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CLEARINGS FOR DECEMBER, SINCE JANUARY 1, AND FOR WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 31.

Clearings at—	December.			Twelve Months.			Week ending December 31.				
	1921.	1920.	Inc. or Dec. %	1921.	1920.	Inc. or Dec. %	1921.	1920.	Inc. or Dec. %	1919.	1918.
New York	18,475,589,539	20,980,934,077	-12.0	194,331,219,663	243,135,013,364	-20.0	3,377,239,532	4,225,083,510	-20.1	5,737,014,003	4,347,516,231
Philadelphia	1,904,000,000	2,165,986,685	-12.1	20,445,000,000	25,094,696,654	-18.5	350,000,000	432,332,659	-19.7	489,596,553	414,386,907
Pittsburgh	694,000,000	842,690,550	-17.6	7,507,302,491	8,982,887,399	-16.5	136,000,000	164,405,712	-17.4	142,656,950	124,650,157
Baltimore	309,000,000	410,884,811	-24.8	3,745,337,258	4,896,046,381	-23.5	84,567,000	77,572,527	+14.6	102,576,910	80,812,044
Buffalo	158,825,215	187,993,832	-15.5	1,811,485,206	2,293,015,699	-31.0	28,003,661	34,714,584	-19.3	36,314,222	24,015,574
Albany	20,800,000	20,176,033	+3.9	223,584,283	249,344,568	-10.4	13,600,000	4,000,000	+10.1	4,400,000	4,000,000
Washington	86,309,102	78,661,473	+9.6	876,405,706	897,109,844	-2.3	14,927,018	14,103,271	+5.8	15,724,683	14,288,574
Rochester	38,357,489	51,562,230	-29.8	453,315,966	594,398,278	-5.2	7,024,311	9,830,255	-28.5	13,506,900	9,904,021
Syracuse	21,336,802	23,859,939	-10.6	241,511,865	267,995,988	-56.2	4,044,201	4,756,642	-15.0	3,909,531	3,975,572
Syracuse	15,805,168	19,445,308	-18.8	201,131,513	254,623,897	-20.0	2,887,098	3,766,810	-23.3	4,700,000	5,177,986
Reading	11,239,307	11,607,666	-3.4	126,960,765	154,410,276	-17.8	2,099,929	2,338,512	-10.2	3,197,410	2,570,263
Wilmington	10,544,129	13,211,666	-20.2	114,027,762	174,803,372	-34.8	2,055,483	2,538,539	-19.0	4,185,171	3,748,352
Wilkes-Barre	12,434,627	12,315,388	+1.0	136,894,949	148,981,702	-6.7	2,168,512	2,684,599	-54.7	2,400,000	2,000,000
Wheeling	26,589,805	23,986,692	+10.8	229,827,317	281,992,700	-18.5	3,976,044	4,085,989	-2.7	4,523,092	3,725,618
Harrisburg	20,079,372	19,103,337	+5.1	197,118,683	205,922,436	-4.3	4,610,521	4,610,521	0.0	4,610,521	4,610,521
Trenton	17,194,509	18,357,262	-6.3	183,446,701	205,416,418	-10.7	3,273,857	3,435,804	-4.7	3,654,027	2,497,856
York	5,607,478	6,776,681	-17.3	66,859,863	80,472,866	-16.9	1,189,892	1,179,253	+4.8	1,430,673	1,018,521
Erle	8,592,368	11,640,675	-26.2	109,205,977	130,453,902	-21.7	1,415,500	2,088,119	-32.2	2,100,133	2,063,877
Greensburg	6,500,000	7,006,986	-27.4	61,938,971	75,101,591	-17.6	1,520,000	1,703,098	-11.7	1,300,000	1,000,000
Binghamton	4,300,300	4,632,200	-7.2	48,076,221	63,379,600	-24.1	666,700	702,300	-5.0	1,114,400	795,100
Chester	4,452,286	4,637,536	-4.0	53,191,492	78,788,384	-32.5	1,078,000	1,100,000	-2.0	1,689,291	1,308,753
Altoona	4,007,718	4,953,875	-19.1	49,960,458	55,124,037	-9.4	882,000	801,908	+10.3	858,944	752,067
Franklin	1,463,062	2,159,495	-32.2	17,392,760	42,483,761	-50.1	---	---	---	---	---
Fredrick	1,643,015	2,601,921	-36.8	23,852,647	32,179,180	-25.9	---	---	---	---	---
Beaver County, Pa.	2,549,898	3,445,502	-26.0	32,690,760	42,354,221	-23.7	---	---	---	---	---
Lancaster	9,902,002	10,840,503	-8.3	131,125,175	156,086,031	-16.0	1,757,711	2,100,000	-82.2	2,000,000	1,720,249
Norristown	3,063,490	3,478,813	-11.9	34,188,435	43,405,190	-21.2	---	---	---	---	---
Montclair	2,300,000	2,634,682	-11.6	23,228,823	29,071,239	-20.2	3,100,000	281,390	+13.1	555,944	407,190
Oranges	4,571,413	3,700,000	+23.5	43,421,238	47,181,878	-8.0	---	---	---	---	---
Hagerstown	2,300,000	2,811,546	-17.5	32,261,644	39,066,276	-17.4	---	---	---	---	---
Bethlehem	23,822,407	19,618,573	+21.4	156,343,832	109,985,297	+42.2	4,016,107	3,545,539	+13.2	---	---
Huntington	7,471,500	9,184,742	-18.7	86,058,151	75,797,582	+13.5	1,215,800	1,415,260	-14.1	---	---
Lebanon	2,407,303	2,895,577	-16.9	30,983,622	40,241,372	-23.1	---	---	---	---	---
Camden	33,314,607	26,226,613	+27.0	253,466,639	295,042,097	-14.2	---	---	---	---	---
Jamestown	4,378,164	4,756,333	-9.9	48,296,471	34,925,038	+38.2	765,385	1,264,347	-39.5	---	---
Niagara Falls	4,300,000	5,506,502	-19.8	48,859,671	53,116,873	-9.1	---	---	---	---	---
Total Middle	21,958,112,115	24,954,995,941	-12.1	211,751,418,004	288,801,560,524	-26.7	4,043,517,262	5,000,566,305	-19.1	6,579,408,843	5,052,343,912
Chicago	2,224,666,807	2,601,481,638	-14.5	25,974,692,057	32,669,233,535	-20.5	422,464,105	530,439,947	-20.6	614,981,495	481,952,250
Cincinnati	246,404,613	297,112,255	-26.5	2,800,971,276	3,596,794,020	-20.5	47,549,654	57,490,506	-17.3	65,550,985	57,881,802
Cleveland	359,609,358	574,152,024	-37.4	4,666,900,000	6,907,387,037	-32.5	63,284,124	120,231,980	-47.4	121,526,373	93,599,273
Detroit	465,878,008	454,961,245	+2.3	4,699,482,451	6,104,323,103	-23.1	92,383,000	76,667,054	+20.5	86,000,000	64,033,494
Milwaukee	120,978,262	134,745,797	-10.3	1,445,267,585	1,736,327,000	-16.8	22,363,522	25,360,732	-11.8	29,114,713	28,531,967
Indianapolis	74,990,000	71,989,000	-14.4	785,350,000	941,938,000	-16.6	13,872,000	13,500,000	-17.2	15,454,000	13,952,000
Columbus	59,246,800	66,638,500	-11.1	660,408,100	751,010,400	-12.1	11,479,300	12,355,900	-7.1	14,370,900	9,500,000
Toledo	48,700,000	63,668,500	-25.0	591,363,867	788,589,665	-25.0	9,676,359	10,900,907	-11.2	12,000,489	9,432,218
Peoria	16,652,261	19,084,233	-40.3	191,250,996	281,528,229	-32.1	2,824,305	3,469,031	-18.6	4,937,688	5,916,596
Grand Rapids	26,482,941	26,048,607	-1.7	291,362,242	352,898,673	-17.4	4,620,000	4,543,158	+1.7	6,423,417	5,401,419
Dayton	16,841,539	18,086,581	-6.9	210,625,250	249,491,107	-15.6	2,947,738	3,626,117	-18.7	4,232,768	4,026,056
Evansville	21,911,884	21,232,810	+6.2	216,797,580	261,887,296	-17.2	3,505,183	3,986,094	-12.0	4,725,313	3,881,758
Springfield, Ill.	9,667,223	11,634,881	-17.7	124,002,050	146,814,949	-15.5	1,599,835	2,208,513	-27.6	2,508,073	1,927,225
Fort Wayne	8,796,914	8,719,620	+0.9	92,206,238	108,622,114	-15.1	1,648,680	1,613,074	+5.3	2,010,027	1,369,819
Youngstown	12,733,319	19,913,352	-36.1	188,351,262	243,665,233	-22.8	3,017,295	4,300,000	-29.8	4,500,000	3,797,497
Akron	29,663,000	52,007,000	-43.0	327,072,000	584,917,000	-44.1	4,443,000	7,374,000	-39.7	8,925,000	4,347,000
Lexington	5,735,376	5,208,078	+10.1	71,722,888	111,124,547	-35.4	1,100,000	1,200,000	-11.5	3,000,000	2,497,353
Rockford	8,000,000	10,361,917	-22.6	95,201,095	136,846,998	-30.4	1,520,000	1,747,099	-13.6	2,285,455	1,900,000
Canton	13,801,155	19,610,116	-27.4	178,501,814	267,397,140	-33.2	2,118,184	3,597,993	-32.8	4,018,601	1,609,969
Bloomington	5,236,107	6,259,677	-16.4	68,788,960	97,224,374	-29.3	948,971	1,025,298	-7.4	1,506,251	1,100,301
Quincy	5,300,000	6,378,721	-16.6	66,866,496	97,022,708	-31.1	891,860	1,106,751	-19.4	1,685,137	1,210,106
Springfield, Ohio	5,027,981	6,948,517	-21.9	71,737,517	91,059,064	-21.3	983,505	1,639,352	-40.0	1,735,202	1,605,500
Decatur	4,729,927	5,513,370	-14.2	58,125,169	80,324,319	-27.6	732,250	917,015	-20.3	1,421,130	973,454
South Bend	7,090,314	6,838,091	+3.7	113,132,938	99,495,626	+13.7	1,217,078	1,400,000	-13.0	1,600,000	1,050,000
Jackson	5,033,618	5,434,435	-7.4	62,388,440	85,320,244	-26.9	---	---	---	---	---
Mansfield	4,983,273	6,483,337	-23.1	64,242,584	99,161,095	-27.9	987,586	1,173,300	-15.8	1,207,356	822,054
Danville	3,057,999	3,666,625	-16.6	41,975,533	47,943,013	-12.5	547,737	604,356	-9.3	715,734	572,000
Lansing	7,359,000	7,792,000	-5.6	97,799,000	99,072,122	-1.3	1,315,000	1,200,000	+9.6	1,300,000	810,000
Lima	3,518,265	5,833,614	-39.7	44,203,849	53,233,635	-20.0	678,216	748,869	-15.8	1,150,000	775,000
Jacksonville, Ill.	1,312,254	3,002,046	-59.6	17,653,052	32,838,765	-42.3	267,583	909,908	-76.6	822,797	698,954
Ann Arbor	2,528,334	2,782,744	-19.3	30,119,761	31,947,723	-5.8	3,320,000	3,750,000	-14.9	3,471,015	437,967
Owensboro	3,286,568	2,073,556	+92.3	45,986,911	35,091,193	+31.0	391,694	290,311	-86.5	1,220,510	1,291,248
Filint	6,300,000	7,125,465	-12.0	75,382,831	130,818,577	-42.4	---	---	---	---	---
Gary	4,300,000	7,188,909	-40.1	58,313,241	74,124,264	-21.4	---	---	---	---	---
Lorain	1,108,243	1,978,210	-44.0	16,416,560	22,770,026	-27.8	---	---	---	---	---
Adrian	910,000	724,144	+18.5	10,293,247	14,170,314	-27.4					

THE FINANCIAL SITUATION.

The death of Senator Penrose has started speculation not only as to its possible influence on Pennsylvania party politics but as to the succession to the chairmanship of the Senate's Finance Committee, and the Washington representative of the "Herald" sees ominous consequences in the opportunity that may be seized by the agricultural bloc, which is said to aim "at the triumph of the wheat interests of the Missouri Valley and the cotton-growers of the South over the Wall Street financier, the manufacturer and the small business man in industrial sections of the country." A half-dozen measures are mentioned as having been already "put through under the agricultural goad," and another four are awaiting, prominent among them the freight rate reductions which everybody desires. The hysterical cry that the lowering of income surtaxes would "shift the burden from the rich to the shoulders of the poor" (this cry also having been raised against a sales tax) is especially attributed to the agricultural bloc, which is also said strongly to favor the constitutional amendment suggested by the President for bringing all securities within the reach of taxation. It is in the power of a bi-partisan group of 22 Senators, pursues this correspondent, "to hold up the Government just as the Platt-Tammany combination held up New York in the old days."

Only 8 of these 22 Senators (Democrats, of course) are from the South. The immediate menace seen is that the seniority rule may advance Mr. McCumber of North Dakota to be head of the Senate Committee and make Mr. La Follette of Wisconsin eligible for membership on the conference committee that has to discuss differences with the House on financial and like weighty subjects. The bloc, according to the "Herald's" summary of opinion in Washington, does not conceal its intention to "run" the Government, and the correspondent submits figures to show that the five most prominent bloc States contributed to revenue in the last year only a little over 175 millions, while Massachusetts contributed almost 259 millions, and, with the other four most prominent industrial States, over 2,543 millions; the bloc States furnished less than 3½% of public revenue, against over 51% by the five industrial States.

That a Congressman is oldest in years, or in service, or has been longest on a certain committee, is of course no sound reason why he should succeed to a vacant chairmanship; promotion as well as membership ought to go by fitness, and the "seniority" rule is only a bad habit of democracy which democracy must abolish. It is true that the relative influence of the States—and this may be said also of their numerical weight—is not as it ought to be in Congress, partly because of the equal representation in the Senate, but more because the seem inclines to rise to the top of the political boiling pot and the substance to stay at or near the bottom. It is true, further, that we are not exempt from sectional feeling and that this gets into our taxation, from which it ought to be scrupulously barred. A bloc is a manifestation of a disease. One is neither better nor worse than another. The disease is a combination of selfishness and short-sightedness, and now that we, the American people, have encouraged the labor unions by many years of tame and blind submission we face the just punishment of

having the same "class" trouble spread. We have allowed the cry that "Wall Street" is an octopus; that has grown into an under-current of jealousy between East and West, and everywhere between the Haves and Have Nots. As for the farmer, his position as "end man" in the circle is assured. He has had to endure being the butt of newspaper jests, but that should not anger him, for he is everybody's friend, and everybody is his; this needs no proof, since he who does not care for the farmer does not care for himself.

Yet the farmer may or may not be in such special trouble as to need a special pull of relief by all the rest of the country; complaint is easy and general, requiring no genius, and he should not be hasty to assume that he has more than his fair share of the world's troubles. But suppose he has? A national conference to talk his case over is set for the 23rd, and there can be no objection to this, provided it follows the example of the late unemployment talk and avoids an outcry to Government, for that means that all the rest of the people must accept an extra turn of the universal squeeze, in order that he may have some pressure taken off. If he cannot respond to the suggestion that he be too proud and independent to adopt the tactics of more closely unionized "labor," let him take note of the immovable severity of economic law. If he crowds the railroads overmuch, or if he manages to boost the unit prices of his own products, or if in any other manner he elbows others that he may get more room, the elbowing will react upon himself; the unions are still trying not to admit this, though they are gradually compelled to see it, and cannot our farmer rise to a higher level of practical sense than these too-long indulged fretful children?

It is wise to guard against any premature and undue alarm, but also wise to face the thing at its potential worst. Putting it thus, the thing is sectionalism, and we should recognize it as probably the most subtle and serious dispersive factor in our political structure. It is really the crucial test of democracy. Can we pass the test? To assume that we cannot and shall not seems to doubt the plan of Providence and thus to be inadmissible. But we need to make a New Year resolution—and to summon to its keeping all the seriousness and strength in American character—that we will put down all act and talk and thought of sectionalism and "class" and will stand together for justice, righteousness and progress.

The meeting of the Allied Supreme Council at Cannes, in Southern France, the first session of which was held yesterday, was the event to which special attention was given in Allied and other European capitals throughout the week. A preliminary gathering of prominent financiers and business men from England, France, Italy and Belgium, was held in Paris a week ago yesterday. The New York "Times" correspondent said that "the British memorandum on the principles to be followed if Europe is to be reorganized were discussed, and, on the whole, approved." Commenting further on that gathering, he said: "To-day's [last Friday] meeting has then to be taken as simply a preliminary meeting of a series of three, of which the second will be at Cannes and the third probably in London or Brussels." Continuing he outlined the British memorandum in part as follows: "About what the contents of the

British memorandum are there is an unusual amount of discretion. They may, however, be summarized as follows: The memorandum sets out that all economic welfare depends on three things: (1) good communications, (2) respect for law and its just enforcement, (3) easy establishment of commercial relations by means of stable currencies." By way of analysis of the program the correspondent observed "with the first and second of these three conditions this conference is not directly concerned. Their settlement is more a matter for the Supreme Council or for the general conference which will be summoned later." He also asserted that "the matter immediately before this conference is how it may be possible to reconstruct Russian communications. In the British memorandum the suggestion is made that a consortium be formed which will group the resources of each country and hold them available for the work of reconstruction when the two conditions have been established of the enforcement of law in Russia and the formation of a new general currency. In this consortium it is hoped that France and England will take equal shares and ultimately, of course, equal profits."

The Paris correspondent of the New York "Herald" cabled an outline of a much more elaborate program which he said was "adopted in principle" at the Paris gathering a week ago yesterday. According to his understanding, the scheme embraces the following points: "1. The promotion of a vast international consortium, under Government auspices, of private, commercial, financial and industrial interests of each country for making possible the exchange of commodities between producing and semi-pauper countries. 2. There will be the principle of equal participation in this consortium by every country so wishing, regardless of its exchange position or financial strength, provided it agrees to respect private property enterprises and to establish laws to that effect, this being particularly directed against Russia and Germany. 3. The right to be reserved to the United States to come in on an equal participation basis if it so desires, and also to Japan and other non-European countries. 4. The individual commercial interests of these countries having subscribed to the full extent of their participation in this gigantic international combine, orders are to be taken from consuming countries and allotted by countries according to their participation, payment to be made to the syndicate either in securities or commodities, which, in turn, are to be allotted according to the extent of participation. 5. It was suggested that the capital be one billion pounds sterling." He added that "a significant point in the deliberations was the evident anxiety of the participants for American co-operation with the implied suggestion that if American interests refuse to profit by the opportunity America possibly may be shut off from participation in the European reconstruction trade."

Following a meeting at the Quai d'Orsay the next morning, a semi-official statement was issued, in which it was set forth that "the actual resolution passed in agreement was in outline as follows: 'That it should be recommended to the Supreme Council that an international industrial corporation should be formed and that Great Britain, France, Germany and the United States [if the United States so desires] should take equal shares in the capital of the corporation, and that other Allied nations and such

neutrals as may be arranged should also participate, in amounts to be agreed on by the Franco-British organizing committee.'" The New York "Times" correspondent added that "during to-day's [last Saturday] discussion the question of the kind of money in which the capital of the corporation should be subscribed was again discussed, but the decision had to be adjourned and a small committee was appointed to consider in what money or moneys subscriptions should be made. The British naturally wished the subscription to be made in sterling, but some other countries represented to-day declared that, in view of the possibility of the early improvement in their depreciated currencies, subscription in sterling would entail certain hardship. To meet this objection the British delegates suggested a modified plan which would enable subscribers to use either sterling or francs for subscription. In the end the matter was referred to a sub-committee for consideration and decision before the date of the meeting at Cannes." The correspondent added that "except for this difficulty the plan is now ready to be submitted to the Governments, but it will not be published until it is in their hands. In addition to the details given yesterday it can be added that the capital which the promoters believe will be required will be £20,000,000. With this they will be prepared to set to work on the reorganization of the railroads and harbors of Eastern Europe in a way to provide facilities for private enterprise to follow them with the assurance that, at least, the essential conditions of economic and commercial life will be provided. Further, the corporation will undertake to advise private enterprises as to conditions in various countries in which it is proposed to undertake operations and if necessary assist them. The basis of all these suggested operations is the clause in the joint memorandum which will be presented at Cannes that these operations can be conducted only in countries 'which guarantee the rights of private property and will enforce justice.' The next step is then for the Governments to obtain from Russia the promise and fulfillment of such condition. Without that promise and the guarantee of its fulfillment it will admittedly be impossible for the corporation to set to work, and the whole present proposal will naturally fall to the ground."

On Monday Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, the British Secretary of War, is said to have "outlined to George Harvey, American Ambassador to Great Britain, the plan of David Lloyd George, the British Prime Minister for an economic rejuvenation of Europe, and the results of the meetings in Paris by bankers and business men of the Allied countries." The Associated Press correspondent said that he was "informed from a trustworthy source that Sir Laming made it clear that Great Britain regarded participation by the United States as one of the essentials if the consortium proposed in Paris was to succeed. Mr. Harvey is understood to have replied that the United States would not make known its position until the plan was formally brought up before the Supreme Court." Ambassador Harvey had a long conference with Myron T. Herrick, American Ambassador to France, "in which the economic conference and other questions coming up before the conference were considered."

Premier Briand of France "and his energetic colleague, Louis Loucheur, Minister for the Devastated

Regions, left Paris Tuesday evening for Cannes to have a two days' conversation with Lloyd George before the regular meeting of the Supreme Council begins on Friday." In an interview shortly before leaving the Premier asserted that "the key to the whole European situation is France's safety. Let there first of all be a compact or alliance between Great Britain and France—a compact which we offered and asked for, but have not obtained. Such a compact would be the platform on which the reconstruction of Europe could best be based. It would also be best proof that our naval building program is not, and never can be, directed against our English friends. To such a compact other alliances, embracing our other allies, might be attached, perhaps in the form of the Pacific compact. But a Franco-British compact must be the kernel basis of them all."

In an Associated Press dispatch from Paris the following morning it was asserted that "Premier Briand is determined to limit the agenda of the coming Supreme Council meeting at Cannes to two questions—reparations and the economic restoration of Central Europe, it was indicated in authoritative quarters to-day. It is understood he is in favor of subsequently calling an economic conference, at which perhaps Russia and Germany may be represented." The correspondent added that "it is known that the French delegation agrees in principle to Germany's making four payments of 125,000,000 gold marks each on the 15th of January, February, March and April, although Premier Briand has insisted that nothing binding was decided with Prime Minister Lloyd George during the recent conversations in London, inasmuch as Belgium and Italy were not represented there. It was semi-officially stated to-day, however, that he consented to a delay of the 1922 German payments, except for 500,000,000 gold marks, as well as to other measures intended to relieve Germany, such as fixing the price of reparations coal at the lowest limit of French and British current market figures. Should Belgium concur, and advices from Brussels are to the effect that she will, nothing further in the way of cash payments in 1922 will be demanded from Germany than the half-billion gold marks. Although Germany's ability to pay the 500,000,000 gold marks is generally accepted in French circles, Germany still is officially on record as being unable to pay more than one-third of this amount."

Reports came from Berlin to the effect that the Germans expected the French to display quite a different attitude. The correspondent there of the New York "Tribune" cabled Wednesday morning "that France will prevent Germany gaining any real concessions from the Cannes conference is an opinion that is steadily gaining strength here, and Berlin political circles, which a few days ago appeared optimistic regarding an impending radical turn in the Entente's reparations policy, now are evincing an increasing pessimism as the conference draws near."

Premiers Lloyd George and Briand renewed their "conversations" at Cannes on Wednesday. Premier Bonomi of Italy arrived there during the day. The following day they were continued, with representatives of Italy and Belgium participating. It was stated in cable advices from Cannes that these gatherings were held "with the intention of putting the reparations and other problems into shape for con-

sideration at the opening session of the Allied Supreme Council."

Announcement was made yesterday morning that at the private conferences Thursday "it was decided that the first general meeting would take place to-morrow [Friday] at the scheduled time of 11 o'clock in the Marine Club and that the subject of discussion would be the general economic situation of Europe." The New York "Times" correspondent added that "the meaning of this decision is that Lloyd George has once more succeeded in getting his way and the general economic situation is to take precedence of the concrete question of reparations at this meeting." He also said that "from the point of view of the number of representatives, nations and interests, this conference surpasses any ever held since the Peace Conference of 1919." Commenting upon the probable trend of the opening session, the "Times" representative said: "The great question which everyone is asking to-night is whether the United States Ambassador George Harvey will to-morrow take part in the discussion of the economic situation of this continent. He has let it be known that it is only on that point that he will take part in any discussion, and that on reparations pure and simple as they have been considered in the past he will follow the prescribed attitude of non-participation of his Government. But how far will he come into to-morrow's discussion? That is what everyone is anxious to know, and on this subject the Ambassador remains dumb."

The New York "Tribune" gave the situation a somewhat sensational aspect by cabling the following: "The Allies have learned through the medium of a message to Premier Lloyd George from Sir Auckland Geddes, British Ambassador to Washington, as well as through the interchange of notes between France and America, that Secretary Hoover is almost alone in the American Cabinet in his wish for active American collaboration, and that while Mr. Hoover is supported by the financial world, American public opinion is dead against the sacrifices that such a course would make necessary." He added that "this news has created a certain amount of mental havoc here. Premier Lloyd George, facing a general election in England, cannot consent to big sacrifices for England without having American collaboration. Premier Briand, on the other hand, is pledged to make no sacrifices of French interests, and cannot face the French Parliament unless he returns to Paris with material guaranties. It is even rumored here that M. Briand is ready to discuss resignation and President Millerand has gone so far as to approach Count Steeg, Governor-General of Algeria, regarding his acceptance of the Premiership, with M. Poincare holding the joint portfolio of Finance and Reparations."

Premier Briand convened the Allied Supreme Council at 11:20 o'clock yesterday morning. The meeting was held in the grand salon of the Cannes Yacht Club. Premier Lloyd George, in his address, in which he was said to have used "plainer language than had been heard at any preceding meeting of the Council," "warned the Allied Powers that they could not look to any others but themselves to work out the economic rehabilitation of Europe. He appealed to the Allies to set aside prejudices and work together to this end." He declared that "the Allies had reached a point where they must act decisively and broadly if the economic structure of Europe

was to be saved." He said "the present meeting of the Supreme Council was the most important which had been held since the armistice, and that the public opinion of the world required the Allies to take wider responsibilities for the revival of Europe." Advices from London last evening stated that Lloyd George's economic restoration plan was adopted "in principle" by the Council, and that it had been decided "to summon a five-Power conference to be held in March in Italy." It was added that Russia and Germany have been invited to participate.

Pending the reconvening of the Dail Eireann on last Tuesday the principal definite development in Ireland relative to the peace treaty was the adoption of resolutions by various County Councils in favor of it. In a cablegram Monday morning the Dublin correspondent of the New York "Times" said that "the first day of the new year was signalized throughout Southern Ireland by a whole-hearted outburst of enthusiasm in favor of ratification of the Anglo-Irish treaty. Almost all the public boards have recorded their demands for acceptance." The opinion was expressed then that the treaty would be adopted by a majority of 12.

Last Tuesday the Dail came together after the holiday recess of twelve days. The Associated Press correspondent in Dublin asserted that "the animosity between the two factions seemed far more sharply drawn than before the adjournment for the holidays, and was the outstanding feature of the morning session." He added that "the Dail had before it once more an order of the day calling for consideration of both Arthur Griffith's ratification motion and Eamon de Valera's alternative proposals. It was not generally thought the debate would run many days longer, many members anticipating a vote by Thursday night or Friday." De Valera and Michael Collins were the principal speakers. The former was quoted as having asserted that "the fight for a republic would be continued whether the treaty were ratified or not." Collins made frequent attempts to get the floor. In reply to cries of "Chair!" "Chair!" and "Order!" "Order!" Collins shouted: "I don't care whether I'm in order or not! I'm speaking for the Irish people, and, rightly or wrongly, they have accepted this treaty."

Eamon de Valera, at Wednesday's session of the Dail Eireann, submitted an alternate peace plan in the form of an amendment to the treaty signed in London on Dec. 6. He issued also a manifesto, in which he denounced the compact and urged the people to resist it. In part he said: "I stand as a symbol for the republic. Neither publicly nor privately have I changed from that position. It would be a matter for impeachment if I did. I defy anyone to prove that I have departed one letter from the republic as established." De Valera's plan contains no oath of allegiance, but recognizes the King. Arthur Griffith bitterly opposed the De Valera plan. Two short sessions were held during the day, "without making further progress in consideration of the Anglo-Irish treaty," and adjournment was taken until yesterday morning. A Dublin dispatch Thursday evening stated that "it will then meet in private session to hear the report of the unofficial committee which is trying to find a basis upon which an agreement might be reached." Commenting upon the two plans, the Dublin correspondent

of the Philadelphia "Public Ledger" said that "close students of the treaty which the Irish plenipotentiaries brought back for the Irish Legislature to sanction can see only one big difference between De Valera's plan and that agreed to in Downing Street. That difference is that it in reality gives the Irish people less than the original document and in no way mitigates allegiance to an English King."

During the recess between the two sessions on Thursday, A. B. Kay, Dublin correspondent of the London "Times," was "kidnapped by armed men and hustled away to Cork." The New York "Times" representative cabled that "the kidnapping was generally believed to be the result of anger at articles he had written about the sentiment in Cork favoring the ratification of the peace agreement." Word was received in Dublin Thursday evening that Kay had been released. He returned there yesterday. According to Dublin cable advices yesterday morning, the split between the two factions in the Dail "suddenly made paramount the necessity for compromise, and a joint committee of nine members of the Dail has been appointed to find a common basis for agreement."

At yesterday's session, which apparently was no less stormy than those that had gone before, De Valera presented his resignation as President of the Irish Republic, and also that of his Cabinet. According to one dispatch from Dublin last evening, he withdrew the former "upon the condition that a vote be taken on the peace treaty to-morrow" [today]. The Associated Press said that, according to a Central News dispatch received in London from Dublin, the Dail Eireann had decided to take such a vote to-day.

In London a week ago yesterday Walter Lyman Brown, in behalf of the American Relief Administration, and Leonid Krassin, for the Russian Soviet Government, signed the agreement negotiated in London a week before, "whereby Soviet Russia will turn over to the American Relief Administration \$10,000,000 worth of gold for the purchase of grain in the United States for famine relief in the Volga region." The following are the principal features of the agreement, as given by the Associated Press correspondent at Moscow: "It calls for the expenditure of \$10,000,000 in America within ninety days. The purchases of food and grain are to be made monthly at the rate of not less than one-third of the total amount, and the first order must be given within five days of the signing of the agreement. Pending the shipment of the gold from Moscow to Stockholm, where it is to be delivered to a representative of the Relief Administration, the Soviet Government must first open an irrevocable account to the amount of \$3,500,000 in a London branch of an American bank as a guarantee. It is stated further in the agreement that the gold available for the purpose stipulated was in the possession of the Russian Treasury in 1914. The Soviet has guaranteed, in principle, the use of the \$10,000,000 for seed grain, which, under the 90-day clause, will be made available for spring sowing in the Volga district. The Soviet recognizes the agreement as constituting a service of the American Relief Administration, without charge or profit, the purpose being to secure the maximum of food relief for Russia."

In an address before the All-Russian Congress that was in session in Moscow last week, War Min-

ister Trotzky "warned the world to keep hands off Soviet Russia." Outlining the position of the Soviet, he asserted: "We don't want war, but if in the spring our enemies make a new attempt to grab territory, let them bear in mind that the Russian army will not be the army of 1918 or 1919, but of 1922, that in attempting to contract Soviet Russia they are more likely to achieve its expansion." Continuing, he said: "I ask you, can any foreign statesman, any foreign journalist, any foreign reader, think this congress, where there are present delegates from the stricken Volga provinces, would sanction any policy save one that will heal Russia's terrible wounds, instead of tearing them open?" The New York "Times" correspondent in Moscow said that "the speaker went further. He declared the Russian offer to recognize the debts of the Czarist Government was based not on fear nor on changed opinions, but simply and solely on a desire for peace. He added that the Soviet Government was willing even to discuss the question of private debts, if only the rest of the world would agree to sit down and talk the matter over quietly instead of trying to stab Russia with the daggers of her smaller neighbors." The correspondent expressed the opinion that "as a speaker Trotzky is first class. As an orator he is superior to Lenin, not only in his vivid magnetism, but in his slower delivery, whose every word tells to the farthest end of the building. He uses a picturesque and telling imagery and has the gift of dramatic contrast."

A dispatch was received in Riga from Moscow that just before its adjournment Nikolai Lenin was re-elected "head of the Russian Soviet Government as a result of the unanimous action of the ninth All-Russian Soviet Congress." It was added that "his retention in office was brought about by the unanimous re-election by the newly created executive body of the Congress of M. Kalinin as President of the Executive Committee, which in turn unanimously reappointed Lenin as President of the Council of People's Commissars. M. Tsurupoff, former Minister of Food, and M. Rykoff, former head of the Economic Council, were appointed Vice-Presidents. Premier Lenin is expected to reappoint Minister of War Trotzky and the heads of other Soviet Commissariats."

Dispatches from Riga and other centres Wednesday morning stated that military preparations were under way "along the frontier between Russia and Finland."

The condition of the people in the famine-stricken sections of Russia was pictured as appalling in an Associated Press cablegram from Moscow Thursday evening. The correspondent said in part: "Russia has begun the year 1922 with eight months of unspeakable horror before her and the terrible dread that next summer's crop may only slightly relieve the gnawing famine. American relief workers, who originally cautiously placed the number of probable deaths in the famine area this winter at 2,000,000, now say that 5,000,000 is a low estimate. Many say that 10,000,000, or even more, may be swallowed up by the famine. This is possible particularly since the shortage of horses, oxen and camels makes it impossible to reach the more remote sections, and since it is predicted that the typhus epidemic probably will be the worst that Russia has ever suffered. The Americans are feeding nearly 1,000,000 chil-

dren, and the British and various other organizations are furnishing nourishment for at least 100,000. Their work is being done under the most dangerous conditions."

No one, either in Europe or in this country, who was familiar with the situation, was inclined to minimize the importance of the difficulties of the Banca Italiana di Sconto. Through its formal petition for a moratorium it became known that its liabilities were placed at 4,000,000,000 lire. The petition set forth that "the moratorium would enable the institution to tide over the present financial crisis, and that it anticipated a complete restoration of credit." The petition attributed the embarrassment of the bank to "the general European economic breakdown," rather than to conditions in Italy alone. Announcement was made in a cablegram from Rome a week ago this morning that the bank was "continuing all operations except payments, which, it is stated, will be resumed as soon as the tribunal limits the amounts which may be withdrawn daily." The Associated Press correspondent cabled that "there was a tone of confidence in financial circles, and so far as could be gleaned from expressions of bankers, the trouble was regarded as altogether confined to the one institution."

It became known here on Sunday that the day before, "at the instance of the Ministers of Industry and the Treasury, the King signed a decree postponing until Jan. 4 the December settlement, which was to have occurred to-day on all the Italian Bourses." The Associated Press correspondent cabled that "heads of various industrial enterprises conferred with the Cabinet to-day [last Saturday], discussing Governmental aid for continuance of the industries which have been dependent on the Banca Italiana di Sconto. The wages problem of thousands of employees was considered. It is generally expected that State aid will be forthcoming in order to permit the affected industries to continue." He also said that "the position of the Banca Italiana di Sconto is attributed to the industrial situation, as it has enormous holdings in shipyards at Genoa, Trieste and Fiume, and the steel works, mines and public utilities. The bank's foreign obligations total 3,000,000,000 lire, and its deposit accounts 1,000,000,000, while its assets consist of treasury and other bonds valued at about 2,000,000,000 lire, foreign credits of 1,700,000, with other lesser items. In its last statement, issued for October, the bank reported a favorable balance of 500,000,000 lire." Minister of Finance Soleri gave an interview, in which he said in part: "There is no need for alarm. This financial crisis is completely isolated and there is no danger of its going any further. It has reached its crest. The condition will improve. There have been no repercussions in any other financial institution, all others finding themselves in a very strong position and able to meet any emergency. We still remain firm in our estimate that Italy's deficit for the present fiscal year will be reduced to 3,000,000,000 lire, the present flurry having given no cause for us to change that figure. We look for further reductions in our military and naval budgets, through the results of the Washington Conference, but do not know as yet whether that will be possible. Our national debt has been unified, as we are not setting aside a separate war debt account, but are meeting the whole. We have estimated our share of the

German indemnity at a low figure in order to be on the safe side. We are receiving some coal from the Germans, which helps a bit. Though our foreign trade shows an unfavorable balance, this is more than offset by other income which remains unseen. For instance, emigrant remittances yield us more than 4,000,000,000 lire annually. Then there are the tourists and other channels by which money is brought into the country, thus offsetting the unfavorable trade figures. Thus we are not in a bad way in that respect."

The advices received here by international bankers during the first two or three days after the failure indicated that it was more serious than represented in the foregoing statement. This information was substantiated by later press advices direct from Rome. The following information was given in a cablegram made public here Thursday morning: "The court dealing with the application of the Banca Italiana di Sconto for a moratorium to-day [Wednesday] appointed four commissioners to assume the duties of the Board of Management. The exchanges in Rome, Turin, Milan, Florence, Naples and Genoa are still closed owing to the failure of the Ministers and brokers to come to an agreement. The Government had ordered a report on the monthly bank clearings for to-day [Wednesday], but this was delayed by the attitude of the exchange agents, who asked the Government for some assurance concerning the Banca di Sconto shares. The removal of the directors of the Banca di Sconto and the sequestration of their property is a temporary measure and may be modified later." Yesterday morning the situation was further outlined as follows: "The work of making a clearance of the Bourse transactions for last month, amounting to 15,000,000 lire, resulted to-day [Thursday] in the clearance of 8,000,000 lire. At Genoa the Bourse remains at a standstill. The newly appointed commissioners of the Banca di Sconto are taking a serious view of the liability of the former administrators of the bank. Generally the court order of the seizure of the property of the administrators is viewed with alarm. The decision of the court, according to the 'Piccolo,' 'is the first intimation that the condition of the bank may be most serious.'"

Official discount rates at leading European centres continue to be quoted at 5% in London, Berlin and Belgium; 5½% in Paris, Denmark and Sweden; 6% in Rome, Norway and Madrid; 4½% in Holland and 4% in Switzerland. In London open market discounts were easier and sixty-day bills declined to 3¼%, against 4%, and ninety days to 3½%, as against 3⅝% a week earlier. Money on call in London was likewise materially lower, having been reduced to 2¼%, in comparison with 3½% last week. The open market discount rates in Paris remain at 4½% and in Switzerland at 5%, the same as heretofore.

A further small gain in gold of £5,581 was shown by the Bank of England in its weekly statement, while total reserve, owing to a cut in note circulation of £826,000, expanded £831,000. As against this, however, other items showed the heavy strain of the year-end payments and the proportion of reserve to liabilities declined to 11.04%, as against 16.61% last week. In the corresponding week of 1921 the ratio stood at 8.83% and in the year preceding 12¼%.

Substantial increases were shown in the deposit items—£1,061,000 in public deposits and £68,372,000 in other deposits. Temporary loans to the Government were larger by £31,790,000, while loans on other securities increased £36,855,000. Threadneedle Street's stock of gold on hand aggregates £128,439,940. Last year the total was £128,285,060 and in 1920 £91,280,521. Reserve totals £21,194,000, which compares with £15,165,800 in 1921 and £19,382,891 the year before. Circulation is £125,694,000, as against £131,569,260 last year and £90,347,630 in 1920, while loans amount to £120,019,000, in comparison with £84,729,122 and £96,282,226 one and two years ago, respectively. The Bank's minimum discount rate continues unchanged at 5%. Clearings through the London banks for the week totaled £732,292,000, which compares with £877,193,000 in the same week of last year. We append herewith a tabular statement of comparisons of the principal items of the Bank of England returns:

	1922. Jan. 4.	1921. Jan. 5.	1920. Jan. 7.	1919. Jan. 8.	1918. Jan. 9.
	£	£	£	£	£
Circulation.....	125,694,000	131,569,260	90,347,630	70,141,020	45,703,130
Public deposits.....	17,118,000	16,719,245	21,463,041	28,163,856	37,898,539
Other deposits.....	174,903,000	154,987,508	137,296,057	140,187,612	123,633,523
Government securities.....	68,751,000	89,760,831	60,941,000	71,877,244	56,863,170
Other securities.....	120,019,000	84,729,122	96,282,226	85,493,318	90,661,200
Reserve notes & coin.....	21,194,000	15,165,800	19,382,891	28,829,527	31,825,536
Coin and bullion.....	128,439,940	128,285,060	91,280,521	80,520,547	59,078,666
Proportion of reserve to liabilities.....	11.04%	8.83%	12¼%	17.12%	19.71%
Bank rate.....	5%	7%	6%	5%	5

The Bank of France continues to report small gains in its gold item, the increase this week being 87,950 francs. The Bank's gold holdings are thus brought up to 5,524,315,850 francs, comparing with 5,500,646,861 francs at this time last year and with 5,579,159,128 francs the year before; of these amounts 1,948,367,056 francs were held abroad in both 1922 and 1921 and 1,978,278,416 francs in 1920. During the week, increases in the various items were registered as follows: Silver, 132,000 francs; bills discounted, 344,993,000 francs; advances, 44,977,000 francs; general deposits, 163,160,000 francs. Treasury deposits, on the other hand, fell off 7,228,000 francs. An expansion of nearly a billion francs, 934,374,000 francs, to be exact, occurred in note circulation, increasing the total outstanding to 37,401,830,000 francs. This contrasts with 38,589,593,950 francs on the corresponding date last year and with 38,009,907,190 francs in 1920. In 1914, just prior to the outbreak of war, the amount was only 6,683,184,784 francs. Comparisons of the various items in this week's return with the statement of last week and corresponding dates in both 1921 and 1920 are as follows:

	Changes for Week.	Status as of		
		Jan. 5 1922.	Jan. 6 1921.	Jan. 8 1920.
Gold Holdings—	Francs.	Francs.	Francs.	Francs.
In France.....Inc.	87,950	3,575,948,794	3,552,279,804	3,800,880,711
Abroad.....	No change	1,948,367,056	1,948,367,056	1,978,278,416
Total.....Inc.	87,950	5,524,315,850	5,500,646,861	5,579,159,128
Silver.....Inc.	132,000	279,897,495	266,240,128	264,539,666
Bills discounted.....Inc.	344,993,000	2,850,821,298	3,344,708,959	1,617,166,484
Advances.....Inc.	44,977,000	2,383,322,000	2,222,602,983	1,555,832,329
Note circulation.....Inc.	934,374,000	37,401,830,000	38,589,593,950	38,009,907,190
Treasury deposits.....Dec.	7,228,000	18,786,000	83,358,330	38,368,068
General deposits.....Inc.	163,160,000	2,880,353,000	3,577,976,012	3,125,944,699

The Federal Reserve Bank statement, issued late on Thursday afternoon, showed that gold reserves had again increased while rediscounts were still decreasing. For the system the gain in gold amounted to \$6,000,000. Bills discounted secured by Government obligations fell off \$10,000,000, in "all

other" there was a contraction of \$57,000,000, but in purchased bills there was an increase of \$12,000,000. The result was a decrease in the total of the bill holdings of \$55,000,000 to \$1,239,432,000. This compares with \$2,842,108,000 in the same week of 1921. Total earning assets decreased \$65,000,000 while deposits increased a like amount. A falling off of \$38,000,000 in Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation was shown. As this was offset by the increase in deposit liabilities, the proportion of reserve remained unchanged at 71.1%. In the local Bank there was a gain in gold of only \$1,000,000. On the other hand, the total of the bill holdings was reduced \$3,000,000. Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation remained almost stationary, being \$663,072,000 this week, against \$663,329,000 last week. The Bank's reserve was lowered slightly, that is, from 80.8% to 79.3%.

The pressure incidental to year-end settlements was reflected in Saturday's New York Clearing House bank statement by an expansion in loans of \$53,002,000, but net demand deposits also showed a gain, namely, in amount of \$34,916,000. Total loans and discounts, &c., are now \$4,508,417,000, and demand deposits \$3,904,937,000. The latter is exclusive of \$87,582,000 of Government deposits. Net time deposits also increased, and stand at \$233,257,000, or \$14,963,000 more than the previous week. Cash in own vaults of members of the Federal Reserve Bank was reduced \$5,995,000, to \$73,276,000 (not counted as reserve). In reserves in own vaults of State banks and trust companies a decline of \$398,000 was shown. Reserves of State institutions kept in other depositories fell \$419,000. Member bank reserves with the Federal Reserve Bank declined \$5,407,000; hence surplus was again brought down, this time \$11,217,470, leaving a total of excess reserves on hand of \$17,166,220, as compared with \$28,383,690 the previous week. The above figures for surplus are based on reserves above legal requirements of 13% for member banks of the Federal Reserve System, but not including cash in vault to the amount of \$73,276,000 held by these banks on Saturday last.

Both call and time money have been quotably and actually lower this week. In fact, quotations for both kinds of money were lower yesterday than for a long time. Call loans renewed at 4½% and rapidly dropped to 3½%. Time money continued to be offered at 5% for all dates, but some loans on mixed collateral were said to have been arranged at 4¾%. This is the lowest quotation for time loans since Sept. 4 1917. The 3½% quotation for call loans was the lowest since July 28 1921. During the latter half of the week it was reported that every afternoon some millions of dollars were left unloaned on the Stock Exchange. Although until recently the general trend of the stock market was upward, it is stated that brokers' loans at this centre are not much larger than they were in the middle of last summer, when the estimated low point of \$500,000,000 was reached. In some circles it is thought that the total now is perhaps between \$100,000,000 and \$150,000,000 in excess of that figure. The notable ease of the money market now may be construed in two ways. Speculative interests are likely to suggest that the release of large sums of money in other directions makes the amount available for their purposes materially larger,

and that this should be regarded as a favorable stock market development. Conservative observers, on the other hand, are likely to suggest that the plethora of money is largely the result of continued dulness in general business, and that this is a decidedly unfavorable stock market factor, inasmuch as more business and larger earnings are earnestly desired. The easy money market probably will help to give stability to the investment market for securities. High money at this time would bring about a rather sharp reaction in bond prices and make the placing of further new issues difficult.

As to money rates in detail, a much easier tone was noted and loans on call ranged between 3½@5½%, as against 4½@6% last week. On Tuesday (Monday was a holiday, New Year's Day), 5½% was the high and renewal rate and 5% the low. Wednesday a minimum quotation of 4% was recorded, but renewals continued to be negotiated at 5½%, and this was the high. The range on Thursday was 4@5%, and 5% the renewal basis. Friday there was a decline to 3½%, the lowest since July 1921, while renewals were made at 4½%, which was also the maximum figure for the day. This, of course, was due largely to the return of year-end dividend and interest disbursements to the banks. The above figures apply to both mixed collateral and all-industrial loans alike. For fixed-date maturities the undertone was also easier, and the range yesterday (Friday) was reduced to 4¾@5%, for all periods from sixty days to six months, which compares with the previous quotation of 5@5¼%. Time funds were in larger supply and a fair volume of business was transacted.

Mercantile paper rates were also lowered and sixty and ninety days' endorsed bills receivable and six months' names of choice character are now quoted at 4¾@5%, with names not so well known at 5@5¼%, against 5@5¼% and 5¼@5½% a week ago. The bulk of the business, however, is being done at 5%. A good demand was noted, local as well as out-of-town institutions being in the market for round amounts.

Banks' and bankers' acceptances came in for more attention than for quite some time, owing to the easing in the call market, and New York as well as country banks were buyers. Quotations were marked down ¼ of 1% for prime eligible bills and brokers are now predicting an appreciable broadening in transactions in the near future. For call loans against bankers' acceptances the posted rate of the American Acceptance Council has been reduced from 4½ to 4%. The Acceptance Council makes the discount rates on prime bankers' acceptances eligible for purchase by the Federal Reserve Bank 4¼% bid and 4⅛% asked for bills running for 120 days; 4¼@4⅛% for ninety days; 4¼@4⅛% for sixty days and 4¼@4⅛% for thirty days. Open market quotations are as follows:

SPOT DELIVERY.			
	90 Days.	60 Days.	30 Days.
Prime eligible bills.....	4½@4	4½@4	4½@4
FOR DELIVERY WITHIN THIRTY DAYS.			
Eligible member banks.....	4½ bld		
Eligible non-member banks.....	4½ bld		
Ineligible bank bills.....	4¼ bld		

There have been no changes this week in Federal Reserve Bank rates. 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 JANUARY 6 1922.

Federal Reserve Bank of—	Discounted bills maturing within 90 days (incl. mem- ber banks' 15-day collateral notes secured by—			Bankers' accep- tances disc'ted for member banks	Trade accep- tances maturing within 90 days	Agricul- tural and live stock paper maturing 91 to 180 days
	Treasury notes and certificate of indebt- edness	Liberty bonds and Victory notes	Other- wise secured and unsecured			
Boston.....	4½	4½	4½	4½	4½	4½
New York.....	4½	4½	4½	4½	4½	4½
Philadelphia.....	4½	4½	4½	4½	4½	4½
Cleveland.....	5	5	5	5	5	5
Richmond.....	5	5	5	5	5	5
Atlanta.....	5	5	5	5	5	5
Chicago.....	5	5	5	5	5	5
St. Louis.....	5	5	5	5	5	5
Minneapolis.....	5½	5½	5½	5½	5½	5½
Kansas City.....	5	5	5	5	5	5
Dallas.....	5½	5½	5½	5½	5½	5½
San Francisco.....	5	5	5	5	5	5

Little, if any, increase in activity has been noted in sterling exchange this week, and the market is still dull and featureless with the volume of business light and changes in rates unimportant. Observance of the New Year holidays, of course, tended to restrict operations in the early part of the week. With the resumption of business on Tuesday, however, dealers generally appeared to be just as indisposed to re-enter the market as was the case in the week preceding. The feeling seems to be growing that as important developments in international affairs are likely to transpire at almost any moment, it is safest to adopt a policy of extreme caution with regard to new or extensive business commitments; hence trading is being kept down to actual commercial requirements. Speculators were said to have taken only a small part in the week's transactions. Almost from the start, London sent lower quotations, and this, as usual, had a depressing effect on price levels here; consequently, demand rates declined from 4 21½ to 4 17; although at no time could the market be regarded as seriously unsettled. On the contrary, the undertone was quite steady the greater part of the time. According to some authorities, a factor which had a good deal to do with the sagging tendency above noted was the dearth of buyers except at concessions. One explanation of the intense dulness and the easier trend was that they reflected the elimination of the recent heavy short interest, freer offerings and a sharp falling off in demand because of the fact that end-of-the-year requirements had been practically completed. In the final dealings a more cheerful feeling prevailed and there was a recovery to 4 20¼.

Attention is centering increasingly on the forthcoming Economic Conference to be held at Cannes, France. Private advices from that point to the effect that an agreement had been reached on an important plan to stabilize the leading European exchanges was well received, but had no immediate effect on market levels, and the same is true of the announcement that Senator Owen has devised a new scheme for the solution of the foreign indebtedness problem and the restoration of normal economic world conditions.

Referring to the day-to-day rates, sterling exchange on Saturday last was a shade easier and demand declined fractionally to 4 20⅝@4 21⅛, cable transfers to 4 21⅛@4 21⅝ and sixty days to 4 18⅝@4 19⅛; trading was very dull. Monday was a holiday (New Year's Day). On Tuesday some irregularity was noted and the receipt of lower quotations from London resulted in forcing prices down in this market to 4 20@4 21 for demand,

4 20½@4 21½ for cable transfers and 4 18@4 19 for sixty days; the volume of transactions was still small. Increased weakness developed on Wednesday and losses of nearly 2 cents took place; the range for demand was 4 18¼@4 20⅜, for cable transfers 4 18¾@4 20⅞ and for sixty days 4 16¼@4 18⅜; no specific reason for the easing was given beyond the fact that the inquiry except at concessions was very light. Dulness predominated on Thursday and the undertone was only barely steady with a further decline to 4 17@4 19⅛ for demand, 4 17½@4 19⅝ for cable transfers and 4 15@4 17⅛ for sixty days. Friday's market was inactive but a trifle firmer; the trend was fractionally higher and demand ranged at 4 19@4 20¼, cable transfers at 4 19¼@4 20¾ and sixty days at 4 17@4 18¼. Closing quotations were 4 17⅝ for sixty days, 4 19⅝ for demand and 4 20⅛ for cable transfers. Commercial sight bills finished at 4 18⅞, sixty days at 4 14½, ninety days at 4 13½, documents for payment (sixty days) at 4 14¾ and seven-day grain bills at 4 18¼. Cotton and grain for payment closed at 4 18⅞. The week's gold arrivals were comparatively light, including only—

\$781,300 French gold on the La Touraine from France and \$1,725,000 on the Red Star SS. Finland from Antwerp. Of this gold \$300,000 was from India and the remainder English gold. Smaller miscellaneous amounts from South America and elsewhere were received as follows: \$196,000 in gold coin on the Zulic from South American ports; 44 packages, 8 bars and various small consignments of gold and platinum on the Allianca from Colombia; \$20,000 on the Constantinople from Greece and 25 bars of silver and a number of small shipments of currency and silver on the Siboney from Mexico. Gold to a considerable amount is expected on the Baltic due here shortly.

Dulness was also the outstanding feature of dealings in the Continental exchanges, although movements differed somewhat from those in the sterling market in that a good deal of irregularity prevailed. Following firmness in the initial transactions, prices broke quite sharply with the renewal of business after the New Year holidays and losses of approximately 10 to 18 points were recorded in French and Belgian francs and Italian lire. In the former the extremes for the week were 8.15 to 7.93⅛ for checks and the latter 7.75 to 7.55. Lire fluctuated between 4.38 and 4.20½ and closed at 4.31. Marks also displayed a sagging tendency, but lost only about 4½ points, with the low 00.50. Greek drachma opened around 4.22 for checks, broke to 4.15, then recovered and finished at 4.32. Changes in values of Central European currencies were less pronounced and quoted rates were on the whole well maintained. Trading was exceptionally light and the fluctuations above noted were to a considerable extent a reflection of movements abroad. However, it should be noted that speculative operations first on one side of the market and then on the other added not a little to the general unsettlement in price levels. Completion of the year-end settlements, and continued indisposition of bankers to re-enter the market until some decision has been reached on the more important of the international issues now pending, served to accentuate the inactivity, though the close was steady and some of the losses were recovered. News from Paris that at a conference of Allied financiers it had been decided to adopt a co-operative scheme for the economic reconstruction of Russia and Central Europe was likewise well received. The question of exchange rates, however, has not as yet been decided.

The official London check rate on Paris closed at 52.30, against 52.44 last week. Sight bills here on the French centre finished at 8.02½, against 8.08; cable transfers 8.03½, against 8.09; commercial sight bills 8.00½, against 8.06, and commercial sixty days 7.94½, against 8.00 last week. Closing rates on Antwerp francs were 7.68½ for checks and 7.69½ for cable transfers, in comparison with 7.73 and 7.74 a week ago. Reichsmarks finished at 0.51¾ for checks and 0.52¾ for cable remittances. Last week the close was 0.53¾ and 0.54¼. Austrian kronen, which were almost stationary for a time turned weak and closed at 0.027½ for checks and 0.033½ for cable transfers, against 0.031½ and 0.04 a week ago. For lire the close was 4.31 for bankers' sight bills and 4.32 for cable transfers, which compares with 4.35¼@4.36¼ the week preceding. Exchange on Czecho-Slovakia finished at 1.63, against 1.47; on Bucharest at 0.81, against 0.75; on Poland at 0.0360, against 0.0350, and on Finland at 1.85, against 1.95 a week ago. Greek exchange closed the week at 4.32 for checks and 4.37 for cable remittances. A week ago the close was 4.15 and 4.20.

Movements in the exchanges on the former neutral centres were devoid of new feature and trading was of minimum proportions. Here also the trend was downward; and although Dutch and Swiss currencies and the Scandinavian exchanges held their own well and opening quotations were strong and higher, later losses were sustained which carried values down to well below the closing levels of last week. Spanish pesetas ruled firm, but later on reacted slightly as a result of rather more liberal offerings and a diminution in the demand.

Bankers' sight on Amsterdam finished at 36.63, against 36.92; cable transfers, 36.68, against 36.97; commercial sight bills 36.58 against 36.82; and commercial sixty days 36.22 against 36.46 last week. Swiss francs closed at 19.30 for bankers' sight bills and 19.35 for cable transfers, against 19.48 and 19.53 the week before. Copenhagen checks finished at 19.90 and cable transfers at 19.95, against 20.02 and 20.07. Checks on Sweden closed at 24.75 and cable remittances at 24.80, against 25.15 and 25.20, while checks on Norway finished at 15.55 and cable transfers at 15.60, against 16.05 and 16.10 the week before. Spanish pesetas closed at 14.89 for checks and 14.94 for cable transfers. This compares with 14.91 and 14.96 a week earlier.

With regard to South American quotations the undertone has remained firm, with rates practically the same as a week ago. The check rate on Argentina closed at 33¾ and cable transfers 33½ (unchanged). For Brazil the close was 12¾ for checks and 127/8 for cable transfers (unchanged). Chilean exchange recovered to 10¾, but reacted to 105/8, the same as the previous week. Peru, however, remained at 3 55, the rate quoted a week ago.

Far Eastern exchange was as follows: Hong Kong, 56@56¼, against 55@55¼; Shanghai, 70¾@77, against 76¾@77; Yokohama, 48¾@49 (unchanged); Manila, 48¾@49, against 47½@47¾; Singapore, 49@49¼ (unchanged); Bombay, 28¾@29, against 28½@29; and Calcutta, 29@29¼, against 28½@28¾.

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 403 of the Emergency Tariff Act of May 27 1921, the Federal Reserve Bank is now certifying daily to the Secretary

of the Treasury the buying rate for cable transfers on the different countries of the world. We give below the record for the week just past. The Federal Reserve Bank does not proclaim the rates until the morning of the following day, and therefore the latest figures it is possible to include in our table are those for Thursday noon, announced on Friday:

CABLE BUYING RATES FIXED BY FEDERAL RESERVE BANK, DEC. 30 1921 TO JAN. 5 1922, INCLUSIVE.

Country and Monetary Unit.	Noon Buying Rate for Cable Transfers in New York. Value in United States Money.					
	Dec. 30.	Dec. 31.	Jan. 2.	Jan. 3.	Jan. 4.	Jan. 5.
EUROPE—						
Austria, krone.....	\$.000397	\$.000389		\$.000381	\$.000389	\$.000353
Belgium, franc.....	.0767	.0773		.0765	.0764	.0759
Bulgaria, lev.....	.007192	.007142		.007058	.007192	.00715
Czecho-Slovakia, krone.....	.014491	.01475		.015481	.016013	.0160
Denmark, krone.....	.1997	.2012		.2002	.1994	.1988
England, pound.....	4.2081	4.2123		4.2089	4.2030	4.1865
Finland, markka.....	.019243	.019157		.019271	.0193	.018914
France, franc.....	.0801	.0813		.0803	.0802	.0796
Germany, reichsmark.....	.005396	.005450		.005298	.005176	.005028
Greece, drachma.....	.0418	.0419		.0422	.0424	.0429
Holland, florin or guilder.....	.3691	.3698		.3684	.3677	.3652
Hungary, krone.....	.001619	.001645		.001634	.001722	.001645
Italy, lira.....	.0433	.0438		.0426	.0428	.0427
Jugoslavia, krone.....	.003841	.003788		.003766	.003703	.003588
Norway, krone.....	.1605	.1607		.1582	.1562	.1547
Poland, Polish mark.....	.000329	.000334		.000332	.000338	.000338
Portugal, escuda.....	.0768	.0791		.0782	.0778	.0782
Rumania, leu.....	.007160	.00814		.00801	.00778	.00758
Serbia, dinar.....	.01545	.01538		.01509	.01489	.01468
Spain, peseta.....	.1497	.1498		.1495	.1493	.1485
Sweden, krona.....	.2517	.2522	HOLIDAY	.2497	.2491	.2465
Switzerland, franc.....	.1954	.1950		.1942	.1940	.1930
ASIA—						
China H. K. Dollar.....	.5459	.5452		.5456	.5524	.5490
Shanghai, tael.....	.7489	.7471		.7438	.7416	.7399
China, Mexican Dollar.....	.5408	.5433		.5450	.5473	.5450
India, rupce.....	.2792	.2796		.2793	.2795	.2779
Japan, yen.....	.4791	.4792		.4792	.4785	.4786
Java, florin or guilder.....	.3660	.3677		.3628	.3618	.....
Singapore, dollar.....	.4800	.4767		.4817	.4800	.4700
NORTH AMERICA—						
Canada, dollar.....	.946563	.952031		.952656	.955469	.947734
Cuba, peso.....	.996045	.995838		.996877	.998126	.997919
Mexico, peso.....	.483438	.4835		.4830	.483625	.4840
Newfoundland, dollar.....	.945208	.949792		.950208	.953333	.944375
SOUTH AMERICA—						
Argentina, peso (gold).....	.7562	.7568		.7579	.7561	.7530
Brazil, milreis.....	.1262	.1265		.1264	.1268	.1258
Uruguay, peso.....	.7199	.7204		.7188	.7204	.7127

The New York Clearing House banks, in their operations with interior banking institutions, have gained \$4,731,988 net in cash as a result of the currency movements for the week ending January 5. Their receipts from the interior have aggregated \$5,388,088, while the shipments have reached \$656,100, as per the following table:

CURRENCY RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS BY NEW YORK BANKING INSTITUTIONS.

Week ending Jan. 5.	Into Banks.	Out of Banks.	Gain or Loss to Banks.
Banks' Interior movement.....	\$5,388,088	\$656,100	Gain \$4,731,988

As the Sub-Treasury was taken over by the Federal Reserve Bank on Dec. 6, 1920, it is no longer possible to show the effect of Government operations on the Clearing House institutions. The Federal Reserve Bank of New York was creditor at the Clearing House each day as follows:

DAILY CREDIT BALANCES OF NEW YORK FEDERAL RESERVE BANK AT CLEARING HOUSE.

Saturday, Dec. 31.	Monday, Jan. 2.	Tuesday, Jan. 3.	Wednesday, Jan. 4.	Thursday, Jan. 5.	Friday, Jan. 6.	Aggregate for Week.
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Holiday	65,200,000	73,200,000	58,300,000	57,900,000	Cr. \$254,600,00	

Note.—The foregoing heavy credits reflect the huge mass of checks which come to the New York Reserve Bank from all parts of the country, in the operation of the Federal Reserve System's par collection scheme. These large credit balances, however, show nothing as to the results of the Reserve Bank's operations with the Clearing House institutions. They represent only one side of the account, as checks drawn on the Reserve Bank itself are presented directly to the bank and never go through the Clearing House.

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

Banks of—	Jan. 5 1922.			Jan. 6 1921.		
	Gold.	Silver.	Total.	Gold.	Silver.	Total.
England.....	£ 128,439,940	£	128,439,940	£ 128,285,060	£	128,285,060
France.....	143,037,952	11,160,000	154,197,952	142,091,192	10,640,000	152,731,192
Germany.....	49,684,850	551,250	50,236,100	54,577,650	292,800	54,870,450
Aus.-Hun.....	10,944,000	2,369,000	13,313,000	10,944,000	2,369,000	13,313,000
Spain.....	100,462,000	25,078,000	125,540,000	98,246,000	23,343,000	121,589,000
Italy.....	33,895,000	2,970,000	36,865,000	32,768,000	2,999,000	35,767,000
Netherl'ds.....	50,497,000	687,000	51,184,000	53,012,000	1,766,000	54,778,000
Nat. Belg.....	10,663,000	1,616,000	12,279,000	10,660,000	1,013,000	11,673,000
Switz'land.....	21,925,000	4,600,000	26,525,000	21,716,000	4,863,000	26,579,000
Sweden.....	15,265,000	.....	15,265,000	15,671,000	.....	15,671,000
Denmark.....	12,685,000	217,000	12,902,000	12,644,000	145,000	12,789,000
Norway.....	8,115,000	.....	8,115,000	8,115,000	.....	8,115,000
Total week.....	585,613,742	49,248,250	634,861,992	588,729,902	47,430,800	636,160,702
Prev. week.....	585,466,693	49,301,650	634,768,343	588,682,592	47,564,900	636,250,892

a Gold holdings of the Bank of France this year are exclusive of £77,934,682 d abroad.

RENEWED EFFORT THROUGH CONCENTRATION—THE DUTY TO GET BUSY.

But a point in time, the "turn of the year" serves "business" well, in that, by an established custom, it compels concentration upon condition and outlook. It is a time of invoices, settlements, budgets and estimates. What has been done during the year, what may be done during the next? Future enterprise must have knowledge of present condition. Conduct must be based on budget. True, the well-managed industry knows approximately its condition each day. But there are always hang-overs, and contingencies, that if allowed to continue indefinitely become unmanageable. So that the whole world of trade has accustomed itself to make its general estimates upon the calendar year, though owing to the particular demands of a given enterprise its own fiscal year may be more important to it. This infinitesimal pause serves as a universal clearing house—the past is measured and appraised, the future is probed and planned.

One of the lessons we are privileged to draw from this advent of a new year with its attending business circumstances is that concentration upon the task in hand is a requisite to success. Every man's enterprise is in the midst of forces that he cannot himself fully control, that Government is powerless to hold or handle, forces that are inherent in the "nature of things." The business man must have vision without being an erratic dreamer. His chief asset is common sense applied to energy. He cannot bluff or bull his way through. Once in a while it wins—but *then* it begets a recklessness that leads to disaster. What the unknowing often call "coldness" in the business man is very often only absorption. This so-called "year" accents intensive application to the task in hand. Examination induces knowledge, knowledge gives strength—all the future that invites to enlargement, direction and profit, begins in the Now—and progress has decreed that this turn of the year shall engage the attention of all.

We proceed from this thought to its corollary. This renewed and intensified application not only relates itself to the demands of business, but to self-study by the business man himself. And it is especially important that we dwell upon this at the present time. We speak of a growing confidence in the revival of business. What of the inner confidence that inspires individual initiative and enlarged operation? Are we in danger of weakening this through a mental habit of depending upon outside aid and factitious advantages? Has the farmer come to look with longing eyes upon legislation, the worker come to wait upon the ordering of organizations, the merchant come to feel that domestic trade depends upon protection and the growth of foreign sales, has the banker accustomed himself to become a cog in the wheel of a credit system the turning of which is controlled by a Federal Reserve Board somewhere in Washington? These are by no means idle questions and they relate to the individual.

General confidence is builded upon this individual confidence. Men must have courage to "carry on" or we shall never witness a revival. We have been "mooning around" too much. Arthur Kiddy writes from London: "We notice in you a growing tendency to turn to South America." If true, is it not a natural result of European conditions, an

assurance of courageous ability to enter an inviting market? Consider our principal industries. They are amply capitalized. They are manned by the highest acknowledged ability in the world. They house vast laboratories for invention and improvement; they employ the best experts to be had in any country. If these enterprises have not courage born of inherent confidence in their own abilities, we shall never see revival. And the owner of a small business is in the same boat. Vainly waiting for somebody or something to come along to turn the tide his way is a bid to bankruptcy.

We find, then, the admonition of this introspection to every business man is "Get Busy"! And if only the farmer, wage-worker, business man and merchant would heed this inner knowledge procured by adjustments, invoices and budgets, how greatly "production" could be increased. Caution is a result of confidence. It is far and away from fear. In fact, it over-masters it. The game of life, like every game we play, has many unknown quantities. But when we know our own strength and ability we may proceed warily, yet consciously forward, to the end to be won. Politicians, and even some economists, are constantly warning us as a people against "isolation." This is well enough in a way. But what can give a people power in the world, and especially true power of example, but our own practical and demonstrated accomplishment? So that in a time when more or less idle "resolutions" are made, the one resolve to band every primal energy upon our private and personal affairs precedes all concerted development.

The old poetic preachment of Dr. Holland—"the State needs men"—has lost none of its significance. The self-confidence that builds cities and makes fruitful continents is in the man, a free-man willing to work and to plan, and adventure for his plan. We read of levity covering despair, and gambling feeding hope, in foreign countries suffering from war. The turn of the year seems as nothing to them since they have grown weak in themselves, and know in their hearts the Government is powerless to aid them. Many will tell us the reaction is natural. And it may be. But where *is* there relief if it be not in themselves? Little by little the futility of such a life will come—has come to sundry peoples, for what is reported is true of only a portion of any people—and with the revival of confidence will come courage and relief. But in the United States there is no such secret cause. If we do not forge ahead as a people by our more intense application as individuals then we delude ourselves willfully and wantonly.

Amid our unending "investigations" one is now proceeding looking into retail charges and profits. If there are profiteers (and let each buyer answer for himself) they are probably elated at the showing of the books at the close of the year. But they have not learned the first principle of successful business conduct. Not only is it the honesty in a square deal, but it is the confidence born of a constant momentum in an immediate business. Profit is not a chameleon, changing with every new condition. Grasping all in to-day is only beating the air in to-morrow. Prices, wages, profits, control themselves, by their compulsory interaction, and he is wise who meets with open mind his own judgment of conditions, conditioned upon the appeal of the times. The merchant, therefore, who deliberately turns to

a fixed policy of lower prices and of reasonable profits *in his own line* aligns himself with principle, progress and prosperity. In doing this, he affords an example of the power of concentration to control or at least to guide effort. Will the year bring each of us fruit or failure? It depends, as it has always depended, very much upon ourselves.

RAILROAD EFFICIENCY: PAST AND PRESENT.

In the current issue of the "Atlantic Monthly" Mr. Julius Kruttschnitt of the Southern Pacific road discusses railroad efficiency, a subject of vital and universal importance. He begins, as he could not avoid beginning, with a re-statement of the summary results of Governmental control. Notwithstanding the distinct statutory pledge of return of the properties in substantially unimpaired condition, and the added assurances given by President Wilson that the security owners could feel certain that their interests would be as well looked after as by the directors of the roads and that operation "would be carried on with as little disturbance of the present operating organizations and personnel as possible," it is on record that very great disturbance was caused and the properties were returned after "a loss of \$2,280,000 for every day of Governmental control and with the proper relation of expenses to revenue completely destroyed." All promises, says Mr. Kruttschnitt, "were completely ignored; the percentage of expenses to earnings was raised from 70.48% to 93.47%; renewal of rails, ties, and ballast was skimmed to the danger point; and the equipment, scattered all over the United States, had been given scant attention and was in the worst condition ever known."

The details of this retrogression are given at some length, but some of them have already been in print and they may be condensed here. In 1905 the average freight rate began falling, and continued so till it reached, in 1916 and 1917, the lowest level in seventeen years; per contra, wholesale prices and railway wages began rising about 1900 and in May of 1920 reached a height never before dreamed of; the Inter-State Commerce Commission afforded only a slight relief by rate advances in 1914-17, and at the taking-over, at the end of 1917, rates were 1% less and wholesale prices 120% greater than in 1900. In July of 1920 came the Labor Board's wage advance of an average of 21%, retroactive to the previous May, putting wages on a level 240% above that of 1900; wholesale prices were also 240% higher than at that date, but freight rates were only 30% higher. In 1920 the operating revenues of the Class 1 roads were \$1,026,698,147 greater than in 1919; but against this agreeable increase must be set an increase of \$1,419,754,474 in operating costs, taxes, and joint-facility rents, so that the net income was \$303,056,327 less in 1920 than in 1919. Moreover, prices fixed either by the Government directly or by market conditions (in either case beyond the roads' control) covered 97.5¢ out of every dollar of operating costs. A few extracts from the article must be copied at this stage:

"Labor costs have risen, since the Government took charge in 1916 under the Adamson law, from \$1,468,573,000 to \$3,698,216,000, the total amount paid to labor in 1920 being *very nearly sixty times the* \$61,928,626 of net income yielded by the operation of the roads. . . . The increase in labor alone, from 1916 to 1920, was \$2,230,000,000—nearly equal to the \$2,357,000,000 of total operating expenses of all Class

1 roads in 1916, which include not only cost of labor of every description, but cost of materials, fuel, depreciation, loss and damage to freight, injuries to persons, insurance and the rest. After the return of the roads to their owners, they were made to perform the greatest transportation task in their history. They moved more freight and passengers, loaded their cars more heavily, and moved larger train-loads. That it cost too much to do this was due, as shown, almost entirely to causes beyond the managers' control."

That some of these statements (and more which is not reproduced) have been printed before does not matter, against the fact that their significance is not even yet fully appreciated by the public. That these unfavorable results come from causes not under the managements' control is a fact so distasteful to the unions that they have over and over declared that the trouble does not lie with wages. They do not quite dare to claim that the money has been paid out in extravagant dividends (although even this has been hinted) since stockholders are living witnesses to the contrary and the position of railway credit offers testimony which can neither be disputed nor softened; but the trouble, the unions say, is inefficient and wasteful operation. Their "experts" give a few figures which are general and obviously guesses, and upon these build other guesses. To turn for a moment from Mr. Kruttschnitt's article, President Markham of the Illinois Central addressed a letter to the men on that road, about two weeks ago, appealing to them seriously to consider these many loose charges, and either call public attention to them, if well-founded, or repudiate the slanderers who are posing as labor leaders, if the charges are untrue. Mr. W. Jett Lauck retorted that "if railroad earnings had not been improperly diverted but had been used for betterments or as a basis of credit, or if the roads were now properly financed and coordinated, great wastes would be eliminated, enormous economies could be effected and savings ultimately made in operating costs of at least two billions annually, or approximately 40%." In reply to an open letter to him by President Johnston of the International Association of Machinists (another purveyor of unspecified and unsupported charges) Mr. Markham replied by showing how his critic mishandles even his own figures. This man takes from the recent testimony of Mr. Plumb (himself not the most trustworthy authority) before a Congressional committee, figures which he says show, in case of 24 roads, an average valuation of \$32,717 per mile of track; then he takes the 265,000 miles of line in all the roads, and by simple multiplication makes the total value of them all \$8,610,000,000, which is \$10,290,000,000 less than the tentative valuation by the Inter-State Commerce Commission in 1920 for the rate-making purpose indicated in the law. Is this a conclusive showing of over-valuation? Hardly. For "track" and "line" are different things, and some roads have in the former several times the length of the latter. The critic has taken an average value-figure per track mile on 24 roads and has applied this to the line mile (instead of the track mile) of the whole number, notwithstanding there are approximately, says Mr. Markham, 405,000 miles of track, against 265,000 miles of line; he thus reaches a total \$4,640,000,000 less than by a correct use of his own assumption.

Let us now return to Mr. Kruttschnitt, who takes up this union charge of inefficiency, as particularly voiced by Mr. Lauck, the unions' "consulting ex-

pert." In April last he told the Labor Board that the roads might save an estimated 578½ millions by a list of economies, in which better locomotive firing figured at 50 millions and "modernizing locomotives" at 272½ millions; he said the total might be brought to a billion by a number of other savings, and that "by other possible economies, such as consolidating into a few large systems, changes in methods of financing, and the like," it would be possible to save another billion. So here we seem to reach, by an analysis which does not analyze and a specification which neither specifies nor proves, that "two billions" which could be saved, without lowering wages (or possibly, raising them a bit more) if the managements were only efficient.

Now, says Mr. Kruttschnitt, Mr. Lauck would save 48% on the locomotive fuel bill of 673 millions in 1920. But if proved fuel-saving devices (such as the brick arch and the superheater) these two being now, respectively, on 66% and 54% of locomotives in use, were applied to *all* locomotives, and if a better cooperation of officers and employees as to this matter could save say 6% of fuel, the resulting round figure of 26% possible saving on the 1920 fuel bill would be \$174,980,000, instead of the guessed \$322,500,000; as for "consolidations," the Railroad Administration worked that plan, yet effected a loss of 833 millions a year. Furthermore:

"The total operating expenses and taxes of Class 1 roads for 1920 amounted to \$6,048,000,000. Excluding pay of general officers, the *Government-controlled* wages, the reduction of which Mr. Lauck does not suggest, cost \$3,651,000,000; taxes cost \$279,000,000; depreciation, fixed by the Commission's regulations, \$152,500,000. The total for these three items, \$4,082,500,000, leaves only \$1,965,500,000, out of which two billions are to be saved. That is, all operating expenses would have to disappear, even salaries of general officers, on whom Mr. Lauck places the entire burden of saving the two billions."

So much for the smoke screen of pretended managerial inefficiency behind which the unions seek to hide the burden of wages.

The Railroad Administration, says Mr. Kruttschnitt, "left to the owners the unpopular task of seeking before the public an increase of revenue to meet the increase of expense, although in equity this obligation lay upon those who had created the necessity;" and now, if it is urged that the railroad shareholders should share some of the farmers' burdens and forego some of their profit, for the common good, it should be remembered that, "for the first six months of 1921 they earned no dividends, and, moreover, had to provide 100 millions from outside sources, to pay interest on their bonds, in order to escape receiverships; in case of the shareholders, these losses are irretrievable, for, unlike the public, they are not allowed to offset them by high returns in times of great prosperity."

Yet Mr. Kruttschnitt's article is on the whole encouraging rather than the contrary, because of the fact (which he rather implies than emphasizes) that the people are gradually awakening to a serious study of the subject; we have tried neglect, misunderstandings and permitted ill-usage, and we have the consequences; we are also beginning to assign the effects to the cause. The slowness of this movement in public opinion is the best warrant of its depth and permanence, for sudden emotions burn themselves out while gradual changes build their own founda-

tions and remain. Therefore nobody should despair of regaining the railroad efficiency of the past and also of increasing it. What is required is to take off the binding hand of interference and give natural laws their opportunity. We have a demand for lower rates, and those are necessary, but not less necessary are the conditions which make them possible. Never before in railroad history, says Mr. Kruttschnitt, has the pressure for advanced methods been so great as now, and never before have managers responded more heartily. He quotes Mr. W. M. Acworth, an English economist and student, who said it has always been his opinion that in actual economy of operation the roads of this country are the first in the world; "in number of tons per car and cars per train, in the fullest utilization of locomotives, and in obtaining the greatest measure of result for each unit of expenditure, they are not equaled by the railways of any other nation." And when the late Franklin K. Lane, then a member of the Interstate Commerce Commission, returned in 1910 from the International Railway Congress in Berne, he said that "the conference established beyond question, I think, the supremacy of the American railroad from the standpoint of efficiency."

Railway managers are eager to respond to the demand for still more efficiency. But a needed response from the people is lacking, although due and coming; when that is given the managers will be able to carry out their foresight and intentions.

GOV. MILLER'S MESSAGE.

The portion of this document which comes first in position and in public interest relates to the finances. The State's receipts in the last fiscal year were \$17,584,168 beyond the estimate; but instead of following the custom of keeping the squander close to or a little past receipts, the State's affairs were held so well in hand that the actual expenses and adjustments for the year were \$7,283,314 below the estimate and \$8,726,724 under the appropriations in force at the beginning of the year. Holding the expenditures so well within both estimate and appropriation resulted in a surplus of \$24,867,482 in excess of the estimate made one year ago, and after the schedules of estimated income and outgo are made up the estimated surplus at the end of next June is \$22,390,202. The estimated resources for this fiscal year are a little over 97 millions, in which the largest items are 33½ millions from corporations, 16 millions from inheritances, and 15¼ millions from incomes; putting with the total the surplus just mentioned, the estimated receipts other than from a direct property tax are \$119,460,202, and Gov. Miller says that if the appropriations can be kept within approximately 125 millions there will be need only of a direct tax of a little over 12 millions for debt service, thus relieving real estate of the direct call for 22½ millions for teachers' salaries. Accumulating unnecessary surplus is unjust to taxpayers, he says, and using existing surplus to tide over lean times is sound policy. The requests as compiled total \$145,019,665, which is \$56,624,627 less than one year ago, and not including \$4,621,545 of requirements that had to be met. The result foreshadowed can be attained without impairing the efficiency of any activity of the State, "providing no new or unusual expenditures

be undertaken," and under normal conditions the present revenue sources, with the direct tax for debt service, "will be adequate to meet the expenses of the Government, and the normal increase in such revenue will adequately provide for the inevitable expansion." The comparison of requests made, adds Gov. Miller, "is the best evidence of the new spirit which pervades the public administration, and demonstrates that notwithstanding the drastic reductions made last year the actual needs of the State were amply provided for."

"A new spirit" in public administration? It is surely overdue, and let us hope it has at last begun. We may take with this report the story from Washington that a virtual saving of 476 millions (a 26% reduction) was made in the first half of 1921 by the Federal Government and that the Treasury budget has also been cut 9% in the House. Yet we should keep in mind the menace of the bonus, in both nation and State. There is no distinct mention of that in the message, but nobody can be surprised to learn that the constitutional amendment permitting issues of bonds for this purpose has been already introduced, and Gov. Miller is quoted as favoring putting the subject up to the people in this manner, although not sure that the American Legion "is particularly keen" for so doing.

Economy and business-like methods are urged throughout the message. Prominent recommendations are: saving in the cost of public printing by ending the monopolistic practice of putting all departmental work under a single contract, thus virtually shutting out competition; creating a central purchasing bureau and a committee to prescribe standards; the sale of idle property; a constitutional amendment allowing consolidating the present constitutional offices of State Engineer and the Public Works Department, including some others whose work is related to these; an inquiry into the excessive cost of local government; equal participation of both sexes in party management; compulsory use of voting machines in cities of the first and second classes; a more equitable taxation. He hopes the commission which is now revising the charter of the city will be able to report to the present Legislature, which he will then call into special session. The State's institutions—hospitals, prisons, asylums for defectives, and the establishing of children's courts under the new constitutional amendment—receive attention. Paternalism is deplored, yet the just remark is added that while the State should do nothing to impair the primary obligation of parents to support and rear their children, "the State is concerned with, and self-preservation requires, taking all legitimate measures to promote the physical, mental and moral welfare of children." No stream can rise above its source. An imperfect or depraved adult is a continual public injury, and the people are only the children grown up. If we are to be a nation, we must conserve our chief asset, the child.

An excellent and practical document is this, and one which increases regret at the announcement that Gov. Miller does not intend to stand for re-election; he seems needed all the more now that this city is so delivered over to Tammany for four years to come. Progress towards genuine, good government, in nation and State, is slow; yet a taste of it should raise a keen desire for more and there is much gain in having made even a start towards it.

Current Events and Discussions

ALLIES TO HOLD ECONOMIC CONFERENCE IN MARCH—CANNES MEETING OF ALLIED SUPREME COUNCIL.

At the opening session yesterday (Jan. 6) of the meeting of the Allied Supreme Council in Cannes, France, it was decided to invite the United States to take part in an international economic conference to be held at Genoa in March. According to the Associated Press the Supreme Council approved unanimously the calling of an international economic conference, to be participated in by Germany and Russia. The Associated Press advices yesterday also stated:

George Harvey, American Ambassador to Great Britain, who is to act as official observer for the United States at the conference, told the correspondents just before he entered the council chamber that he had no intention of speaking at the first session and had no program to place before the Allies, as had been rumored.

Prime Minister Lloyd George has decided there can be no question at this time of a formal alliance between France and Great Britain, it is said on good authority, but has held out the prospect of a sufficient guarantee to aid France if she is again attacked, as in 1914, under certain conditions.

These are, it is stated, that France co-operate with Great Britain in the economic restoration of Europe and consent to modifications in the reparation payments by Germany on the basis of the suggestions made in the recent London conferences of a half billion gold marks in cash and a billion gold marks in kind, instead of two billion marks in cash.

On the 3d inst., referring to the Cannes Conference, the Associated Press in cablegrams from Paris said in part:

Premier Briand is determined to limit the agenda of the coming Supreme Council meeting at Cannes to two questions, reparations and the economic restoration of Central Europe, it was indicated in authoritative quarters to-day. It is understood he is in favor of subsequently calling an economic conference, at which perhaps Russia and Germany may be represented.

The Premier, heading the French delegation to the council meeting, with Minister of Liberated Regions Loucheur, M. Laroche, of the French Foreign Office, and several experts, left for Cannes at 5.35 o'clock this afternoon.

The French delegation feels that all other subsidiary matters should be shelved, believing that if both of the above questions are settled satisfactorily the conference will be a success indeed.

It is known that the French delegation agrees in principle to Germany's making four payments of 125,000,000 gold marks each on Jan. 15, Feb. 15, March 15, and April 15, although Premier Briand has insisted that nothing binding was decided with Prime Minister Lloyd George during the recent conversations in London, inasmuch as Belgium and Italy were not represented there.

It was semi-officially stated to-day, however, that M. Briand consented to a delay of the 1922 German payments, except for 500,000,000 gold marks, as well as to other measures intended to relieve Germany, such as fixing the price of reparations coal at the lowest limit of French and British current market figures.

Should Belgium concur, and advices from Brussels are to the effect that she will, nothing further in the way of cash payments in 1922 will be demanded from Germany than the half billion gold marks. Although Germany's ability to pay the 500,000,000 gold marks is generally accepted in French circles, Germany still is officially on record as being unable to pay more than one-third of this amount.

Dr. Walter Rathenau, the German financial expert, was in Paris to-day but it is expected that he will leave for Cannes to-morrow. It is said he desires to place information before the conference concerning the possibility of Germany meeting four payments of 125,000,000 gold marks in the first four months of the year.

On the 5th inst., in its reference to the conversations at Cannes previous to the formal opening of the Conference, the Associated Press said:

In addition to a continuation of the private talks between Aristide Briand, the French Premier, and Mr. Lloyd George, M. Briand had a long conversation to-day with the Marquis Della Torretta, the Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs, and also saw Premier Theunys, of Belgium, and Baron Hayashi, of Japan. The only official announcement after these talks was that the conversations were proceeding satisfactorily.

To-day's developments seemed to confirm the impression that the Allies are agreed upon the principle of an economic conference, though still debating the details.

Reparations were discussed by the experts to-day, the Belgians stoutly opposing any modification in the schedule of payments that likely would compromise their priority on the 2,500,000,000 gold marks due by Germany. The French delegation is backing the Belgians on this point. But it is inclined to make concessions to the British viewpoint to the extent of reducing the cash payments to 500,000,000 gold marks annually and the rest of the reparations in kind.

The British go farther than this and desire to reduce the deliveries in kind so that the total both in cash and in kind can be reduced about 25% from the Paris agreement, or 1,500,000,000 gold marks.

This week's meeting at Cannes was preceded by an economic conference at Paris on Dec. 30, attended by representatives from various European countries, at which, the Havas Agency reported, it was decided to form an international association with a view to re-establishing the international credit of Europe. Further details regarding this will be given in these columns another week.

GOVERNMENT AND BANKERS TO CO-OPERATE IN PROMOTION OF FOREIGN LOANS.

The following from Washington appeared in the New York "Evening Sun" last night:

An arrangement for co-operation between the Government and American bankers to promote American banking and industry in Europe and in South American countries was completed to-day. The understanding was reached between Secretary of Commerce Hoover and Thomas B. McAdams, of the American Bankers' Association.

Under the plan agents of the Department of Commerce will investigate conditions in countries asking for loans to carry on public or private projects. Should conditions be favorable, the American attache will so report to the Commerce Department. Before the loan is made, however, the applicant will be obliged to promise to purchase materials in this country, thus benefiting both bankers and manufacturing plants. A commercial attache will be on the ground to observe fulfillment of the contract.

Milton E. Ailes, President of the Riggs National Bank of Washington, is the liaison officer for the bankers.

OFFERING OF \$40,000,000 DUTCH EAST INDIES 6% GOLD BONDS BY GUARANTY COMPANY.

A syndicate headed by the Guaranty Company of New York offered on Wednesday of this week (Jan. 4) an issue of \$40,000,000 Dutch East Indies 25-Year External 6% Gold Bonds. These bonds are authorized by the Government of the Dutch East Indies under a law passed Dec. 30 1921, by the Netherlands Parliament, and approved by the Crown. The Guaranty Company announced on Jan. 5 for the syndicate that subscription books for the Dutch East Indies 6% External Bonds closed at 2 p. m. that day. The bonds are to be dated Jan. 1 1922 and mature Jan. 1 1947. They are not redeemable during the first ten years, but thereafter they are redeemable as a whole at the option of the Government or in part for sinking fund purposes only at par and accrued interest, such redemption to be by lot and at the yearly rate of one-fiftieth of the amount of bonds outstanding Jan. 1 1932. Interest is payable Jan. 1 and July 1, and principal and interest are payable in United States gold coin of the present standard of weight and fineness, or its equivalent, at the main office of the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York, without deduction for any taxes, present or future, of the Netherlands or the Dutch East Indies. The bonds are to be direct obligations of the Government of the Dutch East Indies, which is an integral part of the Kingdom of the Netherlands under the sovereignty of the Crown, and its most important colonial possession. The bonds are offered at 94½ and interest, to yield about 6.75% to the earliest redemption date, Jan. 1 1932, and to yield about 6.45% if held to maturity. The syndicate offering the bonds is composed of the Guaranty Company of New York, Harris, Forbes & Co., Lee, Higginson & Co., the Bankers Trust Co., New York, Kidder, Peabody & Co., the Union Trust Co. of Pittsburgh, the Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago, the Illinois Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, and the Union Trust Co. of Cleveland. The official circular says:

The executive and much of the legislative power of the colony is vested in a Governor-General and Council appointed by the Government of the Netherlands. Budget and other fiscal matters are originated by the colony, subject to the control and approval of the Government of the Netherlands.

Resources and Commerce.

The islands, the more important of which include Java, Sumatra, Celebes, Madura, Dutch Borneo and Dutch New Guinea, have an estimated population (largely native) of about 47,000,000 and a land area of about 750,000 square miles. The great natural resources of the colony have for centuries given it prominence in the world's commerce, and after more than three hundred years under Dutch control it is to-day one of the richest of all colonial possessions. The principal products include tin, iron, coal, gold, petroleum and a large variety of agricultural commodities, among them coffee, rubber, copra, tea, sugar and tobacco.

These natural resources have enabled the maintenance of a substantial excess of exports over imports. For the six years 1915 to 1920, inclusive, the Dutch East Indies had a larger favorable balance of trade than any country in the world, excepting the United States. Trade with the United States has developed remarkably, total exports and imports having increased from \$9,370,000 for the fiscal year ending Jan. 30 1913 to \$202,840,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30 1921.

Currency and Exchange.

The unit of currency is the guilder, or florin, with parity of 40.2 cents. Its present quotation of approximately 37 cents represents a discount of only 8%, reflecting its position as one of the soundest currencies in the world.

Revenues.

Total interest and amortization charges on all debt, both funded and floating, as appear by the 1922 budget aggregate less than 10% of the 1921 total revenues (partly estimated). These revenues, including the gross income from Government-owned monopolies and industries, totaled \$267,000,000.

For the period of 116 years from the establishment of the Colonial Government in 1798 to the outbreak of the war in 1914 the aggregate ordinary revenues exceeded expenditures (ordinary and capital aggregated). From 1906 to 1913 the ordinary budget, exclusive of receipts from loans and capital expenditures, reflected in each year a favorable balance, the surplus for the period aggregating about \$34,000,000. In the more recent budgets, due principally to capital and other extraordinary expenditures, there have been substantial deficits. The floating debt amounts to \$222,000,000, but without allowance for any reduction by \$40,000,000 taxes levied but not yet collected and by any application of loan proceeds.

Government-Owned Property and Debt.

Total funded debt, exclusive of this loan, approximates \$212,000,000, as compared with Government-owned property of an estimated value of not less than \$275,000,000. These properties, from which the Government has realized substantial profits over a period of many years, include tramways and railroads (approximately 2,550 miles), telephone and telegraph systems, tin mines, coal mines and harbor developments. The Government also controls great natural resources of value difficult to estimate.

For the five years 1917-1921, partly estimated for the last year, the net income from Government properties and monopolies averaged \$46,000,000 annually or more than 1¼ times all interest and amortization charges in the 1922 budget.

The Dutch Government's bill authorizing the negotiation of a loan of \$100,000,000 in the United States, to be used in behalf of the Dutch East Indies, was passed unanimously by the First Chamber of Parliament at The Hague on Dec. 29. The Second Chamber of Parliament on Dec. 23 passed the bill by a vote of 57 to 18. On Dec. 24 the "Journal of Commerce" said:

The Second Chamber of the Holland Parliament has passed a bill authorizing a dollar loan in the United States for the Dutch and East Indies to a maximum of \$100,000,000.

This information was received by cable at noon yesterday by the Netherlands Chamber of Commerce in New York.

Neil Van Aken, Editor of "Holland and Her Colonies," a monthly magazine published under the auspices of the Chamber, said last night that the loan probably would be floated in three or four sections of from \$25,000,000 to \$40,000,000. It also was his impression that the bonds would sell for about \$99, with a par value of \$100, paying 6½%. A similar arrangement was consummated in connection with the recent Danish loan.

We also quote the following from the New York "Times" of Dec. 30:

Efforts by bankers here to get the Dutch East Indies loan have been unsuccessful. Two bids of banking groups, one headed by Hallgarten & Co. and the other by the Guaranty Company, were rejected yesterday, according to cable advices received in the financial district. New bids are to be received next week and several additional banking groups are expected to make proposals. The authorized issue is \$100,000,000, but the Holland Government desires to sell only \$40,000,000 of the bonds now. The Government has made the stipulation that the coupon shall not exceed 6½%.

On Dec. 31 Associated Press advices from The Hague said:

The Dutch Government has assigned the first installment of \$40,000,000 of the \$100,000,000 loan recently authorized by both Houses of Parliament to the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York, it was announced to-day. The conditions of this part of the loan are such that the actual average interest to be paid will work out at less than 7%, the announcement said.

OFFERING OF BLOCK OF U. S. OF COLOMBIA (SOUTH AMERICA) BONDS OF 1913—PAYMENT OF \$25,000,000 TO COLOMBIA.

A block of United States of Colombia (South America) 6% external Sterling loan of 1913 was offered this week by Cowen & Co., dealers in investment securities at 67 Exchange Place, this city. The issue is offered at prices to yield 9.75% to 11.75%, depending on the rate of Sterling exchange. These bonds are dated June 16 1913, and are due March 1 1947. Interest is payable March 1 and September 1. Of the total amount issued (£1,226,392) there has been retired by sinking fund £146,952 leaving outstanding £1,079,440. The bonds are in denominations of £20, £100 and £500. The official circular says:

These bonds, in addition to being a direct obligation of the United States of Colombia, are further secured by a direct hypothecation of 7% of the customs revenues of the Republic.

In 1919, the 7% of customs revenues upon which these bonds are a first charge, approximated double the amount necessary to pay the interest and sinking fund of the issue. In this connection, it should be noted that the 1920 foreign trade of Colombia was over 25% greater than that of 1919.

A sinking fund of £15,000 per annum, operating each March and September, retires bonds of this issue by call at par or by purchase in the open market up to par.

Per Capita Debt.

Although Colombia is the fourth largest country in South America, with an area of over 440,000 square miles and a population of about 6,000,000, her debt compared with neighboring nations presents a remarkable contrast:

	Internal Debt Per Capita	External Debt Per Capita
Brazil.....	\$4.44	\$20.50
Chile.....	4.21	48.00
Argentina.....	5.23	57.40
Colombia.....	2.22	3.22

Monetary Unit.

Colombia's monetary unit, the Peso, is today selling at 97.3c. gold, its normal value; even the paper Peso is selling within 10% of gold parity.

United States Treasury Grant.

The United States of America has recently authorized the payment to Colombia of \$25,000,000 to be paid in annual instalments of \$5,000,000, in settlement of Colombia's Panama Canal rights. This sum is equal to about five-sevenths of Colombia's total external and internal debt, and as far as we know, represents the first instance in recent history under which one nation will have received from another a sum sufficient to liquidate the greater part of its national indebtedness. To be concrete, Colombia will receive \$25,000,000 as against a total national debt of about \$32,647,000.

We understand Colombia proposes to use the money it will receive from the United States for the construction of railroads and similar public projects. The natural resources of the country are unlimited, and Colombia's known resources in oil, coal, emeralds, gold, copper and other minerals, with adequate transportation facilities, will be made available to the world. American and British interests are spending millions in the development of Colombian oil fields.

JAMES SPEYER SAYS FEDERAL SYSTEM IS NEEDED IN CUBA—REPAYMENTS ACCOUNT OF CREDITS ADVANCED BY U. S.

In a statement regarding Cuba, made on Jan. 5, after his return from a short holiday trip to that country, James Speyer, of Speyer & Co., observes that "Cuba is passing

through a period of financial and economic depression" and states that "it is very much to be desired that during this temporary crisis we pursue a consistently firm but generous policy toward the Island Republic." "One thing the country needs says Mr. Speyer, "is either an auxiliary of our Federal Reserve system, or a Federal Reserve Bank of its own similar to our system." Mr. Speyer also refers to the repayment by Cuba made on account of credits advanced by the United States during the war. The following is Mr. Speyer's statement:

Cuba is passing through a period of financial and economic depression. The public treasury, as well as many banks and mercantile concerns, find it difficult to meet their obligations. This crisis is principally due to two causes. First, to the very great extravagance and wastefulness with which public affairs have been managed during the last few years, before President Zayas took office. This seems to be one of the curious consequences of the war, which almost every country has experienced to a certain degree. Second, the effect of this improvidence is aggravated by the low price of sugar (the island's principal product), following a period of extraordinarily high prices during the war, for which enormous speculation and gambling, not only by Cubans, is responsible.

Cuba always has been, and still is, an island much favored by fertile soil, splendid climate and topography, and with abundant population. It is, therefore, only a question of time when the little republic will return to its normal condition. This will depend largely on proper economy in public affairs, as neither the gross nor the net revenues have been, or are, what they should be under proper management. But we must not forget that the Cubans have not yet been taught to save, and have only had self-government for a little while. It takes more than one generation to create and maintain efficient self-government, especially under the conditions prevailing there.

It is a remarkable fact that Cuba has no paper money, and no bank notes except our own, and that she has not resorted to the printing presses and inflation to ease conditions. One thing the country needs is either an auxiliary of our Federal Reserve System, or a Federal Reserve Bank of its own similar to our system. If the latter should be established, it must be very strictly safeguarded, and certainly supervised, by men who are independent of political or local influences.

Cuba entered the war against Germany at the same time that we did, and received from our Government a credit of \$15,000,000. Of this, I am told, it only took \$10,000,000, and they have just repaid an installment of \$625,000, for interest and sinking fund, which I think is quite a unique thing in comparison with our other foreign debtors.

It is very much to be desired that during this temporary crisis we pursue a consistently firm but generous policy towards the Island Republic, not only in their interests, but in our own, because Cuba is a very good customer for our manufactured goods. Furthermore, whatever policy we pursue towards Cuba will have far-reaching consequences in our political and business relations with all Central and South American countries.

I found President Zayas a man who seemed animated by the best intentions. He also seemed to realize that what his country needs most just now is not so much a large foreign loan, but that the remedies for the present "hard times" rest largely with her government and her citizens.

MODIFIED MORATORIUM IN ITALY—SUSPENSION OF BANCA ITALIANA DI SCONTO.

Last week (p. 2768) reference was made in these columns to the suspension of payments by the Banca Italiana di Sconto at Rome, Italy, on Dec. 29.

According to the Associated Press the suspension of payments followed an announcement by the Government of a modified moratorium permitting the withholding of payments by certain corporations. Press dispatches Dec. 29 stated that the moratorium granted the bank under the court's action was effective for one year. A Central News cablegram from Rome, Dec. 29, published by "Financial America," said:

The closing of the Banca Italiana di Sconto caused somewhat of a panic here today. The Bourse suspended business. A syndicate of banks had raised 180,000,000 lire to reestablish the Banca Italiana di Sconto but the Commerciale Credito refused to participate. According to the "Epoca" an agreement has been reached with the current creditors of the closed bank.

The "Evening Post" of this city, in its issue of Dec. 30, printed the following dispatch from Rome of the same date by the Associated Press:

The Banca Italiana di Sconto, the doors of which were closed yesterday, has been granted a moratorium by court action.

The incident had the effect yesterday of lowering lire exchange, which went from 22.90 to the dollar in the morning to 23.50 in the afternoon.

The moratorium granted to the bank under the court's action is effective for one year. The court appointed Commendatore Tommaso de Angelis, of Rome, who is a director of the Banca di Napoli, as referee.

Meanwhile the Banca Italiana di Sconto is continuing all operations except payments, which, it is stated, will be resumed as soon as the tribunal limits the amounts which may be withdrawn daily.

The Italian Government yesterday announced a modified moratorium, permitting suspension by certain corporations of payment of obligations through court decree. Following the announcement the Banca Italiana di Sconto closed its doors. It was stated that the Government action was taken to assist the institution, which is one of the largest of its kind in Italy.

There was a tone of confidence in financial circles to-day, and so far as could be gleaned from expressions of bankers, the trouble was regarded as altogether confined to the one institution. The bankers pointed to the fact that the suspension of the Banca di Sconto had not produced the slightest effect upon any other financial institutions, that the public was not at all excited, and was disposed to be patient in the belief that the affairs of the Banca di Sconto would soon be adjusted.

The "Post" also printed the following dispatch by the Associated Press from London, dated Dec. 30:

William Marconi, who is a director of the Banca Italiana di Sconto, said to-day that information to the following effect had reached him this morning:

"Owing to the definite refusal last night by other banks of the proposal put forward by the Bank of Italy to intervene against the unjustifiable

alarm regarding the financial situation of the Banca Italiana di Sconto (which is not at all critical if panic is avoided), the board of directors of the Banca Italiana di Sconto decided to take advantage of the decree of moratorium granted, and which is applicable only in those cases where the assets exceed the liabilities, as in this case."

The Italian Embassy, in a statement issued to-day regarding suspension of payments by the Banca Italiana di Sconto, emphasized that no general, but only a partial, moratorium had been granted and that the bank's trouble was due to causes not at all affecting other Italian banks, which are functioning regularly.

On Dec. 31, the Italian Ambassador at Washington Senator Ricci, was reported as stating that the moratorium declared in Italy "is not a question of a general moratorium of the Italian banks, but simply of a transitory crisis affecting only the Banca di Sconto." The press dispatches reported him as adding:

Official information which I have just received from the Italian Government puts me in the position of emphatically affirming that the crisis of the Banca Italiana di Sconto is due to causes which do not affect in the least the solidity of other Italian banks, which continue normally their regular operations. In fact, the temporary closing of the doors of the Banca Italiana di Sconto has not caused any panic or any incident and was met by the public in Italy with the greatest calm and confidence throughout the country. The history of the present crisis may be summarized as follows:

The Italian Council of Ministers on Dec. 28 issued a decree, in view of the difficult situation of the Banca Italiana di Sconto, calling again into force, with certain modifications and additions, the provisions of the Code of Commerce regarding the postponement of payments on the part of stock companies, limited. The Banca Italiana di Sconto, being a stock company, limited, availed itself of the facility granted by this decree and requested a postponement of its payments.

In its advices from Rome, Dec. 30, the Associated Press stated:

The total liabilities of the Banca Italiana di Sconto—which closed its doors Thursday and to-day was granted a moratorium of one year in which to endeavor to straighten out its financial tangles—will reach four billion lire.

This fact became known to-day by the publication of the petition of the bank for a moratorium. The petition added that the moratorium would enable the institution to tide over the present financial crisis, and that the bank anticipated a complete re-establishment of its credit. The petition attributed the situation of the bank to the general European economic break-down.

The history of the bank was outlined in the petition for a moratorium. Before 1915 it had a capital of 15,000,000 lire. Then, by leaps and bounds, the capital increased during the war and in 1919 it had reached 315,000,000 lire. The bank's holdings were augmented principally through prosperous times of the war and the activities of the Ansaldo Co., which manufactured great quantities of munitions.

Minister of Industry Belotti, in a statement in the Senate to-day concerning the bank, said the public could maintain confidence that it would be able to meet its engagements, while with regard to the other great banks the people could be reassured as to their safety.

The minister added that the people both at home and abroad must be shown that although recent events might have had an effect on the economic situation in Italy they could not fatally hurt it.

Premier Bonomi, in a similar statement, said the situation now was clearly defined and that there was no danger of a general crisis which would affect all the credit institutions. He added that the government, with full knowledge of the facts of the situation, could announce the solidity of Italian credit, and say, also, that every measure had been adopted to meet possible pressure by depositors on other banks.

On Dec. 31, the King, at the instance of the Ministers of Industry and the Treasury, issued a decree postponing until Jan. 4 the December settlement which was to have occurred on all the Italian Bourses on the 31st. Press cablegrams from London, Jan. 4, stated that the stock brokers had asked the Italian Government for a further postponement of the December settlement to January 31, according to a Rome dispatch to the "Times." The London cablegrams further said:

There are said to be 150,000 shares of the Banca Italiana di Sconto falling due December 31, and the loss will be very large if they are sold on January 4, to which date the settlement was originally postponed.

In stating on Jan. 3 that the Cabinet Ministers were continuing conferences with the banking heads in an effort to overcome the Stock Exchange deadlock Rome press advices added:

All exchanges are closed and operations suspended. There is a reluctance to operate on the part of some because of the confused conditions resulting from the recent transfer of securities of the Banca Italiana di Sconto. The tendency is to await Government action before the monthly clearing can be effected.

A royal decree was issued this evening outlining the organization of receivers which will undertake to conduct the affairs of this bank. There is still considerable doubt as to the date for the reopening of the Italian exchanges, which is only now delayed by the crisis in the affairs of the bank named.

Under date of the 4th inst. press advices from Rome said: The court dealing with the application of the Banca Italiana di Sconto for a moratorium today appointed four commissioners to assume the duties of the board of management. The court also directed that possession should be taken of the real and personal property of the members of the board.

The exchanges in Rome, Turin, Milan, Florence, Naples and Genoa are still closed owing to the failure of the ministers and the brokers to come to an agreement. The Government had ordered a report on the monthly bank clearings for today, but this was delayed by the attitude of the exchange agents, who asked the Government for some assurance concerning the Banca di Sconto shares.

The conference between the ministers, bankers and brokers will continue. The exchange situation is intensified because of the large amount of the di Sconto stock transferred during recent days through the smaller agencies, which are now called upon for the total amount of their transacts before the liquidation on the Bourse can proceed or the relations between the Bourse and the Banca di Sconto re-established. It is said that some of the

minor credit houses would be embarrassed if forced to produce immediate liquid assets for the Sconto transfer, so that Government aid is awaited.

In Rome advices Jan. 5 the Associated Press had the following to say:

At Genoa the Bourse remains at a standstill. In Milan the work toward reopening the Bourse continues but business to-day was at the lowest since the financial troubles began. There can now be little activity in the market before Saturday, to-morrow being a holiday on account of the Feast of the Epiphany.

In Trlest the monthly liquidation on the Stock Exchange took place under normal conditions. In order to avoid a recurrence of the Banca di Sconto crisis the Stock Exchange authorities appealed to the patriotism of the local banks and consequently the settlements were made calmly, the banks having produced without great difficulty the sums necessary to cover their commitments. There was only a small amount of Di Sconto paper on the market.

ITALIAN SHIPPING FIRM SEEKS MORATORIUM.

Press advices from Rome yesterday (Jan. 6) stated:

The executive council of the Societa Anonima Lloyd Mediterraneo, says a dispatch to the London "Times" from Milan, has made an application with the purpose of availing itself of the moratorium decree issued by the Government Dec. 28 in connection with the Banca Italiana di Sconto.

The Mediterraneo company is a shipping concern, founded in 1918. It was capitalized at 100,000,000 lire, but afterwards conducted a private loan of 85,000,000 lire. The executive committee includes Max Bondi and Arturo Luzzatto, former members of the famous Ilva metallurgical firm, who recently were "denounced to the courts and have not been admitted as members of Parliament on account of the alleged bad administration of the Ilva concern."

SUSPENSION OF ITALIAN DISCOUNT & TRUST CO.

The Italian Discount & Trust Co., located at 399 Broadway, the New York agent of the Banca Italiana di Sconto of Rome, Italy, whose suspension was announced last week, closed its doors Thursday morning (Dec. 29) and was placed in the hands of the State Banking Department. This step was taken to stop a run on the bank of about two hours' duration which had followed the receipt of news from Rome that the Banca Italiana di Sconto had closed its doors earlier on the same day. Shortly after noon a notice was posted in front of the bank announcing that State Superintendent of Banks, George V. McLaughlin, had taken possession of the institution. According to the New York "Journal of Commerce," of December 30, transfer of funds from other banks in the downtown district relieved the situation up to noon, when the number of expectant depositors increased to such an extent that a hurried meeting of the Board of Directors was called after which the State authorities took the situation in charge. The following statement was given out by Mr. McLaughlin:

"The Superintendent of Banks of the State of New York announces that after a conference with the representative of the directors of the Italian Discount & Trust Co. it was considered for the best interest of the depositors that the Banking Department take over the affairs of the Italian Discount & Trust Co. in view of the cable advice that the Banca Italiana di Sconto, located in Rome, Italy, had closed its doors.

"The foreign bank is the owner of a considerable amount of the outstanding stock of the Italian Discount & Trust Co., operating under the New York State banking laws, and is also the foreign correspondent of the Italian Discount & Trust Co. of New York City. At the time of the last examination the liabilities of the Italian Discount & Trust Co. amounted to approximately \$11,000,000."

The Italian Discount & Trust Co. has a capital of \$1,000,000, with surplus and undivided profits of \$750,000 and gross deposits, it is said, of approximately \$12,000,000. Emanuel Gerli is President. The Guaranty Trust Co. of this city formerly had an interest in the stock of the company, but sold that interest to the Banca Italiana di Sconto last spring (as reported by us in our issue of May 14 1921) at a premium. Referring to the closing of the Italian Discount & Trust Co. W. C. Potter, President of the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York, made the following statement:

Due to the fact that the Guaranty Trust Co. had a former interest in the stock of the Italian Discount & Trust Co., purchased at the time of its organization, two officers of the Guaranty Trust Co. have occupied positions upon its board of directors. In April last the Guaranty Trust Co. sold its entire holding in the stock of the Italian Discount & Trust Co. to the Banca Italiana di Sconto at a premium above the cost and since then has had no interest in its business. The Italian Discount & Trust Co. has no indebtedness to the Guaranty Trust Co. On the contrary, the Guaranty Trust Co. carries a credit balance from that institution. The Banca Italiana di Sconto has a moderate loan with the Guaranty Trust Co., entirely secured by Liberty bonds. The closing of the doors of the Italian Discount & Trust Co. was due to the failure of the Banca Italiana di Sconto to pay its lira claims.

The Harlem branch of the Italian Discount & Trust Co. is at 2242 First Avenue.

E. W. WAGNER & CO. STOCK BROKERS, OF THIS CITY, SUSPEND.

Announcement was made from the rostrum of the New York Stock Exchange shortly before 2 o'clock on Friday, Dec. 30, of the failure of E. W. Wagner & Co. of this city, with its main office at 33 New Street and one of its branches at 36 Court Street, Brooklyn. According to the "Wall Street Journal" of Dec. 30, the firm was composed of Emil

W. Wagner, floor member; Ernest Tietgens, C. A. Johnson and Frank W. Donaldson and was admitted to the Stock Exchange April 13 1916. The firm has branches, it is said, in 39 cities, including Akron, O.; Brooklyn, N. Y.; Buffalo, N. Y.; Chicago, Ill.; Cincinnati and Cleveland, O.; Detroit, Mich.; Kansas City, Mo.; Lima, O.; Milwaukee, Wis.; Minneapolis, Minn.; Omaha, Neb.; Pittsburgh, Pa.; St. Louis, Mo.; Sioux City, Ia.; Syracuse, N. Y.; Toledo, O., and Utica, N. Y. The assignment, it is said, was made to Clarence C. Taylor of New York and Chester Legg of Chicago. Mr. Taylor is quoted as saying that he would make a statement on affairs of the firm later. The following notice, it is said, was issued by the New York Stock Exchange:

The Committee on Business Conduct instituted an examination of the affairs of E. W. Wagner & Co., recently, as a result of which examination the members of the firm were summoned before the Committee on Business Conduct. This was followed by the assignment of the firm. The causes leading up to the assignment will be fully considered by the Governing Committee upon the presentation of the matter to that body.

