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CLEARING HOUSE RETURNS.

The following table, made up by telegraph, &c., indicates that the total bank clearings of all the clearing houses of the United States for the week ending to-day have been \$6,980,961,318, against \$6,697,305,869 last week and \$6,213,571,188 the corresponding week last year.

Clearings—Returns by Telegraph. Week ending March 25.	1922.	1921.	Per Cent.
New York	\$3,430,400,000	\$2,881,127,334	+19.1
Chicago	423,007,412	392,696,192	+7.7
Philadelphia	325,000,000	260,382,861	+24.8
Boston	252,000,000	205,755,994	+22.4
San Francisco	108,366,540	119,688,470	-9.5
St. Louis	103,500,000	114,800,000	-9.8
Pittsburgh	85,300,000	103,957,239	-18.0
St. Paul	84,252,230	66,427,536	+26.8
Albany	57,880,313	51,596,595	+12.2
New Orleans	42,742,503	34,671,039	+23.3
Eleven cities, five days	\$4,912,409,000	\$4,231,103,250	+16.3
Other cities, five days	905,018,765	946,872,710	-4.4
Total all cities, five days	\$5,817,467,765	\$5,177,975,990	+12.4
11 cities, one day	1,163,493,553	1,035,595,198	+12.4
Total all cities for week	\$6,980,961,318	\$6,213,571,188	+12.4

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 upon Saturday, and hence in the above the last day of the week has to be in cases estimated, as we go to press Friday night. *Estimated.
 Detailed figures for the week ending March 18 show:

Clearings at—	Week ending March 18.			
	1922.	1921.	Inc. or Dec.	1920.
New York	2,687,594,813	4,028,018,668	-8.4	5,293,360,831
Philadelphia	430,000,000	432,732,181	-0.7	546,275,010
Pittsburgh	613,000,000	169,415,315	-15.0	182,846,262
Albany	75,000,000	50,787,160	-7.2	92,906,095
Buffalo	37,108,510	37,442,644	-0.9	49,799,124
Washington	19,542,342	17,685,744	+10.5	18,873,153
Albany	a	a	a	a
Chester	8,171,381	9,214,103	-11.3	13,794,406
Frankton	4,519,087	4,695,551	-3.1	4,683,894
Scranton	3,709,251	3,794,585	-0.7	4,719,262
Reading	2,540,768	2,385,305	+6.0	2,960,000
Hilmington	a	a	a	a
Wilkes Barre	62,242,000	2,437,021	+8.0	2,879,122
Scranton	4,416,220	5,185,506	-14.8	4,950,008
Scranton	2,942,134	2,995,172	-1.8	3,104,495
Scranton	3,429,836	4,066,360	-15.7	3,589,829
Scranton	1,220,856	1,284,636	-5.6	1,336,986
Scranton	a	a	a	a
Scranton	943,000	957,500	-1.5	1,172,600
Scranton	a	a	a	a
Scranton	945,085	877,604	+7.7	841,178
Scranton	348,395	410,488	-15.1	312,446
Scranton	1,480,372	2,010,178	-27.4	1,939,413
Scranton	2,896,181	2,881,187	+0.5	a
Scranton	918,671	849,188	+8.1	a
Scranton	3,613,589	Not included	In total	a
Total Middle	4,431,049,858	4,810,155,687	-7.9	5,240,694,347
Scranton	310,000,000	286,000,000	+8.4	410,149,628
Scranton	a	a	a	a
Scranton	4,964,377	5,889,737	-15.7	7,017,670
Scranton	3,817,803	4,372,342	-12.2	4,900,401
Scranton	2,736,971	2,350,000	+16.4	2,300,000
Scranton	3,314,233	3,495,647	-4.4	4,377,804
Scranton	1,579,534	1,378,892	+13.6	2,415,876
Scranton	1,416,108	1,296,352	+9.2	1,919,362
Scranton	1,195,819	1,020,858	+17.2	1,177,488
Scranton	717,247	839,234	-14.5	772,169
Scranton	a	a	a	a
Total New Eng.	2,077,2081	3,066,612,300	-47.5	4,152,290,353

a No longer report clearings or only give debits against individual accounts, with comparative figures for previous years.
 b Report no clearings, but give comparative figures of debits we apply to last year's clearings the same ratio of decrease (or increase) as shown by the debits.
 c Do not respond to requests for figures. * Estimated.
 Note.—Canadian bank clearings on page 1257.

Clearings at—

Week ending March 18.

Clearings at—	Week ending March 18.				
	1922.	1921.	Inc. or Dec.	1920.	1919.
Chicago	\$528,335,070	\$523,492,805	+0.2	702,349,309	517,098,111
Cincinnati	62,947,428	67,728,923	-7.1	80,114,063	68,878,690
Cleveland	88,608,365	113,266,543	-11.3	152,593,188	124,087,433
Detroit	115,926,549	110,405,180	+4.7	159,877,700	123,000,000
Milwaukee	37,183,045	33,401,005	+11.3	42,849,135	33,495,570
Indianapolis	16,567,000	13,207,000	+25.2	18,005,000	12,615,000
Columbus	13,116,900	12,099,300	+8.4	14,101,300	12,470,800
Toledo	a	a	a	a	a
Peoria	3,957,977	4,050,937	-2.3	5,304,489	5,020,534
Grand Rapids	6,058,114	5,495,752	-29.1	7,177,830	4,695,337
Dayton	a	a	a	a	a
Evansville	3,837,555	4,033,255	-4.9	5,166,765	4,348,753
Springfield, Ill.	2,430,537	2,670,761	-9.0	2,780,153	2,151,039
Ft. Wayne	1,762,319	1,646,194	+1.1	1,956,514	1,163,587
Youngstown	4,366,695	4,317,625	+1.1	4,582,532	3,286,166
Rockford	2,050,959	2,007,208	+2.2	2,816,748	1,984,804
Bloomington	1,632,913	1,783,850	-8.5	2,386,189	1,510,532
Quincy	1,403,356	1,596,963	-12.1	1,905,725	1,526,957
Akron	4,876,000	6,878,000	-29.1	11,144,000	8,228,000
Canton	3,353,288	3,476,046	-3.5	6,338,406	4,071,639
Deratur	1,098,538	1,207,996	-9.0	1,689,083	1,027,628
Springfield, O.	a	a	a	a	a
South Bend	1,843,417	1,600,000	+15.2	1,891,044	1,116,296
Mansfield	c	a	a	a	a
Danville	a	a	a	a	a
Jacksonville, Ill.	274,636	337,277	-18.6	514,377	462,694
Lansing	1,816,236	1,500,000	+21.0	1,757,643	1,100,428
Lima	998,656	839,844	+18.9	1,452,552	776,220
Owensboro	489,437	476,747	+2.7	943,839	1,182,384
Ann Arbor	852,828	696,378	+22.4	610,449	511,206
Adrian	257,690	300,000	-14.2	472,582	136,087
Tot. Mid. West	906,045,868	918,504,989	-1.4	1,230,870,968	935,945,897
San Francisco	144,706,000	150,500,000	-3.9	176,164,286	146,993,900
Los Angeles	100,875,000	88,714,000	+13.7	82,932,000	36,871,000
Seattle	42,054,074	44,276,041	-5.0	60,150,913	45,745,426
Portland	32,338,119	33,443,661	-3.3	44,528,036	31,472,820
Salt Lake City	11,646,969	12,974,449	-10.2	18,184,253	12,050,000
Spokane	a	a	a	a	a
Tacoma	a	a	a	a	a
Oakland	12,009,278	11,040,996	+8.8	11,195,721	8,038,972
Sacramento	5,309,553	5,797,710	-8.4	5,439,757	3,613,869
San Diego	3,027,224	2,513,635	+20.4	2,895,360	2,071,366
Stockton	2,242,300	5,336,134	-58.0	5,779,100	1,998,330
Fresno	3,589,440	4,227,239	-15.1	5,001,029	2,847,876
San Jose	1,750,129	1,771,143	-1.2	1,771,142	1,658,543
Yakima	1,547,189	1,422,890	+8.7	2,053,505	1,057,476
Pasadena	4,104,646	3,742,084	+9.7	2,605,638	1,314,066
Reno	a	a	a	a	a
Long Beach	4,377,917	3,260,446	+34.3	3,245,563	1,306,454
Santa Barbara	932,215	880,138	+5.9	a	a
Total Pacific	370,514,153	369,900,566	+0.2	421,946,303	297,040,098
Kansas City	134,455,000	173,748,986	-22.7	271,014,523	193,453,401
Minneapolis	66,829,978	68,595,344	-2.6	44,379,365	37,242,421
Omaha	40,932,517	44,983,165	-9.0	82,331,512	62,198,077
St. Paul	32,966,268	39,943,803	-17.5	20,936,318	15,365,692
Denver	18,074,106	18,107,375	-1.2	24,363,902	19,412,728
St. Joseph	a	a	a	a	a
Des Moines	9,935,868	9,533,224	+4.2	16,779,941	10,035,330
St. Louis	6,104,434	7,098,345	-14.0	12,674,897	10,079,278
Wichita	11,032,432	11,954,788	-7.7	13,274,705	10,473,444
Lincoln	3,784,784	3,920,825	-3.5	7,683,141	5,016,155
Topeka	2,329,985	2,923,796	-20.3	3,412,656	3,106,270
Cedar Rapids	1,858,835	2,301,488	-21.3	3,328,924	2,375,464
Colorado Springs	933,914	969,389	-3.7	1,422,875	896,914
Pueblo	684,981	883,000	-22.4	1,239,378	803,381
Fort	2,058,721	2,400,256	-14.2	2,786,949	2,399,749
Duluth	5,596,941	5,708,422	-2.0	7,110,942	5,082,240
Waterloo	1,426,780	1,586,989	-10.1	2,857,437	1,583,304
Helen	3,076,733	2,886,554	+6.0	1,958,264	1,954,544
Fremont	341,864	672,610	-49.3	1,150,958	795,002
Haings	641,127	641,127	0.0	1,085,413	603,613
Hilltop	587,614	752,254	-21.9	1,221,067	1,240,235
Aberdeen	1,010,308	1,230,356	-17.9	1,092,990	1,238,263
Tot other West	344,605,462	400,800,090	-14.0	522,656,157	385,361,555
St. Louis	a	a	a	a	a
New Orleans	44,270,901	44,771,919	-1.1	67,075,122	55,935,199
Louisville	28,983,971	27,342,034	+6.0	12,644,645	18,448,261
Houston	a	a	a	a	a
Galveston	6,140,889	6,335,077	-3.1	7,251,300	5,713,299
Helmond	40,222,232	42,689,093	-5.8	66,911,071	55,373,315
Fort Worth	10,747,060	13,195,215	-18.0	21,537,845	13,720,500
Memphis	10,729,984	15,700,382	-30.6	29,888,097	16,969,104
Atlanta	45,262,716	45,447,441	-0.4	72,887,490	54,575,571
Baytown	a	a	a	a	a
Nashville	18,322,613	18,578,978	-1.4	25,363,209	15,579,261
Portland	6,059,301	7,301,761	-		

THE FINANCIAL SITUATION.

The stage having been set for the purpose, the soldier bonus raid was driven through the House in Washington on Thursday night, under the gag rule, thus carrying out the declared program. The vote justified the loudest predictions of the raiders, being 333 to 70, the total being only 32 short of the full membership and the affirmative being 63 more than two-thirds of the full membership.

The time for argument and remonstrance is past. Both have been used in vain. These 333 persons have gone counter to justice, to reason, to the immovable facts, to the interests of the country, to their own judgment. This thing will be denounced as a Republican measure, and that party will justly have to carry the brunt of the odium; but it does not deserve all of it, for the 333 are rated as 242 Republican, 90 Democratic, and one Socialist, and the negative vote was 42 Republican and 28 Democrat. Reduced to percentages, the affirmative vote was about 87% of the Republicans and 77% of the Democrats. Thus the onus must justly stand about equally divided; there is no "party line."

Everything, including the protests from the country, has been defied. It is within the truth to say that in the history of the country there has never been such a stolid, stupid action by Congress or by either branch. It is scarcely conceivable that the veto could change enough votes in the House to sustain it; reliance must therefore be placed on the Senate, and it would be idle to try to forecast the action there.

This deed has been done by men whose notion is that (as one of them is quoted as having said) the the expectant and clamoring beneficiaries are organized, while its opponents are not, "and we shall probably get their votes anyway." Will this prove so? That remains to be seen, and it will be the test of the people. A new Congress, the 68th, is to be chosen on Nov. 7, a full House of 435 and 32 Senators. These trustees who betray their trust want to go on the record, so that they may get the soldier vote. They have gained their wish; they are on the record, and they will have the publicity. Whether the raid goes through or is halted, every Congressman who defiles himself with it should be marked and remembered, and not one should ever be given another opportunity to make a public trust a matter for private bargain. Attention must now be focused upon the Senate, a body once graced and held constant by real men and men of stature. Perhaps the country has been defied because it is not yet sufficiently aroused. A white-hot wave of public indignation should now roll upon Washington.

In watching the progress of the greater raid upon the public Treasury, the first step towards a like though smaller raid in this State may not have attracted enough attention. In the closing week at Albany the bill appropriating a million for sick and disabled service men who have been fourteen days without employment went through, and so did the expected constitutional amendment towards the largess that was beaten by the Court of Appeals. This amendment, which went through the Assembly unanimously, proposes to add a new section to Article VII, giving the Legislature power to create a debt for bonus purposes. The proposition has at least one merit in not attempting any hypocrisy, for

it makes no pretense of "adjusted" or other "compensation" and frankly calls the thing by its proper name of bonus. The only adjustment limitation is a proviso that the money shall be apportioned "on the basis of the periods of service of the respective beneficiaries." There is no restriction to persons who suffered; one who stayed in a training camp is placed in the same class as another who left both legs in France. The only limitation is that the beneficiaries must have been actually residents of this State at the time of entering the service and must have been honorably discharged. The benefits are to go to "soldiers, sailors and marines of the World War." What is it to be a "soldier," and does that include all "citizens," of either sex, who were at any time in the service in any capacity? If it does, the breadth resembles that of the Amazon at its mouth; if it does not, the expectant beneficiaries will be deceived, or, if not deceived, will lose the enthusiasm which caused them to swell the referendum vote of 1920 so that it was carried by more than two to one and was declared to have voiced an overwhelming demand by the people.

An interesting provision of this proposed amendment empowers the Legislature, without limitation as to time or other details except total amount, to create "a debt or debts" without submitting the question to the people as is now constitutionally required. The aggregate debt to be authorized shall not exceed the amount specified in the referendum of 1920; after this amendment has gone through the next Legislature and has been ratified in the following November—as it naturally will be, under the loose practice discussed by the "Chronicle" in October last—the Legislature will be at liberty to proceed to create a debt of 45 millions, whenever it gets ready and on any terms consistent with the acceptance of the bonds in market. It is well, however, to know what is menacing us, if it be possible to know.

The President returned to Washington with his attitude towards the great raid unchanged, and up to the taking of the vote on Thursday no evidence appeared that anybody had changed. It has been estimated that to carry out the raid would require the services of more than 5,000 additional persons and some 20 to 30 millions for clerical work alone. The Treasury also estimates, now that income-tax day has come and gone, that the drop of 100 millions in actual as against expected receipts in the first quarter is likely to repeat itself in the second, so the apprehended 14 millions of deficit at the end of the current fiscal year will possibly be 214 millions. It is also pointed out, by Mr. McAdoo and others, that the "War Risk Insurance" Act of 1917 was distinctly intended and understood to be an alternative and a substitute for all other forms of soldier relief. This is correct, as the record abundantly shows, and in discussing the war insurance at that time the "Chronicle" referred to the plea that the plan would be an improvement upon the old pension scheme, so interminable in duration and so crammed with abuses and wastes (the activities of pension agents contributing very substantially to both) but expressed a doubt whether that old scheme would not revive notwithstanding. That it has reappeared, and in a worse form, we have since discovered.

Five Democratic members of the Fordney Committee, headed by Mr. Claude Kitchin, presented on Monday a minority report, partisan throughout and containing some remarks so uncouth as to be fit

only for the lowest descent of campaign billings-gate; yet it does properly characterize the bill as a cheat and a "gold brick." It calls for a bonus, but for payment in cash and for a specific tax levy to cover it. It says the Government ought to borrow at $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ for the purpose, issuing certificates of indebtedness in advance of collections. These Congressmen would go after the rich and are ready to give another turn to the income-tax screw or reimpose the excess profits tax.

Although call money rates stiffened up somewhat during the week, the bond market continued its upward trend, with trading active, carrying a large part of the list up to new high levels. The Liberty loan and Victory loan issues on Wednesday sold at new high prices, but toward the end of the week the advance in the call loan rate, together with the passage of the bonus bill in the House by such a large majority, had a slight adverse effect on these issues. The rise in European exchanges, outside of its sentimental influence on prices of foreign bonds, specifically affected the United Kingdom $5\frac{1}{2}s$ of 1922 and 1929, which are convertible into British war bonds at the fixed rate of \$4.30 per pound. Reports from international bankers indicate that many American investors have taken advantage of the high quotations on these issues to sell. On Wednesday, one house sold in one block some \$684,000 of these bonds in the London market. Through these conversions, which have been going on for some time, England is gradually changing part of her external debt into an internal debt.

Foreign bonds have been the chief feature of the week's trading, the French $7\frac{1}{2}s$ and $8s$ making new record highs at $103\frac{3}{4}$ and $108\frac{3}{4}$. Of late, various investment bankers have been pointing out to their clients the high yield basis at which these bonds are selling, together with the fact that they are non-callable, which makes them more attractive than some of the recent issues, coming out in such quantity as to overshadow older issues. Swiss $8s$ also made a new high record, and yesterday sold up to 119. They are the highest priced foreign Government bond on the market, yielding about 6.25% to maturity. Considerable activity has also been shown in the Mexican Government issues because of the official statement that De la Huerta would come to this country about April 1 to confer with American bankers; also a belief that Mexico will shortly be officially recognized by the Washington authorities.

In the railroad group, particular attention has centred on Erie and New York New Haven & Hartford issues, because of the refunding operations of both roads. The Erie, with \$15,000,000 notes maturing April 1, has arranged to sell \$5,000,000 consolidated mortgage 7s of 1930 to pay off the \$2,253,000 notes held by the War Finance Corporation and the \$2,247,000 held by the public. The remaining \$10,000,000 held by the War Finance Corporation will be extended for one year at 6% , the present rate. The New Haven situation, unlike the Erie, is not yet a settled matter, but depositaries for the European Loan 4s state that response to the road's request for deposit of bonds has so far been very satisfactory. The company's stock reached a new high for the year at 20, reflecting confidence that the road will be successful in its loan negotiations. The Curb

market is already dealing in the new extended 7s on a "when, as and if issued" basis, at prices around 79-80.

In the municipal bond market, the offerings, with few exceptions, are passing rapidly into the hands of investors. From some quarters there has been some active bidding for new issues, but a repetition of the "wild" bidding of last year is not wanted or looked for. Prices are still tending upward. Two pointers in this direction are evident in the lowering of basis prices on the remaining maturities of the recent State of Missouri issue and of the State of California issue brought out some time ago. The changes were from $4.40-4.30\%$ to $4.35-4.25\%$ on the former, and from 4.40% to 4.35% on the latter.

Of new corporate issues, the most important offering was the \$18,000,000 Missouri Pacific first and refunding 6s at $98\frac{3}{4}$, to yield about 6.10% to maturity, which was so far over-subscribed that allotments will be only about 15% of subscriptions. It is expected that next week will see a larger amount of new financing, including about \$25,000,000 public utility bonds, a possible loan of \$30,000,000 to Czechoslovakia and a loan of \$25,000,000 to the Paris-Orleans Railway of France.

The stock market started the week strong, with New York Central leading in activity and carrying other "rails" with it. Not only is consolidation of several smaller roads with the Central expected, though as yet the matter apparently has not gone beyond the talking stage, but there is also a belief in certain quarters that the coming dividend declaration will be on a 7% yearly basis. A \$60,000,000 bond issue by the Central has been approved by the Inter-State Commerce Commission, and a public offering is expected shortly. Motor shares, under the leadership of Studebaker, have been very active, on the theory that the motor industry is now on a very fair way to new prosperity. Bethlehem Steel was in strong demand, which brought it into a new record high at $71\frac{7}{8}$. Bethlehem earnings for 1921 as reported amounted to \$11.50 on the common. Early in the week it was thought that Mr. Schwab was directing the much-talked-of steel merger. Denial of this did not affect the stock. Yesterday a rumor was put afloat of a contemplated railroad merger, which was to result in a New York-Chicago railroad system which, according to the originators of the story, was to rival the New York Central and the Pennsylvania. The roads mentioned in the rumor were the Delaware Lackawanna & Western; the New York Chicago & St. Louis; Toledo St. Louis & Western; Ann Arbor and Pere Marquette. The rumor quickly met with general denial.

The directors of the Northern Pacific RR. on Wednesday reduced the quarterly dividend on the stock from $13\frac{1}{4}\%$ to $11\frac{1}{4}\%$, or from a basis of 7% per year to 5% . Shares of this road and the Great Northern reacted somewhat on the following day. The Public Service Corporation of New Jersey declared a $1\frac{1}{2}\%$ quarterly dividend, raising the annual rate to 6% from 4% . The most constructive piece of recent news was announcement that the subsidiaries of the United States Steel Corporation are now operating at 70% capacity, and that incoming business in March so far has been 30% in excess of that for February. In July 1921 operations were down to 29% .

Premier Lloyd George has continued his vacation in the Welsh hills. His prolonged absence from London and unbroken silence relative to his intention to resign or not to resign, and also as to his future political policies, caused both his friends and foes to be apprehensive. Some of the most curious could not refrain from guessing and making their guesses known. A writer in a London weekly dryly observed that "Sphinxes do not dig potato plots, otherwise the Hermit of Cricceth might be compared to a Sphinx." The same writer also said: "The Nestor of world politics, the only survivor from the far distant days of the great war itself, appears summoned to join the shades of Orlando, Wilson, Clemenceau, Giolitti, Leygues, Briand, Nitti and so many others who have strutted their little hours across the stage which Lloyd George seemed destined to occupy in perpetuity." A statement that was characterized as "inspired" was issued in London Friday night of last week, in which it was denied that "Premier Lloyd George intends to resign a fortnight hence." It added that "he intends to stay at Cricceth, Wales, another ten day or a fortnight, and has definitely decided to go to Genoa." According to the statement also, upon his return to London he "will seriously tackle the home political situation."

Naturally because of the acuteness of the political situation and the seemingly uncertain position of the Lloyd George Ministry, all indications as to the probable outcome have been watched closely. Special attention was given to the by-elections. Announcement was made in London a week ago tonight that "Sir M. Mac Dofold, Lloyd George candidate, has won a by-election at Inverness." It was claimed that "he had defeated A. M. Livingstone, Independent Liberal candidate, by 316, although at the general election in 1918 the Coalition Liberal majority was 5,061." It was observed also that "the result consequently is not unlike that at the Cambridge by-election a few days ago, when the Conservative candidate retained his seat, but by a considerably reduced majority."

The New York "Tribune" correspondent in London outlined the situation as follows: "The result of Lloyd George's attempt to override the British political crisis by retiring to Cricceth, Wales, until the storm blows over, has been far different from what the Premier hoped and expected. Instead of weakening, the revolt of the die-hard Unionists against the Coalition has grown stronger in the last week. The Earl of Derby has taken his stand for the Unionist Party and against the Coalition. The support of Edwin S. Montagu's associates was lost when the Secretary for India was dismissed. Now even Austen Chamberlain, Government spokesman in the House of Commons, and Sir Arthur J. Balfour, are drifting away from Lloyd George and back into the camp of the orthodox conservatives. With the Premier, who has steered the British political ship with such masterly skill since 1916 off the bridge, shipwreck of his Coalition on the shoals of party discord now seems inevitable. Political observers say that when Lloyd George thought his absence from London would clear up the muddle, he made his first great political miscalculation."

The most definite announcement early in the week relative to the British Premier's plans was made in the House of Commons Tuesday afternoon by Aus-

ten Chamberlain, Government leader. He said that "Prime Minister Lloyd George will resume his place in the House of Commons on April 3 and will immediately ask for a vote on the Government's policy regarding the Genoa Economic Conference." He added that "the Government intended to put a motion clearly raising the question as to whether it possessed the confidence of the House," and asserted that "the whole House will recognize that it would be impossible for us to ask the Premier to go to Genoa if there were any doubt about his authority." In cablegrams from London Wednesday morning, it was stated that "Mr. Chamberlain's statement was made in reply to questions from members." Discussing this latest development in the Lloyd George situation the London correspondent of the Philadelphia "Public Ledger" said that "the Premier will get a confidence vote, and, unless there are important changes between now and April 3, when he will make his plea, it is likely to be substantial enough to guarantee the full power he needs at Genoa. After the Conference there must be some sort of showdown, but exactly when it will come, or who will manipulate it, cannot be foretold."

The "Daily Chronicle" of London contained an article on Wednesday that was said to have been contributed by a well-known writer who had spent some time with the Premier at Cricceth, and which was said to represent Lloyd George's ideas accurately. In part the anonymous writer said: "What is it that England and Europe want? Not the triumph of this or that party, not the downing of this or that politician, but the fulfillment of our war ideals. Unless we can get a Europe that works as an economic unity and is reconciled in politics, the result of the war is still in dreadful doubt. Ask any thoughtful American whether he thinks there is danger of Europe slipping back into the Middle Ages, and if he is frank his reply will astonish you. The danger is real—perhaps the great reality in politics. That is why Genoa is incomparably the biggest issue just now." These ideas coincide closely with those expressed by the late Viscount James Bryce, at a luncheon given in his honor last October by the Merchants' Association of this city the day before he sailed from America for the last time.

By far the most important announcement relative to Germany, and probably the Allies as well, was made in Paris Tuesday. The Allied Reparations Commission made it known that its members had reached "an agreement on the sums Germany must pay this year, and the conditions under which reduced payments are agreed to." Briefly, according to Paris cable advices Wednesday morning, "in 1922 Germany must pay on reparations account 720,000,000 gold marks cash, of which 280,000,000 has been already paid, and 1,450,000,000 marks gold value in materials. This sum includes a 220,000,000 marks payment for the armies of occupation of England, France and Belgium." It was understood that Germany must fulfill the following conditions: "1. Autonomy of the Reichsbank. 2. The balancing of the budget by an interior loan of 1,000,000,000 marks gold. 3. Immediate limitation of the issue of paper money. 4. The return to Germany of securities hidden abroad since the Armistice." Germany will be called upon also, it was said, "to agree to give the Allied Commission supervision and execution of

these measures." It was also pointed out that "the figures fixed by the Commission reduce by 40% the amounts due from Germany this year by the terms of the reparations accord of last May."

According to an Associated Press dispatch from Paris Wednesday evening, "if the German Government fails to apply the reforms upon which the partial moratorium is conditioned, the Allies may resort to the terms of the annex to the Treaty of Versailles, authorizing them to take further pledges as a guarantee for reparations payments. Germany, it is provided, must collect 60,000,000,000 marks in taxes more than provided for in the budget, and must pay 5% interest on the portion of the payments on which a moratorium is granted." May 31 is named as the final date for the German Government "to satisfy the Allied demands."

The Berlin representative of the New York "Herald" set forth the German attitude toward the agreement as follows: "The most serious demand yet made on Germany! That is the general verdict in political circles on the decision of the Reparations Commission that Germany must raise 60,000,000,000 paper marks in additional taxes after passing the present Government tax program." "No Government can be found to carry out such requirements," one radical leader in the Reichstag declared. Another prominent member said: "The money simply cannot be raised, even if the Government should undertake to promise it." The same evening the Associated Press correspondent in the German capital cabled that "Chancellor Wirth and his colleagues betray no outward signs of perturbation regarding the decision of the Reparations Commission on terms for a partial moratorium. Pending study of the official text of the communication they have deferred comment. Official quarters permit the inference that it is believed that the decision is not of the nature of an ultimatum, but that it leaves the way open for a counter-proposal or fresh negotiations." The latest developments in Berlin regarding the agreement were reported as follows in a cablegram from that centre yesterday morning: "The Cabinet postponed discussing the note of the Reparations Commission until to-morrow [Friday], and the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Reichstag also decided to defer the matter. The Reichstag itself will discuss the situation Saturday [to-day], when the Chancellor is scheduled to make a speech in this connection. If Chancellor Wirth listens to the Conservatives and the powerful People's party, of which Hugo Stinnes is the backer, he will decline to accept the new terms."

What purported to be the French position was outlined in part as follows by the Paris correspondent of the same paper: "Cost what it may France intends to pay all her pensioners and restore the devastated regions and to recover every sou of such expenditures from Germany, according to the Senate Finance Commission's report presented today [Wednesday] in regard to the budget situation and how France depends on Germany for its payments."

There has been much speculation as to the man who would be chosen by the German Government to be the first Ambassador to the United States under the restoration of relations between the two countries. Berlin cable advices Tuesday morning stated

definitely that "Dr. Otto Ludwig Wiedfeldt, former managing director of the Krupp concern, has accepted the appointment of German Ambassador to Washington, and the approval of the United States Government has been requested." In a Washington dispatch the same morning it was said that "inquiry by the Berlin Government as to the acceptability of Dr. Wiedfeldt was received Saturday. The matter was laid to-day before President Harding. The favorable reply of the United States is expected to be transmitted to Berlin within the next few days, and appointment of Dr. Wiedfeldt as Ambassador to Washington probably will follow at once." The Berlin correspondent of the New York "Herald" said that "Dr. Wiedfeldt is not radical in his political leanings. He is reckoned as one of the forceful leaders of the People's Party, led by Dr. Streelmann along with such industrial kings as Hugo Stinnes, Voegler and Stoll. Frequently his name has been mentioned for Minister of Economics or Finance. He is especially interested in agriculture, banks and transport."

That the appointment of Dr. Wiedfeldt was a closed incident was made plain in the following dispatch from Berlin Wednesday morning: "Washington's agreement to the appointment of the Krupp Director-General, Dr. Otto Wiedfeldt, as German Ambassador there, reached Berlin to-day [Tuesday], to the considerable relief of his personal and political friends, some of whom feared that he might be turned down by the American Government owing to his Krupp connections." The correspondent added that "it is believed that he will lose no time in assuming his new post, as both Wiedfeldt and the Wirth Government attach the utmost importance to the initial activities of Germany's first after-war Ambassador to America in connection with the Genoa Conference. The appointment is arousing more interest and comment than that of any other German Ambassador or Minister, since Washington is to-day regarded as the premier post in Germany's diplomatic service and the pivotal point in the Wirth-Rathenau foreign policy."

Rome heard direct from Fiume on Tuesday that "the state of emergency" was at end. The Constituent Assembly of Fiume met the same day "for the purpose of electing a Government to succeed that of President Zanella, recently overthrown." According to a news agency dispatch Wednesday evening, no action was taken the day before toward electing a new Government. On Thursday the Cabinet was given a "unanimous vote of confidence on its foreign policy."

