	5,233,845	South Buffalo	June	124,487	57,994	657,637	554,526
Erie Railroad	June	8,896,433	7,531,200	45,695,796	41,831,624	Southern Pacific	May	15,784,821	13,114,866	71,732,292	62,016,809
Chicago & Erie	May	1,029,803	902,257	4,268,169	4,144,042	Arizona Eastern	May	310,051	313,148	1,645,051	1,561,281
Nev Jersey & N Y	May	103,628	93,537	488,395	406,759	Galv Harris & S A	May	2,003,953	1,724,307	9,493,912	8,291,690
Florida East Coast	May	1,114,726	856,479	6,217,981	4,656,586	Hous & Tex Cent.	May	905,427	750,930	4,435,960	3,363,466
Fonda Johns & Glov	May	127,003	107,797	549,743	471,488	Hous E & W Tex.	May	253,276	191,811	1,171,912	919,944
Ft Smith & Western	May	141,418	125,945	732,751	594,449	Louisiana West.	May	408,007	381,793	2,069,896	1,611,034
Galveston Wharf	May	118,177	62,184	516,747	326,383	Morg La & Texas	May	807,662	654,506	4,074,275	2,933,410
Georgia Railroad	May	532,682	463,483	2,639,869	2,557,017	Texas & New Or	May	735,933	661,364	3,733,186	3,072,767
Georgia & Florida	May	107,960	67,033	553,221	401,312	Southern Railway	3d wk July	2,797,091	2,709,497	80,813,177	66,569,494
Grand Trunk Syst.	3d wk July	2,387,118	1,799,020	---	---	Ala Great South	May	844,677	887,217	4,195,032	4,075,879
Ch D & C G T Jct	May	92,915									

Latest Gross Earnings by Weeks.—In the table which follows we sum up separately the earnings for the third week of July. The table covers 16 roads and shows 17.60% increase in the aggregate over the same week last year.

Third Week of July.	1920.	1919.	Increase.	Decrease.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Ann Arbor	96,856	91,400	5,456	-----
Buffalo Rochester & Pittsburgh	462,170	288,236	173,934	-----
Canadian National Rys	2,222,500	1,746,289	476,211	-----
Canadian Pacific	3,648,000	3,202,000	446,000	-----
Duluth South Shore & Atlantic	112,203	117,250	-----	5,047
Georgia Southern & Florida	94,019	76,282	17,737	-----
Grand Trunk of Canada	-----	-----	-----	-----
Grand Trunk Western	2,387,118	1,799,020	588,098	-----
Detroit Grand Haven & Mil	-----	-----	-----	-----
Canada Atlantic	-----	-----	-----	-----
Mineral Range	14,771	10,182	4,589	-----
Mobile & Ohio	316,619	298,493	18,126	-----
Southern Railway	2,797,094	2,709,497	87,597	-----
Tennessee Alabama & Georgia	4,121	2,099	2,022	-----
Texas & Pacific	701,858	692,606	9,252	-----
Western Maryland	373,467	269,296	104,171	-----
Total (16 roads)	13,230,796	11,302,650	1,933,193	5,047
Net increase (17.60%)	-----	-----	1,928,146	-----

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

Roads	Gross Earnings		Net Earnings	
	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Atch Top & S Fe. b. June	16,321,964	13,679,380	3,084,726	2,897,032
Jan 1 to June 30	99,492,068	78,416,816	24,569,113	16,040,697
Atlantic Coast Line. b. June	5,502,056	4,903,597	117,468	663,381
Jan 1 to June 30	36,919,086	32,858,908	6,382,721	5,793,094
Bingham & Garfield. b. June	157,483	74,795	44,667	def53,429
Jan 1 to June 30	909,055	583,295	248,829	def97,680
Birmingham South. b. June	55,536	38,648	5,054	5,603
Jan 1 to June 30	291,709	304,739	14,097	82,545
Canadian Pacific. a. June	16,480,575	13,577,274	2,630,818	2,990,422
Jan 1 to June 30	92,057,586	76,722,267	11,428,188	12,186,480
Charles & West Caro. b. June	261,163	180,090	def24,092	def45,732
Jan 1 to June 30	1,699,616	1,478,481	23,457	144,686
Chicago & Alton. b. June	2,504,936	2,188,104	413,593	177,448
Jan 1 to June 30	13,174,469	12,081,991	1,092,072	917,371
Delaware Lack & West. b. June	6,622,859	6,230,382	1,020,357	1,527,477
Jan 1 to June 30	33,162,829	34,162,332	2,497,560	7,494,037
Erie. b. June	8,896,433	7,531,200	def333,496	df1,237,408
Jan 1 to June 30	45,695,796	41,831,624	df3,562,329	df6,287,756
Great Northern. b. June	10,472,912	8,931,273	1,788,778	1,560,667
Jan 1 to June 30	54,240,435	47,272,184	5,909,387	5,585,352
Lehigh & New Eng. b. June	351,845	307,659	60,304	85,994
Jan 1 to June 30	2,076,171	1,591,508	466,873	309,540
Louisville & Nashv. b. June	10,124,211	8,441,163	df1,386,844	df2,616,090
Jan 1 to June 30	58,323,051	50,459,171	3,068,702	5,254,724
Missouri & Nor Ark. b. June	148,715	112,671	def34,864	def77,589
Jan 1 to June 30	907,345	703,348	def137,100	365,def880
Missouri Pacific. b. June	9,407,646	7,373,212	1,542,798	850,835
Jan 1 to June 30	53,575,506	42,039,701	6,792,388	3,099,106
Montour. b. June	150,066	113,543	13,423	def22,734
Jan 1 to June 30	551,272	559,143	def145,468	def139,723
Nash Chatt & St L. b. June	2,004,493	1,460,370	259,764	84,841
Jan 1 to June 30	11,795,216	9,061,398	1,311,386	152,383
Newburgh & So Sh. b. June	139,664	136,368	37	8,063
Jan 1 to June 30	774,826	841,164	34,604	143,159
New Or Great No. b. June	205,513	173,107	15,944	def28,669
Jan 1 to June 30	1,231,718	1,054,885	124,162	15,745
New York Central System—				
Pittsb & Lake Erie. b. June	1,909,848	2,077,860	def798,960	118,019
Jan 1 to June 30	12,855,945	13,558,113	df1,596,210	1,294,719
Norfolk Southern. b. June	622,606	461,265	2,490	2,490
Jan 1 to June 30	3,864,602	2,981,226	279,089	def762
Norfolk & Western. b. June	6,396,562	5,467,401	df1,787,577	973,504
Jan 1 to June 30	36,696,997	35,358,796	def389,033	6,123,994
Pennsylvania System—				
Monongahela. b. June	288,852	275,936	def31,784	80,272
Jan 1 to June 30	1,638,637	1,757,784	def73,124	384,608
Pittsb & Shawmut. b. June	120,526	8,179	def5,215	def28,872
Jan 1 to June 30	764,356	535,973	90,083	def139,186
Richm Fred & Potom. b. June	814,204	1,216,107	167,354	579,507
Jan 1 to June 30	5,540,288	6,376,312	1,691,621	2,776,735
Rutland. b. June	485,387	407,932	def114,763	62,223
Jan 1 to June 30	2,595,250	2,201,432	def229,888	38,851
Seaboard Air Line. b. June	3,970,125	3,356,089	df1,192,139	df2,994,070
Jan 1 to June 30	24,677,065	20,419,365	def155,362	df2,251,222
Staten Isl Rap Tran. b. June	212,949	210,244	17,194	36,556
Jan 1 to June 30	1,038,608	1,073,279	def47,557	116,881
Virginian. b. June	1,372,154	1,136,424	395,491	407,094
Jan 1 to June 30	7,225,443	5,109,859	1,766,467	790,144
Union Pacific System. b. June	15,904,362	13,583,576	2,260,371	3,605,479
Jan 1 to June 30	92,882,262	79,273,350	25,041,593	20,864,650

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

	Gross Earnings.	Net After Taxes.	Other Income.	Gross Income.	Fixed Charges.	Balance, Surplus.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Cuba Railroad Co—						
May '20	1,427,950	335,004	11,271	346,275	100,894	245,381
'19	1,282,646	436,240	8,372	444,612	103,340	341,272
11 mos '20	12,880,807	3,235,392	127,560	3,362,952	1,119,008	2,243,944
'19	11,138,768	2,910,743	150,416	3,061,159	1,168,025	1,893,133
Camaguey & Nuevitas Railroad Co—						
May '20	213,634	80,104	-----	-----	-----	-----
'19	184,781	89,624	-----	-----	-----	-----
11 mos '20	1,716,028	584,483	-----	-----	-----	-----
'19	1,501,252	574,814	-----	-----	-----	-----

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	June	177,464	123,891	1,051,433	807,945
Alabama Power Co.	May	333,462	211,173	1,620,642	1,156,947
Atlantic Shore Ry	April	17,396	10,332	54,738	45,487
Bangor Ry & Electric	May	38,237	28,559	190,134	143,051
Baton Rouge Elec Co	June	37,449	29,498	227,583	172,549
Blackstone V G & El	June	271,326	201,721	1,585,960	1,314,240
Brazilian Trac. L & P	May	10985000	9562,000	50,166,000	44,594,000

Name of Road or Company.	Latest Gross Earnings.			Jan. 1 to Latest Date	
	Month.	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.
		\$	\$	\$	\$
Bklyn Rap Tran Sys	March	849,189	-----	2,401,385	-----
aBklyn City RR	March	6,924	767,824	20,156	2,147,196
aBklyn Hts RR	March	185,641	148,329	529,209	415,898
Coney Isl & Bklyn	March	4,649	3,839	12,945	9,695
Coney Isl & Grave	March	504,046	433,424	1,450,105	1,207,888
Nassau Electric	March	73,663	52,596	217,101	169,014
South Brooklyn	March	1859,981	1324,840	5,085,766	3,728,507
New York Consol	March	145,009	120,721	418,154	328,167
Bklyn Qu Co & Sub	March	49,174	46,529	285,839	277,413
Cape Breton Elec Co	June	39,453	34,523	237,359	199,257
Cent Miss V El Prop	May	108,660	74,545	541,299	389,790
Chattanooga Ry & Lt	June	2137,241	1601,017	12,743,300	10,762,818
Cities Service Co	June	69,879	54,064	287,835	243,521
Cleve Painov & East	June	1233,720	1067,919	7,500,727	6,108,464
eColumbia Gas & Elec	June	130,288	104,852	783,705	610,516
Columbus (Ga) El Co	June	2438,654	2055,620	12,574,060	10,322,201
Com'w'th P, Ry & Lt	May	117,543	96,005	717,801	597,297
Connecticut Power Co	May	1097,713	894,440	5,715,390	4,567,031
Consum Pow (Mich)	May	239,753	201,289	1,180,505	1,022,445
Cumb Co (Me) P & L	May	255,315	200,133	1,790,210	1,411,791
Dayton Pow & Light	June	1607,804	1185,753	10,309,003	7,837,060
d Detroit Edison	June	160,639	159,782	969,693	933,765
Duluth-Superior Trac	May	322,694	252,740	1,661,439	1,321,342
East St Louis & Sub	June	134,052	110,620	759,393	650,802
Eastern Texas Elec	June	111,006	81,003	676,982	529,381
Edison El of Brockton	June	29,193	20,295	162,970	132,109
Ellec Light & Pow Co	June	48,482	123,870	911,466	750,870
e El Paso Electric Co	June	123,916	107,025	457,893	460,677
Equitable Coke Co.	June	71,130	63,243	412,723	341,253
Fall River Gas Works	April	369,621	316,314	1,552,585	1,311,718
Federal Light & Trac	May	168,716	90,675	811,071	512,886
Ft Worth Pow & Lt.	June	325,157	255,778	1,760,161	1,469,882
Galv-Hous Elec Co	April	137,629	114,681	564,880	466,254
Georgia Lt, P & Rys	June	179,549	131,650	951,118	661,195
Great Nor Pow Co.	April	460,104	412,599	1,870,307	1,675,375
e Great West Pow Sys	April	142,745	124,379	563,017	517,109
Harrisburg Railways	May	946,301	740,304	4,587,376	3,576,815
Havana El Ry, L & P	June	35,984	29,389	219,577	177,246
Haverhill Gas Lt Co	April	73,523	60,770	269,527	237,782
Honolulu R T & Land	June	36,811	31,552	251,661	219,467
Houghton Co El Co.	June	24,344	22,706	161,291	148,911
Houghton Co Trac Co	March	594,846	545,728	1,673,827	1,504,915
Hudson & Manhattan	June	1602,389	1341,228	9,988,413	8,256,098
Illinois Traction	May	4597,479	4019,001	22,986,327	19,341,036
Interboro Rap Tran	May	270,333	210,397	1,423,013	1,148,889
Kansas Gas & Elec Co	June	29,526	26,548	170,433	150,760
Keokuk Electric Co.	June	21,301	18,700	128,621	112,989
Koy West Electric Co	April	273,799	193,517	995,044	745,184
Lake Shore Elec Ry	March	20,199	16,430	57,558	46,026
Long Island Electric	April	342,575	339,350	1,319,111	1,303,102
Louisville Railway	June	94,137	72,367	606,914	484,661
Lowell Electric Corp.	March	19,294	20,658	53,643	58,864
Manhattan & Queens	March	23,723	12,8		

		Gross Earnings.	Net after Taxes.	Fixed Charges.	Balance, Surplus.
		\$	\$	\$	\$
Asheville Power & Light Co	June '20	65,153	24,094	5,183	20,665
	'19	52,513	20,197	5,171	16,163
	12 mos '20	719,585	273,765	62,240	229,015
	'19	577,851	217,780	62,025	167,105
Carolina Power & Light Co	June '20	128,036	31,083	17,567	51,300
	'19	92,730	30,095	15,758	50,534
	12 mos '20	1,433,592	421,826	197,393	391,063
	'19	1,102,790	371,655	188,113	340,194
Detroit Edison Co	June '20	1,607,804	204,271	192,431	11,839
	'19	1,185,753	322,422	139,059	183,363
	6 mos '20	10,309,003	2,142,894	1,076,944	1,065,950
	'19	7,837,060	2,210,523	825,741	1,384,783
Milwaukee Elec Ry & Light Co	June '20	1,430,843	143,689	195,113	285,281
	'19	1,120,943	276,061	160,014	122,770
	6 mos '20	8,902,464	1,498,679	1,121,150	459,628
	'19	7,071,301	1,504,778	975,024	601,427
Nevada-California Electric Corp	June '20	360,412	171,728	58,310	112,453
	'19	316,016	148,074	56,618	92,696
	6 mos '20	1,502,832	750,928	350,660	396,014
	'19	1,231,457	677,222	347,911	328,826
North Caro Public Service Co	June '20	82,095	21,081	13,210	7,871
	'19	66,510	25,239	13,168	12,071
	6 mos '20	937,132	287,868	158,495	129,373
	'19	770,687	278,162	157,965	120,197
Third Avenue Ry System	June '20	1,094,819	124,507	220,872	279,152
	'19	1,002,976	198,707	251,063	38,433
	12 mos '20	11,752,110	1,621,354	2,655,925	842,662
	'19	10,363,448	1,804,304	2,681,343	720,056
Yadkin River Power Co	June '20	71,135	29,005	14,638	15,555
	'19	43,844	29,723	17,570	15,585
	12 mos '20	740,210	369,503	182,907	202,774
	'19	538,397	358,344	214,009	187,915

x After allowing for other income received.

		Gross Earnings.	Net Earnings.	Fixed Chgs. & Taxes.	Balance, Surplus.
		\$	\$	\$	\$
Great Northern Power Co	June '20	179,549	137,307	49,634	288,850
	'19	131,650	102,781	44,984	58,980
	6 mos '20	951,118	725,246	294,698	436,842
	'19	661,195	354,125	270,831	287,924
New York Dock Company	June '20	464,030	167,605	92,996	74,609
	'19	477,525	173,997	88,181	85,816
	6 mos '20	2,734,855	982,474	559,979	422,495
	'19	2,582,162	963,500	537,901	425,599

x After allowing for other income received.

		Gross		Net after Taxes		Surp. after Charges	
		1920.	1919.	1920.	1919.	1920.	1919.
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Baton Rouge Elec Co—	June	37,449	29,498	13,583	10,706	9,715	7,325
	12 mos	426,302	314,115	166,599	126,711	123,931	84,604
Blackstone Val Gas & Elec Co—	June	271,326	201,721	67,885	40,894	42,952	15,774
	12 mos	3,018,777	2,527,722	923,873	636,135	625,315	345,212
Cape Breton Elec Co, Ltd—	June	49,174	46,529	5,148	9,646	def449	4,316
	12 mos	591,448	556,491	93,474	130,063	28,258	65,876
Central Miss Vall Elec Prop—	June	39,453	34,523	9,790	6,740	6,995	4,299
	12 mos	462,577	377,279	96,920	87,553	65,655	58,314
Columbus Elec Co—	June	130,288	104,852	55,747	45,387	24,601	15,075
	12 mos	1,482,470	1,199,899	643,553	550,244	273,773	194,169
Connecticut Power Co—	June	117,543	96,005	46,684	30,443	27,066	11,577
	12 mos	1,380,525	1,163,923	563,803	457,556	328,597	231,358
Eastern Texas Elec Co—	June	134,052	110,620	44,566	39,958	34,453	32,847
	12 mos	1,498,941	1,244,435	578,958	477,487	419,075	329,590
Edison Elec Illum Co of Brockton—	June	111,006	81,003	39,063	25,804	36,698	19,296
	12 mos	1,244,581	980,060	431,708	309,672	370,609	230,037
Elec Lt & Pow Co of Abington & Rockland—	June	29,193	20,295	1,291	1,386	692	797
	12 mos	325,256	262,916	57,694	48,607	50,728	40,646
El Paso Electric Co—	June	148,482	123,870	43,872	29,749	35,518	21,907
	12 mos	1,735,272	1,378,259	542,164	391,052	445,681	305,994
Fall River Gas Works—	June	71,130	63,243	14,402	20,095	14,396	19,903
	12 mos	832,193	722,030	214,535	143,820	212,023	141,468
Galveston-Houston Elec Co—	June	325,157	255,778	99,440	69,721	64,148	34,072
	12 mos	3,385,329	2,924,018	914,481	802,491	492,496	423,675
Haverhill Gas Light Co—	June	35,984	29,389	4,076	3,882	3,567	3,277
	12 mos	428,963	353,627	72,572	26,263	64,195	18,493
Houghton County El Lt Co—	June	36,811	31,552	7,023	6,138	3,099	2,510
	12 mos	485,354	438,347	146,357	141,072	99,376	97,078
Houghton County Trac Co—	June	24,344	22,706	4,407	3,830	def3,080	def2,235
	12 mos	309,531	304,374	69,995	91,127	def3,943	17,840
Keokuk Electric Co—	June	29,526	26,548	7,540	4,948	5,111	2,672
	12 mos	336,911	289,343	59,814	63,097	31,009	35,662
Key West Elec Co—	June	21,301	18,700	8,523	6,486	6,566	4,403
	12 mos	242,893	228,258	93,263	89,199	68,681	64,435
Lowell Elec Light Corp—	June	94,137	72,367	17,081	21,248	14,891	19,081
	12 mos	1,118,207	998,734	327,982	247,135	304,574	224,636
Mississippi River Pow Co—	June	232,181	192,146	180,861	150,990	81,546	48,239
	12 mos	2,492,674	2,232,246	1,946,458	1,742,563	821,868	500,612
Northern Texas Elec Co—	June	331,492	282,415	120,723	108,528	95,859	83,486
	12 mos	3,740,603	2,927,397	1,459,761	1,098,627	1,161,401	798,121
Puget Sound Pow & Lt Co—	June	735,578	666,787	263,696	202,841	106,339	55,410
	12 mos	9,482,548	8,375,679	3,875,679	3,409,288	2,049,288	1,749,288
Sierra Pacific Elec Co—	June	63,975	53,782	27,871	24,866	22,034	18,951
	12 mos	757,948	673,581	358,425	303,332	286,628	237,072
Tampa Electric Co—	June	109,836	97,926	37,754	35,411	33,509	30,742
	12 mos	1,387,637	1,159,080	545,328	470,387	490,872	417,098

* Includes St. Louis contract adjustment made in May 1920.

FINANCIAL REPORTS.

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New York Central Railroad.

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Dec. 31 1919.)

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Cincinnati Indianapolis & Western Railroad Co.

(Fourth Annual Report Year Ended Dec. 31, 1919)

Pres. B. A. Worthington, June 17, wrote in substance:

Fiscal Results.—Freight Traffic during the year aggregated \$2,276,907, a decrease of \$42,602 or 1.84%. Passenger Traffic was \$644,485, an increase of \$112,975 or 21.26%. The total operating revenues were \$3,204,570, an increase of \$67,417 or 2.15%.

The tons of revenue freight moved were 2,241,978 tons, a decrease of 215,074 tons, or 8.75%, due principally to diversions of through traffic from our line. Except for these diversions the normal percentage of through traffic should have been about as it was for the year 1917. [The average revenue per ton per mile was 1.027c. against .935 cents in 1918; avg. revenue passenger per mile 2.53 cents against 2.43 cents.]

The ratio of operating expenses to operating revenues was 112.01% compared with 100.44% for 1918, and 80.60% for 1917.

The railway tax accruals on Federal Account were for property tax, excise tax in State of Ohio, and 2% of War Tax, amounting in the aggregate to \$140,182 for the year 1919, compared with \$123,917 for the year 1918, an increase of \$16,265 or 13.12%. In addition there was charged upon the corporate books the Government Income Tax and sundry war taxes amounting to \$15,919, an increase of \$444.

The result of the year's operations for Federal Account as reflected by Federal Income Account was a deficit of \$633,711, compared with \$78,010 deficit for 1918, an increase in deficit of \$555,701.

Debt.—The Long Term Debt was reduced during the four years 1916 to 1919 by \$530,045 and in 1919 by \$107,578 through redemption of equipment trust, 58 leaving equipment trusts outstanding \$793,825.

Standard Return.—In Corporate Account there has been included as "Income from Lease of Road" the amount of Standard Return for the year 1919 the sum of \$422,213 for use of the property during the year by the Government, a similar amount having been entered for 1918, as certified by the Interstate Commerce Commission. Our appeal from this decision is still under consideration.

Track, etc.—Ten miles of track near Julietta, Ind., were relaid with 90-lb. steel rail. There were also laid in replacement 113,640 ties at a cost of \$147,857. Investment in road and equipment in 1919 (net) \$61,452.

FEDERAL INCOME STATEMENT AS COMPARED WITH CORPORATE STATEMENT FOR PRIOR YEARS.

Revenues—	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
Freight	\$2,276,907	\$2,319,509	\$1,822,875	\$1,625,131
Passenger	644,485	531,510	572,128	529,415
Mail, express, &c.	283,178	286,134	244,534	217,584
Total	\$3,204,570	\$3,137,153	\$2,639,537	\$2,372,130
Maintenance of way, &c	\$637,806	\$512,005	\$328,990	\$311,820
Maintenance of equipm't	1,053,006	935,907	473,057	300,591
Traffic expenses	65,240	72,845	84,944	74,893
Transportation	1,662,660	1,494,352	1,139,395	940,055
General, &c.	170,942	135,955	101,072	89,352
Total oper't'g expenses	\$3,589,654	\$3,151,064	\$2,127,458	\$1,716,713
Net earnings	D.\$385,084	D.\$13,911	\$512,079	\$655,417
Taxes, &c.	140,269	123,917	129,149	115,082
Operating income	D.\$525,353	D.\$137,828	\$382,930	\$540,335

CORPORATE INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
Standard return	\$422,213	x\$422,213		
Operating income	def.64,316	def.23,720	\$382,930	\$540,335
Other income	117,979	82,993	125,608	50,216
Gross income	\$475,877	\$481,486	\$508,538	\$590,551
Rents—Joint facilities			\$96,211	\$88,388
Hire & rent of equip., &c	1,739	1,392	8,214	77,391
Miscellaneous	64,142	158,545	44	252
Int. accrued on—First mtge. bds.	133,750	133,750	133,750	133,750
Equipment obligations	42,167	48,167	47,556	47,771
Total deductions	\$241,798	\$341,854	\$285,774	\$347,552
Balance, surplus	\$234,078	\$139,633	\$222,764	\$242,999

x Standard return of \$422,213 certified by the Inter-State Commerce Commission, but not accepted by the corporate company.

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31.

Assets—	1919.	1918.	Liabilities—	1919.	1918.
Cost of road purch.	10,934,908	10,955,349	Common stock	5,350,000	5,350,000
Reconstruction of road purchased.	255,446	255,446	Prof. stock 5% n.-c.	5,350,000	5,350,000
Additions, &c., to road	827,458	785,040	1st Mtge. 5% bds.	2,675,000	2,675,000
Invest. in equip.	2,430,513	2,438,022	Equip. trust oblig.: For cars Ser. B.	426,000	490,000
Inv. in affil.co's(stk.):			Notes for locom.	364,000	392,000
Sidell & Ol. RR.	240,000	240,000	Gen'l Equip't Co.	3,825	19,404
Ham. Belt RR.	2,000	2,000	Traffic, &c., bal.	6,021	6,567
Cash for interest	3,413	13,440	Audited vouchers and pay-rolls	63,227	91,157
Cash with treas.	86,185	46,902	Int. matured unpd	3,413	2,940
Miscellaneous	119,377	89,084	Loans & bills pay.	180,000	
Unadjusted debits	75,988	59,609	Unmat'd interest	34,313	36,146
Deferred assets		32,900	Agents' drafts, &c.		6
Other curr. assets	6,163	7,374	Taxes accrued	22,221	21,790
Misc. phys. prop.	5,532	5,532	Accr. depr. of equip.	61,100	61,387
U. S. Lib. bonds	37,050	28,100	U. S. RR. Adm'n.	1,286,115	1,143,210
U. S. R. A. leasocf road, &c.	609,426	272,213	Other unadj. cred.	8,664	31,202
U. S. RR. A. acct.	1,196,641	1,084,769	Add. to prop. through inc. & surplus	3,557	3,557
			Deferred liabilities	172,615	55,519
			Profit and loss	820,029	585,897
Total	16,830,099	16,315,781	Total	16,830,099	16,315,781

—V. 110, p. 164.

West Jersey & Seashore Railroad.

(24th Annual Report—Year ending Dec. 31 1919.)

President Samuel Rea, March 12, wrote in substance:

Federal Compensation.—The agreement with the Director-General of Railroads was consummated on Jan. 24 1920 and the standard compensation payable thereunder, together with the other corporate income, enabled your company to pay its fixed charges, taxes, rentals, sinking fund requirements and other expenses, the regular dividends of 5% upon its capital stock, and leave a small surplus available for other corporate purposes. As the principles for final settlement with the Government in connection with its possession, use and control of the property have not been finally determined, several of the items appearing in the income statement and general balance sheet are necessarily estimated.

The increase in income from lease of road is due to an increase in the net profit from the operation of the Atlantic Ave. and Longport Line by the Atlantic City & Shore RR. Co. The increase in income from unfunded securities and accounts is due to interest on overdue and unpaid compensation due by the Director-General.

The decrease in interest on funded debt is due to the redemption of \$105,000 of 3½% and \$5,000 of 4% First Consol. Mtge. bonds by the sinking fund. The increase in interest on unfunded debt is due to interest on amounts paid by the Director-General for settlement of operating and other open accounts, and to loans necessary to enable your company to meet its necessary corporate requirements.

The increase in miscellaneous accounts receivable, on the general balance sheet, is due to unpaid compensation for the use of your property, including interest thereon. The increase in rents receivable is due to amounts payable to your company from the operation of the Atlantic Avenue and Longport Line. The increase in loans and bills payable is due chiefly to loans made to your company to enable it to pay its dividends and meet its other necessary corporate requirements, pending receipt of compensation due by the Director-General. The increase in miscellaneous accounts payable is due chiefly to an increase in interest due the Director-General on open accounts. The other principal increases on the general balance sheet are due chiefly to the adjustment of various accounts, due to, or by, the Direc-

tor-General, including depreciation on equipment and additions and betterments to your property made during Federal control.

Road and Equipment.—The net expenditures for "road" were \$384,177, and expenditures aggregating \$60,168 were made on account of equipment, but there were miscellaneous credits (equipment retirements and other adjustments), the result being a net decrease of \$35,608 in your investment in equipment.

CORPORATE INCOME STATEMENT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1919.	1918.		1919.	1918.
Compen. accrued	\$952,682	\$952,682	Misc. tax accruals	\$8,584	\$7,090
Inc. lease road	\$147,618	\$90,574	War taxes	54,499	67,538
Misc. rent inc.	14,402	13,411	Interest on funded debt	228,683	232,492
Misc. non-oper. physical prop.	7,571	9,245	do unfunded debt	158,036	75,806
Dividend income	5,661	5,661	do spec.guar.stk.	6,240	6,240
Inc. from funded securities	510	510	Maint. organ., &c.	49,430	6,216
Inc. from unfund. sec. and accts.	83,989	18,107			
			App. to slnk. fund.	\$698,859	\$403,471
Gross income	\$1,212,433	\$1,090,191	Dividends (5%)	\$96,670	\$93,995
Rent for leased ferries, &c.	\$8,102	\$8,089		579,313	579,313
			Sur. profit, loss	\$22,877	\$13,412

RESULTS FOR 1919 AS REPORTED BY I.-S. C. COMMISSION.

(Inserted by Ed.)

	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
Miles operated	361	361	360	359
Passenger earnings	\$7,538,322	\$6,465,047	\$5,116,018	\$4,697,408
Freight	3,543,800	3,437,048	2,730,912	2,507,190
Miscellaneous	888,898	697,448	708,117	624,722
Total	\$11,971,020	\$10,599,543	\$8,555,047	\$7,829,320
Maint. of way & struct.	\$2,314,978	\$2,511,140	\$1,496,111	\$1,331,025
Maint. of equipment	2,443,483	1,920,825	1,315,978	1,188,079
Traffic	98,810	91,904	136,947	151,687
Transportation	5,961,368	5,284,563	3,786,947	3,053,452
General, &c.	326,380	297,427	266,148	233,240
Total	\$11,145,019	\$10,105,859	\$7,002,130	\$5,957,483
Net operating revenue	\$826,001	\$493,683	\$1,552,917	\$1,871,837
Taxes, &c. a	580,032	486,541	512,115	459,653
Operating income	\$245,969	\$7,150	\$1,040,802	\$1,412,184

a Taxes less war taxes.

BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.

Assets—	1919.	1918.	Liabilities—	1919.	1918.
Road & equipm't	28,779,371	28,430,802	Common stock	11,586,250	11,586,250
Misc. phys. prop'y	190,291	193,201	Spec'uar. stock	85,850	85,200
Inv. in affil. cos.—			Sec. guar. cos.	19,855	20,505
Stocks	164,665	164,665	Funded debt	5,869,000	5,979,000
Advances	265,786	271,388	Loans & bills pay.	1,592,884	923,603
Other investments	9,622	9,622	Accts. & wages pay.	26,907	19,456
Cash	146,209	781	Matured int., &c.	162,911	167,307
Special deposits	1,316	1,316	Miscellaneous	230,454	389,326
Materials	7,112		Deferred liabilities	3,625,100	3,293,522
Miscellaneous	1,749,092	1,089,230	Tax liabilities	57,346	83,373
Unadjusted accts.	14,642	12,171	Depreciation	2,966,656	2,649,113
Deferred assets	1,983,563	1,728,438	Oth. unadj. credits	247,625	
			Corporate surplus*	6,431,856	6,329,022
			Profit and loss	408,977	375,938
Total	33,311,670	31,901,615	Total	33,311,670	31,901,615

* Includes in 1919 \$5,365,936 additions to property through income and surplus; \$1,065,337 funded debt retired through income and surplus, and \$582 sinking fund reserves.—V. 110, p. 2658.

American Railway Company.

(21st Annual Report—Year ended Dec. 31 1919.)

The pending reorganization plan and the adjusted income statement for 1919 based on same were in V. 111, p. 188, 189. President Van Horn Ely, Feb. 27, wrote in substance:

Operating Conditions.—The past year has presented about the same operating conditions with reference to rising costs of wages and material, and demands for increased service, as was presented during 1918. The rate, of wages for practically all of the employees have been materially advanced to meet the demands of existing living conditions.

The rates for gas, electric light and power and street railway service have been maintained, and in several instances slightly increased.

Your officers are arranging for disinterested valuations of all of the properties of the underlying companies, with a view to an agreement with the P. S. Commissions or other regulatory bodies, upon which to base equitable rates for service. To this end, valuations are being made by A. L. Drum & Co., of Chicago, of the properties of the subsidiary companies at Joliet, Ill., Scranton and Altoona, Pa., Wilmington, Del., Chester, Pa., and Dayton, Ohio.

Sub Companies—Capital Outlay.

General.—The gross earnings of the subsidiary companies have shown an average increase of 15.07% for the years 1916 to 1919, inclusive, which have necessitated, however, considerable increase of capital investment.

There has been expended for construction during that period \$10,172,017, which has been provided for by the sale of securities or surplus earnings of these companies, with the exception of about \$3,500,000, which is represented by a floating debt secured by first mortgage bonds of the companies in many cases. [A plan for funding this floating debt was published in V. 111, p. 388, 389].

Included in improvements to plant account are:

Wilmington & Philadelphia Traction Co.—17,500 K.W. In turbo generators with condensers, 4400 h. p. in boilers with mechanical stokers and necessary auxiliaries; 200-foot brick stack, coal bunkers, coal ash handling equipment, 11,000-volt switching equipment, &c. Installations of underground cable and overhead lines have been made to take care of our business.

Consolidated Light, Heat & Power Co., Huntington, W. Va.—17,500 K. W. In turbo generators with condensers; 2,000 h. p. in boilers with stokers and accessories; extension to boiler-room, coal and ash handling equipment; pumping station at Big Sandy River containing 2-20,000 GPM pumps, with a 1,600-foot 36-inch diameter water main to the power station and tile spillway, two new substations, 12 miles of 33,000 V. transmission line erected, including lines across the Ohio River, to Ironton, 11,000 V. line between these points for 33,000 volts; changed 2,300 V. distribution system from two phase to three phase.

Boyd County Electric Co., Ashland, Ky.—Substation at Ashland with 33,000 v. steel tower and switching equipment together with 600 K. W. in rotary converters; transformers for service in Ashland Iron & Mining Co. for steel blast furnace and rolling-mill service.

Ironton Electric Co. Installed outdoor substation with 33,000 V. equip with 3,000 KVA in transformers. Also 1-300 KW rotary converter. At the plant of the Ironton-Portland Cement Co., transformers and rotary converters. The two-phase system was changed to three phase.

Roanoke Railway & Electric Co.—Installed 3,000 KW turbo generator with condenser, 2,000 h. p. in boilers with mechanical stokers, new ash handling machinery, 200-foot brick stack, extension to the building, etc.

Electric Company of New Jersey and Electric Securities Co.—Erected 40 miles of 33,000 V. and 30 miles of 13,200 V. transmission lines and transmission and switching equipment. Three submarine cables have been laid in the Delaware River between Delaware and New Jersey to connect the transmission lines of this company with those of the Wilmington & Philadelphia Traction Co.

Rome Gas, Electric Light & Power Co.—Substation, steel tower and transformers and switching equipment; 44,000 V. circuit to the old substation, &c.

There has been constructed an entirely new gas plant consisting of one 300,000 cu. foot main holder and one 150,000 cu. foot relief holder with five 6-retort inclined gas benches, coal and coke handling apparatus, boilers, &c.

Monmouth Lighting Co.—An extension, 45 by 31 foot, to boiler-room and installed 500 h. p. boiler with new steel stack, &c.

Miscellaneous.—Important extensions to distribution lines, both gas and electric, have been made on all of our properties involving the installation of the necessary transformers, meters, switching equipment, and pipelines.

The tracks and roadway of the railway systems have been extensively improved, new and heavier rail and improved paving laid, and some extensions made, due to municipal or State requirements.

On the Wilmington system several miles of track have been rebuilt and new paving laid in the cities of Wilmington and Chester, as well as on the Chester and Darby line and the Media-Angora line, where new and heavier rail and modern roadbed have been constructed.

In Altoona an extension to Juanita was built and track reconstruction required because of city paving.

Track and construction on the Scranton, Huntington, Lynchburg, Roanoke, Dayton, Springfield, Joliet and Bridgeton systems has been such as demanded by the paving programs the various local authorities.

The continuing increased demand of the public for gas, Electric light and power and street railway service of our subsidiary companies, will make necessary further additions and betterments to the properties.

In Feb. 1919 \$3,000,000 7% gold notes due Feb. 1 1922 were sold, in part to retire the \$1,672,000 notes due Feb. 1.—V. 108, p. 577.

As to plan for funding notes in connection with the creation of \$4,000,000 7% 2d Pref. stock see V. 110, p. 2075, 2290; V. 111, p. 188. No dividend was paid in June 1920 on the Common stock necessitating default July 1 on the \$6,179,750 National Properties Co. 4-6s for which most of the American Railway Common stock is pledged as collateral. The Pref. dividends of American Railway have also been suspended pending the re-financing. See a following page for official statement.]

[Among the properties owned and controlled, Dec. 31 1919 (see "Electric Railway Section," p. 99), are the following: Altoona & Logan Valley Electric Railway Co., Altoona, Pa.; Bridgeton (N. J.) & Millville Traction Co. and Bridgeton Rapid Transit Co.; Chicago & Joliet Electric Railway Co. and Chicago & Desplains Valley Electric Railway Co., Joliet, Ill.; Jersey Central Traction Co., Keyport, N. J.; Lynchburg Traction & Light Co., Lynchburg, Va.; Ohio Valley Electric Railway Co., Huntington, W. Va.; Ashland & Catlettsburg Street Railway Co., Ashland, Ky.; Ironton Electric Co., Ironton, Ohio; Peoples Railway Co. of Dayton, O.; Roanoke (Va.) Traction & Light Co.; Scranton (Pa.) Railway Co.; Scranton, Dunmore & Moosic Lake RR. Co. (operated), Scranton, Pa.; The Springfield (Ohio) Railway Co.; Wilmington & Philadelphia Traction Co., Wilmington, Del.; Chester County (Pa.) Light & Power Co. (operated); Cape May (N. J.) Illuminating Co.; Carbondale (Pa.) Gas Co.; Goshen (Ind.) Gas Co.; Joplin (Mo.) Gas Co.; Niles (Mich.) Gas Light Co.; Portsmouth (O.) Gas Co.; Quincy (Ill.) Gas, Electric & Heating Co.; Warsaw (Ind.) Gas Co.; Como (N. Y.) Gas Electric Light & Power Co.

COMBINED INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CAL. YEARS (See V. 111, p. 189).

	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
Operating revenues.....	\$16,312,231	\$14,234,405	\$12,863,405	\$8,810,913
Oper. expenses & deprec.	11,240,406	10,065,673	8,630,331	5,068,082
Net revenue.....	\$5,071,824	\$4,168,732	\$4,233,074	\$3,772,831
Taxes.....	744,808	631,063	596,586	388,891
Operating income.....	\$4,327,016	\$3,537,668	\$3,636,687	\$3,383,940
Non-operating income.....	38,254	125,588	56,133	42,168
Gross income.....	\$4,365,270	\$3,663,256	\$3,692,820	\$3,426,108
Interest, rentals, &c.....	2,596,674	2,568,145	2,371,170	1,564,376
Sinking fund.....	53,764	49,816	30,698	32,366
Inc. avail. to stockholders ..	1,687	1,158	1,498	1,725
xNet income.....	\$1,713,144	\$1,044,137	\$1,289,453	\$1,827,641

x This is the "income available for the American Railways, including interest on bonds, advances, &c."

INCOME ACCOUNT—AMERICAN RAILWAYS CO. ONLY.

Years ending Dec. 31—	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
Income from subsid. cos.	\$1,605,373	\$1,044,137	\$1,449,742	\$1,436,807
Miscellaneous income.....	190,064	277,426	118,976	101,462
Gross income.....	\$1,795,437	\$1,321,563	\$1,568,718	\$1,538,269
General admin. expense.....	252,068	217,684	188,418	141,991
Taxes.....	42,000	40,000	35,000	30,000
Interest on funded debt.....	657,613	726,680	526,981	554,264
Miscellaneous.....	219,435	41,732	123,730	59,677
Common dividends—(3 1/2%) ..	331,101	—	(4)378,400	(4)378,400
Pref. dividends (7%).....	280,000	280,000	280,000	280,000
Total deductions.....	\$1,782,218	\$1,309,096	\$1,532,529	\$1,444,331
Balance, surplus for year ..	\$13,219	\$12,467	\$36,189	\$93,938

BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31 (See V. 111, p. 188, 189).

1919.		1918.		1919.		1918.		
Assets—	\$	\$	Liabilities—	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Stocks of sub. cos.	17,086,681	17,046,021	Common stock.....	9,460,000	9,460,000	Preferred stock.....	4,000,000	4,000,000
Bonds of sub. cos.	4,226,877	4,243,227	Coll. trust bonds—			Conv. 5s, 1931.....	2,500,000	2,500,000
Other investments.....	639,890	639,890	Coll. 5s, 1927.....	1,750,000	1,750,000	Coll. 5s, 1927.....	1,750,000	1,750,000
Bills and accounts receivable, &c.....	5,793,489	5,568,619	Ohio Vail. coll.....	2,000,000	2,000,000	Lynchb. & R. coll.....	987,500	987,500
Furniture and fixtures, &c.....	15,225	14,700	Nat. G. E. L. & P. coll.....	982,600	982,600	Jer. Cent. Tr. coll.....	570,000	570,000
Int. & divs. acce'd.....	85,375	87,450	Three-year notes.....	3,000,000	1,672,000	Car trust certfs.....	418,000	476,000
Employees' pension fund.....	29,382	25,483	Purch. money notes.....	536,625	715,500	Due sub. & affil. cos.....	447,261	415,744
Fidel. Tr. Co., trust, Ohio Vail. Elec. Ry. Coll. 5s.....	23,868	23,868	Due sub. & affil. cos.....	447,261	415,744	Bills payable.....	1,823,500	2,649,812
Comm. Tr. Co., trust, Nat. G., E. L. & P. 5s.....	15,620	15,700	Vouch., &c., pay.....	171,010	555,696	Conting. reserves.....	92,350	92,350
Miscell. securities.....	809,166	659,166	Conting. reserves.....	92,350	92,350	Miscellaneous.....	39,917	3,583
Disc. on fund. debt.....	403,288	294,676	Taxes, int., &c., acce'd.....	348,853	306,268	Profit & loss surp.....	648,154	636,402
Cost of cars.....	516,577	590,549	Profit & loss surp.....	648,154	636,402			
Cash on hand.....	172,712	584,429						
Miscellaneous.....	6,992	48,212						
Total.....	29,825,142	29,841,990	Total.....	29,825,142	29,841,990			

a Pledged under car trust agreement.—V. 111, p. 188.

Pure Oil Co., Columbus, Ohio.

(Report for Quarter ended June 30 1920.)

The report for the quarter ended June 30, together with income account and balance sheet, will be found on a subsequent page under "Reports and Documents."

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET.

July 1 '20.		Mar. 31 '20		July 1 '20.		Mar. 31 '20		
Assets—	\$	\$	Liabilities—	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Property, plant & equipment.....	98,458,193	100,106,015	Common stock.....	45,937,500	45,937,500	Preferred stock.....	12,407,700	10,000,000
Other investments.....	10,816,265	10,687,752	Pref. stock Moore Oil Ref. Co.....	1,000,000	1,000,000	Columbus Gas Co. bonds.....	1,326,000	1,326,000
Stock in treasury.....	997,900	997,900	Springfield Gas Co. bonds.....	400,000	400,000	Dayton Gas Co. bds.....	1,378,000	1,398,000
Cash.....	4,495,665	2,835,147	Serial gold notes.....	10,000,000	1,250,000	Purch. mon. obilg.....	3,000,000	11,086,187
Accts. receivable.....	4,439,162	4,193,671	Purch. mon. obilg.....	3,000,000	11,086,187	Accts. & notes pay.....	1,942,468	2,397,353
Notes and trade acceptances rec'd.....	583,162	634,137	Accts. & notes pay.....	1,661,237	1,346,880	Lab. ins. res'v'e & consum. deposits.....	306,257	285,870
U. S. Govt. securities.....	194,515	194,415	Prem. & disc't.....	9,264,805	9,264,706	Surplus.....	45,962,110	45,977,516
Finished oils.....	7,840,247	6,059,669						
Crude oils.....	3,384,586	3,349,265						
Mat'l & supplies.....	2,090,919	2,093,121						
Deferred charges.....	1,285,436	518,925						
Total.....	134,586,078	131,670,017	Total.....	134,586,078	131,670,017			

—V. 111, p. 79.

(W. H.) McElwain Co. (Shoe Mfrs.), Boston.

(Report for Fiscal Year ending May 31 1920.)

The report of President J. Franklin McElwain, together with the income account and balance sheet for the fiscal year ending May 31 1920, will be found on a subsequent page.

VOLUME OF SALES FOR YEARS ENDING MAY 31.

1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.	1915.
\$49,454,580	\$37,103,824	\$35,552,691	\$28,140,985	\$25,174,848	\$13,379,760

INCOME ACCOUNT YEARS ENDING MAY 31.

	1919-20.	1918-19.	1917-18.	1916-17.
Earnings.....	\$4,079,626	\$1,643,099	\$1,143,140	\$2,068,475
Deductions—				
Approp. to plant account.....	—	—	—	\$100,000
Taxes—Federal income & excess profits.....	940,000	427,885	124,394	—
Profit sharing distribution.....	567,441	88,664	51,536	216,859
Contingent appropriations.....	123,469	150,000	—	—
First preferred div. (text).....	349,375	(6)270,750	(6)273,000	(6)282,750
Second preferred div.....	189,000	(9)180,000	(9)180,000	(9)180,000
Common dividends.....	480,000	(6)161,250	(6)150,000	(12)240,000
Miscellaneous.....	Cr. 1,874	Cr. 1,677	—	—
Balance, surplus.....	\$1,432,214	\$366,227	\$364,210	\$1,048,866

Note.—Earnings are shown after deducting depreciation and repairs.

Regarding the increase in the amount of outstanding stock of each issue and the increase in the dividend rate of the First Pref. shares from 6% to 7%, see the text of the report on a subsequent page. Compare V. 110, p. 171, 266, 1419; V. 108, p. 2333.

BALANCE SHEET MAY 31.

1920.		1919.		1920.		1919.		
Assets—	\$	\$	Liabilities—	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Cash.....	761,034	394,608	Debts.....	12,687,729	8,229,594	First pref. stock.....	7,140,000	5,000,000
Receivables.....	11,122,802	7,434,540	Second pref. stock.....	2,500,000	2,000,000	Common stock.....	3,500,000	3,000,000
Merchandise.....	14,038,084	9,319,555	Res. Fed. tax. & div.....	1,006,000	460,000	Surplus.....	3,888,441	2,456,226
Prepayments.....	269,730	—						
Securities.....	386,281	474,410						
Plant account.....	4,144,239	3,522,707						
Total.....	30,722,170	21,145,820	Total.....	30,722,170	21,145,820			

—V. 110, p. 2662, 1419.

United States Steel Corporation.

(Results for the Quarter Ending June 30 1920.)

The results of the operations for the quarter ended June 30 1920, shown below, were given out on Tuesday following the regular meeting of the directors. Judge Elbert H. Gary, Chairman of the Board, on his departure for Europe last week made some remarks as to the general outlook, which were quoted in the "Chronicle" of July 24, page 345.

The unfilled orders on hand June 30 1920 amounted to 10,978,817 tons against 9,892,075 tons March 30 1920, 8,265,366 tons Dec. 31 1919, and 4,892,855 tons June 30 1919. See table, V. 111, p. 268.

RESULTS FOR QUARTERS ENDING JUNE 30.

	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.
Net earnings (see note) x.....	\$43,155,705	\$31,331,301	\$62,557,391	\$90,579,204
Deduct—				
Sink. funds on bonds of sub. cos. deprec. & extraor. replec't funds.....	9,369,635	9,031,448	8,277,311	14,347,399
Interest in U. S. Steel Corporation bonds.....	5,040,671	5,141,204	5,236,083	5,326,907
Prem. on bonds redeemed.....	212,100	215,615	238,250	224,610
Sink. funds on U. S. Steel Corp. bonds.....	2,097,766	1,975,747	1,880,597	1,806,752
Total deductions.....	16,720,172	16,361,014	15,632,241	21,705,668
Balance.....	26,435,533	17,967,287	46,925,150	68,873,536
Div. on pref. stk. (1 1/4%).....	6,304,919	6,304,919	6,304,919	6,304,919
Div. on com. stock.....	*6,353,781	6,353,781	21,602,856	21,602,856
do rate.....	(1 1/4%)	(1 1/4%)	(4 1/4%)	(4 1/4%)
Surplus for quarter.....	13,776,833	5,308,587	19,017,375	40,965,761

Note.—The net earnings, as shown above, are stated after deducting bond interest of the sub. cos. (the interest on bonds outstanding), this interest amounting for the late quarter to \$2,112,846, and also in 1918, 1919 and 1920, "after deducting all expenses incident to operations, comprising those for ordinary repairs and maintenance of plants, allowances for estimated proportion of extraordinary cost, resulting from war requirements and conditions, of facilities installed, also estimated taxes (including Federal income and excess profits taxes), and interest on bonds of the subsidiary companies."

NET EARNINGS FROM OPERATIONS FOR HALF-YEAR END. JUNE 30.

	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.
*Net Earnings—	\$	\$	\$	\$
January.....	13,503,209	12,240,167	13,176,237	36,074,425
February.....	12,880,910	11,883,027	17,313,883	33,416,171
March.....	15,760,490	9,390,190	26,471,304	43,630,422
Total (first quarter).....	42,089,019	33,513,384	56,961,424	113,121,018
April.....	12,190,446	11,027,393	20,614,982	28,521,091
May.....	15,205,518	10,932,559	21,494,204	30,773,551
June.....	15,759,741	12,371,349	20,418,205	31,281,562
Total (second quarter).....	43,155,705	34,331,301	62,557,391	90,579,204
Total half-year.....	85,244,724	67,844,685	119,518,815	203,700,222

*After deducting interest on subsidiary cos' bonds outstanding, viz.:

	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.
January.....	\$707,938	\$738,506	\$726,892	\$745,853
February.....	707,065	738,449	724,867	745,

Wheeling (W. Va.) Steel Corporation.
(Consolidated Earnings and Balance Sheet.)

Howard Hazlett & Son, members Wheeling Stock Exch., Schmulbach Bldg., Wheeling, W. Va., in their monthly market letter of July 7, give the following statements of earnings and balance sheet, the latter, and presumably also the former, prepared for this new holding company by Price, Waterhouse & Co. in accordance with the amalgamation plan of June 23 1920 (see V. 111, p. 302; V. 110, p. 2578):

COMBINED EARNINGS OF CONSTITUENT COMPANIES YEAR 1919.

Gross sales	\$64,364,759
Gross earnings	11,417,317
Deduct—Interest charges	378,329
Reserves	3,635,469
Net earnings available for dividends	\$7,403,519
Preferred dividends	2,350,347
Balance for common dividends (equal to 12.9%)	\$5,053,172
Percentage net profits to sales	11.5%

[The bankers named compare the aforesaid earnings and also the capitalization and assets, &c., of the merger company with the corresponding figures for other leading steel corporations, with results which they believe prove unusual strength and promise for the Wheeling Steel Corporation.]

CONS. BAL. SHEET PREPARED BY PRICE, WATERHOUSE & CO.
Indicating status as of March 31 1920, assuming all shares of LaBelle Iron Works, Whitaker-Glessner Co. and Wheeling Steel & Iron Co., had been exchanged prior to that date.