"Financial America," in its issue of Friday, December 30, states that in addition to being members of the New York Stock and Cotton Exchanges, the firm had memberships in the Chicago Board of Trade, the Chicago Stock Exchange, the Cleveland Stock Exchange and the Winnipeg Grain Exchange. The suspension of the firm was announced on the Chicago Stock Exchange, it is said, at 1.30, December 30. It was further stated in "Financial America" that following the filing of the bankruptcy petition against the firm, Federal Judge Hand appointed John S. Sheppard, Jr., receiver for the concern under a bond of \$200,000.

RECEIVER APPOINTED FOR ARCHER, HARVEY & CO., BALTIMORE.

Judge Heuisler, in the Circuit Court at Baltimore, on December 22, appointed George Cator as receiver for the banking and brokerage firm of Archer, Harvey & Co., of Baltimore, on a complaint filed by O. Howard Harvey, through his attorney, Henry W. Williams, against his partner, C. Graham Archer, according to the Baltimore "Sun," of December 23. Mr. Cator, it is said, gave bond in the sum of \$10,000. Liabilities of the firm are alleged to be \$68,498 in excess of assets, while \$150,000 of the holdings were said to be worthless. An answer on behalf of the defendant filed through the law firm of Marbury, Gosnell & Williams, admitted insolvency, it is stated. The firm was organized March 1, 1899, it is said. Mr. Harvey also asked in addition to the receivership that the firm be dissolved.

BOLIVIAN BONDS OFFERED BY JOHN NUVEEN & CO.

John Nuveen & Co., of Chicago, last week offered for disposal \$1,000,000 Republic of Bolivia external loan 6% serial gold bonds (dollar), dated June 1 1920. They mature semi-annually from December 1 1922 to June 1 1935, and were offered at prices ranging from 82.24 to 97.74 and accrued interest, to yield from 8.20% to 8.40%. In their offering the firm stated that "the first half of this issue having been offered and oversold several weeks ago, we offer the remaining bonds for immediate delivery." An offering of Republic of Bolivia 6% external serial gold loan by Hemphill, Noyes & Co., and Stone & Webster, Inc., was referred to in these columns November 12, page 2032. It was stated at that time that of the original issue of \$2,253,000 the amount outstanding was \$2,030,000. The bonds in the latest offering are in coupon form in denominations of \$1,000, and are registerable as to principal. Interest is payable June 1 and Dec. 1 and principal and interest are payable in United States gold coin of the present standard of weight and fineness, at the office of the New York Trust Company, New York City, without deduction for any Bolivian taxes, present or future, and payable in times of war as well as of peace, without regard to the nationality of the holder. The bonds are redeemable at par prior to maturity on any interest payment date upon six months' notice. The New York Trust Company of New York is trustee. The announcement of John Nuveen & Co. also said:

These bonds are a full and direct obligation of the Republic of Bolivia, the third largest South American Country, and in addition are an absolute first lien on fifteen different customs duties and internal revenues which are annually almost double the amount required for payment of principal and interest in any one year.

The financial record of the Bolivian Government has been excellent. She has never had a single default in meeting her foreign obligations. This is the third loan she has floated in the United States, her other foreign loans having been floated in France. This issue is for the purpose of constructing Sanitation Works in La Paz, the Capital, and Cochabamba, the second largest city, which work is being done by American contractors with American materials, and is at present over 95% completed.

OFFERING OF CENTRAL IOWA JOINT STOCK LAND BANK BONDS.

Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., and William R. Compton Co. this week offered an issue of \$890,000 Central Iowa Joint Stock Land Bank 5½% bonds at 103⅞ and interest, to yield about 5% to optional maturity and 5½% thereafter. The bonds, issued under the Federal Farm Loan Act, are dated Nov. 1 1921 and mature Nov. 1 1951. They are redeemable at par and accrued interest on any interest date after ten years from date of issue. They are coupon bonds, fully registerable and interchangeable and are in denomination of \$1,000. Interest is payable semi-annually, May 1 and Nov. 1, and principal and interest are payable at the bank of issue or through any office of Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc. The bonds are exempt from all Federal, State, municipal and local taxation excepting inheritance taxes. The loan territory of the bank of issue (the Central Iowa Joint Stock Land Bank) is Iowa and Minnesota. It is pointed out that the bonds are a legal investment for all fiduciary and trust funds under the jurisdiction of the Federal Government and acceptable as security for postal savings and other deposits of Governmental funds, and the banks may be designated by the Secretary of the Treasury as financial agents of the Government and depositaries of public funds.

OFFERING OF MONTANA JOINT STOCK LAND BANK BONDS.

An issue of \$1,000,000 5½% bonds of the Montana Joint Stock Land Bank, of Helena, was offered this week by Hornblower & Weeks, of New York, Boston and Chicago, and Tripp & Andrews, of New York and Hartford. The price at which the bonds were offered is 103½ and interest, to yield over 5% to optional maturity and 5½% thereafter. The bonds, dated Nov. 1 1921 and due Nov. 1 1951, are not redeemable before Nov. 1 1931. They are in coupon form, fully registerable and interchangeable, and are in denomination of \$1,000. Principal and interest (May 1 and Nov. 1) are payable at the bank of issue or through any of the offices of the banking houses making the offering. In their official circular the latter state:

By Act of Congress these bonds are declared instrumentalities of the Government of the United States and are prepared and engraved by the Treasury Department.

By a decision of the Supreme Court of the United States, rendered Feb. 28 1921, the constitutionality of this Act and the tax-exemption features of these bonds were fully sustained.

Security.—Obligations of the issuing bank, and collaterally secured by either first farm mortgages or United States Government bonds or certificates of indebtedness. Bank shareholders' liability is double the amount of their stock.

These banks operate under Federal charter and Government supervision. The issuance of their bonds and the collateral pledged as their security have been approved by the Federal Farm Loan Board, a bureau of the Treasury Department of the United States Government.

Principal and interest of these bonds are exempt from Federal, State, municipal and local taxation, except inheritance taxes. This exemption includes all Federal income taxes and personal property taxes in every State in the United States.

A legal investment for all fiduciary and trust funds under the jurisdiction of the Federal Government and acceptable as security for postal savings and other deposits of Governmental funds, and the banks may be designated by the Secretary of the Treasury as financial agents of the Government and depositaries of public funds.

OFFERING OF DALLAS JOINT STOCK LAND BANK BONDS.

A new \$2,000,000 issue of Dallas (Texas) Joint Stock Land Bank 5½% bonds, dated Nov. 1 1921 and due Nov. 1 1951, were offered last week by Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., of New York, and William R. Compton Co. of New York. The bonds, which are issued under the Federal Farm Loan Act, are offered at 103 and interest, to yield about 5.11% to optional maturity and 5½% thereafter. The bank of issue is the Dallas Joint Stock Land Bank of Dallas, and the loan territory is Texas and Oklahoma. The bonds are redeemable at par and accrued interest on any interest date after ten years from date of issue. They are in coupon form and are fully registerable and interchangeable. They are in denomination of \$1,000. Principal and interest (May 1 and Nov. 1) are payable at the bank of issue or through any office of the undersigned. The bonds are exempt from all Federal, State, municipal and local taxation, excepting only inheritance taxes. The official circular also states:

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OFFERING OF FLETCHER JOINT STOCK LAND BANK BONDS OVER-SUBSCRIBED.

Under date of Jan. 4 we have received the following advices from the Fletcher Savings & Trust Co. of Indianapolis:

We are pleased to advise that a new offering of \$750,000 Fletcher Joint Stock Land Bank 5% Farm Loan bonds has been heavily over-subscribed. The retail price of 101½ is the highest commanded by any of the Joint Stock Land Bank bonds lately.

We sold an issue of a million and a half of 5½s at 101½ in October and another issue of \$750,000 5s at par in November, making a total of \$3,000,000 distributed.

The previous offerings were referred to in these columns Nov. 12 and Dec. 3.

ADVANCES APPROVED BY WAR FINANCE CORPORATION JAN. 3 AND 4.

The War Finance Corporation announced on Jan. 5 that on Jan. 3 and 4 1922 it approved 107 advances, aggregating \$2,671,000, for agricultural and live stock purposes, as follows:

\$21,000 in California,	141,000 in Montana,
26,000 in Colorado,	235,000 in Nebraska,
17,000 in Florida,	50,000 in North Carolina,
40,000 in Georgia,	334,000 in North Dakota,
112,000 in Idaho,	46,000 in Oklahoma,
90,000 in Illinois,	140,000 in South Carolina,
547,000 in Iowa,	414,000 in South Dakota,
52,000 in Kansas,	29,000 in Tennessee,
296,000 in Minnesota,	20,000 in Texas,
16,000 in Missouri,	45,000 in Wisconsin.

ADVANCES APPROVED BY WAR FINANCE CORPORATION FROM DEC. 22 TO DEC. 31.

The War Finance Corporation announced that from Dec. 22 to Dec. 23, inclusive, it approved 142 advances, aggregating \$5,089,000, for agricultural and live stock purposes as follows:

\$25,000 in Georgia,	65,000 in North Carolina,
167,000 in Idaho,	730,000 in North Dakota,
25,000 in Illinois,	122,000 in Oklahoma,
325,000 in Iowa,	320,000 in South Carolina,
185,000 in Kansas,	411,000 in South Dakota,
7,000 in Louisiana,	635,000 in Texas,
239,000 in Minnesota,	102,000 in Virginia,
1,009,000 in Missouri,	10,000 in Wisconsin,
225,000 in Montana,	105,000 in Wyoming.
382,000 in Nebraska,	

On Dec. 29 the Corporation announced that on Dec. 27 and 28 1921 it approved 117 advances, aggregating \$3,699,000 for agricultural and live stock purposes, as follows:

\$50,000 in Arkansas	284,000 in North Dakota
424,000 in California	61,000 in Oklahoma
202,000 in Georgia	37,000 in Oregon
675,000 in Iowa	66,000 in South Carolina
22,000 in Idaho	268,000 in South Dakota
286,000 in Kansas	158,000 in Texas
306,000 in Minnesota	48,000 in Washington
115,000 in Missouri	102,000 in Wisconsin
155,000 in Montana	105,000 in Wyoming
335,000 in Nebraska	

From Dec. 29 to Dec. 31, inclusive, the Corporation approved 255 advances, aggregating \$9,359,000, for agricultural and live stock purposes, as follows:

\$500,000 in Arizona,	782,000 in Nebraska,
4,000 in California,	670,000 in New Mexico,
340,000 in Colorado,	175,000 in North Carolina,
45,000 in Florida,	588,000 in North Dakota,
97,000 in Georgia,	195,000 in Ohio,
40,000 in Idaho,	107,000 in Oklahoma,
710,000 in Illinois,	123,000 in Oregon,
30,000 in Indiana,	249,000 in South Carolina,
1,062,000 in Iowa,	561,000 in South Dakota,
202,000 in Kansas,	241,000 in Texas,
325,000 in Louisiana,	325,000 in Texas (on livestock in
302,000 in Minnesota,	New Mexico and Texas),
845,000 in Missouri,	286,000 in Wisconsin.
555,000 in Montana,	

During the week ended Dec. 23 1921 the War Finance Corporation approved 347 advances, aggregating \$12,006,000, for agricultural and live stock purposes; during the week ended Dec. 31 1921 the Corporation approved a total of 372 advances, aggregating \$13,058,000, for agricultural and live stock purposes.

ALVIN W. KRECH ON BEARING OF 1921 DEVELOPMENTS ON DESTINIES OF 1922.

Hope that "the destinies of 1922 will be happily shaped by the strenuous and courageous efforts of the past year" is expressed by Alvin W. Krech, President of the Equitable Trust Company of New York, who in a message with the advent of the New Year, says:

The business year, 1921, will not be fondly remembered by those among us who believe that the country's economic health is reflected primarily in the number and the size of dividends and extra dividends. 1921 cannot boast of record earnings and capacity productions, but it can claim the distinction of having been the first post-war year to face the seriousness of the situation and to start the uphill job. It has been an austere year, a year of thoughtful planning, a year that chastened wisely. True it is that the individual business man is first of all concerned with his own affairs and is inclined to consider his own balance sheet as infinitely more important than the Federal Reserve Bank statement, but after all individual prosperity can only be the emanation of a general healthy state of affairs. And 1921, a year of deflation (and deflation, to quote Professor Gustav Cassel, means not only a reduction of expenses, it means also a corresponding reduction of incomes) has done much towards bringing back a healthy state of affairs. The business community was perhaps obliged to observe a rather disagreeable diet, but the banker, who is asked to diagnose the case, may now confidently point out quite a number of highly satisfying symptoms.

As a body politic we are splendidly alive: The President's message, Director Dawes's report and Secretary Hughes's "thunderbolt" are splendid affirmations of our aptness to meet serious emergencies in the most direct and matter-of-fact manner. We have the men and we have the natural resources, and we must even admit that on closing of subscriptions days, we were lately quite under the impression that the country's savings have not as yet been entirely depleted by an unhappy system of taxation. Incidentally one may also recall that the ratio of reserves of our Federal Reserve Bank is about 73%.

The international situation is rich in fair promises. Secretary Hughes launched in Washington a bold "peace offensive" which should win for the world the inestimable trophy of international economic understanding. Last year we recorded a few shy attempts at real world pacification, and today we could cite a hundred instances reflecting the world's fervent desire for peace. There is perhaps no more significant gesture than Marshal Foch's chivalrous proposal that the defeated nations be aided so that they may be re-established commercially. Victory does not rest after the laurels have been plucked, and it is our imperative duty, from self interest if not from any other reason, not to abandon those who need our co-operation.

I confidently hope that the destinies of 1922 will be happily shaped by the strenuous and courageous efforts of the past year.

NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL CONFERENCE CALLED AT INSTANCE OF PRESIDENT HARDING—CRITICISM OF FARMERS' NATIONAL COUNCIL.

In accordance with President Harding's request that he call a National Conference "to consider the agricultural problems of the American people," Secretary of Agriculture Wallace on Jan. 4 called a National Agricultural Conference to meet in Washington Jan. 23. President Harding is expected to open the conference, to which will be invited not only representatives of agricultural interests, but also those associated with agriculture in the transporting, marketing and distributing of farm products. In addition, it is expected there will also be in attendance men who will generally be accepted as representing the public. President Harding's request that such a conference be called was contained in a letter addressed to Secretary Wallace under date of Dec. 30, and made public Dec. 31. The President states therein that "we are all well aware of the severe agricultural depression which exists throughout the land," and adds that he is "convinced that a conference may be made a very helpful agency in suggesting practical ways of improvement." His letter follows:

THE WHITE HOUSE.

Washington, December 30 1921.

My Dear Mr. Secretary—In harmony with our conversation of a few days ago, I am writing to ask you to call a national conference to consider the agricultural problems of the American people. We are all well aware of the severe agricultural depression which exists throughout the land and the extraordinary conditions which brought about the present situation. No one will pretend that the present conditions could have been avoided, but none of us is willing to agree that there ought not to be some corrective and constructive steps taken to remedy the severe hardships under which so important a portion of our productive citizenship is struggling. I am convinced that a conference may be made a very helpful agency in suggesting practical ways of improvement, particularly if brought into co-ordination with the helpful investigation which has been begun by the Congressional committee committed to a related work.

Such a conference might divide itself into two parts: One part to give consideration to our present-day difficulties, which, though temporary, are serious and need effective attention; the other part, a survey of the future in an effort to determine upon general policies, having in view the maintenance of production, the greatest possible use and at the same time the conservation of our agricultural resources and the more complete co-ordination of our agricultural, manufacturing and general business interests.

It seems reasonably certain that as the world comes out of the present period of disorganization this country may find itself confronting new conditions which may very directly influence both our agricultural and industrial life. We should anticipate such changes and endeavor to prepare for them. It is unthinkable that with our vast areas, our unparalleled endowment of agricultural resources, our fertility of soil, our vast home market, and the great ability and resourcefulness of our farmers, we should accept the status of a distinctly industrial nation. Our destiny seems to require that we should be a well-rounded nation, with a high development of both industry and agriculture, supporting one another and prospering together. It must be, and I feel sure it is, the national wish and purpose to maintain our agriculture at the highest possible efficiency.

It is unquestioned that a conference will bring us to a clearer understanding of the problems before us. I would like you to bring into the conference not only the ablest representatives of agricultural production, which shall represent our great country in the broadest possible way, but I think much good would come if you will include in the conference those who are engaged in industry, most intimately associated with agriculture. It will clarify our views if we may have present representatives of the more important interests which are closely related to and dependent on agriculture, I trust these representatives will be invited.

I must leave the make-up of the conference to your more intimate knowledge of those who may confer most helpfully but I will be glad if you

will immediately issue invitations, so that both the country and the Government may have the benefit of the earliest possible suggestions which will come from such a meeting. Very truly yours,

WARREN G. HARDING.

On Dec. 30, in commenting on President Harding's letter, Secretary Wallace said:

I am glad to receive instructions from the President to call a conference to consider our agricultural problems, and shall set about it at once. I cannot now announce the date nor the names of those who will be asked to take part, but hope to do so very soon. The President's letter sets forth most admirably the reasons why such a conference should be held and leaves nothing further to be said on that subject. I am in complete accord with this conception of the matters the conference should consider and the character of the representation, and shall try to carry out his wishes in detail.

According to a special dispatch from Washington Dec. 31 to the New York "Times" the Farmers' National Council (a radical organization) in a statement issued at its headquarters there belittled the conference proposed by the President. In quoting the Council's statement the "Times" said:

The conference "of farming interests plus the interests related thereto, that is, interests which have exploited agriculture, will doubtless be the same sort of a bluff and a fraud as the President's conference on unemployment and the President's conference to limit the limitation of armaments," it was said.

There was plenty of legislation before the last session of Congress to relieve agriculture, said the statement, "but the big financial and monopoly interests killed it. The Norris bill, creating the Farm Products Export Corporation, would have helped farmers wonderfully, but the President saw fit to kill that bill, and the revived War Finance Corporation, as a substitute, has been of little help to farmers, but a great boon to bankers. J. P. Morgan opposed Government loans to the live stock interests and the President killed this plan also. Senator La Follette has recently shown that spokesmen for the National Grange and the American Farm Bureau Federation are hand-in-glove with the predatory interests, which rob and exploit farmers.

Farming in America will continue the worst paid occupation since the slaves were freed unless the enormous national debts of the world are paid off promptly by heavy taxation of concentrated wealth and the nations of the world devote their attention to feeding and clothing their peoples instead of to land and concession grabbing.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF JOINT COMMISSION OF AGRICULTURAL INQUIRY.

A report presented to the Senate on December 14 by the Joint Commission of Agricultural Inquiry, recommends among other things the legalization of Co-operative Marketing combinations, the lowering of freight rates on agricultural products and the establishment of agricultural attaches in European capitals. The report, which it is understood, is to be followed by three others states that measured in terms of purchasing power the farmer's dollar in 1920 was worth 89 cents and that in May, 1921, it was worth 77 cents. During the past twelve months, it is stated, it has been worthless than in any preceding twelve months in 30 years. No specific legislation is recommended by the Commission, which has asked for authority until April 15 next to file the other reports on its investigation. The Commission is composed of both Senators and members of the House, with Representative Anderson, Republican, of Minnesota, as chairman. As we noted in these columns August 6 1921 (page 579) the Senate on Aug. 1 adopted a resolution extending until the first Monday in January the time within which the Commission might file its report. The resolution creating the commission (given in our issue of June 11 1921, page 2480) called for the submission of a report by the Commission to Congress within ninety days. The following are the thirteen recommendations in the report submitted to the Senate on Dec. 14:

1. That the Federal Government affirmatively legalize the co-operative combination of farmers for the purpose of marketing, grading, sorting, processing or distributing their products.
2. That the farmer's requirements for credit corresponding to his turnover and having maturity of from six months to three years, which will enable payment to be made from the proceeds of the farm, be met by an adoption of the present banking system of the country, which will enable it to furnish credit of this character. It is expected that a concrete proposal to carry out this recommendation will be made in Part 2 of this report.
3. That there should be a warehousing system which will provide a uniform liability on the part of the warehousemen and in which the moral and financial hazards are fully insured. To this end the commission suggests the extension of the existing Federal warehouse law and the passage by the several States of uniform laws regulating the liability of warehousemen and the services rendered by them.
4. The commission believes that an immediate reduction of freight rates on farm products is absolutely necessary to a renewal of normal agricultural operations and prosperity and recommends prompt action by the railroads and constituted public authority to that end.
5. That there should be an extension of the statistical divisions of the Department of Agriculture, particularly along the lines of procurement of livestock statistics.
6. That provision should be made by Congress for agricultural attaches in the principal foreign countries producing and consuming agricultural products.
7. The development by trade associations and by State and Federal sanction of more accurate, uniform and practical grades of agricultural products and standards of containers for the same.
8. That adequate Federal appropriation should be made for the promotion of better book and record keeping of the cost of production of farm

products on the basis of the farm plant unit, as a basis for the development of more efficient methods of farm management.

9. Provision for an extended and co-ordinated program of a practical and scientific investigation through State and national departments of agriculture and through agricultural colleges and universities directed toward reducing the hazards of climate and weather conditions and of plant and animal diseases and insect pests.

10. More adequate wholesale terminal facilities, particularly for handling perishables at primary markets and a more thorough organization of the agencies and facilities of distribution of the large consuming centres of the country.

11. The development of better roads to local markets, joint facilities at terminals connecting rail, water and motor transport systems and more adequate facilities at shipping points with a view to reducing the cost of marketing and distribution.

12. That greater effort be directed to the improvement of community life.

13. The renewal of conditions of confidence, and industrial as well as agricultural prosperity is depending upon a readjustment of prices for commodities to the end that prices received for commodities will represent a fair division of the economic rewards of industry, risk, management, and investment of capital. These conditions can not be brought about by legislative formulas but must be the result for the most part of the interplay of economic forces. The Government and the States which their respective spheres should do by legislative and administrative action what it may be possible to do, based upon sound principles to facilitate this readjustment.

GOVERNOR HARDING OF FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD ORDERS SUSPENSION OF BUILDING CONTRACTS.

All construction work on Federal Reserve Bank buildings for which contracts have not yet been let has been ordered suspended by W. P. G. Harding, Governor of the Federal Reserve Board, pending action by Congress on the proposal now before that body which would make the construction of buildings subject to the consent of Congress. This proposal is in the form of an amendment (offered by Senator Harris of Georgia) to the pending bill making provision for an additional member of the Federal Reserve Board—the new member to be a representative of agricultural interests. Governor Harding in his letter to the Chairman of the Federal Reserve banks directing that "no new contracts for the construction of a building be entered into until there has been opportunity of ascertaining the disposition of Congress toward the amendment," was quoted as follows in yesterday's New York "Commercial":

The Federal Reserve Board has never assumed that it has authority to enter into any contract for the erection of any kind of building. The directors of Federal Reserve banks are, however, empowered under the provisions of Section 4 of the Federal Reserve Act "to make contracts to exercise all powers specifically granted by the provisions of this Act, and such incidental powers as shall be necessary to carry on the business of banking within the limitations prescribed by this Act."

The Board has always taken the view that the law authorizes directors of Federal Reserve banks to provide their banks and branches with such buildings and equipment as may be necessary for the proper conduct of their business. There is nothing in the Federal Reserve Act that requires the specific approval of building contracts by the Federal Reserve Board, but under its power of general supervision paragraph J, section 11, the Board has acquired all Federal Reserve banks to submit for its consideration all options for the purchase of real estate, all plans and specifications for buildings and vaults and has advised the banks that they should not enter into any contracts involving investments of this kind until the Board has had an opportunity to make any suggestions or offer any objections, as it might seem proper.

In some cases buildings of Federal Reserve banks and branches have been completed and in others contracts have been let which must necessarily be carried out. Although the amounts involved in the erection of Federal Reserve Bank buildings represent investments of the banks' own funds and not the expenditure of public moneys, the Board feels, nevertheless, that no attempt should be made by any Federal Reserve Bank to anticipate any action by Congress which may tend to restrict or modify its present authority and you are requested to advise your directors at once that the Board advises that no new contracts for the construction of a building be entered into by them until there has been opportunity of ascertaining the disposition of Congress toward the amendment above quoted.

Governor Harding has also addressed a letter to the Chairmen of the Banking and Currency Committees of the House and Senate with reference to the construction work completed and proposed by the Federal Reserve Banks. Regarding his advices on this point press dispatches from Washington state:

Buildings of the Reserve Banks of Richmond, Dallas and Kansas City had been completed, he said, while work on an annex to the Atlanta bank was being carried on and the new building at Boston was nearly completed. New buildings in Chicago and San Francisco were nearly finished and contracts had been let for buildings in New York and Cleveland, which could not be canceled. Philadelphia and Minneapolis were building new banks, he added, but no contracts had been let so far for the building at St. Louis.

As to projects for which no contracts had been signed and would now be held up, he stated that the Reserve Bank of Cleveland, planned to erect a branch building at Cincinnati, Richmond intended to build a branch bank at Baltimore, Atlanta was to remodel a building at Nashville and erect one in New Orleans, and one in Jacksonville. Chicago planned to build in Detroit, St. Louis to build in Little Rock and Louisville, Kansas City was to build in Denver and Oklahoma City, and San Francisco planned a building in Salt Lake City.

The "Commercial" also reports Governor Harding as saying:

Since the Sub-Treasuries were abolished, the Federal Reserve banks have been exercising the functions formerly performed by the Sub-Treasuries and these functions have been extended wherever present facilities admit to the branches. In view of the large amounts of actual cash and securities held by all Federal Reserve Banks and branches, it is very important that they be provided with proper vault facilities. Several of the Federal Reserve Banks are very anxious to let contracts and proceed with work of construction of buildings, which are urgently needed, but the board is not

willing that anything should be done to defeat the intent of Congress. As a vote will be taken on the pending amendment at an early date, it is not thought that any serious inconvenience will result from awaiting an expression of the will of Congress.

With reference to the new building to be erected by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, the Baltimore "Sun" in special advices from Washington Dec. 29 had the following to say:

The New York Federal Reserve Bank has a problem to take care of 3,000 employes on its operating force," said Governor W. P. G. Harding, of the Federal Reserve Board, in commenting today on John Skelton Williams' charges of extravagance. "The city of New York has very strict sanitary laws—the bank cannot conduct a sweatshop. My comment on the charge of extravagance is to quote Mark Twain, that it is "greatly exaggerated."

"Instead of the figure quoted on the cost of the New York Federal Reserve Bank Building—\$25,000,000, which is the outside estimate on a flexible contract—my guess is that it may not cost much more than \$15,000,000, not including the cost of the real estate, but including the equipment. Of course, that's only a guess, but building costs have come down.

Their Own Affair, he Says.

"But suppose the Merchants' National Bank, of Baltimore, for instance, should find it has outgrown its building and that the directors and stockholders should decide to put up a new building at a cost of \$3,000,000 or \$4,000,000. Whose affair is it but theirs?"

"Federal Reserve banks are not in the strict sense of the word Government banks, but are only quasi-Government institutions, in that they are under the general supervision of the Federal Reserve Board and have on their boards of directors three men representing the public, who are appointed by the Federal Reserve Board.

PRESIDENT HARDING'S DISAPPROVAL OF EFFORTS OF AGRICULTURAL BLOC TO SECURE FARMERS REPRESENTATIVE ON FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD.

President Harding is reported to have indicated his disapproval of the bill calling for the inclusion on the Federal Reserve Board of a representative of agricultural interests. Information to this effect it is stated was imparted to members of the so-called Senate agricultural bloc, the New York "Commercial" of yesterday having the following to say regarding a conference which the President had with these Senate members on Jan. 5

The President summoned Senators Kenyon, of Iowa; Capper, of Kansas, and Kellogg, of Minnesota, to the White House to acquaint them with his views on the bill which is pending before the Senate and is scheduled for a final vote on Jan. 17, and which has strong support from the Senators from the agricultural bloc.

President Harding gave assurance to the Senators that he favored giving agriculture representation on the Federal Reserve Board, but that he believed it would be contrary to public policy to write in the law a provision making it mandatory that any particular group or element should always be represented on the board.

The bill, as pending before the Senate, is not so objectionable to the President as is an amendment presented by Senator Smith, of South Carolina, which definitely requires the President to appoint as a member of the Federal Reserve Board "a person experienced in and whose business and occupation is farming." The bill reported from the committee merely provides that the President hereafter, in selecting the five appointive members of the Board, "shall have due regard to a fair representation of the different agricultural, commercial, industrial and geographical divisions of the country." The bill as originally introduced by Senator Kellogg, was shelved by the conservative members of the Banking and Currency Committee, headed by Senator McLean of Connecticut, the Chairman.

Most of the members of the agricultural bloc intend to support the Smith amendment, which includes a provision that a representative of agriculture must be named the first time that the term of any member of the Board expires or a vacancy is otherwise created. Inasmuch as the term of W. P. G. Harding expires next August, this would mean that the President would be required to appoint a farmer as the successor to Governor Harding.

The bloc is seeking the scalp of Governor Harding. He has incurred the bitter hostility of the bloc, members of which contend that he has not been liberal enough in the extension of credits to farmers. Nowhere is this hostility more pronounced than among the Southern Democratic members of the bloc, who charge that Governor Harding has been particularly unsympathetic towards the Southern cotton growers, although his home is in Birmingham, Ala.

The President is not worrying so much about the retention of Governor Harding at the head of the National banking system as he is about the apparent attempt of the agricultural bloc to compel him to appoint a representative of their own interests on the Federal Reserve Board. In his conferences with Senators Kenyon, Capper and Kellogg today, he reminded them that he has long been committed to the principle of appointing agricultural representatives on all important governmental boards and agencies. What he objects to, he indicated, is class legislation aimed to tie his hands and leave him no discretion in making the appointment to fill the next vacancy on the Federal Reserve Board. The Senators gained the impression that he preferred to have an entirely free hand in the matter but that he would have no objection to general legislation empowering him to appoint an additional member of the Board without naming the class from which the appointee should be selected.

The banking interests of the country have become thoroughly aroused over the bloc's proposal, which they regard as an unwarranted effort to inject politics into the Federal Reserve system. They are reported to be organizing a determined opposition to the passage of the bill, as it is sponsored by the bloc.

The Senators who attended the White House conference were very reticent when they returned to the Senate. They made no secret of the fact that they were not pleased over the development. It was quite apparent that they were determined to proceed with their original plan and an open test of strength between the bloc and the Administration forces appeared to be unavoidable. The growing power of the bloc is raising such obstacles in the way of party control that some Republican leaders welcomed the prospect of a "show-down."

If the bloc wins in the Senate, it is understood that the Administration forces will make a bitter fight to side-track the measure or modify it in the House.

NET EARNINGS OF FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF NEW YORK FOR 1921 \$26,000,000 COMPARED WITH \$53,000,000 IN 1920.

The Federal Reserve Bank of New York in a statement made public yesterday (Jan. 6) reports net earnings for 1921 of \$26,093,832, equivalent to 3.7% on its working fund of capital and deposits and 97.3% on capital alone. The net earnings of the Bank for the calendar year 1920 were \$53,526,067, or over 200% on the capital of \$26,372,650. The Bank states that the decline in earnings and the reduced payment to the Government in 1921, as compared with that in 1920 "reflects the smaller volume of loans which it was called upon to make and the lower discount rates prevailing in the last half of 1921. The amount paid by the Bank in franchise tax this year was \$20,702,440, while for 1920 it was \$39,318,511. The statement issued by the Bank follows:

At the close of business on Dec. 31 the Federal Reserve Bank of New York paid to the United States Treasury in lieu of taxes \$20,702,439 94, representing its earnings during 1921, less expenses and the deductions provided for by law. The corresponding figure for 1920 was \$39,318,510 65. The decline in the amount of the earnings and the payment to the Government in 1921 as compared with that made at the close of 1920 reflects the smaller volume of loans which the Reserve Bank was called upon to make and the lower discount rates prevailing in the last half of 1921. The steady decrease in the volume of loans appears in the following month by month comparison of gross earnings:

1921—	1921—
January.....\$5,317,399 54	August.....\$2,082,748 48
February.....4,741,842 87	September.....1,674,967 92
March.....4,688,136 91	October.....1,448,072 29
April.....3,710,413 35	November.....1,193,765 58
May.....3,530,772 89	December.....1,323,052 54
June.....2,645,978 55	
July.....2,347,787 74	Total.....\$34,704,938 69

The earnings of the Federal Reserve Bank arise almost entirely from the credit-making and note issuing powers granted by the Government. The member banks are required by law to furnish it with working funds in the form of capital and deposits. The average capital during 1921 was \$26,812,000 and the average deposits were \$674,325,700. The net earnings for 1921 were \$26,093,832, equivalent to 3.7% on this working fund of capital and deposits and 97.3% on the capital alone. The disposition of these net earnings was as follows:

	1921.	1920.
Dividends at 6% on paid-in capital stock.....	\$1,608,721 16	\$1,477,096 58
Additions to surplus.....	3,781,671 10	12,332,523 41
Payment to U. S. Govt. as franchise tax.....	20,702,439 94	39,318,510 65

RE-ELECTION OF PAUL M. WARBURG AS MEMBER OF ADVISORY COUNCIL OF FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD.

Paul M. Warburg was this week re-elected a member of the Advisory Council of the Federal Reserve Board. He was elected last year to serve for one year as a member of the Council and his re-election is for a similar period. The Council is composed of one member from each Federal Reserve bank.

THE ROOT RESOLUTIONS STRENGTHENING EXISTING LAWS GOVERNING SUBMARINE WARFARE.

Following the declination of France to limit her submarine tonnage to 90,000 tons, made known to the Conference on Limitation of Armaments at the joint session on Dec. 28 of the Committee on Limitation of Armament and the Sub-Committee on Naval Limitation, ex-Senator Elihu Root submitted to the Conference at its afternoon session that day resolutions intended to strengthen the existing laws with regard to submarine warfare. At that session A. J. Balfour, in behalf of Great Britain expressed his "warm sympathy both with the substance of the resolutions and their form." Senator Schanzer of Italy also expressed his "keenest sympathy" with the Root proposals, but deferred detailed consideration pending distribution of the resolution for study by the committee members. Minister Sarraut for the French group and Mr. Hanihara for the Japanese took the same view.

On Jan. 3 France, through her delegates at Washington, agreed in principle to the proposal to prohibit the use of submarines against merchant vessels, but reserved final approval pending a discussion of the exact language of the declaration. British acceptance had previously been given, and although neither the Italians nor the Japanese had received final instructions on the 3rd, there were indications that neither country would interpose serious objection if the proposal received the full approval of France.

Approval by the five Powers of the proposals of the United States for restricting attacks by submarines was finally announced on the 5th inst., a communique issued on that day giving the resolutions as finally approved. As to the action at that day's session, the New York "Times," in a Washington dispatch Jan. 5, said:

By unanimous vote the five great naval Powers of the world, represented in the Naval Committee of the armament conference, adopted late this afternoon a declaration against the use of submarines as commerce destroyers.

The spokesmen for the United States, Great Britain, Japan, France and Italy agreed further that "to the end that the prohibition of the use of submarines as commerce destroyers shall be universally accepted as a part of the law of nations they now accept that prohibition as henceforth binding as between themselves and they invited all other nations to adhere thereto."

This outcome of the long controversy over submarines was signaled also by the adoption of the first Root resolution, restating the principles of international law regarding the rights of merchantmen in time of war.

This proposal was divided into two parts and renumbered. The first stated that a merchant ship must not be attacked without warning, that it must be searched and its crew placed in safety before it could be sunk, reiterated the pre-war principle that a submarine is not exempt from these rules applying to other fighting craft. The second part invited all other Powers to subscribe to this statement of international law.

The original second Root resolution, declaring against submarines destroying commerce, then became No. 3, and was so adopted. The third Root resolution, which would declare persons violating the law as to submarines to be guilty of piracy went over till to-morrow.

Because of the divergence of views the committee did not adopt any definition of a merchant ship—that it, determined under what conditions an armed merchantman would become an auxiliary cruiser. As the matter stands each nation remains free to decide for itself what class of ships shall or shall not be immune from attack as being commerce ships in time of war.

The following is the communique issued on the 5th inst.:

The fifteenth meeting of the Committee on Limitation of Armament was held this afternoon, Jan. 5 1922, at 3:30 o'clock in the Pan American Building.

The following resolutions presented by Mr. Root, Chairman of the sub-committee for drafting resolutions regarding submarines, were after discussion unanimously adopted:

I.

The signatory powers, desiring to make more effective the rules, adopted by civilized nations for the protection of the lives of neutrals and non-combatants at sea in time of war, declare that among those rules the following are to be deemed an established part of international law:

(1) A merchant vessel must be ordered to submit to visit and search to determine its character before it can be seized.

A merchant vessel must not be attacked unless it refuses to submit to visit and search after warning or to proceed as directed after seizure.

A merchant vessel must not be destroyed unless the crew and passengers have been first placed in safety.

(2) Belligerent submarines are not under any circumstances exempt from the universal rules above stated and if a submarine cannot capture a merchant vessel in conformity with these rules, the existing law of nations requires it to desist from attack and from seizure and to permit the merchant vessel to proceed unmolested.

II.

The signatory powers invite all other civilized powers to express their assent to the foregoing statement of established law so that there may be a clear public understanding throughout the world of the standards of conduct by which the public opinion of the world is to pass judgment upon future belligerents.

III.

The signatory powers recognize the practical impossibility of using submarines as commerce destroyers without violating, as they were violated in the recent war of 1914-1918, the requirements, universally accepted by civilized nations for the protection of the lives of neutrals and non-combatants, and to the end that the prohibition of the use of submarines as commerce destroyers shall be universally accepted as a part of the law of nations they now accept that prohibition as henceforth binding as between themselves and they invite all other nations to adhere thereto.

The committee then adjourned until Jan. 6 1922, at 11 a.m.

According to the Associated Press advices last night, consideration of submarine questions was concluded yesterday by the five Powers naval committee with adoption of the final Root resolution declaring submarine commanders who, with or without orders from their Government, violate the existing international law on submarine warfare, to be guilty of piracy.

The Root resolutions, as originally presented, and the remarks incident thereto on Dec. 29 are indicated in the communique covering the afternoon session, from which we quote as follows:

The seventh joint meeting of the Committee on Limitation of Armament and the Sub-Committee on Naval Limitation was held this afternoon, Dec. 28, at 3:30 o'clock.

The Chairman, Mr. Hughes, said that the meeting was ready to proceed with the resolution [this resolution is contained in the communique of the sixth joint session bearing on the submarine issue, which we gave in our issue of last Saturday, pages 2775-2777] as amended by Lord Lee as follows:

No ship of war other than a capital ship or aircraft carrier hereafter built shall exceed a total tonnage displacement of 10,000 tons, and no gun shall be carried by any such ship other than a capital ship with a calibre in excess of eight inches.

Vice-Admiral Acton of Italy.

We very well understand the spirit which underlies and the aim toward which the American proposal tends. A tonnage limit for ships other than capital ships must be fixed and the conditions of armament must be defined. We can from now on accept the calibre of 8 inches. As regards the tonnage of auxiliary craft, we have telegraphed to our Government and are awaiting instructions.

Secretary Hughes.

The Chairman said that with the committee's permission the discussion of this resolution would be postponed until the next meeting. He understood the present state of mind of the committee to be that there was no objection so far as the calibre of the guns was concerned, but that certain observations, but no decided objections, had been made concerning tonnage. Definitive discussion of that matter would therefore be postponed and the committee would then necessarily come to the subject of aircraft carriers. Before leaving the question of the submarine, however, he suggested that the committee return to the consideration of the appropriate action to be expressed by the Powers concerned as regards the illegal use of submarines.

As the committee was aware, it had been suggested that a resolution be proposed dealing with the present rules of law obligatory on submarines and with respect to the improvement and amendment of existing laws. He said he would ask Mr. Root to bring the matter to the attention of the committee.

Root's Resolutions.

Mr. Root then read the resolutions as follows:

The signatory Powers, desiring to make more effective the rules adopted by civilized nations for the protection of the lives of neutrals and non-combatants at sea in time of war, declare that among those rules the following are to be deemed an established part of international law:

1. A merchant vessel must be ordered to stop for visit and search to determine its character before it can be captured.

A merchant vessel must not be attacked unless it refuse to stop for visit and search after warning.

A merchant vessel must not be destroyed unless the crews and passengers have been first placed in safety.

2. Belligerent submarines are not under any circumstances exempt from the universal rules above stated, and if a submarine cannot capture a merchant vessel in conformity with these rules, the existing law of nations requires it to desist from attack and from capture and to permit the merchant vessel to proceed unmolested.

The signatory Powers invite the adherence of all the civilized Powers to the foregoing statement of established law to the end that there may be a clear public understanding throughout the world of the standards of conduct by which the public opinion of the world is to pass judgment upon future belligerents.

The signatory Powers recognize the practical impossibility of using submarines as commerce destroyers without violating the requirements universally accepted by civilized nations for the protection of the lives of the neutrals and non-combatants and, to the end that the prohibition of such use shall be universally accepted as a part of the law of nations, they declare their assent to such prohibition and invite all other nations to adhere thereto.

3. The signatory Powers, desiring to insure the enforcement of the humane rules declared by them with respect to the prohibition of the use of submarines in warfare, further declare that any person in the service of any of the Powers adopting these rules who shall violate any of the rules thus adopted, whether or not such person is under orders of a Governmental superior, shall be deemed to have violated the laws of war, and shall be liable for trial and punishment as if for an act of piracy, and may be brought to trial before the civil or military authorities of any such Powers within the jurisdiction of which he may be found.

Secretary Hughes.

The Chairman said that Mr. Root's resolution would be put in form for distribution at once. Any action upon them could be deferred until they had been considered by the delegations. They seemed, however, simple and direct arguments in support of a thesis which had been ably stated. He thought, therefore, it might be the desire of the committee to discuss their general purpose on the spot, leaving their precise language to a later time.

Arthur J. Balfour of Great Britain.

Mr. Balfour said he was sure the Chairman was well advised in suggesting that Mr. Root's proposals should be circulated in order that each delegation might examine not only the spirit which animated them, but the words in which that spirit had been expressed. So far as he himself was concerned, however, having listened to Mr. Root's admirable exposition, he wished to express not only on his own behalf, but he thought also on behalf of his colleagues, his warm sympathy, both with the substance of the resolutions and their form.

Senator Schanzer of Italy.

In the name of the Italian delegation I cannot but express my keenest sympathy for Mr. Root's proposal. Italy, being the birthplace of law, I cannot but regard with the greatest pleasure everything which can contribute to the improvement of international law. We are not in a position to-day to consider the details of the proposed resolutions, but when they are distributed we shall be glad to do so with the greatest interest, with the hope that this conference will bring forth the establishment of provisions dealing with the use of submarines which may safeguard the requirements of right and of civilization.

Minister Sarraut of France.

I rise less to comment upon the resolutions which have been read than to render homage, to the high and noble spirit of which they are the expression. I especially desire to profit by the opportunity which is offered me to express the feelings of deep sympathy and admiration for Mr. Root which animates the French delegation. We were not surprised at hearing the feeling terms in which he denounced the piratical acts committed during the war and against which we were the first to protest.

In view of these observations it seems to us wise to wait until the documents have been distributed and until we have been able to examine them with all the attention that they deserve.

Vice-Minister Hanihara of Japan.

Mr. Hanihara said that he would be glad to have the opportunity to examine the text of Mr. Root's resolution. It was hardly necessary for him to add anything in regard to the sympathy and hearty accord which the Japanese delegation felt with the aim and spirit of Mr. Root's resolution.

The Root proposals occupied the attention of the Naval Committee on Dec. 29, which debated the resolutions throughout the day before arriving at its decision to turn Article I of the resolutions over to a committee with instructions to draft its language without modifications of the principles stated in the original proposal. From the Associated Press accounts from Washington, Dec. 29, we take the following regarding the debate during the day:

Reiterating that he spoke only for himself, Mr. Balfour said he believed "a formal and authoritative statement that submarines had no license to break the rules by which other ships of war were bound could do nothing but good."

Admiral de Bon, of the French group, said he shared wholly Mr. Balfour's views and that the French delegation gave "in principle our general adhesion" to the statement that submarines "should of necessity be bound by the rules of international law."

"But as this law is of a very special nature," Admiral de Bon said, "it seems to us that the most practical solution would be to refer the consideration of the text submitted by Mr. Root to a committee of jurists, which would advise us as to its opinion in regard to the wording to be adopted."

The Japanese delegation was in accord "with the substance of Article I" of the Root resolutions, Mr. Hanihara said, but he added he believed the question should be referred to experts for drafting.

"Not that we have any particular point in mind on which we have observations to offer," he said, "but merely in order to make it sure that it leaves nothing to be desired as to its precise wording."

Mr. Hanihara suggested that the experts might be instructed "not to touch the substance of it."

Replying to Senator Schanzer's inquiry, Mr. Root said it was obvious Article 2 could not be consistent with Article 1, since it proposed a change in international law.

"Article 1," he said, "is a statement of existing law; Article 2, if adopted, would constitute a change from existing law and, therefore, it is impossible to say it is not inconsistent."

As to Senator Schanzer's suggestion that merchant ships be defined in the proposed five-Power declaration, Mr. Root said:

"Nothing is more clearly or better understood than the subject we call merchant ship. The merchant ship, its treatment, its rights, its protection and its immunities are at the base of the law of nations."

He added that definitions of merchant ships would "only serve to weaken and confuse" the proposed declaration. He had hoped yesterday, Mr. Root continued, that the delegations would seek expert legal opinion on his proposals overnight and that "we would have had here to-day the results of that inquiry."

"I would like to say," he continued, "that I am entitled to know whether any delegation questions this statement of existing international law. You are all in favor of the principle of the resolution if it is correct. Does this, or does it not, state the law of nations as it exists? If it does, you are all in favor of it. What, then, hinders its adoption?"

Mr. Root briefly rehearsed the rejection by the Assembly of the League of Nations of the proposal of the advisory committee of jurists assembled by the Council of the League that "a conference for the advancement of international law" be created.

"The door was closed," he said; "where do we stand? Is this not to be a world regulated by law?"

The speaker said there was no adequate law to govern submarines, aircraft or poison gases and "somebody must move." His resolution, he said, proposed to restate "the rules of war that have been trampled under foot, flouted and disregarded."

"Is there a delegation here," he continued, "that can afford to go back to its own people and say to them, 'upon the proposal being presented to us we referred it to a committee of lawyers and adjourned'?"

"I am not going to be buried under a committee of lawyers myself, and these rules cannot be buried under them. Either we speak clearly and intelligibly the voice of humanity which has sent us here, and to which we must report, or that voice will speak for itself, and, speaking without us, will be our condemnation."

Mr. Root said he opposed reference to the resolution "to a committee of lawyers or to any other committee."

"I ask for a vote upon it here," he said.

Sir John Salmond, for New Zealand, also opposed reference to a legal committee, but warned against haste. He pointed out that, "read literally," paragraph three of Article 1 would mean that even a merchant ship which refused to stop when signaled by a submarine could not be attacked until her passengers and crew had been placed in safety. He also said that Article 2 had not disclosed its relation as a proposed eventual substitute for Article 1 until Mr. Root had explained its purpose.

The following are the two communiques of Dec. 29, relative to the discussions and action bearing on the Root resolutions:

The eighth joint meeting of the Committee on the Limitation of Armament and the Sub-Committee on Naval Limitation was held this morning, Dec. 29 1921, at 11 o'clock, in the Pan American Building.

The Chairman (Mr. Hughes) opened the meeting by saying that if there were no objections the committee would take up the resolutions proposed and read yesterday by Mr. Root relative to the action of submarines in warfare. It seemed best to take the articles up separately. The first article related to rules deemed an established part of international law. It summarized in a clear, concise manner the existing rules governing the action of belligerent ships of war in relation to merchant craft and stated the unequivocal position that belligerent submarines were not exempt from these rules. He then invited discussion.

Mr. Balfour of Great Britain.

Mr. Balfour said that, as he understood the question which Mr. Hughes had put, it referred to the first of Mr. Root's propositions, which as Mr. Hughes had said, proposed to be a statement in clear and explicit language of the existing rules of war and the application to submarines. So far as he personally was concerned, he agreed that such a statement should be made. He was not lawyer enough to say whether the existing rules were correctly summarized, and on this he would have to consult his own legal advisers. Provided, however, that the resolution did really embody the existing rules of war he thought it most desirable that these rules should be reaffirmed in their relation to submarine warfare.

Perhaps on this matter he ought only to speak for himself. He personally held the view that a formal and authoritative statement that submarines had no license to break the rules by which other ships of war were bound could do nothing but good.

Admiral de Bon of France.

I share wholly the views expressed by Mr. Balfour. The French delegation has repeatedly had occasion to condemn the practices followed by the German submarines during the last war.

We are then thoroughly imbued with the high humanitarian motives which have dictated the resolutions presented by Mr. Root, to which we give in principle our generous adhesion. But we have no jurist in our delegation and we recognize that certain of these resolutions have a bearing on the complicated rules of international law.

We can then hardly do otherwise than to subscribe to the spirit of these resolutions and to repeat that the submarine should of necessity be bound by the rules of international law. But as this law is of a very special nature, it seems to us that the most practical solution would be to refer the consideration of the text submitted by Mr. Root to a committee of jurists, which would advise us as to its opinion in regard to the wording to be adopted.

Senator Schanzer of Italy.

I entirely associate myself with Mr. Balfour's and Admiral de Bon's remarks. We gave yesterday our full adhesion to the aim to which Mr. Root's proposal tends, but we also think that the question of formulating rules for the use of submarines in war is, above all, a legal question, which ought to be examined by a competent committee of jurists.

We have forwarded the text of Mr. Root's proposal to our Government and are awaiting eventual remarks from the same.

At any rate, it might be useful even now to point out a few questions to

which the proposal might give rise in order to contribute to the future discussion.

It seems to me difficult, in the first place, to separate the first resolution from the second, which definitely prohibits the use of submarines for the destruction of merchant craft. The first resolution, on the contrary, admits in determined cases the destruction of merchant craft after certain provisions have been observed. I should wish therefore to know in what way the second resolution tallies with the first.

In the second place, I believe that it might be useful to give a clear definition of merchant craft in order to make them recognizable and to establish plainly in which cases a submarine shall abstain from attacking a ship and in which cases, on the contrary, attack is to be permitted, as, for example, in the case of a merchantman regularly armed or of a privateer.

I have not made these remarks in any spirit of opposition, as we have decided to collaborate to the best of our ability in order to attain the aim which the American delegation has in view. My reason for speaking was to give Mr. Root the opportunity for such explanation as might throw light on the terms in which his proposals are formulated.

Sir Robert Borden of Canada.

Sir Robert Borden said that in offering a few observations in regard to the proposals presented he was without the advantage of having heard Mr. Root's explanations on the previous day. Further, his views were purely personal and must not be regarded as binding on any other member of the delegation to which he belonged.

As he understood the proposals, Mr. Root had set forth existing rules which had been, or should have been, the general practice in the past to govern the action of nations in time of war. In setting forth Article 1 Mr. Root had placed the rules of submarines on a much higher plane than had been the case with the nations with whom we had been at war for a period of four years. They had only violated those rules. He had no doubt that the statement of the rules in Article 1 was correct and should have been followed by belligerent vessels.

Mr. Root's proposal, however, went much further. In Article 2 the signatory Powers were asked to deal with the possibility of using submarines as commerce destroyers without violating the requirements universally accepted by civilized nations for the protection of the lives of neutrals and non-combatants, and to the end that the prohibition of such uses shall be universally accepted as a part of the law of nations they were asked to declare their assent to such prohibition and to invite all other nations to adhere thereto. As he understood this article it was intended to mark a notable and most desirable advance on the existing rules. Mr. Root had first stated the existing practice and had then suggested this advance. He thought it would be wise and indeed essential in the interests of humanity that this proposal should be accepted.

The exact wording, however, must be considered, and he did not disagree with the suggestion for examination by an expert body provided this should not prevent action by this conference.

In Article 3 Mr. Root had gone rather further. He had laid down the principle that any person in the service of any of the Powers adopting these rules who should violate any of the rules thus adopted, whether or not such person was under orders of a governmental superior, should be deemed to have violated the laws of war and should be liable to trial and punished as if for an act of piracy, etc. Having regard to some experiences of his own country in the late war, and especially to one occasion when twenty Canadian nurses had been drowned as the result of the torpedoing of a hospital ship and the subsequent sinking of the ship's boats, he could say that the feeling of his country was strongly in favor of the proposal that any person guilty of such conduct, whether under the orders of his Government or not, should be treated as a pirate and brought to trial and punished as such.

Mr. Hanihara of Japan.

The Japanese delegation is in entire accord with the substance of Article 1 of the proposed resolution. As regards the suggestion whether it is not advisable to refer the matter to a committee of experts for drafting, I am rather inclined to follow it, not that we have any particular point in mind on which we have observations to offer, but merely in order to make it sure that it leaves nothing to be desired as to its precise wording. We may instruct the committee to examine it in this sense and not to touch the substance of it.

Mr. Root.

Senator Schanzer has asked some questions to which I shall reply.

First—As to the agreement of Article 1 of the resolutions now before the committee with the second article relative to the prohibition of making use of submarines as commerce destroyers, which he deems inconsistent with Article 1:

Article 1 is a statement of existing law; Article 2, if adopted, would constitute a change from the existing law, and, therefore, it is impossible to say that it is not inconsistent. If it were not inconsistent, there would be no change. Article 2 could not be consistent with Article 1 and still make a change.

Senator Schanzer also suggests that the resolution be completed, including a definition of "a merchant ship." Throughout all the long history of international law no term has been better understood than the term "a merchant ship." It could not be made clearer by the addition of definitions, which would only serve to weaken and confuse it. The merchant ship, its treatment, its rights, its protection, and its immunities are at the base of the law of nations. Nothing is more clearly or better understood than the subject we call the merchant ship.

Now, with regard to the proposal to refer this matter to a committee of lawyers, far be it from me to say anything derogatory to the members of the profession of which I have been a humble member for more years than I care to remember. They are the salt of the earth; they are the noblest work of God; they are superior in intellect and authority to all other people whatsoever. But both this conference and my own life are approaching their termination. I do not wish these resolutions to be in the hands of a commission even of lawyers after we adjourn.

I supposed when we adjourned yesterday and after what had been said concerning the opportunity for critical examination, that the different delegations would call in their own experts and ask their advice with regard to this resolution, which is now the only one before the committee. I had supposed that the experts in international law brought here for the purpose of advising, would have been asked whether this was a correct statement of the rules and that we would have here to-day the result of that inquiry.

I would like to say that I am entitled to know whether any delegation questions this statement of existing international law. You are all in favor of the principle of the resolution if it is correct. Does this or does it not state the law of nations as it exists? If it does, you are all in favor of it. What then hinders its adoption?

Senator Schanzer, in describing the action of submarines with regard to merchant vessels, repeated on his own behalf the very words of this resolution. The very words—*ipsisimis verbis*—of this resolution may be found

in Senator Schanzer's remarks. My respect for the learning, experience and ability of the various delegates around this table forbids me to doubt that every one here is perfectly familiar with the rules and usages as stated in the first clause of Article 1. This does not purport to be a codification of the laws of nations as regards merchant vessels or to contain all of the rules. It says that the following are to be deemed among the existing rules of international law. The time has come to reaffirm them:

1. A merchant vessel must be ordered to stop for visit and search to determine its character before it can be captured.

Do we not all know that is true? It is a long established principle.

2. A merchant vessel must not be attacked unless it refuses to stop for visit and search after warning.

3. A merchant vessel must not be destroyed unless the crew and passengers have first been placed in safety.

Is there any question whatever as to the correctness of these statements?

Turning to one of the British legal advisers, Mr. Root asked:

"Mr. Malkin, is there any doubt about that?"

Mr. Malkin replied that in principle there was no doubt at all.

"As Mr. Lodge remarks to me," continued Mr. Root, "this is only elementary. The object of the resolution is to form something which will crystallize the public opinion of the world. It was made perfectly simple on purpose.

"Then follows a principle of vital importance, on which I challenge denial. If all the lawyers in the world should get together they could not decide the question more conclusively. The public opinion of the world says that the submarine is not under any circumstances exempt from the rules above stated, and, if so, they cannot capture merchant vessels. This is of the greatest importance. That is a negation of the assertion of Germany in the war that if a submarine could not capture a merchant vessel in accord with established rules the rules must fail and the submarine was entitled to make the capture. The public opinion of the civilized world has denied this and has rendered its judgment in the action that won the war. It was the revolt of humanity against the position of Germany that led to Germany's defeat.

"Is that not a true rendering of the opinion of the civilized world which we seek to express? My friends and colleagues, this is a real life we are dealing with here. This is no perfunctory business for a committee of lawyers. It is a statement of action and of undisputed principles universally known and not open to discussion, put in such a form that it may crystallize the public opinion of the world, and that there may be no doubt in any future war whether the kind of action that sent down the Lusitania is legitimate war or piracy.

"This conference was called for what? For the limitation of armament. But limitation is not the end, only the means. It is the belief of the world that this conference was convened to promote the peace of the world—to relieve mankind of the horrors and the losses and the intolerable burdens of war.

"We cannot justify ourselves in separating without some declaration that will give voice to the humane opinion of the world upon this subject, which was the most vital, the most heartfelt, the most stirring to the conscience and to the feeling of the people of all our countries of anything that occurred during the late war. I feel to the depth of my heart that the man who was responsible for sinking the Lusitania committed an act of piracy. I know that all my countrymen with whom I have had intercourse feel the same, and I should be ashamed to go on with this conference without some declaration, some pronouncement, which will give voice to the feeling and furnish an opportunity for the crystallization of the opinion of mankind in the establishment of a rule which will make it plain to all the world that no man can commit such an act again without being stigmatized as a pirate.

Recommendations of Jurists at The Hague.

"There are two ways in which this question that Germany raised about the right of submarines to disobey the rules of international law—what they said in the way of destroying a merchant vessel—can be settled. With the whole dominion of the air unregulated by international law, with the score of difficult questions staring us in the face (such as blockade, contraband and other questions in the field of law), there was a recommendation made by the Committee of Jurists which assembled at The Hague last year, 1920, upon the invitation of the Council of the League of Nations, to devise and report a plan for an international court of justice.

"The Commission met at The Hague, and after some months of labor, they recommended a plan which, with some modifications, was adopted by the Council and by the Assembly of the League of Nations, under which judges of the new court have been appointed and under which that court is about to convene next month, January, 1922. The commission of jurists selected by the Council of the League of Nations for its advisers went beyond the strict limit of its authority, and so much impressed were they all with the necessity for a re-statement of the rules of the law of nations as a result of the war (what happened during the war and the consequences of the war) that they made a recommendation upon it.

"There were present a representative of Great Britain, a most able and learned judge of the highest court, and representatives for France (a very distinguished representative), of Belgium, of Japan, of Holland, of Norway, of Spain, of Brazil, and one from the United States of America. They were all there in their individual capacities, but coming from nine different countries and selected by the Council of the League of Nations, and invited there to be their advisers. All of these gentlemen unanimously agreed upon this resolution:

"The Advisory Committee of Jurists, assembled at The Hague to draft a plan for a permanent court of international justice, convinced that the security of States and the well-being of peoples urgently require the extension of the empire of law and the development of all international agencies for the administration of justice, recommends

I.

"That a new conference of the nations in continuation of the first two conferences at The Hague, be held as soon as practicable for the following purposes:

"1. To restate the established rules of international law, especially, and in the first instance, in the fields affected by the events of the recent war.

"2. To formulate and agree upon the amendments and additions, if any, to the rules of international law shown to be necessary or useful by the events of the war, and the changes in the conditions of international life and intercourse which have followed the war.

"3. To endeavor to reconcile divergent views and secure general agreement upon the rules which have been in dispute heretofore.

"4. To consider the subjects not now adequately regulated by international law, but as to which the interests of international justice require the rules of law shall be declared and accepted.

II.

"That the Institute of International Law, the American Institute of International Law, the Union Juridique Internationale, the International Law Association and the Iberian Institute of Comparative Law be invited to prepare with such conference or collaboration inter sese as they may deem useful, projects for the work of the conference to be submitted beforehand to the several Governments and laid before the conference for its consideration and such action as it may find suitable.

III.

"That the conference be named the Conference for the Advancement of International Law.

IV.

"That this conference be followed by further successive conferences at stated intervals and continue the work left unfinished."

"That recommendation was communicated to the Council of the League of Nations, was somewhat modified by the Council and then referred to the Assembly of the League of Nations, and by the Assembly was rejected. The door was closed.

Warns of Delay in Action.

"Where do we stand? Is this not to be a world regulated by law? What are our disarmaments worth if we give our assent to the proposition that the impulse of the moment, the unregulated and unconstrained instincts of brute force, shall rule the world and that there shall be no law? If there is to be a law, somebody must move.

"There is no adequate law now with regard to submarines. There is no law no regarding aircraft. There is no law now regarding poisonous gases, and somebody must move. The door to a conference is closed, and here we are met in a solemn conference of the five greatest Powers upon the limitation of armaments and charged to do something toward the peace of the world. This resolution proposes to re-state the rules of war that have been trampled under foot, flouted and disregarded. This resolution proposes that we assert again the domination of those humane rules for the protection of human life, and that we discredit and condemn the attempt to overturn them. This resolution proposes to tell what we really believe, that we characterize as it ought to be characterized the attempt to overturn the rules impressed by humanity upon the conduct of its Governments.

"Is there a delegation here that can afford to go back to its own people and say to them: 'Upon the proposal being presented to us we referred it to a committee of lawyers and adjourned'? It will not down. These resolutions speak with a voice that will continue insistently. I am not going to be buried under a committee of lawyers myself, and these rules cannot be buried under them. Either we speak clearly and intelligently the voice of humanity which has sent us here and to which we must report, or that voice will speak for itself and speaking without us will be our condemnation.

"Mr. Chairman, I am opposed to the reference of this resolution to a committee of lawyers or to any other committee. I ask for a vote upon it here. If the delegation of any country represented here has any error to point out in it I am ready to correct it, but I ask for a vote upon it, in furtherance of the principle to which every one of my colleagues around the table has given his adherence."

After the foregoing had been interpreted, Mr. Root said:

Mr. Chairman, I omitted, in answering Senator Schanzer's very discriminating question regarding the relations between Articles 1 and 2 to say that of course, if the second article were adopted by all the world it would supersede Article 1. This, however, would be a long, slow process, and during the interval the law as it stands must apply until an agreement is reached. Article 1 also explains in authorized form the existing law, and can be brought forward when the public asks what changes are proposed. In proposing a change, it is necessary to make clear what the law now is. It is very important to link this authoritative statement in Article 1 with the new principle proposed in Article 2.

Sir John Salmond of New Zealand.

While not doubting the substantial accuracy of the resolutions proposed by Mr. Root and while I am of opinion with him that it is unnecessary to appoint a committee of jurists to determine the law as regards merchant ships in war or the capture of private property at sea, at the same time the resolutions as they stand are not free from ambiguities and formal defects. Although reference to such a legal committee is unnecessary, I think there should be opportunity given for verbal amendments. For example:

Paragraph 3 of Rule 1, that a merchant vessel must not be destroyed unless the crew and passengers have been first placed in safety. Is this intended to give absolute immunity to the merchant ship from attack unless the crew and passengers are first placed in safety even although the ship has refused to stop on being warned? Read literally this would be the effect of the rule.

Secondly, the relation between resolutions 1 and 2 does not appear in the text and a verbal explanation by Mr. Root was necessary to explain it. While, therefore, I am in absolute agreement with the substance of Mr. Root's resolutions and support his refusal to put off the matter by reference to a committee of lawyers, I think there is no haste which could justify our not being given opportunity for the examination and formal amendment of the resolutions.

Senator Lodge.

Mr. Chairman, I would not ask to take up the time of the conference if I could attend the meeting this afternoon. I hope we may have a reasonably speedy decision in this matter and I do not like to have a decision reached without having expressed my feeling in regard to it. I have a great respect for experts, but there are some of us here at this table who have given attention to international law for some time, and among the delegates here there are several capable of putting these resolutions in proper form.

I believe the first thing to aim at is simplicity of statement. The rules laid down by Mr. Root, especially in Article 1, are elementary. Anyone who has read a textbook of international law knows them. I shall not attempt to add to the powerful argument presented by Mr. Root, who, though I say it in his presence, is one of the greatest international lawyers now living. As far as his arguments go, I will follow a historic British example and say "ditto to Mr. Burke."

What I should like to see done by the conference is to decide on a policy—for there is a question of policy. We can easily take care of amendments suggested by Mr. Salmond. We are here to settle a policy and must do so. This policy has been presented and will not down. The world to-day wants an unequivocal declaration against the sinking of the Lusitania. I take the Lusitania as an example summing up the horrors of the submarine as it was used in the war with Germany.

I know the opinion of my country. The feeling aroused here as well as in Great Britain was intense. I want a declaration showing the representative opinion in this matter and preventing, so far as we can, the use of submarines for the destruction of commerce and against innocent non-combatants, women and children. We can at least erect a standard. After the Constitution of the United States was adopted by the Constitutional Convention in 1787, George Washington wrote to a friend:

"We have erected a standard to which the wise and good can repair. The rest is in the hands of God."

I think we can erect a standard here to which the civilized world can repair in the matter of submarines. I believe the world will rally to it. What will be the alternative if we fail to reach this decision? We shall leave the door of uncertainty open—open to the type of man commanding the submarine which sank the Lusitania—open to people who wish to wage

war in that way; we shall give opportunity to them to trample under foot the laws of nations relating to merchant vessels and leave matters in that most dangerous of conditions without any settled law upon the subject. But if, after formulating it at this table, we declare in a most clear and solemn manner that submarines must not sink merchant vessels with crews and passengers on board, I hope and pray we may adopt it and send it out to the world.

The people of the United States desire this declaration to be made, and that the world may hear the voice of this conference speaking clearly against the continuance of the use of the submarines for the destruction of merchant vessels and innocent lives, those of women, children and non-combatants.

Senator Underwood.

I want to take a few minutes to express my hearty concurrence in the statement of my colleague, Mr. Root, in regard to this matter. I hope this resolution controlling the unlawful use of submarines, with such amendments as may be necessary, may be passed before this conference adjourns.

I believe we have now reached at this table the dividing of the ways as to what the conference stands for. Are we to proclaim that we are still tied to the dead body of the war that is past, or that the civilized nations of the world desire to attain and accomplish new ideals of peace; that we intend to put war behind and peace ahead? If we are only met here for a temporary armistice, if we are only temporarily tired of war, with our Treasuries exhausted—if we agree to fly the white flag for a few years till we grow strong for war again, let us adjourn now and let the horrors of the next war teach statesmen the lesson which is necessary, that civilization may progress again toward the ideal of permanent peace. If we are only met here to save dollars or francs or shillings for a few years we had better adjourn.

My country has never particularly prided itself on military expenditures. We have gone for many years at times without much armament, because we did not fear our neighbors, and because we could say in our hearts that we wanted to be at peace with the world. If we are here only to save dollars or other coins, the great heart of the people of the world will be grievously disappointed. Unless we can plant the flag of civilization on a higher point—unless this conference move forward—then we will have made a failure.

As for me, I should like to see in the future the great empire of Japan leading the Far East as a nation of commerce and leader of high ideals, rather than as a nation of great armaments. I should like to see a great Italy assured of the safety of the seas that carry the fuel necessary to her national life; I should like to see France secure in her territorial integrity; I should like to see the day come when she may feel that her safety is assured for all time, and that she has no longer a need for a great army. I should like to see the day come when Great Britain need no longer fear any danger of attack on the food supply of her people; that commercial ships may safely enter her ports and bring the supplies necessary to her national life.

These are the ideals toward which the conference should move rather than toward the ideals of horror and extended power of war. If we reject this resolution, we shall be saying to the peoples of the world that we are declaring only a temporary armistice and that we are going back to war. But if we are willing to take this one step—no matter how small—to make the seas safe for the peaceful ships of commerce, to that extent we will have removed one of the great causes of war—and the world will never be free from war until the causes of war are removed.

I, therefore, heartily support the proposal of my colleague. I feel it represents great principles underlying the desire of the people of the world for peace—that lasting peace that shall banish war from the world forever.

Senator Schanzer of Italy.

May I be allowed to remark that a misunderstanding has arisen in this discussion which it is necessary to eliminate.

From some of the speeches that have been made here to-day by eminent orators it might seem as though there were opposition to the fundamental principles upon which Mr. Root's proposals are based.

Now, each one of us has responsibilities toward the public opinion of the entire world, and we cannot even for one instant allow that it should be thought that we are opposed to any measure tending to render war less inhumane. It was the Italian delegation which proposed the abolition of poisonous gas, and was it not only yesterday that we declared our most implicit and unconditional sympathy for Mr. Root's proposals? Can there be any who might suppose, even for one instant, that we do not share the sentiments of horror for the methods of war which brought about the criminal sinking of the Lusitania?

It is surely not the Italian delegation that one could reproach for any hesitation in supporting anything which can make us progress toward a higher civilization. No country is more interested than Italy in putting an end to the abuses of submarine warfare. It is therefore not the principle itself which we have contested. I had only wished to submit a few remarks on the wording of the text which has been put before us. That my observations were not useless is shown by the explanations which Mr. Root has been kind enough to give me and for which I thank him. I had asked to know in what way Resolution 2 was to be understood in respect to Resolution 1.

In fact, the system contemplated in the first and second resolutions cannot co-exist at the same time. Resolution 1 declares an existing law regarding submarine warfare, while admits, in certain cases and subject to certain observances, even of the destruction of merchant ships. Resolution 2 condemns in the most absolute way the use of submarines for the destruction of merchant ships.

Mr. Root has now explained that Resolution 2 represents a new and subsequent phase to which we must tend. I think that ought to be more clearly expressed in the wording of the resolution.

The Italian delegation does not insist on the proposal of submitting the whole discussion of the question to the study of a committee of jurists. If it is deemed preferable to continue to discuss it in this same committee we have no difficulty in agreeing. As I have already said, what we would ask is that pending also the arrival of our Government's instructions, we examine the various sides of this proposal with the attention which the subject requires, and only because we have the keen desire that the new regulations of international law which will come forth from this conference should be fully satisfactory to all those who believe that the world can and must make further progress on the path of civilization.

The meeting then adjourned until the afternoon at 3:30 p. m.

Afternoon Session.

The ninth joint meeting of the Committee on the Limitation of Armament and the Sub-Committee on Naval Limitation was held this afternoon, Dec. 29 1921, at 3:30 o'clock.

The Chairman (Mr. Hughes) said that the committee had before it the first resolution in regard to submarines.

Mr. Root said that he wished to make a few remarks following Sir John Salmond's remarks of this morning. He was in full agreement with this suggestion, and he had no idea of asking adoption without the critical examination, which carried with it the result of such examination. Mr. Root believed that the resolutions should go through the process sometimes described by parliamentarians as "perfection by amendment." Sir John Salmond had made a valuable suggestion which, embodied in a few words, could result in the improvement and clarification of the resolutions.

It was this kind of thing which ought to be done and which he hoped would be done. Whether it was done here by members of the committee, speaking upon advice and experience of the experts, or by a drafting committee of experts was of little consequence. The great question was whether the committee would make such a declaration as this. In any case the process of destructive and constructive criticism should be gone through.

Mr. Balfour of Great Britain.

Mr. Balfour said that, as he understood Mr. Root's proposal, it was, in British parliamentary language, to proceed to the second reading of the resolutions and then to send them to committee. This phraseology, he understood, was not used in this country, and he did not know how far it was employed in the Parliaments of the other States represented at this conference. Nevertheless, it clearly expressed what Mr. Root proposed—that is to say, to put on record the agreement to the principle of the resolution and then to proceed to discuss them in detail.

It was an admirable method and was, he believed, the only way to escape from mixing up principles with details. So far as the second reading aspect was concerned, he believed that the underlying principle had already been informally approved. Only the formal vote remained to be registered. His own view, after listening to the powerful, persuasive and impassioned speech of Mr. Root, was that the important words of the resolutions were the following, at the bottom of the first page:

"To the end that there may be a clear public understanding throughout the world of the standards of conduct by which the public opinion of the world is to pass judgment upon future belligerents."

That was the central core of the doctrine which Mr. Root had formulated. He valued these words partly because they removed a misconception and partly because they included a positive constructive proposal. The misconception was that we were occupied in an attempt to formulate the full code of maritime law. If this were the case, not only would it be necessary to weigh and scrutinize every word and every clause, but also to insure that nothing was omitted which ought to be included.

That, Mr. Balfour said, no doubt, would be a very useful task, but was not what the committee had been invited by Mr. Root to do. The positive and constructive side of Mr. Root's proposal was to secure a clear understanding of the standards of conduct which the public opinion of the world would apply to future belligerents. That was the object of the document, that was what it set out to accomplish. He thought that this end could best be achieved by transferring the words he had quoted from Paragraph 2 of Section I to the preamble, which would then read as follows:

"The signatory Powers desiring to make more effective the rules adopted by civilized nations for the protection of the lives of neutrals and non-combatants at sea in time of war invite the adherence of all other civilized Powers to the following statement of established law to the end that there may be a clear public understanding throughout the world of the standards of conduct by which the public opinion of the world is to pass judgment upon future belligerents."

This was a mere matter of arrangement, but he thought it would help the world to see the great object which Mr. Root's draft was intended to accomplish. He therefore welcomed the procedure now proposed. The principles underlying this document had the warm approval of the British Empire delegation. This delegation would have preferred that the document itself should be rendered unnecessary by the abolition of submarines.

Since they had not been able to carry out this policy, however, Mr. Root's resolution provided them with an alternative. If they could not hold their first line of defense, they had at least a second line to fall back on, for in Mr. Root's document the abuse of submarines had been unsparingly dealt with.

Every one must recognize that when a weapon had been misused in the past it could be misused in the future, and would be much more effective if so misused. No professions of morality or declarations of law could be relied upon to supply a sure protection against this abuse. While all must regretfully admit this, he would like to associate himself with what Mr. Root had said yesterday about the immense advantage of embodying the plain dictates of humanity in explicit terms. It was not sufficient for them to be buried in works on international law or lost in departmental correspondence. They must be proclaimed in the most public manner. He agreed with Mr. Root that, if so stated, they could not and would not be without effect on the conduct of mankind. To suppose that submarines would never again be abused in spite of all our professions would no doubt be sanguine. But he believed that the adoption of these resolutions would be a great step toward the education of the world, and might do much to mitigate the horrors of war and its needless cruelties. Holding these views, he could only congratulate Mr. Root and promise his best support in the objects which he sought to attain.

M. Sarraut of France.

M. Sarraut said that already, on two occasions, the French delegation had joined with all its heart in the high spirit of humanity which had inspired Mr. Root's resolution. It congratulated itself also on having heard the discussion which occurred this morning and which allowed all to grasp his thought more fully, especially after the admirable comments which he had been good enough to make in his splendid speech. If there were still people who doubted the necessity to condemn the unmentionable abuses committed against humanity during the last war (and no one there present doubted it) their uncertainty would have been carried away by the convincing eloquence of their eminent colleague.

Once more, M. Sarraut continued, he brought the full and complete adhesion of the French delegation to the sentiment expressed in the first motion of Mr. Root, the principles of which the French delegation accepted formally.

The French delegation did not want to stop with this adhesion to principle, but wanted to see the resolution go into force by virtue of a definitive text which would combine all the assents of the Powers represented in the committee. Certain modifications had been proposed. He was perfectly convinced that Mr. Root, whose modesty equaled his great ability, would make no objection to the suggested amendments to his text.

As a matter of procedure, and in order to reach prompt results, it would be wise if each of those who had made observations regarding the text of Mr. Root's resolution or had suggested modifications of details, would take the trouble to prepare and communicate the drafts which they proposed. These drafts could just as well be discussed and the committee would arrive in the end at a general text which would combine, he hoped, the unanimity of their acceptances and would then be clothed with an authority such

that if ever—and all his hope repelled this idea—war should again occur, the peoples would be bound by an agreement the moral source of which would be borne in upon their consciences.

Mr. Balfour appeared to apprehend that certain countries might, in spite of everything, yield to the temptation to misuse the weapons remaining in their hands. For his part he believed that these peoples would reflect deeply before violating such obligations. If the committee had any doubt of this, if it could suppose that decisions such as those which were to be taken there would not be carried out, debate would not be worth while, and the committee would have but to leave this table. But Mr. Balfour himself had not entertained this pessimistic conclusion since he had stated that a resolution invested with the moral force of this decision would impress itself on the attention of the world. One must not deduce from the abuses committed by Germany the idea that inevitably others would commit the same abuses.

It was just because the conscience of all present had revolted against these abuses; it was because their consciences refused to accept the idea; it was because they were incapable of acting likewise that their alliance became spontaneously so strong against all those who had committed them.

He firmly believed in the influence that these joint decisions might exercise over the world. The time must come, as he had already stated, when they must call upon the other nations to ratify their conclusions by approbation, thus giving them a universal and definite value. But it was precisely for that reason and with that object that the text which would be the outcome of their deliberations, strengthened by their unanimous approval, should, after mature consideration, take on an emphatic and authoritative form which would impose itself upon the consent of the whole civilized world.

Secretary Hughes.

The Chairman (Mr. Hughes) then asked whether it was desired to continue the discussion of the resolution. The suggestion had been made this resolution be adopted in principle, with reference to a sub-committee for the purpose of considering verbal suggestions which should be in conformity with its obvious purpose. Before that, however, there should be an opportunity for destructive or constructive comments that might be of use to the sub-committee.

M. Sarraut said that if he understood the proceedings suggested, it had now come to what in French parliamentary language was called "taking the matter under advisement"; that was to say, keeping the resolution before the committee but referring for further consideration to a sub-committee.

The Chairman said that that was his understanding of the proposal.

Senator Schanzer said that the Italian delegation declared that it agreed in principle with the first resolution proposed by Mr. Root.

The Chairman then said that the question before the committee was confined to the first resolution, declaratory of the principles of international law as it now exists. He asked to be permitted to add a single word, upon the adoption of this resolution in principle, subject to such verbal changes as might be thought best by the Drafting Committee. This resolution represented, the Chairman thought, a most emphatic condemnation of the abhorrent practices which had been indulged in during the late war. It would seem, indeed, extraordinary if this conference, unmindful of these abhorrent practices which shocked the world and contributed more than anything else to the defeat of the Imperial German Government, should pass them unnoticed, and should deal only in a technical spirit with the matters connected with submarines.

There was another reason which made the declaration opportune and necessary. The committee had had a long discussion in regard to the question of submarines, particularly as to the inadvisability of their continued use, their numbers, and as to the practicability of their limitation. The committee had been unable to reach an agreement on this question. That was a fact confronting them. Such a declaration as the one proposed in the first resolution would go to the whole world as an indication that, while the committee could not agree on such limitation, there was no disagreement on the question that submarines should never be used contrary to the principles of law governing war.

The adoption of the resolution might, furthermore, avoid misunderstanding on the part of those who were looking to the conference with great hope. It certainly could not be considered as a vain declaration after the experiences with submarines which the Powers there represented had had and the feelings engendered by those experiences, to declare in the most concise terms, that such a declaration would be of the greatest value. He believed that the rules of international law should be observed.

He hoped that when the resolution was referred to the drawing committee it would not be overlaid with lawyers' niceties. There was, he knew, nothing which anyone could write which could not be improved by lawyers, but when it came to the expression of vague fears, to which lawyers so like to give expression, he hoped that such verbal criticisms would receive scant attention. Anything genuine and direct which carried the real point the world would understand—such as the resolution proposed by Mr. Root.

Another important point was that the Powers, should a difference arise between them, would have to remember that the weapons which they possessed were not to be used as in the past without reference to the laws of God and man. This would greatly detract from the value of a submarine fleet, for when nations counted their weapons they counted not only their number but the manner in which they could be used. Such a declaration would help the universal endeavors of diplomatists, charged with the conduct of affairs to settle difficulties without strife, and he hoped that the resolution would be agreed to with the understanding that if it could be improved, it should be, but that the principle was recognized and adopted as sound in substance.

Unless there was objection, therefore, he would put the first resolution in this form, i. e. that agreement was required in substance, with reference to a drafting committee (to consist of a member designated by each delegation) to consider the form of expression and such verbal changes as might be deemed advisable.

First Resolution Adopted.

The Chairman, after announcing the assent of the American delegation to the first resolution, as amended by Mr. Balfour, put the question to the other delegations, to which each assented in turn.

The Chairman therefore announced the unanimous adoption of the resolution and stated that he had asked Mr. Root to represent the American delegation on the proposed committee, and requested that the other delegations should appoint their representatives so that the matter could be referred to that committee for consideration of forms of expression.

The Chairman then said that the second resolution would be considered in the form presented as follows:

II.

"The signatory Powers recognize the practical impossibility of using submarines as commerce destroyers without violating the requirements uni-

versally accepted by civilized nations for the protection of the lives of neutrals and non-combatants, and to the end that the prohibition of such use shall be universally accepted as a part of the law of nations they declare their assent to such prohibition and invite all other nations to adhere thereto."

As Mr. Root had explained, this was a proposition to change the law. The first resolution attempted to state the law, the law which had been ignored and which had been trampled under foot but which nevertheless had been and still was regarded as international law.

This resolution fundamentally recognized, however, the practical impossibility of using submarines as commerce destroyers without violating the requirements universally accepted by civilized nations for the protection of neutrals and non-combatants. He assumed the resolution to mean that, while the rules of war were as stated in the first resolution—at least in substance—and while it was the sense of the Powers there represented that they should be adhered to and clearly understood, the civilized world should be asked to outlaw the submarine as a weapon against commerce.

The point had been made that morning that there might be a question in regard to the assent of the Powers here represented to the prohibition, that is in relation to the last words of the resolution, which provided that the Powers here represented were to invite all other nations to adhere.

He supposed that this meant that the prohibition would receive the assent of the Powers here represented, if they adopted this resolution in the hope that it would be made a part of international law upon the adherence of all the other Powers—not that it would become binding upon the Powers here represented if it did not become a part of international law, and if others by their refusal to assent prevented it from becoming a general principle.

He assumed that the intention of the resolution was not that these Powers should try to make international law for themselves, which, of course, they could not do, but that they should use their influence to obtain the adherence of nations to a new rule of law outlawing the submarine as a destroyer of commerce.

Mr. Root.

Mr. Root said the Chairman had correctly stated the sense of the closing words of the resolution. It was to the end that the prohibition of the use of the submarines should be universally accepted. Two things were done in the resolution. First, a declaration was made, than an assertion. If a single nation were to lead with such a proposal, it might have no effect. It required universal assent to establish a law of nations.

There was a difference between the second and the first resolutions. The first was a declaration of existing law and created nothing, merely certifying to what existed. The second resolution called for an act which did not take effect until assent had been received.

Mr. Balfour of Great Britain.

Mr. Balfour said he would like to make a suggestion to Mr. Root. He understood Mr. Root's view to be that the Powers represented on this committee were only endeavoring to initiate a great reform of international law, by declaring their own view and pledging themselves to induce other nations if possible to support it. He desired to ask whether he could not go a little further. Why should not the five nations represented here agree between themselves to act on the rule which Mr. Root proposed?

This suggestion was not inconsistent with Mr. Root's plan. On the contrary it would greatly promote it. Nothing could be better as an example than that the five States, instead of merely adopting a resolution, which would be inoperative till generally adopted should adopt immediately the principles which they desired eventually to see embodied in international law. He did not wish to dogmatize on the subject, but he wished to put the proposal before Mr. Root for his consideration.

Mr. Root.

Mr. Root said that he would illustrate: The United States had the practice of amending the Constitution. The Constitution could be amended by a proposal of Congress and the assent of three-quarters of the States. One State voted, another, then another, then another—there votes were of no consequence whatever unless and until the necessary number had been received could they become effective. The committee could not make a rule of international law; all that they could do was to propose a law, and in proposing it they might add to it their assent, which did not become a law until the necessary number of assents had been received to make it a rule of law. He said that a great mass of nations agreeing might make international law, but the general rule was that international law requires universal acceptance.

He observed, speaking for himself and without opportunity to consult the other members of the American delegation, or without intending to speak for them, that it would be entirely satisfactory as far as he was concerned to have such an addition to this second prohibition as Mr. Balfour had suggested. It was an addition providing for the five Powers who were here and who would be bound by such a prohibition as between each other, and he observed that he was quite sure that every Power at the conference intended to shape its conduct in accordance with the rule proposed. Such an intention would make for security, good understanding, etc.

Mr. Root said he did not suppose that such a course would in any degree change the conduct of any Power here, but an assurance of an intention as to that conduct would be of great value in settling this disturbed and distracted world.

Mr. Balfour had asked a question as to policy. Mr. Root did not want to take up their time about that, but it was a very common thing in the legislation of all their countries to deal with objectionable practices by broad prohibitions, because broad and simple prohibitions could be enforced, while complicated prohibitions filled with many items were exceedingly difficult to enforce. But he supposed a very broad prohibition necessary in order to make a simple rule which would prevent people from doing things in an objectionable way.

In this case if they tried to make the prohibitions in detail it would be impossible to enforce them. It was impossible to have a glass of wine at dinner because it was necessary to have broad prohibition to prevent a lot of poor fellows from getting drunk on bad whiskey.

This was a proposal of the same character as the proposal made by the British delegation, which had not received favor; that is to say, the proposal to ban all submarines with a broad prohibition based upon the fact that though submarines may have a useful purpose, nevertheless the painful purposes to which they might be put were so serious, and so injurious, that they justified the establishment of a broad and simple prohibition of all submarines. If you undertook to deal with submarines in detail, you failed. You could not make a prohibition that could be enforced. Therefore the abuses were so great that the world would be wise to ban them altogether.

Now, this was a proposal the same in character, resting upon the same considerations; that is to say, it saved the submarine for legitimate pur-

poses and banned only the injurious purposes of submarines. It substituted a general prohibition for a detail prohibition, the rule which they had just recognized in their action upon the first resolution, and the wisdom of which did not rest upon theory. It rested in their memory of the most painful events of recent times.

When the German submarines began torpedoing innocent merchant ships and when they stopped them for the purpose of visit and search and had begun to place bombs in the hulls and blow up vessels, indignant protests were made. The German answer was that it was impossible to comply with the rules that had been made to govern the actions of surface ships. There was an agreement upon that. Germany declared it to be impossible and it was impossible.

The submarines could not successfully carry on warfare against merchant ships and summon them in the ordinary way to stop for visit and search. And when a vessel had been stopped for visit and search, the submarine could not put its crew and passengers in safety because the work was done while the submarine itself was in a danger from which it could escape only by swift submersion.

The submarine could not take a great boat-load of passengers and crew into its interior, where air had to be furnished artificially. The distressing circumstances of the crew and passengers of merchant ships deemed the prey of submarines and left to die were obvious. Germany's assertion that it was impossible for the submarine to war on merchant ships in accordance with these rules was well founded, and for one, the Government of the United States assented to it, agreed to it, admitted it. But they said the consequence was not that the rule failed, but that such warfare must end. There was no fact more firmly established than that all the temptations that beset a belligerent to gain its point at whatever cost would stand between the submarines and conformity with civilized procedure.

The only way to secure the safety of innocent passengers and crews, non-combatants, neutrals, women, children, etc.—the only way to secure their safety was to say that no belligerent should attack a merchant ship through an instrumentality which cannot achieve the attack without violating the rule. It created a simple and enforceable rule in the place of the complicated and detailed rules which were required by the weakness of human nature.

Mr. Root said that it was an enforceable rule because a rule that could be understood by the people. He repeated again with regard to what he had said before regarding the first resolution, that he granted that contracts between nations would not enforce themselves. He granted that the rules made by diplomatists, conferences and foreign offices might not be enforced, but he also asserted that when a rule is based upon the principles of humanity and when the public of all free countries had got hold of it, understood it, and adopted it as a guide in the conduct of belligerent operations, the public opinion of all civilized countries would furnish sufficient support of the rule—because the condemnation of the public of the world brings with it condign punishment for any nation that offends, a punishment that no nation dares to face.

Secretary Hughes.

The Chairman said that there were distinct propositions before the committee. The first, broadly stated, was an attempt to amend and improve existing international law in the sense that submarines should not be used at all as destroyers of commerce. There might be some difficulty in determining definitely when international law had actually been amended, but he believed that some means could probably be found of establishing a criterion, as, for example, by stating that the agreement should be effective on the adherence of the Powers named.

The other proposal, which had been made by Mr. Balfour and accepted by Mr. Root, was that, regardless of the outcome of the first proposal, the five Powers represented on the committee should bind themselves, as among themselves, not to use the submarine for the destruction of commerce. Quite apart from any attempt the committee might desire to make to change international law, such a proposition was entirely within the competency of the Powers here represented.

So far as the American delegates were concerned, there was no doubt as to the approval of the policy. It was really a practical application of existing rules, as it was only in exceptional cases that submarines could operate successfully against commerce and the existence of the exceptional cases constituted an invitation and temptation to violations of the law. On this point was hoped agreement could be reached. The two propositions, while distinct, could be set forth in one declaration or in separate declarations. The Chairman desired to know whether such discussion should take place then or be postponed until the following day.

Mr. Balfour of Great Britain.

Mr. Balfour said that the Chairman had pointed out that the discussion had brought two propositions before us: First, the change in international law proposed in Article II of Mr. Root's resolution, and, second, the addition which he himself had suggested in that resolution whereby the Powers represented on this committee would bind themselves immediately to accept and act upon the new policy as between themselves. He thought it would assist the consideration of this question if he were to give the exact words in which his own proposal should be formulated. He would amend the last part of Article II so as to read as follows:

"They declare their assent to such prohibition and they agree to be bound forthwith thereby as between themselves, and they invite all other nations to adhere to the present agreement."

The sub-committee for drafting a resolution regarding submarines was made up as follows:

United States—Mr. Root.

British Empire—Sir Auckland Geddes.

France—Vice-Admiral de Bon and Mr. Kammerer.

Italy—Signor Ricci.

Japan—Mr. Hanihara.

The meeting then adjourned until 11 o'clock a. m. Dec. 30 1921.

The subsequent communique will be given another week.

ALLEGED COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN FRANCE AND JAPAN LOOKING TO JAPANESE PROTECTORATE OVER SIBERIA.

Copies of alleged communications between the French and Japanese Governments purporting to provide for the establishment of a Japanese protectorate over Siberia, were given out on Jan. 1 by the special delegation of the Far Eastern Republic in attendance at the Washington Conference on Limitation of Armaments. Prompt denial of any such agreement came from Minister Sarraut, head of the French delegation, and Admiral Baron Kato, head of the

Japanese delegation, was quoted as characterizing the alleged agreement as "absolutely false." The French delegation on Jan. 2 gave out the following translation of a letter addressed by M. Sarraut to Secretary of State Hughes in the matter:

Washington, Jan. 2 1922.

M. le President—The papers of this morning reproduce the text of some alleged official documents by the so-called delegation of the so-called Chita Government, documents said to emanate from French official authorities and representing official conversations and agreements between France and other Governments for the realization of a determined policy in Siberia.

It is my duty to inform you that those documents are gross fabrications, and that since the moment when the Allied Governments carried on a policy of military intervention in Siberia with the co-operation of the United States, directed only against Germany and not at all with the aim of intervention in internal politics of the Russian people, no agreement has been either concluded or negotiated by France with any Government regarding the statutes [status?] or the destiny of Siberia.

At this time, when it appears to me necessary to expressly deny this false news, I consider it my duty to point out to you that the illegal and malicious action exercised by representatives of the pseudo Republic of Chita, having no mandate and no moral authority, with the aim of creating suspicions between the Powers represented at the Washington conference, seems to be directly contrary to the aims of the peace sought. Believe me, &c.,

SARRAUT.

In reply to the above, Secretary Hughes said:

My dear Mr. Sarraut—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of Jan. 2 in which you refer to the text of alleged official documents said to have passed between the French and Japanese Governments and given to the press by representatives of the so-called Chita Government of Eastern Siberia.

I am gratified to learn that the French Government formally denies that it has come to any agreement or carried on any negotiations concerning the status of Siberia and am glad to accept your statement that the documents in question are not authentic.

I am, my dear M. Sarraut, very sincerely yours,

CHARLES E. HUGHES.

In referring to Admiral Baron Kato's statement the Associated Press dispatches from Washington, Jan. 3, said:

Existence of any such understanding between France and Japan was described as "news" to the State Department to-day by department officials, who made positive statements that no documents or reports on such documents as made public by the Chita delegation Sunday were in the department's files.

Admiral Baron Kato, the senior Japanese delegate, in discussing the alleged treaty made public late to-day, said that such an agreement was impossible, for the Japanese Cabinet, of which he himself was a member, had never given authority to the Japanese military representative in Siberia to sign any such agreement. He characterized as "absolutely false" the alleged agreement given out by the Chita delegation Sunday.

In reply to a request to define Japan's present position with reference to Siberia, Baron Kato said:

"As soon as we can get a guaranty that the Bolshevik troops will in no way invade Korea or Manchuria, we will be ready to withdraw. If my Government believes that it is necessary to receive a guaranty assuring the protection of the Japanese people in Siberia, we will also ask for that. You must remember that these negotiations (at Dairen) with the Chita Government are still going on. I never heard of there being any question of compensation. Our occupation of the Province of Saghalin, which includes the northern part of the island bearing that name, is, of course, on a different basis from our occupation of the Vladivostok region because it resulted from a different set of circumstances."

Touching upon the recent occupation of the city of Habarovsk, Baron Kato said that while the troops of occupation emerged from the territory of the Vladivostok Government, where Japanese troops are located, Japan had scrupulously observed a policy of non-interference in the domestic affairs of Siberia.

Reverting to the documents made public Sunday by the Chita delegation concerning France and Japan in Siberia, Baron Kato said that in 1921 the same sort of rumors had emanated from Paris, presumably from representatives of Russian interests. At that time the Japanese had adopted the attitude of laughing at it all because, he declared, it was propaganda.

"If anything of the nature of the things mentioned in the Chita document were true," he added, "I certainly would have known it, because I have been a member of the Japanese Cabinet for the last seven years. I wish to take the positive attitude of denying it. I have not yet made any denial to Secretary Hughes."

The Associated Press advices from Washington Jan. 3 also announced the issuance by the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs of a formal denial of the alleged Franco-Japanese understanding regarding the occupation of Siberia. These advices said:

Documents purporting to show that France and Japan had entered into such an agreement were made public in Washington last Saturday by a delegation from the Far Eastern Republic.

In its denial the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs quoted the letter to Secretary of State Hughes from M. Sarraut, head of the French delegation in Washington, and declared:

"The documents produced have been forged out of whole cloth."

On the 3d inst. the Far Eastern representatives gave out the following comment on Minister Sarraut's denial:

The special delegation of the Far Eastern Republic is the official delegation of the Government of the Far Eastern Republic, which was elected by the National Constituent Assembly, and possesses the proper credentials and mandates.

The Far Eastern Republic is not a "pseudo republic," but a republic with a territory of over 1,000,000 square miles and a population of 2,000,000, and with a democratic constitution, acquired after a three-year struggle with foreign aggressors.

The people of the Far Eastern Republic have been suffering for several years because of the intrigues of the Japanese and those who are supporting them. The representatives of the people of the Far Eastern Republic believe in the authenticity of the documents published in the newspapers of Jan. 2.

The delegation of the Far Eastern Republic expected no formal declarations, which do not prove anything, but assurances, based on facts, that France was not involved in the aggressive actions of Japan in the Russian Far East.

They expected from the representatives of France direct replies to the following:

1. Did France give aid to the Japanese agent, Ataman Semonoff?

2. Did France carry on negotiations with Japan regarding the transporting of Wrangel's troops to the Far East for the purpose of fighting the Russian people?

3. Did France aid in the transportation to Vladivostok of a part of these troops which are being used to reinforce the banks which are now murdering the population of the Far East?

4. Was the French Consul in Vladivostok in constant co-operation with the Semenovites and Merkulovites?

On the 3rd inst. the Washington delegation from the Far Eastern Republic also gave out copies of an alleged treaty between the Japanese army in Siberia and Russian officers connected with Ataman Semonoff, the Anti-Bolshevik leader. This we refer to further in another item. The documents made public by the Far Eastern delegation on the 1st inst. were published as follows in the New York "Times" of the 2nd inst.:

The documents given out today deal with negotiations which seem to have been carried on in part between the French and Japanese directly, in part through a Russian officer named Tirbach, said to be a former aide de camp of Admiral Kolchak, represented as the "trusted delegate" of the French Government. In the first of the documents, the French Foreign Ministry is represented as saying that the British Consul at Shanghai "will aid Tirbach in every possible manner."

It has been pointed out that while information as to different movements of the Wrangel troops toward Siberia has not yet been received, a shipload of Denikin's soldiers, who have been in Mesopotamia under British supervision, arrived at Vladivostok some weeks ago and are now participating in the fight against the Far Eastern Republic.

Terms of Alleged Treaty.

The negotiations are said to have issued in what is described as a "treaty concluded between the French, Japanese and Russian delegates," on March 12 last. Tirbach presumably was the Russian delegate in question, and apparently the treaty was signed at Tokio. The text as given out is as follows:

The Japanese Imperial Government is ready to aid the Russians in everything, but only in the event that the Russian delegates will accept as a whole the conditions put forth by the Japanese Imperial Government.

These conditions are as follows:

1. In case of the liberation of the Siberian territory from the Bolsheviks, Japan receives complete domination (predomination) in Siberia.

2. The Russian administrative Government will be under Japanese supervision.

3. Russian authorities will be under Japanese supervision.

4. Russian military forces as well as militia will be under Japanese supervision.

5. All concessions belong to the Japanese. In case any other State should wish to receive concessions the right to give concessions and the making of terms is a privilege of the Japanese Government.

6. The Manchurian Railroad will again be transferred to the Russian authorities, but on condition that the management will be under the supervision of Japan. The Japanese Government receives a preferential right to buy the entire line in case the Russians should wish to sell it. (In spite of the fact that in accordance with the contract a sale is only to be permitted after twenty-seven years—apparently an explanatory note.)

7. In places which are of strategic importance to the Japanese, the Japanese Imperial Government has the right to maintain sufficient military forces, the number of which are to be determined by the Japanese Government. In case the above-mentioned clauses are accepted, the Japanese Imperial Government agrees to give the following aid:

a. To evacuate the former Wrangel army to the east, to arm it and to equip it with everything necessary for military operations.

b. To furnish the army with money and military materials after the military operations begin.

c. To support all organizations of former officers, soldiers and Cossacks who are fighting the Bolsheviks, and to see to it that these organizations should have freedom of organization.

d. After the liberation takes place the Japanese authorities agree to do everything that is necessary for urgent transportation of new organizations and administrations.

It was impossible to reach the Far Eastern delegates tonight, so it is not known whether this purports to present the verbatim text of the treaty or only a protocol of its contents. It was also impossible to learn what part Tirbach, who figures in the document as the chief organizer of the anti-Bolshevik Russian forces, has actually played in recent politics of the Far East.

Text of Documents as Given Out.

The documents as given out, in chronological order, are as follows:

No. 1.—*Telegram From the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the French Representatives in Tokio.*

Dec. 28, 1920.

Negotiations with the Russian delegates have been completed, Major La Salle is going to Japan and is carrying instructions with him. You must immediately seek connection with the Japanese Government, in order that the plan already known to you should not be unexpected for the Japanese.

Inform us immediately as to how the Japanese receive our proposal. If any difficulties should arise, inform us, so that we can begin negotiations at once with the representative here. The Russian delegate, Mr. Tirbach, is also going to Shanghai, where he will direct the organization. We have already received a reply from the British Consul that he will aid Tirbach in every possible manner, until negotiations with the Japanese Government will not receive a satisfactory result.

Should Tirbach arrive before La Salle, try to enter into relations with him as well. According to our information, Japan is still in close relations with Semonoff, so that if the situation is not to the contrary you must now partially inform him regarding our plan. In any event, everything must be done very hastily, as the evacuation of Crimea is almost completed.

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

No. 2.—*From the Japanese Military Mission (apparently in Paris) to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Tokio.*

Jan. 6 1921

We have arrived at a satisfactory agreement with the French regarding the evacuation of Wrangel. The French cannot support the army any longer, the situation is very difficult and the French wish to utilize it to their benefit. In our opinion, the plan proposed by the French is acceptable, but only in case the French will support us by all means in the Siberian question.

The French project will be transmitted today in cipher.

(Signed)

JAPANESE MILITARY MISSION.

No. 3.—*A Protocol Drawn up in Paris at the general Conference of Japanese Delegates and of the French Military Mission (Commission?)*

January 14, 1921.

In view of the fact that the French Government is still bound by obligations with Wrangel's army, and in view of the fact that the Russian problem still very much concerns the French Government, that Government feels greatly obliged to the Japanese Imperial Government for the proposal made by the delegates present.

The French Government is always ready to support the interests of Japan and particularly in the question concerning the Siberian situation.

In reply to the Japanese proposal, our (French) reply to your proposal is as follows: The French Government cannot accept the project of occupation of Siberia as this question is subject to the competency of all the Allied powers. The first consideration of the French Government is that the relations between America and France should not be injured because of the present difficult condition. The French Government is in absolute agreement with the second project (temporary occupation of Siberian territory) and accepts it on the following conditions:

1. There should be no occupationary or annexational intentions on the part of Japan.

2. The French Government demands that the Japanese Government should use all means in aiding those parties who would come out openly or secretly against the Bolsheviks and Social-Revolutionists.

3. The French Government wishes that the Japanese Government should transport to Siberian territory, Wrangel's army which now has been evacuated to Constantinople, the Prinkipo Islands, Serbia and Dalmatia, and that this army should be supplied with all necessities.

In our opinion the Japanese Government has the means to furnish the ships necessary for this purpose. The expenses of transportation will be paid by this Government.

The French Government desires that the Japanese authorities receive well Tirbach, who is coming to Siberia, and who is a former aide-de-camp of Admiral Kolchak and is our trusted delegate. He may be very useful to us by his information.

4. In case the Japanese Government received favorably this proposal, the French Government is ready to support the project that the Japanese Government should receive in Siberia freedom of action, and that the former Wrangel army under the leadership of Semenov and other Russian officers should liberate the territory occupied by the Bolsheviks.

After this liberation is accomplished, the Japanese Government may manage affairs in such manner that the liberated territory while being under a Japanese protectorate, but with Russian Government, would fall absolutely under Japanese influence. The French Government is ready to make the necessary representation to the British Government in this matter, so that this question would not find it unaware.

5. The French Government wishes in case this project is carried out as a whole that in the question of concessions, next to the Japanese interests, would be observed first in order the interests of the French, and hopes that this will be positively supported by the Japanese.

No. 4.—*Resolution of a Secret Conference Which Took Place in Tokio.*

Jan. 18 1921.

The Imperial Japanese Government considers the French plan worthy of deep consideration and considers itself under obligations to the French Government for the aid promised it in the Siberian problem.

In our opinion, clauses that are desirable (to the French) are acceptable. The Japanese Imperial Government, however, wishes to place itself in such a position as would secure it on all sides. The Japanese Imperial Government will organize a delegation for the studying of the propositions and for the preparation of a decision. The Government has already issued an order that all those concerned should be fully informed of the situation. We already have connection with Tirbach and our representative will aid them in everything. The general project will be prepared by us.

However, the Japanese Imperial Government is compelled to state the following:

The Japanese Government is unable to make greater sacrifices for the sake of Siberia than it has up to the present. When Tirbach's organization is successfully created, we are ready to accept a protectorate over the Far Eastern Republic, especially in view of the fact that the Japanese Imperial Government cannot tolerate that the Chita Government of the Far Eastern Republic, which is permeated with Bolshevik ideas, should have a firm ground for further development.

Upon accepting the plan of the French Government as a whole the Japanese Imperial Government relies on the favorable support of the French Government in the entire Siberian problem.

No. 5.—[The treaty, text of which was quoted above.]

No. 6.—*From the Foreign Office in Paris.*

Transmitted by telegraph to Tokio on the 2d of September, 1921, to be delivered to the Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Excellency

Referring to your last orientation we have the honor to submit the following reply: The aims of the Washington conference are not quite clear to the French Government. We are therefore unable to express our frank opinion with regard to the conference. We take into consideration the interests of Japan to the same extent as we have done it before, especially when our Government is convinced that with regard to all the questions which will be discussed in Washington the French Government will have to rely on Japan only.

Our agreement with Japan on the Siberian question forces us to be very careful, for our decisions are in conflict with the policy of America, which is now playing an important part in the East. America's intention to secure for itself a place in Soviet Russia has been frustrated by our policy.

The Americans are therefore pushing the Eastern question so as to gain supremacy in the East. We must resist such efforts by all means, and the French Government hopes to have the help of the Japanese Government in that.

The Japanese plan to create a free republic in the East under the protectorship of Japan is comprehensible to us, and the French Government will give its support to that plan by all means, especially as we believe that the Japanese Government will take into consideration our interests in the Chinese Eastern Railway, Manchuria and our interests in concessions. We consider necessary, therefore, to be well informed of all the details of the Dairen conference, so as to come to Washington sufficiently prepared. It would be advisable to send such a delegation which would be capable of working out all the details.

With regard to this we would advise you to consult our representative.

Japan's plan to evacuate Siberia our Government regards as premature and dangerous, and urges it to take into consideration that the communistic regime in Russia is reaching its end. A complete collapse can be expected at any time.

There is no need of sending our troops against the Bolsheviks or of taking any other steps. The chaos, the general situation, our attitude of expectation and the terrible famine have ruined Russia. The East will also be

influenced by this crisis. The chaos will be extended to Siberia, and in this respect we need the help of Japan.

Because of these considerations we consider the evacuation as premature. Japan must also participate in the restoration of Russia. We are ready for the downfall and restoration. Well-disciplined and equipped armies are now stationed in Hungary and Jugo-Slavia who are ready to invade the country at any moment to restore order and to give their assistance to the old monarchist regime. When that has been done our aims shall be accomplished: Russia will be free, and our common interests easily realized.

The French Government hopes that at this moment when the fate of new Russia is being decided, Japan will not put any obstacles and the French Government will readily defend the interests of Japan in every respect.

(Signed) MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

No. 7.—*From the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Tokio, Sept. 7 1921.*

Handed to the French representative for further transmission.

Your Excellency

The Japanese Imperial Government considers itself under great obligations to the French Government and it is no less interested in regulating the important problem which has been put forward by the French Government.

The Japanese Government notes with gratification its solidarity with the point of view expressed by you and which may be put forth at the Washington conference. Nevertheless, the Imperial Government is compelled to declare that under no circumstances will it renounce the principle which is being carried out in the Siberian problem. It (the Japanese Government) is very pleased that the French Government intends to defend our point of view by all means.

It would be very desirable that this question should be finally settled prior to the conference. Our policy in the new republic will be a real policy which will not tolerate any foreign interference. It is too early to speak of evacuation, as everything depends on what will take place within the nearest future in Soviet Russia. There are indications that the end is near, and if this should become evident the Imperial Government is ready to come to the aid of restoration, especially that in such event, in connection with the new situation, we will have to change our policy.

Your representative will be informed regarding the Dairen conference. For the purpose of establishing mutual interests the Imperial Government is willing to send a delegation.

The French Government may always figure on the support of the Imperial Government in all questions in which there are mutual interests.

(Signed) MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

No. 8.—*Radio Message Sent by General Tachibana, Commander in Chief of the Japanese Expeditionary Forces in Siberia, to the War Ministry in Tokio, on Oct. 2 1921.*

Vladivostok, Oct. 2.

I received the following orientation from the French Consul:

"The transport Archduke Franz Ferdinand arrived in Vladivostok with 865 men who were previously interned in Mesopotamia and who are mostly officers. The officers and soldiers came to Mesopotamia from the Denikin Army through Persia and India and were placed there in a concentration camp by the British authorities. Through Iniziativ (sic), which is under French rule, they were sent to Vladivostok with a definite purpose. Within a short time five more ships will bring part of Wrangel's army from Crimea."

In reply to my question, what will happen to these people? the Counsel gave the following reply:

"The French Government wishes to carry out its plan in agreement with the Japanese Government, and the Japanese Government has already been informed regarding this plan."

I request that reinforcements be sent to me in accordance with the above. If this question affects our Siberian policy, I ask for a complete orientation.

TACHIBANA.

In giving out the documents the Far Eastern delegation made the following statement:

"The special delegation of the Far Eastern Republic, in making public the attached documents, copies of which are in their possession, have no intention of causing any ill feeling between the different nations.

The events of the last four years in the Russian Far East, the streams of blood and tears shed by the Russian population, the horrible atrocities resulting from the Japanese intervention, compel the representatives of the Russian people in the Far East to be on guard for any information which might shed light on the plans of their enemies as well as their friends.

"The happenings in the Russian Far East in the recent past as well as in the present bear out in many details the statements contained in these documents.

"The recent arrival of a part of the remnants of the Wrangel and Denikin troops in Vladivostok, the fact that these troops are at the present time together with the Semenov troops and Kappel bandits, armed and organized by the Japanese for attack on the population and the troops of the Far Eastern Republic—all this confirms the information contained in these documents.

"We, the representatives of the people of the Russian Far East, ask the representatives of the Governments concerned whether this is true. The suffering people of the Russian Far East must know the entire truth regardless of how bitter it is."

ALLEGED TREATY BETWEEN JAPAN AND RUSSIA ANENT SIBERIA.

On Jan. 3 the delegation to the Washington Conference from the Far Eastern Republic, made public copies of an alleged treaty between the Japanese military command in Siberia and Russian officers connected with Ataman Semenov, the anti-Bolshevik leader, for the agreement on the part of Japan to support with arms and money an offensive against the army. This alleged treaty as given out by the Far Eastern delegation follows:

TREATY.

June 8 1921, the Fortress of Vladivostok.

We, the undersigned: on one side, acting Commander in Chief of all the armed forces and the campaign Ataman of all the Cossacks troops of the Russian eastern borderland, commander of the Grodekovo group of forces, Lieut. Gen. Savelyev and Chief of Staff of the Grodekovo group of forces, Major-General of the General Staff Sobolev, and on the other side, the representatives of the diplomatic mission with the staff of the Eleventh Division of the Japanese Imperial forces, Captain Arimoto and Lieutenant Higuchi, on the strength of authority given to us by the Commander in Chief of all the armed forces and of the campaign Ataman of all the Cossacks forces of the Russian eastern borderland, and the Chief of Staff of the

Japanese expeditionary forces in Siberia concluded this treaty regarding the following:

1. The forces entrusted to me are to make an offensive against the people's revolutionary army of the Far Eastern Republic. The offensive is carried out in accordance with the following plan:

(a) The first Grodekovo military unit moves in the direction of the Lake Hanka Anichino, where it joins with the units of the second northern (Khabarovsk) military unit.