Mohandas K. Gandhi, the Indian non-cooperationist leader, was sentenced on Saturday, at Ahmedabad, British India, "to six years' imprisonment without hard labor." Word came from London the same day that "Viscount Peel former Under Secretary of the War and Air Ministry and Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster in the present Ministry, has been appointed Secretary of State for India, succeeding Edwin S. Montagu, who resigned last week." In a cable message from Ahmedabad it was stated "that the arrest of Gandhi and the restraint placed upon the country have considerably advanced the Khalifat and Swaraj causes, and that the non-cooperationist leader's arrest will not alter the program

outlined at Bardoli recently, which includes individual civil disobedience, is the opinion of the working committee of the All-India Congress Committee, which was expressed in a resolution carried to-day" [last Saturday]. It was added that "a heated discussion, lasting for six hours, preceded its adoption."

In a later Associated Press cablegram from the same centre it was related that when asked by the Advocate-General, before the latter pronounced sentence, whether he pleaded guilty to all the charges made against him, Gandhi "replied in the affirmative." The Advocate-General thereupon reminded him that he was chiefly blameworthy because he had openly taught disaffection against the existing Government. Gandhi made a long statement, in which "he admitted that teaching disaffection against the existing system of Government had become almost a passion with him." Continuing, Gandhi declared that "he took all the blame for the disorders in Madras, Bombay and Chauri Chaura; but he added that if he were liberated he would keep up his work. Non-violence was the first and last article of his faith; he bore no ill-will against any single administrator nor any disaffection toward the King's person." The Judge in reply said "it was impossible to ignore the fact that in the eyes of millions of his countrymen Gandhi was a great patriotic leader and a man of high ideals, leading a noble, even a saintly, life; but his duty was to judge him as a man who admitted he had broken the law and committed what to the ordinary person must appear to be a great offense against the State." Gandhi "thanked the Court for his courtesy," and added that "he considered the sentence as light as any judge could possibly have inflicted."

Unmistakably the chief figures in the Soviet Government are determined that they shall be given what they believe to be their rightful position at the Genoa Conference. George Tchitcherin, Russian Soviet Minister of Foreign Affairs, sent a long radio dispatch to Premier Poincare, in which he claimed that "the situation of the Soviet Government is being misrepresented in the press of Western Europe." The message added that "it is feared in Moscow that the Russian representatives at the Genoa Economic Conference, will find themselves confronted with decisions regarding Russia which already have been taken at conferences of the experts from which Russia was excluded." It also asserted that "the Genoa Conference must distinguish itself radically from preceding European conferences. There must be no difference made between victors and vanquished, between large and small States, or between Soviet and the bourgeois Governments. All must be on the same basis of equality and work collectively for universal economic recovery." The communication ended "with an expression of the hope that the participants at Genoa will receive a guarantee of untrammelled co-operation for the solution of the problems of the day."

Evidently the Ulster Government has endeavored to keep things within bounds in the northern part of Ireland. A Belfast dispatch a week ago this afternoon stated that "the Ulster Home Office has in the last forty-eight hours suppressed five local bodies in the six county area, all having Sinn Fein ma-

ajorities, regarded by the Northern Government as recalcitrant. Commissioners have been appointed to discharge their duties." Dublin learned from various points that "disquieting conditions still prevail along the frontier between Southern Ireland and Ulster." A Belfast cablegram Tuesday morning seemed to give a very good idea of the disturbances. It said that "guerrilla warfare was general to-day [Monday] on the Ulster-Free State border. Gangs of the Irish Republican Army made incursions into Northern territory. There were at least two ambushes, resulting in casualties. Desultory firing was kept up during the day, and it is reported machine guns were brought into action. The Ulster forces took some prisoners."

There has been the usual lack of harmony in Irish political circles, as well as between the various factions of the people. Through an Associated Press cablegram from Dublin Wednesday evening the report came that "the Irish Republican Army convention, recently forbidden by Arthur Griffith, President of the Dail Eireann, will be held in Dublin Sunday [to-morrow], as arranged, it was officially announced in the Republican organ here to-day. The announcement is taken here to mean that a definite split in the Republican Army has come." In a Dublin cablegram Thursday morning the assertion was made that "it is openly admitted that the purpose of the convention is to get the army to renounce the authority of the Dail, as subverting the Republic, and to set up its own authority."

Winston Churchill, Secretary for the Colonies, stated in the House of Commons on Wednesday that "it may be necessary to throw a cordon of British troops about the troubled area along the Ulster border." He was quoted as saying also that "the situation in Ireland was growing steadily worse."

Official discounts at leading European centres continue to be quoted at 5% in Berlin, Belgium, France and Sweden; 5½% in Denmark; 6% in Rome, Norway and Madrid; 4½% in London and Holland and 3½% in Switzerland. In view of the recent reductions in British, Swedish, French and Norwegian bank rates, it is noted with some interest that the Bank of Finland still retains its high level of 9%, the highest in the world, and which has been in effect since Nov. 8 1920. Financiers at that centre, however, claim that financial conditions in Finland make any attempt at lowering the rate extremely inadvisable. In London the open market rate was a shade firmer, having advanced to 3½% for short bills and 3 7-16@3½% for three months, which compares with 3⅜ and 3 5-16@3⅜% a week earlier. But call money remained at 3¼%, unchanged. In Paris and Switzerland the open market discount rates are still at 4½% and 2½%, respectively.

Another small increase in gold was reported by the Bank of England, namely £4,322, while total reserve expanded £58,000, as a result of a contraction in note circulation of £54,000. Deposits were appreciably larger, while the Bank increased its temporary loans to the Government; hence the proportion of reserve to liabilities fell to 17.95%, as against 18.98% a week ago. Last year the reserve percentage stood at 13.88% and in 1920 at 21.89%. In public deposits there was an increase of £2,922,000 and in other deposits £4,717,000. Loans on Govern-

ment securities expanded £1,331,000. During the week the loans on other securities increased £6,264,000. The Bank's gold holdings aggregate £128,779,763, which compares with £128,326,518 last year and £115,783,186 in 1920. Total reserve stands at £25,524,000, as against £17,241,073 in 1921 and £33,096,541 a year earlier. The loan total is £86,396,000, in comparison with £101,022,091 last year and £91,142,983 a year earlier. Outstanding note circulation is £121,704,000. This compares with £129,535,455 and £101,136,645 one and two years ago, respectively. Clearings through the London banks for the week were £726,509,000, against £781,421,000 a week ago and £675,086,000 last year. At the weekly meeting of the Governors of the Bank of England, the minimum discount rate was continued unchanged at 4½%. We append a tabular statement of comparisons of the principal items of the Bank of England's returns:

BANK OF ENGLAND'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	1922. March 22.	1921. March 23.	1920. March 24.	1919. March 26.	1918. March 27.
	£	£	£	£	£
Circulation.....	121,704,000	129,535,455	101,136,645	73,649,165	47,817,095
Public deposits.....	21,859,000	22,981,849	19,763,290	25,623,455	43,842,000
Other deposits.....	120,330,000	101,169,409	131,757,028	121,759,947	137,548,000
Govt. securities.....	48,465,000	24,000,237	45,394,854	56,992,644	55,951,000
Other securities.....	86,396,000	101,022,091	91,142,983	79,451,680	112,356,000
Reserve notes & coin	25,524,000	17,241,073	33,096,541	29,053,285	31,244,184
Coin and bullion.....	128,779,763	128,326,518	115,783,186	84,252,450	60,611,279
Proportion of reserve to liabilities.....	17.95%	13.88%	21.89%	19.70%	17.22%
Bank rate.....	4½%	7%	6%	5%	5%

The Bank of France in its weekly statement reports a further small gain of 103,000 francs in its gold item this week. This brings the Bank's total gold holdings up to 5,525,849,925 francs, comparing with 5,503,910,289 francs at this time last year and with 5,584,026,070 francs the year previous; 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, silver gained 157,000 francs, while general deposits were augmented by 185,663,000 francs. Bills discounted, on the other hand, fell off 18,423,000 francs, advances were reduced 68,783,000 francs and Treasury deposits diminished 12,382,000 francs. Note circulation registered the further large contraction of 378,584,000 francs, reducing the total outstanding to 35,281,790,000 francs. This contrasts with 38,435,078,340 francs on the corresponding date last year and with 37,568,964,825 francs in 1920. Just prior to the outbreak of war, in 1914, the amount was only 6,683,184,785 francs. Comparisons of the various items in this week's return with the statement of last week and corresponding dates in both 1921 and 1920 are as follows:

BANK OF FRANCE'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Changes for Week	Status as of	March 23 1922	March 24 1921	March 25 1920
	Francs	Francs	Francs	Francs	Francs
Gold Holdings— In France.....Inc.	103,000	3,577,482,569	3,576,543,233	3,605,747,651	
Abroad.....	No change	1,948,367,956	1,948,367,956	1,978,278,416	
Total.....Inc.	103,000	5,525,849,925	5,503,910,289	5,584,026,070	
Silver.....Inc.	157,000	241,749,495	265,692,254	247,150,190	
Bills discounted.....Dec.	18,423,000	2,815,403,298	2,839,115,390	1,777,640,672	
Advances.....Dec.	68,783,000	2,346,991,000	2,211,440,394	1,365,593,193	
Note circulation.....Dec.	378,584,000	35,281,790,000	38,435,078,340	37,568,964,825	
Treasury deposits.....Dec.	12,382,000	56,168,000	37,073,993	526,343,251	
General deposits.....Inc.	185,663,000	2,310,191,000	3,066,121,762	1,512,652,442	

In its statement issued as of March 15 the Imperial Bank of Germany continued to show radical changes in its principal items. Chief among these should be noted an increase in bills discounted of no less than 7,833,569,000 marks, while deposits showed the huge expansion of 8,332,031,000 marks. There was a decrease of 277,335,000 marks in Treasury certifi-

cates and an increase of 1,030,810,000 marks in other securities. Other liabilities were 91,754,000 marks larger and notes of other banks 2,057,000 marks. Declines were recorded of 111,529,000 marks in advances and of 13,848,000 marks in investments. Gold was reduced nominally, 1,000 marks, but total coin and bullion gained 577,000 marks. As to note circulation, there was another though smaller expansion—190,205,000 marks—so that the total volume of notes outstanding is now 122,674,127,000 marks, which compares with 67,484,755,000 marks last year and 42,504,640,000 marks in 1920. Gold holdings have diminished to 996,378,000 marks, as against 1,091,609,000 marks in the corresponding week of 1921 and 1,091,360,000 marks a year earlier. According to a dispatch from Berlin, it is unofficially announced that under the agreement recently reached the Reichsbank is to transfer 50,000,000 gold marks from its reserve to the Bank of England before the end of March. This amount, it is believed, will not be pledged as security for credits at present, but deposited to be ready for hypothecating if necessary.

Analysis of the Federal Reserve Bank statement, issued at the close of business on Thursday, shows a small gain in gold holdings for the system as a whole, viz., \$681,000, while bill holdings were increased somewhat. Discounts of Government secured paper declined nearly \$2,000,000, but in "All other" there was an increase of \$26,000,000, while the total of bills bought in the open market remained substantially unchanged, so that total bill holdings increased \$23,000,000, to \$702,952,000, comparing with \$2,409,704,000 a year ago. Total earning assets were heavily contracted, viz., \$131,000,000, through diminution of the holdings of Treasury Certificates of Indebtedness, while deposits fell off \$138,000,000. Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation decreased \$5,000,000. The New York Reserve Bank reported a gain in gold reserves of \$27,000,000, which brought up its stock of the precious metal to \$1,083,871,000, in comparison with \$588,293,000 last year. Rediscounts of Government secured paper were smaller, though as against this, "All other" increased \$8,000,000, and bill purchases in the open market increased \$4,600,000. The result was an expansion in total bill holdings of \$9,000,000, to \$102,019,000. In the corresponding week of 1921 the bill holdings were \$735,210,000. Here also there were large reductions in earning assets and deposits, \$132,000,000 in the former and \$109,000,000 in the last-named. Federal Reserve notes in circulation, however, showed but little change, being \$657,000 less than a week ago. Because of the sharp contraction in deposits the reserve ratios, both locally and nationally advanced—to 86.7%, against 78.0% for the local Reserve Bank, and from 75.6% to 78.4% for the combined system.

Saturday's statement of New York Clearing House banks reported a substantial increase in both loans and deposits, thus reflecting the paying off by the Government of Treasury certificates and other forms of indebtedness. In round numbers, the loan item was expanded \$62,811,000 to \$1,406,613,000. Net demand deposits increased \$74,123,000, which brought the total to \$3,919,255,000. This is exclusive of Government deposits to the amount of \$93,249,000, an increase in the latter item of \$8,006,000. In net time deposits there was a gain of \$5,367,000, to \$268,735,000. Other changes included a decline of

cash in own vaults of members of the Federal Reserve Bank of \$3,001,000, to \$60,564,000 (not counted as reserve); a decline of reserves in own vaults of State banks and trust companies of \$265,000 and an increase of \$165,000 in the reserve kept by these institutions in other depositories. Member banks increased their reserves with the Reserve Bank \$28,664,000, so that notwithstanding the heavy expansion in deposits there was a further gain in surplus of \$18,758,670, bringing the total of excess reserves up to \$49,160,320, as against \$30,401,650 the previous week. The above figures for surplus are based on reserves above legal requirements of 13% by member banks of the Federal Reserve System, but not including cash in vault to the amount of \$60,564,000 held by these banks. The bank statements in more complete form will be found in a subsequent part of this issue.

Call money was easy at the beginning of the week, as it was during the latter half of last week. Tuesday, however, the rates began to rise, and held up until yesterday, when the tendency was downward. The maximum for the week was $5\frac{1}{2}\%$. Just at the time that the quotations on call funds began to go up those for time money dropped $\frac{1}{4}\%$ for all periods. This was taken as indicating that day-to-day accommodation would soon be down again. The rates held at the higher levels rather longer than was at first expected by most observers. Government withdrawals from this centre, so far as announced, totaled only \$28,500,000. Bankers reported quite heavy withdrawals of funds by interior institutions, largely because of the abnormally low rates here last week, and partly in preparation for the requirements of agricultural interests, and likewise of commercial and industrial concerns, whose business appears to be expanding gradually. Financing for domestic corporations and foreign Governments has gone forward. Announcement of the completion of arrangements for meeting the Erie Railroad obligations maturing April 1 caused considerable favorable comment. That the Missouri Pacific Railroad was able to dispose of a good-sized block of bonds quickly through its bankers was referred to as reflecting better credit conditions for that class of railroads, and also comfortable conditions in the money market. According to report, several large offerings of foreign Government bonds are about to be made in the American market. The granting of a partial moratorium to Germany on her reparations payments was expected to exert a favorable reflex influence in certain directions in this country. The indicated shortage in income tax payments in the United States for 1921, while not surprising, will naturally necessitate some changes in the Government's financial plans. Washington dispatches yesterday stated that the Treasury already had such plans under way.

Dealing with specific rates for money, loans on call this week ranged between $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ to $5\frac{1}{2}\%$. Last week the range was 3% to 4% . On Monday a single rate of $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ was quoted, this being the high, the low and the ruling rate for the day. Tuesday, while renewals were again made at $3\frac{1}{2}\%$, which was the low, there was an advance to $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ shortly before the close. Increased firmness developed on Wednesday, with a further advance to $5\frac{1}{2}\%$, although the renewal basis was 4% , the minimum quotation. Thursday's range was $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ to $5\frac{1}{2}\%$, with renewals at $4\frac{1}{2}\%$. A

somewhat easier undertone prevailed on Friday, and though renewals were still negotiated at $4\frac{1}{2}\%$, the call rate did not get above $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ and the low was 4% . The above figures are for mixed collateral and all-industrial loans without differentiation. In time money the situation remains without essential change. Trading was dull and featureless and although offerings were plentiful no large transactions were recorded. Quotations are now $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ for sixty days and $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ to $4\frac{3}{4}\%$ for ninety days, four, five and six months, as against $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ for sixty and ninety days and $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ to $4\frac{3}{4}\%$ for four, five and six months last week.

Commercial paper was in good demand and a moderate amount of business was recorded at the new range of quotations, namely $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ to $4\frac{3}{4}\%$ for sixty and ninety days' endorsed bills receivable and six months' names of choice character, with names not so well known at $4\frac{3}{4}\%$ to 5% , as against $4\frac{3}{4}\%$ to 5% and 5% to $5\frac{1}{4}\%$, respectively, the quotations previously current.

Banks' and bankers' acceptances remain without essential change and the tone of the market was steady. Offerings were not large and trading attained only moderate proportions, though brokers are predicting a broadening of operations to accompany the lowering in the call loan market. For call loans against bankers' acceptances the posted rate of the American Acceptance Council has been advanced from $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ to 4% . The Acceptance Council makes the discount rates on prime bankers' acceptances eligible for purchase by the Federal Reserve Bank $3\frac{3}{4}\%$ bid and $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ asked for bills running for 120 days; $3\frac{3}{4}\%$ to $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ for ninety days, $3\frac{3}{4}\%$ to $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ for sixty days and $3\frac{3}{4}\%$ to $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ for thirty days. Open market quotations follow:

SPOT DELIVERY.			
	90 Days.	60 Days.	30 Days.
Prime eligible bills.....	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$ to 3%	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$ to $3\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$ to $3\frac{1}{2}\%$
FOR DELIVERY WITHIN THIRTY DAYS.			
Eligible member banks.....	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$ bid		
Eligible non-member banks.....	$4\frac{3}{4}\%$ bid		
Ineligible bank bills.....	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$ bid		

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 MARCH 24 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'd for member banks	Trade accep- tances maturing within 90 days	Agricul- tural and lite 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.....	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$
New York.....	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$
Philadelphia.....	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$
Cleveland.....	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$
Richmond.....	5	5	5	5	5	5
Atlanta.....	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$
Chicago.....	5	5	5	5	5	5
St. Louis.....	5	5	5	5	5	5
Minneapolis.....	5	5	5	5	5	5
Kansas City.....	5	5	5	5	5	5
Dallas.....	5	5	5	5	5	5
San Francisco.....	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$	$4\frac{1}{2}\%$

Sterling exchange displayed an improving tendency this week, and notwithstanding the fact that trading was still comparatively light, the quotation moved up more than 12 cents, from the low point of last week, to 4 40 9-16 for demand. In the initial dealings the undertone was heavy. London sent lower cable quotations and the local market responded by a decline to 4 36 $\frac{1}{4}$. Subsequently, however, with the receipt of more encouraging news from abroad, rates

stiffened and demand recovered nearly all of the earlier loss. Publication of the terms of the Allied Moratorium to Germany, as well as official announcement by the Chancellor of the Exchequer that Great Britain expects to pay a half-year's interest on her indebtedness to the United States the coming autumn, had a distinctly stimulating effect on market sentiment. Moreover, the supply of commercial bills showed a marked falling off and this had not a little to do with stabilizing price levels. Generally speaking, dealers were averse to taking any definite position in the market, at least for the time being, and much of the business that is passing is for speculative account. For a brief period these interests put out fairly extensive short lines, but with the rise in values, were driven to cover and quite active buying at intervals resulted. At the extreme close a better realization of the severity of the reparation terms imposed by the new moratorium agreement, continued anxiety over the Indian situation, as well as fresh and still more serious outbreaks in Ireland, had a rather depressing effect, and the final range was lower, with trading almost at a standstill.

Bankers here continue bullish on the future of sterling, especially because of the highly favorable balance of trade, visible and invisible, of Great Britain, and a belief prevails that, barring any real serious untoward developments, rates will not only be maintained, but possibly advance further. Other encouraging events are said to be the increasing interest of American investors in British securities, and the continued ease in local monetary conditions. While the approaching Genoa Conference is less of a factor in the market than was the case some weeks ago, financial interests are keeping a close watch upon developments in that quarter.

As regards the day-to-day rates, sterling exchange on Saturday of last week turned firm, with an advance to $4\ 39\frac{1}{4}$ @ $4\ 40\ 9-16$ for demand, to $4\ 39\frac{5}{8}$ @ $4\ 40\ 15-16$ for cable transfers, and to $4\ 37$ @ $4\ 37\frac{5}{8}$ for sixty days; trading was more active and cable quotations from London were strong and higher. On Monday heavy selling, mainly for foreign account, was responsible for a sharp recession, and demand declined nearly 2 cents, to $4\ 37\frac{1}{8}$ @ $4\ 38$, while cable transfers dropped to $4\ 37\frac{5}{8}$ @ $4\ 38\frac{1}{2}$ and sixty days to $4\ 35\frac{1}{8}$ @ $4\ 36$. After early weakness on Tuesday, prices steadied on better foreign news and the range was $4\ 36\frac{1}{4}$ @ $4\ 38\frac{3}{4}$ for demand, $4\ 36\frac{3}{4}$ @ $4\ 39\frac{1}{4}$ for cable transfers and $4\ 34\frac{1}{4}$ @ $4\ 36\frac{3}{4}$ for sixty days; trading was fairly active. On Wednesday increased firmness developed, mainly as a result of a falling off in the supply of bills offering and demand advanced to $4\ 38\frac{3}{4}$ @ $4\ 40$, cable transfers to $4\ 39\frac{1}{4}$ @ $4\ 40\ 9-16$ and sixty days to $4\ 36\frac{3}{4}$ @ $4\ 38$; only a moderate volume of business was transacted. Pronounced dulness marked Thursday's dealings and prices sagged off to $4\ 37\frac{3}{4}$ @ $4\ 38\frac{3}{4}$ for demand, $4\ 38\frac{1}{4}$ @ $4\ 39\frac{1}{4}$ for cable transfers and to $4\ 35\frac{3}{4}$ @ $4\ 36\frac{3}{4}$ for sixty days. On Friday the market was quiet but steady, and the range was $4\ 38\frac{1}{8}$ @ $4\ 38\frac{7}{8}$ for demand, $4\ 38\frac{1}{2}$ @ $4\ 39\frac{1}{4}$ for cable transfers and $4\ 36$ @ $4\ 36\frac{7}{8}$ for sixty days. Closing quotations were $4\ 36$ for sixty days, $4\ 38\frac{1}{3}$ for demand and $4\ 38\frac{1}{2}$ for cable transfers. Commercial sight bills finished at $4\ 31\frac{3}{8}$, sixty days at $4\ 24\frac{7}{8}$, ninety days at $4\ 23\frac{1}{8}$, documents for payment (sixty days) at $4\ 25\frac{3}{8}$, and seven-day grain bills at $4\ 30\frac{7}{8}$. Cotton and grain for payment closed at $4\ 31\frac{3}{8}$. The only gold reported

this week from Europe was a small consignment on the Rochambeau from France, 13 casks of gold ingots consigned to the Equitable Trust Co., and one case of gold coin on the Mount Clinton from Hamburg. Five cases of gold were received from Montevideo, while the Venus II. brought 54 gold bars and one box of gold from Colombia. It is reported that the Colombian Ministry of the Treasury has signed a contract with the Equitable Trust Co. by which the latter will furnish 3,000,000 silver coins of the denomination of 50 centavos Colombian currency. The coins are to be minted at Philadelphia.

In Continental exchange the feature of the week was the sharp break in reichsmarks which followed news that under the terms of the Allied moratorium it would be necessary for Germany to increase taxation so as to raise 60,000,000,000 paper marks additional in taxes. The immediate result was a rush to sell which carried the quotation for exchange on Berlin down to 0.29, a loss of about 5 points, and still another new low record. Heavy selling, both for foreign and domestic account, was reported, and it was a fact worthy of note that most of the weakness emanated from London. In many quarters the new terms, though a substantial modification of those of the Versailles Treaty, are regarded as drastic, and doubt is felt of Germany's ability to meet these settlements. Aside from the activity in Berlin exchange, trading in Continental exchange was of a sporadic character and confined largely to speculative operations. Offerings were lighter, with the result that quotations were comparatively firm. French currency ruled at very close to 9.04 for checks, with a high point of 9.11. Antwerp francs moved similarly. Lire, despite talk of renewed labor difficulties in Italy, were well maintained and went as high as 5.15, or 31 points above the low point of last week. Greek drachma opened firm, but before the close reacted downward. Exchange on the Central European countries was firmly held, but at the extreme close prices sagged off and fractional losses were registered in nearly all of the leading exchanges, largely on persistent foreign selling. Cables from Germany stating that the demands of the Reparation Commission will in all probability bring about a change in political control in Germany had a rather depressing effect and the result was to cause dealers to adopt a still more cautious attitude with regard to the making of new commitments, and not a few are looking forward to the Genoa Conference for a solution to some of the most troublesome of the problems now pressing.

The official London check rate in Paris closed at 48.53, as against 48.55 a week ago. Sight bills on the French centre finished at $9.03\frac{3}{4}$, against $9.00\frac{1}{2}$; cable transfers $9.04\frac{3}{4}$, against $9.04\frac{1}{2}$; commercial sight bills $9.01\frac{3}{4}$, against $8.98\frac{1}{2}$, and commercial sixty days $8.95\frac{3}{4}$, against $8.92\frac{1}{2}$ last Friday. Antwerp francs closed at $8.39\frac{1}{2}$ for checks and $8.40\frac{1}{2}$ for cable transfers, as compared with 8.45 and 8.46 the week previous. Closing figures for Berlin marks were $0.29\frac{7}{8}$ for checks and $0.30\frac{3}{8}$ for remittances, in contrast with $0.35\frac{3}{8}$ and $0.35\frac{1}{8}$ the week previous. Austrian kronen was also weak and again lost ground. The close was 0.0135 for checks and 0.0140 for cable transfers, against 0.0150 and 0.0155 last week. The final range for lire was $5.11\frac{1}{2}$ for bankers' sight bills and $5.12\frac{1}{2}$ for cable remittances. A week ago the

close was 5.11 and 5.12. Exchange on Czechoslovakia finished at 1.79 $\frac{1}{4}$, against 1.74; on Bucharest at 0.74 $\frac{1}{2}$, against 0.74 $\frac{3}{4}$; on Poland at 0.0250, against 0.0245, and on Finland at 2.05, against 2.10, the previous week. Greek exchange closed at 4.12 for checks and 4.17 for cable transfers, in comparison with 4.50 and 4.55 a week earlier.

As to the former neutral exchanges trading has remained dull and lifeless, although rate variations have been quite pronounced, with the tendency generally upward. Dutch and Swiss currencies continue close to the high levels recently prevailing and the same is true of Spanish pesetas. Firmness also prevailed in the Scandinavian exchanges, with Copenhagen remittances strong and higher. Denmark is said to be exporting considerable quantities of dairy products just now and importing practically nothing, and the result is that Danish exchange is in a very favorable position and some bankers predict that it will not be long before this currency works its way up to parity once more. A retarding factor, however, both in Danish and Norwegian conditions, is the present lockout in the shipping trades, which has been under way for nearly a month.

Bankers' sight on Amsterdam closed at 37.80, against 37.98; cable transfers at 37.85, against 38.03; commercial sight at 37.75, against 37.93; and commercial sixty days at 37.39, against 37.57 last week. Swiss francs finished at 19.48 for bankers' sight bills and 19.47 for cable transfers, which compares with 19.50 and 19.52 a week ago. Copenhagen checks closed at 21.20 and cable transfers 21.25, as against 21.15 and 21.20. Checks on Sweden finished at 26.10 and cable transfers at 26.15, against 26.15 and 26.20, while checks on Norway closed at 17.75 and cable transfers at 17.80, against 17.40 and 17.45 the week before. Spanish pesetas finished at 15.52 for checks and 15.57 for cable transfers. This compares with 15.60 and 15.65 at the close on Friday of a week ago.

Regarding South American exchange, the situation remains without essential change, though the undertone has been slightly firmer in sympathy with the improvement in sterling and the rate for checks on Argentina finished at 36 $\frac{1}{2}$ and cable transfers at 36 $\frac{7}{8}$, against 36 and 36 $\frac{1}{8}$ last week. Brazil has moved up to 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ for checks and to 13 $\frac{7}{8}$ for cable remittances, against 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ and 13 $\frac{7}{8}$ a week ago. Chilean exchange continues to be firmly held and closed at 11 $\frac{7}{8}$ against 11 $\frac{1}{2}$. Peru remains pegged at 3 34.

Far Eastern rates are as follows: Hong Kong, 54@54 $\frac{1}{4}$, against 53@53 $\frac{1}{4}$; Shanghai, 73 $\frac{1}{4}$ @73 $\frac{1}{2}$, against 72 $\frac{3}{4}$ @73; Yokohama, 47 $\frac{1}{2}$ @47 $\frac{3}{4}$, against 47 $\frac{1}{2}$ @47 $\frac{3}{4}$; Manila, 49@49 $\frac{1}{4}$, against 49 $\frac{1}{4}$ @49 $\frac{1}{2}$; Singapore, 50 $\frac{3}{4}$ @51, against 50 $\frac{1}{2}$ @50 $\frac{3}{4}$; Bombay, 28 $\frac{1}{2}$ @28 $\frac{3}{4}$ (unchanged), and Calcutta, 28 $\frac{3}{4}$ @29 (unchanged).

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,
MARCH 17 1922 TO MARCH 23 1922, INCLUSIVE.

Country and Monetary Unit.	Noon Buying Rate for Cable Transfers in New York. Value in United States Money.					
	Mar. 17.	Mar. 18.	Mar. 20.	Mar. 21.	Mar. 22.	Mar. 23.
EUROPE—	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Austria, krone.....	.000149	.000149	.000148	.000139	.000138	.000135
Belgium, franc.....	.0841	.0852	.0843	.0845	.0853	.0845
Bulgaria, lev.....	.00983	.00685	.00885	.009	.00685	.00685
Czecho-Slovakia, krone...	.017388	.017428	.017303	.017275	.017338	.017419
Denmark, krone.....	.2100	.2126	.2119	.2122	.2136	.2128
England, pound.....	4.3642	4.4004	4.3796	4.3776	4.4017	4.3882
Finland, markka.....	.020929	.021157	.0210	.0212	.021214	.021207
France, franc.....	.0599	.0703	.0897	.0899	.0910	.0905
Germany, reichsmark.....	.003566	.003516	.003357	.003522	.003317	.003026
Greece, drachma.....	.0140	.0440	.0137	.0436	.0435	.0436
Holland, florin or guilder...	.3777	.3800	.3789	.3775	.3789	.3778
Hungary, krone.....	.001238	.001238	.001245	.001245	.001227	.001161
Italy, lira.....	.0509	.0511	.0507	.0508	.0514	.0511
Jugoslavia, krone.....	.003196	.00318	.003153	.003136	.00312	.003048
Norway, krone.....	.1740	.1741	.1748	.1745	.1761	.1753
Poland, Polish mark.....	.00023	.000238	.000241	.00024	.000236	.000242
Portugal, escuda.....	.0901	.0917	.0874	.0887	.0884	.0869
Rumania, leu.....	.007492	.007442	.007437	.007481	.007508	.007492
Serbia, dinar.....	.012817	.01285	.01274	.01258	.01258	.01222
Spain, peseta.....	.1561	.1564	.1553	.1552	.1564	.1557
Sweden, krona.....	.2607	.2633	.2621	.2612	.2625	.2617
Switzerland, franc.....	.1946	.1951	.1949	.1946	.1950	.1947
ASIA—						
China, Chefoo tael.....	.7467	.7467	.7558	.7583	.7533	.7517
" Hankow tael.....	.7467	.7467	.7558	.7583	.7533	.7517
" Shanghai tael.....	.7090	.7131	.7183	.7198	.7183	.7196
" Tientsin tael.....	.7508	.7500	.7592	.7625	.7583	.7575
" Hong Kong dollar.....	.5329	.5375	.5390	.5408	.5404	.5398
" Mexican dollar.....	.5195	.5220	.5210	.5215	.5225	.5239
" Tientsin or Pelyang dollar.....	.5350	.5375	.5367	.5400	.5408	.5392
" Yuan dollar.....	.5300	.5325	.5392	.543	.5383	.5392
India, rupee.....	.2778	.2786	.2779	.2777	.2789	.2794
Japan yen.....	.4741	.4750	.4745	.4740	.4742	.4740
Singapore, dollar.....	.4925	.4892	.4900	.4933	.4925	.4950
NORTH AMERICA—						
Canada, dollar.....	.964844	.966563	.965625	.967344	.972266	.972031
Cuba, peso.....	.999375	.998751	.998751	.998958	.99875	.998542
Mexico, peso.....	.494625	.49325	.4953	.497375	.496125	.496625
Newfoundland, dollar.....	.962292	.964167	.963333	.965417	.970521	.969792
SOUTH AMERICA—						
Argentina, peso (gold).....	.8157	.8336	.8318	.8312	.8289	.8315
Brazil, milreis.....	.1369	.1371	.1361	.1356	.1357	.1349
Uruguay, peso.....	.8031	.8033	.8025	.7997	.8034	.8070

The New York Clearing House banks, in their operations with interior banking institutions, have gained \$4,334,814 net in cash as a result of the currency movements for the week ending March 23. Their receipts from the interior have aggregated \$5,134,014, while the shipments have reached \$799,200, as per the following table:

CURRENCY RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS BY NEW YORK BANKING INSTITUTIONS.