Assets—		Liabilities—	
Land, plants, mach., &c.	\$61,149,343	Preferred "A" stock	\$1,311,900
Cash for construction	41,181	Preferred "B" stock	22,550,766
Advances to and invest't in associated cos.	3,561,011	Common stock	40,112,099
Current assets (\$47,376,019)		Bonds	7,436,500
Inventories	22,864,769	Mtges. assumed on coal land purchased	118,575
Advance payments on ore contracts	1,107,919	Current liab. (\$10,378,466)	
Accounts and notes receivable, \$8,759,475, less reserve (\$54,448)	8,705,027	Notes payable	1,875,000
Investments in marketable securities	1,925,792	Accounts payable	4,690,910
U. S. Govt. securities	9,711,230	Dividends payable	340,724
Cash	3,061,281	Accrued liabilities	189,570
Deferred charges to future operations	774,058	Accrued & est. income and profits taxes	3,282,262
Total (each side)	\$112,901,612	Reserves (\$14,819,900)—Gen. deprec. & exhaustion of minerals	13,279,083
		Relining blast furnaces and maintenance	925,285
		For contingencies	615,532
		Surplus	16,175,405

For full description of new stocks, properties, &c., in V. 111, p. 302. Also see reports of Wheeling Steel & Iron Co. and La Belle Iron Works in V. 111, p. 291; V. 102, p. 607; Whitaker Glessner Co., V. 110, p. 2393; V. 102, p. 1353.

Willys-Overland Co. and Subsidiary Cos.
(Report for Six Months ending June 30 1920.)

Pres. John N. Willys, Toledo, July 21, wrote in substance: The report for the first half of 1920 compares favorably with any one previously made by the company. Due to the policies carried out, there has resulted an increased production, improved economy and a greater profit than the company has ever experienced.

For the six months operating period a net profit of \$6,622,758 was made, after full reserve for Federal taxes. This is at the rate of approximately \$13,000,000 per annum. Present conditions and the future outlook are satisfactory. Production has steadily increased since the first of the year, with a substantial decrease in the number of operatives employed. The company is having an extraordinary demand for its product for export. The domestic business continues upon a satisfactory basis. As a result of profit from operation and new financing recently consummated, the company is able to show an increase of approximately \$14,000,000 in the balance of current assets over current liabilities, as compared with Dec. 31 1919 figures.

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30 1920 AND CALENDAR YEARS 1919 AND 1918.

	6 Mos. 1920.	Yr. 1919.	Yr. 1918.
Net income of all companies	\$9,785,335	\$6,808,737	\$11,510,645
Deduct—Interest paid	1,101,623	1,471,671	1,198,748
Profit sharing distribution	550,954		
Estimated provision for income tax	1,510,000	(x)	(x)
Preferred dividend	802,844	1,632,732	1,315,654
Common dividends	(2%) 814,442	(4) 1,629,858	(4) 1,626,891
Special reserve	750,000		1,000,000
Reserve for depreciation		1,894,687	2,457,842
Reserve for tool displacements		1,707,111	1,317,800
Balance, surplus	\$4,255,472	\$1,527,322	\$2,593,710

a Net earnings and income of all companies for six months, before charging depreciation, but after deducting repairs and maintenance of the properties, bad and doubtful accounts receivable, &c.

x The company in 1918 reported its net income \$11,510,645 after deducting Federal taxes. The annual income statement for 1919 makes no allusion to tax provision.

Note.—In 1919 the company suffered from a serious strike.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30 1920 AND DEC. 31 1919.

Assets—		Liabilities—	
Real est., bldg., mach'y, &c.	40,443,863	40,443,863	37,343,672
Good will, patents, &c.	14,059,932	14,059,932	
Investments, &c., in other cos.	19,380,818	17,664,800	
Liberty bonds	978,906	1,143,849	
Inventories	44,234,148	38,716,624	
Due from agents		425,807	
Notes receivable	10,990,197	1,521,830	
Acc. rec., less res.		3,905,952	
Miscell. investments, &c.		892,732	
Cash	10,046,109	12,266,861	
Prepaid int., &c.		791,148	
Def'd charges	3,650,841		
Total	143,784,814	128,733,208	

a "Deferred charges" include \$3,000,000 of underwriting charges on sale of 600,000 shares Common stock, which will be written off covering a period of three years.

z Includes for the first half of 1920 reserve for redemption of Pref. stock, \$1,749,720; for surplus arising from redemption of Pref. stock, \$78,172; for 50-50 payments for year 1919, \$84,449; for current year's income and excess profits tax (estimated), \$1,510,000; and for contingencies, \$750,000; total, \$4,172,311.—V. 111, p. 302.

Guanajuato Power & Electric Co.
(Report for Fiscal Year ending Dec. 31 1919.)

The payment of overdue coupons on July 1 is noted on a subsequent page. In a report to the stockholders and bondholders of The Guanajuato Power & Electric Co., The Michoacan Power Co., and Central Mexico Light & Power Co., Pres. Henry Hine and Treas. Leonard E. Curtis, writing at Colorado Springs Colo., June 1, say in substance:

Results for Years.—During the year 1919 there was a gradual improvement in general conditions in the territory in Mexico served by your plants. The mining companies were operating throughout the year, and our power earnings from that source gradually increased, with prospects for the current year of a further increase. General commercial business has also improved.

Mexico has continued on a metallic currency basis during the year, and this has enabled us to realize something over \$1 U. S. currency for each \$2 of Mexican currency collected.

Overdue Coupons.—On account of improved financial conditions, your directors considered it advisable to make payment during the year of three overdue coupons for each of your three companies, and it is hoped that improved earnings will soon permit the companies to retire all of the overdue coupons with interest from the dates when they become due. (See "Investment News" below, and compare V. 108, p. 384; V. 109, p. 375.)

Conditions in Mexico.—The general situation has improved until recently. The plants are fortified [since 1918] with adobe walls and armed guards. The revolution which has recently broken out disturbs general conditions to a very large extent, but with what effect on the business of your companies is uncertain.

The Mexican Federal Government has shown a commendable disposition to aid us in protecting our plants, but has lacked sufficient troops at times to give us full protection.

Tax Litigation.—The Federal and State Governments have shown some disposition to impose additional taxes, and this has involved us in litigation with results favorable to us so far. We are operating under State concessions, which exempted us from all State and municipal taxes for a long term of years, but the present authorities, acting under an interpretation of the recently enacted Federal Constitution, which we are advised is untenable, are in some cases endeavoring to collect from us various kinds of taxes. We are taking measures to adjust these matters on the best terms possible.

Finances, &c.—During the past year we have made important replacements and repairs, so that the condition of the plants now is about normal.

We are carrying quite large amounts of accounts receivable and other current assets in Mexico, much of which accumulated while largely depreciated paper money was the only money in circulation, and we are not yet able to determine on what terms settlement will be made of many of these items. There are considerable sums due us from the Federal and State Governments, and these have been very difficult to collect. For these reasons, it has been thought best not to try to render a full report of the assets and liabilities at this time.

Results.—The net profit of the three companies for the year 1919 was \$61,381, as compared with \$41,749 for the year 1918. In other words, the three companies together have earned enough during the year to pay all operating and maintenance expenses, including depreciation, extraordinary expense and other items, and all of the bond interest (but not including payment of the principal of matured bonds or sinking fund provisions), and, in addition, have accumulated a surplus of \$61,381.

Outlook.—The future of your companies depends entirely upon the restoration of normal conditions in Mexico. If the Government is successful in maintaining law and order, and the mining companies continue to increase their operations, your companies should rapidly increase their earnings and be able to pay all of their overdue outstanding obligations in a short time. The territory served is large and rich in varied natural resources, and the Mexican people are greatly interested in keeping our plants in operation, particularly for the benefit of mining and other industries. The general situation, while complicated, seems to point toward a gradual improvement.

Policy.—Your companies continue to be operated under the advice of the bondholders' protective committee, which was created during 1915. The policy being to keep the plants in operation and secure as large earnings, and keep expenses as low as practicable, and to conserve the present resources and the future earnings for the benefit of the bondholders, subject only to the payment of the necessary expenses of operation, maintenance and protection.

CONSOLIDATED RESULTS FOR ALL THREE COS. FOR CAL. YEARS.

	1919.	1918.	1917.
Gross earnings	\$1,131,290	\$1,089,096	\$743,295
Operation and maintenance	580,999	502,413	412,694
Reserve for depreciation	156,222	155,233	155,549
Extraordinary expense	33,764	30,196	10,819
Taxes	22,188	20,084	5,741
Bond, &c., interest	339,777	339,422	335,094
Other income	Cr. 63,040		Cr. 68,768
Surplus for the year	\$61,381	\$41,749	def \$107,834

—V. 109, p. 375.

Cass & Daly Shoe Company, Salem, Mass.
(Report for Fiscal Year ended May 31 1920.)

Gross sales: Shoes, \$6,465,510; leather, hide, &c., \$956,727	\$7,422,237
Less: Returns and allowances, \$364,152 and sales disc., \$1,160,597	1,524,749
Cost of sales	5,379,907
Decrease in inventory	37,058
Selling expenses	52,092
Administrative and general expenses	162,821

Net operating gain \$265,610
Other income: Interest received \$5,604
Total \$271,215

Deduct: Government claims, \$1,371; interest paid, \$54,789; losses from bad debts, \$59,099; loss on liberty bonds, \$2,866; capital stock tax, \$1,498
Total \$119,623

Net gain from regular operations—Exhibit C \$151,592

BALANCE SHEET MAY 31 1920.

Assets—		Liabilities—	
Plant and equip., less reserves	\$352,476	Com. stock, \$1,000,000 issued	\$600,000
Cash	232,506	Pref. stock, \$1,000,000 issued	335,000
Accounts rec. (after reserves)	881,919	Notes payable to banks	344,865
Inventories	482,068	Accounts payable	142,754
Investments	9,405	Reserve for Federal taxes	27,000
Deferred charges to operations	10,870	Surplus	519,625
Total	\$1,969,245	Total	\$1,969,245

Note.—The company has a contingent liability on account of discounted trade acceptances of the Nemours Trading Corporation, and personally guaranteed by Mr. Alfred I. DuPont, \$836,005 28.

R. M. Grant & Co., Boston, are interested.—Compare V. 110, p. 661.

Todd Shipyards Corporation.
(Report for Fiscal Year Ending Mar. 31 1920.)

President William H. Todd, New York, July 2 1920, wrote in substance:

Since March 31 1920 there has been transferred to the trustee fund for the benefit of the employees 2,917 shares of the company's stock, making the total amount outstanding at this date 101,837 shares.

[As to stock premium plan for benefit of employees, and distribution of stock having a market value of \$1,000,000 distributed among 727 employees, see V. 111, p. 80.—V. 111, p. 196.]

CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT YEARS ENDING MARCH 31.
(Including Subsidiary Companies.)

	1919-20.	1918-19.	1917-18.
Net earnings from operations	\$15,224,630	\$12,292,767	\$11,998,550
Deduct—Interest charges	227,164	394,997	481,491
Reserve for depreciation	1,087,366	890,807	722,553
Reserve for Federal taxes, &c.	6,690,382	8,784,605	5,865,461
Reserve against accounts receiv.	478,889		
Loss on sale of securities	123,692	804,131	
Provision for sinking fund reserve		283,645	985,809
Dividends and amount per share—(\$8 1/2) 794,198x(\$7 1/2) 677,673			(\$7) 626,290
Balance to common stock equity	\$5,822,940	\$456,909	\$3,316,946

x Includes approximately \$50,000 paid to stockholders of the Todd Dry Dock & Construction Corporation.

CONSOL. BAL. SHEET MARCH 31 FOR CORP. AND ITS SUBSID'S.

Assets—	1920.	1919.
Real estate, buildings and machinery, \$15,635,639; patents, patterns and drawings, \$80,257; less reserve for depreciation, \$5,531,973	\$10,183,923	\$8,943,359
Cash	3,551,062	1,555,071
Accounts receivable, less reserves	11,537,241	9,845,834
Work in progress, less received on account	3,436,053	4,767,460
Material and supplies	1,865,096	1,147,014
U. S. Liberty bonds and certifs. of indebt. at par	1,303,429	1,843,942
Deferred charges	320,419	176,285
Total	\$32,197,223	\$28,278,965
Liabilities—		
Stated capital and equity beginning year	\$10,192,224	\$9,016,003
Add—Capital stock issued for conversion of notes cancellation of contract and as employees' bonus, 9,290 shares, \$1,312,000; net addition to equity for year after paying dividends of \$794,198, \$5,822,940; total	7,134,940	1,176,221
	\$17,327,164	\$10,192,224
Capital stock, total equity at end of year, against 98,920 outst'g shs. in 1920 and 89,630 in 1919	61,750,000	2,625,000
Funded Debt Robins D. D. & Repair Co. 1st 5s, '61, Todd Shipyards Corp. 6% Conv. Notes, 1921—		786,000
Tietjen & Lang Dry Dock Co. 1st 5s, 1936	874,000	910,000
Tebo Yacht Basin Co., real estate mortgages	340,000	567,000
White Fuel Oil Eng. Corp., real estate mortgages	12,000	
Accounts payable and advances on contracts	2,827,059	3,395,251
Reserves for Federal taxes, &c.	9,067,000	9,803,490
Total	\$32,197,223	\$28,278,965

b Stock authorized and issued, 116,000 shares; in treasury, 17,080 shares; outstanding, 98,920 shares.—V. 111, p. 196.

Wm. Wrigley, Jr. Company, Chicago.

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Dec. 31 1919.)

President Wm. Wrigley, Feb. 10 1920, wrote in substance:

After making provisions for depreciation and bad debts, the profits for the period were \$6,239,897; after further providing a reserve for Federal income and excess profit taxes, the net profits for the period were \$4,139,897. The net sales for the year 1919 amounted to \$27,147,413, or an increase of 64.74% over the sales of the preceding year. This increase in the volume of business has been very largely responsible for the increase in earnings.

Our inventories at the close of fiscal year ending Dec. 31 1919 show an increase of \$1,548,289 over inventories at the close of fiscal year ending Dec. 31 1918, which is largely due to the increased cost of material.

RESULTS FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1919.	1918.	1917.
Net sales	\$27,147,413	\$16,708,768	\$15,402,988
Net profits before Federal taxes	\$6,239,897	4,356,280	3,951,068
Net profits after Federal taxes	4,139,897	2,314,988	2,591,424

BALANCE SHEET.

Assets—	Dec. 31 '19.	July 31 '19.	Dec. 31 '19.	July 31 '19.
Real est. & equip., less depreciation	2,979,687	2,284,599	1,500,900	1,500,000
Patents, less res.	705,882	742,647	11,085,375	10,509,000
Good-will	6,000,000	6,000,000	531,001	499,226
Cash	2,378,537	2,975,781	Res. for Fed. taxes	2,102,039
Accts. & notes rec.	3,030,456	3,275,749	Real est. M., 5%	
Inventories	5,753,375	5,108,173	Due 1922	190,000
Bonds (incl. U. S.)	365,900	2,287,927	Reserve	3,715,989
Other investments	2,530,492	2,513,825	Surplus	6,281,658
				5,293,928
Total	25,406,044	24,288,611	Total	25,406,044

See also under "General Investment News" on a subsequent page.—V. 111, p. 396.

Phillips-Jones Corporation (Shirt & Manufacturers).

(Report for Fiscal Year ending June 30 1920.)

The company is engaged in the business of manufacturing, producing adapting, preparing, buying, selling and otherwise dealing in fabrics and textiles, and manufacturing and selling at wholesale throughout the country to jobbers and retail stores, shirts, underwear and pajamas.

The company owns the entire outstanding Capital stock (\$200,000) of the Chain Shirt Shops Inc., and of the Wira Realty Co., Inc. (\$5,000), which company holds lease of property at Broadway and 51st St. and 7th Ave., New York City, sublet to Chain Shirt Shop, Inc., and other tenants. Sales of the Chain Shirt Shops Inc., aggregated \$2,127,644 for year ended June 30 1920, interest charges \$10,405; net profit \$59,952.

The sales of Phillips-Jones Co., Inc., consisting of shirts, pajamas, underwear and like merchandise for the past three years, and its earnings before deduction of extra compensation to officers not chargeable under the new plan of organization and after giving effect to the interest adjustments arising from the introduction of the additional cash, capital, but without reduction of Federal taxes in respect of the increase in the invested capital made by the new corporation were:

	1919.	1918.	1917.
Sales	\$7,212,132	\$6,739,923	\$3,962,481
Profits before Federal taxes	1,172,328	1,278,944	403,041
Profits after Federal taxes	642,328	719,882	381,929

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR YEARS ENDED JUNE 30.

	1920.	1919.
Sales	\$7,064,567	\$7,200,980
Cost of sales	5,184,835	5,453,504
Gross profit	\$1,879,732	\$1,747,475
General administration and selling expenses	996,336	647,829
Net income	\$883,396	\$1,099,647
Other income	18,991	6,658
Total	\$902,390	\$1,106,304
Int. and disc. on \$29,154; corp. taxes, \$22,812; total	\$51,966	55,669
Federal income and excess profits taxes	190,000	530,000
Preferred dividend	146,806	
Balance, surplus	\$513,618	\$520,634

a Includes Federal income and excess profits of Chain Shirt Shops, Inc. b Excess reserve for Federal taxes for 1919, aggregating \$12,237, has been credited to the profit and loss account.

BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30 1920.

Assets—		Liabilities—	
Cash	\$445,794	7% cum. pref. stock	\$2,500,000
Inv. in U. S. Lib. bds. & W. S. S.	11,378	Common stock	2,000,000
Accts receivable—customers	1,472,590	Notes payable	1,286,900
Chain Shirt Shops—cur. acct.	275,627	Accounts payable	777,481
Notes receivable	431,097	Acct. payroll & due to salesmen	67,128
Loans rec., miscell. acc'ts &c.	186,108	Fed. & N. Y. taxes payable	47,178
Inventory	4,022,953	Dividends payable	29,167
Investments	6198,514	Res. for Fed. taxes	190,000
Chain Shirt Shops, Inc., Cap. stock (all owned)	200,000	Res. for disc. & bad debts	40,458
Deferred assets	25,863	Surplus	1,258,227
Real est. & bldgs., mach., &c.	926,313		
Trade name, good-will, &c.	1		
Total	\$8,196,538	Total	\$8,196,538

a Includes notes receivable, \$74,235; Chain Shirt Shops notes receivable, \$306,778, and Wira Realty Corp., notes receivable, \$50,084. b Includes mortgages receivable \$32,052; investments in various companies \$3,446, and Preferred stock, \$163,015. c Authorized 100,000 shares, outstanding, 85,000 shares without par value. V. 110, p. 1296.

Atlantic Sugar Refineries, Ltd., St. John, N. B.

(Fifth Annual Report—Year ended April 30 1920.)

President D. Lorne McGibbon, July 12 wrote in substance:

Financial Results.—The profits for the year amounted to \$670,091 after making deductions for interest, repairs and depreciation, and reserves for business profits tax and contingencies. This with the balance of \$698,772 brought forward makes a total of \$1,368,862 from which 7% on the Preferred stock, in addition to 3½% on account of accumulated arrears have been paid, amounting to \$262,500, leaving a balance of \$1,106,362 at credit of Profit and Loss Account.

Exchange on New York funds to pay for raw sugar purchases amounted to \$976,303 as against \$115,000 last year.

Operations.—Sales of refined sugar amounted to more than \$25,000,000, an increase over the previous year of approximately 133% per contributing appreciably to the satisfactory results for the year.

The purchase of raw supplies for 1920 has been left to the discretion of the refiners and there has been an open market since the finish of the 1919 crop. The world shortage of sugar, however, has made it necessary to conserve available supplies for home consumption and very favorable opportunities to obtain export business have had to be ignored.

Labor difficulties in the raw sugar districts and numerous delays in both water and rail transportation have been the cause of slowing up and even shutting down on several occasions owing to lack of raw sugar. However, your refinery was operated 262 days out of a possible 312 days. Machinery for making lump sugar was added to the equipment and the "Lantic Lumps" found immediate favor with the trade. We now produce a complete line of all grades of sugar.

New Valuation.—Improvements and betterments have been installed and a new valuation of the Refinery has been made which shows a value of \$5,181,444 for the land, buildings, and machinery and plant, being \$1,061,185 in excess of the previous valuation. This increased value has been added to Capital Account and a corresponding amount has been added to Depreciation Reserve Account, in addition to the usual yearly allowances for depreciation.

Bonds.—On July 1 1919 we redeemed \$75,000 outstanding bonds.

Contingent Reserve.—Owing to labor and other troubles in Cuba early in 1920, the company was unable to obtain delivery, within the contract time, of a portion of raw sugars purchased, and it became necessary to resell them, but as the quantity sold had to be replaced at higher prices for later delivery your directors have deemed it advisable to set up the amount of profit on the raw sugars so sold, as a contingent reserve against possible loss on future contracts.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR YEARS ENDING APRIL 30.

	1919-20	1918-19	1917-18
Net profit for the year	\$2,802,910	\$986,344	\$462,676
Less—Bond interest	81,450	85,700	88,700
Bank interest and exchange	131,325	186,856	90,883
Deferred operating expenses			33,991
Proportion of discount on bonds			2,321
Reserve for depreciation	721,031	164,397	40,000
Res. for bad debts and business prof. tax		69,892	
Betterments		104,166	
Contingent reserve	1,199,013		
Preferred dividends (10½%)	262,500		
Balance, surplus, for year	\$407,591	\$375,333	\$206,781

BALANCE SHEET APRIL 30.

Assets:	1920	1919	Liabilities:	1920	1919
Bldgs., wharf, &c.	\$5,181,445	\$4,120,260	Prof. stk. 7% cum.	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000
Fran., leases, good-will, tr., mks., &c.	3,000,000	3,000,000	Common stock	3,500,000	3,500,000
Cash	1,438,042	30,908	Ist Mtge. 6% bds.	1,345,000	1,420,000
Accts receivable	922,569	451,306	Accts payable	1,115,946	116,567
Bills receivable	1,147,519	249,865	Bills payable	46,036	2,003,450
Inventories	1,453,466	2,498,098	Bond int. accrued	26,900	28,400
Investments	27,127	170,329	Res. for dep. do bad debts, etc.	2,006,614	224,397
Expend. on acct of future business	16,180	40,712	Contingent res.	1,199,013	
			Profit & loss acct balance	1,106,362	698,772
Total	13,186,347	10,561,478	Total	13,186,347	10,561,478

Contingent liability for bills under discount, \$356,395. (Note.—These bills have since been met.)—V. 110, p. 2659.

Parke, Davis & Co. (Mfrs. Drugs & Chemicals), Detroit.

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Dec. 31 1919.)

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

Calendar Years—	1919.	1918.	1917.
Gross earnings	\$6,604,703	\$5,676,260	\$5,265,080
To write off bal. of assets in Russia		436,336	
Recovery of Russian assets previously written off	Cr. 31,644		
To equalize value of accts. receiv. and cash in European banks with market rates of exchange	116,266	13,129	747,369
Deprec. of bldgs., machinery, &c.	194,845	199,940	195,563
Special war and income taxes	2,000,000	2,070,515	1,287,897
Add. war taxes paid on income of previous year	15,817	63,527	
Cash dividends paid (20%)	2,367,532	2,367,035	1,701,995
Balance, surplus, for cal. year	\$1,911,886	\$525,780	\$1,022,256

BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31.

Assets—	1919.	1918.	Liabilities—	1919.	1918.
Real estate, machinery, &c.*	3,614,068	3,726,600	Capital stock	11,838,850	11,836,223
Cash*	3,444,906	2,386,107	Accounts payable	1,019,137	1,227,090
Accts. receivable*	5,000,359	4,704,131	Reserve for special taxes	2,000,000	2,070,513
Investments	1,253,787	2,558,006	Res. for div. Jan.	947,076	946,808
Inventories	9,212,775	7,484,744	Surplus	6,720,833	4,778,946
Total	22,525,895	20,859,588	Total	22,525,895	20,859,588

* These amounts are stated after deducting reserves.—V. 108, p. 884.

United Fuel Gas Co.

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Dec. 31 1919.)

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1919.	1918.	1917.	1916.
Gas	\$6,271,848	\$6,656,799	\$6,775,053	\$4,065,719
Oil	1,074,059	1,175,740	657,401	288,920
Gasoline	2,894,109	2,314,201	1,914,994	370,900
Miscellaneous	244,143	99,797	42,728	27,050
Total	\$10,484,160	\$10,246,538	\$9,390,176	\$4,752,589
Operating expenses, ordinary taxes & deprec'n.	5,088,014	4,514,655	3,986,054	1,796,781
Net earnings	\$5,396,146	\$5,731,883	\$5,404,121	\$2,955,808
Other income	31,625			
Total	\$5,428,071	\$5,731,883	\$5,404,121	\$2,955,808
Federal excess profits & income taxes	\$538,972	\$990,660	\$1,555,611	
Interest charges	636,036	639,317	602,165	474,569
Dividends (cash)	x3,850,000	3,600,000	3,600,000	1,530,000
Dividend rate	(38½%)	(36%)	(36%)	(17%)
Balance, surplus	\$403,063	\$501,905	\$353,654	\$951,239

x For 200% stock dividend declared April 8 1920 see V. 110, p. 1533. z Before deducting \$1,000,000 stock dividend.

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31.

Assets—		Liabilities—	
1919	1918.	1919.	1918.
\$	\$	\$	\$
Plant acc't for pro- duct., transport. & distr. of gas & produc. of oil, gasoline, etc. 65,917,465	64,510,949	Capital stock.....	10,000,000
Susp. constr. acc'ts. 332,801	665,131	1st Mtge. bds., 6% 13,470,000	12,337,000
Secur. & stk. own. 288,391	173,591	Accounts payable.....	281,622
Cash..... 738,701	669,212	Unmat. accr. acc'ts (incl. Fed. taxes) 776,654	1,205,490
Material & supp. 736,246	535,481	Dividends..... 1,150,000	900,000
Bills receivable... 15,502	8,903	Deferred liabilities 54,519	47,037
Accounts receiv. 1,532,139	1,151,984	Deprac. & deple. reserve..... 8,846,408	5,055,964
Treasury bonds... 3,023,000	1,915,000	Corporate surplus. 38,223,438	40,005,245
Prepaid ins. acct. 47,397	31,178		
Prepaid rental res. 171,000	150,000		
Total..... 72,802,641	69,811,430	Total..... 72,802,641	69,811,430

—V. 110, p. 1533.

GENERAL INVESTMENT NEWS.

RAILROADS, INCLUDING ELECTRIC ROADS.

General Railroad and Electric Railway News.—The following table summarizes recent railroad and electric railway news of a more or less general character—news concerning which detailed information is commonly published on preceding page under the heading "Current Events and Discussions" (if not in the "Editorial Department"), either in the week the matter becomes public or as soon thereafter as may be practicable.

Equipment corporation in process of organization by S. Davies Warfield to enable railroads to acquire new rolling stock, see "Current Events" on a preceding page of this issue, also news item below.

Matters noted in "Chronicle" of July 24.—(a) Railroad Wage Award, p. 347 to 350, 329; (b) Need for Greatly Increased Rates: passenger and freight; Illinois intra-State freight rates, p. 351; (c) Priority Coal Shipments. Injunction touching same suspended, p. 347; (d) Plan for Speeding Freight; Advantage of continuing all express service in hands of American Railway Express Co., p. 352; (e) F. T. Hines appointed head of Inland and Coastwise Waterways Service under Transportation Act, p. 352

Ala. City Gadsden & Attalla Ry.—Seeks To Void Sale.—

Arthur E. Forsyth of Birmingham, a stockholder in the old street car company, lighting plant and ice plant filed a bill of discovery in the chancery court at Gadsden July 20 charging that the sale of these properties to the Alabama Power Co. in April last (V. 110, p. 1186) was not a genuine one and asks for a receiver for the properties.

The petition also seeks to declare all the terms of the alleged contract for the sale of the properties null and void. The defendants named are Gadsden Ry.; Alabama City, Gadsden & Attalla Ry. Co.; the Gadsden Ice & Coal Co., the Gadsden Railway, Light & Power Co., and the Alabama Power Co.

The petitioner avers that the car lines, ice plant and other properties were alleged to have been sold for \$182,000 in bonds of doubtful value, the purchaser also assuming a bonded debt of the railway system amounting to \$104,000. It is asserted that the market value of the bonds so accepted is 50% less than their face value and that they are in fact speculative in character. The petition says that the properties were acquired for less than one-fifth their actual value.—V. 110, p. 1186.

American Rys. Co.—Annual Report—No Pref. Div.—

No action has been taken regarding the declaration of the Preferred dividend, pending the working out of the proposed plan for refinancing the company. Quarterly dividends of 1 3/4% have been paid on the Pref. stock since Feb. 1913. The semi-annual dividend on the Common stock was not declared at the directors' meeting held on May 28 1920. The Common stock is mostly owned by the National Properties Co. and is collateral behind the National Properties 4-6s, the interest on which was not paid July 1 1920. See plan in V. 111, p. 188, and National Properties Co. below.

For annual report see under "Financial Reports" above.—V. 111, p. 188.

Atchison Topeka & Santa Fe Ry.—Issue Approved.—

The I.-S. C. Commission has authorized the company to continue issuance of its common stock in an additional amount not exceeding \$9,243,000, in exchange for its outstanding 4% convertible bonds of 1910.—V. 111, p. 388.

Atlanta Birmingham & Atlantic Ry.—Govt. Loan.—

See Great Northern Ry. below.—V. 111, p. 188.

Aurora Elgin & Chicago RR.—Status.—The protective committee of holders of First & Refunding Mtge. 5% bonds, due 1946, and 3-Year Collateral Trust notes, due 1921, secured by said First & Ref. Mtge. bonds (R. M. Stinson, of R. M. Stinson & Co., Phila., Chairman), in circular of July 28 says in substance:

Deposit.—The committee now represents all but \$45,000 of the First & Ref. Mtge. bonds and all of the Three-Year Collateral Trust notes except those owned by War Finance Corporation, which is co-operating with the committee.

Early in November last, at our request, the trustee for the Three-Year Collateral Trust notes sold the First & Ref. Mtge. bonds held by it as collateral therefor, and the committee and War Finance Corporation each purchased their proportionate share of this collateral. All of the bonds so acquired by the committee have been deposited under the protective agreement, thus, in effect, consolidating the position of the note and bondholders for purposes of legal action.

Foreclosure.—Foreclosure proceedings have already been instituted under the First & Refunding Mortgage.

A stockholders' protective committee has been formed but we believe it very unlikely that this stockholders' committee will be able to raise a sufficient sum of money to avert the foreclosure.

Receivership Suits.—Immediately after settlement of the strike for higher wages, in July 1919, the receiver applied to the State P. U. Commission for permission to increase the fare on the local lines in Aurora and Elgin, incident to the adjustment in wages. At the hearing, special counsel on behalf of the city of Aurora moved to dismiss the petition on the grounds that the consolidation by which the company was to be formed was contrary to law. Upon petition by the receiver, the U. S. Court granted an injunction restraining the city from interfering with the property.

Counsel for the city of Aurora also appeared in the Circuit Court of Kane County, on behalf of the city and alleged small claimants for personal injury damages, and obtained the appointment of a receiver for the Elgin Aurora & Southern Traction Co. Subsequently the Federal receiver secured an injunction restraining the aforesaid State receiver from interfering in any way with his management.

Your committee took an active part in the above litigation. **Default on E. A. & S. Division Bonds.**—Late in 1919 it became evident that the interest due Dec. 1 on the Elgin Aurora & Southern Traction Co. First Mtge. 5% bonds could not be paid then (nor has it been since), and Dr. Conway was asked to investigate the status of that division. His report disclosed the fact that said line had not for some years earned the interest on its bonds, if proper provision for depreciation and a proper charge for power supplied to it from the Batavia power station (which is not covered by the lien of the E. A. & S. mortgage) had been made.

The city lines in Aurora and Elgin were and still are operating at an actual loss, and the earnings of the balance of the property covered by the Elgin Aurora & Southern mortgage are not sufficient to offset that loss and at the same time meet the interest on the Elgin Aurora & Southern bonds. This situation is rendered more acute by the increase in wages as of June 1 1920.

The appraisal of the Elgin Aurora & Southern property, made by Bion J. Arnold for the receiver (as part of an appraisal of the entire property not

yet completed), shows that the equity in this division, above the E. A. & S. bonds, is comparatively small. We are therefore not disturbed by the conclusion of the Court not to authorize the payment of interest on the E. A. & S. bonds, as above mentioned.

Wage Increases.—The wage controversy in July 1919 was finally settled by an award of the Court, retroactive to Aug. 23 1919, of an increase of 20% to remain in effect until June 1 1920. On June 1 further large demands were made, corresponding with similar demands on the Chicago local and interurban roads. The receiver has reached an agreement increasing the wages by between 9 and 10 cts. per hour, effective June 1 1920 and extending till June 1 1921.

Outlook for Reorganization.—The arrears in interest on the First & Refunding Mtge. bonds and Three-Year Collateral Trust notes now dates from Jan. 1 1919, in the case of the former, and Sept. 1 1918 in the case of the latter, and it seems unlikely that any further payments can be made until such time as the whole financial structure of the property can be readjusted; this cannot be accomplished until general financial conditions have so far improved as to permit of a complete reorganization.

Every effort is being made to improve the service and re-attract business lost prior to the appointment of a receiver, and to increase the gross revenue through higher fares wherever feasible and an increased volume of freight traffic. These efforts are bearing fruit, and there has been a most satisfactory increase in gross receipts within recent months.—V. 110, p. 166.

Baltimore & Ohio RR.—To Pay Bonds.—

The company will pay the \$361,000 6% 1st Mtge. bonds of the Ravenswood, Spencer & Glenville Ry. which mature Aug. 1.—V. 111, p. 188.

Berkshire (Mass.) Street Ry.—Wages.—

The employees have rejected the offer of Gen. Mgr. Clinton Q. Richmond granting them a flat increase of 15% in wages with a 9-hour day, and it is said they will stick to their original demand of 40% increase with an 8-hour day. The men are now receiving \$4 50 per day of 9 hours and the 15% increase would raise them to \$5 27 per day.—V. 110, p. 2487.

Birmingham & Southeastern RR.—Receivership.—

Judge Henry D. Clayton of the U. S. District Court, on the petition of the Atlanta & West Point Ry., has appointed a receiver for this company.—V. 103, p. 2340.

Canadian National Rys.—Disposition of Electric Lines Delayed.—Government Purchase.—

E. C. Drury, Canadian Premier, on July 7 notified Sir Adam Beck chairman of the Hydro-electric Commission, in response to a letter from Sir Adam, that the Government, after full and careful consideration, had decided to defer any action in regard to the acquisition of the Niagara, St. Catharines & Toronto Railway, the Toronto Suburban Railway and the Guelph Radial Railway by the Hydro Commission until such time as the Government had satisfied itself by means of a thorough inquiry as to the advisability of going on with the project. Meanwhile the Government requested that, pending the result of such inquiries, further expenditure on the roads should not be made. For further details see "Electric Railway Journal" (N. Y.) of July 17 and Compare V. 111, p. 293.

The "Engineering News Record" says: It has been announced that the Canadian Government has appropriated \$518,000 for the purchase of the following railroads: Elgin & Havelock, York & Carleton, St. Martin's, Salisbury & Albert, Moncton & Buchouche, Kent Northern and Caraquet & North Shore.—V. 111, p. 293.

Canadian Pacific Ry.—To Operate Short Lines.—

The company has assumed operation of the Edmonton Dunvegan & British Columbia Ry. and the Central Canada Ry. The Canadian Pacific is to control and operate the Edmonton Dunvegan & British Columbia Ry. for a period of five years, taking an option to purchase the line at any time within that period.—V. 110, p. 2075.

Carolina Clinchfield & Ohio Ry.—Notes—Govt. Loan.—

In reply to our inquiry we are informed that "the \$2,000,000 6% Mortgage Gold Notes due July 1 1920 have been extended to July 1 1930 and the issue increased to \$5,000,000, all of which has been deposited with the Government as security for a loan of \$2,000,000 obtained under Section 210 of the Transportation Act, 1920."—V. 111, p. 293.

Central Canada Ry.—Operation Taken Over.—

See Canadian Pacific Ry. above.—V. 101, p. 599.

Central of Georgia Ry.—Government Loan.—

See Great Northern Ry. below.—V. 111, p. 389.

Colorado Springs & Interurban Ry.—Wage Increase.—

The wages of the carmen were recently increased to a maximum of 60 cents an hour. Company has petitioned for an increase in fare from 6 cents 7 cents.—V. 111, p. 188.

Connecticut Company.—Jitney Competition—Fares.—

The company withdrew all service of its trolley cars in Bridgeport on July 26, and according to Pres. L. S. Stores, not a wheel will turn on the Bridgeport trolley system "until jitney bus competition has been removed." The city recently passed an ordinance prohibiting jitneys from operating on the city streets, but the Superior Court has held that this ordinance is void.

The company has notified Mayor Mead, of Ansonia, the Board of Aldermen of Waterbury and the Mayor of New Haven that the company intends to withdraw its car service from those towns unless the operation of jitneys is restricted. This is taken to mean that the company has planned a State-wide fight against the competition of jitneys.

At a hearing before the Connecticut P. S. Commission on the company's petition for a flat 7-cent fare in cities in place of the present complicated zone system, Judge Walter C. Noyes, Chairman of the board of Federal trustees, stated that a 7-cent fare is the only thing which can keep the company out of the bankruptcy court. Judge Noyes said the company had lost \$87,000 between June 1 and July 15, this in the season when a reserve should be piling up against the lean months next winter, and when the company is not paying interest, taxes and rentals. He added: "If we go on at the present rate, we cannot possibly go for more than two months, and I don't think we can last six weeks. The wheels couldn't turn any longer than that."—V. 111, p. 291.

Connecticut Valley St. Ry.—Fare Increase.—

By order of the Mass. Department of Public Utilities fares were increased from 6 to 10 cents, effective July 13. Company sells tickets at rate of 7 1/2 cents each.—V. 108, p. 2528.

Detroit Toledo & Ironton Ry.—Mr. Ford's Purchase.—

The "Railway Age" of July 23 contained an interesting article by F. J. Lisman & Co., N. Y., regarding the purchase of the control of this property by Mr. Ford and the probable expenditures required to place the road in a satisfactory operating condition.—V. 111, p. 294.

Detroit United Ry.—Detroit Traction Situation.—

The company has given notice that it will establish a new rate of fare at 8 cents for cash fares and 7 tickets for 50 cents, effective Aug. 1. The new rate is asked on all non-franchise car lines in the city in an amendment filed to its bill in the case pending before Judge Jayne in the Circuit Court.

The court is asked to decide whether or not the proposed rate of fare is reasonable. An injunction is asked by the company to restrain the city from passing on the reasonableness of the rate of fare and to enjoin the city from urging the people not to submit to the fare.

The petition of the company for permission to carry the judge's ruling to the U. S. Supreme Court was granted by Judge Arthur J. Tuttle after a ruling had been handed down dismissing the action in equity of the company against the city of Detroit. The action against the city followed the municipal bond election, the company charging that ballots of illegal type were used in the election.

The company sought by the action to stay the city from constructing lines provided for by the bond issue that was voted, or from interfering with the construction program of the company.

The Street Railway Commission of Detroit has given its final approval of the \$1,400,000 worth of grade and steel work for the Detroit city system. This is the first step toward the municipal street railway construction as outlined in Mayor Couzen's \$15,000,000 plan.

See six-page article by Daniel Hungerford in "Electric Railway Journal" (N. Y.) of July 24.—V. 111, p. 294.

Eastern Massachusetts Street Ry.—Interest.—Earnings.

Homer Loring, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, at the proceeding being held on the wage demands of the employees told Chairman Ogden of the arbitration board that interest maturities on which the semi-annual payments reach \$460,631, have been postponed under the moratorium clause of the mortgage as follows:

Par	Due	%	Semi-ann pay.
\$972,000 Eastern Mass. St. Ry. Ser. C.	Mar. 15 1920	6	\$29,160
806,000 Eastern Mass. St. Ry. Ser. D.	April 1 1920	6	24,180
14,956,000 Eastern Mass. St. Ry. Ser. A.	July 1 1920	4½	336,516
2,871,000 Eastern Mass. St. Ry. Ser. B.	July 1 1920	5	71,775

Mr. Loring stated that savings banks held funded securities of the company amounting to \$8,978,500; Life insurance companies \$3,698,000; other institutions and trusts \$1,121,000.

Income Statement Period June 1 1919 to May 31 1920.

	From June 1 to Nov. 30, '19	From Dec. 1 '19 to May 31 1920
Operating revenue	\$6,677,996	\$6,631,565
Operating expenses	5,845,079	6,531,706
Taxes	222,048	101,639
Operating income	\$610,868	x\$1,780
Non-operating income	30,878	54,449
Gross income	641,747	52,668
Deductions	221,907	235,862
Available for semi-ann. int.	419,839	x183,193
Amount required to pay semi-ann. int. on East Mass. bonds	483,225	545,708

x Deficit.—V. 111, p. 73.

Edmonton Dunvegan & British Columbia Ry.—

J. D. McArthur and associates have withdrawn from the directorate. D. C. Coleman, Winnipeg, has been elected President, in succession to Mr. McArthur, and Charles Murphy, Winnipeg, has been elected Vice-Pres., replacing Dr. McLennan of Edmonton. The new board consists of Hon. Charles Stewart, Edmonton; D. C. Coleman, C. Murphy, William Kirkpatrick, Winnipeg, and George A. Walker, Calgary. See Canadian Pacific Ry. above.

See Canadian Pacific Ry. above—V. 110, p. 1088.

Empire United Rys.—Experts' Opinion.—

See three-page article by M. C. Turpin of Westinghouse Electric Mfg. Co. in "Electric Railway Journal" (N. Y.) of July 24.—V. 107, p. 1837.

Gary Street Ry.—Fare Increase.—

The Indiana P. S. Commission has authorized an 8-cent car fare for the company, which operates in and between Gary, Hammond and East Chicago. The order also fixes a price of \$1 for a book of 14 tickets, and directs that the transfer privileges remain unchanged. The company was directed to issue a commutation book of 50 tickets, good for 3 months, for \$5, for a ride from Hammond to the "L. C. L. Siding."—V. 108, p. 268.

General Omnibus Co., New Jersey.—Franchise Forfeited.

An ordinance to repeal the 15-year franchise granted to the company to operate in Newark, N. J., has been ordered by the Newark City Commission. The franchise was issued Feb. 19 1919. The company was given a year to begin operations, and the extension on that time has now expired.—V. 109, p. 1609.

Grand Trunk Ry. of Canada.—To Increase Wages.—

It is stated that the schedule of higher wages granted to railway workers in the United States will be applied to the Grand Trunk System throughout Canada within the next two weeks. The increases on the Canadian lines will likely be retroactive to May 1, as were the awards in the United States.—V. 111, p. 294.

Great Northern Ry.—Govt. Loan to Aid in Meeting Notes.

The Inter-State Commerce Commission has approved additional loans from the revolving fund of \$300,000,000, amounting to \$18,925,000, to the companies named below. The money will be used for the purchase of equipment, meeting of maturities, betterments, &c., as follows:

Great Northern Ry.—(a) to aid in meeting \$20,000,000 maturing notes due Sept. 1, \$15,000,000, which loan becomes due Sept. 1 1921; (b) to aid in purchasing 45 heavy standard mikado locomotives and 1,000 75-ton hopper bottom steel ore cars, to cost \$5,300,000, of which the company will finance \$3,290,000, \$2,010,000, and (c) in making additions and betterments which will directly promote movement of freight train cars, \$1,800,000, of which the company will finance \$900,000, \$900,000; these latter two Government loans of \$2,010,000 and \$900,000 will run for fifteen years)	\$17,910,000
Central of Georgia Ry. (to aid in purchasing 1,000 stock cars, 500 box cars, 200 gondola cars and 7 mountain type combination freight and passenger locomotives costing \$2,785,000, of which company will finance \$1,970,000)	\$815,000
Atlanta Birmingham & Atlantic Ry. (to aid in meeting \$475,000 due July 19, of which \$275,000 to be raised by co. at 7% for one year)	\$200,000

—V. 111, p. 67, 74.

Hawkinsville & Florida Southern Ry.—Receivership.—

Robert B. Pegram, V.-Pres. at Atlanta, Ga., was on July 17 appointed receiver on the petition of the Georgia Southern & Florida, which claimed that the Hawkinsville line was indebted to it to the sum of more than \$40,000.—V. 110, p. 561.

Huntington (L. I.) Traction Co., Inc.—Organized.—

This company was incorporated on July 1 in New York with a capital of \$80,000 and will acquire the property of the Huntington RR. (V. 110, p. 261) which was dissolved on Sept. 23 1919. The following directors have been elected: Henry A. Murphy (Sec. & Treas.), Jack Hirschfeld, Edward McNally, W. A. Dempsey (V.-Pres.), E. B. Hawkins, E. T. Dempsey (Pres.), R. H. Hunt. Frank Willette and Philip S. McNally. See report of Long Island RR. in V. 111, p. 386.

Illinois Southern Ry.—Sale.—

This road, it is stated, will be offered for sale at Salem, Ill., on Sept. 20. Road was placed in the hands of receivers on Sept. 17 1918, and operations were suspended on Dec. 12 1919.—V. 110, p. 1748.

Interborough Metropolitan Corp.—Right to Exchange.

Judge Julius M. Mayer in the U. S. District Court has granted a petition of H. Content & Co. upholding their right as owners of preferred stock of the Company to exchange the same for a like number of shares of the preferred stock of the Interborough Consolidated Corp., now in bankruptcy.—V. 111, p. 74.

International Traction Co., Buffalo.—\$2,000,000

Notes Due Aug. 1 Not to be Paid.—Interest Also Delayed Pending Sale of Collateral Though Interest on Bonds Pledged as Collateral Has Been Paid.—Protective Committee.—

Thos. J. Walsh, Sec. of the Protective Committee for the 6% three-year gold notes, dated Aug 1 1917, due Aug 1 1920, in a letter dated July 27 says: "Inasmuch as your notes are secured by the deposit of the Ref. & Imp. 5% Bonds of the International Railway Company the profitable operation of the Railway Company is an important factor in the ultimate payment of your notes. The Company inaugurated a 7-cent fare on April 18 1920, and also the sale of 4 tickets for 25 cents. Earnings show satisfactory improvement under the increased fare, but wage increases to the employees are reported to consume more than the fare increase.

We have been advised by the Traction Company that it cannot provide funds for the payment of your notes and at our request the Trustee on May 27 declared the principal of the notes due and payable. Notice of sale of the collateral cannot commence until after July 27 1920. At the sale the Committee will bid for the collateral, and in case it acquires the same,

it will then determine the disposition thereof which it considers most advantageous to the depositing noteholders.

The coupons on the bonds pledged as collateral to your notes, have been paid and the proceeds are now on deposit with the Trustee of your notes. The declaration making the principal of the notes due, however, together with the pending sale of the collateral has made it inadvisable for payment of the note coupons of Aug 1 1920 to be made out of these proceeds pending the satisfaction of the notes. The Trustee must retain the funds now on deposit with it until the completion of the steps in progress looking toward the settlement of this obligation, and it is expected that these steps will not be consummated before the middle of September.

Approximately 95% of the outstanding notes are either deposited with the Committee or their holders have agreed to deposit them when demanded.

Committee.—George deB Greene, Chairman E. H. Rollins & Sons, New York.; J. W. Wheeler, Parkinson & Burr, Boston; George H. Taylor, E. H. Rollins & Sons, Chicago; Thos. J. Walsh, Secretary to the Committee, E. H. Rollins & Sons, 43 Exchange Place, New York. Bankers Trust Co., Depository, New York; Campbell, Harding & Pratt, Counsel, New York.—V. 109, p. 2172.

Kansas City Leavenworth & Western Ry.—Organized.

This company was recently organized in Kansas as successor to the Kansas City Western Ry., which was sold at foreclosure sale in Feb. 1920 (V. 110, p. 970). The company operates between Kansas City, Mo., and Leavenworth, Kan., a distance of about 36 miles.

The reorganized company in June last filed application with the Kansas Court of Industrial Relations for permission to issue \$1,200,000 First Mortgage bonds.

The original plan of reorganization, dated April 1 1919, of the Kansas City Western Ry., provided for the authorization of \$1,000,000 First Mortgage 6% bonds, \$500,000 Pref. stock and \$500,000 Common stock. It was proposed to issue under this plan \$958,800 First Mortgage bonds, \$479,400 Pref. stock, and 479,400 Common stock.

This plan was amended as of Feb. 16 1920. The amendments proposed to the original plan were: (1) Reduce the interest on the new bonds from 6% to 5%. (2) Date new mortgage as of April 1 1920, or as soon thereafter as the sale is approved by the court.

(3) Issue Pref. stock at par equal to interest include March 1 1920, instead of March 1 1919, on bonds surrendered. (4) Authorize \$1,250,000 of bonds, \$625,000 of Pref. stock, and \$625,000 of Common stock.

Kansas City Western Ry.—Successor Company.—

See Kansas City Leavenworth & Western Ry. above.—V. 110, p. 970.

Macon Dublin & Savannah RR.—Bonds Offered.—P. H.

Goodwin & Co., Poe & Daves, Kummer & Becker, Baltimore, are offering at 60 and int., to yield over 9¾%, \$262,000 First Mtge. 5% bonds. The Seaboard Air Line guarantees these bonds both principal and interest by endorsement.

Dated Jan. 3 1907, due Jan. 1 1947. Int. J. & J. Auth., \$1,840,000; outstanding, \$1,529,000; reserved for additions, \$311,000. 2% Federal income tax paid by company without deduction. Denom. \$1,000 (c*). Listed on Baltimore Stock Exchange.

Bonds are an absolute first mortgage on 90.71 miles of railroad from Macon to Vidalia, Ga., at the rate of about \$16,855 per mile.

See previous offering and description in V. 84, p. 450.—V. 110, p. 1642.

Milwaukee Elec. Ry. & Lt. Co.—Appeals Fare Increase.

The City of Milwaukee has filed an appeal in the Dana County Circuit Court at Madison, from a recent order of the Wisconsin Railroad Commission granting the company an increase in fares.—See V. 111, p. 189.

Missouri Motorbus Co.—Suspends.—

H. S. Albrecht, receiver, on July 1, obtained a court order authorizing the suspension of operation of the buses. He stated that the company did not have sufficient funds to meet its payroll or purchase gasoline and that he had been unable to borrow money necessary to continue operation.

The bus company was organized late in 1919 with a capital stock of \$300,000. It began operations on Feb. 9 with eleven double-deck buses having a seating capacity of sixty persons each. A regular schedule was maintained between Delmar and Hamilton Avenues and Sixth and Locust Streets, St. Louis. The fare was 10 cents.

Missouri Pacific RR.—To Cancel Bonds.—

In reply to an inquiry the company states: "Inasmuch as all of the bonds and stock of the Iron Mountain RR. of Memphis are owned by the Missouri Pacific RR., there will be no action as of Aug. 1, when the \$500,000 6% bonds mature, that will be of interest to the public. The mortgage probably will be canceled of record."—V. 110, p. 2657.

National Properties Co.—Time for Deposit of Bonds Extended.—7% Income Bond Instead of Pref. Stock for the Assessment—Change in Committee.—

The bondholders' protective committee, on July 27, incorporated a suggested amendment to the refinancing plan, providing that bondholders paying the assessment shall receive an income bond instead of preferred stock for the assessment. The committee made no official announcement, but a statement in other quarters was issued, covering the facts, as follows:

"A majority of the bonds having been deposited, and at the request of a large number of bondholders, the committee adopted as its plan the plan presented by the underwriting syndicate upon June 25, 1920, with the amendment as offered in their letter to the committee of July 23 1920, and that an extension of time be granted to the bondholders to deposit under the committee's plan up to 3 p. m. Aug. 16 1920, and that in the event of a better plan not having been offered, on Aug. 16 1920, the committee declare the plan as presented by the underwriting syndicate operative on said date, provided that in the opinion of the committee sufficient bonds have been deposited.