(b) The second northern (Khabarovsk) military unit starts out simultaneously with the first unit in the direction of Anuchino-Iman, where it joins the units of the first group.

(c) The individual units of the third Vladivostok group are transferred by sea to the bays St. Olga Tefulcha and march in the direction of Anuchino, where they join the units of the first and second groups.

(d) Small partisan detachments of the Ussuri Cossacks are reorganized and are used for clearing the rear of the army from the Reds as it advances.

(e) The date of the active offensive is appointed by agreement with the Japanese command, not later than July 1 1921.

(f) In accordance with the degree of success of the offensive and as the military units unite in the district of Anuchino-Iman the offensive movement against Khabarovsk is to be started.

(g) Partisan units of Major General Sichev, by order of the Chief of Staff of the Commander in Chief, must cross the Chinese frontier and enter the district of Blagoveshchensk, coinciding with the time of the occupation of Iman.

(h) The units of Lieutenant-General Baron Ungern-Sternberg are to be utilized for disorganizing the rear of the Reds and acting in small partial units in accordance with the previously arranged plan within the districts: Misovaya-Selenga-Petrovsky Zavod.

2. As the Russian forces advance and occupy Iman and Khabarovsk, units of Japanese expeditionary forces without taking an active part in the struggle with the Bolsheviks, temporarily occupy the regions freed from the Reds, giving aid to the expeditionary detachments in their struggle with the Bolshevik partisan movement.

3. Upon the liberation of the Maritime district, the Japanese forces immediately evacuate from the places temporarily occupied by them to the cities of Nikolsk-Ussuriisk and Vladivostok, and do not advance beyond thirty versts line (as foreseen in the Russo-Japanese treaty of April 29 1920).

4. At the time of the beginning of the offensive of the Russian forces, the Japanese command gives them material aid amounting to five hundred thousand (500,000) yen and gives for the disposal by the Russian command the following arms and munitions: Thirty-two hundred rifles of various types, 350,000 cartridges to match the rifles, 24 machine guns of various types, 24 cases of cartridges to match them, six field and two mountain three-inch cannon, and 75 cases of shells for them. The number of arms and munitions may be increased in case of necessity.

5. The Japanese command temporarily undertakes to supply the Russian forces with all necessary food and fodder and adopts measures to transport equipment and clothing from Tsinsu and the railroad zone of the Chinese Eastern Railroad to Grodekovo.

6. After the occupation of Khabarovsk, the Japanese command enters a plea with the Japanese Imperial Government that the arrest be removed from the moneys deposited by Lieut.-Gen. Ataman Semenov in the Yokohama Specie Bank and that these moneys be transferred to the Russian command.

7. The Japanese command aids in transporting Russian troops by sea to the northern coast and arms Russian ships which are guarding the coast, as fully as possible.

8. The Japanese command at the time of the occupation of Iman, at its own discretion, will land troops for the protection of the Japanese fishing schooners in the bays of St. Vladimir, Tefulcha, Ternoyo and the Imperatoosky port.

9. Until permanent order is established in the Far East, the Japanese command takes upon itself the guarding of the port and of the fortress of Vladivostok and maintains a control of the lines of the Ussuri and the Chinese Eastern Railroad.

10. After the occupation of Khabarovsk and the clearing of the country from the Communist Government of the Far Eastern Republic, the Commander-in-Chief of all the armed forces and the Campaign Ataman of all the Cossack forces of the Russia Eastern borderland, Lieut. Gen. Ataman Semenov, temporarily, until the convocation of the territorial people's assembly, assumes the full power of civil authority on the territory of the Far East.

11. After the clearing of the Maritime, Saghalien, Kamchatka, Amur and Zabaikal provinces, and the overthrow of the rule of the Far Eastern Republic, elections take place immediately for the territorial People's Assembly for the purpose of establishing a democratic rule in the Far East.

12. When a stable governmental authority is established in the Far East, Japanese subjects shall receive preferential rights for obtaining hunting, fishing and forestry concessions in the Maritime, Saghalien and Kamchatka provinces, and for the development of the mining resources and gold mines in the Maritime and Amur provinces.

13. Paragraph 12 of this treaty, in case of necessity, may be reconsidered and supplemented.

14. The above treaty goes into effect from the day of its signing by both sides.

[Seal of the Staff of the Grodekovo Military Unit]—Acting Commander in-Chief of all the armed forces and Acting Campaign Ataman of all the Cossack Forces of the Russian eastern borderland, Commander of the Grodekovo Military Unit.

(Signed) LIEUT. GEN. SAVELIEV.

Chief of Staff of the Grodekovo Military Unit, Major General of the General Staff.

(Signed) SOBOLIEV.

In quoting Admiral Baron Kato, head of the Japanese delegation, following the issuance of the above, the New York "Times" of Jan. 4 said:

The Japanese Government was not supporting any Russian faction, he added, remarking that he did not know where the Russian Generals in Eastern Siberia got the money to maintain considerable armies, and that there had been some mystification in Japan over this very point.

In this connection it may be apposite to quote from a news article in The New York "Times" of Dec. 18, in which it was said, on the authority of a highly placed Japanese official (not Admiral Kato) that:

"Certainly two or three years ago, it is admitted, Japan did support Semenov. She did so because she regarded her territory as threatened by Bolshevism, and thought that Semenov could perhaps establish a Government which would hold off the Red advance. But time showed the world a good deal about Semenov. Now the Japanese say he is so well known that no Government, no matter how evil its intentions in Siberia, could be foolish enough to support him."

"Japan has decided to withdraw from Siberia," said Admiral Kato, "after which all of these matters will be details of Siberian domestic politics."

In the meantime the Japanese are not interfering in Siberian political affairs."

The anti-Chita forces, which have lately taken Khabarovsk, started their offensive from the vicinity of Vladivostok, moving out from territory occupied by the Japanese. The Admiral was asked if the action, or rather inaction, of the Japanese troops in permitting this movement was due to a reluctance to interfere in Siberian politics. He said that it was.

"Suppose," the inquirer continued, "the campaign had gone the other way, suppose the Chita troops had won, and had chased their enemies back into the Japanese area, would the Japanese have halted the pursuit on account of reluctance to interfere in Siberian politics?"

"That deals with an imaginary situation," said the Admiral. "as to which I don't care to go into speculation."

In response to questions from a Japanese correspondent, Admiral Kato said Japan was withdrawing from the Vladivostok district "as soon as we get guarantees that Bolshevik troops will not menace Manchuria and Korea. As to the guarantee of Japanese life and property in Siberia, it depends on the feeling of the Japanese Government, which may or may not decide that such a guarantee from the Far Eastern Republic is necessary.

"These answers, however, apply only to the evacuation of the Maritime Province. The Sakhalin question is different."

In its issue of the 5th inst. the "Times" in a Washington dispatch said:

Admiral Baron Kato of the Japanese delegation explained this afternoon in a prepared statement that Japan had supported General Semenov in Siberia in 1918, but that this aid had ceased after the danger from a coalition of Bolsheviks with German and Austro-Hungarian prisoners of war had passed away. What Admiral Kato called material support—consisting, it was said, of clothing, munitions and cash—was given to the Semenov troops under the Ministry of Count Terauchi, but it was said that under the present Cabinet, formed by the late Premier Hara and continued since his death under Premier Takahashi, no aid or support of any sort has been given to Semenov.

Text of Kato's Statement.

Admiral Kato's statement reads:

"I told you yesterday that a former Japanese Cabinet had given support to Semenov in Siberia. I should like now to tell you something more about that matter so that there will be clear understanding of the case. About the time the Allied contingents were dispatched to Siberia in 1918 there had developed an anomalous situation in Siberia, owing to the conjunction effected by German and Austro-Hungarian prisoners of war with Bolshevik forces, the former assuming practical command.

"In order to check the Bolshevik influence from permeating the Far East, it was thought to be as urgent as it was expedient to utilize Russian forces under a Russian command. General Semenov was reported in those days to intend waging war against Bolsheviks, and Japan decided to give him material support in his attempt. In coming to that decision Japan was by no means actuated by any aggressive designs, but was only following the line of policy adopted by some of the Allied Powers, notably Great Britain and France, to entrust to Russian forces the task of resisting the Bolshevik menace.

"Subsequently, the Teutonic influence was swept away and the general situation in Siberia was transformed. The German menace ceased and the factional feuds in Siberia began to attain a purely domestic character. Semenov, Koltchak and leaders of the social revolutionaries were in turn at loggerheads.

"In such circumstances the Japanese Government decided to discontinue its support of Semenov entirely and to observe strict neutrality in the Siberian situation. Japan has since given no assistance whatever to General Semenov, either when he was driven away from Trans-Baikal in the Summer of 1921, or at any other time.

"However, it must be made clear that in the circumstances existing, which I have outlined, the giving of aid to Semenov seemed at that time a wise act, and was entirely consonant with the Allied purpose, though subsequent developments transformed the situation."

Admiral Kato, when he made this statement, had not seen the latest documents given out by the Chita representatives. In commenting on the publication of other documents dealing with the affair last June, he said that the Government had taken no such action and that no military officers had authority to make such agreements.

The same paper also stated:

The delegation from the Far Eastern Republic to-day gave out another series of five documents, tending to show that the Japanese military authorities in Vladivostok had given support to the various Russian groups concerned in the attack on the Far Eastern Republic last June and had attempted to organize the Semenov, Kappel and Merkuloff groups into a single Government headed by Semenov. This plan failed, according to the Far Eastern delegates' statement, because it was impossible to bring about a complete agreement between the Kappel and Semenov armies, and because the Merkuloff party in Vladivostok refused to turn over its power to Semenov.

Chita Documents Given Out.

The documents given out to-day, of which, according to the Chita delegates, either the originals or photostatic copies are in the archives of the Foreign Minister at Chita, represent a Japanese Colonel Gomi, commanding gendarmerie in Vladivostok, as the principal agent in making agreements with Semenov and the other Russians. The statement attributed to Semenov in Document 3, speaking of the organization of a "white" government to act against the Communists and Japanese—a statement appended to a protocol of alleged agreements between Semenov and the Japanese—is described by the Chita delegates to a desire to mislead Siberians as to the real character of Semenov's support.

The last of these documents, No. 5, purports to be a message from the Japanese Minister of War to the Chief of the General Staff of the expeditionary forces in Vladivostok, on Sept. 26 last, instructing him to use force if the Far Eastern Republic should try to seize Vladivostok.

The Russian Government mentioned in the last sentence is apparently the Merkuloff Government in Vladivostok, alluded to above as the Provisional Government.

A British spokesman said to-day that the British had never raised any question as to Japanese occupation of Siberian territory, and that under the terms of the Anglo-Japanese treaty, the British Government accepted the word of Japan as to its reasons for retaining its forces in Siberia.

PETROLEUM MATTERS—REDUCTION IN PRICE OF PENNSYLVANIA CRUDE.

The Joseph Seep Agency of Pittsburgh, Pa., on Jan. 3 reduced the price of Pennsylvania crude oil from \$4 to \$3.50. At the same time Conium crude was reduced from \$2.40 a barrel to \$2.15; Caboll crude from \$2.61 to \$2.36; Somerset

light from \$2 65 to \$2 40; Somerset \$2 40 to \$2 15, and Ragland from \$1 25 to \$1 15.

While from a long range of view the situation is thought by many to promise well for higher prices for oil products, it is generally conceded that the present drop of a standard article like Pennsylvania crude is due chiefly to recent exceedingly heavy imports of crude oil chiefly from Mexico and to the extraordinary development in the new Mexia field in central Texas. One authority has ventured the suggestion that this change in price was in the nature of a readjustment to bring Pennsylvania crude into alignment with Midcontinent prices, but that seems going unnecessarily far for an explanation.

The daily average gross crude oil production in the United States for the week ended Dec. 31 1921 is estimated by the American Petroleum Institute at 1,407,750 barrels (the weekly record to date), contrasting with 1,380,450 barrels for the week ended Dec. 24 1921 and 1,209,335 barrels for the week ended Jan. 1 1921. The latest return, it should be noted, shows 215,800 barrels from central Texas as against 134,215 for the first week of the late year. Similarly, the country's total production of crude oil in November, as reported by the U. S. Geological Survey, averaged 1,259,333 barrels daily (including 285,767 from Texas), compared with 1,149,065 in October, of which 244,387 came from Texas.

The imports of crude oil for the eleven months ended Nov. 30 1921 aggregated 111,500,000 barrels, as against 93,300,000 for the same period of 1920 and only 48,500,000 barrels in 1919.

An exchange journal states the case in a nutshell as follows:

Latest statistics show this country is producing oil at rate of 1,380,000 barrels a day, a record amount. Mexico is producing 600,000 barrels a day, also a record. This is a total of almost 2,000,000 barrels oil a day, and it is too much under present conditions. Consumption of crude is 1,550,000 barrels daily.

The course of the market appears for the time being to depend largely on the question of the permanence of the Mexican output, respecting which so much has been written (see "Chronicle" of Dec. 24, p. 2681; Oct. 29, p. 1841). That this is believed to be the fact by those most closely interested is indicated by the agreement reported this week as reached by the Mexican Seaboard, Mexican Petroleum and Mexican Gulf companies, limiting drilling in the Toteco pool and also the output therefrom to a reported 400,000 barrels daily.

The new prices of crude oil contrast as follows:

Table Showing the Price of the Principal Grades of Crude Oil.

	Present Price.	Jan. 1 1922.	Low 1921.	Jan. 1 1921.	Jan. 1 1920.	Jan. 1 1919.	Jan. 1 1918.	Jan. 1 1917.
Pennsylvania	\$3 50	\$4 00	\$2 25	\$6 10	\$5 00	\$4 00	\$3 75	\$2 95
Corning	2 15	2 40	1 20	4 25	3 50	2 85	2 80	2 30
Cabell	2 36	2 61	1 11	4 46	3 42	2 77	2 70	2 10
Somerset, light	2 40	2 65	1 00	4 50	3 25	2 60	2 55	2 05
Ragland	1 15	1 25	60	2 60	1 75	2 32	1 20	95
North Lima	2 48	2 48	1 58	3 73	2 98	2 38	2 08	1 63
Illinois	2 27	2 27	1 27	3 77	3 02	2 42	2 12	1 67
Mid-Continent	2 00	2 00	1 00	3 50	2 75	2 25	2 00	1 69
Heldton	1 30	1 30	50	2 75	2 00	45	1 20	80
Gulf Coast	1 25	1 25	80	2 50	1 50	1 80	1 00	98
Canada	2 88	2 88	2 63	4 13	3 38	2 78	2 58	2 08

A reduction of 2 cents per gallon in the retail price of gasoline was announced yesterday in Louisiana and Arkansas by the Standard Oil Co. of Louisiana.

The Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey is now quoting bunker oil at \$1 40 per barrel, f. a. s. New York, as against \$1 50 a week ago, while offerings as low as \$1 30 have been reported.

The Texas Co. also reduced its prices yesterday in Arkansas and Louisiana two cents for gasoline and one cent for kerosene, &c.

JAMES SPEYER URGES CHECKING OF PERSISTENT HOSTILITY TO RAILROADS.

In a statement made with the advent of the new year, James Speyer, of James Speyer & Co., refers to the seeming slackness to protect "private property, and in some respects even personal liberty, both of which are essential to our continued progress, prosperity and happiness." Incidentally he notes that "the owners of the railways, have not, as yet, had a 'square deal,' and it is well for every American citizen to realize that this persistent hostility to railroad property is only another phase of the attacks on private property rights, is contrary to our traditional policy, and if not checked, may cause serious disturbance to business enterprises generally."

Mr. Speyer's statement, which appears in the "Journal of Commerce" of Jan. 3, follows.

As the year 1921 draws to a close, every American has more reason than ever to feel proud of his country when one considers the wise leadership taken by our Government in calling the Disarmament Conference, and the results it promises to accomplish.

It is also encouraging to see that during 1921, and especially during the latter half, considerable progress has been made towards recognition of

the fact that what the business world has been suffering from is not so much due to the destruction of the war as to the consequences of the peace.

As Maynard Keynes and other calm and courageous observers stated two or three years ago, the Versailles Treaty ignored existing economic relations between the different sections of Europe. Cutting up Central Europe into a number of small and independent States (not to mention the divisions in Russia and the dismemberment of Turkey) and entrusting them with self-government—to which they were neither trained nor accustomed—have brought a great deal of unnecessary suffering to millions of people, and unnecessarily disturbed economic and financial conditions. If we bear in mind that, in addition to this, there have been imposed on the vanquished nations such huge reparations or indemnities, that there is little chance of their ever being paid in full, one realizes the cause of the continued unsettlement which is evidenced by depreciated currencies. How seriously the decreased purchasing power of foreign countries, expressed in the low price of their currencies, has affected our own export trade, is somewhat indicated by the fact that for the eleven months ending November, 1921, our exports aggregated \$4,191,000,000, against \$7,508,000,000 during the corresponding 1920 months.

It is also to be borne in mind that those countries that pay wages of workmen in depreciated currencies, can manufacture much cheaper than we can; therefore, they are in a position to undersell us, if not at home, then certainly in outside markets, and no tariff wall that we may choose to erect around our own country will protect us from that competition. In Great Britain, where the results of depreciated currencies are felt more acutely than here, the Government has for some time been trying to find remedies, and using its influence, to change the conditions which bring about this undesirable state of affairs. With our cooperation some progress may reasonably be looked for in this direction.

As regards the United States, we should remember that our total exports are but 8% to 10% of our total production, so that we might have a fairly good business in spite of the curtailment of exports. But, while this unsatisfactory international situation continues, it becomes specially important that we do everything to encourage capital at home so that employment may be obtainable for those who wish to work. In this connection, one should not overlook the fact that, as a consequence of the war, it would seem that we have grown a little "slack" in protecting private property and, in some respects, even personal liberty, both of which are essential to our continued progress, prosperity and happiness. The rights of private property have been disregarded in more than one instance. Even now, while the Transportation Act of 1920 has not as yet had a fair trial, attempts are being made to repeal certain sections of the Act, which would be most detrimental to the owners of the properties and make it difficult for the country to obtain the investment of capital in railroad improvements and extensions so urgently needed by our people. The enactment of the \$500,000,000 Railroad Funding Bill has already been too long delayed, to the detriment of the country as well as the owners.

As was to be expected, prices of railroad bonds have advanced considerably during the last six months; this is largely due to easier money markets, and has taken place in spite of the fact that one of the important clauses of the Esch-Cummins Law, providing for 5½% return on invested capital in railroads, has not been made operative. Notwithstanding this, some railroad rates have already been reduced, while the employees resist at the same time a corresponding lowering of wages. The owners of the railways have not, as yet, had a "square deal," and it is well for every American citizen to realize that this persistent hostility to railroad property is only another phase of the attacks on private property rights, is contrary to our traditional policy and, if not checked, may cause serious disturbance to business enterprises generally.

Profiteering, viz.: for individuals to make exorbitant profits or get undue advantages at the expense of their country during the war, has been justly condemned, but what shall we say of those who, now that the war is over, try to get personal profit or undue advantages for certain classes at the expenses of others of our own common country? Although there is no danger that such efforts will prevail in the long run, they may disturb business and economic conditions, frighten capital and make labor dissatisfied and distrustful, thereby causing unnecessary hardship and suffering. However, American common sense and sense of fair play will surely prevail in the end.

In our dealings with foreign nations, and this applies also to the debt they owe us, it is well to remember what President Harding said a little while ago: "America first," but "America first" does not mean "America selfish." Whether there will be an international economic conference or not, we as the great creditor nation of the world, will soon have an opportunity to put this maxim to the test. In the meantime we may feel certain that the great majority of Americans know that, while it is natural that each individual or class should think of his or its own individual interests first and try to further them, no one, whether he belongs to capital or labor, will benefit in the long run by too selfish and narrow a policy toward his fellow-men.

JAMES SPEYER.

TRANSPORTATION ACT HEARINGS CLOSE WITH STRONG STATEMENTS BY MEMBERS OF INTER-STATE COMMERCE COMMISSION.

The hearings on the Capper Bill, which would expunge the rate-making provisions of the Transportation Act of 1920, were brought to a close before the Inter-State Commerce Committee of the United States Senate on Jan. 5.

The final witnesses who spoke warmly in defense of the Act as it now stands were: Former Representative John J. Esch of Wisconsin, one of the framers of the law and at present a member of the Commission; J. B. Campbell of Spokane, Wash., member of the Commission, but who appeared as a private citizen, and Henry C. Hall, former member of the Commission, whose nomination for re-appointment is pending in the Senate.

The Washington bureau of the New York "Commercial" quotes these witnesses, and incidentally the members of the Senate Committee in their comments on the testimony, as follows:

Rate Provisions Essential.—Commissioner Esch declared there was as much need to-day for the rate-making provisions of the law as there was when the law was passed. He stressed the point that these provisions were written into the law at a time when it was widely recognized that stabilization of railroad credit was most essential if the transportation system was to be rehabilitated. Senator Cummins declared that if those provisions

had not been passed half the railroads of the country would now be in the hands of the receivers.

"It would be the gravest mistake to tamper in any way with this Act until it has had a fair trial," asserted Commissioner Campbell. "The Transportation Act of 1920 is the most progressive piece of legislation ever enacted."

Gross exaggerations of what had actually happened under the enforcement of the Transportation Act was charged by Mr. Hall. The complaints against the rate-making provisions and the provisions relating to revision of intra-State rates held to be discriminatory against inter-State commerce are based on flimsy things, he asserted.

Railroad rates and fares would have had to have been substantially increased at the end of Federal control, even had there been no Transportation Act, Mr. Hall said, in reply to repeated assertions of opponents of the law that the high freight and passenger rates resulted from enactment of the so-called "guaranty clause," directing the Commission to prescribe rates that would yield as nearly as may be $5\frac{1}{2}$ or 6% net railway operating income on the valuation of \$18,900,000,000.

Valuation by Commission.—The great amount of detailed work done by the Commission in handling the increased rate case of 1920, and in arriving at the valuation of \$18,900,000,000, was outlined by Mr. Hall. He met the charges that the Commission had guessed the valuation at \$18,900,000,000 and had made it practically the same amount as the property investment account of the railroads by saying that the work of gathering the data on which the valuation was based would have required the time of one man for four years. Every possible bit of information tending to establish value of railroad property was used by the Commission in fixing the valuation, he said. The work done by the Bureau of Valuation since 1913 was utilized to the fullest extent, he said.

"I have seen suggestions that the Commission substantially accepted the property investment account of the carriers," said Mr. Hall. "That is not the fact."

Senator Pomerene declared recent statements about the valuation of the Commission being excessive were made to mislead the public, and Mr. Hall, pointing out that the valuation was a billion dollars less than the property investment account of the carriers, declared such statements were not dependable.

State Rights Not Violated.—The Federal Commission in no way exceeded its powers, nor did it overthrow State Commission control of rates in administering the law with respect to intra-State rates, Mr. Hall declared.

The same results could have been obtained under decisions by the United States Supreme Court in the so-called Shreveport cases, he said. Every order made was backed up by substantial proof of discrimination against inter-State commerce.

Rail and Water Rates.—Commissioner Campbell declared either the Shipping Board or the Inter-State Commerce Commission should be given complete control over rail and water rates in order that rail and water transportation could be properly developed through co-ordination of those facilities. With divided authority, such as exists to-day, he indicated, no substantial progress could be made. He said he believed the country would back up overwhelmingly the proposition of giving the Inter-State Commerce Commission complete control over the waterways.

The committee, it is stated, will be called together by the Chairman, Senator Cummins, to consider what action should be taken on the Capper Bill. No action, it is said, is likely to be taken in the near future, as the committee is expected to wait for a while to see whether the Supreme Court will not dispose of the Intra-State rate cases pending before it, in which the question of the jurisdiction of the State Commissions over intra-State rates is in issue.

See also the remarks of the Chairman of the Chicago Rock Island & Pacific Ry. regarding the Transportation Act in the Investment News Department on a subsequent page.

RAILROAD SITUATION REVIEWED BY T. DE WITT CUYLER—REASSURING AS TO INTEREST PAYMENT BUT NOT YET AS TO NORMAL DIVIDENDS.

Commenting on the railroad situation in 1921 and the outlook for 1922 Thomas De Witt Cuyler, Chairman, Association of Railway Executives, is quoted in the "Philadelphia News Bureau" of Dec. 31, as follows:

Rétrenchment.—Hardly had the backbone of traffic congestion been broken, in October, 1920, before the general rate of business activity began to diminish and railroad traffic to decline. So rapid was this decline that in January and February of 1921 the railroads could not even earn their operating expenses, and it became obvious that the great task before management in 1921 was to reduce the operating expenses of the railroads, and to restore their earning power, at least sufficiently to keep them out of bankruptcy.

This effort ran along two lines—first, to increase the productivity of employees, by getting rid of the national agreements and other burdensome rules and working conditions, and the second consisted in a reduction of basic wages. The relief which was actually secured came in just the reverse order. A reduction in basic wages, amounting to approximately 12%, became effective on the 1st of July, but it was late in 1921 before the railroads began to receive any relief from burdensome rules and working conditions.

Earnings.—Between the reduction in wages, effective July 1 1921, and a very severe cutting of maintenance expenditures, the railroads will probably make for 1921 a net operating income between \$550,000,000 and \$600,000,000. This will mean that interest on funded and unfunded debt can be met but that normal dividends will not be earned.

Further Material Reductions in Transportation Rates Depend on Wage Cuts.

With the more or less rapid and unequal fall in commodity prices, the relation of freight rates to commodity values became of increasing importance as the year 1921 progressed, and led to widespread demands for reductions in rates. In meeting this situation, the railroads, of course, had no wartime profits to fall back upon. They were at the same time operating under costs, nine-tenths of which had been set by Governmental authority, directly or indirectly, and they had no ability to make rapid changes to meet changing economic conditions.

It has been and is, however, the earnest intention of the railway executives to get railway transportation and railway rates as rapidly as possible back into a normal relation to the industry and agriculture of the country. They can do this, however, only step by step.

Some misunderstanding in the public mind may have been occasioned by the inability of the railroads to translate their wage reduction of July 1st into

rate reductions. It must be remembered, however, that when the increase in rates was made in 1920 it was expected to give the railroads a fair chance at a 6% return, on the basis of a flow of traffic such as the railroads experienced at the end of 1919 and for the greater part of 1920. With the enormous decline in business activity, the rates established by the Interstate Commerce Commission did not produce the return contemplated, and many railroads would not have been able to earn even their fixed charges during 1921 had it not been for the wage reduction of July 1st.

Under these circumstances, it was, of course, impossible for the railroads to make general rate reductions predicated upon this wage reduction. As, however, their situation improved, during the second part of 1921, the railway executives attempted to find a method whereby the desire of the country for lower rates could be gradually met. They feel that they have found this method in the action adopted at their meeting of Oct. 14, when they decided to request another reduction in basic wages, and undertook to turn over to the public in the shape of reduced rates the full benefit of this reduction. This policy recognizes that the cause of high rates is high operating expense, and that the chief item in excessive operating expense is excessive labor cost.

Of the threatened railroad strike in October, little need be said. The reaction of public opinion to this threat was one of the most hopeful indications that this country is going to work its way back to normal conditions in accordance with fundamental American principles.

Importance of Allowing the Railroads to Get on Their Feet Financially.

The chief danger in the present situation is that the great body of our people may overlook for the moment the importance to them of allowing the railroads to get back on their feet financially. Yet this in itself would make a very substantial contribution toward resumption of normal business. The railroads are the country's largest single industry; they consume about a third of the normal product of the coal and steel industries; and are large consumers in many other lines.

There is a substantial deferred maintenance carried over from the period of Federal control, and probably as much deferred maintenance accrued during the present year. In addition, by causes outside of the control of railway management, the railroads have practically been in a condition of arrested development now for some years past. Without in the least denying the desirability and ultimate necessity of substantial reductions in railroad rates, it is sincerely to be hoped that shippers will not demand, and that the Interstate Commerce Commission will not require, from the railroads rate reductions so great as to make it impossible for the railroads to restore their earning power during the coming year, and to assume their normal place as the greatest single consumer of the products of other industries.

Replying with other railroad officials to a questionnaire sent out by the "New York Evening Post" (see that journal's special financial supplement of Dec. 31), Mr. Cuyler further says:

Wages & Transportation Rates.—I believe that substantial reduction in wages and in rates is necessary as a basis for the reestablishment of prosperity, and that it will accordingly be effected. Wages should be reduced in accordance with local conditions in the various territories served, and rates should be reduced as much as they safely can without jeopardizing the public service the railroads must render, not only at the moment, but be prepared to render in the future.

Labor Board, Etc.—The Railroad Labor Board should be continued, with some modification in its constitution. There should be greater coordination with the Interstate Commerce Commission, and it would be highly desirable if the powers of the board should be largely mediatory. It is obviously desirable that the managements and employees should not be placed *vis-a-vis* the Railroad Labor Board in the relationship of continuous litigants. Laws should be so framed as to induce the parties to endeavor to agree instead of placing a possible premium at all times on disagreements.

Curtailed Maintenance, Etc.—Every railroad is bending its utmost energies to reduce operating costs. Unfortunately, the greatest reductions so far made have been effected by reducing working forces, largely in the maintenance departments. Prices of materials are coming down and railroads are seeking to realize economies in method and administration. So large a percentage, however, of the expenditures of the companies is controlled in one way or another by either the Railroad Labor Board or other Governmental agencies, that the range within which a railroad manager has liberty to reduce his costs is extremely narrow.

The drastic cut in maintenance expenses which railroads have been forced to make especially during the past year has undoubtedly produced deterioration in the physical condition of some of the properties, but the roads as a whole in my judgment are in better physical condition as compared to the date on which the Government relinquished control.

Reports show that during the first ten months of 1921 expenditures on maintenance of way and structures and equipment were \$1,708,954,236, as against \$2,182,219,391 for the corresponding period of last year, a reduction for the period of \$473,265,155, all of which must be made up at some future time.

Financing in 1922.—The amount of refunding necessary during the coming year is easily ascertainable. The amount of new financing which can be done will be measured by the extent to which railroads may be able to sell securities upon an interest basis which their expectations of traffic and expense will lead them to believe they can earn over a period of years. Railroad development in the United States has come virtually to a standstill, and the estimate that at least one billion dollars (\$1,000,000,000) a year ought to be spent on the development of the American railroad plant is, I should say, conservative.

TRANSPORTATION ACT CONFERENCE—SENATOR LA FOLLETTE CHARGES "SPECIAL INTERESTS" WITH SECRET MEETING—DENIALS.

Senator La Follette, in the Senate on Dec. 22, and in a statement given out on Dec. 27, made the assertion that at a secret meeting held in Washington on Dec. 9 high officials of the railroads and the coal, steel and lumber interests had attempted to enlist support from leading farming interests in opposition to the Western agitation for the repeal of Section 15-a of the Transportation Act of 1920 and for the restoration of State control over intra-State rates should cease.

The Senator claimed to be reliably informed that an agreement was reached to re-write the Capper bill so that only

the clause directing the Commission to make rates to produce as nearly as may be a return of 5½ to 6% should be repealed and the remainder of the rate-making section, directing the Commission to try to allow the railroads adequate revenues and to prescribe the percentage of return after March 1, should be left intact, as well as the provisions under which the Commission has power to prevent State discrimination against inter-State commerce.

Senator Capper, on the other hand, asserted that if any attempts were made to re-write the bill Congress would hear from the farmers of Kansas. In his statement Senator La Follette gave a report of the conference, which he called "a conspiracy to betray not only the farmers but the consuming and producing millions of the nation." This report follows in part:

The great special interests represented at this conference were successful in obtaining the consent of certain of the farm representatives to such an agreement.

This conference was participated in by the special committee representing the Railway Executives, of which Mr. Atterbury, of the Pennsylvania RR., was chairman. It was held at the Racquet Club in Washington on Dec. 9 1921.

There had been a previous conference in New York on Sept. 21, of which Mr. J. R. Howard was Chairman. Those present at the Racquet Club meeting were Mr. W. W. Atterbury, of the Pennsylvania RR.; Howard Elliott, of the Northern Pacific; W. J. Harahan, of the Chesapeake & Ohio; W. R. Storey, of the Atchison; R. S. Binkerd, who is assistant to the Chairman of the Association of Railway Executives, New York.

The iron and steel industries were represented by J. A. Campbell, of the Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co. of Youngstown, Ohio, and C. E. Bement, of Lansing, Mich., representing the Novo Engine Co.

Railway supply organizations were represented by A. B. Johnson, President of the Railway Business Association, of Philadelphia, Pa., and Frank W. Noxon, Secretary of the same association.

Lumber interests were represented by Charles Hill, of the Southern Pine & Sales Corporation, of New York; A. B. Hammond, of the Hammond Lumber Co., of San Francisco, Calif.; J. H. Browne, of the Pacific Coast Lumber Co. of New York City.

Construction companies were represented by R. O. Marshall, Munsey Building, Washington, D. C., and E. T. Trigg, of Philadelphia, Pa.

The National Industrial Traffic League was represented by W. H. Chandler, Boston, Mass., and J. H. Beck, Chicago, Ill.

The National Association of Manufacturers was represented by J. A. Emery, of Washington, D. C.

The agricultural interests were represented by J. R. Howard, Gray Silver; H. C. McKenzie, of New York; Ralph Snyder, of Kansas, and O. E. Bradfute, of Chicago. They were all of the American Farm Bureau Federation, the last three named being members of the legislative committee.

The agricultural interests were also represented by V. I. Drummond, President of the International Farm Congress, and T. C. Atkeson, of the National Grange.

Mr. Atterbury stated that the railroads desired the help of the interests represented in securing further wage reductions, and in opposing the amendments pending in Congress proposing repeal of Section 15-a.

After a considerable discussion the agricultural representatives, not being disposed to oppose the amendments absolutely, adjournment was taken for lunch, with the understanding that representatives of the carriers and of the agricultural interests would talk the matter out.

After lunch Mr. Howard reported that the agricultural representatives were prepared to agree that Section 15-a should not be amended, except for the removal of the proviso in paragraph 3, relating to the percentage of return for two years following March 1 1920, which expires by statutory limitation in March next.

It was left with a committee composed of Mr. Emery, Mr. Atkeson and Mr. Silver to re-write the Capper bill, one of the measures proposing repeal of Section 15-a.

A denial that there was anything "secret or unholy" about the Washington conference was made at Cleveland by James R. Howard, President of the Farm Bureau Federation, who said:

Early in the conference an attempt was made to get an agreement to oppose the Capper bill, which repealed the guaranty clause of the Cummins-Esch bill and re-established the powers of the States in inter-State matters. The farm representatives objected to this, standing firm for the repeal of all guaranteed returns and the integrity of State commissioners.

Matters pertaining to reduced labor and other operating costs were discussed as well as the Railway Labor Board, but no attempt to reach an agreement was made. This conference grew out of a former conference held at New York, Sept. 21. At this meeting I personally made a plea for reduced rates on basic commodities and the direct result of this conference is the 10% reduction on all agricultural products effective Jan. 1.

The 10% reduction which the railroads voluntarily granted as a result of this conference will save the farmers approximately \$100,000,000 during the next six months. Senator La Follette is reputed to favor Government ownership and operation of railroads. The American Farm Bureau Federation has always advocated private ownership and operation.

W. I. Drummond, of Kansas City, Chairman of the Board of Governors of the International Farm Congress, who attended the conference on Dec. 9, has also declared, according to a press dispatch dated at Washington, Jan. 4, that the session was not a secret one, and that the agricultural representatives "held out uncompromisingly" for repeal of the guaranty clause in the Transportation Act. Mr. Drummond is also quoted as saying that the Railway Executives agreed not to oppose the repeal of the so-called guaranty clause, but just what this means does not appear at all certain.

Compare articles on the Capper Act in "Chronicle" of Dec. 24, p. 2683, 2684; Dec. 17, p. 2576; Dec. 3, p. 2372; Nov. 29, p. 2154; Oct. 22, p. 1730.]

WILLIAM CARNEGIE EWEN DEPRECATES SACRIFICE OF NEW YORK CITY TRACTION BONDS.

The recent declaration by Mayor Hylan that the present surface lines and elevated roads should be scrapped and replaced by buses and additional subways, has caused a wave of selling among small holders of underlying traction bonds of the City of New York, and many of them, according to William Carnegie Ewen, specialist in these bonds, have literally thrown their securities overboard for what they would bring.

"Leaving out of consideration all politics, all thought of what may be done with these roads in the future, the fact must not be overlooked that these investors—in all parts of the country—put up their good dollars for traction bonds when New York City was striving with might and main to get sufficient transportation facilities to handle her population," declared Mr. Ewen. "Their money built what was then an up-to-date system. In my opinion, it is fundamentally wrong to frighten the people who own these securities with talk of 'scrapping the surface and elevated lines,' without, at the same time, telling the simple truth, and that is that these bonds, in the main, are first mortgages on real estate, rights-of-way and rolling stock, worth intrinsically more than the face value of the mortgage, and that they must be given consideration in any reorganization which takes place in the future." Mr. Ewen then proceeds as follows:

These old bonds, practically all of them issued twenty to twenty-five years ago, and held, in the main, by people far past middle age, are being hawked about Wall Street now at twenty to forty cents on the dollar for those in default, and at fifty cents on the dollar for those on which interest is being paid. There are between 70 and 75 of these issues, including those of the street railway, subway and surface lines. They are mostly "next to the rail" issues—that is, first lien or underlying mortgages—and their proceeds enabled the city to have what was considered then, a first-class system. It is a crying shame that many people who are, in a measure, ignorant of financial affairs, should be led astray by thoughtless statements that the lines will be scrapped.

As a matter of fact it is a physical impossibility for the city to put sufficient buses on the streets of New York to handle the traffic. Experts have clearly demonstrated that. It has been repeatedly said, and accepted as a fact in some quarters, that the street railway lines cannot compete with the subways. Let me give an illustration which proves that the contrary is true. It is true not only of one line, but of many in the city. The illustration is the Lexington Avenue route of the New York Railway System. Receiver Hedges, by authority of Judge Mayer, in the United States District Court, operates cars on this line over a route that extends from South Ferry up Broadway to Twenty-third Street, across Lexington Avenue and north to Harlem River. In July 1918 the Interborough opened its Lexington Avenue extension from Forty-second Street north.

What has been the fate of the Lexington Avenue surface line in the face of this subway competition? Is it now so useless, with so few passengers taking advantage of its facilities day by day that it should be scrapped? The financial reports of the line show that in the twelve months ended June 30 1918 it carried over 25,419,493 revenue-paying passengers. In the twelve months ended June 30 1921 it carried 31,775,391 revenue passengers. Under active competition it has gained over 6,000,000 revenue passengers in those three years. Buses could hardly have handled the increase, leaving out of consideration the total traffic.

The situation in the central part of Brooklyn forms another example of what an era of chaos the people of that borough would face if the elevated and surface lines were scrapped. Do not forget, in passing, that experts say it would require at least five years, should construction be started today, to build sufficient subways to take the place of our elevated and surface lines. When the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company made its contract with New York City, there were thrown in the old elevated lines for it to operate in conjunction with the new city subway lines allotted to the B. R. T. interests. A large part of these elevated lines form integral parts of several important rapid transit routes operated with no direct subway competition from Manhattan. It is unthinkable that these lines are to be scrapped, serving as they do, hundreds of thousands of people every day in the year, and giving them in return a "jitney" which may or may not run.

The announced intention of the Transit Commission to proceed with a fair valuation of these properties should act as a deterrent to any holder of the "next to the rail" bonds of these companies, who has in mind sacrificing them for what they will bring. The Transit Commission (now engaged in digging into the ancestry of the underlying properties and the manner in which they have been handled) or any other fair-minded body which examines the properties, in my opinion, cannot fail to recognize the validity of these bonds, the circumstances under which they were sold, the class of investors who now hold them and the fact that they were purchased in good faith as an investment, but to aid the city in getting adequate transportation facilities.

The New York Railway System, in the last year, handled over 177,000,000 revenue-paying passengers and issued about 4,000,000 transfers. Just how that number of men, women and children could be crowded into motor buses in a year's time would be a perplexing problem, leaving out of consideration the fact that all of the automobile factories in the United States could hardly turn out sufficient vehicles in the next year to provide accommodations for them all. The normal and natural increase of population of New York each year presents a complex transportation problem, the problem of getting the people of New York from their homes to their work and back again. At present it taxes to the utmost the three modes of transportation—the subways, the elevated and the street car lines—to handle the rush-hour crowds. That the situation is to be made more complex by the scrapping of two of these three facilities we now have is quite beyond belief. Mayor Hylan has but to glance at the figures in the report of the Public Service Commission of the First District, submitted to the Legislature on January 10 1921, to realize just how important to New York's transportation system are these two branches of the service which he would scrap.

I have repeatedly told holders of the bonds of the street railway and elevated lines, who have come to me in their distress for advice about their securities, that they are bound to receive consideration in any financial reorganization of the companies which may take place. I would like to repeat that message to those who have allowed themselves to become alarmed because of the wild and loose assertions that these lines are to be scrapped. In my opinion, the street railway and elevated lines will continue to accommodate their daily quota of passengers during the lifetime of any present holder in the bonds.

ITEMS ABOUT BANKS, TRUST COMPANIES, &c.

No bank or trust company stocks were sold at auction or at the Stock Exchange this week. Extensive tables reporting bid and asked quotations, deposits, surplus &c., of banks and trust companies in all important cities in the United States are published monthly in the "Bank and Quotation" Section, the January, 1922 issue of which accompanies today's "Chronicle." Bid and asked quotations for all New York City bank and trust company stocks are also published weekly in another department of this paper and will be found today on page 52.

William Pierson Hamilton retired on Dec. 31 from membership in the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co. because of his desire to withdraw from active business. Mr. Hamilton also retires from Drexel & Co., Philadelphia; Morgan, Grenfell & Co., London, and Morgan, Harjes & Co., Paris. Mr. Hamilton is a great grandson of Alexander Hamilton and a brother-in-law of Mr. J. P. Morgan. He had been a member of the Morgan firm since 1897. He had previously been with the Manhattan Trust Co. Mr. Hamilton is a director of a number of corporations.

A new financial institution, namely the Atlas Bank, is being organized in this city with a capital and surplus of \$300,000; it will be located at 39 Cooper Square, corner of Third Avenue and Sixth Street. The stock (par \$100) is being disposed of at \$150 per share. The incorporators include: Henry C. Zaro, Samuel E. Klein, Leo D. Greenfield, S. W. Moskowitz, E. J. Wile, Frank I. Hecht, Jona J. Goldstein, Maximilian Mosson, Wm. H. Brudi, A. Deutsch and Morton Frederick. The new bank is expected to commence operations Feb. 1.

The Bank of America of this city announced on Jan. 3 the following appointments: M. R. Coffman, Manager Business Development; E. R. Gafford, Manager of the Business Development Department for Brooklyn, and W. Woolford, Manager Publicity and Service Department. Two employees, namely Irving L. Griffin, a paying teller, and Charles K. Gedney, in charge of the bank's stockrooms, were presented with gold watches the same day by Edward C. Delafield, President of the Bank of America, in recognition of their long services with the bank. Mr. Griffin has served the bank twenty-five years and Mr. Gedney has been with it for thirty years.

The Chinese Merchants' Bank, Ltd., of Hongkong, announces the opening of a New York agency in the Woolworth Building, L. N. Lau, agent. The bank's head office is in Hongkong. It has branches in Canton, Saigon and Shanghai. It is stated that it is the first Chinese bank in New York City. It was chartered under the Banking Laws of the British Crown Colony of Hongkong.

At a meeting this week of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Central Union Trust Co. of New York, V. W. Miller was appointed Assistant Secretary.

The United States Trust Co. of New York, in its statement of condition as of Jan. 1 1922, shows some interesting figures bearing upon its investment holdings. The statement in itself is unique in that it sets forth in detail all of the varied assortment of security issues held for investment by the institution with the present book value as compared with the par value. The trust company reports total resources of \$70,718,442, with cash in its vault and in banks of \$10,871,146, collateral loans of \$31,308,975, United States Treasury 3-Year Notes of \$4,000,000. Real estate holdings of \$1,000,000, stock and bond investments of \$11,082,470, bonds and mortgages of \$5,145,143, and bills purchased of \$6,767,309. A surplus of \$12,000,000 is shown with undivided profits of \$3,521,207. The company's deposits at the beginning of the year amounted to \$52,048,560. Among the stock and bond investments of the trust company, as set forth in the statement are \$1,500,000 in United States

Government Liberty Loan 4¼% bonds and \$450,000 in United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland 5½% bonds. The company also holds \$1,325,000 City of New York corporate stock of various maturities and coupon rates. The holdings of railroad securities number 30 different issues, while the list of industrial bonds includes the issues of 7 leading corporations. The trust company carries also 8,400 shares of stock of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York at its par value of \$420,000.

As noted in these columns last week (page 2787) the stockholders of the Corn Exchange Bank of this city, at a special meeting Dec. 23, ratified the plans to increase the capital of the institution from \$7,500,000 to \$8,250,000. The following is the official notice issued to the stockholders on Nov. 30, notifying them of the meeting and giving details regarding the proposed stock issue:

To the Stockholders of the Corn Exchange Bank of New York:

Pursuing our policy that the guarantee to our depositors in the shape of capital should keep pace with the enlargement of our business, we now propose an increase of our present capital of \$7,500,000 to \$8,250,000 for your approval at a special meeting of the stockholders of this bank to be held on Dec. 23 1921.

This increase of 7,500 shares will be offered to stockholders of record at 3 o'clock, Jan. 11 1922, at \$100 per share, the subscription privilege being at the rate of 10% of their holdings at that time. Subscriptions to the increase of stock to be deposited with the bank and to be paid for on or before the close of business Feb. 3 1922, for which temporary receipts will be issued, exchangeable for stock certificates Feb. 7 1922. All subscriptions shall be based on the agreement that fractional parts of shares shall not be entitled to dividends. The officers of the bank will assist the consolidation of fractional into full shares, so far as they may be able to do so. New stock not subscribed and paid for by Feb. 3 1922 shall revert to the bank for such disposition as the Board of Directors may deem for the best interests of the bank. The warrants for subscription will be sent to the shareholders if the increase is authorized.

The five-year proxy, signed by you, now filed with the bank, will be used to vote in favor of the proposed increase. WALTER E. FREW, President.
WILLIAM A. NASH, Chairman.

The Guaranty Trust Co. issues its condensed statement as of Dec. 31 showing deposits of \$470,916,979, as compared with \$425,857,452 shown in its last published statement of Nov. 15. It also shows an undivided profits account of \$2,255,398, as compared with \$1,552,791 on Nov. 15. The new statement reports no borrowings from the Federal Reserve Bank on Dec. 31, as compared with rediscounts of \$17,925,000 on Nov. 15. The total resources of the company are \$578,309,758.

The Columbia Bank of this city is now located in its new banking rooms in the Postal Life Building, at 5th Avenue and 43rd Street. The bank had previously been located at 507 Fifth Avenue, between 42nd and 43rd Streets. Its plans to move to the new quarters were referred to in our issue of Nov. 5 last, page 1955. The bank announces the following new departments: a woman's department, equipped for handling accounts of women; a thrift department, to accommodate those who wish to save regularly; safe deposit vaults of the most substantial modern construction.

Theodore Gardner Smith, Senior Vice-President of the Central Union Trust Co. of this city, writing on "The Triumph of Good-Will" in the latest number of "Central Union Topics," the monthly publication of the Central Union Club, stresses the change that is taking place in the spirit of the world and declares that the voice of a new generation has spoken. Mr. Smith says:

There can be no assured peace among men except as good-will prevails. Mankind may not have lived long enough on this earth to have learned the lesson of the past, with its tragedy of anger, of hates and fears, of greed, prejudice, envy, malice and distrust; but it does look as though we were at the beginning of better things. If there has at last dawned on man a realization of what he can achieve through good-will, that will which applies the Golden Rule of doing to others that which we would have them do to us, then the day may not be far distant when history will draw a red line under man's tragic past, the line that closes the account of war and marks the opening of the account of peace.

The National City Bank of New York announces the following elections in its English and European official staff: George K. Weeks, who has been the European representative of the National City Company and a vice-president of that institution, has been elected a vice-president of the bank; Paul Grosjean, who has been in charge of the Brussels branch of the bank, has also been elected a vice-president. Paul F. Falzer, who has been manager of the Paris branch of the Farmers Loan & Trust Co., has been retained in that capacity by the National City Bank and will manage its Paris branch.

Richard L. Morris has resigned as vice-president of the Bankers Trust Company of this city, where he has been connected with the securities department for three years, to become a partner in the firm of F. B. Keech & Co. For seven years previous to his connection with the Bankers Trust Company, Mr. Morris was a partner in the firm of Kean, Taylor & Co., investment bankers.

At a meeting of the Trustee of the East River Savings Bank of this city on Jan. 3, Darwin R. James, Jr., heretofore Vice-President was elected President to succeed Henry T. Nichols. Frederick G. Fischer, Vice-President of W. R. Grace & Co., was elected Second Vice-President and D. W. Whitmore, First Vice-President. Mr. James was formerly President of the Pyrene Manufacturing Co. and the American Chicle Co., and is a director of the Nassau National Bank of Brooklyn and a Trustee of the Title Guarantee and Trust Co. of this city.

The statement of condition of the United States Mortgage & Trust Co. of this city, as of December 31 1921, shows total assets of \$68,437,167. Deposits are given as \$56,514,052. Besides its capital of \$3,000,000 and surplus of like amount, the company has undivided profits of \$1,001,467.

Banco di Roma Bulletin for December is ready for distribution. Among the various articles on current events in Italy are some interesting facts regarding the progress of Italian aviation.

The Fulton Trust Company of this city, in its quarterly circular, "Investments," dated Dec. 19, stated:

In the event that the New Year will bring with it lower rates for money the investment opportunities would appear to be in the first-class bonds of the longer maturities available now at prices to yield from 5 to 6%.

The circular shows the advance in these bonds since the issue of the bank's previous circular on Sept. 20 1921.

According to the New York "Journal of Commerce" of Dec. 30, the Mariner's Harbor National Bank, at Mariner's Harbor, Staten Island, N. Y., which was closed in August last (reference to which appeared in these columns in our issue of Sept. 3), was reopened on Dec. 30. A statement issued by Frank A. Borden, one of the principal stockholders, reported that the reopening was brought about through an arrangement with the bank's depositors under the terms of which they are to receive 60% of their deposits on demand the remaining 40% to stand in the bank's possession until such time as the money can be earned in the regular course of business.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the People's National Bank of Boston, Mass., on Jan. 3, Perry D. Keating, formerly of the First National Bank of Boston, was elected Assistant Cashier.

Robert Clement, President of the Clement National Bank of Rutland, Vt., died in New York City on Dec. 25. Mr. Clement was 35 years of age. Before becoming President last June he had been Vice-President of the Clement National Bank. He was also a director of the State Trust Company of Rutland, the Herald and Globe Association, Woodstock Hotel Company, Bristol Railroad Company, and the Ticonderoga Railroad Company. Mr. Clement was a son of former Governor Percival W. Clement of Vermont. He served as First Lieutenant of the United States Army during the late war.

J. Samuel Krause, President of the First National Bank of Bethlehem, Pa., died on Dec. 29. He was 73 years old. Mr. Krause was President of the J. S. Krause Hardware Co. and a director of half a dozen other Bethlehem institutions. He was also a member of the Bethlehem Bridge Commission, which is building the \$3,000,000 Hill-to-Hill Bridge in Bethlehem.

A. Ernest Margerison, owing to pressure of business and to the fact that he is taking on new interests, has resigned as President of the Oxford Bank of Frankford (Philadelphia), and Bernard E. Effing, Cashier since the bank's organization, has been elected to succeed Mr. Margerison; W. E. Zander, Assistant Cashier, has been advanced to the office of Cashier; Mr. Margerison remains as Chairman of the Board.

The following comes from the Fidelity Trust Company of Philadelphia:

At a time when thrift is more often urged than practiced and when the appeal for charitable and civic purposes is sometimes more enthusiastic than the response, it may be well to recall one of the "Cheerful Rules" in the little "Enchiridion" of the great founder of our Commonwealth, where he says:

"Frugality is good, if Liberty be joyn'd with it. The first is leaving off superfluous Expences; the last bestowing them to the Benefit of others that need. The first without the last begins Covetousness; the last without the first begin Prodigality: Both together make an excellent Temper. Happy the Place where ever that is found."—William Penn in "Some Fruits of Solitude" (1693).

With our hopes for a better realization of all the cheerful rules of life during the coming year.

Yours sincerely,

WILLIAM P. GEST, President.

At a meeting of the directors of the Fidelity Trust Company of Philadelphia, Pa., on Dec. 23, Charles Brinkman, heretofore Auditor, was elected Assistant to the Vice-President and Edgar E. Daniell was elected Auditor to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Brinkman's promotion.

At a special meeting of the directors of the Metropolitan Savings Bank of Baltimore, Md., on Dec. 22, Adam Deupert was elected President of that institution to succeed the late C. C. Shriver, whose death was announced in our issue of Nov. 12. Mr. Deupert was until recently Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas and has been a director of the bank for many years.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Citizens' National Bank of Cincinnati on Dec. 8, the name of the bank was changed to "The Citizens' National Bank & Trust Company of Cincinnati." This change has been approved by the Comptroller of the Currency, and is accordingly now in effect.

The Peoples Savings & Trust Company of Pittsburgh—one of that city's largest financial institutions—announces the appointment of Norman B. Ward as manager of its Bond Department, who assumed his duties Jan. 3. Mr. Ward is a Columbia University graduate, and has had a wide business experience. He was formerly in the Pittsburgh office of Lee Higginson & Company, and later manager of the Bond Department of the McGill group of banks with main offices in Sharon, Pa., resigning the latter position to come with the Pittsburgh institution.

John Bindley, President of the Duquesne National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., died on Dec. 16. Mr. Bindley was 75 years old. He was one of the organizers of the Pittsburgh Steel Company, and became Vice-President of that concern in 1906. Later, he succeeded Wallace H. Rowe as President of the Steel Company, and held that position until October, 1920, when he became Chairman of the Board, and held that position at the time of his death. He was a Vice-President of the Dollar Savings Bank, was President of the Neely Nut & Bolt Company, and Director of the Monessen Coal & Coke Company, the Pittsburgh Steel Products Company and the Pittsburgh Ice Company. He served as President of the Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce from 1896 to 1902.

At a special meeting of the directors of the Detroit Trust Co., of Detroit, Michigan, on Dec. 20, Harold R. Crusoe and Raymond H. Berry were appointed Assistant Secretaries of the trust company and James I. Burrige was appointed Manager of the Real Estate Department to fill the vacancy caused by the death of David T. Lorimer. Mr. Crusoe has been with the Detroit Trust for ten years having served during this time in the Receivership Department. Mr. Berry was recently connected with the estate tax division of the United States Internal Revenue service as chief estate tax officer of the Detroit Michigan, covering the state of Michigan. He was also formerly associated with the Home Savings Bank, and also served as Assistant Cashier of the Du Pont National Bank of Washington, D. C. Mr. Burrige has been connected with the trust company for the last eighteen years.

An all day session of the Clearing House Committee and leading Banking interests of Chicago on Jan. 2, culminated in the late afternoon in unanimous approval for the absorption of the Fort Dearborn National Bank and the Fort Dearborn Trust & Savings Bank by the Continental & Commercial National Bank and the Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank, respectively.

This decision averted a potential crisis in the affairs of the Fort Dearborn banks. The deposits of the latter have been

guaranteed by the Continental and Commercial Banks and the Clearing House guaranteed the Continental & Commercial Banks to the extent of \$2,500,000. To this is added an additional guaranty by the directors of the Fort Dearborn banks.

In a clearing house statement issued through James B. Forgan, Chairman, it was said that the difficulties of the Fort Dearborn banks were due to the over-extended condition of Edward Tilden & Co., and some recently made loans and investments which proved to be bad. An examination of the Chicago Clearing House examiner disclosed that the capital of both the Fort Dearborn banks had been seriously impaired. The Tilden interests were by far the heaviest stockholders in the Fort Dearborn banks and the operations of this firm precipitated the difficulties. The present estimate is that the stockholders of the Fort Dearborn banks will receive from \$130 to \$140 per share for their holdings when the liquidation has been finished.

There was spirited bidding between the First National Bank, represented by James B. Forgan, and the Continental & Commercial Banks, represented by George M. Reynolds. The latter won with a payment of approximately \$1,250,000 for the assets and good will. In a statement issued to the press, Mr. Reynolds said:

All deposits in the Fort Dearborn National Bank and in the Fort Dearborn Trust & Savings Bank have been guaranteed by the Continental & Commercial National Bank and the Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank, respectively, and checks drawn against accounts of the Fort Dearborn National Bank will be honored by the Continental & Commercial National Bank and the deposits, including savings accounts, in the Fort Dearborn Trust & Savings Bank will be placed to the credit of depositors on the books of the Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank. The business carried on by the Fort Dearborn National Bank and the Fort Dearborn Trust & Savings Bank will hereafter be conducted by the Continental & Commercial National Bank and the Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank, respectively at their offices, 208 South La Salle Street."

This culmination came after five o'clock on Jan. 2, and it was, therefore, necessary to move the entire Fort Dearborn National Bank and the Trust & Savings Bank over to the Continental & Commercial Building, so that business could be resumed at the usual time in the morning. All of this was successfully accomplished and the officers and employees of the Fort Dearborn banks went to work in their new quarters on Tuesday morning.

It has not yet been determined what the new organization will be. The Fort Dearborn banks had approximately 500 employees. The deposits of the two banks, including more than 7 million dollars in savings, totaled nearly \$60,000,000. With this accession to its business, the total deposits of the Continental & Commercial Banks are more than 400 million dollars, and its statement will show total resources of 500 million dollars.

James B. Forgan, Chairman of the Chicago Clearing House Committee, in confirming the announcement of the taking over of the Fort Dearborn banks' business also issued a statement. It reads, in part, as follows:

Owing to the over-extended condition of Edward Tilden & Co., and some recently made loans and investments which proved to be bad and entailed heavy losses, it was found on examination of the two Fort Dearborn banks by the Chicago Clearing House examiner that the capital of both banks had been impaired.

It was realized that under these circumstances it was necessary to take such action as would protect the depositors in the Fort Dearborn National Bank and the Fort Dearborn Trust and Savings Bank, who, of course, have a prior claim to the entire assets of the two banks.

The officers and Directors of the Fort Dearborn National Bank and the Fort Dearborn Trust and Savings Bank entered into negotiations, as a result of which the members of the Chicago Clearing House Association agreed to furnish guarantees to the extent of \$2,500,000 satisfactory to the Continental and Commercial National Bank and the Continental and Commercial Trust and Savings Bank to protect them against loss.

Checks drawn against funds on deposit with the Fort Dearborn National Bank will be honored by the Continental and Commercial National Bank, and deposits in the Fort Dearborn National Bank will be credited on the books of the Continental and Commercial National Bank, while accounts in the Fort Dearborn Trust and Savings Bank will be taken care of by the Continental and Commercial Trust and Savings Bank.

The Chicago Clearing House Committee assures the depositors of both the Fort Dearborn National Bank and the Fort Dearborn Trust and Savings Bank that their interests have been fully protected, and that owing to the arrangement, entered into by the Chicago Clearing House Association with the Continental and Commercial National Bank and the Continental and Commercial Trust and Savings Bank, they will suffer no loss.

Inasmuch as Edward Tilden & Co. is interested as minority stockholder in the Drivers' National Bank and the Drivers' Trust and Savings Bank, the Clearing House Committee has had made a special examination of these institutions for the purpose of ascertaining their condition.

The result of these examinations is such as to warrant the committee in saying that in its opinion these banks are absolutely solvent and entitled to the full confidence of their customers and the public in general.

The Fort Dearborn National Bank was founded in 1887 and had a capital of \$5,000,000 with surplus and undivided profits of more than \$3,000,000. The Fort Dearborn Trust & Savings Bank was established in 1911 and had a capital of \$500,000 and surplus and undivided profits of more than \$512,000. As stated above the present estimate is that the

stockholders of both institutions will receive from \$130 to \$140 per share for their holdings when the liquidation has been finished.

Re-organization of the Englewood State Bank of Chicago, the smallest of the five Chicago banking institutions dominated by the Tilden interests, was accomplished on Thursday night, January 5, and the bank opened for business under the title of the First Englewood State Bank, according to a press dispatch from Chicago printed in the New York "Evening Post" of January 6. The new bank it is said will have a capital of \$200,000, a surplus of \$50,000 and a special fund of \$50,000. The dispatch further states that the Tildens have withdrawn from the bank and have been replaced by other financial interests.

According to a special press dispatch from Chicago to the New York "Times" on Thursday Jan. 5, John Soffel, President of the Maywood State Bank of Maywood, a Chicago suburb, was shot and killed on that day in daylight robbery which netted the bandits \$12,000. Chief of Police Sweeney of Maywood and Arthur Benson, a bank messenger, were injured, it is said. Mr. Soffel met his death, while driving in a small automobile from his bank to the offices of the American Can Co. with the money for the payrolls of the company. He was accompanied by Mr. Sweeney and Mr. Benson. The dispatch goes on to say:

A block away stood a big, mud-bespattered car without license plates. Its curtains were closely drawn, and passers-by were unable to see that it contained five men. As the small car started from the bank the big car started with a roar and fell in behind.

Sweeney first became aware of its presence when he was half a block from the can company's office. He heard it and moved over to the curb to give it room, but when it was alongside two revolvers and a sawed-off shotgun fired a fusillade of shots into the side of the little car.

Sweeney stopped his car and reached for his revolver, but before he could get it two men had jumped from the large machine and were shooting at him. Shot after shot tore through the side curtains and the windshield of his car. One struck Soffel in the mouth and another cut off two fingers, burying itself under his eye and killing him instantly. As he fell forward a third bullet struck him in the nose.

In the meantime one robber had run to the side of the car, jerked open the door and stuck a shot-gun into Benson's stomach. As Benson started to obey an order to hand over the money the bandit jumped on the running board, reached over the body of Soffel and hauled out the two bags.

Then he jumped into his own car, followed by the second man. Less than three minutes had elapsed.

According to press dispatches from St. Louis under date of Jan. 6, appearing in the New York daily papers of that date, the Night & Day Bank of St. Louis did not open for business on that day. J. G. Hughes, the State Bank Commissioner, is reported as saying that his examiners had been auditing the books of the institution for several days and had found an apparent discrepancy of more than \$100,000. It was also stated in the dispatches that A. O. Meininger, the Cashier of the institution, had not appeared at the bank since Wednesday. The bank has a capital of \$150,000 and deposits of over \$3,000,000.

John B. Strauch, President of the More-Jones Brass & Metal Co., has been elected a director of the National Bank of Commerce in St. Louis. He takes the place of Harry Elliot, whose death recently occurred. Mr. Strauch has been active in the commercial life of St. Louis for many years, is a member of the outstanding civic and commercial organizations and his coming to the directorate of the National Bank of Commerce will add to the already strong representation of St. Louis and Mississippi Valley interests contained thereon.

John G. Lonsdale, President of the National Bank of Commerce in St. Louis, states that the year which has just closed was one of commendable progress for the bank despite general conditions. He says the bank has just added another 1% to its dividend, placing its stock now on an 8% basis, that its savings accounts show well over a million increase, and that the bank now has 16,000 as compared with 14,000 commercial accounts in 1920.

According to a special press dispatch from Montgomery, Ala., dated December 24, which appeared in the Nashville "Banner" of the same date, the Merchants Bank of Montgomery did not open for business on December 23, and a notice posted on the door of the institution announced that H. H. Montgomery, the State Superintendent of Banks, had taken over its affairs by resolution of the Board of Directors. The dispatch further stated that State examiners would begin a minute examination of the affairs of the bank immediately after the holidays upon the completion of which Mr. Montgomery said he would be able to make known its con-

dition. The Merchants Bank, according to the dispatch, was organized about two years ago absorbing the Sullivan Bank & Trust Co. of Montgomery. It had a capital of \$100,000, with surplus of \$25,000 and according to its last financial statement (October 17) showed total deposits of \$509,070.

Under the name of the Morris Brothers Corporation, the former bond house of Morris Bros., Inc., of Portland, Ore., reopened for business at the old quarters, Morris Bldg., 309-311 Stark Street, on Nov. 28. An official announcement regarding the reorganization said:

In the reorganization of this institution more than 800 former patrons have pooled their interests and become holders of preferred stock, and the appreciation of them all is expressed in soliciting the patronage of other investors.

In taking over the assets, we have acquired a great list of highly desirable Government and Municipal bonds, which will be immediately available for purchase by individual investors, at prices to yield unusual returns in this day of increasing values.

On Dec. 30 the Portland "Oregonian" said:

The new Morris Brothers Corporation, composed of the majority of the stockholders of the bankrupt Morris Brothers bond house, has made payment in full to Judge Earl C. Bronaugh, trustee, and the creditors now are in full possession of the business, according to a statement issued by John L. Etheridge, Manager and director of the new concern.

Mr. Etheridge has also announced that during the month of January the preferred creditors will be paid 25% of the principal of their claims with a 3% dividend.

The Morris Brothers Corporation opened its doors for business Nov. 28. It had obligated itself to pay \$677,960.65 over a period of three months. One note of \$100,000 was to be paid in 30 days, another of \$200,000 in 60 days and a third of \$377,960.65 in 90 days. All of these notes, according to both Judge Bronaugh and Etheridge, were paid in less than the time required for the payment of the first note.

Since the time the organization started business \$106,000 worth of bonds have been purchased from Judge Bronaugh. These, together with \$20,711.65, have been added to the assets of the concern.

According to Judge Bronaugh, the final date for filing claims against the estate ended last Tuesday.

The suspension of Morris Bros., Inc., occurred on December 27, 1920.

The annual financial statement of the Union Bank of Canada, which covers the fiscal year to November 30 1921, indicates earnings at the rate of 16.79% for the year. Total assets are over \$152,000,000 as against \$169,000,000 last year. Percentage of quick assets to total liabilities to the public is 53.70%; the amount carried forward to profit and loss is \$541,686, being \$400,000 greater than last year. Total deposits are more than \$116,000,000 and total commercial loans \$62,000,000.

W. A. Black has been appointed a director of The Royal Bank of Canada to succeed Justice T. S. Rogers who resigned following his appointment to the bench. Mr. Black is a member of the firm of Pickford & Black, Ltd., steamship agents of Halifax.

That the Canadian Bank of Commerce (head office Toronto) was able to increase its profits despite the past year's business depression is evidenced in the annual report of the institution for the fiscal year ended November 30 1921, which was received recently through the New York Agency of the institution. Total resources at the close of the twelve months are given at \$428,139,918, of which \$184,670,155 are quick assets showing the satisfactory liquid position of the institution. The ratio of total quick assets to public deposits has increased from 45.5% in 1920 to 46.7% for 1921. A notable improvement has also occurred in the quality of the investments. Whereas the total of these remain practically unchanged at \$40,000,000, the holdings of Dominion and Provincial securities show an increase of 10,000,000 with a corresponding contraction of other classes of securities. Net profits for the 12 months, after providing for all bad and doubtful debts, the report shows, were \$3,116,137, which, when added to \$1,783,979, the balance to credit of profit and loss brought forward from the preceding year, made \$4,900,116 available for distribution. This sum was appropriated as follows: \$1,800,000 for dividends at the rate of 12% per annum; \$150,000 to pay a bonus of 1%; \$325,000 to cover Dominion and Provincial Government taxes and tax on bank-note circulation; \$500,000 written off bank premises and \$178,371 transferred to pension fund, leaving a balance of \$1,916,745 to be carried forward to next year's profit and loss account. The bank has a paid-up capital of \$15,000,000 with a rest of like amount. The annual meeting of the shareholders will be held on January 10. Sir B. E. Walker is President and John Aird, General Manager.

The Standard Bank of Canada (head office Toronto) has declared a dividend for the current quarter ending the 31st of

January, 1922, at 3½%, being at the rate of 14% per annum upon the Paid-up Capital Stock of the bank, and which is to be payable on and after the 1st of February, 1922, to shareholders of record as of the 16th of January, 1922. The annual general meeting of the shareholders will be held at the Head Office of the Bank in Toronto, on February 22, at 12 o'clock, noon.

We published in our advertising pages last week (December 31) the second annual report of the British Overseas Bank, Ltd. (head office London), covering the fiscal year ended October 31 1921, and presented to the shareholders at their annual general meeting on December 16. The statement shows net profits for the period, after allowing for rebate of interest and providing for all bad and doubtful debts, income tax and other taxation for the year, of £102,325, which, when added to £35,200 the balance to profit and loss (after deducting income and corporation profits taxes) brought forward from the preceding year, made together £137,526. From this amount £30,000 was deducted to pay an interim dividend on the "A" ordinary shares at the rate of 6% per annum for the half year ending April 30 1921, together with income tax thereon, leaving the sum of \$107,526 available for distribution. This sum the Governing Council of the bank recommended be distributed as follows: £30,000 to pay the 2nd half-year's interim dividend on the "A" ordinary shares at the rate of 6% per annum together with income tax; \$10,000 to reserve fund against shareholding interests in foreign banks and £10,000 to reduction of premises account, leaving a balance of £57,526 (not subject to taxation) to be carried forward to next year's profit and loss account. The Right Hon. Viscount Churchill, G. C. V. O. is Governor of the British Overseas Bank, Ltd., and Angus McPhail and F. H. Hope Simpson, Managers.

With reference to the proposed absorption of the Merchants' Bank of Canada by the Bank of Montreal, reported in these columns in our issue of Dec. 24, special general meetings of the shareholders of the respective institutions have been called—that of the Merchants' Bank of Canada for Feb. 8 and that of the Bank of Montreal for Feb. 15—to approve the agreement entered into by the two institutions providing for the purchase by the Bank of Montreal of the undertaking, assets and rights of the Merchants' Bank of Canada. The shareholders of the Bank of Montreal at their meeting will in addition be asked to increase the capital of the Bank of Montreal by the number of shares—not exceeding 60,000—which may be payable to the Merchants' Bank of Canada under the agreement.

Baron Takayasu Mitsui, President of the Mitsui Bank, died at Tokio on Jan. 5. He was 73 years of age.

Clearings by Telegraph.—The subjoined table, covering clearings for the current week, usually appears on the first page of each issue, but on account of the length of the other tables is crowded out once a month. The figures are received by telegraph from other leading cities.

Clearings—Returns by Telegraph. Week ending Jan. 7.	1922.	1921.	Per Cent.
New York a.....	\$4,253,800,000	\$4,874,037,304	—12.7
Chicago a.....	400,136,932	591,726,625	—32.2
Philadelphia a.....	348,000,000	463,772,827	—24.8
Boston a.....	248,000,000	346,101,916	—29.4
Kansas City a.....	105,893,956	161,746,297	—34.6
St. Louis* a.....	*113,500,000	157,888,467	—28.1
San Francisco a.....	110,800,000	152,000,000	—27.1
Pittsburgh* a.....	*130,300,000	175,475,511	—25.7
Detroit a.....	41,353,000	89,500,000	—53.8
Baltimore a.....	57,866,329	92,598,871	—37.5
New Orleans a.....	35,501,384	55,514,696	—37.1
Eleven cities, 5 days a.....	\$5,845,328,601	\$7,160,362,514	—18.4
Other cities, 5 days a.....	934,387,432	1,145,968,471	—18.5
Total all cities, 5 days a.....	\$6,779,716,033	\$8,306,330,985	—18.4
All cities, 1 day.....	1,694,929,008	1,399,984,761	+21.1
Total all cities for week a.....	\$8,474,645,041	\$9,706,315,746	—12.7

* Partly estimated. a Covers only 4 days in 1922 (on account of Monday holiday), against 5 days in 1921.

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.

Our usual monthly detailed statement of transactions on the New York Stock Exchange is appended. The results for the twelve months of 1921 and 1920 are given below:

Description.	12 Mos., 1921. Par Value.	12 Mos., 1920. Par Value.
Stock (Number of shares.....)	172,712,716	226,640,395
(Par value.....)	\$12,846,841,571	\$19,753,754,925
Railroad bonds.....	1,042,962,400	827,151,500
United States Government bonds.....	1,957,238,150	2,860,954,500
State, foreign, &c., bonds.....	324,163,700	288,500,700
Bank stocks.....	.....	22,400
Total par value.....	\$16,171,205,821	\$23,730,384,025

BANK CLEARINGS—CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1.

Table with columns: Clearings at, December, Twelve Months, Week ending December 31. Rows include various cities like Boston, Providence, Hartford, etc., and regional totals for New England, West, Southern, and Canada.

b Not included in total; comparison incomplete. * 10 months.

THE ENGLISH GOLD AND SILVER MARKETS.

We reprint the following from the weekly circular of Samuel Montagu & Co. of London, written under date of Dec. 22 1921:

GOLD.

The Bank of England gold reserve against its note issue is £126,613,460, as compared with £126,613,385 last week. A fair amount of gold came into the market, of which a sensible proportion was taken for India and the remainder for New York. The price yesterday, 97s. 7d., was the lowest fixed since Oct. 6 1919. The following amounts of gold are reported as having arrived in New York: \$900,000 from London and \$200,000 from France. The Indian monthly balance of trade continues to remain adverse; the balance of imports over exports in November last being reported as 922 lacs of rupees as compared with 865 lacs of rupees for the preceding month.

SILVER.

A continuation of buying orders on a considerable scale from the Indian bazaars for shipment this week imparted a measure of strength to the market and prices rose until 36 3/4 d. and 35 1/2 d. for cash and two months' delivery were touched on Saturday. The upward movement was assisted by a temporary withholding of Continental and other supplies. Less energy in the Indian inquiry rather than freer selling brought about an easier tendency and prices have sagged away.

INDIAN CURRENCY RETURNS

Table with columns: In Lacs of Rupees, Nov. 30, Dec 7, Dec 15. Rows include Notes in circulation, Silver coin and bullion in India, Gold coin and bullion in India, Securities (Indian Government), Securities (British Government).

No coinage of rupees was reported during the week ending 15th inst.

The stock in Shanghai on the 17th inst. consisted of about 27,300,000 ounces in sycee, \$23,500,000, and 570 silver bars, as compared with 27,900,000 ounces in sycee, \$24,500,000, and 1,520 silver bars on the 10th inst. The Shanghai exchange is quoted at 3s. 7d. the tael.

Table with columns: Quotations, Bar Silver per oz. std., Bar Gold per oz. Fine. Rows include dates from Dec 16 to Dec 22 and an Average.

The silver quotations to-day for cash and forward delivery are respectively the same as and 1/8 d. above those fixed a week ago.

ENGLISH FINANCIAL MARKETS—PER CABLE.

The daily closing quotations for securities, &c., at London, as reported by cable, have been as follows the past week:

Table with columns: London, Sat., Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri. Rows include Silver, Gold, Consols, British, French Rentes, French War Loan.

The price of silver in New York on the same day has been:

Table with columns: Domestic, Foreign. Rows include Domestic and Foreign silver prices.

PRICES IN 1921 AT THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

The tables on the following pages show the lowest and highest prices at the New York Stock Exchange of Railroad, Industrial and Miscellaneous bonds and stocks, and also of Government and State securities, for each month of the past year. The tables are all compiled from actual sales. Under a resolution of the Governing Committee of the Stock Exchange, prices of all interest-paying bonds since Jan. 1 1909 have been on a new basis. The buyer now pays accrued interest in addition to the stated price or quotation. Previous to 1909 the quotations were "flat"—that is, the price included all accrued interest. Income bonds and bonds upon which interest is in default are still dealt in "flat."

COURSE OF PRICES OF RAILROAD AND MISCELLANEOUS BONDS.

1921.

Large table with columns: BONDS, January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, December. Each month has Low and High price columns. Rows include various railroad and miscellaneous bonds.

1921—Continued.

Table with columns for months (January to December) and rows for various bond types (e.g., Chesapeake & Ohio, Potts Creek Br, R & A Div, etc.). Each cell contains numerical values representing bond prices or yields.

Option sale.

1921-Continued.

Table with columns for months (January to December) and rows for various financial entries (e.g., Denver & Rio Grande, Detroit River Tunnel, etc.). Each entry includes numerical values for 'Low' and 'High' for each month.

1921 Continued

Table with columns for months (January to December) and rows for various bond types (e.g., Louisville & Nashville, Missouri Pacific, etc.). Each cell contains numerical values representing bond prices or yields.

1921-Continued.

Table of bond prices for 1921, categorized by month (January to December) and bond type (e.g., N Y N H & Hartford, Cons Ry non-conv deb, etc.). Each entry includes a bond description and its corresponding price range (Low/High).

1921-Continued.

Table with columns for Bonds, January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, December. Rows include Southern Pacific (Concluded), Gal H & San Ant 1st 5s, Gila V G & N 1st gu g 5s, etc.

1921—Continued.

Table with columns for months (January to December) and rows for various bond categories including Bonds, Gas & Electric Light Companies, and Miscellaneous Bonds. Each entry includes a bond name and its corresponding price for each month.

1921—Concluded.

Table with columns for Bonds, January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, December. Rows include various bond types like MANUF'G AND INDUSTRIAL, COAL, IRON AND STEEL, and TELEGRAPH & TELEPHONE.

CURRENT NOTICES.

—Herbert M. Solomon & Brother, 15 Broad St., N. Y. C., announce that Adolph W. Baar has taken charge of their investment department.
—Chase & Falk, 59 Wall St., N. Y. C., have announced the formation of a partnership to succeed the business of Newton G. Chase.
—William W. Davenport, formerly with Lindley & Co., is now associated with Hendrickson & Co., 61 Broadway, N. Y. C.
—Robert E. Moody, formerly Manager of Sales of Hallgarten & Co., has become associated with McDonnell & Co.
—The New York Trust Co. has been appointed registrar of the Gano-Moore Coal Mining Co. preferred stock.

—Clark, Dodge & Co. announce that Edward T. H. Talmage, Jr., has become a member of their firm.
—Garrison & Co., Philadelphia, announce that Joseph W. McHugh has become associated with them in charge of their Stock Department.
—Gilbert P. Cooper has become associated with Frank Dunne & Co., as manager of their Municipal Bond Department.
—Charles E. Spiegelberg has become a partner in the firm of James M. Leopold & Co., 7 Wal St., New York.
—W. H. Goadby & Co., 74 Broadway, New York, announce the retirement of William H. Goadby from their firm.
—Dunham & Co. announce that Victor De Villiers is now in charge of their Investors' Service Department.

COURSE OF PRICES OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES FOR THE YEAR 1921

[Compiled from sales made at the New York Stock Exchange.]

Table with columns for Coupon Bonds (Liberty Loan, Victory Lab. Loan, 4s, Panama Canal) and Registered Bonds (Consolidated 2s, 4s, Panama Canal, Panama Canal, Phosphate Islands). Rows list months from Jan to Dec with opening, high, low, and closing prices.

* First Liberty Loan second converted (under the terms of the fourth loan).

COURSE OF PRICES OF STATE AND CITY SECURITIES DURING THE YEAR 1921

Table with columns for Bonds (New York State, New York City) and months (January to December). Rows list various bond types like Highway Improvement, Canal Improvement, Barge Canal, Corporate Stock, etc.

COURSE OF PRICES OF RAILROAD AND MISCELLANEOUS STOCKS FOR THE YEAR 1921.

1921.

Table with columns for Stocks (RAILROAD, MISCELLANEOUS) and months (January to December). Rows list stocks like Allegheny & Western, Ann Arbor, Atchison Top & Santa Fe, etc.

1921-Continued.

Table with columns for STOCKS, months (January to December), and various financial metrics like Low/High prices and per share values. Includes entries for Canadian Pacific, Chicago Great Western, etc.

at last... ment paid... (June 15)... Ex-divid... end Aug... 22) of 100... % in stock... Full paid... \$5 per share.

1921 - Continued.

Table with columns for STOCKS, months (January to December), and price ranges (Low, High). Includes sections for EXPRESS, COAL AND MINING, and VARIOUS.

1921-Continued.

Table with columns for STOCKS, months (January to December), and price ranges (Low, High). Rows list various companies like Autosales Corporation, Baldwin Locomotive, etc.

1921-Continued.

Table with columns for STOCKS, months (January to December), and price ranges (Low, High). Includes entries for International Paper, Iron Products Corp., Jones Bros Tea, Inc., etc.

1921 - Concluded.

Table of stock prices for 1921, categorized by month (January to December) and stock type (Low/High). Includes various companies like Pullman, Standard Oil, and others.

CURRENT NOTICES.

Charles R. Bailey, Secretary of the Committee of Banking Institutions on Taxation...
Graham, Parsons & Co., Philadelphia and New York, announce that Allan Hunter, Jr., and Joseph W. Dixon have been admitted to membership in the firm.

The Metropolitan Trust Co. of N. Y. has been appointed Transfer Agent of the Capital stock of The Premier Refining & Manufacturing Co.
The Empire Trust Co. has been appointed Trustee for an issue of \$150,000 par value 10-year Mlge. bonds of the Southern Pine Co. of Ga.

Commercial and Miscellaneous News

National Banks.—The following information regarding national banks is from the office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Treasury Department:

APPLICATIONS TO ORGANIZE RECEIVED.

Date	Bank Name	Capital
Dec. 28	The American National Bank of Santa Rosa, Calif.	\$100,000
	Correspondent, Joseph G. Morrow, Santa Rosa.	
	The National City Bank of Evansville, Ind.	500,000
	Correspondent, C. B. Enlow, Evansville, Ind.	
Dec. 30	The First National Bank of Winchester, Ohio	25,000
	Correspondent, C. A. Shaw, Winchester, Ohio.	
	The First National Bank of Binger, Okla.	25,000
	Correspondent, C. G. Kern, Binger, Okla.	
	Succeeds First State Bank of Binger, Okla.	
Dec. 31	The First National Bank of Newfield, N. J.	25,000
	Correspondent, Edward B. Brandriff, Newfield, N. J.	

APPLICATIONS TO ORGANIZE APPROVED.

Dec. 30	The First National Bank of Windham, N. Y.	25,000
	Correspondent, Harry Miller, Windham.	
	The First National Bank of Park Ridge, N. J.	25,000
	Correspondent, J. VanDyke Hyde, Park Ridge, N. J.	
	First National Bank in Kenefic, Okla.	25,000
	Correspondent, W. L. Guthrie, Kenefic, Okla.	
	Succeeds Kenefic State Bank.	

APPLICATIONS TO CONVERT RECEIVED.

Dec. 28	The McClain County National Bank of Purcell, Okla.	30,000
	Conversion of McClain County State Bank of Purcell.	
	Correspondent, John H. Perry, Purcell, Okla.	
	The First National Bank of Brinkman, Okla.	25,000
	Conversion of the First State Bank of Brinkman.	
	Correspondent, West Holland, Brinkman, Okla.	
Dec. 30	The American National Bank of Pryor Creek, Okla.	25,000
	Conversion of the American State Bank of Pryor Creek.	
	Correspondent, American State Bank of Pryor Creek.	

APPLICATIONS TO CONVERT APPROVED.

Dec. 29	The Liberty National Bank of Tahlequah, Okla.	50,000
	Conversion of the First State Bank of Tahlequah.	
	Correspondent, J. Robt. Wily, Tahlequah, Okla.	
Dec. 30	The Wellston National Bank, Wellston, Okla.	25,000
	Conversion of Wellston State Bank.	
	Correspondent, Wellston State Bank.	
	The First National Bank of Sand Springs, Okla.	50,000
	Conversion of Guaranty State Bank, Sand Springs.	
	Correspondent, Guaranty State Bank, Sand Springs.	
	The Clarks National Bank of Aline, Okla.	25,000
	Conversion of Aline State Bank, Aline, Okla.	
	Correspondent, Aline State Bank.	
	The Hominy National Bank, Hominy, Okla.	25,000
	Conversion of Citizens State Bank, Hominy, Okla.	
	Correspondent, Citizens State Bank of Hominy.	
	The First National Bank of Leedeey, Okla.	25,000
	Conversion of Cotton Exchange Bank of Leedeey.	
	Correspondent, C. R. Flint, Cashier Cotton Exchange Bank.	
	The Follett National Bank, Follett, Texas.	25,000
	Conversion of First State Bank of Follett.	
	Correspondent, A. W. Kincado, Follett, Texas.	

CHARTERS ISSUED.

Dec. 28	12077 The Coos Bay National Bank of Marshfield, Ore.	\$50,000
	President, Ralph F. Williams; Cashier, Reidar Bugge.	
	Succeeds the Scandinavian-American Bank of Marshfield.	
Dec. 30	12078 The Wellston National Bank, Wellston, Okla.	25,000
	President, Roy Ward; Cashier, Bessie V. Ward.	
	Conversion of the Wellston State Bank.	
	12079 The First National Bank of Sand Springs, Okla.	50,000
	President, O. L. Stewart; Cashier, H. E. Stewart.	
	Conversion of the Guaranty State Bank, Sand Springs.	
	12080 The First National Bank of Loudon, Tenn.	50,000
	President, C. P. Taliaferro; Cashier, Sam Wilson.	
	12081 The Helena National Bank, Helena, Okla.	25,000
	President, E. D. Immell; Cashier, E. R. Stoalabarger.	
	Conversion of Helena State Bank, Helena, Okla.	
	12082 The American National Bank of Stillwater, Okla.	50,000
	President, W. M. Stark; Cashier, L. B. Stark.	
	Succeeds the Stillwater State Bank, Stillwater, Okla., and the State Bank of Commerce of Stillwater, Okla.	

CORPORATE EXISTENCE EXTENDED.

6078	The City National Bank of Forney, Texas.	Until close of business Dec. 27 1941.
6106	The First National Bank of Salisbury, Pa. (P. O. Elk Lick, Pa.)	Until close of business Dec. 27 1941.
6108	The First National Bank of Weatherly, Pa.	Until close of business Dec. 29 1941.
6097	The First National Bank of Chinook, Mont.	Until close of business Dec. 30 1941.
6112	The First National Bank of El Campo, Tex.	Until close of business Jan. 1 1942.

CORPORATE EXISTENCE RE-EXTENDED.

2611	The Fourth National Bank of Grand Rapids, Mich.	Until close of business Dec. 28 1941.
2612	The Peoples National Bank of Lawrenceburgh, Ind.	Until close of business Dec. 29 1941.
2749	The First National Bank of Houlton, Maine.	Until close of business Dec. 30 1941.
2617	The State National Bank of Austin, Texas.	Until close of business Jan. 2 1942.
2621	The Ottumwa National Bank, Ottumwa, Iowa.	Until the close of business Jan. 2 1942.

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.	Price.	Shares, Stocks.	Price.
100 Cripple Riv. Hydraulic Mining Co., 1922.	210 1/4	1,000 Richard Texas Oil.	51c. per sh.
106 Cripple Riv. Hydraulic Mining Co., \$5 each.	\$36	15 Savannah & Atlanta, pref.	\$100 each
350 Section Seven Oil, \$1 each.	lot	2,000 Surtman Hydraulic, common.	\$3 per sh.
700 Gallston Co., \$3 per sh.	lot	50 Glass Casket Corp., \$10 ea.	\$15 lot
1,000 Bagdad Copper.	55c. per sh.		

By Messrs. Wise, Hobbs & Arnold, Boston:

Shares, Stocks.	\$ per sh.	Shares, Stocks.	\$ per sh.
2 Naumkeag Steam Cotton.	210 1/4	10 Atlantic Coast.	16
10 Manomet Mills.	110	1 Boston Wov. Hose & Rub., com.	100 1/4
10 U. S. Worsted, 1st pref.	7 1/2	2 Boston Wharf.	96 1/2
10 Sharp Manufacturing, common.	109 1/4	30-10 Cambridge Elec. Sec. war.	4 1/4-6 1/2
20 Herschell-Spillman Motor, com.	8		
\$50 each.		Bonds.	Price.
		\$1,000 Procter & Gamble 7s, 1923.	101 1/4

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

Shares, Stocks.	\$ per sh.	Shares, Stocks.	\$ per sh.
3 Merchants National Bank.	271	5 Jean H. Le Mutour, pref.	60c.
100 First National Bank.	300-300 1/4	1 Jean H. Le Mutour, com.	lot
10 Boston Wov. Hose & Rub., com.	100 1/4	50 Beacon Chocolate, 1st pref.	10
3 Haverhill Gas Light, \$50 each.	75 1/2	\$10 each.	2
6-10 Gillette Safety Razor.	17-17 1/2	7 American Felt, pref.	82 1/2
5 Plymouth Cordage, ex-div.	175 1/4	5-10 Cambridge Elec. Light.	6 1/2
5 Saffir Oil & Gas, \$1 each.	75	25 Hood Rubber, preferred.	93 1/2
4 Weymouth Light & Power.	145	5 Wamsutta Mills.	123

By Messrs. Barnes & Lofland, Philadelphia:

Shares, Stocks.	\$ per sh.	Shares, Stocks.	\$ per sh.
8 Philadelphia Bourse.	6 1/2	15 W. Phila. Passenger Ry.	135
10 Franklin National Bank.	575	5 Phila. Citizens Pass. Ry.	105 1/4
4 Phoenix Trust, \$50 each.	55	10 People's Nat. Fire Ins.	21
9 Provident Life & Trust.	400	1,500 Amer. Pipe & Constr. Sec.	56 1/4
36 Nat. State Bank of Camden.	235	16 Underwriters Sec., pref.	\$35 to 10
100 Camden Fire Ins., \$5 each.	11 1/4	Bonds.	Per cent.
40 Phila. Life Ins., \$10 each.	10	\$623.93 American Ry. 6s.	6
8 Citizens Passenger Ry.	193 1/4	\$5,000 Buffalo & L. E. Trac. 5s, '36	7

DIVIDENDS.

Dividends are now grouped in two separate tables. In the 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).			
Ach. Topeka & Santa Fe, com. (quar.)	*1 1/2	Mar. 1	*Holders of rec. Jan. 31
Street and Electric Railways.			
Carolina Power & Light, common (quar.)	1/2	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 18
Green & Coates Sts. Pass. Ry., Phila. (qu.)	*\$1.30	Jan. 7	*Holders of rec. Dec. 23
Milwaukee Elec. Ry. & Light, pref. (qu.)	*1 1/2	Jan. 31	*Holders of rec. Jan. 20
Ottumwa Ry. & Light, pref. (quar.)	*1 3/4	Jan. 14	*Holders of rec. Dec. 31
Philadelphia Co., common (quar.)	*75c.	Jan. 31	*Holders of rec. Jan. 16
Phila. & Grays Ferry Pass. Ry., Phila.	*\$2	Jan. 7	*Jan. 1 to Jan. 8
Virginia Ry. & Power, preferred	*6	Feb. 1	*Holders of rec. Jan. 10
West Penn Power, preferred (quar.)	*1 3/4	Feb. 1	*Holders of rec. Jan. 16
Banks.			
Commonwealth	*5	Jan. 14	*Holders of rec. Dec. 31
Harriman National	5	Jan. 6	Holders of rec. Jan. 5
Extra	5	Jan. 6	Holders of rec. Jan. 5
Miscellaneous.			
Allis-Chalmers Mfg., common (quar.)	*1	Feb. 15	*Holders of rec. Jan. 24
American Cigar, common (quar.)	*2	Feb. 1	*Holders of rec. Jan. 14
American Light & Traction, com. (quar.)	1	Feb. 1	Jan. 14 to Jan. 26
Common (payable in common stock)	1	Feb. 1	Jan. 14 to Jan. 26
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Feb. 1	Jan. 14 to Jan. 26
American Royalties Corp., pref. (quar.)	2	Jan. 3	Holders of rec. Dec. 30a
Art Metal Construction (quar.)	25c.	Jan. 31	Holders of rec. Jan. 13a
Atlantic Refining, preferred (quar.)	1 3/4	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 16
Baragua Sugar, preferred	3 1/2	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Jan. 5
Borden Co., common	*4	Feb. 15	*Holders of rec. Feb. 1
British-American Tobacco, ord. (final)	8	Jan. 18	
Ordinary (interim)	4	Jan. 18	
Brown Shoe, preferred (quar.)	*1 3/4	Feb. 1	*Holders of rec. Jan. 20
Central Oil & Gas Stove, pref. (quar.)	2	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 24
Cleveland-Cliffs Iron	35c.	Jan. 25	Holders of rec. Jan. 15a
Commonwealth-Edison (quar.)	*2	Feb. 1	*Holders of rec. Jan. 13
du Pont Chemical, com. & pref. (quar.)	*25c.	Feb. 6	*Holders of rec. Jan. 25
Eagle-Picher Lead, preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Jan. 16	Jan. 6 to Jan. 16
East Bay Water, Class A, pref. (quat.)	1 1/2	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
Edison Elec. Ill. of Boston (quar.)	*3	Feb. 3	Holders of rec. Jan. 17
Electrical Utilities, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Jan. 7
Eureka Pipe Line (quar.)	2	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 16
Fajardo Sugar (quar.)	*\$1.25	Feb. 1	*Holders of rec. Jan. 20
Fall River Gas Works (quar.)	3	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 16
Federal Acceptance, pref. (quar.)	2	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 1
Federal Sugar Refining, com. (quar.)	1 3/4	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 20a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 20a
General Motors, 6% pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 14
Debenture 6% stock (quar.)	1 1/2	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 14
Debenture 7% stock (quar.)	1 3/4	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 14
Globe-Wernicke Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Dec. 31
Halle Bros., 1st & 2d pref. (quar.)	1 3/4	Jan. 31	Jan. 25 to Jan. 31
Hamilton Woolen	3	Jan. 10	Holders of rec. Dec. 31
Homestake Mining (monthly)	*25c.	Jan. 25	*Holders of rec. Jan. 20
Ingersoll-Rand Co. (quar.)	*2 1/2	Jan. 31	*Holders of rec. Jan. 14
Kelly-Springfield Tire, pref. (quar.)	2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1
Kelsey Wheel, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 20
Mason Tire & Rubber, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Jan. 20	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
Mexican Seaboard Oil	*\$1	Jan. 16	*Holders of rec. Jan. 10
Mexican Seaboard Oil	*\$1	Mar. 15	*Holders of rec. Jan. 10
Miami Copper (quar.)	50c.	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
Midwest Refining (quar.)	*\$1	Feb. 1	*Holders of rec. Jan. 16
Moon Motor Car, pref. (quar.)	1 3/4	Jan. 1	
Mountain States Power, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/2	Jan. 30	*Holders of rec. Dec. 31
Northwestern Elec., orig. pref. (quar.)	*1 1/2	Jan. 3	*Dec. 21 to Jan. 2
Seven per cent preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Jan. 3	*Dec. 21 to Jan. 2
Nova Scotia Steel & Coal, pref. (quar.)	*2	Jan. 16	*Holders of rec. Jan. 7
Public Service of Nor. Ills., com. (quar.)	*1 3/4	Feb. 1	*Holders of rec. Jan. 14
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	Feb. 1	*Holders of rec. Jan. 14
Shell Transport & Trading	\$3 1/2	Jan. 21	*Holders of rec. Jan. 13
Simmons Co., preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Feb. 1	*Holders of rec. Jan. 15
Southern Indiana Gas & Elec., 6% pref.	3	Jan. 3	
Seven per cent. pref. (quar.)	1 3/4	Jan. 3	
Spring Valley Water (quar.)	*5	Dec. 31	Dec. 16 to Jan. 2
Swift International	*\$1.20	Feb. 21	*Holders of rec. Jan. 21
Tobacco Products Corp., com. (quar.)	1 1/2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31
Trucon Steel, com. (quar.)	1 3/4	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Jan. 5c
United States Mining (quar.)	15c.	Jan. 28	Holders of rec. Jan. 9
U. S. Can. com. (quar.)	50c.	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Dec. 30
Preferred (quar.)	1 3/4	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Dec. 30
United States Rubber, 1st pref. (quar.)	2	Jan. 31	Holders of rec. Jan. 16a
Western Grocers, Ltd. (Canada), pf. (qu.)	1 3/4	Jan. 15	Jan. 1 to Jan. 5
Western States Gas & Elec., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Dec. 31

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).			
Albany Great Southern, preferred	3 1/2	Feb. 17	Holders of rec. Jan. 20
Albany & Susquehanna (special)	2	Jan. 7	Holders of rec. Dec. 24c
Ach. Topeka & Santa Fe, preferred	2 1/2	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Dec. 30a
Atlantic Coast Line RR., common	3 1/2	Jan. 10	Holders of rec. Dec. 23a
Canada Southern	1 1/2	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Dec. 30a
Chicago & North Western, common	2 1/2	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 22a
Preferred	3 1/2	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 22a
Chic. St. Paul Minn. & Omaha, com.	2 1/2	Feb. 20	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
Preferred	3 1/2	Feb. 20	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
Cleve. Cinc. Chic. & St. L., pref. (qu.)	1 1/2	Jan. 20	Holders of rec. Dec. 30a
Delaware Lackawanna & West. (quar.)	\$1.50	Jan. 20	Holders of rec. Jan. 7
Extra	\$2.50	Jan. 20	Holders of rec. Jan. 7
Detroit River Tunnel	3	Jan. 20	Holders of rec. Jan. 9a
Great Northern (quar.)	1 3/4	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
Kansas City Southern, pref. (quar.)	1	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
Louisville & Nashville, common (quar.)	87 1/2c.	Jan. 7	Holders of rec. Dec. 17a
Preferred (quar.)	\$1.25	Jan. 7	Holders of rec. Dec. 17a
Little Schuylkill Nav., RR. & Coal.	\$1.25	Jan. 11	Dec. 17 to Jan. 15
Louisville & Nashville	1 1/2	Feb. 10	Holders of rec. Jan. 16a
Louisville & Nashville	1 1/2	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 16a
Mauch Chunk Coal RR., common	\$5	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 16a
Michigan Central	4	Jan. 28	Holders of rec. Dec. 30a
New York Central RR. (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 1	Dec. 31 to Jan. 25
Norfolk & Western, rdj. pref. (quar.)	*1	Feb. 18	*Holders of rec. Jan. 31

Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed, Days Inclusive.	Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed, Days Inclusive.
Railroads Steam—(Concluded.)				Miscellaneous, (Concluded.)			
Northern Central	\$2	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a	Indiana Pipe Line (quar.)	\$2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 24
Northern Pacific (quar.)	1½	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Dec. 30a	International Harvester, com. (quar.)	1½	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 24a
Northern Securities	4	Jan. 10	Dec. 28 to Jan. 10	Common (payable in common stock)	3	Jan. 25	Holders of rec. Dec. 24a
Extra	6	Jan. 10	Dec. 28 to Jan. 10	Internat. Mercantile Marine, pref.	3	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 16a
Perc Marquette, prior preferred (quar.)	1½	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 14a	International Paper, preferred (quar.)	1½	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Jan. 9
Philadelphia & Trenton (quar.)	2½	Jan. 10	Dec. 31 to Jan. 11	Internat. Teleg. & Teleg. (quar.)	1½	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
Pittsburgh & West Va., pref. (quar.)	*1½	Feb. 28	*Holders of rec. Feb. 1	Kayser (Julius) & Co.,			
Reading Company, common (quar.)	\$1	Feb. 9	Holders of rec. Jan. 17a	First and second preferred (quar.)	1½	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 26a
Second preferred (quar.)	50c.	Jan. 12	Holders of rec. Dec. 30a	Kerr Lake Mines (quar.)	12½c.	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Jan. 3a
Troy Union RR.	6	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 30a	Laurentide Power (quar.)	1	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
United N. J. RR. & Canal Cos. (quar.)	2½	Jan. 10	Dec. 21 to Dec. 31	Libby-Owens Sheet Glass, common	50c.	Jan. 10	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
				Lima Locomotive, preferred (quar.)	1½	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 16a
Street and Electric Railways.				Miscellaneous, (Concluded.)			
Cin. Newport & Cov. L. & Tr., com. (qu.)	1½	Jan. 15	Jan. 1 to Jan. 15	Loose-Wilcs Blacult,			
Preferred (quar.)	1½	Jan. 15	Jan. 1 to Jan. 15	Second preferred (quar.)	1½	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 19a
Consolidated Traction of N. J.	2	Jan. 16	Jan. 1 to Jan. 16	Louisville Gas & Elec. of Ky., pf. (quar.)	1½	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 1a
Duquesne Light, 7% pref. (quar.)	1½	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 1	Lyall (P.) Construction Co. (quar.)	1	Jan. 10	Holders of rec. Dec. 31
El Paso Electric Co., preferred	3	Jan. 9	Holders of rec. Dec. 19a	MacAndrews & Forbes Co., com. (quar.)	2½	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
Kentucky Securities Corp., pref. (quar.)	1½	Jan. 16	Dec. 21 to Jan. 15	Preferred (quar.)	1½	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
Manchester Tr., L. & Power (quar.)	2	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Jan. 3a	Mfrs. Light & Heat, Pittsburgh (quar.)	\$1	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
Monongahela Power & Ry., pref. (quar.)	37½c.	Jan. 7	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a	Maple Leaf Milling, common (quar.)	3	Jan. 18	Holders of rec. Jan. 3a
Philadelphia & Western, pref. (quar.)	62½c.	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a	Preferred (quar.)	1½	Jan. 18	Holders of rec. Jan. 3a
Puget Sound Power & Light, pref. (qu.)	1½	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 28a	Massachusetts Lighting Cos., 6% pf. (qu.)	1½	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 24
Washington Water Power, Spokane (qu.)	1½	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Dec. 23	Eight per cent pref. (quar.)	2	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 24
West Penn Power, 7% pref. (quar.)	1½	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 16	Mexican Petroleum, com. (quar.)	3	Jan. 10	Holders of rec. Dec. 17a
West Penn Tr. & Water Pow., pref. (qu.)	1½	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 16	Mexican Telegraph	*2½	Jan. 12	Holders of rec. Dec. 31
Preferred (acc. accumulated divs.)	h1½	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 16	Michigan Limestone & Chem., pf. (qu.)	1½	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
York Rys., preferred (quar.)	62½c.	Jan. 31	Holders of rec. Jan. 21a	Midway Gas, common (quar.)	50c.	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Dec. 31
				Preferred (quar.)	\$1.40	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Dec. 31
Trust Companies.				Miscellaneous, (Concluded.)			
Equitable, extra	4	Jan. 10	Holders of rec. Dec. 23a	Midwest Oil, com. and pref. (quar.)	*4c.	Jan. 16	*Holders of rec. Dec. 31
				Mobile Electric Co., preferred	*3½	Feb. 25	*Holders of rec. Jan. 31
				Preferred (account accum. dividends)	*h2	Feb. 25	*Holders of rec. Jan. 31
Fire Insurance.				Miscellaneous, (Concluded.)			
Continental	\$2.50	Jan. 10	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a	Montreal Telegraph (quar.)	*2	Jan. 16	*Holders of rec. Dec. 31
Fidelity-Phenix	20	Jan. 10	Holders of rec. Dec. 31	National Blacult, com. (quar.)	1½	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
				National Fuel Gas (quar.)	2½	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 31
Miscellaneous.				Miscellaneous, (Concluded.)			
Air Reduction (quar.)	\$1	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a	National Licorice, common	2½	Jan. 7	Holders of rec. Dec. 26
All-America Cables (quar.)	1½	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a	National Paper & Type, com. & pf. (qu.)	2	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
Alliance Realty (quar.)	2	Jan. 17	Holders of rec. Jan. 9	New Jersey Zinc (quar.)	*2	Feb. 10	*Holders of rec. Jan. 31
Extra	½	Jan. 17	Holders of rec. Jan. 9	New York Dock, common	2½	Feb. 16	Holders of rec. Feb. 6a
Allied Chemical & Dye Corp., com. (qu.)	\$1	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 16	Preferred	2½	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Jan. 6a
Allis-Chalmers Mfg., pref. (quar.)	1½	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 24a	New York Transit (quar.)	\$4	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Dec. 19
Amalgamated Oil (quar.)	*75c.	Jan. 16	*Holders of rec. Dec. 31	N. Y. Transportation (quar.)	*50c.	Jan. 15	*Holders of rec. Dec. 31
American Art Works, com. & pref. (qu.)	1½	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a	Niagara Falls Power, pref. (quar.)	1½	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
American Coal (quar.)	*\$1	Feb. 1	*Jan. 13 to Feb. 1	Nipissing Mines (quar.)	15c.	Jan. 20	Jan. 1 to Jan. 17
Amer. Gas & Elec., pref. (quar.)	1½	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 16	Extra	15c.	Jan. 20	Jan. 1 to Jan. 17
American Glue, preferred (quar.)	*2	Feb. 1	*Holders of rec. Jan. 20	Preferred (quar.)	*4	Feb. 1	*Holders of rec. Dec. 31
American Ice, common (quar.)	1½	Jan. 25	Holders of rec. Jan. 10a	Ohio Brass, preferred (quar.)	1½	Jan. 20	*Holders of rec. Dec. 31
Preferred (quar.)	1½	Jan. 25	Holders of rec. Jan. 10a	Ohio Fuel Supply (quar.)	62½c.	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
Am. La France Fire Eng., Inc., com. (qu.)	25c.	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a	Extra (payable in Victory 4½% bds.)	42	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
Amer. Laundry Machinery, pref. (quar.)	1½	Jan. 15	Jan. 7 to Jan. 15	Ontario Steel Products, pref. (quar.)	1½	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31n
American Rolling Mill, common (quar.)	2	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a	Preferred (quar.)	1½	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 29n
Preferred (quar.)	1½	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a	Otis Elevator, common (quar.)	2	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
Amer. Seeding Mach., com. (quar.)	1½	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a	Preferred (quar.)	1½	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
Preferred (quar.)	1½	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a	Pacific Gas & Electric, com. (quar.)	1½	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
Amer. Shipbuilding, com. (quar.)	1½	Feb. 1	Jan. 15 to Jan. 31	Common (payable in common stock)	32	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 31
Common (extra)	2½	Feb. 1	Jan. 15 to Jan. 31	Pacific Oil	\$1.50	Jan. 20	Holders of rec. Dec. 20a
Preferred (quar.)	1½	Feb. 1	Jan. 15 to Jan. 31	Pacific Teleg. & Teleg., pref. (quar.)	1½	Jan. 16	Jan. 1 to Jan. 16
American Steel Foundries, com. (quar.)	75c.	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Jan. 3a	Pan-Amer. Petrol. & Transp., com. (qu.)	3	Jan. 10	Holders of rec. Dec. 17a
American Tel. & Tel. (quar.)	2½	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 20a	Common B (quar.)	3	Jan. 10	Holders of rec. Dec. 17a
Amer. Type Foundries, common (quar.)	1	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Jan. 10a	Penmans, Ltd., com. (quar.)	2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 4
Preferred (quar.)	1½	Jan. 13	Holders of rec. Jan. 10a	Preferred (quar.)	1½	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 21
Amer. Woolen, com. & pref. (quar.)	1½	Jan. 16	Dec. 16 to Dec. 29	Pennsylvania Salt Manufacturing	\$1.25	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
Anglo-American Oil, Ltd.	21c	Jan. 16	Holders of coup. No. 22	Peoples Gas Light & Coke	1½	Jan. 17	Holders of rec. Jan. 3
Asbestos Corp. of Canada, common (qu.)	1½	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 1a	Philadelphia & Camden Ferry (quar.)	*4	Jan. 10	*Holders of rec. Jan. 20
Preferred (quar.)	1½	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 1a	Phillips-Jones Co., preferred (quar.)	*1½	Feb. 1	*Holders of rec. Jan. 20
Associated Dry Goods, common (quar.)	*1	Feb. 1	*Holders of rec. Jan. 14	Pick (Albert) & Co., common (quar.)	40c.	Feb. 1	Jan. 26 to Jan. 31
First preferred (quar.)	*1½	Mar. 1	*Holders of rec. Feb. 4	Pittsburgh Coal, common (quar.)	1½	Jan. 25	Holders of rec. Jan. 13a
Second preferred (quar.)	*1½	Mar. 1	*Holders of rec. Feb. 4	Preferred (quar.)	1½	Jan. 25	Holders of rec. Jan. 13a
Associated Industrials Corp., 1st pf. (qu.)	2	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 14a	Plymouth Cordage (quar.)	*3	Jan. 20	*Holders of rec. Jan. 2
Associated Oil (quar.)	1½	Jan. 25	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a	Prarie Oil & Gas (quar.)	3	Jan. 31	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
Atlantic Acceptance Corp. of Mass., pf.	4	Jan. 10	Dec. 29 to Jan. 1	Extra	4	Jan. 31	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
Barnhart Bros. & Spindler—				Prairie Pipe Line (quar.)	3	Jan. 31	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
First and second preferred (quar.)	1½	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 26a	Procter & Gamble, pref. (quar.)	2	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Dec. 24a
Bayuk Bros., Inc., 1st & 2d pf. (quar.)	2	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a	Public Service Co. of Quebec (quar.)	1½	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
Beech Nut Packing, Pref. B (quar.)	1½	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 1a	Pullman Co. (quar.)	*2	Feb. 15	*Holders of rec. Jan. 31
Bell Telephone of Canada (quar.)	2	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a	Quaker Oats, pref. (quar.)	1½	Feb. 28	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
British Empire Steel, 1st pf. Ser. B. (qu.)	*1½	Feb. 1	*Holders of rec. Jan. 14	Realty Associates	3	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Jan. 5
Bush Terminal, common	*2½	Jan. 15	*Holders of rec. Jan. 6	Extra	2	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Jan. 5
Extra (payable in common stock)	*2½	Jan. 15	*Holders of rec. Jan. 6	Rochester Silver Co.	*2½c.	Jan. 21	*Holders of rec. Jan. 5
Preferred	*3	Jan. 15	*Holders of rec. Jan. 6	Royal Dutch Co.	*15	Jan. 18	
Canada Cement, Ltd., com. (quar.)	1½	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a	Salt Creek Producers (quar.)	30c.	Jan. 31	Holders of rec. Jan. 16a
Canadian Fairbanks Morse, preferred	3	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a	Securities Co.	2½	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
Casey-Hedges Co., common	2½	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a	Shafter Oil & Refining, pref. (quar.)	*1½	Jan. 25	*Holders of rec. Dec. 31
Central Bond & Mtge., pref. (quar.)	1½	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 25a	Shawinigan Water & Power (quar.)	1½	Jan. 10	Holders of rec. Dec. 27a
Central Coal & Coke, common (quar.)	1½	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a	Shawmut Mills, common (quar.)	1	Jan. 18	Holders of rec. Dec. 6a
Preferred (quar.)	1½	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a	Smith (How.) Pap. Mills, Ltd., com. (qu.)	2	Jan. 20	Holders of rec. Jan. 10a
Central Illinois Public Service, pf. (qu.)	1½	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Dec. 31	Preferred (quar.)	2	Jan. 20	Holders of rec. Jan. 10a
Chicago Pneumatic Tool (quar.)	1	Jan. 25	Holders of rec. Jan. 14a	Southern Canada Power, pref. (quar.)	1½	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
				Spanish Riv. Pulp & Pap. Mills, com. (qu.)	1½	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
				Preferred (quar.)	1½	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
				Standard Underground Cable (quar.)	*3	Jan. 10	*Holders of rec. Jan. 4
				Extra	*3	Jan. 10	*Holders of rec. Jan. 4
				Extra (payable in stock)	*e20	Jan. 25	*Holders of rec. Jan. 14
				Stearns (F. B.) Co., common (quar.)	\$1	Jan. 20	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
				Steel Co. of Canada, common (quar.)	1½	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 10
				Preferred (quar.)	1½	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 10
				Stetson (John B.) Co., common	*15	Jan. 16	*Holders of rec. Jan. 1
				Preferred	*4	Jan. 16	*Holders of rec. Jan. 1
				Sullivan Machinery (quar.)	75c.	Jan. 16	Jan. 2 to Jan. 16
				Superior Steel, 1st & 2d pref. (quar.)	2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1
				Swift International	*1.20	Feb. 21	Holders of rec. Jan. 21a
				Transac & Williams Steel Forg. (quar.)	50c.	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 5a
				Trinidad Electric Co., Ltd. (quar.)	1	Jan. 10	Jan. 1 to Jan. 10
				Tuckett Tobacco, common (quar.)	1	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
				Preferred (quar.)	1½	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
				Union Natural Gas Corp. (quar.)	2½	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
				United Drug, first preferred (quar.)	87½c.	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 16a
				United Fruit (quar.)	2	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Dec. 20a
				United Gas & Electric Co., preferred	2½	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
				United Gas Improvement, com. (quar.)	50c.	Jan. 14	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
				Preferred (quar.)	87½c.	Mar. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 28a
				United Royalties (monthly)	3	Jan. 27	Holders of rec. Jan. 5
				Extra	1	Jan. 27	Holders of rec. Jan. 5
				United Verde Extension Mining (quar.)	25c.	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 9a
				U. S. Industrial Alcohol, pref. (quar.)	1½	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
				U. S. Smelt., Refg. & Mining, pref. (qu.)	*87½c.	Jan. 14	*Holders of rec. Jan. 6
				Ventura Consolidated Oil Fields (quar.)	50c.	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 14
				Extra	50c.	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 14
				Victor Talking Machine, com. (quar.)	10	Jan. 15	Jan. 1 to Jan. 5
				Preferred (quar.)	1½	Jan. 15	Jan. 1 to Jan. 5
				Virginia Iron, Coal & Coke, common	3	Jan. 25	Holders of rec. Dec. 27a
				Warner (Chas.) Co., 1st & 2d pref. (qu.)	1½	Jan. 26	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
				Weber & Heilbronner, pref. (quar.)	1½	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15a
				Western Power Corp., preferred (quar.)	1½	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
				Western Union Telegraph (quar.)	1½	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Dec. 24a
				Westinghouse Air Brake (quar.)	\$1.75	Jan. 31	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
				Westinghouse Elec. & Mfg., com. (quar.)	2	Jan. 31	H

Transactions at the New York Stock Exchange daily, weekly and yearly.—Brought forward from page 59.