Week ending March 23.	Into Banks.	Out of Banks.	Gain or Loss to Banks.
Banks' interior movement.....	\$5,134,014	\$799,200	Gain \$4,334,814

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, Mar. 18.	Monday, Mar. 20.	Tuesday, Mar. 21.	Wednesday, Mar. 22.	Thursday, Mar. 23.	Friday, Mar. 24.	Aggregate for Week.
\$ 62,900,000	\$ 57,000,000	\$ 49,700,000	\$ 47,900,000	\$ 52,600,000	\$ 48,200,000	\$ 7,318,300,000

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 to through the Clearing House.

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

Banks of	March 23 1922.			March 24 1921.		
	Gold.	Silver.	Total.	Gold.	Silver.	Total.
England.....	£ 128,779,763	£	£ 128,779,763	£ 128,326,518	£	£ 128,326,518
France.....	143,099,315	11,240,000	154,339,315	142,221,730	10,600,000	152,821,730
Germany.....	49,819,250	807,800	50,627,050	54,576,150	454,900	55,031,050
Aus.-Hung.....	10,944,000	2,369,000	13,313,000	10,944,000	2,369,000	13,313,000
Spain.....	100,762,000	25,264,000	126,026,000	99,037,000	23,293,000	122,330,000
Italy.....	31,036,000	2,982,000	37,018,000	32,768,000	3,000,000	35,768,000
Netherlands.....	50,496,000	572,000	51,068,000	53,010,000	1,544,000	54,554,000
Nat. Belg.....	10,663,000	1,613,000	12,276,000	10,661,000	1,257,000	11,918,000
Switzerland.....	21,879,000	4,320,000	26,199,000	21,733,000	7,524,000	29,257,000
Sweden.....	15,243,000	-----	15,243,000	15,652,000	-----	15,652,000
Denmark.....	12,685,000	233,000	12,918,000	12,643,000	148,000	12,791,000
Norway.....	8,183,000	-----	8,183,000	8,115,000	-----	8,115,000
Total week.....	586,589,328	49,400,800	635,990,128	589,687,398	50,189,900	639,877,298
Prev. week.....	586,443,936	49,363,000	635,806,936	589,561,847	49,649,300	639,211,147

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

EMERGENCY LEGISLATION.

The plight of the farmers, much as it awakens the interest and sympathy of the people, is not justification for a brood of statutes intended to alleviate a condition that in itself is abnormal. Emergency legislation is a contradiction within itself. For law by its very nature is not an instrumentality for the correction of passing difficulties. The common definition, "a rule of right action," cannot be applied to situations that are unusual, and do not repeat themselves in like manner. Not only is emergency legislation of necessity class legislation, but it is law that in the nature of things cannot be obeyed or observed by the many. Therefore it gives rise to other laws intended to equalize conditions partially created by its own enactment. Especially is it productive of harm at this time, when there is a marked tendency to appeal to government for the eradication of all our evils—social, commercial, economic, financial.

Since all appropriations must originate in the law-making body, and since they sometimes furnish us the first example of emergency legislation, we may better understand this matter by a study of such acts. And at the outset it may be mentioned that appropriations for relief have always been open to the question of constitutionality. Dire as the need may be, through flood or famine, no two emergencies are alike. No levy can be made in advance to meet an unforeseen occurrence. There is never a fund on hand to meet disaster. The destruction of life and property by what is termed the act of God has never been deemed sufficiently sure to warrant an appropriation in advance. Nor has calamity been deemed the object of the power of government. Constructive legislation looking to the control of rivers in its very content denies to government the province of benefactor after the fact. Otherwise relief would become a never-ending task.

If we pass a little further along to legislation designed to correct conditions that may never come again, conditions that though severe occur by no disaster falling without warning, conditions that man himself creates, as for example by war, there is still no justification, because no "rule of right action," expressed in a constitution, can ever be devised. If it be the farmer who suffers to-day, it may be the merchant to-morrow, and the manufacturer or mechanic the next day, or perhaps we might better say year. No two classes or conditions are alike or occur, naturally, in the same period of time. The result must be fewer general laws affecting all the people, and the appearance of special laws continuously affecting directly only a part. Favor shown to one class must constitute disfavor to another. Emergencies are not rightfully the subjects of legislation. Law properly *gives* nothing to anyone; it has nothing to give; it only guards and guides.

The farmer is very much exercised by what is said by some to be a subversion of credit. Yet the Government has not a dollar of money or of credit that is its own. By taxation it takes money from the people to pay the bills occasioned by its own functioning, but its Treasury is actually empty, save as it collects and disburses. It is true that it can issue its own "promises to pay," and make them do duty as money, but it can never *pay* these promises without appeal to the people for funds, real money. Our Government has obligated itself to pay billions of bonds issued to raise funds for war, but it is power-

less to pay them without resort to taxation. In like manner the War Finance Corporation can make loans to farmers, which if the farmers do not pay with interest, the people at large must pay ultimately by taxation, or the Government be in default. Government itself is not a credit-fountain.

When we go one step further than the making of appropriations and the issuance of special and favoring credits, to the enactment of laws of privilege, laws to enable business to more easily and securely function, we cannot depart from the rule that there is no power vested in government to do these things, to overcome conditions natural, and to alleviate distress that occurs by no neglect of government, that follows no specific will-to-evil by any other class or business—or by any other government. The whole process is outside the legitimate province of government—representative republican government founded on liberty and guiltless of oppression. If this is not true, there is but one alternative, an interminable line of statutes, forever increasing in number, at an accelerating ratio, constituting ultimately the denial of all individual liberty.

An evil inseparable from emergency legislation is haste and passion. Laws are enacted to remedy a fault, before the fault is known and before the cause is determined. The result must be to fasten upon the very class to be benefited restrictions that will in other times become irksome. Banish all gratuities as without the pale of legislation. Beware of the exercise of relief powers the Government does not really possess. There still remains a form of favoritism that becomes burdensome when natural liberty and power resume their sway. The brood of counter-statutes engendered are sufficient to counteract all class-legislation benefits—but the benefits themselves, when no longer needed in the new day and condition, become burdens if for no other reason than the common axiom that no man or class ever gets something for nothing. Thus it is possible for farmers to destroy inherent credit-power, by enslaving themselves to government credit.

Law is not calculated to turn and twist to meet every emergency. Law that bears lightly on a people, ensures to that people the liberty to work out from under *any* condition. It is unthinkable that statutes should attempt to correct for all classes the effects of world-war—especially upon their personal fortunes. If for classes, why not go a step further, and equalize the effects upon individuals? And when we fasten our inquiry down to the one factor of the issuance of credit, the so-called "loaning direct" to anyone is rank injustice to all others. Credit is a vast self-creating beneficence, founded in the natural powers of the people, based on their property, their character and their toil; and to constitute the Government an agency to evoke this creature in behalf of one person or one class is to place a corresponding burden on all others not so favored.

WORK OF NEW YORK LEGISLATURE—U. S.
SUPREME COURT AGAIN UPHOLDS
RENT LAWS.

About 780 bills, being nearly all which came through the scramble that ended the legislative session in this State, were dumped upon the Executive to dispose of. The work of the session was neither as honest and sensible as it should have been nor as reckless and dishonest as it might have been, so that

the people may feel a degree of thankfulness at not faring worse, and perhaps Gov. Miller will let some of the bad stuff die in his basket.

The bunch of bills known as the Lockwood had the largest attention and were the centre of the fiercest scramble. The bill for setting up an Industrial Court, somewhat on the Kansas model, failed of passage, as did what is called the Lockwood Committee's "greatest," the bill to set up a State Trade Commission for curbing combination and monopoly. Three other bills which deservedly failed were those depriving the Insurance Department of power to extend beyond 1925 the term within which the life insurance companies must finish disposing of their stocks held, compelling them to divest themselves of certain bonds held, and the bill to force these companies and savings banks to invest a fixed proportion of future investment funds in mortgages. The bills to entirely wipe out personal taxes and to tax unincorporated business also failed. One insurance bill, utterly wrong in principle, will put rate-making bureaus in insurance under supervision and give the Department power to pass upon the reasonableness of rates; but as Gov. Miller has lately expressed the opinion that "we have too much government at discretion now," he may not accept this further extension of it.

The bill authorizing life insurance companies to invest 10% of their assets in erecting buildings for housing uses went through, as did a number of the Lockwood "emergency" housing bills, extending the old batch two years from February 15 last; extending to April 1 1923 the time for starting housing with a 9-year tax exemption; creating some new defenses in rent cases, and requiring 30 days' notice of an increase; making the assessed valuation of a building presumptive evidence of the reasonableness of rents in it; and so on. There will be public hearings on many bills, as usual, and some of them will meet bitter opposition. Nothing new can be said of them, but the original objections remain as to all these attempts to relieve tenants by coercing landlords; they are all steps in a dangerous movement which has already gone much too far, and the doubts whether they have not aggravated rather than alleviated the emergency have not lessened. It happens that on Monday the Supreme Court again affirmed the validity of these laws, in two cases coming from this city. In one case, the tenant had renewed a two-year lease, to begin October 1 1920 at an increased rate, but had refused to pay the first monthly rent under the new lease, and that money was sued for; in the other case, a tenant had refused to move when his contract term expired, claiming the benefit of the laws, while in the first the tenant who refused to pay the first rent due under a renewed contract pleaded that he signed under duress and threats and that the increased rate was "unjust, unreasonable, and oppressive."

The Supreme Court could not be expected to reverse itself in a matter so recently passed upon, and Justice Clarke cited, as facts generally agreed, the distressing shortage of housing, the flagrant profiteering, the abuses of eviction processes, and the crowding which "was resulting in unsanitary conditions, disease, immorality, discomfort, and demoralizing social conditions." So he repeated the finding that the States have a wide discretionary power as

to discovering an emergency and as to "the remedies which may be deemed necessary to achieve a constitutional purpose," and added that this discretion has not been exceeded in the cases under review.

Before the Lever food law, and nine months before anybody looked for a war to come, the Supreme Court, in "the Kansas cases," took the first plunge towards statutory price-fixing. The opinion was by Justice McKenna, but Justices Lamar and Van Devanter, with Chief Justice White, dissented. Two of these are now dead. Justice McKenna completely erred on a statement of fact when he declared that persons who object to the rates demanded for fire insurance have no alternative but to submit, and he based the majority opinion on the proposition that any article of general consumption and necessity is subject to control of its prices by the State. Justice Lamar saw the gulf to which this led, although he could not have foreseen its depth or how soon we should find ourselves tumbling towards its bottom. Upon the ground taken, said he, "the price of everything within the circle of business transactions can be regulated . . . the decision is not a mere entering wedge, but reaches the end from the beginning and announces a principle which points inevitably to the conclusion that the price of every article sold and the price of every service offered can be regulated by statute."

"Can be?" "Reaches the end from the beginning?" By larger and larger steps we have gone down the descent. One interference compels or seems to compel another. We have a housing shortage, and people cannot pay without distress the rents which the ancient law of supply and demand, plus the human selfishness which avoids neither landlord nor tenant, exacts. So we would cure the trouble by forcing the landlord to take what the tenant deems right and feels able to pay. This tends to halt rather than increase supply in housing; so the next step is to increase the latter by forcing funds into mortgages, and we begin this by seeking to lay hold of trust funds to that end, leaving a like coercion of all funds for possible future recourse.

Emergency situations are undeniably serious but temporary. Principles last from generation to generation, and when they are violated the violation naturally becomes progressive and it also naturally tends to prolong old emergencies and even create new ones.

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE UNITED STATES STEEL CORPORATION.

Twelve months ago in reviewing the annual report of the United States Steel Corporation for the calendar year 1920 with its record of great prosperity, we remarked that if the country was facing a long period of depression in the iron and steel trades, as then seemed likely, no company was better prepared for such an unfortunate contingency than the Steel Corporation. The statement is brought forcibly to mind by the publication this week by the Steel Corporation of its report for the year 1921, showing that in a year of great adversity, the Steel Corporation was able to give as good an account of itself as in the antecedent periods of prosperity. The steel trade is subject to such extremes that it has been said of it that it is either prince or pauper, depending upon whether conditions in the trade are good or bad. In other words, business in the iron and steel trades is either extremely good or extremely bad.

In 1921 it was extremely bad and the contrast, therefore, with 1920, when it was very good (though profits then did not reach such extraordinary proportions as during the war period) is very striking.

It takes a little over 50 million dollars—in exact figures \$50,634,802—to pay the 7% dividends on the Preferred stock and the 5% dividends on the Common stock. In 1920 net income ran \$59,059,425 in excess of the sum required for these dividends. In 1921, on the other hand, net income fell \$14,017,784 short of the sum needed to pay the dividends, and surplus account had to be drawn upon to meet this deficiency. The remarkable feature, however, about the year's income account is not that such a deficiency should have resulted, but that it should not have been very much larger—in fact that any portion of the sum needed to pay the dividends should have been earned at all, for the year was one of the very worst, if not the worst, in the entire history of the corporation, and we note that the present report is the 20th annual report rendered by the Corporation.

Not only was there utter collapse in the steel trade, cutting the volume of business to small proportions, but prices almost continuously declined from beginning to end of year, with the effect of altogether wiping out profits on a considerable line of products. Every line of the report bears testimony to the intensity of the depression with which the Steel Corporation had to contend throughout the twelve months. Turning to the production statistics we learn that the make of steel ingots (Bessemer and open hearth) in 1921 was only 10,966,347 tons, as against 19,277,960 tons in 1920, a shrinkage of 8,311,613 tons, or 43.1%. In the case of rolled and other finished steel products for sale, the percentage of falling off was even slightly larger than this, being 44.8%, the output in 1921 having been 7,860,334 tons, as against 14,228,502 tons in 1920. In the case of all other items of production, with the single exception of cement, the contraction in output was also of large proportions, though not in all instances of the same heavy ratio as in the case of steel ingots and finished steel. The quantity of iron ore mined in 1921 was only 16,422,682 tons, as against 27,021,009 tons in 1920; the coal mined, 21,627,939 tons, as against 30,828,324 tons; the coke manufactured, 9,825,264 tons, as against 16,208,111 tons; the limestone quarried, 4,607,486 tons, as against 5,981,022 tons, and the make of pig iron (ferro and spiegel), 8,678,262 tons, against 14,532,646 tons. Cement is the one product forming an exception to the rule of decrease, and showed, instead, an increase, the production of Universal Portland cement having been 12,499,000 bbls. in 1921, as against 11,960,000 bbls. in 1920. And the enumeration of these different items shows how varied is the production of the Steel Corporation, all being constituent elements in the iron and steel business. It deserves to be noted, too, that the export business suffered a falling off as well as the domestic business, though the ratio of decline was not quite so heavy. The domestic shipments of all classes of product in 1921 were only 7,696,747 tons, as against 14,183,352 tons in 1920, a decrease of 6,486,605 tons, or 45.7%; export shipments were 1,208,157 tons in 1921, in comparison with 1,708,100 tons in 1920, the decrease here being 29.3%. The important fact, however, is not the smaller ratio of decrease, but that the company had to encounter depression in the export and the home trade alike.

When these losses in tonnage are translated into dollars, as representing the money value of the business done, the results are yet more striking, for, as already indicated, market values of the different classes of products dropped lower and lower throughout the year. The total value of the business done in 1921 is put at only \$655,407,568, as against \$1,219,644,904 in 1920, the falling off thus reaching the huge figure of \$564,237,336, or 46.3%—all of which serves to emphasize what has already been said as to the intensity of the depression in the iron and steel trades, making the period one of extreme trial to the Steel Corporation as well as to all others engaged in the same line of business.

Chairman Elbert H. Gary comments briefly upon the unsatisfactory features of the year. He points out that the marked decrease in the demand for iron and steel products, which developed in the mid-summer of 1920, continued until the early autumn of 1921, when some improvement occurred. A favorable feature at the beginning of 1921 was that the subsidiary companies had carried forward into 1921 a substantial tonnage of unfilled orders for steel products. This enabled them, Mr. Gary says, to operate at an average of somewhat over 70% of capacity during the first quarter of the year. The degree of operations declined in succeeding months and reached the low point for the year in July with the output down to only about 29% of capacity. Mr. Gary puts the average production for the entire year, in rolled and other finished products for sale, at 47.5% of capacity and states that this is the lowest ratio of production to capacity in any year since the organization of the Corporation. He adds, what has already been noted above, that concurrently with the decrease in demand for steel products there were marked declines in the prices obtained for nearly all classes of these products. Most important of all, these price reductions, as a rule, "exceeded the decreases it was possible to effect in the cost of production through the reduction in unit prices of factors entering into cost of operations and the exercise of rigid economies." A number of elements in the cost of producing steel, he observes, show little if any recession from war-time figures, "notably that of railroad transportation, which on basis of existing rate conditions averages in the case of the subsidiary companies upwards of 40% of the total cost of producing steel." He adds that at the close of the year the prices prevailing for some products were below the cost of production and states that since the beginning of 1922 and to the date of writing the report the new orders received have been equal to about one-half the total capacity of the plants of the subsidiary companies.

In view of all this, it will be admitted that the showing of income made for 1921 must be regarded as extremely gratifying. It deserves to be noted as some indication of possibly improved results for 1922 that in a statement issued yesterday by Judge Gary, the rate of operation of the Steel Corporation's subsidiaries at the present time is reported as up to 70%. He also said that he had information going to show that within the last few days outside manufacturers of steel products had made advances in their selling products and that this was a movement the Steel Corporation would be glad to follow if adhered to.

In the past a strong point in the operations of the plants of the subsidiary companies of the Steel Cor-

poration has been the rapid advance in the wages of the employees. During 1921 wages, of course, had to be reduced, and yet the average earnings per employee per day during 1921 still was \$5 61, this comparing with \$6 96 in 1920. The figures given are on the basis of the exclusion of the general administrative and selling force. With these included, the averages would be slightly higher, namely \$5 73 for 1921, as against \$7 for 1920. Under the falling off in business and the decline in the rates of pay, the aggregate of salaries and wages paid in 1921 was only \$332,887,505 in comparison with \$581,556,925 in 1920. And this loss of \$248,000,000 in the amount paid to the employees in this single twelve-months period indicates what a vast difference prosperity or adversity makes to those dependent on the Corporation for employment. It is pointed out in the report that of the decrease in total payroll of \$248,669,420 compared with the total roll for 1920, the sum of approximately \$175,143,000 was due to the lesser number of employees in service during 1921 and \$73,526,000 was attributable to lower wage and salary rates paid. An interesting table is included in the report to show how much higher wages still are, even after the 1921 reductions, than before the outbreak of the war. It appears that after the 1921 adjustments the average actual earnings per employee per day in the case of the manufacturing properties was \$4 40 in October 1921, as against \$2 97 in October 1913; in the case of the coal and coke properties, \$5 39 as against \$2 86; the iron ore mining properties, \$4 33, against \$2 85; the transportation properties, \$5 22 against \$2 77, and the miscellaneous properties \$3 96 against \$2 38, with the average for all properties \$4 60 against \$2 93.

In face of the trials and troubles of 1921, the Steel Corporation retains all of the elements of strength in a financial way to which we have had occasion to advert in the past. Indeed, some of these exceptional features in corporate financing have become still more pronounced. One distinctive feature in all recent periods has been the way in which new capital expenditures are continued year after year, while at the same time the aggregate indebtedness of the Corporation and its subsidiaries is being steadily reduced. This characteristic was continued through 1921. During 1921 the capital expenditures by all companies for the acquisition of additional properties, for additions and extensions to the plants and properties, and for net outlays for stripping and development work at ore mines, less credits for property sold, and after deducting amount stricken off to depreciation and replacement reserves, was no less than \$70,091,866. Yet there was a net decrease of \$14,163,865 in the bonded debenture and mortgage debt of the Steel Corporation and its subsidiaries through sinking fund operations and other processes for retiring debt. In like manner in 1920, in face of new capital expenditures reaching \$102,956,133, net indebtedness was reduced in the sum of \$13,870,450. In 1919, when the capital expenditures amounted to \$87,091,515, there was a decrease in net debt of \$13,921,885. The total net amount expended from April 1 1901 (the date of organization of the United States Steel Corporation) to Jan. 1 1922 (including expenditures by the Tennessee Coal, Iron & Railroad Co. from Nov. 1 1907 only) for additional property and construction, and for net unabsorbed outlays for stripping and development work at mines, &c., is now reported at over one billion dollars, the exact figure being \$1,061,349,353. Against this the

total of bonds and mortgages issued, sold and assumed during the same period has been \$175,663,702, while no less than \$214,369,809 of bonds and mortgages were paid off.

According to the balance sheet, the grand aggregate of accumulated surplus at the end of 1921 stood at \$483,926,957 even after charging off the \$14,017,784 of deficiency in operations in 1921 below the sum required for the payment of the dividends on the Common stock. This \$483,926,957 was the amount of the surplus, too, after having formally written off \$162,795,509 for appropriations made from surplus net income prior to Jan. 1 1908, and is in addition to \$140,898,914 of appropriations made out of net income since Jan. 1 1908.

While the holdings of cash during 1921 were further reduced by \$6,804,111 in addition to the \$43,000,000 decrease in 1920, they still aggregated no less than \$116,856,842 on Dec. 31 1921. Including this cash and the inventories and bills receivable, besides \$131,462,690 of what are called "sundry marketable securities (including U. S. Liberty Loan bonds)," the total of the current assets, after a reduction during the twelve months of nearly \$133,000,000, still stands at the huge figure of \$569,431,330. As against this the total of the current liabilities (including payrolls and current accounts payable, as well as accrued interest and accrued taxes, and the preferred stock dividend payable Feb. 27 1922, and the Common stock dividend payable March 30 1922) aggregated on Dec. 31 1921 no more than \$84,248,255, the amount having been reduced to this figure from \$156,745,195 on Dec. 31 1920. In other words, the current assets exceeded the current liabilities on Dec. 31 1921 in amount of over \$485,000,000.

THE NEW CAPITAL FLOTATIONS DURING FEBRUARY AND SINCE JANUARY 1.

Continuing the practice begun in our issue of March 26 1921, and kept up regularly since then of presenting monthly compilations showing the new capital flotations in the United States, we give to-day, in tables further below, the figures for the month of February. As previously explained, these compilations are intended to furnish a summary of corporate, municipal and foreign Government financing as represented by the new stock and bond issues brought out each month.

It is evident from these latest figures that new financing in the United States continues on an extensive scale. The February total is not of the exceptional dimensions of the totals for the months immediately preceding, but February is a short month and also contains two holidays—Lincoln's Birthday and Washington's Birthday—and some falling off from the aggregates reached in December and January would in any event have been looked for, and all things considered, the new capital flotations for the month cannot be regarded as otherwise than very large. The magnitude of the totals becomes apparent when comparison is made with the new issues of other Februaries and it is found that the amount for 1922 runs well ahead of those of all other recent years. For February 1922 the new offerings foot up \$360,898,974, which compares with \$320,165,768 in February 1921, \$282,498,365 in 1920, and \$278,478,199 in 1919. The increase is still more striking when we eliminate the new security issues put out to take up existing issues, the remainder alone representing a new capital addition. In that form the comparison stands at \$311,908,464 for February 1922, as against \$273,961,268 for 1921, \$255,169,365 for 1920 and \$182,373,948 for 1919.

As compared with these earlier years, however, there has been a distinct change in the proportions of the different groups going to make up the general totals. The corporate offerings are considerably smaller, being for 1922 (including those for refunding) \$165,667,950, against \$229,602,000

in 1921, \$223,296,004 in 1920, and \$216,363,650 in 1919. On the other hand, the offerings of Farm Loan issues and foreign Government securities were on a scale of greater dimension than in previous years, while the placing of new municipal bonds was also more extensive, though not of the huge magnitude as that attained in December. The leading feature of the month's financing was the ready sale of \$75,000,000 Federal Land Bank 5% Farm Loan Bonds, due 1941. The issue, placed at 102 3/8, yielding about 4.70% to optional maturity, Nov. 1 1932, and 5% thereafter to maturity, marked the first offering of Federal Land Bank bonds during the current year. It is also worthy of note that there were seven small issues of Joint Stock Land Bank Farm Loan bonds, aggregating \$7,750,000. These were all of 5% coupon rate and were offered at prices to yield in the neighborhood of 4.80%.

Two foreign Government loans of importance were floated in this country during February. The principal issue of this character was the 75,000,000 guilder 6% loan of the Kingdom of The Netherlands. The issue is callable on and after March 1 1932 and matures March 1 1972. It was offered at \$940 per 2,500 guilder bond, to yield, with exchange at 38 1/2c. per guilder, about 6.30% if called in 1932 and 6.15% if held to maturity. With guilder exchange returning to par of 40.2c., the yield to earliest redemption date would be about 6.90% and to maturity about 6.40%. The other foreign Government loan brought out was \$10,000,000 State of Queensland (Australia) 25-Year 6% Sinking Fund External Gold Bonds, due 1947, which were offered at 96 1/2, yielding about 6.25%.

In the corporate field the most important issue was the \$30,000,000 Great Northern RR. 30-Year General Mortgage 5 1/2% Bonds, due 1952, offered at 96 1/2 to yield about 5.75%. The next largest corporate offering, likewise a railroad obligation, was \$10,284,300 Baltimore & Ohio RR. Equipment Trust 6s, 1923-35. This offering was made at prices to yield from 5.50% to 5.75%. There were three other corporate issues of comparatively large size—\$10,000,000 Consolidation Coal Co. 1st & Ref. Mortgage 5% Bonds, due 1950, offered at 86, yielding about 6.03%; \$8,000,000 Kansas Gas & Electric Co. 1st Mortgage 6% Bonds, 1952, offered at 96 1/2, to yield about 6.25%, and \$7,000,000 California & Hawaiian Sugar Refining Corp. 1st Mortgage 7% Bonds, 1937, offered at 100, therefore yielding 7%.

The following is a four-year summary of corporate, foreign Government and municipal financing for February, and the two months ending with February.

	1922.	New Capital.	Refunding.	Total.
		\$	\$	\$
February—				
Corporate	117,467,325	48,200,625	165,667,950	
Foreign Government	38,200,000	—	38,200,000	
Federal Farm Loan Issues	82,750,000	—	82,750,000	
War Finance Corporation Issue	—	—	—	
Municipal	68,491,139	789,885	69,281,024	
Municipal, Canadian	5,000,000	—	5,000,000	
Municipal, United States Possessions	—	—	—	
Total	311,908,464	48,990,510	360,898,974	
Two Months Ended Feb. 28—				
Corporate	307,009,640	105,391,460	412,401,100	
Foreign Government	111,700,000	—	111,700,000	
Federal Farm Loan Issues	94,140,000	—	94,140,000	
War Finance Corporation Issue	—	—	—	
Municipal	162,039,937	1,482,422	163,522,359	
Municipal, Canadian	25,736,000	—	25,736,000	
Municipal, United States Possessions	—	—	—	
Total	700,625,577	106,873,882	807,499,459	
1921.				
February—				
Corporate	184,607,500	44,994,500	229,602,000	
Foreign Government	24,000,000	—	24,000,000	
Federal Farm Loan Issues	—	—	—	
War Finance Corporation Issue	—	—	—	
Municipal	64,353,768	1,210,000	65,563,768	
Municipal, Canadian	1,000,000	—	1,000,000	
Municipal, United States Possessions	—	—	—	
Total	273,961,268	46,204,500	320,165,768	
Two Months Ended Feb. 28—				
Corporate	386,336,420	120,411,980	506,748,400	
Foreign Government	69,000,000	—	69,000,000	
Federal Farm Loan Issues	—	—	—	
War Finance Corporation Issue	—	—	—	
Municipal	150,357,073	1,637,895	151,994,968	
Municipal, Canadian	7,722,000	—	7,722,000	
Municipal, United States Possessions	—	—	—	
Total	613,415,493	122,049,875	735,465,368	
1920.				
February—				
Corporate	199,225,504	24,070,500	223,296,004	
Foreign Government	25,000,000	—	25,000,000	
Federal Farm Loan Issues	—	—	—	
War Finance Corporation Issue	—	—	—	
Municipal	30,943,861	760,500	31,704,361	
Municipal, Canadian	—	2,498,000	2,498,000	
Municipal, United States Possessions	—	—	—	
Total	255,169,365	27,329,000	282,498,365	
Two Months Ended Feb. 29—				
Corporate	487,459,154	112,532,598	599,991,752	
Foreign Government	50,000,000	—	50,000,000	
Federal Farm Loan Issues	—	—	—	
War Finance Corporation Issue	—	—	—	
Municipal	113,455,252	1,779,000	115,234,252	
Municipal, Canadian	3,000,000	2,498,000	5,498,000	
Municipal, United States Possessions	—	—	—	
Total	653,914,406	116,809,598	770,724,004	
1919.				
February—				
Corporate	151,772,650	64,591,000	216,363,650	
Foreign Government	—	28,179,000	28,179,000	
Federal Farm Loan Issues	—	—	—	
War Finance Corporation Issue	—	—	—	
Municipal	27,592,998	3,334,251	30,927,249	
Municipal, Canadian	3,008,300	—	3,008,300	
Municipal, United States Possessions	—	—	—	
Total	182,373,948	96,104,251	278,478,199	
Two Months Ended Feb. 28—				
Corporate	330,947,846	139,669,600	470,617,446	
Foreign Government	—	28,179,000	28,179,000	
Federal Farm Loan Issues	2,000,000	—	2,000,000	
War Finance Corporation Issue	—	—	—	
Municipal	51,371,973	4,645,901	56,017,874	
Municipal, Canadian	5,705,300	—	5,705,300	
Municipal, United States Possessions	—	—	—	
Total	390,025,119	172,494,501	562,519,620	

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF NEW CAPITAL FLOTATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES.