"The plan having been adopted as presented by the syndicate managers, John J. Henderson and E. Larence Miller, thereupon resigned from the bondholders' committee and Messrs. William A. Law and Claude A. Simpler were elected in their places."

The amendment referred to is the substitution of a 20-yr, 7% income bond instead of preferred stock of the American Railways Co. In other words, upon the payment of the 17½% called for, or \$175 on a \$1,000 bond, the National Properties holders will receive a bond of nearly the face value of their subscription or assessment.—Phila. "News Bureau" —See plan in V. 111, p. 189,291,389.

National Railway Service Corp.—Organized to Aid Railroads to Finance the Purchase of Equipment—To Issue \$30,000,000 Equip. Notes Presently.—

This company through S. Davies Warfield, Pres. National Association of Owners of Railroad Securities, filed incorporation papers in Baltimore on July 29. The corporation, in addition to other powers granted under its charter, will act as an agency of the Inter-State Commerce Commission in loans for purchase of equipment.

Mr. Warfield states the corporation will issue its obligations under two plans: (a) Railroads may purchase equipment outright through the corporation under an equipment trust providing for 30 semi-annual payments, the trust maturing in 15 years, the equipment then becoming the property of the carrier. The I.-S. C. Commission will make 15-year loans to the corporation in amounts dependent upon the class of equipment purchased. Railroads under this plan are required to furnish collateral to secure the equipment notes given the Government, which have a lien on the equipment subordinate to the lien of the equipment notes purchased from the corporation by investing institutions and investors.

(b) The corporation will lease equipment to railroads under the plan of semi-annual payments running 15 years, the carriers charging rentals to operating expenses. By a nominal payment after 15 years the railroads that complete their payments will receive the equipment as their own property. In the case of lease little or no collateral will be required from railroads.

The issue of equipment notes to be presently made will be \$30,000,000, maturing in 15 years. About 40% will be loaned the corporation by the Government at 6%, either direct or through the carriers participating in the series, the balance loaned by investing institutions at 7%.

The carriers participating in the present issue are the Baltimore & Ohio, \$14,000,000; the Rock Island and the Minneapolis & St. Louis Rys., \$11,000,000, and Bangor & Aroostook, \$150,000. Further particulars may be found under "Current Events", this issue.

New Orleans Ry. & Light Co.—Strike Settled.—

The street car men who had been on strike since July 1 returned to work on July 25 under an agreement with the company officials to leave all questions as to wage increase for settlement by three conciliators, who are to be chosen by the union and the Federal receiver for the street railway company. Partial service was maintained during the strike by non-union men.—V. 111, p. 189.

N. Y. & Queens Co. R.R.—Unable to Run More Cars.—

Pres. W. O. Wood, in replying to the P. S. Comm. that he could not comply with the Commission's order to run more cars, says: "This company is not financially able to run any more cars, as requested. With us it is almost a question each day as to whether we will be able to run the succeeding day. We are not making our actual operating expenses. How much longer we will be permitted to operate I cannot say. The more cars we operate the greater are our losses."—V. 109, p. 888.

Norfolk & Portsmouth Belt Line R.R.—Note Renewal.—

The company has applied to the U. S. C. Commission for authority to renew its note for \$150,000 with the National Bank of Norfolk at the rate of 6% until July 16 1921.—V. 110, p. 562.

Northern Ohio Traction & Light Co.—Car Trust Certificates Offered.—Cassat & Co., Phila., New York, &c., are offering at 100 and int., to yield 8%, \$1,000,000 Car Trust 8% gold certificates, issued under the Phila. plan.

Fidelity Trust Co., Phila., trustee. Denom. \$1,000(c*). Dated Aug. 1 1920, due serially \$100,000 each Feb. and Aug. 1 1921 to 1925. Red. all or part on any div. date upon 30 days' notice at 101 and div. Divs. payable at office of trustee, without deductions for any taxes, other than inheritance, succession and income taxes, which company may be required to pay, or to retain therefrom, under any present or future law of the United States, or of any State, county, municipality, or other taxing authority therein.

Data from Letter of President B. C. Cobb, Dated July 22 1920.

Secured on 20 steel interurban passenger cars, 56 Peter Witt city passenger cars and 10 Cleveland type passenger trail cars, costing more than \$1,340,000.

Company.—Incorp. in Ohio and conducts a rapidly growing electric light and power business centering in Akron and operates a system of city and interurban railways in the important Cleveland-Akron-Canton industrial section of Ohio. Population estimated at over 1,300,000

Earnings for the Twelve Months ended May 31 1920.

Gross earnings	\$10,354,301
Operating exp., incl. repairs, current maintenance, and taxes	7,509,628
Fixed charges	947,118

Net income after all charges, but before depreciation..... \$1,897,525
Company is now paying dividends at the rate of 6% on \$5,451,600 Preferred stock and at the rate of 7% on \$9,100,090 Common stock.

[The Akron City Council on July 16 amended the company's franchise so as to allow it to charge a 5-cent flat cash fare which is to continue in effect for 60 days so as to give sufficient time for the solution of the traction problem. The previous rate was 5 cents cash and tickets at 4 cents each. Service on the city lines were resumed on July 17, the men having gone on strike about a week previous, when the company refused to grant the wage award of the arbitration board. This resulted in the controversy between the city and the company.]—V. 110, p. 2658.

Ocean Shore R.R. (California)—To Abandon Plan for Extension to Santa Cruz.—

From the best information at hand the old Ocean Shore R.R. is going to abandon the project of extending its line from the present terminal to Santa Cruz. In fact, it is stated that the road from the latter city to Swanton is to be pulled and definitely abandoned, and it may be that the balance of the line will suffer a like fate at the hands of its stockholders, who apparently do not believe in "sending good money after bad." It is said by competent engineers that it will cost \$5,000,000 to complete the road from point near Halfmoon Bay, where trains are run to Santa Cruz, and that the stockholders do not believe the line would ever pay adequate returns on the investment, with interest at the present high rate of 6% per annum.—(San Francisco News Bureau.)—V. 106, p. 1461.

Pacific & Eastern R.R.—To Sell Road.—

Robert F. Maguire will sell at public auction at Medford, Ore., on Aug. 24 the railroad, railway franchises and other property of the company. The road, extending between Medford, Ore., and Butte Falls, has been in the hands of a receiver and idle for many months.—V. 108, p. 579.

Phila. Rapid Transit Co.—Div. Deferred—Officers.—

Following a meeting of the board of directors July 19, it was announced that as it had been found necessary to temporarily appropriate net earnings for the first six months' period to meet railroad expenditures, the directors deferred action on the semi-annual dividend.

At a meeting of the board held July 26, on the recommendation of President Mitten, the directors decided that no action be taken at this time to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Stotesbury.

Frank Luck, a large stockholder of many years and a director of the Eighth National Bank, and W. C. Dunbar, financial Vice-President, have been elected directors to fill the vacancies caused by the resignations of H. G. Lloyd and C. S. W. Packard.

The vacancy caused by Mr. Stotesbury's resignation was not filled out of courtesy, it is suggested, to Mr. Stotesbury.

In a prepared statement, President Mitten said, in substance: "The P. R. T. now sets itself to establish such a co-operative understanding with the City Government as should make possible a like accomplishment in results to the public and the community generally in the building up of a unified system of transportation as will meet Philadelphia's present and future needs."

The committee, consisting of Mr. Montgomery and President Mitten, who are entrusted with negotiations with the city in the matter of the operation of the Frankford "L" and of the Byberry Line, are planning an early meeting with the Mayor as a preliminary to a consideration of the broader subject.

The Public Service Commission on July 26, decided to defer its decision in the petition for elimination of free transfers and of 3-cent exchanges in the "central delivery loop," (which it was proposed to make effective July 1 1920) until after the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Co. has completed its inventory and appraisal of its property, and until after the city and other protestants have had an opportunity to check up the inventory and appraisal and offer such evidence in the matter as they may deem proper.—V. 111, p. 389, 295.

Pittsburgh & Lake Erie R.R.—Proposed Note Issue.—

The company has applied to the U. S. C. Commission for permission to issue notes to the extent of more than \$2,000,000, as follows: One-year 6% notes, \$625,000; six months 6% notes dated Aug. 4, \$750,000; six months 6% notes, dated Aug. 26, \$750,000. Hearing on application has been set for Aug. 20.—V. 111, p. 389.

Pittsb. & W. Va. Ry.—To Segregate Coal Properties.—

The Philadelphia News Bureau says: "Application of the Pittsburgh & West Virginia Ry. to U. S. C. Commission for permission to purchase from the Pittsburgh Terminal R.R. & Coal Co. the stock of the West Side Belt R.R., paves the way for the segregation of the railroad and coal properties under the control of Pittsburgh & West Virginia. When approval of the Commission is secured, it is understood it is planned to terminate the corporate existence of the West Side Belt and merge the road with the Pittsburgh & West Virginia. It is understood several plans are under consideration for segregation of the properties, but no decision has as yet been reached.—V. 110, p. 2070.

Plymouth & Sandwich Street Ry.—Sold.—

This road and all the real estate and personal property in Plymouth and Sagamore was sold on July 27 at a receivers' sale to Lewis Sovensky of Cambridge, a junk dealer for \$55,200.—V. 111, p. 389.

Public Service Corp. of N. J.—Bus Franchise Forfeited.—

See General Omnibus Co. above.—V. 111, p. 389.

St. Joseph (Mo.) Ry. Lt. Ht. & Power Co.—Fares.—

The Missouri P. S. Commission has granted an increase of fares to the company on the Savannah interurban line for a period of seven months

as follows: St. Joseph to county line, 10 cents; to Avenue City stop, 16 cents; to Holland stop, 24 cents; to Young stop, 30 cents, and Savannah, 36 cents. At the end of seven months the schedule must be reduced to the present rates.—V. 110 p. 2568.

Shore Line Electric Ry., Conn.—Part of Line Sold.—

Judge George E. Hinman of the Superior Court has approved the sale for a consideration of about \$340,000, of about 50 miles of trolley line to the United States Rail & Equipment Co. (owned by Lewis I. Levinson of New York), which purposes immediately to dismantle the entire line and dispose of the material and equipment as junk.

The property to be removed comprises trackage, turnouts, sidings and materials, starting from State and Ferry streets, in New Haven, and extending variously to Old Saybrook, Chester, Guilford, Stony Creek, Branford, Flanders Corner and East Lyme. This portion of the road has not been in use for about a year, operation having ceased when the trolley men went on strike in July 1919.—V. 111, p. 295.

Shuswap & Okanagan Ry.—Files Mortgage.—

The company has deposited in the office of the Secretary of State of Canada a mortgage of its railway to the Royal Trust Co. to secure an issue of bonds authorized by the special acts relating to the company. The road is leased to the Canadian Pacific Ry. which owns the stock and bonds as shown in V. 110, p. 1536.—V. 101, p. 214.

Texas & Pacific Ry.—Improvements Planned.—

Receiver J. L. Lancaster announces that he has financed proposed improvements for company at Eastland, Tex. He has arranged to secure \$6,000,000 for the necessary improvements to roadbed, rolling stock and yards and terminals. In the contemplated program or budget is \$1,000,000 promised for the establishment of shops, freight and passenger terminals. "Manufacturers Record" July 22.—V. 110, p. 1974.

Toledo Bowling Green & Sou. Trac. Co.—Fares.—

The Findlay (Ohio) City Council has notified the company that it is willing to grant an increase in fare on the city line if the company will withdraw its application for abandonment of the tracks, recently filed with the Council. Street assessments, it was stated, would be kept to a minimum.—V. 109, p. 889.

Toledo Rys. & Light Co.—Federal Court Issues Injunction Postponing Vote on Municipal Ownership Bonding Ordinance.—\$8,000,000 Valuation Accepted.—

Federal Judge Killits on July 24 on the petition of representatives of the company issued an injunction preventing the submission of the twin street railway \$7,000,000 bonding ordinance which was to be voted on at the Aug. 10 primaries.

Judge Killits granted the injunction after receiving a letter from Henry L. Deherty in which the latter pledges himself to accept the terms of the Miller Service-at-Cost franchise ordinance including the \$8,000,000 valuation of the street railway property.—See under "State and City Department" below and in last week's "Chronicle" p. 408 and compare V. 110, p. 2388, 2488, 2658; V. 111, p. 190.

Trenton & Mercer County Traction Corp.—Eqr. Tr.

See J. G. Brill Co. under "Industrials" below.—V. 110, p. 563.

Trenton (N. J.) Traction Co.—To Dissolve.—

The stockholders will vote Aug. 13 on dissolving the company. Company was organized as a holding concern in connection with the railway system of Trenton many years ago, and is inactive for approximately twenty years.—"Electric Railway Journal."

Twin City Rapid Transit Co.—Wage Increase.—

A board of arbitration has unanimously endorsed a maximum wage of 60 cents an hour for trainmen of the St. Paul City Ry. This is an increase of 10 cents an hour over the present scale. The new wage is agreeable to both the company and trainmen officials, and is expected to be adopted by the company, provided it is given permission by the City Council to increase fares from 6 cents to 7 cents.—V. 111, p. 295.

Underground Electric Rys. Co. of London.—Dividends.

The London "Economist" on July 10, stated as follows: "The Underground dividends have been announced this week, and do not make very cheerful reading, being in every instance lower than a year ago." The dividends on the Underground income bonds and the London General ordinary are omitted altogether:

	Rate Per Annum.			
Interim Dividends	1917	1918	1919	1920
City and South London, Ord.....	1½%	1½%	2%	½%
London Electric, Ord.....	1½%	1½%	2%	¼%
Metropolitan District, 2nd Pref.....	3%	3%	5%	2½%
Underground Electric Rys. of London (46,330-050) Income Bonds.....	4%	4%	6%	nil
Central London.....	3½%	4%	4%	½%
London General Omnibus.....	8%	---	8%	nil

The Underground Electric Rys. Co. of London states that interest on the 6% First Cumulative (\$1,273,000) Income debenture stock will be paid on Sept. 1 next at 3%, less income-tax. Subject to final audit, the profits for the half year ending June 30 1920, after paying the full interest on the 6% First Cum. Income debenture stock for such half-year amount to £42. This does not allow of any payment on the 6% income bonds, and the amount of £42, together with the amount of £22,938 brought forward from the previous half-year, has been carried to the special reserve for equalization of interest.—V. 110, p. 2383.

United Light & Railways Co.—Earnings Set New Record.

This company and subsidiary companies' consolidated earnings statement for the 12 months ended June 30 1920 reports the largest earnings in the history of the company. Gross earnings were \$10,995,208 as against \$9,816,279, increase, \$1,178,929; net earnings, \$3,126,555, compared with \$2,924,914, increase, \$201,641. Surplus earnings amounted to \$699,350, compared to \$551,597 in 1919, increase, \$144,754.—V. 111, p. 190.

United Rys. Co. of St. Louis.—Wage Inc.—Valuation.—

The Missouri P. S. Commission has granted the employees of the company an increase in wages of 5 cents per hour, retroactive to June 1. The increase applies to all the regular employees, and according to estimates of the Commission, will cost the company \$800,000 a year. Since June 1 1918 the Commission has granted total increase in the wages of the employees of this company of 114%.

The schedule of wages for motormen and conductors is as follows: First year, 55 cents per hour; second year, 60 cents; third year, 65 cents. Extra men are to be allowed a minimum of \$100 a month.

Reports from St. Louis state that the Public Service Commission has placed a valuation of \$47,035,000 on the company's properties. The Commission has, in the past, based its findings on car fares and employees' wages on a basis of a tentative valuation of \$50,000,000 and \$60,000,000. The latter valuation was fixed by the city when the franchise ordinance was passed, and has been used by the Commission in its two rate decisions.

It is believed that the company will shortly ask for an increase in fares, due to a recent wage increase of 5 cents an hour, given by the Commission.—V. 111, p. 295.

Utah Light & Traction Co.—Fare Increase.—

The Utah P. S. Commission recently authorized the company to increase cash fares from 6 cents to 7 cents; to sell commutation tickets at four for 25 cents and to increase price of school tickets from 3 cents to 4 cents.—V. 110, p. 765.

Virginia Ry. & Power Co.—Car Trusts Offered.—

Cassat & Co., Phila., are offering at 100 and div., yielding 8%, \$250,000 Car Trust 8% gold certificates, issued under the Philadelphia plan. Phila. Trust Co., Phila., trustee. Denom. \$1,000 (c*). Dated July 1 1920. Due serially \$50,000 each July 1 1921 to 1925. Divs. payable J. & J. at office of trustee. Red. as a whole on any div. date, upon 30 days' notice at 101 and accrued dividends.

Secured on 50 safety cars to be built by the J. G. Brill Co. at a total cost of \$325,700.

Company owns or controls through lease the entire street railway, electric light and power business in Richmond, Petersburg, Norfolk, Portsmouth and Berkeley; the electric light business of Suffolk and the City Gas Co. of Norfolk.

Upon the basis of eleven months' complete returns the net surplus for the 12 months ended June 30 1920, after all charges, but before depreciation, is estimated at \$1,500,000.

The Richmond (Va.) Common Council on July 21 adopted a 6-cent ordinance.

Pres. Thomas S. Wheelwright submitted a letter to the Council which shows that the value of the property on "reproduction new" figures, as ascertained by Stone & Webster, is \$14,332,410, and that the "historic" value of the properties or the actual cash invested in the railway business under its control from the time the business was founded, is given as \$20,249,400.—V. 111, p. 190.

Walla Walla Valley Ry.—Lines Suspend.—

Two lines of the company, the Prospect Heights and East Walla Walla branches, have been discontinued. The lines have not paid expenses for several years.—V. 109, p. 777.

Western Maryland Ry.—To Pay Off \$1,000,000 Coal & Iron Ry. 5s Due Aug. 1 in Cash.—We are officially informed that the \$1,000,000 Coal & Iron Ry. 5% bonds due Aug. 1 will be paid off on or after that date upon presentation to the Mercantile Trust & Deposit Co., Baltimore.

The company originally intended to refund these bonds by the issuance of \$1,000,000 7½% notes which were to be secured by \$1,429,000 1st & Ref. bonds of the Western Maryland Ry. but this plan was called off as stated in V. 111, p. 390.

INDUSTRIAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.

General Industrial and Public Utility News.—The following table summarizes recent industrial and public utility news of a general character, particulars regarding which are commonly to be found on a preceding page under the caption "Current Events and Discussions" (if not in the "Editorial Department"), either concurrently or as early as practicable after the matter becomes public.

Strikes.—(a) In Illinois on July 24 363 out of 375 coal-shipping mines were reported as closed by strikes for higher wages, &c. (b) In Indiana and Kansas on July 26 the coal-mining industry was more or less affected by strike. (c) On July 27 National Guard troops were sent into the West Virginia-Kentucky coal region, where a strike has been in progress for some weeks. (d) General strike at Waterbury, Conn., ended except technically on July 20. (e) Pittsburgh (Pa.) carpenters returned to work July 18. (f) On July 20 some 2,500 workers in motion picture works in N. Y. and N. J. struck for higher wages.

Prices.—Notable Changes.—(a) Wheat in Chicago July 26 and 27, March delivery, broke from about \$2 56 to \$2 37. (b) Numerous advances in prices of automobiles announced about July 26. (c) An advance of 1 cent a quart for Grades A and B milk beginning Aug. 1 was announced in N. Y. City on July 28 by the two large distributing companies.

Wages.—(a) Wage contract of marine engineers on Atlantic and Gulf coasts extended 90 days pending referendum as to refusal of steamship interests to increase wages. (b) American Woolen Co. on July 25 denied intention to decrease wages. (c) Rochester clothing workers agree to arbitrate.

Miscellaneous.—(a) Effective Aug. 2, preference and priority in the movement of bituminous coal for New England was ordered by the Interstate Commerce Commission. The Commission also ordered an embargo against Tidewater shipments until daily consignments to New England were filled.

Matters noted in "Chronicle" of July 24.—(a) Comparison of Employment and Wages in June, p. 346; (b) Wholesale and Retail Prices: In U. S. in June, p. 345, 346; (c) Shutdowns: Am. Woolen, p. 344 (d) Priority Coal Shipments, p. 347; (e) Wheat: Canada drops control, Argentine wheat, p. 343 (f) Building Operations in June, and first half of 1920, p. 334.

Adirondack Electric Power Corp.—Merger Completed.—See Adirondack Power & Light Corp. below.—V. 110, p. 765.

Adirondack Power & Light Corp.—Consolidation Completed—New Directors.—

The consolidation of the former Mohawk-Edison Co. (V. 110, p. 769) and the Adirondack Electric Power Corp. (V. 110, p. 765) was completed on July 23 in conformity with the orders of the New York P. S. Commission authorizing the merger. An official announcement states:

The enlarged property will be known as the Adirondack Power & Light Corp. and does business in the territory extending from the Vermont and Massachusetts Line through the upper Hudson Valley and extending up the Mohawk Valley to Canastota and Oneida to the West of Utica.

The Corporation will do all of the electric light and power business in Glens Falls, Saratoga Springs, Balston Spa, Watervliet, Schenectady and Amsterdam. It will do all the gas business in Saratoga Springs, Schenectady and Oneida and will have numerous large contracts under which power is furnished for the operation of practically all the street railway and inter-urban business in the territory as well as a long term contract with the Troy Gas & Electric Co. to furnish it all its electric light and power. The aggregate gross business done for the past twelve months by the two properties is in excess of \$4,000,000.

[Guaranty Trust Co. of New York has been appointed Trustee under an indenture, dated March 1 1920, securing an issue of First & Ref. Mtge. Gold Bonds, of which Series 6s are due March 1, 1950.]

Directors and Officers are J. Ledlie Hees, Pres.; Elmer J. West, V. Pres. D. E. Peck, V. Pres.; Roger W. Babson, V. Pres.; D. E. Peck, Sec.; J. M. Seay, Aud. & Asst. Treas.; J. M. Brucker, Asst. Treas.—Compare Adirondack Electric Power Corp. in V. 109; p. 2358, 2441, V. 110, p. 466, 765.

Alabama Power Co.—Seeks to Void Sale.—See Alabama City Gadsden & Attalla Ry. under "Railroads" above.—V. 110, p. 1850; V. 111, p. 75, 296.

American Bosch Magneto Corp.—To Become Selling Agent of Auto-Motive Business of Gray & Davis, Inc., &c.—See Gray & Davis, Inc., below.—V. 111, p. 296, 190.

American Brake Shoe & Foundry Co.—Special Dividend of \$2 per Share.—

The directors on July 27 declared a special dividend of \$2 per share upon its outstanding no par Common stock, payable on Aug. 31 to holders of record Aug. 20, and thereafter to the holders of all such Common stock as may be issued and exchanged for Preferred stock, in accordance with the plan approved by the shareholders on July 1 1920. (V. 110, p. 2293.)

Under the aforesaid plan (a) holders of the old participating Pref. stock are entitled to receive in exchange for each share thereof one share of the new 7% Cumulative Pref. stock and three shares of the new Common stock. (b) Holders of the old Common stock receive in exchange for each share thereof one share of the new 7% Cumulative Pref. stock.—V. 111, p. 390, 296, 75.

American Chain Co.—Sells Property.—The company has sold its waterfront property in Glenwood township, Norfolk, Va., comprising 60 acres, to the Standard Oil Co. for a sum said to be \$400,000.—V. 111, p. 296, 190.

American Chicle Co.—Stock Sold.—All of the Common stock offered at \$10 a share by Hornblower & Weeks, Low Dixon & Co. and White, Weld & Co., has been sold.—See V. 111, p. 296.

American International Corp.—New Secretary.—Richard P. Tinsley, a Vice-President, has been elected Secretary to succeed Cecil Page.—V. 111, p. 390.

American Hide & Leather Co.—Quarterly Report.—The company in submitting the statement of earnings for the fourth quarter and fiscal year 1919-20 as shown below, states that the results have been adjusted to the basis of cost or market value, whichever is lower, for the inventories as of June 30 1920.

Results for Quarter and Twelve Months ending June 30.

	1920—3 Mos.—	1919.	1920—12 Mos.—	1919.
Net earnings— <i>a</i>	def. \$730,802	\$1,259,156	\$1,509,178	\$3,352,180
Bond interest— <i>b</i>	79,896	47,760	31,840	200,190
Sinking fund.....	79,896	37,500	371,550	150,000
Int. on sinking fund bds.....	-----	80,115	-----	311,310

Balance, surplus.....def. \$810,697 \$1,093,781 \$1,105,787 \$2,690,680
a Net earnings as here shown indicate "results from operations after charging replacements, interest on loans, and reserves established for Federal income and excess profits taxes, and State franchise taxes."
b Bonds were paid Sept. 2 1919.

Net current assets outstanding June 30 1920, \$12,532,252, against \$15,111,913 June 30 1919.—V. 110, p. 1975.

American Manufacturing Co.—Earnings, &c.—

Estabrook & Co., who recommend this company's Preferred stock as an attractive investment, in their booklet "Preferred Stocks 1920," submit the following:

	Earnings for Calendar Years.					
	1911.	1913.	1915.	1917.	1918.	1919.
<i>a</i> Net.....	\$584,574	\$2,331,777	\$789,718	\$3,166,541	\$1,304,963	\$3,137,796
<i>b</i> Earnings.....	14.61%	58.29%	19.74%	79.16%	32.62%	78.44%

Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1919.	
Assets—	Liabilities—
Plants, warehouses, &c.....	Capital stock.....
Cash.....	All debts & tax reserves.....
Accts. and notes receiv.....	Res. for inventory depr.....
Inventories.....	Surplus.....
Stk. held for sale to empl.....	
Prepaid items.....	Total (each side).....

Net current assets for the Preferred stock as of the above date were over \$223 per share and total net assets over \$455 per share.

Capitalization consists of \$1,000,000 5% Cum. Pref. (auth. and outstanding) and \$12,090,000 auth. Common stock, of which \$8,000,000 outstanding.—V. 110, p. 873.

American Tel. & Teleg. Co.—The "Telephone Dollar."

A compilation prepared by Bell Telephone accountants shows that the Telephone dollar is now allocated as follows: 49.7 cents for wages; 16.9 cents for materials; 9.6 cents for dividends; 7.1 cents for interest; 6.1 cents for taxes; 4.0 cents for surplus; 2.8 cents for miscellaneous; 1.6 cents for printing; 1.2 cents for public pay station commissions and 1.0 cent for rent.—V. 111, p. 296.

American Zinc, Lead & Smelting Co.—Earnings.—

Net profits for the 3 months ending June 30 are reported at \$147,735, making total profits for the first half year \$344,975; less Pref. dividends \$241,620; surplus \$103,355. This compares with a loss of about \$14,000 in the first six months of 1919.—V. 107, p. 2378.

Amparo Mining Co.—Extra Dividend.—

An extra dividend of 2% has been declared on the stock along with the regular quarterly dividend of 3%, both payable Aug. 10 to holders of record July 31.—V. 110, p. 1417, 467.]

Armour & Co.—Ratifies Recapitalization Plan.—The stockholders on July 28 ratified the plan increasing the authorized capital stock from \$160,000,000 to \$400,000,000.

The plan provides for an authorized issue of \$300,000,000 Common stock, divided equally into class "A" and class "B" stock and for an increase of Preferred stock from the present authorized amount of \$60,000,000 to \$100,000,000. Holders of the present Common stock will receive for each share of Common stock of the par value of \$100 now held two shares of class "A" stock and six shares of class "B" Common stock, par value \$25 each. Compare V. 110, p. 191.

Sales for Half-Year ending June 30 1920.—These were:

	1920.	1919.
Gross sales for 6 mos. to June 30 abt.....	\$476,000,000	\$510,000,000

Vice-President R. J. Dunham is quoted as saying: "While the figures indicate a loss in business, the fact is that the tonnage of meats handled during the periods under comparison is substantially the same, the apparent decrease being due to lower prices which prevailed throughout the greater part of the first half of the current fiscal year. During the corresponding period in 1919 hog prices had reached the highest figure on record, and naturally gross sales were measured in terms of the prevailing high prices. The foreign business of the company was carried on in greatly reduced volume and the tonnage of domestic business showed marked increase."—V. 111, p. 390, 297.

Associated Oil Co. of Calif.—New Refinery.—

The company has announced that its new refinery built at a cost of about \$2,000,000 at Avon will be opened early next month. This will increase the supply of the State to such an extent that gasoline will be available for all necessary uses. The supply of gasoline was recently limited to 3 gallons at a time to automobile owners.—V. 110, p. 1746.

Atlantic Gulf & W. I. SS. Lines.—Govt. Compensation.—

See Clyde Steamship Co. below.—V. 110, p. 1851.

Atlantic Sugar Refineries, Ltd.—To Pay 28% Accumulations on Pref. Stock.—Initial Common Dividend.—

The directors, it is announced, have declared an initial dividend of 2½% on the Common stock (outstanding 35,000 shares, par \$100) together with the regular quarterly dividend of 1¼% on the Pref. stock, both payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 20.

A dividend of 28% in cash has also been declared on the Preferred stock, wiping out dividend arrears on that issue, same being payable Sept. 1 to holders of record Aug. 20.

For annual report see "Financial Reports" above.—V. 110, p. 2659.

Autocar Co., Ardmore, Pa.—Additional Stock—Earnings.—

The directors, it is stated, have authorized the issue and sale of 8,000 shares of capital stock at par (\$100 per share) to present stockholders. All subscriptions are to be filed with the company not later than Aug. 16, and any shares not subscribed for by that time may be offered to others. This will increase the capital to \$5,000,000.

Net sales and deliveries, it is stated, have increased during the last six months more than 40% over the corresponding period of last year, and the first six months of 1919 were the largest the company had ever experienced.—V. 110, p. 1750.

Barnet Leather Co., N. Y.—Initial Common Dividend.—

The initial quarterly dividend of 1¼% announced last week will be payable on the outstanding 40,000 shares of Common stock of no par value. For other particulars, see V. 111, p. 391.

Beacon Chocolate Co.—Sales.—

Sales for six months ending June 30 are reported at \$1,419,000 and net profits after reserve for taxes, \$242,163.—V. 110, p. 1851.

Beer, Sondheimer & Co., Inc.—To Change Name.—

The stockholders will vote Aug. 9 on changing the name of the corporation to the International Minerals & Metals Corp.—V. 111, p. 75.

Boone County Coal Corporation.—Annual Report.—

Gross income from sales of coal, year ending Nov. 30 1919.....	\$1,053,342
Cost of production.....	816,091
Net income.....	\$237,251
Other income, \$163,506, less expenses, \$134,015; net.....	329,460
Gross income.....	\$566,710
Interest, \$28,128; depreciation and depletion, \$141,329; profit and loss deductions, \$13,901; total.....	186,358
Balance, surplus.....	\$380,352

—V. 110, p. 80.

Boston Consolidated Gas Co.—Rate Increase.—

The Mass. Department of Public Utilities has authorized the Company to increase its standard price of gas from \$1.10 to \$1.35 per 1,000 cubic feet.—V. 110, p. 1091.

(J. G.) Brill Co.—Equipment Trusts Offered.—Elston & Co. and Chicago Trust Co., Chicago, are offering at prices ranging from 98.76 and int. to 96.07 and int. to yield 8%, \$155,000 equipment trust 7% gold certificates.

Dated June 1 1920, maturing serially semi-annually Dec. 1 1921 to June 1 1925. Int. payable J&D, at Chicago Trust Co., trustee, or in New York City. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500c*. Red. at par int. on 30 days' notice.

Security.—Issued under the "Philadelphia plan," and secured by 40 Birney one-man safety cars, built by the J. G. Brill Co. and by the purchase contracts and notes covering the sale of this equipment to the Trenton & Mercer County Traction Corp. Cars have a cash purchase value of about \$240,000. Certificates of this issue represent 65% of the purchase price of the cars, balance having been paid in cash and junior securities. The Birney One-Man Safety Car is especially designed for economical street railway operation, and is now in successful use in scores of both large and small communities in 37 States of the Union.—V. 110, p. 1750.

British Empire Steel Corporation.—Further Details.—

See Canada Steamship Lines, Ltd., and Collingwood Shipbuilding Co. below.—V. 111, p. 391.

Butler Mill, New Bedford.—Extra Dividend.—

An extra dividend of 5% has been declared on the Common stock, along with regular quarterly dividend of 2%, both payable Aug. 14 to holders of record Aug. 4. Like amounts were paid in Feb. and May last.—V. 110, p. 1851.

Calumet & Hecla Mining Co.—Production (Lbs.).—

	Calumet & Hecla	Subsidiaries.	Total.
June 1920.....	\$5,097,594	\$3,925,285	\$9,022,879
June 1919.....	3,221,220	2,218,541	5,439,761
6 months 1920.....	30,935,499	24,654,967	55,590,466
6 months 1919.....	25,855,198	25,609,916	51,465,114

Official.—V. 110, p. 2659.

Canada Foundries & Forgings, Ltd.—Acquisition.—

The shareholders on July 24 approved the proposal of the directors to acquire the Mann Axe & Tool Co. of St. Stephens, N. B.—V. 111, p. 391.

Canada Steamship Lines, Ltd.—Plan Ratified—Terms of 25-Year Lease—Memorandum of Agreement.—

The shareholders on July 24 approved the agreement dated July 12 entered into between this company and the British Empire Steel Corp.

Terms of Agreement with British Empire Steel Corp. Dated July 12.

(1) The steamship company undertakes for 25 years from July 1 1920 to operate and manage its business and to conduct the same in all respects as efficiently as heretofore, for the profit and—or loss of the steel company, who shall be entitled to any surplus profit arising therefrom after all expenses of such operations, including management and direction expenses, and the further deduction hereinafter mentioned, the steel company on its part to bear any loss or deficiency.

(2) Out of the surplus revenues arising from the operations and expenses the steamship company shall retain and pay the amount necessary to meet interest on its outstanding debenture stock and—or bonds, mortgages, whether due by the steamship company or its subsidiaries, and a dividend at rate of 7% per annum, payable quarterly, on the steamship company's issue of Preferred and Common stock outstanding, as well as making provision for requisite depreciation and sinking fund which in no event shall be less than the depreciation and sinking fund required by the trust deed securing the company's debenture stock and—or bonds, and should the revenues of the steamship company and its subsidiaries be insufficient for such purposes the steel company covenants and agrees to supply the deficiency as required.

(3) The steel company further covenants and agrees to provide or advance such additional cash capital as the steamship company may reasonably require from time to time for its operations and extensions to secure the repayment of which provision or advances the steamship company shall give proper security therefor, covenanting to pay a reasonable rate of interest thereon having regard to prevailing conditions at the time of such advances.

(4) In consideration of the foregoing covenants on the part of the steel company the steamship company agrees to transfer and pay over to the steel company its surplus net earnings, subject to the provisions aforesaid, during the currency of this agreement.

(5) This agreement shall remain in force for such period beyond the term of 25 years as aforesaid until canceled by one year's notice in writing given by either party to the other, but shall in no event extend beyond the period of 99 years.

(6) Furthermore, for the consideration aforesaid the steamship company covenants and agrees that the steel company provided it has not in the meantime increased its outstanding capital stock by the declaration of stock dividends or stock bonuses to its shareholders shall during the period of 25 years have the right at any time to purchase all the then existing assets and undertaking of the steamship company, including good-will, but subject to the assumption of its liabilities, as a going concern upon the payment or transfer by the steel company to the steamship company of 125,000 shares of 7% Cumulative Preference stock, 120,000 shares of 7% Cumulative 2d Preference stock, and 66,500 shares of Common or Ordinary stock of the steel company. In the event of this option being exercised the said shares of the steel company shall carry dividends from the date in respect of which the last dividends have been paid upon the shares of the steamship company, or the steel company shall pay to the steamship company the equivalent in cash (see V. 111, p. 391).

(7) Nothing herein contained or covenanted to be agreed and performed by the steamship company shall be construed as a covenant on the part of the Steamship company which would in any way affect or impair that company's obligations towards the trustees representing its bondholders and—or debenture stockholders.

(8) Failure on the part of the steel company to make any payment to the steamship company as provided for in and by paragraph 2 shall, at the option of the steamship company, after giving 90 days' notice, and should such default then continue, render this agreement null and void. For terms of exchange of stocks, &c., see V. 111, p. 391.

Central Leather Company.—Quarterly Report.—

Results for Quarter and Six Months Ending June 30.

	1920—3 mos.—	1919	1920—6 mos.—	1919
Total income.....	Def. \$1,375,669	\$5,798,832	\$1,522,856	\$9,495,622
General exp., loss, &c.....	1,263,904	1,343,602	2,632,684	2,479,929
Income from investm'ts.....	Cr. 120,046	243,668	Cr. 260,071	255,675
Int. on bonds & debens.....	459,551	459,551	919,103	919,103
Net income.....	D. \$2,979,079	\$4,239,345	D. \$1,768,861	\$6,352,263
Pref. divs. pay. July 1.....	582,732	582,732	1,165,465	1,165,464
Common dividends.....	496,261	496,261	992,522	992,522

Balance surplus..... D. \$4,058,073 \$3,160,352 D. \$3,926,848 \$1,194,277
 a Total income here indicates the result from "the operations of all properties for the quarter after taking into account the expenses incident to operations, (including those for repairs and maintenance approximately \$650,948 in 1920 against \$619,175 in 1919) and in 1919 provision from taxes."—V. 111, p. 297.

Cincinnati Gas & Electric Co.—Notes.—

A. B. Leach & Co., Inc., are offering at 97 3/4 and int. \$500,000 7% Three-Year Gold notes, dated Dec. 1 1919 and due Dec. 1 1922 (see V. 110, p. 468).

Company owns one of the largest and most modern generating stations in the United States, with a present installed capacity of 60,000 k.w. and an ultimate capacity of 140,000 k.w., together with distributing systems supplying electricity and gas to Cincinnati, Ohio, and adjacent communities.

The company has paid dividends of not less than 4% per annum continuously for over 66 years. The present rate is 5%, which has been paid since 1910. Income is equal to over three times interest charges on the funded debt of the company. Compare V. 110, p. 468, 874, 973.

Clifton Manufacturing Co., Clifton, S. C.—Stock Div.

A stock dividend of 100%, together with a cash dividend of 8%, were both payable July 1 last. This stock distribution increases the outstanding capital stock from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000.

The company was incorporated in Feb. 1880 in South Carolina, and manufactures sheetings, drills and print cloths, with mills located at Clifton, S. C. J. C. Evins is President and Treasurer.

Clyde Steamship Co.—Government Compensation.—

It was announced on July 24 that settlement of the claims of the Clyde Steamship Co. and the Mallory Steamship Co. arising from Federal operation has been made by a lump sum payment to both companies totaling \$4,019,782. Compensation, depreciation, maintenance and all other claims, including those for the steamship Onondaga, lost in 1918 by the Clyde Company, and the steamship San Gaba of the Mallory Line, sunk by a German mine in 1918, were included in the settlement. Both companies are subsidiaries of the Atlantic Gulf & West Indies S. S. Lines.—V. 108, p. 786.

Collingwood Shipbuilding Co., Ltd.—Terms of Merger.

The shareholders were to vote July 27 on the terms upon which the company will be permitted to enter the British Empire Steel Corp. merger.

Under the terms of the agreement the company is required to sell all its undertakings and assets to the Collingwood Shipbuilding Co., Ltd. [which appears to be a new link between the operating company and the British Empire Steel Corp.] The purchaser assumes and undertakes to pay, satisfy, discharge, perform and fulfill all the debts, liabilities, contracts, engagements and obligations of the company whatsoever.

The consideration comprises (a) First Mtge. 10-year 6% serial bonds of par value of \$1,950,000, unconditionally guaranteed as to principal and interest by the British Empire Steel Corp.; (b) 7% Cumulative Pref. stock of the Steel Corporation of par value \$1,010,000; (c) 7% Cumul. 2d Pref. stock of the Steel Corporation of the par value \$1,010,000, and (d) Common stock of the corporation, of par value \$1,040,000.

The funded debt of the shipbuilding company stands at \$1,950,000 and the outstanding capital of \$2,600,000.

See amended balance sheet of British Empire Steel Corp. in V. 111, p. 192, also Canada Steamship Lines below and in V. 111, p. 391, Dominion Steel Corp. in V. 111, p. 298, and Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co. in V. 111, p. 394; V. 110, p. 2662, 2573.—V. 110, p. 1976.

Columbia Graphophone Manufacturing Co.—Notes Offered.—

Guaranty Trust Co., Kissel, Kennicutt & Co., and Dominick & Dominick are offering at 100 and int. to yield 8% \$7,500,000 Five-Year 8% Gold notes. (See advt. pages.)

Dated Aug. 1 1920. To mature Aug. 1 1925. Int. payable F. & A. without deduction for normal Federal income tax not in excess of 2% at Guaranty Trust Co., New York, trustee. Denom. \$1,000 (c*). Red. all or part on any int. date, upon 30 days' notice, at par and int. plus a premium of 1/2% for each 6 months' period by which the maturity of the notes is anticipated. Company covenants to refund the Pennsylvania four-mill tax. Semi-annual sinking fund of \$625,000 payable June 1 1922 and on each Dec. 1 and June 1 thereafter up to Dec. 1 1924, incl., is to be used for redemption of notes; if notes are purchased and canceled other than by sinking fund, the semi-annual payment will be proportionately reduced. No mortgage can be made (other than purchase money mortgages) without securing these notes equal with the bonds or notes to be issued thereunder. As to stock purchase privilege, see below.

Data from Letter of Pres. Francis S. Whitten, New York, July 26

Company.—Business originally established in 1887, consists of the production and distribution of the well-known and widely used Columbia Graphonolas, Columbia Records and Dictaphones. The Dictaphone, an exclusive product of this company, is steadily growing in popularity among business offices.

The company owns two manufacturing plants at Bridgeport, Conn. Total number of employees at plants, about 8,000. Also owns entire Common stock of the Columbia Graphophone Factories Corp. which is building a large plant at Baltimore and owns an important and modern plant at Toronto, Can. Both plants have been leased to the Columbia Graphophone Mfg. Co. Through a subsidiary also controls a plant at London, Eng.

Capitalization Upon Completion of Present Financing.

	Authorized.	Outstanding.
5-Year 8% Gold notes (this issue).....	\$7,500,000	\$7,500,000
7% Cumul. Pref. stock (par \$100) \$476,100 retired.....	15,000,000	10,348,941
Common stock (no par value).....	1,500,000 sh.	1,209,762 sh

In addition, the company has outstanding real estate mortgages due 1923, aggregating \$250,000.

Purpose.—Proceeds will be used to increase working capital to take care of expanding business.

	Net Income (After Deprec. & All Taxes).	Int. Incl. Notes Pay.	Balance.
Earnings—			
Average 3 yrs. ended Dec. 31 1919.....	\$2,087,493	\$394,873	\$1,692,620
Calendar Year 1919 (V. 110, p. 118).....	3,887,162	262,960	3,624,202

Stock Purchase Privilege.—Each \$1,000 note will carry with it the privilege to purchase at any time after Feb. 1 1921, and on or before the maturity or redemption date of such note, 3 shares of Common stock at \$35 per share. In case company shall declare any stock divs. after Feb. 1 1921, or sell any Common stock at less than \$35 per share, the purchase price under the above option shall be reduced proportionately.

For the six months ended June 30 1920, net income, after allowance for depreciation, and for all taxes, approximated \$2,900,000 or at the rate of over 6 1/4 times all interest including the interest charges on these notes. See annual report in V. 110, p. 1181 and compare V. 110, p. 1751, 1976, 2294, 2660.

[A quarterly dividend (No. 10) of 25 cents in cash and 1-20 of a share in Common stock has been declared payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 10. This dividend is payable on the Common shares as subdivided as of Aug. 20 1919 by the issue of ten new shares for each old share, per plan in V. 109, p. 581. The regular quarterly dividend of 1 1/4% on the Pref. has also been declared payable Oct. 1 to holders of record Sept. 10.]—V. 110 p. 2660.

Consolidated Automotive Industries, Inc.—New Name

See Consolidated Truck & Tractor Corp. below.—

Consolidated Textile Co.—Earnings.—

Net earnings for the quarter ending July 3 are reported at \$1,413,530 after charges, except Federal taxes. For the six months net earnings were \$2,927,831, equal to \$10 97 a share on outstanding 267,637 shares of no par value stock. (Given as reported in daily papers, Company's official declining to verify over the telephone.)—V. 110, p. 1751.

Consolidated Truck & Tractor Corp., Detroit.—

This company has increased its capital from \$1,500,000 to \$2,500,000 and has changed its name to the Consolidated Automotive Industries, Inc.—

Continental Gas & Electric Corp.—Notes Offered.—

Otis & Co., Cleveland, Robt. Garrett & Sons, Fidelity Securities Corp., Baltimore, and National City Bank of Chicago are offering at 98 and int. to yield about 8.10% \$1,400,000 Two-Year 7% Conv. Coll. Trust notes.

Dated July 15 1920. Due July 15 1922. Convertible at any time before maturity or redemption into the First Lien 5% bonds at \$9 and int. (yielding about 7.50% from maturity of these notes). Int. payable J. & J. at office of Otis & Co., Cleveland, O. or First National Bank, N. Y. City. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500. Callable upon 30 days' notice at 100 1/2 and int. Company agrees to pay the normal Federal income tax up to 2%.

Data from Letter of Pres. C. S. Eaton, Dated July 12 1920.

	Auth.	Outstdg.
Capitalization After this Financing—		
First Lien Collateral Trust 5% bonds.....	\$5,000,000	\$2,164,800
Collateral Trust 7% notes (this issue).....	1,400,000	1,400,000
6% Cumulative Pref. stock.....	5,000,000	1,421,600
Common stock.....	5,000,000	2,046,300

Purpose.—To retire an issue of Collateral Trust 6% 3-Year notes due Sept. 1 1920.

Business.—Company furnishes electric light and power, gas and heat to 81 cities and smaller communities, serving a population of over 156,000 in Western Iowa, Eastern Nebraska and Brandon, Manitoba, Can. On May 1 1920 customers numbered more than 37,000. Owns eleven subsidiary companies through ownership of \$7,473,000 of their bonds and stocks outstanding.

Security.—Secured by deposit of \$1,867,000 Continental Gas & Elec. Corp. 1st Lien Coll. Trust s. f. 5s, due Nov. 1 1927 at 75.

Comparative Statement Subsidiary Earnings for 12-Mos. ended March 31 1920.

	1920.	1919.
Gross income	\$1,702,177	\$1,465,522
Net after taxes & maintenance	432,322	359,987
Interest on 5% bonds (1 year)	98,583	95,606
Interest on 6% Collateral notes	83,658	78,995
Dividend on Preferred stock	85,134	76,818

Balance, surplus.....\$164,947 \$108,568
See earnings for calendar year 1919 in V. 110, p. 1529, 2196.

(William) Cramp & Sons Ship & Engine Building Co.—Stock Dividend.—The directors have declared a stock dividend of 150%, payable Sept. 10 to holders of record Aug. 10.—See V. 111, p. 76.

Crucible Steel Co. of America.—Listing.—Earnings.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing on and after July 31, 1920, of \$6,250,000 additional Common stock on official notice of issuance as a 16 2-3% stock dividend (V. 110, p. 2570) making the total amount applied for \$43,750,000 (par \$100).

Aug. 31 Yr.	1915-16.	1916-17.	1917-18.	1918-19.	1919-20(est.)
Gross	\$47,776,648	\$31,352,718	\$77,160,658	\$59,560,692	\$65,000,000

Earnings—	5 Mos. end May 31 '20.	Cal. Year 1919.	Aug. 31 Years—1918-19.	1917-18.
Net profits	\$5,961,297	\$5,817,806	\$9,574,208	\$13,812,127
Preferred dividends—(3 1/2%)	875,000	(7 1/2%) 1,750,000	(7) 1,750,000	(7) 1,750,000
Common dividends—(3%)	750,000	(7 1/2%) 1,875,000		

Balance, surplus	\$4,336,298	\$2,192,807	\$7,824,208	\$12,062,127
Surplus Dec. 31 1919	48,285,833			
Less 50% Com. stock div.				
April 30	12,500,000			

Surplus May 31 1920—\$40,122,131
Earnings for the calendar year 1919 and the five months of 1920 are subject to adjustment at end of fiscal year.—See V. 111, p. 392.

Cunard Steamship Co.—New Jersey Terminal.

The New Jersey State Board of Commerce and Navigation has granted a permit to the Cunard Terminal Corp. (a subsidiary) for the construction of a terminal on the Hudson River at Weehawken. The board has fixed a price of \$50 a foot for approximately 1,150 feet. Plans will now be submitted to the War Department.—V. 110, p. 2660.

Cunard Terminal Corp.—Incorporated.

Incorporated in New Jersey July 12 1920 with \$10,000,000 capital to engage in land improvement, wharf and warehouse business. The incorporators were Sir Ashley Sparke, K.B.E.; Delos W. Cooke, Richard L. Walker, William J. G. Hudson, Robert H. Blake, Percy W. Whatmough, Albert E. Wright, Harold Borer, all of 21 State St., N. Y. City. The Corporation Trust Co. is the company's New Jersey representative. See Cunard Steamship Co. above.

Donner Steel Co., Inc.—Earnings.

Surplus, earned, after ordinary repairs, maintenance, interest and depreciation is reported at \$1,114,505.—V. 110, p. 1751.

Edison Electric Appliance Co.—Capital Increase.

The stockholders voted July 28 to increase (a) the Common stock from 50,000 shares to 61,000 shares of no par value (b) the Preferred stock from \$1,590,200 to \$2,650,200 (par \$100) (c) the stated capital from \$2,465,200 to \$3,262,200. See offering of bonds in V. 111, p. 77, 298.

Emerson Phonograph Co.—Annual Report.

Year ending April 30 1920—	
Net sales	\$2,947,901
Income from investments, &c.	33,265
Total income	\$2,981,166
Cost of manufacturing records, including compensation of artists, recording, plating, war tax, &c.	\$2,206,608
Selling, advertising, administrative and other expenses	510,770
Depreciation reserves	192,939
Net profit to surplus	\$70,849

Comparative sales for fiscal years ending April 30 1917, \$590,431; 1918, \$801,378; 1919, \$1,159,450; 1920, \$2,947,901.—V. 110, p. 1751.

Fensland Oil Co.—Capital Increase.

The stockholders on July 30 voted to increase the authorized shares from 200,000 to 225,000 and ratified the contract entered into by the company for the acquisition of some 30,000 additional acres of oil and gas leases in Texas, Oklahoma and Indiana.

Present production, it is stated, is running between 1,400 and 1,500 bbls. of oil a day, coming from 3 wells. The company is now drilling 4 additional wells and will start 2 more right away and an additional one within two or three weeks.—See V. 111, p. 392.

Fifth Ave. Coach Co.—Oper. Status, &c.

Under title of "Motor Bus Transportation in New York" the organization and operating details of the company are outlined and the present and future possibilities in motor bus transportation are discussed by George A. Green, general manager and engineer of the company, New York, in the "Electric Railway Journal" (N. Y.) of July 24, being an abstract of paper presented to Society of Automotive Engineers, Ottawa Beach, Mich., June 23, 1920.—V. 107, p. 2192.

Fitchburg (Mass.) Gas & Electric Co.—Rate Increase.

The Mass. Department of Public Utilities has granted the company an increase in the price of gas from \$1 45 to \$1 70, to go into effect from July 1 1920.—V. 110, p. 874.

(H. H.) Franklin Mfg. Co., Syracuse, N. Y.—Pref. Stock.

This company, maker of the Franklin automobile, recently announced an offering of \$1,500,000 additional 7% Cumul. Sinking Fund Pref. stock (\$100 per share), and 7,500 shares of Common stock in three share lots, two shares of Pref. and one share of Common for \$250.

Digest of Official Statement, Originally Dated May 1.

Approx. Capitalization July 26 1920, Allowing for Sale of \$1,500,000 Pref. Stock, and 7,500 Shares Common Stock.