Week ending Jan. 6 1922.	Stocks.		Railroad, &c., Bonds.	State, Mun. and Foreign Bonds.	U. S. Bonds.
	Shares.	Par Value.			
Saturday	444,475	\$35,080,000	\$3,250,350	\$665,000	\$4,809,000
Monday			HOLIDAY		
Tuesday	935,904	81,918,000	4,777,800	1,424,000	7,707,000
Wednesday	789,240	67,900,300	6,603,950	1,680,000	7,279,000
Thursday	835,428	68,071,500	5,992,500	1,474,000	8,873,000
Friday	559,600	44,828,000	6,065,000	987,000	8,709,000
Total	3,564,647	\$297,803,800	\$26,689,600	\$6,236,000	\$37,377,000

Sales at New York Stock Exchange.	Week ending Jan. 6.		Jan. 1 to Jan. 6.	
	1922.	1921.	1922.	1921.
Stocks—No. shares	3,564,647	4,301,360	3,564,647	4,301,360
Par value	\$297,803,800	\$342,179,750	\$297,803,800	\$342,179,750
Bank shares, par				
Bonds				
Government bonds	\$37,377,000	\$53,424,450	\$37,377,000	\$53,424,450
State, mun., &c., bonds	6,236,000	3,876,000	6,236,000	3,876,000
RR. and misc. bonds	26,689,600	20,915,000	26,689,600	20,915,000
Total bonds	\$70,302,600	\$78,215,450	\$70,302,600	\$78,215,450

DAILY TRANSACTIONS AT THE BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA AND BALTIMORE EXCHANGES.

Week ending Jan. 6 1922.	Boston		Philadelphia		Baltimore	
	Shares.	Bond Sales	Shares	Bond Sales	Shares	Bond Sales
Saturday	23,889	\$32,300	4,741	\$118,900	2,990	\$21,000
Monday			HOLIDAY			
Tuesday	22,505	119,800	6,787	684,500	752	\$44,800
Wednesday	17,143	89,650	6,372	140,500	300	40,500
Thursday	17,706	67,500	8,385	826,050	1,370	36,100
Friday	14,907	19,000	3,005	39,700	891	53,000
Total	96,150	\$328,250	29,290	\$1,809,650	6,303	\$195,400

New York City 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" in the next column:

RETURN OF NON-MEMBER INSTITUTIONS OF NEW YORK CLEARING HOUSE.

(Stated in thousands of dollars—that is, three ciphers [000] omitted.)

CLEARING NON-MEMBERS	Capital.	Net Profits.	Loans, Discounts, Investments, &c.	Cash in Vault.	Reserve with Legal Depositaries.	Net Demand Deposits.	Net Time Deposits.	Nat'l Bank Circulation.
Members of Fed'l Res. Bank	\$	\$	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average
Battery Park Nat.	1,500	1,481	10,863	187	1,157	7,972	182	196
Mutual Bank	200	813	10,392	396	1,578	10,621	453	---
W. R. Grace & Co.	500	1,094	4,874	19	456	2,485	1,211	---
Yorkville Bank	200	838	17,796	681	1,502	8,783	9,378	---
Total	2,400	4,227	43,925	1,283	4,693	29,861	11,224	196
State Banks								
Not Members of the Federal Reserve Bank								
Bank of Wash Hts.	100	436	3,841	489	218	3,440	30	---
Colonial Bank	600	1,716	16,282	2,102	1,406	17,284	---	---
Total	700	2,153	20,123	2,591	1,624	20,724	30	---
Trust Companies								
Not Members of the Federal Reserve Bank								
Mech Tr, Bayonne	200	573	8,953	355	171	3,427	5,438	---
Total	200	573	8,953	355	171	3,427	5,438	---
Grand aggregate	3,300	6,954	73,001	4,229	6,488	54,012	16,692	196
Comparison previous week			+111	+60	-51	-197	+91	-1
Gr'd aggr. Dec. 24	3,300	6,954	73,112	4,069	6,539	54,209	16,601	197
Gr'd aggr. Dec. 17	3,300	6,954	74,142	4,313	6,679	56,941	16,408	197
Gr'd aggr. Dec. 10	3,300	6,963	73,182	4,358	6,082	56,028	16,577	198
Gr'd aggr. Dec. 3	3,300	6,963	73,599	4,147	6,567	56,177	16,593	199

a U. S. deposits deducted, \$571,000. Bills payable, rediscounts, acceptances and other liabilities, \$1,405,000. Excess reserve, \$29,410 decrease.

Philadelphia Banks.—The Philadelphia Clearing House statement for the week ending Dec. 31 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 10% on demand deposits and includes "Reserve with legal depositaries" and "Cash in vaults."

Two Ciphers (00) omitted.	Week ending Dec. 31 1921.			Dec. 24.	Dec. 17.
	Members of F. R. System	Trust Companies	Total.		
Capital	\$33,475.0	\$4,500.0	\$37,975.0	37,975.0	37,975.0
Surplus and profits	94,536.0	13,469.0	108,005.0	107,981.0	107,981.0
Loans, disc'ts & investments	595,659.0	33,573.0	629,232.0	636,544.0	639,511.0
Exchanges for Clear. House	31,202.0	425.0	31,627.0	26,290.0	26,353.0
Due from banks	92,667.0	18.0	92,685.0	87,220.0	92,208.0
Bank deposits	105,481.0	284.0	105,765.0	103,099.0	105,847.0
Individual deposits	465,359.0	18,738.0	484,097.0	479,459.0	490,782.0
Time deposits	13,845.0	375.0	14,220.0	14,325.0	14,088.0
Total deposits	584,685.0	19,397.0	604,082.0	590,883.0	610,717.0
U. S. deposits (not incl.)			14,139.0	15,863.0	14,914.0
Reserve with legal depositaries		2,291.0	2,291.0	2,158.0	2,598.0
Reserve with F. R. Bank	48,728.0		48,728.0	47,694.0	48,690.0
Cash in vault*	11,220.0	884.0	12,104.0	12,739.0	12,418.0
Total reserve and cash held	59,948.0	3,175.0	63,123.0	62,600.0	63,112.0
Reserve required	47,767.0	2,804.0	50,571.0	50,128.0	51,395.0
Excess res. & cash in vault	12,181.0	371.0	12,552.0	12,373.0	11,727.0

* Cash in vaults not counted as reserve for Federal Reserve 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.

	Dec. 31 1921.	Changes from previous week.	Dec. 24 1921.	Dec. 17 1921.
Circulation	\$ 2,140,000	Dec. \$ 1,000	\$ 2,141,000	\$ 2,636,000
Loans, disc'ts & investments	519,578,000	Dec. 4,567,000	524,145,000	529,473,000
Individual deposits, incl. U. S.	391,704,000	Inc. 3,535,000	388,169,000	402,207,000
Due to banks	92,529,000	Inc. 1,632,000	90,897,000	93,158,000
Time deposits	22,642,000	Dec. 475,000	23,117,000	23,210,000
United States deposits	13,180,000	Dec. 2,050,000	15,230,000	11,207,000
Exchanges for Clearing House	17,335,000	Inc. 628,000	16,707,000	18,773,000
Due from other banks	54,906,000	Inc. 2,712,000	52,194,000	55,374,000
Reserve in Fed. Res. Bank	42,113,000	Dec. 626,000	42,739,000	53,690,000
Cash in bank and F. R. Bank	9,851,000	Inc. 309,000	9,542,000	8,524,000
Reserve excess in bank and Federal Reserve Bank	235,000	Dec. 794,000	1,029,000	812,000

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 Dec. 31. The figures for the separate banks are the average of the daily results. In the case of totals, actual figures at end of the week are also given:

NEW YORK WEEKLY CLEARING HOUSE RETURNS.

(Stated in thousands of dollars—that is, three ciphers [000] omitted.)

CLEARING HOUSE MEMBERS. (000 omitted)	Capital.	Net Profits.	Loans, Discounts, Investments, &c.	Cash in Vault.	Reserve with Legal Depositaries.	Net Demand Deposits.	Time Deposits.	Bank Circulation.
Members of Fed. Res. Bank	\$	\$	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average
Bk of N Y, NBA	2,000	7,333	37,886	613	3,932	27,376	1,036	1,966
Manhattan Co.	5,000	17,520	117,541	2,432	15,790	100,541	12,473	---
Mech & Metals	10,000	17,555	164,239	9,357	19,397	146,293	2,083	993
Bank of America	5,500	5,855	50,212	1,863	6,360	48,636	944	---
National City	40,000	65,745	462,181	7,470	58,900	*499,290	28,617	1,195
Chemical Nat'l.	4,500	15,191	109,619	1,585	14,217	100,935	1,690	350
Atlantic Nat'l.	1,000	1,144	15,754	358	1,949	14,472	541	240
Nat Butch & Dr	500	249	5,392	102	606	4,139	65	295
Amer Exch Nat	5,000	7,951	92,556	1,565	12,501	82,970	1,540	4,885
Nat Bk of Com.	25,000	35,485	301,908	1,465	34,437	258,342	7,316	---
Pacific Bank	1,000	1,727	21,519	1,748	3,287	23,261	219	---
Chath & Phenix	7,000	8,682	126,431	7,174	15,885	110,431	16,369	4,616
Hanover Nat'l.	3,000	21,296	108,722	1,298	15,316	96,821	---	100
Corn Exchange	7,500	9,758	167,689	7,475	23,295	158,632	16,712	---
Im- & Trad Nat	1,500	8,746	34,688	767	3,555	26,728	35	51
National Park	10,000	23,692	160,894	1,303	17,028	129,771	2,359	5,430
East River Nat.	1,000	769	15,151	369	1,499	13,605	1,618	50
Second Nat Bk.	1,000	4,841	22,395	989	2,747	18,562	83	529
First Nat'l Bank	10,000	38,650	311,198	741	24,426	198,195	3,335	7,416
Irving Nat Bank	12,500	11,550	187,337	6,197	25,805	185,704	3,581	2,513
Continental Bk.	1,000	843	7,471	143	1,006	6,061	100	---
Chase Nat Bank	20,000	21,066	304,756	7,094	34,614	288,181	11,542	1,097
Fifth Avenue	500	2,339	19,078	905	2,627	19,446	---	---
Commonwealth	400	896	8,457	535	1,145	8,789	---	---
Garfield Nat Bk	1,000	1,652	15,798	457	2,438	15,287	45	397
Fifth Nat Bank	1,000	809	13,881	317	1,895	13,653	505	247
Seaboard Nat'l.	3,000	4,981	50,651	1,101	5,902	42,780	797	68
Coal & Iron Nat	1,500	1,451	17,203	735	1,689	12,628	909	415
Union Exch Nat	1,000	1,589	16,839	701	2,524	17,869	338	395
Brooklyn Trust.	1,500	2,773	33,784	843	3,920	29,152	3,407	---
Bankers Trust.	20,000	20,408	255,496	1,147	31,144	*243,937	10,018	---
U S Mtge & Tr.	3,000	4,324	2,964	790	6,379	49,766	1,350	---
Guaranty Trust	25,000	16,552	355,698	1,372	39,722	*384,037	16,298	---
Fidel-Int Tr Co	1,500	1,689	18,662	378	2,461	17,969	788	---
Columbia Tr Co	5,000	7,777	73,123	1,246	9,522	71,523	2,178	---
Peoples Tr Co.	1,500	2,107	37,844	1,378	3,586	36,673	1,235	---
New York Tr Co	10,000	16,996	146,403	582	16,758	125,940	1,674	---
Lincoln Tr Co.	2,000	1,236	21,131	543	2,952	20,156	732	---
Metropol'n Tr.	2,000	3,418	28,538	466	3,020	22,416	681	---
Nassau N. Bk'n	1,000	1,516	14,702	455	1,290	12,755	211	50
Farmers L & Tr	5,000	12,641	122,114	579	12,950	*103,963	17,403	---
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STATEMENT OF RESERVE POSITION OF CLEARING HOUSE BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES.

	Averages.				
	Cash Reserve in Vault.	Reserve in Depositories	Total Reserve.	a Reserve Required.	Surplus Reserve.
Members Federal Reserve banks	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
State banks*	6,825,000	4,005,000	10,830,000	9,426,960	1,403,040
Trust companies	2,185,000	4,833,000	7,018,000	6,866,850	151,150
Total Dec. 31	9,010,000	520,534,000	529,544,000	509,986,630	19,557,370
Total Dec. 24	9,171,000	517,086,000	526,257,000	510,516,320	15,740,680
Total Dec. 17	8,838,000	520,763,000	529,601,000	510,089,150	19,511,850
Total Dec. 10	8,854,000	495,868,000	504,722,000	503,345,000	1,377,000

	Actual Figures.				
	Cash Reserve in Vault.	Reserve in Depositories	Total Reserve.	b Reserve Required.	Surplus Reserve.
Members Federal Reserve banks	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
State banks*	6,784,000	3,907,000	10,691,000	9,516,240	1,174,760
Trust companies	2,045,000	4,916,000	6,961,000	6,840,150	120,850
Total Dec. 31	8,829,000	525,069,000	533,898,000	516,731,780	17,166,220
Total Dec. 24	9,227,000	530,895,000	540,122,000	511,738,310	28,383,690
Total Dec. 17	8,951,000	542,814,000	551,765,000	514,725,600	37,039,400
Total Dec. 10	8,884,000	503,523,000	512,407,000	502,123,990	10,283,010

* 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 member of the Federal Reserve banks includes also amount of reserve required on net time deposits, which was as follows: Dec. 31, \$5,339,760; Dec. 24, \$5,094,960; Dec. 17, \$5,155,230; Dec. 10, \$5,297,730.

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: Dec. 31, \$5,534,550; Dec. 24, \$5,093,700; Dec. 17, \$5,083,710; Dec. 10, \$5,224,380.

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.)

	Dec. 31.	Differences from previous week.
Loans and investments	\$640,493,500	Dec. \$2,128,200
Gold	4,826,700	Dec. 162,500
Currency and bank notes	17,175,600	Inc. 24,000
Deposits with Federal Reserve Bank of New York	55,894,200	Inc. 2,169,400
Total deposits	667,988,300	Dec. 5,192,700
Deposits, eliminating amounts due from reserve depositories, and from other banks and trust companies in N. Y. City, exchanges and U. S. deposits	624,479,900	Dec. 3,578,900
Reserve on deposits	108,520,900	Inc. 2,423,600
Percentage of reserve, 20.3%.		

RESERVE.

	State Banks	Trust Companies
Cash in vault	\$26,844,900 16.45%	\$51,051,600 13.74%
Deposits in banks and trust cos.	7,550,500 04.63%	23,073,900 06.21%
Total	\$34,395,400 21.08%	\$74,125,500 19.95%

* Includes deposits with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, which for the State banks and trust companies combined on Dec. 31 were \$55,894,200.

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:

The Federal Reserve Banks.—Following is the weekly statement issued by the Federal Reserve Board on Jan. 5. 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 weeks 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. In commenting upon the return for the latest week the Federal Reserve Board says:

Continued liquidation of discounted paper accompanied by a substantial return flow of Federal Reserve notes and other currency, also a further moderate gain of gold, are indicated in the Federal Reserve Board's weekly consolidated bank statement, issued as at close of business on Jan. 4 1922. Reduction in Federal Reserve note circulation is more than offset by the increase in deposit liabilities with the consequence that the reserve ratio continues unchanged at 71.1%.

Federal Reserve bank holdings of bills secured by United States Government obligations were \$9,700,000 less than the week before, reductions in paper secured by U. S. bonds, Victory notes and Treasury notes being offset in part by a substantial increase in paper secured by Treasury certificates. Other discounts on hand show a decrease for the week of \$57,500,000, while holdings of acceptances purchased in open market, largely by the New York Reserve bank, increased by \$12,600,000. U. S. bonds and notes, owing in part to the redemption of Victory notes by the Government, show a decrease of \$10,800,000. Pittman certificates on deposit with the Treasury to secure Federal Reserve bank note circulation declined \$6,500,000, while other Treasury certificates, largely held under repurchase agreements by the New York and Chicago banks, show an increase of about \$7,000,000. Municipal warrants held by the Philadelphia, Minneapolis and Kansas City banks show an increase from \$334,000 to \$379,000. Total earning assets as the result of the changes indicated were \$64,900,000 less than the total reported the week before and on Jan. 4 stood at \$1,470,900,000 compared with \$3,130,000,000 shown about a year ago.

Of the total holdings of \$477,500,000 of bills secured by United States

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

Week ended —	Loans and Investments.	Demand Deposits.	*Total Cash in Vaults.	Reserve in Depositories.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Oct. 29	5,006,016,400	4,416,118,300	101,912,000	583,285,400
Nov. 5	5,038,381,100	4,430,338,100	99,678,300	593,207,100
Nov. 12	5,028,647,300	4,378,259,500	103,411,200	587,367,200
Nov. 19	5,045,584,600	4,427,302,300	106,167,800	600,951,500
Nov. 26	5,035,166,100	4,412,077,700	104,005,900	590,461,500
Dec. 3	5,077,382,800	4,476,178,000	104,664,200	595,033,000
Dec. 10	5,054,812,500	4,432,387,300	106,038,300	578,899,700
Dec. 17	5,082,494,800	4,490,114,200	109,700,300	608,686,200
Dec. 24	5,129,620,700	4,488,903,800	114,718,800	601,032,500
Dec. 31	5,106,037,500	4,479,192,900	1,102,073,000	607,052,600

* This item includes gold, silver, legal tenders, national bank notes and Federal Reserve notes.

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 Jan. 4 1922, in comparison with the previous week and the corresponding date last year:

	Jan. 4 1922.	Dec. 28 1921.	Jan. 7 1921.
Resources—	\$	\$	\$
Gold and gold certificates	285,781,928	289,925,587	133,794,000
Gold settlement fund—F. R. Board	116,339,152	141,463,367	27,623,000
Gold with foreign agencies			1,211,000
Total gold held by bank	402,121,081	431,388,955	162,628,000
Gold with Federal Reserve Agent	652,910,278	623,110,378	238,368,000
Gold redemption fund	15,000,000	15,000,000	39,000,000
Total gold reserves	1,070,031,359	1,069,499,333	440,496,000
Legal tender notes, silver, &c.	49,014,100	44,615,106	147,164,000
Total reserves	1,119,045,459	1,114,114,440	587,660,000
Bills discounted: Secured by U. S. Government obligations—for members	153,603,652	141,863,051	433,962,000
All other—for members	45,699,281	71,194,205	439,305,000
Bills bought in open market	45,699,281	71,194,205	439,305,000
Total bills on hand	257,368,637	260,360,913	976,170,000
U. S. bonds and notes	2,284,400	9,271,700	1,257,000
U. S. certificates of indebtedness—			
One-year certificates (Pittman Act)	35,400,000	36,400,000	59,276,000
All others	60,290,500	55,533,500	395,000
Total earning assets	355,343,537	361,575,113	1,037,098,000
Bank promises	6,647,921	6,810,428	4,092,000
5% redemp. fund agst. F. R. bank notes	1,603,360	1,646,960	2,774,000
Uncollected items	139,478,273	119,412,808	141,188,000
All other resources	1,610,685	3,641,090	1,723,000
Total resources	1,623,729,238	1,607,200,840	1,774,535,000
Liabilities—			
Capital paid in	27,113,850	27,113,850	26,376,000
Surplus	60,197,127	59,318,368	56,415,000
Reserved for Government Franchise Tax		20,608,010	
Deposits:			
Government	16,906,572	18,297,560	10,217,000
Member banks—Reserve account	713,942,651	684,240,622	695,943,000
All other	16,715,535	13,554,002	11,763,000
Total deposits	747,564,758	716,092,184	717,923,000
F. R. notes in actual circulation	663,072,917	663,329,116	839,625,000
F. R. bank notes in circula'n—net liability	20,516,200	21,391,200	36,831,000
Deferred availability items	102,342,212	84,208,853	90,857,000
All other liabilities	2,922,173	5,139,258	6,508,000
Total liabilities	1,623,729,238	1,607,200,840	1,774,535,000
Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined	79.3%	80.8%	39.0%
Ratio of total reserves to F. R. notes in circulation after setting aside 35% against deposit liabilities	129.3%	130.2%	42.2%
Contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents	12,047,621	12,036,203	6,081,662

Note.—In conformity with the practice of the Federal Reserve Board at Washington, method of computing ratios of reserves to liabilities was changed beginning with the return for March 18. Instead of computing reserves on the basis of net deposits—that is, including in the total of deposits "deferred availability items" but deducting "uncollected items"—the new method is to disregard both amounts and figure the percentages entirely on the gross amount of the deposits. For last year, however, the computations are on the old basis; that is, reserve percentages are calculated on basis of net deposits and Federal Reserve notes in circulation.

COMBINED RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS JAN. 4 1922

	Jan. 4 1922.	Dec. 28 1921.	Dec. 21 1921.	Dec. 14 1921.	Dec. 7 1921.	Nov. 30 1921.	Nov. 23 1921.	Nov. 16 1921.	Jan. 7 1921.
RESOURCES.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Gold and gold certificates	377,675,000	380,911,000	380,268,000	430,560,000	484,048,000	488,917,000	485,108,000	473,760,000	250,135,000
Gold settlement, F. R. Board	507,836,000	534,093,000	559,621,000	504,744,000	457,202,000	465,236,000	425,833,000	424,014,000	405,644,000
Gold with foreign agencies									3,300,000
Total gold held by banks	885,511,000	915,010,000	939,889,000	935,304,000	941,250,000	954,153,000	910,941,000	897,774,000	659,079,000
Gold with Federal Reserve agents	1,902,912,000	1,846,369,000	1,833,108,000	1,813,422,000	1,787,724,000	1,779,605,000	1,811,316,000	1,810,060,000	1,264,762,000
Gold redemption fund	96,875,000	108,221,000	97,997,000	120,447,000	122,053,000	115,639,000	112,972,000	116,067,000	156,441,000
Total gold reserve	2,875,298,000	2,869,600,000	2,870,994,000	2,869,173,000	2,851,027,000	2,849,397,000	2,835,229,000	2,823,901,000	2,080,282,000

	Jan. 4 1922.	Dec. 28 1921.	Dec. 21 1921.	Dec. 14 1921.	Dec. 7 1921.	Nov. 30 1921.	Nov. 23 1921.	Nov. 16 1921.	Jan. 7 1921.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Legal tender notes, silver, &c.	134,504,000	122,600,000	122,066,000	132,413,000	139,606,000	139,745,000	142,999,000	145,567,000	196,566,000
Total reserves	3,009,802,000	2,992,200,000	2,993,060,000	3,001,586,000	2,990,633,000	2,989,142,000	2,978,228,000	2,969,468,000	2,276,848,000
Bills discounted:									
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations	477,456,000	487,193,000	503,770,000	459,630,000	457,618,000	476,360,000	467,163,000	431,891,000	1,104,536,000
All other	635,111,000	692,640,000	720,933,000	693,203,000	713,041,000	705,941,000	738,007,000	766,128,000	1,502,813,000
Bills bought in open market	126,865,000	114,240,000	126,525,000	99,735,000	81,784,000	72,961,000	69,397,000	68,330,000	234,759,000
Total bills on hand	1,239,432,000	1,294,073,000	1,351,228,000	1,252,568,000	1,252,443,000	1,255,255,000	1,274,567,000	1,266,349,000	2,842,108,000
U. S. bonds and notes	48,675,000	59,472,000	51,084,000	43,575,000	34,731,000	32,253,000	32,486,000	32,127,000	26,121,000
U. S. certificates of indebtedness:									
One-year certificates (Pittman Act)	113,000,000	119,500,000	119,500,000	119,500,000	124,500,000	126,000,000	131,000,000	132,500,000	259,375,000
All other	69,435,000	62,472,000	41,127,000	66,710,000	43,168,000	46,291,000	37,834,000	51,202,000	2,410,000
Municipal warrants	379,000	334,000	334,000	273,000	227,000	67,000	22,000		
Total earning assets	1,470,921,000	1,535,851,000	1,563,273,000	1,482,626,000	1,455,069,000	1,459,866,000	1,475,887,000	1,482,238,000	3,130,014,000
Bank premises	35,203,000	35,015,000	34,879,000	34,336,000	33,384,000	33,241,000	32,949,000	32,571,000	17,359,000
5% redemp. fund agst. F. R. bank notes	7,926,000	7,896,000	7,880,000	7,889,000	7,854,000	7,941,000	7,903,000	7,813,000	12,389,000
Uncollected items	638,462,000	559,766,000	592,172,000	629,790,000	512,122,000	534,872,000	544,393,000	687,243,000	744,111,000
All other resources	14,103,000	20,578,000	19,920,000	20,209,000	19,476,000	19,334,000	18,732,000	18,497,000	5,687,000
Total resources	5,176,417,000	5,151,306,000	5,211,184,000	5,176,436,000	5,018,538,000	5,044,396,000	5,058,092,000	5,197,830,000	6,186,408,000
LIABILITIES.									
Capital paid in	103,203,000	103,186,000	103,167,000	103,130,000	103,089,000	103,104,000	103,216,000	103,166,000	99,808,000
Surplus	215,523,000	213,824,000	213,824,000	213,824,000	213,824,000	213,824,000	213,824,000	213,824,000	202,036,000
Reserved for Govt. franchise tax	416,000	57,444,000	55,982,000	56,080,000	55,566,000	55,119,000	55,131,000	54,643,000	
Deposits—Government	68,307,000	71,634,000	54,875,000	69,407,000	52,337,000	45,913,000	32,155,000	33,103,000	25,592,000
Member banks—reserve account	1,731,374,000	1,666,018,000	1,703,601,000	1,645,610,000	1,640,445,000	1,670,362,000	1,670,717,000	1,674,064,000	1,795,343,000
All other	29,457,000	26,872,000	26,274,000	27,743,000	25,501,000	26,555,000	25,625,000	30,549,000	25,847,000
Total	1,829,138,000	1,764,524,000	1,784,750,000	1,742,760,000	1,718,283,000	1,742,830,000	1,728,497,000	1,737,716,000	1,846,782,000
F. R. notes in actual circulation	2,405,316,000	2,443,497,000	2,447,560,000	2,393,777,000	2,373,355,000	2,366,006,000	2,389,916,000	2,398,224,000	3,270,023,000
F. R. bank notes in circulation—net liab.	83,880,000	84,548,000	82,747,000	78,309,000	77,014,000	75,862,000	74,765,000	74,786,000	213,552,000
Deferred availability items	523,293,000	458,960,000	497,205,000	562,974,000	451,953,000	462,795,000	468,110,000	501,324,000	532,556,000
All other liabilities	15,648,000	25,323,000	25,949,000	25,582,000	25,454,000	24,856,000	24,633,000	24,147,000	21,651,000
Total liabilities	5,176,417,000	5,151,306,000	5,211,184,000	5,176,436,000	5,018,538,000	5,044,396,000	5,058,092,000	5,197,830,000	6,186,408,000
Ratio of gold reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined	67.9%	68.2%	67.8%	69.3%	69.3%	69.4%	68.8%	68.3%	40.6%
Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined	71.1%	71.1%	70.7%	72.6%	73.1%	72.7%	72.3%	71.8%	44.5%
Ratio of total reserves to F. R. notes in circulation after setting aside 35% against deposit liabilities	98.5%	97.2%	96.8%	99.9%	100.7%	100.6%	99.3%	98.5%	49.8%
Distribution by Maturities—									
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1-15 days bills bought in open market	69,629,000	58,306,000	78,082,000	65,469,000	45,982,000	34,582,000	40,270,000	37,797,000	79,109,000
1-15 days bills discounted	654,126,000	708,361,000	735,869,000	696,923,000	691,836,000	699,318,000	693,057,000	674,047,000	1,532,483,000
1-15 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness	5,719,000	13,687,000	12,092,000	29,490,000	37,500,000	38,409,000	9,878,000	27,498,000	6,219,000
Municipal warrants	211,000	34,000							
16-30 days bills bought in open market	31,520,000	24,743,000	18,431,000	14,815,000	13,252,000	11,526,000	10,092,000	10,368,000	54,075,000
16-30 days bills discounted	111,915,000	116,690,000	127,721,000	123,154,000	138,785,000	133,324,000	143,726,000	152,974,000	238,822,000
16-30 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,020,000	1,500,000		4,000,000	26,105,000	20,100,000	4,000,000
Municipal warrants	26,000	182,000	211,000	32,000					
21-60 days bills bought in open market	19,529,000	26,062,000	25,718,000	14,034,000	15,332,000	16,935,000	12,820,000	13,384,000	70,509,000
21-60 days bills discounted	167,695,000	161,202,000	171,131,000	167,762,000	161,582,000	171,417,000	188,202,000	194,373,000	449,929,000
21-60 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness	12,541,000	10,753,000	10,749,000	2,500	5,400,000	10,660,000	8,900,000	10,345,000	7,013,000
Municipal warrants	142,000	23,000	28,000	194,000	168,000	10,000			
61-90 days bills bought in open market	6,173,000	5,114,000	4,279,000	5,401,000	7,187,000	9,895,000	6,215,000	6,708,000	25,066,000
61-90 days bills discounted	118,138,000	131,936,000	129,361,000	106,217,000	120,187,000	122,039,000	125,550,000	124,915,000	320,198,000
61-90 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness	28,634,000	28,163,000	24,073,000	11,869,000	6,587,000	4,656,000	4,618,000	4,900,000	30,177,000
Municipal warrants	14,000	15,000	15,000	16,000	31,000				
Over 90 days bills bought in open market	60,693,000	61,644,000	60,621,000	58,777,000	57,864,000	56,023,000	54,631,000	51,710,000	65,912,000
Over 90 days bills discounted	133,041,000	126,869,000	111,693,000	140,851,000	116,181,000	114,566,000	119,333,000	120,919,000	214,376,000
Municipal warrants									
Federal Reserve Notes—									
Outstanding	2,786,114,000	2,796,540,000	2,772,812,000	2,726,175,000	2,691,689,000	2,698,675,000	2,704,639,000	2,716,943,000	3,678,024,000
Held by banks	380,798,000	353,043,000	325,252,000	332,398,000	318,334,000	332,665,000	314,723,000	318,719,000	408,001,000
In actual circulation	2,405,316,000	2,443,497,000	2,447,560,000	2,393,777,000	2,373,355,000	2,366,006,000	2,389,916,000	2,398,224,000	3,270,023,000
Amount chargeable to Fed. Res. agent hands of Federal Reserve Agent	3,631,389,000	3,650,375,000	3,624,622,000	3,571,335,000	3,553,391,000	3,556,811,000	3,579,491,000	3,570,549,000	4,364,698,000
Issued to Federal Reserve banks	845,275,000	853,835,000	851,810,000	845,160,000	861,702,000	858,136,000	874,852,000	853,606,000	686,674,000
Issued to Federal Reserve banks	2,786,114,000	2,796,540,000	2,772,812,000	2,726,175,000	2,691,689,000	2,698,675,000	2,704,639,000	2,716,943,000	3,678,024,000
How Secured—									
By gold and gold certificates	349,012,000	349,013,000	349,012,000	450,063,000	450,162,000	450,163,000	450,163,000	450,163,000	266,926,000
By eligible paper	883,202,000	950,171,000	939,704,000	912,753,000	903,965,000	919,070,000	893,323,000	906,883,000	2,413,262,000
Gold redemption fund	120,962,000	115,832,000	123,471,000	116,301,000	112,651,000	121,502,000	112,822,000	122,560,000	106,477,000
With Federal Reserve Board	1,432,938,000	1,381,524,000	1,360,625,000	1,247,058,000	1,224,911,000	1,207,940,000	1,248,331,000	1,237,328,000	891,329,000
Total	2,786,114,000	2,796,540,000	2,772,812,000	2,726,175,000	2,691,689,000	2,698,675,000	2,704,639,000	2,716,943,000	3,678,024,000
Eligible paper delivered to F. R. Agent	1,195,183,000	1,246,507,000	1,302,674,000	1,201,743,000	1,200,601,000	1,207,798,000	1,230,018,000	1,217,412,000	2,773,450,000

WEEKLY STATEMENT OF RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF EACH OF THE 12 FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS JAN. 4 1922.

Two ciphers (00) omitted, Federal Reserve Bank of—	Boston.	New York	Phila.	Cleveland	Richmond	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minneap.	Kan. City	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
RESOURCES.													
Gold and gold certificates	7,225.0	285,782.0	1,952.0	12,295.0	2,673.0	5,177.0	21,982.0	3,270.0	9,140.0	2,501.0	7,377.0	18,295.0	377,675.0
Gold settlement fund—F. R. B'd	46,759.0	116,339.0	57,722.0	40,510.0	15,279.0	13,919.0	89,237.0	23,808.0	29,946.0	31,707.0	8,296.0	34,224.0	507,836.0
Total gold held by banks	53,984.0	402,121.0	59,674.0	52,805.0	17,952.0	19,096.0	111,219.0	27,078.0	39,092.0	34,298.0	15,673.0	52,519.0	885,511.0
Gold with F. R. agents	168,361.0	652,910.0	152,584.0	175,250.0	37,053.0	43,977.0	327,700.0	66,918.0	16,297.0	28,763.0	11,736.0	221,363.0	1,902,912.0
Gold redemption fund	19,273.0	15,000.0	5,978.0	7,168.0	5,799.0	5,587.0	7,022.0	2,930.0	3,216.0	2,562.0			

LIABILITIES (Concluded)— Two ciphers (00) omitted.	Boston	New York	Phila.	Cleveland	Richmond	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minnep.	Kan. City	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined, per cent.....	80.1	79.3	74.1	69.9	42.0	42.2	70.3	66.1	59.0	51.3	45.5	76.8	71.1
Contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents	2,336.0	12,048.0	2,560.0	2,624.0	1,568.0	1,152.0	3,808.0	1,504.0	864.0	1,536.0	832.0	1,472.0	32,304.0

STATEMENT OF FEDERAL RESERVE AGENTS' ACCOUNTS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS JAN. 4 1922

Federal Reserve Agent at—	Boston	New York	Phila.	Cleve.	Richm'd	Atlanta	Chicago	St. L.	Minn.	K. City	Dallas	San Fr.	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Resources— (In Thousands of Dollars)													
Federal Reserve notes on hand	98,340	322,910	48,400	34,900	25,119	73,251	139,040	26,060	9,390	8,000	20,125	39,740	845,275
Federal Reserve notes outstanding	220,408	821,685	223,051	238,188	116,453	126,645	455,755	113,863	59,918	75,160	39,131	295,807	2,786,114
Collateral security for Federal Reserve notes outstanding:													
Gold and gold certificates	5,600	296,925	12,195	18,375	2,758	2,400	5,960	13,052	1,403	6,701	2,801	13,648	349,012
Gold redemption fund	17,761	34,986	12,195	11,875	2,758	2,577	15,055	4,858	1,045	2,801	2,801	10,648	120,962
Gold fund—Federal Reserve Board	145,000	321,000	140,389	145,000	34,295	39,000	312,645	56,100	2,200	27,360	2,234	207,715	1,432,938
Eligible paper (Amount required)	52,047	168,775	70,467	62,938	79,400	82,868	128,055	46,945	43,621	46,397	27,445	74,444	883,202
Excess amount held	13,381	63,001	14,970	54,122	12,360	11,467	68,560	13,147	3,228	24,186	19,668	13,891	311,981
Total	552,537	2,029,281	509,472	565,398	270,385	338,008	1,119,110	266,933	132,454	182,506	118,155	645,245	6,729,484
Liabilities—													
Net amount of Federal Reserve notes received from Comptroller of the Currency	318,748	1,144,595	271,451	273,088	141,572	199,896	594,795	139,923	69,308	83,160	59,306	335,547	3,631,389
Collateral received from Gold	168,361	652,910	152,584	175,250	37,053	43,977	327,700	66,918	16,297	28,763	11,736	221,363	1,902,912
Federal Reserve Bank (Eligible paper)	65,428	231,776	85,437	117,060	91,760	94,135	196,615	60,092	46,849	70,583	47,113	88,335	1,195,183
Total	552,537	2,029,281	509,472	565,398	270,385	338,008	1,119,110	266,933	132,454	182,506	118,155	645,245	6,729,484
Federal Reserve notes outstanding	220,408	821,685	223,051	238,188	116,453	126,645	455,755	113,863	59,918	75,160	39,131	295,807	2,786,114
Federal Reserve notes held by banks	19,983	168,612	26,185	25,716	10,660	6,452	43,394	19,641	3,244	6,583	3,955	56,373	380,798
Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation	200,425	663,073	196,866	212,472	105,793	120,193	412,361	94,222	56,674	68,577	35,226	239,434	2,405,316

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 RESOURCE AND LIABILITY ITEMS OF REPORTING MEMBER BANKS IN FEDERAL RESERVE BANK AND BRANCH CITIES AND ALL OTHER REPORTING BANKS AS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS DEC. 28 1921.

Net liquidation of about \$69,000,000 of loans and discounts and a reduction of \$14,000,000 in investments, accompanied by commensurate reductions in deposits and borrowings from the Federal reserve banks, are indicated in the Federal Reserve Board's weekly consolidated statement of condition on December 28 of 806 member banks in leading cities.

As against a nominal increase in loans secured by corporate stocks and bonds, loans secured by United States Government obligations show a decline for the week of \$4,000,000, and all other loans and discounts, comprising largely commercial and industrial loans,—a decrease of \$66,000,000. As compared with December 31 1920 figures, a reduction of almost \$400,000,000 in loans secured by Government obligations, as against a slight reduction in loans secured by corporate obligations, is shown. Corresponding changes for member banks in New York City include a reduction for the year of \$233,000,000 in loans secured by Government obligations, as against an increase of \$21,000,000 in loans secured by corporate obligations.

Investments of the reporting institutions in United States bonds, mainly Liberty bonds, show a further increase of \$4,000,000 for the week. As compared with the close of last year, an increase of almost \$40,000,000 in the United States bond holdings of the reporting institutions is shown. Holdings of Victory notes show a decline of \$2,000,000 for the week and of \$38,000,000 for the year. Holdings of Treasury notes increased slightly during the week, while Treasury certificate holdings show a decrease of \$17,000,000 for the week, and of \$19,000,000 for the year. Total United States securities held by the reporting member banks about the close of 1921 were \$1,470,000,000, compared with \$1,391,000,000 at the close of 1920. Member banks in New York City report an increase for the year of \$52,000,000 in their holdings of U. S. bonds, as against reductions of \$8,000,000 in Victory notes and of \$20,000,000 in Treasury certificates, besides holdings

of \$83,000,000 of Treasury notes issued during the summer of the year just past. Total loans and investments of all reporting institutions show a reduction of \$83,000,000 for the week and of \$1,970,000,000 for the year. Corresponding changes for the New York City banks include reductions of \$28,000,000 for the week and of \$869,000,000 for the year.

During the week reporting member banks reduced their accommodation at the Federal reserve banks from \$743,000,000 to \$698,000,000, or from 5 to 4.7% of their total loans and investments. Since December 31 1920, there has been a decline in these borrowings of about \$1,400,000,000, or from 12.5 to 4.7% of the banks' total loans and investments. Member banks in New York City report for the past year a decrease in accommodation at the local reserve bank from \$766,000,000 to \$131,000,000, or from 13.6 to 2.8% of the banks' aggregate loans and investments.

Government balances with the reporting member banks are shown \$35,000,000 less than the week before. Net demand deposits declined by \$74,000,000, while time deposits show a gain of \$31,000,000. Corresponding changes for the year include a slight decrease in Government deposits, a reduction of \$768,000,000 in other demand deposits (net) and a gain of \$146,000,000 in time deposits. For the member banks in New York City, reductions for the year of \$34,000,000 in Government deposits and of \$283,000,000 in other demand deposits, as against a slight increase in time deposits, are noted.

Reserve balances of the reporting institutions with the Federal reserve banks, in keeping with the reduction in demand deposits and borrowings from the reserve banks, show a decrease of \$41,000,000 for the week, and of \$91,000,000 for the year. Cash in vault declined about \$1,000,000 for the week and \$15,000,000 for the year. Corresponding changes for the member banks in New York City comprise reductions since the close of 1920 of \$23,000,000 in reserve balances and of \$4,000,000 in cash on hand.

1. Data for all reporting member banks in each Federal Reserve District at close of business DEC. 28 1921. Three ciphers (000) omitted.

Federal Reserve District.	Boston	New York	Phladel.	Cleveland	Richm'd.	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minnep.	Kan. City	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
Number of reporting banks	49	110	58	85	82	43	112	37	35	80	51	64	806
Loans and discounts, including bills rediscounted with F. R. Bank:													
Loans sec. by U. S. Govt. obligations	30,433	199,233	51,519	50,418	20,294	16,470	66,270	18,879	11,712	16,513	6,272	24,507	512,520
Loans secured by stocks and bonds	208,705	1,408,286	199,543	332,046	105,711	51,291	451,127	124,982	31,926	66,532	38,102	147,230	3,165,481
All other loans and discounts	570,223	2,462,747	326,617	617,177	324,570	311,159	1,080,293	302,789	216,278	371,486	200,897	757,997	7,542,233
Total loans and discounts	809,361	4,070,266	577,679	999,641	450,575	378,920	1,597,690	446,650	259,916	454,531	245,271	929,734	11,220,234
U. S. bonds	44,993	363,991	47,623	114,031	61,219	29,483	78,894	26,945	14,760	33,000	34,160	101,231	950,270
U. S. Victory notes	2,743	88,474	12,228	15,283	2,374	1,121	25,583	1,973	405	4,070	1,187	15,198	170,639
U. S. Treasury notes	4,446	87,788	5,034	2,601	4,473	—	—	470	1,449	824	722	9,495	125,559
U. S. certificates of indebtedness	9,891	122,531	10,741	14,322	4,505	1,998	25,554	3,960	4,708	4,011	3,290	17,344	222,855
Other bonds, stocks and securities	140,135	730,257	162,447	266,642	49,861	33,571	380,098	69,550	21,479	49,115	9,444	177,426	2,090,025
Total loans, disc'ts & investments, incl. bills rediscounted with F. R. Bank	1,011,569	5,463,307	815,752	1,412,520	573,007	445,093	2,116,076	549,548	302,717	545,551	294,014	1,250,428	14,779,582
Reserve balance with F. R. Bank	75,603	627,680	59,086	81,268	32,136	28,544	170,578	41,118	17,387	39,066	21,215	73,426	1,267,107
Cash in vault	24,729	111,430	18,939	33,695	16,668	10,373	58,383	8,078	7,069	13,720	10,479	26,236	339,799
Net demand deposits	731,989	4,679,857	612,797	754,192	296,832	213,528	1,246,541	300,497	172,473	371,784	192,069	601,878	10,174,437
Time deposits	180,480	473,286	45,648	418,645	126,591	140,463	655,772	150,427	76,678	106,560	58,995	564,718	2,998,231
Government deposits	10,239	99,691	26,290	27,336	7,780	6,914	32,124	6,653	7,264	5,790	5,650	12,342	257,073
Bills payable with Federal Reserve Bank:													
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations	8,358	115,603	27,333	19,775	22,943	8,889	24,642	10,249	331	6,348	3,185	11,000	258,656
All other	—	—	—	27	769	—	180	—	182	—	736	408	2,302
Bills rediscounted with F. R. Bank:													
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations	4,109	2,058	9,357	2,645	1,262	4,002	3,802	2,496	1,027	1,431	63	2,004	34,326
All other	33,880	60,769	13,334	56,477	31,550	32,773	76,266	28,188	12,235	28,015	8,703	20,474	402,932

2. Data of reporting member banks in Federal Reserve Bank and branch cities and all other reporting banks.

Three ciphers (000) omitted.	New York City.		City of Chicago.		All F. R. Bank Cities		F. R. Branch Cities.		Other Selected Cities.		Total.		
	Dec. 28.	Dec. 21.	Dec. 28.	Dec. 21.	Dec. 28.	Dec. 21.	Dec. 28.	Dec. 21.	Dec. 28.	Dec. 21.	Dec. 28'21.	Dec. 21'21.	Dec. 31'20.
Number of reporting banks	68	68	51	51	277	277	212	212	317	310	806	808	821
Loans and discounts, incl. bills rediscounted with F. R. Bank:													
Loans sec. by U. S. Govt. oblig's	179,626	178,756	50,242	51,632	360,161	363,049	85,093	86,128	67,266	67,173	512,520	516,350	908,908
Loans secured by stocks & bonds	1,244,203	1,253,676	331,546	324,300	2,280,639	2,276,999	466,072	467,972	418,770	420,138	3,165,481	3,165,109	3,175,906
All other loans and discounts	2,173,301	2,197,832	680,291	697,267	4,786,318	4,847,059	1,429,998	1,430,565	1,325,917	1,330,263	7,542,233	7,607,887	a
Total loans and discounts	3,597,130	3,630,264	1,062,079	1,073,199	7,427,118	7,487,107	1,981,163	1,984,665	1,811,953	1,817,574	11,220,234	11,289,346	a
U. S. bonds	315,821	312,652	22,334	22,393	504,851	502,399	224,462	223,415	220,957	220,489	950,270	946,303	910,690
U. S. Victory notes	80,352	79,506	11,027	12,008	111,631	113,669	39,421	38,905	19,587	20,104	170,639	172,678	209,079
U. S. Treasury notes	83,146	82,511	3,311	3,266	95,064	95,052	16,086	16,808	14,409	13,231	125,559	125,091	—
U. S. certificates of indebtedness	116,234	116,004	16,720	19,713	168,773	179,985	31,452	34,161	22,030	25,683	222,855	224,009	271,599
Other bonds, stocks and securities	553,742	553,222	171,943	173,125	1,156,442	1,156,282	580,733	588,782	352,850	352,043	2,090,025	2,089,107	a
Total loans & disc'ts & invest's, incl. bills rediscounted with F. R. Bank	4,746,425	4,774,159	1,287,414	1,303,704	9,463,879	9,534,4							

Bankers' Gazette.

Wall Street, Friday Night, Jan. 6 1922.

Railroad and Miscellaneous Stocks.—The stock market has begun the new year with increased activity and general weakness. Nearly 1,000,000 shares were included in Tuesday's operations and the decline then recorded has, in many cases, been added to. This movement has not been a drastic one, however, except in a few speculative issues, including Mexican Petroleum, American Locomotive and Baldwin Locomotive, which dropped 7, 6 1/4 and 4 3/4 points respectively.

This general tendency of the security markets, including foreign exchange, was also a characteristic of the wheat and cotton markets and is not readily explainable. The money market has remained easy with call loan rates at or near 4% and there seems every prospect that this condition will continue.

The following are sales made at the Stock Exchange this week of shares not represented in our detailed list on the pages which follow:

Table with columns: STOCKS, Week ending Jan. 6, Sales for Week, Range for Week (Lowest, Highest), Range for Year 1921 (Lowest, Highest). Lists various stocks like American Bank Note, Preferred, Amer Brake S & F, etc.

State and Railroad Bonds.—No sales of State bonds have been reported at the Board this week. The general bond market has steadily increased in activity and strength, and in several cases new high records have been recorded. The latter applies particularly to investment issues, but of a list of 20 well known railroad bonds 14 are higher than last week and 3 are unchanged. Evidently the proverbial "January investment demand" is beginning to be felt.

United States Bonds.—Sales of Government bonds at the Board are limited to the various Liberty Loan issues some of which, as noted above, have established new high records.

Daily Record of Liberty Loan Prices. Table with columns: Bond type (e.g., First Liberty Loan, Second Liberty Loan), Price range (High, Low, Close), and dates (Dec. 31, Jan. 2, Jan. 3, Jan. 4, Jan. 5, Jan. 6).

Note.—The above table includes only sales of coupon bonds. Transactions in registered bonds were:

Table listing registered bond transactions with columns: Bond description, Price range, and Date.

Quotations for Short-Term U. S. Govt. Obligations.

Table with columns: Maturity, Int. Rate, Bid, Asked. Lists various short-term government obligations.

The Curb Market.—The review of the Curb Market is given this week on page 52.

Foreign Exchange.—Sterling exchange continues to rule dull with the volume of business light. Price variations were unimportant, though the trend was slightly down. The Continental exchanges were also quiet but rather irregular at times.

To-day's (Friday's) actual rates for sterling exchange were 4 17 @ 4 18 1/2 for sixty days, 4 19 @ 4 20 1/2 for checks and 4 19 1/2 @ 4 20 3/4 for cables. Commercial on banks, sight 4 18 1/2 @ 4 19 1/2, sixty days 4 13 1/2 @ 3 15 1/2, ninety days 4 12 1/2 @ 4 14 1/2, and documents for payment (sixty days) 4 14 1/2 @ 4 15 1/2. Cotton for payment 4 18 1/2 @ 4 19 1/2 and grain for payment 4 18 1/2 @ 4 19 1/2.

To-day's (Friday's) actual rates for Paris bankers' francs were 7.91 @ 7.97 for long and 7.97 @ 8.03 for short. German bankers' marks are not yet quoted for long and short bills. Amsterdam bankers' guilders were 36.14 @ 36.24 for long and 36.50 @ 36.60 for short.

Exchange at Paris on London 52.30; week's range, 52.30 high and 52.65 low.

Table showing foreign exchange rates for the week. Columns: Sterling, Actual, Sixty Days, Checks, Cables, Paris Bankers' Francs, Germany Bankers' Marks.

Domestic Exchange.—Chicago, par. St. Louis, 15 @ 25c. per \$1,000 discount. Boston, par. San Francisco, par. Montreal, \$59.6825 per \$1,000 premium. Cincinnati, par.

For volume of business on New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Boston exchanges, see page 55.

OCCUPYING THREE PAGES

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

Main table with columns: HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICE—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT. (Saturday Dec. 31 to Friday Jan. 6); Sales for the Week; STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE (Railroads, Industrial & Miscellaneous); PER SHARE Range for year 1921; PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1920.

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. † Ex-rights. ‡ Less than 100 shares. a Ex-dividend and rights. z Ex-dividend. b Ex-rights (June 15) to subscribe share for share, to stock of Glen Alden Coal Co. at \$5 per share and ex-dividend 100% in stock Aug. 22).

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

Table with columns: HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICE—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT. (Saturday Dec. 31, Monday Jan. 2, Tuesday Jan. 3, Wednesday Jan. 4, Thursday Jan. 5, Friday Jan. 6); Sales for the Week (Shares); STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE (Indus. & Miscell. (Con.) Par); PER SHARE Range for year 1921. (Lowest, Highest); PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1920 (Lowest, Highest). Rows include various stock entries like Am Smelt Secur pref ser A, Am Steel Fdry tom ofts, American Sugar Refining, etc.

STOCK EXCHANGE CLOSED—NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. † Less than 100 shares. ‡ Ex-rights. § Ex-dividend and rights. ¶ Par value \$100. Old stock. ** Ex-dividend.

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

HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICE—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT.

Table with columns for days of the week (Saturday Dec. 31 to Friday Jan. 6) and price per share. Includes a vertical label 'STOCK EXCHANGE CLOSED—NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY'.

Sales for the Week

STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

PER SHARE Range for year 1921. On basis of 100-share lots

PER SHARE Range for previous Year 1920

Main table listing various stocks (e.g., Mackay Companies, National Lead, Standard Oil) with columns for share price, sales volume, and historical price ranges.

* Bid and asked prices; no sale on this day. † Less than 100 shares. Ex-rights. a Ex-div. and rights. x Ex-dividend. e Reduced to basis of \$25 par.

New York Stock Exchange—BOND Record Friday, Weekly and Yearly

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

BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week ending Jan. 6										BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week ending Jan. 6									
Interest Payable	Price Friday Jan. 6	Week's Range or Last Sale		Bonds Sold	Range Year 1921.		Interest Payable	Price Friday Jan. 6	Week's Range or Last Sale		Bonds Sold	Range Year 1921.							
		Bid	Ask		Low	High			Low	High		Bid	Ask	Low	High				
U. S. Government.																			
First Liberty Loan—																			
3 1/2% of 1932 1947	J D	95.76	94.32	95.84	3235	86.00	96.30												
Conv 4% of 1932 1947	J D	97.10	96.40	97.16	13	85.24	97.98												
Conv 4 1/4% of 1932 1947	J D	97.22	96.52	97.30	178	85.40	98.00												
2d conv 4 1/4% of 1932 1947	J D	98.00	100.00	96.82	29	94.00	100.50												
Second Liberty Loan—																			
4% of 1927 1942	M N	96.66	96.10	96.82	45	85.34	97.60												
Conv 4 1/4% of 1927 1942	M N	96.80	96.20	96.80	348	85.30	97.80												
Third Liberty Loan—																			
4 1/4% of 1929	M S	97.76	97.18	97.90	7127	88.00	98.24												
Fourth Liberty Loan—																			
4 1/4% of 1933 1938	A O	97.28	96.50	97.40	7813	85.34	98.14												
Victory Liberty Loan—																			
4 1/4% Notes of 1923 1925	J D	100.08	100.00	100.10	12707	95.56	100.20												
3 1/2% Notes of 1922 1923	J D	100.08	100.02	100.08	2057	95.80	100.03												
2s consol registered	J J	100.12	100.12	100	June'21	100	100												
2s consol coupon	J J	100.12	100.12	100	June'21	100	100												
4s registered	Q F	104.4	104.4	104.2	Dec'21	104	105.4												
4s coupon	Q F	104.4	104.4	104.2	Oct'21	102.2	104.8												
Panama Canal 10-30-yr 2s	Q F	100.12	100	100	July'21	100	100												
Panama Canal 2s g	Q M	80	83	83	Dec'21	76 1/2	83												
Registered	Q M	80	75	75	July'21	75	79 1/2												
Foreign Government.																			
Argentine Internal 5s of 1909	M S	77	77	78	21	66 1/2	78												
Belgium 25-yr ext of 7 1/2 s g 1945	J D	103 3/8	104	105 1/4	106	95 1/2	106 3/4												
5-yr 6% notes Jan 1925	J J	94 1/4	94 1/2	95 1/2	98	87	97 3/4												
20-yr 5 s f 5s	F A	104 1/2	104 1/2	106 1/2	71	96 1/4	107 1/4												
Bergen (Norway) s f 5s	M N	106 1/2	106	106 1/2	25	93 1/4	107												
Berne (City of) s f 5s	M N	103	106 1/4	108	25	92 3/4	108 3/4												
Bordeaux (City of) 15-yr 6s 1934	M N	83 1/2	83	83 3/4	92	74	90 3/4												
Brazil U S ext 8s	J D	103 3/4	103 1/2	104 1/2	199	97	105												
Canada (Dominion of) 5s	A O	94 1/2	96	96 3/4	47	85 1/2	96 3/4												
do do 5s	A O	95	94 1/4	95 3/8	28	82 1/2	96 3/4												
10-yr 5 1/4s	F A	97 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2	161	87 3/8	98												
Chile (Republic) ext of 8s	F A	101 1/2	100 3/8	101 1/2	124	92	10 1/2												
External 5-yr 5 s f 8s	A O	98 3/8	98 3/8	99 1/2	77	99	101 1/2												
25-yr 5 s f 8s	M N	100 1/4	100 1/4	101	137	99	103												
Chinese (Hukuang Ry) 5s of 1911	J D	45	44 1/2	45	25	40 1/2	49												
Christiana (City) s f 5s	A O	106	107 1/2	107 1/2	5	93 1/2	108 1/2												
Copenhagen 25 yr s f 5 1/2s	J J	85 1/4	85 1/2	87	91	72	90												
Cuba—External debt 5s of 1904	M S	84 3/4	85	84	34	76	85 1/4												
External 5s of 1914 ser A	F A	80	83	83	Dec'21	74 3/4	83												
External loan 4 1/2s	F A	77	79	76	76 1/4	22	63	77 3/4											
Danish Ctn Municipal 5s "A" 1946	F A	106 1/8	105 7/8	106 1/2	32	85 1/2	108 1/2												
Series B	F A	106	106	106 1/4	16	95 1/2	108 1/2												
Denmark external s f 5s	A O	107 1/2	107	108	74	95 1/2	109 1/2												
Dominican Rep Cons Adm 5s 1918	F A	85	86	85 1/2	86	70	80 1/2												
French Republic 25-yr ext 8s 1946	M S	99 1/2	99 1/4	100 1/4	277	96	101 1/4												
20-yr external loan 7 1/2s	J D	94 1/4	94	94 3/8	758	93 1/4	98												
St Brit & Ireland (U K of)—																			
20-yr gold bond 5 1/2s	F A	97 1/2	95 1/2	97 1/2	592	83	97 3/8												
10-yr conv 5 1/2s	F A	99 1/4	98 3/4	99 1/4	1216	86	99 3/4												
3-yr conv 5 1/2s	F A	100 1/4	100 1/4	100 1/4	115	94	100 1/4												
Italy (Kingdom of) Ser A 6 1/2s 1925	F A	92 1/2	93 3/4	93 1/2	6	81	95 1/4												
Japanese Govt—Loan 4 1/2s 1925	F A	87 1/4	86 3/8	87 3/8	66	75 3/8	88												
Second series 4 1/2s	J J	86 3/8	87	87 1/2	123	75 1/8	87 1/2												
Sterling loan 4s	J J	73 1/4	72 1/2	73 3/8	135	53	75												
Lyon (City of) 15-yr 6s	M N	83 1/2	83	84 1/4	49	74 1/2	90 3/4												
Marseilles (City of) 15-yr 6s 1934	M N	83 3/4	83	84	129	74	90 3/4												
Mexico—External loan 5s of 1899	Q J	55	53 3/8	55 3/8	170	40	59												
Gold debt 4s of 1904	J D	40 1/2	40	40 3/4	91	29	43 3/4												
Norway external s f 5s	A O	108 3/4	108	109	35	96 3/8	110 1/2												
Queensland (State) ext of 7s 1941	A O	106 3/4	106 1/4	108 1/4	205	99 1/2	108 3/4												
Rio de Janeiro 25-yr 5 s f 8s	A O	101 1/8	101	102 1/2	219	97 3/4	102 3/4												
Sao Paulo (State) ext s f 8s 1936	J J	100 3/8	101	101 1/2	45	95	103 1/2												
Sweden 20-yr 6s	J D	94	94	95	64	81 3/4	97 1/4												
Swiss Confederation 20-yr 5 s f 8s 1940	J J	114 1/2	114	115 1/2	155	102 3/4	114 1/2												
Tokyo City 5s loan of 1912	M S	67	66 1/2	67	8	43	68												
Uruguay Repub ext 8s	F A	103	103	103 1/2	32	91 1/2	104												
Zurich (City of) s f 5s	A O	107	107	108 1/4	18	94	108 1/4												
*These are prices on the basis of \$5 to £																			
State and City Securities.																			
N Y City—4 1/2s Corp stock 1960	M S	97 1/4	98 1/2	98	98 1/2	10	82 1/4	99											
4 1/2s Corporate stock 1964	M S	98 1/4	98 1/2	97 3/4	Dec'21	10	82 1/2	98 3/4											
4 1/2s Corporate stock 1966	A O	*97 1/2	98 1/2	95 1/2	Dec'21	10	82 1/2	95 1/2											
4 1/2s Corporate stock 1971	A O	104 1/2	104 3/4	103 3/8	104 3/8	23	104 1/2	104 1/2											
4 1/2s Corporate stock July 1967	J J	103	104	103 3/8	104	72	87 1/2	104											
4 1/2s Corporate stock 1965	J D	103	104	104	15	87 3/4	104												
4 1/2s Corporate stock 1963	M S	103	104	103	104 1/4	11	87 3/4	106											
4% Corporate stock 1959	M N	93	93	93 1/2	5	79	94												
4% Corporate stock 1958	M N	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2	Dec'21	78 1/4	93 1/2												
4% Corporate stock 1957	M N	92 1/2	92 1/2	93 3/8	Dec'21	78 1/4	93 3/4												
4% Corporate stock reg 1956	M N	94	94	94	4	81 1/2	87 3/4												
New 4 1/2s	M N	103	104 1/4	104 1/4	5	87 1/2	103 3/4												
4 1/2% Corporate stock 1957	M N	103	104	104	13	86 1/4	104												
3 1/2% Corporate stock 1954	M N	85	84 3/4	84 3/4	5	72	84												
N Y State—4s																			
Canal Improvement 4s	J J	99	99	99	Dec'20														
Canal Improvement 4s	J J	89	89	89	Sept'20														
Highway Improv't 4 1/2s	M S	110	101	101	Apr'21	101	101												
Highway Improv't 4 1/2s	M S	95	95	95	July'20														
Virginia funded debt 2-3s	J J	67 1/4	71 1/4	71 1/4	Oct'20														
5s deferred Brown Bros etc	J J	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	Dec'20														
Railroad.																			
Ann Arbor 1st g 4s	Q J	58 1/4	59 1/2	58 1/4	13	50	60												
Ach Top & B Co—Gen R 4s	A O	85 3/8	85	86	194	73 1/2	86 1/2												
Registered	A O	82	82	82	Nov'21	75	82 1/2												
Adjustment gold 4s	Nov	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 3/8	5	67 1/4	79 1/2												
Stamped	Nov	78 3/8	78 1/2	79	15	68	80												
Conv gold 4s	J D	76	76	76	2	67 1/2	80												
Conv 4s issue of 1910	J D	90 1/8	92 1/2	91 1/2	32	79	93												
East Okla Div 1st g 4s	M S	89 3/4	92	91	1	83	92												
Rocky Mtn Div 1st g 4s	J J	77 1/2	78	75 3/4	Nov'21	65	76												
Trans Con Short L 1st g 4s	J J	79 1/2	82</																

BONDS		Price		Week's		Bonds Sold	Range		BONDS		Price		Week's		Bonds Sold	Range	
N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE		Friday		Range or			Year		N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE		Friday		Range or			Year	
Week ending Jan. 6		Jan. 6		Last Sale		1921.		Week ending Jan. 6		Jan. 6		Last Sale		1921.			
	Interest	Bid	Ask	Low	High	No.	Low	High		Interest	Bid	Ask	Low	High	No.	Low	High
Del Lack & Western (Concl.)—									Leh Val Coal Co 1st gu g 6s...		95 1/8	96 1/4	96 1/4	96 1/4		91 3/8	96 1/4
Warren 1st ref gu g 3 1/2s...	2000	69		102 1/2	Feb'08				Registered...			105	Oct'13				
Oelaware & Hudson—									1st lat reduced to 4s...		85 1/8		83 1/8	Oct'21		83 1/4	83 1/4
1st lien equip g 4 1/2s...	1922	99 1/4	99 1/2	99 1/4	Dec'21		96 1/2	99 3/8	Leh & N Y 1st guar g 4s...		76 1/8	84	70	July'21		70	71 1/2
1st & ref 4s...	1943	87	87 1/2	87	90 3/4	8	74 3/8	87 1/2	Long 1st lat cons gold 6s...		91 1/8		91	Dec'21		85 1/2	91
30-year conv 5s...	1935	80 3/8	Sale	80 3/8	90 3/8	14	78	92	1st consol gold 4s...		84 1/4		82 1/4	June'21		82 1/4	83 1/4
10-year secured 7s...	1930	107 1/4	109	108 1/2	108 1/2	3	100 1/4	109 1/2	General gold 4s...		73		75	Dec'21		66	78
Alb & Susq conv 3 1/2s...	1946	76 3/4		76 3/8	76 3/8	3	68 1/8	78	Ferry gold 4 1/2s...		97 1/8	99 3/4	98 1/2	Nov'21		91	98 1/2
Renss & Saratoga 20-yr 6s...	1941	102 3/4							Gold 4s...		*81 3/4		99 1/4	Oct'06			
Den & R Cr—1st cons g 4s...	1936	73 1/2	8a/c	73 1/4	74	27	62	75 1/2	Unified gold 4s...		71 1/2	77	71 3/4	71 3/4	10	63	72 1/4
Consol gold 4 1/2s...	1936	76 3/4	77	76 3/4	76 3/4	5	66 1/2	79	Dehutura gold 5s...		83		83 1/2	Dec'21		68	86
Improvement gold 6s...	1928	73 1/2	75	74 1/2	75	17	67 1/4	78 3/8	20-year p in deb 6s...		78	Sale	76	78	9	57 1/2	79
1st & refunding 5s...	1955	43 3/8	Sale	42 1/2	44 1/2	101	40 1/2	50 1/2	Guar refunding gold 4s...		71 1/2	73	72	72 1/2	3	64	77 1/2
Trust Co certifs of deposit		42	44	43 1/2	43 1/2	1	35	48 1/8	Registered...				95	Jan'1			
Rio Gr Juno 1st gu 6s...	1939	73 1/4		77	Nov'21		72 1/8	77	N Y B & M 1st con g 5s...		87		87	July'21		84	87
Rio Gr Sou 1st gold 4s...	1940	12	17 1/2	11 1/4	Apr'11				N Y & R B 1st con g 6s...		88		83	Apr'21		83	83
Guaranteed...	1940	10 1/8		14 3/4	Dec'21		10	14 3/4	Nor Sh B 1st con g 5s...		86 3/8		75 3/4	July'21		75 3/8	77 3/4
Rio Gr West 1st gold 4s...	1939	73 3/4	74 7/8	73 3/4	74	6	61 1/2	77	Louisiana & Ark 1st g 5s...		78	80	78	78	2	63 1/2	80
Mtge. & coll trust 4s A...	1949	102 1/2	Sale	102 1/2	102 1/2	6	47 7/8	65	Louisville & Nashv gen 6s...				99 1/2	Nov'20			
Det & Mack—1st lien g 4s...	1995	66 1/2	71	62 1/2	Oct'21		57	62 1/2	Gold 5s...		97 3/8		96 3/4	Dec'21		90	100
Gold 4s...	1995	56 3/4		50	May'21		50	50	Unified gold 4s...		87 1/2	Sale	87 1/2	88 1/2	15	75 1/4	89 1/4
Det Riv Tun Ter Tun 4 1/2s...	1961	81 3/4	82 3/8	82 1/4	82 1/4	6	64 1/2	84	Registered...				81 1/8	Oct'21		78	73
Dul Missabe & Nor gen 5s...	1941	95 3/8		95 3/8	95 3/8	1	92 1/2	95 3/8	Collateral trust gold 5s...		95 1/8		91 1/2	Dec'21		85 1/8	92
Dul & Iron Range 1st 5s...	1937	93 3/4		93 1/2	Dec'21		87 3/8	93 3/4	10-year secured 7s...		106 1/2	Sale	106 1/2	107	12	100	109
Registered...	1937			105 1/2	Mar'08		76	87	L Clin & Lex gold 4 1/2s...		90 3/8		92 1/2	Dec'21		86	93 1/2
Dul Sou Shore & Atl g 5s...	1937	85	87	85	Dec'21		86 1/2	93	N O & M 1st gold 6s...		102		100	Oct'21		98	101 1/8
Elgin Joliet & East 1st g 6s...	1941	95	Sale	95	95	3	86 1/2	93	2d gold 6s...		91		100	Feb'20			
Erie 1st consol gold 7s ext...	1930	100 1/8	102 3/8	101	Dec'21		94 1/2	101	Paducah & Mem Div 4s...		70 3/8		82 1/2	Nov'21		75	82 1/2
N Y & Erie 1st ext g 4s...	1947	75 1/4		80	Jan'20				St Louis Div 2d gold 3s...		54	59	58 1/8	Dec'21		50 1/4	61
3rd ext gold 4 1/2s...	1943	96 3/8		96	Dec'21		91	96	Atl Knox & Cin Div 4s...		79 1/8		81 3/8	Dec'21		69 1/2	82
4th ext gold 5s...	1930			92	Nov'21		86 1/2	92	Atl Knox & Nor 1st g 5s...		94 1/8		90 3/8	Nov'21		90 3/8	90 3/4
5th ext gold 4s...	1928			94 3/4	Nov'15				Hender Bdge 1st g 6s...		101		100	Sept'21		100	100
N Y L E & W 1st 7s ext...	1930	100 3/8		99 1/2	Aug'19				Kentucky Central gold 4s...		80 3/8		80 1/4	Dec'21		70	80 1/4
Erie 1st cons g 4s prior...	1996	66 1/2	Sale	55 7/8	57 1/4	63	51	61 1/2	Lex & East 1st 50-yr 5s...		93		93	93	1	83	90
Registered...	1996			55	Dec'21		55	55	L & N M & M 1st g 4 1/2s...		86 1/2		84 1/4	Nov'21		80	84 1/4
1st consol gen lien g 4s...	1996	41 3/4	Sale	41 1/4	42 3/4	195	39 1/4	47 3/4	L & N South M joint 4s...		72	74	74	74	2	64 1/2	78
Registered...	1996			39	Aug'21		39	39	Registered...				95	Feb'05			
Penn coll trust gold 4s...	1951	77 1/8	80	78 1/4	Dec'21		72 1/2	78 1/2	N Fla & S 1st gu g 5s...		94		91 1/2	Oct'21		90	91 1/2
60-year conv 4s Ser A...	1953	36 3/4	Sale	35 3/4	36 1/2	29	35 1/4	40 1/4	N & C Bdge gen gu 4 1/2s...		81 1/8		87	Nov'21		81	97
do Series B...	1953	35	Sale	35	36	52	34 1/2	41	S & N Ala cons gu g 5s...		94 1/8	100	94 1/2	Jan'21		91	94 1/4
Gen conv 4s Series D...	1953	36 7/8	Sale	36 3/4	39	66	37	45 7/8	Gen cons gu 50-yr 5s...		93 1/4	98	95 1/2	Dec'21		80 1/2	95 7/8
Ohio & Erie 1st gold 6s...	1932	84	86 1/4	86 3/8	86 1/2	5	75	88	La & Jef Bdge Co gu 4s...		76		77	Dec'21		64 1/4	76
Cleve & Mahon Vall g 6s...	1938	90 3/8		106 1/8	Jan'17				Mex Internal 1st cons g 4s...		10	25	77	Mar'10			
Erie & Jersey 1st g 6s...	1955	82 1/8	85	82 3/8	83	34	76 1/2	88	Stamped guaranteed...				75	Nov'10			
Gesnesse River 1st g 6s...	1957	102 1/8		97	June'21		97	99	Midland Term—1st s f g 5s...				99	July'20			
Long Dock consol g 6s...	1935	88		103	Jan'18				Minn St Louis 1st 7s...		100	102 1/2	98 1/2	Nov'21		98 1/2	98 1/2
Coal & RR 1st cur g 6s...	1922	84		83 1/2	Dec'21		76	83 1/2	1st consol gold 5s...		70	72 1/2	71	Dec'21		67 1/8	76
Dock & Impt lat ext 6s...	1943	88		85	Jan'18				1st & refunding gold 4s...		32 1/8	Sale	32 1/8	34	3	32 1/2	46
N Y & Green L gu g 6s...	1946	72 1/8	73	72 1/8	73		62 1/4	61 3/4	Ref & ext 50-yr 5s Ser A...		31	32	33 1/4	33 1/4	1	33	48
N Y Susq & W lat ref 6s...	1937	41	46 3/4	40	Apr'21		40	40	Des M & Ft D 1st gu 4s...		39		39	39	1	39	47
2d gold 4 1/2s...	1937	38 3/8	Sale	35 1/2	38 3/8	1	39 1/2	50	Iowa Central 1st gold 5s...		73 1/2	74	73 1/4	73 1/2	3	68	76
General gold 6s...	1940	73 1/4	85	82 1/2	Aug'21		81 1/2	82 1/2	Refunding gold 4s...		3 1/2	Sale	3 1/2	34	20	32	44
Terminal 1st gold 6s...	1943	73 1/4	85	72	Nov'19		47	60	M St P & S S M con g 4s...		85 1/8	86 1/2	86 1/8	86 1/8	1	75 3/8	87
Mid of N J 1st ext 5s...	1940	50 1/8	54	52	Dec'21				1st cons 5s...		95 1/4	96 1/2	96	Dec'21		87	97
Wilk & East 1st gu g 6s...	1942	23 1/2		23 1/2	Jan'17				10-year coll tr 6 1/2s...		101	Sale	100 1/2	101 3/4	64	99 1/4	104
Ev & Ind 1st cons gu g 6s...	1926	102 3/4		88	Apr'21		88	88 3/4	1st Chic Term s f 4s...		85		85	Dec'2			
Evans & T H 1st gen g 6s...	1942	78		69 1/2	Apr'21		60 1/2	71	M S S M & A 1st g 4s...		94 1/4	Sale	94 1/4	94 1/4	5	88 3/8	94 1/8
Mt Vernon 1st gold 6s...	1923	*78		69 1/2	Apr'21		69 1/2	69 1/2	Mississippi Central 1st 5s...		71		70	July'2		70 3/8	70 3/8
Sul Co Branch 1st g 5s...	1930	80 1/4	82	78	Dec'21		71 3/8	84	Mo Kan & Tex—1st gold 4s...		348 3/8	Sale	43 3/8	45	202	34 1/2	51 1/8
Florida Coast 1st 4 1/2s...	1959	70 1/4		66	Apr'21		66	66	2d gold 4s...		48 3/8	Sale	48 3/8	49 3/4	73	34	51 1/2
Fort Ss U D Co 1st g 4 1/2s...	1941	78	80	78	Dec'21		61 1/8	80	Trust Co certifs of deposit		36	Sale	35 1/2	37	30	25	37 1/2
St Worth & Rio Gr 1st g 4s...	1928	80	90	88	88	24	62 1/4	88	1st ext gold 5s...		73	Sale	73	74	28	49 1/2	75
Salv Hous & Head 1st 6s...	1933	109	Sale	106 3/4	109	24	99 3/4	111	1st & refunding 4s...		73	Sale	73	73	11	48 1/2	74 1/4
Grand Trunk of Can deb 7s...	1940	100 1/4	Sale	100	100 1/2	146	96 1/2	110 7/8	Trust Co certifs of deposit...		52 3/8	Sale	52 3/8	54	56	30 3/8	54
15-year s f 6s...	1936	107 3/8	Sale	107 1/4	103	462	96 1/2	110 7/8	Gen linking fund 4 1/2s...		82 1/8	Sale	82 1/8	84	55	33	53 3/4
Great Nor Gen 7s Ser A...	1936	88	Sale	88	88 3/4	23	77	89	Trust Co certifs of deposit...		36	38	27	27	1	17	28
1st & ref 4 1/2s Series A...	1961			82 1/4	Oct'21		82 1/4	82 1/4	St Louis Div 1st ref 4s...		58 3/4	Sale	58 1/2	60 1/2	123	37	61

Main table containing bond listings with columns for Bond Description, Interest Period, Price, Week's Range or Last Sale, Bonds Sold, Range Year 1921, and Bid/Ask prices.

*No price Friday; latest bid and asked. a Due Jan. b Due Feb. c Due June. d Due July. e Due Aug. f Due Oct. g Due Nov. h Due Dec. i Option sale.

BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week ending Jan. 6										BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week ending Jan. 6									
Interest Period		Price Friday Jan. 6		Week's Range of Last Sale		Bonds Sold	Range Year 1921.		Interest Period		Price Friday Jan. 6		Week's Range of Last Sale		Bonds Sold	Range Year 1921.			
Bid	Ask	Low	High	Low	High		Low	High	Bid	Ask	Low	High	Low	High		Low	High		
West Maryland 1st g 4s	1952	59 3/4	59 3/4	58 1/2	59 3/4	18	51 1/2	63 1/2	A	O	113 1/4	113 1/4	114	86	104 1/2	116			
West N Y & Pa 1st g 5s	1937	92	92	91 3/8	92	18	83	91 5/8	J	J	83 3/4	83 3/4	87 1/2	13	77	90			
Gen gold 4s	1943	66 1/4	67 1/2	66 1/4	67 1/2	1	60 1/4	67	J	J	112	112	111 5/8	22	101	112			
Income 5s	1943	91 1/2	95 1/4	85	95 1/4	66	75 3/4	88	M	N	99 3/4	99 3/4	99	100	54	90 9/16			
Western Pac 1st ser A 5s	1946	86	86	85 1/2	86 1/2	66	82	86 3/8	A	O	84 1/4	84 1/4	84	85	101	66			
Wheeling & L E 1st g 5s	1926	88 1/4	88 1/4	85	88 1/4	1	80	90	J	J	91 1/4	92	91 1/2	92	6	77			
Wheel Div 1st gold 5s	1928	88 1/4	88 1/4	90	88 1/4	1	80	90	M	N	82 1/4	86 1/2	80 1/2	Dec 21	6	80 1/2			
Exten & Imp't gold 5s	1930	84	84	90 1/4	84	1	47	67 3/4	M	N	81	87	95	Apr 20	2	78			
Refunding 4 1/2 s series A	1966	53	53	51 1/4	53	18	51 1/4	64 1/2	M	N	90 1/2	90 1/2	90 1/2	Dec 21	1	82			
RR 1st consol 4s	1949	62 1/2	63 3/8	62 1/2	63 3/8	10	66	78 1/2	M	N	92	96	93 1/2	Dec 21	1	82			
Winston Salem S B 1st 4s	1960	77 1/4	78	77	78	10	66	78 1/2	M	N	90 1/2	96	90 1/2	163	77 1/2				
Wis Cent 50 yr 1st gen 4s	1949	74 1/4	74 3/4	74 1/4	75 1/4	7	63 1/8	78	M	N	97 1/2	96	97	11	90 3/4				
Sup & Dul div & term 1st 4s 36	1949	74 1/2	75 3/8	75 1/2	75 1/2	5	65	78 3/8	M	N	97 1/2	96	98 3/4	100 1/8	87				
Street Railway																			
Brooklyn Rapid Tran 5s	1945	30 3/8	32	31	31	2	22 1/2	35	A	O	100 1/8	100 1/8	100 1/8	12	90	101			
1st refund conv gold 4s	2002	35 1/2	40	35 1/2	35 1/2	14	25	40	J	J	106	106	107	86	101	107 3/4			
8 yr 7% secured notes	1921	57 1/2	60	57 1/2	60	14	40 3/8	61 1/2	J	J	90	92 1/2	90	Dec 21	1	84			
Certificates of deposit		*57	59	58 1/2	58 1/2	1	39	60 1/2	M	N	100 1/8	100 1/8	100 1/8	53	90 1/2	101 1/4			
Certificates of deposit stmpd		56	56	51	56	38	37	57	M	N	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	29	100	104 1/2			
Bklyn Un El 1st g 4 1/2 s	1960	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	76	10	58	76	J	J	94	96	90	Dec 21	1	83			
Stamped guar 4 1/2 s	1960	75	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	1	63	75 1/2	A	O	92	92	90 1/2	90 1/2	5	75 1/4			
Kings County E 1st g 4s	1949	63	65 1/2	66	66	5	53	66 1/8	F	A	79 1/4	89	79	79	1	67 1/8			
Stamped guar 4s	1949	63	65	66	66	5	53	66	M	N	95 1/4	95 1/4	95 1/4	11	87				
Kassau Elec guar gold 4s	1951	20 5/8	27	23 1/2	23 1/2	5	18	29 3/4	J	J	74	74	74	29	57 3/4				
Chicago Rys 1st 5s	1927	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 3/8	68 1/2	50	58	72	A	O	98 1/2	98 1/2	99 1/8	335	90 1/8				
Conn Ry & L 1st & ref g 4 1/2 s	1951	62 1/4	61	61 1/8	62 1/4	1	60	61	M	N	106	106	107	86	101				
Stamped guar 4 1/2 s	1951	63 1/2	62	61 1/8	62 1/2	1	57 1/2	62	F	A	90	92 1/2	90	Dec 21	1	84			
Ent United 1st cons g 4 1/2 s	1932	66	66	61 1/2	66	23	57	64 3/4	M	N	100 1/8	100 1/8	100 1/8	53	90 1/2				
Jt Smith Lt & Tr 1st g 5s	1936	56	56	58	58	1	57	64 3/4	M	N	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	29	100				
St & Manhat 5s ser A	1957	76	76	74 3/4	76 1/8	80	59	76	J	J	94	96	90	Dec 21	1	83			
Adj ust income 5s	1957	47 1/2	47 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2	289	23 1/8	49 5/8	M	S	86	90	91 1/2	Dec 21	1	91 1/2			
N Y & Jersey 1st 5s	1932	92	92	92	92	1	82	92	J	D	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	2	98 1/2				
Interboro Metrop coil 4 1/2 s	1956	10 3/8	10 3/8	9 3/4	10 3/8	107	8 1/4	21 1/2	M	N	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	2	98 1/2				
Certificates of deposit		9 1/4	9 1/4	7 3/4	9 1/4	227	6	19 1/2	J	D	93 1/2	93 1/2	93	57	82 1/8				
Interboro Rap Tran 1st 5s	1966	55 3/4	54	54	56	753	4 1/2	58 1/4	A	O	84 7/8	84 7/8	85 1/4	18	77 1/2				
Manhat Ry (N Y) cons g 4s	1990	58	58	57 1/2	58 3/8	63	52 1/2	62	J	D	106	106	107	86	101				
Stamped tax exempt	1990	57 1/2	57 1/2	57 1/2	58	14	52 1/2	60	M	N	100 1/8	100 1/8	100 1/8	53	90 1/2				
2d 1s	2013	46 3/8	48 3/8	46 1/2	48 3/8	1	42 7/8	48 3/8	M	N	90	92 1/2	90	Dec 21	1	84			
Manilla Elec Ry & Lt s f 5s	1953	64 1/2	64 1/2	63 3/4	64 1/2	1	63 3/4	63 3/4	M	N	100	100 1/8	100 1/8	53	90 1/2				
Market St Ry 1st cons 5s	1924	81	81 1/2	81	82	36	64 3/4	84 1/2	F	A	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	29	100				
5-year 6% notes	1924	86 1/2	86 1/2	83 1/4	86 1/2	1	82	90	M	N	94	96	90	Dec 21	1	83			
Metropolitan Street Ry—																			
Bway & 7th Av 1st g 5s	1943	51	51	50	51	16	37	51	J	D	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	1	91				
Col & 9th Av 1st g 5s	1993	14	14	15	15	1	12	20	M	S	103 1/2	103 1/2	104 1/2	35	96 3/8				
Lex Av & P F 1st g 5s	1993	37 1/2	37 1/2	40	37 1/2	1	21 1/2	40	M	N	99 1/8	99 1/8	99 1/8	1	91				
Mac W S El (Chic) 1st g 4s	1938	51	51	50	51	1	41	51	M	N	78	80	73 1/2	Dec 21	1	70			
Manhattan Ry & Lt cons g 5s	1926	92	92	75 1/8	92	1	75 1/8	93	M	N	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	94	7				
Refunding & exten 4 1/2 s	1931	79 1/8	79 1/8	71 1/4	79 1/8	9	67 1/2	84	M	N	91	98	93	Dec 21	1	80 1/2			
Montreal Tram 1st & ref 5s	1941	83 1/4	83 1/4	83	83 1/4	9	67 1/2	84	M	N	96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2	3	89 1/2				
New York Ry & Lt gen 4 1/2 s	1935	43	43	50	43	1	50	50	M	N	61 1/2	61 1/2	60	61 3/4	72				
N Y Municipal Ry 1st 5s	1966	35	35	34	35	1	35	37 1/2	J	J	57 1/4	57 1/4	54 1/2	56 1/2	7	54 1/2			
N Y Rys 1st R E & ref 4s	1942	25	26	25 1/2	25 1/2	1	17 1/2	27 1/2	M	N	102	102	102	25	95				
Certificates of deposit		25	25 1/2	21	24	1	16	27 1/2	M	N	108 3/4	108 3/4	109	21	101 1/2				
80 year adj inc 5s	1942	5 1/4	6	5 1/4	5 1/4	10	3 1/8	9	A	O	43	43	43	6	44				
Certificates of deposit		4 3/4	5 1/4	5 1/8	5 1/8	1	4	7 1/2	J	D	74 3/8	74 3/8	74 3/8	1	79				
N Y State Rys 1st cons 4 1/2 s	1962	63 3/8	63 3/8	61 1/2	63 3/8	137	46 1/2	64 3/4	A	O	100 3/4	100 3/4	100 3/4	130	99				
Portland Ry 1st & ref 5s	1930	*80 1/2	80 1/2	78	80 1/2	1	69	83 3/8	M	N	100	100	100 1/2	130	99				
Portland Ry Lt & P 1st ref 5s	1942	80 1/2	80 1/2	80	80 1/2	1	56	80	M	N	95	95	94 3/4	95	6				
1st & refund 7 1/2 s Ser A	1946	103	103	102	103	23	98	104	M	N	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	17	99 1/2				
Portland Gen Elec 1st 5s	1936	83	83	80 3/4	83	1	74 1/2	81 1/4	F	A	103 1/2	103 1/2	111 1/2	2	97 1/2				
St Paul City Cab cons g 5s	1937	80 1/4	87	81 1/4	87	1	74 1/2	81 1/4	M	N	110 3/4	110 3/4	111 1/2	2	97 1/2				
Third Ave 1st ref 4s	1960	56 1/4	58	55 1/2	58	21	40 3/4	60	M	N	99 1/8	99 1/8	99 1/8	50 1/2	98 7/8				
Adj Income 5s	1960	45 3/4	44 1/2	44 1/2	46	19	25	47 1/2	J	J	73	74	73	74 3/8	9	71			
Third Ave Ry 1st g 5s	1937	85	88 1/8	83 1/8	88 1/8	1	75	88 1/8	M	N	8 3/4	87	104	Nov 21	1	98			
Yri City Ry & Lt 1st s f 5s	1923	95	96 1/2	96 1/4	96 1/2	7	83 1/8	96 1/4	J	D	87	87	88	68	80				
Undergr of London 4 1/2 s	1933	70	70	67	70	1	62 1/2	68	M	N	102 1/4	102 1/4	102 1/4	148	92				
Income 6s	1948	55 1/2	55 1/2	51	55 1/2	21	51	52 1/2	M	N	112 1/2	112 1/2	112 1/2	13	102				
United Rys Inv 5s Pitts 1st	1926	76	76	75	76 3/4	1	65	80 7/8	M	N	91 5/8	92 1/2	92 1/4	9	77 5/8				
United Rys St L 1st g 4s	1934	50 1/2	52 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2	1	47	51 1/2	M	N	111 1/2	111 1/2	112	4	103				
St Louis Transit gu 5s	1924	69 1/2	69 1/2	69	69 1/2	1	65	66	M	N	92 1/2	94 1/2	92 1/2	1	87 1/8				
St Paul Pow 1st & ref 5s	1934	78	78	75 1/8	78 1/8	1	66	79	M	N	88	88	88	Feb 21	1	85			
Gas and Electric Light																			
Edison Edison Inc gen 5s A	1949	89 3/8	89 3/8	89 3/8	89 3/8	1	76	92 3/8	J	J	92 1/2	94 1/2	92 1/2	1	87 1/8				
General 7s series B	1930	100 3/4	100 3/4	100	101	17	87	100 3/8	M	N	95	96 1/							

HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICE—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT.

Table with columns for days of the week (Saturday Dec. 31, Monday Jan. 2, Tuesday Jan. 3, Wednesday Jan. 4, Thursday Jan. 5, Friday Jan. 6) and a column for Sales for the Week. It lists various stock prices and sales data.

STOCKS BOSTON STOCK EXCHANGE

Table listing various stocks under categories like Railroads and Miscellaneous. It includes columns for Range for year 1921 (Lowest, Highest) and Range for Previous Year 1920 (Lowest, Highest). It lists stock names, share counts, and price ranges.

* Bid and asked prices. d Ex-dividend and rights. e Assessment paid. z Ex-rights. z Ex-dividend. o Par value \$10 per share.

Outside Stock Exchanges

Boston Bond Record.—Transactions in bonds at Boston Stock Exchange Dec. 31, to Jan. 6, both inclusive:

Table with columns: Bonds, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range for Year 1921 (Low, High).

Chicago Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Chicago Stock Exchange Dec. 31, to Jan. 6, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists.

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range for Year 1921 (Low, High).

Pittsburgh Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Pittsburgh Stock Exchange Dec. 31 to Jan. 6, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists.

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range for Year 1921 (Low, High).

Table with columns: Stocks (Concl.), Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range for Year 1921 (Low, High).

Baltimore Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Baltimore Stock Exchange, Dec. 31 to Jan. 6, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range for Year 1921 (Low, High).

Philadelphia Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Philadelphia Stock Exchange, Dec. 31 to Jan. 6, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Table with columns: Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range for Year 1921 (Low, High).

(*) No par value. z Ex-dividend.

Table with columns: Stocks (Concl.) - Par., Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, Range for Year 1921 (Low, High).

New York Curb Market.—Below is a record of the transactions in the New York Curb Market from Dec. 31 to Jan. 6, both inclusive, as compiled from the official lists.

Main table with columns: Week ending Jan. 6 - Stocks - Par., Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, Range for Year 1921 (Low, High). Includes sections for Industrial & Miscell., Other Oil Stocks, and Mining Stocks.

Table with columns: Other Oil Stocks (Concl.) - Par., Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, Range for Year 1921 (Low, High).

Main table with columns: Other Oil Stocks (Concl.) - Par., Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week Shares, Range for Year 1921 (Low, High). Includes sections for Other Oil Stocks and Mining Stocks.

Mining (Concl.)— Par.	Price.	Week's Range		Sates for Week Shares.	Range for Year 1921.			
		Low.	High.		Low.	High.	Low.	High.
South Amer Gold & Plat	1	5 3/4	5 1/2	2,200	3 3/4	Feb	6 3/4	Jan
Stewart Mining	1	1c	2c	3,000	1c	Dec	10c	July
Success Mining	1	2c	2c	2,000	1c	July	4c	Mar
Teck-Hughes	1	24c	20c	24c	6c	Aug	16c	Sept
Tintic Stan Min Co.	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1,000	1 1/2	Sept	21 1/2	16 Aug
Tonopah Belmont Dev.	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	2,500	98c	July	1 1/2	Dec
Tonopah Divide	1	66c	63c	67c	54c	Sept	7 1/2	Apr
Tonopah Extension	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	100	1 1/2	Sept	1 1/2	July
Tonopah Mining	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	400	1 1/2	Apr	1 11-16	Apr
Trinity	1	3	3	300	1 1/2	July	5	Nov
Tuolumne Copper	1	65c	80c	7,300	35c	Aug	80c	Dec
United Eastern Mining	1	2 1/2	2 1/2	19,150	2	June	3	May
United Verde Exten	50c	29	29 1/4	200	22	Aug	30	Dec
U S Continental Mines new	1	49c	49c	500	3/4	June	11-16	Apr
Unity Gold Mines	5	3 3/4	3 1/2	4 1/2	1,500	3 1/2	Dec	7 1/2
West End Consolidated	5	80c	74c	80c	05c	Aug	1 1-16	Oct
White Caps Mining	10c	5c	5c	2,000	2c	Sept	10c	Jan
Wilbert Mining	1	2c	2c	1,000	1c	July	4 1/2c	May
Yukon Gold Co.	6	1 1/2	1 1/2	1,600	3/4	Apr	1 1/2	Dec

Quotations for Sundry Securities.

All bonds prices are "and interest" except where marked "f."

Standard Oil Stocks	Par	84d	Ask	Joint Stk. Land Bk. Bonds	Par	84d	Ask
Anglo American Oil new	£1	*17	17 1/4	Cal Joint Stk Land Bk 5s '39	99	100	102 1/2
Atlantic Refining	100	99 1/2	102 1/2	5 1/2 1951 opt 1931	102 1/2	104	
Preferred	100	113	115	RR. Equipments—Per Ct	Basis		
Borne Strymsor Co.	100	325	340	Atch Topeka & Santa Fe 6s	5.85	5.50	
Buckeye Pipe Line Co.	50	85	86	Atlantic Coast Line 6s & 6 1/2s	5.90	6.60	
Chesbrough Mtg new	100	180	190	Baltimore & Ohio 4 1/2s	6.20	6.80	
Preferred new	100	103	107	Buff Roch & Pittsb 4s & 4 1/2s	5.85	5.50	
Continental Oil	100	124	127	Equipment 6s	5.90	5.70	
Crescent Pipe Line Co.	50	27	29	Canadian Pacific 4 1/2s & 6s	6.00	5.70	
Cumberland Pipe Line	100	120	130	Caro Clinohfield & Ohio 5s	7.50	6.25	
Eureka Pipe Line Co.	100	78	80	Central of Georgia 4 1/2s	6.50	6.00	
Galena Signal Oil com.	100	40	42	Central RR of N J 6s	5.85	5.50	
Preferred old	100	104	107	Chesapeake & Ohio 6 1/2s	6.00	5.65	
Preferred new	100	100	105	Equipment 5s	6.10	5.70	
Illinois Pipe Line	100	123	127	Chicago & Alton 4 1/2s, 5s	7.50	6.60	
Indiana Pipe Line Co.	50	*83	85	Chic Burl & Quincy 6s	5.85	5.50	
International Petrol. (no par)	*158	158		Chicago & Eastern Ill 5 1/2s	7.00	6.00	
National Transp Co.	12.50	*28	29	Chic Ind & Louisv 4 1/2s	6.25	5.90	
New York Transp Co.	100	140	144	Chic St Louis & N O 6s	6.00	5.75	
Northern Pipe Line Co.	100	90	94	Chicago & N W 4 1/2s	5.90	5.60	
Ohio Oil Co.	25	*259	263	Equipment 6s & 6 1/2s	5.90	5.70	
Penn Mex Fuel Co.	25	*17	18	Chicago R 1 & Pac 4 1/2s, 5s	6.60	6.00	
Prairie Oil & Gas	100	535	545	Colorado & Southern 6s	7.00	6.25	
Prairie Pipe Line	100	226	229	Delaware & Hudson 6s	5.90	5.70	
Solar Refining	100	335	350	Erle 4 1/2s, 5s & 6s	6.75	6.25	
Southern Pipe Line Co.	100	76	78	Great Northern 6s	5.87	5.65	
South Penn Oil	100	180	190	Hocking Valley 4 1/2s, 5s	6.50	5.90	
Southwest Pa Pipe Lines	100	50	51	Illinois Central 4 1/2s & 6s	5.90	5.65	
Standard Oil (California)	25	*97 3/4	98	Equipment 7s & 6 1/2s	5.90	5.60	
Standard Oil (Indiana)	25	*84 3/4	85 1/2	Kanawha & Michigan 4 1/2s	6.25	5.75	
Standard Oil (Kansas)	100	560	570	Louisville & Nashville 5s	5.90	5.65	
Standard Oil (Kentucky)	100	440	450	Equipment 6s & 6 1/2s	5.87	5.60	
Standard Oil (Nebraska)	100	160	170	Michigan Central 5s, 6s	6.00	5.65	
Standard Oil of New Jer.	25	171	1 3/2	Minn St P & S S M 4 1/2s & 5s	6.40	6.00	
Preferred	100	113 3/4	114 1/4	Equipment 6 1/2s & 7s	6.30	5.90	
Standard Oil of New Yk.	100	350	354	Missouri Kansas & Texas 5s	6.75	6.00	
Standard Oil (Ohio)	100	380	390	Missouri Pacific 5s	6.50	6.00	
Preferred	100	114	115	Equipment 6 1/2s	6.30	6.00	
Swan & Finch	100	30	40	Mobile & Ohio 4 1/2s, 5s	6.40	6.00	
Union Tank Car Co.	100	96	98	New York Cent 4 1/2s, 5s	6.00	5.70	
Preferred	100	103	108	Equipment 6s & 7s	6.00	5.70	
Vacuum Oil	100	300	305	N Y Ontario & West 4 1/2s	7%	6%	
Washington Oil	10	30	35	Norfolk & Western 4 1/2s	5.87	5.65	

* Odd lots. † No par value. ‡ Listed on the Stock Exchange this week, where additional transactions will be found. § New stock. ¶ When issued. † Ex dividend. ‡ Ex stock dividend. § Dollars per 1,000 lire, flat. ¶ Dollars per 1000 marks. § Marks. † Correction.

* Per share. † Basis. ‡ Purchaser also pays accrued dividend. § New stock. ¶ Flat price. † Last sale. ‡ Nominal. † Ex-dividend. ‡ Ex-rights.

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.	
		\$	\$	\$	\$					\$	\$	\$	\$
Alabama & Vicksb.	November	302,980	330,022	3,126,155	3,305,382		Mo K & T Ry of Tex	November	2,153,402	3,140,631	25,061,681	26,992,739	
Ann Arbor	3d wk Dec	91,050	130,996	5,021,093	5,209,251		Total system	October	6,021,768	7,170,579	52,350,848	59,490,557	
Atch Topeka & S Fe	November	171,240	203,400	1,755,238	1,966,937		Missouri Pacific	November	9,294,690	11,763,577	102,019,816	108,068,201	
Gulf Colo & S Fe	November	2,202,272	2,931,188	27,276,814	24,858,876		Mobile & Ohio	3d wk Dec	295,017	381,696	17,603,841	18,139,264	
Panhandle S Fe	November	837,825	917,120	8,850,235	8,541,372		Columbus & Gr.	November	164,257	164,085	1,440,882	1,682,748	
Atlanta Birm & Atl.	November	302,014	484,341	2,895,434	5,382,544		Monongahela Conn.	November	107,114	201,033	727,267	2,804,650	
Atlanta & West Pt.	November	196,974	218,202	2,299,018	2,772,045		Montour	November	89,404	205,490	1,319,538	1,514,020	
Atlantic City	November	215,900	263,974	4,379,101	4,421,605		Nashv Chatt & St L	November	1,791,856	2,064,144	19,381,706	22,499,784	
Atlantic Coast Line	November	5,347,777	6,135,960	60,477,064	66,054,392		Nevada-Calif-Ore	3d wk Dec	4,368	7,871	410,826	411,432	
Baltimore & Ohio	November	1,590,104	2,328,032	13,311,781	21,086,919		De v d r h e r	November	33,941	81,218	3,391,111	1,511,694	
B & O Chic Term	November	252,387	287,196	2,419,893	2,063,188		Newburgh & Sou Sh	November	184,742	216,256	1,332,780	1,685,817	
Bangor & Aroostook	Nove ber	701,519	692,589	6,710,685	6,138,468		New Orf Great Nor	November	204,341	245,639	2,355,149	2,467,796	
Bellefonte Central	September	7,597	15,999	55,573	86,561		N O Texas & Mex	November	229,955	403,149	2,450,586	2,776,612	
Belt Ry of Chicago	November	469,056	497,123	5,059,357	4,231,456		Beaum S L & W	November	148,140	267,592	1,978,752	2,092,675	
Bessemer & L Erie	November	880,138	1,869,474	12,836,937	14,623,198		St L Brownsv & M	November	423,982	699,931	5,494,548	6,986,535	
Bingham & Garfield	Nove ber	12,985	33,305	166,942	1,337,072		New York Central	November	27,736,185	34,677,513	296,197,330	340,951,185	
Boston & Maine	November	6,777,061	7,722,791	72,148,159	79,452,786		Ind Harbor Belt	November	730,030	1,060,992	8,351,154	8,879,336	
Bklyn E D Term	November	111,121	118,772	1,211,014	1,088,432		Lake Erie & West	November	730,608	1,081,232	8,398,781	10,948,295	
Buff Roch & Pittsb.	3d wk Dec	270,516	551,186	14,467,438	23,321,141		Michigan Central	November	5,964,073	7,533,697	67,054,847	80,993,106	
Buffalo & Susq.	November	182,147	295,232	1,888,960	2,811,082		Cleve C & St L	November	6,392,387	8,091,256	73,762,984	81,426,960	
Canadian Nat Rys.	3d wk Dec	2,009,393	2,600,174	10,698,361	10,671,388		Cincinnati North	November	295,836	301,762	3,544,656	3,366,282	
Canadian Pacific	4d wk Dec	4,930,000	5,540,000	29,377	218,502		Pitts & Lake Erie	November	2,045,705	4,383,219	21,317,913	32,136,129	
Caro Clinch & Ohio	November	670,005	770,506	6,889,058	6,826,777		Tol & Ohio Cent.	November	837,888	1,501,864	10,001,841	12,202,481	
Central of Georgia	November	1,744,525	1,968,902	20,579,686	23,138,492		Kanawha & Mich	November	360,174	626,571	4,501,820	4,939,305	
Central RR of N J	November	4,176,304	5,190,922	48,524,262	47,027,614		N Y Chic & St Louis	November	2,325,465	2,706,821	24,785,612	25,537,675	
Cent New England	November	789,935	872,013	7,753,574	6,836,247		N Y Connecting	November	253,538	297,235	3,081,925	1,477,756	
Central Vermont	November	586,536	639,241	6,103,930	6,553,213		N Y N H & Hartf	November	102,704	113,078	1,045,081	1,132,027	
Charleston & W Car	November	274,935	309,467	3,021,239	3,203,622		N Y Ont & Western	November	1,079,482	1,194,589	3,135,030	12,015,141	
Ches & Ohio Lines	November	6,602,125	8,500,831	78,174,054	81,544,944		N Y Susq & West	November	334,523	419,933	3,931,019	4,173,272	
Chicago & Alton	Nove b r	2,545,952	2,966,589	28,575,703	27,641,791		Norfolk Southern	November	749,685	632,421	7,375,949	7,119,727	
Chic Burl & Quincy	November	1,360,117	1,767,800	15,527,958	16,999,858		Norfolk & Western	November	6,939,600	8,910,757	73,541,696	80,048,422	
Chicago & East Ill.	Nove b r	2,252,235	2,912,339	25,078,253	28,219,471		Northern Pacific	November	8,919,928	10,533,539	87,037,246	103,984,528	
Chicago Great West	November	1,955,118	2,162,164	22,586,248	21,802,409		Northwest Pac	November	650,406	616,093	8,010,270	7,321,242	
Chic Ind & Louisv.	November	1,226,135	1,464,457	13,952,614	14,614,604		Pennsylv RR	November	4,204,790	5,816,188	46,692,166	51,656,471	
Chicago Junction	November	453,464	375,848	4,821,859	3,218,488		Balt Ches & Atl.	November	100,877	152,716	1,504,906	1,539,372	
Chic Milw & St Paul	Nove b r	118,831	156,569	1,354,179	1,556,658		Cinc Leo & Nor	November	153,838	112,031	1,127,383	1,219,532	
Chic & North West	Nove b r	108,904	147,800	1,319,868	1,529,947		Grand Rap & Ind	November	894,918	1,047,264	8,137,458	8,958,305	
Chic Peoria & St L.	November	177,699	287,181	1,916,058	2,539,450		Long Island	November	2,150,873	2,080,830	26,711,527	23,865,811	
Chic R I & Pac	November	10,475,637	11,610,100	122,228,852	124,081,387		Mary Del & Va	November	88,573	114,941	1,161,785	1,230,690	
Chic R I & Gulf	November	564,373	616,040	7,040,325	6,191,425		Monongahela	November	484,725	519,749	4,066,782	4,053,655	
Chic St P M & O n	Nove b r	2,217,142	2,955,413	25,914,379	29,315,270		N Y Phila & Norf	November	529,990	731,581	5,776,641	7,412,857	
Dinc Ind & Western	November	336,745	394,482	3,395,038	4,123,822		Tol Peor & West	November	118,525	179,423	1,528,976	1,931,614	
Colo & Southern	3d wk Dec	458,743	681,238	25,986,623	30,572,707		W Jersey & Seash	November	802,665	1,054,411	12,205,974	13,046,548	
Ft W & Den City	November	1,035,401	1,307,592	10,506,917	11,850,511		Pitts C C & St L	November	8,682,091	11,386,717	89,647,695	100,586,945	
Trin & Brazos Val	November	464,646	273,206	3,040,232	1,963,354		Pennsylvania Syst.	November	5,596,054	7,524,486	61,176,658	67,389,625	
Wchita Valley	November	194,450	224,045	1,596,105	1,644,058		Peoria & Pekin Un.	November	148,082	197,809	1,547,509	1,509,928	
Dumb Val & Martin	November	95,466	95,970	1,256,896	811,590		Pere Marquette	November	3,304,921	3,652,087	35,517,130	37,350,713	
Delaware & Hudson	November	3,637,113	4,151,348	41,987,304	40,131,183		Perkiomen	November	120,826	119,220	1,176,418	1,147,824	
Del Lack & Western	November	7,192,455	8,635,070	79,623,440	75,108,468		Phila & Reading	November	7,393,366	9,835,510	78,099,043	84,826,989	
Deny & Rio Grande	November	2,828,226	4,077,095	30,246,118	36,533,707		Pittsb & Shawmut	October	136,845	209,724	1,059,916	1,443,596	
Denver & Salt Lake	November	307,485	301,334	2,730,866	2,687,870		Pittsb Shaw & North	November	94,600	159,883	1,985,618	1,435,648	
Detroit & Mackinac	November	172,815	218,297	1,846,970	1,931,446		Pittsb & West Va	November	192,637	281,249	1,850,822	2,335,878	
Detroit Tol & Iron	November	681,052	481,632	6,634,658	4,711,939		Port Reading	November	173,689	136,621	2,073,488	1,680,161	
Det & Tol Shore L.	October	270,057	207,519	2,259,054	1,841,395		Quincy Om & K C	Nove b r	116,998	124,709	1,210,431	1,240,770	
Dul & Iron Range	November	93,767	829,516	4,876,007	10,918,541		Rich Fred & Potom	November	717,131	812,751	9,130,413	10,013,836	
Dul Missabe & Nor.	Nove b r	153,491	1,539,948	12,239,439	19,341,765		Rutland	November	463,084	560,195	5,373,759	5,448,356	
Dul Sou Shore & Atl	3d wk Dec	71,521	102,738	4,342,133	5,664,388		St Jos & Grand Isl	November	257,337	399,199	3,104,995	3,158,785	
Duluth Winn & Pac	November	189,919	251,584	2,169,652	2,284,598		St Louis San Fran	November	6,731,067	8,518,733	75,694,284	85,430,268	
East St Louis Conn.	November	121,566	154,125	1,481,911	1,358,165		Ft W & Rio Grand	November	168,069	195,849	1,618,889	1,799,392	
Eastern S S Lines	October	495,890	490,775	4,661,058	4,232,904		St L S of Tex.	November	156,288	192,012	1,772,981	1,635,940	
Elgin Joliet & East.	November	1,556,952	2,698,058	17,743,921	23,025,693		St Louis Southwest	November	1,654,242	1,982,512	15,847,634	19,476,030	
El Paso & Sou West	November	773,092	1,485,268	10,123,057	13,579,104		St L S W of Tex.	November	683,396	836,409	7,079,971	8,427,227	
Erie Railroad	November	8,520,387	11,289,247	95,815,443	99,160,255		Total System	3d wk Dec	480,985	611,565	23,971,577	29,776,183	
Chicago & Erie	November	1,023,958	1,245,584	10,046,176	11,804,481		St Louis Transfer	November	77,431	117,753	1,030,425	1,263,039	
N J & N Y RR	Nove b r	109,523	124,798	1,367,299	1,229,618		San Ant & Aran Pass	November	535,128	623,605	5,841,391	5,484,325	
Florida East Coast	November	960,836	1,071,613	12,337,720	12,203,783		Sa A Un Uvalde & G	November	71,686	99,031	1,088,534	1,365,364	
Fonda Johns & Glov	November	111,525	115,846	1,242,063	1,308,505		Seaboard Air Line	November	3,608,176	4,277,095	39,143,753	41,705,786	
Ft Smith & Western	Nove b r	159,798	231,523	1,637,257	1,832,495		Southern Pacific	October	18,101,117	20,860,067	162,051,292	166,400,434	
Galveston Wharf	November	188,151	249,359	2,471,663	1,733,468		14,693,065	18,345,122	176,749,357	184,745,586			
Georgia Railroad	November	398,625	552,731	4,781,734	6,086,465		Atlantic S S Lines	November	1,057,650	1,062,175	9,769,554	6,365,941	
Georgia & Florida	November	103,513	145,425	1,273,992	1,388,357		Arizona Eastern	November	193,871	425,617	2,508,850	3,795,271	
Grand Trunk Syst.	3d wk Dec	1,685,267	2,231,757	15,211,404	2,943,483								

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:

Table with columns: Company Name, Gross from Railway (1921, 1920), Net from Railway (1921, 1920), Net after Taxes (1921, 1920). Includes companies like Atch Topeka & Santa Fe, Bangor & Aroostook, Bingham & Garfield, etc.

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ELECTRIC RAILWAY AND PUBLIC UTILITY COS.

Table with columns: Name of Road or Company, Latest Gross Earnings (Month, Current Year, Previous Year), Jan. 1 to Latest Date (Current Year, Previous Year). Includes companies like Adirondack Pow & Lt, Alabama Power Co., Amer Pow & Lt Co., etc.