February.	1922.			1921.			1920.		
	New Capital	Refunding.	Total.	New Capital.	Refunding.	Total.	New Capital.	Refunding.	Total.
Long Term Bonds and Notes—									
Railroads	\$ 26,021,300	\$ 18,800,000	\$ 44,821,300	\$ 30,350,000	\$ 15,495,000	\$ 45,845,000	\$ 13,115,500	\$ 388,000	\$ 13,503,500
Public utilities	17,732,909	18,575,000	36,307,909	20,312,500	7,376,500	27,689,000	4,506,000	394,000	4,900,000
Iron, steel, coal, copper, &c.	11,850,000	250,000	12,100,000	3,227,000	1,500,000	4,727,000	—	—	—
Equipment manufacturers	—	—	—	550,000	—	550,000	—	—	—
Motors and accessories	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,300,000	—	1,300,000
Other industrial and manufacturing cos.	17,210,000	10,000,000	27,210,000	22,850,000	—	22,850,000	22,020,000	15,250,000	37,270,000
Oil	990,000	—	990,000	37,750,000	19,500,000	57,250,000	—	—	—
Land, buildings, &c.	7,635,000	—	7,635,000	1,500,000	650,000	2,150,000	10,420,500	—	10,420,500
Rubber	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shipping	—	—	—	—	—	—	3,636,000	—	3,636,000
Miscellaneous	1,500,000	—	1,500,000	2,227,000	73,000	2,300,000	650,000	—	650,000
Total	82,849,209	47,625,000	130,474,209	148,826,500	44,594,500	193,421,000	55,657,000	16,032,000	71,689,000
Short Term Bonds and Notes—									
Railroads	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public utilities	500,000	300,000	800,000	1,250,000	—	1,250,000	0,700,000	3,500,000	10,200,000
Iron, steel, coal, copper, &c.	—	—	—	40,000,000	—	40,000,000	1,760,000	—	1,760,000
Equipment manufacturers	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Motors and accessories	—	—	—	2,000,000	—	2,000,000	—	—	—
Other industrial and manufacturing cos.	—	—	—	500,000	—	500,000	750,000	—	750,000
Oil	—	—	—	10,000,000	—	10,000,000	720,000	—	720,000
Land, buildings, &c.	—	—	—	3,500,000	—	3,500,000	265,000	—	265,000
Rubber	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shipping	—	—	—	150,000	—	150,000	1,845,000	—	1,845,000
Miscellaneous	3,500,000	—	3,500,000	—	400,000	400,000	2,000,000	—	2,000,000
Total	4,000,000	300,000	4,300,000	57,400,000	400,000	57,800,000	14,040,000	3,500,000	17,540,000
Stocks									
Railroads	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Public utilities	19,200,000	275,625	19,575,625	621,000	—	621,000	8,842,440	350,000	9,192,440
Iron, steel, coal, copper, &c.	—	—	—	250,000	—	250,000	5,200,000	—	5,200,000
Equipment manufacturers	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Motors and accessories	—	—	—	582,000	—	582,000	7,000,000	—	7,000,000
Other industrial and manufacturing cos.	9,104,125	—	9,104,125	1,000,000	—	1,000,000	50,581,334	3,168,500	53,753,034
Oil	—	—	—	—	—	—	29,178,000	—	29,178,000
Land, buildings, &c.	2,245,000	—	2,245,000	—	—	—	1,000,000	—	1,000,000
Rubber	—	—	—	—	—	—	11,700,000	—	11,700,000
Shipping	—	—	—	150,000	—	150,000	2,178,500	—	2,178,500
Miscellaneous	—	—	—	5,125,000	—	5,125,000	11,700,000	1,600,000	14,810,000
Total	30,614,125	275,625	30,889,750	8,381,000	—	8,381,000	129,535,304	4,518,500	134,053,804
Total									
Railroads	26,021,300	18,800,000	44,821,300	30,350,000	15,495,000	45,845,000	13,115,500	388,000	13,503,500
Public utilities	17,732,909	18,575,000	36,307,909	22,135,500	7,376,500	29,512,000	5,206,000	4,348,000	32,875,940
Iron, steel, coal, copper, &c.	11,850,000	250,000	12,100,000	44,477,000	1,500,000	44,977,000	11,306,000	394,000	11,800,000
Equipment manufacturers	—	—	—	550,000	—	550,000	—	—	—
Motors and accessories	—	—	—	2,582,000	—	2,582,000	8,227,000	—	8,227,000
Other industrial and manufacturing cos.	17,210,000	10,000,000	27,210,000	25,150,000	—	25,150,000	24,354,334	14,418,500	39,772,834
Oil	990,000	—	990,000	47,750,000	19,700,000	67,450,000	29,848,000	—	29,848,000
Land, buildings, &c.	7,635,000	—	7,635,000	5,060,000	650,000	5,710,000	11,694,500	—	11,694,500
Rubber	—	—	—	—	—	—	11,700,000	—	11,700,000
Shipping	—	—	—	150,000	—	150,000	7,659,500	—	7,659,500
Miscellaneous	1,500,000	—	1,500,000	7,452,000	473,000	7,925,000	16,440,000	1,620,000	17,460,000
Total corporate securities	117,467,325	48,990,625	166,457,950	184,607,500	44,994,500	229,602,000	199,735,504	24,070,500	223,296,004

Two Months ended February 28.	1922.			1921.			1920.		
	New Capital.	Refunding.	Total.	New Capital.	Refunding.	Total.	New Capital.	Refunding.	Total.
Long Term Bonds and Notes—	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Railroads	110,650,630	46,443,270	157,093,900	53,196,420	66,304,580	119,501,000	8,340,000	---	8,340,000
Public utilities	28,950,400	31,875,000	60,825,400	69,034,500	10,448,500	79,483,000	28,190,500	338,000	28,578,500
Iron, steel, coal, copper, &c.	13,350,000	250,000	13,600,000	8,727,000	6,500,000	15,227,000	20,106,000	12,394,000	32,500,000
Equipment manufacturers	---	---	---	550,000	---	550,000	2,625,000	---	2,625,000
Motors and accessories	1,750,000	---	1,750,000	---	---	---	1,575,000	---	1,575,000
Other industrial and manufacturing cos.	22,835,000	10,000,000	32,835,000	51,254,100	5,435,900	56,690,000	25,895,000	15,250,000	41,145,000
Oil	9,400,000	1,250,000	10,650,000	57,850,000	22,500,000	80,350,000	750,000	---	750,000
Land, buildings, &c.	10,785,000	---	10,785,000	3,275,000	650,000	3,925,000	26,674,500	---	26,674,500
Rubber	---	---	---	---	---	---	100,000	---	100,000
Shipping	---	---	---	---	---	---	3,636,000	---	3,636,000
Miscellaneous	20,082,435	2,947,565	23,030,000	4,227,000	73,000	4,300,000	28,950,000	---	28,950,000
Total	217,803,465	92,765,835	310,569,300	248,114,020	111,911,980	360,026,000	146,842,000	28,032,000	174,874,000
Short Term Bonds and Notes—									
Railroads	20,951,800	---	20,951,800	---	---	---	4,000,000	---	4,000,000
Public utilities	6,550,000	11,950,000	18,500,000	3,386,000	8,100,000	11,486,000	17,838,752	56,257,248	74,146,000
Iron, steel, coal, copper, &c.	---	---	---	40,000,000	---	40,000,000	2,910,000	---	2,910,000
Equipment manufacturers	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Motors and accessories	200,000	---	200,000	2,000,000	---	2,000,000	---	---	---
Other industrial and manufacturing cos.	200,000	---	200,000	500,000	---	500,000	8,600,000	---	8,600,000
Oil	---	---	---	15,000,000	---	15,000,000	1,720,000	---	1,720,000
Land, buildings, &c.	200,000	---	200,000	3,500,000	---	3,500,000	265,000	---	265,000
Rubber	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Shipping	---	---	---	150,000	---	150,000	2,435,000	---	2,435,000
Miscellaneous	3,500,000	---	3,500,000	---	400,000	400,000	2,750,000	---	2,750,000
Total	31,601,800	11,950,000	43,551,800	64,536,000	8,500,000	73,036,000	40,568,752	56,257,248	96,826,000
Stacks—									
Railroads	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Public utilities	27,165,000	675,625	27,840,625	4,354,400	---	4,354,400	10,232,440	350,000	10,582,440
Iron, steel, coal, copper, &c.	12,406,250	---	12,406,250	250,000	---	250,000	15,220,030	---	15,220,030
Equipment manufacturers	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Motors and accessories	---	---	---	2,582,000	---	2,582,000	31,954,775	13,480,650	45,435,425
Other industrial and manufacturing cos.	10,023,125	---	10,023,125	4,500,000	---	4,500,000	127,128,954	11,792,700	138,921,654
Oil	---	---	---	56,250,000	---	56,250,000	58,053,460	---	58,053,460
Land, buildings, &c.	3,410,000	---	3,410,000	---	---	---	8,273,147	---	8,273,147
Rubber	4,000,000	---	4,000,000	---	---	---	12,750,000	---	12,750,000
Shipping	---	---	---	150,000	---	150,000	8,178,500	---	8,178,500
Miscellaneous	600,000	---	600,000	5,750,000	---	5,750,000	28,257,096	2,620,000	30,877,096
Total	57,604,375	675,625	58,280,000	73,686,400	---	73,686,400	300,048,402	28,243,350	328,291,752
Total—									
Railroads	131,602,430	46,443,270	178,045,700	53,196,420	66,304,580	119,501,000	12,340,000	---	12,340,000
Public utilities	62,665,400	44,500,625	107,166,025	76,774,900	18,548,500	95,323,400	56,311,692	56,995,248	113,306,940
Iron, steel, coal, copper, &c.	25,756,250	250,000	26,006,250	48,977,000	6,500,000	55,477,000	38,235,030	12,394,000	50,630,030
Equipment manufacturers	---	---	---	550,000	---	550,000	2,625,000	---	2,625,000
Motors and accessories	1,950,000	---	1,950,000	4,582,000	---	4,582,000	33,529,775	13,480,650	47,010,425
Other industrial and manufacturing cos.	33,058,125	10,000,000	43,058,125	56,254,100	5,435,900	61,690,000	161,623,954	27,042,700	188,666,654
Oil	9,400,000	1,250,000	10,650,000	129,100,000	22,500,000	151,600,000	60,523,460	---	60,523,460
Land, buildings, &c.	14,395,000	---	14,395,000	6,775,000	650,000	7,425,000	35,212,647	---	35,212,647
Rubber	4,000,000	---	4,000,000	---	---	---	12,850,000	---	12,850,000
Shipping	---	---	---	150,000	---	150,000	14,249,500	---	14,249,500
Miscellaneous	24,182,435	2,947,565	27,130,000	9,977,000	473,000	10,450,000	59,957,096	2,620,000	62,577,096
Total corporate securities	307,009,640	105,391,460	412,401,100	386,336,420	120,411,980	506,748,400	487,459,154	112,532,598	599,991,752

DETAILS OF NEW CAPITAL FLOTATIONS DURING FEBRUARY 1922.
LONG-TERM BONDS AND NOTES.

Amount.	Purpose of Issue.	Price.	To Yield About.	Company and Issue, and by Whom Offered.
\$ 10,284,300	Railroads— New equipment	---	To yield 5½-5¾%	Baltimore & Ohio RR. Equipment Tr. 6s, 1923-35. Offered by Bankers Trust Co., Dominick & Dominick, Union Trust Co. of Pittsburgh, Hornblower & Weeks, Harrison, Smith & Co., Marshall Field, Glore, Ward & Co., and Northern Trust Co. of Chicago.
429,000	New equipment	100	6.00	Chicago & Eastern Illinois Ry. Equip. Tr. 6s, 1923-35. Sold to Girard Trust Co., Philadelphia.
30,000,000	Refunding; equipment; add'ns, &c.	96½	5.75	Great Northern RR. 30-Year Gen. Mtge. 5½s, 1952. Offered by J. P. Morgan & Co., First National Bank, N. Y., and National City Co.
728,000	New equipment	100	6.00	Missouri Kansas & Texas Ry. Equip. Tr. 6s, 1923-35. Sold to Girard Trust Co., Philadelphia.
3,380,000	Fund promissory notes	96¼	5.25	Richmond Terminal Ry. 1st Mtge. Guaranteed 5s, 1952. Offered by Kuhn, Loeb & Co.
44,821,300	Public Utilities—			
1,100,000	Acquisitions	91½	6¾	Burlington (Vt.) Light & Power Co. 1st Mtge. 6s, 1942. Offered by Bloren & Co., Stroud & Co.; E. B. Smith & Co. and Janney & Co., Philadelphia.
1,000,000	Construction	93½	6.60	California Oregon Power Co. 1st & Ref. Mtge. 6s, "B," 1942. Offered by Mercantile Trust Co.; E. H. Rollins & Sons, National City Co. and Harris Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago.
2,750,000	Refunding; improvements	94½	6.50	Central Illinois Light Co. 1st & Ref. (now 1st) Mtge. 6s, 1943. Offered by Federal Securities Corp. and Ames, Emerich & Co., Chicago.
750,000	Refunding; extensions & improv'ts	98½	7.15	Charleston Interurban RR. Co. 1st Mtge. Coll. 7s, 1937. Offered by Robert Garrett & Sons, Balt.
529,900	Refunding; extensions	97½	7¼	Defiance Gas & Electric Co. 1st Lien & Ref. 7s, 1942. Offered by Elston, Allyn & Co. and Fenton, Davis & Boyle.
3,000,000	Refunding; other corp. purposes	85½	6.07	Denver Gas & Electric Light Co. 1st & Ref. S. F. 5s, 1951. Offered by Halsey, Stuart & Co.
703,000	Refunding; extensions, &c.	97	7¼	Eastern Shore Gas & Electric Co. Cons. Mtge. S. F. 7s, 1955. Offered by Brown Bros. & Co.; W. H. Newbold's Son & Co. and Robert Glendinning & Co.
1,200,000	Refunding; extensions & additions	91	6.15	Houston Gas & Fuel Co. Ref. & Impt. (now 1st) 5s, 1942. Offered by Bodell & Co., Providence.
2,500,000	Refunding	97½	6.20	Kansas City Gas Co. 1st Mtge. 6s, "A," 1942. Offered by National City Co.
8,000,000	Refunding; additions	96½	6.25	Kansas Gas & Electric 1st Mtge. S. F. 6s, 1952. Offered by Dillon, Read & Co.
2,500,000	Refunding; other corp. purposes	101	7.40	Melbourne Electric Supply Co., Ltd., Gen. M. 7½s, "A," 1946. Offered by Lee, Higginson & Co.
4,000,000	Construction	100	7.00	Ohio Public Service Co. 1st Mtge. & Ref. 7s, 1947. Offered by Halsey, Stuart & Co.
2,000,000	New construction	73	7.20	Ozark Power & Water Co. 1st Mtge. S. F. 5s, 1952. Offered by Henry L. Doherty & Co.
1,000,000	Capital expenditures	86	6.05	Sierra & San Francisco Power Co. 1st Mtge. 5s, 1949. Offered by Blyth, Witter & Co.
200,000	Additions	100	8.00	Southern Cities Utilities Co. 8s, 1931. Offered by Anderson & Co., Providence.
3,000,000	Refunding	95	7.50	Standard Gas & Electric Co. Convertible Secured 7s, 1937. Offered by H. M. Byllesby & Co. Hambleton & Co. and Federal Securities Corp.
1,000,000	Construction	92	6.25	Tri-City Ry. & Light Co. 1st & Ref. 5s, 1930. Offered by Bonbright & Co.
850,000	Refunding; extensions	97¼	7.25	Virginian-Western Power Co. 1st & Ref. 7s, "A," 1942. Offered by Chicago Trust Co. and Central Trust Co. of Illinois, Chicago.
225,000	Acquisitions	78	7.10	Washington Baltimore & Annapolis Electric RR. 1st Mtge. 5s, 1941. Offered by Robert Garrett & Sons, Tucker, Anthony & Co., Mackubin, Goodrich & Co., Stone & Webster, Inc., and Federal Securities Corp., Baltimore.
36,307,900	Iron, Steel, Coal, Copper, &c.			
10,000,000	Acquisitions	86	6.05	Consolidation Coal Co. 1st & Ref. 5s, 1950. Offered by National City Co. and Kuhn, Loeb & Co.
500,000	Refunding; working capital	101	7.90	Hart Coal Corp. 1st Mtge. 8s, 1937. Offered by Dodge & Ross, Inc., Chicago.
600,000	Reduce curr. debt; working capital	100	8.00	Peerless Drawn Steel Co. 1st Mtge. 8s, 1937. Offered by Union Trust Co. and Hayden, Miller & Co., Cleveland, and United Security Co., Canton, O.
1,000,000	Retire curr. debt; working capital	100	6.00	Weirton Steel Co. 1st Mtge. 6s, 1939. Offered by Union Trust Co. of Pittsburgh and the Bank of Pittsburgh National Association, Pittsburgh.
12,100,000	Other Industrial & Mfg. Cos.			
500,000	Retire curr. debt; working capital	97	7.30	Aetna Mills 1st Mtge. 7s, 1937. Offered by B. J. Baker & Co., Boston.
1,500,000	Retire curr. debt; working capital	100	7.50	Albers Bros. Milling Co. 1st Mtge. 7½s, 1942. Offered by Wm. R. Staats Co., First Securities Corp., Los Angeles, and Carstens & Earles, Inc., Seattle.
60,000	Reduce current liabilities	100	8.00	Barnes-Lindsay Mfg. Co. 1st Mtge. Conv. 8s, 1926-31-36. Offered by Industrial Financing Co.; Portland, Ore.
7,000,000	Refunding	100	7.00	California & Hawaiian Sugar Refining Corp. 1st Mtge. 7s, 1937. Offered by Blyth, Witter & Co.
1,500,000	Acquisitions	97½	7.25	Guerin Mills, Inc., 1st Mtge. 7s, 1937. Offered by Tucker, Anthony & Co. and Bonbright & Co.
1,350,000	Acquisitions; working capital, &c.	100	7.00	Hoberg Paper & Fibre Co. 1st Mtge. S. F. 7s, 1937. Offered by First Wisconsin Co., Milwaukee.
4,000,000	Fund capital expenditures	99	7.10	Julius Kayser & Co. 1st Mtge. S. F. 7s, 1942. Offered by Blair & Co., Inc.
350,000	Construction; reduce current debt	100	8.00	Kurz Bros. Co., Chicago, and Kurz Brothers 1st Mtge. 8s, 1924-30. Offered by Straus Bros. & Co., Chic.
350,000	Retire floating debt; work'g capital	100	7.50	The Medart Co. 1st (closed) Mtge. 7½s, 1923-37. Offered by Lafayette-South Side Bank and Stix & Co.
200,000	General corporate purposes	99½	7.55	Norwood Engineering Co. 1st Mtge. 7½s, 1942. Offered by Geo. H. Burr & Co.
2,100,000	Acquisitions	99	8.05	Oswego Falls Corp. 1st Mtge. 8s, 1942. Offered by Spencer Trask & Co., Townsend, Whelen & Co., Philadelphia, and Equitable Trust Co., New York.
5,000,000	Refunding; acquisitions	98½	6.10	Oxford Paper Co. 1st & Ref. Mtge. 6s, 1947. Offered by Lee, Higginson & Co.
200,000	Working capital	100	7.50	J. Hungerford Smith Grape Juice Co. 1st Mtge. Conv. 7½s, 1942. Offered by Sweet, Richards & Co., Inc., Rochester.
2,500,000	Additions	100b	8.00	U. S. Hoffman Machinery Corp. Debenture 8s, 1932. Offered by Redmond & Co., New York.
350,000	Reduce float'g debt; work'g capital	100	8.00	Vitrinite Co. (Chicago) 1st Mtge. 8s, 1932. Offered by Elston, Allyn & Co., Chicago.
250,000	Construction; working capital	97½	7.88	Weber Flour Mills Corp. 1st Mtge. 7½s, 1932. Offered by H. P. Wright Investment Co., K. C., Mo.
27,210,000	Oil—			
970,000	Reduce curr. debt; improve'ts, &c.	100	8.00	Indalahoma Refining Co. Convertible Debenture 8s, 1929. Offered by company to stockholders; underwritten by Commerce Trust Co., Baltimore.

LONG-TERM BONDS AND NOTES—Concluded.

Amount.	Purpose of Issue.	Price.	To Yield About.	Company and Issue, and by Whom Offered.
\$ 450,000	Land, Buildings, &c.— Construction of office building	100	7.00	Broadway Bldg. Co. (Oakland, Cal.) 1st Mtge. 7s, 1924-36. Offered by Bradford, Weeden & Co.; San Francisco, and Central National Bank, Oakland.
1,500,000	Finance construction of hotel bldg.	100	7.50	Claman Hotels 1st Mtge. R. E. 7½s, 1924-32. Offered by American Bond & Mtge. Co., N. Y.
200,000	New construction; working capital.	100	8.00	Drackett Realty Co. (Cincinnati) 1st Mtge. 8s, 1924-37. Offered by Channer & Sawyer.
1,300,000	Finance construction of building	100	7.50	Fox Office Bldg. & Studios 1st M. R. E. 7½s, 1923-37. Offered by Amer. Bond & Mtge. Co., N. Y.
350,000	Finance construction of building	100	8.00	Harvey Apt. Bldg. 1st Mtge. 8s, 1923-36. Offered by G. L. Miller & Co., Atlanta.
500,000	Finance construction of building	100	7.00	Jolson's 59th Street Theatre Bldg. 1st Mtge. 7s, 1924-37. Offered by Hiram F. Harris & Co., N. Y.
150,000	General corporate purposes	98	7.25	Lagunitas Development Co. 1st (closed) Mtge. 7s, 1932. Offered by Wm. R. Staats Co.
250,000	Finance construction of building	100	7.00	(A. M.) Mutt Bldg. Sacramento, (Cal.) 1st Mtge. 7s, 1924-37. Offered by Bradford, Weeden & Co.
260,000	Finance construction of building	100	6.50	Reeble Brothers' Warehouses 1st Mtge. R. E. 6½s, 1923-31. Offered by Union Tr. Co., Chicago.
1,500,000	Betterments, &c.	100	7.00	San Joaquin Valley Farm Lands Co. 1st & Cons. Mtge. 7s, 1923-31. Offered by Hunter, Dullin & Co. and Gen. H. Burr & Co.
525,000	Finance construction of building	100	7.00	Shubert-Cox Theatres Co. 1st Mtge. R. E. 7s, 1927-32. Offered by Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co., Cincinnati.
400,000	General corporate purposes	100	7.50	Smyth Building Co. (Clev.) 1st Mtge. Leasehold 7½s, 1932. Offered by Worthington, Bellows & Co., Cleveland.
250,000	Additional capital	Price on application		Springfield Realty Corp. 1st Mtge. S. F. 8s, 1942. Offered by C. D. Parker & Co., Inc., Boston.
7,635,000	Miscellaneous—			
500,000	Retire floating debt, &c.	100	7.50	Adams-McGill Co. 1st Mtge. 7½s, 1924-37. Offered by E. H. Rollins & Sons, Cyrus Peirce & Co.; Wm. R. Staats Co. and Ryone & Co., San Francisco.
200,000	Retire floating debt	100	8.00	John H. Cazier & Sons Co. 1st Mtge. 8s, 1924-37. Offered by Bradford, Weeden & Co., San Fran.
200,000	Development	100	7.00	The J. C. Forkner Co. 1st Mtge. 7s, 1926-32. Offered by C. W. Skaggs Co., San Francisco.
600,000	Retire float'g debt; work'g capital.	100	7.50	The T. A. Snider Preserve Co. 1st Mtge. 7½s, 1937. Offered by Elston, Allyn & Co., Chicago.

SHORT-TERM BONDS AND NOTES.

Amount.	Purpose of Issue.	Price.	To Yield About.	Company and Issue, and by Whom Offered.
\$ 300,000	Public Utilities— Refunding	95	7.20	Central Massachusetts Lt. & Pr. Co. Conv. 6s, "C," 1927. Offered by C. D. Parker & Co., Inc., Boston.
500,000	Extensions and additions	Price on application		Hortonia Power Co. Convertible Secured 8s, 1926. Offered by Pond Co., Boston.
800,000	Equipment Manufacturers—			
843,000	Finance equipment leases	To yield 5½-7		Electric Ry. Equipment Securities Corp. Equip. Tr. 6½s, 1922-27. Offered by Halsey, Stuart & Co.
3,000,000	Miscellaneous— Additions and extensions	95	8¼	Consumers Co. 7s, 1927. Offered by company to stockholders.
500,000	Additional capital	100	7.50	Orpheum Circuit, Inc., Conv. 7½s, 1926. Offered by Mercantile Securities Co., San Francisco.
3,500,000				

STOCKS.

Par or No. of Shares	Purpose of Issue.	Amount Incubed.	Price Per Share.	To Yield About.	Company and Issue, and by Whom Offered.
\$ 1,800,000	Public Utilities— Additions and extensions	\$ 1,800,000	110	7.27	Consolidated Gas, Electric Light & Pr. Co. of Balt. 8% Cum. Pref. "A." Offered by Spencer Trask & Co., and Chase & Co., Boston.
147,000	Refunding	275,625	187½	---	Lowell (Mass.) Gas Light Co. capital stock. Offered by company to stockholders.
2,720,000	New construction	2,720,000	50 (par)	---	Narragansett Elec. Lighting Co. capital stock. Offered by company to stockholders.
*60,000 shs.	Reduce floating debt; additions	5,760,000	98	---	Pennsylvania Power & Light Co. Cum. Pref. Retalled by Electric Bond & Share Co. through Chas. W. Scranton Co., New Haven, Bonbright & Co. and others.
4,000,000	Additions and improvements	4,000,000	25 (par)	8.00	Philadelphia Electric Co. 8% Cum. Pref. Offered by company to stockholders.
5,000,000	New construction	5,000,000	100	7.00	Wisconsin Telephone Co. 7% Cum. Pref. Offered by company.
		19,555,625			
600,000	Other Industrial & Mfg. Cos.				
*16,000 shs.	Acquisition of constituent cos	1,000,000	6 shs. Pref. } For 16 sh. Com. } \$1,000	7.80	Gruen Watch Co. 7% Cum. Pref. Offered by Westhelmer & Co., Cincinnati. do do Common. Offered by Westhelmer & Co., Cincinnati.
6,500,000	Acquire predecessor co.	7,353,125	102½	---	Postum Cereal Co., Inc. (Del.) 8% Cum. Pref. Offered by Goldman, Sachs & Co., E. F. Hutton & Co. and Lehman Bros.
81,250			52½	---	do do Common. Offered by Goldman, Sachs & Co., E. F. Hutton & Co. and Lehman Bros.
750,000	Reduce current debt	750,000	98	8.16	Roanoke Mills Co. 8% Cum. S. F. 2d Pref. Offered by Durley & Marr and Chas. E. Johnson Jr., Raleigh, N. C., Wheat, Williams & Co., Inc., Old Dominion Trust Co. and Federal Trust Co., Richmond, Va.
660,000	Land, Buildings, &c.— Finance construction of building	660,000	100	6.00	Guaranty Building Corp. (Indianapolis) 6% R. E. Pref. Offered by Meyer-Kliser Bank and Peoples State Bank, Indianapolis.
1,500,000	Reduce bank loans; working cap.	1,575,000	100	8.00	Guantanamo Sugar Co. 8% Pref. Offered by company to stockholders.
*75,000 shs.			1	---	do do Common. Offered by company to stockholders.
		2,235,000			

FOREIGN GOVERNMENT LOANS.

Amount.	Issue.	Price.	To Yield About.	Offered by
\$ 28,200,000 (75,000,000 guldern at rate of \$940 per 2,500 guldern)	Kingdom of the Netherlands 50-year 6% Guilder Loan, due 1972	\$940 per 2,500 guilder 0.15c. bond	6.30 to 0.15c.	Dillon, Read & Co., Lee, Higginson & Co., Blair & Co., Inc., White, Weld & Co., Central Union Trust Co., New York, The American Exchange Nat. Bank, Brown Brothers & Co., Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co., First National Bank of Boston, Old Colony Trust Co., Boston; Girard Nat. Bank, Phila.; Cassatt & Co., Phila.; Commercial Trust Co., Phila.; Mellon National Bank of Pittsburgh; Union Trust Co., Cleveland; Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank, First Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago; Illinois Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago; Anglo & London Paris National Bank of San Francisco, and Bank of Italy, San F.
10,000,000	State of Queensland (Australia) 25-Year 6% M. F. External gold bonds, Feb. 15, 1947	96½	6.25	National City Co.
38,200,000				

FEDERAL FARM LOAN ISSUES.

Amount.	Issue.	Price.	To Yield About.	Offered by
\$ 500,000	Bankers' Joint Stock Land Bank of Minn. 5% Farm Loan bonds, 1951	101½	4.80	First Wisconsin Co., Henry C. Quarles & Co., Bankers Finance Corp., Morris F. Fox & Co., Marshall & Hiley Bank and Edgar Ricker & Co.
75,000,000	Federal Land Bank 5% Farm Loan bonds, 1941	102½	4.70	Alex Brown & Sons, Brown Bros. & Co., National City Co., Harris, Forbes & Co., Lee, Higginson & Co. and Guaranty Co. of N. Y.
500,000	First Joint Stock Land Bank (Fort Wayne) 5% Farm Loan bonds, 1951	101½	4.80	Brooke, Stokes & Co.
500,000	First Joint Stock Land Bank of Minnesota 5% Farm Loan bonds, 1951	101½	4.80	Atmos, Emerich & Co.
1,250,000	First Texas Joint Stock Land Bank 5% Farm Loan bonds, '41	100½	4.90	W. A. Harriman & Co., Inc., New York.
1,000,000	Fremont Joint Stock Land Bank 5% Farm Loan bonds, 1951	101½	4.80	Brooke, Stokes & Co.
3,000,000	Lincoln (Neb.) Joint Stock Land Bank 5% Farm Loan bonds, '51	101½	4.80	Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., Wm. H. Compton Co. and Harris, Forbes & Co.
1,000,000	The Virginian Joint Stock Land Bank 5% Farm Loan bonds, 1951	101½	4.80	Brooke, Stokes & Co.
82,750,000				

* Shares of no par value. a Preferred stocks are taken at par, while in the case of common stocks the amount is based on the offering price. b A bonus of 3 share of common stock, payable at maturity of issue, accompanies each \$1,000 bond. c Based on approximate present guilder exchange (38½ cents), with return to par of exchange 40 2 cents, the yield to callable date (1932) will be about 6.90% and to maturity about 6.40%.

Current Events and Discussions

PARTIAL MORATORIUM FOR GERMAN REPARATION PAYMENTS DECIDED UPON BY ALLIED REPARATIONS COMMISSION.