(No Bonds or Mortgage)	Authorized.	Outstanding.
Pref. (a. & d.) stock, 7% cumul., callable at 110 and dividends	\$15,000,000	\$5,000,000
Common stock (no par value)	600,000 sh.	290,000 sh.

The proceeds of the sale of this issue will be used for the purchase of plant, equipment and material to provide for the increasing demand.

In case four consecutive Pref. dividends remain unpaid, the Pref. stock will share in voting power with the Common stock. No mortgage or bond issue without consent of 75% of the Pref. stock, excepting purchase money mortgages given at the time of purchase. Sinking fund, commencing Jan. 1 1922, at least 15% of net earnings and income for previous calendar year, after payment of all dividends Pref., and all taxes, to retire of the Pref., at the company's option, and to buy in shares which stockholders may desire to sell.

History.—Originally incorporated under laws of N. Y. State on Dec. 12 1895, still under same management. Owns all of the Capital stock of Franklin Automobile Co., the selling organization.

Business.—Production for first quarter in 1920 increased 185% over 1919. On April 24 1920 there were 4,178 unfilled orders for cars on the books.

Plant.—During the last six months a seven story concrete building has been erected. Additional warehousing and manufacturing facilities are being provided, which will add 675,000 sq. ft. to the 16 1/2 acres of floor space

now occupied. Company at present employs over 5,000 people; yearly payroll about \$7,300,000.

Dividends.—Except in years 1905 and 1912 dividends have been paid on Common stock during each year since 1898. Four stock dividends also have been paid within this time.

Earnings.—The average profits, after depreciation and taxes for the past five years, have been sufficient to meet dividend requirements on outstanding Pref. stock more than four times. For the calendar year 1919 net sales were \$23,466,000, and net profits, after depreciation and taxes were \$1,841,000, or over seven times the Pref. dividend requirement. It is estimated that net earnings on new Common stock for the year 1920, based on earnings for first quarter, will exceed \$11 per share.

Asset Value.—The consolidated balance sheet (including Franklin Automobile Co.) at March 31 1920 shows that each Pref. share is secured by net assets amounting to \$380, and net quick assets equal to \$230 per share. Ample depreciation has been provided for all permanent assets and a recent estimate of the reproduction cost of plant and equipment was placed at \$6,000,000 as against a book value of \$3,221,252. Good will and patents are carried on the books at \$1.

Recapitalization.—Stockholders voted in June 1920 to increase the authorized Capital stock as follows: From \$5,000,000 Preferred to \$15,000,000 Pref. (par \$100), and from 20,000 shares Common stock of \$100 par value to 600,000 shares Common stock of no par value. Two previous issues of Pref. have been retired at \$110, a profit to the stockholder of \$10 per share.—See also V. 111, p. 193.

Franklin Process Co. (Dyeing Machinery and Job Dyeing), Providence, R. I.—To Exchange Common Stock for No Par Value Shares—Increase in Common—Issue 33 1-3%.

The shareholders will vote Aug. 18 on the following propositions: (1) To change the authorized and issued Common stock from \$375,000, par \$100, to 18,750 shares without par value, each \$100 share being divided into five shares of no par value, but without altering the respective preferences, rights and qualifications of the \$500,000 8% Pref. and the Common stock. (2) To increase the number of authorized shares of Common stock to 31,250 shares of no par value. (3) To authorize the immediate sale of 6,250 shares of said increased Common stock of no par value and also to authorize the board in its discretion to sell or issue at one time or from time to time the remaining 6,250 shares.

The proceeds of the 33 1-3% new Common stock now to be issued are required for use in connection with the company's extensive development work, notably the installation of new dye facilities at Eddy St. plant, which was acquired some months ago from the Gorham Mfg. Co. The manufacture of the company's patented machinery for dyeing under pressure has also been transferred to the Eddy St. plant. The plant leased on Promenade St., Providence, and the plant owned in Philadelphia, are engaged solely in job dyeing. The company is said to rank as fourth or fifth among the job dyers of the country as to number of pounds of wool and cotton dyed annually. The plant of Franklin Process, Ltd., located near Manchester, Eng., is also in operation. See V. 110, p. 81, 1530.

General Chemical Co.—Earnings.

	Earnings for the Six Months ended June 30.		
	1920.	1919.	1918.
Total profits	\$1,436,472	\$3,090,432	\$5,502,468
Insurance fund	90,000	110,000	240,000
Depreciation, taxes, &c.	1,200,000	1,200,000	2,000,000
Balance	\$3,146,472	\$1,780,432	\$3,262,468
Preferred dividends	489,999	456,249	456,249
Common dividends	726,842	660,768	660,768

Surplus.....\$1,929,631 \$660,415 \$2,145,451
—V. 111, p. 299.

General Electric Co.—Bonds Listed.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of \$1,000,000 additional of its 40-year 5% gold debenture bonds, due Sept. 1 1952. Proceeds are to be used for general purposes.—See V. 111, p. 392.

(B. F.) Goodrich Co., Akron, O.—Earnings.

	Approximate Net Profits for Half-Year.	
(Before Deducting Federal Taxes)	1920.	1919.
Net profits after full provision for maintenance, charges, depreciation, interest on borrowed money, doubtful accounts and all outstanding liabilities, but before providing for Federal income and profits taxes about	\$7,600,000	\$7,700,000

The directors have declared the usual quarterly dividends of 1 1/4% on the Pref. stock and 1 1/2% on the Common stock.—V. 110, p. 2660.

Gottlieb-Bauernschmidt-Straus Brewing Co., Baltimore.—Reorganization Plan Dated July 26 1920—Underwriting Procured.

The reorganization committee, William J. Casey, Chairman, under date of July 26, has presented substantially the following plan:

Preliminary Statement.—The First Mortgage bonds and past due coupons thereon and the Coupon Funding bonds outstanding, constituting the first liens on the property, are estimated as amounting to \$3,027,050.

After allowing for the expenses of operation of the property and the foreclosure of the mortgage, it is estimated that the liquidating value of all the assets (allowing nothing for going concern value) is equivalent to about 35% of the face value of the outstanding First Mortgage bonds or liens, or about \$350 per \$1,000 of said bonds or liens.

Holders of the First Mortgage bonds or liens deposited with this committee may now elect as provided in the deposit agreement to receive in cash their distributive proportion of the liquidating value of all of the assets, estimated at \$350 per \$1,000 bond or lien, in full settlement of their claims, or to participate in the plan of reorganization, as set forth hereafter, by receiving \$200 in cash and Preferred and Common stock.

The management estimates that the first full year of operation will produce profits of approximately \$100,000, and that with the business thus established the growth will be steady and permanent. These estimates do not take into account in any way the possibilities of any modification in the Volstead law.

Outline of Plan.

New Stocks.—The plan contemplates the organization of a corporation under the laws of Maryland to own such properties as are acquired at foreclosure and to have such issue of Preferred stock and Common stock, both without par value, as may be required to carry out this plan.

The Pref. stock will be entitled to a dividend of \$1 per share per annum (payable J. & J.) from the date of ratification of sale, before any dividend shall be paid on the Common stock; said dividends shall be cumulative after July 1 1921. The Pref. stock upon dissolution shall be paid \$100 per share and all accumulated dividends. The Pref. stock shall not be entitled to vote until two successive semi-annual dividends thereon are in default after July 1 1921. Upon such default the holders of the Pref. stock, upon the affirmative vote of two-thirds of all Pref. stock then outstanding may acquire the exclusive right to vote (except as otherwise provided by law until all accumulated dividends shall be paid, whereupon said right shall cease. No lien shall be created and no loan made running more than one year without the consent of two-thirds of the Pref. stock.

From July 1 1921 the corporation shall each year set aside one-third of its earnings remaining after payment of Pref. dividends for redemption and cancellation of Pref. stock by lot at \$100 a share and dividends if not purchasable for less. The Common stock shall be placed in a voting trust for 5 years.

Terms of Exchange.—The holders of the 1st M. bonds and overdue coupons and funding bonds deposited under the bondholders' agreement dated March 2 1920 will receive for each \$1,000 face value thereof \$200 in cash, 7 shares of the Pref. stock and 3 shares of the Common stock of the new corporation, and if the dividend payable on the bonds deposited shall amount to more than \$350 per \$1,000 face value, each bondholder shall receive 1-25th of a share of Pref. stock for each \$1 of such excess, but not exceeding one additional share.

The holders of the [\$3,500,000] 2d M. bonds will receive in exchange for each \$1,000 thereof and upon payment of \$25 per \$1,000 bond 1 share of Pref. stock and 2 1/2 shares of Common stock of the new corporation.

The holders of the [\$5,000,000] capital stock for all their right, title and interest therein and upon the payment of \$2 50 per share will receive one-

tenth of a share of the Pref. stock and one-fourth of a share of the Common stock of the new corporation.

Underwriting.—In order to assist in making this plan effective, and to provide additional working capital, the management has procured and filed with the committee an acceptable guaranty that a sufficient number of the 2d M. bondholders and stockholders will take advantage of this plan as will, in the aggregate, produce at least \$50,000 in cash to the new corporation.

The guarantors have the option to take over the rights and interest and receive all the stock of any part or all of the non-assenting holders of income bonds and stock, provided said guarantors pay for said stock on or before Aug. 23 1920. The guaranty is conditioned upon not less than two thirds of the First M. liens joining in this plan, and upon a given schedule according to which the properties necessary for the new corporation are to be bought in; but the guarantors reserve the right to decrease the required number of First M. liens assenting as aforesaid, and in such event the guarantors may revise the schedule of property purchases referred to. For their guaranty, as aforesaid, the guarantors shall receive as compensation 1,500 shares of new Common stock and for every \$25 paid by them, under said guaranty, they shall receive 1 share of Preferred and 2½ shares of Common stock of the new corporation.

Sale—Deposits.—The foreclosure sale of the physical properties under order of the U. S. District Court for the District of Maryland will take place on Aug. 24 and 25, and the committee has fixed Aug. 17 1920 as the last day upon which deposits of bonds or stock can be received by its depository, the Continental Trust Co., Baltimore, Md.

Reorganization Committee.—William J. Casey, Chairman; W. Graham Boyce, Louis S. Zimmerman and Eugene L. Norton, with George G. Thomas as Secretary, Continental Building, Baltimore, and Edward Duffy as counsel.—V. 110, p. 974.

Granite Mills, Providence.—Dividend Increased.—

A quarterly dividend of 10% has been declared on the Capital stock, payable Aug. 2 to holders of record July 26. In May last, a dividend of 8% was paid.—V. 106, p. 927.

Gray & Davis, Inc.—To Arrange Selling Agency Contract with American Bosch Magneto Corp. to run Until Jan. 1 1936—American Bosch to Assume Executive Control—New Officers.—

The stockholders will vote Aug. 2 on authorizing an arrangement by which American Bosch Magneto Corp. will become the exclusive selling agent of the starting and lighting products and assume executive control of the management of Gray & Davis. The proposed selling agency contract will run until Jan. 1 1936, subject to prior termination at the option of Gray & Davis on Jan. or July 1, of any year on one year's notice and subject to termination by American Bosch if at any time its officers are not left in control of the management.

The contract will not cover products not related to motor vehicles, such as the unit car, house-lighting system, and induction motor. The commission payable to the American Bosch Magneto Corp. will be 10% of the net prices except as to articles sold at retail through service stations which will be sold to American Bosch at a fixed discount from list prices.

As a condition of entering into the selling agreement American Bosch will require that its officers be given control of the operation and in order to secure their interest in the management an option running until Jan. 1 1924, will be given by Gray & Davis to the new managing interests on any part or all of 30,000 shares of its Common stock at par in cash, \$25 per share.

Chairman H. C. Dodge, in letter to stockholders says: "The plan should secure for this company the benefit of a highly developed selling organization and a management which has had large experience with the manufacture of automobile accessories."

The officers of Gray & Davis, if the plan is adopted, will be: Pres., Arthur T. Murray (Pres. American Bosch Magneto Corp.); Vice-Pres., George A. MacDonald (Treas. of American Bosch Magneto Corp.); Vice-Pres., G. J. Lang (Vice-Pres. of American Bosch Magneto Corp.); Treas., B. J. Moses (present Treasurer of Gray & Davis); Clerk & Asst. Treas., John A. MacMartin (Clerk & Asst. Treas. of American Bosch Magneto Corp.). The present board of Gray & Davis and the board of American Bosch will both be represented on the new board of Gray & Davis, Inc.—V. 109, p. 2076; V. 110, p. 768, 2386, 2391.

Guanajuato Power & Electric Co.—Overdue Coupons.—

Curtis & Hines, as general managers, in circular dated at Hagerman Building, Colorado Springs, Colo., June 1 1920, addressing the bondholders of Guanajuato Power & Electric Co., Michoacan Power Co., and Central Mexico Light & Power Co., said in substance:

"The cash resources in this country of your companies have accumulated to such an amount as to justify the payment of two additional overdue coupons of the bond issue of each company and still leave sufficient cash reserve to meet all probable contingencies. Your directors have accordingly decided to pay on July 1 1920, the following coupons (or registered interest) (\$30), with interest at 6% on the sums overdue, the total sums to be paid on the coupon of each \$1,000 bond being as follows:

Guanajuato, due Oct. 1 1918.....	\$33 15	} At U. S. Mortgage & Trust Co., N. Y. City.
Guanajuato, due April 1 1919.....	32 25	
Michoacan, due July 1 1918.....	33 60	} At Old Colony Trust Co., Boston.
Michoacan, due Jan. 1 1919.....	32 70	
Central Mexico, due July 1 1918.....	33 60	
Central Mexico, due Jan. 1 1919.....	32 70	

"We are still operating the plants and properties under the advice of your Protective Committee. The results of operation for the year 1919 are shown in the Annual Report, of which a copy is sent herewith."

The aforesaid payment has been approved by the Bondholder's Protective Committee, William P. Bonbright, Chairman, 62 Cedar St., New York, representing the deposited bonds of the three companies.—V. 109, p. 375. Compare annual statement under "Financial Reports" above.—V. 109, p. 375.

Gulf States Steel Co.—Earnings.—

The net income in June, after deductions for taxes, depreciation, &c., was \$102,139, compared with \$103,334 in May, \$157,492 in April and \$116,316 in March. For the six months ending June 30, last, the net income was \$621,123, as against \$49,475 in 1919.—V. 110, p. 2661.

Hess Steel Corp., Baltimore.—Receivership.—

The Baltimore Trust Co. and C. C. Pusey, Baltimore, have been appointed by consent receivers for the corporation. Application for receivership was made by Harry T. Murray and Jacob S. Shapiro, trading as the United Iron & Metal Co.—See V. 111, p. 393.

Idaho Power Co.—Rate Increase.—

The Oregon P. S. Commission has granted the company an increase of 10% on lighting and power rates and of 20 and 25% on new irrigation pumping contracts in the State of Oregon. These increases constitute an emergency order and are to remain in effect for one year pending a valuation of the company's property.—V. 111, p. 194.

Indianapolis Refining Co.—Earnings.—

Combined Report for Three Months and Six Months ended June 30 1920.

	3 Months.	6 Months.
Net operating profit (including subsidiaries).....	\$722,218	\$1,728,293
Less reserve for depreciation and Federal taxes.....	235,000	515,000
Dividends paid—6% regular—2% extra.....	149,827	372,852

Added to surplus..... \$337,391 \$810,441
Total surplus..... \$2,437,932
Capital stock now outstanding..... \$5,000,000
(Official—received through Ralph E. Hilcken, 72 Trinity Place, N. Y.)
—V. 110, p. 2492.

Indian Refining Co., Inc., N. Y.—Reduces Par of Common Stock from \$100 to \$10—Rights to Subscribe to \$4,500,000 Additional Common Stock.—The stockholders on July 20 voted on the changes in the capital stock as outlined in plan in V. 110, p. 2661.

The stockholders, both Preferred and Common, of record Aug. 16 will be given the right to subscribe to 450,000 shares of Common stock (par \$10) at \$20 per share. Each stockholder, Preferred and Common, will be entitled

to subscribe on or before Sept. 9 to shares of stock having a par value of 75% of the par value of the stock, Preferred and Common, held.

Subscriptions will be payable in cash as follows: either (a) in full on or before Sept. 9 1920 and accompanying the subscription, or (b) in three installments as follows: (1) \$7 per share on or before Sept. 9 1920 and accompanying the subscription; (2) \$7 per share on or before Dec. 9 1920; (3) \$6 per share on or before March 9 1921.

Interest at the rate of 6% per annum will be paid on installments. Payment of interest will be made at the time of the delivery of the stock cdfs.

Subscriptions are payable in New York funds, free from collection charges, to Guaranty Trust Co., 140 Broadway, N. Y. City.

The 450,000 shares of stock have been underwritten by a syndicate, which has agreed to take the same, or such part as not subscribed for at \$20 per share, the company having agreed to pay to the syndicate a commission for such underwriting. Compare recapitalization plan in V. 110, p. 2661.

International Harvester Co.—Capital Increase, Stock Dividend, &c.—

Stockholders on July 29 ratified the proposal increasing the auth. Pref. stock from \$60,000,000 to \$100,000,000 and Com. stock from \$80,000,000 to \$130,000,000. The directors have authorized the payment of a stock dividend of 12½%, payable Sept. 15 in Com. stock to Com. stockholders of record Aug. 20.

The stockholders on July 29 ratified the proposal increasing the authorized Pref. stock from \$60,000,000 to \$100,000,000 and the Common stock from \$80,000,000 to \$130,000,000.

The plan provides (a) that \$20,000,000 of the new Common and \$40,000,000 of the Pref. stock be set aside for employees under the stock ownership and profit sharing plan; (b) that \$10,000,000 of the new Common will be used for the payment of a 12½% stock dividend on the Common and (c) the balance, \$20,000,000, will be available for the payment of a 2½% semi-annual stock dividend on the Common stock.

President H. F. McCormick, commenting on the extra compensation and stock-ownership plan for the employees, states:

The directors believe that this plan, which is the result of careful consideration and thought on the part of the executives and directors, extending over a long period, will round out a policy of relations with the company's employees which should produce results highly satisfactory to both stockholders and employees. The plan put into effect by us in Dec. 1915 has demonstrated that the employees welcome an opportunity to become stockholders of the company. The plan just adopted is much more comprehensive than anything heretofore undertaken by us along this line, and, it is believed, will appeal strongly to the Harvester organization.

This distribution furnishes a distinct incentive to each and every employee to do his full share, for upon individual effort and team play will depend in a large measure the amount of the annual extra compensation to each employee who is entitled to participate. The stockholders of the Harvester Co. are to be congratulated on the loyalty to their interests shown by the employees of the Harvester Co. during the last year.—Compare V. 110, p. 2572, 2662; V. 111, p. 77.

International Salt Co.—Quarterly & Semi-Ann. Report

Results, incl. Subsidiary Companies—	3 Mos. to 6 Mos. to June 30.	June 30.
Earnings after deducting all expenses except Fed. taxes.....	\$532,695	\$799,533
Fixed charges and sinking fund.....	98,376	196,752
Net earnings.....	\$434,319	\$602,781

—V. 110, p. 1752, 1747.

Jordan Motor Car Co., Inc.—Consolidation.—

The stockholders will vote Sept. 9 on a proposed agreement consolidating the Jordan Motor Car Co., Inc., and Edward S. Jordan Co., the manner of converting the shares of each of the old corporations into the new, with such other details and provisions as are deemed necessary; also the authorization of the sale or other disposition of Capital stock of the consolidated company.—See V. 111, p. 393.

Keystone Telephone Co., Phila.—Govt. Compensation.—

The company has received from the U. S. Government \$126,000 as payment of compensation for the period of Government control. This compensation is based on the difference in net earnings for the 12-month period ended Aug. 1 1919, and the average net earnings for the 3 years preceding the entrance of the United States into the war.—V. 110, p. 1192.

Lawrence (Mass.) Gas Co.—Bonds Offered.—Harris, Forbes & Co. and Parkinson & Burr, Boston, are offering at 100 and int. yielding 7% \$1,500,000 First Mtge. 20-Year 7% Gold bonds.

Dated Aug. 1 1920. Due Aug. 1 1940. Callable all but not in part, on 60 days' notice on any int. date from Aug. 1 1925, to and incl. Feb. 1 1930, at 109; thereafter to and incl. Feb. 1 1935, at 106; thereafter to and incl. Aug. 1 1937, at 103; and thereafter at 101½. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500 (c*&r). Interest payable F. & A., in Boston. Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co., trustee.

Data from Letter of Pres. N. H. Emmens, July 24 1920.

Company.—Incorp. in Mass. in 1849. Does the entire commercial electric light and power and gas business in Lawrence and vicinity. Population over 123,000.

Capitalization.—

Capital stock.....	\$2,578,100
Premium paid in.....	655,046
First mortgage 7% bonds (this issue).....	1,500,000

Dividend Record.—Has paid dividends without interruption since 1850 at rate of 6% or over and during this period has paid numerous extra dividends. Dividends have been maintained at the present rate of 7% or over for the past 14 years.

Earnings Year ended June 30 1920.

Gross earnings.....	\$1,541,902
Net after operating expenses, taxes and maintenance.....	338,380
Annual interest charge on 1st Mortgage bonds.....	105,000

Balance..... \$233,380
Security.—Secured by a direct first mortgage on the entire property and rights now owned or hereafter acquired.

Purpose.—To provide to the retirement of \$300,000 First Mtge. 4% bonds due Aug. 1 1920, and to fund floating debt incurred for additions and extensions and for additions under construction.—V. 111, p. 393, 194.

Liggett & Myers Tobacco Co.—Common "B" Div. No. 2.

A second quarterly dividend of 3% has been declared on the 'Common "B" stock along with the regular quarterly dividend of 3% on the old 'Common "A" stock, both payable Sept. 1 to holders of record Aug. 16. An initial dividend of 3% was paid on the Common "B" stock on June 1, 1920.—V. 110, p. 1854.

Loew's Inc.—Stock Offered—Earnings—Underwritten.—

In order to provide funds with which to carry out the construction and expansion program of the company, the directors have authorized the issuance of 288,670 additional shares of Common stock, of no par value. Stockholders of record Aug. 9 have the right to subscribe to the new stock, in the ratio of 1½ additional shares for each 3 shares of stock held, at \$25 for each 1½ shares. In order to avoid the issuance of fractional shares, each stockholder entitled on such basis to subscribe to a fractional share is given the right to subscribe to a full share in lieu of such fraction.

Subscriptions are payable at company's office, 1493 Broadway, N. Y. City, or at office of Liberty National Bank, 120 Broadway, N. Y. City, in New York funds, on or before 3 p. m. Aug. 25 in full. Subscription warrants will be mailed on Aug. 9 or shortly thereafter.

President Marcus Loew in letter to stockholders dated July 27 says in substance:

Purpose.—The additional money is to be used to carry on and complete numerous projects for the expansion of the business in all parts of the United States and Canada. Company has now in process of construction 27 theatres. The theatre and 16-story office building now being constructed at Broadway and 45th St., N. Y. City, will cost about \$4,500,000. It is estimated that the net revenue from office and store space and operation of the theatre will be in excess of \$1,000,000 a year.

The acquisition of the Metro Pictures Corp. is now being developed into one of the largest and best producing and distributing organizations in the United States.

Earnings.—Earnings since organization considerably in excess of estimates, having been on a basis of \$3,000,000 a year after providing reserve for all taxes. It is estimated that profits for the fiscal year 1920-21 will be in excess of \$4,000,000 and for 1921-22 will be \$6,000,000.

Dividends.—It had been the plan of the directors to declare an additional cash dividend of \$1 per share, making a total of \$3 per share per annum, which would be amply justified by earnings. However, in view of general conditions, it has been considered for the best interests of the corporation to conserve its cash resources. In order that the stockholders may, in effect, receive this dividend, it has been decided to offer to them, in connection with the present financing, an additional 1/8 of a share of stock, as described above, which is about equal to a dividend of \$1 per share on the present stock.

Underwritten.—The entire offering has been underwritten by a syndicate headed by Montgomery & Co. and Van Emburgh & Atterbury.—V. 111, p. 300.

McCrorry Stores Corporation.—June Sales.—
 1920—June—1919. Increase. | 1920—6 Mos.—1919. Increase.
 \$1,081,556 \$857,040 \$224,516 | \$6,145,260 \$5,049,724 \$1,095,536
 —V. 111, p. 195.

Magor Car Corp.—Reincorporated in Delaware.—
 This company was reincorporated in Delaware July 22 1920 with an authorized capital of \$20,000,000 to manufacture cars and railroad materials. The Corporation Trust Co. is the Company's Delaware representative. No further details are available as yet but it is believed that a public announcement of some new financing will be made in the near future.—V. 110, p. 2572.

Mallory Steamship Co.—Government Compensation.—
 See Clyde Steamship Co. above.—V. 108, p. 687.

Manhattan Electrical Supply Co.—Meeting Postponed.
 The stockholders meeting called for July 27 to consider plans for re-financing and recapitalization, etc., has been postponed to Aug. 10. See V. 111, p. 300, 394.

Manomet Mills, New Bedford.—Dividend Increased.—
 A quarterly dividend of 2 1/2% has been declared on the stock, payable Aug. 3 to holders of record July 27. Extra dividends of 2% were paid along with the regular quarterly of 2%, from Feb. 1918 to May 1920.—V. 110, p. 1977.

Maxwell Motor Co.—Denies Plant Shut Down.—
 Chairman W. Ledyard Mitchell has emphatically denied the report that the Maxwell plants are now shut down for lack of business, and that the Company has on hand 5,000 or more cars which it is unable to dispose of. He stated that the plants of the Company had been shut down since July 3 solely for the purpose of inventory taking, the usual procedure at this time of year; that the inventory would be completed within the next few days, and that the Company had practically no unsold cars on hand.—V. 110, p. 2492.

Mexican Petroleum Co., Ltd., of Del.—Listing.—
 The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing on and after Aug. 1 of \$4,157,300 additional of Common stock on official notice of issuance as a 10% stock dividend payable July 31 to holders of record June 19 making the total amount applied for \$40,657,300.

Earnings Four Months Ended April 30, 1920			
Gross income	\$11,762,352	Prov. for in., prof taxes	\$385,000
Oper. & gen. exp.	6,731,881	Prof. div.	320,000
Mex. Govt. taxes	1,202,409	Com. div.	1,360,800
Prov. for deprec.	1,249,840		
Int. & amortiz. exp.	80,656	Bal. sur.	\$431,685

The committee on securities of the N. Y. Stock Exchange has ruled that the common stock be quoted ex the 10% stock dividend on Aug. 3. See Pan American Petroleum & Transport Co. below.—V. 111, p. 300.

Midwest Refining Co.—Rumors of Merger.—
 The "Wall St. Journal" states that there are numerous rumors regarding the absorption of the company by Standard Oil, notably Standard Oil Co. of Cal. Regardless of the accuracy of the rumors, those acquainted with Midwest affairs take the position that the stock which sold at 162, an advance of 20 in the last few weeks, is low in comparison with the company's earnings and its control of oil resources in Wyoming.—V. 111, p. 78.

Mohawk Edison Co.—Merger Completed.—
 See Adirondack Power & Light Corp. above.—V. 110, p. 769.

Motor Wheel Corp., Lansing, Mich.—Earnings.—
 Net earnings for the 3 months ending May 31 are reported at \$334,849; Federal taxes are estimated at \$69,765, leaving net profits of \$265,084.—V. 110, p. 2197.

Nashawena Mills, New Bedford, Mass.—Special Divid.
 A special dividend of \$2 per share has been declared on the Capital stock, along with the regular quarterly dividend of \$2, both payable Aug. 3 to holders of record July 27.—V. 109, p. 1705.

National Acme Co., Cleveland.—Earnings.—
 Results for June and Six Months Ending June 30.
 1920—June—1919. 1920—6 Mos.—1919
 Sales \$1,565,228 \$876,559 \$9,582,367 \$5,304,282
 Net profits after income, excess and cap. stk. taxes 339,596 220,953 3,047,567 1,481,538
 —V. 110, p. 2662.

New Britain (Conn.) Machine Co.—Additional Pref. Stock.—H. C. Warren & Co., New Haven, Conn. are offering at 100 and div. an additional \$500,000 8% Cum. Pref. stock making the total outstanding \$1,500,000. Company has no bonds.

Upon completion of the present financing the net quick assets of the company will be \$202 per share and the net assets about \$314 per share of this preferred stock.—Compare V. 110, p. 1648.

Nevada-California Electric Corp.—Earnings.—
 Earnings of June and 6 Months Ended June 30 1920.

	1920—June—1919	1920—6 Mos.—1919
Gross operating earnings	\$360,412	\$316,016
Oper. and gen. exp. & taxes	188,683	167,942
Operating profits	\$171,728	\$148,074
Non oper. items (net)	deb. 934	cr. 1,240
Int. on bonds, debent., notes etc. (net)	58,341	56,618
Depreciation	20,848	22,594
Net earnings	\$91,606	\$70,102

See Map on page 200 of "Railway & Industrial Section" and report in V. 111, p. 184.

New Jersey Gas Co.—Rate Increase.—
 The New Jersey P. U. Commission has granted the company permission to increase the price of gas by 2 1/2¢ per 1,000 cu. ft. over the present price of \$1.65 per 1,000 cu. ft.—V. 107, p. 1196.

New York Transportation Co.—Bus Situation in N. Y.
 See Fifth Avenue Coach Co. above.—V. 110, p. 1295.

(Charles F.) Noble Oil & Gas Co.—Capital Increase.—
 An amendment to its Texas charter has been filed increasing its capital stock from \$10,000,000 to \$26,000,000.—See V. 110, p. 2082, 2296.

Norton Co., Worcester, Mass.—Control of French Plant.
 This company recently purchased a controlling interest in the Compagnie des Meules Norton, France, which operates a plant in a suburb of Paris, manufacturing grinding wheels of aluminous abrasives. The works will

be under the direction of William La Costa Neilson, Vice-Pres. and Foreign Sales Manager of the Norton Co. Thomas S. Green, formerly of the Worcester sales force will be resident manager.—V. 110, p. 172.

Ohio Fuel Supply Co., Pittsburgh.—Earnings.—
 Six Months Ending June 30—Income from

	1920.	1919.
Gas	\$6,644,327	\$5,235,757
Oil	288,092	112,103
Gasoline	469,179	373,204
Interest	69,246	74,647
Dividends from United Fuel Gas Co.	1,622,344	882,000
Total gross income	\$8,622,344	\$6,687,711
Expenses	\$3,899,127	\$3,010,852
Taxes	369,451	482,617
Depreciation	531,545	493,386
Cash dividends (5%)	990,650	990,650
Dividend paid in Liberty bonds (2%)	396,260	396,260
Surplus for six months	\$2,435,311	\$1,313,946

Dividends are paid quarterly (J. A. J. O. 15) at the rate of 10% per ann. On July 15 and in Jan. 1920, Jan. and July 1919, and July 1918 extra dividends of 2% (not 2 1/2%) were paid in Liberty bonds.—V. 110, p. 2662.

Otis Steel Co.—Earnings.—
 Quarter Ending

	June 30	March 31	Total
Net earnings before Fed. taxes	\$1,324,558	\$1,089,118	\$2,413,676
Interest payments	15,842	29,505	45,347
Depreciation	189,019	189,019	378,038
Miscel. charges	92,929	50,205	143,134
Balance	\$1,026,768	\$820,389	\$1,847,157

Net earnings after taxes and deductions for the six months ended June 30 totalled \$1,536,291, equivalent to nearly five times the requirements for the half-year's dividends on the outstanding preferred stock.—V. 111, p. 185

Owens Bottle Co.—Earnings.—
 Income Account for Six Months ending June 30.

	1920	1919
Manufacturing profit and royalties	\$2,305,527	\$1,374,491
Other income	228,714	49,183
Total income	\$2,534,241	\$1,423,674
Operating expenses	544,205	473,823
Net earnings of Owens	\$1,990,036	\$949,851
Net earnings of subsidiary companies	1,201,881	752,928
Total net	\$3,191,917	\$1,702,779
Federal taxes	686,800	263,791
Net profit	\$2,505,117	\$1,438,988

—V. 110, p. 2493.

Pacific Gas & Electric Co. of Calif.—Gas Rate Advance.
 The California RR. Commission has granted the company permission to advance gas rates in central and northern California on an average of 10%. A 15% advance in electric rates was given two weeks ago. The new rates are effective July 24 and add from 5 to fifteen cents a 1,000 cu. ft. to present gas prices.—V. 111, p. 394, 195.

Pan-American Petroleum & Transport Co.—Listing.—
 The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of (a) \$25,500 additional Class B Common stock (par \$50) upon official notice of issuance in exchange for 255 shares of the Common stock of Mexican Petroleum Co., Ltd., of Del. and (b) on and after Aug 1 1920 \$6,378,500 additional, on official notice of issuance as a 10% stock dividend—V. 110, p. 2493—making the total amount applied for \$20,099,400.

Earnings Four Months Ended April 30, 1920.

Gross income from operations	\$4,327,373
Expenses	1,362,807
Provision for depreciation	529,261
Interest (net)	Cr43,587
Prov. for income & profits taxes	490,000
Balance surplus	\$1,988,893
Dividends received	1,187,393
Co's proportion of undivided profits	300,200
Net profit	\$3,476,487

The committee on securities of the N. Y. Stock Exchange has ruled that the Common stock and Common Stock "B" be quoted ex the 10% stock dividend on Aug. 3.

Earnings Mexican Petroleum Co., Ltd., see that caption, V. 111, p. 394.

(J. C.) Penney Co.—Earnings.—
 Income Account Six Months ended June 30 1920.

Sales	\$15,850,873	Gross profits	\$4,395,658
Costs	11,889,217	Expenses, Fed. taxes, &c.	3,420,642
Balance	\$3,961,656	Net profits	\$975,016
Other income	434,002	Preferred dividends	101,069
Gross profits	\$4,395,658	Surplus	\$870,947

—V. 111, p. 395.

Pepperell Mfg. Co., Boston.—Extra Dividend.—
 An extra dividend of 6% has been declared on the stock, together with the regular semi-annual dividend of 4%, both payable Aug. 2 to holders of record July 22.—V. 106, p. 820.

Pierce-Arrow Motor Car Co., Buffalo.—Earnings.—
 The Results of Operations for the Three Months ending June 30 1920.

	1920—3Mos.—1919.	1920—6 Mos.—1919.
Oper. profit after deduct. all exp. of oper., incl. repairs & maint., & for deprec. of property & equipment	\$1,432,706	\$969,263
Fed. taxes, int., &c.	726,927	343,459
Prof. dividends	(2%)200,000(2%)200,000(4%)400,000(4%)400,000	
Balance, surplus	\$505,779	\$125,804

Dividends of \$1 25 per share were paid on the Common stock quarterly Aug. 1 1917 to May 1919, both incl.; none since.—V. 110, p. 2392.

Poole Engineering & Machine Co.—Sells Sub Co.—
 The deal for the sale of the Maryland Pressed Steel Co., a subsidiary located at Hagerstown, Md., has been completed and the property will be turned over to the purchasers. These are New York interests, which were represented in the deal by the Roderman Company, through whom the negotiations were carried on with Pres. S. Proctor Brady. The purchasers will continue the manufacture of pressed steel parts and will also add the manufacture of electrical parts.—Baltimore "Sun"—V. 110, p. 268.

Punta Alegre Sugar Co.—Sale of Mill.—
 It is understood that negotiations for the sale of the company's Trinidad mill are being concluded for a price said to be in the neighborhood of \$3,000,000 which represents a profit of nearly \$1,000,000 to the company.—V. 109, p. 1698, 1705.

Pure Oil Co.—Quarterly Report—One-Half of the Quarterly Dividend of 4% to Be Paid for the Present in Stock.—
 This company, formerly known as the Ohio Cities Gas Co., has declared a dividend of 4% on the Common stock, payable Sept. 1 to holders of record Aug. 15; 2% of which shall be paid in Common stock and 2% to be paid in cash. In 1916 and in 1918 stock dividends of 5% were paid.

See official explanation of aforesaid action, together with quarterly report of earnings, balance sheet, &c., under "Reports and Documents" on a subsequent page; also see comparative balance sheet under "Financial Reports" above.—V. 111, p. 79.

Quisset Mill Corp., New Bedford.—Extra Dividend.—

An extra dividend of \$10 per share has been declared on the Common stock, together with the regular quarterly dividend of \$2, both payable Aug. 14 to holders of record Aug. 4. An extra dividend of \$10 per share was paid in May last, \$50 in Aug. 1919 and extras of \$20 were paid in 1918 and 1917.—V. 110, p. 1856.

Remington Typewriter Co.—Reported Acquisition.—

See Wahl Co. below—V. 110, p. 1754.

Riordon Company, Ltd.—Initial Dividends.—

The Montreal "Gazette" of Montreal July 23 stated in substance: Initial dividends of 1 1/4% on the 7% Pref. stock and of 2% on the 8% Preference shares have been declared by this recently consolidated company for the quarter ending Aug. 31, and will be paid some time in September.

The declaration involves the distribution of \$375,000, of which \$187,500 will be paid into the treasury of the old Riordon Pulp & Paper Co., which holds \$1,500,000 of the 8% Preference shares and \$9,000,000 of the 7% Pref. stock, in addition to \$12,000,000 of Common stock.—V. 111, p. 395, 301.

Santa Cecilia Sugar Corp.—New President, &c.—

C. B. Goodrich has been elected President succeeding M. H. Lewis and R. L. Dean has been elected Vice-Pres. and Treasurer.—V. 110, p. 2656.

Savage Arms Corporation.—Earnings.—

The statement for the quarter ended June 30 1920 shows total earnings of \$128,637 (after deduction of operating expenses and depreciation), from which there was paid \$119,553 as dividends (1 1/2% on Pref. stock and the same on Common), leaving a balance, surplus, of \$9,084.—V. 110, p. 1856.

Schulte Retail Stores Corp.—Stock Offered.—Morton

Lachenbruch & Co., New York, are offering at \$65 per share, a limited amount of the company's Common stock (no par value). The bankers state:

Company.—A holding company organized Sept. 6 1919 in Delaware, to hold all of the capital stock of the Schulte Cigar Co., the Schulte Realty Co. (which owns several hundred leases in about 70 cities) and the Mutual-Profit Coupon Corporation.

Business, &c.—Company operates retail stores in most of the large cities of the Eastern, Middle Western, Southern and Southwestern sections of the country for the sale of cigars, tobacco, cigarettes and accessories. Among the more important cities in which stores are located are: New York, Boston, Buffalo, Chicago, Newark, Washington, Philadelphia, Albany, Bridgeport, Detroit, Dallas, Rochester, Columbus, Trenton, Wilmington, Atlanta, Camden, New Haven, New Orleans, Brooklyn and Springfield.

At present time operates 196 stores, and during the coming year company intends to make an intensive drive in New England, the South and the Middle West, whereby the number of stores will be increased to 250. Most of these locations have already been procured and will be occupied as soon as possession can be had. In 1909 company operated only 22 stores in three cities. The Schulte Retail Stores Corp. also owns 3 cigar factories, which manufacture most of the high-grade cigars sold in the Schulte stores.

Capitalization.—Authorized. Outstanding.
Preferred stock, 8% (par \$100) \$2,000,000 \$500,000
Common stock (no par value) [increased from
130,000 shares in July 1920] 205,000 sh. 130,000 sh.

Dividends.—Dividends at rate of 8% per annum are being regularly paid on the Preferred stock. So far as dividend payments on the Common stock are concerned, the company has always pursued the policy so successfully followed by the U. S. Steel Corp. and other large concerns of putting all surplus earnings back into the property for the further development of the business. [An unconfirmed rumor has it that a 50% Common stock dividend will be declared in the near future.]

Earnings.—As company has always been a very close corporation, no statement of earnings has ever been made public. However, it is understood that gross sales, including those of subsidiary companies, at the present time are running at the rate of about \$18,000,000 per annum and that when the new stores already contracted for are in operation these sales should approximate \$23,000,000 per annum.—V. 109, p. 1085.

Sears, Roebuck & Co.—To Open New Store.—

The company, it is stated, will open a new store at Philadelphia about the middle of October, giving employment to about 2,000 at first and increasing the number to about 8,000 in five years.

L. J. Rosenwald, who will be in charge of the store, is quoted as saying: "The Philadelphia store will serve a double purpose, we hope. First, it will help to enlarge our field activity in the East, and second, it will take part of the burden now resting upon the Chicago store."—V. 111, p. 79.

Shaffer Oil & Refining Co.—Notes Offered.—

The \$2,000,000 Secured 7% Conv. Sinking Fund gold notes dated June 1 1920 are being offered at 97 1/2% and int., yielding about 8%, by Illinois Trust & Savings Bank, Great Lakes Trust Co., Merchants' Loan & Trust Co., Chicago Trust Co., H. M. Byllesby & Co., Inc., Fort Dearborn Trust & Savings Bank, Peoples Trust & Savings Bank and Montgomery & Co. Full description of notes with excerpts from letter of V. Pres. A. S. Huey are given in V. 110, p. 2494.—V. 111, p. 292.

Shove Mills Corp., Fall River.—50% Stock Dividend.—

The stockholders on July 27, adopted the recommendation of the directors to convert part of the undivided profits into permanent capital by increasing the Capital stock from \$800,000 to \$1,200,000, by issue of a stock dividend of 50%. A supplementary action permanently retired \$25,000 or 250 shares of the present stock.

The corporation has about 77,000 spindles and 2,100 looms, and manufactures print cloth yarn goods.—V. 111, p. 395.

Sinclair Consolidated Oil Corp.—Board Increased, &c.—

The board of directors has been increased to 23 members, and executive and finance committees have been created, the membership in each case being as follows:

Board of Directors as Enlarged.

C. A. Braley of Kansas City; Edward H. Clark of San Francisco and New York; Wm. E. Corey, Chairman of the Midvale Steel Co.; C. E. Crowley of Tulsa; Jos. M. Cudahy of Chicago; J. Fletcher Farrell, Treasurer; Samuel L. Fuller, of Kissel-Kinnicutt & Co.; D. L. Hooper and W. H. Isom, Vice-Presidents; Daniel C. Jackling, Managing Director Utah Copper Co.; E. R. Kemp of Tulsa; Wm. P. Phillips, of J. & W. Seligman & Co.; Mark L. Requa, formerly Gen. Director, Oil Division, U. S. Fuel Administration.
E. W. Sinclair, President Exchange Nat. Bank, Tulsa; H. F. Sinclair, President; John A. Spoor, Frank Steinhart, President Havana Electric RR., Light & Power Co.; Colonel William Boyce Thompson; Elisha Walker; A. E. Watts, Vice-Pres.; Harry Payne Whitney of N. Y.; Albert H. Wiggin, Chairman Chase National Bank, N. Y.; R. Thornton Wilson, of R. T. Wilson & Co., New York.

Executive Committee.—Messrs. Corey, Farrell, Fuller, Sinclair, Spoor, Thompson, Walker, Wiggin and Watts.

Finance Committee.—Directors Farrell, Phillips, Sinclair, Walker, G. T. Stanford and P. W. Thirtle; also Edward R. Tinker, V. Pres. of Chase Nat. Bank, N. Y., and Theodore Schultz of 14 Wall St., N. Y.

Among the new directors are John A. Spoor of Chicago, Chairman of the Chicago Junction Rys. & Union Stockyards Co., and Elisha Walker, of Blair & Co. of N. Y. Both of these men, it will be noted, are to serve on the executive committee and Mr. Walker will serve on the finance committee.—V. 111, p. 301, 187.

South Porto Rico Sugar Co.—Listing.—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing on and after Aug. 6 of \$5,580,600 additional Common stock (par \$100), on official notice of issuance, making the total amount applied for \$11,205,600. This new Common stock is to be issued on or promptly after Aug. 6 to Common stockholders of record on July 24 1920 (as a 100% stock dividend) and will carry divs. for the current quarter ending Sept. 30, 1920.

xIncome Account for Period from Oct. 1 1919 to June 5 1920.

Sugar and molasses sales and sundry receipts	\$18,173,713
Manufacturing and sundry expenses, taxes, interest, &c.	12,570,997
a Operating profits to date	\$5,602,716
Preferred dividends (4%)	200,000
Common dividends (10%)	560,280
Balance, surplus	\$4,842,436
x Subject to deductions for depreciation and income and profits taxes.	
x Subject to adjustment at end of fiscal year.—V. 111, p. 301, 395.	

Springfield (Mass.) Breweries Co.—Not to Liquidate.—

Pres. J. W. Glynn has denied that the company for the present intends to liquidate.—V. 108, p. 1941.

Standard Milling Co.—Extra Dividend.—

An extra dividend of 2% has been declared on the outstanding Common stock, together with the regular quarterly dividend of 2%, both payable Aug. 31 to holders of record Aug. 21. An extra of 2% was paid in Aug. 1919.—V. 110, p. 1978.

Standard Oil Co. of California.—Extra Dividend.—

An extra dividend of \$1 has been declared along with the regular quarterly dividend of \$2 50, both payable Sept. 15 to holders of record Aug. 14. A like amount was paid extra in March and June 1920 and in Dec. 1919.—V. 110, p. 1978.

Standard Sanitary Manufacturing Co.—Extra Div.—

An extra dividend of 1% has been declared on the Common stock in addition to the regular quarterly dividends of 1 1/2%, both payable Aug. 10 to holders of record Aug. 5. In May last a quarterly dividend of 1 1/2% was paid; in the previous four quarters payments of 2% were made; in February last an extra of 2% was also paid.—V. 110, p. 2189.

Stern Bros. (Dry Goods), N. Y.—Accumulations.—

Two dividends of 1 1/4% each have been declared on the Pref. stock, 1 1/4% of which is applicable on account of back dividends, both payable Sept. 1 to holders of record Aug. 20. In June last, a dividend of 1 1/4% was paid on account of accumulations.—V. 110, p. 1978, 2298.

Tobacco Products Corp.—Scrip Dividend of 1 1/2%.—

The regular quarterly dividend of 1 1/2% has been declared on the Common stock, payable in 2-year 8% scrip, on Aug. 16 to stockholders of record Aug. 2. In Feb. and May last quarterly cash dividends of 1 1/2% were paid.

President James M. Dixon says in substance: "Although the company's finances are on a very satisfactory basis the board deems it advisable in view of uncertainty of the money market at present, to declare this dividend on the Common stock in scrip bearing interest at the rate of 8% per annum. Cash resources will thereby be conserved for the purpose of purchasing raw materials to care for the rapidly increasing business. The tobacco markets are now opening.

"The month of June was the largest and most profitable in the company's history. Outlook for the balance of the year is very bright."—V. 110, p. 2495.

Transue & Williams Steel Forging Co.—Earnings.—

Six Months to June 30—	1920.	1919.
Net earnings after taxes and depreciation	\$469,692	\$388,153
Earnings per share	\$4 69	\$3 88

—V. 110, p. 1858.

Trumbull Steel Co., Warren, O.—To Vote on Reducing the Par Value of the Common Stock from \$100 to \$25.—

President Jonathan Warner in a letter sent to stockholders calling a meeting Aug. 16 to consider the proposal to reduce the par value of the Common stock from \$100 to \$25 a share, says in substance:

"Your directors have felt that initial distribution of the company's surplus account, 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 the opinion of your board, would be advantageous to both Common and Pref. stockholders; furthermore, it was the opinion that the par value of the Common shares should be reduced to smaller unit basis.

"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 can be carried out at a great saving to the stockholders and we believe that it will accomplish practically the same results as any of the other plans considered." Compare V. 111, p. 301, 196.

Union American Cigar Co.—Liquidating Div. of 20%.—

The directors have declared a distribution on the Pref. stock of 20% on account of principal and interest, in liquidation, payable Sept. 1 to holders of record Aug. 15. On June 1 last, a liquidating dividend of 15% was paid, making total distributions to date 35%. The company's plant has been taken over by P. Lorillard & Co.—V. 110, p. 2083.

Union Cotton Mfg. Co., Fall River, Mass.—Dividends.—

A quarterly dividend of 30% in cash has been declared on the capital stock, payable Aug. 2 to holders of record July 28. In February and May last quarterly dividends of 10% were paid.—V. 109, p. 484.

Union Oil Co. of Del.—Central Petroleum Co. Purchase.—

Replying to inquiries as to whether the purchase by company from the Texas Co. of control of Central Petroleum Co. signified possibilities of a merger with the Texas Co., Pres. Charles H. Schlacks stated: "Acquisition by company of control of Central Petroleum Co. is an outright purchase for cash from the Texas Co. and has no other significance so far as the Texas Co. is concerned.

"Central Petroleum is a holding company for one of the largest and most valuable oil producing properties in Oklahoma and this purchase establishes Union Oil Co. (of Del.) as one of the foremost producers in that field."—See V. 111, p. 395.

United Retail Stores Corp.—Listing—Earnings.—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing on and after Aug. 16 of 35,967 additional shares of Common stock, class A, no par value, on official notice of issuance as a 5% stock dividend, making the total amount applied for 629,207 shares.

On July 16 1920 the corporation had acquired 254,666 shares of the United Cigar Stores Co. Common stock, by the issuance thereof of 509,332 shares of the United Retail Stores Corp. Class A Common stock.

Condensed Income Account for the Six Months ending Jan. 31 1920.	
Net profit for the six months ending Jan. 31 1920	\$4,706,332
Less dividends: Common stock	1,675,047

Surplus Jan. 31 1920	\$3,031,285
Federal income and excess profits tax to be deducted when paid.	

Vanadium Corp. of America, Inc.—Earnings.—

Income Account for Six Months ended June 30 1920.	
Gross sales	\$5,966,046
Expenses	3,911,051
Federal taxes, &c.	728,032
Other income	\$22,550
Total income	\$1,319,513
Dividends	747,919

Net operating profit—\$1,296,963 Surplus—\$571,594
—V. 111, p. 80.

Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co.—Annual Results.—

The reports for the fiscal year ending May 31 1920 shows net profits (after Federal taxes and depreciation) of \$9,251,746, against \$8,933,335 in year 1918-19; surplus, after dividends of 6% on Common and 8% on Pref. stock, \$3,990,939, against \$3,382,027.—V. 110, p. 2664.

Wabasso Cotton Co., Ltd.—To Create No Par Val. Shares.—

The shareholders will vote Aug. 26 on authorizing the directors to apply for Supplementary Letters Patent, changing the Capital stock to 35,000 Common shares without nominal or par value.—V. 109, p. 987.

Wahl Co., Chicago.—Practically Merged.—

It is understood that this company and the Remington Typewriter Co. have been practically merged through which this company will receive in cash immediately \$1,700,000. This transaction is understood to involve certain typewriter and adding machine accessories which the company controls.—("Chicago Economist.")—V. 110, p. 568.

Reports and Documents.

THE NEW YORK CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO THE STOCKHOLDERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31 1919.

To the Stockholders of The New York Central Railroad Company:

The Board of Directors herewith submits its report for the year ended December 31 1919, with statements showing the income account for the year and the financial condition of the company.

The operation and maintenance of the company's road were continued under Federal control during the year 1919. The mileage covered was as follows:

	1919. Miles.	1918. Miles.	Increase Miles.	Decrease Miles.
Main line and branches owned.....	3,699.18	3,699.14	.04	-----
Leased lines.....	1,919.03	1,920.40	-----	1.37
Lines operated under trackage rights..	451.20	456.25	-----	5.05
Total road operated.....	6,069.41	6,075.79	-----	6.38

Federal control of the property of this company continued during the year 1919 under the contract of December 27 1918, providing for the payment of an annual standard compensation. On December 24 1919, however, the President of the United States issued a proclamation relinquishing from Federal control, effective the first day of March 1920, at 12.01 o'clock a. m., all railroads, systems of transportation and property of whatever kind taken or held under such Federal control and not theretofore relinquished, and restoring the same to the possession and control of their respective owners.

Prior and subsequent to the President's proclamation, Congress was actively engaged in the consideration of legislation to meet the railroad situation in its various phases, including such provisions as would protect the carriers during the transition from Federal to private control. Ultimately there was passed the Transportation Act approved February 28 1920, the essential features of which are as follows:

The provision of means and machinery for transferring the properties.