Name of Road or Company.	Latest Gross Earnings.		Jan. 1 to Latest Date.	
	Month.	Current Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.
en Gas & El & Sub Cos	November	1013,189	1076,693	10,413,750
reat Western Power	November	710,975	766,428	6,698,858
arlsburg Ry Co.	September	128,938	149,112	1,247,782
avana Elec Ry & Lt	November	1112,168	1037,357	11,731,928
averhill Gas Lt Co	November	45,620	40,493	*518,074
onolulu R P & La d	November	77,171	74,245	858,908
oughton Co El Lt Co	November	51,421	63,445	499,292
oughton Co Trac Co	October	16,629	23,282	205,992
udson & Manhattan	October	909,702	866,219	8,649,128
untington Dev & Gas	October	81,095	118,990	861,572
aho Power Co	November	190,734	181,607	*2,288,226
hols Traction Co	October	1911,023	1863,982	18,106,393
terboro R T System	September	4191,645	4326,560	40,310,388
ookuk Electric Co	November	33,488	31,540	341,613
eystone Teleph Co	November	135,955	144,404	1,574,766
ey West Electric Co	November	22,834	22,170	241,849
ake Shore Elec Ry	October	197,237	255,911	2,176,663
ong Island Electric	September	36,306	30,154	295,258
owell Elec Lt Corp	November	110,615	106,983	1,063,125
anhatg Bdge 3c Line	September	23,337	26,982	213,194
anhattan & Queens	September	30,537	7,100	252,696
Market Street Ry	November	774,195	774,195	6,276,650
etrop Edison Co	November	231,408	264,018	2,416,042
ilwaukee El Ry & Lt	October	1510,376	1690,570	*18399282
iss River Power Co	November	233,076	245,977	2,512,452
unic Serv Co & Sub	October	198,529	230,790	*2,518,018
ashville Ry & Lt Co	October	325,208	314,598	3,164,282
braska Power Co	October	266,983	254,971	2,557,990
evada-Calif Elec	November	215,185	205,052	*3,178,382
ew Eng Power Syst	October	503,056	533,506	*5,409,378
ew Jersey Pr & Lt Co	November	55,386	45,716	441,141
ewp N & H Ry G&E	November	163,561	230,151	2,379,604
ew York Dock Co	November	380,996	501,816	5,101,516
Y & Queens County	September	113,465	110,690	961,988
Y & Long Island	September	56,704	49,233	454,679
New York Railways	September	843,598	813,816	7,219,010
b Eighth Avenue	September	105,256	95,374	901,656
b Ninth Avenue	September	45,484	40,931	404,929
Y & Queens County	August	112,930	113,568	848,523
o Caro Pub Serv Co	November	161,158	89,730	1,126,723
or'n Ohio Elec Corp	November	700,149	852,222	7,858,361
or'hw Ohio Ry & T	November	35,279	41,254	436,416
orthern Texas Elec	November	270,870	330,885	3,251,197
cean Electric	September	38,188	29,079	262,407
acific Gas & Electric	November	3035,040	3103,524	*37550563
acific Pow & Lt Co	October	267,295	247,710	2,464,879
aducab Electric Com	November	45,831	42,482	477,769
enn Cent Lt & Pow	October	200,719	217,969	*2,359,768
enn Edis & Sub Cos	November	219,743	255,371	2,181,581
ennsylv Pr & Lt Co	August	818,179	668,009	*9,438,791
hiladelphia Co and	November	890,626	1347,409	9,041,148
hiladelphia Gas Cos	November	93,320	178,953	986,066
hila & Western	November	66,033	67,651	744,058
hila Rap Transit Co	November	3487,908	3726,376	38,619,508
he Bluff Co	August	75,208	81,586	*785,882
ortland Gas & Coke	October	264,276	247,931	2,868,783
ortland Ry, Lt & P	October	811,185	862,267	8,215,177
ouget Sound P & Lt	November	870,781	922,737	9,094,603
ead Tr & Lt Co & Sub	November	235,273	235,402	2,728,944
epublic Ry & Lt Co	November	607,171	742,156	*7,433,634
Richmond Lt & RR	September	69,240	82,315	480,889
Rutland Ry Lt & P	November	46,289	51,269	512,647
andusky Gas & El Co	November	69,038	85,505	620,579
ayre Electric Co	November	16,848	18,220	172,022
econd Avenue	September	95,004	88,063	747,546
7th St Incl Plane Co	November	3,662	4,018	41,301
erra Pacific Elec Co	November	74,098	67,357	800,874
ou'n Cal Edison Co	October	1458,636	1461,827	17,790,744
outh Canada Power	November	71,777	65,188	718,882
outhwest P & Lt Co	October	883,326	947,592	*10149750
ampa Electric Co	November	135,590	128,997	1,557,254
ennessee Power Co	October	210,787	221,817	1,982,869
ennessee Ry, L & P	October	564,387	558,218	5,455,506
exas Electric Ry	November	240,003	313,146	*2,932,699
exas Power & Light	October	465,020	556,990	*5,074,242
hird Avenue System	November	1139,368	1060,260	13,202,891
hwin City R T Co	November	1161,224	1182,517	12,646,740
nted Gas & El Corp	November	1084,700	1048,417	*11849165
Utah Power & Light	October	569,894	571,388	5,543,433
Utah Securities Corp	November	729,425	843,500	*8,626,583
ermont Hy-EI Corp	November	52,354	52,891	477,160
Virginia Ry & Power	November	846,138	899,931	9,296,909
Vinipeg Electric Ry	October	451,224	453,101	4,550,250
adkin River Pr Co	August	92,180	69,260	*1,032,376
Youngstown & O Riv	October	48,661	46,001	465,001

Name of Road or Company.	Month.	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Gross Earnings.	Net after Taxes.	Fixed Charges.	Balance, Surplus.
Binghamton Lt, Ht Nov	'21	90,255	17,992						
& Power	'20	80,285	24,337						
12 mos ending Nov 30	'21	901,235	2259,956	127,970	131,996				
	'20	728,665	171,794	108,802	62,992				
Colorado Power Co Nov	'21	70,579	144,384						
	'20	104,407	250,899						
12 mos ending Nov 30	'21	1,011,403	1477,393	357,078	120,315				
	'20	1,106,567	1548,097	372,198	175,899				
General Gas & Elec Nov	'21	1,013,489	270,691						
& Subsid Co's	'20	1,076,693	239,761						
12 mos ending Nov 30	'21	11,496,559	13,159,929	2,026,186	1,133,743				
	'20								
Havana Elec Ry, Nov	'21	1,142,168	1654,093	354,695	299,398				
& Power	'20	1,037,352	1459,078	255,913	203,165				
11 mos ending Nov 30	'21	11,734,928	15,547,233	3,228,169	2,319,064				
	'20	10,366,709	15,027,542	2,662,411	2,365,131				
Honolulu Rapid Nov	'21	77,171	19,225	13,294	5,931				
Transit & Land Co	'20	70,245	23,828	14,046	9,781				
11 mos ending Nov 30	'21	858,908	298,205	150,492	147,713				
	'20	761,238	263,301	154,416	108,885				
Metropolitan Nov	'21	231,408	86,015						
Edison Co	'20	264,018	68,898						
12 mos ending Nov 30	'21	2,674,814	1,084,075	617,613	466,460				
	'20	2,766,809	1,862,668	528,674	333,994				
Nevada-Calif Elec Nov	'21	215,185	123,258	64,197	59,061				
Corp	'20	205,052	108,449	61,131	47,318				
12 mos ending Nov 30	'21	3,178,382	1,694,359	781,929	912,430				
	'20	3,057,898	1,619,664	710,137	909,467				
New Jersey Power Nov	'21	55,386	16,700						
& Light Co	'20	45,716	14,419						
12 mos ending Nov 30	'21	489,279	156,120	78,601	77,519				
	'20	449,739	147,739	72,145	75,594				
Newport News & Nov	'21	463,561	323,609	28,280	4,329				
Hampton Ry G&E	'20	230,151	131,666	28,579	6,087				
12 mos ending Nov 30	'21	2,379,604	1,480,661	315,596	165,065				
	'20	2,534,758	1,341,402	309,171	32,231				
North Carolina Nov	'21	101,158	30,858	13,995	16,863				
Public Service	'20	89,730	25,181	13,883	11,298				
12 mos ending Nov 30	'21	1,126,723	317,253	167,496	149,757				
	'20	1,014,154	287,359	166,595	126,764				
Northwestern Ohio Nov	'21	36,279	6,514						
Railway & Power	'20	41,254	2,055						
12 mos ending Nov 30	'21	471,492	166,766	68,549	-1,783				
	'20	459,081	176,918	68,933	7,985				
Pacific Gas & Nov	'21	3,035,040	1,062,402	407,123	655,279				
Electric Co	'20	3,103,524	993,289	411,355	581,934				
12 mos ending Nov 30	'21	37,550,563	13,523,377	5,129,299	8,394,078				
	'20	34,209,973	11,334,481	4,788,032	6,546,449				
Pennsylvania Nov	'21	219,743	76,934						
Edison Co	'20	255,371	64,351						
12 mos ending Nov 30	'21	2,491,531	1,727,038	414,972	312,066				
	'20	2,217,755	1,539,435	423,249	116,186				
Reading Trans & Nov	'21	235,273	17,860						
Lt Co & Sub Cos	'20	235,402	21,702						
12 mos ending Nov 30	'21	2,993,283	1,276,755	89,073	187,682				
	'20	3,011,897	1,279,685	87,892	191,793				
Rutland Ry, Lt Nov	'21	46,289	11,220						
& Power Co	'20	51,269	6,270						
12 mos ending Nov 30	'21	564,666	147,227	97,754	49,473				
	'20	561,471	142,169	99,562	42,607				
Sandusky Gas & Nov	'21	69,038	14,669						
Electric Co	'20	85,505	14,982						
12 mos ending Nov 30	'21	700,942	179,944	80,319	99,625				
	'20	728,338	171,366	66,576	4,790				
Sayre Electric Nov	'21	16,848	4,198						
Company	'20	18,220	3,707						
12 mos ending Nov 30	'21	191,070	52,598	22,933	29,665				
	'20	164,667	31,112	21,206	9,906				
Vermont Hydro Nov	'21	52,354	13,862						
Elec Corp	'20	52,891							

Regarding the company's coal subsidiary Pres. Farrell adds:

Since April 1 1917 the Pittsburgh Terminal RR & Coal Co. has retired \$498,000 of its 1st Mtge. bonds and has also expended \$1,627,783 for additions and betterments, including the new No. 8 Coverdale mine, which has been in operation for some time. On Dec 27 1921 the Coal company had outstanding 1st Mtge. bonds in the amount of \$3,243,000, against which the company has a sinking fund of \$652,383, and if this latter sum is deducted from the outstanding bonds, it would leave a net of \$2,590,617. The position of this company as of Dec 27 1921 in cash, treasury certificates and Government bonds totals \$2,699,973. [The entire \$16,000,000 stock of the Pittsburgh Terminal RR & Coal Co. is owned by the Pittsburgh & West Virginia Ry.—Ed.]—V. 113, p. 2721.

Swift & Company, Chicago.

(Annual Report for Year ended Nov. 5 1921.)

President Louis F. Swift at the 37th annual meeting in Chicago, Jan. 5 1922, said in substance:

Outlook.—Our current business from month to month has been fairly satisfactory, so that with inventory losses now completely written off, we believe we are on a sound basis for the future. In fact, the situation has been so encouraging during the past three or four months that nothing short of another general trade depression can keep us from continuing to earn a profit during our present fiscal year.

Results.—Our sales during the past year were a little over \$800,000,000. Although this represents a reduction in dollars from the previous year, our decrease in tonnage was only about 6%.

The decline in our inventory prices during the past two years has been by far the most severe ever experienced and it should be understood that our reason for being unable to show a profit for the 12 months is due largely to the fall in prices of commodities on hand.

Fall in Prices.—The sensational fall in values of live stock and packing-house products, which was in progress in 1920, continued for the first four months of the fiscal year just closed. Since that time there has not been any serious fall in values, but the inventory losses of the first quarter of the year together with the continuing slack trade due to business depression, made it impossible for us to show a profit for the 12 months under review.

P. & L. Surplus.—However, during the prosperous years of the war we provided for the serious decline by appropriating large amounts to surplus in order to maintain the company in sound financial condition, enabling us to continue the payment of regular dividends, although in 1921 there was a loss of \$20,000,000 in inventory values. A trading profit of over \$12,000,000 reduced the net loss for the year to \$7,812,292. We paid dividends of 8%, amounting to \$12,000,000.

Dividends.—Your directors believe it the duty of a corporation, not only to set aside a surplus during prosperous times, but to use this surplus under conditions warrant to pay dividends to shareholders during days of depression. The prospects are that Swift & Company will continue the payment of dividends.

Retrenchment.—Our ability to pull through these trying times would not have been possible except for the splendid co-operation of all connected with us to minimize expense by doing their utmost to provide economies all along the line.

Wage Reductions.—Wages were reduced about 12 1/2% in the packing industry in March 1921, and since the close of our fiscal year the question of further decrease in wage rates has been handled by our Assemblies, and a reduction of about 10% was made effective Nov. 28 1921.

[Current assets on Nov. 5 1921, it is noted, were 201% of current liabilities, including 5 and 10-year gold notes.]

OPERATIONS FOR FISCAL YEARS.

Table with 5 columns: 12 Months ending, Nov. 5 1921, Oct. 30 1920, Nov. 1 1919, Nov. 2 1918. Rows include Business done, Trading profit, Loss on inventory, Net earnings, Cash divs. (8%), and Balance.

BALANCE SHEET.

Table with 5 columns: Assets, Nov. 5 '21, Oct. 30 '20, Nov. 1 '19, Nov. 2 '18. Rows include Real estate, Stocks and bonds, Cash, Accounts receivable, Live cattle, sheep, hogs, dressed beef, &c., Total assets, Liabilities, Capital stock, 1st M. 5% bonds, 6% gold notes due 1921, 7% gold notes due '31, 7% gold notes, Accr. bond int. & divs., Notes payable, Accounts payable, General reserves, Reserve for Federal taxes, Surplus, Total liabilities.

—V. 113, p. 2088.

Cudahy Packing Co., Chicago.

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Oct. 29 1921.)

President E. A. Cudahy, Chicago, Jan. 1, wrote in subst.:

Industrial Conditions.—The inability of Europe to purchase and pay, accompanied by a diminished domestic demand for merchandise of all kinds, resulted in a slowing down of business and in declining prices, from which few industries escaped. The principal adverse factor, however, for us, was the fact that the decline in production costs did not keep pace with falling prices. It is true the price of live stock, like the price of meats, declined greatly. But freight rates, interest, labor and the cost of fuel and other supplies throughout the greater part of the year were disproportionately high.

The small margin of profit on which we operate, and the large quantities of meat we have to carry in the process of curing, make our profit and loss account singularly responsive to price variations. Working at best on a margin of a fraction of a cent per lb. profit, it is manifest that with market declines of 5c. to 10c. a lb., our loss was unavoidable and not by any means excessive under the circumstances.

Chicago Wholesale Market Prices at Opening and at Close of Co.'s Fiscal Year.

Table with 3 columns: Market Prices, Oct. 30 1920, Oct. 29 1921. Rows include Dressed prime native steers, Dressed lambs, Dressed hogs, P. S. lard.

Results.—From a profit and loss point of view, it is true, our statement is not a very satisfactory one, yet when compared with our last annual statement it shows decided improvement in many vital respects. A year ago we were carrying inventories in excess of \$30,600,000. Now they are less than \$17,200,000. In the course of the year our indebtedness was reduced over \$18,000,000.

The decrease shown in our sales is mainly due to the lower prices at which the goods were sold. The total tonnage of live stock which we handled in 1921 was only about 7% less than in 1920.

Outlook.—Considerable progress has been made in operating economies, and this, with the benefits we are now deriving from lower interest rates on our greatly reduced indebtedness, as well as from cheaper labor and re-

duced taxation, it is to be reasonably expected that 1922 will show a great improvement in financial results over this year.

One very favorable feature is that the greater part of the 1921 decline in prices occurred during the first half of the year, and that our operations for the last half of the year yielded a very fair profit, although not sufficient to offset the earlier losses. The fact, however, that the downward movement in the price of packing house products, which had been continuing for two years or more, slowed up in 1921 (leaving the prices at 1914 levels and in many cases lower), augurs well for the coming year.

We have seen the price of hogs drop from 23c. per lb. in 1919 to 6 3/4c. in 1921; green hams from 35c. to 13c., and lard from 35c. to 9 1/4c. Any further drop must, of necessity, be a small one; otherwise values would be blotted out entirely. On a steady market, or on a market with normal price movements, your company, with its present volume of business, will operate at a profit and on the assumption that the low point has now been reached, with the possibility of an upward swing, I believe we may look forward confidently to a marked improvement for the coming year.

Condensed Extracts from Auditor's Certificate.

Arthur Young & Co., certified public accountants, Dec. 15 report in part: Results.—The inventories of product and merchandise have been valued at cost or market, whichever was lower. The net loss for the year of \$1,569,563 is after deducting all expenses of operation and administration and after deducting interest on bonds and notes and other borrowed money.

No deduction for the year has been made for depreciation of fixed assets, but approximately \$1,165,000 has been expended in maintenance of the property.

Sinking Funds.—The sinking fund provisions of the 5% 1st M. bonds and the 5-Year 7% notes have been complied with.

Surplus.—Transactions for the year through surplus account are: Paid-in capital surplus as at Oct. 30 1920 \$1,713,529

Earned surplus as at Oct. 30 1920, \$3,409,192; less adjustments, \$408, and net loss for year, \$1,569,563----- 1,839,221

Surplus, Oct. 29 1921----- \$3,552,750

Preferred Dividends Suspended.—The dividends on the 6% Preferred and 7% Preferred stocks for the past year have not been declared, and amount to \$578,535. [See note below.]

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR FISCAL YEARS ENDING—

Table with 5 columns: Oct. 29 '21, Oct. 30 '20, Nov. 1 '19, Nov. 2 '18. Rows include Total sales, Oper. expenses, Res. for Fed. taxes, Net profits, 1st pref. dividend, 2d pref. dividend, Common dividend.

Balance def. \$1,569,563 def. \$959,845 sur. \$280,495 sur. \$1,996,808

Total p. & l. surplus \$3,552,750 \$5,122,721 \$9,620,575 \$12,493,078

As stated above: "The dividend on the 6% Pref. and 7% Pref. stocks for the past year have not been declared and amount to \$578,535." [This refers to the dividends usually paid in May and Nov. on these cumulative Preferred stocks which were deferred in 1921 but must be paid before any dividends are paid on Common shares.]

BALANCE SHEET OCT. 29 1921 AND OCT. 30 1920.

Table with 4 columns: Oct. 29 '21, Oct. 30 '20, Oct. 29 '21, Oct. 30 '20. Rows include Assets: Car & refrig. line, Real estate, machinery, &c., Farm lands & inpts., Sales branches, Total, Deprec. reserve, Tot. fixed assets, O. D. C. adv. invest., Cash, Acc'ts & notes rec., Inv. in stocks & bds., Material & suppl's, Divs. on purch's., Un-accrued insur., Prep id interest, Bond & note disc't., (being amort.), Liabilities: 1st pref. stk. (6%), 2d pref. stk. (7%), Common stock, 7% sink. fund 5-yr. gold notes, 5% 1st M. e. bds., Notes payable, Accounts payable, Bd. & note int. acer., Res'v for conting., Pref. divs. payable (see above), Surplus (see text).

Total \$61,762,122 \$81,925,089

a 7% 5-Year notes authorized and issued, \$10,000,000; due July 15 1923, less retired through sinking fund, \$4,500,000; balance outstanding, \$5,500,000. b First Mtge. 5% bonds authorized, \$12,000,000; issued, \$9,000,000; less retired through sinking fund, \$1,350,500.—V. 113, p. 2823.

Anaconda Copper Mining Co.

(Authoritative Statement as to Properties—Balance Sheet.)

James F. Kemp, E.M., consulting mining geologist, N. Y. City, Dec. 24 1921, in a statement addressed to Charles F. Brooker, Chairman of stockholders' committee of American Brass Co., 195 Broadway, New York, says in brief (compare pending plan on a following page and in V. 113, p. 2725, 2822).

Properties.—Butte, Mont., is the most productive individual American mining centre for copper and silver, and in the last two years has attained equal prominence in zinc. It therefore furnishes vast quantities of both the component metals of brass. The Anaconda Co. possesses almost all the copper properties in Butte and a large part of those yielding zinc.

At capacity the Anaconda Co. can produce in a year 4,500,000 to 5,000,000 tons of ore, which yields some 275,000,000 lbs. of copper, 11,000,000 ozs. of silver and 40,000 ozs. of gold. From purchased ores the company ordinarily increases its copper output by 25,000,000 lbs. additional, with a corresponding increase in silver. The more recently added electrolytic treatment of zinc furnished in 1920 over 100,000,000 lbs. of this metal with a by-product yield of about 12,500,000 lbs. of lead, 2,173,000 lbs. of copper and 2,073,000 ozs. of silver.

In normal years the smelter at the city of Anaconda also saves some 2,500,000 lbs. of white arsenic and over 52,000 tons of sulphuric acid (or much more if needed) for use in the concentrators and for converting phosphate rock into a rich fertilizer; 3,666,938 lbs. of treble superphosphate have been made in an experimental plant.

The Veins.—(1) The oldest set of nearly east and west fractures, often called the "Anaconda" system, is the most productive; (2) following these come the "Blue Veins," northwest and southeast fractures, also highly productive; and (3) "Stewart Fault Veins," running northeast and southwest also important producers. There are also several belts of strong east and west veins. Because of multitudines of small fissures spreading out from the main vein, the minable ground is at times several hundred feet across.

Grade of Ore.—The ores range from a general minimum of about 3% copper to 10 or 15%, the lower grades being used in times of high copper prices and higher grades in times of low prices. This average quality has thus been maintained for 10 or 15 years. All the ore as mined, forming a general average of about 3.3% copper, is crushed and concentrated by a general average of about 91.5% after refining is 91.5% of the values in oil flotation. The final recovery after refining is equal for similar tonnage, the crude ore—a showing rarely, if ever, equaled for 2,200 miles of work.

In its operations the Anaconda Co. has opened over 2,200 miles of workings and in normal years operates 23 different mines or shafts. Each normal year from 35 to 40 miles of drifts and cross-cuts, i. e., small tunnels are excavated for development purposes.

Ore Reserves.—The individual mines are of all depths from 500 to 3,200 ft. The deepest exploring shaft has penetrated over 400 ft. below the deepest present working level. The rich copper-bearing minerals continue unchanged in character to the lowest depth reached, and the silver shows no decline, but, if anything, a slight improvement in its ratio to copper. Careful estimates indicate an ore reserve sufficient to support operation on the normal scale for 15 or 16 years to come, an unusually long period.

The development in advance of mining indicates more ore blocked out to-day than 10 years ago, ahead of the stage of mining then existing, and this should continue for some years to come. Eventually, however, a second electric hoist will be necessary to shorten the excessive length and weight of cables. No essential change is anticipated in the physical conditions of production for 15 years to come. The valuation of the mining properties, as disclosed by the published balance sheet, seems to me to be conservative and justified.

Anaconda Smelter.—The company's great concentration and smelting works at Anaconda are connected with Butte, 26 miles west, by the Butte Anaconda & Pacific R.R., an electrified road controlled by the Anaconda Co. From Anaconda the copper anodes are shipped to Great Falls, Mont., for refining and manufacture into wire, bars and cables up to 16 1/2 million lbs. per month. Any excess is sent to the Raritan refinery at Perth Amboy, N. J. The zinc ores are also concentrated at Anaconda and given a slight preliminary roast before being sent to Great Falls for electrolytic reduction.

Great Falls, Mont., Reduction Works.—The Anaconda Co.'s large works at Great Falls, Mont., 17 1/2 miles from Butte and near to the large hydro-electric installations of the Montana Power Co., are now devoted to the refining of copper and to the manufacturing of a large part of the output into wire, bars and cables. Capacity 200,000 lbs. of rods and 80,000 of wire daily. Also contains an electrolytic installation for zinc and electric furnaces for the production of ferromanganese. During the war period over 7,000,000 lbs. of ferromanganese were made.

Timber Lands.—The company owns 1,150,000 acres in western Montana, containing standing timber estimated at 6,000,000,000 ft. and a new sawmill at Bonner, 6 miles from Missoula, Mont. These supply the needs of its mines (75 to 80 million ft. in capacity year), &c.

Coal Lands.—The company owns (a) excellent coal lands at Diamondville, western Wyoming, on the Oregon Short Line, on a tract of 4,480 acres with two seams varying from 4 ft. to 12 ft. in thickness; the Anaconda smelter uses about 1,000 tons a day and a large amount is sold to the railway; (b) at Bear Creek, south of Billings, Mont., 1,760 acres of steam coal lands, operated as the Washoe Coal Co., three workable seams, ranging from 5-9 ft. in thickness; capacity of mines 1,000 tons daily; (c) in northern Montana, 13 miles from Great Falls in the Sand Coulee District, a tract of 558 acres, with two mines at Lochray, and containing one seam about 9 ft. thick; (d) 3 miles from Lochray the Spring Creek tract (as yet partially developed), 1,436 acres with a seam running from 9-12 ft.

Phosphate Rock for Fertilizers, &c.—High-grade phosphate fertilizer is being made from the natural rock phosphate upon a tract of 610 acres owned by the company at the new camp near Soda Springs in southeastern Idaho. The mines will soon be prepared to ship on a commercial scale. The phosphate bed contains 7-8 ft. of rock averaging 32 1/2-34% phosphorus pentoxide, P₂O₅. Over 3 1/2 million lbs. of treble superphosphate have been manufactured successfully in the experimental plant.

International Smelting Co.—This company, owned by the Anaconda Copper Mining Co., has (1) at Tootle, Utah, 40 miles from Salt Lake City, both copper and lead furnaces at which it treats, in addition to custom ores, the output of the Utah Consolidated Mining Co., with which it is connected by a cable tramway; (2) a smelter at Miami, Ariz., which reduces the ores of the neighboring Inspiration Copper Mining Co. and of the Miami Copper Co.; (3) a controlling interest in the Walker Mining Co., with its Walker mine, 24 miles from Portola, on the Western Pacific R.R. in eastern California. A tunnel about 2,000 ft. long intersects the vein at a depth of 800 ft. While only partially developed, the mine has disclosed about one million tons of 4% copper ore, with values in gold and silver. A concentrator, capacity of 200 tons per day, is connected by cable tramway with Spring Garden station on the Western Pacific R.R., 8 miles distant.

Other Properties.—The International Lead Refining Co. owned by the Anaconda Copper Mining Co., has its plant at East Chicago, Ind., and refines the pig lead from the International Smelter at Tootle, Utah. Also at East Chicago is the plant of the Anaconda Lead Products Co., controlled by the Anaconda Copper Mining Co., which produces by an electrolytic process 20 tons of white lead daily.

The Raritan Copper Works is located at Perth Amboy, N. J., and is owned by the Anaconda Copper Mining Co. It has a capacity of 38,000,000 lbs. of copper per month.

South American Properties.

With the successful concentration of relatively low-grade "porphyry coppers" the company has been interested to secure such holdings in South America and now owns a predominant interest in four, viz.:

(a) **Potrerillos Mine.**—Andes Copper Mining Co., by which this enterprise is known, has placed its dock and warehouses adjacent to Chanaral, and avails itself of trackage rights on 38.4 miles of the Chilean State R.R. to Pueblo Hundido, and thence has constructed its own road 50 miles to the mine at Potrerillos (hence, back in the foothills of the Andes).

An ore body lying above the tunnel level has been proved by drilling to contain over 128,000,000 tons of ore running 1.49 in copper. The mine is already developed and the ore lies in such a way that as broken it will all drop downward to the cars, no hoisting being required. The townsite is already laid out and dwellings have been erected, but the concentrator and smelter remain to be constructed as does the water pipe line, 37.8 miles in length. Allowing for losses in concentration and smelting, there is, roughly and safely, about 1,500,000 tons of available copper in this huge ore body.

(b) **The Santiago Mining Co.** owns Lo Aguirre and Africana mines. The Anaconda Co. owns all but a small fraction of the Santiago stock.

(1) **Lo Aguirre Mine.**—About 15 miles from Santiago, Chile, is the Lo Aguirre property in which development has shown 8,000,000 tons of 1.98% copper ore. The work at present is essentially that of development by drill holes and tunnels, but enough has been done to prove a promising deposit.

(2) **Africana Mine.**—Six miles from Lo Aguirre mine is the Africana, in which development has shown some 2,000,000 tons of 3 1/2% copper ore.

(c) **Cerro Verde.**—In Peru the Anaconda Co. has also a predominant interest in a low-grade property called the Cerro Verde, near Arequipa, 60 miles northeast of the port of Mollendo, with which there is rail connection. 20,000,000 tons of 1.92% copper ore have been shown by the explorations; further utilization remains for the future.

In my opinion, the present valuations which have been the basis of negotiations with the American Brass Co. have been conservatively determined.

Report of Price, Waterhouse & Co., Accountants, Rendered Dec. 23 to Charles F. Brooker, Chairman American Brass Co. Stock.

Capital Assets.—The domestic properties are stated at values substantially below those established by the Bureau of Internal Revenue for depletion purposes, and we understand the actual values of the South American properties are also considered to be greatly in excess of book value.

Depreciation is provided on a basis which appears to us to be reasonable and adequate. No provision is of course made for depreciation of the South American plants, which are not yet in operation. No charge for depletion is made in the annual accounts or in the accounts submitted.

Investments in Sundry Companies Total \$18,439,208.

Inspiration Consolidated Copper Co	297,300 shares	\$10,029,588
Greene Cananea Copper Co.	59,600 "	2,261,430
Walker Mining Co.	630,000 "	630,000
Arizona Oil Co.	8,160 "	794,665
Butte Anaconda & Pacific Ry.	12,750 "	1,275,097
Anaconda Copper Mining Co. bonds, Ser. B	\$1,750,000 par	1,621,725
Miscellaneous		1,826,792

The market value of the principal items is in the aggregate substantially in excess of the book values.

Supplies, Advances & Expenses Prepaid.—The supplies on hand are taken at or below cost, and the advances and expenses prepaid appear to be fairly stated.

Metals in Process and on Hand.—The metals on hand are stated at cost, which is in excess of the present market price to the extent of approximately \$3,000,000.

Accounts Receivable & Cash.—We have not attempted to verify the items included under this head, but our examination has not disclosed any considerations affecting these items which we think require to be brought to your attention except as to the account with the Copper Export Association. This represents copper sold at an indeterminate price, to be fixed ultimately on the basis of the price realized on resale. In character the asset appears to be substantially the same as consigned stock and present market price is approximately \$2,250,000 less than the book balance.

Liabilities.—Due care appears to be exercised to bring all ascertainable liabilities into the accounts, and all liabilities, including those for Federal taxes, are adequately provided for.

Surplus.—The entire shut-down expense has been charged against income for the 9 months ending Sept. 30 in the enclosed accounts. We understand the final disposition of this expense has not yet been determined by the executive officers, but for the present purpose we think the disposition made in these accounts is clearly the correct one.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31 1920 & SEPT. 30 1921.

[Anaconda Copper Mining Co. and Subsidiary Companies.]

Assets—		Dec. 31 '20.	Sept. 30 '21.	Liabilities—		Dec. 31 '20.	Sept. 30 '21.
		\$	\$			\$	\$
Mines, lands, water rights, &c.	118,364,459	119,447,301	Capital stock	116,562,500	116,562,500		
Bldgs., mach. &c.	75,019,735	75,769,221	Minority Interests in sub. cos.	3,594,090	2,489,802		
Inv. in sundry cos.	15,975,377	13,439,208	Ser. A, 6% bds.	25,000,000	24,674,000		
Supplies on hand	12,491,457	11,252,456	Ser. B, 7% bds.	25,000,000	24,527,700		
Metallif. tallings, prep. items, &c.	11,558,841	11,360,548	Res. for deprec.	22,310,820	25,854,825		
Mkcs. for sale	3,980,697	7,176,476	Loans & note pay.	8,500,000	1,750,000		
Metals in process (at cost)	32,536,183	18,165,267	Accts. & wages pay.	4,805,400	3,715,429		
Cash	3,476,268	3,045,805	Int. & tax acer.	1,666,567	1,491,871		
Liberty bonds	200,103	204,516	Divs. unclaimed	127,322	87,024		
Receivables	21,192,610	15,757,355	Res. for unearn. tolls, &c.	2,475,570	2,243,731		
			Surplus	84,753,462	77,211,360		
Total*	294,795,732	280,618,242	Total	294,795,732	280,618,242		

* Consists of (a) buildings and machinery at mines (Butte), \$10,242,738; reduction work and refineries, \$43,152,060; South American properties, \$10,446,647; public utilities, \$5,610,537; and miscellaneous, \$6,287,238. Compare also V. 113, p. 2822.

The Mexican Eagle Oil Co., Ltd.

(Compania Mexicana de Petroleo "El Aguila," S.A.)

(Report for Fiscal Year ending June 30 1921.)

Pres. Thos. J. Ryder, Mexico City, Dec. 15, wrote in sub:

Results.—The profit on trading for the year ended June 30 1921 was (in Mexican gold pesos, which have a par value of 24 1/2 sterling or 49 7/8 cents U. S. gold) \$81,982,300

Less—Transfer to (a) Field Redemption account,	\$11,279,509;
(b) Depreciation Reserve account,	\$4,956,964
Interest (net)	Cr 3,338,129
Net profit for the year after providing for depreciation, &c.	\$69,083,956
Less—Transfer to (a) Legal Reserve account,	\$3,379,198;
(b) Provident Fund, \$1,500,000	4,879,198
	\$64,204,758
To which is added the balance brought forward from last year of	3,814,189

Balance available	\$68,018,948
Deduct—Dividends—	
First div. of 5% paid Dec. 31 1920, \$425,000; and second div. of 6% paid June 30 1921 on Preference shares, \$510,000	\$935,000
First div. of 5% paid Dec. 31 1920, 3,888 3/4 and second div. of 6% paid June 30 1921 on Ordinary shares, \$7,249,656	11,138,521
Balance unappropriated	\$55,945,427
Which it is proposed to apply as follows:	
Final div. of 19% paid Dec. 31 1921 on Preference share capital, making 30% for the year	\$1,615,000
Final div. of 19% paid Dec. 31 1921 on Ordinary Share Capital, making 30% for the year	22,957,246
Transfer to General Reserve Account	30,000,000
Carry forward to next year	\$1,373,181

The profit on trading for the year shows an increase of about 45% over 1919-20. The stocks of crude oil and refined products on hand at June 30 1921 have, as usual, been valued at or under cost, which prices are under present-day values.

Capital Outlays.—During the last two years the company's capital expenditure has been exceptionally heavy. It has expended over £6,000,000 in increasing its tankage and pipe-line capacities and extending its refineries. It has also, in the same period, advanced to the Eagle Oil Transport Co., Ltd. (which owns the tank steamers which carry the company's products) and to the Anglo-Mexican Petroleum Co., Ltd. (which purchases for re-sale all the products of the company available for export) over £7,000,000, making a total of £13,000,000, in addition to which the company's own increased trade has necessitated increased working capital.

New Securities.—Towards these outlays the company has obtained from the issues of new shares to existing shareholders in December 1919 and December 1920, about £7,000,000, and about £3,000,000 from the sale in September 1921, of notes of the Eagle Oil Transport Co., Ltd., issued in respect of a portion of the moneys provided for that company.

Further Needs.—Under normal conditions the company would have provided this shortage in capital by a public issue of its securities, but financial conditions in the world generally have been such that the directors did not consider it advisable to proceed with negotiations to obtain this money, and consequently they recommended to the shareholders a transfer of 30,000,000 pesos to General Reserve Account, and the payment of final dividends of 19% on each class of share, making a total distribution of 30% for the year.

New Fiscal Year.—The fiscal year in the future will close on Dec. 31. There will, therefore, be issued, probably about May 1922, a report for the six months ending Dec. 31 1921, and the dividend in respect of that period will be payable on June 30 1922.

Development Work.—Drilling operations have been energetically carried on during the year, the total cost of which has been written off against the profits of the year. The company naturally developed without delay the fields which it owned in competition with other holders, although this compulsory exploitation has many disadvantages. This forced production, which has occasionally raised supply above demand might have been more valuable if conserved for the future. Being competitive fields, the Los Naranjos, Amatlan and Zacamixtle fields were exploited at once.

In continuance of its policy of keeping exploration well ahead of production requirements, the directors considered that the Amatlan-Zacamixtle field would supply the company's requirements after Los Naranjos had been exhausted.

Unfortunately, in common with every other company interested in that field, the company has met with a disappointment, and although still obtaining supplies therefrom, it is considered likely that oil in any large quantities will not be found there, and temporarily the company's production was augmented by the purchase of crude, in order to continue the usual large reserve of oil in steel tankage. Los Naranjos has yielded a very large amount of oil and is still producing although in diminishing amount.

A new well, estimated at 25,000 bbls. capacity daily, has recently been brought in on the company's San Geronimo property (having an area of over 4,000 hectares, or about 10,000 acres in one block), which indicates a new, and what is believed to be an extensive field. Advice has just been received that the company's drilling operations on the Isthmus of Tehuantepec have been successful in finding a deep oil-sand and it is anticipated that this discovery will develop into new and productive areas on the extensive holdings of the company in this region.

Other large areas are being actively explored which are not subject to competition, so that the company should not in future be under the necessity of forcing production to avoid the draining of oil by competitors.

Freehold Oil Properties.—The company owns (apart from its Federal and State concessions) over 100,000 hectares of freehold property, and holds over 600,000 hectares of leasehold property, upon which it is drilling or intends to drill.

Pipe Line Refineries, &c.—The company's pipe line capacity is now equal to 150,000 bbls. of crude per day, whilst the daily capacity of its refineries has been increased to 80,000 bbls. In addition, the company has topping plant capacity erected or ready for erection for 50,000 bbls. per day. Its sea transport facilities are equal to those of its refineries, and the company will thus in future be able, under normal conditions, to avoid selling crude oil, thereby taking full advantage of the additional value which is obtained by refining all its production, whilst still having available sufficient pipe line and topping plant facilities to deal with temporary flush production or excess production when found in competitive fields.

Oil Deliveries.—The total amount of oil delivered during the year from the various terminals was 30,688,900 bbls., viz: Tuxpan, 9,016,000 bbls.; Tampico, 17,407,100 bbls.; Minatitlan, 3,631,300 bbls.

Tank Vessels.—The Eagle Oil Transport Co.'s fleet of tank vessels, all of which are entirely in the service of the company, amounted on June 30 1921 to 282,300 tons dead weight. The fleet is being increased by a further

137,000 tons dead weight capacity, of which 52,600 tons should be delivered before the end of 1921. The remainder will be delivered in 1922.

Rumors.—After careful consideration it was decided that it was in the best interests of the company not to regard the many rumors which from time to time have been circulated, especially in the continental press, &c.

Outlook for Oil in Mexico.—Having regard to the vast territory in Mexico, of which this company has a large proportion, in which geologists advise that oil will be found, the directors look forward to many years of assured supplies and of successful trading. At the same time they desire to point out that, owing to the peculiar conditions prevailing in the Mexican oil fields, where oil is obtained from a series of separate pools in which salt water must inevitably appear in each pool as its oil is exhausted, it is still possible if the properties are wisely exploited even with the greatest foresight that from time to time interruptions may occur in the daily output of crude, but in such cases they confidently expect that sufficient supplies will be available to avoid any restriction in the refinery throughputs. The appearance of salt water in any one pool is no indication of the conditions prevailing in other separate pools.

Political Conditions.—Conditions in Mexico have, in many respects, considerably improved during the past year, but difficulties still obtain.

The usual comparative income and surplus accounts for four years past were published in "Chronicle" of Dec. 24, p. 2826.

BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, (ALL MEXICAN GOLD PESOS).

[Stated in Mex. gold pesos, par value 24 1/2 d. sterl. or 49 75c. U. S. gold.]

	1921.	1920.		1921.	1920.
Assets—	\$	\$	Liabilities—	\$	\$
Real est., bldgs., plant & equip.	70,426,978	43,236,808	Pf. shs. (par\$10).	8,500,000	8,500,000
Subsoil rights & field expend.	1,000,000	1,000,000	Ord. sh. (par\$10).	120,827,610	77,777,290
Loose plant and equipment	5,139,259	2,645,680	Reserves	38,290,665	13,170,591
Steamers, &c.	3,777,440	2,448,807	Provident fund.	3,210,770	2,367,734
Invest' in allied company, &c.	48,946,612	23,128,024	Creditors' and credit balance	9,028,320	12,117,562
Stocks of oil, stores, &c.	44,848,492	18,174,062	Shareholders for divs. declared	7,629,758	5,426,165
Debtors, debit bal. and cash.	71,293,768	74,816,023	Profit and loss.	55,945,427	46,090,062
Total	243,432,549	165,449,404	Total	243,432,549	165,449,404

a Subsoil rights on private lands and Federal and State concessions, &c., \$29,317,999; exploration and field expenditures, including plant and equipment, \$35,730,218, less redemption account, \$61,078,217.—V. 113, p. 2826

GENERAL INVESTMENT NEWS

RAILROADS, INCLUDING ELECTRIC ROADS.

General Railroad and Electric Railways News.—The following table summarizes recent railroad and electric railway news of a more or less general character, full details concerning which are commonly published on preceding pages under the heading "Current Events and Discussions" (if not in the "Editorial Department"), either in the week the matter becomes public or shortly thereafter.

RR. Situation Reviewed by T. De Witt Cuyler.—See "Current Events" above and Philadelphia "News Bureau" Dec. 31, p. 1.

193 Railways Show November Gain.—Net operating income is \$65,741,893, or 4% return on valuation, compared with \$50,502,552 in Nov. 1920. 28.4% cut in operating expenses. (Bureau of Economics) "Times" Jan. 5, p. 24.

Erie's Fare Differentials Reduce Charges Between Various Points \$2 16 to \$5 51.—See below and "Times" Jan. 4, p. 25.

Erie and D. & H. Co's Insure Their Employees.—See "Times" Dec. 30, p. 21.

Erie Now Transfers Freight into N. Y. City by Truck.—Road adopts plan whereby inbound carload shipments are carted across river into N. Y. City. "Times" Jan. 5, p. 26; Jan. 6, p. 16.

RR. Situation as Seen by RR. Executives, &c.—Opinions on the railroad outlook are published in the "Evening Post Annual Financial and Business Review" of Dec. 31 as follows: (a) John J. Esch, member I.-S. C. Commission; (b) W. B. Storey, Pres. Atch. Top. & Santa Fe; (c) Thomas De Witt Cuyler, Chairman Association of Railway Executives; (d) W. G. Besler, Pres. Central RR. of N. J.; (e) L. F. Lorce, Pres. Delaware & Hudson; (f) S. M. Felton, Pres. Chicago Great Western; (g) Carl Gray, Pres. Union Pacific; (h) Agnew T. Dice, Pres. Phila. & Reading; (i) N. D. Maher, Pres. Norfolk & Western; (j) Wm. A. Winburn, Pres. Central of Georgia Ry.; (k) F. D. Underwood, Pres. Erie RR.

Saving to Public from Abolition of Transportation Taxes.—"Ry. Age" Dec. 31, p. 1205.

Rail Labor Figures Misleading.—President Markham of Illinois Central challenges valuations by Machinists' head. "Times" Jan. 3, p. 26.

Why Precipitate Reduction of Rates Is Dangerous (Samuel O. Dunn, Editor).—"Ry. Age" Dec. 31, p. 1305.

Some of Mr. Ford's Ideas May Be Sound.—How to keep trains moving. (Communications).—"Ry. Age" Dec. 31, p. 1298.

Interlocking Directors.—See "Current Events" and "Times" Jan. 1, p. 9.

Cost of Repairing Foreign Freight Cars (N. D. Ballantine, Supt. Transportation U. P. System).—"Ry. Age" Dec. 31, p. 1296, 1319 to 1321.

Proposes Car Pool System for Carriers.—Commissioner Esch believes this would cut expenses and prevent shortages. "Post" Dec. 31, Fin. Sec. p. 4.

Higher Net Income Due to "Skimming."—Central of Georgia's purchases in 1922 will cover half of needs. (William A. Winburn, Pres. Central of Georgia Ry. Co.) "Post" Dec. 31, Fin. Sec. p. 8.

Transportation Act Merits Fair Trial (John E. Oldham).—"Post" Dec. 31, Fin. Sec. p. 4.

Port Authority Plans Quicker and Cheaper Delivery and Transshipment of Goods in N. Y. City.—No expenditure of taxpayers' money for proposed system of belt lines. Automatic electric plan. "Times" Jan. 1, Sec. 2, p. 1 to 3; Jan. 3, p. 8; Jan. 4, p. 25; Jan. 5, p. 14.

N. Y. City Board of Estimate Denies \$113,000 to Transit Board for Wages of 934 Employees.—"Times" Jan. 4, p. 19; Jan. 6, p. 6.

Untermyer Wants City to Run All Transit Lines in Greater N. Y.—"Times" Dec. 31, p. 24.

Electric Railways Gain in 1921 (Robert I. Todd, President American Electric Ry. Assoc.).—"Times" Jan. 2, p. 21.

Loading Electric Ry. Officials Consider the Bus and "Bus Transportation" Natural Allies and Adjuncts of Electric Roads.—"Electric Railway Journal" Dec. 31, p. 1149.

German Railroad Strike Ends.—Railway Deficit.—"Times" Jan. 2, p. 29.

Agreement on Reorganization of French Railways.—Private companies to work under joint financial arrangements with dividends guaranteed. (M. Peschaud, Secretary Paris Orleans Ry.).—"Ry. Age" Dec. 31, p. 1311 to 1314.

Protests Transfer of Manchuria Road—Negotiations.—Russian memorandum opposes the demand of China for its acquisition. "Times" Jan. 3, p. 3; Jan. 5, p. 2. New offer fails. "Times" Jan. 6, p. 5.

Idle Cars Further Increased.—The total number of freight cars idle Dec. 23 totaled 552,373, compared with 531,337 on Dec. 15, or an increase of 21,036. Of the total Dec. 23, 401,214 were serviceable freight cars (increase 32,993), while the remaining 148,159 were in need of repairs (decrease 11,957). Surplus box cars Dec. 23 totaled 157,695, an increase of 19,481 since Dec. 15, while surplus coal cars numbered 197,232, an increase of 10,724 within the same period. The number of surplus stock cars increased 2,249.

Idle Cars on or about First of Month, on April 7 (Peak) and on Dec. 23.

In Thousands. Dec. 23. Dec. Nov. Oct. Sept. Aug. Apr. 7. Jan.

Good order..... 404 283 80 172 246 321 507 198

Bad order..... 148 172 181 203 221 227 111

Transportation Act Hearings Close before Senate Committee—La Follette Charges.—See "Current Events" and "Times" Jan. 6, p. 26.

Matters Covered in "Chronicle" of Dec. 31, 1921.—(a) Interlocking directors and officers as viewed by I.-S. Commerce Commission, p. 2785. (b) Railroad rates.—Commission hearings adjourned till Jan. 11.—Future program, p. 2786. (c) Railroad rate inquiry—testimony of George M. Shriver, V. Pres. of B. & O. RR., p. 2786.

Alabama & Great Southern RR.—Bonds Authorized.—

The I.-S. C. Commission Dec. 24 authorized the company to procure authentication and delivery to its Treasurer of \$1,232,000 1st Consol. Mtge. 5% gold bonds, to be held in the treasury until the further order of the Commission.—V. 113, p. 2078, 1767.

American Cities Co.—Plan of Reorganization—Electric Bond & Share Co. to Assist in Reorganization and to Manage New Company.—The committee for the 5-6% Collateral Trust bonds (J. K. Newman, Chairman) has approved and adopted a plan and agreement for the reorganization or readjustment of the company as outlined below.

It is explained that circumstances make it impossible at this time to state even approximately what amount of each class of securities will be issued under the plan, and even the facts as to the total authorized issues are not available.

A circular to the holders of the certificates of deposit of the -6% bonds says in substance:

Companies Controlled by American Cities Co. and Status under Plan.
 Birmingham Ry., Light & Pow. Co. | Little Rock Ry. & Electric Co.
 Houston Lighting & Power Co. | Memphis Street Ry. Co.
 Knoxville Ry. & Light Co. | New Orleans Ry. & Light Co.

The Birmingham, Memphis and New Orleans companies are in the hands of receivers. The New Orleans Co. will be excluded from any future plans of the committee, as the committee concluded a year ago that the best interests of the depositors required the disposal of these properties and the concentration of the activities of the committee on the remaining properties.

The Chase National Bank, New York, held debt and stock interests in the New Orleans Ry. & Light Co., as well as in several of the other companies, and the committee arranged with the Chase Bank for the exchange of the committee's interest in the New Orleans company for the Chase Bank's interests in the other companies, and the plan now submitted provides for the carrying out of a contract for such an exchange.

The committee also concluded that the Memphis Street Ry. property would be materially improved if it could be operated in combination with the gas and electric properties in Memphis owned by the Memphis Gas & Electric Co. Mortgages on the latter are in default and are being foreclosed, and through holders of a substantial majority of these bonds an arrangement for such a combination has been made and accepted by certain of these bondholders. Accordingly, the plan contemplates that the Memphis Gas & Electric Co. will become a part of the situation.

Providing the present plan is adopted, the National Power & Light Co., the new company, will control companies serving an aggregate population of approximately 757,000. The operating companies supply electric light and power service to approximately 108,000 customers and gas service to approximately 38,000 customers, while the electric railway passengers carried during the last 12 months was approximately 166,000,000.

Formation of New Company and Securities To Be Issued.

New Company.—A new company, National Power & Light Co., has been organized in New Jersey.

Capital Stock.—The shares of the capital stock of the new company are of no par value and are divided into Preferred and Common stock. The Pref. (a. & d.) stock is limited to dividends at the rate of \$7 per share per annum, cumulative from Jan. 1 1923, and, in case of dissolution, to \$100 per share and dividends; redemption after three years from the dates of issue at \$110 per share and divs. upon the vote of not less than a majority in interest of the outstanding Common stock.

Income Registered Bonds.—The new company will issue 50-Year 7% income bonds (all registered). In order that these bonds may not hamper the future financing, it is provided that they shall be subject to the prior payment of the principal and interest of all in indebtedness and contractual obligations of the company now or hereafter existing.

Interest accrues on these bonds from Jan. 1 1922. Company is required to pay to the trustee, as a sinking fund for the redemption of bonds, not less than 1% of the maximum amount of bonds outstanding in each cal. year. No such payment, however, is required to be made unless and until divs. are declared on the Preferred stock, but before any dividend is declared all accumulated sinking fund payments for prior years are required to be made.

New Company to Buy Memphis Gas & Electric Co. Mtge. Bonds Now Being Foreclosed.

The new company has contracted to buy the bonds secured by the mortgages now in default and being foreclosed on the properties of Memphis Gas & Electric Co., provided it can so purchase not less than 85% of each senior issue, and, for the bonds so purchased, it will pay 55% of the principal amount thereof in the new company's 50-Year 7% Income bonds, 25% thereof in the Preferred stock and 25% in the Common stock of the new company (such stock being treated as of \$100 par for the purpose of applying these percentages). It reserves the right to buy on these terms bonds deposited even if less than 85% of the entire issues. Its contract also covers the purchase for cash of notes secured by bonds issued under the junior mortgage on these properties now being foreclosed.

Electric Bond & Share Co. and Isidore Neuman & Son, to Provide Money.

These two companies have agreed to provide the money payable to the holders of American Cities Co. 5-6% Collateral Trust Bonds who have failed to deposit or who shall withdraw their bonds, and the money payable to the holders of bonds in default on the Memphis Gas & Electric Co. properties who do not sell their bonds to the new company, as provided above, subject in each case to their approval of the maximum amount bid by the committee or the new company at the foreclosure sales, said underwriters to receive in consideration of such payments the securities which would be distributed to the holders of such bonds under the plan and by the agreement mentioned above, had 5-6% bondholders deposited their bonds with the committee and assented to the plan, and in the case of the Memphis Gas & Electric Co. bonds had the holders thereof sold their bonds to the new company as above provided.

Electric Bond & Share Co. to Have Management of New Company.

For the future supervision, development, financing and engineering of the new company and its subsidiaries, the new company will make a contract with Electric Bond & Share Co. of N. Y. All the Common stock of the last-named company is owned by General Electric Co., and it supervises the operation and development of utilities operating in more than 750 municipalities in this country. Its financial connections are exceedingly strong, and the committee believes it is equipped and qualified to deal with the difficult problems of operation, development, public relations and finance which confront these properties.

J. K. Newman and William M. Flook, Pres. of present Memphis Gas & Electric Co., have agreed to assist Electric Bond & Share Co. in supervising the properties for a limited time for compensation which in each case has been approved by the committee.

American Cities Co. Preferred Stockholders Offered New Company Securities.

The new company will offer to the holders of Preferred stock of American Cities Co. the right to purchase for every full 20 shares held, a block of securities of National Power & Light Co., consisting of (a) a 50-Year 7% Income Bond for \$100, and (b) 7 shares of Common stock for \$242 50, plus interest from Jan. 1 1922 on the Income Bond, with the right to reduce subscriptions pro rata in the event that the holders of more than 50% of the preferred stock accept such offer.

Electric Bond & Share Co. and Isidore Newman & Son have agreed to purchase sufficient of said blocks at the same price so that the new company will receive a total of \$2,000,000 from such sales of such blocks of securities.

Compensation to Electric Bond & Share Co.—Electric Bond & Share Co. is to be paid for its services in connection with the reorganization, &c., in Common stock of National Power & Light Co.

Isidore Newman & Son are to be paid in cash for their services to date, including the services of J. K. Newman, as Chairman of committee. Isidore Newman & Son are also to receive 5,000 shares of the Common stock of the new company for their services.

Electric Bond & Share Co. and Isidore Newman & Son have agreed to purchase, at a price which may yield them a profit, new bonds of Memphis Gas & Electric Co. in order to carry out arrangements made by Isidore Newman & Son to finance the Memphis Gas & Electric Co. before that property was included in the present arrangements.

Expenses of Committee, &c.—The liabilities of the committee, being for moneys borrowed to conserve the assets of the committee, aggregate about \$615,000. The expenses of the committee, including all compensations now or hereafter payable to its members (including the cash compensation to Isidore Newman & Son and J. K. Newman), amount to approximately \$200,000. Moneys for the discharge of these obligations and for the pay-

ment of these expenses are to be provided by the new company from the 2,000,000 of cash above, any balance to be available for the other commitments and obligations of the new company.

Committee.—J. K. Newman, Chairman; Lynn H. Dinkpins, Arhildald Cairns, Lewis H. Parsons, Percy Warner, with H. L. Falk, Sec., 212 Carondelet St., New Orleans, La.

Depositories.—Mercantile Trust Co., New York; Guarantee Trust & Safe Deposit Co., Philadelphia, Pa.; Canal Commercial Trust & Savings Bank, New Orleans, La.

Reorganization or Readjustment Plan.

To Sell Collateral.—The committee shall cause the collateral held by the trustee to be sold and the proceeds applied in satisfaction of the 5-6% Collateral Trust bonds. Unless others purchase the collateral or parts hereof at a price or prices satisfactory to the Chairman of the committee, the whole or such part thereof as shall be approved by the Chairman of the committee shall be purchased by the committee, and payment therefor made with bonds and coupons deposited with the committee, except that money shall be used in paying such portion of said purchase price as it may be necessary to pay in cash.

To Transfer New Orleans Ry. & Light Securities to Chase National Bank for Certain Other Securities.

If 87,570 shares of Pref. stock and 192,557 shares of Common stock of New Orleans Ry. & Light Co. shall be acquired by the committee at such sale, they shall be transferred and \$48,750 interest thereon from April 22 1921, in cash paid to or upon the order of Chase National Bank, New York, in consideration of the transfer by the Chase National to the committee of the following securities, subject to the rights of said bank as set forth in its contract with the committee dated July 12 1921, to wit:

- (1) \$209,000 American Cities Co. 5-6% Coll. Trust bonds represented by certificates of deposit issued in behalf of the committee; (2) 3,000 shares Common stock of Houston Lighting & Power Co. 1905; (3) 1,175 shares Common stock; and 6 shares Pref. stock of Little Rock Ry. & Elec. Co.; (4) 67 shares Pref. stock and 202 shares Common stock of Birmingham Ry., Light & Power Co.; (5) 216 shares Pref. stock and 225 shares Common stock of Memphis Street Ry.; (6) 9 shares of Common stock of Knoxville Ry. & Light Co.; (7) 2 notes of Memphis St. Ry. for \$25,000 each, dated July 29 1918, and payable Oct. 27 1918; (8) notes of Morris Bros. aggregating \$273,815, held under the terms of an agreement between Morris Brothers and American Cities Co., dated Aug. 20 1918; (9) note of American Cities Co. for \$50,000 dated Dec. 3 1918, which matured March 3 1919, or the collateral therefor; (10) The equity of American Cities Co., as such equity existed on Dec. 31 1917, in \$105,500 of Birmingham-Tidewater Ry. Co. 5% 1st Mtge. bonds and 1,000 shares of Houston Lighting & Power Co. 1905 stock; (11) All the 6% One-Year Debenture Gold Notes of American Cities Co., which the Chase National Bank shall then or thereafter be authorized and entitled to deliver, and all rights of the committee against said bank, as provided by said contract with respect to said Debenture Gold Notes.

Securities to Be Transferred to National Power & Light Co.

If the securities pledged as collateral for the 5-6% Collateral Trust bonds shall be acquired by the committee, and said securities shall be so acquired by the committee from the Chase National Bank, then there shall be transferred and assigned to the new company the following securities:

- (a) 20,000 shares Capital stock of Houston Lighting & Power Co. 1905. (b) 6,015 shares 6% Cumul. Pref. stock and (c) 16,175 shares Common stock Little Rock Ry. & Elec. Co., provided that if said company is in receivership or in dissolution at the time of transfer, the committee may transfer such rights as pertain in dissolution to said shares. (d) 20,500 shares Capital stock of Knoxville Ry. & Light Co. (e) Such rights as may pertain in dissolution to the 22,303 shares of the Pref. stock and the 21,760 shares of the Common stock of Memphis Street Ry. so acquired by the committee. (f) Such rights as may pertain in dissolution to the 27,774 shares of Pref. stock and 34,954 shares of the Common stock of Birmingham Ry., Light & Power Co., so acquired by the committee. (g) All indebtedness of and claims against any and all of said companies and American Cities Co., owned by this committee or to which it is entitled. (h) All the 5-6% Collateral Trust Gold Bonds of American Cities Co. deposited with the committee stamped to show the payments thereon. (i) All or such other assets and rights of the committee as the committee may determine and on such terms as the committee may determine.

Securities to Be Issued by National Power & Light Co. in Consideration of Above Securities.

- (a) 18,750 shares of the Cumulative Preferred stock. (b) \$4,125,000 50-Year 7% Income bonds dated Jan. 1 1922, with Central Union Trust Co. of New York. (c) 26,250 shares of its Common stock. (d) Its agreement to offer, on such terms and conditions as the committee may approve, to the holders of the Pref. stock of American Cities Co., the right to purchase for each full 20 shares of said Pref. stock held by them \$100. 50-Year 7% Income bonds of new company with 7 shares of Common stock for \$242 50, plus interest on the income bond from Jan. 1 1922.

If others than the committee shall purchase such collateral at a price satisfactory to the Chairman of the committee, the portion of such price to which bonds deposited with the committee may be entitled shall be applied first to the discharge of the expenses and obligations of the committee, including compensation to the committee, and the remainder shall be distributed pro rata to the holders of the certificates of deposit issued by the committee.

Distribution to Holders of Certificates of Deposit for 5-6% Bonds.—If such collateral shall be purchased by the Committee and this plan shall be carried through, then there shall be distributed to the holders of the certificates of deposit:

- (1) 55% of the principal amount of the bonds represented by each certificate of deposit in 50-Year 7% Income bonds; (2) 25% thereof in Cumulative Pref. stock; and (3) 35% thereof in Common stock of National Power & Light Co. (said shares being treated as having a \$100 par value for the purpose of applying these percentages).

Depositors entitled by virtue of these provisions to fractions of \$100 in bonds or fractions of a share of Preferred or Common stock are to receive registered scrip certificates therefor, convertible with others into bonds or Preferred or Common stock, as the case may be, and not entitled to receive interest or dividends until so converted.—V. 113, p. 2082.

Arizona & New Mexico Ry.—Acquisition, &c.— See El Paso & Southwestern Co. below.—V. 107, p. 1836.

Birmingham Railway, Light & Power Co.—Plan.— See American Cities Co. above.—V. 113, p. 1250.

Central of Georgia Ry.—Final Settlement.— See U. S. Railroad Administration below.—V. 113, p. 2816.

Central RR. of New Jersey.—New Directors.—

Theodore W. Reath, A. H. Harriss, George M. Shriver, Robert E. McCarthy, and C. S. W. Packard have been elected directors, succeeding George F. Baker, E. T. Stotesbury, Daniel Willard, Robert W. de Forest and Agnew T. Dice. The resignation of Mr. Baker as Chairman of the Board is voluntary. See also Delaware Lackawanna & Western RR. below.—V. 113, p. 2818.

Chicago Burlington & Quincy RR.—Equip. Orders.— See "Steel & Iron" under "Industrial Summary" below.—V. 113, p. 2719.

Chicago & Eastern Illinois Ry.—New Co. in Control.—

On Jan. 1 W. J. Jackson, as receiver of the property of the old Chicago & Eastern Illinois RR., turned the same over to the new company, except the Chicago & Indiana Coal Ry., which was not acquired by the reorganized corporation. Employees and operating staff are taken over by the new co.

The directors for the new company are: Gordon Abbott, William H. Coverdale, Frederick H. Ficker, Henry Evans, T. D. Heed, William J. Jackson, F. J. Lagan, William H. McCurdy, George Wetwood Murray, John W. Platter, H. H. Porter, John J. Pullyard, John W. Stedman, Melvin A. Traylor and Edwin W. Winter.

The officers are: John W. Platter, Chairman; William J. Jackson, Pres.; Will H. Lyford, V-Pres. & Gen. Counsel; Frank G. Nicholson, V-Pres. & Gen. Mgr.; Thos. D. Heed, V-Pres.; Frank R. Anatin, Sec.; Jonathan P. Reeves, Treas.

For the convenience of participants in the reorganization, arrangements have been made whereby the United States Mortgage & Trust Co. will purchase and sell scrip certificates for Chicago & Eastern Illinois Ry. Gen. Mtge. 5% bonds, preferred stock and common stock.

The United States Mortgage & Trust Co. has been appointed transfer agent of the preferred and common stock.—V. 113, p. 2719, 2612

Chicago & Indiana Coal Railway.—Deposits, &c.—

The committee for the 1st Mtge. 5% bonds, James B. Mahon, Chairman, in a notice to the holders of the undeposited bonds, states that it has arranged with the reorganization committee of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois RR. for an extension until Jan. 10 1922 of the time within which 1st Mtge. 5% bonds deposited with this committee may participate in the reorganization, and will accept not later than Jan. 10 additional bonds for deposit.

This part of the road was not acquired by the Chicago & Eastern Illinois Ry. in the reorganization, and is to be sold Jan. 16. It is stated that the Chicago Indianapolis & Western RR. is interested in buying a portion of the lines between West Union and Brazil, about 30 miles.—V. 113, p. 2818.

Chicago Indianapolis & Louisville Ry.—Bonds Sold.

—Potter & Co. and Harris, Forbes & Co., New York, have sold at 91½ mil int., yielding about 6¾%, \$3,000,000 1st & Gen. Mtge. 6% Gold Bonds, Series "B" (see advertising pages).

Dated Jan. 2 1922. Due May 1 1966. Int. payable J. & J. Denom. \$500 and \$1,000 c* & r* \$1,000 and convenient multiples. Red. as a whole only at 105 and int. on any int. date on and after Jan. 1 1937. Guaranty Trust Co. of New York, trustee.

Application will be made to list these bonds on the N. Y. Stock Exchange. Data from Letter of President H. R. Kurrie Chicago Jan. 5.

Company.—Usually known as "Monon" route, operates a direct short line from Chicago to Indianapolis, Louisville, and to Michigan City, French Lick Springs and Switz City, Ind. Owns 618 miles of first track and 293 miles of sidings, and has entrance from Hammond, Ind., to Chicago, over tracks of Chicago & Western Indiana, in which it owns a one-fifth proprietary interest and through which it connects with all roads entering that city. Obtains entrance to Louisville, Ky., over the railroad bridge of the Kentucky & Indiana Terminal Ry., in which it owns a one-third proprietary interest.

Control.—Controlled jointly, through ownership of approximately 77% of Pref. stock and 93% of Common stock, by the Louisville & Nashville RR. and Southern Ry. These companies have pledged their stock to secure \$11,827,000 of their "Monon Collateral Joint 4% Bonds."

Security.—Mortgage covers entire property, being secured by a first lien on 49 miles, a second lien on 509 miles, and a third lien on 64 miles. Total prior lien bonds amount to \$16,172,000, and all prior mortgages are closed. Subject to the Refunding Mortgage, the indenture covers the leasehold interests in its terminal facilities in Chicago, Indianapolis and Louisville, including the Kentucky & Indiana double-tracked bridge over the Ohio River, and also the equipment owned by the company, and its equity in all equipment held under equipment trusts.

Purpose.—To raise funds to pay off a loan of \$1,400,000 from the War Finance Corp. and also to reimburse the treasury in part for expenditures for additions and improvements to the property. Since 1917 these expenditures have totaled \$6,313,718.

Earnings.—During the 9½-year period ended Dec. 31 1919 company earned on the average 1.70 times interest requirements on its funded debt. [For 1920 earnings see V. 113, p. 1671.]

For the 11 months ending Nov. 30 1921, gross earnings were \$13,952,614. The ratio of operating expenses to revenue was 81.44% for the 11 months, but for Sept. it was 72.2%, Oct. 68.2% and Nov. 70.4%. In other words, the "Monon" is returning to normal operating conditions. In Dec. 1921 the regular dividends on the Common stock were resumed with a semi-annual declaration of 1½%. Annual dividends of 4% on the Pref. stock have been paid continuously since 1901.

This Issue.—Authorized, \$40,000,000. Including these bonds, there will be \$6,261,000 outstanding in hands of public; \$493,000 held by company, of which \$233,000 are pledged to secure a 15-year loan Govt. of \$155,000. Of the unissued bonds, \$16,172,000 are reserved to retire underlying liens; \$963,000 may be issued to retire Equipment bonds, and \$16,111,000 may be issued for only 80% of the cash cost of additions, improvements and acquisitions as defined in the indenture.

Issuance.—Issuance of these bonds has been authorized by the Inter-State Commerce Commission (V. 113, p. 2818).

Block of Refunding Mortgage 5s Offered.—

Kissel, Kimblett & Co., New York, are offering at 89 and int. \$1,000,000 Ref. (now 1st) Mtge. 5% Gold Bonds of 1897. Due July 1 1947.

Int. payable J. & J. in New York. Non-callable. Coupon and registered bonds, interchangeable. Central Union Trust Co., New York, trustee. Listed on the New York Stock Exchange. Authorized, \$15,000,000. Outstanding, \$4,700,000 6s, \$5,000,000 5s, \$5,300,000 4s.

These bonds are secured by a first, closed, underlying mortgage on 508 miles of road, comprising nearly the entire main line, and by a junior lien on 113 miles.—V. 113, p. 2818.

Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul Ry.—Seeks Gary Road.—

The company has applied to the I-S C. Commission for authority to acquire the Chicago Milwaukee & Gary Ry., which operates 97 miles of railroad from a connection with the Terre Haute Division of the St. Paul in Kankakee County, Ill., to Joliet, Ill., and from Aurora to Rockford, Ill.—V. 113, p. 2612, 2504.

Chicago Milwaukee & Gary Ry.—Acquisition Sought.— See Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul Ry. below.—V. 113, p. 1052.

Chicago Rock Island & Pacific Ry.—Official Statement —Results for 1921—Federal Valuation—Critical Situation as to Rates.—

Charles Hayden, Chairman of the board, in circular of Jan. 7 addressed to the stockholders, says in brief:

1. Federal Valuation.—After 6 years' work the tentative valuation of your company's properties was announced by the Inter-State Commerce Commission in September at approximately \$335,500,000, as of June 30 1915. This is for carrier property only.

Adding non-carrier property as of June 30 1915 \$5,745,895 and excluding the values of leased lines, which are not controlled through the ownership of entire capital stock, Kankakee & Des Moines, Peoria & Bureau Valley and White & Black River \$5,814,958, and also deducting cash and materials on hand June 30 1915 \$9,022,288, we have:

Valuation of Properties Owned June 30 1921. Physical property owned directly or through stock ownership as of June 30 1915, as found by Commission \$326,447,662 Additions and betterments July 1 1915 to June 30 1921 36,374,458 Cash and materials June 30 1921 25,455,222

Total June 30 1921 \$388,277,342 The liabilities June 30 1921, according to company's books, were as follows

Long term debt, \$241,505,515; loans & bills pay., \$14,930,000 \$249,435,515 Capital stock, pref., \$54,557,989; Com. outst'g, \$74,482,523 129,040,512

Total capital liabilities \$378,476,027

Amount by which foregoing minimum value exceeds total capital liabilities \$9,801,315

Amount of equity represented by Com. stock (\$113 46 per share) \$1,283,838

This valuation refutes for all time the suggestion sometimes made that the company is overcapitalized. We regard the valuation established by the Commission as being much less than the actual value, and have filed protest in the hope that the Commission will substantially increase its valuation, but, even on this minimum basis, the valuation of the property value behind our stocks and bonds is much in excess of their par value.

2. The Rate of Return Under the Transportation Act.—The earnings of your property for the year ending Sept. 30 1921 were \$8,830,000 short of being 6% upon its property investment, and your property's earnings were better than the average in the group in which it was placed.

Notwithstanding this fact, many substantial reductions in rates have been made by the carriers in the country, partly under order of the Commission, and partly voluntarily, with the idea that a reduction in rates would in some degree promote the movement of traffic. Unless the effect of these rate reductions is counterbalanced by an increase in traffic, it is reasonable to anticipate a substantial reduction in the company's net revenue in the coming year, because the reductions ordered by the Commission in one case alone (the hay, grain and grain products case, I. C. C. docket No. 12929) will amount in the case of the Rock Island to \$3,500,000 a year, all of which comes out of net revenue.

Consequently, it is of the utmost importance that the Commission shall not reduce the rate of return below the existing standard of 6% per annum

(including $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1% for Capital Requirements Fund) established by the Transportation Act for the two years ending Feb. 28 1922. In view of the fact that the Government itself is now charging us 6% upon money loaned to us for additions and betterments, it would seem that the Commission will have little ground for reducing this rate, but nevertheless it is being urged to reduce it. A decision is expected about March 1.

Of equal importance is the danger that Congress may repeal that section of the Transportation Act which imposes this duty upon the Commission. We, therefore, suggest, if you agree with us, that you make your position clear to your Representatives in Congress.

3. Labor Conditions.—The great obstacle to a further reduction of rates is the cost of labor. The Labor Board has made substantial reductions in the last few months, which were anticipated, however, in the reductions of rates mentioned above. Unskilled labor is still now costing the railroads approximately 40 cents an hour, which is a uniform rate for all portions of our system; whereas, at many points on our road the current rate for unskilled labor in industrial occupations is 22 cents to 30 cents an hour. The Labor Board also has eliminated some of the burdensome rules left in force by the Railroad Administration, though not to the extent hoped for by the carriers. Many classes of work are still performed by unskilled labor, classified as mechanics or in other classifications taking higher pay.

We must not be understood as objecting to fair pay for our employees; but the stockholders are now accepting substantial reductions in income, and it is only equitable that labor, which profited so largely during the war, also should contribute to the process of deflation.

Your directors believe that the Labor Board is an excellent institution, because it places labor costs under the control of a public body whose decrees will eventually have the force of law. The whole Transportation Act is new, and it can hardly be said to have had a thorough trial; and particularly in respect to the labor provisions.

4. State-Made Rates.—A bill is pending in the U. S. Senate (Senate Bill 1150), introduced by Senator Capper of Kansas, which, if passed, will undo a large part of the good accomplished by the Transportation Act, and constitute a long step backward in railway regulation. Its purpose is not only to repeal the Section of the Inter-State Commerce Act requiring the Commission to fix rates at a prescribed level, but to deprive the Inter-State Commerce Commission of all jurisdiction over rates within a State, no matter how seriously such rates may discriminate against the inter-State rates. The effect would be to give every State commission practically exclusive jurisdiction over rates within the State, with no remedy whatever to the carriers to protect the revenues provided by the Transportation Act, and a result which may be forecast by reference to the long series of adverse State regulations beginning in 1907 and ending in the cataclysm of Federal control. A similar bill is pending in the House of Representatives.

5. Results for 1921.—The officers of this company are pleased at all times to advise you concerning its affairs. We are closing a fairly successful year. Indications are that our return in 1921 will be between \$16,000,000 and \$17,000,000, which is sufficient for all fixed charges and the full dividends on our Preferred stocks, with a margin of about 3% for our Common stock; whereas, 6% on the fair value of our property is, on the Government's own figures, not less than \$22,000,000.

6. Hindrance to Proper Financing.—It is obvious that such a limited return will not allow any railway company to attract necessary capital in competition either with tax-free public securities or with industrial stocks which offer equal security with a much larger opportunity for profit, no greater risk and a freedom from the depression of constant regulation.

This problem is of vital and immediate consequence to every stockholder, for so long as the Rock Island must finance its improvements and extensions through a constant increase of its debt, carrying a fixed charge [instead of through the issue from time to time of Capital stock for a reasonable part of such expenditures], both the market value of your holdings and the return, which you can hope to realize thereon, are bound to diminish.

We call these things to your attention because it is to your interest as a stockholder, as well as to the interest of the public, that railroad credit shall be maintained.—V. 113, p. 2078, 1771.

Columbus Ry., Pow. & Light Co.—Bonds Authorized.—

The stockholders Dec. 31 approved the issuance of \$5,000,000 Ref. Mtge. 6% bonds, dated Jan. 1 1921, due Jan. 1 1941. See offering in V. 113, p. 2719.

Delaware & Hudson Co.—Insures Employees.—

The company announces that it has entered into a contract with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. by which it has insured the lives of all employees who have been continuously on its payrolls for more than two years and are actually and actively in its service on or after this date, securing for each employee having such minimum length of services; irrespective of the nature of his work, his age, or the state of his health, and without cost to himself; a policy payable at death, in the sum of \$500.

In case of total and permanent disability the sum of \$500 will be paid to the insured employee in monthly installments. In case of death payment will be made immediately to the beneficiary named by such employee. The contract also permits groups of employees who wish to do so, to take additional insurance, without medical examination and without reference to age, at low rates which are set forth.—V. 113, p. 2613, 405.

Delaware Lack. & Western RR.—Directors Resign.—

Harold S. Vanderbilt, George F. Baker and William Rockefeller have resigned from the board of directors, and each has chosen to retain his directorship in the New York Central. They had recently been asked by the I.-S. C. Commission to relinquish some of their directorates because of the law forbidding the interlocking of railroad interests by dual directorships on competing roads.

Mr. Baker has also severed his railroad connections with the Central RR. of New Jersey, Erie RR. and Lehigh Valley RR. (Compare "Current Events" in "Chronicle" Dec. 31, p. 2785, 2786.)—V. 113, p. 2818.

Denver & Salt Lake RR.—To Continue Operations.—

Following a hearing before District Judge Samuel W. Johnson, at Brighton, Colo., recently, all interests reached an agreement to continue operations for an indefinite period. The Bankers Trust Co., New York, trustee for the bondholders, sought to discontinue operations. The receiver presented a report of the operations of the road for the last year, showing that its expenses have been greatly reduced, as compared with the Government operation costs. He petitioned further time for a showing that the road can be made to pay its way, and, possibly, during 1922, show a substantial profit.—V. 113, p. 1983.

Denver Tramway Co.—Fare Decision.—

The Circuit Court of Appeals at Denver has sustained the decision of Judge Lewis of the Federal District Court in the rate case between the company and the city of Denver. Under this decision the company is permitted to retain the present 8-cent fare.—V. 113, p. 1155, 847.

Des Moines City Ry.—Bus Ordinance Passed.—

The City Council of Des Moines, Ia., recently passed an ordinance setting out the routes which buses might use if they are to continue to operate. The ordinance practically eliminates buses from streets where electric railways operate and to a very large extent from the loop district of the business section.—V. 113, p. 2405.

Detroit United Ry.—Transit Situation.—

Mayor Couzens has declared the policy of the city administration to be one of complete municipalization of all transit facilities. In addition to construction of city-owned car lines and the contemplated purchase of D. U. R.'s urban lines, the mayor extends municipal activities to include bus and jitney routes as well as any forms of rapid transit which may be later adopted. The City Council recently refused the application of the Michigan Elevated Ry. to build an elevated monorail line.—V. 113, p. 2818, 2719.

El Paso & Southwestern Co.—Acquisition Approved.—

The I.-S. C. Commission Dec. 24 (1) authorized the acquisition by the company of control of the Arizona & New Mexico Ry. (V. 107, p. 1836) by purchase of its capital stock; (2) granted authority to the El Paso & Southwestern Co. to issue not to exceed \$3,500,000 6% promissory notes to mature in not more than two years from date of issue, said notes to be delivered directly at par or to be sold at par and the proceeds used in part payment of the purchase price of all of the outstanding stock and bonds of the Arizona & New Mexico Ry.; (3) authorized the acquisition by the El Paso & Southwestern RR. of control of the railroad of the Arizona & New Mexico Ry. by lease.

The Arizona company has an authorized capital stock of \$3,000,000, of which \$2,770,000 outstanding. It also has outstanding £266,000 6% Mtge. bonds carried in its balance sheet at \$1,294,533. All the outstanding stock and bonds of the Arizona company are owned by the Arizona Copper Co., Ltd., through the Western Investment Co. of New Jersey.

The Southwestern company proposes to purchase all of this outstanding stock and bonds, paying therefor \$4,500,000. Of this amount \$1,000,000 will be paid in cash and the remaining \$3,500,000 will be represented by the above promissory notes.

By the terms of the proposed lease the Arizona company demises its railroad to the El Paso & Southwestern RR. for the term of one year, or until the expiration of 30 days after notice of termination is served by either of the parties thereto, and assigns all contract rights and privileges, so far as they may lawfully be transferred. The railroad company proposes to pay to the Arizona company, as rental, a sum sufficient to enable it to pay the interest on its bonded debt, its taxes and to maintain its corporate organization. Additions and betterments will be charged against the capital account of the Arizona company.—V. 113, p. 1250.

Erie RR.—Commission Accepts Tariffs.—

The I.-S. C. Commission has accepted tariffs filed by the Erie RR., in effect Jan. 1, establishing differential rates of \$2 between New York and Chicago; between New York and Cincinnati and Indianapolis \$2; between New York and St. Louis, \$2 50, and between New York and Cleveland, \$1 less than the fares required via the Pennsylvania, New York Central, Baltimore & Ohio, Michigan Central and Lehigh Valley.

This reduction, added to that resulting from the elimination of the transportation tax, reduces the fares between the points named from \$2 61 to \$5 51 below those charged before Jan. 1.—V. 113, p. 2185, 1052.

Erie & Pittsburgh RR.—Further Data—Capital Inc.—

In connection with the stockholders' meeting, Feb. 10, to consider and vote upon the question of increasing the Special Guaranteed Betterment Stock from \$2,500,000, as at present, to \$7,500,000, Pres. Charles H. Strong, in a letter to the stockholders, Dec. 10, said in substance:

The original capital stock was \$2,000,000, and on Jan. 9, 1905, the stockholders authorized the issuance of \$2,500,000 additional capital stock, which was designated as "Special Guaranteed Betterment Stock," to enable the company to perform its obligations under the terms of the lease of its property to the Pennsylvania RR., made March 24 1870. Of this total increase of \$2,500,000, there has been issued to the lessee to Dec. 31 1917, \$1,723,800, pursuant to the terms of the lease, in payment for improvements upon and additions to the leased property made by the lessee and approved by your company.

The lessee has now submitted to your company a statement of expenditures for improvements and betterments placed upon the property by it during the years 1918 to 1920, and has requested the issue to it of Special Guaranteed Betterment Stock in payment thereof. As the aggregate amount of Special Guaranteed Betterment Stock unissued and available for this purpose is only \$776,200 it is proposed, in order to provide for the present liability and for future requirements, that the authorized issue of this stock shall be increased from \$2,500,000 to \$7,500,000, which will permit, after the delivery to the lessee of the \$1,167,800 of stock due it at Dec. 31 1920, of the issuance from time to time of additional stock to the amount of \$4,608,400.

The proposed issue of \$5,000,000 of Special Guaranteed Betterment Stock for the purpose mentioned is in strict accordance with the covenant contained in the lease, which imposes upon the company the obligation to deliver to the lessee either bonds or stock in payment of the cost of additions and betterments made to the property of your company by the lessee in compliance with the terms of the lease.

This stock is to be so subordinate to the original or common stock, such as you own, as that it will not impair in any way the annual guaranteed dividend fund of \$140,000 from which the dividend on your stock is paid.—V. 113, p. 2613.

Fort Worth & Denver City Ry.—Final Settlement.—

See U. S. Railroad Administration below.—V. 113, p. 2504.

Fresno (Calif.) Trac. Co.—50-Year Franchise—Wages.—

An agreement has been reached between the officials of the company and the City Council whereby the company will be allowed a 50-year franchise, the city to have the right to purchase the road at 10-year intervals, paying the railway the value of the property at the time of the exercise of the option.

A new pay schedule, effective Dec. 1, follows:

	1st Yr.	2d Yr.	3d Yr.	4th Yr.	Bonus.
New rate (per hour)----	47c.	48c.	49c.	51c.	None
Old rate (per hour)-----	51c.	52c.	53c.	53c.	plus \$5 per mo.

Operators of one-man cars are allowed four cents an hour in addition to the above schedule.—V. 107, p. 1192.

Georgia Railway & Power Co.—Power Development.—

An authorized statement Jan. 1 says in substance:

Work will be resumed immediately by the company on the Tugalo dam and power house, the fourth step in the plans for the complete hydro-electric development of the Tallulah and Tugalo rivers in Georgia. This development, when completed, will represent an investment of approximately \$40,000,000. It is expected that the first unit of the development will be in service in the early fall of 1923 and that the entire capacity of the station will be available Jan. 1 1924.

The developments already made—the gigantic Burton storage reservoir and dam, the Mathis or Lakemont reservoir and dam, the Tallulah dam and the Tallulah power house and high-tension lines—are valued at \$21,000,000. The completion of Tugalo will add upwards of \$5,000,000 to this.

A few weeks ago plans of the company were completed for interconnections of all power systems in the territory which, through physical connections that have actually been made, furnish a network of high-tension lines connecting not only all of Georgia, but the States of Alabama, Tennessee, North Carolina and South Carolina as well.

The result is that in case of a shortage of power, the resources of the company's power houses will be at the command, not only of all of Georgia, but of four other States as well. Thus, in a crisis, in Georgia or in any of the four other States, the company will be able to step in with power and, in turn, the States, the company will be able to step in with power and, in turn, the other companies, through the interconnection system, will be enabled to divert power into Atlanta in the event it should be needed.—V. 113, p. 2818, 2613.

Illinois Central RR.—Official Statement Regarding

Earnings for 10 Months of 1921, &c.—President C. H. Markham, Jan. 2, says in substance:

Results to Oct. 31.—During the first 10 months of 1921 the Illinois Central System performed a freight service equivalent to carrying 10,286,296.82 tons of freight one mile, as compared with 13,200,197,416 net ton miles in the first 10 months of 1920. We also performed a passenger service equivalent to carrying 642,365,624 passengers one mile, as compared with 859,526,161 passenger miles in the first 10 months of 1920.

This decrease in business is reflected in the gross earnings. For the first 10 months of 1921 we had a gross income of \$135,926,186, which was \$6,615,074 less than the gross income of the corresponding period of 1920.

Through drastic reductions in our expenditures, we ended the first 10 months of 1921 with a net income of \$7,772,154. Approximately \$6,375,600 was required to pay dividends on stock for the 10 months' period, leaving a balance of \$1,396,554 for improvements in our properties.

Capital Expenditures, &c.—However, during the 10 months of this year we spent a total of \$16,281,809 for new equipment, over and above amount spent in the repair and maintenance of equipment, and a total of \$6,614,771 for permanent improvements to roadway, over and above expenditure for maintenance. The total new investment of \$22,896,580 exceeded the amount we had left over after paying expenses and a return on investment by \$21,503,017, which had to be borrowed.

Number of Employees.—We entered the year with 57,081 employees, but the drastic reductions in force made necessary by the great decline in business cut the number to 48,649 in February. Since that time there has been a steady gain in the number of employees. When it became known that a reduced scale of wages would become effective July 1 through the ruling of the Railroad Labor Board, we immediately laid plans for large increases in our forces, with the result that by October we had a total of 60,388 employees in all departments.

General Railroad Depression.—The eventful year through which we have just passed has been particularly marked by restrictive economic demands upon the railroads. We entered the year full of hope that the business depression which had set in would soon spend its force and that business would again go along normally, but that hope failed to materialize. As a result of the falling off in business, the railroads as a whole during the first 9 months of the year, earned a net return equivalent to approximately 2.9% upon their valuation—a return barely sufficient to pay interest on outstanding bonds, with no allowance for compensation to the owners.

The improvement in net earnings during the latter part of the year has been slow, and in many instances it has been brought about only at the sacrifice of badly-needed maintenance expenditures.

A demand for reduced railway rates, in the face of the failure of the railroads as a whole to earn a net return sufficient to their needs, also was restrictive in the uncertainty it created.

Outlook—In spite of these influences, however, the railroads have given adequate service at all times. We should not be discouraged by the present situation, unfavorable as some of its aspects may be.

[The results on the entire system, including Yazoo & Miss. Valley, 1,381 miles, for the 11 months ending Nov. 30 were given in last week's "Earnings Dept." p. 2813; and for the 10 months in our Dec. "Earnings Section," the Illinois Central proper on page 7 and the Yazoo road on page 13.]

Final Settlement with United States Government.—

See under U. S. Railroad Administration below.—V. 113, p. 2818.

Illinois Terminal R.R.—Extension Authorized.—

The I-S. C. Commission Dec 28 issued a certificate authorizing the company to construct an extension of its line of railroad in Madison and St. Clair Counties, Ill. The company owns and operates a belt line extending from Alton to LeClair, Ill., 15 miles. It also operates from LeClair to Formosa Junction, Ill., 6 miles, over the tracks of the St. Louis & Illinois Belt R.R., which are leased to the St. Louis Troy & Eastern R.R. The company now proposes to extend its line from LeClair to and through Farmington Junction to O'Fallon, Ill., approximately 14 miles.—V. 107, p. 1003.

Interoceanic Railway of Mexico, Ltd.—Stockholders Protest Against Treatment Received From Mexican Government which after Seven Years Still Retains Possession, Paying No Rental, Not Even Interest on Debt.—At the 34th ordinary general meeting, held in London on Nov. 15 1921, W. Sanford Poole, Esq. (the Chairman), who presided, said in part—

For the last seven years we have had monotonously to recite the fact that our railways were still in the hands of the Mexican Government, and that no accounts or remittances had been received. On four occasions, in consequence of this state of affairs, we have been obliged to ask our debenture stockholders and the owners of our leased lines to grant a moratorium in respect of the payment of interest and rentals. The present moratorium expired on May 29 1922.

You may have seen in the newspapers a manifesto issued by President Obregon, in June last, that Mexico will meet all its just obligations. I give the Mexican Government credit for good intentions as regards the future, but I cannot admit that they are at present dealing fairly with us.

President Obregon, in his manifesto, after lauding the country and the Government on returning the Mexican Railway to its owners, goes on to state that in the case of the National Lines there is a far greater mileage and a much greater destruction. He says: "To have turned these lines back in their wrecked condition would have given ground for bitter disputes as to damages. No matter what settlement would have been made, satisfaction could not have been given, either to owners or to the Mexican Government. As a consequence, we have been devoting every cent of revenue to reconstruction, vigorously attempting to restore the railroads to their normal condition. Even more, in the last few months, the Government has taken five million pesos out of its own funds for investment in rolling stock. We are now close to the day when the National Lines will be handed back to their owners, and in such shape, as to make damage claims fairly simple of ascertainment and adjustment."

But what is five million pesos applied to purchasing rolling stock in an undertaking of this magnitude?

It would be just as reasonable for a tenant to write to his landlord at quarter day and say: "I am not sending you a check for the quarter's rent, as my children have done so much damage to the nursery that I am using the rent to carry out the necessary repairs." I am sure that no landlord would allow that such an argument is sound.

In making these remarks I am assuming that President Obregon is looking on our railway and its leased lines as part of the National Railways Co. system. They are, and they are not. The National Railways Co. acted as Managers to our lines up to the time in 1914 when the Government took them over, General Carranza being then President, but the agreement with the National Railways Co. is a management agreement only, and is terminable at short notice. We have no wish to break away from the National Railways Co., but their position is different from ours in many respects, although both they and we are deprived of our lines which were built almost entirely with foreign capital for the development of the country, and in reliance that such capital would receive fair and just treatment.

We sincerely hope, however, that the President will keep the promise which he made in June last, when he said: "We are now close to the day when the lines will be handed back to their owners." We shall continue to do all we can to press our views on the Mexican Government.

Our liability for interest, rentals and other charges amounted at June 30 last to £1,917,000 (this including debenture interest and for guaranteed rental on the Mexican Southern and Mexican Eastern lines, etc) and by May 29 next there will be something like another £300,000 to add to that figure. Against this we have our claim upon the Mexican Government, under the Railway Law of Mexico, for loss of earnings, amounting to a considerably larger sum; to which is to be added the cost of reinstating the lines and their equipment to the condition in which they existed at the time the Government commandeered them. What this will amount to is quite impossible for me to say, but it will probably run into large figures. Unless the Government of Mexico makes a settlement with us within the next five or six months, we shall once again have to ask for an extension of the moratorium.

Other speakers having characterized the action of the Mexican Government in the premises in emphatic terms as robbery, &c., the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

That this meeting of holders of Debenture and Capital stocks in the Interoceanic Railway of Mexico (Acapulco to Vera Cruz), Ltd., a British undertaking incorporated under the Companies Acts of Great Britain and the bulk of whose Debenture stocks and capital is held by British subjects, does most indignantly and emphatically protest against the arbitrary action of the Mexican Government in retaining the railways for upwards of seven years and in not returning them to their rightful owners, while neither paying over the compensation due to the Company, as laid down by the Railway Law of Mexico, nor even remitting the net earnings of the Company's lines, and requests the Chairman of this meeting to forward a copy of this Resolution to the President of the Republic of Mexico and the members of the Government of that country.—V. 113, p. 2613.

Interurban Ry. & Terminal Co.—To Abandon Road.—

The company has petitioned the Ohio P. U. Commission for permission to abandon its two lines, one running from Cincinnati to Lebanon, 33 miles, and the other from Cincinnati to New Richmond, 22 miles.—V. 107, p. 1101.

Kansas City Mexico & Orient R.R.—Scheme Off.—

The London committee of noteholders and bondholders have announced that as a result of the U. S. Government renewing the loan of \$2,500,000 to the company, it has been decided to withdraw the present restricted scheme of \$3,000,000, and subscriptions received in respect thereof are being returned.—V. 113, p. 2720, 2614.

Kentucky Traction & Terminal Co.—Fares Reduced.—

The company on Dec 1 last reduced all cash fares on its suburban lines from 3 6 cents to 2 25 cents per mile. All special car rates, school tickets and commutation rates were also reduced proportionately.—V. 113, p. 2311.

Knoxville Railway & Light Co.—Plan.—

See American Cities Co. above.—V. 113, p. 292.

Little Rock Railway & Electric Co.—Plan.—

See American Cities Co. above.—V. 113, p. 71.

Long Island R.R.—Obituary.—

Frank Ellsworth Huff, Secretary and Assistant Treasurer, died Jan. 2.—V. 113, p. 1574.

Memphis Street Railway.—Plan.—

See American Cities Co. above.—V. 113, p. 2405.

Mexican Southern Ry.—Protest to Mexican Government.—

See Interoceanic Ry. of Mexico above.—V. 111, p. 896.

Minneapolis St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie Ry.—Bonds.— Dillon, Read & Co. interim receipts for 10-Year 6 1/2% Coll. Trust gold bonds may now be exchanged for definitive bonds at the Bankers Trust Co., 14 Wall St., New York City. (See offering of bonds in V. 113, p. 1156).—V. 113, p. 2721.

Missouri Kansas & Texas Ry.—Deposits.—J. & W. Seligman & Co. and Hallgarten & Co., reorganization managers, announce that heavy deposits have been made to date of all the different issues of M. K. & T. securities called for under the reorganization plan. The time for the deposit of these securities expires to-day (Jan. 7).

The bankers call special attention to the fact that certificates of deposit for the following four issues must be stamped as assenting to the plan. Holders of such certificates should immediately present them to the proper trust company, if they have not already done so.

- (1) Missouri Kansas & Texas 2d Mtge. 4% bonds, Central Union Trust Co. of New York certificates.
 - (2) Missouri Kansas & Texas 1st Ext. 5% bonds, United States Mortgage & Trust Co. certificates.
 - (3) Mo. Kan. & East. 1st M. 5% bonds, Columbia Trust Co. certificates.
 - (4) Missouri Kansas & Texas Ry. of Texas 1st Mtge. 5% bonds, Empire Trust Co. certificates.
- Compare plan in V. 113, p. 2311, 2405, 2505, 2614.

Montreal Tramways Co.—Listed.—

The issue of \$1,750,000 additional 1st & Ref Mtge. 5% bonds, due July 1 1941 (see offering in V. 113, p. 2313, 2405), has been listed on the Montreal Stock Exchange.—V. 113, p. 2614.

New Orleans Railway & Light Co.—Excluded from Any Future Plan of American Cities Co. Committee.—

See American Cities Co. above.—V. 113, p. 2819.

New York New Haven & Hartford R.R.—European Loan.—The Boston "News Bureau" Jan. 2 says:

"The New Haven is quietly sounding out the European holders of its 69,762,500 franc bonds to see if they will be willing to accept a 3 to 5-year extension of the loan which matures April 1 next. It is fully expected that a rate of interest of not less than 6% against the present rate of 4% will have to be offered.

"No formal proposition has yet been made to these holders, but the New Haven finance committee has been working along these lines with the idea of obtaining an expression of sentiment. It is felt that if the French holders agree to the extension it will not be such a difficult matter to get the holders of \$14,118,529 par value of dollar bonds held in the United States, a part of the same issue, to co-operate in like fashion.

"At par of exchange, \$0.1930 for the franc, face value of the franc bonds is \$13,464,162. There is, therefore, a slightly smaller par amount of franc bonds than of dollar bonds outstanding. With the franc at about 8 cents, as at present, the value of the franc bonds is approximately \$5,581,000. Holders, however, have the option of calling for payment in pounds sterling, which is more favorable to them than the franc exchange.

"It is felt that the French bondholders will appreciate the fact that nothing would be gained through placing the road in an embarrassing position by insisting upon cash payment at this time. Three to five years hence it is quite likely that exchange will be more in their favor. They would also be given an attractive interest rate in the interim. Improvement in New Haven's operating results and earnings is also counted upon to carry some weight."—V. 113, p. 2819, 2721.

New York Philadelphia & Norfolk R.R.—Guaranteed Stock Trust Certificates Sold.—Graham, Parsons & Co., Cassatt & Co., Brown Bros. & Co. and Edward B. Smith & Co.

have sold at 79.75 and int., yielding 5.45%, \$4,000,000 4% Stock Trust Certificates, guaranteed as to principal and interest by endorsement by the Pennsylvania R.R.

Dated June 30 1908, due June 1 1948. Interest payable J. & D. Denom. \$1,000 (c*). Company assumes 2% Federal income tax. Fidelity Trust Co., Phila., trustee. Free of Penna. personal property tax. Total authorized issue, \$7,500,000; outstanding, \$7,478,250.

Obligation.—The Pennsylvania R.R. in 1908 entered into an agreement with the Fidelity Trust Co., Phila., to issue these certificates in exchange for practically all of the capital stock of the New York Philadelphia & Norfolk R.R. Subject to approval by the I-S. C. Commission, the Pennsylvania R.R. proposes to lease the property for 999 years at a rental sufficient to pay all expenses, including fixed charges, taxes and dividends at the rate of 12% per annum on the capital stock.

Security.—Secured by the unconditional endorsed guarantee of the Pennsylvania R.R. and by the deposit of 49,855 shares of a total issue of 50,000 shares of the New York Philadelphia & Norfolk R.R. capital stock, valued for the purpose of the agreement at \$150 per share, the remaining shares being held by the Pennsylvania R.R. through a subsidiary.

Property.—The road consists of 122 miles from Delmar, Del., to Cape Charles, Va., with branches, and 36 miles of water lines between Cape Charles and Norfolk, Va., affording the Pennsylvania system the shortest and most direct route from Norfolk and Old Point Comfort, Va., and Southern connections, to Philadelphia and New York.

Earnings and Dividends.—Without taking into consideration Federal compensation in 1918, 1919 and a portion of 1920, earnings of the company have averaged more than 18 1/2% on its capital stock for the seven years 1914 to 1920, both inclusive. Including the standard return which the company actually received, the average amount earned over this seven-year period was in excess of 27 1/2% on the capital stock. Since 1905 dividends of not less than 10% have been paid on this stock, and since 1908, when the Pennsylvania R.R. acquired control of this property, 12% has been paid without interruption.—V. 113, p. 849.

Norfolk Southern R.R.—Abandons Sub. Company.—

The I-S. C. Commission Dec 20 1921 granted this company, lessee, permission to abandon the Carthage & Pinchurst R.R., located in Moore County, N. C. The Carthage & Pinchurst was built in 1907 by A. E. Page, head of a large lumber concern which owned valuable tracts of timber in Moore County. It extends from Pinchurst to Carthage, 12 2/3 miles. On Oct. 23 1909 the railroad, franchises and other property of the Carthage & Pinchurst were leased to the Aberdeen & Asheboro R.R. for 5 years from Oct. 1 1907. It has since been operated by the latter company and its successor, the Norfolk Southern R.R. The only debt resting in whole or in part upon the line is in the form of \$37,500 1st Mtge. 6% bonds of the Carthage & Pinchurst R.R., which will mature on June 1 1922.—V. 113, p. 2721, 1054.

Olean Bradford & Salamanca Ry.—Officers.—

The officers of this company, successor to the Western New York & Pennsylvania Traction Co., are as follows: Pres., O. N. Mason; V. Pres., J. P. Quigley; Sec. & Treas., L. W. Osborne; Gen. Mgr., R. H. Wheeler.—V. 113, p. 2406.

Pacific Electric Ry.—New Officer and Director.—

Frank Karr, formerly chief counsel, has been elected a director and 2nd Vice-President.—V. 113, p. 2080, 1888.

Pennsylvania Railroad.—Official Statement.—

President Samuel Rea, in his New Year's greeting to all employes and officers of the system, says: "On the threshold of 1922, I take pleasure in extending my personal greetings and good wishes to every officer and employe of the Pennsylvania Railroad System. We have just passed through an extremely difficult year. Its very difficulties have brought us closer together in improved working relations and in showing the public that a long step has been taken in restoring the old-time efficiency, courtesy and economy for which our railroad has been noted.

"Some idea of just how difficult it has been may be gathered from the fact that during the year we have had to reduce our maintenance and operating expenses by over \$170,000,000, as compared with the previous year; and even then the net income earned on the property investment of our railroad was below the interest rate paid on savings bank deposits.

"I earnestly hope that the conditions under which we will work together during the coming year may be such as to afford employment to a much larger number of men and perform our public service to the ever-increasing

satisfaction of the public, and to the ever-growing gratification of ourselves."

Offering of \$4,000,000 New York Phila. & Norfolk RR. Guaranteed Stock Trust Certificates—Equipment Orders.—

See that company above.
See "Steel & Iron" under "Industrial Summary" below.—V. 113, p. 2721.

Pennsylvania-Ohio Power & Light Co.—Pref. Stock Offered.—W. C. Langley & Co. are offering at par and div. an additional block of \$750,000 8% Cumul. Pref. (a. & d.) stock (par \$100).

Red. all or part on any div. date upon 30 days' written notice at 115 and divs. Divs. payable Q-F. No Pref. stock can be issued having priority over this issue. Additional Pref. stock, other than an amount equal to bonds or notes retired by sinking fund, can only be issued when annual net earnings available for Pref. divs. have been at least 2½ times the annual dividend requirements on the Preferred stock outstanding and to be issued.

Data from Letter of President R. P. Stevens Dec. 2 1921.

Capitalization Outstanding Upon Completion of Present Financing.	
Underlying divisional 5% bonds (closed mortgages)	\$1,939,070
1st & Ref. M 7½% S. F. bonds 1940 (V. 111, p. 1753)	13,000,000
10-Year 8% Bond Secured S. F. Notes 1930 (V. 111, p. 1950; V. 113, p. 2406)	x2,930,000
Preferred stock, 8% Cumulative	2,550,000
Common stock	6,000,000

x Company has issued \$3,610,000 Gen. Mtge. bonds and \$706,800 1st and Ref. Mtge. bonds, which have been pledged as collateral to the notes.

Purpose.—Proceeds of this new financing will be used to reimburse the company for expenditures made on account of additions, improvements and betterments, including the balance of the cost of installation of an additional 20,000 h p generating unit in the Lowellville power house extensions to distribution system and additional facilities required to care for new business.

Earnings of the Properties Owned or Controlled Years Ended.

	Oct. 31 '21	Dec. 31 '20	Dec. 31 '19
Gross income	\$4,392,723	\$4,901,034	\$3,880,888
Net inc. after oper. exp., taxes & maint.	2,063,582	1,974,914	1,681,671
Annual int. charges on funded debt	1,306,350		
Balance available for divs. & dep. res.	757,232		

Authorization.—The P. U. Commission of Ohio has authorized the issuance of this Preferred stock. Compare V. 113, p. 2406.

Philadelphia & Easton Electric Ry.—Reorganized.—

See Philadelphia & Easton Transit Co. below.—V. 112, p. 2643.

Philadelphia & Easton Transit Co.—Reorg. Plan.—

This company was incorporated July 30 1921 in Pennsylvania and succeeded to the property, franchises, &c., of the Philadelphia & Easton Electric Ry. (running between Doyleston and Easton, Pa., 35 miles.), foreclosed in June 1921 (V. 112, p. 2643), and purchased by the members of the bondholders' committee of the Philadelphia & Easton Electric Ry. 1st Mtge. bonds dated Sept. 2 1907.

The bondholders' committee adopted a plan of reorganization which is outlined in substance below.

The protective committee for the Phila. & Easton Elec. Ry. 1st Mtge. 5s consisted of William Pearson, Chairman, Harrisburg, Pa.; L. B. Hillard, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; A. C. Patterson, Philadelphia, Pa.; Henry G. Rush, Lancaster, Pa., with John E. Snyder, counsel, Lancaster, Pa. The depository was Northern Trust & Savings Co., Lancaster, Pa.

Securities of Old Company.—The outstanding 1st Mtge. bonds of the Philadelphia & Easton Elec. Ry. amounted to \$911,000 (auth. \$1,000,000). The outstanding stock consisted of \$353,800 5% non-cum. Preferred and \$258,800 common, which is without value and no consideration is given to it in the plan of reorganization.

Authorized Issues of New Company, Distribution and Apportionment Thereof, and Treasury Bonds and Stocks under the Plan of Reorganization.

	1st M. Bonds	Non-Cumul. Pref. Stock	Common Stock
Authorized	\$500,000	\$300,000	\$300,000
(Par value)		(\$50)	(\$50)
Distributed among 1st Mtge. bondholders of Phila. & Easton Elec. Ry.	364,400	273,300	273,300
Each \$100 bond received	40%	30%	30%
Remaining in treasury of reorganized co.	135,600	26,700	26,700

The bonds will bear interest at 5%, free of Pennsylvania State tax, without deduction for Federal income taxes, deductible at the source, not in excess of 2%. Dated Aug. 1 1921, due Oct. 1 1940, but subject to redemption at par at any interest period. Int. payable A. & O. at Northern Trust & Savings Co., trustee. Denom. \$100, \$500 and \$1,000 (c*).

The Preferred stock will be 6% (if earned, or so much thereof as may be earned), non-cumulative, without voting power, subject to redemption at any time. The Common stock will have exclusive voting power. It is recommended the Common stock be placed in a voting trust for five years.

The proceeds of the shares of stock and bonds in the treasury of the reorganized company, if sold or pledged as collateral, shall be used only for improvements, betterments, extensions of the railway, reduction of grades, elimination of curves, and purchase of cars and equipment.

The officers are: A. H. Sickler, Pres. & Gen. Mgr.; W. S. Chambers, Sec.; John C. Swartley, V.-Pres.; Godfrey Schmidheiser, Treasurer.

Philadelphia Rapid Transit Co.—Union Traction Div.—

See Union Traction Co. of Philadelphia below.—V. 113, p. 2505.

Rio Grande Southern RR.—Reasons for Passing Jan. 1 Interest—Protective Committee Formed.—

President T. H. Marshall in notifying the holders of \$1,509,000 4% 1st Mtge. bonds that the interest payable Jan. 1 1922 would not be paid, submitted the following facts to justify the action of the directors in taking such action:

Former Interest Payments.—For many years income has been insufficient to meet the interest upon all outstanding bonds. Since, and incl. Jan. 1 1919, company has been enabled to pay int. upon bonds other than those formerly owned by Denver & Rio Grande RR. (the Old Denver company) and in the hands of its receiver, and which aggregated \$1,777,000, by the withholding from presentation of the maturing coupons on such bonds owned by the old Denver company by authority of the Court. The semi-annual interest represented by coupons so withheld being \$355,510, the amount which the company has been required to provide on each semi-annual due date has been \$51,640, and on occasions it was necessary to obtain by loans moneys required even for that purpose.

July 1 Interest Loaned by Western Pacific.—The requirements for interest maturing July 1 1921 were loaned by the Western Pacific RR. Corp. (the Western Pacific Holding Co.) and have not been repaid.

Estimated Deficit for 1921—Cash Position and Requirements.

The net income deficit of the company for the 10 months of the current year ending Oct. 31 1921 (latest final figures available) and excluding interest either paid or accrued upon the bonds, was	\$75,112
The estimated deficit, computed on the same basis for 11 months ending Nov. 30 1921, should be approximately	78,362
At the close of business on Dec. 24 1921 company had cash on hand	62,315
Its estimated cash as of Dec. 31 1921 is approximated at	75,241
But of this, there will be then due and unpaid traffic balances and material vouchers and obligations contracted since July 21 1921, practically all chargeable to operating expenses, approximately	45,000

Leaving est. cash on hand, after providing for these obligations, \$30,241
As against interest due Jan. 1 1922 on all outstanding bonds 90,180
Or upon bonds with respect to which interest has been paid during the past three years, as above explained 54,640

There is required for current working fund at least 25,000
In order to maintain the railroad in condition reasonably required for operation, the company has been obliged to expend considerable sums during the past year, and it is evident that further expenditures will be required this year if the road is properly to perform its public duties.

Western Pacific Holding Co.—This company is advised that the Western Pacific Holding Co. now owns the stock and bonds of this company formerly held by the old Denver company, and that believing that an early default

upon this company's bond interest is inevitable, even if the interest forbearance of the past three years were again extended on Jan. 1 1922, it will not consent to withhold its interest coupons. But even if this were done it is clear that the company could not discharge the remaining interest payment after satisfying current operating expenses, and retaining even a minimum sum for working capital.

Protective Committee for First Mtge. 4% Bonds, Due 1940.—

Arthur Coppel, Chairman, of Maitland, Coppel & Co.; Frederick J. Lisman, of F. J. Lisman & Co.; and Theo. G. Smith, Vice-President Central Union Trust Co.—V. 113, p. 2819.

Rock Island Southern RR.—Returned to Owners.—

A recent dispatch from Peoria stated that after 22 months' litigation the U. S. District Court at Peoria on Dec. 23 ordered that the road be returned to its owners. The road went into receivership March 1920. It is understood that the name of the road has been changed to Galesburg & Western RR. The property was bought at foreclosure sale in 1919 by W. S. Haimmons, Portland, Me., representing the bondholders. See V. 110, p. 1643, 872

St. Louis-San Francisco Ry.—Bonds Authorized.—

The I-S. C. Commission Dec. 23 1921 authorized the company to issue \$2,122,000 Prior Lien 6% Mtge. bonds, series C; said bonds, or any part thereof, to be pledged and repledged, from time to time, until otherwise ordered, as collateral security for any note or notes which may be issued without authorization of the Commission having first been obtained.—V. 113, p. 1888.

Steinway Ry., L. I. City.—Jan. 1 Interest Advanced by Committee of which Harold B. Thorne is Chairman—Second Protective Committee Formed.—

The default of the int. on Jan. 1 on the \$1,500,000 6% 1st Mtge. bonds has been corrected, the members of the protective committee, of which H. B. Thorne, Chairman, having subscribed the \$45,000 necessary to meet the int. due on that date. The committee made the following announcement:

"At the request of some of the holders of these bonds, the committee has made arrangements with the depository of the committee, the Metropolitan Trust Co., New York, to advance to its depositors, under the terms of the deposit agreement dated Dec. 28 1921 the amount of the coupon upon the bonds due Jan. 1 1922, and on which default has been made. Any depositor with this committee may immediately avail himself of such arrangement upon request and receive advance of cash for such coupon."

Theodore E. Steinway, of Steinway & Sons, 104 East 14th St., has been added to the committee, now composed of Harold B. Thorne, Chairman; Frank Crane, William Carnegie Ewer, Henry N. Flynt and Mr. Steinway.

The following protective committee has also been formed and has requested holders to deposit their bonds with Central Union Trust Co., depository; George W. Davison, Chairman; Walter E. Frew, Roswell Eldridge, with C. E. Sigler, Sec., 80 Broadway, N. Y. City, and Larkin, Rathbone & Perry, Counsel.—V. 113, p. 2819.

Susquehanna River & Western RR.—Petition Fails.—

The I-S. C. Commission Dec. 28 dismissed the company's application for the proposed acquisition and operation of a line of railroad in Perry County, Pa., on the ground that the application was not within the scope of the Commission. The company sought to acquire and operate a line of narrow-gauge railroad belonging to certain individuals and extending from its main line at Bloomfield Jet, to Blain, Pa., 17 miles. The line in question was constructed in 1892 and was operated by the Newport & Sherman Valley RR. (V. 112, p. 1741) up to Mar. 31 1920, when it was sold in foreclosure proceedings to representatives of the bondholders. From and after April 20 1920 the property was operated by the company and is still so operated under a so-called license from the purchasers, one of whom is the President of the company.

The company desired to take over and reconstruct the line as a standard-gauge railroad and make it a part of its own system. The line was in operation by the company prior to May 28 1920, and such operation has at no time been abandoned. Under these circumstances it is the opinion that the proposed acquisition and continued operation do not fall within the authority of the I-S. C. Commission.—V. 77, p. 951.

Union Traction Co., Phila.—Semi-Annual Dividend.—

The following notice to stockholders, which was enclosed with the semi-annual dividend checks, reads:

"A deduction of 10 cents per share from the customary \$1 50 half-yearly dividend is made necessary by reason of the fact that this company was obliged to employ counsel to defend the attack of the United Business Men's Association upon your company's rentals before the P. S. Commission of Pennsylvania and to prosecute this company's appeal to the Superior Court of Pennsylvania, as well as to represent this company before the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania in the matter of appeals of the City of Philadelphia, the P. S. Commission of Pennsylvania, the United Business Men's Association of Phila. &c.

"As the stockholders already know, this litigation established the fact that the complaint made before the P. S. Commission of Pennsylvania against the rentals paid this company was one which the Commission could not entertain.

"Accordingly, the complaint was dismissed and the litigation which had been instituted in April 1920 has been brought to a conclusion very favorable to this company. The legal work in connection with this litigation has occupied a period of about two years. This deduction enables payment in full to be made of all counsel fees, court costs and expenses connected with the said litigation."—V. 113, p. 2506.