The German Government has been granted a partial moratorium for her reparations payments in 1922, conditional upon the fulfillment by May 31 of the conditions imposed by the Allied Reparations Commission, which may be revoked later if Germany does not continue to comply with them. A decision to this effect, reached by the Commission on March 21 was made known on the 22nd inst. A discussion of the program for the German payments during 1922 was begun by the Commission at Paris on the 17th inst. In arriving at its conclusions the Commission decided to adhere to the agreement respecting the 1922 payments reached at the Cannes conference early this year, under which cash payments of 720,000,000 gold marks and 1,450,000,000 marks in kind were called for. As was reported in our issue of Jan. 14 (page 127) under the provisional delay in the matter of her reparations payments granted to Germany by the Commission at the Cannes Conference, the German Government has been required to pay 31,000,000 gold marks in approved securities every ten days, the first payment beginning on January 16. It is stated that as about 282,000,000 gold marks have already been paid in the ten day payments, there still remains to be paid 438,000,000 marks. This sum, the Commission has decided, shall be payable as follows: 18,000,000 marks April 15; 50,000,000 marks monthly from May to October 15 inclusive, and 60,000,000 marks each Nov. 15 and Dec. 15. The conditions whereby the partial moratorium is granted require among other things, the raising of 60,000,000,000 paper marks, the floating of an international loan or a capital levy to meet the reparations payments, the discontinuance of the exportation of capital, the independence of the Reichsbank, &c. The Associated Press in its Paris cablegrams March 22 gave the following details regarding the terms on which the partial moratorium is conditioned:

The plan carries with it a specific obligation on the part of Germany to raise 60,000,000,000 marks paper in additional taxes; to float an internal loan to balance her budget; to stop the exportation of capital and make the Reichsbank independent; to radically reduce expenses; to submit to a system of supervision through obligatory consultations with a commission on guarantees, and either to float an international loan or to make a levy on capital to raise a substantial sum for reparations.

The Moratorium is conditional upon the fulfillment of the conditions of the Commission by May 31 which may be revoked later if Germany does not continue to comply with them. The Commission calls for the execution of the Cannes agreement providing for the payment of 720,000,000 gold marks and of 1,450,000,000 marks in goods during 1922. As Germany has paid about 282,000,000 gold marks in ten payments, there remains a balance of 438,000,000 marks due.

The balance is payable 18,000,000 marks on April 15, 50,000,000 marks monthly from May to October 15, inclusive, and 60,000,000 marks each November and December 15.

The goods reparations are payable 950,000,000 marks to France and 500,000,000 to the other Allies as far as they place orders. The British will receive 26% of the import tax. German goods and other similar funds are to be credited against the merchandise account, but if Germany fails to deliver the goods ordered she must pay the balance in cash.

Merchandise delivered to the armies of occupation are to be credited only to army cost. All deferred payments on army cost reparations are to bear 5% interest.

Budget reforms, the Commission says, must be effected immediately the program is known, as the fiscal compromise must be put into effect before April 30. It also says taxation must be increased to raise the 50,000,000,000 marks additional during the fiscal year, 40,000,000,000 of the amount during 1922. The Commission urges the institution of a taxation system by which the tax rate will reflect automatically a fall in exchange or an increase in the German debt to the Reichsbank.

All these measures must be immediately communicated to the Commission. Financial legislation and methods for collecting taxes must be formulated in consultation with the Commission, which is to exercise constant supervision over Germany's execution of the demands through a committee on guarantees, and the proper steps are to be taken to enforce the demands when Germany fails to carry them out.

The Reparations Commission delivered its terms to the German representatives in Paris early this morning after an all night session which ended at 1 o'clock this morning. There were two letters given the Germans, signed by the four delegates, the first, of 800 words, outlining the payments required, and the second, of 1,700 words, answering the German Chancellor's letter of January 28.

The Commission takes up the German Chancellor's proposed reforms at the start and insists they are far from adequate. It remarks that the budget receipts exceed the 83,000,000,000 paper marks expenses by 16,500,000,000 marks, which was partially necessary to balance other deficits, so that there is a total deficit in the reparations budget of 183,250,000,000 marks, which the present moratorium reduces by 45,000,000,000 marks, but that this is based on 15 paper marks to the gold mark, while actual exchange is 70 to 1.

The Commission holds that the German budget, including reparations payments, should be balanced as far as possible through taxation, but that an internal loan or levy on capital must wipe out any deficit.

The text of the decision is divided into six parts—budget, loans or levy, exportation of capital, the Reichsbank, compilation of statistics and the final paragraph obligating Germany to accept conditions which are to be made later.

The Commission requires not only the putting into effect of the economies the German Chancellor suggested, but additional ones. Expenses

may not exceed appropriations except in extraordinary cases submitted to the Commission.

The program of internal loans must be submitted before April 30. They must be sufficient to balance the budget, but must not take the form of Treasury bonds discounted by the Reichsbank.

The Commission will send to Germany a separate note on an external loan to raise a considerable sum of reparations capital, and if satisfactory results are not obtained in a reasonable time, Germany must study with the Commission other means to raise funds, "notably by a levy on the personal and real property of Germany."

Germany is required to submit a program of methods to prevent the exportation of capital and to assure the return to Germany of payments for exports, and later to devise means for returning of German capital already abroad. The Commission attaches particular importance to this subject and later will deal with it elaborately.

Germany must make the independence of the Reichsbank effective May 31 and must restore the pre-war system of economic and financial statistics, adding to them whatever is necessary to enable the Commission to ascertain Germany's condition.

The concluding paragraph is a blanket requirement that Germany shall abide by the Commission's decision on certain pending questions on which the Commission is to act later.

[Unofficial forecasts of the German budget for the fiscal year to begin April 1 made while the budget was being drawn up late in January, showed an estimated deficit of 183,000,000,000 paper marks.]

If the German Government fails to apply the reforms upon which the partial moratorium is conditioned the Allies may resort to the terms of the annex to the Treaty of Versailles authorizing them to take further pledges as a guaranty for reparations payment.

In our issue of Feb. 4 page 460, we gave the details of the German note to the Reparations Commission asking for a general reduction in cash payments and an increase in payments in kind.

GERMAN VIEWS OF PROPOSALS OF ALLIED REPARATIONS COMMISSION.

According to Associated Press advices from Berlin March 22 the terms under which the German moratorium is conditioned are characterized as impossible in the German capital, and the fall of the Wirth Cabinet is forecast if the proposals are insisted upon. We quote these advices here-with:

The decision of the Reparations Commission on Germany's request for a moratorium, with the details of the payments to be made and the guarantees to be given, were printed in the afternoon papers here to-day. The decision fell like a bombshell in the official quarters in Wilhelmstrasse and in the Reichstag created anger and dismay.

The news arrived during a sitting of the Foreign Affairs Committee, which was attended by the Chancellor and other Ministers. The sitting was immediately suspended and a Cabinet council was summoned to consider the situation.

It was asserted in certain well informed Entente circles to-day that if the decision of the Commission is persisted in, the Wirth Cabinet will fall before a storm of protest. In these quarters, however, there seemed to be a disposition to believe that the decision of the Commission is not yet final, and that an arrangement may ultimately be reached more on the lines of the milder proposals of Sir Robert Horne, British Chancellor of the Exchequer, made at the recent meeting of the Allied ministers in Paris, which are reproduced in some of the afternoon newspapers to-day.

The financial proposals of the Reparations Commission are characterized as impossible and the proposed guarantees as humiliating. The general opinion expressed by the newspapers is that the Commission has shown no disposition to meet Germany in a workable scheme.

GERMANY'S SEVENTH TEN-DAY PAYMENT.

It was announced on March 17 in Paris dispatches (Associated Press) that the Berlin Government had informed the Allied Reparations Commission that the seventh ten-day payment of 31,000,000 gold marks had been made in the form of approved foreign securities.

DR. HERMES'S ADVICES TO REICHSTAG REGARDING INTERNATIONAL LOAN—INABILITY TO CHECK PAPER MONEY.

According to Associated Press advices from Berlin, March 17, Dr. Andreas Hermes, German Minister of Finance, in announcing to the Reichstag on March 17 the idea of an international loan for partial liquidation of Germany's reparation debts, said the stability of finance, which was necessary for all nations, was not attainable along the lines so far followed. It was also stated by the Associated Press:

Dr. Hermes declared Germany would do everything in her power by means of increasing revenue to cut down expenditures and to help in the restoration of her financial situation. He said in no other country was taxation so high as in Germany and that further increases in the already very heavy taxes would be intolerable.

The Finance Minister said it had been impossible to check to any great extent the continual increase in paper circulation, but it was absurd to assert that Germany was purposely depreciating her currency in order to make it impossible for her to carry out her reparations obligations. As a result of depreciated money, he said, prices of foodstuffs had risen and German industries were confronted with ruin, owing to the continually increasing difficulty of obtaining raw materials. Improvement could come only from without by a reasonable limitation of Germany's burdens, the weight of which might be judged from the dismemberment of the country brought about by the peace treaty.

Dr. Hermes declared Germany lost over one-sixth of her cultivated lands and a great portion of her coal production. Of her remaining coal she had to deliver one-fourth under the terms of the Spa agreement. He declared Germany's iron production had dropped by two-thirds. But he said it was especially owing to depreciation of her currency that Germany found it harder to fulfil her engagements.

On the previous day (March 16) London press advices stated:

A Berlin dispatch to the London "Times" says that Dr. Andreas Hermes, German Minister of Finance, has informed the Reichstag that the Entente finance ministers are considering the idea of an international loan for partial liquidation of Germany's reparations debts.

It would be necessary, he said, to examine the question of how far an international loan could be associated with the German compulsory loan without affecting the character of the latter.

Reports of an international loan of 1,000,000,000 gold marks were referred to in the "Chronicle" of Feb. 4, page 461.

GERMAN LAW TO CURB FOREIGN EXCHANGE SPECULATION.

The following Berlin mail advices appeared in the "Wall Street Journal" of March 14:

Law has been passed to check increasing speculation in foreign exchange. Although some of its provisions will be enforced March 1, it will not be fully effective until May.

Law provides that dealings in exchange are to be made only through recognized exchange banks, which include the Reichsbank and the more important private banks. These banks may only sell exchange to private individuals after having secured proper information as to buyer's purpose. They are required to furnish the tax collector with a statement of the transaction.

Law will not apply to foreigners, nor to Germans permanently resident abroad, who are merely visiting their own country. German firms will be exempt on receiving a certificate from their local Chamber of Commerce that their business necessitates transactions in foreign exchange. Contracts to buy or sell foreign exchange without complying with the regulations will be unenforceable. It is hoped that the law will check excessive speculation, of which the most usual form has been buying of dollars.

BERLIN BANK INCREASES DIVIDEND FROM 12½% TO 16%.

Special radio advices to the "Journal of Commerce" from Frankfort on the Main, on March 23, said:

The Berliner Handelsgesellschaft, one of the most prominent banks in the country, in its annual financial statement shows 40,000,000 marks placed to reserve. The dividend is increased from 12½% to 16%.

DRAWINGS OF FRENCH NATIONAL LOAN OF 1920.

Brown Brothers & Co. have been advised by cable that Series 232 and 642 Republic of France 5% National Loan of 1920 were drawn on March 16 for payment on May 1 next. The offering was referred to in our issue of Feb. 21 1920, page 703.

U. S. AGENCY OF BANQUE NATIONALE FRANCAISE DU COMMERCE EXTERIEUR.

Aime Dumaine has recently been named as representative of the Banque Nationale Francaise du Commerce Exterieur in this country. The Banque Nationale Francaise du Commerce Exterieur is a foreign trade bank incorporated in 1919, in which all the big French institutions such as Credit Lyonnais, Comptoir National d'Escompte, Banque de Paris et des Pays Bas, Union Parisienne, Banque Nationale de Credit, &c., are stockholders. The bank is authorized to open agencies in the French Colonies and Protectorates as well as in foreign countries and to undertake there all the usual banking operations, but more especially those concerning foreign trade. In France its operations are strictly limited to foreign trade. The bank has a capital of 100,000,000 francs and receives from the French Government a subsidy of 2,000,000 francs a year. To create a surplus fund at the start, the French Government has advanced 25,000,000 francs without interest that will be reimbursed later on out of profits. The directors must be one third bankers and two thirds business men. Two delegates of the French Government assist at the meetings of the board, as advisers, and supervise the accounts of the bank each year. The Banque Nationale Francaise du Commerce Exterieur, especially organized for foreign trade, is authorized to make long term credits to importers and exporters, and as it is claimed the for most French institution in that line of business, is in a position to give the best service to American banks and firms in their dealings with France and French Colonies. The New York office of the bank is at 21 East 40th St.

LIQUIDATION PLANS OF BANCA ITALIANA DI SCONTO AT ROME—PROPOSED BANCA NAZIONALE DI CREDITO.

According to Rome (Italy) press advices March 22 the receivers of the Banca Italiana di Sconto, published their liquidation proposals on that date. It is stated that a deficit of 1,000,000,000 lire is shown. The press dispatches state further:

The creditors of the institution are divided into two categories, those with deposits under 5,000 lire and those with deposits over this amount. The former will be paid 67% of their deposits in two payments, 20%

immediately and the remainder before Dec. 31. Depositors of the second category will receive 62% in five payments, which will extend over the period until March 31 1924. Seven per cent of the 62% will be retained by the creditors for the formation of a new bank, which is to be called the Banca Nazionale di Credito. It will absorb the assets of the Sconto Bank, paying for them at their appraised value and in turn paying creditors.

The new institution will have a capital of 250,000,000 lire. Its directors will be elected from among the creditors of the Sconto Bank.

The Banca Italiana di Sconto suspended payments on Dec. 29 of last year. References to the bank have appeared in our issues of Dec. 31, page 2768; Jan. 7, page 16; Jan. 14, page 128, and Feb. 18, page 678.

SOVIET STATE BANK'S OFFERING OF SHORT-TERM BONDS.

Under date of March 22, the Associated Press had the following to say in a Geneva dispatch:

The new State Bank of Soviet Russia has sent circulars to the Swiss banks offering short-term bonds bearing interest at the rate of 36% for foreign currencies, particularly Swiss gold notes, American dollars and British pounds.

Information is conveyed by the circulars that all such moneys can be forwarded to Moscow through the Deutsche Bank of Berlin. The matter of guaranties is not mentioned in the Soviet's circular letter, which says: "These minor negotiations can be arranged later."

SOVIET DECREE FREEING IMPORT AND EXPORT TRADE.

A decree announcing the opening of free import and export trade with Soviet Russia was published to-day by the "Izvestia." According to Associated Press advices from Moscow, March 17, which also said:

Under the provisions of the decree, co-operatives and private persons receive the right independently to purchase abroad and import goods into Soviet Russia, and foreign firms are permitted to carry on import and export business in Soviet Russia on their own account.

REJECTION BY LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF INDIA OF IMPORT SILVER TAX.

The Associated Press announced the following advices from Delhi, India, March 21:

The Legislative Assembly, in considering the budget, rejected to-day the proposal to tax imported silver, with an equal bounty on exported silver. Proposed increases in the levies on spirits and cigars were allowed. The budget deficit not covered by fresh taxation totals twelve crores of rupees. (A crore is 10,000,000 rupees, normally \$3,240,000.)

U. S. CLAIM FOR RHINE ARMY OCCUPATION—TEXT OF NOTE TO ALLIES.

The United States, through Secretary of State Hughes, this week formally presented its views to the Allied governments in support of its claim for \$241,000,000, to cover the actual cost of its army of occupation maintained in Germany since the signing of the armistice in November 1918. As we have already stated in these columns (March 11, page 1011 and March 18 page 1123) the intention of the United States to demand payment therefor was made known to the Allied Finance Ministers by Roland W. Boyden, in behalf of the United States on March 10; the Finance Ministers however, in a collective reply on March 16 stated the claims concern "our respective Governments," and ought to be made the subject of communication through diplomatic channels. The identic notes which were accordingly drafted by Secretary Hughes and forwarded by Cablegram on the 20th inst. to the five principal Allied powers, were delivered on the 22nd inst. by the American diplomatic representatives to the Governments of Great Britain, France, Italy, Japan and Belgium. The amount of the claim of the United States says the note "is understood to be well known and to be free from any substantial dispute." The note points out that the total cost of all the armies of occupation from November 11 1918 to May 1 1921 amounted to 3,639,282,000 gold marks; that the amounts due to Belgium, France and Italy for their army costs for that period had been paid in full, and that the unpaid balance due May 1 1921, amounted to 1,660,090,000 gold marks, of which 965,374,000 gold marks were due to the United States and 693,716,000 to British Empire. It is understood it is stated, that between May 1 1921 and December 31 1921, the British Government received 130,696,000 gold marks, and it is stated that "this payment was expressly made and reserved subject to the rights of the United States." Secretary Hughes while stating that the attitude of the United States in expecting full payments of the army occupation costs has been repeatedly set forth, recent developments prompt its present statement. One factor was the proposal at the meeting of the Finance Ministers convening at Paris March 8 "definitely to assign the greater portion of the amount heretofore paid in cash by Germany, and not yet finally allocated, to the payment of army costs without making

any provision for those of the American army." Secretary Hughes bases the claim of this country on the armistice agreement, and states that "the United States believes that its right to priority of payment for its actual army cost, upon an equal footing with the Allied Powers, is not in any way affected by its failure to ratify the Treaty of Versailles." It is pointed out that "Germany has explicitly consented to the priority of payment of the cost of the American Army of occupation, notwithstanding the fact that the Treaty of Versailles has not been ratified by the United States," and it is added that "the United States believes that its right to be paid the actual cost of its army of occupation pari passu with the cost of the armies of the Allied powers is not only a clearly equitable right, but is free from any technical objection." The note states that this Government "will welcome any suggestion from the Allied governments for the reasonable adjustment of this matter," and adds that "upon receiving assurances of payment, this Government will be only too happy to proceed to the consideration of suitable means by which its just claim may be satisfied." Pending such consideration and adjustment the hope is expressed "that the Allied Governments will be disposed to refrain from giving effect to any arrangements received from Germany to the exclusion of the claims of the United States." The following is the text of the note as made public by the State Department on the 22nd inst:

The Government of the United States has believed, and still believes, that the Governments of the allied powers have no disposition to question the right of the United States to be paid, upon an equal footing with them the actual cost of its army of occupation which it has maintained in Germany since the joint armistice agreement of Nov. 11 1918. While the attitude of the Government of the United States in expecting full payment of these costs has been repeatedly set forth, it is deemed to be appropriate, in view of recent developments, to make this statement of its position.

The amount of the claim of the United States for its army costs is understood to be well known and to be free from any substantial dispute. According to the information and accounts in the possession of the allied governments it appears that the total cost of all the armies of occupation from Nov. 11 1918 to May 1 1921, amounted to 3,639,232,000 gold marks; that the amounts due to Belgium, France and Italy for their army costs for that period have been paid in full (chiefly through deliveries of property), and that the unpaid balance of army costs due May 1 1921, amounted to 1,660,090,000 gold marks due to the United States and the British Empire as follows:

United States, 966,374,000 gold marks.

British Empire, 693,716,000 gold marks.

It is understood that between May 1 1921, and Dec. 31 1921, the British Government received cash payments as against his balance, of about 130,696,000 gold marks. In view of the position taken by the Government of the United States, this payment was expressly made and received subject to the rights of the United States.

In November, 1921, the commission appointed by the Supreme Council to give its opinion on the expenses of the armies of occupation made its report, dealing with the army costs since May 1 1921. This included calculations with respect to the American army, and its actual costs since that date were included in the proposed provision for payment pari passu with the other powers.

It has been supposed that this report to the Supreme Council would be referred to the Conference of Ambassadors and would pave the way for suitable action with respect to the American army costs both current and accumulated. It was with surprise that the Government of the United States recently learned that negotiations in connection with and following the meeting at Cannes in January last, apparently contemplated the substitution for the recommendation of the army costs commission of other arrangements which would ignore American army costs altogether, although estimates both for army costs and reparations were being made on the basis of the entire capacity of the German Government to pay.

When it came to the notice of this Government that it was proposed at the meeting of the Finance Ministers, to convene at Paris on March 8, definitely to assign the greater portion of the amount heretofore paid in cash by Germany, and not yet finally allocated, to the payment of army costs without making any provision for those of the American army, it was deemed advisable again to direct attention to the position of the United States.

The Government of the United States has been advised that all the arrangements of the Finance Ministers have been made subject to the rights of the United States and that these Ministers have also suggested that the Government of the United States should take up the question directly with the Governments concerned.

The armistice agreement concluded between the allied and associated Governments and Germany on Nov. 11 1918, provided for military occupation by the allied and United States forces jointly, and it was expressly provided that

"The upkeep of the troops of occupation in the Rhine districts (excluding Alsac-Lorraine) shall be charged to the German Government.

It is not believed that the meaning of this agreement can be regarded as doubtful. It had not only its express provision, but its necessary implications. It is the view of this Government, and it is confidently believed that it is the view of the all the Governments concerned, that this agreement on the part of the Allied and associated Governments with Germany, and with each other, had the clear import that the powers associated in this joint enterprise should stand upon an equal footing as to the payment of all the actual costs of their armies of occupation and that none of the powers could, consistently with the agreement, make any arrangement for a preferential or exclusive right of payment.

Further, it is assumed that it would not for a moment be contended that any of the Allied powers would have been entitled to enter into any arrangement by which all the assets or revenues of the German Empire and its constituent States would be taken for their benefit to the exclusion of any of the other powers concerned.

It was apparently in recognition of the existing and continuing obligation as to army costs that in the Treaty of Versailles, in undertaking to place a first charge upon all the assets and revenues of the German Empire and its constituent States (Article 248) priority was given to the total cost of all

armies of the Allied and associated Governments in occupied German territory from the date of the signature of the armistice agreement.

Articles 248 and 251 of the Treaty of Versailles provide:

"Article 248. There shall be paid by the German Government the total cost of all the armies of the Allied and associated Governments in occupied German territory from the date of the signature of the armistice of Nov. 11 1918, including the keep of men and beasts, lodging and billeting, pay and allowances, salaries and wages, bedding, heating, lighting, clothing, equipment, harness and saddlery, armament and rolling stock, air services, treatment of sick and wounded, veterinary and remount services, transport service of all sorts (such as by rail, sea or river, motor lorries); communications and correspondence, and in general the cost of all administrative or technical services the working of which is necessary for the training of troops and for the keeping their numbers up to strength and preserving their military efficiency. * * *

"Article 251. The priority of the charges established by article 248 shall, subject to the qualifications made below, be as follows:

"(A) The cost of the armies of occupation as defined under Article 249 during the armistice and its extensions:

"(B) The cost of any armies of occupation as defined under Article 249 after the coming into force of the present treaty."

By the treaty between the United States and Germany, signed Aug. 25 1921, the ratifications of which were exchanged on Nov. 11 1921, it is provided that the United States shall have and enjoy the rights and advantages stipulated for the benefit of the United States in the Treaty of Versailles, notwithstanding the fact that the treaty has not been ratified by the United States.

The Government of the United States entertains the view and submits it to the consideration of the Allied Governments, that the United States is entitled to payment of the costs of its army of occupation pari passu with the Allied Governments and that payments received by them from Germany in the circumstances disclosed cannot be used to the exclusion of the United States without its consent.

The Government of the United States is unable to conclude that the justice of its claim is not fully recognized. The Governments of the Allied powers will not be unmindful of the fact that the Government of the United States has repeatedly and earnestly been solicited not to withdraw its army of occupation, and this army has been continued upon the basis of the right to be paid its actual cost upon an equal footing with the Allies. But, while it is believed that the Allied Governments cannot fail to appreciate the manifest equity of the United States, it is understood that it has been suggested that there are technical difficulties which stand in the way of its recognition.

While willing to give full consideration to every possible question, this Government is unable to find any such technical obstacle. It is assumed that if any technical question were raised, it would be based upon the fact that the United States has not ratified the Treaty of Versailles.

It may be pointed out, however, that Germany has explicitly consented to the priority of payment of the cost of the American army of occupation, notwithstanding the fact that the Treaty of Versailles has not been ratified by the United States. Hence, any technical objection to the application of the payments made by Germany to the discharge of the just claim of the United States for the cost of its army of occupation upon the ground that the United States had not ratified the Treaty of Versailles would necessarily rest not upon any action or lack of action on the part of Germany, but solely upon the refusal of the Governments of the Allied powers themselves to permit the discharge of an admittedly equitable claim and thus to seek to maintain in their behalf exclusively a first charge upon all the assets and revenues of the German Empire and its constituent States for demands exhausting the full capacity of the German Government to pay. The Government of the United States finds it impossible to conceive that any such attitude would be taken by the Allied Governments.

The Government of the United States believes that its right to priority of payment for its actual army costs, upon an equal footing with the Allied powers, is not in any way affected by its failure to ratify the Treaty of Versailles. The right of the United States to share in this priority was not expressly conditioned, and in view of the nature of the claim and of the fact that the treaty purported to create a first charge upon all the assets and revenues of the German Empire should not be construed as being conditioned upon the ratification of the Treaty by the United States.

It may be noted that the Treaty was to come into force on the ratification on the part of Germany and of three of the principal Allied and Associated Powers. Article 251, quoted above, there is provision for priority of the cost of the armies of occupation during the armistice and its extensions and the cost of "any armies" of occupation after the coming into force of the Treaty. This would seem clearly to embrace the cost of the army of occupation maintained by the United States.

The Government of the United States believes that its right to be paid the actual cost of its army of occupation pari passu with the cost of the armies of the Allied Powers is not only a clearly equitable right but is free from any technical objection.

This Government will welcome any suggestion from the Allied Governments for the reasonable adjustment of this matter. Upon receiving assurances of payment, this Government will be only too happy to proceed to the consideration of suitable means by which its just claim may be satisfied. Pending such consideration and adjustment, this Government earnestly hopes that the Allied Governments will be disposed to refrain from giving effect to any arrangements for the distribution of cash payments received from Germany to the exclusion of the claim of the United States.

RETURN OF ALL U. S. TROOPS ON RHINE BY JULY 1 ORDERED BY PRESIDENT HARDING.

The return to the United States by July 1 of all United States troops now stationed in Germany is called for in orders issued by Secretary of War Weeks on March 20. A statement given out by him in the matter said:

"Some months ago the President directed that the troops in Europe, at least in excess of 2,000 officers and men, should be returned to the United States by the regular transport service which was then and is now in operation. He has now directed that this be continued until all of the troops have been brought to the United States, which would mean that before the end of the fiscal year the entire force will have been returned. Additional transports will not be operated to complete this movement."

It is stated that the number of American officers and men now in the Army of occupation is about 4,000. On Feb. 16 of this year the President decided upon a reduction of the Army of Occupation to 169 officers and 2,217 men. This reduction has been in progress since that time and it is estimated that it would have been completed by April 1.

According to the New York "Times" it was officially denied on the 20th that the order has any bearing on the

demands of the United States for the cost of its Rhine army occupation; in its Washington advices the "Times" said:

Commenting informally on the announcement, Secretary Weeks emphasized the fact that no specific recent development was responsible for the decision of the President. "The President," he said, "has intended all along that the army of occupation should be brought home as soon as possible, and today's order is merely a part of the carrying out of that policy."

OFFERING OF \$6,000,000 CITY OF SOISSONS (FRANCE) BONDS.

A \$6,000,000 issue of City of Soissons (France) 15-year external reconstruction secured 6% gold loan was offered on Tuesday (March 21) by White, Weld & Co., of this city, Chicago and Boston, at 85½ and interest, to yield about 7.65%. The subscription books were closed on the date of the offering, the bonds, it is stated, having been oversubscribed. The bonds are non-callable as a whole or in part. They are dated Nov. 14 1921 and are due Nov. 14 1936. Interest is payable semi-annually May 14 and Nov. 14. Principal and interest are payable without deduction for any French Governmental, municipal or other French taxes present or future at the National Bank of Commerce in New York, in United States gold coin; at the Provincial Bank of Canada in Montreal in Canadian gold coin; at Lloyds Bank, Ltd., London, England, at the rate of \$4.86 2-3 per pound sterling; at Banque des Pays du Nord, Paris, France, at the rate of 5.1826 francs per dollar. The bonds are in coupon form in denominations of \$1,000 and are registerable as to principal only. The proceeds of the issue, which it is stated, is the only external loan of the City of Soissons, will be used for the reconstruction of fixed property. As to the security and redemption fund the official circular says:

Security.

The Government of the French Republic has undertaken, under Article 152 of the Law of July 31 1920, Article 67 of the Law of Dec. 31 19 0, and Article 1 of the Law of Mar. 24 1921, to pay to the City of Soissons the sum of 80,000,000 francs in fifteen annuities with interest at 6% as follows:

Five annuities, each amounting to 8,160,000 francs, the first of these annuities to be payable on Nov. 14 1922:

Five annuities, each amounting to 8,140,000 francs, the first of these annuities to be payable on Nov. 14 1927:

Five annuities, each amounting to 7,722,480 francs, the first of these annuities to be payable on Nov. 14 1932.

In addition to these French Government annuities, the French Finance Minister has given his formal written guaranty that if, by reason of depreciation of exchange, the annual payment shall be insufficient to produce the dollars necessary for payment of principal and interest in full by the City of Soissons, the French Treasury will provide the sums needed. In a written opinion, Maître Cruppi, Avocat à la Cour d'Appel de Paris, and former Minister of Commerce, advises that this undertaking by the French Minister of Finance is a binding and valid obligation of the French Government. The above annuities and the supplemental guaranty of the French Finance Minister have been deposited with the Banque de Paris et des Pays Bas for the benefit of the holders of these bonds.

Redemption Fund.

After payment of current interest requirements on this issue, the balance available from each annual payment by the French Government shall be used by the National Bank of Commerce in New York and the Provincial Bank of Canada, for the purchase of these bonds in the open market without limit as to price or at the option of the City of Soissons, for the purchase of Canadian Government, provincial or municipal bonds. Canadian bonds so purchased must be approved by the City and the above named banks and shall be held by the National Bank of Commerce in New York for the benefit of the holders of the remaining bonds of this issue.

The delivery of the bonds will be made in the form of temporary bonds or of interim receipts of the Central Union Trust Co. of New York.

OFFERING OF £250,000 CITY OF BUENOS AIRES BONDS IN UNITED STATES.

At a price to yield 6.30% to 6.85% there was offered on Tuesday of this week (Mar. 21) an issue of £250,000 City of Buenos Aires guaranteed 5% loan of 1909-1946 by Joseph Walker & Sons, Paine, Webber & Co., and F. J. Lisman & Co., of this city and Brooke, Stokes & Co., of Philadelphia. Of the original issue of £2,976,180 there have been redeemed, £565,860, leaving outstanding, £2,410,320. The bonds were issued in denominations of £20, £100, £200 and £1,000, but the block in the present offering were in denomination of £100 and £200 only. From Jan. 1 1913 the Argentine Government assumed service of this loan. In addition the loan is secured on 44% of the Industrial Patents tax in the City of Buenos Aires, a national tax collected direct by the National Government. The proceeds of this tax for the year 1921 amounted, it is stated, to not less than \$6,400,000. The bonds are redeemable in 37 years from date of issue through a semi-annual cumulative sinking fund of 1% by drawings at par, or by purchasing or tenders below par. They are free from all present or future Argentine taxation. The bonds are listed on the London Stock Exchange. Interest is payable Jan. 1 and July 1. The entire external and

internal indebtedness of the city on Dec. 31 1921 is reported at not less than \$53,000,000—a per capita debt of approximately \$31.

OFFERING OF \$30,000,000 PARIS-LYON-MEDITERRANEAN RR.