The funding of the carriers' indebtedness to the United States.

The continuance of rates in effect September 1 1920.

Guaranty to the carriers for six months after the termination of Federal control.

Arrangements for new loans to the railways during the transition period.

Provision for railroad boards of labor and an adjustment board as a means of settling disputes between the carriers and their employees.

The Transportation Act also includes amendments to the Interstate Commerce Act which, among other things, direct the Interstate Commerce Commission to establish rates which will be adequate to provide the carriers, as a whole or within such rate groups as the commission may fix, with an aggregate annual net railway operating income equal to a fair return upon the aggregate value of their property which for the two years beginning March 1 1920, is fixed at a sum equal to 5½% per annum on the aggregate value of their properties and in the Commission's discretion an additional one-half of one per cent per annum to make provision for improvements. The Act amends the Interstate Commerce Act by making provision for consolidations, mergers and pooling under certain limitations, for joint use of terminals, for the regulation of security issues, and, in addition, delegates to the Commission numerous other powers.

On March 10 1920 the Board of Directors authorized the execution and filing of the company's written statement accepting the provisions of Section 209. The effect of this will be that for the six months to September 1 1920, the income of the company will be on the basis of the compensation paid by the Government during Federal control.

In the early part of 1918, the Railroad Administration directed that an accurate separation of accounts should be made in order that those pertaining to the operation prior to Federal control and those relating to the operations by the Director-General might be segregated. This entailed an exhaustive examination of the accounts in all departments. The corporate officers have kept in close touch with this situation and have employed examiners for the purpose of verifying the separation made by the Director-General. The additional expense for these examiners has been more than justified through the correction of errors which otherwise would have operated to bring about a loss to the company.

During the year, the Director of the Division of Capital Expenditures required the carriers to signify their approval, or otherwise, of projects contemplated by the Railroad Administration and they were further requested to furnish a statement as to the position of the corporations in regard to financing. With the exception of some few projects of a strictly corporate nature or which would not be inaugurated until after the end of Federal control, the New York Central Railroad Company advised the Division of Capital Expendi-

tures that it was not prepared to finance the projects from its own funds or to furnish collateral whereby it might assume the charges to its Capital Account required to carry out the work. The result has been that in the main the improvement projects have been financed by the Railroad Administration. In due course this company must arrange to reimburse the Director-General for the amounts advanced by him in this connection, which, from January 1 1918 to the end of 1919, approximated \$40,000,000.

The changes in the property investment account for the year were as follows:

Additions and betterments—road		
Expenditures by the Federal Manager...	\$9,508,853 07	
Expenditures by the corporation.....	325,158 49	\$9,834,011 56
Additions and betterments—equipment		
Expenditures by the Federal Manager, less equipment retired and transferred...	\$364,299 14	
Equipment assigned to the N Y C RR by the U. S. RR. Administration.....	6,883,899 00	
Expenditures by the corporation.....	499,082 30	7,747,280 44
Total addition to road and equip. accts.		\$17,581,292 00
Improvements on leased railway property		
Expenditures by the Federal Manager....	\$5,767,605 57	
Less miscellaneous credits by the corporat'n	40,263 93	5,727,341 64
Improvements on misc. physical property		
Expenditures by the Federal Manager....	\$26,000 07	
Expenditures by the corporation.....	169,005 05	
	\$195,005 12	
Less credits by the corporation.....	50,000 00	145,005 12
The net increase in property investment accounts during the year being.....		\$23,453,638 76

There was no change in the Capital stock of the company during the year.

Since the date of the annual meeting on January 22 1919 the number of stockholders has increased 1,752, the total number at the end of the year being 30,445, of whom 30,180 were in the United States and 265 abroad. The par value held by those in the United States was \$247,825,355 and by those abroad \$1,772,000, the average holdings being 82 and 67 shares respectively. In 1915 the numbers reported were 22,270 in the United States and 2,772 abroad, the general average holding being, approximately, 100 shares, while at the end of 1919 it was 82 shares.

The changes in the funded debt of the company are shown in the following statement:

Amount as reported on December 31 1918, was.....	\$688,285,201 45
which has been increased as follows:	
N. Y. C. RR. Equipment Trust of 1917 certificates.....	\$7,410,000 00
Two-year 5% promissory note—Gary Land Company.....	211,759 04
Two-year 5% promissory note—Chicago Lake Shore & Eastern Railway Company..	78,567 21
	7,700,326 25
	\$695,985,527 70

and has been reduced as follows:
Payments falling due during the year and on January 1 1920, on the company's liability for certificates issued under equipment trust agreements as follows:

N. Y. C. Lines Trust of 1907, installment due November 1919.....	\$1,492,884 74
N. Y. C. Lines Trust of 1910, installment due January 1919.....	1,406,413 74
N. Y. C. Lines Trust of 1910, installment due January 1920.....	1,406,413 74
N. Y. C. Lines Trust of 1912, installment due January 1919.....	688,398 90
N. Y. C. Lines Trust of 1912, installment due January 1920.....	688,398 90
Boston & Albany Trust of 1912, installment due October 1919.....	500,000 00
N. Y. C. Lines Trust of 1913, installment due January 1919.....	742,117 61
N. Y. C. Lines Trust of 1913, installment due January 1920.....	742,117 61
N. Y. C. RR. Co. Trust of 1917, installment due January 1919.....	547,000 00
N. Y. C. RR. Co. Trust of 1917, installment due January 1920.....	1,117,000 00
It was further reduced on September 15 1919, by the maturity of Two-year Col- lateral gold notes amounting to.....	15,000,000 00
(To take up these notes at maturity there was issued a like amount of one-year 6% notes, secured by pledge of \$20,000,000 of 4½% New York Central refunding and improvement mortgage bonds, series A, and 75,000 shares of first pre- ferred stock of the Reading Company, but as these notes run for but one year they are classified as bills payable)	24,330,745 24

leaving the funded debt on December 31 1919..... \$671,654,782 46

In addition to the funded debt outstanding December 31 1919, there are shown on the balance sheet loans and bills payable to the amount of \$49,829,500 as hereinafter mentioned, or a total of \$721,484,282 46 for the company's long and short term obligations against a total of \$730,248,201 45 in 1918.

The \$7,410,000 of New York Central Railroad equipment trust of 1917 certificates, shown as an increase in the funded debt, had been held in the company's treasury, having been acquired in 1917 and 1918 but not sold by the company until the early part of 1919.

The notes to the Gary Land Company and the Chicago Lake Shore & Eastern Railway Company were given in connection with an exchange of lands at Gary, Indiana. They both mature on December 23 1921.

In January 1919 the company made application to the War Finance Corporation for advances for its corporate purposes under and pursuant to the provisions of Section 9 of the War Finance Corporation Act, approved April 5 1918, and such advances were granted, during the year, to the extent of \$17,500,000, on this company's 6% demand notes which are now outstanding.

On November 17 1919, the company issued its six-months 6% notes for \$6,000,000 to retire a like amount of notes then outstanding.

The total amount of loans and bills payable of the company outstanding on December 31 1919 was \$49,829,500 as follows:

War Finance Corporation.....	\$17,500,000 00
Collateral notes.....	21,000,000 00
Secretary of the Treasury.....	6,500,000 00
Banks, trust companies and miscellaneous.....	4,829,500 00

Total.....\$49,829,500 00

Of the 4,500 freight cars and 120 locomotives allotted by the Director-General of Railroads to this company there were delivered in 1919, 1,944 freight cars and 6 locomotives; these, together with the equipment delivered in 1918, completed the entire allotment. The 10 locomotives allotted to this company as lessee of the Boston & Albany Railroad were also delivered in 1919. Arrangements have been made by which the Director-General is to take at par the 6% equipment trust notes of the company, maturing in equal annual installments over a period of fifteen years, in payment for approximately 75% of the cost of this equipment, and by which the remainder is to be paid to him by deducting that amount from the equipment depreciation and retirement credits arising in the company's favor under its standard contract with him.

While throughout the country there is a general shortage of equipment, your officers feel that with its allied companies, The Michigan Central Railroad Company, The Cleveland Cincinnati Chicago & St. Louis Railway Company, The Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Railroad Company and The Pittsburgh McKeesport & Youghiogheny Railroad Company, your company has reasonably fulfilled its obligations to the public. During the years 1914-1919, inclusive, there were purchased by the five companies mentioned 925 new locomotives, 473 new passenger-train cars and 54,408 new freight-train cars, at an aggregate cost of \$128,717,930. To-day this equipment would cost approximately \$243,468,650, or \$114,750,720 more than was paid for it. There has also been closed by your company a contract known as The New York Central Railroad Equipment Trust of 1920, covering 196 locomotives, 265 passenger-train cars and 9,244 freight-train cars at a total cost of \$48,318,035, delivery of which is expected in the fall of 1920. A portion of this equipment may be allocated to other system lines upon equitable terms as the need develops.

SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL OPERATIONS AFFECTING INCOME.

	Year Ended Dec. 31 1919	Year Ended Dec. 31 1918	Increase (+) or Decrease (-)
Compensation accrued for the possession, use and control of the property of this company and its leased lines:			
Compensation stated in contract.....	\$55,802,630 50	\$55,802,630 50	
Additional compensation accrued account completed additions and betterments.....	1,887,957 59	*521,877 71	+\$1,366,079 88
Total compensation accrued.....	\$57,690,588 09	\$56,324,508 21	+\$1,366,079 88
Miscellaneous Operations:			
Revenues.....	\$2,825 69	\$1,963 59	+\$862 10
Expenses and taxes.....	4,275 34	4,925 78	-\$650 44
Net deficit.....	\$1,449 65	\$2,962 19	-\$1,512 54
Other Income:			
Income from lease of road.....	\$103,725 39	\$106,424 88	-\$2,699 49
Miscellaneous rent income.....	1,016,042 62	901,841 70	+\$114,220 09
Miscellaneous non-operating physical property.....	583,686 02	632,283 40	-48,597 38
Separately operated properties—profit.....	871,601 52	1,147,244 01	-275,642 49
Dividend income.....	6,018,702 75	6,379,728 57	-361,025 82
From funded securities.....	859,863 25	500,845 06	+359,018 19
From unfunded securities and accounts.....	4,039,728 66	*3,223,732 79	+815,995 87
From sinking and other reserve funds.....	45,880 52		+45,880 52
Miscellaneous income.....	50,135 47	54,274 23	-4,138 76
Total other income..	\$13,619,366 20	\$12,949,374 64	+\$669,991 56
Gross income.....	\$71,308,504 64	\$69,270,920 66	+\$2,037,583 98
Deductions From Gross Income:			
Rent for leased roads.....	\$9,288,648 35	\$9,314,910 15	-\$26,261 80
Miscellaneous rents.....	675,986 81	689,074 60	-13,087 76
War taxes accrued.....	1,830,550 40	2,017,501 92	-186,951 52
Miscellaneous tax accruals.....	193,678 10	*136,341 43	+57,336 67
Separately operated properties—loss.....	82,015 95	62,628 25	+19,387 70
Interest on funded debt.....	29,227,222 10	29,432,623 35	-205,401 25
Interest on unfunded debt.....	5,100,843 42	2,004,364 10	+3,096,479 32
Amortization of discount on funded debt.....	552,076 06	556,975 56	-4,899 50
Corporate general expenses.....	915,800 46	288,667 84	+627,132 62
Maintenance of investment organization.....	4,772 88		+4,772 88
Misc. income charges.....	323,290 21	*302,488 36	+20,801 85
Total deductions from gross income.....	\$48,194,884 77	\$44,805,575 56	+\$3,389,309 21
	\$23,113,619 87	\$24,465,345 10	-\$1,351,725 23

	Year Ended Dec. 31 1919.	Year Ended Dec. 31 1918.	Increase (+) or Decrease (-).
Less: Revenues and expenses applicable to the period prior to Jan. 1, 1918 settled for account of the corporation by the United States Railroad Administration....	\$3,196,369 22	\$6,548,223 55	-\$3,351,854 33
Net corporate income.....	\$19,917,250 65	\$17,917,121 55	+\$2,000,129 10
Disposition of Net Income:			
Dividends declared (5% each year).....	\$12,479,611 25	\$12,479,610 00	+\$1 25
Sinking funds.....	4,576 56	115,563 46	-110,986 90
Total appropriations of income.....	\$12,484,187 81	\$12,595,173 46	-\$110,985 65
Surp. for the year carried to prof. & loss..	\$7,433,062 84	\$5,321,948 09	+\$2,111,114 75

*Figures for 1918 restated for purposes of comparison.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

Balance to credit of profit and loss December 31 1918.....	\$80,943,297 90
Additions:	
Surplus for the year 1919.....	\$7,433,062 84
Sundry deferred credits and adjustments.....	119,057 33
Profit on road and equipment sold.....	29,400 63
	7,581,520 80
	\$88,524,818 70
Deductions:	
Surplus appropriated for investment in miscellaneous physical property.....	\$4,651 00
Loss on retired road and equipment.....	665,363 11
Reversing October, November and December 1918, accruals of dividends on the capital stock of the New York & Harlem Railroad Company due to the failure of the lessee of the New York city traction line to pay rental.....	66,739 00
Advances and interest thereon to Toledo Terminal Railroad Company, for payment of interest on bonds, canceled by judgment of the Supreme Court of Ohio.....	110,880 00
Sundry deferred debits and adjustments and various uncollectible accounts.....	54,040 72
	901,673 83
Balance to credit of profit and loss December 31 1919.....	\$87,623,144 87

The compensation stated in the contract and accrued as income for the possession, use and control of the property of this company and its leased lines remained at \$55,802,630 50 for the year 1919. There was, however, accrued additional compensation in amount \$1,887,957 59 account interest on completed additions and betterments (this being mainly on cost of 1917 Trust and government allocated equipment). There had been accrued in 1918 interest amounting to \$521,877 71 on owned, trust and government allocated equipment placed in service during Federal control. There was a decrease in the net deficit from miscellaneous operations of \$1,512 54 as a result of a better showing for the demonstration farm of the company.

The miscellaneous rent income of the company showed an increase over the previous year of \$141,200 92. This is mainly attributable to an increase in rentals charged for the company's properties and to a more complete occupancy of the same due to increased demand for premises.

The apparent decrease of \$48,597 38 in the revenue from miscellaneous non-operating physical property is largely caused by a change in the method of accounting for depreciation on the buildings within the Grand Central Terminal area. In former years the accrual covering this depreciation was charged to appropriations of income for sinking fund but is now charged direct against the rentals received from these buildings.

The decrease in credits to income, account separately operated properties, is due to an adjustment of an over-accrual for revenue from these sources in 1918.

The falling off in dividend income is partly accounted for by the fact that the company received only 10% instead of 14% on its New York & Harlem Railroad Company stock. The Harlem Company's traction lines in New York City were leased to the New York Railways Company at a net annual rental equal to 4% on the Harlem's capital stock. The lessee has made default under the lease and the property has been surrendered to and is now being operated by the New York & Harlem Railroad Company. There were no receipts of dividend from the Rutland Railroad Company and Wells Fargo Express Company which contributed income of this character in 1918.

The increase of \$359,018 19 in income from funded securities is due to a change in the character of some of the obligations held by the company from the funded to the unfunded class and to interest on additional Liberty Loan bonds.

The increase of \$815,995 87 in interest from unfunded securities and accounts is mainly caused by the accrual of interest on unpaid compensation due by the Director-General of Railroads.

An apparent increase of \$45,880 52 in income from sinking and other reserve funds is due to a change in the method of accounting.

The falling off in war taxes accrued is due to the 2% decrease in the income tax rate.

The increase in charges for miscellaneous tax accruals of \$57,336 67 is due to the adjustment in 1919 of an under-accrual for the year 1918.

Interest on funded debt shows a decrease of \$205,401 25 which is almost entirely accounted for by the fact that \$15,000 two-year notes matured in September 1919, and the substitution of shorter term notes for them transferred the obligation from the funded to the unfunded debt class.

The large increase of \$3,096,479 32 in interest on un-funded debt is almost entirely accounted for by the interest accrued on deferred payments for equipment and on other accounts due the government.

Increase in corporate general expenses, \$627,132 62, is due to the fact that in 1918 the outlay for only six months was included while in 1919 not only were a full year's expenses included but the corporate organization reached its full development.

The matter of improved railroad facilities in the city of Cleveland, Ohio, has been under consideration for some time. Together with other transportation interests the New York Central Railroad Company is making this the subject of careful investigation. Plans have been outlined for the removal of all the passenger traffic from the lake front, reserving the lake front facilities for freight and industrial purposes. The project includes a new union station.

New Pier K-4, south of the ferryhouse and yards at Weehawken, was completed in 1919 and occupied by the Cunard Steamship Company under permit. This represents the commencement of a comprehensive scheme of development for steamship purposes at the Weehawken Terminal.

In a suit by the Hoeking Valley Railway Company against the Toledo Terminal Railroad Company the Supreme Court of Ohio held, that under the contract between the proprietor companies, the Terminal Company could not use its net earnings to pay advances made by such proprietor companies to pay its bond interest accruing prior to 1914 or interest on such advances. The effect of this decision was to render worthless this company's claim against the Terminal Com-

pany arising out of the advances in question and accordingly, \$110,880, representing such advances by this company, and interest thereon, was during the year charged off to profit and loss.

The Lansing Manufacturers Railroad, which has a spur line at Lansing, Michigan, reaching a number of industries and connecting with the lines of both the New York Central Railroad Company and the Michigan Central Railroad Company, has been operated under a lease which expires in the near future. It being desirable to continue the operation of this line and an opportunity having presented itself to acquire the stock outstanding (\$100,000), the Board of Directors, on December 10 1919, authorized the acquisition of one-half thereof, the Michigan Central Railroad Company acquiring the remainder. The companies also acquired in equal amounts \$18,000 of note indebtedness.

In 1912 the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railway Company advanced, on behalf of the Cleveland Cincinnati Chicago & St. Louis Railway Company, the necessary funds for the acquisition of certain coal lands in Christian, Montgomery, Fayette, Saline, Franklin and Williamson counties, Illinois. These advances were transferred to the books of the New York Central Railroad Company at consolidation and carried until October 27 1919, when the indebtedness, \$2,266,824 93, was paid in full by the Cleveland Cincinnati Chicago & St. Louis Railway Company.

Appreciative acknowledgment is made to all officers and employees of their loyal and efficient co-operation and service.

For the Board of Directors,
ALFRED H. SMITH, *President.*

CONDENSED GENERAL BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31 1919.

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
<i>Investments—</i>		<i>Stock—</i>	
Investment in road	\$481,844,416 65	Capital stock	\$249,597,355 00
Investment in equipment:		<i>Long Term Debt—</i>	
Trust	\$124,491,570 02	Funded debt unmatu- Equipment obligations	\$39,670,456 21
Other	141,631,826 70	Mortgage bonds	526,194,000 00
	266,123,396 72	Debentures	105,500,000 00
		Notes	290,326 25
Improvements on leased railway property	\$747,967,813 37		671,654,782 46
Miscellaneous physical property	102,630,916 08	<i>Current Liabilities—</i>	
Investments in affiliated companies:		Loans and bills payable	\$49,829,500 00
Stocks	\$133,497,345 64	Traffic and car-service balances payable	869,947 06
Bonds	9,742,963 38	Audited accounts and wages payable	2,629,413 66
Notes	44,995,158 03	Miscellaneous accounts payable	6,453,241 77
Advances	12,609,862 28	Interest matured unpaid	2,818,970 78
	206,845,329 33	Dividend declared, payable Feb. 2 1920	3,119,903 75
Other investments:		Dividends matured unclaimed	183,266 07
Stocks	\$31,139,924 32	Funded debt matured unpaid	57,790 00
Bonds	6,334,760 67	Unmatured interest accrued	6,050,434 77
Notes	12,105,026 03	Unmatured rents accrued	416,870 96
Advances	675,047 00	Other current liabilities	3,088,506 91
Miscellaneous	12,146 42		75,517,845 73
	50,266,904 44	<i>Deferred Liabilities—</i>	
Total investments	\$1,110,557,407 51	Liability to lessor companies for equipment	\$14,715,322 52
<i>Current Assets—</i>		United States Government:	
Cash	\$4,341,947 64	Additions and better- ments	\$39,443,634 65
Special deposits	916,728 11	Liabilities December 31	
Loans and bills receivable	31,431 99	1917, paid	25,673,024 19
Traffic and car-service balances receivable	169,995 07	Corporate transactions	10,091,504 59
Miscellaneous accounts receivable	6,362,174 49	Revenues and expenses prior to Jan. 1 1918	9,467,201 89
Interest and dividends receivable	4,070,608 26	Other items	2,235,035 42
Rents receivable			86,910,400 74
Compensation due from United States Government	29,299,169 84	Other deferred liabilities	136,108 11
	45,192,055 40		101,761,831 37
<i>Deferred Assets—</i>		<i>Unadjusted Credits—</i>	
Working fund advances	\$27,425 89	Tax liability	\$2,105,273 75
Insurance and other funds	1,138,895 94	Insurance and casualty reserves	501,991 38
United States Government:		Operating reserves	49,039 25
Cash taken over	\$13,407,045 26	Accrued depreciation—road	216,411 65
Agents' and conduc- tors' balances	12,012,785 53	Accrued depreciation—equipment	32,453,083 68
Material and supplies	35,406,074 02	Accrued depreciation—miscellaneous phy- sical property	808,282 59
Assets December 31		Liability to lessor companies for securities acquired (per contra)	457,851 00
1917, collected	7,168,071 48	Other unadjusted credits	20,574,272 14
Other items	8,178,081 53		57,166,205 44
	76,172,057 82	<i>Corporate Surplus—</i>	
Other deferred assets	1,095,451 23	Additions to property through income and surplus	\$98,575 85
	78,433,830 88	Profit and loss—balance	87,623,144 87
<i>Unadjusted Debts—</i>			87,721,720 72
Rents and insurance premiums paid in advance	\$336 61		
Discount on funded debt unamortized	6,333,569 80		
Securities acquired from lessor companies (per contra)	457,851 00		
Other unadjusted debts	2,444,689 52		
	9,236,446 93		
Securities issued or assumed—unpledged (\$264,005)			
Securities issued or assumed—pledged (\$20,000,000)			
Total	\$1,243,419,740 72	Total	\$1,243,419,740 72

Waring Hat Mfg. Corp., Yonkers, N. Y.—Bonds Offered.—S. W. Straus & Co. are offering at par and int., to net 6%, \$1,000,000 First Mtge. 6% Serial Coupon bonds, safeguarded under the Straus plan. Due serially June 15 1921 to 1934. Circular shows:

Earnings.—Net profits for period from Oct. 1 1908 to March 31 1920, after deducting depreciation, interest, Federal taxes, &c., are as follows: Average 11½ years, \$221,192; average past four years, \$311,000; calendar year 1919, \$378,425; calendar year 1920 (est.), \$440,000. Compare V. 110, p. 2664; V. 111, p. 196.

Warwick Mills.—Extra Dividend of 2½%.—An extra dividend of 2½% has been declared on the Capital stock together with a semi-annual dividend of 5%, both payable Aug. 2 to holders of record July 26. In Feb. last, an extra of 5% was paid.—V. 110, p. 369.

Weber & Heilbronner, Haberdashers, N. Y.—New Common—Stockholders Allowed to Subscribe to 40% of Holdings.—The company on July 20 filed a certificate at Albany increasing the Common stock from 125,000 shares (no par value) to 250,000 shares (no par value). Common and pref. stockholders were given the right to subscribe at \$12 50 per share until July 20 for 53,000 shares of new Common stock, to the extent of 40% of their holdings, making 175,000 shares outstanding. The Pref. stock remains at \$2,000,000 authorized and \$750,000 issued.—V. 109, p. 1994.

Western States Gas & Electric Co. of Calif.—Notes Sold.—Blyth, Witter & Co. and National City Co. have sold at 96 and interest, to yield 8%, an additional \$300,000 5-Year 6½% Coll. Trust Gold Notes of 1918 and due Aug. 1 1923. Auth. \$1,500,000; outstg., \$990,000. Bankers state:

Security.—Secured by deposit with trustee of Western States Gas & Electric Co. First & Ref. Mtge. 5% bonds, which issue, except for \$245,000 underlying bonds of a closed mortgage, is a first lien on all property of the company.

Earnings.—Net earnings for year ending May 31 1920, directly applicable to payment of combined interest on bonds and Collateral Trust Notes, including present issue, were 2.6 times the requirement. See description of notes in V. 107, p. 1009.—V. 110, p. 1533.

(S. S.) White Dental Mfg. Co.—Notes Sold.—Wm. A. Read & Co. announce the issue of \$2,000,000 10-year 8% gold notes have all been sold. See description in V. 111, p. 396.

Wickwire Spencer Steel Co.—Earnings—Directors.—
Quarter ending—

	June 30 '20	Mar. 31 '20
Sales	\$9,362,651	\$7,603,031
Net earnings	\$1,213,928	\$661,302
Balance for common	\$52,734	302,000

For the six months ended June 30 the net after depreciation, bond interest and estimated Federal taxes, it is reported, amounted to \$1,154,734. Three new directors have been added to the board: Harry Ramsdell, Buffalo; John E. White and Jerome R. George, Worcester.—V. 111, p. 396.

THE PURE OIL COMPANY

Columbus, Ohio, July 24 1920.

To the Shareholders:

At a meeting of the Directors held this day, the following dividend resolution was unanimously adopted, with the request that the quarterly report of the President to the Directors be printed and given distribution to the stockholders for their information.

Resolved, That a dividend of 4% be paid on the common stock of this Company September 1 1920, to the stockholders of record at the close of business August 15 1920, and of said dividend 2% (\$.50) per share shall be paid in cash and 2% (\$.50 on each share) shall be paid in common stock of this Company at par; and

Whereas, All stockholders who are entitled to receive fractional shares as a part of said stock dividend accruing to them under this resolution should receive fractional warrants evidencing said right; therefore

Be it further Resolved, That The Pure Oil Company issue fractional warrants as the same may be necessary to cover the fractional shares of said common stock dividend, and that such fractional warrants shall not be entitled to receive dividends and shall not bear interest.

Columbus, Ohio, July 24 1920.

To the Board of Directors:

Herewith I am submitting to you for your consideration the Company's Consolidated Balance Sheet at June 30 1920, also an Income Statement for the first three months of this fiscal year, that is, April, May and June, as compared with the first three months of the last fiscal year. The Consolidated Income statement includes all of the Company's subsidiaries, except the Union des Petroles D'Oklahoma and the Oklahoma Producing & Refining Corporation, whose earnings are only reflected in this statement in the amount of cash dividends received from those companies during the period.

The balance sheet proves the Company to be in a strong financial position. Your attention is called to the gross operating earnings, which have increased from \$11,965,000 to \$19,476,000 for the first three months of the year, indicating that the gross earnings for the full fiscal year will be in the neighborhood of \$75,000,000, as against \$54,000,000 for last year. During the first three months of this fiscal year the net surplus income amounted to \$5,303,524 36, as against \$2,513,902 28 for the same period last year; a very remarkable increase in net earnings, and I anticipate that the earnings for the balance of this fiscal year will show a heavy increase over a like period for the year ended March 31 1920.

Capital Expenditures and Investments for the last fiscal year amounted to nearly \$17,000,000, made up principally of investments in The Moore Oil Refining Company, the Union des Petroles D'Oklahoma, the Oklahoma Producing & Refining Corporation, and the purchase of oil producing properties and distributing plants. During the first three months of the present year we have expended for capital purposes \$1,733,000, distributed as follows: \$680,000 made up principally of 250 tank cars and an investment of \$119,000 in the Puritan Oil Company; the Producing Department \$730,000, mainly for development; Refining Department \$175,000, principally in the new Heath Refinery; about \$90,000 for the Distributing Department; \$20,000 on the Salt Plant, and \$40,000 on casing-head gasoline installations.

That these capital expenditures have been wisely and profitably made is now being shown in the large increase in the Company's gross and net earnings. To provide funds for these capital expenditures certain financing was required in June of this year, which, due to the financial condition of the country and the great demand for permanent funds, proved very expensive to this Company. It seems proper that the Company should continue its expansion, but if the cost of raising money continues high, as we believe it will for some time to come, I am of the opinion that the stockholders should have the right to benefit in these high rates, and I therefore suggest and recommend that for the present, at least, our dividend rate on the common stock, which I am quite sure can be maintained, be made one-half in cash and one-half in common stock at par.

This policy, if adopted for one year, would give the Company approximately \$4,000,000 for re-investment, and at the same time the stockholder who desired to realize on his stock dividend would receive an increased rate of return by reason of the market premium on the common stock.

B. G. DAWES,
President.

COMPARATIVE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE

FOR THREE MONTHS ENDED JULY 1 1920-1919.

	1920.	1919.
Gross Earnings.....	\$19,476,420 62	\$11,965,611 92
Costs and Operating Expenses	13,288,888 57	8,667,432 15
Net Operating Earnings---	\$6,187,532 05	\$3,298,179 77
<i>Deduct:</i>		
Taxes (Including Federal Taxes).....	\$556,008 14	\$552,432 13
Interest on Serial Notes---	49,861 11	37,500 00
Int. on Bonds of Subsidiary Companies	40,090 47	40,050 72
Amortized Discount on Serial Notes.....	33,969 74	12,800 01
Depreciation.....	204,078 23	141,494 63
Total Deductions.....	\$884,007 69	\$784,277 49
Net Surplus Income....	\$5,303,524 36	\$2,513,902 28

THE PURE OIL COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET JULY 1 1920

ASSETS.

Property, Plant & Equipment.....	\$113,464,594 67	
Less Reserve for Depletion and Depreciation.....	15,006,402 13	
		\$98,458,192 54
Other Investments.....		10,816,264 64
Stock in Treasury.....		997,900 00
<i>Current Assets:</i>		
Cash	\$4,495,665 04	
Accounts Receivable.....	4,439,162 02	
Notes & Trade Acceptances Receivable	583,159 63	
U. S. Government Securities	194,515 10	
Stocks of Finished Oils....	7,840,247 26	
Stocks of Crude Oils.....	3,384,586 22	
Materials and Supplies....	2,090,949 34	
		23,028,284 61
Deferred Charges.....		1,285,436 04
		\$134,586,077 83

LIABILITIES, CAPITAL AND SURPLUS.

<i>Capital Stock Outstanding:</i>		
Common	\$45,937,500 00	
Preferred.....	12,407,700 00	
Preferred—The Moore Oil Ref. Co.....	1,000,000 00	
		\$59,345,200 00
<i>Funded Debt:</i>		
Bonds—Columbus Gas Company	\$1,326,000 00	
Bonds—Springfield Gas Company	400,000 00	
Bonds—Dayton Gas Company	1,378,000 00	
Serial Gold Notes.....	10,000,000 00	
		13,104,000 00
Balance Purchase Money Obligation		3,000,000 00
<i>Current Liabilities:</i>		
Accounts Payable.....	\$1,637,467 79	
Notes Payable.....	305,000 00	
Accrued Taxes.....	1,574,394 02	
Accrued Interest.....	86,842 63	
		3,603,704 44
Liability Insurance Reserve.....		20,522 40
Consumers' Deposits.....		285,735 47
Premium and Discount.....		9,264,805 15
Surplus		45,962,110 37
		\$134,586,077 83

W. H. McELWAIN COMPANY

ANNUAL REPORT—FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED MAY 31 1920.

354 Congress Street, Boston, Massachusetts, July 26 1920.

To the Stockholders:

The Board of Directors submits the following report of the business of W. H. McElwain Company for the fiscal year ended May 31 1920, together with a statement of the financial condition of the Company at that date.

INCOME ACCOUNT.

Undivided Surplus May 31 1919.....	\$2,456,225 69
Add:	
Earnings for fiscal year ended May 31 1920, after deducting depreciation, upkeep and repairs, but before deducting the profit-sharing distribution.....	\$4,079,625 83
Less Profit-Sharing Distribution.....	567,441 25
	3,512,184 58
	\$5,968,410 27
Deduct:	
Reserve for Federal Income and Profits Taxes.....	\$940,000 00
Special Contingent Appropriation.....	123,468 79
Dividends:	
First Preferred.....	\$349,375 00
Second Preferred.....	189,000 00
Common.....	480,000 00
	\$1,018,375 00
Less dividends received and adjusted on stock bought for retirement and profit-sharing.....	1,874 25
	1,016,500 75
	2,079,969 54
Undivided Surplus May 31 1920.....	\$3,888,440 73

BALANCE SHEET MAY 31 1920.

ASSETS.

Quick Assets:	
Cash.....	\$761,033 42
Receivables.....	11,122,802 11
Merchandise.....	14,038,084 18
Prepaid Items.....	269,729 74
	\$26,191,649 45
Securities.....	386,280 93
Plant Account.....	4,144,239 17
Total.....	\$30,722,169 55

LIABILITIES.

Current Liabilities:	
Debts.....	\$12,687,728 82
Capital Liabilities:	
First Preferred Stock.....	\$7,390,000 00
Purchased for retirement.....	250,000 00
	\$7,140,000 00
Second Preferred Stock.....	2,500,000 00
Common Stock.....	3,500,000 00
	\$13,140,000 00
Reserves for Federal Taxes and Dividends.....	1,006,000 00
Surplus.....	3,888,440 73
Total.....	\$30,722,169 55

The balance sheet and other information contained in this report include the assets, liabilities, and other financial facts of the Company's manufacturing and supply departments and of the distributing departments operated under the names of McElwain, Morse & Rogers, New York; McElwain, Hutchinson & Winch, Boston; McElwain-Chicago Company, Chicago; McElwain-Columbus Company, Columbus, Ohio; and McElwain-Young Shoe Company, San Francisco.

QUICK ASSETS AND WORKING CAPITAL.

The net quick assets of the Company at the close of the fiscal year amount to a total of \$12,443,770 63, an increase of \$4,019,661 76 over the close of the preceding year. The net quick assets are equal to \$174 28 per share of First Preferred Stock outstanding. These figures are derived by deducting from the gross quick assets all debts, reserves, and, in addition, dividends on First and Second Preferred Stock accrued for the month of May, 1920, at 7% and 6% per annum, respectively.

The net tangible assets, including securities, at the close of the fiscal year, amount to \$237 73 per share of First Preferred Stock outstanding.

The Company's merchandise is inventoried on the most conservative basis possible, which takes into account reductions in market value on such items as were affected by changes in market conditions during the latter part of the fiscal year. It is in excellent condition, free from undesirable items, and, based on the average sales of the last quarter of the fiscal year, represents only the volume for two and eight-tenths months, or less than the normal merchandise carried by this Company. Against merchandise of \$14,038,084 18 the Company has booked business for Fall amounting to \$18,000,000.

The Company's receivables are in excellent condition and, based on the average sales of the last quarter, represent only slightly above sixty days' business. Collections are good and the Company's ratio of credit losses has been as low as in any year of its history.

SECURITIES.

This item in the balance sheet represents at a conservative valuation mainly stocks of corporations distributing the Company's product or owning factories leased by the Company. The investment in securities has been reduced to the extent of \$88,128 71 by liquidation on a satisfactory basis of securities no longer required by the Company in its business.

PLANT ACCOUNT.

The Company's plant account has been appraised during the past fiscal year by Messrs. Thompson & Black, Engineers, of New York. Their figures, as of June 1 1919, are as follows:

Cost of Reproduction.....	\$7,771,797 43
Less Depreciation.....	1,898,143 84
Sound Value.....	\$5,873,653 59

The book value as of the same date was \$3,522,707 18. The plant account, therefore, is carried on the books at a figure at least \$2,000,000 less than the appraised value, properly depreciated.

The Company has added no new plants during the year. It has, however, made necessary extensions in its Upper Leather Tannery at Manchester, N. H., enlarged its shoe factory at Claremont, N. H., and installed a modern hydroelectric equipment at its Newport plant. It is now constructing a two-story brick factory at Keene, N. H., for the manufacture of work shoes. All plants have been maintained in the best of condition by liberal appropriations for maintenance and upkeep, aggregating \$350,337 33. In addition the sum of \$233,591 79 has been charged to the depreciation of buildings, machinery and equipment, exclusive of a charge-off on lasts, dies and patterns, amounting to \$194,861 33.

SALES AND NET EARNINGS.

The sales of the Company during the year aggregate \$49,454,580 59 and exceed any previous year in its history. Its net earnings, after the deduction of taxes and profit-sharing, amount to 5.2% on its turnover. In other words, on each dollar's worth of merchandise the Company has sold, its net profit has been approximately 5 1-5 cents.

INCREASE OF CAPITAL STOCK.

The Company has issued during the year, for cash, First Preferred Stock in the amount of \$2,500,000, Second Preferred Stock in the amount of \$500,000, and Common Stock in the amount of \$500,000.

RETIREMENT OF FIRST PREFERRED STOCK.

Under Article II, Section 3, of the By-Laws, requiring the expenditure in the purchase of First Preferred Stock of at least ten per cent of the net earnings that remain after the payment of dividends on First Preferred Stock, the Treasurer has purchased 2,500 shares which the Stockholders will be asked to retire. The total par value of stock retired in this way since the organization of the Company will then be \$860,000.

SALE OF STOCK TO EMPLOYEES.

The Directors will recommend to the Stockholders at the annual meeting the authorization of a further increase of \$1,000,000 in Second Preferred Stock. This class of stock, normally yielding nine per cent, has always been intended for members of the organization of the Company, and has been held largely by executives and foremen. The demand from factory and distributing house employees has become increasingly evident. To make the stock more easily available for them the par value was reduced in February to \$50 per share and in June circulars descriptive of the terms upon which it will be sold to employees were generally distributed. The new issue is called for on this account.

STOCKHOLDERS.

The holders of First and Second Preferred Stock May 31 1920 numbered 3,877, as compared with 2,360 at the same time last year.

ADVERTISING.

To protect and augment the good-will that is attached to the McElwain name the Directors have decided to enter upon a campaign of national advertising. An appropriation has been made and the advertising firm of Barton, Durstine & Osborn, of New York, has been selected. The detailed plans are now being carefully formulated and will soon be in visible operation.

GENERAL.

Your Officers and Directors have been forced to meet the extraordinary conditions that have been created by the almost continuous advance in costs and prices in this and other industries. They have endeavored to meet these conditions in a way that would be fair to each of the parties contributing to the Company's success—its employees, its customers, its stockholders and its managers.

The wages of our factory employees have been increased from time to time, at a rate greater than the increase in the cost of living. To-day we believe that our per capital wage ranks among the highest in the shoe industry and is reflected in the quality of our workmanship.

The Company's customers have been offered its product at so fair a price that your officers have been forced during the past Winter and Spring to decline a large volume of business beyond the capacity of our plants.

In fairness to holders of First Preferred Stock, your Directors recommended, and your Common and Second Preferred Stockholders approved, an increase in the dividend rate on First Preferred Stock from 6% to 7% per annum. That this change was appreciated by the holders of our senior security has since been demonstrated in unmistakable ways.

The executive management has participated in the results of the Company's operations through the Managers' Profit-Sharing Plan, which now embraces over 300 executives. Their share of the Company's profits is distributed in stock of the Company.

The personnel of the Company's organization continues practically unchanged. Mr. Francis P. Murphy, who has been associated with the Company in its manufacturing department since 1901, and who is now manager of the Company's plants at Newport and Claremont, N. H., will be added to the Board of Directors at the annual meeting. Mrs. William H. McElwain, who has been a member of the Board since 1901, now retires, to the regret of her associates.

CONCLUSION.

The shoe industry is passing through a period of temporary readjustment. Your Company, however, is in a particularly strong position, stronger apparently than ever before, to meet the demands that will be made upon it during the coming year.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. FRANKLIN McELWAIN,
President.

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE.

Boston, Massachusetts, July 26 1920.

The Board of Directors, W. H. McElwain Company,
Boston, Massachusetts:

We hereby certify that the income account, balance sheet and other information contained in the foregoing report, properly present the financial condition of the Company as of May 31 1920, and the results of its operations for the year ended on that date, that they are in accord with the books, and are correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

HARVEY S. CHASE & COMPANY,
Certified Public Accountants.

Willys-Overland Co.—New Directors—New York Bankers on Finance Committee—Semi-Annual Report.—The company announces additions to its directorate and the formation of a Finance Committee within the directorate as follows:

New Directors.—E. R. Tinker, Chase Securities, Corp., N. Y. City; Elisha Walker, Blair & Co., New York City.
J. R. Harbeck, Vice-President American Can Co., New York City.
Finance Committee (All Directors).—John N. Willys, Chairman, Walter P. Chrysler, E. R. Tinker, Elisha Walker, J. R. Harbeck, J. E. Kepperley and F. K. Dolbeer (Treasurer).

For report for the half-year ending June 30 see "Financial Reports" above. Concerning the plan ratified by the shareholders on June 10 for the underwriting of 600,000 shares of new Common stock at a price to net the company \$20 per share, the shareholders being allowed to subscribe for 300,000 shares of same, see V. 110, p. 2393, 2578, 2664.

Wilson & Co., Inc.—Listing.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 200,000 shares of Common stock, no par value, on official notice of the distribution thereof in exchange for voting trust certificates now outstanding and listed.—V. 111, p. 400.

Wilson-Martin Co.—Incorporated.

Incorporated in Delaware July 19 1920 with \$15,000,000 Capital to deal in live stock, and slaughter same for market. Corporation Trust Co. is company's Delaware representative. See under Wilson & Co. in last week's "Chronicle," page 400.

Wisconsin Chair Co., Port Washington, Wis.—Notes.

Bolger, Mosser & Willaman are offering at prices to net 8%, according to maturity, \$500,000 Secured 7% Serial notes, dated June 1 1920, maturing serially June 1 1921 to 1925. Deuom. \$500 and \$1,000(c*). Int. payable at Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, trustee, without deduction for normal Federal income tax not to exceed 4%. Redeemable on any int. date upon 60 days' notice at 102 and int. on or before June 1 1922 and at 101 and int. after June 1 1922, if called before maturity.

The company was incorp. Oct. 10 1888 to manufacture and sell chairs, household furniture and veneer, but during the early period of the war, a number of large contracts for the manufacture of phonograph cabinets for the Edison, Pathe and Columbia phonograph companies was successfully executed. Finding this a lucrative business, the company has developed its own make and now has a large and rapidly growing output of phonographs. Capitalization consists of \$1,110,000 auth. and outstanding Pref. and Common stocks. These notes will provide funds to retire current liabilities and provide additional working capital. Pres. J. M. Bostwick.

(Wm.) Wrigley Jr. Co., Chicago.—45,000 Additional Shares of Stock Offered to Stockholders at Par in Ratio of One to Ten—Annual Report.

The stockholders of record Aug. 10 are to be given the right to subscribe on or before Sept. 1 to 45,000 additional shares of the Common stock at par (\$25 each) in the ratio of one new share for each ten shares held.

All subscriptions shall be paid in full in cash to the company on or before Sept. 1 1920, or in five equal installments payable on or before the first days of Sept., Oct., Nov., and Dec. 1920, and Jan. 1921. Interest on all installment payments shall be allowed at rate of 6% per annum from the respective dates upon which said installments are due to the date of final payment. Subscription warrants will be sent out as soon as possible after Aug. 10.

The proceeds of the new stock will provide extra capital for the normal extension of the business.

See annual report on a preceding page.—V. 111, p. 396.

Youngstown Steel Car Co.—Stock Offered.

Company is offering \$600,000 treasury Common stock (par \$25) at par, to provide adequate working capital for the operation of new plant at Niles, Ohio, now completed. Subscriptions can be made direct to the company, or to Youngstown Securities Co., Youngstown, Ohio; Barton & Barton, Cleveland, Ohio; Realty Guarantee & Trust Co., Youngstown, Ohio.

Present Capital—	Authorized	Issued.
Preferred Stock.....	\$2,000,000	\$29,300
Common stock.....	3,000,000	787,337

—See V. 111, p. 400.

CURRENT NOTICES.

—R. M. Grant & Company, 31 Nassau Street, New York, are offering a new issue of \$265,000 City of Salisbury, N. C. 6% Improvement Bonds due from 1923 to 1935 at the prices yielding from 6 3/4% to 6% according to maturity. These bonds are a direct general obligation of the entire City of Salisbury payable from an unlimited tax on all the taxable property therein.

—A. L. Chambers & Co., of Buffalo, announce the removal of their New York office from 37 Liberty St. to 170 Broadway.

—The Guaranty Trust Co. of N. Y. has been appointed Registrar of stock of the Austin Machinery Corp.

—Charles Lanier Appleton has become associated with Cochran, Harper & Co.

The Commercial Times.

COMMERCIAL EPITOME

Friday Night, July 30, 1920.

Retail trade has latterly been better, but wholesale business has remained dull. Even the retailers have had to stimulate buying by cutting prices. One great trouble with the wholesale trade is the continued scarcity of cars, although they are more plentiful than recently. Prices have recently fallen some 50 cents a bushel for wheat and there has also been a very decline in other grain as well as flour, provisions, coffee, sugar and cotton. Cotton goods are steadily falling. Cancellations in the woolen trade are said to have reached since they began something like \$100,000,000. Deflation is plainly at work. It is spurred by the tightness of money coincident with the lack of adequate transportation. One cause of the decline in grain prices is that the crops are turning out larger than had been expected, although the tightness of money has also been a conspicuous factor. The fall in sugar prices is notable. It is due to the fact that recent abnormally high prices in this country have attracted shipments from countries which seldom or never export to the United States, including countries, it is pointed out, bordering on the Caribbean Sea, Argentina, the Philippine Islands, Japan, Java, Belgium and Cecho-Slovakia. Besides the European crop is estimated at close to 3,800,000 tons as against 2,635,000 in the season of 1919-20. And Germany, it is estimated, will raise 1,300,000 tons, or nearly double its last crop. Grain, it is pointed out, would be still lower, but for the scarcity of cars; also coal and many raw materials. Naturally manufacturing costs would be reduced. Some progress has been made in easing the railroad congestion.

Meanwhile credits are still more or less stringent. There has not been the easing that it was hoped might occur in June and July. Prices of commodities are still very high and the delays in railroad transportation also put an additional strain on the banking resources of the country. The cotton crop is proving larger by some 3,000,000 bales than was expected a couple of months ago. And recently there has been a sharp fall in the price, partly owing to the fact and partly because of the dullness of the home and export trade.

Wholesale food prices, as already intimated, have fallen sharply. Butter and eggs are lower. Collections are not so prompt as they were at the beginning of the month. Failures for the week are larger than in the same week last year, but fall below those of other years. Exports of wheat continue large, and thus far this season are some 15,000,000 bushels more than in the like period last year. Yet foreign exchange has been steadily declining. Naturally the big wheat exports have eased the credit situation at the West. Copper has been dull and somewhat lower. Raw silk has also been dull at falling prices. So has rubber and there are some intimations of financial troubles in the importing rubber trade. Wool is so dull that Argentina on the eve of a new clip and saddled with enormous supplies of old wool has deemed it necessary to take legislative action in the premises looking to measures of relief. Thus another country has been added to Japan and China as suffering from a reaction in trade. Iron and steel business naturally suffers from the persistent railroad congestion, but prices are firm with those of pig iron apparently tending upward, especially as there is a better demand for 1921 delivery. Trade in automobile and accessories suffers from a lessened demand. The call for trucks is smaller; and at one time there was a rumor in Chicago of some financial trouble in the automobile trade. Coal is still scarce as a result of deficient railroad facilities. Coke is up to \$18 and coal in New England has risen 1 to \$2 a ton. On the other hand the outlook for the crops, as already intimated, is better and the country is on its guard against possible trouble. Fear of trouble is likely to avert it. Proverbially "Forewarned is forearmed."

More than 100 coal mines in Indiana, involving about 4,500 men are idle, because the men declare their recent increase in wages was too small compared with that received in other branches of the work.

The Interstate Commerce Commission has issued a priority order giving preference to coal shipments to New England, in order to relieve the shortage there. France has removed import restrictions reverting practically to pre-war conditions, but increasing the supplementary tariff on a number of articles. Restrictions are continued upon jewels, embroidery, certain liquors, watches and firearms. Italian automobile manufacturers are prohibited by government decree from selling to domestic consumers more than 10% of their output. A proposed strike of 8,000 broad silk weavers at Paterson, N. J., was called off because the United Textile Workers of America decided a strike was not warranted in view of the depression in the silk industry.

Buenos Ayres cables to the "Daily News Record" says that the wool crisis in Argentina has become the Republic's most important problem and that a special session has been held by Congress to consider the grave economic situation caused nationally by the cessation of the export demand for coarse wools and the consequent accumulation of 225,000,000 pounds on the eve of a new clip.

The Midwest Newspaper League will form a publishers' buying corporation, which will ultimately act for about 400 newspapers in the purchase of newsprint, to provide for their requirements of 75,000 to 100,000 tons annually.

James Stillman recently said that "the industries, not the banks, must make good the wastes of the war."

The situation in Japan shows no material improvement, according to cables received in banking circles here. On July 26th silk and cotton yarns were weak, the former declining to 1.162 yen a bale for standard quality, the lowest figure recorded on recent depression.

Villa has surrendered unconditionally to the Mexican Government. This will interest merchants with Southwestern and Mexican connections. The U. S. Government it is further stated will ask for the extradition of Villa on a murder indictment.

LARD quiet and lower; prime western 19.40@19.50c.; refined to the Continent 21.25c.; South American 21.50c.; Brazil in kegs 23.50c. Futures declined sharply with grain and hogs. Stop orders were caught on big selling. Tight money has told. Besides, stocks of product have been piling up rapidly, cars are scarce, cash demand light and export demand lacking. To-day prices again gave way and close lower for the week.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF LARD FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
July delivery	18.82	17.80	18.10	18.70	18.67	18.50
September delivery	19.22	18.20	18.40	19.00	18.92	19.75
October delivery					19.27	19.07

PORK lower; mess \$33 @ \$34; family \$47 @ \$49; July closed at \$25.85 and Sept. at \$26.85 a big decline for the week. Beef steady; mess \$18 @ \$19; packet \$19 @ \$20; extra India mess \$32 @ \$34. No. 1 canned roast beef \$3.25 No. 2 \$3.25. Cut meats firm but quiet; pickled hams 10 to 20 lbs. 31 1/8 @ 35; picnic 18 1/8 @ 18 7/8c.; pickled bellies 6 to 12 lbs. 27 @ 28c. Butter, creamery extras 55 1/2 @ 56. Cheese, flats 20 @ 28c. Eggs, fresh gathered extras 54 @ 55c.

COFFEE on the spot quiet and lower; No. 7 Rio 11 1/4c.; No. 4 Santos 18 1/4@18 3/4c.; fair to good Cucuta 17 3/8@18 1/4c. Futures continued to decline as prices in Brazil fell. Stringency of money is believed to account for much of the recent decline here and in Brazil. Also the American and European demand has been disappointing. The total supply in sight for North American markets is 1,543,809 bags or 450,000 bags larger than a year ago. This and the dullness of trade offset the fact that the Santos stock is 3,300,000 bags smaller than a year ago and that of Rio 320,000 smaller than then, or only half. To-day prices rallied. The technical point was better after drastic liquidation and much selling for short account. Prices end lower than a week ago.

September	10.15@10.16	January	10.49@10.50	March	10.59@10.61
December	10.44@10.45			May	10.68@10.70

SUGAR lower; centrifugal 96 degrees test Cuban and Porto Rican 16.29c. Futures fell sharply. Spot sugar declined on a dull market. Supplies are liberal. The outlook for the beet crop is good. Early in the week San Domingo in port sold at 15 1/4c. c. i. f., Cuban at New Orleans in port at 15 1/4c. cost and freight and Cuban here at 15 1/4c cost and freight to the amount of 50,000 bags to go to Phila. Refined granulated 21 @ 22 1/2c.