U. S. Railroad Administration.—Final Settlements.—

The U. S. Railroad Administration announces that final settlement of all claims growing out of the 26 months of Federal control has been made with the following roads:

Yazoo & Mississippi Valley, \$5,075,000; Ocean Steamship Co. of Savannah, \$2,275,000; Central of Georgia Ry., \$1,000,000; Colorado & Southern, \$1,775,000; Ft. Worth & Denver City, \$725,000; Peoria & Pekin Union Ry., \$135,000; Union Depot Co. of Columbus, O., \$20,000; Kentwood Greensburg & South Western, \$17,000; San Jonquin & Eastern RR., \$10,000; Nez Perce & Idaho RR., \$6,000, and the Wareville Ry., \$3,000.
Copper Range, \$130,000; Evansville & Indianapolis, \$235,000; Chicago Terre Haute & S. E., \$35,000; North Charleston Term. Co., \$20,021
Atlantic & Yadkin, \$120,000; Yadkin, \$115,000; Longde Ry. & Ind. \$800.

The Railroad Administration also announces that the Illinois Central RR. has paid the Director-General \$7,750,000 as a result of the adjustment of its account with the Administration.—V. 113, p. 2722, 2186.

United Traction Co. of Pittsburgh.—Accumulated Divs.

Interest due July 1 1919 and Jan. 1 1920, on General Mortgage 5% bonds will be paid on presentation of coupons at Brown Brothers & Co., 59 Wall St., N. Y. City.—V. 113, p. 2722.

Virginia Ry. & Power Co.—6% Stock Dividend.—

A dividend of 6% has been declared on the outstanding \$4,693 shares of Preferred stock (par \$100), payable in Preferred stock at par, Feb. 1 to holders of record Jan. 10. A like distribution in Preferred stock was made on this issue in Jan. 1921.—V. 113, p. 2722.

Washington Baltimore & Annapolis Electric RR.—

2-Year 7% Notes Called for Redemption.—

The entire issue of 2-year 7% Mtge. & Collat. Trust notes, dated March 1 1921, has been called for payment March 1 at par and int. at the Fidelity Trust Co. Any note holder may, at his option, surrender his notes prior to March 1 1922 and upon making such surrender will receive par and accrued interest to the date of such presentation.—V. 113, p. 2722.

Wellington Grey & Bruce Ry.—Bonds Called—Interest.

Forty-eight (£1,800) First Mtge. 7% bonds were to be paid Jan. 1 at par and int. at the offices of Grand Trunk Ry. in Montreal, Can., and London, England. There was also paid Jan. 2 out of the earnings for half-year ending Dec. 31 £3 12s. 6d. This payment was applied as follows: viz.: £3 7s. 1d. in final discharge of Coupon No. 75, due Jan. 1 1908, and 10s. 5d. on account of Coupon No. 76, due July 1 1908.—V. 113, p. 294.

Western Pacific RR.—Bonds Sold—Equitable Trust Co.; New York, have sold, at 100 and int., \$3,000,000 1st Mtge. Series "B" 6% Gold Bonds of 1916, due March 1 1946 (see advertising pages).

Interest payable M. & S. in New York City without deduction for any tax or taxes except the Federal income tax. Denom. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100; e* & r* \$1,000 and authorized multiples thereof. Red. on any int. date, all or part, at 102 1/2 and int. on 60 days' notice. First Federal Trust Co., San Francisco, Cal., and Henry E. Cooper, trustees.

The issuance of these bonds has been authorized by the Inter-State Commerce Commission and the California Railroad Commission.

Equity.—These 1st Mtge. bonds are followed by \$27,500,000 6% Non-Cum. Pref. stock and \$47,500,000 Common stock, both classes of which are owned in their entirety by Western Pacific Railroad Corp., which also controls, through entire capital stock ownership, the Denver & Rio Grande Western RR.

Purpose.—Proceeds will be used to retire \$2,700,000 Equipment Trust 6% Notes, Series "A."

Bond Issue.—Authorized, \$50,000,000; Outstanding, \$24,603,500 Series "A" 5% and \$3,000,000 Series "B" 6% bonds, this issue. The 1st Mtge. is the sole funded debt of the company and covers as a first lien approximately 1,011 miles of road comprising the main line connecting Salt Lake City, Utah, with San Francisco, Calif. The outstanding debt is at the rate of \$26.710 per mile of main line, which is recognized as about the lowest mileage rate of any railroad trunk line. In addition, secured by a first lien upon the company's extensive and valuable terminal and other railroad facilities in San Francisco, Oakland and elsewhere, together with certain equipment and securities, and all property hereafter acquired with proceeds of this issue.

Earnings, Calendar Years.

Table with 4 columns: Year (1917, 1918, 1919, 1920) and rows for Gross operating revenue, Net, after exp. & charges, Interest charges, and Under Government operation.

Yazoo & Mississippi Valley Ry.—Final Settlement.—See "U. S. Railroad Administration" above.—V. 108, p. 2529.

INDUSTRIAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.

General Industrial and Public Utility News.—The following table summarizes recent industrial and public utility news of a general character, such as is commonly treated at length on preceding pages 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.

Steel & Iron, Orders, Production, Prices, &c.

Large Railroad Orders.—Pennsylvania RR. Co. on Jan 4 placed contracts for 80,000 tons of 130-lb. open-hearth rails for 1922 delivery, as follows: Carnegie Steel Co., 40,000 tons; Bethlehem Steel Co., 18,000 tons; Cambria Steel, 18,000 tons, and Lackawanna Steel Co., 4,000 tons. The price of rails was reduced last October from \$47 to \$40 per ton. In Dec 1920 the company ordered 200,000 tons of rails for 1921 delivery, of which 50,000 tons are said to be still on hand.

The order of the Burlington (C. B. & Q.) also announced on Wednesday, amounted to \$15,000,000, comprising 500 stock cars, 1,300 refrigerators, 2,500 box, 3,000 composite coal cars and 127 cars for passenger service.

The Imperial Japanese Government on Jan 4 placed an order for 13,000 tons of steel rails with U. S. Steel Products Co.

STEEL & IRON MARKETS.—"Iron Age" of Jan. 5 says in substance

(1) Outlook.—"The steel trade enters upon the new year in a spirit of qualified hopefulness. It expects 1922 to be better than 1921. The fact is emphasized that the country has been swept bare of steel and that consumers, having used up considerably more material in 1921 than the mills shipped them, now have the mills as their sole dependence. While capacity will continue well in excess of demand, a 60% operation at some time in the new year is not considered too much to expect.

(2) Output in 1921.—"Nineteen twenty-one goes down in the records as a 38% year in steel. Ingot production probably exceeded 19 1/2 million tons, against 40,881,000 tons in 1920.

(3) RR. Business.—"Steel producers have ceased to predict large railroad buying, but as it amounted to only about 15% of the total in 1920 and less than that percentage in 1921 they feel safe in counting on better things in 1922.

"Chicago reports give encouragement as to car orders. About 25,000 freight cars are expected to be placed in that district early in the year, whereas for the whole country 1921 yielded only 20,000. The Burlington will probably close for 7,300 cars this week [see above] and the Illinois Central will take early action on 2,200. The Seaboard Air Line, besides buying 25 locomotives, has placed 2,000 to 2,500 cars with the Fairfield, Ala., plant. For the Norfolk & Western 4,000 cars are under negotiation. The Union Pacific has increased its recent inquiry for 1,500 freight cars to 5,500.

"Rail buying is not on the scale of a year ago. Upwards of 400,000 tons are under contract for 1922 and the Pennsylvania order is an early prospect [see railroad orders noted in a preceding paragraph and N. Y. Central's inquiry under "Fabricated Steel" below.—Ed "Chronicle"]

(4) Current Production.—"After the holiday shut-downs of the larger steel companies operations are somewhat larger, the Steel Corporation running this week at somewhat more than 45%. For independent companies the average is probably nearer one-third.

"Blast furnace production in December was 1,649,086 tons, or 53,196 tons per day, as compared with 1,415,481 tons in November, or 47,183 tons per day. The daily increase was about 6,000 tons, or 13%. Furnaces active on Jan 1 125, against 120 one month previous.

(5) Prices.—"Pig iron sales have been very light and no inquiries of importance have developed. Southern pig iron has receded another 50c. to \$16 50, Birmingham, and malleable has been marked down 50c. in the Pittsburgh district.

"Reports of pending reductions in plate, shape and bar prices by a leading producer have been strongly denied. The 1.50c. basis on these products is that which commonly prevails on contracts made to cover definite work, but exceptions are well marked.

(6) Fabricated Steel.—"New fabricated steel projects, including some large investment enterprises, total close to 14,000 tons, and the week's awards amount to about half as much.

"The N. Y. Central has put out an inquiry for its first quarter needs, upward of 6,000 tons, including 500 tons of billets, 3,000 tons of bars, plates and shapes, 750 tons of nails and staples, 600 tons of sheets, 3,000 tires and 5,000 car axles, with other miscellaneous items, such as boiler tubes, frogs and switches.

"Industrial building is rare, but 5,000 tons has been placed at Pittsburgh—3,000 tons for a new rod and wire plant of the Wheeling Steel Corporation at Portsmouth, Ohio, and 2,000 tons for new Steubenville, O., works of the same company.

"Steel Mills as Enlarged 50% Face Less Than Pre-War Demand.—Capacity of mills now 50% more than in 1914, while the year's output was less than in 1906, and amounted to only 38% of possible production. (B. E. V. Luty). "Post" Dec. 31, Fin. Sec., p. 1.

Coal Production, Prices, &c.

WEEKLY REVIEW.—"Coal Age," N. Y., Jan. 5, reports in brief

Bituminous Coal.—"Production of bituminous coal in the calendar year 1921 was about 408,000,000 tons, according to the preliminary estimate of the Geological Survey. This is the lowest annual production since 1911 and is less than 1910. The output of soft coal in December was but 60% of that in December a year ago and 12% below December 1914.

Reaction from Holiday Slump.—"Purchases of bituminous coal on the spot market were practically non-existent in the last three weeks of 1921. They have been resumed on a small scale with inquiry quite general for prices covering the first quarter. So low, however, has production fallen, and so readily can the market be supplied from the large mine capacity now available, that so far prices have not been affected by the early 1922 inquiry.

Prices.—"Coal Age" index of spot prices of bituminous coal at the mines on Jan. 3 was 84, unchanged from the previous week. There were some changes, the increases being mainly along the Atlantic Seaboard and the decreases in the West and Middle West. The price gains in the Eastern market were reactions from the low levels of previous weeks induced by an overloading of the market with distress coal.

"It is rather striking that the mine prices on western Kentucky coal are now above eastern Kentucky prices; the result of several modifications in freight rates favorable to the western district.

Lower Wages.—"Wage reductions in the non-union fields are continuing. More mines in the Somerset field are reported to have gone back to the 1917 scale. With the wage reductions made two weeks ago in southeastern Kentucky, operators in that field are giving evidence of an uneasy desire to get their coal back on the market.

Anthracite.—"Anthracite production in the week before Christmas dropped to 1,338,000 net tons, the lowest since the first week in April, and below the corresponding week of last year. 'Coal burning weather' has, however, arrived, and although stocks in the hands of retailers are generally reported as large, the next two months are expected to record a resumption of anthracite demand and production at least equal to the early fall rate."

Estimates of Production, Net Tons—U. S. Geological Survey.

Table with 7 columns: Week ended, Bituminous Coal, Anthracite Coal, Bechtve, and Coke. Rows for Dec. 10, 17, 24 and Cal. year.

Retail Coal Price Drops 15 Cents a Ton in N. Y. and N. J.—Reduction due to removal of transportation tax. In N. Y. City on Jan. 4 broken and egg were \$12 85 per ton, being a 20-cent reduction; stove and nut, \$13 10, also a 20-cent reduction; pea, \$10 75, a reduction of 30 cents; bituminous, \$8, a 25-cent cut. "Sun" Jan. 4, p. 27.

Anthracite Mines Resuming.—The Lehigh Valley Coal Mines at Mahanoy City, Pa., have resumed operations. The Phila. & Reading Coal & Iron Co. operations will resume to-day. Orders posted by Lehigh Coal & Nav. Co. called for resumption yesterday after a suspension since Dec. 23. "Phila. N. B." Jan. 4, p. 3.

Wage Cut.—West Virginia Pittsburgh Coal Co., Brook County, W. Va., has resumed operations, the men having accepted until April 1922 a wage cut said to exceed 20%. "Phila. N. B." Dec. 31, p. 3.

Oil Prices, Production, &c.

Reduction in Price of Crude Oil, Gasoline, &c.—Production and Imports.—See "Current Events" above.

Prices, Wages and Other Industrial Matters.

Prices.—At New York on Jan. 4 the price of flour, Minn. patent, fell to \$7 25, against \$7 50 the low price Dec. 15 and \$10 50 the high price for 1921. Flour prices in Minneapolis were at the lowest point in six years on Jan. 4; Family patents quoted at \$6 75@ \$6 80 a barrel, when sold in 98-lb. cotton sacks in car lots. "Times" Jan. 5, p. 27.

16-Ounce Loaf Down to a Nickel Again in N. Y. City.—R. H. Macy & Co. begin to sell wheat and rye bread at pre-war price. Butler meets Atlantic & Pacific Co. reduction by selling pound at 6 cents on East Side; price is to be lowered to 7 cents a pound. "Times" Jan. 4, p. 19; Jan. 5, p. 9.

Numerous other reductions on food prices are advertised by N. Y. retail chain stores.

Candy prices were reduced Dec. 31 by Page & Shaw, Boston, to mark their 40th anniversary, 1882-1922, an average of 20% on over 500 varieties. "Boston News Bureau" Dec. 31, p. 4.

Further advance of 10c. in Japanese raw silks. "Fin. Am." Dec. 31, p. 7.

Electric fan prices show a reduction of from 2% to 14% on the various types from last year's prices. "Elec. World" Dec. 31, p. 134S.

"Oil Paint & Drug Reporter" of Jan. 2 reported:

Table with 6 columns: Chemical, &c., Prices, Normal, Last Week, Prev. Week, Last Month, Last Year. Rows for 35 drugs and pharmaceuticals, 40 crude botanical drugs, 20 essential oils, 25 chemicals (alkali group), 12 acids, 20 coal tar dye crudes and intermediates, 19 natural dyestuffs.

Wholesale cigarette prices cut for standard grades, for instance by R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. on the Camel from \$8 to \$7 50 per 1,000; American Tobacco Co. on Lucky Strike brand from \$8 to \$7 50. "Boston Financial News" Dec. 31, p. 6.

Reductions of about 16% on denims announced by leading manufacturers. "Boston Financial News" Jan. 4, p. 3; "Times" Jan. 6, p. 21. May fore-shadow other declines. "Fin. Am." Jan. 5, p. 7.

Further Auto Price Cuts Announced.—By Haynes, Oldsmobile, Apperson, Lafayette, Marmon and Stephens, also Stewart and Maxwell Motor trucks. Twelve new makes of automobiles at show, viz.: Ambassador, Bournonville (equipped with a rotary motor), Durant, Earl, Goodspeed, Handley-Knight, Kelsey, Leach-Biltwell, Rickenbacker, Wills Sainte Claire, Itala and Vauxhall; the last two are foreign makes. "Times" Jan. 1, p. 16; Sec. 7, p. 10.

Rise in German Prices in 1921. "Times" Jan. 2, p. 2.

Arbitrators Cut Wages of 10,000 Unskilled Workers in Independent Plants, Now \$2 56 a Day.—Skilled labor unchanged. Union chief says cut on top of 10 to 20% reduction last August is unjust; men will accept. "Times" Jan. 5.

Building Strikes Called in Chicago against Landis Wage Award.—Five unions side with carpenters. "Times" Jan. 4, p. 2; Jan. 5, p. 13.

New York Harbor Pilots of Three Concerns Quit Work, Tugboat Owners Refusing Old Scale.—"Sun" Jan. 6, p. 2; "Times" Jan. 6, p. 1.

Utica Knitting Mills Reduces Wages 12 1/2% and Increased Working Time Six Hours per Week "to enable Workers to Make the Same Total Wage."—"Fin. Am." Jan. 5.

Merger of 35 or 40 Fertilizer Co's Proposed into New National Fertilizer Corp.—Preliminary circulars sent out by C. Wilbur Miller, President of Davison Chemical Co. of Baltimore as Chairman of organization committee. "Oil, Paint & Drug Reporter" Dec. 26, p. 23.

Textile Alliance Out of Dye Role.—State Department gives over control of reparations allotments to Treasury. "Oil, Paint & Dr. Rep." Dec. 26, p. 23.

Packers' Hopeful Outlook for 1922—Retrospect for 1921 (Thos. F. Wilson, Pres. of Wilson & Co. and Institute of Am. Meat Packers). Boston "Fin. News" Dec. 31, p. 7. Compare reports of Cudahy and Swift Co's above.

Court Matters, Legislation and Miscellaneous.

U. S. Supreme Court, 5 to 4, Holds that "Resale Prices" as Maintained by Beech-Nut Packing Co. Hinder Free Competition.—"Times" Jan. 4, p. 19.

U. S. Supreme Court Orders Re-argument, Feb. 27, of Coronado Mine Workers' Case.—Violation of Sherman Anti-Trust Law by United Mine Workers of America during strike in Arkansas in 1914. "Times" Jan. 4, p. 19.

Holders of Foreign Stock Taxable.—Penn. State Supreme Court sustains the right of Allegheny County to tax resident holders of stock in foreign corporations in \$300,000 suit appealed by the Tax Board against the Gulf Oil Corp., holding company for Gulf Refining Co. This decision, it is said, sets precedent under Act of June 17 1913. "Wall St. Journal" Jan. 4.

Plate Glass Manufacturers Indicted Under Sherman Anti-Trust Law—File Notice of Denurrer.—Judge John C. Knox has fixed Jan. 23 for argument as to same; if overruled the case will go to trial Feb. 6. The indictment names 54 corporations and 40 individuals as a result of investigation into building contracts. "Sun" Jan. 3, p. 1.

Says Commissions Infringe on Courts.—N. Y. Judiciary Constitutional Convention advises amendment to constitution vesting power in courts. "Times" Jan. 5, p. 14.

N. Y. State Income Tax.—Stockholders of 700 personal service corporations gain through recent amendment. "Times" Jan. 3, p. 31.

Some Notable Gas Rate Decisions E. E. Bankson, Pittsburgh, (Pa.).—"Gas Age" Dec. 31, p. 888.

Tobacco Suits Proposed by Government to Recover Sum Said to Be Obtained Erroneously on Custom Rebate.—"Fin. Am." Dec. 31, p. 7.

U. S. District Court Refuses to Bar Fuel Oil Made in Germany.—"Times" Jan. 4, p. 19.

Rules on War Shlp Claims.—Supreme Court gives decision regarding suits against Government. "Times" Jan. 4, p. 12.

Daugherty Tells Trade Associations What They Must Not Do.—Under decision of U. S. Supreme Court in Hardwood case Attorney-General Daugherty forbids these associations to fix prices, divide territory or limit production by contract. "Times" Jan. 4, p. 6.

Far Price Inquiry on House Furnishing Goods.—U. S. Senate passes Senator Kenyon's bill directing the Trade Commission to investigate the "causes of factory, wholesale and retail price conditions" in the industry. "Times" Jan. 5, p. 19.

Undermyer Would Have Trade Combinations Reread Facts and Then Disband Without Suit. Can't Reach Them All.—"Times" Jan. 5, p. 12.

Building Unions Agree to All Demands of Lockwood Committee in Full of Modified Form.—Ratification said to be assured. Untermyer says no new laws are needed. "Times" Jan. 5, p. 19; Jan. 4, p. 26.

Postmaster-General Hays Favors Restoration of Pneumatic Tubes.—"Times" Jan. 5, p. 19.

State Labor Federation Mobilizes Against Proposed Restrictive Measures.—List of same. "Times" Jan. 4, p. 6.

New York Bonus Amendment Offered by Senator Simpson.—Concurrent resolution provides for \$45,000,000 bond issue. "Times" Jan. 5, p. 4.

"Capital Gains" Under New Law.—N. Y. "Times" Jan. 1, Sec. 7, p. 11.

Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce Organized With 100 Charter Members.—"Times" Jan. 1, p. 6.

Third of U. S. Senate and Entire New Lower House to Be Chosen Next Year. Democrats hope for big gains. (Mark Sullivan.)—N. Y. "Post" Dec. 31, p. 1.

Prosecution of N. Y. Building Combine.—"Fin. Am." Jan. 5, p. 17.

James Speyer Emphasizes Need of Protecting Capital.—Unfair treatment of railroad owners may unnecessarily delay prosperity.—"Wall Street Jour." Jan. 3, p. 6.

Russian Economic and Political Situation Grave—Soviet Land Reforms.—"Times" Jan. 5, p. 10 and 11; Jan. 3, p. 30.

Indictment in Soil Pipe Trade.—N. Y. Grand Jury finds 10 individuals and 11 firms conspired to fix prices; likened to Hardwood case; prosecutor says association kept members informed of their competitors' prices. Defendants include Central Poultry Co. of N. Y. "Times" Jan. 6, p. 9.

Matters Covered in "Chronicle" of Dec. 31, 1921.—(a) Supreme Court decision "Hardwood Open Price" case, p. 2750 and 2782 to 2785. (b) Dividend record of Fall River Cotton mills, p. 2751. (c) Handicaps on achievement—(speech by Charles M. Schwab), p. 2765. (d) Confiscation of Wealth—(Percy H. Johnston, President Chemical Nat. Bank), p. 2766.

(e) New Capital flotations for November and the eleven months, p. 2767. (f) Bonds to be returned by British treasury, p. 2768.

(g) Annual report of War Finance Corporation—advances and repayments, p. 2768. (h) "Bank clearings," give place to "Bank transactions," at various cities, p. 2771 and 2772. (i) Bill for representation of agricultural interests on Federal Reserve Board, p. 2772. (j) Insurance securities to be valued on new basis, p. 2773. (k) New treasury savings certificates, p. 2773, 2774. (l) Need of wise agricultural policy, p. 2779. (m) Return from tenant farms in U. S. in 1919, p. 2780. (n) Nation-wide investigation of retail prices, p. 2780. (o) 1921 world cotton crop as reported by U. S., p. 2781.

(p) Oil refiners of U. S. output, consumption and stocks on hand in October, 1921, p. 2789. (q) Production of crude oil in U. S. in October and 11 months—Stocks on hand, p. 2789. (r) Mexican oil exports, production, taxes, etc., p. 2789.

(s) Allen Motor Co., Festoria, Ohio.—Sale.—

Judge John E. Sater in Federal Court at Columbus, O., Dec. 29, after hearing the statement of the receivers for the company that they have an offer of \$670,000 for assets, not including cash, notes and accounts receivable, announced he would render his decision later. Total claims against the company are approximately \$3,000,000, including more than \$1,000,000 contingent liabilities, it is stated.—V. 113, p. 1576.

American Brass Co.—Time for Deposits of Stock under Anaconda Copper Co.'s Offer Expires Jan. 31.—A circular dated Dec. 30, sent to the stockholders, says in substance:

At a meeting of some of the larger holders of the stock of the company recently, the undersigned were appointed a committee to communicate to all of the stockholders the opportunity to sell and dispose of all or any portion of their stock to the Anaconda Copper Mining Co. To this end the committee has entered into a contract with the Anaconda Copper Mining Co., dated Dec. 22 1921, whereby the Anaconda company agrees to purchase and acquire all or any portion of the capital stock of the Brass company (but not less than 51% thereof) for \$150 in cash and three shares of the full-paid and non assessable stock of the Anaconda company for each share of the Brass company stock (compare V. 113, p. 2821, 2174).

Deposits of certificates representing the American Brass Co. stock may be made with either Mechanics & Metals National Bank, 20 Nassau St., New York, or Colonial Trust Co., Waterbury, Conn. Deposits of stock may be made at any time up to but not later than Jan. 31.

It is expected that the directors of the Brass company will declare a dividend upon its capital stock of 1½% for the quarter ending Jan. 31 1922, payable to holders of record on that date. Until after Jan. 31 1922, no deposited stock will be transferred out of the name in which it is registered at the time of deposit, so that such div., if declared, will be payable directly to such registered holder. The contract provides that such dividend shall be the property of the depositing stockholder, and will be in addition to the \$150 in cash and three shares of Anaconda stock for each share of Brass company stock.

The committee believes that acceptance of the offer is advantageous, and urges stockholders to deposit their stock so that the agreement may become operative as promptly as possible through the deposit under it of 51% of the total outstanding stock of the Brass company.

Committee.—Charles F. Brooker, Chairman; Royall Victor, Harris Whittemore, Adrian H. Larkin, Charles F. Bliss, with Sullivan & Cromwell, counsel, 49 Wall St., New York, and DeLano Andrews, Sec'y, 49 Wall St., New York.

[Compare also under "Annual Reports" above data from letter addressed to the Chairman of this committee by Professor James F. Kenar, Consulting Mining Geologist, dated Dec. 24 1921, regarding mining properties of Anaconda company. Also report of Price, Waterhouse & Co. dated Dec. 23 1921, regarding balance sheet and the accounts of the Anaconda Copper Mining Co.]—V. 113, p. 2821, 2174.

American Multigraph Co.—To Retire Preferred Stock.—

Secretary S. H. Mansfield recently announced that the company would call for redemption on Jan. 1 the usual amount of Preferred stock. Since 1918 the company has set aside annually an amount equal to 11% of the outstanding issue, 7% of which is for dividends and 4% to redeem and cancel Preferred stock at par.

Balance Sheet June 30 1921 and Dec. 31 1920.

June 30 '21, Dec. 31 '20.		June 30 '21, Dec. 31 '20.	
Assets—	\$	Liabilities—	\$
Real estate & bldg. equipment	1,312,558	Preferred stock	654,800
Patents & devel.	390,821	Common stock	1,285,940
Inventories	1,647,021	Stock subs. (unisd)	91,500
Investments	35,892	7% gold notes	500,000
Cash on hand and deposits	224,965	Taxes payable	93,259
Acc'ts receivable	582,089	Bills payable	175,000
Notes receivable	526,861	Current acc'ts pay.	172,427
Stock subs. rec'd	68,279	Res. for deprec'n	546,078
Fund for redemp. of pref. stock & gold notes	89,861	Res. for taxes, &c	408,390
Other assets	136,535	Reserve for mdse. coupons outst'g	151,223
		Capital surplus	17,410
		Earned surplus	1,064,608
Total assets	5,041,882	Total	5,041,882

—V. 112, p. 935.

American Light & Traction Co.—Stock Dividend of 1½%.

The directors have declared a cash dividend of 1½% on the Pref. stock, a cash dividend of 1% on the Common stock, and a stock dividend at the rate of 1 share of Common stock on every 100 shares of Common stock outstanding, all payable Feb. 1 to holders of record Jan. 13. In Feb., May Aug. and Nov. 1921, quarterly cash dividends of 1% and stock dividends of 1% each were paid on the Common stock, compared with 1½% in cash and a like amount in stock paid in Aug. and Nov. 1920. Dividends of 2½% in cash and 2½% in stock were paid quar. from 1911 to May 1920.—V. 113, p. 2181.

American Malt & Grain Co.—Sells Buffalo Plant.—

The liquidating trustees, it is reported, have sold the Buffalo plant to Minneapolis Milling Co. for \$500,000. One-fifth of the purchase price, it is said, is payable at once, and the remainder in April.—V. 113, p. 1577.

American Pneumatic Service Co.—Conveyor Belts to Avoid Handling of Parcel Post Packages at Chicago P. O.—

The Second Assistant Postmaster-General has awarded a contract to Lamson Co. of Boston (a subsidiary) for what promises, according to Post Office Department, a distinctive step in rapid handling of bulk mails and parcel post. Chicago Union Station Co. of Chicago is erecting for the P. O. Dept. an 8-story building having floor capacity of 500,000 sq. ft.,

and the award is for equipment in this building for handling of mails. It will cost approximately \$500,000.

The building throughout will be equipped with latest belt conveying equipment. It will require 7 miles of belting alone for conveying machinery. After June 1 it is intended to divert about 1,300 tons of mails daily into the new terminal. The building is designed to handle many times this amount. Sub-basement will contain railroad tracks.

Plans have been arranged with mail order houses so that their parcel-post packages will be loaded in a new type self-dumping truck, which can be loaded at plant of the mailer directly upon motor trucks and rolled off to the new terminal post office and dumped on to conveying belts without intermediate handling. (Boston "News Bureau.")

To Restore Mail Tubes in New York and Other Cities.—

A Washington dispatch states that Postmaster-General Hays expects to ask a Congressional appropriation for the resumption of the pneumatic tube mail service in New York, Boston, Chicago, St. Louis and Philadelphia, which was given up in 1918 when President Wilson vetoed a bill providing for continuance of the tubes. Mr. Hays, it is stated, is in favor of reinstalling the tubes, provided a satisfactory contract could be agreed upon. It is understood that the Joint Congressional Postal Commission and the tube owners left the decision relative to terms in the hands of Mr. Hays. The private concerns ready to operate the tubes have said they would be satisfied to receive a 6% return on a fair valuation.—V. 113, p. 1677.

American Rolling Mill Co., Middletown, Ohio.—Purchase of Ashland Iron & Mining Co.—Touching the purchase of the property and assets of the Ashland Iron & Mining Co., Pres. George M. Verity has made a statement saying in substance:

This purchase, or consolidation of interests which it really is, adds to the American Rolling Mill Co.'s extensive manufacturing facilities a new property, which, properly and fully developed, will unquestionably prove to be of very great value to the stockholders of both concerns.

The manufacturing plants at Ashland comprise two blast furnaces, which have the reputation of making a very high grade of pig iron; 6 open hearth furnaces, each of 100 tons capacity; a modern electrically driven blooming mill; a slab, billet and bar mill; and 6 sheet mills.

The Ashland Iron & Mining Co. owns (a) all of the stock of the Ashland Coal & Iron Ry. and operates the road which comprises some 48 miles of track, necessary rolling stock, motive power, &c. The C. & O. RR. uses some 21 miles of the tracks of this railroad as a part of their main line. (b) All of the stock of the Inter-Terminal Transit Co. of Ashland, which handles a large proportion of the industrial switching in Ashland. (c) Some 22,000 acres of coal and timber lands adjacent to Ashland, from which they have and are drawing their fuel supply. (d) The plants of the company are located right along the river and the company owns and controls some 3 miles of valuable river-front within the city limits.

The Ashland company's progress has been retarded during the last few years for lack of completion of their plans covering the construction of suitable finishing mills adjacent to their steel works in order that they might be in position to sell a high-finished product in place of a semi-finished product such as billets and slabs.

The proposition was attractive to the American Rolling Mill Co. because of the fact that the Ashland company had approximately three-fourths of a complete unit in operation, but the finished product end, which is Armeo's specialty, could be developed as they wished to suit their special needs.

The combination of these properties, comprising plants in Columbus, Middletown, Zanesville, Portsmouth and Ashland, together with extensive ore and coal fields, creates an industrial unit with over \$55,000,000 of total assets and a very substantial surplus. No plans have as yet been announced concerning the development of the Ashland properties.

According to reports, the rolling mill company has paid the equivalent of \$1,000,000 for \$6,000,000 net assets of the Ashland company and also assumes the bonded indebtedness of the Ashland company, amounting to \$4,000,000. In the deal the Ashland stockholders, it is said, received 39,875 shares of the common stock of the American Rolling Mill Co. for their properties, which stock is to be held in the Ashland treasury until Oct. 1 1923. Each shareholder of the Ashland company is entitled to one share of Rolling Mill common, par value \$25, for every 2½ shares of common stock of the Ashland company, the par value of which is \$50 per share.]

—V. 113, p. 2821.

American Ship Building Co., Cleveland.—Plan to Retire Preferred Stock—To Increase Common Stock and Declare 20% Stock Dividend.—A circular to stockholders Dec. 31 says:

For many years the non-cumulative feature of the preferred stock has had a most detrimental effect upon the standing and value of all our stock, and has given rise to much misunderstanding and trouble. The possible necessity of passing, and thereby permanently losing preferred dividends, because not earned during the fiscal year, is a continual menace to the preferred shares, the consequent depression of which has also affected unfavorably the position of the common shares.

The President and directors have for some time felt that it was desirable to readjust the capitalization, and a special committee representing some of the larger holders of both common and preferred stocks was appointed to formulate a plan which would reconcile the differences of interests now existing between the two classes of stockholders. This committee has recommended the following plan, which was unanimously approved by the directors Dec. 22:

Plan for Change of Capital Stock and Retirement of Preferred Stock.

(1) Increase present authorized common stock from \$15,000,000, par \$100, to \$15,500,000, par \$100.

(2) Declare an extra dividend of 20% upon the present outstanding common stock out of accumulated surplus net profits of previous fiscal years for the purpose of more nearly equalizing the values of the preferred and common stocks for retirement.

(3) Thereafter offer as required by law to all common stockholders pro rata the right to subscribe for and purchase for cash at par (a) the present unissued common stock amounting to \$7,400,000, and (b) such proposed additional common stock amounting to the aggregate par value of \$500,000.

(4) Offer to all preferred stockholders to purchase their stock at par, payment therefor to be made share for share in common stock at par; provided that to the extent that any common stock may be sold for cash as above, the proceeds of such sales shall be applied pro rata as nearly as possible without the issuance of fractional shares to the purchase price of such preferred stock and the amount of common stock used in such purchase shall be correspondingly reduced.

All dividends which may be declared upon deposited preferred stock pending its purchase as above provided shall belong to the holders of record of the certificates of deposit representing same.

Plan to Have Approval of 75% of Preferred Stockholders.—The foregoing plan is conditioned upon its being first approved and accepted by not less than 75% of the preferred stockholders, such approval and acceptance to be evidenced by an agreement of deposit and by the deposit thereunder with a "stock change committee" appointed by the directors, consisting of Bertram Cutler, M. E. Farr, Kellogg Fairbank, Morrell W. Gaines and Henry S. Pickands (or with one or more depositaries to be designated by the committee) of the preferred stock certificates of such holders, duly endorsed for transfer, together with powers of attorney authorizing the committee to vote for and assent to all steps which the committee may consider necessary or proper in carrying out the plan and authorizing the committee to effect the sale and purchase of such deposited stock upon the terms above named.

Plan to Be Declared Operative.—When not less than 75% of the Preferred stockholders shall have assented to the plan, the directors may declare the plan to be advisable, and call a meeting of the stockholders to vote upon the approval thereof. In case two-thirds in interest of each class of stock then issued and outstanding shall vote in favor of such approval, the plan will become operative and thereupon the purchase of the preferred stock will be consummated as provided. If the plan should not be approved, or should not be consummated, the deposited stock will be returned to its owners without charge.

Advantages of Plan.—Among the advantages of this plan to participating preferred stockholders will be: (1) the prospect of sharing in future distributions of accumulated net surplus; (2) the avoidance of risk of losing preferred dividends because of the non-cumulative feature of the preferred stock; (3) the general betterment of the position of the company and its securities; (4) upon the consummation of the plan it is expected that the company will be in position to declare a 10% extra dividend upon the common stock as increased.

The Common stock will be benefited by the same general betterment of the company's position before its stockholders and customers; by the proposed distribution of a 20% dividend out of accumulated earnings; and by the removal of the prior claim of the preferred stock upon current earnings.

Deposits Must Be Made by Jan. 31—The required amount of preferred stock must be made not later than Jan. 31, either with the Union Trust Co., Cleveland, O.; Equitable Trust Co., New York; or First Trust & Sav. Bank, Chicago, Ill., depositaries.
[Signed by M. E. Farr, President, and F. M. Secrest, Secretary.]—V. 113, p. 2721, 1890

American Wholesale Corporation.—December Sales.—
1921—Dec.—1920. Increase. | 1921—12 Mos.—1920. Decrease.
\$1,830,987 \$1,772,936 \$58,051 | \$34,855,329 \$38,352,910 \$3,497,581
—V. 113, p. 2822.

Anglo-American Mill Co., Owensboro, Ky.—Prof. Stock Offered.—Andrews & Co., Chicago, are offering at 100 and div. \$750,000 8% Participating Preferred (a. & d.) stock, par \$100. A circular shows:

Redeemable, all or part, at 115 and divs. Dividends payable Q.-J. After Common stock receives 8% (all accumulations and current 8% being paid on Preferred), the Preferred stock shares in additional dividends equally with Common up to 12%. Sinking fund of 10% of net earnings, or 3% of total Preferred stock outstanding, whichever is greater, shall be used to retire the issue by purchase in the open market up to \$115 per share.

Capitalization—
8% Cumulative & Participating Preferred stock.....\$1,000,000 \$750,000
Common stock.....2,000,000 2,000,000
Deb. notes, '22, \$122,950; 7% notes, '22-'24, \$233,500.....356,450

Company—Incorporated in Delaware in 1910. Manufactures self-contained unit flour mill of relatively small capacity which can be sold at a moderate price, meeting a long-felt demand for milling machinery which can be purchased and operated at small cost and without experience.

The net profits before taxes for the 6 years ending Dec. 31 1920 were at average annual rate of over \$152,000, or over 2½ times div. requirements.

The proceeds of this issue are to be used in extending the business, particularly in the manufacture of a new mill to sell at a price of about \$1,200.—V. 108, p. 173.

Arizona Copper Co., Ltd.—Sale of Railroad.—
See El Paso & Southwestern Co. under "Railroads" above.—V. 113, p. 2725.

Armstrong, Cator & Co., Inc., Baltimore.—Prof. Stock Offered.—Baltimore Trust Co. and Baker, Watts & Co., Baltimore, are offering at 100 and div. \$600,000 8% Cum. Prior Pref. (a. & d.) stock (par \$100). A circular shows:

Red., all or part, on 30 days' notice at \$110 and div. Divs. payable Q.-J. Annual sinking fund of \$25,000, payable quarterly to the trustee accounting from Jan. 1 1922, is provided for the purchase and cancellation of the Prior Preference stock.

Capitalization—
8% Cum. Prior Pref. stock, par \$100.....\$600,000 \$600,000
7% Cum. Pref. stock, par \$100.....150,000 150,000
7% Cum. 2d Pref. stock, par \$100.....1,500,000 725,000
Common stock, no par value.....10,000 sh. 10,000 sh.

In connection with this financing 7% Cumulative Pref. stock and 7% Cumulative 2d Pref. stock, aggregating \$250,000, has been disposed of for cash at par. [All other stocks have been taken by the partners of the firm, it is said.]

Company—Incorp. in Maryland in Dec. 1921 to acquire the business as of Dec. 31 1921 of Armstrong, Cator & Co., Baltimore, established in 1805. Originally a retail establishment, it later became a wholesale and retail business, then wholesale exclusively, in millinery, notions, underwear, hosiery, white goods and kindred lines.

Assets—Net tangible assets as of Oct. 31 1921, after giving effect to this financing, as shown by the report of Messrs. Haskins & Sells, certified public accountants, amount to over \$248 per share, and the net quick assets amount to over \$239 per share of the Prior Preference stock.

Earnings—Net earnings of the co-partnership available for distribution among the partners from Jan. 1 1918 to Oct. 31 1921 have averaged an amount in excess of \$200,000 p. a., or over 4 times the dividend requirements on the Prior Preference stock.

Directors—Franklin P. Cator, Pres.; Wm. W. Cator, V.-Pres. & Treas.; Robinson C. Pagon, V.-Pres.; Stuart C. Hopper, Sec.; Allen W. Mason (V.-Pres. Baltimore Trust Co.) and Wm. G. Baker Jr. of Baker, Watts & Co.

Ashland Iron & Mining Co.—Sale to Am. Rolling Mill.—
See American Rolling Mill Co. above and V. 113, p. 2822, 2617.

Baldwin Locomotive Works.—Int. on Polish Bonds Paid.
Philadelphia advices state that the semi-annual interest on the Polish bonds held by the company due at the end of the year for the second half of 1921 was paid by the Polish Government to the company on Dec. 30. All interest payments on these bonds, it is stated, have been made in full and on time.—V. 113, p. 2822.

Baltimore & Eastern Shore Ferry Line.—Receiver Asked.
A bill for a receiver was filed against the company Dec. 28 in Circuit Court No. 2 by Lewis W. Lake, attorney for the Raymond Concrete Pile Co., New York contracting firm. The bill charges the ferry company with being insolvent, with preferential payments to creditors and with dissipating its assets.

This is the second suit of the Raymond company against the Ferry line. The first was in Baltimore County to maintain a mechanics' lien. Judge Preston Dec. 27 handed down a decree for \$15,428 in favor of the Raymond company. Stock of this company was offered to the public in Sept. 1920 by H. M. Haverbeck & Co., New York. See V. 111, p. 1185.

Barnsdall Corporation.—Preliminary Statement.
A preliminary income statement published this week, including it is understood the results on substantially all properties, whether wholly or partially owned makes the following showing.

	1921	1920	1919
Gross earnings, all sources.....	\$7,787,761	\$10,310,553	\$6,251,165
Operating expenses.....	5,123,941	3,953,513	2,246,161
Total net income.....	\$2,663,820	\$6,356,940	\$4,004,004
Depr. depl. and drill. chgs.....	1,647,317	2,363,415	1,831,913
Interest and discount.....	233,800	221,759	287,720
Federal taxes.....		417,400	285,745
Surplus available for divs.....	\$ 782,703	\$ 3,321,366	\$ 1,603,599

In the first six months of 1921, it is stated, severe inventory write-offs necessitated by the sharp reduction in the prices of crude oil products resulted in a loss of \$385,911. The last six months gave a sharp impetus to earnings and the management is optimistic for 1922.—V. 113, p. 2618.

Boston Consolidated Gas Co.—Merger.
According to Boston report, it is understood that the East Boston Gas Co., Newton & Watertown Gas Light Co. and the Boston Consolidated Gas Co. are to be consolidated, the latter company to take over the other two companies and to issue a large block of stock to finance the merger. These companies are subsidiaries of Massachusetts Gas Companies.—V. 113, p. 1775.

British-American Tobacco Co., Ltd.—Final and Interim Dividend.—Earnings for Year ending Sept. 30 1921.

The directors on Jan. 3 decided to recommend to shareholders at annual meeting Jan. 11, payment on Jan. 18 of a final dividend of 8%, free of British income tax, upon the issued Ordinary shares. The directors also declared an interim dividend of 4% for the year 1921-1922 on the Ordinary shares, free of British income tax, payable Jan. 18.

Net profits for the year ending Sept. 30 1921, after deducting all charges and expenses for management, &c., and providing for income tax and British corporation profits tax, are officially reported as £4,323,481, as against £4,879,577 for previous year. After paying final dividend of 8%, carry forward will be £1,890,188.—V. 113, p. 2183.

British-Trent Utilities, Inc.—Registrar.—

Guaranty Trust Co., New York, has been appointed registrar of stock of this company, consisting of 20,000 shares of Preferred stock, par \$50; 800,000 shares of Class "A" Common, par \$5, and 200,000 shares of Class "B" Common, par \$5. The company will act as their own transfer agent.

California & Hawaiian Sugar Refining Corp.—President Capital, &c.—

The California & Hawaiian Sugar Refining Corp. purchased all the assets and assumed all the liabilities of the California & Hawaiian Sugar Refining Co. as of March 11 1921. The authorized capital stock of the California & Hawaiian Sugar Refining Corp. is \$20,000,000 and the issued stock \$12,500,700. This is made up as follows:

	Authorized.	Issued.
Common stock.....	\$15,000,000	\$10,000,700
Preferred stock (8% cumulative).....	5,000,000	2,500,000

—V. 113, p. 2823.

Cambridge (Mass.) Electric Light Co.—Stock Offered.—

The stockholders of record Dec. 20 1921, are given the right to subscribe to 3,000 shares of Capital stock at \$150 per share at the rate of one new share for every three and one-third old shares now held by them. The right to subscribe will expire Jan. 30 1922, and all subscriptions and all assignments of rights must be received at office of Old Colony Trust Co., 17 Court St., Boston, on or before that date.

Payment for the shares subscribed for must be made at the rate of \$150 per share as follows: \$75 per share on Feb. 1 1922; \$75 per share on March 15 1922. This offering will bring the total stock up to \$1,300,000.—V. 113, p. 2823.

Canadian Westinghouse Co., Ltd.—Pays Bonus of 2%.

A bonus of 2% was paid Jan. 1 1922, in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 2%. An extra of 2% was also paid in Jan. 1921.—V. 109, p. 2442

Commonwealth Edison Co.—Increases Capacity.—

With the completion of the first section of its new Calumet station, the company will increase its present capacity from 575,000 k. w. to 635,000 k. w. This will make an addition of 125,000 k. w. during the past two years. The number of customers connected to the company's lines has increased during the past two years by 120,000, up to a total at this time of 528,000 customers. (Official.)—V. 113, p. 2725.

Consolidation Coal Co.—Purchase.—

It has been reported that the company has completed the purchase of the remaining 40% interest in the Northwestern Fuel Co. of St. Paul (V. 97, p. 1359), which has an authorized issue of \$4,200,000 Common stock (all issued) and \$1,500,000 6% Preferred stock (\$1,000,000 issued), thereby gaining complete control of that company. The terms have not been announced, but it is stated that they have been on a cash basis.—V. 113, p. 2188.

Consumers Power Co. (Me.)—Plant.—

The Rogers Dam plant of the company, 6 miles south of Big Rapids, Mich., was recently destroyed by fire. The loss is placed at between \$300,000 and \$400,000.—V. 113, p. 2316

Continental Candy Co.—To Sell Jersey City Assets.—

The entire assets of the company, located in Jersey City, will be sold at public auction Jan. 18 by James B. A. Fosburgh, trustee in bankruptcy, at Room 1701, 299 Broadway, N. Y. City.—V. 113, p. 2409.

Cornell (Cotton) Mills Corp.—Extra Dividend of 8%.—

An extra dividend of 8%, in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 2% was payable Dec. 24 to holders of record Dec. 20. In Jan., April, July and Oct., 1921, extras of 1% each were paid. An extra of 3% was paid in Oct. 1920. In April and July 1920 dividends of 10% each were paid, while in June 1920 a special distribution of 20% was made.—V. 113, p. 1364.

Cosden & Co. (of Del.), Baltimore.—Earnings.—

Net earnings for October, after interest charges, but before depreciation, were \$965,679, as compared with \$966,219 in Oct. 1920.—V. 113, p. 2726.

Cuban-Canadian Sugar Co. (Cuba).—Earnings.—

Results for Year Ending June 30 1920-21.

Oper. loss for year.....	\$870,921	Depreciation.....	\$433,253
Int., discount & exchange.....	280,060	Net loss for year 1920-21.....	1,786,699
Reserve for bad & doubtful accounts.....	202,465	Previous sur. June 30 '20.....	323,069
		Debit bal. June 30 1921.....	1,463,630

—V. 110, p. 81.

Cuyamel Fruit Co., New Orleans.—Balance Sheet.—The

bankers' circular offering \$3,500,000 1st Mtge. 20-Year 7½% Sinking Fund Gold bonds, dated Dec. 1 1921 and due Dec. 1 1941 (\$5,000,000 authorized) shows the following adjusted balance sheet as of Nov. 30 1921:

Balance Sheet Nov. 30 1921, Adjusted to Give Effect to Present Financing.
[Cuyamel Fruit Co. and Cortes Development Co.]

Assets—		Liabilities—	
x Fixed assets.....	\$8,159,354	Capital stock.....	\$6,750,000
Cash.....	106,386	First mortgage bonds.....	3,500,000
Accounts receivable.....	693,000	Accounts payable.....	271,782
Notes receivable.....	341,590	Accrued pay-rolls.....	66,798
Growing crops.....	1,520,921	Deposits by employees.....	16,793
Misc., mat'l & supplies.....	918,456	Notes pay. for mat'l & sup.....	69,325
Due from affil. int. (for crop advances).....	436,868	Drafts and acceptances.....	10,958
Stocks and bonds.....	1,564,172	Deferred credit items.....	91,574
Adv. for reconstruc. of Nat'l RR. of Honduras.....	655,184	Items in transit.....	109,575
Board of Comm'rs, Port of N. O., wharf.....	405,161	Surplus.....	2,883,988
Deferred debit items.....	74,967	Reserve for banana ins.....	116,567
		y Current profits.....	1,289,710
		Total (each side).....	\$15,477,069

x Fixed assets are made up as follows: (1) Honduras investments, \$8,240,816; less reserve for depreciation, \$3,072,717; (2) steamers and barges, \$3,372,725; less reserve for depreciation, \$424,510; (3) office building, furniture and fixtures, \$52,319; less reserve for depreciation, \$9,277.
y Current profits before interest and depreciation, \$2,275,448; deduct interest paid, \$335,683; depreciation 11 mos. ended Nov. 30 1921, \$650,054; balance, \$1,289,709. Compare V. 113, p. 2821.

Dallas Power & Light Co.—New Chairman.—

W. B. Head, of Dallas, Tex., has been elected Chairman to succeed the late J. P. Strickland.—V. 113, p. 735.

Davison Chemical Co.—Merger Move.—

See Industrial summary above.—V. 113, p. 1160.

Dominion Bridge Co., Ltd.—Annual Report.—

Profits from contracts, interest and dividends received on investments and miscellaneous earnings for the year ending Oct. 31 1921 amounted to \$623,737. Net earnings, after deducting \$131,306 for depreciation on plant, etc., \$95,608 for reserves for doubtful accounts and Federal taxes, and \$15,130 for directors' fees, totaled \$378,691, to which is added surplus of Nov. 1 1920 \$4,293,141, making total surplus of \$4,671,838. After deducting \$620,000 for dividends, and \$480,000 reserved for shrinkage in inventory values, there was a profit and loss surplus as at Oct. 31 1921, of \$3,671,838.—V. 112, p. 370.

Deford Co. (Leather), Baltimore. Bonds Offered.—

Hambleton & Co. and Baltimore Trust Co. are offering at 99 and int., yielding 7.50%, \$600,000 1st Mtge. 20-Year 7½% Sinking Fund Gold Bonds.

Dated Jan. 1 1922, due Jan. 1 1942. Int. payable J. & J. at the office of Baltimore Trust Co., trustee, or Bankers Trust Co., New York, without deduction of Federal income tax not in excess of 2%. Penna. 4-mills tax and Maryland securities tax of 4½ mills refunded. Red. all or part on any int. date on 30 days' notice at 110 and int. during 1922, and thereafter the premium is reduced ½ of 1% for each year or fraction thereof. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500 (c.).

Data from Letter of V.-Pres. Robert B. Deford, Baltimore, Dec. 24.
Company.—Was originally established in 1821. In 1897 was incorp. in West Virginia. Is engaged in the tanning of hides and manufacture and sale of leather. Output includes belting butts, sole leather and curried leather. Tanneries with capacity of 1,800 hides each per week are located at Luray and Covington, Va.

Net Profits After Federal Taxes and Provision for Accrued Depreciation.

1898	\$238,775	1915	\$133,704
1903	84,525	1916	394,086
1904	130,836	1917	493,655
1908	112,738	1918	271,709
1911	28,476	1919	143,562

The average profits for the years 1898 to 1919, incl., were \$180,363. The maximum annual interest charge on this issue will amount to \$45,000. In 1920 and 1921 losses were sustained.

Sinking Fund.—Mortgage provides for a sinking fund payable semi-annually beginning Jan. 1 1924 sufficient to retire, through purchase or redemption annually \$33,000 of bonds. Operation of sinking fund will retire entire issue by maturity.

Purpose.—Proceeds will be used to reduce current debt, for additional working capital and other corporate purposes.

Dominion Glass Co., Ltd.—Earnings.

September 30 Years—	1920-21.	1919-20.	1918-19.
Profits	\$699,599	\$757,988	\$631,724
Bond interest	120,000	120,000	120,000
Sinking fund	50,000	50,000	50,000
Preferred dividends (7%)	182,000	182,000	182,000
Common dividends	(6%)255,000	(4)170,000	(4)170,000

Balance, surplus \$92,599 \$235,989 \$109,724
 Total profit and loss surplus Sept. 30 1921, \$818,143, compared with \$725,544 Sept. 30 1920.—V. 111, p. 2525.

Donnacona Paper Co., Ltd.—To Retire Preferred Stock.
 The company was to receive bids for the sale to it of Preferred stock as of Dec. 31 1921 to an amount sufficient to absorb \$40,000.—V. 110, p. 469.

Dryden Paper Co., Ltd.—Earnings.
 The first annual report for the year ending Sept. 30 1921 shows a deficit for the 12 months of \$321,720. Surplus as at Sept. 30 1921, \$2,187,105.—V. 111, p. 1569.

Duplex Printing Press Co., Battle Creek, Mich.—Bonds Offered.—Fenton, Davis & Boyle, Chicago, are offering at 99½ and int., to yield over 7.55%, \$750,000 1st Mtge. 7½% Sinking Fund gold bonds. The bankers' state:

Dated Jan. 2 1922. Due Jan. 1 1937. Int. payable J & J at Detroit Trust Co., Detroit, trustee, or at office of their agent in New York and Chicago. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500 (c*). Red. all or part on any int. date upon 30 days' notice, at 107½ and int. on or before Jan. 1 1927; at 105 and int. for next 5 years and at 102½ and int. thereafter. Free of normal Federal income tax up to 2% and present Michigan State tax. Penna. 4-mill tax refunded.

Sinking Fund.—\$25,000 p. a., payable semi-annually, beginning July 1 1923. It is estimated, will retire more than two-thirds of this issue by maturity. Bonds purchased for sinking fund will be kept alive and the interest thereon added to the fund.

Company.—Organized in 1884; engaged in the manufacture of newspaper printing presses of two types, known respectively as the "Flat bed" and "Rotary."

Earnings.—Average annual earnings for 3 years ending Nov. 30 1921 were over \$282,000, or 5 times annual interest requirements of \$56,250 on these bonds. For first 11 months of 1921 net earnings available for interest on the bonds are at the rate of over 8 times these interest charges, and since 1902 the average annual net earnings have been equal to more than twice the interest charges on this issue.

Du Pont Chemical Co.—Larger Dividends.
 The company has declared quarterly dividends of 5% each on the Common and Preferred stocks, par \$5, both payable Feb. 6 to holders of record Jan. 25. During 1921, quarterly distributions of 4% were made on both of these issues, while in Nov., 1920, initial distributions of 10% each were made on both the Common and Preferred.—V. 113, p. 2084.

Earl Motors, Inc.—New Treasurer.
 C. A. Earl, Pres., has announced the appointment of Leon S. Wescoat as Treas., with headquarters at Jackson, Mich. He was formerly Treasurer of the Fisher Body Co. John Fletcher, V.-Pres. of Fort Dearborn National Bank, Chicago, and former Treasurer of Earl Motors, resigned as Treasurer, effective Dec. 31.

Trading in Earl Motors common shares began on the New York Curb Exchange Dec. 28. There are 400,000 shares of common stock.—V. 113, p. 2619, 2508.

Edison Electric Illum. Co. of Boston.—New Financing.
 A public offering is expected to be made on Monday next by a syndicate of New York and Boston bankers of an issue (reported to amount to \$16,000,000) of short-term serial notes. The proceeds, it is stated, will be used to retire \$10,000,000 5% and \$6,000,000 6% notes maturing Feb. 1. The company has another issue of 7% notes, amounting to \$3,000,000, due Aug. 1 next.—V. 113, p. 1892, 1579.

Electric Bond & Share Co.—To Assist in Reorganization of American Cities Co., &c.
 See American Cities Co. under "Railroads" above.—V. 113, p. 2409.

Electric Co. of New Jersey.—Bonds Authorized.
 The company has been authorized by the New Jersey P. U. Commission to issue \$252,000 5% bonds at not less than 80.—V. 101, p. 1493.

Equitable Illuminating Gas Light Co.—Bonds Purch.
 The company Dec. 27 1921 notified the Phila. Stock Exchange of the purchase during the year 1921 of a total of \$362,000 of its 1st Mtge. 5% bonds for the sinking fund, of which amount \$353,000 were purchased on tenders in accordance with advertisement of Oct. 1 1921, and that on account of these purchases no drawing was necessary. The bonds of this issue now held in the sinking fund amount to \$5,168,000 and those outstanding \$2,332,000.—V. 113, p. 1680.

Falcon Tin Plate Co.—Bonds Offered.—The Tillotson & Wolcott Co., Schultz Bros. & Co., Worthington, Bellows & Co. and The T. H. Saunders Co., Cleveland, are offering at 100 and int. \$750,000 1st Mtge. 8% Sinking Fund gold bonds.

Dated Jan. 1 1922, due Jan. 1 1932. Denom. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100. Int. payable J. & J. at Union Trust Co., Cleveland, trustee. Callable at 107½ during the first five years and at 105 thereafter. Company covenants to pay interest without deduction for any Federal income taxes up to 2%. Penna. 4-mill tax refunded. Sinking fund, payable semi-annually, commencing Jan. 1 1924, in amount sufficient to retire entire issue by maturity. This sinking fund is to be used to acquire bonds in the market or by call at 107½ during the first 5 years and at 105 thereafter.

Capitalization.

	Authorized.	Issued.
1st Mtge. 8% Sinking Fund gold bonds (this issue)	\$750,000	\$750,000
8% Preferred stock	1,000,000	850,000
Common stock (no par value)		10,000 shs.

Messrs. Lloyd Booth and Paul Wick, principal stockholders and managers of the Falcon Steel Co. of Niles, Ohio, have acquired all of the outstanding Preferred and Common shares of the Falcon Tin Plate Co. and will be the executives in charge of that company's operations.

Data from Letter of Lloyd Booth, President of the Company.
Company.—Recently organized in Ohio and acquired all of the assets of Carnahan Tin Plate & Sheet Co. of Canton. The old Carnahan company was organized in 1901 with an original investment of about \$500,000. A general line of tin plate and sheet steel specialties is manufactured by the company.

Earnings.—Net earnings of old company for 5½ years ending Dec. 31 1920 were, after depreciation and before Federal taxes, \$2,670,307, an average of \$485,510 per year, or over 8 times annual interest on these bonds. Earnings for this period after Federal taxes were \$1,364,977, an average of

\$248,177 per year, or over 4 times the annual bond interest. Company's operations for 1921 were conducted at a loss.

Directors.—Lloyd Booth, Pres. and Treas.; Paul Wick, V.-Pres. and Sec. W. A. Thomas and C. H. Booth, Youngstown, O.; J. E. Carnahan, Canton.

(Wm.) Farrell & Sons, Inc.—Injunction Vacated.
 Supreme Court Justice Wagner Dec. 30 signed an order vacating the injunction and order to show cause in the proceedings brought by Joseph J. Schmidt against the company et al., to restrain the amalgamation of William Farrell & Son, Inc., with Burns Bros. A temporary injunction was granted by Justice Burr on Dec. 5.—V. 113, p. 2726.

Fensland Oil Co.—Stock Offered—Underwritten.
 The stockholders of record Jan. 4 are given the right to subscribe on or before Jan. 14 to new stock at \$9.50 a share to the extent of 66 2-3% of their present holdings. No fractional warrants are being issued, but those entitled to one half or over are entitled to subscribe to one share more. Subscriptions are payable in full Jan. 14 at office of F. H. Smithers & Co., 19 Nassau St., New York City.

The stockholders Dec. 24 authorized an increase in the capital stock from 225,000 to 500,000 shares without par value. The purpose of this increase is to place the company in a position to acquire certain proven acreage and interests in the Salt Creek field, Wyoming.

The properties which the company is taking over have been carefully examined by their own organization, as well as by an independent appraiser, whose report thereon more than substantiates the valuation at which they are to be purchased.

The company has arranged for the underwriting of so much of the new stock as it is necessary to issue at this time.—V. 113, p. 2824.

Forestral Land Timber & Rys. Co., Ltd.—Ordinary Div.
 The directors have decided to postpone consideration of a dividend payment on the Ordinary shares until after the end of the fiscal year, June 30 1922. In Jan. and July 1921 dividends of 6% each were paid on the Ordinary shares.—V. 113, p. 965.

General Motors Corp.—Common Dividend Omitted—Official Statement.—The directors on Jan. 4 decided to omit the payment of the quarterly dividend usually paid Feb. 1 on the Common stock, of which there was outstanding as of Dec. 31 1921, approximately 20,546,653 shares of no par value.

The directors have declared the regular quarterly dividends on the 6% Preferred, the 6% Debentures and the 7% Debentures, all of which are payable Feb. 1 to holders of record Jan. 14. [Stock outstanding as of June 30 1921: Preferred, \$16,183,400; 6% Debentures, \$58,283,800; 7% Debentures, \$25,637,900.]

Since early in 1920, at which time each \$100 share was exchanged for 10 shares of no par value stock, the company has paid dividends on the Common shares at the rate of 25 cents per share quarterly to Nov. 1921, incl. Dividends of 1-40th of a share in Common stock were also paid on the Common stock in May, Aug. and Nov. 1920.

Prior to the exchange the company paid dividends on the Common aggregating 10% in 1917, 12% each in 1918 and 1919, 3% in Feb. 1920 and 2½% cash and 1-40th of a share in stock in May 1920.

Official Statement by President Pierre S duPont, Dated Jan. 4 1922.
 "This action, taken after full discussion and most careful consideration, is believed to be in the best interests of the corporation and is designed not only to strengthen the position of the corporation itself, but also to maintain the investment character of the Debenture and Preferred stocks.

Operating Results.—"The last year has demonstrated satisfactorily the large earning capacity of many of the more important divisions of the corporation, the aggregate profits of which even under the adverse conditions that have obtained in the automobile industry are estimated to have been in excess of the amount required for dividends on the Debenture, Preferred and Common stocks.

Loss on Inventory, &c.—"On the other hand, substantial losses were made by other divisions, due mainly to large inventories carried at high prices in the face of a constantly declining range of prices for the finished product, and also to extensive commitments entered into in the earlier part of 1920 for parts and supplies at the high prices then prevailing.

"Moreover, in closing the books as on Dec. 31 1921, further charges will be made against surplus to write down inventories to market prices and set up reserves to provide for losses properly chargeable to prior years.

Financial Position.—"The corporation is in a strong position financially. Inventories have been greatly reduced and bills payable, which amounted to about \$72,000,000 on Dec. 31 1920, have been reduced to about \$49,000,000 as of Dec. 31 1921, cash on hand and in banks amounting to approximately \$41,000,000. Accounts payable and other quick liabilities have likewise been reduced, viz., from about \$42,000,000 to \$30,000,000.

"After writing off all determinable losses and writing down inventories the ratio of current assets to current liabilities as of Dec. 31 1921 will be approximately two for one.

Condition of Plants, &c.—"The corporation's plants have been maintained in a high state of efficiency. Substantial economies have been effected in many directions and others are in contemplation, and most satisfactory progress has been made in improving the character and raising the standard of the corporation's product to the end that it will be enabled effectively to meet competitive conditions and maintain its position in the trade."

Operation of Bonus Plan Suspended.
 The operation of the present bonus plan of the General Motors Corp. has been temporarily suspended, according to announcement by President Pierre S duPont. The plan was adopted in 1918 but "experience gained during the actual operation indicated that it was desirable to make certain changes," and a committee has been appointed to make an exhaustive study of the matter, which is expected to require several months.

President duPont says that "while the present plan has been suspended pending completion of the study, awards heretofore made to employees under the old plan and the rights of these employees will in no way be affected."

The Oldsmobile Co. announces that the price of the small 8-cylinder car has been reduced from \$1,625 to \$1,595 and the sedan from \$2,425 to \$2,295. There is no change in the price of the 4-cylinder touring car.

As to new price schedules of Cadillac Motor Car Co. and Buick Motor Co., see last week's "Chronicle," V. 113, p. 2824.

General Tire & Rubber Co.—Sales—Output, &c.
 An authoritative statement says: "Sales for the year 1921 are semi-officially reported as \$6,000,000. This is \$250,000 larger than preceding year. The company has under consideration plans for doubling output for coming year. Dividend payments have been met during entire year, while bank loans amounting to \$2,500,000 have been paid off in a year and a half.

The company has sold exclusively to dealers, and therefore did not feel the depression in the automotive industry. Officials base their success on the fact that the inventory was turned over twelve times, and total investment three times in 1921. The company specializes in one line of high-grade pneumatics."

Balance sheet as of Dec. 31 1921, it is stated, shows current assets of \$1,846,000, and current liabilities of \$68,000. Inventories at \$465,191 Dec. 31 1921 compare with \$1,300,471 at Dec. 31 1920.—V. 110, p. 565.

Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co., Inc.—5-Cent Loaf.
 It was announced Jan. 2 that the company would reduce the price of a 14-ounce loaf of bread to 5 cents, beginning Jan. 3. This brings it back to the 1916 price. The company's reason for cutting the price, it was said, was that materials had been reduced and business so increased after the 6-cent price was fixed in September last, that there was a margin of profit in quick sales which enabled a further reduction.—V. 112, p. 2088.

Guantanamo Sugar Co., New York.—To Create \$1,500,000 8% Cumulative Preferred Stock and Increase No Par Value Common Stock to 375,000 Shares—Stockholders' Rights.

The stockholders will vote Jan. 17 on authorizing an issue of 15,000 shares (par \$100) 8% cum. pref. (a. & d.) stock and on increasing the present Capital stock authorized and issued from 300,000 shares no par value 375,000 shares.

Data from Circular Dated Jan. 4 and Signed by Sec. Geo. H. Bunker.

It is proposed that the company should increase its capital stock to more than the cash invested in its properties and its present surplus of over \$3,200,000, and that this be accomplished by the issuance of \$1,500,000 8% cum. pref. stock and 75,000 additional shares of the no par value common stock. The book value of the no par stock after such increase will be over \$16.50 per share.

The net current and working assets will amount to over \$1,800,000, and net tangible assets to over \$7,700,000. Company has no bonded debt.

Preferred Stock.—(a) Upon dissolution, &c., entitled to \$100 per share, and divs. (b) Company will not execute any mortgage or pledge any part of its fixed assets, &c., without the consent of 75% of the outstanding amounts of each class of stock. (c) Red., all or part, at \$105 and div. at any div. date on or after April 1 1925, on not less than 30 days notice. (d) As a (cumulative) sinking fund, the company at Oct. 1 1923 and each year thereafter, will set aside out of the net earnings a sum equal to at least 5% of the maximum amount of preferred stock at any one time actually issued and outstanding, such sums to be used to purchase Pref. stock at under \$105 if obtainable, and any unexpended balance to be used in drawing by lot, at \$105.

Preferred Dividends and Sinking Fund Charges.—With preferred stock issued, there would be required annually out of net earnings \$120,000 to pay the dividend thereon and \$75,000 to provide for the sinking fund after Sept. 30 1923. The total of such dividend and sinking fund would thus be a maximum of \$195,000 per annum and would steadily decrease as the preferred stock is redeemed.

Profits.—After deducting this year's estimated loss, the profits from operation in the years 1912 to 1921, inclusive, amount to \$8,727,570. Renewals, replacements and replanting of cane in this period total \$1,805,308, and improvements and betterments \$2,824,623. Average net profits, after deducting the actual sums spent for renewals, replacements and replanting of cane, therefore amount to \$692,226. (Compare annual report for fiscal year ended Sept. 30 1921 in V. 113, p. 2716, 2731.)

Terms of Offering to Present Stockholders.
The laws of New Jersey require that preferred stock be sold at par value and that no par stock be issued only for consideration. This preferred stock is therefore offered to stockholders at \$100 per share. The no par stock is offered at \$1 per share. In this way the laws are complied with, and at the same time the no par stockholders are benefited in a substantial way by a distribution which represents a portion of the assets already re-invested in the properties.

Assignable warrants and fractional warrants will be sent to stockholders, entitling the holder to subscribe at the rate of one share of the preferred stock at \$100 per share and five shares of the no par value stock at \$1 per share for each 20 shares of no par value stock of record Jan. 24 1922. Fractional warrants to make up one complete warrant will be accepted. The directors reserve the right to dispose, on the same terms as above, of any stock not purchased by the stockholders.

Subscription warrants must be returned to this company's office, 129 Front St., N. Y. City, not later than Feb. 10, and must be accompanied by check or draft, payable in New York funds covering 25% of the amount of stock subscribed for; 25% of the subscription will be payable April 10 1922, 25% June 10 1922 and 25% Aug. 10 1922. Payment in full on any of the above dates or paid installments will receive 8% interest.

Purpose.—The entire proceeds of this issue will be used in the reduction of present outstanding bank loans, and notes and accounts payable, and to increase working capital.

Progress Made by Company in Last Ten Years.

During the period the increase in the principal assets has amounted to \$4,706,337. Cash expended and charged to reserves has been for replanting cane \$448,188, and for renewals to plant \$1,357,119. Of the latter amount the expenditures during the past year were \$577,125.

Unexpended reserves for replanting and renewals have been increased during the ten-year period from \$468,527 to \$1,865,839.

Surplus from earnings has been increased during the 10-year period from \$1,707,778 to \$3,204,174, after adjustment of profit and loss to Sept. 30 1921. Cash dividends amounting to \$2,654,971 and stock dividends of \$495,178 have been paid during the 10-year period. This gives an average of 10 1/2% per year on the present capitalization of \$3,000,000.—V. 113, p. 2716.

Harris Brothers Co., Chicago.—Bonds offered.—S. W. Straus & Co., Chicago, &c., are offering at par and interest \$2,250,000 1st Mtge. 7% Serial Coupon bonds, dated Jan. 3, 1921 due serially Jan. 3, 1923 to 1939 incl. (safeguarded under the Straus Plan.)

The company was originally organized to salvage the buildings of the Chicago World's Fair, but has developed into a huge manufacturing, jobbing merchandizing and distributing company, comprising 30 departments which conduct an enormous business in buying and selling building materials; portable houses and garages; hardware, machinery equipment and general supplies of a hundred different kinds.—V. 110, p. 81.

Haskell & Barker Car Co., Inc.—Meeting Adjourned.

The stockholders' meeting scheduled for Jan. 4 to vote on the proposed consolidation with the Pullman Co. has been adjourned to Jan. 12. Pres. E. F. Carry says: "The holders of far in excess of the requisite two-thirds of the stock of the company have sent in their signed proxies for the meeting called for Jan. 4 to approve the proposed consolidation with Pullman Co. Sufficient time has not yet elapsed, however, for the I.-S. C. Commission and the Illinois Commerce Commission to act on the issuance of the new Pullman stock required for the consolidation. For this reason alone the meeting has been adjourned to Jan. 12, subject to further adjournment, if necessary."—V. 113, p. 2621.

Havana Tobacco Co.—Time Extended Holders of Bonds.

The time within which holders of 20-Year 5% Gold bonds may be deposited with Guaranty Trust Co., depository, has been extended to and including March 1 1922.—V. 113, p. 2410.

(George W.) Helme Co.—To Increase Common Stock.

The stockholders will vote Jan. 30 on increasing the authorized Common stock from \$4,000,000 to \$8,000,000; and on authorizing the directors to issue the whole or any part of such additional authorized Common stock for any lawful purpose.—V. 113, p. 2825.

Houston Lighting & Power Co.—Plan.

See American Cities Co. under "Railroads" above.—V. 111, p. 2429.

Hudson's Bay Co.—New Member of Committee.

F. H. Richmond of London, has been elected to the committee to succeed Mr. William Mackenzie.—V. 113, p. 1257.

Indiahoma Refining Co., Okmulgee, Okla.—To Create

\$1,750,000 8% Bonds and \$1,250,000 8% Debentures—

Underwritten—Stock to Be Increased for Conversion Purposes.

The stockholders will vote Jan. 30 on authorizing (1) \$1,750,000 1st Mtge. 12-Year 8% Convertible Sinking Fund bonds, to be dated Jan. 1 1922, and to be convertible into Common stock of the company at \$7 per share, and (2) \$1,250,000 7-Year 8% Sinking Fund Convertible Debentures, to be dated Jan. 1 1922, and to be convertible into Common stock at \$5 per share, and (3) an increase in the Common stock from 1,000,000 shares to 1,500,000 shares, said increase to provide the stock necessary for the conversion of the aforesaid bonds and debentures.

A circular signed by Pres. E. E. Shock Dec. 30 says:

No subscription warrants will be issued, but the stockholders will be advised as soon as the issues have been authorized and stockholders will be given the opportunity to subscribe for bonds and debentures at par and accrued interest, with a minimum subscription of \$1,000 to either or each of said issues. A circular containing full information together with subscription form will be mailed to stockholders on or about Feb. 1 1922, and stockholders may subscribe to said issues up to but not after Feb. 5 1922.

The company has arranged for the underwriting of the entire issue of \$1,750,000 1st Mtge. bonds and \$900,000 of the Debentures, and included in the compensation to the bankers for underwriting the bonds and debentures will be an option at par and interest on the remaining debentures up to \$350,000.

The proceeds derived from the sale of the bonds and debentures will be used to retire outstanding obligations, to reimburse the treasury for the

cost of improvements to the refineries, for expenses incurred in the development of the company's leases, and to provide additional working capital. The new financing will place the company in an excellent current financial position and will enable it to carry out important development work now under way.

Within the past four months the company has increased its net production from approximately 800 barrels per day to over 2,000 barrels per day.—V. 113, p. 2727.

Iron Products Corporation.—Earnings.

Income Account for Six Months ending June 30 1921 and Cal. Year 1920.

Total earnings	6 Mos. 1921	Year 1920
Taxes, interest, depletion, depreciation, &c.	\$320,385	\$1,567,254
Preferred dividends	296,407	862,702
	39,472	75,296

Balance	def \$15,494	sur \$629,256
Profit and loss surplus	\$861,593	\$824,529

—V. 112, p. 1288.

Jones & Laughlin Steel Co.—Steel Products by River.

In order to overcome the handicap of excessive railroad freight rates, the company has established a river transport department and is prepared to deliver its products in quantity by water to all points on the Ohio River and the Mississippi River from St. Louis to New Orleans.

Two tows of steel barges carrying a total of more than 12,000 tons (about 400 freight carloads) of various J & L steel products have already been shipped to customers in Huntington, Louisville, Evansville, St. Louis and Memphis.—V. 113, p. 2622.

Kelly-Springfield Tire Co.—Common Stock Dividend.

The directors on Jan. 4 omitted the regular quarterly stock dividend usually paid Feb. 1 on the Common stock. The company in May, Aug. and Nov. 1921, paid quarterly dividend of 3% each in stock. Common dividend record since 1915:

1915.	1916.	'17 to Feb '19.	May '19 to Feb '21.	May '21 to Nov. '21
In cash — 7 1/2%	15%	16 (4% Q-F)	16 (4% Q-F)	3% quar.
In stock			12 (3% Q-F)	

The directors have declared the regular quarterly dividend of \$2 per share on the 8% Preferred stock, payable Feb. 15 to holders of record Feb. 1.

Sales, &c., Outlook.

It is reported that sales in the last week of December were the largest in the history of the company, and that the prospects for 1922 are most promising. The Cumberland plant is practically completed and the company is now said to be in a position to meet the demand for its products.

In view of the fact that the results for 1921 were not satisfactory, due to the cost of starting the new plant and the adjustment taken in the reduction of tire prices, the directors decided that it was the part of conservatism to discontinue payment of stock dividends on the Common stock for the present.

The company, it is stated, has leased two floors in the new Fisk Building at 57th St. and Broadway, N. Y. City, to be occupied by all staff departments.

J. V. Mowe, General Sales Manager, has been elected Vice-President.—V. 113, p. 2086.

Kings' County Lighting Co., Brooklyn, N. Y.—Bonds

Offered.—Blair & Co., Inc., are offering, at 99 1/4 and int., to yield about 6.55%, \$1,822,000 1st Ref. Mtge. Gold Bonds, bearing interest at 6 1/2%. A circular shows:

Dated July 1 1904. Due July 1 1954. Int. payable J. & J. Non-callable prior to Jan. 1 1940. Redeemable on any int. date on and after Jan. 1 1940 at 105 and int. Denom. \$1,000 (c*). Central Union Trust Co., New York, trustee.

Principal and interest of 5% secured by the first refunding mortgage; additional interest of 1 1/2% p. a. to be secured by a lien on the properties, subject to existing mortgages, making total interest 6 1/4% per annum.

Company.—Incorp. in 1904 in New York, successor to the Kings County Gas & Illuminating Co., originally organized in 1889. Engaged in supplying gas in the southerly portion of Brooklyn, including the Bay Ridge, Fort Hamilton, Penarthurst, Borough Park, Bath Beach and adjoining districts covering a total of approximately 12 1/2 sq. miles. Franchise rights, in opinion of counsel, are perpetual. Company's manufacturing plant has a rated capacity of over 17,000,000 cu. ft. of gas per day. Company has a holder capacity of 2,700,000 cu. ft. Distributing mains are already laid in about 200 miles of the 225 miles of streets within the district served. New units at the manufacturing plant, which increased the capacity 135%, were completed late this year.

Gross Revenues, Calendar Years.

1910	\$651,706	1914	\$879,615	1916	\$956,907	1920	\$1,618,571
1912	778,630	1915	894,582	1918	1,198,828	1921*	2,125,000

* One month estimated.

Capitalization Outstanding upon Completion of This Financing.

Kings County Gas & Illum. Co. 5s. 1940 (closed issue)	\$750,000
Kings County Ltr. Co. 1st Ref. Mtge., 1954 (auth. \$5,000,000)	
5s (including \$36,000 in treasury)	2,428,000
do do bearing 6 1/2% interest (this issue)	1,822,000
8% Cum. Pref. Stock (authorized, \$2,000,000)	58,800
Common Stock (authorized, \$2,000,000)	2,000,000

Purpose.—Proceeds will be used to pay off bank loans and other current debt largely incurred for construction work already completed.

Earnings, 12 Months ended Nov. 30 1921.

Gross revenue (including \$16,961, non-operating revenue)	\$2,125,588
Operating expenses, maintenance and taxes	1,559,611

Net income	\$ 565,977
Annual interest on bonds, including present issue	275,530

Balance for reserves and surplus \$290,447

Authorization.—Issue and sale of these bonds have been authorized by the New York Public Service Commission.—V. 113, p. 424.

Laclede Gas Light Co.—British Thermal Unit.

The company has notified the St. Louis City Council of its intention shortly to apply to the Missouri P. S. Commission for permission to reduce the B. T. U. content of its gas from 600, as now required by the City, to 570, as required by Missouri State Commission for gas companies in other parts of the State.—V. 112, p. 1280.

Lever Bros. Co., Ltd. (Soap Mfg.).—Smaller Dividend.

A dividend of 10% has been declared (against 20% in 1920) on the ordinary capital. A similar amount was added to the reserve fund, against nothing in 1920.—V. 113, p. 424.

Limestone Transportation Co., Rogers City, Mich.

Six certificates, representing shares of Preferred stock, were called for payment Jan. 1 at 105 and int. at the Cleveland Trust Co., Cleveland, O.—V. 101, p. 134.

Lincoln Motor Co., Detroit.—Sale of Assets Feb. 4—

Government Taxes Reduced—Assets.

Federal Judge Arthur J. Tuttle has fixed Feb. 4 as the date for the sale of the company's assets and the upset price at \$8,000,000. Harold H. Emmons, said to represent the Leyland interests, has bid that amount for the property.

The Government has reduced its claim against this company for additional income and excess profits taxes from \$4,505,681 to approximately \$500,000.

Plans for reorganizing the company, it is stated, are under consideration by the creditors' committee and the Detroit Trust Co., receiver, and are expected to be announced in the near future.

The detailed report of the receiver's appraisal on a liquidation basis of the company's assets shows a shrinkage of \$5,570,081 (to \$9,490,811) from the company's valuation of \$15,061,492.

There is no change in statement of liabilities, both company and Court filing those at \$9,073,105, although the receiver notes that liabilities on uncompleted purchase contracts are estimated at an additional \$1,500,000 in addition to the \$4,500,000 tax claim.—V. 113, p. 2410.

Mandell Brothers, Chicago.—Stock Increased.—

The capital stock has been increased from 10,000 shares common, \$100 par value, and 10,000 shares common, no par value; to 50,000 shares of preferred stock and 50,000 shares of no par value stock, the stock to be distributed pro rata to present stockholders, all of whom are members of the Mandell family. This is merely a change in capitalization and does not in any way affect ownership, management or personnel (official).

Maxwell Motor Corp.—Prices Reduced.—

The company announces a price reduction of \$400 on all models of the Maxwell 1½-ton trucks, effective immediately.—V. 113, p. 1682

Memphis Gas & Electric Co.—Plan of Reorganization—To Be Included in American Cities Co. Situation.—

See American Cities Co. under "Railroads" above.—V. 113, p. 2622.

Mexican Seaboard Oil Co.—Declares Dividend of \$2.—

A dividend of \$2 per share has been declared on the outstanding 935,939 shares of Capital stock, no par value, payable 50% on Jan. 16 and 50% March 16 to holders of record Jan. 10. This is the third dividend to be declared by the company. In Oct. last a dividend of \$2 50 per share was declared payable in two installments, \$1 25 each Nov. 1 and Dec. 15. This compares with the initial dividend of \$2 25 per share paid in two installments, \$1 12½ each, July 15 and Sept. 15 1920.

The company, it is stated, has brought in its 5th well in the Toteco Field No. 6, with an estimated production of 40,000 barrels daily.—V. 113, p. 1778.

Montgomery Ward & Co., Chicago.—December Sales.—

1921—December—1920. Decrease. 1921—12 Mos.—1920. Decrease. \$7,425,126 \$10,050,279 \$2,625,153 \$75,956,649 \$112,333,525 \$36,376,876 —V. 113, p. 2623, 2510.

Mountain Home Telephone Co.—Bonds Offered.—
Howell, MacArthur & Ritchie, Albany, N.Y., in Dec. offered at 87½, to yield about 6.25%, \$100,000 Gen. Mtge. Sinking Fund 5% Gold Bonds of 1913, due Jan. 1 1938.

Interest payable J. & J. Denom. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100 (c*). Red. as a whole only on any int. date at 100 and int. upon 3 months' notice. Company pays normal Federal income tax up to 2%. Authorized, \$2,000,000; outstanding, including this issue, \$1,013,600. Columbia Trust Co., N. Y., trustee. Issuance authorized by the New York P. S. Commission. Company.—A consolidation, in 1913, of Adirondack Home Telephone Co., Clinton Telephone Co., the New York Telephone Co. and numerous small companies. Operates in northern and eastern New York. As of Nov. 1 1921 company had 14,995 subscribers and 24 exchanges.

Control.—While the majority bond and stock interest is owned by the New York Telephone Co., the operating management is vested in citizens of northern and eastern New York, who are its directors and managers.

Security.—Secured by a direct first mortgage (excepting a small part, on which there are \$95,000 prior liens) on the entire property, &c. Prior liens mature May 1 1924 and will be retired when due.

Earnings Calendar Years.

	1918.	1919.	1920.	'21 (10 mos.)
Net available for interest	\$90,135	\$128,030	\$163,514	\$140,692
Bond interest	43,915	53,425	53,350	51,796

Balance \$46,120 \$74,615 \$110,194 \$88,896
Purpose.—Proceeds will be used to reimburse the company in part for expenditures in connection with the recent acquisition of the Port Henry and Ticonderoga Telephone companies and to provide additional working capital.

Narragansett Electric Lighting Co.—Stock Rights.—

The stockholders of record Feb. 4 are given the right to subscribe on or before Feb. 25 to \$2,720,000 Capital stock at par (\$50) in the ratio of one new share for each five shares held. Subscriptions will be received and rights transferred at company's office, Turks Head Bldg., Providence.

Payment on the stock is to be due at the option of the subscriber as follows: Option A—Cash in full on or before April 1; Option B—30% of subscription on or before April 1, 30% of subscription on or before July 1, or 40% of subscription on or before Oct. 2

Certificates for the stock are to be issued from time to time after April 1, as the subscriptions are paid in full. Interest at the rate of 6% per annum will be allowed on partial payments, the same to be figured from the date payments are due till the stock is paid for in full, at which time an adjustment will be made. Subscription blanks and blanks for transfer of rights will be mailed to stockholders on or about Feb. 4

The money to be raised by the issue will be used to take care of the large growth of business.—V. 113, p. 1258

National Fertilizer Corp.—Merger Move.—

See Industrial Summary above.

National Power & Light Co.—New Company Formed to Succeed American Cities Co.—Plan, &c.—

See American Cities Co. above.

North American Co.—Stock Subscription.—

The company has announced that of the first installment of 15% of the new issue of stock offered to stockholders for subscription at \$50 a share, 55% had been taken up to the close of business Jan. 3, the last day on which subscriptions could be made. Those subscribing to the issue have an option throughout the remainder of the present calendar year to subscribe to an additional amount of stock equal to 1-3 times the amount subscribed for up to Jan. 3. The new stock, which is of the Series "A" issue, is now being issued by the company.—V. 113, p. 2827, 2502.

Northwestern Fuel Co., St. Paul.—Control Acquired.—

See Consolidation Coal Co. above.—V. 97, p. 1359

Ocean S.S. Co. of Savannah.—Final Settlement.—

See U. S. Railroad Administration under "Railroads" above.—V. 113, p. 2086.

Ohio Bell Telephone Co.—Bonds Offered.—The Union Trust Co., Cleveland, are offering a limited amount of the following bonds at 105 and int., to yield over 6.40%, if called in 1926 and over 6.60% if called thereafter (see advertising pages, this issue, and compare V. 113, p. 1895).

(1) The United States Telephone Co. 7% 1st (Closed) Mtge. Gold bonds, extended to mature July 1 1941. Cleveland Trust Co., Cleveland, trustee.
(2) The Cuyahoga Telephone Co. 7% 1st (Closed) Mtge. Gold bonds, extended to mature July 1 1941. Union Trust Co., Cleveland, trustee.

Now, as a result of consolidation, both are underlying bonds of the Ohio Bell Telephone Co.

Income Account of Property Now Owned Has Been as Follows:

	Gross Income.	Expenses & Taxes.	Net Avail. for Int.
1916	\$10,188,997	\$8,103,956	\$2,085,042
1917	11,474,488	9,597,755	1,876,733
1918	12,741,751	11,359,059	1,382,694
1919	15,740,413	13,915,093	1,825,350
1920	19,280,291	16,591,501	2,688,789

As contrasted with the average annual net income for the above five years of \$1,972,321, the annual interest charges on the bonded debt of the company amounts to \$685,732, of which \$138,738 represents interest on the Cuyahoga Telephone, United States Telephone and other underlying bonds.

The consolidated balance sheet shows plant and equipment of more than \$78,000,000, contrasted with a total funded debt in the hands of the public of \$13,870,000. The bonds outstanding are followed by \$19,570,000 unsecured notes held by the American Telephone & Telegraph Co., and by \$35,225,000 in stock, of which \$10,225,000 is Pref. stock held by investors.—V. 113, p. 2728.

Pacific Gas & Electric Co., San Francisco.—

The company has issued an illustrated booklet of 23 pages entitled "The Story of the Magic Pool." The booklet contains a series of five articles, descriptive of a trip to the Pit River territory, in Shasta County, and the company's hydro-electric developments in process of construction there.

These articles appeared in "The San Francisco Call," and are reprinted by special permission of "The Call."

For the 12 months ended Nov. 30 1921 the company reports a surplus after common dividends of \$1,170,687, an increase of \$886,613 over same period of 1920.—V. 113, p. 2623.

Penn Mary Steel Co.—Tenders.—

The Girard Trust Co., trustee, Phila., Pa., will until Jan. 26 receive bids for the sale to it of First Mtge. 5% Sinking Fund Gold bonds, due 1937, to an amount sufficient to exhaust \$153,042 and at a price not exceeding 105 and interest.—V. 103, p. 1796.

Pressed Steel Car Co.—New Director.—

A. G. Becker, of A. G. Becker & Co., Chicago, has been elected a director to succeed the late James Brown Rider.—V. 113, p. 2192.

Producers & Refiners Corp.—Earnings.—

Gross income in November was \$358,973; expenses, including taxes, \$79,224; net income before depletion and depreciation \$279,748, as compared with net of \$242,000 in October last.—V. 113, p. 2625.

Providence Gas Co.—Bonds Offered.—The bankers named below are offering at par and int. \$3,500,000 1st Mtge. 5½% 20-Year Gold bonds, Series "A." Dated Jan. 1 1922; due Jan. 1 1942. A circular shows:

Bankers Making Offering.—Bodell & Co., Brown, Lisle & Marshall Davis & Davis, C. A. Kilvert & Co., Richardson & Clark and W. W. White & Co., all of Providence.

Int. payable J. & J., without deduction of normal Federal income tax deductible at the source, not in excess of 2%, at office of trustee in Providence, and its agency in New York and Boston. Denom. \$500 and \$1,000 and (c* & r*) \$1,000. Red., all or part, on any int. date on 30 days' notice on and after Jan. 1 1932 at 105%, less ½ of 1% for each full year of expired life after Jan. 1 1932.

Capitalization after This Financing—Authorized. Outstand'g.
1st M. 5½% gold bonds, Ser. "A" (this issue) \$3,500,000 x\$3,500,000
Common stock (paying divs. at rate of 8% p. a.) 10,000,000 x7,892,850
x Less an amount equal to the face amount of 5-Year Conv. Notes that are converted into stock. [The company has at present approximately \$1,800,000 7% Convertible Notes outstanding, which will be retired July 1 at 102 and int. Holders of the notes are given three options: (1) To take cash in payment at 102 and int. on July 1 next; (2) to exchange the notes for bonds, or (3) to convert par for par into stock of the company. The amount of bonds to be issued will be reduced by the amount of notes which are converted into stock, and the stock will be correspondingly increased.]

Company.—Supplies gas without competition to about 310,000 in Providence, R. I., and vicinity. Has successfully occupied this business field since 1848. Principal franchises are without limit of time or burdensome restrictions.

The gas plant has generating capacity of 7,560,000 cu. ft. of coal gas and 6,000,000 cu. ft. of water gas per 24 hours. Holder capacity, 13,600,000 cu. ft. Company has 454 miles of gas mains, 39,196 services and 68,521 meters in use. Annual output of gas over 2,400,000,000 cu. ft. In 1911 it had 354 miles of mains, 25,871 services, 47,649 meters and an annual output of 1,431,766,000 cu. ft.

This Issue.—Authorized, unlimited, but bonds may be issued in series and of such amounts, rates, dates, maturities, &c., as the directors may determine at the time of authorization.

Purpose.—Proceeds will be used to pay bank loans and such of the outstanding 5-Year 7% Convertible Gold Notes as are not converted into stock.

Earnings for 12 Months Ended Nov. 30 1921.

Gross income	\$3,205,653
Net, after operating expenses, maintenance and taxes	842,733
Interest charges on \$3,500,000 1st Mtge. 5½% bonds	192,500

Balance \$650,233
Dividends.—Company has paid dividends in every year since 1849 and in only 6 of the said 72 years has it paid less than 8% per annum. In no year has it paid less than 4% and the present rate is 8%.—V. 112, p. 379.

Baritan Refining Corp.—Trustee Resigns.—

The Bankers Trust Co., the trustee named in the First Mortgage dated Aug. 15 1919, under which were issued the 7% & Participating 10-Year gold bonds, has resigned as trustee, effective April 24 1921. No successor trustee, it is stated, has as yet been appointed.—V. 113, p. 1478.

Republic Rubber Co., Youngstown, O.—Certificates.—

Receiver C. H. Booth, of the Republic Rubber Corp., was authorized by the Federal Court to issue \$1,000,000 of receiver's certificates. It is said that banks have agreed to take the issue. This financing is for the purpose of continuing operations. Creditors concurred in the action.—V. 113, p. 2412.

Rich Steel Products Co. (Calif.)—Notes Offered.—

First Securities Co. and Hunter, Dulin & Co., Los Angeles, are offering at 100 and int. \$800,000 10-Year 8% Sinking Fund Conv. Gold Notes.

Dated Dec. 1 1921, due Dec. 1 1931. Interest payable J. & D. at Los Angeles Trust & Savings Bank, Los Angeles, trustee; Anglo & London-Paris National Bank, San Francisco, and Central Trust Co. of Illinois, Chicago. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500 (c). Callable on any int. date at 105 and int. on 30 days' notice. Sinking fund payments commence June 1 1924. Normal Federal income tax up to 2% paid by company.

Data from Letter of President George R. Rich, Dec. 15 1921.

Company.—Organized in Chicago in Dec. 1915 as Rich Twist Drill Co.; in Oct. 1916 reorganized in Michigan as Rich Steel Products Co., and in Dec. 1921 again reorganized as a California corporation. Plants at Battle Creek, Mich., and Vernon, Calif. Company is engaged in manufacture of high-speed twist drills and other small tools, motor valves and valve tappets, pistons, &c.

Earnings.—Average annual net earnings applicable to interest charges and Federal taxes amount to \$208,975 for last five years.

Balance Sheet Sept. 30 1921 (After Giving Effect to This Financing).

Assets.		Liabilities.	
Cash	\$310,823	Accounts payable	\$74,304
Accounts receivable	99,992	Reserves, incl. Fed. taxes	77,512
Inventories	190,100	Notes, this issue	800,000
Plants, equip. & real prop.	1,469,945	Capital stock	2,000,000
Patents	1,000,000	Surplus	119,044
Total, each side	\$3,070,859		\$3,070,859

Capitalization.—Stock authorized, \$3,500,000; outstanding, \$2,000,000; balance, reserved for conversion of notes. Notes authorized, \$1,500,000 to be issued, \$800,000.

Convertible.—Notes may be converted into the shares of stock (par value \$10) prior to maturity as follows. Up to and incl. June 1 1924, par for par; up to and incl. Dec. 1 1926, at par for the notes in exchange for the stock at 105; up to and incl. June 1 1929 at par for the notes in exchange for the stock at 110; up to and incl. Dec. 1 1931, at par for the notes in exchange for the stock at 115.

Riordon Co., Ltd.—Protective Committee for 8% Bonds.—

A protective committee (below) has been organized to protect the holders of the 20-year Sinking Fund 1st Mtge. & Ref. Gold bonds. The Dec. 1 coupons on these bonds have been defaulted.

Committee.—W. Eugene McGregor, Chairman, Harris, Forbes & Co., Inc., Boston; Charles W. Beall, Harris, Forbes & Co., N. Y.; Chester Corey, Harris Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago; Francis E. Frothingham, Coffin & Burr, Inc., Boston; Thomas B. Gannett, Parkinson & Burr, Boston; J. Howard Leman, Merrill, Oldham & Co., Boston; Bernard W. Trafford, First National Bank of Boston; George W. Treat, E. H. Rollins & Sons, Boston; Frank D. Truc, Portland, Me.

The committee requests that bonds with Dec. 1 1921 and all subsequent coupons attached be deposited with the First National Bank, Boston, depository.

Interest Payments on Riordon Pulp & Paper Bonds.—

Montreal dispatches state that interest due Dec. 31 on the \$1,828,800 1st Mtge. 6% 30-Year Sinking Fund Debentures of Riordon Pulp & Paper Co., Ltd., has been paid.

It is reported, however, that interest due on Riordon Pulp & Paper Co. 6% Sinking Fund 10-Year Gold bonds, of which there is issued and outstanding \$1,000,000, has been defaulted.—V. 113, p. 2827.

Sears Roebuck & Co., Chicago.—Orders.—

During December, the company, it is reported, received over 2,000,000 orders or 25% over December 1920. The average amount for order in dollars, was 20% less than December 1920, it is said.—V. 113, p. 2828.

Seattle Construction & Dry Dock Co.—Bonds Not Paid.

Guaranty Trust Co., New York, as Trustee for this company is in receipt of the following letter (in subst.) from the Shipping Board regarding payment of principal on outstanding bonds due Jan. 1 1922:

"You are Trustee under the outstanding \$1,000,000 1st & Gen. 10-year 6% Gold Mortgage indenture executed Jan. 1 1912 by Seattle Construction & Dry Dock Co.

"The property covered by such mortgage was transferred to the United States Shipping Board Emergency Fleet Corp. under a deed whereby the Emergency Fleet Corp. agreed to assume and pay such mortgage. The principal of the said mortgage falls due January 1 1922.

"I am authorized by the Board of Trustees to state to you that the United States Shipping Board Emergency Fleet Corp. recognized its obligation to pay the principal and interest of said mortgage in accordance with the terms thereof. The amount of the final interest payment will be turned over to you on or before Jan. 1.

"The Emergency Fleet Corp. has not, under existing appropriations, sufficient money now available to pay the principal sum falling due, under the said mortgage, on Jan. 1 1922. Definite plans are in process to provide funds for this and other similar payments. It is hoped and expected that these plans will have matured within the next few months. As soon as the funds are available payment of the principal sum then due under the mortgage will be made.—V. 106, p. 2654.

Shell Transport & Trading Co.—Dividend.—

The company has declared a dividend of 83½ cents on its "American shares," payable Jan. 21 to holders of record Jan. 13. This compares with \$1 85½ on each "American share" paid July 20 last.—V. 113, p. 2828

Skelly Oil Co.—Bonds Offered.—Union Trust Co. of Pittsburgh are offering at 100 and int. \$3,500,000 1st Mtge. & Coll. Trust 7½% 10-Year Sinking Fund Gold bonds.

Dated Dec. 1 1921. Due Dec. 1 1931. Denom. \$1,000 (*). Int. payable J. & D. at office of Union Trust Co. of Pittsburgh, trustee, without deduction for normal Federal income tax up to 2%. Red. as a whole on any int. date upon 4 weeks' notice at 105 and int. Company agrees to refund the Penna. 4-mill tax.

Sinking Fund.—Sinking fund of \$350,000 p. a., payable \$175,000 semi-annually, commencing April 1 1922, to be used to purchase bonds at lowest prices upon tender during each April and Oct. at less than 105 and int. To the extent that this fund is not exhausted by tenders, bonds shall be called by lot for redemption on June 1 or Dec. 1 as the case may be (except Dec. 1 1931) at 105 and int.

Data from Letter of Pres. W. G. Skelly, Tulsa, Okla., December 29

Company.—Incorp. in 1919 in Del. to take over the properties of William G. Skelly and Skelly-Sanke Oil Co. Is engaged in the production of oil and gas, in the manufacture of gasoline in casing-head gasoline plants, and, through its ownership of the controlling stock interest in two refining companies, in the refining, transportation and distribution of oil and its refined products.

As of Oct. 31 1921 the oil and gas producing properties of the company and its subsidiaries were 107 in number, on which were located 533 producing wells. These properties are entirely within the States of Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas and Arkansas.

In addition to these producing properties, the company and subsidiaries have more than 1,000 undeveloped leases, covering more than 100,000 acres in Oklahoma, Kansas, Texas, Louisiana, Illinois and Arkansas.

The company, through stock ownership, controls two refineries, as follows: The Midland Refining Co., located at El Dorado, Kansas, daily capacity 5,000 barrels, and Nortex Refining Co., located at Burkburnett, Texas, daily capacity of 1,500 barrels.

Oil Production (Skelly Oil Co. Only).

	Total Net Bbls.	Net Daily Avar.	Total Net Bbls.	Net Daily Avar.
1st quar. 1920	263,696	2,897	1st quar. 1921	531,367
2d quar. 1920	386,280	4,245	2d quar. 1921	635,746
3d quar. 1920	455,712	4,954	3d quar. 1921	731,119
4th quar. 1920	534,032	5,805		

Earnings.—Net earnings for year ended Dec. 31 1920 available for interest and sinking fund, after depletion, depreciation and taxes but before development reserves, were \$3,329,656.

For the 10 months ended Oct. 31 1921 net earnings available for interest and sinking fund, after depletion and depreciation but before Federal income taxes and development reserves, were \$1,399,135.

The earnings shown above do not include the interest of company in the earnings of its subsidiary companies.

Balance Sheet Oct. 31 1921 (Adjusted to Include Sale of Present Issue).

Assets	Liabilities
Capital assets.....\$26,387,587	Capital stock.....\$18,063,375
Cash in bank & on hand.....1,170,795	10-year 7½% bonds.....3,500,000
Acc'ts & notes rec'd.....805,586	Purch oblig for Osage leases, due 1922.....231,989
Mat'l & supplies not in use.....592,720	Purch oblig for Osage leases, due 1923.....119,531
Cash advanced for purch of producing & undev leases, drilling, &c.....585,144	Contingent liabilities.....183,510
Deferred charges, &c.....260,294	Acc'd gross produc tax.....6,132
	Surplus.....2,594,662
	Reserve for development.....2,925,272
	Res'v for deple & depr.....2,177,655
Total (each side).....\$29,802,127	

x Capital stock issued and outstanding, 1,806,337½ shares at \$10 per share, \$18,063,375

Purpose.—Proceeds will be used to provide funds for the payment of debt and to provide additional working capital.—V. 113, p. 2828.

Standard Oil Co. (Calif.)—Financing Rumors Denied.

President K. R. Kinsbury is credited with having denied the rumors that the company is negotiating for the sale of \$10,000,000 debentures.—V. 113, p. 2512, 2112

Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey.—Resignation.

T. J. Williams has resigned as a director.—V. 113, p. 2193

Superior Colliery Co.—Amendments Adopted.

Amendments (as of Feb. 1 1921) (V. 112, p. 2762) to agreement of June 1915 and plan of reorganization of Superior Colliery Co. and Superior Development Co. have been adopted to the plan of reorganization.—See V. 112, p. 2762, 2656

Superior Steel Corp.—Resignations.

James H. Hammond, President for 24 years and Chairman of the Board for the past five years, has resigned, together with Henry F. Devers, formerly Vice-President and recently Special Agent for the company, Henry D. Sarge, Secretary and Assistant Treasurer, and Frank R. Frost, Assistant Sales Manager.—V. 113, p. 1479.

Texas Power & Light Co.—New Chairman.

W. B. Head of Dallas, Tex., has been elected Chairman to succeed the late J. F. Strickland.—V. 113, p. 1368.

Tobacco Products Corp.—Dividend Payable in Cash.

The usual quarterly dividend of \$1 50 per share has been declared on the Common stock, payable Feb. 15 in cash to holders of record Jan. 31. Dividends of 1½% each have been paid quarterly in scrip from Aug. 1920 to Nov. 1921, incl. In Feb. and May 1920 the company paid cash dividend of \$1 50 per share each.—V. 113, p. 2626

Tonopah Belmont Development Co.—Earnings, &c.

Results—Quarters ending	Sept. 30 '21	June 30 '21	Mar. 31 '21
Received and receivable for ore	\$489,823	\$120,958	\$505,065
Mining, milling and admin. expenses	357,460	89,823	426,344
Net earnings	\$132,363	\$31,135	\$78,721
Miscellaneous income	1,482	1,452	\$52,999
Total net income	\$133,845	\$32,587	\$131,720

x Includes dividends from Belmont Surf Inlet Mines, Ltd., \$50,000.

The net earnings for the quarter ending Sept. 30 1921 of the Belmont Surf Inlet Mines, Ltd., of which this company owns 80%, were \$11,144.

Available Resources.

	Nov. 30 '21	June 30 '21	Nov. 30 '21	June 30 '21
Due from—				
Smelters	\$291,650	\$32,151	U. S. certifs. of indebt	\$100,013
Others	56,169	53,026		
Cash in banks	216,179	81,518	Total	\$563,998 \$266,739

Note.—The costs of the labor strike at Tonopah which lasted from April 16 1921 to Aug. 8 1921, have not been added to the expenses as shown in the report for this and the previous quarter, but will be deducted from the earnings for the year 1921 in the next annual report.—V. 113, p. 2513.

United Shoe Machinery Co.—To Reargue Case.

At the suggestion of Solicitor-General Beck, the United Shoe Machinery case will be reargued on Jan. 13, before the U. S. Supreme Court.

The case against the company originated in the Federal Court for the Eastern District of Missouri where the Department of Justice filed an application for an injunction to prevent the company from enforcing the so-called "tying" clauses of its contracts with its customers. The principal question involved is the "tying" clauses under provisions of the Clayton anti-trust law.—V. 112, p. 2545.

United States Rubber Co.—Tenders.

The Central Union Trust Co. of N. Y., trustee, will until Jan. 27 receive bids for the sale to it of 1st & Ref. Mtge. gold bonds, due 1917, Series A, at not exceeding 105% and interest, the total offer not to consume more than \$690,646, and the "B" bonds at not exceeding 110% and interest, the total offer not to consume more than \$250,000.—V. 113, p. 2088

Wahtokey Vineyards.—Bonds Offered.

Cyrus Peirce & Co., San Francisco, are offering at par and int. \$400,000 1st Mtge 7% Serial Gold Bonds, dated Dec. 15 1921. Maturing Dec. 15 1922 to 1931. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500. Callable on any int. date at 102 and int. Int. payable J. & D. at Fidelity Trust & Savings Bank, Fresno, Calif., trustee, without deduction for normal Federal income tax up to 2%.

These bonds are to be secured by a first closed mortgage on 2,196 acres of land (appraised at \$779,060) located on the Santa Fe RR., about 21 miles southeast of city of Fresno and about 6 miles from both Sanger and Reedley, consisting of 1,234 acres of full-bearing and finely developed vineyard, 209 acres of land suitable for future vineyard development and approximately 753 acres of excellent pasturage which gives ample range for about 150 head of horses and mules used in the operation of the property, together with the improvements which are of the best.

The statement of income for 1919, 1920 and 1921 shows gross receipts totaling \$929,251 and net earnings totaling \$463,288 or an average annual net income equal to 5½ times the highest annual interest charge on this issue of bonds.

The proceeds of this loan will provide money to retire the present mortgage debt, funds for additional improvements and increased working capital.

Warren Brothers Co.—Balance Sheet—Bonds.

Paine, Webber & Co., New York, recently offered to investors at 97½ \$2,000,000 15-Year 7½% Conv. S. F. Deb. gold bonds. Dated Jan. 2 1922. Due Jan. 1 1937, but redeemable in whole or in part on 60 days' notice on any interest date at certain premium as given in V. 113, p. 267. Bonds in denom. of \$1,000 and \$500, registerable as to principal.

Balance Sheet of Oct. 31 1921, Adjusted to Show Effects of Present Financing

	Oct. 31 '21	Dec. 31 '20		Oct. 31 '21	Dec. 31 '20
Assets—			Liabilities—		
Cash & Liberty bds.	929,983	927,839	First Pref. stock	x1,934,900	2,000,000
Accounts receiv.	1,772,757	4,144,868	Second Pref. stock	x493,160	500,000
Notes receivable	2,645,853		Com. stk. (no par)	1,993,105	2,005,005
Retained money	34,714	47,498	Notes payable	1,459,722	
City securities	149,856	27,022	Accounts payable	967,448	4,473,558
Materials & expen.	819,149	1,080,663	Accrued ins., sat., &c.	3,722	
Investments	3,164,891	549,983	Accrued interest	6,000	3,500
L'ng timenotesrec.		2,388,118	Guar. fd. for maint. of roads	218,295	
Prepayments	25,093	47,280	1st M. col. tr. 6% serial bonds, due 100,000 annual	a560,000	700,000
Real est. & plant.	c738,789	1,018,902	Conv. debent. gold bonds (this iss.)	2,000,000	
Treasury stock		72,280	Res. for depre., &c.		301,733
Patents and good will	1,600,000	1,600,000	Surplus	b2,234,796	1,920,657
Total	11,882,089	11,904,453	Total	11,882,089	11,904,453

a Less \$40,000 in treasury. b Before providing for estimated Federal income and excess profits taxes for 10 months ending Oct. 31 1921 amounting to \$70,000. c Less reserve for depreciation, \$333,209. x Par value \$50. y 40,143 shares of no par value.

Compare offering in V. 113, p. 2627.—V. 113, p. 2627.

West End Chemical Co., Oakland, Calif.—Borax.

A table compiled by the company gives the "approximate consumption of borax" in various countries as follows.

Estimated World Consumption of Borax and Boric Acid in Tons of 2,000 Lbs.

United States.....40,000	Germany (28,000 before the war; now 6,000 or 7,000 tons.)
Japan.....2,000	France.....8,500
England (before the war).....14,000	Other countries.....25,000
Canada.....8,000	

In 1910 the consumption in the United States, according to Government figures, was less than 20,000 tons, indicating an increase of 100% in this one decade.—V. 113, p. 2412, 2320, 2297.

West Missouri Power Co.—Bonds Offered.—Guaranty Trust Co. of Kansas City, in December offered at par and interest \$425,000 1st Mtge. Sinking Fund Gold Bonds, Series "A," 15-Year 8%.

The following houses participated in the offering: H. P. Wright Investment Co., Stern Bros. & Co., Folsom, Wheeler & Co., MacLaughlin Bros. & Co., all of Kansas City, Mo., and Ford & Porter, St. Joseph, Mo.

Dated Jan. 1 1922. Due Jan. 1 1937. Int. payable J. & J. at Guaranty Trust Co., Kansas City, trustee. Red. on any int. date on 60 days' notice at 110 and incl. Jan. 1 1927, and thereafter at a premium of 1% for each year of unexpired life. Denom. \$100, \$500 and \$1,000 (*).

Sinking Fund.—Mortgage provides a sinking fund of 1½% per annum from 1923 to 1926; 2% from 1927 to 1931, and 3% from 1932 to 1936, of largest amount of bonds outstanding; this fund to be applied to the acquisition of bonds or, with the consent of the trustee, may be invested in additions to property.

Data from Letter of Pres. L. K. Green, Pleasant Hill, Mo., Dec. 3.

Company.—Incorp. in Missouri as successor to Green Light & Power Co. Supplies, without competition, electric light and power to 30 cities and towns in the central western part of Missouri. Total population estimated, 22,000. Property consists of modern central generating plant located at Pleasant Hill, with present installed capacity of 2,250 k. w., from which radiate voltage transmission lines totaling 264 miles of line.

Capitalization	Authorized	Issued
Common stock	\$500,000	\$375,000
Preferred stock	250,000	
First Mortgage bonds, due Jan. 1 1937	750,000	425,000

Earnings for 12 Months ending Aug. 31 1921.

Gross earnings	\$170,305
Income after operating expense and taxes	69,396
Other income	5,163
Net earnings	\$74,559
One year's interest on \$425,000 bonds	34,000
Balance	\$40,559

Western Electric Co.—\$3,500,000 Telephone Contract.

The company has announced that a syndicate, comprising the International Electric Co. of New York, and Pirelli & Co. of Milan, and Tedeschi & Co. of Turin, two large Italian cable manufacturers, has just closed a contract with the Postal Telegraph Co. for the laying of an underground telephone system linking the cities of Genoa, Turin and Milan. At the current rates of exchange the contract, if awarded, will call for the expenditure of approximately \$3,500,000.—V. 113, p. 1179

West Point (Ga.) Mfg. Co.—Balance Sheet Oct. 31.—

Assets—		Liabilities—			
1921.	1920.	1921.	1920.		
\$	\$	\$	\$		
Plant, equip., &c.	9,560,138	7,111,218	Capital stock—	5,000,000	5,000,000
Cash	400,324	518,704	Accounts payable	124,354	145,547
Acc'ts receivable	1,147,481	3,392,852	Notes payable	3,360,000	2,396,500
Inventories	3,895,115	2,665,259	Res. for Fed. taxes	833,941	1,000,070
Securities owned	733,729	1,001,238	Depr., &c., res'ves	1,513,437	725,580
Deferred charges	125,898		Surplus	5,030,953	5,421,643
Total	15,862,685	14,689,270	Total	15,862,685	14,689,270

—V. 112, p. 2650.

Western States Gas & Electric Co.—Bond Offer.—

Cyrus Peirce & Co. and Blyth, Witter & Co., on Nov. last, offered at 85 and Int. a block of \$200,000 1st & Ref. 5s of 1911 and due June 1 1911. Auth. \$10,000,000; issued, including \$1,724,000 held as collateral for Collat. Trust 6½% notes, \$6,147,500.—V. 113, p. 2412, 2197.