The above offering, referred to in these columns last week (page 1125) was made by Kuhn, Loeb & Co. and the National City Company of New York,—not the National City Bank, as was inadvertently stated by us.

BRAZILIAN STATE TO PAY INTEREST ON \$10,000,000.

Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co., as fiscal agents, announced on March 21 that the coupon due April 1 on the \$10,000,000 State of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, 25-year 8% sinking fund gold bonds external loan of 1921, would be paid at their offices and the offices of Lee, Higginson & Co. in New York, Boston and Chicago. This offering was referred to in our issue of Nov. 19 Page 2124.

OFFERING OF BONDS OF FIRST JOINT STOCK LAND BANK OF CHICAGO.

Kissel, Kinnicutt & Co., of New York and Chicago, this week offered \$3,000,000 First Joint Stock Land Bank of Chicago 5% Farm Loan Bonds. The bonds, which were offered at 102 and interest, to yield about 4¾% to 1931 and 5% thereafter, were reported oversubscribed on the day of the offering—Thursday, March 23. The bonds are dated Nov. 1 1921 and are due Nov. 1 1951. They are exempt from all Federal State, municipal and local taxation, this exemption having been confirmed by the United States Supreme Court in its decision of Feb. 28 1921. Thus the bonds are as completely tax-exempt as the First Liberty Loan 3½% Bonds. The bonds are issued under the Federal Farm Loan Act, and are redeemable, at the option of the bank at par and accrued interest on Nov. 1 1931, or on any interest date thereafter. They are coupon bonds of \$1,000 and \$10,000 denominations, fully registerable and interchangeable. Principal and semi-annual interest (May 1 and Nov. 1) are payable at the bank of issue or at the Continental & Commercial Bank in Chicago, or at the Chase National Bank in New York City, at the holder's option. By Act of Congress the bonds, prepared and engraved by the Treasury Department, are declared instrumentalities of the United States Government, legal investments for all fiduciary and trust funds under the jurisdiction of the Federal Government, and acceptable at par as security for postal savings and all other deposits of Government funds.

The First Joint Stock Land Bank of Chicago operates in Illinois and Iowa; it is stated that the bank has paid regular dividends at the rate of 8%, which have recently been increased to 9%. Previous offerings of bonds of this bank since last September, have been referred to as follows in these columns—\$2,000,000, "Chronicle Sept. 17, page 1204; \$2,500,000 Nov. 12, page 2035, and \$1,500,000 Jan. 28, page 360.

OFFERING OF LINCOLN JOINT STOCK LAND BANK BONDS.

On March 20 Harris, Forbes & Co. offered \$1,000,000 Lincoln Joint Stock Land Bank 5% bonds. These bonds are part of the \$3,000,000 block brought out on Feb. 23 by Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., William R. Compton Co. and Harris, Forbes & Co., mention of which was made in our issue of Feb. 25, page 793. The offering this week was at the same price as the \$3,000,000 block, namely 101½ and interest, to yield about 4.80% to the redeemable date (1931) and 5% thereafter to redemption or maturity. The bonds are dated Nov. 1 1921, are due Nov. 1 1951 and are not redeemable before Nov. 1 1931. Interest is payable May 1 and Nov. 1 and principal and interest are payable at the Lincoln Joint Stock Land Bank or through the Harris Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, Ill. Also payable at Harris, Forbes & Co., New York City, as correspondent of the Harris Trust & Savings Bank. The bonds are in coupon form, fully registerable and interchangeable in denomination of \$1,000. They are exempt from Federal, State, municipal and local taxation, and are 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 Government funds. The Lincoln Joint Stock Land Bank operates in Iowa and Nebraska.

ADVANCES APPROVED BY WAR FINANCE CORPORATION.

The War Finance Corporation announced on March 20 that from March 16 to March 18 1922, inclusive, it had approved 80 advances, aggregating \$1,899,000, for agricultural and livestock purposes as follows:

\$39,000 in Alabama	88,000 in North Dakota
269,000 in Colorado	25,000 in Ohio
10,000 in Georgia	33,000 in Oklahoma
35,000 in Illinois	23,000 in South Carolina
20,000 in Iowa	115,000 in South Dakota
98,000 in Kansas	75,000 in Tennessee
165,000 in Minnesota	339,000 in Texas
22,000 in Missouri	10,000 in Washington
31,000 in Missouri on livestock in Kansas	30,000 in Wisconsin
44,000 in Montana	9,000 in Wyoming
18,000 in Nebraska	153,000 in Wyoming on livestock in Utah and Wyoming
248,000 in North Carolina	

During the week ending March 18 1922, the War Finance Corporation approved a total of 176 advances, aggregating \$4,211,000, for agricultural and livestock purposes.

From March 20 to March 22, 1922, inclusive, the Corporation announced, it approved 102 advances, aggregating \$2,847,000, for agricultural and livestock purposes as follows:

\$10,000 in Alabama	29,000 in New Mexico
50,000 in Arkansas	30,000 in North Carolina
105,000 in Colorado	267,000 in North Dakota
22,000 in Florida	110,000 in Oklahoma
139,000 in Georgia	18,000 in South Carolina
500,000 in Illinois	208,000 in South Dakota
152,000 in Iowa	35,000 in Tennessee
205,000 in Minnesota	325,000 in Texas
15,000 in Mississippi	163,000 in Texas on livestock in New Mexico and Texas
81,000 in Missouri	201,000 in Wyoming
136,000 in Montana	
46,000 in Nebraska	

The Board also approved an advance of \$1,400,000 to a banking institution organized to promote export trade, for the purpose of financing the exportation of cotton.

BOSTON BANK STATEMENT TO BE ISSUED ON THURSDAY HEREAFTER INSTEAD OF MONDAY.

Beginning March 30, the bank statement of the Boston Clearing House Association will be issued on Thursday of each week instead of Monday, as heretofore. In accordance with the change decided upon, the customary Monday statement will be omitted the coming week. The change is made to conform with the Federal Reserve Bank week, which ends on Wednesday.

TWO MEMBERS SUSPENDED FROM NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE FOR ONE YEAR.

Two members of the New York Stock Exchange, namely Archibald B. Boyd and Percy R. Goepel, were suspended for one year from the New York Stock Exchange on Wednesday of this week, March 23. Mr. Boyd is a member of the firm of Boyd, Halstead & Co., 128 Broadway, and Mr. Goepel a member of the firm of Goepel & Co., 20 Broad St. The suspensions, according to President Cromwell's announcement from the rostrum of the Exchange, were based on a resolution adopted by the Governing Committee of the Exchange on Aug. 24 last, which is as follows:

That any member of this Exchange who is interested in, or associated in business with, or whose offices are connected, directly or indirectly, by public or private wire, or other method or contrivance with, or who transacts any business directly or indirectly with or for, any organization, firm, or individual engaged in purchasing and selling securities for customers and making a practice of taking the side of the market opposite to customers in transactions had for their account, shall, on conviction thereof, be deemed to have committed an act or acts detrimental to the interest and welfare of this Exchange.

Continuing his announcement, Mr. Cromwell said:

A charge and specification having been preferred under Section 8 of Article XVII. of the constitution, covering an act detrimental to the interest and welfare of the exchange against Archibald B. Boyd, a member of the Exchange, and a similar charge having been drawn against Percy R. Goepel, a member of the Exchange, said charges and specifications were separately considered by the Governing Committee at a meeting held on March 22 1922, at which hearings the said members were respectively present, and the Governing Committee, having separately determined that said Archibald B. Boyd and Percy R. Goepel were guilty of said charges and specifications, said Archibald B. Boyd and Percy R. Goepel were suspended for one year.

The governors through this decision have given a token of their determination that there shall be no connection between Stock Exchange firms and outside brokers making a practice of selling their customers' stocks.

For many years there has been in effect a resolution of the governing committee providing that every member of the Exchange is required to use diligence to learn the essential facts relating to every account carried in his office.

The resolution of Aug. 24 1921, on which these charges were based is in no way ambiguous. It provides that a member of the New York Stock Exchange shall not do this business, and it leaves the responsibility of finding out the character of his client entirely in his hands.

There will be no relaxing in the scrutiny of the officials of the Exchange in this matter, and it behooves the members to guard themselves accordingly.

Mr. Boyd, it is said, became a member of the Exchange in 1892, and Mr. Goepel was admitted to membership in December 1919.

BROKERAGE FAILURES IN NEW YORK.

On March 17 an involuntary petition in bankruptcy was filed in the Federal District Court against the brokerage firm of Shapiro & Co., 53 Maiden Lane, this city. The concern's liabilities and assets were not given. The firm consisted of Julius Shapiro and Samuel J. Smith.

The firms of Rose & Co., stock and bond brokers, of 50 Broad St., this city, and Rose & Son, cotton brokers, of 24 Stone St., of which Randolph Rose, Sr., Vice-President and director of the American Cotton Exchange, is the head, were placed in involuntary bankruptcy on Monday of this week (March 20). E. Bright Wilson was named receiver in both cases, his bond being fixed by the court at \$20,000 for Rose & Co. and at \$10,000 for Rose & Son. Hays & Wadhams, representing both Randolph Rose, Sr., and Randolph Rose, Jr., gave out the following statement, as printed in the New York "Herald" of March 21:

The failures of Rose & Co. and Rose & Son, against whom involuntary petitions in bankruptcy were filed, were precipitated by the tremendous fight which has been waged against these firms and against the American Cotton Exchange, of which Rose & Son are members.

Both firms fought to the last to keep afloat, but the odds against them were too great. During the last two weeks they have paid out hundreds of thousands of dollars to meet the run on them by customers. It is impossible without an audit of the books to approximate the assets and liabilities of either firm, but it is expected that the assets will be sufficiently large to pay the creditors a large part of their claims.

According to the "Herald," immediately after the appointment of a receiver for the two firms, A. W. Graham, President of the American Cotton Exchange, announced that Randolph Rose Sr. had resigned as Vice-President and a director of the Exchange and his resignation had been accepted. Mr. Graham also announced, it is said, that the failure "automatically works as a suspension of membership in the Exchange."

An involuntary petition in bankruptcy was filed in the Federal District Court on March 21 against James J. Kerwin, doing a stock brokerage business at 50 Broad Street under the firm name of S. E. Smith & Co. The liabilities and assets were not mentioned.

BURGESS, LANG & CO., BOSTON, IN BANKRUPTCY.

On March 18 an involuntary petition in bankruptcy was filed in the United States District Court at Boston against the banking and brokerage firm of Burgess, Lang & Co., of 199 Washington Street, that city, according to a special dispatch from Boston on March 19 to the New York "Times." Three specific charges, it is said, were made in the petition, alleging that the firm removed and concealed assets in order to prefer certain creditors over those having a legal right to preferment. It is charged in the petition that on March 15, while insolvent, the firm transferred a portion of its property with intent to prefer creditors. The firm's liabilities, it is said, are estimated at \$1,500,000. A press dispatch dated March 20, printed in "Financial America" of this city, of the same date, stated that the firm had been suspended from the Boston Stock Exchange, and a later dispatch, March 21, stated that the court had appointed W. Rodman Peabody, B. J. Brickley and Rollis R. Bailey receivers for the firm under bonds of \$10,000 each.

HULL, INGRAHAM & CO., INC., OF BRISTOL, CONN., ASSIGN.

According to a special dispatch from Bristol, Conn., to the Hartford "Courant," on March 20, the firm of Hull, Ingraham & Co., Inc., of Bristol, on that day made an assignment to a creditors' committee as an alternative to going into bankruptcy. The embarrassment of the firm, it is said, was due to the failure of Clarke & Co. of this city, which was the correspondent of Hull, Ingraham & Co., Inc. The failed firm had a branch in Meriden, Conn.

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO U. S. TREASURY NOTES OFFERED IN EXCHANGE FOR 4¾% VICTORY NOTES.

Secretary of the Treasury Mellon announced on March 23 that the total amount of subscriptions received for the four-year 4¾% U. S. Treasury Notes, Series A-1926, dated March 15 1922, due March 15 1926, was \$617,767,700. The notes, as stated in our issue of March 11, page 1015, were offered only in exchange for 4¾% Victory notes and subscription books closed at the close of business on March 15 1922. All subscriptions received before the closing of the books were allotted in full. The subscriptions allotted were

divided among the several Federal Reserve districts as follows:

Boston.....	\$51,093,800	St. Louis.....	\$20,745,000
New York.....	314,059,200	Minneapolis.....	7,747,300
Philadelphia.....	47,904,000	Kansas City.....	9,909,900
Cleveland.....	49,795,000	Dallas.....	2,004,000
Richmond.....	13,252,200	San Francisco.....	31,180,000
Atlanta.....	4,112,500		
Chicago.....	65,964,800	Total.....	\$617,767,700

The closing of the subscriptions was noted by us last week, page 1128.

REDEMPTION OF TREASURY CERTIFICATES OF INDEBTEDNESS MATURING APRIL 1.

Secretary of the Treasury Mellon announced on March 20 that he had authorized the Federal Reserve banks on and after March 21 1922 and until further notice to redeem in cash, before April 1 1922, at the holders' option, at par and accrued interest to the date of such optional redemption, Treasury certificates of indebtedness of Series C—1922, dated Nov. 1 1921, maturing April 1 1922.

F. E. SCOBAY SUCCEEDS RAYMOND T. BAKER AS DIRECTOR OF U. S. MINT.

F. E. Scobey assumed on March 20 the post of Director of the U. S. Mint, succeeding Raymond T. Baker, whose term of office expired on the 19th inst. Mr. Scobey's nomination, as stated in our issue of March 4, page 909, was sent to the Senate by President Harding on March 1. The Senate confirmed the nomination on the 7th inst. Stating that when Mr. Scobey assumed supervision of the Government's coinage institutions tons of bar gold and silver and coins of all denominations would come under his charge, the Washington press dispatches on March 19 pointed out that the gold assets of the mint service institutions aggregated \$3,000,000,000, or one-third of the world's gold supply estimated at approximately \$9,000,000,000.

HOUSE PASSES SOLDIER BONUS BILL—MINORITY REPORTS.

By a vote of 333 to 70 the House on March 23 passed the soldier bonus bill—the bill providing adjusted compensation for veterans of the World War. The bill was passed under a suspension of the rules which prohibited amendments, limited debate and required a two-thirds vote on the bill. The resolution suspending the rules was adopted on March 23 by a vote of 221 to 121, after the House had by a vote of 275 to 127 adopted a motion to consider the measure under a suspension of the rules. The 333 votes whereby the passage of the bill was effected in the House were cast by 242 Republicans, 90 Democrats and 1 Socialist, while the 70 votes in opposition came from 42 Republicans and 28 Democrats. According to the Associated Press dispatches from Washington, throughout the debate on the measure on the 23rd the arguments against the bill were more frequent than those in its favor, due to the fact that many Democrats who announced that they would support it vigorously attacked some of its provisions and the Ways and Means Committee for failure to provide means of financing the bonus. The same advices stated in part:

In the course of the debate the measure was referred to as a "gold brick," a "bogus" bill, a "hokus pokus" and a "deformed and malformed creature." Representative Snell, New York, Republican member of the Rules Committee, declared everybody in the country knew that the soldiers' bonus bill "is the cheapest sort of subterfuge to influence the soldier vote at the expense of Uncle Sam's money."

Representative McArthur, Republican, Oregon, told the House that while he had voted for the original bonus bill he could not support this one as the American people could not now stand the additional taxes which would result from enactment of the legislation.

"The country is staggering under an enormous burden of indebtedness," he said, "and further taxation now or in the immediate future means more unemployment, more industrial depression and more economic disorder."

Representative Mills, Republican, New York, declared that the bill violated the very fundamentals of sound government finance by making no provision for meeting the obligations.

"If there is an obligation why don't we raise the money and discharge it?" he asked. "No government in good credit settles its obligations by issuing promissory notes, and no wise government issues promissory notes without making provision for their payment."

In all there was slightly more than five hours of discussion, with 75 of the 435 members taking part in it. Transcripts of their remarks would fill about two ordinary sized newspapers. Many of them were on their feet only a minute or two or three, but the House gave unanimous consent for all members to extend their remarks in the Congressional Record during the next few days and editions of that volume during that time promised to be exceedingly bulky.

Supporters of the bill defended it as the best that could be obtained at this time and some of them declared that it was even better than the original measure with its cash bonus feature, since it would enable veterans to need to obtain cash immediately and at the same time be protected by the Government in their rights in the adjusted service certificates.

Opening the debate, Chairman Fordney explained the bill in detail and concluded with the declaration that in practically every State where the bonus had been put to a vote it had been approved by a large majority and

that of the ten States that had voted a cash bonus "not one was south of the Mason and Dixon line."

The decision to bring the bill before the House for final action was reached on Monday, the 20th inst. following the failure of renewed efforts on the part of Republican leaders of the House to secure Presidential approval of the bill. The situation was laid before President Harding at the White House on that day by a committee of House leaders, but the Executive declined to make any recommendation. Representative Mondell of Wyoming, who headed the committee, issued the following statement after his meeting with the President.

"The legislative situation relating to the bonus bill was fully presented to the President, with detailed explanation of the provisions which remove the menace of excessive drafts on the Treasury in the immediate future and avoid any program of added taxation. The President went over the entire situation, with an appraisal of commitments made. He advised the committee that the legislation is a responsibility of Congress, and in view of expressions previously made he did not think it essential to offer any recommendation."

The intention to lay the bonus situation before the President (who returned to Washington on March 19 from his brief vacation in Florida) was made known on the 19th by Representative Mondell; in a statement that day Mr. Mondell said:

"We have a bill quite different from anything the President has expressed an opinion on, and a bill that lays no more burden on the Treasury next year than does the forthcoming road bill, for instance."

"We suspended the rules two years ago to pass the first bonus bill and there is good reason to handle the measure that way. There are men who have no responsibility in the matter who would come forward with amendments, not for the purpose of improving the bill but to make trouble. If we have about the best bill we can get there is no reason to allow the minority to embarrass our people."

We have got the best bill we can get and a very good one, and the sooner we pass it the better.

Shortly after President Harding's return to Washington on the 19th he had an hour's conference with Secretary Mellon at the White House; while no official statement as to the conference was made, it was understood that the bonus question had been discussed.

On the 21st. Speaker Gillett consented to permit the bill to be taken up on Thursday under a suspension of the rules, the parliamentary plan for handling the measure having been determined upon at a five minutes' conference that day between Mr. Gillett and Chairman Campbell of the Rules Committee.

The bill, against which as we have previously indicated, objections were voiced by President Harding, Secretary of the Treasury Mellon, Comptroller of the Currency Crissinger and Governor Harding of the Federal Reserve Board, was passed, it is understood, in the form in which it was reported by the Ways and Means Committee on the 14th inst. As then presented, (as we stated last week page 1128) it differed in but one respect from the form in which it went to the House on the 7th, and details of which had been given in these columns March 11 page 1016. A summary of its provisions, was contained as follows in Washington press advices March 23:

As passed by the House, the Bonus bill would provide for immediate cash payments to veterans whose adjusted service pay would not exceed \$50, and would give to the other veterans the options of these four plans:

Adjusted service certificates, with provisions authorizing loans by banks in the first three years after next October 1, and by the Government thereafter; the certificates to run for twenty years and to have a face value at maturity of the amount of the adjusted service credit at the rate of \$1 a day for domestic service and \$1 25 a day for foreign service, increased by 25%, plus interest at the rate of 4 3/4% compound annually.

Vocational training aid after Jan 1 1923, at the rate of \$1 75 a day, the total payments not to exceed, however, 140% of the adjusted service credit.

Farm and home aid under which veterans purchase or improve farms or homes, would be paid after July 1 1923, a sum equal to their adjusted service credit increased by 25%.

Land settlement, under which lands would be reclaimed under the supervision of a special board and farm units established for sale to the veterans at a price fixed by the board less the amount of the adjusted service credit due the purchasers.

In only two important particulars does this measure differ from the one passed by the House two years ago and that was shelved in the Senate last July. The original cash bonus option was eliminated and the bank loan provision of the adjusted service certificate title substituted.

The majority report on the bill was referred to in our item of last week. On the 19th inst. Representatives Treadway, of Massachusetts, and Tilson of Connecticut, Republican members of the Ways and Means Committee, filed a minority report, in which they declared it as their belief that the bill, if enacted into law, "would do more harm to the people of the country, the veterans themselves and their families included, than it would do good to the individual beneficiaries." The report criticized the bank loan provision of the adjusted service certificate title and the land settlement title and asserted that the loan scheme "seems to us just about as unsound economically and unfortunate from every point of view at this particular time as could possibly be devised." "The land settlement title," the report said, "offers untold opportunity for reckless expenditure, in

dangerous at the worst and uncertain at the best," and it added that "there is a firmly grounded belief in the minds of many that this provision has been saddled upon this bill with the hope and expectation of carrying through Congress on the sturdy backs of the veterans a measure so fraught with dangerous possibilities and uncertainties that it would receive scant support if forced to stand alone in the open on its own merits." "In estimating the political effect of the support of this bill," the report added, "it would seem that a rank injustice is being done the intelligence and patriotism of the ex-service man. It seems to be assumed that because each individual veteran is to receive a slight pecuniary reward, therefore, he and his friends will in turn reward those who vote it and punish those who do not, regardless of what the effect of the legislation upon the country as a whole may be. We believe this is unjust and untrue."

On the 20th inst. five Democratic members of the Ways and Means Committee filed a report attacking the bill. This report, presented by Representatives Kitchin, North Carolina, the Democratic leader, and Oldfield, Arkansas; Crisp, Georgia; Carew, New York, and Tague, Massachusetts, had the following to say, in part, regarding the bill:

"We believe and insist that the amount of the money bonus or service credit which Congress concludes is justly due the veterans should be paid in cash on demand, and we protest against the veteran being given, as provided by the pending bill, a 20-year due bill, which he can pawn with some bank for a loan of only one-half of the amount which Congress by the bill confesses the Government justly owes him, provided, of course, he can get some bank to ignore and defy the Administration in its advice to the banks not to loan a veteran a penny on such due bill or certificate.

"The due bill—rain check—borrow money bonus mode of payment, as provided by the bill, is an insult to every World War veteran and a shameful discredit to Congress and the nation.

"By the bill, the veteran is given a scrap of paper and told to go out and hawk it from bank to bank in the hope, after being held up for a high rate of interest, of getting a little cash on it, not to exceed 50% of what the bill confesses the Government now justly owes him."

SENATE RATIFIES FOUR-POWER PACIFIC TREATY.

In accordance with the unanimous consent agreement reached on the 15th inst., and noted by us last week, page 1133) the Senate yesterday (March 24) took a final vote on the Four-Power Pacific Treaty, and ratified it by a vote of 67 to 27. Twelve Democrats voted with the Republicans in favor of ratification, while four Republicans aligned themselves with the opposing forces. According to the New York "Evening Sun" of last night, thirty-one roll calls were taken before the final ratification of the Treaty. Preparatory to yesterday's final vote, the extended debate on the pact in the Senate had been concluded on the 23rd. On the 22nd it was stated that President Harding had been assured by Senator Underwood that the Treaty would be ratified, and the Senator was also said to have informed the President that the modified Brandegee "no alliance" reservation would be adopted. This reservation, which was adopted yesterday by a vote of 90 to 2, stipulates that

The United States understands that under the statement in the preamble or under the terms of this Treaty there is no commitment to armed force, no alliance, no obligation to join in any defense.

A series of proposed amendments and reservations were rejected before the Treaty was finally ratified, and these will be more fully dealt with by us next week. The Treaty is one of those drafted at the recent Washington Conference on Limitation of Armament.

TEXTILE WAGE SITUATION IN NEW ENGLAND—CUTS AT LAWRENCE, MASS.—PACIFIC MILLS PROPOSES FULL TIME PRODUCTION.

Five of the principal textile mills at Lawrence, Mass., on March 21 announced that they had decided to reduce wages. The amount of the reduction is not stated, but it is understood will approximate 20%, as commonly adopted in Rhode Island, Maine and New Hampshire.

The plants affected in Lawrence are the Pacific Mills, normally employing 10,000 persons, and the Everett Mills, which employ 1,200; the Katama, Acadia and Monomac. As a result of this move, a strike vote is being taken, and on March 23 the Wool Sorter's Union, one of the five locals affiliated with the Lawrence Textile Council, it is said, voted unanimously to strike on Monday next in protest.

The Arlington Mills, which has 7,000 workers on cotton and worsted goods, announced March 21 an indefinite shutdown, effective to-day, the posted notice saying:

We regret to announce to our employees that unsatisfactory business conditions compel us to shut down our mills at the end of this week.

We hope that an increased demand for our products and improved business conditions will enable us to resume operations in the near future, which we shall do as soon as conditions warrant.

The Everett Mills, pending the preparation of the new wage scales, merely announced a "reduction and readjust-

ment in the wages of the employees," effective March 27, but these mills, it is also stated, will run five days a week ending April 1, an increase of one day over the present schedule, and thereafter will operate on full time. The company manufactures gingham, shirtings, denims, &c.

The American Woolen Co. and the United States Worsted Co. have made no change in wages, in fact, the employees of the first named company were assured some months ago by President Wood that there would be no change in their wage scale during the present season.

The Pacific Mills in announcing their wage cut effective March 27 say in brief:

We have been unable to continue full time operations and have been running on a four-day schedule for several weeks. Even at this rate some of our departments are accumulating goods at high costs.

With the hope of stimulating business, we have already named prices on all our lines which show us a heavy loss based on the present cost of cotton and wool.

The farmers of the country have generally been receiving less than pre-war prices for their products and the great rank and file of professional men and clerks have no greater purchasing power than before the war. This means that the mills which are producing some of the necessities of life must make goods at a price which can be paid by our customers.

If we sell our goods at cost to-day, our prices are nearly twice as high as the pre-war levels.

It is not generally known that the wages paid our employees in Lawrence are 120% above the wage scale of 1915, and after the reduction the average wages will still be at least 75% above the pre-war level.

We intend to start our mills on full time when the reduction takes effect, which will mean that the pay envelopes will be larger than our employees have been receiving during the past few weeks. With the reduced cost which will result, we feel justified in accumulating goods which we cannot sell at the present time.

The country at large expects and demands a further reduction in the wages of the industrial workers of the East, and good business and prosperity for all cannot come until this adjustment has been made. This reduction will take effect March 27 1922.

There has been practically no change during the week in the textile wage situation throughout Rhode Island. On March 20 at the opening of the third month of the strike 21 plants in the State were reported as closed and 13 were operating with reduced forces, while about 15,000 persons were said to be out of work. Enactment of the Lavendar bill, limiting the working hours for women and children, is considered highly doubtful.

Contrary to rather common expectations, the closing of New England mills by the strike has not, it is stated, resulted in any great increase in business for Southern mills. The Lockmore Cotton Mills at York, S. C., however, started up again March 21 after 30 days' intermission, announcing a proposed reduction in wages of from 22 to 25%.

MANCHESTER COTTON MILLS TO REDUCE WAGES.

According to a Central News cablegram from Manchester, Eng., yesterday (March 24) and reported by "Financial America," a reduction in wages will be made by the Federation of Master Cotton Spinners. It is stated that the amount of the cut decided upon was not divulged. The lower scale, it is said, will be put into effect at the end of April.

E. F. LELAND & CO. SUSPENDED FROM NEW YORK COTTON EXCHANGE.

Announcement was made on Tuesday of this week (Mar. 21) from the rostrum of the New York Cotton Exchange of the suspension from all rights and privileges of the exchange for a period of six months of Edward F. Leland, head of the brokerage house of E. F. Leland & Co., 61 Broadway, this city. The suspension of Mr. Leland, according to the New York "Herald" of Mar. 22 "is the first result of a general inquiry instituted by the board of managers into reports that members of the New York Exchange were furnishing quotations to outsiders—notably the American Cotton Exchange—in violation of the New York Exchange rule, which forbids such quotations being given out oftener than once every fifteen minutes." The resolution adopted by the Board of Manager read as follows:

"Whereas Edward F. Leland a member of the New York Cotton Exchange after due trial pursuant to the bylaws has been found guilty of conduct detrimental to the best interests of the exchange;

"Resolved that pursuant to section 86 of the by laws Edward F. Leland be and hereby is suspended from all rights and privileges as a member of the exchange for a period of six months."

Later, the following statement was issued by E. F. Leland & Co.:

"Suspension of E. F. Leland & Co. from the New York Cotton Exchange was due to the unauthorized act of a clerk in the New York office who gave out cotton quotations in a manner to violate the rules of the exchange. None of the members of the firm had knowledge that a rule was being violated and it is a matter of great surprise and regret to them that anything has arisen in connection with their business that would offend the authorities of the exchange.

The firm of E. F. Leland & Co. consists of Edward F. Leland, Harry B. Signor, John N. Weinand and Edward J. Schaak. Edward F. Leland was admitted to membership in the N. Y. Cotton Exchange on Feb. 10 1915. The firm is

a member of the New York Stock Exchange, New York Produce Exchange, Chicago Board of Trade, Chicago Stock Exchange and the Pittsburgh Stock Exchange. The Chicago offices of the firm are at 181 Quincy Street, Chicago

COTTON HOUSE OF SHEPARD & GLUCK FAILS.

The following press dispatch from New Orleans on March 20, printed in the New York "Times" of yesterday (March 24), reports the failure of the cotton brokerage firm of Shepard & Gluck of that city:

Announcement made at the Cotton Exchange to-day of the failure of the spot and futures brokerage firm of Shepard & Gluck caused a drop of about ten points in quotations. While the firm is regarded as an important one, local cotton factors said its commitments were not large. The firm had an extensive wire system throughout the South, with Chicago and New York connections.

A press dispatch from Chicago concerning the company, also printed in the "Times" of March 24, read as follows:

Shepard & Gluck has been investigated lately by the Chicago Board of Trade as the result of charges that the firm had refused to execute trades made through E. W. Wagner & Co., which recently suspended business.

COAL STRIKE ORDER, EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, SENT TO 600,000 BITUMINOUS AND ANTHRACITE COAL MINERS IN UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

The referendum vote of the bituminous coal unions, it is stated, proved "overwhelmingly" in favor of suspending work on April 1. John L. Lewis, International President of the United Mine Workers of America, accordingly on March 21 caused the issuance of the official order to the 3,000 local unions of the United Mine Workers, calling out all the 600,000 bituminous and anthracite coal miners of the United States and Canada, except the 10,000 or so that are necessary "to insure the proper care and protection of all mining property," and except, also, those in the maritime provinces of Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland, where wage negotiations are still in progress.

The order warns the miners to "exercise good judgment, moral courage and loyalty," to attempt no violence and to permit no violation of the law nor disturbance of the public peace.

While the miners' organization will not pay any regular strike benefits, steps, it is stated, will be taken to provide for all needy members, many of the State organizations being reported to possess considerable "war chests."

President Lewis is quoted as follows:

"This will be the greatest strike in the history of the coal industry. This is the first time that the bituminous and the anthracite mine workers have merged their tremendous economic powers. The miners of the country are prepared for a finish fight.

"Every union mine in the country undoubtedly will be shut down by this suspension and the walk-out in the unionized anthracite coal fields will be 100%."

The text of the suspension order follows:

Text of Strike Order.