Receipts at Cuban ports last week were 34,223 tons against 35,933 a week previous and 40,791 a year ago; exports increased about 10,000 tons, being 79,694 tons against 69,343 tons the previous week and 50,412 a year ago. Centrals in operation number five against six a week previous and ten a year ago. Of the exports, 53,322 tons were destined for the U. S. Atlantic ports. Heavy rains were reported throughout Cuba.

August	15.00@15.05	September	15.23@15.25	January	12.48@12.50
		December	14.20@14.25		

OILS.—Linseed quiet but steady; carloads \$1 50@\$1 60; five bbl. or more \$1 56@\$1 66; less than five bbls. \$1 53@\$1 63. Government crop estimates put the domestic flaxseed crop at 14,398,000 bushels against 8,919,000 bushels last year. Indications also point to an excellent yield in Canada. And Argentina it is stated will have an export surplus of about 20,000,000 bushels. Japan and Manchuria it is believed will ship large quantities to this country. The crops in Italy and Australia are better than expected. Coconut oil, Ceylon bbls. 15 1/4@15 1/2c.; Cochin 16@16 1/2c. Olive \$3 10@\$3 25. Lard, strained winter \$1 35; cod, domestic \$1 00; Newfoundland \$1@\$1 10. Spirits of turpentine \$1 67. Common to good strained rosin \$12 75.

PETROLEUM in brisk demand and firm; refined in bbls. 23.50 @ 24.50c.; bulk 13.50 @ 14.50c.; cases 26. @ 27c. Gasoline in good demand for both home and foreign account; steel bbls. 30c.; consumers 32c.; gas machines 49c. The latest report received by the Texas Co. is that its Abrams No. 1 well is flowing 26,000 bbls. daily, all the oil being saved and run into a pipe line. The well came in last week with an initial flow of 20,000 bbls. a day, located about three-quarters of a mile from the nearest production in the old West Columbia field of Texas. A Dallas dispatch said the Gulf Oil Corporation's total crude oil output is now about 100,000 bbls. daily which makes it the largest producer of crude in the world. Three-quarters of this production comes from its mid-continent and Gulf coast properties.

Pennsylvania	\$6 10	Indiana	\$3 63	Strawn	\$3 00
Corning	4 25	Princeton	3 77	Thrall	3 00
Cabell	4 17	Illinois	3 77	Healdton	2 75
Somersot, 32 deg.		Plymouth	3 98	Moran	3 00
and above	4 00	Kansas & Okla-		Henrietta	3 00
Ragland	2 35	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 dull and lower. There is very little interest shown on either side of the market. There are intimations of financial trouble in the importing trade. A meeting of creditors was called. Smoked ribbed sheets were quoted at 29 1/2c.; Sept. 30 1/2c.; Oct. 33c.; Nov.-Dec. 34 1/2c.; Jan.-March 38c.; Jan.-June 39 1/4c.; and July-Dec. 42 1/2c. London advices report the market there fairly active but lower. Para here up-river fine, higher at 25 1/4@35 3/4c. Central dull and unchanged at 23c. for Corinto.

OCEAN FREIGHTS have been in much the same shape as for many weeks past. It is hard to get cargoes. The tonnage supply far outruns the demand. Yet rates are reported to be steady or without material modification. Far Eastern trade is at a standstill. For that matter it is declared that ships whatever the voyage are going to sea with full cargoes. It is the judgment of not a few that a break in rates can only be prevented by a revival of trade. Coal rates from America to France have dropped in a month and a half from \$20 50 to \$13 50 and time charters from \$6 25 to \$3 75, facts which bear eloquent testimony both to the plentifulness of tonnage and the dullness of trade.

Charters included coal from Atlantic range to French Atlantic ports \$14; coal from Cape Breton to Rotterdam \$20 November; from Atlantic range to Helsingfors \$14 prompt; lumber from Gulfport, Miss., to Buenos Aires \$40; coal from Virginia to Stockholm \$14 prompt; sulphur from Gulf port to Gothenburg \$19 September; merchandise from Atlantic range to River Plata \$11.

TOBACCO has remained quiet for the most part, so far as domestic leaf is concerned, at steady prices. Foreign growths are in steady demand and at firm prices. At the last Dutch inscription America took 1700 bales of Sumatra at 560 to 1050 Dutch cents. As regards the American acreage this year though larger in some States it is 3% smaller in the aggregate according to Government figures than that of last year i. e. 97% of the 1919 area. That of New York indeed is only 88%; Pennsylvania 93%; and Ohio 85%; but North Carolina increased 5%; Virginia 7% and Maryland 10%. Edward H. Davis of the U. S. Tobacco Journal just back from Europe is quoted as saying "The world is absolutely bare of tobacco. In many countries which I visited the shortage of tobacco products is being felt almost as much as was food during the war. In the Regie countries, especially, tobacco is virtually on a ration basis. There is much talk in such countries as France, Austria and Italy of turning the tobacco monopoly over to private capital in order to stabilize the industry. The recent additional tax imposed of 50% in England has caused a considerable falling off in the consumption of tobacco thereby defeating the very purpose of the lawmakers in their desire to produce additional revenue." Wilson, N. C. reports that 1920 tobacco is bringing high record prices; at Fairmont 60 to 85c.; at Lumberton up to 65c.

COPPER quiet but steady; electrolytic 19 @ 19 1/4c. London prices of late have been lower. And there is only a small foreign demand. Later in the week it was reported that a sale had been made at 18 3/4c. Tin in only fair demand but steady at 48 @ 48 1/2c. for spot. Lead firm; spot New York 8 1/2 @ 9 1/4c. Zinc quiet and lower at 7.75 @ 7.80c. for spot St. Louis. The Navy announces a sale of 2,385,000 lbs. of zinc by sealed bids August 4.

PIG IRON has been firm with coke scarce and high. Some 17,000 tons of Southern for the first half of 1921 sold at \$42 Birmingham. Northern prices show a tendency towards a rise of about \$1 a ton. Buying is limited to foundry grades here. Producers are inclined to be conservative with an advance in freight rates impending. There is some business in basic and Bessemer grades of iron but it is not large. There were some foreign inquiries, hingeing however on the question of railroad transportation. In the main the market is quiet but firm. Bessemer iron sold at Pittsburgh at \$47, Valley furnace, delivery at the convenience of producers; smaller sales were reported at \$46. It is said that foundry iron, including 3% Silicon, sold in the Pittsburgh district at \$46, Valley furnace, plus extras for Silicon.

STEEL is still feeling the pinch of scarcity of cars and fuel. The question of cars is of course the great outstanding factor. The tin plate situation is unsatisfactory. Canneries feel the lack of supplies at this stage of the season. There is some evidence of an increase in the supply of cars but the trouble is it is not enough to relieve the situation materially. Of course the situation at Chicago is not improved by the strike of some 4,500 coal miners in Illinois. Five more blast furnaces were banked at Chicago. There is less demand for the finished product. Yet some inquiry exists for rails, track supplies cold rolled steel, wire and pipe. Some think that there will be no material improvement in the car situation until the close of the Great Lakes shipment season. Meantime it is said that Germany wants 40,000 tons of ship plates. Standard open hearth rails sold it seems at \$65. at the mill. There is hesitation in placing future business in steel products as it is recognized that an advance in freight rates is imminent. It is said that some 2,000,000 tons are tied up throughout the country by the car shortage.

COTTON

Friday Night, July 30 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 26,945 bales, against 27,207 bales last week and 23,481 bales the previous week, making the total receipts since Aug. 1 1919 6,818,954 bales, against 6,012,140 bales for the same period of 1918-19, showing an increase since Aug. 1 1919 of 806,814 bales.

Receipts at—	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Total.
Galveston	804	733	2,488	1,430	349	970	6,774
Texas City		68	116		31		215
Port Arthur, &c.							
New Orleans	249	1,915	935	1,315	893	2,510	7,817
Mobile		265	694	107	81	82	1,229
Pensacola							
Jacksonville							
Savannah	1,175	912	1,010	880	501	641	5,119
Brunswick							
Charleston			34	2	20	15	71
Wilmington							9
Norfolk	1,465	186	112	291	236	437	2,727
N'port News, &c.							
New York			750				750
Boston							
Baltimore						1,948	1,948
Philadelphia		181			75		256
Totals this week	3,698	4,290	6,139	4,025	2,186	6,607	26,945

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 30.	1919-20.		1918-19.		Stock.	
	This Week.	Since Aug 1 1919.	This Week.	Since Aug 1 1918.	1920.	1919.
Galveston	6,774	2,112,802	25,600	1,933,092	112,622	202,569
Texas City	215	343,149	668	124,276	24,041	9,282
Aransas Pass		1,801				
Port Arthur, &c.		100,861		35,255		
New Orleans	7,847	1,365,185	18,851	1,635,444	227,598	372,502
Mobile	1,229	264,115	1,068	155,516	2,820	25,658
Pensacola		15,795		9,812		
Jacksonville		20,343		26,287		10,700
Savannah	5,119	1,305,808	24,099	1,150,618	62,990	253,491
Brunswick		160,137	10,000	190,944	1,946	37,000
Charleston	71	444,029	2,362	217,226	237,605	34,527
Wilmington	9	142,758	674	151,882	32,827	65,201
Norfolk	2,727	347,902	2,392	304,012	24,633	85,351
N'port News, &c.		4,410		4,050		
New York	750	30,004	1,130	12,970	35,623	81,578
Boston		46,762	126	30,177	7,193	7,702
Baltimore	1,948	91,888	179	22,514	7,819	4,750
Philadelphia	256	21,205	430	8,065	4,697	5,982
Totals	26,945	6,818,954	87,579	6,012,140	784,713	1,196,093

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	6,774	25,600	3,961	10,912	16,521	10,384
Texas City, &c.	215	668				363
New Orleans	7,847	18,851	12,354	5,480	12,175	5,806
Mobile	1,229	1,068	412	191	5,012	886
Savannah	5,119	24,099	17,772	5,882	4,507	1,144
Brunswick		10,000	500	2,000	2,500	250
Charleston, &c.	71	2,362	789	2,010	66	468
Wilmington	9	674	77	25	2,743	2,466
Norfolk	2,727	2,392	548	1,261	4,083	1,552
N'port N., &c.						
All others	2,954	1,865	656	7,717	6,547	2,365
Tot. this week	26,954	87,579	37,069	35,478	54,154	26,384
Since Aug. 1	6,818,954	6,012,740				

The exports for the week ending this evening reach a total of 42,576 bales, of which 15,256 were to Great Britain, 5,200 to France and 27,120 to other destinations. Below are the exports for the week and since Aug. 1 1919:

Exports from—	Week ending July 30 1920. Exported to—				From Aug. 1 1919 to July 30 1920. Exported to—			
	Great Britain.	France.	Other.	Total.	Great Britain.	France.	Other.	Total.
Galveston	4,328		7,843	12,171	1,333,455	108,681	500,099	1,942,235
Texas City					230,064	20,934		250,998
Houston					70,284			70,284
Pt. Nogales							325	325
San Antonio							70	70
El Paso							15	15
New Orleans	9,928	200	10,797	20,925	505,146	127,449	713,830	1,346,425
Mobile					91,054	25,216	5,197	121,467
Pensacola					19,013			19,013
Jacksonville					22,813		100	22,913
Savannah		3,344	3,344	306,067	208,346	659,936	1,174,349	
Brunswick				176,796			176,796	
Charleston				94,263	19,149	29,727	143,139	
Wilmington		3,000	3,000	29,363	16,847	116,582	162,792	
Norfolk	1,000		1,000	115,788	2,955	47,250	165,993	
New York		261	261	9,788	21,927	175,179	206,894	
Boston				15,406	403	6,100	21,909	
Baltimore		250	250	5,015	612	6,385	12,012	
Philadelphia		175	175	3,555	1,700	8,608	13,863	
Providence				375			375	
San Fran.		375	375			122,892	122,892	
Los Angeles				10,244		2,164	12,408	
Seattle		255	255			277,520	277,520	
Tacoma		820	820			57,522	57,522	
Portl'd, Ore.						39,221	39,221	
Total	15,256	200	27,120	42,576	3,038,489	554,219	2,768,722	6,361,430
Tot. '18-'19	66,700	1,149	43,790	111,639	2,627,964	755,778	2,073,488	5,457,230

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 30 at—	On Shipboard, Not Cleared for—					Total.	Leaving Stock.
	Great Britain.	France.	Germany.	Other Cont.	Coast-wise.		
Galveston	7,216	3,416	8,560	3,900	2,000	25,092	87,530
New Orleans	9,424	1,201	6,119	10,453		27,197	200,401
Savannah	2,700				2,000	4,700	58,290
Charleston					500	500	237,105
Mobile	1,375					1,375	1,445
Norfolk					200	200	24,433
New York*				800		800	34,823
Other ports*	1,000			500		1,500	79,322
Total 1920	21,715	4,617	14,679	15,653	4,700	61,364	723,349
Total 1919	110,468	10,181	5,239	88,527	2,703	217,118	978,975
Total 1918	28,552	7,000		1,000	4,650	41,202	927,224

*Estimated.

Speculation in cotton for future delivery has continued to be far from active, for the outside public as a rule still touches the market gingerly, and there is no very large trading on either side of the market within the cotton trade itself. Prices have declined. Yet fluctuations have been irregular within comparatively moderate limits. But after all it is more or less of a two-sided affair. Plausible arguments are adduced both for and against the price. At times there has been heavy selling of October for straddle account against equally heavy purchases of January March and May. The reversing of the straddle has naturally narrowed the differences. That is to say the premium on October over later months has noticeably decreased. Some of the crop reports have not been favorable. In Texas weevil admittedly exists in many localities, whether the damage thus far has been light or not. Some damage has been done in Georgia by shedding and by the ravages of weevil. And the lateness of the plant is admitted, so that the condition, despite recent excellent growth, is said to be only fairly good. In Alabama cool nights and deficient sunshine have been adverse factors, and the growth has been only fair at best. In some cases it has been poor. And a good deal of weevil is reported in parts of the southern and central portions of that State. Progress is poor also in some sections of Mississippi; and in that State likewise weevil is plentiful, even if thus far it has done little damage. In Louisiana progress has been unsatisfactory and heavy rains have caused some shedding in many localities, while they have also increased the weevil activity. In southern Arkansas there has been some damage by weevil. Conditions in parts of that section are poor. North Carolina has had rather too much rain which has delayed cultivation. There are also some complaints of insect damage in that State. In South Carolina heavy rains have caused a somewhat rank growth in some localities. In the central and southern portions, too, there is considerable weevil, and some damage has been done here and there.

And low night temperatures in the Atlantic States caused uneasiness among the shorts and their covering, notably on the 28th instant, had no slight influence in the advance in the distant months of some \$3 to \$3.50 per bale, which then took place. Minimum temperatures in South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia and Tennessee were in the fifties and were especially low in the Carolinas. It is, of course, not to be supposed that these temperatures have done the plant any actual harm. But on the other hand they certainly tend to delay growth. And this is no slight matter in a season which is concededly three weeks late.

Liverpool at times has shown unexpected strength with a good demand for spot cotton. Liverpool's free buying orders in March and May here at one time also had certain influence. And Japanese interests have been credited with buying October. American trade interests bought March and May to at least a moderate extent. Silver advanced very noticeably in the forepart of the week, i. e., 2 3/4 d. in London. Manchester has been reported steady with at least a fair business, though closing quiet. Reports of closing mills in the Blackburn district are said to have been exaggerated and to represent conditions six weeks ago. Some of the Connecticut mills which stopped for a time, owing to the lack of raw cotton, due to railroad delays, have resumed work. The threatened strike of 8,000 broad silk workers at Paterson, N. J., has been called off, owing to the dullness of the silk trade.

On the other hand crop reports in many respects have been better, and with grain and provisions markets breaking sharply under the monetary strain at the West it has been illogical to not a few that cotton should remain at anything like current prices. Temperatures have averaged close to the normal in the central and eastern portions of the belt, although the nights were too cool. Cotton made very good to excellent growth in South Carolina, western North Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee and most of Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas. The South has sold at times freely supposedly on prospects of an early movement of the crop. There is a notion that in Southwestern Texas at any rate the movement will be comparatively early and the quality of the cotton good. Free offerings are already reported there. Moreover cotton goods have been dull and more or less depressed. Foreign exchange has declined. So at times has the stock market. Some of the labor extremists in Lancashire have been advocating a 40-hour week. Thousands of looms in the Blackburn district are said to have closed indefinitely. News in regard to relations between Poland and Soviet Russia have been disturbing. Spot markets at the South have been generally quiet. The basis is said to be steadily

falling. Finally exports continue light. On the whole the drift of opinion in the cotton trade here at any rate has been plainly in favor of lower prices with occasional upturns on overselling, such as has been recently noticeable. To-day prices again fell, and they end lower for the week. Spot cotton closed at 40 cents for middling, a decrease of 375 points this week.

The following averages of the differences between grades, as figured from the July 29 quotations of the ten markets designated by the Secretary of Agriculture, are the differences established for deliveries in this market on Aug. 5 1920:

Middling fair.....4.00 on	*Middling "yellow" tinged.....5.25 off
Strict good middling.....3.25 on	*Strict low mid. "yellow" tinged.....7.68 off
Good middling.....2.50 on	*Low middling "yellow" tinged.....11.28 off
Strict middling.....1.33 on	Good middling "yellow" stained.....4.78 off
Strict low middling.....3.08 off	*Strict mid. "yellow" stained.....6.50 off
Low middling.....8.55 off	*Middling "yellow" stained.....8.35 off
*Strict good ordinary.....12.53 off	*Good middling "blue" stained.....5.98 off
*Good ordinary.....15.40 off	*Strict middling "blue" stained.....7.60 off
Strict good mid. "yellow" tinged.....1.25 off	*Middling "blue" stained.....9.20 off
Good middling "yellow" tinged.....2.10 off	
Strict middling "yellow" tinged.....3.53 off	

*These ten grades are not deliverable upon new style contracts.

The official quotation for middling upland cotton in the New York market each day for the past week has been:

July 24 to July 30—	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Middling uplands.....	42.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00

NEW YORK QUOTATIONS FOR 32 YEARS.

1920 c.....40.00	1912 c.....13.10	1904 c.....10.70	1896 c.....7.44
1919.....34.80	1911.....13.25	1903.....13.45	1895.....7.00
1918.....29.20	1910.....16.05	1902.....9.00	1894.....6.91
1917.....24.60	1909.....12.85	1901.....8.06	1893.....8.06
1916.....13.25	1908.....10.70	1900.....10.06	1892.....7.50
1915.....9.30	1907.....12.90	1899.....6.12	1891.....8.00
1914.....12.50	1906.....10.90	1898.....6.06	1890.....12.31
1913.....12.00	1905.....11.10	1897.....8.00	1889.....11.31

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, 175 pts. dec.	Easy			
Monday	Quiet, 200 pts. dec.	Easy	1,100	1,100	
Tuesday	Quiet, unchanged	Steady	1,400	1,400	
Wednesday	Quiet, unchanged	Firm	1,600	1,600	
Thursday	Quiet, unchanged	Very steady	8,900	8,900	
Friday	Quiet, unchanged	Very steady			
Total			13,000	13,000	

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 30—	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.
Stock at Liverpool.....	913,000	611,000	232,000	239,000
Stock at London.....	12,000	13,000	28,000	26,000
Stock at Manchester.....	133,000	79,000	47,000	16,000
Total Great Britain.....	1,088,000	703,000	307,000	281,000
Stock at Hamburg.....	20,000			
Stock at Bremen.....	87,000	20,000		*2,000
Stock at Havre.....	192,000	151,000	95,000	155,000
Stock at Marseilles.....		4,000		3,000
Stock at Barcelona.....	90,000	90,000	3,000	78,000
Stock at Genoa.....	55,000	59,000	2,000	14,000
Stock at Trieste.....				*1,000
Total Continental stocks.....	444,000	324,000	100,000	253,000
Total European stocks.....	1,532,000	1,027,000	407,000	534,000
India cotton afloat for Europe.....	97,000	42,000	12,000	24,000
Amer. cotton afloat for Europe.....	146,224	387,017	100,000	196,000
Egypt, Brazil, &c., afloat for Eur.....	39,000	62,000	48,000	27,000
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt.....	79,000	213,000	214,000	72,000
Stock in Bombay, India.....	1,360,000	1,043,000	*580,000	1,009,000
Stock in U. S. ports.....	784,713	1,196,093	968,426	538,199
Stock in U. S. interior towns.....	871,707	815,987	692,616	343,792
U. S. exports to-day.....	16,053	3,258		11,906
Total visible supply.....	4,925,697	4,789,355	3,022,042	2,755,897

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Of the above, totals of American and other descriptions are as follows:

American—	451,000	89,000	148,000
Liverpool stock.....	631,000	52,000	16,000
Manchester stock.....	119,000	292,000	*90,000
Continental stock.....	364,000	387,017	100,000
American afloat for Europe.....	146,000	1,196,093	968,426
U. S. port stocks interior stocks.....	784,713	815,987	692,616
U. S. interior stocks.....	871,707	815,987	692,616
U. S. exports to-day.....	16,053	3,258	
Total American.....	2,932,697	3,197,355	1,956,042
East Indian, Brazil, &c.—			
Liverpool stock.....	312,000	160,000	143,000
London stock.....	12,000	13,000	28,000
Manchester stock.....	14,000	27,000	31,000
Continental stock.....	80,000	32,000	*10,000
India afloat for Europe.....	97,000	42,000	12,000
Egypt, Brazil, &c., afloat.....	39,000	62,000	48,000
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt.....	79,000	213,000	214,000
Stock in Bombay, India.....	1,360,000	1,043,000	580,000
Total East India, &c.....	1,993,000	1,592,000	1,066,000
Total American.....	2,932,697	3,197,355	1,956,042
Total visible supply.....	4,925,697	4,789,355	3,022,042
Middling uplands, Liverpool.....	26.15d.	19.88d.	20.39d.
Middling uplands, New York.....	40.00c.	35.70d.	30.45c.
Egypt, good sakes, Liverpool.....	69.50d.	34.00d.	33.92d.
Peruvian, rough good, Liverpool.....	44.00d.	29.50d.	39.00d.
Broach, fine, Liverpool.....	20.35d.	18.60d.	19.86d.
Tinnevely, good, Liverpool.....	21.60d.	18.85d.	20.11d.

* Estimated.

Continental imports for past week have been 44,000 bales. The above figures for 1920 show a decrease from last week of 138,782 bales, a gain of 136,342 bales over 1919, an excess of 1,903,655 bales over 1918 and a gain of 2,169,810 bales over 1917.

FUTURES.—The highest, lowest and closing prices at New York for the past week have been as follows:

	Saturday, July 24.	Monday, July 26.	Tuesday, July 27.	Wed'day, July 28.	Thurs'dy, July 29.	Friday, July 30.	Week.
August—							
Range.....			35.00-60		34.90-95		34.90-60
Closing.....	35.12	35.00	35.50	35.40	35.00	34.80	
September—							
Range.....							
Closing.....	34.12	33.70	33.75	33.70	33.60	33.40	
October—							
Range.....	32.88-15	32.50-05	32.05-73	32.15-66	32.00-47	32.02-30	32.00-115
Closing.....	33.02-07	32.50-53	32.50-53	32.45-50	32.22-25	32.02-07	
November—							
Range.....							
Closing.....	32.00	31.50-60	31.75	32.00	31.75	31.35	
December—							
Range.....	31.22-50	30.65-23	30.32-05	30.85-40	30.61-20	30.58-05	30.58-50
Closing.....	31.29-34	30.65-71	30.90-95	31.26-30	31.00-05	30.58-63	
January—							
Range.....	30.43-70	29.85-45	29.60-25	30.10-60	29.97-45	29.70-31	29.70-70
Closing.....	30.57-60	29.85	30.25	30.60	30.30-40	29.75	
February—							
Range.....							
Closing.....	30.05	29.5	29.95	30.45	30.00	29.55	
March—							
Range.....	29.65-97	29.18-60	29.05-68	29.70-35	29.50-12	29.35-95	29.35-95
Closing.....	29.75-76	29.18-22	29.65-68	30.28-35	29.86-90	29.35-40	
April—							
Range.....							
Closing.....	29.35	28.75	29.40	30.00	29.55	29.15	
May—							
Range.....	28.88-10	28.45-88	28.40-20	29.15-95	29.10-67	29.00-40	28.88-95
Closing.....	28.90-92	28.45-50	29.15-20	29.50-83	29.40	29.00	
June—							
Range.....		28.50		29.20-25			28.50-25
Closing.....	28.75	28.30	29.00	29.65	29.20	28.80	

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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 30.	Closing Quotations for Middling Cotton on—					
	Saturday.	Monday.	Tuesday.	Wed'day.	Thurs'dy.	Friday.
Galveston.....	38.50	38.00	38.00	38.00	37.50	37.50
New Orleans.....	39.75	39.75	39.75	39.50	39.25	39.75
Mobile.....	39.75	39.00	39.00	39.00	39.00	39.00
Savannah.....	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.00	41.00	
Charleston.....	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50
Norfolk.....	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50	40.50
Baltimore.....	42.00	41.50	41.50	41.50	40.50	40.50
Philadelphia.....	42.25	40.25	40.25	40.25	40.25	40.25
Augusta.....	40.25	40.25	40.00	40.00	40.00	39.75
Memphis.....	39.50	39.50	39.50	39.50	39.50	39.50
Dallas.....		37.25	37.10	36.95	36.70	36.55
Houston.....	37.00	36.50	36.50	36.50	36.50	36.50
Little Rock.....	39.50	39.50	39.50	39.50	39.50	39.00
Fort Worth.....		37.25	37.25	37.00	36.75	36.50

NEW ORLEANS CONTRACT MARKET.

	Saturday, July 24.	Monday, July 26.	Tuesday, July 27.	Wed'day, July 28.	Thurs'dy, July 29.	Friday, July 30.
July.....	35.80					
August.....		33.60	33.62	33.07	32.73	32.52
September.....	33.00	32.30	32.31	32.27	31.93	31.72
October.....	32.30-33	31.60-72	31.61-65	31.57-67	31.23-24	31.02-05
December.....	30.72-78	30.03-08	30.33-36	30.77-80	30.27-32	30.05-07
January.....	30.20-25	29.45-47	29.84	30.30	29.88	29.55 56
March.....	29.42	28.70-73	29.16-22	29.98-00	29.46	29.20 23
May.....	28.65	28.03	28.40-42	29.29-37	28.89	28.58
Tone—						
Spot.....	Quiet	Quiet	Quiet	Quiet	Quiet	Steady
Options.....	Steady	Steady	Steady	Steady	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 30 1920.				Movement to Aug. 1 1919.			
	Receipts.		Shp-ments.	Stocks July 30.	Receipts.		Shp-ments.	Stocks Aug. 1.
	Week.	Season.			Week.	Season.*		
Ata., Enfaula.....		5,893		1,420		5,004		1,978
Montgomery.....	142	72,213	273	5,572	724	66,320	2,118	15,902
Selma.....	5	38,541	4	380	165	57,548	314	9,286
Ark., Helena.....	42	31,831	176	3,076	38	41,374	221	1,791
Little Rock.....	121	186,599	177	16,735	698	176,838	3,161	19,583
Pine Bluff.....		109,004		26,205	400	127,049	9,400	30,000
Ga., Albany.....		9,702		913		10,600	217	2,700
Athens.....	150	157,932	1,900	15,297	1,612	161,195	6,575	19,926
Atlanta.....	1,576	276,760	1,522	15,003	5,632	259,341	7,048	24,084
Augusta.....	2,819	564,917	6,713	61,891	3,426	460,679	11,491	126,116
Columbus.....		31,501						

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:

	1919-20		1918-19	
	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.
Shipped—				
Via St. Louis	3,979	809,135	5,696	609,035
Via Mounds, &c	3,468	435,789	7,161	536,674
Via Rock Island	—	24,706	—	25,283
Via Louisville	793	124,619	1,311	115,794
Via Cincinnati	—	26,563	700	70,728
Via Virginia points	5,984	237,640	228	192,107
Via other routes, &c	2,998	470,719	5,846	871,662
Total gross overland	17,222	2,129,171	20,942	2,421,283
Deduct shipments—				
Overland to N. Y., Boston, &c	2,954	189,859	1,865	73,726
Between interior towns	715	73,098	278	51,078
Inland, &c., from South	1,496	277,184	2,205	207,176
Total to be deducted	5,165	540,141	4,348	334,980
Leaving total net overland *	12,057	1,589,030	16,594	2,086,303

* Including movement by rail to Canada. a Revised.

The foregoing shows the week's net overland movement this year has been 12,057 bales, against 16,594 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 497,273 bales.

	1919-20		1918-19	
	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.
In Sight and Spinners' Takings.				
Receipts at ports to July 30	26,945	6,818,954	87,579	6,012,140
Net overland to July 30	12,057	1,589,030	16,594	2,086,303
Southern consumption to July 30 ^a	77,000	3,724,000	60,000	3,504,191
Total marketed	116,002	12,131,984	164,173	11,602,634
Interior stocks in excess	*22,703	69,660	*72,400	—
Came into sight during week	93,229	—	91,773	—
Total in sight July 30	12,201,644	—	11,602,634	—
Nor. spinners' takings to July 30	17,573	2,985,497	53,236	2,318,228

* Decrease during week. a These figures are consumption; takings not available.

Movement into sight in previous years:

Week—	Bales.	Since Aug. 1—	Bales.
1918—Aug. 2	94,327	1917—18—Aug. 2	—
1917—Aug. 3	101,410	1916—17—Aug. 3	—
1916—Aug. 4	117,328	1915—16—Aug. 4	—

WEATHER REPORTS BY TELEGRAPH.—Reports to us by telegraph from the South this evening indicate that in the main the weather has been favorable during the week and cotton has done well on the whole. Texas advices are to the effect that in many sections a good yield is practically assured. In northwestern districts of the State, however, rain would be beneficial.

TEXAS.—General.—The condition of cotton in Texas continues fair to excellent, and in many sections a good yield is practically assured. In northwestern districts rain would be beneficial.

	Rain.	Rainfall.	Thermometer		
Galveston	2 days	0.60 in.	high 88	low 72	mean 80
Abilene	1 day	0.02 in.	high 98	low 68	mean 83
Brenham	1 day	1.85 in.	high 95	low 72	mean 84
Brownsville	1 day	1.10 in.	high 96	low 72	mean 84
Cuero	1 day	0.25 in.	high 100	low 73	mean 87
Dallas	2 days	0.30 in.	high 96	low 70	mean 83
Henrietta	—	dry	high 101	low 70	mean 86
Kerrville	2 days	0.14 in.	high 97	low 66	mean 82
Huntsville	1 day	0.90 in.	high 95	low 70	mean 83
Lampasas	1 day	1.24 in.	high 101	low 67	mean 84
Longview	1 day	0.88 in.	high 96	low 65	mean 81
Luling	1 day	0.32 in.	high 100	low 70	mean 85
Nacogdoches	1 day	2.40 in.	high 102	low 70	mean 86
Palestine	1 day	0.02 in.	high 96	low 70	mean 83
Paris	1 day	0.85 in.	high 101	low 69	mean 85
San Antonio	1 day	0.16 in.	high 98	low 72	mean 85
Taylor	1 day	0.20 in.	—	low 70	—
Weatherford	2 days	1.76 in.	high 100	low 68	mean 84
Ardmore, Okla	—	dry	high 104	low 68	mean 86
Altus	—	dry	high 102	low 65	mean 84
Muskogee	1 day	0.20 in.	high 99	low 66	mean 83
Oklahoma City	1 day	1.26 in.	high 99	low 66	mean 83
Brinkley, Ark	2 days	0.96 in.	high 99	low 60	mean 80
Eldorado	2 days	0.26 in.	high 95	low 66	mean 81
Little Rock	2 days	0.98 in.	high 98	low 64	mean 81
Marianna	2 days	1.90 in.	high 91	low 62	mean 79
Alexandria, La	2 days	1.75 in.	high 99	low 70	mean 85
Amite	3 days	0.40 in.	high 94	low 70	mean 82
Shreveport	3 days	1.59 in.	high 95	low 68	mean 82
New Orleans	2 days	1.03 in.	—	—	mean 84
Columbus, Miss.	—	dry	high 99	low 65	mean 82
Greenwood	2 days	0.27 in.	high 94	low 65	mean 80
Okalona	1 day	0.12 in.	high 98	low 63	mean 81
Vicksburg	1 day	0.21 in.	high 94	low 68	mean 81
Mobile, Ala.	—	Slight	weevil damage.	—	Crop con-
dition generally satisfactory	2 days	0.34 in.	high 92	low 71	mean 82
Decatur	1 day	0.14 in.	high 95	low 61	mean 78
Montgomery	2 days	0.92 in.	high 91	low 67	mean 79
Selma	2 days	0.05 in.	high 95	low 61	mean 78
Gainesville, Fla.	3 days	0.89 in.	high 90	low 63	mean 77
Madison	3 days	0.47 in.	high 95	low 65	mean 80
Savannah, Ga.	2 days	0.02 in.	high 96	low 64	mean 80
Athens	—	dry	high 97	low 63	mean 80
Augusta	—	dry	high 97	low 62	mean 80
Columbus	—	dry	high 97	low 62	mean 80
Charleston, S. C.	1 day	0.03 in.	high 91	low 67	mean 79
Greenwood	—	dry	high 91	low 58	mean 75
Columbia	—	dry	high 95	low 60	mean 78
Conway	2 days	1.82 in.	high 96	low 58	mean 77
Charlotte, N. C.	—	dry	high 93	low 57	mean 75
Newbern	2 days	0.06 in.	high 92	low 51	mean 72
Weldon	2 days	0.23 in.	high 94	low 51	mean 73
Dyersburg, Tenn.	—	dry	high 94	low 59	mean 77
Memphis	—	dry	high 91	low 65	mean 78

The following statement we have also received by telegraph, showing the height of the rivers at the points named at 8 a. m. of the dates given:

	July 30 1920.	Aug. 1 1919.
New Orleans	Above zero of gauge.	8.8
Memphis	Above zero of gauge.	17.2
Nashville	Above zero of gauge.	8.0
Shreveport	Above zero of gauge.	12.1
Vicksburg	Above zero of gauge.	25.7

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 23	5,064,479	—	4,850,213	—
Visible supply Aug. 1	—	4,792,018	—	3,027,450
American in sight to July 30	93,299	12,201,644	91,773	11,602,634
Bombay receipts to July 29	645,000	3,552,000	53,000	2,514,000
Other India shipm'ts to July 29	626,000	489,000	—	155,000
Alexandria receipts to July 28	—	756,000	—	643,000
Other supply to July 28 *	65,000	272,000	2,000	217,000
Total supply	5,233,778	22,062,662	4,996,986	18,159,084
Deduct—				
Visible supply July 30	4,925,697	4,925,697	4,789,355	4,789,355
Total takings to July 30^a	308,081	17,136,965	207,631	13,369,729
Of which American	216,081	12,527,965	162,631	10,341,729
Of which other	92,000	4,609,000	45,000	3,028,000

* Embraces receipts in Europe from Brazil, Smyrna, West Indies, &c. a This total embraces the total estimated consumption by Southern mills, 3,721,000 bales in 1919-20 and 3,504,000 bales in 1918-19—takings not being available—and aggregate amounts taken by Northern and foreign spinners, 13,412,965 bales in 1919-20 and 9,865,729 bales in 1918-19, of which 8,803,965 bales and 6,837,729 bales American. b Estimated.

RECEIPTS FROM THE PLANTATION.—The following table indicates the actual movement each week from the plantations. The figures do not include overland receipts nor Southern consumption; they are simply a statement of the weekly movement from the plantations of that part of the crop which finally reaches the market through the outports:

Week ending	Receipts at Ports.			Stocks at Interior Towns.			Receipts from Plantations		
	1920.	1919.	1918.	1920.	1919.	1918.	1920.	1919.	1918.
June									
11	39,277	165,339	49,044	1,025,745	1,193,760	902,087	20,589	117,249	22,192
18	30,151	133,529	39,947	1,011,260	1,130,443	869,146	15,666	106,212	4,006
25	23,204	140,572	42,413	988,406	1,062,591	834,350	350	72,720	7,617
July									
2	27,337	118,579	24,220	970,557	1,021,453	818,251	9,488	77,441	8,121
9	24,959	116,267	32,062	957,497	980,757	781,041	11,899	75,571	—
16	23,481	109,144	33,395	933,790	933,604	747,488	—	61,991	—
23	27,207	105,721	30,841	894,410	878,787	720,128	—	50,504	3,481
30	26,945	87,579	37,069	871,707	815,987	692,616	4,242	15,179	9,557

The above statement shows: that although receipts at outports the past week were 26,945 bales, the actual movement from plantations was 4,242 bales, the balance taken from stocks at interior towns. Last year receipts from the plantations for the week were 15,179 bales and for 1918 they were 9,557 bales.

ALEXANDRIA RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS OF COTTON.—The following are the receipts and shipments for the week ending July 7 and for the corresponding week of the two previous years:

Alexandria, Egypt, July 7.	1919-20.	1918-19.	1917-18.
Receipts (cantars)—			
This week	1,346	—	15,835
Since Aug. 1	5,646,134	4,826,263	6,035,602

Exports (bales)	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.
To Liverpool	1,512	249,632	—	225,648	—	219,802
To Manchester, &c	—	145,546	5,585	120,000	—	260,406
To Continent and India	2,564	140,004	575	147,634	3,026	85,843
To America	790	288,625	—	65,230	—	75,420
Total exports	4,866	823,807	6,160	558,512	3,026	641,470

Note.—A cantar is 99 lbs. Egyptian bales weigh about 750 lbs. This statement shows that the receipts for the week ending July 7 were 1,346 cantars and the foreign shipments 4,866 bales.

BOMBAY COTTON MOVEMENT.—The receipts of India cotton at Bombay for the week ending July 8 and for the season from Aug. 1 for three years have been as follows:

July 8. Receipts at—	1919-20.		1918-19.		1917-18.	
	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.
Bombay	56,000	3,415,000	47,000	2,369,000	47,000	1,852,000

Exports from—	For the Week.				Since August 1.			
	Great Britain.	Continent.	Japan & China.	Total.	Great Britain.	Continent.	Japan & China.	Total.
Bombay—								
1919-20	2,000	23,000	20,000	45,000	88,000	477,000	1,689,000	2,254,000
1918-19	—	22,000	35,000	57,000	50,000	129,000	723,000	907,000
1917-18	—	—	31,000	31,000	151,000	146,000	1,271,000	1,568,000
Other India*								
1919-20	1,000	7,000	22,000	30,000	51,000	180,000	168,000	399,000
1918-19	3,000	1,000	18,000	22,000	39,000	10,000	88,000	137,000
1917-18	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total all—								
1919-20	3,000	30,000	42,000	75,000	139,000	657,000	1,857,000	2,653,000
1918-19	3,000	23,000	53,000	79,000	89,000	139,000	816,000	1,044,000
1917-18	—	—	31,000	31,000	151,000	146,000	1,271,000	1,568,000

	1920.						1919.					
	32s Cop Twist.		8 1/2 lbs. Shrt-ings, Common to finest.		Col'n Mid. Upl's		32s Cop Twist.		8 1/2 lbs. Shrt-ings, Common to finest.		Col'n Mid. Upl's	
June 4	d.	d.	s. d.	s. d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	s. d.	s. d.	d.	d.
11	53	@ 76	41 6	@ 45 6	27.80	36 1/2	@ 39 1/2	22 6	@ 26 9	18.96		
18	52	@ 75	41 10	@ 46 0	26.64	36 1/2	@ 40 1/2	23 3	@ 27 6	19.82		
25	50	@ 74	40 6	@ 44 0	26.38	38 1/2	@ 41 1/2	23 9	@ 28 3	20.39		
July 2	49 1/2	@ 74 1/2	40 0	@ 43 6	26.38	38 1/2	@ 41 1/2	23 9	@ 28 3	19.44		
9	49 1/2	@ 74	40 0	@ 43 0	25 12	40	@ 44	25 6	@ 30 0	20.98		
16	48	@ 69	40 0	@ 43 0	26.55	41 1/2	@ 45	26 3	@ 31 0	21.24		
23	50	@ 70	40 0	@ 42 6	26.77	42	@ 45	27 0	@ 31 6	21.45		
30	49	@ 69	39 6	@ 42 0	26.15	42	@ 45	27 0	@ 31 6	19.88		

COTTON CROP CIRCULAR.—Our Annual Cotton Crop Review will be ready in circular form about Thursday, Aug. 26. Parties desiring the circular in quantities with their business card printed thereon, should send in their orders as soon as possible, to secure early delivery. Publication of this annual review has been deferred this year to a somewhat later date (after the close of the cotton season) than has been our usual practise, in order to afford more time for the investigation of the situation at home and abroad.

SHIPPING NEWS.—As shown on a previous page, the exports of cotton from the United States the past week have reached 42,576 bales. The shipments in detail as made up from mail and telegraphic returns, are as follows:

		Total bales.	
NEW YORK	To Hamburg—July 26—Metta Jensen, 86—	July 27	
	—Kerlew, 75—		161
	To Venice—July 24—Absertia, 100—		100
GALVESTON	To Liverpool—July 28—Senator, 4,328—		4,328
	To Bremen—July 29—Hans, 3,943—		3,943
	Genoa—July 29—Nicoli II., 3,900—		3,900
NEW ORLEANS	To Liverpool—July 26—Logician, 8,528—		8,528
	July 27—Asian, 1,400—		9,928
	To Tourcoing—July 23—Indiar, 200—		200
	To Hamburg—July 23—Orion, 200—		200
	To Rotterdam—July 27—Ophis, 1,975—		1,975
	To Antwerp—July 28—Indier, 300; Orion, 112—		412
	To Danzig—July 30—Macomac, 3,716—		3,716
	To Gothenburg—July 30—Macomac, 4,494—		4,494
SAVANNAH	To Bremen—July 24—Kermit, 2,736—		2,736
	To Hamburg—July 24—Kermit, 608—		608
WILMINGTON	To Genoa—July 27—Ansald V., 3,000—		3,000
NORFOLK	To Liverpool—July 24—Stanmore, 1,000—		1,000
BALTIMORE	To China—July 1—Eastern Crown, 200—	July 22—	
	oretta, 50—		250
PHILADELPHIA	To Hamburg—July 16—Bellerose, 75—		75
	To Antwerp—July 15—Wathena, 100—		100
SAN FRANCISCO	To Japan—July 26—Shinyo Maru, 75—		75
	Manila—July 24—Ecuador, 300—		300
SEATTLE	To Japan—July 10—Protesilaus, 255—		255
TACOMA	To Japan—July 22—Chicago, 820—		820
Total			42,576

The particulars of the foregoing shipments for the week, arranged in our usual form, are as follows:

	Great Britain.	France.	Germany.	Holland.	Other Europe.	Japan, &c.	Total.
New York	---	---	161	---	---	100	261
Galveston	4,328	---	3,943	---	---	3,900	12,171
New Orleans	9,928	200	200	1,975	8,622	---	20,925
Savannah	---	---	3,344	---	---	---	3,344
Wilmington	---	---	---	---	3,000	---	3,000
Norfolk	1,000	---	---	---	---	---	1,000
Baltimore	---	---	---	---	---	250	250
Philadelphia	---	---	75	---	100	---	175
San Francisco	---	---	---	---	---	375	375
Seattle	---	---	---	---	---	255	255
Tacoma	---	---	---	---	---	820	820
Total	15,256	200	7,723	1,975	8,722	7,000	42,576

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, 1.80c.	Stockholm, 2.25c.	Bombay, 1.75c.
Manchester, 1.80c.	Trieste, 1.75c.	Vladivostok, 1.75c.
Antwerp, 85c.	Flume, 1.75c.	Gothenburg, 2.25c.
Ghent, via Antwerp, 1.00c.	Lisbon, 2.25c.	Bremen, 1.92 1/2 c.
Havre, .85c.	Oporto, 2.25c.	Hamburg, 1.92 1/2 c.
Rotterdam, 1.00c.	Barcelona, direct, 2.25c.	Danzig, 2.25c.
Genoa, 1.35c.	Japan, 1.75c.	Reval, 2.25c.
Christiana, 2.25c.	Shanghai, 1.75c.	Riga, 2.25c.

LIVERPOOL.—By cable from Liverpool we have the following statement of the week's sales, stocks, &c., at that port:

	July 9.	July 16.	July 23.	July 30.
Sales of the week	15,000	20,000	47,000	31,000
Of which speculators took	---	---	---	---
Of which exporters took	---	---	---	---
Sales, American	11,000	15,000	33,000	23,000
Actual export	7,000	6,000	6,000	4,000
Forwarded	58,000	62,000	51,000	51,000
Total stock	1,030,000	1,000,000	988,000	943,000
Of which American	716,000	686,000	672,000	631,000
Total imports for the week	27,000	23,000	38,000	14,000
Of which American	9,000	14,000	27,000	9,000
Amount afloat	118,000	111,000	101,000	---
Of which American	69,000	68,000	51,000	---

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.		Good demand.	Fair business doing.	Good demand.	Fair business doing.	Quiet.
Mid. Upl's		26.39	26.06	26.08	26.01	26.15
Sales	HOLIDAY	10,000	8,000	8,000	6,000	4,000
Futures, Market opened		Quiet, 20@26 pts. decline.	Steady, 17@23 pts. decline.	Quiet, 16@29 pts. advance.	Quiet, 2@7 pts. advance.	Quiet, 4@8 pts. advance.
Market, 4 P. M.		Quiet, 31@47 pts. decline.	Steady, 6 pts. adv. to 23 pts. dec.	Steady, 12@25 pts. advance.	Barely st'y, 12@42 pts. decln.	Quiet, 16 pt. dec. to 8 pt. adv.

The prices of futures at Liverpool for each day are given below:

July 24 to July 30.	Sat.		Mon.		Tues.		Wed.		Thurs.		Fri.	
	12 1/2 p. m.											
July	d.	d.										
August	24.64	24.44	24.31	24.28	24.33	24.42	24.29	24.00				
September	24.32	24.15	23.99	23.94	24.02	24.07	24.02	23.80	23.67	23.64		
October	23.66	23.45	23.23	23.17	23.32	23.39	23.34	23.13	23.02	23.04		
November	22.94	22.75	22.63	22.62	22.72	22.81	22.73	22.56	22.48	22.54		
December	22.42	22.23	22.13	22.12	22.22	22.30	22.22	22.09	22.01	22.12		
January	21.94	21.73	21.66	21.66	21.79	21.85	21.80	21.61	21.54	21.66		
February	21.57	21.41	21.34	21.39	21.49	21.55	21.50	21.31	21.24	21.39		
March	21.28	21.12	21.05	21.11	21.22	21.30	21.28	21.08	21.00	21.14		
April	21.00	20.84	20.76	20.83	20.94	21.04	21.02	20.84	21.76	20.88		
May	20.68	20.53	20.48	20.56	20.69	20.77	20.80	20.61	20.55	20.67		
June	20.37	20.23	20.19	20.29	20.43	20.52	20.56	20.38	20.34	20.44		
	20.11	19.97	19.93	20.03	20.17	20.28	20.34	20.16	20.12	20.22		

BREADSTUFFS

Friday Night, July 30, 1920

Flour has naturally been dull with wheat breaking sharply and suggesting declining prices for flour. A big recent fall in wheat at Minneapolis and Kansas City inevitably points to lower costs of output. Mills have been cautious about reducing prices, but it looks to most people as though they would have to adjust their quotations to lower costs for wheat, especially the mills in the Southwest. There they have shown more disposition at times of late to meet the market and strive to stimulate business. Meanwhile the attitude of buyers here for the most part shows no change. They are afraid to buy heavily. They fear to be caught with good supplies on a falling market. They note the dropping prices for wheat, the better crop news from the spring wheat belt, the large receipts of flour here on old orders, and the dullness of trade. As a rule, they see no reason to abandon their old waiting policy. Some fear a scarcity of flour later on, unless the supply of cars greatly increases, but this is not a dominant factor. The waiting policy is distinctly the more popular. Later in the week prices here became depressed. The "Northwestern Miller's" weekly review says: Flour prices dropped sharply on Monday and Tuesday, after a week of little change, spring patents falling 50 cents a bbl. to an average of about \$14 and winters dropping 25 cents. Feed is also down, with bran \$1 per ton below a week ago. The decline is due to lower cash wheat and the marked weakness of the December option. Little buying is reported even at reduced levels, as buyers evidently expect still lower prices soon. Output shows a slight improvement with spring wheat mills reporting output of 50% of capacity; Kansas-Oklahoma hard winter wheat mills 50% and Ohio Valley soft winter wheat mills 25%.

Wheat prices plunged downward on liberal receipts, improving crop reports, dullness of trade, a decline in other grain, vague reports of financial troubles of a large concern in the automobile trade, tightness of money and a decline in stocks. Tight money hit wheat the hardest. Moreover, cool, clear weather has helped the crop very noticeably. Crop reports to the Federal Reserve banks have been more favorable. The advance recently built upon rust reports collapsed. The visible supply, it is true, increased last week only 471,000 bushels against an increase in the same week last year of no less than 6,763,000 bushels. But the total is 16,597,000 bushels against 13,245,000 a year ago in a slack market. Early in the week Kansas City prices fell 9 to 11c. and those at Minneapolis 10c. Exporters took 100,000 bushels on the 26th inst.; then the demand fell off. Heavy rains all over the Canadian Northwest did a world of good and the crop outlook there was described as splendid. Minneapolis wired: "The Federal Reserve Ninth District, embracing Northwest, says: Prospective yields of small grain in the Northwest are distinctly above average for ten years, according to our telegraphic survey; black rust exists in fields stretching from Mississippi River west to the Missouri and South Dakota and to Jamestown in North Dakota, but actual damage disclosed to this date is not sufficient to indicate large impairment of prospective yield. Farmers will begin cutting early wheat within five days. The harvest will be general in three weeks. The coming ten days will be a critical period. The fact that the crop has so far escaped any serious damage suggests that it may enjoy immunity during the brief remaining period."

Argentina has placed an embargo on wheat exports due to bread reaching the unheard of price of eleven cents a pound with threatened increase of two cents more per pound, according to reports from the U. S. Consul-General at Buenos Aires. Argentina exported 2,555,223 tons of wheat during the first four months of the year compared with 364,873 for the same period in 1919. The French Senate

has fixed the wheat price at 100 francs per quintal. The government expects the control to terminate at the end of the year. Plans to continue 80% milling and adulteration of flour to avoid heavy importations. Crop prospects in Australia are said to be excellent because of rains in the last six weeks and it is expected that there will be an exportable surplus of wheat this year. Today prices for futures dropped 13 to 14c. despite reports of big buying for export. It was even said that about 2,000,000 bushels had been taken for export chiefly via Gulf ports, including No. 2 winter for August at \$2.70 @ \$2.79 the latter last night; first half Sept. \$2.77 last night; last half today \$2.70; October \$2.68 @ 2.73, and Nov. at \$2.66. Futures end 35 to 38c. lower for the week.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT IN NEW YORK.

No. 2 red	Sat. 293	Mon. 291	Tues. 285	Wed. 280	Thurs. 270	Fri. 270@275
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DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

December delivery in elevator	Sat. 255	Mon. 247 1/2	Tues. 235	Wed. 234 1/2	Thurs. 234 1/2	Fri. 222 3/4
March delivery in elevator	259	251	237	237 1/2	237 1/2	225 1/2

Indian Corn broke with other grain on good weather, very favorable rains, good receipts, a slack cash demand and tightness of money. At primary points the receipts have exceeded expectations. It had been supposed that they would slacken as the wheat crop movement increased. There were not thought to be cars enough available for both corn and wheat. It seems otherwise. Interior corn markets have dropped sharply under pressure of increasing receipts and the smallness of the demand. Besides, stocks on the farms are large. The depression in wheat also counted noticeably. So did the falling stock market. Money on call too, has been 8 to 10%; time money has been none too plentiful at high rates. It all told. In these circumstances the principal buying has been to cover shorts. There has certainly been little else. The cash demand has been small. The feeling is that only a sharp falling off in the receipts can stay the downward drift of prices, or a strengthening of the technical position from time to time through the manifest leaning of most operators towards the short side. The U. S. visible supply increased last week 130,000 bushels against a decrease last year in the same week of 156,000 bushels, making the total 6,381,000 bushels against 3,143,000 a year ago. On the other hand the short interest has naturally increased on the big decline. Receipts fell off. Also while corn has made very good progress and is in a very satisfactory condition, in most of the Great Plains area, the crop is beginning to need rain in the western portions of Nebraska, Kansas and Oklahoma. This may be worth bearing in mind. Today prices declined and they are 14 to 15c. below those of a week ago. Cash interests have latterly been heavy sellers.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN IN NEW YORK.