Wilmington (Del.) Gas Co.—Bonds Offered.—

Davidge, Heald & Co., New York, are offering at prices to yield 5 50% \$50,000 1st & Ref. gold 5s of 1909, due Sept. 1 1949. Int. payable M & S. at Girard Trust Co., Phila., trustee. Callable at 105 and Int. on any nt. date as a whole or after Sept. 1 1924 for sinking fund; 2% Federal income tax paid by company. Penna. State 4-mill tax refunded.

Company does the entire gas business of the city of Wilmington, Del., and adjacent territory, including a population of about 120,000. Has a perpetual franchise. Since March 1 1910 regular divs. of 6% have been maintained on \$1,240,800 Pref. stock.

Capitalization Outstanding.—Common stock, \$3,000,000; Pref. stock (6% cum.), \$1,240,800; 1st & Ref. 5s, \$2,960,000.

The earnings for the year ended Sept. 30 1921 shows: Gross earnings, \$1,069,131; oper. expenses & taxes, \$797,656; net earnings, \$271,475; Int. on 1st Ref. 5s, \$148,000; balance, \$123,475.—V. 99, p. 1372.

Woolworth Co.—December Sales—Lease.

1921—Dec	—1920	Increase	1921—Dec	—1920	Increase
\$24,155,400	\$21,524,073	\$2,631,326	\$147,644,999	\$140,913,885	\$6,731,113

The increase from old stores during 1921, was \$3,860,388. The company opened 32 new stores in 1921, making a total of 1,143 now operating.

The company has taken a 20-year lease for an aggregate rental of \$500,000 of which \$50,000 is to be paid at once on improved business district property at Youngstown, O.—V. 113, p. 2514.

CURRENT NOTICES.

—In his Annual Review and Forecast, John Moody of Moody's Investors' Service, expresses the belief that while no boom is in sight this year, safe and sane improvement can be expected. "We have been laying a new foundation for American prosperity during the past year by liquidating our debts, charging off losses and putting our houses in order for a new and more healthful era," Mr. Moody states. In view of the remarkable accuracy of Mr. Moody's Forecast for 1921, his views and predictions for this year are entitled to careful consideration.

Mr. Moody expects to see the recovery in bond prices continue during 1922 and feels that fundamental factors point to further ease in the world money markets during 1922. Touching upon commodity prices and labor costs, the view is expressed that the downward trend will undoubtedly continue during this year but that there should be greater equalization in costs of commodities.

"The past year has been distinctly constructive in most of Europe," Mr. Moody says, "despite international quarreling, incompetence of European politicians and the survival of war hate." Mr. Moody spent most of the past summer abroad and is closely posted on European affairs. He cites the progress of France in increasing its governmental revenues and mentions that progress has been made in Italy along these lines, while in England substantial improvement has occurred. "Germany has come to recognize her reparation obligations," according to Mr. Moody, "France is coming to the view that only through compromise can she hope to have the reparations paid—and Poland is forgetting that her only mission is warfare, while Russia is making moves to come nearer to practical ideas of life."

Commenting upon the political side of the European situation, Mr. Moody feels that conditions are slowly but surely righting themselves. At the close of 1921, it is stated that for the first time since the close of the war the nations of Europe are beginning to turn seriously to the common sense needs of the situation.

In summing up the domestic situation, Mr. Moody expresses the belief that while more deflation must occur, much is to be done in reducing commodity and labor costs and that while the early part of 1922 will see continued heavy commercial failures, it is entirely probable that we are on the threshold of a coming period of good times.

Henry J. Fuller has been admitted as a general partner in the firm of Aldred & Co., 42 Wall St.

Mr. Fuller has been identified for some years as a director in many of the Companies for which Aldred & Co. are fiscal agents, including the Shawinigan Water & Power Co., Pennsylvania Water & Power Co., The Consolidated Gas, Electric Light & Power Co. of Baltimore, and the Gillette Safety Razor Co. Mr. Fuller is also Chairman of the Board of The Rolls-Royce of America, Inc., and director of The First Federal Foreign Banking Association. Mr. Fuller is a Director of the Canadian Bank of Commerce and The National Trust Co. of Canada. He is a Director and Vice President of the Canada Cement Co.; a Director of the Asbestos Corporation of Canada, Ltd., of the Savage Arms Corporation, American Bosch Magneto Corporation, Noiseless Typewriter Co., and a number of other industrial companies. He is retiring from his position as Vice President of Fairbanks, Morse & Co., but will remain as a Director of that company and as President of E. & T. Fairbanks & Co., manufacturers of Fairbanks Standard Scales, and as President of The Canadian Fairbanks-Morse Co., Ltd.

—Wm. E. Mohr, formerly Treasurer of Gold-Stabeck Company, Minneapolis investment bankers, will be affiliated, on Jan. 1 1922, with Courtenay-Hineline, Inc. who are taking over the spacious ground floor quarters formerly occupied by the Gold-Stabeck Company at 627 Second Avenue South, Minneapolis. Prior to his connection with the Gold-Stabeck Company, Mr. Mohr, who is one of the best known bond men in the Middle West, was a member of the firm of Works-Mohr Investment Company, St. Paul, and enjoys an exceptional acquaintance among the investment bankers in all parts of the country. Mr. Mohr has had charge of the Municipal and Corporation Bond Department of the Gold-Stabeck Company and has been instrumental in originating and distributing a number of corporation and municipal issues in the Middle West. Courtenay-Hineline, Inc., will specialize in bonds and notes of the United States and foreign Governments, railroads, public utilities, industrials and high-grade municipals.

—The complete text of the Revenue Act of 1921, signed by the President Nov. 23 and printed by the "Chronicle" in its issue of Nov. 26 (p. 2267), has been published in numerous forms, but it may be doubted whether the 250-page volume just issued by the Equitable Trust Co. of New York, with large type, ample open page, illuminated by numerous marginal and center headings and a 25-page index, has anywhere its equal for convenient, accurate reference and attractive appearance. This work has been edited

by Franklin Carter Jr., head of the Income Tax Department of the trust company, and adds another unit to the series of such works covering Federal and New York State tax matters for which he has justly gained an enviable reputation. The present compilation, the "Chronicle" happens to know, has been held back in order to insure absolute accuracy as well as excellence in other respects.

—The Canadian Bond Corporation of New York, affiliated with the Municipal Bankers' Corporation, Ltd., of Toronto, has been organized under the laws of the State of New York, with offices at 5 State St., N. Y. C. They will offer, through established channels only, bonds of Municipalities Counties and Governments of the Dominion of Canada.

The directors of the new corporation are: President, W. Tyrre Stevens, export merchant, 5 State St.; Vice President, Sir William Hearst, barrister, Toronto, Ont.; Vice President, William F. Smith, President of the Hale Co., New York; Sir John Willison, Toronto; William E. Peck, export merchant, N. Y.; Newton W. Gilbert, barrister, N. Y.; and Seth Rogers Abrams, export merchant, N. Y.

—"Gutttag's Foreign Currency and Exchange Guide" is a practical manual designed for the use of banks, trust companies, financial and export houses, and all other branches of business which handle foreign currency and exchange. The divisions and arrangement of the contents insure ready reference to all facts and figures. Under each country is a brief description of its coins and notes, their actual and legal value, and much other similar data. Tables show the weight, fineness, etc. of the gold and silver coins of the principal countries of the world. The monetary unit, fineness and intrinsic equivalents in United States money are also given in tabular form. A dictionary of coins, moneys and currencies of the world is included. The book is of convenient size, measuring 5½ x 8¼ inches, and contains 132 pages.

—The Railroad Department of Harris, Forbes & Co., have prepared for free distribution to investors interested in the purchase or sale of railroad bonds the fourth edition of their Railroad Bond Book. The book contains in concise form much information necessary for a proper consideration of railroad bond investments. The principal railroad systems in the country are covered and the information includes mileage, property valuation, the average net earnings for the five years preceding Federal Control, classification of traffic, ten years' dividend record, outstanding capital stock, comparative statistics of funded debt and guaranteed bonds, with brief descriptions of individual issues, explanatory notes and other similar matter.

—The firm of Morrow & Jellett, Bond Dealers and Stock Brokers, 103 Bay Street, Toronto, dissolved partnership on the 31st of December. A. D. Morrow, Thos. C. Grills and John D. Irwin (formerly partners of the above) formed a new partnership under the firm name of A. D. Morrow & Co. (members of the Toronto Stock Exchange), with the same offices at 103 Bay Street, Toronto, to continue business as dealers in Government bonds and stocks.

—An announcement is made of the formation of Lewis-Dewes & Co., 111 W. Monroe Street, Chicago, Illinois. W. E. Lewis was formerly associated with Second Ward Securities Co., and Mr. Dewes was connected with the Standard Products Co. Mr. George Lee, the third partner, was connected with the Second Ward Securities Co. The firm will do a general investment business.

—Louis Curtis Jr., son of Louis Curtis, resident partner in Boston, and Charles Denston Dickey, son of the late Charles Denston Dickey, a former member of the firm, have been admitted as of Jan. 1 1922 as partners in the firm of Brown Brothers & Co. Richard Bache Duane has been given power to sign in New York, Philadelphia and Boston, resident in Philadelphia.

—William Edward Coffin, of Coffin & Co., Investment Bankers, 34 Pine St., has passed successfully through a serious surgical operation at the Greenwich, Conn., hospital. Although Mr. Coffin is now considered out of danger, he will be held under treatment and supervision for the remainder of January.

—Searight & Co., 111 Broadway, New York City, announce their formation as a co-partnership for the transaction of a general business in stocks and bonds, specializing in unlisted and inactive stocks. The members are George A. Searight, formerly of R. A. South & Co., now E. B. Gardner & Co., and Harry M. Reed, formerly of C. B. Castle Corp.

The Vermont Loan & Trust Co. of Brattleboro, Vt., announces the establishment of a bond department to deal in government, municipal and corporation bonds, under the management of Louis S. Seagrave, formerly Assistant Vice-President of the Lumbermens Trust Co., Portland, Ore.

—The formation of Berdell Brothers, Incorporated, Boston, consisting of Charles P. Berdell, Jr., Theodore Berdell and Raymond Spellman, is announced. The headquarters of the new firm, which is affiliated with Berdell Brothers, New York, are at 50 Congress Street, Boston.

—William K. Terry, formerly of Terry, Briggs & Co., and G. M. Miller, formerly with Clark, Dodge & Co., have become associated under the firm name of William K. Terry & Co. The new firm will have offices in the Ohio Bank Building, Toledo.

—Messrs. R. M. Grant & Co. are offering, by advertisement on another page, an attractive list of municipal bonds for January investment, yielding from 4.50 to 5.85%. Descriptive circulars on any of the issues will be sent on request.

—The Equitable Trust Company of New York announces that subscriptions received for the Western Pacific Railroad Co. first mortgage series "B" 6% bonds offered were considerably in excess of the total issue, of \$3,000,000.

—Jelke, Hood & Co., members of the N. Y. Stock Exchange, have opened an office in the Real Estate Trust Building, Philadelphia, under the management of Joseph MacPherson. They have also announced that William C. Crawford has been admitted to their firm as a general partner.

—Harold C. Hodgson, Robert H. Benjamin and William R. Healey have formed a co-partnership for the transaction of a general investment business in bonds, under the firm name of Hodgson, Benjamin & Healey, at 135 Broadway, N. Y.

—Salisbury, Leslie & Co., 45 Pine St., N. Y., announce that Henry R. Koelle, Jr., has retired from the firm. The business will be conducted under the same firm name by Albert T. Salisbury and George R. Leslie, Jr.

—Dudley F. King, formerly head of the bond department of Bonbright & Co., has become associated with Clark, Williams & Co., 160 Broadway, N. Y. C., in their bond department.

—Gerald H. O'Connor, formerly associated with Messrs. Kissel, Kinnicut & Co., has become a member of the organization of Kelley, Drayton & Co., 43 Exchange Pl., N. Y. C.

—Howard R. Moyer, formerly State Bank Examiner in Pennsylvania, has become associated with the Philadelphia office of Paine, Webber & Co., in their bond department.

—Wm. Carnegie Ewen, 2 Wall St., New York City, invites inquiries regarding the underlying bonds of the New York City traction companies (see advertising pages elsewhere in to-day's issue).

The Commercial Times.

COMMERCIAL EPITOME.

New York, Friday Night, Jan. 6 1922.

Trade as a whole is still moving at a slow pace. Some of the industries, it is true, show a little more life. But there is nothing striking in the way of business anywhere. Wool is firm, and foreign auctions have been at higher prices. The Government sale at Boston on the 7th instant showed a rise of 20 to 25% on December prices. People in the steel trade are looking for better times in 1922, but just at the moment, at least, trade is dull and prices are apparently none too steady. The cut in prices during 1921 was, of course, drastic. The iron trade is also slow, with prices inclined to yield on worth-while business. Some of the automobile factories are resuming work. Crude oil is down some 25 to 50 cents, with production in December at a high level. Retail business is stimulated somewhat by colder weather in parts of the country, though high prices continue to act as more or less of a check on buying, especially in the big agricultural States, which still suffer from low prices for their products, while many of the things they need continue too high. Grain markets have fallen during the week, especially wheat, owing partly to the Chicago bank difficulties, which necessitated the taking over of the Fort Dearborn Bank and Trust companies by a syndicate of Chicago banks. This, coming on top of the failure of E. W. Wagner & Co. last Friday, caused no little stir in Chicago for the time being. It was only temporary. Wheat has recovered 2 to 3 cents per bushel since last Tuesday, when this announcement was made. Still it is down to about the lowest price since 1914. Cotton has declined, owing largely to vague and unconfirmed rumors of difficulties in the drygoods trade. The export business in drygoods during 1921 was more or less disappointing. The rumors in question affected cotton prices in Liverpool and New Orleans. Yet holders of the actual cotton throughout the South have maintained a firm front. And Worth Street here has been but little affected. There is a somewhat better business in coal, although it is nothing like as large as in recent years. Trade at the South is quiet. Collections, taking the country over, are still slow.

Food prices have recently declined. Failures are still large. Even in the holiday week they were 509 against 445 last week, 422 for the same week in 1921, 129 in 1920, 119 in 1919, and 324 in 1918. In the Southwest the weather is dry and cold, with little or no snow covering for the winter wheat. It needs rain or snow. Sales of fertilizers at the South are small. Lumber sales are also light. Building labor troubles have again cropped up at Chicago. But here building labor interests have complied with most of the recent Lockwood Committee demands. Latterly money here has been declining, touching 3½% on call to-day and 5% on time, the lowest rate in nearly four years, something which naturally tends to hearten the mercantile community. And to-day it was further cheered by a stronger tone in stocks and foreign exchange, and the fact that, in spite of plentiful supply of rumors, nothing serious happened. A small day and night savings bank in St. Louis suspended; that was all. There is a feeling that the condition of the country, taken as a whole, is sound, and that any readjustments due to past conditions will simply be a step forward. There is a deep-seated and widespread conviction that 1922 is to bring about better conditions than those which prevailed in 1921. The improvement may not be by leaps and bounds; nobody expects it will be. But there is an almost universal belief that there will be gradual movement back towards normal conditions of trade, especially if labor and transportation rates come down and overhead charges are reduced to a point which will facilitate production and consumption.

Charles E. Mitchell, President of the National City Bank of New York, addressing the Boston Chamber of Commerce, said: "Full prosperity in this country can never be attained until foreign markets are again available to our products and nothing will bring about that return of balanced foreign trade except a gradual working out of economic laws, which means time."

A Washington dispatch declares that the by-partisan "agricultural bloc" is planning to control and dictate national legislation. It says the bloc is girding on "its wheat and cotton armor" to force President Harding to replace the heads of the Federal Reserve Board and the Farm Loan Board with "dirt farmers." The United States Chamber of Commerce, in a special report on the building outlook for the coming spring, finds it less favorable in agricultural regions. Banks generally in those sections are fully loaned up, so that the farmer finds it very difficult to obtain either ready money or credit.

The 16-ounce loaf of bread was put back here to the pre-war price of 5 cents yesterday by several chain stores and by R. H. Macy & Co. Some others have been selling 14-ounce loaves at 5c. It has attracted much attention. The newspapers have been publishing leading editorials about it. A large Chicago department store yesterday reduced the price of the 16-ounce loaf of bread to 5 cents.

Wages of 10,000 unskilled workers in the mills of the largest independent paper companies of the United States

and Canada were reduced 20% by a decision handed down here on Jan. 4 by a board of arbitration. Wages are cut 8 cents an hour, making the basic wage 32 cents an hour, or \$2.56 a day. This reduction affects all wood handlers and all unskilled yard-men, such as ashmen, yard cleaners, etc. No cuts were provided for the several thousand skilled workers, who receive 54 cents per hour and upward. The new wage scale goes into effect next Monday, and will continue until May 1 1922, when the arbitration agreement expires. Practically all of the large paper companies, with the exception of the International Paper Company, are affected by the award.

Chicago building trades unions threaten to fight the open-shop issue. Members of five unions went on a sympathetic strike with the union carpenters on Jan. 4, who have refused to work under the Landis wage award. At Springfield Mass., on Jan. 6, 400 men employees of the locomotive shops of the Boston & Albany RR. resumed work when the shops reopened after a two weeks' shutdown. The layoff was due to business conditions. A Providence dispatch intimates that wage cuts in Rhode Island mills may be made before the spring. New England will not cut wages just now, it is said. More than 1,200 employees of the Brookside Mills, Knoxville, Tenn., who have been idle owing to a strike of the loom-fixers since Dec. 9, resumed work Jan. 5. At Utica, N. Y., on Jan. 3, an increase in working hours from 48 to 54 per week, and a reduction of 12½% in wages was announced in 12 of the largest textile mills, effective Jan. 9. The total reduction in wages since 1920 is about 35%, but the manufacturers say that the new scale still leaves wages above the pre-war level.

The Buick Motor Co. plants, which have been closed since Dec. 3 for the usual mid-winter inventory, will resume in full on January 9. The 16½% reduction in freight rates on hay, grain, alfalfa and grain products, ordered last month by the Inter-State Commerce Commission in trans-Mississippi territory, is to become effective Jan. 7.

The German Consulate in New York was reopened on Jan. 3 at 11 Broadway, the same quarters occupied before the war.

The worst blizzard in several years raged over Northwest Iowa, Northeast Nebraska and Southeast South Dakota on Jan. 4. Heavy snowfalls delayed trains, and stockmen declared there would be heavy losses of cattle if the storm continued. Tulsa, Okla., reported extensive damage from a severe storm, which put power lines out of commission, shattered store fronts, and littered the streets with debris. In New York the weather has latterly been mild, and to-day the temperature was up to 42 degrees.

LARD quiet; prime Western 9.65@9.75c.; refined to Continent 11.25c.; South American 11.50c.; Brazil in kegs 11.50c. Futures declined with the drop in grain. But a steadying influence was an advance in hogs. Some increase in the stock of lard took place in Chicago during December. It was 850,000 lbs. The total, however, is still only 9,319,000 lbs., as against 21,375,000 lbs. a year ago. Exports of lard last week were 15,250,000 lbs. The stock of cut meats increased at Chicago during December only 50,000 lbs. The exports of bacon last week were 13,250,000 lbs. To-day prices were higher. Hogs were up 15 to 25c. to \$8.25 in Chicago. Prices for the week show an advance of 5 points on January and 2 on March. Closing prices follow:

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
January delivery --- cts.	8.70	Holi.	8.60	8.65	8.67	8.75
March delivery -----	8.92	day.	8.80	8.82	8.87	8.92
May delivery -----	9.07		8.97	9.05	9.07	9.12

PORK dull; mess, \$24@25; family, \$25@28; short clear \$21.50@24.50; January closed at \$15.07 a rise for the week of 12c.

BEEF quiet; mess, \$12@14; packet \$13@14; family \$15@16; extra India mess \$24@25; No. 1 canned roast beef \$3.25; No. 2, \$5.25, 6 lbs. \$15.50. Cut meats still dull; pickled hams 10 to 20 lbs. 16¼@17¼c.; pickled bellies 10 to 12 lbs. 13@15c.

BUTTER, creamery extras 40½@41c. Cheese, flats 16@23½c. Eggs, fresh extras 45@46c.

COFFEE on the spot quiet at 9½c. for No. 7 Rio and 12@12½c. for No. 4 Santos; fair to good Cuenta 11¾@12¼c. Futures declined on lower cables and liquidation. Lanerville makes the world's visible supply on Jan. 1, 9,461,000 bags, an increase during December of 400,000 bags and an increase of 813,000 bags as compared with Jan. 1 1921. The deliveries of coffee this month on the New York Coffee Exchange have been the largest for many years—380,250 bags. Not in a day or a week can a stock of coffee, available for delivery on the Exchange here, be gathered. The cheapest offers from Brazil, it is said, would cost in warehouse in New York and carried into March about ¾c. above the present March quotation. Meanwhile, however, it is pointed out that the price in Rio is not much above the price fixed by the Brazilian Government. If receipts continue on the present scale without a great demand, some are inclined to think that further governmental help may be required. Without a good decrease in the Brazilian receipts, any permanent and important rise in futures of the near months is by some considered unlikely. Next crop months from July, on the other hand, to some look cheap. Nortz & Co. estimate the coffee crops, including milds of 1921-22, at 18,750,000, and of 1922-23 at 15,750,000

bags, compared with the 1920-21 crop of 20,283,000 bags, adding an estimate of the present yearly consumption of coffee, subject to revision later on, at 19,000,000 bags. The holdings of the Brazilian Government, it is declared, cannot be very far from 4,500,000 to 4,750,000 bags. The world's visible supply of coffee July 1 was 9,639,000 bags. Some think that on July 1 1922 it will be something like 8,300,000 bags, of which 50% would be under one ownership. To-day prices advanced in a sold-out market. Shorts were covering. Cables were higher from Santos, though a little lower from Rio. For the week prices show a decline on May of 6 points. Nothing striking has happened. Closing prices:
 Spot (unofficial)-----9 1/4|May-----8.47@8.49|September---8.39@8.40
 March-----8.61|July-----8.39@8.40|December---8.39 Nom.

SUGAR—Raw was in fair demand. Old crop Cubas late last week of about 45,000 bags, second half January shipment, sold at 1 13-16c. and 1 27-32c. c. and f. Early this week, it was said that possibly 500,000 bags were available for January shipment at 1 13-16c. Banks are said to own much of this sugar. Nearby again was wanted, with offerings small. The Cuban committee has reduced the price of old Cuban sugar to 2 cents. Later old crop Cuba was held at 1 15-16c. c. & f. to 2c. c. & f. with buyers not ready to follow the advance. Offers of large blocks of old crop Cuba, on which bankers hold claims, are small as there many charges against this sugar. The National and the American are the only refiners, it is said, who have signed up on the "toll" agreement. It is pointed out that though thus far no precise differential has been made between the old and new crop Cuban sugars, buyers have shown a preference for new crop when offered at the same price as the old. Much of the selling, it is understood, is to liquidate old crop holdings to facilitate the new crop operations. Receipts at U. S. Atlantic ports for the week were 22,398 tons, against 25,882 last week, 20,420 in the same week last year and 21,604 in 1920; meltings, 26,000, against 41,000 last week, 23,000 last year and 27,065 in 1920; total stock 31,629, against 35,131 last week, 59,196 in the same week last year and 8,611 in 1920. Receipts at Cuban ports for the week were 13,395 tons, against 31,366 in the same week last year. Exports were 7,553, against 63,701 in the same week last year; stock 12,965 tons, against 881,334 last year. Twenty-six centrals are now grinding in Cuba. To-day futures were practically unchanged. Refined still 4.80@4.90c.; late yesterday 15,000 bags of old crop Cuba, due next week, sold at 1 7/8c. c. & f. New York to a Canadian refiner, and 5,000 bags of Porto Rico at 3.48c. c. i. f. Futures ended 7 points higher for the week.

Spot (unofficial)---3.42c|May-----2.32@2.33|September---2.61@2.63
 March-----2.16@2.17|July-----2.49@2.51

OILS.—Linsced, though slightly firmer early in the week, became easier later in sympathy with the decline in flaxseed. Buyers still pursue a hand-to-mouth policy. Stocks are small. Many believe, however, that 39c. in bbl. carlots might be shaded on a firm bid. Paint and varnish interests show more interest in oil. Export business is quiet. Jan. carloads, 69c.; less than carloads, 72c.; 5 bbls. or less, 76c. Coconut oil, Ceylon, bbls. 8 3/4 @9c.; Cochin, 10@10 1/4c. Olive, \$1 15. Soya bean, edible, 10 1/2@11c. Lard, strained winter, 87c. Cod, domestic, nominal; Newfoundland, 45c. Cottonseed oil sales to-day 11,000 bbls. Crude, S. E., 6.85@7.00c. Prices closed as follows:

Spot-----8.25@8.50|March-----8.57@8.58|June-----8.95@9.01
 January-----8.27@8.28|April-----8.65@8.68|July-----9.06@9.08
 February-----8.30@8.60|May-----8.85@8.86|August-----9.15@9.25

Spirits of turpentine 86 1/2c. Rosin \$5 52 1/2@ \$7 70.

PETROLEUM.—Pennsylvania crude prices were cut in the fore part of the week. And it is now rumored that Mid-Continent crude will be dropped from 25 to 50c. very shortly. Demand is light. Gasoline weaker. Sales are small. Stocks are large. Weather conditions are unfavorable for motoring. Kerosene also weak. Sales of water-white have been reported at 9c. Demand is below expectations. Stocks are very large. Export business lags. Bunker oil quiet at \$1 40. This price appears to be nominal, however, for it is understood that business could be done at considerably below that level. Fuel oil quiet and tending lower. Gas oil dull and easier. New York prices, gasoline, cargo lots, 33.25c.; U. S. Navy specifications, bulk, 19c.; export naphtha, cargo lots, 20 1/2c.; 63 to 66 deg., 23 1/2c.; 66 to 68 deg., 24 1/2c.; cases New York, 18 1/2c. Refined petroleum, tank wagon to store, 15c.; motor gasoline to garages, steel barrels, 27c. Crude oil opened on Jan. 3 with Pennsylvania off to \$3 50 a barrel, a reduction of 50c. Other grades were cut as follows: Corning, 25c. to \$2 15; Cabell, 25c. to \$2 36; Somerset, 25c. to \$2 15; Somerset, light, 25c. to \$2 40, and Ragland, 10c. to \$1 15.

Pennsylvania	\$3 50	Indiana	\$2 28	Electra	\$2 25
Corning	2 15	Princeton	2 27	Strawn	2 25
Cabell	2 36	Illinois	2 27	Thrall	2 25
Somerset, light	2 10	Plymouth	1 65	Moran	2 25
Ragland	1 15	Kansas and Okla-	2 00	Henrietta	2 25
Wooster	2 78	homa	2 00	Caddo, La., light	2 00
Linna	2 48	Corseicana, light	1 30	Caddo, heavy	1 25
		Corseicana, heavy	0 95		

RUBBER dull and easier. Ribbed smoked sheets, 20c. spot and January delivery; 21c. for January-March; 22c. for April-June; 23c. for July-September, and 24 1/2c. for July-December, with first latex pale at a discount of 1/4c. in all positions. Para quiet but steady; up-river fine 23c.; coarse, 15c.; island fine, 21c.; coarse, 11c.

HIDES have been quiet but steady. Sales of packer hides have been small. Common dry hides have been

maintained on the basis of 15 1/2c. for Bogota. Some 1,500 Mountain Bogota and Honduras sold, it was said, at 16c. There has been a certain amount of inquiry but actual business is far from satisfactory. River Plate advices report further sales of Frigerificos at \$39 for Montevideo. Country hides are still slow, at 6 to 10 1/2c. The feeling in the trade is not unhopeful but it is clear enough that if the market is to advance, it has not yet got into its stride.

OCEAN FREIGHTS have been quiet and reported about steady. The volume of shipping traffic through the Panama Canal in 1921 set a new high record. The American Steamship Owners' Association adopted a new official wage scale calling it is understood for a general reduction of 15% in the wages of all seamen employed by member companies. Members of the Masters, Mates & Pilots Association voted to strike at noon today. They repudiated an agreement by their representatives to a 20% wage cut. It was said today that 27 boats were already tied up.

Charters included one round trip in West Indies trade, \$1 Jan. delivery; six months' time charter in West Indies trade, \$1 20, Jan. delivery; 12,000 qrs. grain from Atlantic range to three ports in Denmark on a basis of 21c. one port, prompt; coal from Atlantic range to Villa Constitution, 18s. 9d.; option Rosario, 20s., January; one round trip in West Indies trade, \$1 25 prompt; three months' time charter in West Indies, \$1 40, Jan. delivery; sugar from north side of Cuba to New York or Philadelphia, 16c., January; to Vancouver, B. C., \$5, Jan.-Feb.; grain from Atlantic range to Greece, 24c. one port, 25c. two ports, prompt; from Baltimore to Antwerp-Hamburg range, 13c. one port, 14c. two ports, January; three months' time charter in West Indies trade \$1 20; sulphur from Galveston to New York, \$3 75, Jan.; coal from New York to Cardenas, \$2 50; lumber from San Francisco to Shanghai, \$14; grain from Atlantic range to United Kingdom-Continent, 4s.; option of west coast of Italy, 5s., Jan.; grain from Philadelphia to West Italy, 20c. one port, 21c. two, 22c. three, Jan.-Feb.; from Atlantic range to Greece, 24c. one, 25c. two ports, Jan. 12 canceling; case oil from Gulf to China reported on the basis of 28c. one port.

TOBACCO has been dull and lower. New crop tobacco is now on the market. That fact has to be reckoned with. Meanwhile buyers are not at all anxious. They take only enough to supply their immediate wants. Things might look brighter in the tobacco business, but very many believe that 1922 is bound to be a very noticeable improvement on 1921. Havana reports are already more cheerful.

COPPER does not improve. Prices are unchanged, however. Producers, on the other hand, are not disappointed at the lack of demand at the present time. They look for better things later on. Underlying conditions are believed to be sound. Electrolytic, 13 7/8c. December copper sales, both foreign and domestic, of American producers, it is stated, totaled 107,000,000 lbs. November sales were approximately 198,000,000 lbs., October 140,000,000 and September 97,000,000, making 542,000,000 lbs. for foreign and domestic sales during the last third of the year. Of this business approximately 70,000,000 lbs. a month has represented domestic and 65,000,000 lbs. foreign sales. Tin quiet and lower on weaker London cables; spot 32 1/4 @ 32 3/8c. Lead quiet but steady; spot here 4.70@4.80c.; St. Louis, 4.40@4.45c. Zinc quiet and easier; spot here 5.25c.; St. Louis, 4.85@4.90c.

PIG IRON has remained quiet and to all appearance about steady. At any rate that is the general idea. It is declared that stocks of raw material have been pretty well liquidated. There is no reselling or at least very little. Steel making furnaces, it is admitted, however, have still some surplus to sell. Merchant furnaces are said to be carrying as a rule very small stocks. Pig iron production in December increased 219,653 tons. It reached a total of 1,634,611 tons, the largest in 1921 since February. Furnaces in blast on Dec. 31 were 124, a gain of 4 over November. There are hopes of better things of course for 1922. Everybody is talking in this strain. It is believed that things have got to their worst and cannot do otherwise than improve. Meanwhile, it is interesting to notice that the output of pig iron, including charcoal iron in 1921, was about 16,670,000 tons. This is the smallest total for 13 years. The average for 10 years was 31,566,000 tons. The movement of Lake Superior iron ore in 1921 was 22,300,000 tons, which was the smallest since 1904. Eastern Pennsylvania is nominally \$22 furnace on the basis of No. 2 plain foundry, and Buffalo the same. But in competition, particularly in New England, this price is said to have been reduced by absorbing through freight differentials to \$19 furnace.

STEEL manufacturers and merchants are hopeful for 1922, but trade as a matter of fact just now is still quiet. Consumers' stocks, however, are believed to be small. Chicago reports an increase in freight car orders. Buying of rails is noticeably smaller than a year ago, however. Birmingham reports some Japanese orders for rails for all that. German competition is noticed in the wire drawing mills. Warehouse tin plates have been shaded at Pittsburgh. Sales are reported at as low as \$4.50 for base box on warehouse stock. Mills sales, it is said, show no change in prices. Steel ingot production according to one computation was 19,250,000 tons in 1921 against 40,881,000 in 1920, and the smallest in 13 years.

WOOL has been firm with a moderate business. A year ago it was dull and weak. The consumption of wool, which had dropped to 18,000,000 lbs. in December 1920, reached 20,000,000 lbs. in January 1921. Since then it mounted to about 60,000,000 lbs. in October last. It has decreased slightly from the high point. But the total consumption for the year, it is estimated, is not very far below the yearly average. Meantime the executive committee of the Boston Wool Trade Association wants quick action on the tariff. Anything but a long dragging out of the matter. The next auctions in London will begin on Jan. 10. The British Aus

Australian Wool Realization Association will offer 56,000 bales, together with 25,000 bales of New Zealand, 10,000 bales of Cape and nearly 50,000 bales of free wools, consisting of 31,000 Cape, 16,500 South American and 1,500 bales of other descriptions. Bradford cabled early in the week that wool business was restricted, but tops and yarns were very firm. Numerous instances were noted of first quarter of 1922, output being placed under orders. The piece goods situation was less depressed, but new business is small. Foreign wool markets have recently been strong. West Virginia farmers are selling their wool clip, it is stated, for 19 cents a pound. At the wool auction held at Timaru, New Zealand, on Jan. 3, 9,900 bales were offered and 9,200 sold. Sale well attended; demand sharp. Prices compared with those of Dunedin, Dec. 21, higher. Greasy merino and half-bred up 5% and crossbreds 15 to 20%. Bradford, Eng., cabled on Jan. 5 wool very firm. Merino tops up; 64s. now 50d. for April and May. Crossbred looks like going higher. The London sales open next Tuesday and a general advance is looked for. Bradford is very hopeful. At Boston on Jan. 5 at the Government sale of 8,000,000 lbs. all was sold and prices with 400 eager bidders advanced 20 to 25% from the prices of the December sale. The Government has some 10,000,000 lbs. left. Most of the wool sold on Thursday went to merchants. Some of the larger mills, however, bought more than usual. The American Woolen Co. took several lots. On the first lot offered, greasy 64s, carding, practically free Australian, 40c. was paid by the New Jersey Worsted Spinning Co. after an advance of 15 cents, or 83 cents clean basis. Francis Willey & Co. were the largest buyers at the sale, taking over a million pounds of greasy wool scoureds. Draper & Co. took 483,000 lbs., Ryder & Brown Co. 365,000 lbs., and Blake, Vaas & Kelligerew 251,000 lbs., each of which firms is an outgrowth of Crimmins & Pierce Co. Draper took 57,000 lbs. of scoured wools. Brown & Howe bought 417,000 lbs. of greasy wool, and Dupee & Meadows 370,000 lbs., Oelrichs bought 232,000, and Webb, of Philadelphia, 203,000 lbs. William M. Wood was the largest scoured wool buyer, taking 121,000 lbs.; also 131,000 lbs. of greasies. Twenty or more firms took over 100,000 lbs. Punta Arenas and Santa Cruz combing 56s. and 60s brought 28½c. as compared with 23½c. to 24c. at the last sale. Bahia Blanca combing high 50s topmaking and Patagonian combing 50s sold at 23c.; at the last sale the price was 27c. and 28c., respectively. Punta combing bulk 50s sold at 29½c. as compared with 21c. in December. Argentine combing topmaking fleece 44s-40s sold at 17½c., against 15c. at the last sale; Argentine good superior skirtings, same grade, 14c. against 12c. Argentine and Pasto Fuerte mixed carding 50s and 48s bulk 50s high, few burrs, 22c., against 16c. in December. Patagonian carding 56s and 60s second clip 25½c. and 26½c. against 20c. in December. Pasto Fuerte carding bulk 56s second clearing 24½c., compared with 20c. in December. Montevideo carding lambs practically free 50s and 56s, 24½c. to 26½c., compared with 21c. last sale. In scoured wools South American carbonized 44s and 46s sold at 30c., as compared with 25½c. in December. South American bulk 46s sold at 38c. and 38½c., compared with 20c., and bulk 44s South American sold at 31c. against 24c. Super greasy 40s Melbourne practically free wools sold readily at 24c. to 26c., or close to 35c. clean on the average. Francis Willey taking the bulk. Good 36s sold at 20c. or 27c. clean basis and ordinary 46s, 22c. or 34½c. clean. At Antwerp on Jan. 5 the British Australian Wool Realization Association offered 15,000 bales, chiefly Queensland merino clips. Attendance large; demand excellent, specially from French and Belgian buyers. About 13,000 bales sold. Compared with the close at the last London auctions, prices 10% up. A Buenos Aires dispatch says that trading in wool during the last week in December was the most active of the year. There was very little speculative buying in the trade.

COTTON.

Friday Night, Jan. 6 1922.

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 76,581 bales, against 122,936 bales last week and 141,588 bales the previous week, making the total receipts since Aug. 1 1921, 3,516,438 bales, against 3,559,368 bales for the same period of 1920-21, showing a decrease since Aug. 1 1921 of 42,930 bales.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Total.
Galveston	3,540	10,020		15,950	5,451	2,713	37,674
Texas City						726	726
Houston							
Port Arthur, &c.							
New Orleans	5,259	3,811	161	2,795	3,731	2,686	18,116
Gulfpport							
Mobile	62	11	396	251	188	90	911
Pensacola							
Jacksonville							
Savannah	850		1,261	2,882	738	1,819	7,550
Brunswick						500	500
Charleston	336		359	508	19	71	1,293
Georgetown							
Wilmington	110	205	29	223	81	111	1,762
Norfolk	791		1,055	877	790	2,373	5,889
N'port News, &c.							
New York			100	330			430
Boston	537	490		129	244		1,400
Baltimore	321					272	593
Philadelphia	79		47	89	141	48	407
Totals this week	11,888	14,537	3,318	24,037	11,392	11,409	76,581

The following table shows the week's total receipts, the total since Aug. 1 1921 and stocks to-night, compared with the last year:

Receipts to January 6.	1921-22.		1920-21.		Stock.	
	This Week.	Since Aug 1 1921.	This Week.	Since Aug 1 1920.	1922.	1921.
Galveston	37,674	1,632,219	61,792	1,729,340	336,046	366,918
Texas City	726	16,734	546	14,417	13,185	3,228
Houston		232,212	10,076	253,624		
Port Arthur, &c.		10,305	241	41,393		
New Orleans	18,446	663,057	33,525	796,145	331,237	446,026
Gulfpport		4,289				
Mobile	911	80,420	2,913	55,467	17,315	20,773
Pensacola		200				
Jacksonville		1,835	118	1,131	1,847	1,471
Savannah	7,550	432,997	9,586	368,149	160,069	158,308
Brunswick	500	14,516	50	8,874	2,032	2,499
Charleston	1,293	47,969	858	43,068	106,069	243,867
Georgetown						
Wilmington	762	67,411	431	52,307	40,612	43,684
Norfolk	5,889	225,360	5,058	143,362	143,026	83,238
N'port News, &c.		583	41	1,078		
New York	430	7,761	1,074	8,301	86,317	27,835
Boston	1,400	16,280	434	17,918	6,083	12,793
Baltimore	593	38,655	304	20,480	2,064	3,985
Philadelphia	407	23,635	105	4,314	8,021	5,932
Totals	76,581	3,516,438	127,152	3,559,368	1,253,926	1,420,557

In order that comparison may be made with other years, we give below the totals at leading ports for six seasons:

Receipts at—	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.
Galveston	37,674	61,792	77,176	50,619	60,789	68,469
Texas City &c	726	10,863	28,210	2,367	8,512	6,565
New Orleans	18,446	33,525	46,755	27,994	40,231	22,188
Mobile	911	2,913	9,636	3,858	2,263	1,357
Savannah	7,550	9,586	32,276	23,469	19,958	7,082
Brunswick	500	50	4,000	2,000	4,500	2,500
Charleston	1,293	858	4,138	4,207	4,490	835
Wilmington	762	431	4,714	2,122	648	501
Norfolk	5,889	5,058	9,512	12,270	4,843	7,285
N'port N., &c.		41	527	46	194	436
All others	2,830	2,035	7,602	2,582	7,098	8,630
Total this wk.	76,581	127,152	224,546	131,534	153,526	125,848
Since Aug. 1	3,516,438	3,559,368	4,026,687	2,919,201	3,719,870	4,889,793

The exports for the week ending this evening reach a total of 165,238 bales, of which 31,084 were to Great Britain, 16,624 to France and 117,530 to other destinations. Below are the exports for the week and since Aug. 1 1921 are as follows:

Exports from—	Week ending Jan. 6, 1922. Exported to—				From Aug. 1 1921 to Jan. 6 1922. Exported to—			
	Great Britain.	France.	Other.	Total.	Great Britain.	France.	Other.	Total.
Galveston	6,055	7,637	61,282	74,984	382,396	207,612	800,498	1,390,506
Texas City							5,142	5,142
Houston					46,339	47,256	138,617	232,212
New Orleans	10,716	800	38,423	49,939	162,862	70,699	366,050	599,611
Gulfpport					1,700		2,589	4,289
Mobile					25,221	5,979	22,180	53,380
Pensacola							200	200
Savannah	9,399	7,285	8,890	25,574	80,389	43,453	226,201	350,043
Brunswick					12,068			12,068
Charleston	4,904	800		5,704	13,671	2,500	47,250	63,421
Wilmington					9,000	8,560	30,600	48,100
Norfolk			447	447	13,535	4,800	59,563	77,898
New York		102	1,675	1,777	16,802	1,773	43,164	61,739
Boston					444		5,598	6,042
Baltimore					59	50	1,000	1,109
Philadelphia					424	50	638	1,112
Los Angeles					6,115	200	16,000	22,315
San Fran.			2,772	2,772			30,937	30,937
Seattle			4,041	4,041			36,074	36,074
Tacoma							20,605	20,605
Portl'd, Ore.							1,150	1,150
Total	31,084	16,624	117,530	165,238	771,025	392,872	1,853,906	3,017,803
Tot. 1920-21	22,678	15,461	99,291	137,430	966,949	359,495	1,208,511	2,534,985
Tot. 1919-20	120,461	29,223	53,006	202,690	1,663,399	333,029	1,098,858	3,095,286

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.

Jan. 6 at—	On Shipboard, Not Cleared for—					Leaving Stock.	
	Great Britain.	France.	Germany.	Other Cont'l.	Coast-wise.		
Galveston	5,238		3,000	7,140	2,500	17,878	318,168
New Orleans	4,350	938		860	9,171	15,619	315,618
Savannah	10,000				700	10,700	149,369
Mobile	3,450					3,450	13,865
Norfolk	100			100	100	600	142,426
New York*	300	100	100	200		700	85,617
Other ports*	4,000		3,000	4,000		11,000	168,916
Total 1922	27,438	1,038	6,100	12,600	12,771	59,947	1,193,979
Total 1921	57,013	15,839	18,005	78,265	4,650	173,802	1,246,755
Total 1920	118,526	39,315	8,120	125,175	12,555	303,991	1,196,313

Speculation in cotton for future delivery has been fairly active at irregular prices. But in the main they have taken a downward turn, though on the 4th instant there was a sharp advance. On Thursday, however, came a setback of 40 to 45 points, owing to a decline in Liverpool, on reports afterwards denied, of a small failure in Manchester, the announcement of the failure of a large department store at Akron, Ohio, and general liquidation here. Stocks were lower; so was foreign exchange. For a time wheat declined. The taking over of the Fort Dearborn Bank and Trust Company by a group of Chicago banks made a rather bad impression, following the suspension of E. W. Wagner & Co. last Friday. Liverpool sold here on the 5th instant quite freely. Japanese houses were understood to have sold early that day. Wall Street and the West were also sellers for a time. New Orleans was conspicuously weak, and sent

selling orders here. The South sold on a fair scale. The Chicago situation was sharply watched. On the 3rd instant wheat there broke 6 to 7 cents on the Dearborn bank news. Crude oil on that day fell 25 to 50 cents. All the markets fell. At times, too, there were reports that spot cotton was being offered for sale more freely at the South. There was talk of a possibility of an easier basis there. Mills bought here to some extent, it is true, but not on a large scale. The technical position showed signs of weakening. Everybody had been buying for a 1922 boom. They seemed to think that the minute the 1922 calendar was hung up on the wall the boom would start. On the 3rd instant Chicago was credited with selling 20,000 to 25,000 bales here. Some who had covered last week, supposedly to register 1921 income losses, put out sales on the first business day of the year, i.e. last Tuesday. Exports at that time were small, with foreign exchange weaker. In some cases trade interests sold July. January notices appeared for some 4,500 bales during the week. They were not all promptly stopped. New Orleans early in the week reported an accumulation of hedge sales over the holidays. One firm had a dispatch from Bombay increasing the private estimate of the crop in East India. In a word, all was not plain sailing for the advocates of higher prices. On the 5th instant Liverpool, in fact, reported selling there by London and Manchester, which sent prices down sharply. Stop orders were caught there. Bulls were unloading. One dispatch reported a lack of confidence in the British financial situation. And some reports from Lancashire are not altogether cheering. It seems that the demand for protective tariffs by India is affecting Lancashire to a certain extent. It is said that large British firms have sent representatives to India, as well as to other countries which have high protective tariffs, to look into the question of establishing mills themselves in such countries, in order to escape the effects of onerous duties. The Manchester "Guardian" says that as the months pass the situation of the calico printer and finisher at Lancashire becomes graver and graver.

On the other hand, there is no lack of friends of the market. Cool heads do not look for an immediate and sensational advance. They think the rise will come gradually. That is all that they have expected all along. The world's stocks of raw and manufactured cotton, they believe, have been greatly depleted. The world will buy more freely in 1922 than it did in 1921. While world's crops within a twelve-month have fallen off sharply, consumption has steadily risen. There are those who maintain that, judging from some of the statistical aspects of the situation, the indications point to a world consumption of American cotton this year of not much below 13,500,000 bales, as against 10,500,000 bales last year. If that is anything like correct, it would mean a reduction in the world's carry-over on July 31 to something like 4,000,000 bales, whereas some have been figuring on a carry-over of nearly 5,500,000 bales. If it should prove to be 4,000,000 bales, and the South should raise no larger crop than that of last year, or say 3,300,000 bales, it is maintained that an acute situation will sooner or later confront the cotton trade of the world. Of course there is a possibility that the next crop may be much larger than the last one. It ought to be to meet the requirements of the consuming world. If the next season's supply should be no more than say 12,300,000 bales, and the consumption this season should prove to be 13,500,000 bales, with a rising tendency, it could mean nothing less than a very sharp competition for cotton supplies later in 1922, and a corresponding rise in prices. Of course all this may be nullified by later events. But such reasoning is not regarded as illogical by some experienced people in the trade. They do not care to see any such situation arise, but they fear that it may arise. That is one of the reasons why they are looking for higher prices. And some expect a sharp reduction in the New York stock of raw cotton. It is for the most part of excellent quality. Spinners know this. At the same time, Southern offerings are not everywhere liberal by any means. And already an agitation has started to cut down the next acreage sharply. Banks will favor it, and for particular reasons. They are very well understood. And meanwhile exports of late have increased. They have got above the 3,000,000-bale mark. The rise recently in foreign exchange has naturally encouraged the export trade in cotton. Besides, as already intimated, some parts of Europe need cotton. England has not taken as much as usual. And it is of interest to note that early in the week Manchester had a good trade with China, in both yarns and cloths. This fact attracted wide attention. Also India has been inquiring more freely, even if she has not bought on a very large scale. It would seem that the day of India's independence of Lancashire in the matter of cotton manufacturing is a long way off. On the 4th instant prices here ran up sharply on a demand from trade interests and shorts. Wheat advanced. Silver was higher. Stocks rallied and advanced. Call money dropped to 4% on the Exchange and 3½% outside. The National Ginners' figures on the ginning from Dec. 13 to Dec. 31 was said to be 127,000 bales, against 678,000 during the same time last year. Exports on the 4th instant reached some 50,421 bales, much of which, it is understood, went to Germany and Japan. Texas reports insisted that most of the cotton in that State was hedged. Delegates to the Dallas Farm Bureau said on the 5th in-

stant that stocks in farmers' hands were the smallest in the history of the State. To-day prices fell, owing to vague reports of alleged impending trouble in the drygoods trade, a small bank failure in St. Louis, decline in Liverpool and New Orleans, owing to such reports, and general selling, including some by Liverpool and New Orleans, the South and Wall Street. Later came a rally on bullish week-end statistics, an upward turn in stocks and foreign exchange, a falling off in offerings of cotton, and a rumor that there was an inquiry here for ocean freight room for 10,000 bales, to be shipped to the Far East, presumably to Japan. The ending, however, was 75 to 80 points lower for the week. Spot cotton closed at 18.65c for middling, a decline of 80 points since last Friday.

The official quotation for middling upland cotton in the New York market each day for the past week has been:

Dec. 31 to Jan. 6—	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Middling uplands.....	Hol.	Hol.	18.65	19.05	18.75	18.65

NEW YORK QUOTATIONS FOR 32 YEARS.

1922 c.....	18.65	1914 c.....	12.30	1906 c.....	11.75	1898 c.....	5.94
1921.....	16.50	1913.....	13.20	1905.....	7.35	1897.....	7.12
1920.....	39.25	1912.....	9.50	1904.....	13.30	1896.....	8.31
1919.....	31.30	1911.....	15.00	1903.....	8.90	1895.....	5.69
1918.....	32.40	1910.....	15.30	1902.....	8.25	1894.....	8.60
1917.....	18.35	1909.....	9.25	1901.....	10.25	1893.....	9.94
1916.....	12.45	1908.....	11.40	1900.....	7.69	1892.....	7.56
1915.....	8.05	1907.....	10.85	1899.....	5.88	1891.....	9.31

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 futures closed on same days.

	Spot Market Closed.	Futures Market Closed.	SALES.		
			Spot.	Contr't.	Total.
Saturday.....		HOLIDAY			
Monday.....		HOLIDAY			
Tuesday.....	Quiet, 80 pts. dec.	Barely steady..		3,000	3,000
Wednesday.....	Steady, 40 pts. adv.	Firm.....		800	800
Thursday.....	Quiet, 30 pts. dec.	Barely steady..		3,500	3,500
Friday.....	Quiet, 10 pts. dec.	Very steady....			
Total.....				7,300	7,300

FUTURES.—The highest, lowest and closing prices at New York for the past week have been as follows:

	Saturday, Dec. 31.	Monday, Jan. 2.	Tuesday, Jan. 3.	Wed'day, Jan. 4.	Thurs'd'y, Jan. 5.	Friday, Jan. 6.	Week.
January—							
Range.....			18.30-125	18.31-.75	18.28-.65	18.06-.42	18.06-125
Closing.....			18.33	18.74-.75	18.45	18.32-.33	— — —
February—							
Range.....			— — —	— — —	18.25-.42	— — —	18.25-.42
Closing.....			18.27	18.68	18.30	18.17	— — —
March—							
Range.....			18.16-120	18.22-.67	18.20-.52	17.98-133	17.98-120
Closing.....			18.21-.23	18.62-.67	18.30-.32	18.17-.18	— — —
April—							
Range.....			— — —	— — —	— — —	— — —	— — —
Closing.....			17.90	18.30	18.04	17.85	— — —
May—							
Range.....			17.73-172	17.76-121	17.75-104	17.50-.86	17.50-172
Closing.....			17.75-.78	18.15-.20	17.86-.87	17.70-.71	— — —
June—							
Range.....	HOLI-DAY.	HOLI-DAY.	— — —	— — —	— — —	— — —	— — —
Closing.....			17.51	17.90	17.60	17.44	— — —
July—							
Range.....			17.25-120	17.28-.67	17.20-.50	17.00-.32	17.00-120
Closing.....			17.28-.30	17.65	17.32	17.16-.18	— — —
August—							
Range.....			— — —	— — —	— — —	— — —	— — —
Closing.....			17.03	17.40	17.05	16.89	— — —
September—							
Range.....			17.02	— — —	16.75	— — —	16.75-102
Closing.....			16.78	17.15	16.80	16.60	— — —
October—							
Range.....			16.41-125	16.46-.80	16.40-.70	16.25-.50	16.25-125
Closing.....			16.45	16.80	16.48-.50	16.40	— — —

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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 January 6	Closing Quotations for Middling Cotton on—					
	Saturday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed'day	Thurs'd'y	Friday
Galveston.....			18 40	18 55	18 30	18 10
New Orleans.....			17 50	17 50	17 25	17 25
Mobile.....			17 00	17 00	16 75	16 75
Savannah.....			18 00	18 25	18 00	17 88
Norfolk.....			17 75	18 13	17 75	17 63
Baltimore.....			19 25	18 50	18 50	18 50
Philadelphia.....		HOLI-DAY				
Augusta.....			17 63	18 00	17 63	17 50
Memphis.....	18 50		18 50	18 25	18 25	18 25
Houston.....			18 15	18 45	18 10	17 95
Little Rock.....			18 00	18 00	18 00	18 00
Dallas.....			17 50	17 85	17 55	17 45
Ft. Worth.....			17 50	17 85	17 55	17 45

NEW ORLEANS CONTRACT MARKET.—The highest, lowest and closing quotations for leading contracts in the New Orleans cotton markets for the past week have been as follows:

	Saturday, Dec. 31.	Monday, Jan. 2.	Tuesday, Jan. 3.	Wed'day, Jan. 4.	Thurs'd'y, Jan. 5.	Friday, Jan. 6.
January.....			17 28-30	17 68-70	17 31-33	17 24 —
March.....			17 28-29	17 71-73	17 35-37	17 18-20
May.....			17 14-15	17 59-63	17 21-24	17 06-08
July.....	HOLI-DAY	HOLI-DAY	16 78-79	17 15 —	16 79-80	16 63-64
October.....			15 97-100	17 25 —	15 95-99	15 80-81
Tone.....			Quiet	Steady	Steady	Steady
Spot.....			Steady	Steady	Steady	Steady
Options.....			Steady	Steady	Steady	Steady

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THE VISIBLE SUPPLY OF COTTON to-night, as made up by cable and telegraph, is as follows. Foreign stocks, as well as the afloat, are this week's returns, and consequently all foreign figures are brought down to Thursday evening. 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.

	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Stock at Liverpool	1,005,000	1,034,000	835,000	453,000
Stock at London	1,000	6,000	11,000	16,000
Stock at Manchester	77,000	97,000	128,000	65,000
Total Great Britain	1,083,000	1,137,000	974,000	534,000
Stock at Ghent	31,000	30,000	-----	-----
Stock at Bremen	330,000	128,000	-----	-----
Stock at Havre	206,000	199,000	218,000	58,000
Stock at Rotterdam	12,000	5,000	4,000	1,000
Stock at Barcelona	141,000	105,000	59,000	25,000
Stock at Genoa	35,000	48,000	109,000	21,000
Stock at Trieste	16,000	-----	-----	-----
Total Continental stocks	771,000	515,000	390,000	105,000
Total European stocks	1,854,000	1,652,000	1,364,000	639,000
India cotton afloat for Europe	44,000	68,000	53,000	12,000
American cotton afloat for Europe	359,000	480,532	707,000	338,000
Egypt, Brazil, &c., afloat for Europe	85,000	54,000	87,000	47,000
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt	337,000	196,000	263,000	382,000
Stock in Bombay, India	746,000	920,000	534,000	*525,000
Stock in U. S. ports	1,253,926	1,420,557	1,500,304	1,393,174
Stock in U. S. interior towns	1,614,007	1,743,741	1,348,496	1,494,729
U. S. exports to-day	13,579	24,434	52,126	8,107
Total visible supply	6,306,512	6,559,264	5,909,163	4,839,010

Of the above, totals of American and other descriptions are as follows:

American				
Liverpool stock	585,000	643,000	618,000	285,000
Manchester stock	54,000	81,000	84,000	42,000
Continental stock	664,000	450,000	325,000	*76,000
American afloat for Europe	359,000	480,532	707,237	338,000
U. S. port stocks	1,253,926	1,420,557	1,500,304	1,393,174
U. S. interior stocks	1,614,007	1,743,741	1,348,496	1,494,729
U. S. exports to-day	13,579	24,434	52,126	8,107
Total American	4,543,512	4,843,264	4,635,163	3,637,010
East Indian, Brazil, &c.				
Liverpool stock	420,000	391,000	217,000	168,000
London stock	1,000	6,000	11,000	16,000
Manchester stock	23,000	16,000	44,000	23,000
Continental stock	107,000	65,000	65,000	*29,000
India afloat for Europe	44,600	68,000	53,000	12,000
Egypt, Brazil, &c., afloat	85,000	54,000	87,000	47,000
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt	337,000	196,000	263,000	382,000
Stock in Bombay, India	746,000	920,000	534,000	*525,000
Total East India, &c.	1,763,000	1,716,000	1,274,000	1,202,000
Total American	4,543,512	4,843,264	4,635,163	3,637,010
Total visible supply	6,306,512	6,559,264	5,909,163	4,839,010
Middling uplands, Liverpool	11.04d.	10.17d.	28.79d.	19.36d.
Middling upland, New York	18.65c.	18.75c.	39.25c.	30.90c.
Egypt, good sakes, Liverpool	24.50d.	22.00d.	60.00d.	30.79d.
Peruian, rough good, Liverpool	13.75d.	16.00d.	43.50d.	37.00d.
Broach, fine, Liverpool	10.45d.	9.25d.	25.35d.	18.92d.
Tinnevely, good, Liverpool	11.45d.	9.75d.	25.60d.	19.17d.

* Estimated.

Continental imports for past week have been 110,000 bales. The above figures for 1921 show a decrease from last week of 10,239 bales, a loss of 252,752 bales from 1921, an excess of 397,349 bales over 1920 and a gain of 1,467,502 bales over 1919.

AT THE INTERIOR TOWNS the movement—that is, the receipts for the week 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 Jan. 6 1922.				Movement to Jan. 7 1921.			
	Receipts.		Shipments.	Stocks Jan. 6.	Receipts.		Shipments.	Stocks Jan. 7.
	Week.	Season.			Week.	Season.		
Ala., Birmingham	645	22,261	6	13,223	200	17,200	400	6,834
Lufkin	---	4,898	---	3,700	300	7,630	140	6,594
Montgomery	197	42,273	278	31,743	218	44,979	189	32,613
Selma	265	36,192	705	14,453	230	28,685	---	17,258
Ark., Helena	124	29,490	386	16,570	994	28,580	---	16,638
Little Rock	3,935	128,361	4,753	66,321	3,857	123,245	3,862	62,524
Pine Bluff	1,116	88,026	631	62,450	4,175	84,087	1,000	75,610
Ga., Albany	7	5,824	88	4,216	13	9,990	72	6,433
Athens	3,122	74,065	2,500	49,507	3,382	96,993	2,765	61,856
Atlanta	3,611	161,936	5,695	60,209	1,777	76,341	3,931	29,876
Augusta	4,502	230,627	6,774	143,058	4,030	249,514	6,617	161,234
Columbus	1,110	39,475	1,720	27,872	5,644	26,328	516	27,013
Macon	671	25,807	315	14,146	376	29,043	719	19,590
Rome	176	26,814	504	11,775	327	21,549	394	8,555
La., Shreveport	---	51,913	---	49,000	1,463	66,227	2,860	60,455
Miss., Columbus	600	15,739	600	6,779	---	7,094	---	4,597
Clarksdale	1,836	120,997	1,684	78,143	2,173	87,399	1,762	89,726
Greenwood	500	84,598	2,828	51,746	680	80,125	1,803	63,998
Meridian	165	27,141	843	17,943	427	19,195	558	13,011
Natchez	224	27,701	1,000	13,100	800	18,238	400	8,731
Vicksburg	297	24,181	836	13,743	381	10,513	---	14,158
Yazoo City	207	29,038	865	18,637	964	23,755	796	20,768
Mo., St. Louis	10,458	511,119	16,387	25,275	26,932	282,028	25,120	20,711
N.C., Greensboro	1,682	33,002	341	24,851	1,243	8,326	137	6,762
Raleigh	88	6,937	150	291	266	2,846	200	345
Okl., Altus	2,176	67,807	2,257	18,430	1,891	34,059	2,623	15,726
Chickasha	1,066	47,052	2,234	9,457	1,411	29,800	2,296	9,553
Oklahoma	1,273	48,562	1,216	23,285	2,617	36,999	2,458	8,765
S.C., Greenville	1,961	102,418	3,408	46,600	1,598	31,925	2,110	15,024
Greenwood	---	11,304	---	11,611	471	14,365	293	12,721
Tenn., Memphis	13,226	601,698	20,118	264,594	16,851	452,896	14,474	382,842
Nashville	38	276	---	843	501	916	412	1,332
Tex., Abilene	213	72,782	333	2,309	1,558	93,058	1,616	3,327
Breham	300	10,706	300	4,883	125	9,706	107	4,265
Austin	151	24,737	651	1,800	300	22,200	400	12,600
Dallas	4,912	129,513	693	52,663	882	31,063	1,196	17,168
Honey Grove	---	19,700	---	11,493	400	20,500	400	9,600
Houston	38,168	1,821,273	32,349	317,991	59,966	1,778,399	56,660	363,467
Paris	486	43,435	990	12,283	2,314	65,328	2,787	21,127
San Antonio	---	---	---	760	616	34,173	109	1,217
Fort Worth	1,160	50,558	1,094	16,944	3,941	70,256	4,918	25,691
Total, 41 towns	106,723	4,604,168	115,535	164,007	156,267	4,176,447	147,229	171,874

a Last year's figures are for Hugo, Okla. b Last year's figures are for Clarks ville, Tex.

The above totals show that the interior stocks have decreased during the week 83,121 bales and are to-night 129,734

bales less than at the same time last year. The receipts at all towns have been 49,544 bales less than the same week last year.

OVERLAND MOVEMENT FOR THE WEEK AND SINCE AUG. 1.—We give below a statement showing the overland movement for the week and since Aug. 1, as made up from telegraphic reports Friday night. The results for the week and since Aug. 1 in the last two years are as follows:

Jan. 6— Shipped—	1921-22		1920-21	
	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.
Via St. Louis	16,387	494,598	25,120	274,135
Via Mounds, &c.	7,570	227,414	6,048	111,093
Via Rock Island	392	6,360	1,497	8,983
Via Louisville	1,142	43,431	1,568	28,866
Via Virginia points	4,479	124,827	2,946	52,194
Via other routes, &c.	9,743	199,404	9,984	114,947
Total gross overland	39,713	1,096,034	47,163	590,218
Deduct Shipments—				
Overland to N. Y., Boston, &c.	2,830	91,331	1,917	51,013
Between interior towns	429	13,487	581	9,867
Inland, &c., from South	4,236	209,428	7,602	93,522
Total to be deducted	7,495	314,246	10,100	154,402
Leaving total net overland*	32,218	781,788	37,063	435,816

* Including movement by rail to Canada.

The foregoing shows the week's net overland movement has been 32,218 bales, against 37,063 bales for the week last year, and that the season to date the aggregated net overland exhibits an increase from a year ago of 345,972 bales.

In Sight and Spinners' Takings.	1921-22		1920-21	
	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.
Receipts at ports to Jan. 6	76,581	3,516,438	127,152	3,559,638
Net overland to Jan. 6	32,218	781,788	37,063	435,816
Southern consumption to Jan. 6	80,000	1,609,000	48,000	1,446,000
Total marketed	188,799	5,907,226	212,215	5,441,184
Interior stocks in excess	*8,812	496,769	9,038	883,800
Came into sight during week	179,987	---	221,253	---
Total in sight Jan. 6	---	6,403,995	---	6,324,984
Nor. spinners' takings to Jan. 6	47,417	1,335,609	67,139	835,625

* Decrease during week

Movement into sight in previous years:				
Week—	Bales.	Since Aug. 1—	Bales.	Bales.
1920—Jan. 9	336,171	1919-20—Jan. 9	6,935,193	---
1919—Jan. 10	250,266	1918-19—Jan. 10	6,341,734	---
1918—Jan. 11	275,736	1917-18—Jan. 11	7,595,459	---

WEATHER REPORTS BY TELEGRAPH.—Advices to us by telegraph this evening from the South indicate that rain has fallen in most localities during the week, but that the rainfall has not been heavy.

Rain.	Rainfall.	Thermometer			
		high	low	mean	
Galveston, Texas	1 day	0.02 in.	high 72	low 46	mean 59
Abilene	---	dry	high 78	low 24	mean 51
Brownsville	1 day	0.30 in.	high 82	low 58	mean 70
Corpus Christi	---	dry	high 76	low 52	mean 64
Dallas	1 day	0.04 in.	high 74	low 28	mean 51
Del Rio	---	dry	high --	low 34	mean --
Palestine	2 days	0.15 in.	high 76	low 34	mean 55
San Antonio	---	dry	high 72	low 42	mean 57
Taylor	1 day	0.04 in.	high --	low 34	mean --
Shreveport, La.	---	---	high 73	low 33	mean 17
Mobile, Ala.	3 days	0.98 in.	high 69	low 32	mean 54
Selma	2 days	0.95 in.	high 70	low 21	mean 44
Savannah, Ga.	1 day	---	high 74	low 36	mean 55
Charleston, S. C.	---	dry	high 72	low 29</	

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 sign, for the like period.

Cotton Takings. Week and Season.	1921-22		1921.	
	Week.	Season.	Week.	Season.
Visible supply Dec. 30	6,316,751	6,111,250	6,546,155	4,956,257
Visible supply Aug. 1	179,987	6,403,995	221,253	6,234,981
American in sight to Jan. 6	116,000	1,045,000	95,000	661,000
Bombay receipts to Jan. 5	4,000	72,000	4,000	125,000
Other India shipments to Jan. 5	15,750	436,750	35,000	364,000
Alexandria receipts to Jan. 4	67,000	6126,000	10,000	122,000
Other supply to Jan. 4 *				
Total supply	6,639,488	14,194,995	6,911,408	12,553,241
Deduct—				
Visible supply Jan. 6	6,306,512	6,306,512	6,559,264	6,559,264
Total takings to Jan. 6	3,329,976	7,888,483	352,144	5,993,977
Of which American	244,226	5,938,713	224,141	4,166,977
Of which other	78,750	1,949,770	128,000	1,527,000

* Embraces receipts in Europe from Brazil, Smyrna, West Indies, &c. This total embraces since Aug. 1 the total estimated consumption by Southern mills—1,609,000 bales in 1921-22 and 1,446,000 bales in 1920-21—takings not being available; and the aggregate amounts taken by Northern and foreign spinners—6,974,883 bales in 1921-22 and 4,547,977 bales in 1920-21, of which 4,329,713 bales and 3,020,977 bales America.
b Estimated.

BOMBAY COTTON MOVEMENT.—The receipts of India cotton at Bombay for the week ending Jan. 5 and for the season from Aug. 1 for three years have been as follows:

Jan. 5. Receipts at—	1921-22.		1920-21.		1919-20.	
	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.
Bombay	116,000	1,045,000	72,000	676,000	127,000	898,000

Exports from—	For the Week.				Since August 1.			
	Great Britain.	Continent.	Japan & China.	Total.	Great Britain.	Continent.	Japan & China.	Total.
Bombay—								
1921-22	1,000	10,000	9,000	110,000	5,000	189,000	665,000	863,000
1920-21		14,000		14,000	11,000	288,000	166,000	465,000
1919-20		12,000	12,000	24,000	33,000	209,000	585,000	827,000
Other India—								
1921-22		4,000		4,000	4,000	67,000	8,000	72,000
1920-21		1,000		1,000	8,000	88,000	26,000	122,000
1919-20	2,000	1,000	5,000	8,000	16,000	58,000	90,000	164,000
Total all—								
1921-22		14,000	99,000	114,000	13,000	249,000	673,000	935,000
1920-21		15,000		15,000	19,000	376,000	192,000	587,000
1919-20	2,000	13,000	17,000	32,000	49,000	267,000	675,000	991,000

ALEXANDRIA RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS OF COTTON.—The following are the receipts and shipments for the week ending June 4 and for the corresponding week of the two previous years:

Alexandria, Egypt, January 4.	1921-22.		1919-20.		1918-19.	
Receipts (cantars)—						
This week						
Since Aug. 1	3,360,122	210,000	2,232,967	93,940	4,302,261	235,319
Exports (bales)—						
To Liverpool	7,000	89,041	4,500	48,953	11,018	175,67
To Manchester, &c		65,040	5,750	42,280	9,000	96,333
To Continent and India	2,000	87,317	3,511	52,454	7,302	67,166
To America	15,000	101,276	900	14,428	4,338	133,026
Total exports	24,000	352,674	14,661	158,115	31,658	472,197

Note.—A cantar is 99 lbs. Egyptian bales weigh about 750 lbs. This statement shows that the receipts for the week were 00,000 cantars and the foreign shipments 000,000 bales.

MANCHESTER MARKET.—Our report received by cable to-night from Manchester states that the market for both cloth and yarns is steady, but merchants appear unwilling to pay present prices. We give prices to-day below and leave those for previous weeks of this and last year for comparison:

	1921-22.						1920-21.					
	32s Cop Twists.		8 1/4 lbs. Shirts-ings, Common to Finest.		Col'n Mtd. Upl's		32s Cop Twists.		8 1/4 lbs. Shirts-ings, Common to Finest.		Col'n Mtd. Upl's	
Nov. 11	d.	@ 21	17 3/4	@ 18 3/4	10.88	32 @	37 1/2	26 6	@ 29 0	14.56		
18	18 1/4	@ 20 1/2	@ 18 0	10.0	29 @	35	25 0	@ 27 6	12.41			
25	19	@ 21	@ 18 0	11.64	28 1/2 @	33 1/2	24 0	@ 26 6	11.23			
Dec. 2	18	@ 21	@ 17 9	10.67	25 @	30	22 6	@ 24 6	10.40			
9	17 3/4	@ 20 1/4	@ 17 9	10.95	24 @	29	21 6	@ 23 6	11.42			
16	17 1/4	@ 20 1/4	@ 17 6	10.56	24 @	29	21 6	@ 23 6	10.58			
23	18	@ 21	@ 17 3	10.87	21 1/2 @	26 1/2	20 0	@ 22 6	9.54			
30	18 1/4	@ 20 1/2	@ 17 3	11.3	21 1/2 @	26 1/2	19 6	@ 21 6	8.65			
Jan. 7	18 1/4	@ 20 1/2	@ 17 0	11.04	21 1/2 @	26 1/2	19 6	@ 21 6	10.17			

SHIPPING NEWS.—As shown on a previous page, the exports of cotton from the United States the past week have reached 165,238 bales. The shipments in detail as made up from mail and telegraphic returns, are as follows:

		Total bales:	
NEW YORK	To Japan—Jan. 3—Amur Maru, 1,675	1,675	1,675
	To Havre—Dec. 30—West Eldora, 10	10	102
	Jan. 4—La Bourdonnais, 92	92	102
GALVESTON	To Rotterdam—Dec. 30—Tomalva, 2,500	2,500	2,500
	To Havre—Dec. 30—Hegira, 7,637	7,637	7,637
	To Antwerp—Dec. 30—Hegira, 800	800	800
	Dec. 31—Greystoke Castle, 600	600	1,400
	To Ghent—Dec. 30—Hegira, 1,174	1,174	3,967
	Dec. 31—Greystoke Castle, 2,793	2,793	3,967
	To Bremen—Dec. 31—Conness Peak, 3,520	3,520	3,520
	Dec. 31—Sagoland, 18,368	18,368	21,888
	To Japan—Dec. 30—Hamburg Maru, 6,000	6,000	6,000
	Jan. 4—Steel Scientist, 3,185	3,185	9,185
	To Liverpool—Dec. 31—Steadfast, 5,567	5,567	5,567
	To Manchester—Dec. 31—Steadfast, 498	498	498
	To Hamburg—Dec. 31—Sagoland, 700	700	700
	To Oporto—Dec. 31—Wilscox, 2,450	2,450	2,450
	To Lisbon—Dec. 31—Wilscox, 500	500	500
	To Bilbao—Dec. 31—Wilscox, 600	600	600
	To Trieste—Jan. 5—Carlton, 900	900	900
	To Barcelona—Jan. 3—Mar Adriatico, 8,885	8,885	8,885
	Jan. 4—Barcelona, 3,002	3,002	13,837
	Jan. 5—Saugerties, 1,950	1,950	1,950
	To Malaga—Jan. 4—Barcelona, 1,000	1,000	1,000
	To Venice—Jan. 5—Carlton, 2,355	2,355	2,355
NEW ORLEANS	To Liverpool—Dec. 30—Asian, 1,326	1,326	1,326
	Dec. 31—Glentworth, 3,200	3,200	7,225
	Jan. 3—West Cressy, 2,699	2,699	7,225
	To Manchester—Jan. 3—West Cressy, 3,491	3,491	3,491
	To Naples—Dec. 30—Quistconck, 2,500	2,500	2,500
	To Genoa—Dec. 30—Quistconck, 5,100	5,100	5,100
	To Rotterdam—Jan. 4—Cody, 279	279	279
	To Bremen—Dec. 30—Evanger, 9,300	9,300	9,300
	Dec. 31—Missouri, 1,300	1,300	17,470
	Jan. 4—Nobles, 6,870	6,870	100
	To Hamburg—Dec. 30—Evanger, 100	100	100
	To Havre—Dec. 31—Missouri, 800	800	800
	To Japan—Dec. 31—Steel Scientist, 5,491	5,491	5,491
	Jan. 3—Panama Maru, 1,977	1,977	7,471
	To China—Dec. 31—Steel Scientist, 1,665	1,665	1,665
	Jan. 3—Panama Mary, 228	228	1,893
	To Trieste—Jan. 3—Giulia, 250	250	250
	To Venice—Jan. 3—Giulia, 2,490	2,490	2,490
	To Barcelona—Jan. 3—Giulia, 870	870	870
CHARLESTON	To Liverpool—Dec. 30—West Harabrie, 4,904	4,904	4,904
	To Havre—Dec. 30—Schoodic, 800	800	800
NORFOLK	To Bremen—Jan. 3—Mod, 147	147	147
	To Barcelona—Jan. 5—City of Joseph, 300	300	300
SAVANNAH	To Liverpool—Dec. 31—Oklahoma City, 9,399	9,399	9,399
	To Havre—Jan. 5—Cardigan, 7,175	7,175	7,175
	To Barcelona—Dec. 31—Magyarorszag, 2,885	2,885	2,885
	To Dunkirk—Jan. 5—Cardigan, 110	110	110
	To Venice—Dec. 31—Magyarorszag, 1,125	1,125	1,125
	To Antwerp—Jan. 5—Cardigan, 100	100	100
	To Trieste—Dec. 31—Magyarorszag, 650	650	650
	To Ghent—Jan. 5—Cardigan, 400	400	400
	To Rotterdam—Jan. 5—Cardigan, 50	50	50
	To Bremen—Jan. 3—Orla, 3,650	3,650	3,650
	To Hamburg—Jan. 3—Orla, 30	30	30
SAN FRANCISCO	To Japan—Jan. 3—Tenyo Maru, 2,772	2,772	2,772
SEATTLE	To Japan—Dec. 23—Wenatchee, 800	800	800
	Dec. 28—Tikiwa Maru, 1,000	1,000	4,041
	Dec. 29—Fushima Maru, 2,241	2,241	4,041
Total			165,238

COTTON FREIGHTS.—Current rates for cotton from New York, as furnished by Lambert & Burrows, Inc., are as follows, quotations being in cents per pound:

	High Density.	Stand. ard.		High Density.	Stand. ard.		High Density.	Stand. ard.
Liverpool	.25c.	.40c.	Stockholm	.57c.	.72c.	Bombay	.50c.	.65c.
Manchester	.25c.	.40c.	Trieste	.75c.	1.00c.	Vladivostok	.50c.	.65c.
Antwerp	.16c.	.31c.	Flume	.75c.	1.00c.	Gothenburg	.47c.	.62c.
Ghent	.21c.	.36c.	Lisbon	.50c.	.75c.	Bremen	.21c.	.36c.
Havre	.16c.	.31c.	Oporto	.50c.	.75c.	Hamburg	.21c.	.36c.
Rotterdam	.16c.	.31c.	Barcelona	.50c.	.75c.	Piraeus	.60c.	.75c.
Genoa	.50c.	.75c.	Japan	.50c.	.65c.	Saionica	.60c.	.75c.
Christiania	.47c.	.62c.	Shanghai	.50c.	.65c.			

LIVERPOOL.—By cable from Liverpool we have the following statement of the week's sales, stocks, &c., at that port:

	Dec. 16.	Dec. 23.	Dec. 30.	Jan. 6.
Sales of the week	34,000	26,000	14,000	34,000
Of which American	23,000	17,000	9,000	21,000
Actual export	6,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Forwarded	49,000	44,000	24,000	57,000
Total stock	952,000	936,000	991,000	1,005,000
Of which American	562,000	542,000	588,000	585,000
Total imports	75,000	23,000	85,000	74,000
Of which American	41,000	9,000	60,000	37,000
Amount afloat	164,000	233,000	203,000	203,000
Of which American	102,000	157,000	167,000	129,000

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.			A fair business doing.	Good inquiry.	Good inquiry.	Quiet.
Mid. Upl's			11.69	11.15	11.29	11.04
Sales			8,000	8,000	8,000	4,000
Futures.	HOLIDAY HOLIDAY					
Market opened			Steady 10@18 pts. advance.	Quiet 24@29 pts. decline.	Quiet but steady 6 to 11 pts. adv.	Steady 4 to 5 pts. adv.
Market, 4 P. M.			Easy 10@18 pts. decline.	Steady 5@12 pts. decline.	Easy 20@25 pts. decline.	Barely st'Y 4@8 pts. decline.

Prices of futures at Liverpool for each day are given below:

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Dec. 31 to Jan. 6	12 1/4	12 1/4	12 1/4	12 1/4	12 1/4	12 1/4
	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.
January	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
February	11.59	11.31	11.05	11.22	11.19	10.97
March	11.56	11.27	11.02	11.18	11.16	10.94
April	11.55	11.26	11.01	11.15	11.13	10.91
May	11.47	11.18	10.93	11.07	11.04	10.82
June	11.33	11.14	10.89	11.02	10.99	10.84
July	11.21	10.92	1			

BREADSTUFFS

Friday Night, January 6, 1922.

Flour has been dull and has naturally felt the effects of a sharp decline in wheat, notably on the 3d inst., when it broke 6 to 7 cents a bushel. Export trade suffered. Foreign consumers had begun to think that the price of wheat had become, in a measure at least, stabilized and were inclined to re-enter the market. When wheat broke 6 to 7 cents naturally it upset foreign calculations. Who knew but that the decline would go further? Late last week some 50,000 bushels, it has latterly been stated, were sold for export. This week things were in far less favorable shape for foreign business. The home buyers too were disappointed by the action of wheat early in the week. They became, if anything, more cautious than ever. Purchases dropped to almost nothing. They were mainly to supply temporary wants. Buying ahead was conspicuously absent. In other words the market received a shock, although it is believed that developments at Chicago will ultimately make for far and more healthy conditions, not only in banking, but in trade. Of late the West has, in fact, reported a better trade in flour.

Wheat has had an eventful week. On the 3d inst. it dropped 6 to 7 cents owing to the Fort Dearborn Bank & Trust Co. transfer to a syndicate of big Chicago banks. The fact that this had to be done made a bad impression. Nobody knew what was coming next. Following on the failure of E. W. Wagner & Co. last Friday, it certainly disturbed confidence. The trade had not entirely recovered from the shock of that event when the bank news mentioned dealt it another blow. The market became demoralized. Heavy liquidation for Eastern operators in Chicago markets was one of the big events of the 3d inst. It dropped 6 to 7 cents. There were excited calls for margins among commission houses. Various disturbing rumors were afloat in regard to grain firms represented on the Board of Trade. Happily they proved to be unfounded. No further failures occurred. But the bank matter was enough. It started a great wave of liquidation and swept prices downward with a rush. On the next day, however, came a rally of 3 1/2c. or no other bad news had come out. The boil in Chicago finances had been lanced. The patient was all the better for it. Moreover, even on the 3d inst. the English markets were stronger. Austria complained of too much rain. So did Argentina, where harvesting is in progress. And in the American southwestern wheat belt it is still too dry. Exporters took 500,000 bushels of American and Canadian wheat. On the 4th inst. 320,000 bushels of hard winter were taken at Omaha for shipment via the Gulf and it was said that 350,000 bushels of Manitoba had been sold at the Seaboard. There was a fair milling demand. This, with the indications of a good foreign inquiry was not without its effect, although mills were not buying at all freely. The receipts, however, have fallen off sharply in all sections. It is true that some rain fell in the Southwest, but it appears that the rainfall was very light in sections where it is most needed. Meanwhile the visible supply shows an increase within a week of 37,000 bushels as against a decrease in the same time last year of 2,117,000 bushels. This makes the total 49,468,000 bushels against 43,064,000 bushels a year ago. The final estimate of the wheat crop heavily increased long after harvest, makes a production, it is contended, sufficient for all domestic needs and with a surplus for export of apparently close to 240,000,000 bushels. The striking and from the producer's standpoint satisfactory, feature of the situation is that the great bulk of the crop left first hands more promptly than usual and at the highest prices of the year. The inventory shrinkage in wheat this year, it is pointed out, has fallen upon the distributor, the much abused middleman.

The United States government wants to buy 1,000,000 bushels of seed wheat for shipment to Russia, and asks proposals from the trade. In France good rains have improved the outlook. In Roumania wheat sowings throughout the Old Kingdom this fall have been very small. Details from official data give last year's production at 75,200,000 bushels. In India crops are making favorable progress throughout the United Provinces and Bombay, except in parts of the South Decam. In Western Europe most of the crops are making reasonable progress.

Today prices declining slightly and end 3 to 4 cents lower than a week ago. There was some liquidation on the announcement of a small savings bank failure in St. Louis. But prices did not give way much. The Okla. weekly report is not favorable. That State needs moisture. It was dry and cold in the Southwest. It has little snow protection. Receipts continue light.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT IN NEW YORK.

No. 2 red	Sat. 115	Mon. 118	Tues. 121 1/2	Wed. 122	Thurs. 122 1/2	Fri. 122 1/2
	H.	H.	H.	H.	H.	H.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

Any delivery	Sat. 104	Mon. 108	Tues. 111 1/2	Wed. 111 1/2	Thurs. 111 1/2	Fri. 111 1/2
July delivery	104	H.	108 1/2	111 1/2	111 1/2	110 1/2
	H.	H.	H.	H.	H.	H.

Indian Corn was, of course, unaffected by the big drop in wheat on the 3d inst. It was certainly weak on that day, especially as there was a general expectation of larger receipts as a result of lower rail freight rates. Also the visible supply increased last week 1,711,000 bushels against 1,039,000 in the same week last year. This lifted the total to 3,279,000 bushels against 5,408,000 bushels a year ago.

But after all, corn on the 3d inst., the day of the break of 6 to 7c. in wheat, gave way only about 1 1/2c., for there was some export demand. In fact, exporters on that day took about 400,000 bushels and further purchases by the Russian Relief Committee were expected on the following day. This was sufficient to put a brake on any decline. On the 4th inst. there was exporters did buy to some extent. Moreover, country offerings fell off sharply. That was the response in the interior to the decline on the 3d inst. In other words, interior dealers were disposed to fight it. To-day prices hardly changed. They were firm with a fair export demand. They close, however, 3/4c. to 1c. lower for the week. Sales to-day for export 250,000 bushels. Country offerings were small.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN IN NEW YORK.

No. 2 yellow	Sat. 64 1/4	Mon. 65 1/2	Tues. 65 1/2	Wed. 65 1/2	Thurs. 65 1/2	Fri. 65 1/2
	H.	H.	H.	H.	H.	H.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

May delivery	Sat. 53 3/8	Mon. 52	Tues. 53 1/2	Wed. 53 1/2	Thurs. 53 1/2	Fri. 53 1/2
July delivery	54 1/2	H.	53 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2
	H.	H.	H.	H.	H.	H.

Oats naturally felt the effects to some extent at least of the sharp decline in wheat early in the week. Perhaps it is significant, however, that they felt the great fall in wheat so little. For instance, when wheat dropped 6 to 7c., oats fell only about 1 1/2c. Prices were already low. Some people think present prices discount the big supply and everything else that can be said against the market, including its dullness. The visible supply last week, however, increased 457,000 bushels against 584,000 in the same week last year. This raises the already monumental total to 67,728,000 bushels, or more than double what it was a year ago. Then as a matter of fact it was only 32,194,000 bushels. To be sure, on the 4th inst. there was a recovery in all the grain markets, in which oats to a certain extent shared. There was less pressure to sell. Oats were braced to some extent by an export demand for corn. Besides sales of oats to the domestic trade reached the largest total on that day seen for some weeks past. That is, it was 350,000 bushels. Country offerings, it is understood, also fell off. To-day prices were firm with little change. Deliveries on January contracts in Chicago to-day were 33,000 bushels. Milwaukee has been offering oats on a rather low basis in the East. But to-day sales were smaller.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS IN NEW YORK.

No. 2 white	Sat. 47	Mon. 48	Tues. 48	Wed. 48	Thurs. 48	Fri. 48
	H.	H.	H.	H.	H.	H.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

May delivery	Sat. 38 5/8	Mon. 37 1/4	Tues. 38 1/2	Wed. 38 1/2	Thurs. 38 1/2	Fri. 38 1/2
July delivery	39 3/8	H.	38	39	38 1/2	38 1/2
	H.	H.	H.	H.	H.	H.

Rye broke with wheat, especially as there was heavy liquidation in the May delivery for long account. On January 3rd, May rye dropped nearly 6 cents and July 4 1/4c. The visible supply last week increased moreover, 328,000 bushels against a decrease in the same week last year of 53,000 bushels. The total is now 6,770,000 bushels against 3,236,000 bushels a year ago. Today prices were if anything a little firmer. They changed however very little. They end 4 cents lower for the week on May.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF RYE FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

May delivery	Sat. 88	Mon. 82 1/2	Tues. 84 1/2	Wed. 84	Thurs. 84	Fri. 84
July delivery	81	H.	76 1/2	77 1/2	77	77 1/2
	H.	H.	H.	H.	H.	H.

The following are closing quotations:

GRAIN.

Wheat—		Oats—	
No. 2 red	\$1 22 1/4	No. 2 white	48
No. 2 hard winter	1 21 1/4	No. 3 white	41
Corn—		Barley—	
No. 2 yellow	\$0 65 1/4	Feeding	55 @ 59
Rye—		Malting	62 1/2 @ 66 1/2
No. 2	91		

FLOUR.

Spring patents	\$6 50 @	\$7 00	Barley goods—Portage barley	
Winter straights, soft	5 50 @	5 75	No. 1	\$6 50
Hard winter straights	6 25 @	6 75	Nos. 2, 3 and 4 pearl	6 50
First spring clears	4 25 @	5 00	Nos. 2-0 and 3-0	6 50 @ 6 65
Rye flour	5 25 @	5 75	Nos. 4-0 and 5-0	6 75
Corn goods, 100 lbs.,			Oats goods—Carload	
Yellow meal	1 55 @	1 65	spot delivery	4 70 @ 4 90
Corn flour	1 50 @	1 60		

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. 32 lbs.	bush 48lbs	bush 56lbs
Chicago	172,000	215,000	2,799,000	1,000,000	13,000	2,000
Minneapolis		916,000	317,000	310,000	88,000	17,000
Duluth		209,000	380,000	45,000	0,000	135,000
Milwaukee	22,000	17,000	647,000	290,000	113,000	38,000
Toledo		21,000	100,000	32,000		1,000
Detroit		26,000	65,000	30,000		
St. Louis	73,000	343,000	504,000	208,000	16,000	4,000
Peoria	47,000	8,000	292,000	198,000	4,000	
Kansas City		756,000	283,000	50,000		
Omaha		157,000	406,000	110,000		
Indianapolis		18,000	335,000	200,000		
Total wk. '22	294,000	2,886,000	6,115,000	2,559,000	240,000	227,000
Same wk. '21	236,000	4,643,000	4,677,000	2,401,000	481,000	603,000
Same wk. '20	516,000	5,990,000	5,215,000	3,052,000	760,000	1,222,000
Since Aug. 1						
1921	10,037,000	210,283,000	154,926,000	105,647,000	14,187,000	10,768,000
1920	15,940,000	190,701,000	74,183,000	100,831,000	23,385,000	17,109,000
1919	10,492,000	272,105,000	78,955,000	108,320,000	17,418,000	10,876,000

Total receipts of flour and grain at the seaboard ports for the week ended Dec. 31 1921 follow:

Receipts at—	Flour.	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Barley.	Rye.
	Barrels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
New York	218,000	2,347,000	707,000	314,000	92,000	66,000
Philadelphia	74,000	1,544,000	280,000	83,000	—	1,000
Baltimore	21,000	288,000	994,000	—	10,000	282,000
Newport News	1,000	—	—	—	—	—
New Orleans	109,000	372,000	697,000	51,000	—	—
Galveston	—	381,000	—	—	—	—
Montreal	15,000	148,000	—	21,000	20,000	—
St. John	72,000	556,000	9,000	141,000	—	—
Boston	20,000	140,000	—	125,000	—	—
Total wk. '21	530,000	5,776,000	2,687,000	735,000	122,000	349,000
Since Jan. 1 '21	26,068,000	305,940,000	101,496,000	46,139,000	17,363,000	25,097,000
Week 1920	249,000	4,864,000	264,000	341,000	16,000	438,000
Since Jan. 1 '20	14,062,000	268,448,000	20,277,000	27,986,000	11,903,000	51,395,000

a Receipts do not include grain passing through New Orleans for foreign ports on through bills of lading.

The exports from the several seaboard ports for the week ending Dec. 31 are shown in the annexed statement:

Exports from—	Wheat.	Corn.	Flour.	Oats.	Rye.	Barley.	Peas.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Barrels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
New York	2,049,171	138,927	185,417	30,122	—	50,379	—
Boston	115,000	—	—	93,000	1,000	—	—
Philadelphia	410,000	86,000	2,000	—	—	17,000	—
Baltimore	248,000	480,000	3,000	—	83,000	—	—
Newport News	—	—	1,000	—	—	—	—
New Orleans	98,000	794,000	1,000	4,000	—	—	—
Galveston	192,000	—	—	—	—	—	—
St. John, N. B.	550,000	9,000	72,000	141,000	—	—	—
Total week	3,668,171	1,507,927	273,417	268,122	84,000	67,379	—
Week 1920	3,451,546	90,157	120,058	34,000	102,737	91,596	4,400

The destination of these exports for the week and since July 1 1921 is as below:

Exports for Week and Since July 1 to—	Flour.		Wheat.		Corn.	
	Week Dec. 31 1921.	Since July 1 1921.	Week Dec. 31 1921.	Since July 1 1921.	Week Dec. 31 1921.	Since July 1 1921.
	Barrels.	Barrels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
United Kingdom	106,197	3,239,223	1,853,673	48,356,180	361,083	14,847,746
Continent	55,661	2,905,095	1,767,498	126,218,854	1,109,941	40,859,091
So. & Cent. Amer.	43,884	408,444	43,000	2,513,137	—	1,879,410
West Indies	52,624	572,539	4,000	5,000	35,000	559,516
Brit. No. Am. Cols.	4,600	6,100	—	—	—	—
Other countries	10,451	333,074	—	389,000	1,900	14,108
Total	273,417	74,644,475	3,668,171	178,522,171	1,507,924	58,158,871
Total 1920	120,058	7,760,487	8,451,506	207,138,551	90,157	5,416,021

The world's shipment of wheat and corn for the week ending Dec. 30 1921 and since July 1 1921 and 1920 are shown in the following:

Exports.	Wheat.			Corn.		
	1921.		1920.	1921.		1920.
	Week Dec. 30.	Since July 1.	Since July 1.	Week Dec. 30.	Since July 1.	Since July 1.
North Amer.	7,052,000	246,775,000	185,278,000	2,504,000	59,589,000	803,000
Russ. & Dan.	24,000	2,776,000	—	68,000	10,236,000	—
Argentina	1,057,000	16,242,000	88,184,000	2,187,000	76,748,000	62,659,000
Australia	776,000	40,840,000	56,047,000	—	—	—
India	—	712,000	—	—	—	—
Oth. countries	—	—	1,821,000	210,000	3,615,000	1,750,000
Total	8,909,000	307,345,000	331,330,000	4,969,000	170,188,000	65,212,000

The visible supply of grain, comprising the stocks in granary at principal points of accumulation at lake and seaboard ports Dec. 31 was as follows:

United States—	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Rye.	Barley.
	bush.	bush.	bush.	bush.	bush.
New York	2,139,000	604,000	969,000	154,000	275,000
Boston	50,000	—	15,000	—	—
Philadelphia	1,620,000	150,000	187,000	48,000	1,000
Baltimore	2,248,000	808,000	172,000	2,067,000	313,000
Newport News	—	—	18,000	—	—
New Orleans	3,663,000	707,000	106,000	59,000	114,000
Galveston	2,401,000	—	—	56,000	—
Buffalo	2,636,000	1,748,000	3,884,000	589,000	569,000
afloat	3,795,000	3,238,000	3,702,000	611,000	—
Toledo	1,363,000	93,000	554,000	49,000	3,000
afloat	57,000	—	115,000	—	—
Detroit	32,000	89,000	190,000	28,000	—
Chicago	2,505,000	8,017,000	16,955,000	696,000	135,000
afloat	—	157,000	4,371,000	—	—
Milwaukee	97,000	1,465,000	722,000	18,000	191,000
Duluth	1,910,000	1,581,000	5,242,000	520,000	182,000
Minneapolis	8,410,000	662,000	22,313,000	1,210,000	1,155,000
St. Louis	2,283,000	332,000	937,000	87,000	4,000
Kansas City	10,565,000	1,933,000	2,925,000	65,000	—
St. Joseph, Mo.	891,000	369,000	244,000	2,000	5,000
Peoria	169,000	256,000	800,000	—	—
Indianapolis	257,000	399,000	434,000	—	—
Omaha	2,277,000	771,000	2,873,000	511,000	18,000
Total Dec. 31 1921	49,468,000	23,279,000	67,728,000	6,770,000	2,945,000
Total Dec. 24 1921	49,431,000	21,568,000	67,271,000	6,442,000	3,150,000

Note.—Bonded grain not included above: Oats, 105,000 bushels New York, 57,000 Boston, 337,000 Buffalo, 533,000 on Lakes; total, 1,032,000 bushels, against 661,000 in 1920; barley, New York, 60,000 bushels, Buffalo, 195,000, Duluth, 9,000, on Lakes, 386,000; total, 650,000 bushels, against 245,000 bushels in 1920, and wheat, 818,000 New York, 650,000 Baltimore, 4,266,000 Buffalo, 1,152,000 Philadelphia, 708,000 Boston, 18,056,000 on Lakes; total, 25,378,000 bushels in 1921.

Canadian—	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Rye.	Barley.
	bush.	bush.	bush.	bush.	bush.
Montreal	893,000	1,439,000	540,000	2,000	157,000
Pt. William & Pt. Arthur	20,804,000	—	4,427,000	—	1,353,000
Other Canadian	8,486,000	—	3,159,000	—	1,258,000
Total Dec. 31 1921	30,183,000	1,439,000	8,126,000	2,000	2,798,000
Total Dec. 24 1921	26,997,000	1,460,000	7,544,000	5,000	2,551,000

Summary—

American	49,468,000	23,279,000	67,728,000	6,770,000	2,945,000
Canadian	30,183,000	1,439,000	8,126,000	2,000	2,798,000
Total Dec. 31 1921	79,651,000	24,718,000	75,854,000	6,772,000	5,743,000
Total Dec. 24 1921	76,428,000	23,028,000	74,815,000	6,447,000	5,681,000

THE DRY GOODS TRADE.

New York, Friday Night, Jan. 6 1922.

Trading in all sections of the market opened slowly after the holidays. However, as the week went on, it became apparent that there were many buyers here and arriving,

and trade increased to a considerable extent. The price question has shown no sudden alteration in either woollens or cottons with the break of the year, and it is now expected that there will be little movement, in woollens, at least, until such time as the fall openings are commenced. Many dealers are waiting anxiously for this event, and while sentiment in the market has been generally optimistic, there are rumors afloat that the American Woolen Company will make some changes in values when they display their offerings. Just when this will be is still in doubt. Nothing comes from the big company in the way of an announcement, and most of those interested feel that when the time is ripe the opening will come unexpectedly, just at the turn of the market, as it did last fall. There is continued evidence of slight demoralization in retail circles, some merchants having shelves stocked with goods which apparently will remain there, and others having completely cleaned their commitments and being now engaged in buying odd lots and ends from manufacturers in the city who have them in stock. The sales on men's and women's winter wear clothes still continue, and many retailers are offering values which are probably better than have been offered the consumer for years.

DOMESTIC COTTON GOODS.—The fluctuations of the cotton market have not been followed during the week by cotton goods. As a rule, the market has remained decidedly steady, and prices have been well maintained. The early part of the week the sag in cotton prices had a tendency to deter buyers from placing orders for a short time, but it soon became apparent that mills, adhering to their policy of the past few months, believed in the solidity of the situation. The wisdom of this course was quickly demonstrated by the prompt advance in the price of cotton and the appearance of an increasing number of buyers. Many of the larger buyers here have not been operating extensively this week, and most traders feel that as soon as the strength of the situation becomes apparent to them they will place orders which will cause some stiffening in the near future. The recent ruling of the Supreme Court relative to the Sherman law has caused some of the larger cotton firms virtually to withdraw from any effort to keep more than reasonably close together on the price question, until such time as the situation becomes clear. The export houses feel that the New Year will see a resumption of export trading, probably on a restricted scale, but at least in larger volume than has been the case for the past few months. Inquiries in considerable amounts for sheetings have been received by mill agents, according to reliable sources. New prices have been named this week on denims, and there has been a steady business carried on with the overall trade. The fine goods market has been inactive, although there has been a spotty demand for fancies and voiles. In the gray goods section, 39-inch, 68 x 72's are listed at 10c, and 38½-inch, 64 x 64's are selling at 9¼c. Three-yard brown sheetings are listed at 10¼c, and four-yard brown sheetings at 10¼c. There is some activity in print cloths, with 28-inch, 64 x 60's selling at 6c, and the 64 x 64's at 6¼c.

WOOLEN GOODS.—Despite the many difficulties which still confront the woolen section of the market, this week has been an active one. All reports from the women's wear section show an encouraging tone in the degree to which stocks have been liquidated and the small amount of merchandise in second hands. The mill agents are remaining steady in their prices, and a very comfortable business is being handed in by jobbers. The question of wage arbitration has been to the fore this week in several other clothing centres, showing that this district is not the only sufferer in the period of readjustment. There is no change in the manufacturers' position beyond the fact that many of them have managed to settle their difficulties amicably with their strikers and are at present busily engaged with new orders. The settlement in this way leaves an uncertain feeling in the trade, which does not tend to stability. Values, aside from the wage question of manufacturers, will continue to be agitated until the first openings of the year show the smaller dealers just what they may expect. The American Woolen Company has been expected to announce its opening at any time, and the others are getting in position to follow suit. The clothing sales at this season of the year are numerous, and there are rumors of retailers attempting to secure even now enough stocks to fill in the gaps left by the holiday trade on their already scanty commitments.

FOREIGN DRYGOODS.—Burlap markets locally have remained very quiet throughout the week. Advices from Calcutta are to the effect that mills there have declared only slight dividends and will continue on their four-day a-week schedule, which leads some traders to the belief that there will be a stronger movement in burlaps here during the month. At present spot heavyweights are slightly above their usual level, selling at 5.05c, and the spot lights at 4.15c. The movement in the value of the pound sterling has caused linen importers to advance the price lists 10% all along the line. The amount of business being handled is somewhat below the normal, which is not surprising when consideration is taken of the holiday trade just passed.

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MUNICIPAL BOND SALES IN DECEMBER AND FOR THE YEAR 1921.

The total of new long-term municipal bond issues sold during the month of December was of unprecedented extent, reaching \$210,819,584. This compares with only \$55,766,631 for the same month last year. New York City made an important contribution to the total by its sale of \$55,000,000 50-year 4½% gold corporate stock. The issue (for rapid transit purposes) was sold on Dec. 15 to a syndicate composed of J. P. Morgan & Co., the Chase Securities Corporation, the First National Bank, the National City Company, the Guaranty Company, the Bankers Trust Co., Brown Bros. & Co., and Harris, Forbes & Co., all of New York, at 103.407, a basis of about 4.331%. Another item which helped materially to increase the total was the sale by the State of Ohio of \$20,000,000 4¾% "adjusted compensation bonds" (soldiers' bonus bonds) to a syndicate composed of the First National Bank of New York, Stacy & Braun, of Toledo, Brown Bros. & Co., Lee, Higginson & Co., Blair & Co., Inc., of New York, the Cleveland Trust Co., Richards, Parish & Lamson, of Cleveland, the Illinois Trust & Savings Bank and the Merchants' Loan & Trust Co. of Chicago, at 101.76601, a basis of about 4.39%.

Other important undertakings in the way of municipal financing in December were: Chicago, Ill., \$7,725,000 5% general corporate bonds sold to R. M. Grant & Co., at par and accrued interest, (a bid of 98.57 for these bonds was previously made by a syndicate headed by the Guaranty Company but as the City failed to furnish the bidder with an opinion in favor of the legality of the issue by either Wood & Oakley of Chicago or by John C. Thompson of New York (as stipulated in the contract) the bid was withdrawn. The bonds were subsequently passed upon by Chapman, Cutler & Parker of Chicago); Buffalo, N. Y., \$7,630,000 4½% bonds consisting of \$6,000,000 school bonds, \$700,000 J. N. Adam Memorial Hospital bonds, \$600,000 public general hospital bonds and \$60,000 sewage pumping station bonds, to a syndicate composed of the Guaranty Company, the Equitable Trust Co., Redmond & Co., Eastman, Dillon & Co., of New York and the Fidelity Trust Co. of Buffalo, at 102.22, a basis of about 4.22%; California (State of), \$7,000,000 5% highway bonds awarded to the Anglo & London-Paris National Bank of San Francisco at 109.12, a basis of about 4.39%; Rochester, N. Y., \$6,891,000 4½% bonds consisting of \$3,000,000 school construction bonds, \$1,526,000 canal land purchase bonds, \$1,750,000 municipal improvement bonds, \$250,000 local improvement bonds, \$125,000 municipal land purchase bonds, \$100,000 municipal building construction bonds, \$90,000 garbage disposal construction bonds and \$50,000 sewage disposal bonds, sold to a syndicate headed by Kissel, Kinnicutt & Co., at 102.637, a basis of about 4.27%; Louisiana (State of), \$6,000,000 5% Port of New Orleans bonds consisting of \$2,500,000 canal improvement bonds and \$3,500,000 general improvement bonds awarded to the Interstate Trust & Banking Co., the Hibernia Securities Co., the Marine Bank & Trust Co., the Whitney-Central National Bank and the Canal Commercial Trust & Savings Bank, all of New Orleans at par; Maricopa County, Ariz., \$4,500,000 6% highway bonds sold to a syndicate headed by the Bankers' Trust Co., of Denver, at 106.67, a basis of about 5.465%; Jersey City, N. J., \$3,500,000 5% tax-revenue bonds awarded to a syndicate headed by the First National Bank of New York at 100.17, a basis of about 4.95%; North Carolina (State of), \$2,872,000 5% building

bonds to a syndicate headed by the First National Bank of New York at 102.50, a basis of about 4.86%; Georgia (State of), \$2,690,000 Western & Atlantic R.R. rental assignment warrants to the National Park Bank of New York and the Citizens & Southern Bank of Atlanta on a 5.95% discount basis; Allegheny County, Pa., \$2,310,000 4½% bonds consisting of \$1,500,000 series 10 bridge bonds and \$810,000 series 23 road bonds to a syndicate headed by the Mellon National Bank of Pittsburgh at 102.237, a basis of about 4.30%; Eastland County, Tex., \$2,000,000 5½% highway bonds awarded to a syndicate headed by Blyth, Witter & Co.; Mississippi County Drainage District No. 17, Ark., \$2,000,000 6% bonds awarded to a syndicate headed by Whitaker & Co., of St. Louis; Philadelphia School District, Pa., \$2,000,000 5% school bonds sold to a syndicate headed by Harrison, Smith & Co., of Philadelphia, at 105.33, a basis of about 4.59%; Columbus City School District, Ohio, \$1,900,000 5% school bonds sold to a syndicate headed by Stacy & Braun at 107.22, a basis of about 4.55%; Indianapolis, Ind., \$1,600,000 6% World War Memorial Plaza site bonds sold to the National City Company and Remick Hodges & Co., both of New York and the Indiana Trust Co., of Indianapolis, at their joint bid of 104.31, a basis of about 5.16%; Mississippi (State of) \$1,500,000 4¾% State improvement bonds awarded to W. A. Harriman & Co., of New York and I. B. Tigrett & Co., of Jackson, Tenn., at 100.56, a basis of about 4.69%; Richmond, Va., \$1,500,000 5% bonds consisting of \$750,000 sewer bonds, \$500,000 school bonds and \$250,000 gas-works bonds, to a syndicate headed by Eastman, Dillon & Co., at 106.54, a basis of about 4.62%; Dallas, Tex., \$1,250,000 5½% street improvement bonds to a syndicate headed by Eldredge & Co., of New York, at 108.90; Montclair, N. J., \$1,153,000 5% Passaic Valley sewer bonds sold to J. S. Rippel & Co., of Newark at 100.031, a basis of about 4.99%; Bayonne, N. J., \$1,264,000 5% bonds sold to B. J. Van Ingen & Co., and Hornblower & Weeks, both of New York, at their joint bid of 105.128, a basis of about 4.55%; Los Angeles County Flood Control District, Calif., \$1,043,500 5% bonds to the Bank of Italy of San Francisco at 103.23; Escambia County, Fla., \$1,000,000 6% road bonds to Otto Marx & Co., of Birmingham, at 102.165; Louisville, Ky., \$1,000,000 4½% sewer bonds to R. M. Grant & Co., of Chicago, and J. J. B. Hilliard & Son of Louisville at par; Paris, Tex., \$1,000,000 5% water works bonds to Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., of Chicago and the Mortgage Trust Co. of St. Louis, at par and Wheeling, W. Va., \$1,000,000 5% street, sewer and water-main bonds to R. M. Grant & Co., of New York.

Temporary loans or short-term securities placed in December aggregated \$50,024,000, including \$43,400,000 temporary securities (revenue bonds and bills, corporate stock notes and tax notes) issued by the City of New York. In addition the New York City pension and sinking funds took \$51,115,500 4¼% serial obligations and corporate stock, issued for various municipal purposes.

Below we furnish a comparison of all various forms of obligations sold in December during the last five years:

	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Perm. mun. f'ns (U.S.)	210,819,584	55,476,631	62,082,923	22,953,088	32,559,197
* Tem. mun. f'ns (U.S.)	50,024,000	46,385,000	49,834,448	32,760,100	30,706,278
Canada'n f'ns (perm.)	6,586,635	26,163,988	12,312,193	5,559,533	400,860,565
Canada'n f'ns (temp.)	None	500,000	None	None	6,900,000
Gen. f'd bds. (N. Y. C.)	2,000,000	7,500,000	3,500,000	-----	2,000,000
N. Y. C. pension & sink. fund takings	51,115,500	-----	-----	-----	-----
Bonds of U.S. Poss's	552,000	262,000	None	-----	-----
Total	321,397,719	136,287,619	127,729,564	61,272,721	473,020,040

* Includes \$43,400,000 temporary securities issued by New York City in December 1921, \$41,967,000 in December 1920, \$41,991,000 in December 1919, \$25,771,100 in December 1918 and \$25,556,500 in December 1917.

a Includes Dominion of Canada "Victory Loan" of \$100,000,000 issued in 1917.

The number of municipalities emitting bonds and the number of separate issues made during December 1921 were 386 and 523, respectively. This contrasts with 380 and 595 for November 1921 and with 341 and 486 for December 1920.

The following table shows the aggregate of permanent issues for December, as well as the twelve months, for a series of years:

	Month of December	For the Twelve Mos.	1906	Month of December	For the Twelve Mos.
1921	\$210,819,584	\$1,198,971,008	1906	\$21,260,474	\$201,743,346
1920	55,476,631	683,188,265	1905	8,251,593	183,080,023
1919	62,082,923	691,518,914	1904	9,933,785	250,754,946
1918	22,953,088	296,521,458	1903	13,491,797	152,846,335
1917	32,559,197	431,278,762	1902	11,567,812	149,498,089
1916	35,779,384	457,140,955	1901	15,459,958	131,549,300
1915	34,913,362	448,557,993	1900	22,160,751	145,733,062
1914	29,211,479	474,074,395	1899	4,081,225	118,113,005
1913	41,635,628	403,216,518	1898	7,306,343	103,084,793
1912	27,557,909	386,551,828	1897	17,855,473	137,984,004
1911	36,624,842	396,859,646	1896	10,664,287	100,196,060
1910	36,621,581	320,036,181	1895	8,545,804	114,021,633
1909	31,750,718	339,421,560	1894	13,186,374	117,176,225
1908	28,050,299	313,797,549	1893	17,309,564	77,421,273
1907	13,718,505	227,643,298	1892	3,297,249	83,823,515

The monthly output in each of the years 1921 and 1920 is shown in the following table:

	1921.	1920.	1921.	1920.
January	\$86,340,200	\$83,529,891	July	\$102,845,291
February	65,226,768	31,704,361	August	106,318,754
March	49,913,747	58,838,866	September	87,444,378
April	86,511,392	66,194,759	October	113,582,977
May	61,273,799	37,280,635	November	118,953,447
June	109,740,671	45,113,020	December	210,819,584
Total				\$1,198,971,008
Average per month				683,188,255
				\$99,914,250
				\$56,932,354

The total of all municipal loans put out during the calendar year 1921 was \$2,236,517,490, including \$1,198,971,008 of new issues of long-term bonds by the States, counties and minor civil divisions of the United States, \$716,746,514 temporary municipal loans negotiated, \$209,110,468 obligations of Canada, its provinces and municipalities, \$22,750,000 of the Government of the Philippine Islands, \$2,272,000 of the Government of Porto Rico, \$552,000 of the Territory of Hawaii, \$51,115,500 New York City pension and sinking fund takings and \$35,000,000 "general fund" bonds of New York City. In the following table we furnish a comparison of all these forms of securities put out in each of the last five years:

	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Permanent					
Ins (U.S.)	1,198,971,008	683,188,255	691,518,914	296,520,458	451,278,762
Temporary					
Ins (U.S.)	716,746,514	577,512,948	475,833,359	438,420,581	395,326,999
* Canadian					
Ins (perm.)	209,110,468	164,319,775	809,175,828	721,087,066	701,286,567
Bonds U. S.					
Possessions	25,574,000	16,277,000	11,700,000	800,000	2,715,000
N. Y. C. pens'n					
& s. f. tak'gs	51,115,500	None	None	None	None
Gen. fd. bds.					
(N. Y. C.)	35,000,000	32,500,000	28,500,000	27,000,000	25,000,000
Gen. fd. bds.					
Balt., Md.)	None	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000
Total	2,236,517,490	1,474,097,978	2,017,028,101	1,484,128,105	1,575,907,328

* Includes \$625,908,209 temporary securities issued by New York City in 1921, \$497,417,344 in 1920, \$375,050,900 in 1919, \$361,050,464 in 1918 and \$303,651,400 in 1917.
 * Includes an estimated allotment of \$550,000,000 "Victory Loan" issued during 1919, \$650,000,000 "Victory Loan" in 1918, \$250,000,000 Dominion of Canada and 400,000,000 "Victory Loan" in 1917.
 a Includes temporary loan of \$300,000 put out by the City of San Juan, Porto Rico, during the month of November.