To the Officers and Members of the United Mine Workers of America:

Brothers: The last international convention of the United Mine Workers of America, held in the City of Indianapolis during the week of Feb. 14 1922, adopted the following declaration as a part of the policy of the United Mine Workers of America [compare "Chronicle" of Feb. 18, p. 699]:

"The present contract between the coal operators and the United Mine Workers of America in both the anthracite and bituminous coal fields terminates on March 31 1922. In the event no agreement is reached by Apr. 1, we declare in favor of a general suspension of mining operations, such action being subject to a referendum vote of the membership of the United Mine Workers of America, such referendum vote to be held prior to March 31."

Since this action was taken, the International officers of the United Mine Workers of America have endeavored to meet the operators of the Central Competitive Field in joint conference, for the purpose of negotiating a new wage agreement. Invitations to attend such a meeting were repeatedly extended by the officers of your organization. The operators of Western Pennsylvania and Southern Ohio positively refused to attend an Inter-State meeting, while the operators of Eastern Ohio and Indiana agreed to do so only upon condition that all the operators representing Western Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, the States and districts comprising the Central Competitive Field, were present. Because the operators refused to meet your representatives, we have failed to secure an Inter-State meeting. We have been and now are willing and ready to participate in a joint conference of miners and operators of the Central Competitive Field for the purpose of negotiating a new wage agreement, but are unable to do so because the coal operators will not meet us. The blame and responsibility for a suspension of mining operations on April 1 must rest fairly and squarely with the coal operators.

A referendum vote of the mine workers of the bituminous coal fields was taken, and the returns show that the membership has voted overwhelmingly in favor of a suspension of mining operations on March 31 in the event no agreement with the coal operators is reached by that time.

Furthermore, the representatives of the anthracite mine workers in a tri-district convention held at Shamokin, Pa., from Jan. 17 to 20 1922, adopted the following action as a part of their wage-scale demands [compare "Chronicle" of Jan. 28, p. 372; Mar. 18, p. 1141]:

"We further recommend that the Scale Committee be instructed to perfect arrangements providing for a suspension of mining on April 1 1922 in the event that no satisfactory agreement has been arrived at as of that date."

Pursuant to the action of the international convention, the tri-district convention of the anthracite mine workers and the referendum vote, and in conformity with the authority conferred upon your international officers by the international convention, the undersigned executive officers of the United Mine Workers of America hereby direct all members of the organization employed in and around the anthracite and bituminous coal produc-

ing districts to discontinue work and cease the production of coal at midnight on Friday, March 31 1922. The suspension, ordered by action of the international convention of the United Mine Workers of America and the membership by a referendum vote, will continue until terminated by action of the Policy Committee of the United Mine Workers of America and until you are further officially advised.

To Protect Mines.

In accordance with district and local agreements, local unions must permit a sufficient number of men to remain at work to insure the proper care and protection of all mining property. Pumpers, engineers and others necessary to protect the property must be allowed to remain at work. The fullest co-operation must be given mine management in order to safeguard and protect property and under no circumstances should this rule be violated or set aside by local unions. Your district officers will supply you with information upon this subject.

The present situation in the mining industry calls for the exercise of good judgment, moral courage and loyalty by every member of the United Mine Workers of America. Orderly procedure must be followed at all times. There must be no violation of law nor disturbance of the public peace. Be guided in all your actions by the policies of your organization and follow out the instructions and orders given by the duly accredited officers of your union. [Signed John L. Lewis, President; Philip Murray, Vice-President; William Green, Secretary-Treasurer, United Mine Workers of America.]

Thomas Kennedy of Hazleton, Pa., Chairman of the anthracite workers' scale committee, is quoted as saying:

Anthracite miners numbering 150,000 will obey the strike order on Apr. 1. We have a 100% organization and hard coal production will be entirely halted. We are prepared to wage an indefinite struggle. There is no telling at this time how long the strike will last, but I can assure you that the mine workers can stand the fight as long as the operators.

Frank Farrington, President of the Illinois miners, was quoted in a press dispatch on Mar. 21 as claiming that President John L. Lewis exceeded his authority in issuing the strike call prior to the meeting yesterday of the Miners' National Wage Scale Committee at Cleveland. Mr. Farrington insists on the right to negotiate separate State wage agreements with the operators. He is said to be opposed to the regime of Mr. Lewis.

Few persons outside the trade realize how often and to what extent anthracite miners' wages have been advanced in the last few years. Dates and amounts of successive wage increases since the Roosevelt Commission award of 1903 are reported as follows:

(a) Award of U. S. Anthracite Coal Commission, Sept. 2 1920, increased hourly rates paid miners.....	17%
(b) Agreement of Sept. 20 1919 affirmed in effect that rates of wages provided in supplemental agreement of Nov. 15 1918 should not be reduced upon termination of the war, but should continue in effect until March 31 1920.	
(c) Agreement Nov. 15 1918 increased wages of "consideration" miners 25% and contract miners.....	40%
(d) Agreement Nov. 17 1917 increased wages of contract and "consideration" miners.....	25%
(e) Agreement April 25 1917 increased wages of contract and "consideration" miners.....	10%
(f) Basic agreement made May 5 1916 was to continue four years to March 31 1920, but was eventually amended as above, on ground of the higher costs of living due to war conditions. By the 1916 basic agreement contract rates of miners were increased.....	7%
The working day was changed from 9 hours to 8 hours and company men received under this agreement same rate for 8 hours' work as they had formerly received for 9 hours. All men who had previously been working on a basis of an 8-hour day received under this agreement an increase in wages of.....	7%
(g) Agreement May 20 1912, running for four years to March 31 1916, increased contract and wage scales of all employees.....	10%
(h) Award of Strike Commission March 18 1903 increased wages of contract and company miners, &c.....	10%

RAILROAD RATES—INTER-STATE COMMERCE COMMISSION EXPECTS ABOUT APRIL 5 TO DECIDE CONCERNING FURTHER RATE REDUCTIONS.

The fact that the Inter-State Commerce Commission plans during the first week of April to make public its decision as to what further reductions, if any, should be made in commodity rates was disclosed to the House Committee on Inter-State and Foreign Commerce on March 21 by Commissioner John J. Esch, while he was opposing legislation requiring the rate-making body to direct the issuance of mileage books. A dispatch to the "Journal of Commerce and Commercial" says:

Mr. Esch opposed such legislation on the ground that issuance of mileage books might reduce revenues to such an extent that the Commission could not afford to give general relief.

He said the Commission had begun consideration of the facts in the general rate inquiry and if Congress enacted legislation in behalf of the class that could afford to buy passenger transportation in wholesale quantities the Commission might be embarrassed in its work, because it planned to have a report on the subject in the first week of April.

RAILROAD WAGES—D. L. & W. MAKES AGREEMENT WITH ITS LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS & FIREMEN—C. B. & Q. CLERKS ACCEPT CUT.

The Delaware, Lackawanna & Western RR., it is announced, has settled its controversy over wages directly with its locomotive engineers, firemen and engine-men without making any agreement with their respective brotherhoods. The settlement provides that the railroad shall on April 1 1923 withdraw all plans for wage reductions and

thereafter shall give the workers 30 days' notice, in accordance with the Transportation Act, if a change is contemplated. This agreement will stand whatever the decision of the Labor Board on the matter of overtime.

The case of the conductors and trainmen, in so far as not disposed of at the regional conferences, has been referred to the Labor Board for adjudication.

The Eastern Regional Conferences of the railroad executives with their trainmen on wage matters ended ten days ago without in general any substantial results, both sides proposing to appeal to the Labor Board. The roads would like a curtailment of punitive overtime as well as lower wage scales. The following statement was authorized March 14 by Presidents Stone and Carter of the Brotherhoods of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen and Trainmen:

Regional conferences have been adjourned because mutual satisfactory agreement could not be reached.

We regret it has been impossible to reach an agreement but we went as far as we could in trying to meet the managers' wishes. Our chairman will confer with executive officers on each railroad and see whether it will be possible to reach agreements on individual roads. Failing to reach agreement the matters will be submitted to the United States Railroad Labor Board.

It was announced on March 9 that all of the 5,000 clerks of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy RR. had agreed to accept a reduction in wages running from 2 to 6%. Those who in 1917 received \$40 a month will now receive \$79.50.

To enable the Missouri & North Arkansas RR. Co. to resume operation, as it hopes to do shortly, a loan of \$3,500,000 having been promised by the U. S. Government (provided a straight first lien on the property can be given as security), the Railroad Labor Board has authorized the company to reduce wages 25% and the Inter-State Commerce Commission has granted the company an estimated increase of \$208,000 on joint rates.

The Kansas City, Mexico & Orient RR. on March 17 informed the Railroad Labor Board that the road must reduce wages 25% or suspend operations. The Gulf & Ship Island RR. also is asking for a 25% wage cut, such as was granted to the New Orleans & Great Northern last November ("Chronicle" of Nov. 12, page 2042).

On March 3 the Labor Board promulgated new working rules for railroad telegraph and telephone operators, towermen, agent operators, train directors and block operators, increasing their hours for straight pay from eight to nine, with time and a half thereafter, and permitting "split trick" with eight hours spread over twelve. Many small stations where agents had light duties were expected to be reopened as a result. This decision, effective March 16, completed the revision of rules, for rail workers, except engineers, firemen, conductors, trainmen and switchmen. Compare "Chronicle" of March 4, page 917.

RAILROAD EQUIPMENT PLAN—HOW NATIONAL RAILWAY SERVICE CORPORATION WOULD REHABILITATE AND POSSIBLY PURCHASE EQUIPMENT, CAR POOLING ASIDE.

S. Davies Warfield, President National Association of Owners of Railroad Securities, in a letter of March 20 to the railroads, explains the purpose of the security owners in the application made to the Inter-State Commerce Commission by the National Railway Service Corporation for a loan of \$100,000,000 from the revolving fund to be used in rehabilitating part or all of the 300,000 freight cars belonging to the railroads now unfit for service. This sum would be used, along with perhaps \$150,000,000 from sale of Preferred certificates to investors, for the purpose named, and also, if desired, in the acquisition of additional rolling stock, but with no obligation on the part of the participating carrier to commit itself to any pooling plan.

The aforesaid letter is directed to Daniel Willard, Chairman Advisory Committee, Association of Railway Executives; L. F. Loree, Chairman Eastern Presidents' Conference, and Samuel M. Felton, Chairman Western Presidents' Conference. Copies are being sent to the Presidents of all Class I railroads.

Mr. Warfield outlines his plan substantially as follows:

Digest of Mr. Warfield's Plan as Presented March 20.

The National Railway Service Corporation—organized by the Association of Security owners—is prepared to lay before the carriers plans for financing the rebuilding or rehabilitation of their freight cars now unfit for service to meet the return of normal business. Under the terms of the proposed lease agreement with the Service Corporation, it is not thought that a carrier will be required to advance a cash margin as has been customary. This will relieve the treasuries of the railroads of the necessity of making extraordinary expenditures to provide for the under-maintenance of equipment which it is stated is the cause of the present unprecedented number of unfit cars and properly a charge against the U. S. Railroad Administration which it apparently fails to recognize as a just debt that should have been promptly paid.

As collateral for the loan from the revolving fund to the Service Corporation it will give its Preferred Lien Certificate secured by the equipment until paid for, the investor to purchase Prior Lien Certificates of the Service Corporation which are prior in lien to the certificate taken by the Government.

The Service Corporation provides two plans under which equipment may be rebuilt or purchased. The cars in both cases become the property of the carriers upon the payment of all semi-annual and maturity payments incidental to the transaction. The Service Corporation operates without profit—as a public agency.

While the chief purpose is to put the unserviceable freight cars of the country in condition to meet normal business requirements without further financial strain on the carriers, new equipment may also be financed. It is pointed out that the expenditures to be made will be of great moment to the general manufacturing industry of the country as well as to the railroads and should give a decided impetus to business.

Any carrier that desires to avail itself of the opportunities afforded, is in no way committed to the policy of pooling freight cars recently advocated by representatives of the association in public hearings before the Inter-State Commerce Commission.

There is no purpose to impose car pooling on any railroad in the use of the National Railway Service Corporation in financing the rebuilding of its unfit freight cars or in securing new equipment. A carrier is in no way committed to the pooling of its cars. That question is now before the Inter-State Commerce Commission and a conclusion will be pressed in respect to it. The enormous savings and better service to shippers that will result from a national pool of freight cars of the railroads by adding business methods to the present technical administration of car service can be too readily demonstrated to leave much doubt as to the final adoption of plans to put the proposals into effect. Lower freight rates must come from economies in railroad administration, not by forcing net operating revenue below the credit danger line. Great economies can be realized. Car pooling alone will result in \$300,000,000 annual saving.

Methods to attain such economies were urged by the security owners as far back as January 1919. If adopted now results could not be obtained in time for the Commission to give them consideration in their decision growing out of the recent rate hearings. We hope the efforts of the security owners in advancing constructive proposals which will ultimately mean lower freight rates will be recognized by the shippers; in the meantime, fair treatment is asked.

The first thing to be done is to put idle bad order freight cars in proper condition while they are idle and not await the return of business and with it another series of embargoes due to freight congestion as occurred in the fall of 1920.

With the use of the entire \$100,000,000 loan from the revolving fund the National Railway Service Corporation should be able to finance a total of \$250,000,000 to be made available to the carriers for the purposes named.

Officers: S. Davies Warfield, President; Milton Harrison, Secretary-Treasurer, Continental Building, Baltimore. New York office, Room 152, No. 1 Madison Ave. Washington office, 733 Southern Building.

VALUATION OF NEW YORK CITY TRACTION PROPERTIES BY TRANSIT COMMISSION GENERALLY REJECTED BY COMPANY AND SECURITY INTERESTS.

The tentative valuation recently submitted by the New York Transit Commission for the various traction properties in New York City ("Chronicle" of Feb. 25, p. 803, and detailed table herewith) preparatory to the adoption of a plan for the merger of the city's transit facilities, has met with an emphatic and impressive volume of protests from the various companies and committees of security holders most closely interested. These replies are summarized below as fully as the space in the "Chronicle" will permit. The Commission's preliminary merger plan was given in V. 113, p. 1431, 1541.

Since prepared in most instances either by or under the supervision of eminent counsel, these statements possess more than passing importance, and they make it plain that however much the interests concerned might like to unite in furthering the merger plan for the public good, they stand in positions of trust which compel a stout contest against anything like confiscation. The reader will note, also, that many of the companies report a greatly improved financial outlook.

The stockholders of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co., for instance, in the statement submitted by Rushmore, Bisbee & Stern, as counsel, assert not only that the property is now earning the interest on its funded debt, but that the system has promptly and fully carried out all its covenants in the dual contract, while on the other hand the delay by the city in performing its covenants therein have subjected the company to losses aggregating \$20,000,000, which will probably be made the basis of a suit for damages.

Frank Hedley, President of the Interborough Rapid Transit Co., also contends that the valuation of the property of the Interborough should be at least \$300,000,000 instead of \$174,221,058, as recommended by the Commission. He asserts that the properties have not depreciated, as calculated by the Commission's Valuation Bureau, but have enhanced and that inasmuch as the public has purchased bonds to the amount of \$200,250,000 in the last eight years, to ask these investors to accept less than par for an investment in which the city is a partner, savors, he says, of repudiation.

Inasmuch as the recent depressed financial condition of the traction and rapid transit lines of the city is due chiefly to

the refusal of the city government to allow them to meet higher operating costs by higher fares, and there is still evident a disposition to ride rough-shod over the great vested interests in these properties, it is proper to call attention to the decision of the United States Supreme Court, rendered within the present month, upholding the right of the city gas companies to rate schedules high enough under existing circumstances to yield them a reasonable return on their investment, notwithstanding statute provisions to the contrary. In other words, the highest court of the land will condemn confiscation in whatever form it comes up. See decision in full in "Chronicle" of Mar. 11, p. 1023 to 1025 and 1002.

Governor Miller at Albany on March 23 signed the Simpson-Jesse bill, which forbids increases of fare fixed by contract, franchise and the like except as a part of or as provided by the proposed plan of reorganization and merger. The Interborough Rapid Transit Co. had on Wednesday applied to the Transit Commission for permission to increase its rate of fare to 8 cents, to enable it to improve its service as has been demanded. The Commission on Thursday dismissed the application on the ground that under the aforesaid Act it had no right to pass on the matter.

The several replies sent to the Commission grouped according to the locality of the properties involved, those in Manhattan first, followed by those in Brooklyn, are cited more or less fully as follows:

Interborough Rapid Transit Co.—Digest of Statement by President Frank Hedley, March 20.

On March 19 1913 (nine years ago yesterday) the Interborough Rapid Transit Co. executed contracts with the Public Service Commission for the construction and equipment of extensions of the subway and elevated rapid transit lines operated by it. To procure funds to carry out these contracts the company sold its bonds and notes aggregating \$200,250,400.

Every transaction relating to this financing and the expenditure of every dollar of the proceeds were under the direct supervision of the Public Service Commission.

In order to procure the new money needed the company was obliged to call in at great expense its then outstanding funded debt on the old subway so that the new bonds would become a first lien. That operation required the use of \$52,615,000 of the new bonds. The remainder of the new bonds and notes has been used together with other company funds to carry out the contracts.

Cost of New Subways &c. \$149,525,699; Commission's Val'n \$138,209,830
Up to June 30 1921 the cost to the company of the construction and equipment of the new subways and elevated improvements amounted to.....\$149,525,699

The Bureau of Valuation reports that the value of the identical property as of June 30 1921 is..... 138,209,830

Difference between actual cost and reported value..... \$11,315,269

As the greater part of the expenditures were made before the excessively high prices due to the war the present value of the property is greatly in excess of its actual cost instead of being over \$11,000,000 less than cost as reported.

If the same property were to be reproduced to-day it would cost not less than \$200,000,000.

Company Denies Any Depreciation of Property and Claims Appreciation.

The time allowed for analysis of the valuation report has been too short for exact results but it would seem as if this difference of \$11,315,269 is made up of items which may be put into three classes:

Depreciation..... \$3,351,013
Chief engineer's deductions from company costs..... 3,513,751
Discount and expense..... 4,387,504

Total.....\$11,315,269

The alleged depreciation seems to be calculated on a theoretical or so-called straight line basis having no relation to the actual condition of the property.

The company denies that the property has depreciated in value and alleges on the contrary that its value has appreciated.

All the Foregoing Items Must Be Submitted to Arbitration As Contract Requires.

The chief engineer's deductions are also objected to and unless modified upon a re-determination will have to be submitted to arbitration before an impartial board, as provided in the contracts.

The matter of depreciation will also have to be arbitrated as provided in the contracts. The company cannot consent to have either of these questions "tried out" by the Transit Commission, as your letter of Feb. 23 1922 states that you purpose doing upon receipt of objections. It is not consistent with fairness to permit a party to be the judge in his own case. It was for this reason that the contracts carefully provided for arbitration.

Absurd After Only 3 1/4 Years' Operation to Disregard Discount, &c.

As to the discount and expense of procuring the money which the valuation bureau has deducted, the company objects on the ground that the bureau has apparently fallen into error in assuming that it should ascertain present value according to the formula named in dual contract for acquisition of the property by the city at the end of the first ten years of operation or thereafter, in which case the city must pay 115% of the "net cost" in money of the property or a gradually diminishing percentage each year after the tenth year.

That premium was contracted to cover, among other things, the discount and expense of procuring the money above the "net cost" allowed by the contracts, and it is absurd to propose to take the property after only 3 1/4 years of operation without making provision to cover this discount and expense.

It is respectfully submitted that the "fair reconstruction cost" of the property contributed by the company to the development of the new subways and elevated improvements would be at the present time a sum equal to at least 115% of the net cost in money just as the contract contemplates, and that after making reasonable deductions for theoretical depreciation, if any which is not conceded, and discounting those provisions would be in excess of the par of the outstanding bonds and notes issued by the company to aid the city in its rapid transit project of 1913.

To Ask Investors Who Bought \$220,250,400 Notes and Bonds to Accept Less Than Par and Interest Savors of Repudiation by the City.

To ask investors who within the past three years have bought \$38,144,400 of the company notes, and within the five years prior to that bought \$162,106,000 of bonds, to accept less than par and interest savors so much of repudiation by the City of New York that it is inconceivable that the Commission will find itself able to adopt the valuations its bureau placed upon the property provided under the contracts of March 19 1913.

Original Subway on Which Public Service Commission Authorized \$52,615,000 New Bonds, Allowed a Depreciated Value of Only \$36,611,228.

Coming now to the reported valuation of the property which the company provided for the original subways under Contracts Nos. 1 and 2, we find a valuation before depreciation of \$43,898,479, and this sum covers only the cost of equipment and an allowance for the cost of the Brooklyn tunnel in excess of the amount received from the city.

It makes no adequate allowance for such usual overhead costs, as interest, taxes and administrative and legal organization during construction, the cost of selling securities, preliminary investments, &c., notwithstanding this first subway was entirely an original enterprise with no guiding precedents for the engineering, legal and financial problems.

Securities certainly were issued to provide for such expenditures and those securities are to-day represented in part by the \$162,106,000 bonds which were sold after the new contracts of March 19 1913, with the approval of the Public Service Commission, as well as in part by the \$35,000,000 of capital stock of the company.

The Commission consented to the sale of \$52,615,000 of the new bonds to refund the investment of the company in the original subways. The exact figures agreed to by the city experts were \$48,339,515 as of Dec. 31 1912. But the 1922 report cuts this down to \$43,898,479 before depreciation—a reduction of over \$4,000,000, and on top of this cut is a further reduction for alleged depreciation aggregating \$7,887,251, leaving as the valuation of the entire property of the company in the old subways \$36,611,228 as of June 30 1921.

Actual Cost of Original Subways, \$62,655,243—Present Reproduction Value, \$100,000,000.

The actual cost of these properties as shown by the books of the company is \$62,655,243. The allowance of \$48,000,000 in 1912 was for tangible property only. If 30% be added as the usual percentage to cover the intangible costs above mentioned, the property was worth in 1912 its book cost of \$62,655,243. It has not depreciated in value since 1912. On the contrary its cost to reproduce at the present time would approximate \$100,000,000. It must be remembered that the cost of the old subway was incurred during a period of low-price levels.

Total Present Value Exceeds \$300,000,000, Instead of \$174,000,000.

From the foregoing it appears that the present value of the property in question is at least \$300,000,000 instead of \$174,221,058 reported by your Bureau of Valuation.

Other assets not appraised by your bureau but which are represented by the capital stock of the company increase the present value of the entire assets of the company to a sum greatly in excess of \$300,000,000. Yet your reported valuation would not be sufficient to pay par on the outstanding bonds and notes, thus leaving nothing whatever for the stock.

It must be remembered that the contracts of 1913 contemplated that this company would earn from its subway operations alone a return of approximately 9% on its stock. It has been calculated that the present worth of the rights under the subway contracts alone is in excess of \$70,000,000, or over twice the par value of the stock.

The statute under which you are proceeding authorizes you to consider future earning power in fixing value, and while at the moment the earning power is low, the future must not be disregarded.

Value of Manhattan Elevated Railway (Held under Lease) Greatly Exceeds Commission's Valuation.

This company understands that the Manhattan Railway Co. will file a statement of its own views concerning the reported value of the original elevated railroad property belonging to that company but leased by the Interborough Co. This company, as lessee, however, cannot permit to go unchallenged even the highest valuation reported on 1921 prices for the original elevated property. That reported value is many millions of dollars below the fair present value, or, to use the language of the statute, the "cost of reconstruction less depreciation" as ascertained by the company's own engineers. This company will be glad to go into particulars regarding the differences if subsequent developments indicate the usefulness of such a course.

Bonds Proposed by Commission Not Safe Till Passed on by United States Supreme Court.

This company is advised by counsel that no security holder can safely take the proposed new bonds unless and until their validity shall have been sustained by the Supreme Court of the United States. This point is made especially important in view of the announced purpose of the city officials to contest to the court of last resort the validity of such securities.

It has always been assumed by this company that if a basis could be reached for a fair readjustment that both sides would endeavor to procure such changes in the constitution and the laws of this State as would prevent all doubt not only as to the validity of the new securities, but as to their ultimate payment in full through a constitutionally authorized guarantee by the city. Pending such changes, this company could not advise its security holders to surrender their property to public control which might prove a financial failure and result in throwing a much-damaged property back into the hands of the owners.

In the meantime this company announces its purpose to co-operate with the Transit Commission in every way to make a success of the existing contracts so that the city may in the near future receive a return on its subway investment and thus permit the construction of new subways and relieve the existing congestion.

[Signed by Frank Hedley, President and General Manager.]

Protest by Interborough-Metropolitan Co. 4 1/2% Bondholders' Protective Committee March 18.

Terms Offered—The only securities offered to existing security holders under your plan are the proposed new 5% bonds. The amount of such bonds to be issued in exchange for the bonds representing the properties is to be measured by the value of the properties as finally fixed by your Commission. At a public hearing on Feb. 20 1922 you made the following statement as to the manner of distribution of the bonds among the security holders: "Each company . . . accepting the plan will be required to take care of its own old securities of whatever value, whatever extent, in its own way, and through a reallocation to the old holders of the new bonds."

We regret to find that none of the valuations of the properties of the Interborough and Manhattan categories proposed by your Valuation Bureau would furnish a basis for the issue of a sufficient amount of the new 5% bonds to provide for the security ranking ahead of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company.

Proposed Valuations Would Leave Little or Nothing for Interborough-Metropolitan Co. Collateral Trust 4½% Bonds.

This clearly appears from the following computation:
Interborough and Manhattan bonds and notes outstanding (exclusive of Interborough bonds in the sinking fund)-----\$237,797,400
Aggregate valuation of the Interborough and Manhattan properties on the basis recommended by your Valuation Bureau (assumed original cost less amount assumed to be necessary to place the properties in first class operating condition)-----228,595,261

Leaving as the amount by which the aggregate valuations fail to provide for the outstanding bonds and notes-----\$9,202,139

Even on the most liberal basis (estimated reproduction cost of the Manhattan lines at 1921 prices less depreciation) the aggregate valuation proposed by your Valuation Bureau is only \$238,026,346. This valuation exceeds the aggregate amount of the Interborough and Manhattan bonds and notes outstanding by only \$228,946.

It thus appears that the new 5% bonds would not be sufficient to cover the notes and bonds of the Interborough and Manhattan companies if the lower valuation recommended by your Valuation Bureau be taken and would be barely sufficient for that purpose if the highest valuation should be taken, to say nothing of provision for the stock of the Manhattan Co., the guaranteed dividends upon which rank ahead of the Interborough stock.

Regarding the appraisals of the properties of the New York Railways Co. most of whose stock is owned by the Interborough-Consolidated Corporations, it is enough to say that the aggregate of the valuations of your Valuation Bureau on the basis recommended by it is \$29,871,785, which is less than half of the amount of the bonds and other obligations resting on the properties which aggregate about \$69,000,000.

In the light of the tentative valuations of your Valuation Bureau, we cannot escape the conclusion that your plan contemplates the practical exclusion from participation therein of the Interborough [Rapid Transit Company's] stock which secures the bonds represented by our Committee.

Interborough Earning Power, Interrupted by War, Apparently Returning.

The Interborough stock and the 4½% bonds secured by the Interborough stock are scattered among nearly 7,000 holders. The stock represents a very large investment of capital and before the war had a high earning power.

That earning power has been interrupted because of conditions brought on by the war. There is hope that it will gradually improve as operating costs decrease and the receipts of the Interborough lines increase. So far as the Interborough system is concerned, the Interborough stockholders have had to bear the burdens resulting from war conditions, without any aid from the city through a temporary increase in fares or otherwise.

Committee Would Therefore by Reorganization Measures Restore the Equity in Interborough Rapid Transit Company.

Under these circumstances it seems to be the clear duty of our committee to endeavor to carry through some plan for averting a receivership of the Interborough Rapid Transit Co. and preserving the equity of the latter's stockholders by changing the amount and basis of the Manhattan rental, extending the Interborough notes that mature next September and raising the money required to meet the needs of the Interborough system.

The success of such a plan would enable the Interborough Co. to continue to perform the contract it made with the city in 1913, on the strength of which the greater part of the investment represented by the outstanding bonds and notes was made. In this effort we shall hope for the co-operation of your Commission inasmuch as the city and the public should be as deeply concerned as the security holders in averting the disintegration of the Interborough system.

The reorganization we have in view should make it easier for the owners of the Interborough property to co-operate with your Commission in solving the city's transit problem and you may feel assured that we shall at all times be ready to discuss any arrangement with the public authorities that will adequately protect the securities we represent.

[Signed Grayson M. P. Murphy, Chairman of the Protective Committee for the 4½% collateral trust bonds.

[The other members of this committee are John McHugh, Charles A. Peabody, Charles H. Sabin, Charles S. Sargent, Jr., and Frederick Strauss, with Cravath, Henderson, Leffingwell & de Gersdorff as counsel, and Boudinot Atterbury, 140 Broadway, N. Y. City, Secretary.]

Digest of Statement by Alfred Skitt, President Manhattan (Elevated) Railway.

As you know, the Manhattan Railway Co. has engaged Messrs. Coverdale & Colpitts, independent engineers not otherwise employed by Manhattan Railway Co., to make a report of the valuation of the properties of the Manhattan Railway Co.; these engineers have been engaged contemporaneously with the engineers employed by the Bureau of Valuation in examining the properties and in preparing a report of their value. Messrs. Coverdale & Colpitts have completed their examination and have made a report to the Manhattan Co.

Independent Engineers Pronounce the Valuation Erroneous and Unfair—Not Even Approximate.

In this report they advise the company that the valuation of the properties of the company made by the engineers representing the Bureau of Valuation of the Transit Commission is so erroneous and unfair in its conclusions and in the supporting data upon which the conclusions are based that the valuation found by the Bureau's engineers does not even approximately represent the fair re-construction cost of the properties of the Manhattan Co. less depreciation.

The Bureau of Valuation found the actual or estimated original cost of the properties of the Manhattan Railway to be as follows:

New cost-----	\$59,417,138
Less amount necessary to place property in first-class operating condition-----	5,042,933
Net amount-----	\$54,374,205

Absurdity Shown by 45% Scaling Down of the \$23,663,153 Actually Paid for Easements and Damages.

The absurdity of the value found by the Bureau of Valuation is shown by considering one important item alone out of the many items which have been improperly valued. The company actually paid to acquire the easements and for damages to property the sum of \$23,663,153. Notwithstanding there is no dispute that this sum was actually paid by the company and in face of the fact that the Bureau purports to make the valuation on the basis of original cost, the Bureau allows only \$12,797,944 as the value of this item, eliminating \$10,865,209 out of the amount actually paid.

The Bureau is attempting to find the fair reconstruction cost less depreciation; it may use original cost only as evidence bearing upon the reconstruction cost; but while purporting to use the original cost it refuses to accept the amount actually paid notwithstanding that if the railroad of the Manhattan Co. were to be constructed to-day the easements could not be secured in any case except by the payment of a sum far in excess of the \$23,663,153 actually paid by the company.

Company Considers the Valuation so Grossly Inadequate as to be Confiscation.