No. 2 red	Sat. 174 3/4	Mon. 169 1/2	Tues. 164 1/2	Wed. 164 1/2	Thurs. 167 1/4	Fri. 163 1/2
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DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

July delivery in elevator	Sat. 153	Mon. 145 1/2	Tues. 141 1/2	Wed. 144 1/2	Thurs. 143 1/2	Fri. 139 1/4
September delivery in elevator	151 1/2	143 3/4	139 1/2	142 3/4	140 3/4	137 3/4
December delivery in elevator	137 1/2	128 1/4	123 3/4	127 3/4	125 3/4	123 3/4

Oats declined very sharply with other grain. Besides, cash prices gave way; No. 2 white early in the week sold down to the July price. This was a significant change. In other words, cash premiums have been going by the board after long being a striking factor and a brace to the market. Also threshing returns have been very good. It looks to many as though the last Government crop estimate will be exceeded. Tight money, falling prices for stocks, provisions and other grain, and a general drift towards deflation have been outstanding features, accentuated by improving crop prospects. To cap the climax, receipts outran the demand. The visible supply in the United States increased only 3,000 bushels, however, against 1,599,000 bushels a year ago and the total is only 3,384,000 bushels against 19,517,000 bushels a year ago. To-day prices declined and then rallied on reports of "firing" of the crop in parts of the West. Cash markets at the West have latterly been firmer. But the decline for this week for all that is marked. Futures have fallen 7 1/2 to 13c. At one time it was greater.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS IN NEW YORK.

No. 1 white	Sat. 114	Mon. 109@110	Tues. 100@104	Wed. 100@102	Thurs. 100@102	Fri. 98@100
No. 2 white	114	109@110	100@104	100@102	100@102	98@100

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

July delivery in elevator	Sat. 88 1/2	Mon. 80 1/2	Tues. 75	Wed. 77 1/4	Thurs. 78 1/2	Fri. 78
September delivery in elevator	75 1/4	71	68 3/4	70 3/4	69 3/4	68 3/4
December delivery in elevator	74 1/4	70 1/4	68 3/4	70 1/4	69 1/2	68 3/4

Rye has fallen heavily with other grain. Yet there have been reports of an export demand with 100,000 bushels taken for prompt shipment on the basis of 42c. over Chicago September. To-day prices again decline. They ended 26 to 30c. lower for the week.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF RYE FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

July delivery in elevator	Sat. 221	Mon. 213	Tues. 206 1/2	Wed. 202 1/2	Thurs. 197 1/4	Fri. 195
September delivery in elevator	188	181 3/4	175 3/4	175 3/4	171	163 3/4

The following are closing quotations:

FLOUR.

Spring patents	\$12 90@	\$14 00	Barley goods—Portage barley:	
Winter straights, soft	11 25@	12 00	No. 1	\$7 25
Kansas straights	12 25@	13 25	Nos. 2, 3 and 4 pearl	6 50
Rye flour	10 00@	11 50	Nos. 2-0 and 3-0	7 25@
Corn goods, 100 lbs.:			Nos. 4-0 and 5-0	7 50
Yellow meal	3 90@	4 00	Oats goods—Carload	
Corn flour	3 90@	4 25	spot delivery	9 50@

GRAIN.

Wheat—			Oats—	
No. 2 red	\$2 70@	\$2 75	No. 1	98@100
No. 1 spring	Nominal		No. 2 white	98@100
Corn—			No. 3 white	98@100
No. 2 yellow	1 63 3/4		Barley—	
Rye—			Feeding	123
No. 2	2 07 1/2		Malting	127

EXPORTS OF BREADSTUFFS, PROVISIONS, COTTON AND PETROLEUM.—The exports of these articles during the month of June and the twelve months for the past three years have been as follows:

Exports from U. S.	1919-20.		1918-19.		1917-18.	
	June.	12 Months.	June.	12 Months.	June.	12 Months.
Quantities.						
Wheat bu.	12,845,905	122,430,724	16,389,853	178,582,673	466,624	34,118,853
Flour bbls	1,979,493	21,651,261	3,613,714	24,181,979	2,423,749	21,879,951
Wheat*bu.	21,753,623	219,861,398	32,651,566	287,401,579	11,373,495	132,578,633
Corn bu.	835,040	14,446,559	909,875	16,687,538	3,278,978	40,997,827
Total bu.	22,588,663	234,307,957	33,561,441	304,089,117	14,652,473	173,576,460
Values.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Breadstuffs	81,265,860	808,471,226	118,330,406	954,647,337	54,472,471	633,239,856
Provisions	48,817,369	771,006,760	174,294,993	1,166,110,958	77,957,555	679,835,794
Cotton	50,140,705	1,381,707,502	111,833,962	873,579,669	45,608,749	665,024,655
Petrol., &c	46,500,766	426,597,967	33,459,916	344,233,216	28,380,870	298,329,051
Cott's'd oil	2,568,291	36,220,529	6,357,219	36,970,545	3,685,446	18,309,854
Tot. val.	229,292,991	3,424,003,984	444,276,496	3,375,541,725	210,105,001	2,294,739,210

* Including flour reduced to bushels.

WEATHER BULLETIN FOR THE WEEK ENDING JULY 27.—The general summary of the weather bulletin issued of the weather for the week ending July 27, is as follows:

COTTON.—The temperature averaged close to the normal in the central and eastern portions of the cotton belt, although the nights were rather cool. In Central Texas and Oklahoma, the week was warmer than the normal. Light to moderate rains occurred, except local heavy falls in Central Oklahoma, Northeastern Texas, Northern Louisiana, Central Mississippi, Central Alabama, Central South Carolina, Eastern North Carolina, and parts of Florida. The sunshine was deficient from the lower Mississippi valley eastward. Cotton made very good to excellent growth during the week in South Carolina, West North Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee and most of Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas. The weather was rather unfavorable for growth in Florida, Alabama, parts of Mississippi, and in Louisiana. Frequent rains and lack of sunshine in these States caused some shedding and increased weevil activity. The crop is bolting and fruiting will in South Carolina. Picking was rushed in the lower coast sections of Texas, where the crop is good to excellent and quality very good. The condition of cotton at the close of the week was fairly satisfactory in most of South Carolina and Georgia, good to very good in most of Mississippi, Tennessee, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Texas, although late cotton needs rain in Northwestern and Southwestern Texas. Very little disease or insect damage is reported from the northern portion of the belt.

SPRING WHEAT.—The progress and condition of spring wheat were fairly good in Minnesota. Rust was gaining in localities in the south and west portion of the State, but was doing slight damage except severe in limited areas. Spring wheat was excellent generally in North Dakota, although some sections in the central and western portions deteriorated, especially the late sown, due to drouth and rust. The high temperatures in that State were conducive to the propagation of black rust, of which there is a considerable amount reported in the southeastern counties. There is much rust in spring wheat in the southeastern quarter of South Dakota; elsewhere very little. Spring wheat was beginning to fill in Montana, where weedy fields especially were badly affected by dry weather in some localities; black rust was reported in one northeastern county of that State. Spring wheat was ripening and harvest was begun in Southern Minnesota, while the small grain harvest was coming into full swing in South Dakota. Spring wheat was nearly ripe in Oregon and harvest was under way in Washington. Cutting was going on in the Central and Southern Rocky Mountain region. The yield and quality of spring wheat were reported very poor to poor in Northern and Western Iowa, due to scab, rust, and blight.

WINTER WHEAT.—The harvesting of winter wheat is nearing completion in central and eastern parts of the belt and progressed favorably at lower elevations in the Rocky Mountain States and in the Far Northwest. Winter wheat was filling and ripening in Montana and cutting was begun. Threshing made very satisfactory progress in the central part of the belt under generally favorable weather conditions. Fall plowing was under way as far north as Kansas and Virginia.

CORN.—While corn made very good to excellent progress and is in a very satisfactory condition in most of the Great Plains area, the crop is beginning to need rain in the western portions of Nebraska, Kansas and Oklahoma. Late corn shows deterioration where drouth persists in Western Texas, but is still in good condition there. The progress and condition of the crop were very good in Iowa, where it is entering the critical pollination stage, with moderate temperature and generally ample soil moisture. In many sections of Missouri and Illinois, and also in Southern Wisconsin, however, more moisture is badly needed, as corn is in a very important state of development, and curling and firing are reported. The crop needs rain in Kentucky also. Some injury was reported by heavy rain in North Carolina, but in most other eastern sections the weather during the week was generally favorable, and corn made satisfactory advance. Corn is generally well cultivated, except in a few places where rains have been frequent.

OATS, RYE AND BARLEY.—Oats, rye and barley ripened rapidly and cutting was under way almost to the northern limits of the country. Threshing progressed under favorable conditions in central districts spring grains have been unfavorably affected by a lack of moisture in many central and upper Rocky Mountain States.

The statement of the movement of breadstuffs to market indicated below are prepared by us from figures collected by the New York Produce Exchange. The receipts at Western lake and river ports for the week ending last Saturday and since Aug. 1 for each of the last three years have been:

Receipts at—	Flour.	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Barley.	Rye.
	bbls. 196lbs.	bush. 60 lbs.	bush. 56 lbs.	bush. 56 lbs.	bush. 48lbs.	bush. 56lbs.
Chicago	128,000	360,000	1,959,000	1,570,000	212,000	38,000
Minneapolis	—	1,633,000	72,000	216,000	139,000	85,000
Duluth	—	618,000	—	40,000	27,000	484,000
Milwaukee	18,000	65,000	230,000	455,000	121,000	12,000
Toledo	—	39,000	46,000	30,000	—	—
Detroit	—	16,000	29,000	37,000	—	—
St. Louis	59,000	1,083,000	329,000	410,000	10,000	9,000
Peoria	41,000	93,000	288,000	232,000	25,000	25,000
Kansas City	—	1,830,000	209,000	212,000	—	—
Omaha	—	747,000	339,000	120,000	—	—
Indianapolis	—	217,000	424,000	180,000	—	—
Total wk. '20	246,000	6,701,000	3,925,000	3,532,000	634,000	653,000
Same wk. '19	296,000	16,074,000	2,374,000	3,749,000	2,372,000	700,000
Same wk. '18	198,000	12,116,000	5,160,000	5,906,000	616,000	102,000
Since Aug. 1—						
1919-20	19,643,000	436,299,000	218,529,000	211,275,000	32,881,000	37,670,000
1918-19	16,738,000	229,581,000	229,089,000	294,250,000	10,124,000	40,431,000
1917-18	15,455,000	192,898,000	250,949,000	226,491,000	53,599,000	23,326,000

Total receipts of flour and grain at the seaboard ports for the week ended July 24 1920 follow:

Receipts at—	Flour.	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Barley.	Rye.
	Barrels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
New York	142,000	1,443,000	526,000	529,000	96,000	414,000
Philadelphia	50,000	541,000	27,000	32,000	-----	53,000
Baltimore	101,000	1,090,000	70,000	22,000	-----	513,000
Newp't News	2,000	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
New Orleans*	94,000	1,046,000	99,000	77,000	-----	-----
Galveston	-----	1,218,000	1,000	-----	-----	-----
Montreal	36,000	2,000,000	26,000	181,000	24,000	149,000
Boston	24,000	15,000	10,000	24,000	-----	-----
Total wk. '20	449,000	7,353,000	759,000	865,000	120,000	1,129,000
Since Jan.1'20	12,538,000	89,058,000	11,555,000	13,946,000	6,257,000	32,790,000
Week 1919	669,000	2,877,000	131,000	1,483,000	1,380,000	143,000
Since Jan.1'19	22,314,000	109,181,000	7,832,000	45,253,000	25,061,000	24,142,000

* Receipts do not include grain passing through New Orleans for foreign port^s on through bills of lading.

The exports from the several seaboard ports for the week ending July 24 are shown in the annexed statement:

Exports from—	Wheat, Bushels.	Corn, Bushels.	Flour, Barrels.	Oats, Bushels.	Rye, Bushels.	Barley, Bushels.	Peas, Bushels.
New York	932,503	-----	73,883	505,363	478,167	40,639	-----
Boston	-----	-----	28,000	-----	-----	-----	-----
Philadelphia	671,000	-----	212,000	-----	68,000	-----	-----
Baltimore	1,310,000	-----	30,000	-----	567,000	-----	-----
Newport News	-----	-----	2,000	-----	-----	-----	-----
New Orleans	1,789,000	58,000	43,000	16,000	-----	-----	-----
Montreal	2,233,000	26,000	35,000	162,000	513,000	254,000	-----
Total week	6,935,503	84,000	423,883	683,363	162,167	291,639	-----
Week 1919	1,151,790	33,000	679,965	910,523	451,424	1,646,358	4,476

The destination of these exports for the week and since July 1 1920 is as below:

Exports for Week and Since July 1 to—	Flour.		Wheat.		Corn.	
	Week July 24 1920.	Since July 1 1920.	Week July 24 1920.	Since July 1 1920.	Week July 1 1920.	Since July 1 1920.
United Kingdom	94,865	350,392	3,118,945	9,652,226	-----	-----
Continent	274,339	1,147,825	3,806,558	15,494,703	26,000	28,599
So. & Cent. Amer.	7,000	102,751	10,000	33,000	-----	2,270
West Indies	13,000	92,277	-----	2,000	1,000	101,122
Brit.No.Am.Cols.	-----	-----	-----	-----	57,000	57,000
Other Countries	34,679	101,362	-----	127,467	-----	5,169
Total	423,883	1,794,607	6,935,503	25,309,396	84,000	194,160
Total 1919	679,965	2,501,430	1,151,790	8,587,801	33,000	272,255

The world's shipment of wheat and corn for the week ending July 24 1920 and since July 1 1920 and 1919 are shown in the following:

Exports.	Wheat.			Corn.		
	1920.		1919.	1920.		1919.
	Week July 24.	Since July 1.	Since July 1.	Week July 24.	Since July 1.	Since July 1.
North Amer.	8,773,000	38,701,000	24,818,000	140,000	198,000	154,000
Russia	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Danube	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Argentina	3,805,000	23,222,000	13,114,000	1,644,000	10,842,000	6,338,000
Australia	1,496,000	5,640,000	6,760,000	-----	-----	-----
India	-----	-----	110,000	-----	-----	-----
Oth. countr's	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	446,000
Total	14,074,000	67,563,000	45,102,000	1,784,000	11,040,000	6,938,000

The visible supply of grain, comprising the stocks in granary at principal points of accumulation at lake and seaboard ports July 24 1920 was as follows:

United States—	GRAIN STOCKS.					
	Wheat, bush.	Corn, bush.	Oats, bush.	Rye, bush.	Barley, bush.	
New York	1,703,000	153,000	635,000	747,000	87,000	
Boston	56,000	13,000	2,000	-----	-----	
Philadelphia	1,255,000	85,000	120,000	74,000	10,000	
Baltimore	1,740,000	207,000	70,000	599,000	1,000	
Newport News	205,000	-----	-----	30,000	-----	
New Orleans	2,185,000	147,000	148,000	-----	1,197,000	
Galveston	1,953,000	-----	-----	158,000	71,000	
Buffalo	254,000	471,000	375,000	-----	172,000	
Toledo	78,000	62,000	29,000	13,000	-----	
Detroit	21,000	14,000	33,000	17,000	-----	
Chicago	481,000	2,460,000	740,000	159,000	369,000	
" afloat	177,000	-----	-----	-----	-----	
Millwaukee	12,000	647,000	326,000	10,000	199,000	
Duluth	1,034,000	-----	13,000	562,000	104,000	
Minneapolis	1,842,000	91,000	264,000	237,000	824,000	
St. Louis	214,000	443,000	57,000	6,000	-----	
Kansas City	2,237,000	350,000	52,000	47,000	-----	
Peoria	31,000	133,000	37,000	-----	-----	
Indianapolis	55,000	551,000	71,000	1,000	-----	
Omaha	748,000	553,000	93,000	1,000	4,000	
On Lakes	616,000	285,000	118,000	-----	95,000	
On Canal and river	120,000	-----	84,000	120,000	96,000	
Total July 24 1920	16,597,000	6,381,000	3,384,000	2,905,000	3,235,000	
Total July 17 1920	16,126,000	6,251,000	3,381,000	2,840,000	2,194,000	
Total July 26 1919	13,245,000	3,143,000	19,517,000	10,113,000	8,930,000	

Note.—Bonded grain not included above: Oats, 603,000; New York, total, 603,000 against 65,000 bushels in 1919; barley, New York, 117,000; total, 117,000 bushels, against 68,000 bushels in 1919.

Canadian—						
	Wheat, bush.	Corn, bush.	Oats, bush.	Rye, bush.	Barley, bush.	
Montreal	2,376,000	8,000	113,000	655,000	571,000	
Ft. William & Pt. Arthur	1,670,000	-----	613,000	-----	390,000	
Other Canadian	1,288,000	-----	153,000	-----	41,000	
Total July 24 1920	5,334,000	8,000	879,000	655,000	1,002,000	
Total July 17 1920	5,794,000	96,000	1,210,000	515,000	1,165,000	
Total July 26 1919	6,095,000	5,000	3,755,000	271,000	2,243,000	
Summary—						
	Wheat, bush.	Corn, bush.	Oats, bush.	Rye, bush.	Barley, bush.	
American	16,597,000	6,381,000	3,384,000	2,905,000	3,235,000	
Canadian	5,334,000	8,000	879,000	655,000	1,002,000	
Total July 24 1920	21,931,000	6,389,000	4,263,000	3,560,000	4,237,000	
Total July 17 1920	21,920,000	6,347,000	4,591,000	3,355,000	3,359,000	
Total July 26 1919	19,340,000	3,148,000	23,272,000	10,384,000	11,173,000	

THE DRY GOODS TRADE.

New York Friday Night, July 30, 1920.

For the most part the markets during the week were a featureless affair. Retail buyers continued to arrive in

large numbers, but the volume of business going on was small. And even jobbing house buyers operated in a very limited way. It is rumored that some important price revisions downward in the bleached goods lines may be expected this week; that the period of deflation has set in. The call for staple fabrics was particularly dull. Prices eased off in the gray goods markets and business was not of very sizable proportions. But the markets seemed under much better control than they have ever been in a similar decline. The curtailment of production in many centres of textile manufacture continues to be an annoying feature. Owners of woolen mills are determined to make up no more goods until there is some sort of a demand for them, and it is believed in the trade that the woolen mills will remain closed longer than was first anticipated. Mill men understand that curtailment of production begets scarcity. But the complete closing during the past two weeks of the linen mills in Ireland has had small effect on the linen market locally. Credit lines are being more closely drawn. Those who have bills maturing, in many cases, are asking for extension. There is little anticipation of payments nowadays. And collections are reported slow. The small business men need money and are having a hard time finding it. Commercial money rates opened the week on the same level as has obtained for some time, 7¼ and 8 per cent. With money rates so high, and the majority of cash discounts still at 6 per cent. or less, there is little incentive for the trade to anticipate payments.

DOMESTIC COTTON GOODS.—In the dry goods district in Worth Street dullness reigns. Wholesalers are in a wait-and-see attitude, not knowing what to do—trying to figure out whether prices have touched bottom, or whether beneath the deep there is a deeper deep. Prices are vague and weak. In sheetings, spot 5-yard goods brought 15 cents, and some sales of 5.50s have been made at 13½ cents from second hands. Some grades of brown sheetings that were held as high as 96 cents a pound not many weeks ago are available at 72 cents a pound; and 4-yard sheetings suitable for the bag trade were not attracting buyers on a basis of 68 cents a pound. Some constructions of gray goods are moving into consuming channels in a limited way at 5 or more cents less than they brought a year ago. Fine goods are being bought in small quantities. Large jobbers are buying ginghams sparingly. Current quotations were: Print cloths, 28-inch, 64x64s, 13½ cents; gray goods, 38½ in., 64x64s, 18 cents; brown sheetings, 3-yard, 24 cents; brown sheetings, Southern standards, 25 cents; denims, 2.20s, 44 cents; standard staple ginghams, 27½ cents; dress ginghams, 35 cents to 37½ cents; standard prints, 23 cents; tickings, 8-ounce, 55 cents; pajama checks, 72x80s, 19½ cents.

WOOLEN GOODS.—The market was decidedly inactive. But ready-to-wear manufacturers report that business is improving. Manufacturers are becoming more anxious to secure some business for the early fall months. Fall orders continue to be given in very conservative amounts. The dress goods market continues very dull; but even so, it is much stronger than the men's wear market. It was stated during the week that some of the mills will omit the spring season. There are still a large number of piece goods buyers in the New York market, but they are not buying anything. They are waiting until the mills have their spring openings and make their prices. And the cutters are not entering the market for piece goods in appreciable quantities at present, because buyers of ready-to-wear garments are not placing liberal orders, and the cutters refuse either to buy piece goods or to cut those they have on hand until they have orders on their books for them. Usually the last week in July is a big one for the cutters. The wool markets show no indication of an early change. They are reported as dull and easy, and many operators are by no means convinced that the bottom has been reached for raw wool.

FOREIGN DRY GOODS.—The situation in linens grows more acute as demands increase. But there are some who contend that importing houses and commission merchants here have enough goods available to meet demands. Linen buyers, in common with all other piece-goods buyers, are withholding their orders but are expected in the markets shortly. A few buyers who are willing to pay the price that linen commands to-day are beginning to place small orders already. Dealers say they see good business ahead. The linen mills abroad are expected to resume operations this week. The supply of linen over there is limited and prices are high. Cables say that trade with the United States is more active than the home trade among the Belfast mills, and that the handkerchief industry is active, and the prospects by no means discouraging. And the reports indicate that the flax crops of England and the Continent are making good progress. As reviewed by linen importers returning from Europe, the outlook over there shows no rosy glimmer. There seems little hope of better conditions for a long time to come. Russia is referred to as the keynote in the linen problem, and no relief can be expected from that country until the nation is fully revived. The burlap markets are easier, and trading was of small proportions, some spot 8-40s changed hands at 8 cents to 8.10 cents, while spot 10½-oz. 40s were to be had at 10.70 to 10.75 cents. Liquidation abroad is apparent, and it is proving unsettling to the markets.

State and City Department

STATE AND CITY SECTION.

A new number of our "State and City Section," revised to date, appears to-day, and all readers of the paper who are subscribers should receive a copy of it. As previously announced, this Supplement is now printed in two parts, Part One containing the New England, Central and Middle States, being issued to-day, while Part Two, embracing the rest of the country, will be published next December. The change is due to the fact that with the growth and multiplication of the municipalities of the United States the demand for additional space has become too heavy to satisfy within the limits of a single number.

NEWS ITEMS.

Maryland (State of).—Bond Redemption.—John M. Dennis, State Treasurer, announces that the following bonds, maturing Aug. 1 1920, will be paid at the office of the State's Fiscal Agent, John B. Ramsay, care of "Merchants-Mechanics First National Bank, Baltimore":

State Roads Loan of 1914, Series "D," \$203,000.
 Three Million Dollar Loan of 1916, Series "B," \$94,000.
 Treasury Relief Loan of 1916, Series "B," \$125,000.
 State Omnibus Loan of 1914, Series "D," \$64,000.

Minot, North Dakota.—Municipal Ownership Defeated.—At a special election in the city on July 13, to determine whether or not the city should own and operate its electric light, steam heat and telephone utilities, the vote stood, it is stated, 560 for municipal ownership and 877 against.

New York City.—Mayor Vetoes Salary Raise.—Mayor Hylan on July 26 vetoed the measure passed by the Board of Aldermen raising the salaries of municipal employees 20%. He took the ground that a flat increase like this would be inequitable. The "Journal of Commerce" in its issue of July 27 said:

President La Guardia of the Board of Aldermen and Borough President Curren of Manhattan, the two Republican members of the Board of Estimate, had fought the 20% flat plan to the last ditch on the ground that it immensely increased the salaries of the higher paid political jobholders, many of whom had already been well taken care of in the last budget. They favored a graduated scale of increases, which would be largest for the lower paid employees, in whose behalf the \$5,000,000 relief legislation was ostensibly passed by the Legislature. The 20% flat plan was sponsored by Comptroller Craig.

The Mayor, in his communication to the Board, gave no explanation for his change of view other than the general statement that he was convinced "a more equitable distribution" could be made. Why it was necessary to wait until this late date to discover the inequity which had been harped on by the Aldermanic President and the minority members of the Board of Aldermen was not made plain. The Mayor had already voted for it when it was passed by the Board of Estimate before being taken up by the Aldermen.

The veto affects 43,000 city employees. The entire schedule of salary increases amounted to more than \$5,000,000 annually.

The Mayor in his message to the Aldermen, requested that the schedules be sent to the Board of Estimate for further consideration, and this will undoubtedly be done.

The Board of Aldermen held a special session yesterday, but under the charter no action could be taken to override the Mayor's veto, even if such had been the desire of the Board members, as it is required that a ten-day period elapse after the veto.

Alderman William T. Collins, majority leader of the Board declared "The Board of Aldermen will most certainly not override the Mayor's veto. It will undoubtedly adopt the Mayor's recommendation and send it back to the Board of Estimate."

President La Guardia said: "The Mayor's veto is not a surprise to me at all. I expected it. I am sure my original plan will now be adopted."

In returning the salary increase schedules without his approval, the Mayor wrote:

"Upon reflection I am convinced that a more equitable distribution can be made of the proposed salary increases by a modification of the schedules adopted by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of the 9th day of July 1920, and in order that the subject may receive further consideration by the Board of Estimate I herewith return the resolution of the Board of Aldermen, dated July 13 1920, without my approval of it, and will request that the Board of Aldermen refer same back to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for further consideration."

Comptroller Craig contends that the Mayor has no right under the Charter to veto salary increases—that salaries are fixed by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Sinking Fund Commissioners Asked to Explain Purchase of Bonds from Bankers.—The City Council on July 27 adopted two resolutions requesting the Sinking Fund Commissioners to make a statement of the funds in their possession and to give a full explanation as to the methods by which city bonds of the last issue were bought from Drexel & Co. at a quarter of a point advance immediately after a syndicate headed by Drexel & Co. had purchased the entire issue. The Philadelphia "Ledger" says:

It was made public last week that the Sinking Fund Commissioners, after having made no bid for the city loan, had purchased from the successful bidders bonds worth \$2,800,000, or nearly three-fourths of the entire loan. The statement of the Commissioners as presented to Council showed that on June 30 there was a cash balance of only \$197,823.42.

The mystery confronting Council is how in that short space of time the Commissioners acquired enough money for so large a purchase. As they ask "from what source or sources the cash was secured for the purpose of purchasing said bonds, and that if such cash was obtained from the sale of investments, to enumerate in detail, the dates when purchased, the prices paid therefor, and the dates when sold, and the prices realized therefor, so as to show whether there was a loss of a profit by such sales."

The members of the Commission who have sole charge of the millions of city funds deposited in the Sinking Fund are Mayor Moore, Comptroller Will B. Hadley and E. F. Stotesbury. The last named is also the head of the banking syndicate which made the successful bid for all or none of the

bond issue at par and later sold most of it back to the city at an increase of ¼%, realizing about \$7,500 on the transaction.

Mr. Hadley was asked the very question by a "Public Ledger" reporter now put by Council as to the derivation by the Sinking Fund of the money with which the bonds were purchased. The question was put previous to the action of Council. Mr. Hadley refused to discuss the matter.

He merely said he was very busy and when the question was repeated and a time asked for a later discussion he suggested to his interviewer that if he should depart he could better undertake the work on hand.

The resolutions, two in number, were introduced by Councilman James A. Devlin, who pointed out that the last financial statement of the Sinking Fund Commissioners tells absolutely nothing. "It is now time for full account of the Sinking Fund," he said. "I believe there is a great question as to whether or not there is not already more in the Sinking Fund than is needed to amortize the loans."

"I am introducing this resolution that we, as representatives of the citizens, may know just how the city's funds are being used. It is just and right that we be informed of any losses or gains that may have taken place."

BOND CALLS AND REDEMPTIONS.

Blackwell, Okla.—Bond Call.—W. E. Bond, City Treasurer, announces that bonds Nos. 7 to 36, inclusive, of Blackwell Improvement District No. 1, amounting to \$15,000, will become due and payable at the Mechanics & Metals National Bank of New York, the fiscal agency of Oklahoma, on Sept. 1, after which date the bonds shall cease to draw interest.

BOND PROPOSALS AND NEGOTIATIONS

this week have been as follows:

ADAMS COUNTY (P. O. Decatur), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals for \$9,500 4½% Joshua Yoder, Macadam Road bonds will be received until 2 p. m. Aug. 9 by Hugh D. Hite, County Treasurer. Denom. \$475. Date Aug. 15 1920. Int. M. & N. Due \$475 each six months from May 15, 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl.

ALLEN PARISH ROAD DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Oberlin), La.—BOND SALE.—Caldwell & Co. of Nashville have purchased and are now offering to investors \$225,000 5% road bonds. Denom., \$1,000. Date, Sept. 15 1919. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & D.) in New York City. Due, Dec. 31 1944.

Financial Statement.
 Assessed valuation.....\$2,748,561
 Total bonded debt (including this issue).....247,500
 Population, 12,000.

ALLEN PARISH ROAD DISTRICT NO. 2, La.—BONDS OFFERED BY BANKERS.—Caldwell & Co. of Nashville are offering to investors \$200,000 5% road bonds recently bought by them. Denom. \$1,000. Date, Sept. 15 1919. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & D.) in New York City. Due, Dec. 31 1944.

Financial Statement.
 Assessed value taxable property.....\$3,147,440
 Total bonded debt, including this issue.....270,500
 Population, 10,000.

ALLIANCE, Stark County, Ohio.—BONDS AUTHORIZED.—To make possible the building of additions to the Alliance City Hospital and the increase in equipment of the institution, the City Council at a recent special meeting voted in favor of the issuance of \$14,000 bonds.

ALLIANCE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Alliance), Stark County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—On July 28 the \$65,000 6% refunding bonds—V. 111, p. 310—were awarded to E. H. Rollins & Sons of Chicago, for \$65,468, equal to 100.72, a basis of about 5.94%. Date April 1 1920. Due \$5,000 yearly on April 1 from 1928 to 1940 incl.

ANACONDA SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Anaconda), Deer Lodge County, Mont.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—As no satisfactory bids have been received an issue of \$50,000 5¼% school bonds no attempt will be made to sell them until market conditions improve it is reported.

ARTHUR COUNTY (P. O. Arthur), Neb.—BONDS OFFERED BY BANKERS.—Keeler Bros. of Denver are offering to investors at a price to yield 6% int. \$10,000 6% gold funding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1919. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.), payable in New York Bank Exchange, Federal Reserve Bank Exchange or its equivalent, without deduction at the County Treasurer's office. Due on July 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1930 and 1938 and \$8,000, 1939.

Financial Statement.
 Valuation of property for 1919, according to assessment rolls.....\$2,471,395
 Bonded debt, including this issue.....25,000
 (Debt less than 6 cents per acre.)
 Population, officially estimated.....5,000

AUBURN, Cayuga County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—It is reported that the Auburn Savings Bank and the Cayuga County Savings Bank, both of Auburn, have purchased at par \$40,000 5% 1-8-year serial school bonds.

AUGLAIZE COUNTY (P. O. Wapakoneta), Ohio.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—Because no bids were received, 10 issues of 6% county ditch bonds, aggregating \$34,900, offered on July 23, were not sold. Date July 1 1920. Int. M. & S. Due part on Mar. 1 and Sept. 1 in the years 1921 and 1922. An effort is now being made to dispose of the bonds at private sale.

AYDEN, Pitt County, No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 8 p. m. Aug. 7 by J. K. Quinerly, Town Clerk, for \$22,000 6% water and light bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. Due \$1,000 yearly on July 1 from 1923 to 1944 incl.

BATESBURG, Lexington County, So. Caro.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—No sale was made of the three issues of 6% street, water and sewer bonds aggregating \$130,000 which were offered on June 15—V. 110, p. 2410.

BENTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT JOINT NO. 1 (P. O. Prosser), Wash.—BOND OFFERING.—Bids will be received until 11 a. m. to-day (July 31) by George Starr, County Treas., for \$5,500 school bonds at not exceeding 6% int. Prin. and semi-ann. int. at the office of the County Treas. Due \$500 yearly from 1929 to 1939 incl.

BENTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7, Wash.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—The \$20,000 5 1-5 yr. aver. (opt.) school bonds offered on July 10—V. 111, p. 207—were not sold. The State of Oregon bid par for 5½s but the bid was not accepted as the board later decided that the amount of the issue was not sufficient to erect the building contemplated.

BETHEL, Clermont County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—E. R. Beck, Village Clerk, will receive bids until 12 m. Sept. 4 for \$35,000 6% Plain Street impt. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. Due \$1,000 yearly on Mar. 1 from 1922 to 1956, 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. The purchasers shall furnish at their own expense the necessary blank bonds. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

BEXLEY, Franklin County, Ohio.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—There were no bidders for the \$98,000 6% 6-year special assessment storm sewer bonds, dated April 1 1920, offered on July 26—V. 111, p. 311.

BLACK HAWK COUNTY (P. O. Waterloo), Iowa.—BOND SALE.—The Harris Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago has purchased and is now offering to investors at a price to yield 5.65% int. \$235,000 6% funding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date June 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & D.) at the office of the County Treas. Due June 1 1927.

Financial Statement.
 Value of taxable property.....\$81,301,047
 Total debt (this issue included).....342,000
 Population (estimated), 60,000; 1910 (Census).....44,865

BLYTHEVILLE, MANILA AND LEACHVILLE ROAD IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT, Mississippi County, Ark.—BONDS OFFERED BY BANKERS.—The First Nat. Bank of East St. Louis is offering to investors at a price to yield 6.40% \$200,000 5½% road bonds. Denom. \$1,000.

Date Feb. 2 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. nint. (F. & A.) at the First Nat. Bank in St. Louis. Due \$12,000 1926, \$44,000 1927 and \$48,000 from 1928 to 1930 incl.

BRIGHTON, Monroe County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Raymond A. Wood, Town Clerk, will receive bids until 8 p. m. Aug. 5 for the following 6% water supply system extension bonds: \$7,000 Clover Street Section bonds. Denom. \$500. Due \$500 yearly on March 1 from 1925 to 1938, incl. 75,000 Rose Lawn Tract bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$5,000 yearly on March 1 from 1925 to 1939, incl.

Date Aug. 15 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & S.) payable at the Union Trust Co., of Rochester. Cert. checks for \$1,000 and \$2,000 for the \$7,000 and \$75,000 issues, respectively, payable to B. H. Howard, Supervisor, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for at Rochester, within 10 days from date of award. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

BRIGHTON, Utah.—BOND ELECTION.—It is reported that \$120,000 electric-light-plant bonds is to be voted upon. W. J. Lowe is in charge of legal proceedings.

BRISTOL COUNTY (P. O. New Bedford), Mass.—LOAN OFFERING. Proposals will be received until 9 a. m. Aug. 3 for the purchase of a temporary loan of \$150,000. Date Aug. 4. Due Nov. 4 1920.

BROWNING, Glacier County, Mont.—BOND OFFERING.—Bids will be received until 8 p. m. Sept. 3, by A. Lannon Town Clerk for \$60,000 6% 20-year water bonds. Denom. \$500. Date, Dec. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) at the office of the Town Treas. or at the option of the holder at some bank in New York City to be designated by the said Town Treasurer. Cert. check on some solvent bank for \$2,000 payable to the Town Treasurer required.

The official notice of this bond offering will be found among the advertisements elsewhere in this Department.

BRYANT, Hamilton County, So. Dak.—BOND SALE.—During April the \$15,000 water-works and \$21,000 sewer 5% bonds mentioned in V. 110, p. 784—were awarded at par and int. to the State School Board and local investors respectively.

BUCHANAN COUNTY (P. O. St. Joseph), Mo.—BOND SALE.—Stern Bros. of Kansas City recently purchased and are now offering to investors \$200,000 5% road bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date June 1, 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & D.) at the First National Bank St. Joseph. Due \$50,000 yearly on June 1 from 1921 to 1924 incl.

Financial Statement. Estimated actual value taxable property \$160,000,000 Assessed value, 1919 101,175,427 Total debt outstanding including this issue 575,000 Net debt less than 6-10 of 1% Population, 1910 census 93,020 Population, present estimate 110,000

BUTLER TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Vandalia), Montgomery County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$175,000 6% school bonds, which were offered on July 10 (V. 111, p. 107) have been sold to Weil, Roth & Co., of Cincinnati, which firm is now offering the issue to investors at par. Date July 10 1920. Due each six months as follows: \$1,000 Mar. 1 1924 to Sept. 1 1926, incl.; \$2,000 Mar. 1 1927 to Sept. 1 1932, incl.; \$3,000 Mar. 1 1933 to Sept. 1 1938, incl.; \$4,000 Mar. 1 1939 to Sept. 1 1944, incl.; \$5,000 Mar. 1 1945 to Mar. 1 1950 incl., and \$6,000 Sept. 1 1950.

CAMPBELL COUNTY (P. O. Gillette), Wyo.—BOND ELECTION.—It is reported that \$50,000 6% county high school bonds are to be voted upon soon.

CHAFFEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, San Bernardino County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.—Bids will be received until 11 a. m. Aug. 9 by Harry L. Allison, Clerk, Board of Supervisors (P. O. San Bernardino) for \$100,000 6% bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 12 1920. Int. J. & J. Due \$5,000 yearly on July 12 from 1922 to 1936 incl., \$10,000 on July 12 1937 and 1938 and \$5,000 July 12 1939. Cert. check for \$1,000 payable to the Board of Supervisors required. Purchaser to pay accrued int. Bonded debt (excl. this issue) \$188,000. Assess. val. \$9,626,030. Population (est.) 16,000.

CHICOPEE, Hampden County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—On July 27 the temporary loan of \$300,000 issued in anticipation of revenue, dated July 27 1920 and maturing Nov. 15 1920—V. 111, p. 409—was awarded to the Old Colony Trust Co. of Boston, on a 6% discount basis, plus a premium of \$4.25.

CHISHOLM, St. Louis County, Minn.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Aug. 11 by Village Clerk for \$650,000 6% village hall bonds. Due \$20,000 Dec. 1, 1921, and \$45,000 yearly on Dec. 1 from 1922 to 1935, incl.

CINCINNATI, Hamilton County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—On July 26 the 7 issues of 6% bonds, offered on that date—V. 111, p. 409—were awarded as follows: \$255,000 Eastern Ave., impt. bonds to Wm. R. Compton Co. for 262,547.25 equal to 102.959, a basis of about 5.79%. Due July 1 1950; subject to call on and after July 1 1930. 400,000 water works bonds to Remick, Hodges & Co. at 106.89, a basis of about 5.43%. Due July 1 1940. 25,000 Colerain Ave., et al. impt. bonds to Wm. R. Compton Co. at 102.96, a basis of about 5.75%. Due July 1 1940; subject to call on and after July 1 1930. 46,500 Seventh Street impt. bonds to Wm. R. Compton Co. for \$47,876.50 equal to 102.94, a basis of about 5.75%. Due July 1 1950; subject to call on and after July 1 1930. 109,500 Millsdale Street sewer, etc., bonds to Wm. R. Compton Co. for \$112,741 equal to 102.96, a basis of about 5.79%. Due July 1 1950; subject to call on and after July 1 1930. 99,000 Seventh Street impt. bonds to Wm. R. Compton Co. for \$101,930.25 equal to 102.96, a basis of about 5.77%. Due July 1 1945; subject to call on and after July 1 1930. 230,000 Eastern Ave. impt. bonds to Wm. R. Compton for \$236,877.50 equal to 102.99, a basis of about 5.75%. Due July 1 1950; subject to call on and after July 1 1930.

The following is a full list of the bids submitted. Table with columns: Name, \$99,000 Issue, \$146,500 Issue, \$400,000 Issue, \$25,000 Issue. Lists various bidders and their bid amounts for different bond issues.

CINCINNATI, Hamilton County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Geo. P. Carrel, City Auditor, will receive bids until 12 m. Aug. 23 for \$2,580,000 6% deficiency funding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Aug. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the American Exchange National Bank of New York. Due Aug. 1 1928. Cert. check for 5% of amount bid for, payable to the City Auditor, required. Delivery to be made at Cincinnati. Bids must be made on printed forms furnished by the Auditor. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

CLARK COUNTY (P. O. Jeffersonville), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—James E. Gray, County Treasurer, will receive proposals until 10 a. m. Aug. 2 for \$30,000 5% memorial hospital bonds. Denom. 50 for \$100, 20 for \$500, and 15 for \$1,000. Date July 1, 1920. Int. J. & J. Due July 1, 1940.

CLARK COUNTY (P. O. Springfield), Ohio.—BONDS PROPOSED.—A bond issue of \$105,000 to raise funds for repairing the court house, is being asked for by the Court House Building Commission, according to reports. It is estimated that the cost of the work will amount to \$200,000, but as there is a fund of \$95,000 available, only \$105,000 of this amount must be raised by the sale of bonds.

CLEARCREEK TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Stoutsville), Fairfield County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—C. O. Barr, Clerk of Board of Education, will receive bids until 12 m. Aug. 17 for \$5,300 6% coupon school bonds. Date Aug. 1 1920. Prin. and ann. int. payable at the Farmers & Citizens Bank of Stoutsville. Due from Sept. 1 1938 to 1942.

CLEVELAND, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BONDS AUTHORIZED.—An ordinance authorizing the issuance of \$5,750,000 6% coupon deficiency funding bonds was adopted by the City Council on July 6. Denom. \$1,000. Date Sept. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the City Treasurer's office. Due Sept. 1, 1928. The bonds it is expected will be offered on or about Sept. 1.

CLEVELAND, Hamilton County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—R. R. Robison, Village Clerk, will receive bids until 12 m. Aug. 24 for \$4,000 6% Miami Ave. refunding bonds. Auth. Sec. 3916 Gen. Code. Denom. \$1,000. Date Aug. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the Hamilton County National Bank of Cleves. Due \$1,000 on Aug. 1 in 1931, 1932, 1933 and 1934. Cert. check for 5% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the Village Treasurer, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for within 10 days from date of award. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

CLOVIS UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, Fresno County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—The \$35,000 5% school bonds, offered but not sold on May 14—V. 110, p. 2411—have been sold to Bradford-Wooden Co., of San Francisco, at par. Date April 22 1920.

COLORADO SPRINGS, El Paso County, Colo.—BOND ELECTION.—An election will be held Sept. 8 it is stated, to vote on the question of issuing \$584,000 paving bonds.

COLUMBUS, Franklin County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Sept. 7 by Opha Moore, Clerk of City Council, for \$900,000 6% flood protection bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Sept. 1 1920. Int. M. & S. Due \$100,000 yearly on Mar. 1 from 1949 to 1957, incl.

CONVERSE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17 (P. O. Douglas), Wyo.—BONDS VOTED.—The \$15,000 school bonds for building at Orin carried by 72 to 2 votes.—V. 111, p. 108.

COWLITZ COUNTY (P. O. Kalama), Wash.—BOND OFFERING.—R. A. Davis Co. Auditor will receive bids it is stated, until 2 p. m. today (July 31) for \$105,000 15-yr. Dicking Dist. No. 11 bonds.

CUMBERLAND, Allegheny County, Md.—BOND SALE.—The \$250,000 5% 1-10 year serial general impt. bonds, offered on July 27 (V. 111, p. 215) were awarded to Alexander Brown & Sons of Baltimore, Harris, Forbes & Co. and the National City Co. of New York, for \$235,275.29 equal to 94.11 a basis of about 6.59%. Date July 1 1920. Due \$25,000 yearly on July 1 from 1921 to 1930, incl.

No report has been received as to the result of the offering on the same date of the \$200,000 5% 40-year water bonds.

DALLAS, Dallas County, Tex.—BOND SALE.—William R. Compton & Co. of New Orleans recently purchased and are now offering to investors the following 5% gold (coupon or registered) with privilege of registration bonds.—V. 111, p. 410. \$1,500,000 School Impt. Bonds. Due \$37,000 in the odd years and \$38,000 in the even years from 1921 to 1960 incl.

400,000 Water works Impt. Bonds. Due \$10,000 yearly in May from 1921 to 1960 incl. 400,000 Sanitary Sewer Bonds. Due \$10,000 yearly in May from 1921 to 1960, incl. 175,000 Abattoir Bonds. Due \$4,000 yearly in May from 1921 to 1959 incl (except \$6,000 each sixth year and \$7,000 in May 1960. Date May 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & N.) payable in gold at the Chase National Bank, New York.

Financial Statement. Estimated valuation \$312,228,200 Assessed valuation (1919) 156,114,150 Total bonded debt (including this issue) \$11,912,500 Water debt 1,953,000 Sinking fund 895,832 2,853,832 Net debt \$9,058,668 Population, 1910 census, 92,104. Population, 1920 census, 158,976.

DEER TRAIL, Arapahoe County, Colo.—BOND ELECTION.—On Aug. 3 \$40,000 water works bonds are to be voted upon.

DETROIT, Wayne County, Mich.—BOND OFFERING.—Further details are at hand relative to the offering on Aug. 2 of \$700,000 street railway bonds—V. 111, p. 410—Proposals for these bonds, which are to bear interest at not more than 6%, will be received until 11 a. m. on that date by Henry Steffens, City Comptroller. Denom. \$1,000. Date Aug. 1, 1920. Int. semi-ann. Due Aug. 1 1950.

BOND SALE.—The "Detroit Free Press" reports that Mayor Couzens has purchased \$100,000 municipal street railway bonds.

DUBLIN, Franklin County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—S. H. Davis, Village Clerk, will receive bids until 12 m Aug. 12 for \$4,000 6% electric light plant bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date June 15 1920. Int. A. & O. Due \$100 each six months from April 1 1921 to Oct. 1 1940, incl. Cert. check for 10% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the Village Treasurer, required.

EAST CHICAGO, Lake County, Ind.—BONDS AUTHORIZED.—It is reported that the City Council has authorized the issuance of \$30,000 bonds to obtain money for the purchase of a police alarm system.

EAST CLEVELAND, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The City has succeeded in disposing of \$10,000 of its 6% coupon City Hall heating system installation bonds. The \$5,000 issue offered on July 12 (V. 111, p. 215), was awarded to the Citizens Savings & Loan Co. of Mansfield, at par, and the other \$5,000 were purchased by the Sinking Fund Trustees after no bids had been received when advertised for on July 26—V. 111, p. 311. Both issues bear date of April 1 1920, and mature Oct. 1 1935.

EAST LANSDOWNE, Delaware County, Pa.—BONDS RE-OFFERED.—The \$29,000 tax-free coupon or registered 30-year bonds offered unsuccessfully as 5 1/2% on July 12—V. 111, p. 312—are being re-offered at 5 3/5% on Aug. 9. Proposals will be received until 8 p. m. on that date by James White, Clerk of Borough Council. Denom. \$1,000. Int. semi-ann. Due at the end of 30 years.

ESSEX FALLS, Essex County, N. J.—BOND SALE.—When the \$175,000 5% coupon electric light and water plant purchase bonds, offered on July 28—V. 111, p. 410—failed to attract any sealed bids, the Borough Council decided to offer the bonds at open auction. The only bid was submitted by the Essex Falls Electric Light & Water Co., which offered to take the bonds in payment for the company's property, no cash to figure in the deal. The bid was accepted.

EVANSTON, Uinta County, Wyo.—BONDS DEFEATED.—By 301 "against" to 257 "for" the \$290,000 water bonds were defeated July 12.—V. 111, p. 108.

EXETER UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, Tulare County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—The \$55,000 6% 2-29 year serial school bonds, dated June 24 1920 offered on July 15—V. 111, p. 215—have been sold to the Security Savings Bank of Exeter at 100.10 and int. a basis of about 5.99%. Other bidders were:

Table with columns: Name, Bid, Name, Bid. Lists bidders: W. R. Staats & Co. (\$55,158.50), Lindsay National Bank (\$55,139.81), Anglo-London-Paris Nat. Bank (\$55,062.48), E. H. Rollins & Son (\$55,000.00).

We erroneously reported in V. 111, p. 410 the sale of the above bonds to Frank & Lewis of Los Angeles.

FAIRFIELD, Jefferson County, Ala.—BOND OFFERING.—Bids will be received 8 p. m. Aug. 9 by A. Clinton Decker, Mayor, for \$42,500 school and \$12,000 permanent equip. 6% coupon or registered bonds. Denom. \$100. Date Aug. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (P. & A.) at the First National Bank, Fairfield. Due Aug. 1 1930. Cert. check for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for payable to the City required.

FALLS COUNTY JUSTICE PRECINCT NO. 1 (P. O. Marlin), Tex.—BOND OFFER.—Proposals will be received until 10 a. m. Aug. 9 by E. M. Dodson, Judge for \$500,000 5% 10-30 yr. (opt.) bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Sept. 1, 1919. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) in Marlin and New York City. Cert. check for \$5,000 required. Bonded debt (incl. this issue) \$500,000. Assess. val. 1918 \$6,600,000. Population (est.) 12,000.

FERGUS COUNTY (P. O. Lewiston), Mont.—BOND SALE.—C. W. McNear & Co. of Chicago, recently purchased and are now offering to investors at a price to yield par and int. for 6s the \$300,000 road bonds mentioned in V. 111, p. 312. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) at Mechanics and Metals National Bank, N. Y. due \$30,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1931 to 1940 incl.

FT. LUPTON, Weld County, Colo.—BOND SALE.—Bosworth, Chanute & Co. of Denver, have purchased \$25,000 6% 10-20 year (opt.) water extension bonds at 93.63 net. Other bidders are American Bank & Trust Co. of Denver 93.18 net; Bankers Trust Co. of Denver 95.60 less expense unitemized; Keeler Bros. par less \$67 per thousand for expenses and Benwell, Phillips, Este & Co. of Denver 92 less \$250 for expenses.

GALLATIN AND BROADWATER COUNTIES JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 24 (P. O. Three Forks), Mont.—BOND OFFERING.—Bids will be received until 2 p. m. Aug. 7 by S. D. Waldorf, Clerk, for \$18,000 6% coupon school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 7 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) at the Hanover National Bank, New York. Due Jan. 7 1945. Cert. check for \$1,000 payable to the above clerk required. Bonded debt May 1920, \$24,500. Floating debt \$12,613. Assessed value 1919, \$2,939,490.

GLENDALE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Los Angeles County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—On July 19, the \$32,000 6% school bonds—V. 111, p. 215—were awarded to Wm. R. Staats Co. of San Francisco at 100.625 and int., a basis of about 5.94%. Other bidders were:

Table with columns: Name, Bid, Name, Bid. Security Tr & Sav Bk \$32,206 00; Home & Hibernia Bk \$3,176 00; Torrance, Marshall & Co. 32,127 00; Blyth, Witter & Co. \$32,103 00; Stevens, Page & Sterling 32,057 75; Blankenhorn-Hunter Dulin & Co. 32,042 00.

The bid of the Security Trust and Sav. Bank, it will be noted, is the same as that of the successful bidder, but is so reported by the Chief Clerk.

GLEN ROCK (P. O. Ridgewood), Bergen County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—William H. Smith, Borough Clerk, will receive bids until 8 p. m. Aug. 9, for an issue of 6% coupon (with privilege of registration) road bonds, not to exceed \$12,000. Denom. \$1,000. Date, Sept. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & S.) payable at the First National Bank of Ridgewood. Due \$1,000 yearly on Sept. 1 from 1921 to 1932, incl. Cert. check on an incorporated bank or trust company, for 2% of amt. of bonds bid for, payable to the "Borough of Glen Rock," required.

GOODMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Goodman), Marinette County, Wisc.—BONDS VOTED.—An issue of \$150,000 high school bldg. bonds has been voted by the people, it is stated.

GRUNDY COUNTY (P. O. Altamont), Tenn.—BOND SALE.—On July 20 the \$200,000 5 1/2% 1-40 yr. serial road bonds—V. 111, p. 109—were awarded to I. B. Tegrett & Co. at par. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1919. Int. J. & J.

HARBOR SPRINGS, Emmett County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—The \$22,000 building bonds, which were authorized at the election held June 28—V. 111, p. 312—were sold on July 16 to Whittlesey, McLean & Co., of Detroit.

HARDIN COUNTY (P. O. Kenton), Ohio.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—Because no bids were submitted, the \$65,600 6% Inter-County Highway bonds offered on July 21—V. 111, p. 216—were not sold.

HAVERHILL, Essex County, Mass.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 10 a. m. Aug. 3 by Arthur T. Jacobs, City Treasurer, for \$29,000 5 1/2% coupon tax-free bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) payable at the First National Bank of Boston, where delivery to purchaser will also be made on or about Aug. 6. Due yearly on July 1 as follows: \$4,000, 1921 to 1925, incl.; \$2,000, 1926 to 1929, incl.; and \$1,000 1930. Bonds are engraved and certified as to genuineness by the First National Bank, of Boston, at which bank all legal papers incident to the issue may be inspected; legality approved by Ropes, Gray, Boyden & Perkins, a copy of whose opinion will be furnished the purchaser.

HIDALGO COUNTY (P. O. Edinburg), Tex.—BONDS DEFEATED.—An issue of \$2,000,000 road bonds has been defeated by a majority of 150 votes.

HIGHLAND, Iowa County, Wisc.—BOND ELECTION.—Reports state that a special election will be called in the near future to vote on the question of issuing \$14,000 waterworks system bonds.

HOOD RIVER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3 (P. O. Hood River), Ore.—BOND SALE.—An July 14 the \$41,000 6% 20-year school bonds—V. 111, p. 216—were awarded at par to the Butler Banking Co. and the First National Bank both of Hood River jointly.

HUMBOLDT, Gibson County, Tenn.—BOND SALE.—On July 22 the \$70,000 5 1/2% 20-year serial sewer bond—V. 111, p. 312—were awarded to Speed & Kearney at par and int. There were no other bidders.

INDIANAPOLIS, Marion County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Robert H. Bryson, City Controller, will receive bids until 2 p. m. Aug. 1 for \$150,000 4 1/2% coupon park bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date day of sale. Int. J. & J. Due \$6,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1922 to 1946, incl. Cert. check on a responsible bank located in Indianapolis, for 2 1/2% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to Ralph A. Lemcke, Treasurer of Marion County required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for at the County Treasurer's office on Aug. 12, or if agreed upon by the purchaser and the City Controller on any date not later than Sept. 1. The City Controller has the power to postpone the award to any date not later than Sept. 1. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

INDIANAPOLIS SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Indianapolis), Marion County, Ind.—NOTE SALE.—The \$375,000 "Special Fund" relief notes, dated July 26—V. 111, p. 411—were awarded on July 26 to the Indiana Trust Co., of Indianapolis, at 6%. Due on or before Dec. 31 1920.

IRONTON, Lawrence County, Ohio.—BONDS AUTHORIZED.—The City Council has adopted an ordinance which provides that \$10,000 be raised by the issuance of bonds, for the purpose of repairing and improving the water works system.

JACKSON, Jackson County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—An issue of \$42,000 6% Pearl Street paving bonds will be offered for sale on Aug. 16 at 12 m., until which time proposals will be received by the City Auditor. Auth. Sec. 3939 and 3914 Gen. Code. Denom. \$500. Due yearly on Aug. 1 as follows: \$5,000, 1921, 1922 and 1923, \$3,000 1924 to 1927 incl., and \$5,000 1928 to 1930, incl. A certified check for \$100 payable to the City Auditor, must accompany the bid. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

JACKSONVILLE, Morgan County, Ill.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 4 p. m. Aug. 2 by R. L. Pyatt, City Clerk, for the following 5% bonds: \$44,000 power-plant bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Mar. 1 1920. Due yearly on March 1 as follows: \$3,000 1921 to 1924, incl., and \$2,000 1925 to 1940, incl.

35,000 filtration-plant bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Mar. 1 1920. Due yearly on Mar. 1 as follows: \$1,000 1921 to 1924, incl.; \$2,000 1925 to 1939, and \$1,000 1940.

30,000 filtration and power plant completion bonds. Denom. \$500. Date July 1 1920. Due \$1,500 yearly on July 1 from 1921 to 1940, incl. Prin. and semi-ann. int., payable at the City Treasurer's office. Certified check for \$2,000 required.

JALAMA SCHOOL DISTRICT, Santa Barbara County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.—Reports state that C. A. Hunt, Co. Clerk (P. O. Santa Barbara) will receive bids until 10 a. m. Aug. 2 for \$2,500 6% school bonds. Denom. \$500. Date July 6 1920. Int. semi-ann. Due \$500

yearly on July 6 from 1921 to 1925 incl. Cert. check for 10% of the amount of bonds bid for required.

JAMESTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Jamestown), Chautauqua County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—The \$350,000 5% registered school-addition and improvement bonds, which were to have been sold on July 13—V. 111, p. 313—are now being offered on Aug. 3 at 12 m., until which time proposals will be received by Mildred R. Falconer, Clerk of Board of Education. Denom. \$1,000. Date Aug. 1 1920. Int. P. & A. Due \$23,000 yearly on Aug. 1 from 1925 to 1938, incl., and \$28,000 Aug. 1 1939. Certified check for 2% of amount of bid required. Delivery to be made Aug. 20 at any place purchaser chooses. Bids must be made upon blanks furnished by the Clerk.

JEFFERSON COUNTY (P. O. Dandridge), Tenn.—BOND SALE.—On July 26 the \$185,000 6% highway bonds—V. 111, p. 313—were awarded to I. B. Tigrett & Co. at par. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1, 1920. Int. J. & J. Due party yearly from 1925 to 1955, incl.

JEROME SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Jerome), Yavapai County, Ariz.—BOND ELECTION.—On Aug. 10 \$85,000 grammar and \$205,000 high school 6% bonds will be voted upon.

JERSEY CITY, Hudson County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—James F. Gannon, Director of Department of Revenues and Finance, will receive bids until 12 m. Aug. 11 for an issue of coupon or registered water bonds, the amount not to exceed \$3,696,000. Denom. \$1,000. Date Aug. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (F. & A.) payable at the City Treasurer's office. \$1,588,000 of the bonds maturing \$92,000 yearly on Aug. 1 from 1921 to 1959, shall bear 6% interest and \$108,000 maturing Aug. 1 1960 shall bear 5 1/2% interest. Cert. check for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the City of Jersey City, required.

JOHNSON CITY, Broome County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—On July 28 an issue of \$130,000 waterworks bonds was awarded to Sherwood & Merrifield, of New York, on their bid of 100.04 for 6s, which is on a basis of about 5.99%. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. Due \$10,000 yearly on July 1 1921 to 1933, incl.

JOHNSON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Johnson City), Broome County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 8 p. m. Aug. 2 by George J. Ames, President of Board of Education, for \$160,000 school bonds, to bear interest at a rate not to exceed 6%. Denom. \$1,000. Int. semi-ann. Cert. check for 2%, required.

JONES COUNTY (P. O. Laurel), Miss.—BOND OFFERING.—The \$300,000 road bonds authorized at the July 20 election—V. 111, p. 216—are to be sold at a rate not to exceed 6% on Aug. 13 at 12 m., until which time proposals will be received by U. S. Collins, Clerk of Board of County Supervisors. Int. semi-ann. Due \$6,000 yearly for the first 5 years after date, \$12,000 yearly for the next 15 years and the remaining \$90,000 in the next 10 years. Cert. check for \$10,000, required.

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—BOND SALE.—It is reported that \$625,000 water works bonds were sold to the sinking fund of the city on July 20—V. 110, p. 1664.

KENMORE, Summit County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$117,000 6% village portion street impt. bonds offered on July 19 (V. 111, p. 109) were awarded to N. S. Hill & Co. and the Silverman-Huyek Co., who are now offering the bonds to investors at par. Date May 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & N.) payable at the City Treasurer's office. Due on May 1 as follows: \$9,000, 1926, \$15,000 1927, \$10,000 1928, \$11,000 1929, and 1930, \$16,000 1931, \$7,000 1932, \$5,000 1933, \$8,000 1935, \$2,000 1936, \$5,000 1938, 1939 and 1940, and \$8,000 1941.

KENMORE, Summit County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—On July 24 N. S. Hill & Co., of Cincinnati, were awarded the \$60,000 12-21 year serial water, \$41,000 6 1/4 year (aver.) and \$15,000 2 1/4 year (aver.) fire dept. 6% bonds. Date Feb. 15 1920. Int. semi-ann.

KENOSHA, Kenosha County, Wisc.—BIDS REJECTED.—All bids received for the \$200,000 5% street bridge bonds offered on July 19—V. 111, p. 313—were rejected.

KENTON, Hardin County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received by S. G. Hayward, City Auditor, until 12 m. Aug. 16 for \$34,000 6% refunding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.), payable at the City Treasurer's office. Due \$1,000 each six months from April 1 1920 to April 1 1947, incl. Cert. check for 5% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the City Treasurer, required.

KING COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 79 (P. O. Seattle), Wash.—BOND SALE.—On July 26 the \$10,000 coupon school bonds not to exceed 6% int.—V. 111, p. 313—were awarded to the State of Washington, it is stated, at par for 5 3/4s.

KING COUNTY SCHOOL DIST. NO. 14 (P. O. Seattle), Wash.—BOND OFFERING.—Wm. A. Gaines, Co. Treas., will receive bids until 11 a. m. Aug. 9 for \$8,000 6% coupon school bonds. Denom. \$800. Due \$800 yearly from 1921 to 1930 incl. Cert. check or draft for 1% of the amount of bonds bid for required. Bonds to be delivered Sept. 1 1920.

KLAMATH DRAINAGE DISTRICT (P. O. Klamath Falls), Klamath County, Ore.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.—There were no bids received for the \$200,000 6% bonds offered on July 17—V. 111, p. 109.

LACKAWANNA, Erie County, N. Y.—BONDS RE-OFFERED.—The \$100,000 memorial bldg. impt. bonds, for which no bids were submitted when offered as 5s on July 12—V. 111, p. 313—are being re-offered on Aug. 2. Bids will be received until 2 p. m. on that date by Joseph O'Conner, City Clerk. Bidders are to name in their bids the rate of interest desired, which must not be higher than 6%. Denom. \$1,000. Semi-annual interest payable at the Lackawanna National Bank. Due \$5,000 yearly on Aug. 15 from 1921 to 1940, incl.

LANSING, Ingham County, Mich.—BONDS DEFEATED.—At the election held July 23 (V. 111, p. 313) the voters defeated the proposition to bond the city to the extent of \$760,000.

LARKSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Wilkes Barre), Luzerne County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until Aug. 3 by the Secretary of the Board of Education for \$85,000 school bldg. bonds. Denom. \$1,000.

LENAWEE COUNTY (P. O. Adrian), Mich.—BOND SALE.—The "Adrian Telegram" reports that on July 10 the county sold \$276,000 road bonds as follows: \$25,000 to the Peoples' State Savings Bank of Britton. 25,000 to the Farmers & Merchants Bank of Tipton. 75,000 to the First National Bank of Morenci. 75,000 to the Lilley State Savings Bank of Tecumseh. 75,000 to the Hudson State Savings Bank.

LINDSAY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, Tulare County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—On July 15 an issue of \$154,000 6% school bonds was awarded to the Lindsay National Bank of Lindsay for \$154,380 80, equal to 100.247 and int. Other bidders were: Anglo & London, Paris National Bank \$154,168 79; Bank of Italy 154,000 00. We erroneously reported, in V. 111, p. 411, the sale of the above bonds to the Citizens National Bank of Los Angeles.

LINDSAY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Tulare County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—On July 15 an issue of \$91,000 6% school bonds was awarded to the Lindsay National Bank of Lindsay for \$91,235 89, equal to 100.386 and int. Other bidders were: Wm. R. Staats & Co. \$61,106 50; Anglo & London Paris National Bank 61,039 71. We erroneously reported in V. 111, p. 411, the sale of the above bonds to the Citizens National Bank of Los Angeles.

LONG BEACH CITY HIGH SCHOOL DIST., Los Angeles County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—On July 19 the \$100,000 6% school bonds—V. 111, p. 217—were awarded to the Security Trust and Sav. Bank of Los Angeles at 100.507 and int. a basis of about 5.93%. Other bids were:

Table with columns: Name, Bid, Name, Bid. Citizens National Bank \$100,400; Home and Hibernia Bank 100,227; Guaranty Trust & Sav. Bk. 100,126; Torrance, Marshall & Co. \$100,101; E. H. Rollins & Sons 100,076; R. Perry Sealey 100,070.

LONG BEACH CITY SCHOOL DIST., Los Angeles County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—On July 19 the \$200,000 6% school bonds—V. 111, p. 217—were awarded to the Security Trust and Saving Bank of Los Angeles at 100.5015 and int., a basis of about 5.93%. Other bidders were:

Name	Bid	Name	Bid
Citizens National Bank	\$200,800	E. H. Rollins & Son	\$200,144
Home and Hibernia Bank	200,448	R. Perry Seeley	200,140
Guaranty Trust & Sav. Bk.	200,253		

LORAIN SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Lorain), Lorain County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The Sinking Fund Trustees have purchased the \$300,000 6% school bonds, offered without success on July 12—V. 111, p. 313. Due \$40,000 yearly beginning four years from date of sale.

MADERA, Madera County, Calif.—BOND ELECTION.—Reports state that an election will be held in the near future to vote on the question of issuing \$40,000 water system bonds.

MARIETTA, Washington County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Frank O. Fowler, City Auditor, will receive proposals until 12 m. Aug. 11 for \$90,000 6% refunding bonds. Auth. Sec. 3916 Gen. Code. Denom. \$500. Date Jan. 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. Due \$10,000 yearly on Jan 1 from 1921 to 1929, incl. Cert. check for 5% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the City Treasurer, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for within 10 days from date of award. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

MARION, Perry County, Ala.—BOND SALE.—On July 1 an issue of \$20,000 6% school bldg. bonds was awarded to local investors at par. Denoms. \$100 and \$500. Date July 1 1920. Int. ann. in July. Due \$2,500 yearly.

MARSHALL COUNTY (P. O. Plymouth), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Chas. F. Cooper, County Treasurer, will receive bids until 2 p. m. Aug. 2 for \$28,500 4½% John M. Weisser et al highway impt. bonds. Denom. \$712.50. Date May 22, 1920. Int. M. & N. Due \$1,425 each six months from May 15 1921 to Nov. 15 1930, incl.

MERCER COUNTY (P. O. Trenton), N. J.—BOND SALE.—On July 27 the issue of coupon (with privilege of registration) road and bridge bonds, which had been previously offered at 5% on March 31—V. 110, p. 1339—was awarded to Eastman, Dillon & Co., of New York. The transaction involved \$660,000 bonds, and at the price paid, \$670,316, which is equal to 101.563, for 6% bonds, was put through on an approximate basis of 5.74%. Date Aug. 1 1920. Int. F. & A. Due \$47,000 on Aug. 1 in 1921 & 1922; and \$48,000 yearly on Aug. 1 from 1923 to 1934, incl.

MICHIGAN (State of).—BONDS SOLD.—State Treasurer Frank E. Gorman informs us that the \$2,750,000 4½% 5-year coupon State Highway bonds, which failed to find buyers when offered on April 21 last—V. 110, p. 1899—were later sold to the banks of Detroit and Grand Rapids. Date May 1, 1920. Due May 1 1925.

MIDDLEPORT, Niagara County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—O'Brien, Potter & Co., of Buffalo, were awarded for \$26,520 equal to 102, which is a basis of about 5.75, the \$26,000 6% water bonds, offered on July 29—V. 111, p. 313. Date Aug. 10 1920. Due \$2,000 yearly on Aug. 10 from 1925 to 1937 incl. The only other bidder was the Security Trust Co. of Rochester.

MILLER, Hand County, So. Dak.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.—We are advised that no bids were received for the \$5,000 electric light and \$35,000 water works 6% bonds offered on April 16—V. 110, p. 1449.

MILL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Uhrichsville) Ohio.—BOND SALE.—On July 26 the \$7,500 5½% coupon bonds offered on that date—V. 111, p. 313—were awarded to the Commercial Bank of Uhrichsville at par and interest. Date July 1 1920. Due \$500 July 1 1921 and \$1,000 yearly on July 1 from 1922 to 1928, incl. There were no other bidders.

MONROE, Monroe County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—On July 27 the \$100,000 10¼ year (aver.) storm water sewer bonds, offered on that date—V. 111, p. 412—were awarded to the Dansard State Bank of Monroe, at its bid of 100.01 for 5½s. a basis of about 5.74%. Date July 1 1920. Due yearly on July 1 as follows: \$5,000 1922 to 1926; \$6,000 1927 to 1931, incl.; \$7,000 1932 to 1935, incl.; \$10,000 1936, and \$7,000 1937. Other bidders were:

Name	Int. Rate	Price Bid
Detroit Trust Co., Detroit	5¾%	\$100,001
	6%	101,840
First National Bank	6%	101,261
Kean, Higby & Co., Detroit	6%	101,097
Prudden & Co., Toledo	6%	101,011
Dansard, Hull, Bumpus & Co.	6%	101,003
Harris Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago	6%	100,575
Whittlesey, McLean & Co.	6%	100,340

MONTGOMERY COUNTY (P. O. Christiansburg), Va.—NO BIDS.—We have been advised that no bids were received for the \$15,000 4½% 20-30 year (opt.) road bonds offered on July 26—V. 111, p. 110.

MONTPELIER, Bear Lake County, Ida.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 5 p. m. Aug. 11 it is stated, by F. L. Cruikshank, City Clerk for \$18,500 6% street impt. and park site bonds. Date Mar. 1 1920.

MONTPELIER, Williams County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 12 m. Aug. 17 by Ed. Summers, Village Clerk, for \$6,000 6% electric light and water plant bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. Due \$1,000 yearly on July 1 from 1925 to 1930, incl. Cert. check for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the Village Treasurer, required.

MT. STERLING, Madison County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The First National Bank of Mt. Sterling, offering 100,125 a basis of about 5.88%, was awarded the \$8,000 6% funding bonds, offered on July 26—V. 111, p. 110. Denom. \$500. Date July 26, 1920. Int. M. & S. Due Sept. 1936.

MUSCATINE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Muscatine), Muscatine County, Iowa.—BOND ELECTION.—According to reports an election will be held Aug. 11 to vote on the question of issuing \$425,000 school bldg. bonds.

MUSSELSHELL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 41. (P. O. Lovina), Mont.—BOND OFFERING.—Oscar P. Balgord, Clerk Board of Education will receive bids it is stated, until 2 p. m. Aug. 5 for \$8,500 10-15 year (opt.) school bonds not to exceed 6% int. Denom. \$500. Cert. check for \$850 payable to the above Clerk, Bd. of Ed., required.

NEWPORT, Newport County, R. I.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals for the following 5½% tax-free coupon bonds will be received until 5 p. m. Aug. 5 by John M. Taylor, City Treasurer: \$80,000 improvement bonds. Due \$8,000 yearly on Aug. 1 from 1921 to 1930, incl.

25,000 Bath Road widening bonds. Due \$3,000 yearly on Aug. 1 from 1921 to 1929, incl., and \$1,000 Aug. 1 1929.

Denom. \$1,000. Date Aug. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (F. & A.) Payable in gold at the First National Bank of Boston, where delivery of the bonds will be made on or about Aug. 6. Bonds will be engraved under the supervision of and certified to as to genuineness by the First National Bank of Boston; legality will be approved by Ropes, Gray, Boyden & Perkins, whose opinion will be furnished the purchaser.

NEWTON (P. O. West Union), Middlesex County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—A temporary loan of \$100,000 dated July 15 1920, and maturing July 15 1921, has been awarded to the Newton Trust Co. at a 5.875% basis.

NEW WESTON SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. New Weston), Darke County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—John W. Gilbert, Clerk of Board of Education, will receive bids until 12 m. to-day (July 31) for \$32,000 6% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Int. semi-ann. Due \$1,000 each six months from March 1 1921 to Sept. 1 1936, incl. Cert. check for 5% of amount of bonds bid for, required.

NILES, Trumbull County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—On July 13 W. L. Slayton & Co. of Toledo, were awarded the following 6% bonds, offered on that date—V. 111, p. 217:

- \$20,000 assessment sidewalk-construction bonds. Due \$2,000 yearly on April 1 from 1922 to 1931, incl.
- 7,000 assessment Bond St. impt. bonds. Due yearly on April 1 as follows, \$500 1922 to 1927, incl.; and \$1,000 1928 to 1931, incl.
- 36,000 assessment sewer bonds. Due \$3,500 yearly on April 1 from 1922 to 1930, incl.; and \$4,500 April 1, 1931.
- 5,000 Bond St. impt. (city's share) bonds. Date April 1, 1920. Due April 1, 1931.
- 11,500 sewer (city's share) bonds. Date April 1, 1920. Due April 1 1930.

BONDS AUTHORIZED.—In order to cover a deficiency of \$28,000 which exists in the operating revenue of the city, the Council has passed, under

suspension of rules, an ordinance authorizing the issue of bonds for the amount of the deficit.

NOBLE TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Defiance), R. F. D. No. 12, Defiance County, Ohio.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—No sale was made of the \$40,000 6% coupon "Building Fund" bonds, offered on July 12.—V. 111, p. 217.

NORFOLK COUNTY (P. O. Dedham), Mass.—NOTE SALE.—On July 27 the \$50,000 tax-notes dated July 27, 1920 and maturing Nov. 8 1920—V. 111, p. 412—were awarded to the Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co., on a 6% discount basis.

OPELOUSAS, Saint Landry Parish, La.—BOND OFFERING.—Bids will be received until 11 a. m. Aug. 21 by E. L. Loeb, Mayor, for \$250,000 5% public impt. bonds. Denom. \$500. Date June 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & D.) payable at such place as may be fixed by the Board of Aldermen of the City or at the option of the holders or purchasers. Due on June 1st as follows: \$2,500, 1921; \$3,000, 1922 and 1923; \$3,500, 1924 to 1926, incl.; \$4,000, 1927 to 1929, incl.; \$4,500, 1930 and 1931; \$5,000, 1932 and 1933; \$5,500, 1934 and 1935; \$6,000, 1936; \$6,500, 1937 to 1939, incl.; \$7,500, 1940 and 1941; \$8,000, 1942 and 1943; \$9,000, 1944 and 1945; \$10,000, 1946 and 1947; \$10,500, 1948; \$11,000, 1949; \$12,000, 1950; \$12,500, 1951 and 1952; \$14,000, 1953 and 1954 and \$8,000, 1955. Cert. check for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for required. Purchaser to defray the cost touching upon the validity of said bonds.

ORTONVILLE, Bigstone County, Minn.—BOND SALE.—It is reported that an issue of \$10,000 6% 10-year bridge bonds was recently awarded to the Drake-Ballard Co. of Minneapolis.

PATASKALA, Licking County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Aug. 16 by Elias Williams, Village Clerk, for 13,329.88 6% special assessment Town Street impt. bonds. Semi-ann. int. payable at the Village Treasurer's office. Due one-tenth yearly in from 1 to 10 years after date. Cert. check for \$1,000, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

PAYETTE COUNTY HIGHWAY DISTRICT NO. 2 (P. O. Payette), Ida.—BOND OFFERING.—On Aug. 3, \$50,000 6% 20-yr. highway bonds will be offered for sale. Cert. check \$1,000, required. R. H. Woods, Sec.

PELHAM MANOR, Westchester County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—On July 29 Harris, Forbes & Co. of New York, were awarded at 100.67 for 5½s a basis of about 5.43% the following coupon (with privilege of registration) bonds—V. 111, p. 413: \$36,000 5-22 year serial sewer bonds. Due \$2,000 yearly on July 29 from 1925 to 1942 incl. 60,000 5-24 year serial drainage bonds. Due \$3,000 yearly on July 29 from 1925 to 1944, incl.

PERRY COUNTY (P. O. Cannelton), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$9,500 4½% P. W. Grass, et al. Troy Twp. road bonds offered on July 27—V. 111, p. 413—were awarded to Jos. M. Hirsch, of Cannelton, at par. Date, July 27 1920. Due, \$475 each six months from May 15 1920 to Nov. 15 1930, incl.

The County Treasurer expresses his belief that without a doubt, the citizens living on the land adjoining the proposed improvement, paid the purchaser a "bonus" in order to increase the purchaser's income from the bonds.

PERRY TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Perry), Lake County, Ohio.—BONDS DEFEATED.—At a recent election, a proposition to issue \$45,000 bonds to secure funds for completing and furnishing the school house in Perry, lost by a vote of 54 "against" to 51 "for."

PERSHING SCHOOL DISTRICT, Fresno County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—Fresno County has purchased at par the \$19,000 6% 1-19 year serial school bonds offered unsuccessfully on May 14—V. 110, p. 2316. Date April 19 1920.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received at Mayor Moore's office until 12 m. Aug. 18 for \$2,000,000 5% tax-free registered and coupon (interchangeable) bonds. Denoms. \$100 and multiples. Date Aug. 16 1920. Int. J. & J. Due Aug. 16 1950. Cert. check for 5% of amount bid for, required. Bids must be made upon forms furnished by the Mayor.

PIKE COUNTY (P. O. Petersburg), Ind.—BOND SALE.—Of the two issues of 4½% rock road bonds, offered on July 21—V. 111, p. 314—the \$14,500 Logan Harmon et al Patoka Twp. bonds were awarded to Albert Battles, at par. Due \$1,450 semi-annually from May 15 1921 to Nov 15 1925, incl. There were no bidders for the issue of \$31,400 Monroe Twp. bonds.

PIMA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 30 (P. O. Tucson), Ariz.—BOND ELECTION.—On Aug. 4 \$10,000 6% 5-yr. school bonds are to be voted upon. Adolf Rupert, clerk.

PINE COUNTY (P. O. Pine City), Minn.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$37,000 6% Drainage Ditch No. 8 bonds has been sold, it is stated, to the Farmers & Merchants Bank of Pine City.

POLK COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT NO. 6, Fla.—BONDS WITHDRAWN.—The \$60,000 6% road and bridge bonds which were to be offered on July 26—V. 111, p. 218—have been withdrawn from the market.

POLK COUNTY SPECIAL ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT NO. 4, Fla.—BONDS WITHDRAWN.—We have been advised that the \$250,000 6% road and bridge bonds which were to be offered on July 26—V. 111, p. 218—have been withdrawn from the market.

POSEY COUNTY (P. O. Mt. Vernon), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The "Cincinnati Enquirer" of July 22 reports the sale of \$10,600 4½% gravel road bonds to the First National Bank of Mt. Vernon, at par.

POWDER RIVER COUNTY (P. O. Broadus), Mont.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 2 p. m. Aug. 4 by F. T. West Co. Clerk for \$50,000 6% highway bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) payable at the Liberty National Bank, N. Y. C. Due \$3,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1925 to 1938 incl., and \$8,000 Jan. 1 1939. Cert. check on some solvent bank for \$2,500 payable to the Co. Treas. required. Bids must be unconditional. Purchaser will receive the approved opinion of Wood & Oakley of Chicago. Bonded debt (excl. this issue) \$21,000. Assess. val. 1919 \$3,387,725.

PRAIRIETON SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Terre Haute), Vigo County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING WITHDRAWN.—The Township Trustee was forced to withdraw from the market the \$28,000 6% school bonds offered on July 20—V. 111, p. 218. This action was necessitated by the tangle into which the assessment of property for the year 1919 was cast when the State Supreme Court made a decision over-ruling the action taken by the State Board of Tax Commissioners in fixing a basis for the assessment of property for that year.

PRINGLE (P. O. Wilkes Barre), Luzerne County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—An issue of \$40,000 5½% tax-free coupon bonds will be sold on Aug. 17 at 8 p. m. until which time proposals will be received by Patrick O'Keefe, Borough Secretary. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 15 1920. Due yearly on July 15 as follows: \$1,000 1923 to 1928, incl.; \$2,000 1929 to 1945, incl.

RAVALLI COUNTY (P. O. Hamilton), Mont.—BOND SALE.—On July 17 the \$100,000 highway bonds—V. 111, p. 218—were awarded to Margaret P. Daly and local banks at par for Gs. W. L. Slayton & Co. of Toledo bid par for Gs less \$1,930 for brokerage, printing of bonds, etc.

REDFIELD, Spink County, So. Dak.—NO ACTION YET TAKEN.—We are advised by the City Auditor that no further action has yet been taken looking towards the issuance of the \$100,000 water-works and \$60,000 sewer 5% bonds mentioned in V. 110, p. 389.

REFUGIO COUNTY (P. O. Refugio), Tex.—BOND OFFERING.—Reports state that bids will be received until 10 a. m. Aug. 9 by J. Turner Vance, Co. Judge, for \$90,000 Road Dist. No. 2, \$16,000 Road Dist. No. 3 and \$50,000 Road Dist. No. 4 bonds.

RHODE ISLAND (State of).—BOND SALE.—The issue of \$500,000 4½% tax-free gold coupon or registered bridge construction bonds, offered on July 26—V. 111, p. 413—was sold, \$400,000 going to the Industrial Trust Co., of Providence, at par, and \$100,000 to Estabrook & Co., of Boston, at \$100.135. Date, Aug. 1 1920. Due, Aug. 1 1970.

RICHMOND, Contra Costa County, Calif.—BOND ELECTION.—Reports state that an election will be held Sept. 28 to vote on the question of issuing \$400,000 harbor impt. and \$100,000 warehouse bonds.

RICHMOND, Va.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Aug. 3 by H. C. Cofer, City Comptroller, for \$500,000 4½% coupon or registered street and park road bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the City Comptroller's office or at the fiscal agent of the city in New York. Cert. check for \$7,500, payable to the City Comptroller, required.

RIGBY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5 (P. O. Rigby), Jefferson County, Ida.—BONDS OFFERED BY BANKERS.—Keeler Bros. of Denver are offering to investors, at a price to yield 6%, \$14,000 6% gold funding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1919. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) at the Nat'l Bank of Commerce, New York City. Due, July 1, 1939.

Financial Statement.

Assessed valuation, 1919.....	\$1,861,498 89
Real value, estimated.....	4,500,000 00
Total indebtedness (including this issue).....	\$122,000
Population, officially estimated, 3,600.	

ROCHESTER, N. Y.—NOTE OFFERING. E. B. Williams, Deputy City Comptroller, will receive proposals until 2.30 p. m. Aug. 4 for \$100,000 school construction notes, to mature 4 months from Aug. 9, at the Central Union Trust Co. of New York, where delivery will be made on Aug. 9. Bidders must state rate of interest, designate denominations, desired, and to whom (not bearer) notes shall be made payable.

ROCK SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Matoaka), Mercer County, W. Va.—BOND OFFERING.—M. R. Dodd, Secy. Bd. of Ed. will receive bids it is stated, until Aug. 16 for \$200,000 5½% school bldg. bonds. Denom. \$500.

ROCKY RIVER, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Frank Mitchell, Village Clerk, will receive bids until 12 m. Aug. 17 for \$5,500 6% water-works bonds. Denom. \$500. Date July 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the Guardian Savings & Trust Co. of Rocky River. Due \$500 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1921 to 1931 incl. Cert. check for \$500, payable to the Village Treasurer, required.

ROSWELL, Canyon County, Ida.—BONDS DEFEATED.—An issue of \$15,000 school bonds has been defeated.

ROUTT COUNTY (P. O. Hayden), Colo.—BOND ELECTION.—At the November general election \$105,000 court-house bonds are to be voted upon.

ST. HELENA, Napa County, Calif.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.—The calling of an election to vote on the question of issuing \$50,000 paving bonds is being considered, it is stated.

ST. JOHNSVILLE, Montgomery County, N. Y.—BOND ELECTION.—As a result of a petition drawn up by the residents of Kingsbury Ave. New Street and East Liberty Street, a proposition to issue \$14,000 bonds to obtain money for paving these streets will be submitted to the voters on Aug. 3.

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. Aug. 4 (date changed from July 23)—V. 111, p. 315—by Lee Ramstadt, District Clerk, for \$300,000 6% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date June 15 1920. 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.

ST. PETERSBURG, Pinellas County, Fla.—BOND OFFERING.—Further details are at hand relative to the offering on Aug. 10 of the \$488,000 5½% 30-yr. municipal impt. bonds—V. 110, p. 413. Proposals for these bonds will be received until 7.30 p. m. on that day by G. B. Shepard Director of Finance. Denom. \$1,000. Date June 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & D.) payable at the Seaboard National Bank, New York City. Due June 1 1950. Cert. check for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for payable to the above Director of Finance required.

The official notice of this bond offering will be found among the advertisements of this department.

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY (P. O. San Bernardino), Calif.—BOND OFFERING.—Harry L. Allison Clerk Bd. of Supervisors, will receive bids, it is stated, until 11 a. m. Aug. 9 for \$100,000 6% school bonds. Cert. check for \$1,000 required.

SANDERSVILLE, Washington County, Ga.—BOND OFFERING.—Bids will be received it is stated, until Aug. 2 by J. M. Armstrong City Clerk for \$40,000 5% 30-year water and light bonds.

SANDPOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Sandpoint), Bonner County, Ida.—BOND ELECTION.—On Aug. 7 \$140,000 high school bonds are to be submitted a second time to the voters—V. 110, p. 680.

SANDUSKY TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Fremont R. F. D. No. 6), Sandusky County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The First National Bank of Fremont was awarded at par the \$3,000 6% coupon school bonds offered on July 24—V. 111, p. 315. Date July 24, 1920. Due \$500 on April 1 and Oct. 1 in 1921, 1922 and 1923.

SANDYSTON TOWNSHIP (P. O. Layton), Sussex County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 2 p. m. Aug. 2 for an issue of 5½% coupon township bonds, not to exceed \$10,000. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500. Date July 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. Due yearly on Jan. 1 as follows: \$1,000 1922 to 1925, incl.; and \$1,500 1926 to 1929, incl. Cert. check for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to Alonzo M. Depue, Township Treasurer, required.

SCARSDALE, Westchester County, N. Y.—BONDS SOLD IN PART.—No bids were received for the \$21,000 6% coupon sidewalk and paving bonds offered on July 28—V. 111, p. 413—but an issue of \$70,000 land-purchase bonds, offered at the same time, was sold to Emily Butler at par for 5%.

SCHUYLER, Colfax County, Neb.—BONDS AWARDED IN PART.—Of the \$23,000 water-works and \$55,000 electric-light 5½% bonds offered on June 1—V. 110, p. 2107—\$18,000 of the \$26,000 issue was awarded to local investors at par and interest.

SCIOTO COUNTY (P. O. Portsmouth), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Roy H. Coburn, County Auditor, is receiving bids until 12 m. Aug. 23 for \$150,000 6% Inter-County Highway No. 7 bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Sept. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & S.) payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due \$18,000 on Sept. 1 in 1922, 1923, 1925, 1926 and 1928, and \$20,000 on Sept. 1 in 1924, 1927 and 1929. Cert. check on a solvent bank for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the County Treas., required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

SEABRIGHT, Monmouth County, N. J.—BOND SALE.—During April R. M. Grant & Co., purchased an issue of \$50,000 6% tax-free coupon bonds, which they are now offering to investors at par. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1920. Due April 1 1926.

SOCORRO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40 (P. O. Socorro), N. Mex.—BOND OFFERING.—On Aug. 13 bids will be received for \$2,000 6% school bonds. Julius Campredon, County Treas.

SOCORRO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 53 (P. O. Socorro), N. M.—BOND OFFERING.—Until 3 p. m. Aug. 13 \$30,000 6% 20-year school bonds will be offered for sale by Julius Campredon, County Treas. bid for less than 90 will not be considered.

SOUTHPORT COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3 (P. O. Elmira) Chemung County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals for \$2,400 6% school bonds will be received until 12 m. Aug. 2 by William Jenkins, School Trustee. Denom. 4 for \$500, 1 for \$400. Date Aug. 1 1920. Prin. and annual interest payable at the Chemung Canal Trust Co., of Elmira. Due \$400 Aug. 1 1921, and \$500 yearly on Aug. 1 from 1922 to 1925, incl. Cert. check for 10% required.

STARK COUNTY (P. O. Canton), Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$90,000 6% Alliance-Limaville Road Impt. bonds, offered but not sold on July 19—V. 111, p. 414—have been sold at a private sale for par and interest. Date July 30, 1920. Due \$9,000 yearly on July 30 from 1921 to 1930, incl.

STERLING, Logan County, Colo.—BOND SALE.—The Bankers Trust Co. of Denver has purchased \$50,000 6% 15-year water-extension bonds. Dated Aug. 1 1920.

STEBEN SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Marshfield), Warren County, Ind.—BOND SALE.—On July 24 the Central Bank of West Lebanon was awarded at par the \$15,000 6% coupon school bonds offered on that date—V. 111, p. 315, due \$1,000 each six months from July 1, 1921 to July 1, 1928, incl.

STILLWATER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 52 (P. O. Absarokee), Mont.—BOND OFFERING.—On Aug. 19 \$18,000 6% 20-yr. school bonds will be offered for sale. Denom. \$1,000 Cert. check of \$1,000 required. F. S. Young, Clerk.

STOCKTON SPECIAL ROAD DISTRICT (P. O. Stockton), Cedar County, Mo.—BONDS TO BE SOLD PRIVATELY.—The \$3,000 6% road bonds voted on April 27—V. 110, p. 2219—are to be sold at a private sale. Denom. \$1,000. Date Oct. 1 1920. Int. A. & O. Due Oct. 1 1928.

SUMMIT COUNTY (P. O. Akron), Ohio.—BOND SALE.—On July 27 Eastman, Dillon & Co., were awarded at their bid of \$573,320 equal to 101.115, the following issues of 6% coupon bonds—V. 111, p. 219: \$500,000 10½ year (aver.) county building bonds, a basis of about 5.85%. Due \$25,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1921 to 1940, incl.

43,000 5¼ years (aver.) bridge bonds, a basis of about 5.75%. Due yearly on Oct. 1 as follows: \$5,000 1921 to 1923, and \$4,000 1924 to 1930, incl.

24,000 5 year (aver.) bridge bonds, a basis of about 5.75%. Due yearly on Oct. 1 as follows: \$3,000 1921 to 1924, incl., and \$2,000 1925 to 1930, incl.

Date June 1 1920.

SUNFLOWER COUNTY SUPERVISORS ROAD DISTRICT NO. 4 (P. O. Indianola), Miss.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 2 p. m. Aug. 2 by John W. Johnson, Clerk of Board of Supervisors, for \$50,000 6% 20-year road bonds. Denom. \$500.

TAYLORS FALLS, Burnett County, Wisc.—BONDS VOTED.—An issue of \$10,000 hospital construction bonds has been voted by the people it is stated.

TERRE HAUTE, Vigo County, Ind.—BOND SALE.—The Harris Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago, has purchased and is now offering to investors at a price to yield 5½%, an issue of \$200,000 6% tax-free coupon funding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 10, 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) payable at the City Treasurer's office. Due July 10, 1930.

TOLEDO, Lucas County, Ohio.—BONDS AUTHORIZED.—Legislation calling for issuance of \$185,000 bonds to raise funds for the purchase of the D. & C. wharf property was passed without a dissenting vote at a meeting of the City Council held July 12.

TOLEDO SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Toledo), Lucas County, Ohio.—BOND ELECTION.—At the primaries on Aug. 10 the Board of Education is placing before the voters for their approval a proposition providing for the issuance of \$11,000,000 school-improvement bonds.

TOPEKA, Shawnee County, Kans.—BOND SALE.—On July 1 an issue of \$164,000 4¾% 1-10-year serial paving bonds was sold to local investors at par and int. Denoms. \$500 and \$1,000. Date July 1 1920. Interest J. & J.

TOPPENISH, Yakima County, Wash.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$122,000 7% impt. bonds was purchased during May by Freeman, Smith & Camp Co. of Portland. Denom. \$200. Date May 1 1920. Annual interest on May 1. Due May 1 1932.

TORRINGTON, Goshen County, Wyo.—BOND OFFERING.—R. F. Tebbet, Town Clerk, will receive bids until 10 a. m. Aug. 2 for the following bonds, to bear interest at a rate not to exceed 6%:

\$15,000 15-30-year (opt.) water-works bonds.

31,500 10-20-year (opt.) sewerage-system bonds.

Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) payable in New York. Certified check for 5% of amount of bid, payable to the Town Treasurer, required.

TROY, Miami County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$200,000 6% electric light plant bonds, offered on July 24—V. 111, p. 219—were awarded to Seasgood & Mayer of Cincinnati at par. Date July 1, 1920. Due \$4,000 on Mar. 1 and Sept. 1 in each of the years from 1928 to 1939, incl.; and \$8,000 on Mar. 1 and Sept. 1 in each of the years from 1940 to 1945 incl.; and \$8,000 Mar. 1 1946.

TUCSON SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Tucson), Pima County, Ariz.—BONDS VOTED.—On July 16 \$350,000 school bonds carried by a vote of 337 to 22.

TUSCARAWAS TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Massillon), Stark County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Aug. 7 by George W. Wampler, Clerk of Board of Education, for \$12,000 6% school bonds. Auth. Sec. 7625—7629 Gen. Code. Denom. \$2,000. Date Sept. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int., payable at the Treasurer's office. Due \$2,000 yearly on Sept. 1 from 1921 to 1926, incl. Cert. check on a solvent bank located in Stark County, for \$500, required.

TWIN FALLS COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7 (P. O. Twin Falls), Ida.—BOND SALE.—Keeler Bros. of Denver recently purchased an issue of \$44,000 6% school bldg. bonds. Date June 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & D.) payable at the National Bank of Commerce, New York City. Due \$4,000 yearly on June 1 from 1930 to 1940 incl.

Financial Statement.

Real valuation, estimated.....	\$2,500,000
Assessed valuation, 1919.....	898,804
Total bonded debt including this issue.....	53,000
Population (officially estimated).....	1,200

UNION SCHOOL TOWNSHIP, Whitley County, Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$14,788 6% school bonds, offered on July 20—V. 111, p. 219—were awarded, it is stated, to the Farmers' Loan & Trust Co. of Columbia City at par. Due \$788 in one year, \$2,000 yearly thereafter.

UNIONTOWN, Fayette County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until Aug. 7 by Mayor William H. Smart for \$70,000 5% tax-free coupon bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date May 1 1920. Int. semi-annual. Due May 1 1950. Certified check for \$1,000, payable to the City Treasurer, required.

VANCEBORO, Craven County, No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.—H. E. Barrow, Town Treas. will receive bids, it is stated, until Aug. 22 for \$23,000 6% 20-yr. street bonds. Denom. \$1,000.

VAN WERT COUNTY (P. O. Van Wert), Ohio.—BOND SALE.—On July 26 the First National Bank of Van Wert was the successful bidder at par and interest for the \$217,700 6% coupon I. C. H. No. 119 impt. bonds, offered on that date—V. 111, p. 219. Date Aug. 1, 1920. Due \$7,700 Mar. 1 1922, and \$14,000 each six months from Sept. 1 1922 to Sept. 1 1929 incl.

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, Defiance County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—J. W. Garber, Clerk of Board of Education, will receive bids until 12 m. Aug. 2 for \$10,000 6% school house bonds. Auth. Sec. 7625-7627, and 5659 Gen. Code. Denom. \$1,000. Date June 15, 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the office of the Clerk. Due \$1,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1921 to 1930 incl. Cert. check on a solvent bank, for \$500, payable to the above clerk, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for within 10 days from date of award. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

WATERFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Modesto), Stanislaus County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—According to reports an issue of \$21,000 6% school bond has been purchased by Robert W. Thomas for \$21,200 equal to 100.952.

WHATCOM COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 19, (P. O. Bellingham), Wash.—BOND OFFERING.—Bids will be received it is stated, until 2 p. m. Aug. 3 by Frank Wilson, Co. Treas. for \$4,000 school bldg. bonds not to exceed 6% int. Denom. \$800. Due \$800 yearly from 1924 to 1928 incl. Cert. check for 1% of the amount of bonds bid for required.

WINDSOR SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Windsor), Windsor County, Vt.—BOND OFFERING.—Proposals will be received until 2 p. m. Aug. 9 by Frank B. Tracy, Treasurer of Board of School Directors, for \$60,000 4½% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$4,000 yearly on Aug. 1 from 1925 to 1939, incl. Prin. and interest payable at the First National Bank, of Boston. Bonds will be prepared and certified by the First National Bank of Boston, under advice of Ropes, Gray Boyden & Perkins.

WORCESTER, Worcester County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—On July 28 a temporary loan of \$300,000, dated July 29 and maturing Nov. 17 1920, was awarded, it is stated, to Estabrook & Co. of Boston, on a 5.91% basis.

YAKIMA LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS, Wash.—BOND SALE POSTPONED INDEFINITELY.—We are advised that the sale of the \$3,500 Dist. 297, \$5,000 Dist. 298 and \$5,000 Dist. 299 6% 5-year local improvement bonds, which were to be offered on July 14—V. 111, p. 112—has been postponed indefinitely.

YORK COUMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 88 (P. O. Elmhurst), Du Page County, Ill.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 6 p. m. Aug. 9 by Ira A. Stone, Secy. Bd. of Ed. for \$45,000 5% high school bonds. Date July 1 1920. Int. semi-ann. Due \$9,000 yearly on July 1 from 1930 to 1934

YORKVILLE, Oneida County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—It is reported that an issue of \$10,000 5% 1-10-year serial paving bonds was recently awarded to Edward A. O'Brian of Rome at 100.30, a basis of about 5.94%.

CANADA, its Provinces and Municipalities.

ALLISTON, Ont.—DEBENTURE SALE.—The issue of \$15,707.39 6% 20-installment debentures—V. 111, p. 317—has been awarded, it is stated, to Wood, Gundy & Co., of Toronto, at their bid of 94.27, which means that the city is paying 6.75% for its money.

It is said that the successful bidder originally asked for an option on the issue at the above price, but at the request of the city changed the offer to a straight bid.

BRANDON, Man.—DEBENTURE SALE.—The "Monetary Times" reports the sale of \$75,000 5½% 30-year school bonds of this city to J. A. Thompson & Co., at a price which costs the city slightly in excess of 7%.

EAST KILDONAN SCHOOL DISTRICT, Man.—BOND SALE.—Strang & Snowden, of Winnipeg, have exercised an option they held on a block of \$150,000 6% 30-year serial debentures. The price is reported to be 90.25.

INGERSOLL, Ont.—DEBENTURE SALE.—It is reported that Wood, Gundy & Co. of Toronto, have purchased at 99.27, \$36,000 15-year installment and \$25,000 10-year installment 6½% debentures.

KENORA, Ont.—OPTION GIVEN.—Brent, Noxon & Co. have been granted an option on the following debentures, which were offered recently—V. 111, p. 220—\$10,000 7% 15-installment electric extension; \$25,000 7% 20-installment public impt.; \$7,755.38 7% 20-installment local impt.; \$20,000 7% 20-year water works, and \$13,564.87 6½% debt consolidation, due 1953.
The debentures are being offered to investors at 7%.

MOOSE JAW, Sask.—DEBENTURES AUTHORIZED.—It is reported that the ratepayers have cast their ballots favorably upon the question of raising \$63,500 for school purposes.

DEBENTURES DEFEATED.—It is also reported that the ratepayers defeated an issue of \$34,000 for additions to Alexandra school, on July 10.

NEELON & GARSON TOWNSHIPS (P. O. Sudbury), Ont.—OPTION TAKEN.—It is reported that Brent, Noxon & Co., have taken an option on the \$10,000 6% 20-installment debentures offered on July 3—V. 111, p. 113.

PENTICTON, B. C.—DEBENTURES TO BE OFFERED.—It is reported that preparations are being made for a campaign, to open Aug. 1 for the sale of \$35,000 debentures.

PETERBOROUGH, Ont.—DEBENTURES VOTED.—On July 6 the council voted favorably upon the question of raising \$100,000 to complete the Hunter Street bridge.

POINT GREY, B. C.—DEBENTURE SALE.—An issue of \$135,000 5½% 20-year debentures has been purchased, according to reports, by Pemberton & Son and the Royal Financial Corp., Ltd., who are going to offer the debentures on the Vancouver market at a price to yield 6½%.

PORT COLBORNE, Ont.—DEBENTURES AUTHORIZED.—The ratepayers have carried a by-law authorizing the raising of \$19,500 to purchase property for a town park.

STROME, Alta.—DEBENTURES AUTHORIZED.—The Board of Public Utility Commissioners has authorized the Council to borrow \$6,000 for the purpose of building a community hall.

VICTORIA, B. C.—DEBENTURES PROPOSED.—Reports state that the city is considering a loan of about \$150,000 to complete the work on the Johnson Street bridge.

WALLACEBURG, Ont.—DEBENTURE SALE.—It is reported that an issue of \$23,000 debentures has been sold locally.

WINDSOR, Ont.—DEBENTURE SALE.—The City Council on July 19 accepted the bid of 95.631, which was submitted by A. E. Ames & Co. of Toronto, for the following coupon debentures of the city:

- \$17,000 00 6% 10-year installment incinerator debentures.
- 12,000 00 6% 10-year installment motor street flusher debentures.
- 40,000 00 6% 10-year installment concrete sidewalk debentures.
- 107,547 81 5½% 10-year installment local improvement debentures.
- 50,000 00 6% 20-year installment water-works debentures.
- 150,000 00 6% 20-year installment water-works debentures.

Interest payable semi-annually.
WINNIPEG, Man.—DEBENTURE SALE.—A syndicate composed of the National City Co., Harris, Forbes & Co., W. A. McKenzie & Co., and Aemilius Jarvis & Co., has purchased \$600,000 6% 20-year debentures. The price paid was 95.155 and interest, a basis of about 6.44%. The principal and interest will be payable in Canada.

YORK TOWNSHIP, Ont.—DEBENTURES VOTED.—The issuance of \$121,260 debentures for sidewalk construction and paving was authorized by the council on July 19.

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General Obligation Water Bonds

NOTICE OF SALE of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000) of "General Obligation Water Bonds" of the Town of Browning, Glacier County, Montana.

Notice is hereby given that the Town of Browning, Montana, will, on the 3RD DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1920, at the hour of Eight O'clock P. M., at the Council Rooms of the Town Council of said Town, in the Town of Browning, Glacier County, Montana, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash one hundred twenty (120) coupon "General Obligation Water Bonds" of the denomination of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) each. Said bonds to bear interest at the rate of six per cent (6%) per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of January and July of each year. Said bonds to bear date of December 1st, 1920, to become payable twenty (20) years from date and redeemable in their numerical order, annually, commencing December 1st, 1931; the principal and interest payable at the office of the Town Treasurer of said Town or at the option of the holder at some bank in New York City to be designated by the said Town Treasurer. Each bidder is required to deposit a check fully certified by some duly authorized bank in the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) payable to the Town Treasurer of said town, as a guaranty that he will take up and pay for said bonds as soon as the same are signed and ready for delivery. That the Council hereby reserves the right to reject any bids. Bidders shall satisfy themselves as to the legality of the bonds before bidding.

Said bonds are known as "General Obligation Water Bonds" and are issued for the purpose of installing a Town Water Works System. A complete transcript of all the proceedings, touching the issue of said bonds will be furnished by the undersigned upon application by letter or wire.

Dated July 24th, 1920.

By order of the Town Council of the Town of Browning, Montana.

A. M. S. LANNON,
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