Owing to the crowded condition of our columns, we are obliged to omit this week the customary table showing the month's bond sales in detail. It will be given later.

NEWS ITEMS.

Dutch East Indies (Government of).—Bonds Sold in the United States.—A syndicate composed of the Guaranty Co. of New York, Harris, Forbes & Co., Bankers Trust Co., Lee, Higginson & Co., Kidder, Peabody & Co., all of New York; the Union Trust Co. of Pittsburgh, the Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago, the Illinois Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago and the Union Trust Co. of Cleveland, offered this week, and quickly sold, \$40,000,000 6% 25-year coupon external gold bonds of the Government of the Dutch East Indies. The bonds were offered to investors at 94½ and interest, yielding about 6.75% to earliest redemption date (Jan. 1 1932), and about 6.45% if held to maturity. Further information concerning these bonds will be found in the forepart of this issue, in our department of "Current Events & Discussions."

New York State.—Legislature Convenes.—The regular session of the New York Legislature convened on Jan. 4. Governor Miller in his annual message to the Legislature stated that the State of New York was now "living within its income." At the same time he demanded that there should be further economies in administration. Important points in the Governor's message, as summarized by the New York "Herald," are:

- State now living within its income.
- Legislation to end State printing monopoly.
- Creation of a central purchasing bureau and a committee to prescribe standards.
- Removal of irregularities and injustices in tax laws.
- Promise to relieve real estate of the burden of direct tax of \$22,500,000 for teachers' salaries if appropriations are kept within \$125,000,000 this year.
- Urges adoption of an amendment to the State Constitution which will make it possible for the Legislature to provide for the consolidation and reorganization of two or more State departments from time to time as experience may dictate.
- Estimated surplus July 1 1922 \$22,390,000, making total estimated resources \$119,460,292, exclusive of any direct tax.
- Recommends inquiry into causes of "excessive cost of local governments."
- Equal participation of men and women in party management.
- Making obligatory the use of voting machines in cities of first and second classes.
- Permissive legislation for the establishment of county boards of child welfare.
- Completion of State highway system from current revenues.
- Requests all proposed local legislation affecting the City of New York be held for consideration with the report of the Charter Revision Commission at an extraordinary session.

Soldiers' Bonus Bill Offered in the Senate.—A bill, which would add a new section to Article 7 of the State Constitution empowering the Legislature to issue bonds not to exceed \$45,000,000 for the payment of bonuses to World War veterans who are residents of this State, was introduced by Senator William T. Simpson of Brooklyn, on Jan. 4.

Seattle, Wash.—Superior Court Dismisses Suit Brought to Prevent Completion of Water Bond Sale.—Subsequent to our reporting last week (Dec. 31) the dismissal of the suit brought

by J. F. Allen to restrain the City of Seattle from delivering the \$2,000,000 6% water-extension bonds, sold to Carstens & Earles, Inc., John E. Price & Co. and R. M. Grant & Co. on Nov. 21 1921, a copy of the decree and stipulation of the Superior Court of the State of Washington for King County came to hand, which we give in full below:

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR KING COUNTY.

James F. Allen, Plaintiff,
 vs.
 Carstens & Earles, Inc., John E. Price & Co., R. M. Grant & Co., City of Seattle, a municipal corporation, Harry W. Carroll, Comptroller of the City of Seattle, Defendants.

No. 155466.
 DECREE

Now, on this 16th day of December 1921, the above-entitled matter came on for trial on the merits before the Honorable John S. Jurey, sitting as Special Judge; the plaintiff present by Henry Clay Agnew, his counsel; the defendants City of Seattle and Harry W. Carroll, City Comptroller, present by Walter F. Meier and Charles T. Donworth, their counsel; and the defendants Carstens & Earles, Inc., John E. Price & Co., and R. M. Grant & Co. present by Ballinger, Battle, Hulbert & Shorts and Preston, Thorgrimson & Turner, their counsel, and thereupon evidence is adduced by above parties, the plaintiff not introducing any evidence tending to show any fraud of any kind or character in the sale of said bonds; and, after argument of counsel, said cause is submitted to the court and the court being fully advised in the premises, finds: That no fraud of any kind or character was practiced by said defendants, or any of them, in the sale of said bonds, and that the sale of said bonds occurred in open, regular session of the City Council by the unanimous vote of all of the Councilmen and were not sold at any secret session or at a price below their true value, and there were no fraudulent representations of any kind made by said defendant bond companies, or by any of them, or by any one in their behalf, through which the City Council was persuaded to sell said bonds; and the court further finding that said bonds were sold in the manner followed by said City of Seattle for a long time past and such sale was in strict accordance with the statutes and provisions of the City Charter, and said plaintiff having wholly failed to prove a cause of action, said court finds the issues in favor of the defendants.

It is, therefore, by the Court Ordered, Adjudged and Decreed, that the above-entitled cause be, and the same is hereby, dismissed, with prejudice, and that said defendants have and recover from the plaintiff their costs herein to be taxed.

Done in open court this 16th day of December, 1921.
 JOHN S. JUREY,
 Special Judge.

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No. 155466.
 STIPULATION.

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED by and between the parties to the above-entitled cause that in consideration of the cancellation by defendants of the judgment for costs entered in the above-entitled cause in favor of said defendants, that said plaintiff hereby waives all and every right of appeal to the Supreme Court which he may have in this action.
 Dated this 16th day of December, 1921.

Attorneys for Plaintiff.

Attorneys for defendants,
 Carstens & Earles, Inc., John E. Price & Co., R. M. Grant & Co.

Attorneys for City of Seattle,
 and Harry W. Carroll, Comptroller.

BOND CALLS AND REDEMPTIONS.

Portland, Ore.—Bond Call.—Improvement bonds numbered 29,178 to 29,406, dated Feb. 1 1915, are called for payment on Feb. 1 at the office of Wm. Adams, City Treasurer.

BOND PROPOSALS AND NEGOTIATION this week have been as follows:

ACADIA PARISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3, La.—BOND SALE.—M. W. Elkins & Co. of Little Rock, have purchased \$50,000 5% school bonds.

AIKEN COUNTY (P. O. Aiken), So. Caro.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$62,100 6% road and bridge bonds has been awarded to the First National Bank of Aiken at par.

AKRON, Summit County, Ohio.—BOND ISSUE VOTED.—A \$500,000 bond issue for the purpose of resurfacing and repairing street has been voted by the City Council.

ALLEN COUNTY (P. O. Lima), Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$100,000 Lima-Delphos Road Inter-County Highway No. 127 improvement bonds offered unsuccessfully on Sept. 7—V. 113, p. 1270—have recently been awarded to the Lima Trust Co. of Lima at par. These bonds bear 6% interest per annum, are dated Sept. 1 1921 and due \$10,000 every six months from March 1 1922 to Sept. 1 1926 inclusive.

ALLEN PARISH ROAD DISTRICT NO. 3 (P. O. Oberlin), La.—BONDS NOT SOLD—BONDS RE-OFFERED.—The \$136,000 bonds offered on Dec. 14—V. 113, p. 2331—were not sold. The bonds will be re-offered on Jan. 26.

ALLENTOWN, Lehigh County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—The \$130,000 4¼% coupon sewer bonds offered on Nov. 22—V. 113, p. 2211—have recently been sold to the Citizens Trust Co. of Allentown at 101.47.

APACHE COUNTY (P. O. St. Johns), Ariz.—BOND ELECTION.—On Jan. 24 an issue of \$175,000 road bonds will be submitted to the voters.

ASOTIN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 25, Wash.—BOND OFFERING.—Lillie Ausman, County Treasurer (P. O. Asotin), will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. Jan. 27 for \$60,000 bonds at not exceeding 6% interest. Denom \$500. Int semi-ann payable at the office of County Treasurer. Due yearly as follows: \$6,000, 1932 to 1941 incl; optional at any time after 5 years. Bidders must name prices and rate of interest, and must deposit with the County Treasurer 1% of the par value of bonds bid for.

ATLANTA, Ga.—BOND OFFERING.—J. R. Seawright, Chairman Finance Commission, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. Jan. 13 for the following 6% coupon or registered bonds:
 \$12,000 Connecticut Ave bonds. Date Dec. 1 1921. Int. J. & D. Due on Dec. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1923 to 1926 incl, and \$2,000, 1927 to 1930 inclusive.
 16,000 Whiteford Ave. bonds. Date Dec. 1 1921. Int. J. & D. Due \$2,000 yrly on Dec. 1 from 1923 to 1930 inclusive.
 8,000 Bonaventure Ave bonds. Date Dec. 1 1921. Int. J. & D. Due \$1,000 yrly on Dec. 1 from 1923 to 1930 inclusive.
 9,000 Iverson Street bonds. Date Dec. 1 1921. Int. J. & D. Due on Dec. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1923 to 1929 incl and \$2,000, 1930.
 5,000 Beekwith Street bonds. Date Dec. 1 1921. Int. J. & D. Due \$1,000 yrly on Dec. 1 from 1926 to 1930 inclusive.
 2,000 Thirteenth Street bonds. Date Dec. 1 1921. Int. J. & D. Due \$1,000 Dec. 1 1926 and Dec. 1 1930.
 5,000 Barksdale Ave. bonds. Date Dec. 1 1921. Int. J. & D. Due \$1,000 yrly on Dec. 1 from 1926 to 1930 inclusive.

9,000 Sixth Street bonds. Date Jan 1 1922. Int J & J. Due on Jan 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1924, and \$1,000, 1925 to 1931 inclusive.
 4,000 Stovall Street bonds. Date Jan. 1 1922. Int. J. & J. Due \$1,000 yrly on Jan 1 from 1928 to 1931
 6,000 Elizabeth Street bonds. Date Jan 1 1922. Int. J. & J. Due \$1,000 yrly on Jan. 1 from 1926 to 1931 inclusive.
 Denom. \$1,000. Prin. and interest payable at City Treasurer's office or at the city's fiscal agency in New York City. Cert. check for 2% of bid, payable to the city, required. These bonds will be sold subject to the approval as to legality by purchaser's attorney.

ATLANTIC COUNTY (P. O. Atlantic City), N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—E. L. Johnson, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 3 p. m. Jan. 10 for an issue of \$81,000 6% coupon or registered road improvement bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due Jan. 1 1928. Cert. check for 2% of the amount bid for, payable to the above Treasurer required. Legality approved by Geo. S. Clay of New York City.

AVON LAKE, Lorain County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$10,000 6% road impt. bonds offered on Dec. 30—V. 113, p. 2422—were sold at par and accrued int. to the Central Banking Co. of Lorain. Date Oct. 1 1921. Due \$1,000 each six months from Jan. 1 1923 to July 1 1927 incl.

AVON LAKE VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Avon Lake), Lorain County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$125,000 6% building bonds offered on Dec. 27—V. 113, p. 2741—were sold to W. L. Slayton & Co. of Toledo at 102.125, a basis of about 5.81%. Date Dec. 1 1921. Due each six months as follows: \$1,000 from April 1 1924 to Oct. 1 1929 incl.; \$1,500 on April 1 and \$1,000 on Oct. 1 in each of the years from 1930 to 1937 incl.; \$2,000 each six months from April 1 1938 to Oct. 1 1947; \$3,000 on April 1 and \$2,000 on Oct. 1 in each of the years from 1948 to 1954 incl., and \$3,000 each six months from April 1 1955 to Oct. 1 1957 inclusive.

BAKER COUNTY (P. O. Baker), Ore.—BOND SALE.—On Dec. 28 this county sold \$110,000 5% road bonds, part of a total issue of \$425,000, to the Citizens' National Bank of Baker, for \$113,685, equal to 103.35. This bid is considered only in connection with the bid of \$109,950 from Oxman & Harrington for the work proposed.

BANNOCK COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 46 (P. O. Inkon), Ida.—BONDS VOTED.—We are advised that this district has voted an issue of \$23,000 bonds.

BARTTAHATCHIE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT, Monroe County, Miss.—BOND SALE.—On Jan. 2 Norton & Adams of Amory were the successful bidders for the \$6,000 6% school bonds (V. 113, p. 2741) on their bid of par and interest.

BEATRICE, Gage County, Neb.—BONDS AUTHORIZED.—Reports say that at the meeting of the City Commissioners an ordinance was passed providing for the sale of \$42,000 worth of paving bonds.

BEAUMONT, Jefferson County, Tex.—TOTAL BOND ISSUE OR ANY PART OF IT MAY BE SOLD AT THIS TIME SAYS CITY'S ATTORNEY.—The New Orleans "Times-Picayune" on Dec. 29 said: "Beaumont's \$1,975,000 bond issue, or any part of it, may be legally sold at this time, City Attorney Charles D. Smith told the Board of City Commissioners recently. There had been some question as to whether such action could be taken in view of the pending charter suit, which has been appealed to the Supreme Court.

"Many bond buyers have been in communication with city officials, making offers for the purchase of the securities, subject to the outcome of the pending litigation. The Mercantile Trust Co. of St. Louis has offered par and accrued interest on the 6% bonds, although allowing the city to issue 5 1/2% bonus of \$200,000 on the issue.

"No action on any of the offers will be taken for several days. Should the city sell the bonds subject to the outcome of the litigation over the city charter it would automatically enlist the services of more lawyers in the fight to uphold the city charter."

Notice that these bonds had been voted was given in V. 113, p. 580.

BELLVILLE-JEFFERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Bellville), Richland County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$13,350 6% bonds offered on Dec 24—V. 113, p. 2741—were sold to the Farmers Bank of Bellville at par and accrued interest. Date Dec 24 1921. Due yrly. on Jan. 1.

BENTON COUNTY (P. O. Corvallis), Ore.—BOND OFFERING.—Fred McHenry, County Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 1.30 p. m. Jan. 14 for the purchase of \$110,000 5% road bonds offered unsuccessfully on June 15 (V. 113, p. 100). Denom. \$1,000. Date Sept. 1 1919. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & S.) payable in gold at the Fiscal Agency of the State of Oregon in New York. Due yearly on Sept. 1 as follows: \$10,000 1924 and \$20,000 1925 to 1929, incl. Certified check for 5% of the amount of bonds bid for required. The approving legal opinion of Teal, Minor & Winfree of Portland, will be furnished the successful bidder.

BLUE EARTH COUNTY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 66 (P. O. Mankato), Minn.—BOND SALE.—The \$60,000 7% school building and equipment bonds offered on Jan. 4 (V. 113, p. 2841) have been purchased by Gates, White & Co., of St. Paul, at 100.50, a basis of about 6.73%. Date Jan. 1 1922. Due Jan. 1 1924.

BOONE COUNTY (P. O. Lebanon), Ind.—NO BIDS.—No bids were received on Dec. 29 for the \$3,500 4 1/2% Orvis Harvey et al., Marion Township bonds, which were offered on Dec. 29—V. 113, p. 2741.

BOSTON, Mass.—BOND SALE.—During the month of December the following bonds were purchased at par by the sinking fund:

Amo amt	Int Rate	Purpose	Date	Due
\$1,000,000	4 1/4%	Stuart Street	Dec. 1 1921	\$50,000 yrly on Dec. 1 from 1922 to 1941 incl.
50,000	4 1/4%	Gymnasium	Dec. 1 1921	\$3,000 yrly on Dec. 1 from 1922 to 1931 incl and \$2,000 from '32 to '41 incl
57,000	4 1/4%	Street Impt	Dec. 1 1921	Yrly. on Dec 1 as follows: \$4,000, '22 to '24; \$3,000 '25 to '35, and \$2,000, 1936 to 1941 incl.
60,000	4 1/4%	Rapid Transit	Dec. 1 1921	Dec. 1971.

BROCKTON, Plymouth County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—A temporary loan of \$200,000, dated Jan. 9 and due Nov. 7 1922, which was offered on Jan. 6, was sold to the Old Colony Trust Co. on a 4.29% discount basis plus a \$1 25 premium.

BROWN TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Fletcher), Miami County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$10,700 6% bonds offered on Dec. 31—V. 113, p. 2841—were sold to the Piqua National Bank of Piqua at par and accrued interest. Date Dec. 31 1921. Due Sept. 1 1931.

BROWNHELM TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Vermilion), Ohio, (R. F. D. No. 3), Lorain County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$35,000 6% building bonds offered on Dec. 30—V. 113, p. 2741—were sold to W. L. Slayton & Co. of Toledo, at 101.60, a basis of about 5.70%. Date Dec. 30 1921. Due each six months as follows: \$500 from April 1 1924 to Oct. 1 1928, incl., and \$1,000 on April 1 and \$500 on Oct. 1 in each of the years from 1929 to 1948, inclusive.

BROWNSVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Brownsville), Cameron County, Tex.—BOND SALE.—It appears that the \$175,000 6% 19-40-year (opt) school building bonds, mentioned in V. 113, p. 201, have been sold.

BUFFALO, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$19,495 08 1% local work bonds was sold during December to the Sinking Fund of the City of Buffalo. Date Dec. 15 1921. Due Dec. 15 1922.

BUREBANK, Wayne County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$3,500 6% 10-year electric light bonds offered on June 10—V. 112, p. 2218—have been sold.

BURLINGTON, Kit Carson County, Colo.—DESCRIPTION OF BONDS.—The \$30,000 6% water works bonds, awarded as stated in V. 113, p. 2003—answer to the following description: Denom. \$1,000. Date Oct 1 1921. Due Oct. 1 1936. Bonded Debt (all water) 174,000. Assessed valuation \$1,235,500.

BUTLER TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, Darke County, Ohio.—BOND ELECTION.—At an election to be held on Jan. 10 the qualified electors of the district will be asked to vote upon the issuance of \$150,000 bonds.

CALDWELL, Noble County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$11,629 05 6% special assessment bonds offered on Aug. 11 was awarded to the Noble County National Bank of Caldwell at par and accrued interest.

CALIFORNIA (State of).—LIST OF OTHER BIDS RECEIVED.—In our issue last week on page 2842, we reported that a syndicate led by the First National Bank of N. Y. had acquired an issue of \$7,000,000 5% gold tax-free highway bonds at 109.12 and interest, a basis of about 4.39%. Since the publishing of that report we are in receipt of the other bids received for the bonds. They are as follows: Bank of Italy, San Fran., \$7,638,000 [M. H. Lewis & Co., Los Ang's \$7,500,000 Mercantile Tr. Co., San F 7,500,000]

CANTON, Stark County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$13,850 6% improvement bonds offered on Aug. 15—V. 113, p. 553—were recently sold to R. L. Day & Co. of Boston, at par. Date March 1 1921. Due March 1 1931.

CARMEI-BY-THE-SEA, Calif.—BOND SALE.—Freeman, Smith & Camp Co. of San Francisco have purchased \$15,000 6% park and playground bonds.

CASS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Minn.—DESCRIPTION OF BONDS.—The \$115,000 6% tax-free coupon bonds, awarded as reported in V. 113, p. 2637, are described as follows. Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 1 1921. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the First National Bank, St. Paul. Due yearly on Dec. 1 as follows: \$6,000 1932, \$7,000 1933 to 1939, incl., \$10,000 1940 and \$50,000 1941.

Financial Statement.

Actual valuation (estimated).....	\$9,000,000
Assessed valuation (1920).....	3,353,596
Total debt (this issue) (5.6% of assessed valuation).....	190,000
Population (estimated).....	5,540

CEDARTOWN, Polk County, Ga.—ADDITIONAL DATA.—The \$163,000 6% improvement bonds, which were sold, as reported in V. 113, p. 2637, are coupon bonds, subject to registration. Bonds and the interest on the bonds, which is payable semi-annually (J & J), are payable at the office of the City Treasurer or at the National Park Bank, N. Y.

CENTER SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Centerville), Wayne County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Ralph W. McMinn, Township Trustee, will receive bids until 2 p. m. Jan. 14 for \$10,200 5% bonds. Denom. \$680. Date Jan. 10 1922. Prin. and semi-ann int. (J. & J.) payable at the Centerville State Bank in Centerville, Ind. Due \$680 yearly on July 1 from 1923 to 1935; incl., and \$1,360 on July 1 1936. Certified check for \$200, payable to the order of the above trustee required.

CENTRAL HIGHWAY DISTRICT (P. O. Cragmont), Lewis County, Idaho.—BOND OFFERING.—C. H. Nugent, Secretary Highway Commission, will receive sealed bids until Jan. 14 for \$50,000 6% highway bonds. Due serially in 1935 to 1938.

CERES, Stanislaus County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by the City Clerk until Jan. 17 for the purchase of \$30,000 sewer improvement bonds.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn.—BOND SALE.—On Dec. 20 \$100,000 refunding bonds were sold to the Harris Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago, at 100.72 for 4 3/8s, a basis of about 4.71%. Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 31 1921. Int. J. & D. Due Dec. 31 1951. This report corrects the one given in V. 113, p. 2741. The successful bidder also submitted a bid of 111 97 for 5 1/8s and a bid of 104.74 for 5s.

CHICAGO, Cook County, Ill.—CORRECTION.—We are informed that R. M. Grant & Co., of New York have purchased \$7,725,000 5% Gold coupon (with privilege of registration) general corporate bonds at par and accrued interest (not \$8,000,000 as incorrectly stated in V. 113, p. 2842). The remaining \$275,000 bonds will not be issued. These bonds (\$7,725,000) are being offered to investors at the prices given below:

Maturities and Prices (accrued interest to be added)			Yielding about 4.40%		
	Yielding about 4.50%			Yielding about 4.40%	
	Due	Price	Due	Price	
	January 1		January 1		
\$ 75,000.....	1923	100.50	\$450,000.....	1931	104.375
450,000.....	1924	101.00	450,000.....	1932	104.875
450,000.....	1925	101.375	450,000.....	1933	105.25
450,000.....	1926	101.875	450,000.....	1934	105.50
450,000.....	1927	102.25	450,000.....	1935	105.875
450,000.....	1928	102.625	450,000.....	1936	106.25
450,000.....	1929	103.00	450,000.....	1937	106.50
450,000.....	1930	103.375	450,000.....	1938	106.875
			450,000.....	1939	107.125
			450,000.....	1940	107.375

CHOUTEAU COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 34, Mont.—OND SALE.—An issue of \$2,000 bonds has been sold at par for 5s to the State of Montana.

COBLESKILL, Schoharie County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—The \$15,000 registered bridge bonds offered on Dec. 28—V. 113, p. 2741—were sold to the Cobleskill National Bank for 5s. Date Feb. 1 1922. Due \$1,500 yearly on Feb. 1 from 1923 to 1932, inclusive.

COLFAX COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 38, N. Mex.—BOND OFFERING.—Bids will be received until 10 a. m., Jan. 23 for the purchase of \$10,000 6% 20-year school bonds. Bids for less than ninety cents on the dollar will not be considered. Ralph Calley, Treasurer (P. O. Raton).

COLUMBIA SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Columbia), Boone County, Mo.—BOND OFFERING.—F. L. Bogs, Secretary Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 6 p. m. Jan. 16 for \$95,000 5% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Feb. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the office of the District Treasurer. Due in 20 years. Bids are requested for bonds optional after 5 years or 10 years. Cert. check for 1% payable to B. C. Hunt Treasurer required.

CONCORD TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. St. Joe), De Kalb County, Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$4,000 6% school bonds offered on Dec. 28—V. 113, p. 2741—were sold at par to the St. Joe Valley Bank. Date Dec. 28 1921. Due \$1,000 each six months from June 15 1923 to Dec. 15 1924, inclusive.

CORONA HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, Riverside County, Calif.—BONDS NOT YET SOLD.—No sale has yet been made of the \$125,000 5% school bonds offered on Dec. 19—V. 113, p. 2529.

CRANFORD TOWNSHIP (P. O. Cranford), Union County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—A. R. Denman, Township Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8:30 p. m. Jan. 11 for \$212,767 bonds not to exceed 6% interest per annum. Denom. 1 for \$767 09 and 212 for \$1,000 each. Date Jan. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) payable at the Cranford Trust Co. Due \$7,767 09 July 1 1926 and \$205,000 July 1 1927. Certified check for 1% of the amount bid for required.

The bidder offering the least interest rate, expressed in multiples of quarters of 1%, will be awarded the bonds, and only offers at the lowest interest rate will be considered; if, however, one or more bidders offer the same interest rate then the bidder who shall offer the greatest additional premium shall be awarded the bonds. All of said bonds will be sold. The bonds will not be sold for less than par, and in addition to the amount paid the successful bidder must pay accrued interest at the rate borne by the bonds from the date thereof to the date of payment of the purchase price. The successful bidder will be required to pay for the bonds on Jan. 11 1922, and interim certificates will be ready for delivery upon receipt of the purchase price, which must be paid in cash or by certified or cashier's check to the order of the Township of Cranford. Proposals should be addressed to A. R. Denman, Township Clerk, and enclosed in a sealed envelope marked on the outside "Proposals for Bonds." The successful bidder will be furnished with the opinion of Messrs. Hawkins, Delafield & Longfellow, of New York City, that the bonds are binding and legal obligations of the township. The permanent bonds will be prepared under the supervision of the United States Mortgage & Trust Co., which will certify as to the genuineness of the signatures of the officials and the seal impressed thereon.

CRAWFORD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 91, Ark.—BOND SALE.—On Jan. 3 the \$2,500 6% school building bonds (V. 113, p. 2742) were sold to Spear & Jackson, Contractors, at par.

CRESSKILL, Bergen County, N. J.—BOND SALE.—The issue of 6% street improvement bonds offered on Dec. 29 (V. 113, p. 2742) was sold to R. J. Van Ingen & Co. of New York City at their bid of 103.34 for \$22,000 bonds, a basis of about 5.49%. Date Jan. 1 1922. Due yearly on Jan. 1 as follows: \$1,500 from 1923 to 1926 incl. and \$2,000 from 1927 to 1934 incl.

CUBA SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Cuba), Crawford County, Mo.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 2 p. m., Jan. 9 by

W. F. Mitchell, Pres. Board of Education, for \$14,000 6% school building bonds, it is stated.

CUMBERLAND, Allegheny County, Md.—BOND SALE.—The \$250,000 5% general-improvement bonds offered on Dec. 30 (V. 113, p. 2530) were sold to the People's Bank of Cumberland at 107.43. Date July 1 1920. Due \$25,000 yearly.

DADE COUNTY (P. O. Greenfield), Mo.—BOND ELECTION.—On Jan. 31, \$100,000 court house bonds will be voted upon.

DADE COUNTY SPECIAL TAX SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5, Fla.—BOND OFFERING.—Chas. M. Fisher, Secretary Board of Public Instruction (P. O. Miami), will receive sealed bids until noon Jan. 26 for \$30,000 6% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Oct. 1, 1921. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the Chase National Bank, New York City. Certified check for 2% of bid required. Bids to be made on blank forms furnished by the above Secretary.

DALLAS, Dallas County, Tex.—ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.—In last week's issue on page 2843, we stated that the \$1,250,000 5½% coupon (with privilege of registration as to principal) street bonds had been sold to a syndicate composed of Eldredge & Co. of N. Y. and the Mississippi Valley Trust Co. and Mortgage Trust Co., both of St. Louis, at 108.90. This information came to us unofficially. We are now informed through official sources that the bonds were sold to Geo. L. Simpson & Co. of Dallas, who represented that syndicate, at 108.91, a basis of about 4.81%. The following is a complete list of the bids received for the bonds:

Name of Bidder	Amount of Bid	Price	Basis
Geo. L. Simpson & Co., Dallas	\$1,361,375 00	108.91	4.81%
J. T. Bowman, agent for Taylor, Ewart & Co., Chicago, Stacy & Braun, Chicago, and Detroit Trust Co., Detroit	1,332,481 00	106.598	4.98%
Edwin Hebbly & Co., Dallas	1,316,087 50	105.287	5.08%
J. Harold Peters, agent for National City Co., New York, Harris Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, and Smith, Moore & Co., St. Louis	1,320,550 00	105.644	5.05%
Hall & Hall, agents for H. L. Allen & Co., B. J. Van Ingen & Co., Rutter & Co., and J. G. White & Co., New York, and Prudden & Co., Toledo	1,308,037 00	104.643	5.12½%
Roy W. Maule, agent for Estabrook & Co. and W. R. Compton & Co., New York (submitted through the American Exchange National Bank, Dallas, Texas)	1,295,250 00	103.62	5.21%
Jno. B. Oldham, Dallas, Texas	1,308,000 00	104.64	5.12½%

All of the above bids are for the amounts specified, plus accrued interest.

DAWES COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 62 (P. O. Whitney), Neb.—BOND SALE.—The Peters Trust Co. of Omaha has purchased \$15,000 6% tax-free bonds. Denom. \$750. Date Aug. 1 1921. Int. annually (Aug. 1), payable at the office of County Treasurer. Due \$750 yearly from 1922 to 1941, inclusive.

Financial Statement.	
Assessed valuation	\$412,080 00
Total bonded debt (this issue only)	15,000 00

DOUGLAS COUNTY (P. O. Omaha), Neb.—BOND SALE.—We are informed by the United States Trust Co. of Omaha that it purchased \$1,000,000 5% road-paving bonds on Dec. 29 at par and accrued interest plus a premium of \$30,200 (103.20), a basis of about 4.74%. Date Oct. 1 1919. Due \$200,000 yearly from 1937 to 1941, incl.

DOUGLAS COUNTY (P. O. Superior), Wis.—BOND SALE.—The First National Bank of Duluth has purchased at par the \$20,000 5% road bonds mentioned in V. 113, p. 1599.

DOVER TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Dover), Tuscarawas County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$13,000 6% school-improvement bonds offered on Dec. 31—V. 113, p. 2637—were sold to W. L. Slayton & Co. of Toledo at 102.13, a basis of about 5.75%. Date Sept. 15 1921. Due \$500 yearly on March 15 from 1923 to 1948, incl.

DUBUQUE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Dubuque), Dubuque County, Iowa.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 3 p. m. Jan. 12 by Leo Palen, Secretary Board of Directors, for \$537,000 school-bldg. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 2 1922. Bonds payable at office of District Treasurer. Bids will be received as follows:

First—For \$537,000 5% bonds maturing yearly on Jan. 1 as follows: \$27,000 1927, \$35,000 1928, \$35,000 1929 and \$40,000 1930 to 1940 incl.
Second—For \$537,000 4½% bonds maturing as above.
Third—For \$537,000 5% bonds all maturing in twenty years from date.
Fourth—For \$537,000 4½% bonds all maturing in twenty years from date.

A certified check must accompany each bid. These bonds are part of an issue of \$715,000, of which \$178,000 were sold on May 2 1921, legality having been approved by Chapman, Cutler & Parker of Chicago. Blank bonds and additional attorney's opinion to be furnished by the purchaser.

DUGENESS IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Dugeness), Clallam County, Wash.—BOND SALE.—The State Bank of Sequim has purchased an issue of \$23,000 6% semi-ann. irrigation bonds at 90.

DURHAM, Durham County, No. Caro.—MATTER OF DISPOSING OF BONDS TO BE TAKEN UP BY THE CITY'S ATTORNEY IMMEDIATELY.—The Raleigh "News and Observer" of Jan. 4 says: "City Manager R. W. Rigby has made a recommendation that \$600,000 worth of bonds already authorized but which have never been placed upon the market, be sold to take care of outstanding notes against the city. The bonds are street and sewer bonds, \$550,000 street bonds and \$50,000 sewer bonds. It was declared by several of the councilmen that the bonds should be sold so as to save the interest on them that the city is now paying. City Attorney S. C. Chambers will take up the matter of disposing of the bonds immediately, he declaring that from information he has received the bond market is now good. The sale of them will be advertised according to law.

EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Baton Rouge), La.—BOND SALE.—The \$226,000 school bonds offered on Jan. 3 (V. 113, p. 2637), have been awarded to Caldwell & Co., of Nashville at 98.25.

EAST GARY, Lake County, Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$11,000 6% refunding school bonds offered on Aug. 6—V. 113, p. 554—were recently sold at par. Date July 1 1921. Due \$2,000 yearly.

EAST LAKE SPECIAL ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT (P. O. Tavares), Fla.—PRICE PAID.—The price paid by Brandon, Gordon & Waddell of New York for the \$600,000 5% road and bridge bonds—V. 113, p. 2842—was 97.25 and interest. Date July 1 1921. The following are the other bidders: Atlantic National Bank, Jacksonville, Otto Marx & Co., W. L. Slayton & Co., Caldwell & Co., Geo. B. Sawyers & Co., and Weil, Roth & Co.

EDGECOMBE COUNTY (P. O. Tarboro), No. Caro.—BIDS REJECTED.—All bids received for the \$100,000 coupon bridge bonds on Jan. 2—V. 113, p. 2638—were rejected.

ELM CITY, Wilson County, No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until Jan. 23 by J. W. Winstead, Mayor, for \$25,000 6% 20-year electric-light bonds. Int. payable annually or semi-annually to suit purchaser. Cert. check or cashier's check for at least 2% of the amount bid for required.

ELMSFORD (P. O. Greenburgh), Westchester County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$150,000 5½% water-system bonds was sold on Dec. 21 to Geo. B. Gibbons & Co., of New York, at 100.23, a basis of about 5.48%. Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 31 1921. Int. J. & J. Due \$6,000 yearly on Dec. 31 from 1925 to 1949, inclusive.

EPHRATA, Grant County, Wash.—BOND SALE.—The \$25,000 6% water-works bonds offered on May 30 (V. 113, p. 2334) have been sold to the Western Bond & Mtgo. Co. of Portland.

EXCELSIOR SPRINGS, Clay County, Mo.—CITY MANAGER FORM OF GOVERNMENT ADOPTED.—It is stated that at a special election on Dec. 20 Excelsior Springs adopted the city manager form of government by 493 votes. It is also stated that Excelsior Springs is the first city of the third class in the state to take advantage of the law passed by the last legislature giving cities of this class privilege of voting on the city manager plan.

FAIRMONT, Fillmore County, Neb.—BOND SALE.—The Peters Trust Co. of Omaha, recently acquired \$10,000 7% tax-free water-extension bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Jan. 2 1922. Interest payable annually at the office of County Treasurer. Due Jan. 2 1962; optional on or after Jan. 2 1932.

Financial Statement.

Assessed value of real and personal property	\$1,010,715
Total bonded debt, including present issue	\$130,000
Water debt	45,000
Cash value of sinking fund	5,000
Net debt	80,000
Population, estimated, 1,000.	

FAIRVIEW VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Rocky River), Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$75,000 6% coupon bonds offered on June 16 was awarded to Otis & Co. of Cleveland, at par. Denom. \$1,000. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the Guardian Savings & Trust Co. in Rocky River. Due \$3,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1926 to 1950, inclusive.

BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by Ross P. Jordan, District Clerk, until 12 m. Jan. 26 for the following 6% coupon bonds aggregating \$25,800:

\$15,000 bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1922. Due \$1,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1934 to 1948, inclusive.	
5,000 bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Oct. 1 1921. Due \$1,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1929 to 1933, inclusive.	
5,800 bonds. Denom. 1 for \$800 and 5 for \$1,000 each. Date Oct. 1 1921. Due \$800 Oct. 1 1923 and \$1,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1924 to 1928, inclusive.	

Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the Rocky River office of the Guardian Savings & Banking Co. Cert. check for 10% of the amount bid for, payable to the District Treasurer required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

FAYETTE COUNTY (P. O. Uniontown), Pa.—BOND SALE.—The \$500,000 4¾% highway bonds offered on Dec. 29 (V. 113, p. 2638) were sold to Wells, Dean & Singer and Edward B. Smith & Co., both of Phila., at their joint bid of 106.156, a basis of about 4.05%. Date Dec. 30 1921. Due Dec. 30 1941.

FOREST GROVE, Washington County, Ore.—LARGER AMOUNT OF BONDS VOTED.—The "Oregonian" of Dec. 28 says:

"At the special municipal election held Dec. 27, the citizens of Forest Grove approved a bond issue of \$50,000 to pay off the indebtedness of the city. This includes outstanding warrants, and \$16,500 attorney's fees in the suit of the Elliott Construction Co. against the city, which was won by the municipality after several years of litigation. A proposed bond issue of \$35,000 for the same purpose was defeated at an election held some time ago. The vote at the election was 155 for the bonds to 63 against."

FORT LAUDERDALE, Broward County, Fla.—BOND SALE.—On Dec. 29 the \$27,000 water-extension, \$15,000 city-hall, \$10,000 street-impt., \$5,000 park and \$2,500 street-impt. 6% 20-year bonds dated Nov. 1 1921 (V. 113, p. 2638) were sold to Prudden & Co. of Toledo at 94.13, a basis of about 6.52%.

FRANKFORT SCHOOL CITY (P. O. Frankfort), Clinton County, Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$225,000 6% bonds offered on Dec. 30 (V. 113, p. 2638) were sold to the Fletcher-American Bank of Indianapolis at 102.43, a basis of about 5.55%. Date Dec. 13 1921. Due \$15,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1924 to 1938K inclusive. The following bids were also submitted.

Farmers Bank of Frankfort	Par and interest plus \$3,875 00
Merchants National Bank, Indianapolis	Par and interest plus 2,836 25
Meyer-Kiser Bank, Indianapolis	Par and interest plus 4,401 00
Union Trust Co., Indianapolis	Par and interest plus 4,476 00
Harris, Forbes & Co., Chicago	Par and interest plus 1,868 00
Hill, Joiner Co., Chicago	Par and interest plus 3,609 75

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, Portage County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$10,000 6% bonds offered on Dec. 30 (V. 113, p. 2530) were sold to the Title Guarantee & Trust Co. of Cincinnati.

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Kent), Portage County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$65,000 6% coupon bonds offered on Dec. 31—V. 113, p. 2638—were sold to A. T. Bell & Co. of Toledo, at 104.37, a basis of about 5.41%. Date Oct. 1 1921.

FREEMONT COUNTY (P. O. Albert Lea), Minn.—BOND SALE.—The \$300,000 Judicial Ditch No. 4 bonds offered on Jan. 3 (V. 113, p. 2742) have been awarded to Gates, White & Co. and the Northwestern Trust Co. of St. Paul and the Minneapolis Trust Co. of Minneapolis, jointly, as 4¼s, at 101.00—a basis of about 4.64%. Date Jan. 2 1922. Due \$20,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1928 to 1942, inclusive.

FREMONT, Dodge County, Neb.—BOND SALE.—The Peters Trust Co. of Omaha, has purchased \$30,000 6% tax-free water-extension bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1921. Interest semi-annual (J. & J.), payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due July 1 1941, optional after five years.

Financial Statement	
Assessed value as returned by assessors	\$14,828,415
Total bonded debt, including present issue	\$485,000
Water debt	75,000
Cash value of sinking fund	20,000
Net debt	\$391,000
Present population, estimated, 12,000.	

GILBERT, St. Louis County, Minn.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until Jan. 7 by A. W. Indihar, Village Clerk, for the purchase of the \$200,000 refunding bonds mentioned in V. 113, p. 1599.

GLADSTONE, Clackamas County, Ore.—BOND SALE.—The \$11,240 01 improvement bonds offered unsuccessfully on Feb. 1—V. 112, p. 675—have been purchased by the First National Bank of Oregon City at par. Date July 1 1920.

GOULD SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Gould), Lincoln County, Ark.—BOND OFFERING.—T. W. Curzadd, Secretary Board of School Directors will receive sealed bids until Jan. 21 for \$35,000 6% 20-year school bonds. Due in 20 years.

GRAHAM COUNTY (P. O. Safford), Ariz.—DATE.—The date on which the voters will decide whether they are in favor of issuing \$500,000 highway bonds (V. 113, p. 2843) is Jan. 28.

GRAND ISLAND, Hall County, Neb.—BOND SALE.—The Peters Trust Co. of Omaha, has been awarded \$36,000 6½% district paving bonds, due serially from 1 to 9 years.

GRANT COUNTY CONSOLIDATED DISTRICT NO. 3 (P. O. Herman), Minn.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$90,000 5% school bonds has been sold, it is stated, to the State of Minnesota.

GREENE COUNTY (P. O. Bloomfield), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—John S. Saxon, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m., Jan. 21 for \$53,766.21 6% White River Levee bonds. Denom. 100 for \$500 each; 9 for \$376 and 1 for \$382.21. Date Dec. 15, 1921. Int. J & D. Due \$5,376 yearly on Dec. 15 from 1922 to 1930 incl. and \$5,382.21 on Dec. 15 1931.

GREENSBORO, Guilford County, No. Caro.—FORMAL RESOLUTIONS PROVIDING FOR A LOAN PASSED.—Newspapers say that formal resolutions were passed covering the borrowing of \$100,000 from A. B. Leach & Co., Inc., of New York, this sum to stand against the sale of water and sewerage bonds authorized but not yet sold.

GREYBULL, Big Horn County, Wyo.—BONDS VOTED.—By vote of 427 "for" to 111 "against" a \$76,000 bond issue for the proposed extension to the water system carried on Dec. 20.

GROTON, Brown County, So. Dak.—BOND SALE.—On Dec. 28 the Drake-Balch Co. of Minneapolis was awarded \$40,000 6% water-works and electric-light bonds for \$40,435 (101 08) and interest. Denom. \$1,000. Date Nov. 1 1921. Int. M & N. Due Nov. 1 1941; optional Nov. 1 1931.

HAZARD, Perry County, Ky.—BOND OFFERING.—Until 10 a. m. Jan. 16 the City Clerk will receive bids for the following 6% bonds, which were voted on Nov. 8 (V. 113, p. 2425).

\$75,000 water-system bonds. Vote, 643 to 34.
50,000 sewerage-system bonds. Vote, 622 to 29.
25,000 city hall bonds. Vote, 459 to 79.

HALIFAX COUNTY (P. O. Halifax), No. Caro.—BOND SALE.—Sidney Spitzer & Co. of Toledo, have purchased \$250,000 6% tax-free road and bridge bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Nov. 1 1921. Principal and semi-annual interest (M & N.) payable at the Hanover National Bank, New York City. Bonds may be registered both as to principal and interest.

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Financial Statement.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes 'Estimated real value', 'Assessed valuation (1920)', 'Total bonded debt', 'Sinking fund', 'Net debt', and 'Population (1920 Census)'.

HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 20 (P. O. Lynbrook), Nassau County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—The \$60,000 school bonds offered on Jan. 3—V. 113, p. 2743—were sold to H. L. Allen & Co. of New York at 100 2/8 for 4 1/8, a basis of about 4 4/8%. Date Feb. 1 1922. Due \$10,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1948 to 1953 inclusive.

HIGHLAND COUNTY (P. O. Hillsboro), Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$16,500 6% road improvement bonds offered on Jan. 3—V. 113, p. 743—were sold to the Farmers & Traders National Bank of Hillsboro at par and accrued interest.

HOBART, Kiowa County, Okla.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$110,000 25-year water bonds has been sold, it is stated.

HOUSTON, Harris County, Tex.—DESCRIPTION OF BONDS.—Additional data are at hand relative to the sale of the four issues of 5% tax-free gold bonds, aggregating \$625,000, awarded on Dec. 17 to Halsey Stuart & Co., Inc., and A. B. Leach & Co., Inc., at 100.40 and interest—113, p. 2743.

225,000 bridge bonds. Date May 1 1921.
200,000 bridge bonds. Date Jan. 15 1922.
100,000 sanitary sewer bonds. Date Jan. 15 1922.
100,000 paving bonds. Date Dec. 15 1921.
Denom. \$1,000. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at New York City. Due yearly as follows: \$13,000 1922, \$25,000 1923 to 1946, incl., and \$12,000 1947. These bonds are now being offered to investors to yield from 5% to 4.75%, according to maturities.

Financial Statement.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes 'Actual valuation, estimated, 1921', 'Assessed valuation 1921', 'General bonded debt', 'Water debt', 'Sinking fund', 'Net bonded debt', and 'Population, 1910 Census, 78,800; 1920 Census, 138,076'.

HUBBARD VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Hubbard), Hubbard County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—L. M. Stewart, Clerk of the Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until Jan. 21 for \$25,000 school building bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Feb. 1 1922. Int. 5% & O. Due \$1,000 yrly. on April 1 from 1927 to 1951 inclusive.

HUDSON FALLS, Washington County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—R. Lewis, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. Jan. 16 for the following 5% registered paving bonds, aggregating \$46,625: 29,875 Series 2 bonds. Denom. 25 for \$1,000 each and 25 for \$195 each. Date Aug. 1 1919. Due \$1,195 yearly on Aug. 1 from 1922 to 1946, inclusive.

11,875 Series 1 bonds. Denom. \$475. Date Aug. 1 1920. Due \$475 yearly on Aug. 1 from 1923 to 1947, inclusive.
4,875 Series 2 bonds. Denom. \$195. Aug. 1 1920. Due \$195 yearly on Aug. 1 from 1923 to 1947, inclusive.

Prin. and semi-ann. int. (F. & A.) payable at the Village Treasurer's office. Cert. check for 2% of the amount bid for, payable to the village required. Bonds will be prepared under the supervision of U. S. Mgtg. Trust Co., which will certify as to the genuineness of the signatures of the city officials and the seal impressed thereon. The purchaser or purchasers will be furnished without charge the approving opinion of Hawkins, Delafield & Longfellow of New York.

HURON COUNTY (P. O. Norwalk), Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$6,000 6% Fair Ground bonds offered on Oct. 5 (V. 113, p. 1491) were sold to the Huron County Banking Co. and the Citizens National Bank. Date Oct. 1, 1921. Due \$1,000 each six months from April 1 1922 to Oct. 1 1923 incl. and \$2,000 each six months from April 1 1924 to Oct. 1 1926, incl.

IDAHO (State of).—NOTE OFFERING.—D. F. Banks, State Treasurer (P. O. Boise), will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. (mountain time) Jan. 16 for the following one-year note, aggregating \$1,250,000: 1,000,000 treasury notes. Int. rate not to exceed 7 1/2%. Certified check for \$20,000, payable to the State Treasurer, required.

250,000 highway notes. Int. rate not to exceed 7%. Certified check for \$5,000, payable to State Treasurer, required.
Denom. to suit purchaser. Date Feb. 1 1922. Due Feb. 1 1923. Each issue of Treasury notes will be bearer notes. Holder will have right of registration and to payment in City of New York. Bids for both issues must be unconditional in every respect, except that they may specify acceptance of bids for both issues. State of Idaho will furnish opinions as to legality by John C. Thompson, of New York. State will furnish bonds.

INDIANAPOLIS, Marion County, Ind.—BOND SALE.—An issue of 250,000 6% Sanitary District bonds was sold on Dec. 30 to the Fletcher-American Co. of Indianapolis at 104 65, a basis of about 4.94%. Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 30 1921. Int. J. & D. Due Dec. 30 1926.

IONIA, Ionia County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—The \$50,000 water bonds offered on Jan. 3 (V. 113, p. 2843) were sold to the Hanchett Bond Co. of Chicago at 99.59.

JACKSON, Hinds County, Miss.—BOND OFFERING.—A. J. Johnson, City Clerk, is offering at a private sale an issue of \$90,500 refunding paving bonds. Date Feb. 1 1922. Due serially in 1 to 25 years.

JACKSON COUNTY (P. O. Jacksonville), Ore.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 10 a. m. Jan. 25 by Chauncey Florey, County Clerk, for the purchase of any part or all of the following 5% road bonds:

250,000 bonds. Date May 1 1921. Due \$50,000 every five years on May 1 from 1931 to 1951, inclusive.
250,000 bonds. Date Jan. 1 1922. Due \$50,000 every five years on Jan. 1 from 1932 to 1952, inclusive.

Denom. \$1,000. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable in gold at the County Treasurer's or at the fiscal agency of the State of Oregon in New York, at option of holder. Cert. check for 5% of the amount of bonds bid for required. The approving legal opinion of Teal, Minor & Winfree of Portland, will be furnished the successful bidder.

JASPER COUNTY (P. O. Rensselaer), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$7,400 5% James E. Lamson Road Improvement No. 3288, Jordan Twp. bonds, offered on Oct. 24 (V. 113, p. 1699), have been sold to A. P. Flynn, of Logansport. Date Sept. 15 1921.

BOND SALE.—The \$12,817 6% William Folger et al. Ditch Canal No. 940 bonds offered on Dec. 31 (V. 113, p. 2743) were sold to Edward Gara of Lafayette, Ind., at 103.12. Date June 1 1921.

JEFFERSON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Golden), Colo.—BOND SALE.—The \$100,000 school bonds recently voted (V. 113, p. 2743) have been sold to Sldlo, Simons, Fels & Co. and Boettcher, Porter & Co., both of Denver.

KANDIYOHI COUNTY (P. O. Wilmar), Minn.—BOND SALE.—The following three issues of bonds have been sold: 37,400 6% drainage bonds. Date Sept. 1 1921. Due on Sept. 1 1922 to 1931.

15,000 6% trunk highway reimbursement bonds. Date Oct. 1 1921. Due Oct. 1 1931.
14,600 5% drainage bonds. Date Dec. 1 1921. Due Dec. 1 1927 to 1941.

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.—No bids were received for the \$20,404 54 6% park fund certificates, Series "A-14," offered on Dec. 29. V. 113, p. 2743.

KENT, Portage County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$24,000 6% funding bonds offered on Dec. 31 (V. 113, p. 2639) were sold to Sidney Pltzer & Co., of Toledo, at par plus a premium of \$1,720 (107.204)—a basis of about 5.28%. Date Oct. 1 1921. Due Oct. 1 1936. The following bids were also received:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder and Amount. Includes 'Tucker, Robison & Co.', 'T. Bell & Co.', 'First Nat'l Bank, Cincinnati', and 'Detroit Trust Co.' with amounts ranging from \$994.40 to \$1,356.00.

Table with 2 columns: Bidder and Amount. Includes 'Ryan, Howman & Co.', 'W. L. Stayton & Co.', 'Breed, Elliot & Harrison', and 'Seasongood & Mayer' with amounts ranging from \$1,507.20 to \$1,470.00.

BOND OFFERING.—W. W. Reed, City Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. Jan. 21 for \$6,000 6% refunding bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Jan. 1 1922. Due Jan. 1 1932. Cert. check for 1% of the amount bid for, payable to the City Treasurer, required.

KENT VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Kent), Portage County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—F. W. Bowers, Clerk of the Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. Jan. 15 for \$12,500 6% bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Jan. 15 1922. Int. J. & J. Due \$500 on July 15 1922; \$1,000, on Jan. 15 and \$500 on July 15 in each of the years from 1923 to 1928, inclusive, and \$1,000 on Jan. 15 1929, July 15 1929 and Jan. 15 1930. Certified check for \$500 required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

KLAMATH FALLS, Klamath County, Ore.—BOND SALE.—The \$65,000 refunding bonds voted on Nov. 8—V. 113, p. 2333—have been sold to the Lumbermen's Trust Co. and Freeman, Smith & Camp Co., both of Portland, at 93 and interest.

KNIGHTSEN IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Knightsen), Contra Costa County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—The \$100,000 6% bonds offered on Dec. 27—V. 113, p. 2743—have been sold at 94.10, a basis of about 6.59%. At the same time this district sold \$350,000 and \$200,000 bonds at 100 and 91, respectively.

LA CROSSE COUNTY (P. O. La Crosse), Wisc.—BOND OFFERING.—Hubert D. Staats, County Clerk, will receive sealed bids for \$400,000 5% road and bridge bonds until 11 a. m. Jan. 19. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due \$20,000 yearly on April 1 from 1923 to 1942, incl. Cert. check for 1% of the amount of bonds bid for, payable to the County Treasurer required.

LAKE COUNTY (P. O. Waukegan), Ill.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$900,000 5% road bonds, offered on Dec. 30, was sold to Taylor, Ewart & Co. of Chicago, at 102.04, a basis of about 4.72%. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank in Chicago. Due \$50,000 yearly on July 1 from 1922 to 1939, incl. These bonds are issued under authority of Section 15-D, Chapter 121, Revised Statutes, State of Illinois, 1919, and were voted by the people on Nov. 4 1919, the vote cast being 5,146 "for" to 1,749 "against" the issuance of these bonds. The following bids were also received:

Table with 4 columns: Name, Price Bid, Name, Price Bid. Includes 'E. H. Rollins & Sons', 'The National City Co.', 'Curtis & Sanger', 'Stacy & Braun', 'Hornblower & Weeks', 'Ames, Emerich & Co.', 'Hill, Joiner & Co.', 'First Nat. Bk., Waukegan', 'Nat. Bk. & Peoples' Bk.', 'R. M. Grant & Co.', and 'Elston, Allyn & Co.' with bid amounts ranging from \$906,894.00 to \$914,670.00.

Financial Statement.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes 'Estimated actual value of all taxable property', 'Assess. val. of all prop. for taxation as equalized for year 1920', 'Assessed value of all property for taxation as returned by Assessor for year 1920', 'Total bonded indebtedness, including this issue', 'Total floating debt', 'Water works bonds, included in above', 'Amount of sinking fund', 'Water works sinking fund, included above', and 'Value of property owned by issuing community, \$600,000. Tax rate per \$1,000'.

LAMBERT, Quitman County, Miss.—BOND SALE.—The \$30,000 6% electric light and gravel street bonds offered unsuccessfully on Nov. 1—V. 113, p. 2101—have been awarded to the Bank of Commerce & Trust Co. of Memphis, at par. Due serially in 20 years.

LANSING, Ingham County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—The following four issues of bonds offered on Jan. 3 (V. 113, p. 2743) were sold to a syndicate composed of Keane, Higbie & Co. of Detroit, Old Colony Trust Co. of Boston and Edmunds Brothers of Boston at 101.14, a basis of about 4.67%:

\$500,000 4 3/4% electric light and power plant bonds. Due \$75,000 yearly from 1930 to 1935 incl. and \$50,000 in 1936.
200,000 5% paving bonds. Due \$40,000 yearly from 1923 to 1927 incl.
100,000 5% sewerage-system bonds. Due \$20,000 yearly from 1923 to 1927 incl.

100,000 5% bridge bonds. Due \$20,000 yearly from 1928 to 1932 incl.
Date Jan. 3 1922. Int. J. & J. These bonds are being offered to the public by the above syndicate at prices to yield from 4.60% to 4.40%, according to maturities.

LARAMIE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. (P. O. Laramie), Albany County, Wyo.—BONDS DEFEATED.—At the election held on Dec. 28 (V. 113, p. 2743), \$350,000 school bonds were defeated.

LEMON CITY SPECIAL TAX SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3, Dade County, Fla.—BOND SALE.—Reports say that \$60,000 school bonds have been sold at par to the Bank of Biscayne, of Miami.

LICKING COUNTY (P. O. Newark), Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$34,000 6% coupon bonds offered on Dec. 30 (V. 113, p. 2639) were sold to the Licking County Bank & Trust Co. of Newark at 100.29, a basis of about 5.87%. Date Dec. 1 1921. Due each six months as follows: \$5,000 from April 1 1923 to Oct. 1 1925, inclusive, and \$4,000 on April 1 1926.

LINCOLN, Lancaster County, Neb.—BOND SALE.—The \$100,000 water works plant extension and the \$200,000 light 5% coupon bonds offered on Dec. 29—V. 113, p. 2531—have been purchased by Paine, Webber & Co., Chicago, at 102.647, they to furnish the bonds. Date Jan. 1 1922. Due 10% of the above bonds on Jan. 1 1933 and 10% ann. thereafter until the whole amount is paid. The bonds may be redeemed, at option of city, at any interest paying date after 10 years from their date. Other bidders were:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder and Amount. Includes 'Stern Bros. & Co., Kansas City', 'Kauffman, Smith, Emert & Co., St. Louis', 'Wells-Dickey Co., Minneapolis', 'U. S. Trust Co., Omaha', 'Lincoln Safe Deposit Co., Lincoln', 'City National Bank, Lincoln', 'First Trust Co., Lincoln', 'C. W. McNear & Co., Chicago', 'Wm. R. Compton Co., St. Louis', 'Burns, Brinker & Co., Omaha', '*Lincoln State Bank, Lincoln, for Harriman & Co., N. Y.', 'Omaha Trust Co., Omaha', 'Sidney, Spitzer & Co., Toledo', '*E. H. Rollins & Sons, Chicago', 'Peters Trust Co., Omaha', 'Wachob, Klausner Co., Omaha', and 'Lincoln Trust Co., Lincoln' with bid amounts ranging from \$307,022.00 to \$300,390.00.

All the above bidders, with the exception of those marked (*), agreed to furnish bonds.

LINCOLN PARISH (P. O. Austin), La.—DESCRIPTION OF BONDS.—The \$700,000 5% tax-free Road District No. 1 bonds, awarded to Sutherland, Barry & Co., Inc., of New Orleans—V. 113, p. 2841—answer to the following description: Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1921. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the Hanover National Bank, N. Y., or at the Ruston State Bank, Ruston, at option of holder. Due yearly on April 1 as follows: \$12,000 1921 and 1925, \$13,000 1926, \$13,000 1927, \$15,000 1928 and 1929, \$16,000 1930, \$17,000 1931, \$18,000 1932, \$19,000 1933, \$20,000 1934, \$21,000 1935, \$22,000 1936, \$23,000 1937, \$24,000 1938, \$25,000 1939, \$26,000 1940, \$27,000 1941, \$29,000 1942, \$30,000 1943, \$32,000 1944, \$33,000 1945, \$35,000 1946, \$37,000 1947, \$38,000 1948, \$40,000 1949, \$42,000 1950 and \$45,000 1951.

Financial Statement.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes 'Assessed valuation 1921', 'Total bonded indebtedness, this issue', and 'Population, Census 1920, 16,962; present population, estimated—18,000'.

LINDSAY, Garvin County, Okla. BONDS VOTED.—By an overwhelming majority Lindsay citizens voted a bond issue of \$42,000 for public improvements on Dec. 28. A city hall will be built with \$25,000 of the bonds, \$8,000 will provide for a new fire truck, and \$9,000 for extending water mains.

LOGAN SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Logan), Logan County, W. Va.—BOND SALE.—The \$105,000 5 1/4% school bonds, offered on Aug. 9 (V. 113, p. 655) were sold to W. L. Stayton & Co., Toledo.

LOS ANGELES CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Los Angeles County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.—L. E. Lampton, County Clerk (P. O. Los

Angeles), will receive sealed bids until 11 a. m. Jan. 9 for \$1,500,000 5 1/2% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Nov. 1 1920. Prin. and interest payable at County Treasurer's office. Due on Nov. 1 as follows: \$85,000 1922, \$35,000 1923 to 1930, incl.; \$30,000 1931 to 1935, incl.; \$35,000 1936 to 1950, incl.; \$40,000 1951 to 1956, incl., and \$55,000 1957 to 1960, incl. Cert. check for 3% of bid, payable to Chairman Board of Supervisors required.

LOS ANGELES CITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, Los Angeles County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.—L. E. Lampton, County Clerk (P. O. Los Angeles), will receive sealed bids until 11 a. m. Jan. 9 for \$1,000,000 5 1/2% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Nov. 1 1920. Prin. and int. payable at County Treasurer's office. Due on Nov. 1 as follows: \$49,000 1922, \$22,000 1923 to 1927, incl.; \$27,000 1928 to 1935, incl.; \$22,000 1936 to 1940, incl.; \$23,000 1941 to 1947, incl.; \$28,000 1948 to 1955, incl., and \$26,000 1956 to 1960, incl. Cert. check for 3% of bid, payable to the Chairman Board of Supervisors required.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT (P. O. Los Angeles), Calif.—CORRECTION.—The price paid for the \$1,043,500 5% bonds by the Bank of Italy of San Francisco was 103.24 (not 103.23, as stated in V. 113, p. 2639). Other bidders were:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder Name and Premium Offered. Includes Anglo Calif. Trust Co., Blyth, Witter & Co., Security Tr. & Savs. Bk., Aronson & Co., Harris Tr. & Savings Bank, National City Co., William R. Staats Co., Drake, Riley & Thomas, et al.

LOUISIANA (State of).—BOND SALE.—On Jan. 5 the \$1,000,000 5% 1-20-year serial coupon or registered penitentiary bonds, dated Jan. 1 1922 (V. 113, p. 2426), were sold to Stacy & Braun, of New York and Chicago; Bankers Trust Co., New York; and E. H. Rollins & Sons, of New York and Chicago, on their bid of 103.31 and interest, a basis of about 4.57%. The next highest bid received for the bonds was 103.289, and was submitted by Prudden & Co., Toledo, and J. C. White & Co., H. L. Allen & Co. and B. J. Van Ingen & Co., all of New York, and the Commercial National Bank of Shreveport.

LOUP CITY, Sherman County, Neb.—BOND SALE.—The First Trust Co., of Omaha, has been awarded \$31,000 6% water-system-extension bonds, if it is stated.

LOWELLVILLE, Mahoning County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$2,700 6% deficiency bonds offered on Dec. 29—V. 113, p. 2744—were sold to the Lowellville Savings & Banking Co. at par and accrued interest. As yet no report has come to hand relative to the sale of the \$9,882 30 6% special assessment bonds offered at the same time.

McCOMB CITY, Pike County, Miss.—BOND SALE.—The \$80,000 6% municipal school bonds offered on Oct. 18 (V. 113, p. 1700), have been purchased by the First National Bank of McComb, the bank paying a premium of \$180, equal to 100 2/2.

McKINNEY, Collin County, Tex.—BOND SALE.—It appears that an issue of \$30,000 5% tax-free coupon market house bonds has been sold. Denom. \$1,000. Date March 1 1921. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & S.), payable at the office of State Treasurer, or at the Seaboard National Bank, N. Y. Due yearly on March 1.

Financial Statement table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Real value of taxable property, Assessed valuation for taxation (1921), Total debt, Less water debt, Less sinking fund, Net debt, Population, 1920 Census.

MANATEE-ONECO SPECIAL ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT (P. O. Bradentown), Manatee County, Fla.—BOND OFFERING.—Robt. H. Roesch, Clerk Board of County Commissioners, will receive sealed bids until Jan. 14 (not Jan. 15, as stated in V. 113, p. 2344) for \$350,000 6% road bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Interest semi-annual. Due \$50,000 in five years and \$75,000 in each succeeding five years until paid. Certified check for \$1,000 required. Bonded debt, none. Estimated value of property in district, \$3,000,000.

MARINE ON ST. CROIX, Washington County, Minn.—BID.—A bid of par was received on Dec. 27 for the \$12,000 6% electric light plant bonds—V. 113, p. 2744—from Kalman, Wood & Co.

MARION COUNTY (P. O. Salem), Ore.—BOND SALE.—The \$200,000 5 1/2% road bonds offered on Dec. 30—V. 113, p. 2639—have been awarded to the Ladd & Tilton Bank and the National City Co. of Portland, jointly, at 102.43 and interest, a basis of about 5.12%. Date July 15 1920. Due yearly on July 15 as follows: \$30,000, 1928; \$85,000, 1929 and 1930.

MARION COUNTY (P. O. Jefferson), Tex.—BOND ELECTION.—An issue of \$500,000 5 1/2% road bonds will be voted upon at an election to be held Jan. 27.

MEBANE, Alamance County, No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 2 p. m. Jan. 19 by M. Alice Fowler, Town Clerk, for the following 6% gold bonds:

- \$170,000 street-impt. bonds. Date April 1 1921. Int. A. & O. Due yearly on April 1 as follows: \$9,000 1923 to 1932 incl. and \$16,000 1933 to 1937 incl.
125,000 street-impt. bonds. Date Jan. 1 1922. Int. J. & J. Due yearly on Jan. 1 as follows: \$9,000 1924 to 1936 incl. and \$8,000 1937.
75,000 water bonds. Date Jan. 1 1922. Int. J. & J. Due yearly on Jan. 1 as follows: \$1,000 1923 to 1927 incl. and \$2,000 1928 to 1962 incl.

Denom. \$1,000. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable in New York. Bids must be enclosed in sealed envelopes marked "Proposal for Bonds," and be accompanied by a certified check (or cash) upon an incorporated bank or trust company for 2% of the face value of the bonds bid for. These bonds are prepared under the supervision of the U. S. Mtge. & Trust Co. of N. Y. City, which will certify as to the genuineness of the signatures of the city officials and the seal impressed thereon. Legality will be approved by Chester B. Masslich of N. Y. City and J. L. Morehead of Durham, N. C., whose approving opinions will be furnished the purchaser without charge. Bonds will be delivered to the purchaser at the office of the U. S. Mtge. & Trust Co. in N. Y. City, on or about Feb. 1 1922, and must then be paid for in New York funds. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

MEMPHIS, Shelby County, Tenn.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by C. C. Paslby, City Clerk, until 2:30 p. m. Jan. 17 for \$500,000 6% coupon revenue notes, part of an authorized issue of \$1,500,000. Date Jan. 1 1922. Denom. \$10,000. Due Sept. 1 1922. Notes are payable in Memphis or New York City, at option of holder. Certified check for \$5,000 required. Approving opinion of John C. Thomson, of New York, will be furnished by the City of Memphis, which will also furnish blank notes.

MERCED IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Merced), Merced County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—The Merced Security Savings Bank, of Merced, and Bank of Italy, Merced Trust Co. and the Anglo & London-Paris National Bank, all of San Francisco, jointly, were the successful bidders, at 103.28—a basis of about 5.74%—for the \$3,120,000 6% bonds offered on Jan. 1 (V. 113, p. 2841). Denoms. \$1,000 and \$500. Date Jan. 1 1922. Due yearly on Jan. 1 as follows: \$60,000, 1933; \$83,000, 1934; \$67,000, 1935; \$71,000, 1936; \$75,000, 1937; \$80,000, 1938; \$85,000, 1939; \$90,000, 1940; \$95,000, 1941; \$101,000, 1942; \$107,000, 1943; \$113,000, 1944; \$120,000, 1945; \$127,000, 1946; \$126,000, 1947; and \$480,000, 1948 to 1950.

MESA COUNTY (P. O. Grand Junction), Colo.—BIDS.—The following proposals were also received on Dec. 22 for the \$150,000 5 1/2% 10-20 year (opt.) coupon court house bonds, dated Jan. 1 1922, awarded as stated in V. 113, p. 2844

Table with 2 columns: Bidder Name and Bid Amount. Includes Antonides & Co., Sidlo, Simons, Fels & Co., Phillips, Boetcher, Porter & Co., E. H. Rollins & Sons, Henry Wilcox & Son, Bankers Trust Co., Jas. H. Causey & Co., Crosby, McConnell & Co., Este & Co., N. S. Walpole.

All the above bidders, with the exception of one, are located at Denver. This exception is N. S. Walpole, who is located at Pueblo, Colo.

MIAMI, Dade County, Fla.—BOND SALE.—The following two issues of bonds, offered on Jan. 3—V. 113, p. 2744—have been purchased as 5 1/4% by N. S. Hill & Co. of Cincinnati: \$300,000 dock bonds at 99.36, a basis of about 5.30%. Due yearly on Jan. 1 as follows: \$5,000 1936 to 1950, incl., and \$225,000 1951. 100,000 street railway bonds at 99.36 a basis of about 5.34%. Due \$10,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1927 to 1936, inclusive. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1922.

MIAMI COUNTY (P. O. Peru), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$8,600 4 1/2% coupon Mawhinney Shaw et al., Richland Township bonds, offered on Aug. 30—V. 113, p. 876—have been sold to the Peru Trust Co. of Peru, at par. Date April 15 1920.

MILAN RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Milan), Erie County Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$150,000 6% bonds offered on Jan. 3 (V. 113, p. 2639) were sold to the State Industrial Commission at par.

MILLER COUNTY (P. O. Colquitt), Ga.—BOND SALE.—It appears that the \$35,000 5% tax-free bridge bonds, mentioned in V. 111, p. 1970, have been sold.

MINOT PARK DISTRICT (P. O. Minot), Ward County, No. Dak.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$200,000 6% Park bonds has been sold. Due \$50,000 in each of the years 1926, 1931, 1936 and 1941.

MODESTO IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Modesto), Stanislaus County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.—C. S. Abbott, Secy. Board of Directors, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. Jan. 11 for \$181,600 6% irrigation bonds. Denom. \$1,000 and 1 for \$600. Due on July 1 as follows: \$3,600, 1931; \$4,000, 1932; \$6,000, 1933 and 1934; \$7,000, 1935 to 1938, inclusive; \$9,000, 1939 to 1941, inclusive; \$11,000, 1942; \$12,000, 1943 to 1948, inclusive; and \$14,000, 1949 and 1950. Certified check for 5% of bid, payable to C. A. Hilton, President Board of Directors, required.

MONCURE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Haw River Township No. 1, Chatham County, No. Caro.—BOND SALE.—The \$12,000 6% bonds offered on June 27 (V. 112, p. 2791) have been sold to C. H. Coffin of Chicago at par.

MONROE, Platte County, Nebr.—BOND SALE.—The \$4,400 6% heat and lighting bonds offered unsuccessfully on May 23, together with an issue of \$2,000 6% water extension bonds (V. 113, p. 656), have been sold. It is reported.

MONTANA (State of).—STATE REDEEMS TREASURY CERTIFICATE ISSUE SOLD LAST MAY AND OTHER BONDS.—The Montana "Record-Herald" of Dec. 27 says:

"State Treasurer J. W. Walker on Wednesday paid out \$850,000 to redeem the 7% short-term treasury certificates issued by the State of Montana seven months ago in order to redeem outstanding general fund warrants. The certificates are held principally by the Chase National Bank of New York City, Mr. Walker said. The last Legislature empowered the State Board of Examiners to issue as much as \$3,000,000 in these short-term certificates with which to call in State warrants, but the officials charged with the work determined that \$850,000 would be all that could be handled with this year's tax money. Mr. Walker also redeemed on Wednesday \$40,000 of the State Capitol building bonds, making \$276,000 paid on the \$1,000,000 issue of 1907. Veterans' Welfare Commission bonds to the amount of \$25,000 were taken up."

Notice that these treasury certificates had been sold was given in V. 112, p. 2447.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY (P. O. Crawfordsville), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$6,200 5% Coal Creek Township bonds, offered on Dec. 20—V. 113, p. 2744—were sold to the Fletcher-American National Bank of Indianapolis at par and interest, plus a premium of \$16, which is equal to 100.258, a basis of about 4.95%. Date Aug. 15 1921. Due \$310 each six months from May 15 1923 to Nov. 15 1932, inclusive.

MORGAN COUNTY (P. O. Martinsville), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$18,600 5% J. J. Haase et al., Ray Township bonds offered on Jan. 2 (V. 113, p. 2215) were sold to the J. F. Wild & Co. State Bank of Indianapolis, at 100.403, a basis of about 4.90%. Date Jan. 15 1922. Due \$930 each six months from May 15 1922 to Nov. 15 1931, incl.

MORRILLTON, Conway County, Ark.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received at once by the City Clerk for \$100,000 6% paving bonds.

MOUNT PLEASANT UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. North Tarrytown), Westchester County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—G. Fred. Van Tassel, Clerk of the Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. Jan. 23 for \$60,000 5 1/2% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Feb. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the Tarrytown National Bank in Tarrytown. Due \$2,000 yearly on Feb. 1 from 1924 to 1953 incl. Cert. check for 5% of the amount bid for required.

MURFREESBORO, Rutherford County, Tenn.—BOND SALE.—On Dec. 28 Caldwell & Co. of Nashville, were awarded \$42,000 6% street improvement bonds at 101.83 and interest. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1922. Interest semi-annually, payable at the Chemical National Bank, N. Y.

NAMPA AND MERIDIAN IRRIGATION DISTRICT, Ida.—CONTRACT TO SELL BONDS GIVEN.—The following with regard to the \$33,300 6% refunding bonds, which were offered on Dec. 27 (V. 113, p. 2744), has been furnished to us by P. D. Day, District Secretary:

"A contract of sale was given to High & Fritchman Co., Boise, Idaho, who agree to sell the \$33,300 6% bonds at par and accrued int. for a fiscal agent's fee of 6% of the par value of the bonds. Sixty-six of these bonds are of the denomination of \$500 each and one of \$300."

NASHUA, Hillsborough County, N. H.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—A temporary loan of \$150,000, dated Jan. 3 and due Dec. 30 1922, which was offered on Dec. 30, was awarded to the Old Colony Trust Co. of Boston on a 5% discount basis plus a premium of \$3 75.

TEMPORARY LOAN.—The temporary loan of \$100,000 offered on Dec. 31 (V. 113, p. 2744) was awarded to the Old Colony Trust Co. of Boston on a 5% discount basis plus a premium of \$3 75. Date Jan. 3 1922 and due Dec. 2 1922.

NEW BRITAIN, Hartford County, Conn.—BOND SALE.—The following three issues of coupon bonds aggregating \$320,000 which were offered Jan. 6, were sold to Thomas Fenn & Co. and T. H. Barnes & Co., both of Hartford, at their joint bid of \$339,398.40 (106.062), a basis of about 4.31%.

\$175,000 5% sewer bonds, 10th series. Due Aug. 1 1941.

\$100,000 6% Street Fund bonds. Due \$20,000 yearly on Aug. 1 from 1922 to 1926, incl.

\$ 45,000 5% Street Fund bonds. Due yearly on Aug. 1 as follows: \$10,000 from 1922 to 1925, incl., and \$5,000 in 1926.

Denom. \$1,000. Date Aug. 1 1921. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (F. & A.) payable at the New Britain National Bank in New Britain.

NEW BRUNSWICK, Middlesex County, N. J.—BOND SALE.—The issue of 5 1/2% coupon or registered water bonds offered on Dec. 27 (V. 113, p. 2670) was sold to Polyer & Atkins of New York City at their bid of \$63,614.40 for 58 bonds (\$58,000), which is equal to 109.682, a basis of about 4.64%. Date Dec. 1 1921. Due yearly on Dec. 1 as follows: \$2,000 from 1923 to 1951 incl. The following bids were also received:

Table with 3 columns: Bidder Name, Amt. Bid For, and Amt. Bid. Includes H. L. Allen & Co., B. J. Van Ingen & Co., Outwater & Wells, Geo. B. Gibbon & Co., C. W. Whites, Security Trust Co.

BOND OFFERING.—William G. Howell, City Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. Jan. 17 for an issue of 5% coupon or registered school bonds not to exceed \$50,000. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) payable at the City Treasurer's office. Interest on registered bonds will, on request, be remitted by mail. Due \$2,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1924 to 1948 incl. Cert. check for 2% of the amount bid for, drawn upon an incorporated bank or trust company payable to the above Treasurer, required. Bids must be made upon blank which will be furnished by the above Clerk. The validity of these bonds has been passed upon by Caldwell & Raymond of N. Y. City, and copy of their opinion as to the legality of said bonds will be furnished to the successful bidder without charge. These bonds are to be prepared under the supervision of the U. S. Mtge. & Trust Co. of N. Y. City, which will certify as to genuineness of signature of city officials and seal impressed thereon.

NEWBURGH, Orange County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—The following issues of 4 1/4% bonds offered on Jan. 5 were sold to Clark, Williams & Co. of New York at 101.136, a basis of about 5.37%: \$4,000 West Street School bonds. Due serially from 1 to 25 years. \$56,000 Lake Street, Bridge Street and West Broadway highway bonds. Due serially from 1 to 20 years.

NEWBURGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8 (P. O. Newburgh), Orange County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$30,000 5 1/4% bonds, offered on Dec. 28, was sold to Sherwood & Merrifield of New York, at 102.875.

NEW LONDON, Waupaca and Outagamie Counties, Wis.—BOND SALE.—The Second Ward Securities Co. of Milwaukee has been awarded 150,000 6% impt. bonds at 100.73. A like amount of bonds was reported sold in V. 112, p. 1322.

NEWPORT, Newport County, R. I.—LOAN OFFERING.—F. N. Fullerton, City Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 5 p. m. Jan. 12 for a 200,000 temporary loan. Denom. \$10,000. Date Jan. 16 1922. Due Sept 5 1922.

NEWTON FALLS CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Newton Falls), Trumbull County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—H. C. Woicott, District Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m., Jan. 18 for 11,400 6% high school bonds. Denom. 1 for \$400 and 22 for \$500 each. Due Dec. 1, 1921. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the First National Bank in Newton Falls, Ohio. Due \$500 each six months from April 1 1923 to Oct. 1 1933 incl. and \$400 on April 1 1934. Cert. check for \$200, payable to the above clerk, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

NEW YORK CITY, N. Y.—TEMPORARY LOANS.—During the month of December the city issued \$43,400,000 short-term securities consisting of corporate stock notes, special revenue bonds and tax notes, as follows:

Table with columns: Amount, Int. Rate, Maturity, Date Sold. Includes Corporate Stock Notes, Various Municipal Purposes, and Special Revenue Bonds of 1921.

Tax Notes, Aggregating \$400,000.

GENERAL FUND BONDS.—On Dec. 13 the city issued \$2,000,000 3% general fund bonds, maturing Nov. 1 1930.

PENSION AND SINKING FUND PURCHASERS.—On Dec. 30 \$3,847,900 4 1/4% serial bonds issued for various municipal purposes were taken by the pension and sinking funds, and \$7,267,600 4 1/4% corporate stock, also issued for various municipal purposes, but which are due 1971, were taken by the sinking fund.

NOCONA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Nocona), Montague County, Tex.—BOND SALE.—Vernon H. Branch of Wichita, as purchased, it is reported, \$75,000 school bonds. These bonds were recently voted—V. 113, p. 2427.

NORFOLK COUNTY (P. O. Dedham), Mass.—NOTE SALE.—The \$200,000 notes offered on Jan. 3 (V. 113, p. 2815) were awarded to Estabrook & Co. on a 4.33% discount basis. Date Jan. 3 1922. Due Nov. 15 1922.

NORFOLK COUNTY (P. O. Norfolk), Va.—BONDS APPROVED AND NOW BEING OFFERED TO INVESTORS.—In an item which appeared in V. 113, p. 2640, we stated that \$259,000 5 1/2% 20-year bonds had been sold to Mr. Schlater, for the account of R. M. Grant & Co. of N. Y., at par, less 1 1/4% commission for marketing, subject to being approved by the Judge of Circuit Court of Norfolk County, and that the incidental expenses in connection with the printing of bonds were to be borne by the buyers.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY (P. O. Easton), Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by Robley D. Walter, County Comptroller, until 10 a. m. Jan. 23 for \$1,000,000 4 1/4% coupon bonds. Denom. \$1,000 each. Due Feb. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (F & A) payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due Feb. 1 1922. Purchaser to pay accrued interest on bonds for printing of the bonds. Cert. check for \$20,000, payable to the County Treasurer required.

NORTH CAROLINA (State of).—BONDS NOT SOLD.—We are advised by B. R. Lacy, State Treasurer, that the \$5,000,000 serial school bonds were not sold on Dec. 30 (V. 113, p. 2745) because all of them were not bid for. The official also advised that he is now open to consider private bids.

OHIO (State of).—BONDS OFFERED BY BANKERS.—The syndicate composed of the First National Bank, New York, Stacy & Braun, Toledo; Brown Bros. & Co., New York; Lee, Higginson & Co., New York; Blair Co., Inc., New York; Cleveland Trust Co., Cleveland; Richards, Parish & Lanson, Cleveland; Illinois Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, and the Merchants Loan & Trust Co. of Chicago, which was successful in acquiring the \$20,000,000 4 3/4% coupon tax-free adjusted compensation bonds at 101.76601, a basis of about 4.39%, as already reported in V. 113, p. 2815, is offering these bonds to investors on a previous page of this issue as follows:

Table with columns: Amount, Maturity, Price, Yield, Amount, Maturities, Price, Yield. Lists various bond offerings with their respective terms and yields.

OREGON (State of).—BONDS HELD BY STATE SOLD.—On Nov. 10 O. P. Haff, State Treasurer, sold several bond issues previously purchased and held by the State of Oregon, as follows: \$7,000 5 1/2% Tillamook County School District No. 9 bonds to the Ladd & Tilton Bank and Freeman, Smith & Camp Co., both of Portland, at 98.55.

10,000 6% Umatilla County School District No. 61 bonds to the Ralph Schneckloch Co. of Portland at 99.038. 21,979 6% Klamath County School District No. 53 bonds to the Ralph Schneckloch Co. of Portland at 99.027. *35,000 5 1/2% Multnomah County School District No. 3 bonds to the Ladd & Tilton Bank and Freeman, Smith & Camp Co., both of Portland, at 98.59. 37,500 5 1/2% State of Oregon district interest bonds to the Seattle National Bank of Seattle at 106.047. 40,500 5 1/2% State of Oregon district interest bonds to the Seattle National Bank, Seattle, at 107.677. 58,000 6% Klamath County road bonds to the Seattle National Bank, Seattle, at 95.689.

* The sale of these bonds was incorrectly reported under the caption of "Multnomah County School District No. 3" in our issue of Dec. 17, p. 2639.

OREGON (State of).—DESCRIPTION OF BONDS.—Further details are at hand relative to the sale of the \$560,000 state highway bonds, awarded on Dec. 15 as reported in V. 113, p. 2745—Tax-free, coupon bonds in the denomination of \$1,000 and \$500, registrable as to principal only. Date Dec. 1 1921. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable in gold at the fiscal agency of the State of Oregon in New York City, or at the State Treasurer's office, at option of holder. Due \$14,000 semi-annually April 1 1927 to Oct. 1 1946, incl. The complete list of the bids received on Dec. 15 for the bonds, was given in—V. 113, p. 2845.

OREGON (State of).—CORRECTION IN MATURITY.—In our notice last week (page 2845) of the \$10,000,000 tax-free gold coupon veterans' State aid bonds, at not exceeding 6% interest, to take place on Jan. 16, we stated that the bonds would mature \$250,000 on April 1 and Oct. 1 each year from 1932 to 1951, incl. This information came to us from H. C. Brumbaugh, Secretary World War Veterans' State Aid Commission. We are now advised by that official that the bonds will mature \$250,000 on April 1 and Oct. 1 beginning 1931 and terminating 1950.

PARADISE IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Paradise), Butte County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—On Dec. 28 the \$70,000 6% bonds—V. 113, p. 2641—were sold to M. H. Lewis & Co. at 95.07 and interest. There were no other bidders.

PARKE COUNTY (P. O. Rockville), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—J. W. Chapman, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. Jan. 9 for \$9,150 5% Newport Bridge Road, Liberty Township bonds. Denom. \$457.50. Date Nov. 8 1921. Int. M. & N. Due \$457.50 each six months from May 15 1923 to Nov. 15 1932, incl. These bonds were first offered on Nov. 26—V. 113, p. 2216.

PERRY, Taylor County, Fla.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 11 30 a. m. Jan. 16 by S. P. Crowell, City Clerk, for the following 6% bonds: \$3,000 electric light bonds. Due \$1,000 yearly on Dec. 1 from 1931 to 1933, inclusive. 12,000 water works extension bonds. Due \$1,000 yearly on Dec. 1 from 1934 to 1945, inclusive.

Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 1 1921. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & D.) payable at the Hanover National Bank, N. Y. Cert. check for 2% of the par value of the bonds required. The opinion of Storey, Thorndikes Palmer & Dodge of Boston, will be furnished the purchaser and the bond, have been prepared.

PERRY, Noble County, Okla.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$40,000 6% sewerage disposal plant bonds have been disposed of.

PITTSBURGH COUNTY (P. O. McAllister), Okla.—BONDS MAY BE RULED OUT.—The Oklahoma City "Times" in one of its recent issues said: "Pittsburg County after having voted \$750,000 worth of good roads bonds may be unable to get the full benefit of them, according to B. E. Clark, State Highway Engineer. They included a clause in their election which said that none of the bonds can be sold until an equal share of Federal aid is available," he said. "They have made application for as much aid as possible to be obtained, to the full \$750,000, but the office will be unable to make promises until the regulations of the new Federal aid regulations are tried out."

PLAINVIEW, Pierce County, Neb.—BONDS DEFEATED.—An issue of \$15,000 funding bonds has been turned down.

PORTLAND, Ore.—BONDS OFFERED BY BANKERS.—The Seattle National Bank of Seattle, and the Lumbermen's Trust Co. of Seattle and Portland, are offering to investors at 105.85, to yield 5%, \$617,070 86 6% tax-free improvement bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Oct. 1 1921. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.), payable at the office of City Treasurer or at the fiscal agency of the State of Oregon in New York City. Due Oct. 1 1931, optional Oct. 1 1924. Official announcement says: "The average life of Portland improvement bonds, for many years, has been seven years. These bonds are offered on an estimated maturity basis of seven years."

Financial Statement table for Portland bonds, showing Assessed valuation, General bonded debt, Less water bonds, Less sinking fund, Net debt, and Population (1920 Census).

POWDER RIVER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 79 (P. O. Broadus), Mont.—BOND SALE.—The \$6,600 funding bonds offered on June 15—V. 112, p. 2561—have been sold at par for 6s to the State Board of Land Commissioners.

RANDOLPH TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Clayton), Montgomery County, Ohio.—BID.—Claude Gardiner, District Clerk, informs us that a bid of par and accrued interest was submitted by Elston, Allyn & Co. of Chicago for an issue of \$12,000 6% coupon deficiency bonds offered on Dec. 23. These bonds are issued in denomination of \$1,000 each, dated Dec. 1 1921, and are due \$1,000 yearly on Dec. 1 from 1922 to 1929 incl. and \$2,000 on Dec. 1 in 1930 and 1931.

REDFIELD SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Redfield), Jefferson County, Ark.—BOND SALE.—The \$11,000 6% tax-free coupon improvement and equipment bonds offered unsuccessfully on Aug. 31—V. 113, p. 1477—have been awarded to R. G. Helbron at par.

REEVES COUNTY ROAD DISTRICT NO. 2 (P. O. Pecos), Texas.—BOND SALE.—The Lee Moor Construction Co. of El Paso, has purchased \$40,000 road bonds at par.

RICE COUNTY (P. O. Faribault), Minn.—BOND SALE.—On Dec. 23 the following two issues of bonds were sold to the Wells-Dickey Co. of Minneapolis: \$205,000 funding bonds for \$212,100 (103.46) for 5 1/4%. \$90,000 reimbursement bonds for \$91,850 (102.05) for 4 1/4s. Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 1 1921. Interest J & D.

RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT, Kern County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—The \$18,000 6% tax-free coupon school bonds offered unsuccessfully on May 9 (V. 112, p. 2222) have been sold. Date April 18 1921. Due \$2,000 yearly on Apr. 18 from 1922 to 1930 incl.

ROCHESTER, N. Y.—NOTE OFFERING.—J. C. Wilson, City Comptroller, will receive sealed bids until 2:30 p. m. Jan. 10 for \$900,000 revenue notes which will be payable in five months from Jan. 13 1922 at the Central Union Trust Co., at 80 Broadway, New York City. Bidder is to name interest rate, designate denominations desired, and to whom (not bearer) notes shall be made payable.

ROCK HILL, York County, So. Caro.—BOND SALE.—It appears that the \$250,000 6% tax-free street-improvement bonds, offered on Dec. 7 (V. 113, p. 2336), have been sold. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1921. Principal and semi-annual interest (J. & J.) payable in New York. Due yearly on Jan. 1 as follows: \$16,000, 1921 to 1928, inclusive; \$18,000, 1929 to 1933, inclusive; \$7,000, 1934 to 1938, inclusive; and \$9,000, 1939 to 1943, inclusive. These bonds are now being offered to investors, to yield from 6.00% to 5.75%.

Financial Statement table for Rock Hill bonds, showing Real value taxable property (estimated), Assessed valuation taxable property (1921), Total indebtedness (including this issue), Water-works debt, and Net debt.

ROCK RIVER, Albany County, Wyo.—BOND OFFERING.—Bids will be received until 8 p. m. Jan. 21 by T. A. Coone, Town Clerk, for \$7,000 6% sewerage-system bonds. Denom. \$500. Int. M. & S., payable at office of Town Treasurer or at the banking house of Kountze Bros., N. Y. Due in 20 years, optional in 10 years. Cert. check for \$300 required.

RUNNELLS COUNTY (P. O. Ballinger), Tex.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until Jan. 9 by O. L. Parrish, County Judge, for \$40,000 5½% 30-year road bonds.

ST. CHARLES SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. St. Charles), St. Charles County, Mo.—BONDS DEFEATED—TO BE VOTED ON AGAIN.—The St. Louis "Globe-Democrat" on Dec. 21 said:

"The voters of St. Charles, who last Thursday voted down a \$324,000 bond issue for a new high school, will have to keep on voting on the same question until the bond issue is passed. This is the decision of the Board of Education, as announced by its head, Dr. T. L. Hardin.

The board has set Jan. 21 as the date for a second special election on the same proposal which failed to carry last week. The proposal fell short of the needed two-thirds majority by 111 votes, in a total vote of 2387.

St. Charles needs a new high school building, Dr. Hardin declared today, and the board intends to bring the matter up as many times as is necessary. If the bond issue does not carry next month, it will be brought up again within 30 days, or as soon as the law permits, and this will continue until the bonds are voted or until the courts interfere. The expense of holding a special election is about \$300."

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY (P. O. Canton), N. Y.—BOND SALE.—The \$195,000 5% highway-construction and improvement bonds offered on Jan. 4 (V. 113, p. 2846) were sold to Sherwood & Merrifield at \$199,660.50 (102.39), a basis of about 4.64%. Date July 1 1921. Due \$15,000 yearly on Mar. 1 from 1923 to 1935 incl. The following bids were also received: St. Lawrence County National Bank, Canton.....\$195,875 Geo. B. Gibbon & Co., New York..... 198,120 Clark, Williams & Co., New York..... 198,175

ST. PAUL, Howard County, Neb.—BOND OFFERING.—L. H. Bell, City Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 7:30 p. m. Jan. 9 for \$22,500 funding bonds, recently voted.

SALTAIRE, Suffolk County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—R. C. Van Bokkelen, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. Jan. 10 for \$36,000 water bonds not to exceed 6% interest per annum. Date Jan. 1 1922. Due \$1,500 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1927 to 1950, inclusive. Certified check for \$1,000, payable to the Village of Saltaire, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

SAN MATEO UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, San Mateo County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—The \$360,000 6% school bonds offered on Jan. 3—V. 113, p. 2846—have been awarded to the American National Bank of San Francisco at 108.91, a basis of about 4.84%. Date Jan. 1 1922. Due \$18,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1923 to 1942, inclusive.

SEATTLE, Wash.—ADDITIONAL DATA.—In connection with the offering on Jan. 21 of the \$1,005,000 6-20-year serial coupon municipal light and power plant and system bonds, at not exceeding 6% interest (which comprise the unissued portion of \$1,755,000 bonds authorized by ordinance 38,920, approved Nov. 19 1918), notice of which appeared in V. 113, p. 2846, we are now in receipt of the following:

The \$1,755,000 bonds of the authorized issue, with interest, constitute a charge upon the gross revenues of the municipal light and power plant and system of the City of Seattle, prior to all other charges except charges authorized for principal and interest of \$390,000 bonds, all of which are now outstanding, and charges authorized for principal and interest of \$5,500,000 bonds of which \$4,875,000 are outstanding and \$625,000 remain unissued. The City of Seattle has owned and operated its light and power system, known as the Seattle Municipal Light and Power Plant and System, since 1905. Total valuation of all property, real and personal, owned by the Seattle Municipal Light & Power Plant and System as of date Oct. 31 1921 was \$19,125,684.71, less accrued depreciation, \$2,530,419.80, or \$16,595,264.91.

Light Fund Total Liabilities Oct. 31 1921.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Revenue bonds outstanding \$7,265,000 00; Other fund loan 40,000 00; General light bonds (pay. prin. & int. from gen. tax levy) \$7,305,000 00; Current liabilities on Oct. 31 1921 amounted to 1,072,118 04; Warrants outstanding \$137,065 15; Audited claims and pay-rolls 436,778 89; Reserve on Unfinished contracts 141,190 59; Accrued interest on funded debt 77,733 66; Consumers' guaranty deposits 86,245 98; Transfer loans payable to other funds 190,000 00; Sundry current liabilities 3,103 76; Total \$1,072,118 04.

Operating revenues of the Municipal Light and Power Plant and System have been used in the past to pay for extensions of and betterments to the plant and system, and the proceeds of the bonds now proposed to be sold are to be applied in payment of such construction work in the future, thereby obviating the necessity of issuing warrants against revenue.

The official notice of this offering may be found among the advertisements elsewhere in this Department.

SEQUOYAH COUNTY (P. O. Sallisaw), Okla.—BIDS REJECTED.—With regard to the rejection of the bids received for \$87,000 road bonds, the Muskogee "Times-Democrat" on Dec. 20 said: Eighty-seven thousand dollars worth of Sequoyah county road bonds offered for sale yesterday were not disposed of because the bids offered were less than considered legal by law. The highest bid offered was \$94.25 on the hundred dollars. The law provides the bonds must bring no less than par and accrued interest. Three bids were received, the lowest being \$88 on the hundred. The bonds are the remainder of an issue of \$202,000 voted by this county two years ago for road and bridge purposes. That portion of Sequoyah county's expense on the Muskogee-Sequoyah county bridge at Webbers Falls and for the bridge spanning the Arkansas river opposite Fort Smith were satisfactorily disposed of some time ago."

SHARKEY COUNTY (P. O. Rolling Fork), Miss.—BONDS VOTED.—A \$160,000 bridge bond issue carried at a recent election by a ratio of 40 to 1.

SHERMAN COUNTY (P. O. Moro), Ore.—BOND OFFERING.—Until 4 p. m. Jan. 9 the County Clerk will receive bids for \$300,000 5% road bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1919. Due July 1 1939. Certified check for 10% required.

SLEEPY EYE, Brown County, Minn.—BOND SALE.—The \$40,000 5% electric-light and water-works bonds offered unsuccessfully on Aug. 26 (V. 113, p. 1078), have been sold to local investors.

SMITHVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Smithville), Bastrop County, Tex.—BOND SALE.—Edwin Hobby & Co. of Dallas have purchased \$90,000 6% school bonds.

SPOKANE COUNTY (P. O. Spokane), Wash.—BONDS OFFERED BY BANKERS SOLD.—The \$650,000 5% gold tax-free bonds, which were offered to investors, at a price to yield 4.80% on all maturities, by a syndicate led by the Seattle National Bank of Seattle (V. 113, p. 2747) have all been sold.

STARKE COUNTY (P. O. Knox), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$12,000 5% Joseph Pruchs et al. Wayne Twp. bonds offered unsuccessfully on Aug. 4—V. 113, p. 757—were recently sold to A. P. Flynn of Logansport at par. Date Aug. 1 1921. Due \$600 each six months from May 15 1922 to Nov. 15 1931 inclusive.

STATESVILLE, Iredell County, No. Caro.—BOND SALE.—The \$120,000 6% coupon funding bonds offered on Nov. 7—V. 113, p. 2007—have been purchased by Harris, Forbes & Co. of N. Y., paying a premium of \$2,112, equal to 101.76, a basis of about 5.87%. Date Sept. 1 1921. Due Sept. 1 1951.

STEBENVILLE, Jefferson County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—William T. Kindsvatter, City Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. Jan. 16 for \$35,000 6% fire truck apparatus and improvement bonds. Denom. \$3,500. Date Dec. 15 1921. Int. J. & D. Due \$3,500 yearly on

Dec. 15 from 1923 to 1932, incl. Cert. check for 3% of the amount bid for, payable to the City Treasurer, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

STRATFORD, Fairfield County, Conn.—NOTE SALE.—The \$250,000 5% coupon (with privilege of registration) sewer notes offered on Jan. 3 (V. 113, p. 2747), were sold to E. H. Rollins & Sons at 100.626, a basis of about 4.88%. Date Jan. 3 1922. Due \$25,000 yearly on Jan. 3 from 1923 to 1932, inclusive.

STRUTHERS, Mahoning County, Ohio.—BID REJECTED.—Seth J. McNabb, Village Clerk, informs us that but one bid was received for the \$21,127.42 6% special improvement bonds offered on Dec. 30 (V. 113, p. 2642), and this bid, which was submitted by Ryan, Bowman & Co., of Toledo, though unconditional, was rejected by the Council.

TARBORO, Edgecombe County, No. Caro.—BOND SALE.—The following three issues of 6% gold bonds offered on Nov. 29 (V. 113, p. 2336) have been awarded to Prudden & Co., of Toledo, at par: \$64,000 street improvement bonds. Due \$4,000 July 1 1923 to 1938, incl.; \$35,000 electric light bonds. Due \$1,000 July 1 1923 to 1945 incl., and \$2,000 July 1 1946 to 1951, incl.; 19,000 funding bonds. Due \$1,000 July 1 1922 and \$2,000 July 1 1923 to 1931, incl.

TAYLOR CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Taylor), Loup County, Neb.—BOND SALE.—Recently \$20,000 6% school bonds maturing \$2,000 yearly on June 1 from 1932 to 1941 incl. were sold to the Peters Trust Co. of Omaha. These bonds are evidently part of the \$35,000 issue, which did not meet with success when offered by the district on July 9—V. 113, p. 323.

TILLAMOOK COUNTY (P. O. Tillamook City), Ore.—BOND SALE.—The \$150,000 5½% highway bonds offered on Dec. 31 (V. 113, p. 2747) have been purchased by G. E. Miller & Co., of Portland, paying a premium of \$3,772.50, equal to 102.51 a basis of about 5.22%. Date Jan. 1 1922. Due \$30,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1932 to 1936, inclusive.

TOCCOA, Stephens County, Ga.—BOND SALE.—The following three issues of 6% bonds offered on July 25—V. 113, p. 323—have been purchased by the Farmers & Merchants' Bank of Toccoa, at par: \$30,000 street-paving bonds; 25,000 sewerage and water-works-improvement bonds; 5,000 school improvement bonds.

TODD COUNTY (P. O. Long Prairie), Minn.—BOND SALE.—The \$8,000 County Ditch No. 44, \$2,000 County Ditch No. 45, \$8,000 County Ditch No. 46, \$15,000 County Ditch No. 20 and \$5,000 County Ditch No. 6 6% bonds offered on Jan. 4—V. 113, p. 2747—have been purchased by the Bank of Long Prairie of Long Prairie at 104.73. Date Jan. 1 1922.

TORRANCE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS (P. O. Estancia), N. Mex.—BOND OFFERING.—Juan C. Sanchez, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. Jan. 30 for the following three issues of 6% school bonds: \$40,000 School District No. 16 bonds; 10,000 School District No. 17 bonds; 1,500 School District No. 19 bonds.

TROY, Miami County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The following two issues of 6% bonds offered on Dec. 31—V. 113, p. 2747—were sold to A. T. Bell & Co. of Toledo at 102.939, a basis of about 5.49%: \$4,000 sidewalk and gutter bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Sept. 1 1921. Due \$500 on Sept. 1 1923; March 1 1925, Sept. 1 1925, March 1 1927, Sept. 1 1927, March 1 1929, Sept. 1 1929 and Sept. 1 1931. 1,200 sewer bonds. Denom. 1 for \$200 and 2 for \$500 each. Date Sept. 1 1921. Due \$200 Sept. 1 1930 and \$500 on Sept. 1 1931 and Sept. 1 1932.

UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 11 (P. O. Union), Union County, So. Caro.—ADDITIONAL DATA.—Additional data are at hand relative to the sale of \$75,000 6% school-building bonds, awarded to Sutherland, Barry & Co., Inc., of New Orleans, at 101.34, a basis of about 5.89%—V. 113, p. 2217. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable in New York. Due yearly on Jan. 1 as follows: \$1,000 1923 to 1927, incl., and \$2,000 1928 to 1962, incl.

Financial Statement.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Estimated actual valuation \$8,500,000; Assessed valuation 1920 4,232,470; Total bonded debt, including this issue 105,000; Population, 8,500.

VALLEY CENTER UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT, San Diego County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—The \$4,200 6% school bonds, unsuccessfully offered on Aug. 29—V. 113, p. 1177—have been awarded at par to the Escondido Savings Bank of Escondido.

VANDERBURGH COUNTY (P. O. Evansville), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$75,000 5% refunding bonds offered on Dec. 29—V. 113, p. 2535—were sold to Francis J. Reitze of Evansville at 102.54, a basis of about 4.45%. Date Jan. 2 1922. Due \$7,500 yearly on Jan. 2 from 1923 to 1932 inclusive.

VENTURA COUNTY WATER WORKS DISTRICT NO. 1, Calif.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.—There were no bids received for the \$25,000 6½% bonds on Dec. 21.—V. 113, p. 2642.

VIGO COUNTY (P. O. Terre Haute), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Geo. A. Schaal, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. Jan. 9 for \$17,000 5% Geo. B. Hartman et al., Nevins Township bonds. Denom. \$850. Date Jan. 15 1922. Int. M. & N. Due \$350 each six months from May 15 1923 to Nov. 15 1932, incl.

WABASHA COUNTY (P. O. Wabasha), Minn.—BOND SALE.—The \$100,000 6% road bonds mentioned in V. 113, p. 2217, have been awarded to the First National Bank of Wabasha.

WARREN, Trumbull County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$91,100 6% coupon fire and police dept. bonds offered on June 11—V. 112, p. 2115—were recently sold to the Gamewell Fire Alarm Co. of Seagrave.

WEBSTER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60 (P. O. Rosemont), Neb.—BOND SALE.—The Peters Trust Co. of Omaha has acquired \$3,000 6% bonds, due serially from 1923 to 1932 incl., optional after 5 yrs.

WELLESLEY, Norfolk County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—R. L. Day & Co. have recently purchased a temporary loan of \$75,000 on a 4.34% discount basis. Date Jan. 4 1922, due Dec. 4 1922.

WEST DE PERE HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. West De Pere), Brown County, Wis.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$65,000 school bldg. bonds has been sold, it is stated, to the Second Ward Securities Co. of Milwaukee.

WHEELERSBURG RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Wheelersburg), Scioto County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Carl J. Herms, Clerk of the Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. Jan. 11 for \$4,500 5½% school bonds. Denom. \$500. Date June 15 1921. Int. M. & S. Due \$500 yearly on Sept. 1 from 1922 to 1930, inclusive. Certified check for \$225, payable to the above Clerk, required.

WINDSOR LOCKS, Hartford County, Conn.—BOND OFFERING.—James D. Outerson, Town Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. Jan. 18 for \$150,000 4½% coupon gold bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 5 1922. Principal and semi-annual interest (J. & J.) payable at the Windsor Locks Trust & Safe Deposit Co. in Windsor Locks, Conn. Due \$5,000 yearly on Jan. 5 from 1923 to 1952, inclusive. Bonds will be delivered at the office of the Town Treasurer or at the Old Colony Trust Co., in Boston, at the purchaser's option, on or about Jan. 20 1922. Certified check for 2% of the amount bid for, payable to the order of the Town of Windsor Locks, required. The bonds will be prepared under the supervision of the Old Colony Trust Co., of Boston, whose certificate as to legality will be signed thereon. The legality of this issue will be examined by Messrs. Ropes, Gray, Boyden & Perkins, of Boston, whose favorable opinion will be furnished to the purchaser.

WINDSOR TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Stockport), Morgan County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$6,954.63 6% school bonds offered on Dec. 31—V. 113, p. 2817—were sold on Jan. 2 to W. L. Slayton & Co. at 100.03, a basis of about 5.99%. Date Dec. 1 1921. Int. J. & D. Due Dec. 1 1931.

WINNETKA, Cook County, Ill.—BOND SALE.—The \$86,000 5% filtration bonds offered without success on May 10—V. 112, p. 2116—were recently sold to the Winnetka Trust & Savings Bank at 96, a basis of about 5.47%. Due yrly. on July 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1922, 1923 and 1924; \$4,000, 1925 to 1929 incl., and \$6,000, 1930 to 1939 inclusive.

VINONA COUNTY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 22 (O. Lewistown), Minn.—**BOND SALE.**—The \$60,000 5½% school bonds offered on Dec. 29—V. 113, p. 2614—have been awarded to Gates, Gate & Co. of St. Paul at 102, a basis of about 5.29%. Date Dec. 1 1921. \$10,000 Dec. 1 1931 and \$50,000 Dec. 1 1936. Other bidders were:
 Bidder—
 Farmers Trust & Savings Bank, Minneapolis.....\$60,900
 Bank & Co. of Mason City, Ia.....61,180

STATES CENTRE HIGHWAY DISTRICT (P. O. Mayfield), Elmore county, Idaho.—**BOND OFFERING.**—Commissioners will receive bids until noon Jan. 7 for purchase of \$20,000 6% 20-year bonds. Certified check for \$1,000 required. Opinion by Wood & Oakley, of Chicago. George Walker, Secretary.

YELLOWSTONE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 50 (P. O. Kings), Mont.—**BOND SALE.**—The \$3,000 6% funding bonds offered Aug. 9—V. 113, p. 445—have been awarded to local investors.

CANADA, its Provinces and Municipalities.

ALBERTA (Province of).—**DEBENTURE OFFERING.**—Tenders will be received until 12 m. Jan. 16 by the Provincial Treasurer at his office in Edmonton for the purchase of \$3,846,000 5½% 25-year gold debentures. Delivery to Jan. 2 1922. Bids will be received for debentures payable in Toronto, Montreal or Edmonton or for debentures payable at New York, Toronto, Montreal or Edmonton. Delivery to be at Toronto and payment at Edmonton. Tenders are to be addressed to the Provincial Treasurer, Edmonton, Alberta, and marked "Tender for Province of Alberta bonds." The prime debentures for the several issues will be ready for delivery at Toronto the day tenders are received. Tenders must be accompanied by a certified check for \$25,000. The highest of any tender not necessarily accepted. Legal opinion, which will be ready on the day tenders are received, will be at the expense of the purchasers and may be obtained from G. Long, Toronto. The first \$1,500,000 of this issue must be taken up within ten days of acceptance of the tender. The remaining portion to be taken up within thirty days of the acceptance of the tender. The debentures represented by the above issue are a direct obligation of the Province and the proceeds thereof are to be used as follows:
 \$2,000,000 for the extension of the Provincial telephone system.
 \$1,136,000 for the carrying on of public works auth. by the Legislature.
 \$710,000 for construction, maintenance and operation or improvement of railways under the control of the Province.

WINDSOR, Ont.—**BOND SALE.**—The Dominion Securities Corp. was successful bidder at 99.77 for \$90,000 6% bonds offered on Dec. 30, 1921, in 20 years.

DALHOUSIE, N. S.—**BOND SALE.**—An issue of \$10,000 6% 20-year bonds and an issue of \$30,000 6% 30-year bonds were sold to W. F. Mahon Co. of Halifax who bid 100.589 for the first issue (\$30,000) and 101.219 for the other.

WINDSOR, Ont.—**DEBENTURE SALE.**—An issue of \$14,500 6½% municipal debentures offered Dec. 20 was awarded to the R. A. Daly Co. of Toronto at 103.50. Denom. \$500 and \$1,000. Date Dec. 31 1921. Payable annually (Dec. 31). Due Dec. 31 1936.

MONTREAL EAST, Que.—**BOND SALE.**—An issue of \$200,000 6% municipal bonds offered recently was sold to the Credit Canadian, S. J. Vidricaire & Boulais and the Municipal Debenture Corp., all of Montreal, at their joint bid of 98.51.

MOOSE JAW, SASK.—**BOND OFFERING.**—Geo. D. Mackie, City Commissioner, will receive bids until 12 m. Jan. 21 for \$29,812.50 6½% municipal bonds.

ONTARIO (Province of).—**BOND SALE.**—The \$15,000,000 5½% gold bonds offered on Jan. 4—V. 113, p. 2848—were sold to syndicate composed of Kissel, Kinnicutt & Co., New York; Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., New York; White, Weld & Co., New York; Blair & Co., Inc., New York; Wm. R. Compton Co., New York; First Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago; Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago; Equitable Trust Co. of New York; Stacy & Braun, New York; First National Co., Detroit; Illinois Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago; Hayden, Stone

& Co., New York; Aemlius Jarvis & Co., Ltd., Toronto; Coffin & Burr, New York; Redmond & Co., New York; Dominion Bank, Toronto; Rutter & Co., New York; Paine, Webber & Co., New York; McLeod, Young & Weir, Toronto; J. H. Holmes & Co., Pittsburgh; Ogilby & Austin, New York, and the Canada Bond Corp. of Toronto at 97.537 (U. S. funds), a basis of about 5.75%. Date Jan. 3 1922. Principal and semi-annual interest, Jan. 3 and July 3, payable at the option of the holder in gold coin of lawful money of Canada at the Provincial Treasurer's office at Toronto or at the Bank of Montreal in Montreal or in United States gold coin of the present standard of weight and fineness at the agency of the Bank of Montreal in New York City. Due Jan 3 1937. On a previous page of this issue the above syndicate is offering these bonds to the investing public at 99.75. The following bids were received:

Bidder—
 Price Bid
 Successful syndicate (as above)..... 97.537 (U. S. funds)
 Daly & Co., Bankers Trust Co., Lee, Higginson & Co. and E. H. Rollins & Sons.....101.296 (Canadian funds)
 Wood, Gundy & Co., Kubn, Loeb & Co., Chase Securities Corp. and Hallgarten & Co.....100.38 (Canadian funds)
 National City Co., Dillon, Read & Co., Dominion Secur. Co., Harris, Forbes & Co., Guar. Tr. Co. 98.946 (Canadian funds)
 A. E. Ames & Co..... 97.697 (Canadian funds)

PORT COLBURNE, Ont.—**BOND SALE.**—The \$33,000 6% 30-year bonds offered unsuccessfully on Oct. 24—V. 113, p. 2009—were recently sold to Wood, Gundy & Co. at 99.38.

SARNIA, Ont.—**DEBENTURE SALE.**—The following three issues of 6% debentures offered on Dec. 28 were sold to Housser, Wood & Co., who bid 100.33 for the first issue, 99.77 for the second and 99.50 for the third issue:
 \$130,000 00 Collegiate and Technical School debentures. Due yearly from 1922 to 1941 inclusive.
 12,811 37 pavement debentures. Due yearly from 1922 to 1931 inc'l.
 41,022 25 sewer, sidewalk and curb debentures. Due yearly from 1922 to 1926 inclusive.
 Denom. \$1,000 and odd amounts. Date Jan. 1 1922. Int. annually Dec. 31).

SASKATCHEWAN SCHOOL DISTRICTS, Sask.—**DEBENTURES AUTHORIZED.**—The following, according to the "Monetary Times" of Toronto, is a list of authorizations granted by the Local Government Board from Dec. 10 to Dec. 17. Rural Telephones.—Coronation, \$1,100; North Marango, \$1,200; Rafoc Copeland, \$1,250; Salvador, \$1,450; Cactus Lake, \$16,500.

DEBENTURE SALES.—The following we learn from the same source is a list of debentures amounting to \$32,065 reported sold during the same periods. **SCHOOL DISTRICTS.**—St. Peter, No. 2426, \$4,000, 10 years, 8%, C. C. Cross & Co., Regina; Loch Lomond, No. 2816, \$1,600, 10 years, 8%, J. Schartz, Guernsey; Yemen, No. 1692, \$4,500, 10 years, 8%, K. Schartz, Guernsey; Lucky Lake, No. 4451, \$6,000, 15 years, 8%, Waterman-Waterbury, Regina; MacKenzie, No. 3107, \$500, 5 years, 8%, Jas. Little, Wolseley; Trafalgar, No. 1564, \$3,500, 10 years, 8%, J. R. Bell Edmonton; Spring Lake, No. 153, \$2,000, 10 years, 8%, A. Tullock, Broadview; McLean, No. 61, \$1,200, 10 years, 8%, Mrs. E. Bell, McLean; Walpole, No. 4426, \$500, 10 years, 8%, E. Little, Walpole.

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