On the advice of its engineers and on the knowledge of the officers of the Manhattan Railway Co. of the facts pertaining to the valuation the Manhattan Railway Co. regards the valuation found by the Bureau of Valuation of the Transit Commission as so grossly inadequate that an attempt to take the company's properties on the basis of such valuation would be confiscation and in violation of the constitutional rights of the company and of its security holders; accordingly, for this reason alone, the Manhattan Railway Co. and its security holders will not transfer its properties and accept securities under the Commission's plan based on the valuation reported by the Bureau of Valuation.

In addition, the Manhattan Co. and its security holders have the right, on the transfer of its properties under such a plan, to receive payment in cash or in the equivalent of cash of an amount representing the fair value of the properties. Under the proposed plan of the Transit Commission payment is to be made in securities of one of the companies to be formed under the plan, which securities will not be supported by the obligation of the City of New York. Payment in this way is not payment in cash, nor is it payment in something which is the equivalent of cash. On this ground also the Manhattan Co. and its security holders will not transfer its properties and accept the securities provided for under the Commission's plan.

[Murray, Prentice & Aldrich are the counsel for the Manhattan Ry. in this matter.]

New York Railways—Reply for First Real Estate & Refunding Mort. Committee March 20.

The protective committee representing a large majority of the First Real Estate & Refunding Bonds of New York Railways has examined the report of your Valuation Bureau and the testimony of Mr. Madden of Feb. 20 1922 in regard thereto.

The committee joins in the views expressed to you in the letter of Mr. C. P. Howland dated March 20 on behalf of the Adjustment Bonds of New York Railways.

The only method of valuation proposed by your Bureau, which is not obviously and clearly unfair and the only one authorized by any decision of the courts with which we are familiar is a valuation based on the cost to reproduce at the time of valuation, and we feel clear that it is only by that method that a fair result may be reached.

The first real estate & refunding bonds were duly authorized by the Public Service Commission (your predecessors in office) and in view of their legal position in the pending foreclosure proceedings which will give title to the essential parts of the New York Railways system it will probably be wise to leave them substantially undisturbed (as an underlying lien) in any readjustment of New York Railways securities which you may propose.

[Signed, Joseph P. Cotton, of Cotton & Franklin, Counsel for Committee.

New York Railways Adjustment Income Bondholders' Committee, Condensed Statement of March 17.

The Valuations Submitted.—Our examination of the valuations made for the Commission has been the more attentive because of our sympathy with efforts to solve the transit problem in this city by any method which would meet the public need of service without confiscating the property of the security holders of the various corporations involved.

The investigation, however, of the data involved in the three estimates used in the valuation report—not to say of other combinations which might be made out of pre-war prices and rehabilitation cost, and 1921 prices and rehabilitation cost—is an undertaking that in our judgment it would serve no useful purpose for us to attempt as long as all of these possible combinations remain in the realm of hypothesis. Methods that produce figures differing by many millions of dollars cannot all be sound; it ought to be possible, by a consideration of the principles involved, to determine the sound method, and so to avoid the sheer waste and expense of going through data and preparing figures which would later have to be rejected.

Valuation at Modern Prices Alone Constitutional and Valid.

In no event could we concur in a valuation theory which is based on conditions of many years ago now non-existent. That such a theory is inapplicable to the results to be reached in solving the problem before us appears to be recognized by the valuation engineer who has valued the land owned in fee "at its market value as of June 30 1921." We do not understand why land should be valued at modern prices, while the other constituents of the system, assumed to exist as they were originally purchased or constructed from 20 to 40 years ago, are valued as if they were worth no more now than such things cost in the last century.

Valuations for purchase should be based on principles not more injurious to the owners of property than those employed in the exercise of other similar governmental powers. At least as many times of value should be included in a "purchase case" as are commonly considered in a "rate case" (Denver vs. Denver Union Water Co., 246 U. S. 178, 185), and both in purchase cases and in rate cases "the value of the property is to be determined as of the time when the inquiry is made" (Willcox vs. Consolidated Gas Co., 212 U. S. 19, 52).

In the Minnesota Rate Cases, 230 U. S. 352, the Supreme Court said: "The property is held in private ownership and it is that property, and not the original cost of it, of which the owner may not be deprived without due process of law. . . . It must be remembered that we are concerned with a charge of confiscation of property by the denial of a fair return for its use; and to determine the truth of the charge there is sought to be ascertained the present value of the property."

The same Court said in the Denver case, 246 U. S. 178: "The property must be valued as property in use . . . on the basis of present market values as to land, and reproduction cost, less depreciation, as to structures. . . . That there is an element of value in an assembled and established plant, doing business and earning money, over one not thus advanced, is self-evident. This element of value is a property right."

These brief quotations seem to make it clear that in a purchase case—(a) Present value is based on reproduction cost and not on costs of 40 years ago; (b) All proper elements of value must be included.

The law in this respect is not arbitrary; it accords with common sense and economic truths. Where the prices of all articles and properties of every character advance to the tremendous extent which the prices of 1921 have done over those of 1880, and where commodities of every kind share this price-advance on substantially equal terms—and it is evident that the values of steel rails, electrical apparatus and other equipment of the New York Railways System have not advanced substantially more than the prices of food, clothing, and other necessities—then it is clear that the value of a particular commodity has not changed as compared with the values of other commodities, but that the value of the dollar has fallen measured in the terms of all commodities. It takes no more steel and no more labor to produce a rail now than it did in 1880; more dollars are necessary to pay for the rail because the value of the dollar has declined.

It follows that payment in present-day dollars must be made at present-day prices, because those prices are made by the exchange value of the present-day dollar.

Speaking substantially and not technically, no plan will therefore have constitutional validity by which it may be attempted to transfer traction properties of the City of New York at less than their present worth.

Adjustment Income Bonds Widely Held by Investors and Institutions.

Nor could we justify ourselves to the security holders whom we represent in bargaining away the properties in which they are interested at less than the condemnation value of those properties.

Of the 5% Adjustment Mortgage bonds of the New York Railways Co. \$8,763,000 are held by savings banks, life insurance companies, charitable institutions and other semi-public corporations, and \$19,845,000 are held by 2,096 individual investors, an average holding of less than \$10,000 apiece.

Net Value on Basis of 1921 Prices \$75,379,596, Against Suggested \$29,871,785.

According to the method of valuing properties in this country as prescribed in the opinions of the Supreme Court of the United States and as customarily followed in practice, the present value of the operating properties comprising the so-called New York Railways System (including the Fourth, Eighth and Ninth Avenue lines) as of June 30 1921 on the data provided by the Valuation Bureau itself, appears to be the figure of \$75,379,596. The data underlying that figure we shall be glad to investigate as soon as we are assured that such a method of valuation is seriously to be considered. [The committee arrives at the figure named by deducting from the gross valuation of the operating properties of the system, on the basis of 1921 prices, namely, \$90,756,522 as reported by the Commission, the amount—\$15,176,926—stated by the Commission to be required to place the system in good operating condition.

[On the basis of "original cost" less this sum of \$15,176,926, the Commission values the system at \$29,871,785.—Ed.]

Other Interests Concur.—We are authorized to say that the Committee of the Broadway & Seventh Ave. RR. First Consol. Mortgage Bondholders, and the Committee of the South Ferry Bondholders concur in the foregoing views.

[Signed by John Candler Cobb, Chairman; Oscar Cooper, Haley Fiske, Frank L. Hall, Duncan A. Holmes, Ernest Stauffen, Jr., and Richard H. Swartwout, New York Railways 30-Year Adjustment Mortgage Income Bondholders' Committee, with B. W. Jones as Secretary, 16 Wall St., and Charles P. Howland, of Rushmore, Bisbee & Stern as Counsel.]

Lexington Avenue & Pavonia Ferry RR.—Protective Committee for First Mortgage 5s Objects March 20.

The above committee received through its counsel [Alexander & Green] copy of "The Report of Valuations as of June 30 1921 of the Physical Property of Rapid Transit and Street Surface Railroads in the City of New York."

This committee dissents from and protests against the valuation contained therein of the property subject to the mortgage of the Lexington Avenue & Pavonia Ferry RR. Co. on the ground that the valuation is incomplete, inaccurate, insufficient and does not represent the true or actual value of the property.

Applying the basis recommended by the valuation engineers to such property, its net valuation thereby arrived at appears to be \$803,465 less than nothing.

This committee protests that the valuation contained in the report is not binding upon the committee or upon the holders of any of the bonds deposited with it, and is of no force or effect, and that any attempted enforcement of said valuation or any reorganization or proceedings based thereon would be the taking of the property without due process of law and would be illegal and void.

[Signed F. J. Fuller, Chairman of Protective Committee for 1st M. 5% bonds due Sept. 1 1993.]

Eighth Avenue RR. Co.—Valuation Pronounced "Extremely Low" (March 20).

It is respectfully submitted that when your honorable Commission has formulated a definite plan, and that plan includes the property of this company, the only question will be: What is the fair value of the railroad property of the Eighth Avenue RR. Co.? The answer to such question involves only the value of said property in its present condition, and assumptions of cost or value many years ago are of no weight and tend only to delay a solution of the matter.

The property of this company has been the subject of valuation in recent years by several eminent engineering firms, and in addition the company has recently spent large sums in improving said property, and it will suffice to say that the valuation of your Bureau of Valuations is extremely low.

The attitude of the company is one of cordial co-operation in your effort to solve the transit problem, and its officers are authorized to negotiate with your honorable Commission with a view to ascertaining what may be done in relation to its railroad property, and submit the matter to its stockholders for action. [Signed Jos. Tate, President.]

[The reply of the Ninth Avenue RR. is identical with the foregoing except change of name. These statements were prepared by Michael Kirtland, attorney, 2 Wall St.]

N. Y. & Harlem RR. Surface Lines—Summary of Objections Offered by Counsel.

The undersigned, New York & Harlem RR., defines its attitude with reference to the tentative appraisal as follows:

(1) It protests against the principle of valuation recommended in the report to the Commission of its Bureau of Valuation.

(2) It suggests that the fair and just principle of valuation is to take the present fair cost of duplication, not employing necessarily present prices, and from the sum total arrived at, to deduct a fair allowance for depreciation, the character of the physical materials and their varying nature and duration being taken into consideration.

(3) It is advised that the report now filed with the Commission by its Bureau of Valuation does not include in its valuation of the property of the undersigned all the property owned by the undersigned and used in the operation of its electric surface lines or in the operation of other electric surface lines and that the report is based upon erroneous assumptions as to quantities and particularly as to unit prices.

It states that it is at present engaged actively by its engineers in examining in detail both the report and working sheets of the Transit Commission's Bureau of Valuation and that it is preparing with all diligence possible under the circumstances, to present its views and estimates to the Commission.

It asks that the consideration of its case be deferred as already planned, until the representatives of some of the larger units shall have presented their respective cases to the Commission.

Dated New York, March 30 1922.

[Signed, N. Y. & Harlem RR., Anderson & Anderson, Attorneys.]

Second Ave. RR.—Receiver Considers Property Much Undervalued.

I have examined the report of the engineer and accountant setting forth their estimate of the valuation of this property, and find they have greatly undervalued the same.

Some of the many items that have been undervalued are the building of car house and the real estate of this railroad, upon which you do not allow as much as the assessed value placed thereon by the City of New York for tax purposes. This property, in accordance with its earning capacity, as evidenced by the rental received therefor, should be valued for at least \$2,000,000.

The shop machinery and tools are undervalued. Much of this machinery and tools has been acquired in recent years and should have received a valuation consistent with the inventory thereof submitted by me to your Commission.

The street cars, or rolling stock, have been grossly undervalued. The value of these cars is being rapidly increased by rebuilding and rehabilitating.

In valuing the tremendous duct system of this railroad you have clearly undervalued the ducts themselves and have not considered the tremendous value of the manholes, &c., which constitute an important part of the system. The rental of duct space in New York City by other operators is fixed at 15 cents per duct foot per year, and recently the City of New York has protested that this rental was inadequate and the city is now attempting to secure a larger rental for such duct space.

You have also evidently overlooked placing a value on the electric cable contained in the ducts, which cable is of great value; the roadbed and underground structures have not been given a valuation consistent with the present day value thereof.

[Signed, Charles E. Chalmers, *Rec. Inv.*]

Third Avenue Ry.—Extracts from Letter of President S. W. Huff.

We respectfully advise you that we do not regard "original cost" as a measure of value, and in that respect we submit that the so-called valuation recommended by your Valuation Bureau is not in conformity with the statute under which you are acting.

Even if "original cost" were taken as a basis of valuation, then all original cost should be included, and at actual cost, rather than to take a present day inventory of the property and attempt to apply to such property an original cost, ignoring altogether the cost of property that might not be in the present day inventory.

Your Bureau of Valuation, in attempting to arrive at a cost to put the present property of these companies into good operating condition, has mixed deferred maintenance (which would be the cost to put them into good operating condition) with depreciation on apparently a straight line basis. One example of this is rolling stock.

Valuation Absurdly Low.

The value recommended by your Valuation Bureau is absurdly low. This is due to the improper method of determining such valuation indicated above. We are confident that the figures submitted by your Valuation Bureau of the cost to reproduce the property of these companies with proper depreciation allowance, would show a present value of the property more than twice the amount recommended by your Valuation Bureau.

This is not surprising in view of the fact that we have shown before the Public Service Commission that more than that amount of money has been actually put into the property by the security holders, and that these holders have within recent years (reorganization of 1910-1912) consented to the scaling down of their securities to the extent of millions of dollars, and the stockholders actually paid in money an assessment of \$45 per share upon the stock, amounting to \$7,200,000.

Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co. Digest of Stockholders' Protest March 18.

More Than 10,000 Stockholders.—As a committee organized to protect the interests of the stockholders of Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co., we represent a class of investors numbering more than 10,000 individuals, owning in the aggregate over \$74,000,000 of stock, all of whom have invested in good faith in properties which embrace upwards of 700 miles of track, and which have always been considered to possess great value. For more than three years, these properties have been in receivership, mortgages securing bond issues are in process of foreclosure, the operation of the railroads has been continued under most trying conditions, and the stockholders are properly concerned with any suggestion emanating from a responsible official body bearing upon the future of their properties.

Past Co-operation.—These stockholders have shown in the past their willingness to co-operate with the public authorities in solving the transit problems of the city. As Chairman of the Transit Committee of the Board of Estimate & Apportionment from 1911 to 1913, you are aware that it was largely because of the assistance rendered by Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co., through its various proposals that you and your associates were able to bring to a successful conclusion the negotiations for the Dual Subway System, thus making immediately available, at a time when the city's borrowing capacity was strained to the limit, upwards of \$165,000,000 of private capital for the extension of the Rapid Transit lines, without which the development of the city would have been greatly retarded. This co-operation you emphasized in the final report of your Committee to the Board of Estimate & Apportionment.

Company's Financing of Dual Contract—\$60,000,000 Obligation Sold—Also \$18,000,000 Receiver's Certificates.

Upon the execution of the contract in March 1913, the company proceeded promptly and faithfully to carry out its part of the bargain to the very letter. The stockholders did their part in placing the company in a position to finance its obligations under the contract by authorizing a mortgage on their rapid transit and other properties to secure \$60,000,000 of obligations which were issued and sold to provide the necessary funds for the construction and equipment of the company's share of the new lines.

Every dollar of this money was expended by the company under the direct supervision and control of the Public Service Commission and its successors, and notwithstanding the rising prices and other unanticipated burdens imposed by the World War, the company's part of the work proceeded with the utmost dispatch.

Even after the company and its rapid transit subsidiaries had been forced into receivership early in 1919, the company's share of the work was not suspended for a moment. The Receiver was promptly authorized by Judge Mayer to continue the construction and equipment program then under way, to which end, after much difficulty and with the assistance of this committee, the Court succeeded in borrowing on receiver's certificates the sum of \$18,000,000, an accomplishment almost unparalleled in the history of receiverships, thus insuring the completion of the company's part of the contract.

All of these facts are a matter of public record. Every obligation assumed by the company under its contract with the city has been faithfully and fully performed, with the result that many miles of additional rapid transit facilities have been constructed, equipped and placed in operation.

Delays by City in Completing Lines Under Dual Contract Have Worked Great Hardship.

On the other hand, the city has unreasonably and without just cause delayed the construction of important lines which it undertook to construct with due diligence, and even now, nine years after the contract was made,

the 14th St. East New York Line—from a revenue and service standpoint, one of the most important—has not only not been completed, but substantial portions have not been placed under contract; and the construction of the Nassau St. Loop, the use of which we are advised would effect very substantial operating economies and thus materially increase the revenue of the properties, has not even been begun. These delays and refusals of the city constitute violations of the contract, which we are advised are very largely responsible for the present predicament of these properties.

The exceptional conditions prevailing throughout the country in 1919, when these properties were forced into receivership, and for several years thereafter, are matters of common knowledge. Materials were at the highest prices in the history of the country, wages were at their peak, and labor was inefficient and difficult to control. These conditions were neither local nor confined to railroad operations. They did, however, oppress the B. R. T. properties in receivership more than any other similar properties because of the extensive construction work in which the company was engaged under its contract with the city. The effect thereof upon the operations of the properties was evidenced by an enormous increase in the ratio of operating expenses to operating revenues on both rapid transit and surface lines.

The operating ratio of the rapid transit lines, which, in your report to the Board of Estimate in May 1912, you estimated would not in any event exceed 50% for the enlarged system, amounted to 73.22% for the fiscal year ending June 30 1919, to 82.23% in 1920, and to 94.43% in 1921, as shown by the tables annexed to the report of your Bureau of Valuations. This increase was due not only to the economic conditions prevailing generally, but, to a very large extent, to the failure and delay on the part of the city to complete the lines to be constructed by it.

Commission's Proposed Valuations Afford No Basis for Discussion.

When your Commission promulgated the general outlines of its proposed Plan of Readjustment last fall, and this committee was invited to express its views on some of the underlying principles, we gladly complied, and assured you of our co-operation.

Our consideration, however, of the conclusions of your Bureau of Valuations and the methods by which they have been reached, coupled with the manner in which such conclusions were apparently received by your Commission and commented upon by your counsel, has convinced us that the hopes we entertained for a prompt, businesslike and unprejudiced settlement of the grave problem must be dismissed and that the valuations proposed afford no basis whatever for discussion.

In view of this conclusion, any criticism in detail of the recommendations would be superfluous. We feel, however, that we may not improperly call your attention to a few salient points.

Your engineers state that they have endeavored to ascertain actual or original cost, and that, where this has not been ascertainable, they have "estimated" the same on various theoretical assumptions as to conditions under which the properties should have been constructed. Apparently, however, no real effort has been made to check the actual investment, especially with respect to the older properties. In this manner, an unfair impression has been given the public, and both your Commission and the public may be grossly deceived thereby.

The Actual Investment in B. R. T. System Exceeds \$238,000,000.

We are advised by those who are familiar with the history and development of the properties that the actual investment exceeds \$238,000,000, the principal items of which are readily ascertainable and easily verified. This aggregate (including Brooklyn City Railroad Co. for comparative purposes), we are advised, is made up of approximate amounts as follows:

1. Capital debt outstanding, consisting of bonds, notes, Receiver's Certificates, and real estate mortgages, but excluding stocks.....	\$140,000,000
2. Cash paid in by stockholders of Long Island Traction Co. (predecessor of B. R. T. Co.).....	4,500,000
3. Cash expended by B. R. T. Co. and represented by bonds, converted into B. R. T. stock, par for par.....	29,600,000
4. Cash realized from the sale of B. R. T. stock.....	4,600,000
5. Cash expended out of income and other sources for construction and equipment and not represented by any capital securities in the hands of the public, but mostly in unsold treasury bonds.....	23,600,000
6. Cash appropriated from earnings for additions and improvements against which no securities have been issued.....	5,000,000
7. Cash used to retire or withdraw bonds against which there are no securities outstanding in the hands of the public.....	3,000,000
8. Cash paid in for Brooklyn City RR. stock.....	12,000,000
9. Cash and equivalents put into Brooklyn Union Elevated RR. Co., Kings County Elevated RR. Co., and Nassau Electric RR. Co., prior to acquisition, less bonds outstanding at that time, this equity being now represented in stocks, at least.....	15,700,000
Total of foregoing items.....	\$238,000,000

The total of \$238,000,000 does not include any value for franchises, nor does it include a large amount chargeable for interest during construction, appreciation of real estate over original cost and other items which would very substantially increase the above amount.

As opposed to this actual investment, which is \$10,000,000 in excess of the net capitalization of the B. R. T. System outstanding in the hands of the public Dec. 31 1921, your engineers propose to allow, on the basis of their theoretical assumptions as to "actual" or "original" cost, only \$154,000,000, or a difference of \$84,000,000. This recommendation is obviously so unfair as to afford no basis for discussion.

Great Injustice in Valuation of Company's Investment in Dual System.

In view of the conclusion which we have reached and already expressed, we do not propose to consider separately the valuations placed upon the properties of the subsidiary companies included in the foregoing aggregate. We cannot, however, refrain from emphasizing the very great injustice which the proposed valuations do the rapid transit properties of the company, for the extension and equipment of which, in conjunction with the new city built subway lines, approximately \$78,000,000 has been obtained from investors and expended since 1913. The outstanding debt against these properties, including the underlying bonds, notes and bonds issued since 1913, with interest in default, receivers' certificates, tort claims and other obligations, is estimated at over \$135,000,000, approximately \$78,000,000 of which has been expended since 1913, under the direct supervision and control of your Commission or your predecessors in authority.

To provide for this debt of over \$135,000,000, your engineers recommend a valuation of approximately \$96,000,000, or \$39,000,000 less than enough to provide for the debt, thus eliminating completely all stockholders' equities in the properties. In reaching this valuation, your engineers have placed a net value of approximately \$22,400,000 on the company's extensive elevated railroad system in the Borough of Brooklyn, which was given an earning power under the contract with the city of \$3,500,000 per

annum, which, capitalized at 5% (the rate proposed under your plan), would support a value of at least \$70,000,000 for the property.

B. R. T. System Now Earning Full Interest on Funded Debt.

In conclusion, we would call your attention to the fact that the earning power of these properties has shown marked improvement during the current fiscal year. Conditions are beginning to return to normal. The average operating ratio (including taxes) of the surface lines has been reduced from 97.15% in 1921 to about 78% for the first seven months of the current year, and the operating ratio (including taxes) of the rapid transit lines has similarly been reduced from 94.43% to about 75%.

At present the B. R. T. System as a whole is earning full interest on its funded debt, and we are advised that there is a possibility of further improvement in the future. It is certain that as soon as the new lines which the city has not yet finished can be placed in operation, the net revenues of the rapid transit system will be increased by a substantial amount, estimated at not less than \$1,000,000 per annum. It may, therefore, be predicted that at a not distant date, with the co-operation of all the security holders, it will be possible to take the properties out of receivership and permit them, with credit restored, to render a still greater public service.

Violation of Dula Contract by City—Suit for \$20,000,000 Damages Proposed.

The company has a contract with the city which it has lived up to under most trying conditions, but which the city has flagrantly and deliberately violated. The performance by the city of its obligations under the contract, with just compensation for past defaults, which we are advised should be at least \$20,000,000, would permit the receivership to be terminated at once; and we propose to request the Court and its Receiver to take all steps appropriate to enforce the company's rights in this connection.

We are not in the least concerned by, nor can we believe the current rumors that if the security holders do not accept the valuations as proposed, they will be forced to do so through the deliberate exercise for such purpose of powers which the Commission considers it poses ses. We cannot conceive that such a course would be pursued, but, if attempted, we feel confident it would receive immediate condemnation in public sentiment and in judicial determination.

The committee and the stockholders it represents have been ready in the past at any time to consider a readjustment of the existing contracts and franchises upon fair and equitable terms; but we refuse to consider the voluntary acceptance of valuations which so inadequately provide for the bonded debt on the properties and which, of course, completely wipe out all equities of the stockholders, thus, in effect, confiscating their properties, a result which we are satisfied you have no mandate or authority to accomplish.

[Signed, Albert H. Wiggin, Chairman; Charles A. Boody, Gerhard M. Dahl, Frederick H. Ecker, Seward Prosser, Galen L. Stone, and Frederick Strauss, committee of stockholders. By Seward Prosser, Acting Chairman, with Rushmore, Bisbee & Stern as Counsel.]

B. R. T. Secured Gold Notes, &c.—Digest of Protest by Counsel for Bankers' Committee March 18.

This letter is written on behalf of the committee consisting of Messrs. Kuhn, Loeb & Co. and Kidder, Peabody & Co., who represent holders of secured gold notes of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co. and of first mortgage 5% sinking fund gold bonds of the New York Municipal Railway Co., together aggregating about \$60,000,000.

City's Comprehensive Program of 1913 for Rapid Transit Development.

The two banking firms who constitute the present committee, together with the Central Trust Co., undertook the financing of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company's requirements in connection with the program of 1913. The outcome of protracted negotiations was an elaborate contract which was intended fully to protect the interests of the city as well as those of the company and the security holders.

That contract provided that the new rapid transit lines should belong to the city and should be leased to an operating company for a limited period. In order that the city might have liberty of action in case future developments made new arrangements advisable, provisions were made whereby, after ten years, the city could recapture all of the city-owned lines and the investment of the operating company in the equipment thereof, paying to the operating company its actual investment plus a premium of 15%, which premium was to decrease from year to year.

In order that the operating company might make no undue profit the contract limited the return upon the capital invested (except in certain cases) to 6%, plus the sum of \$3,500,000 a year, which was accepted as the amount then being earned upon the old elevated lines subjected to the new arrangement.

Obligations of \$78,000,000 Placed on Strength of these Arrangements.

Upon the strength of these arrangements, to the carrying out of which the city pledged itself in the most solemn and formal manner, the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co. issued and the bankers placed among investors \$60,000,000 of notes, the entire proceeds of which were dedicated to the performance of the contract with the city.

In connection with the extension of these notes in 1918, during the acute financial crisis brought on by the war, over \$16,000,000 of the notes were acquired by the United States Government through the War Finance Corporation. The balance, except such as were converted into bonds, are still held by investors.

Loss to B. R. T. by City's Delays \$15,000,000 in Cost and Fully \$1,000,000 Yearly in Net Revenue.

The committee is assured and believes that the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co. and its subsidiary companies faithfully carried out their contract with the city. Unfortunately, the city did not carry out its part of the contract. It unduly delayed the construction of many of the new lines. Certain of them, including the Nassau St. Loop and a large part of the 14th St. Eastern Line, have not even been begun. These delays and defaults on the part of the city have resulted in enormous losses to the operating companies, not only in current revenue, but in greatly increased cost of construction due to throwing a large part of the construction into the period of high costs resulting from the war.

It is estimated that the construction expenditures of the operating companies have thus been increased by at least \$15,000,000 and that the net revenues are suffering to the extent of fully \$1,000,000 per year.

In spite of the delays and defaults on the part of the city, the operating companies have equipped the new lines and put them into operation as rapidly as possible. It should be added in this connection that the congestion at certain points on the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co. elevated and subway lines of which complaint is made to-day is due to the failure of the city fully to carry out the program of construction required by its contract.

Receivership Due in Part at Least to Harsh Treatment from City.

When war conditions resulted in an abnormal and unforeseen increase in operating costs, the company and the security holders urged the city to help meet the resulting emergency by a temporary increase in fares, which

would enable the operating companies to remain solvent and weather the storm. The public authorities, unlike those of most of the large cities of the country, refused to grant any increase in fares and compelled the operating companies and the security holders to carry the whole burden of the abnormal conditions resulting from the war.

This seemed especially harsh inasmuch as the plight of the operating companies was in some measure due, as already pointed out, to the delays and defaults on the part of the city in performing its contract. A receivership for the elevated and subway lines of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit system became necessary and the holders of the notes and bonds that had been issued on the strength of the contract with the city have been compelled not only to forego any return upon their investment for almost four years, but to submit to a prior lien in favor of \$18,000,000 of receiver's certificates issued to provide the funds required to enable the operating companies to complete the construction required by the contract with the city.

Earnings Now Show a Substantial Return on Notes and Bonds—Reorganization May Come Soon.

Fortunately, by reason of the general reductions in operating costs and increases in gross receipts, the net earnings of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co. elevated and subway lines have improved until they are now sufficient to yield a substantial return upon the notes and bonds outstanding against them, with the result that the holders of these securities may hope soon to be able to carry through a plan of reorganization which will provide new securities to take up the existing securities, including arrears of all interest, and the prior lien represented by the receiver's certificates. The committee has every reason to expect that the payment of the interest and reasonable sinking fund installments upon the new securities will be assured beyond reasonable doubt.

What Commission's Plan Must Provide for a Reasonable Exchange.

In order adequately to provide for the securities the committee represents, it would be necessary under the Commission's plan, which provides for no other form of security than new 5% bonds, to issue a sufficient amount of these bonds to cover the cash requirements of the subway and elevated lines, including the receiver's certificates, tort claims, and other requirements as well as the notes and bonds plus accumulated unpaid interest thereon.

An approximate summary of these requirements is as follows:

Two underlying mortgages on elevated lines, securing bonds,	
one bearing interest at 4% and the other at 5%-----	\$22,967,000
Receiver's certificates, tort claims, &c., &c., say-----	18,000,000
Notes and bonds of the issues represented by the committee	
and arrears of interest thereon to July 1 1922-----	78,050,000
Total-----	\$119,017,000

The arrears of interest upon the notes and bonds are clearly entitled to protection, inasmuch as the value and earnings of the property are sufficient ultimately to provide for them. Indeed, the arrears of interest in great measure represent earnings during the receivership that have been expended on the property.

Commission's Original Cost Basis Would Fall Far Short.

Whether the valuation ultimately adopted by the Commission will be sufficient for the requirements above outlined will depend upon which of the several suggested bases of valuation is adopted and on the extent to which the tentative valuations of your Valuation Bureau are increased. On the basis recommended by the Valuation Bureau (assumed original cost less expenditures assumed to be necessary to put the property in first class operating condition) the valuation of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co. subway and elevated lines is about \$96,096,000. Additional expenditures during the year after June 30 1921 might bring the amount up to \$101,000,000.

This would permit the issue of new 5% bonds only in that amount, which is about \$18,000,000 less than the aggregate requirements above summarized. The highest valuation proposed by your Valuation Bureau (assumed reproduction cost at 1921 prices less depreciation for the old elevated lines) is only about \$101,375,000, which again allowing for about \$5,000,000 of additional expenditures after June 30 1921, is about \$10,000,000 less than the requirements above summarized.

Grace Debt as to A Security of New Bonds Proposed by Commission.

There is another difficulty. Study of the course of events since the Commission's plan was first announced has caused the committee and its counsel grave anxiety as to whether the new bonds will be adequately secured. It is our opinion that to bond the city in this communication and that to bond the city in the alternative contemplated by the Commission.

The latter basis is that under the conditions that seem likely to prevail, the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co. elevated and subway lines operating under a five-cent fare will soon be selling a fair return upon the securities represented by the committee. It is, however, highly improbable that a five-cent fare will yield a sufficient return to provide a return upon the city's investment in these securities. Your Valuation Bureau puts at \$143,000,000 the reproduction cost, under the existing contract, of the property to that upon the securities representing the investment of private capital.

This is a consideration of prime importance. Inasmuch as your plan seems to provide for the mortgages to be apportioned pro rata between the city's investment and the new 5% bonds which are to represent the investment of private capital, the Commission's plan therefore would seem inevitably to lead to a default upon the new 5% bonds unless a fare substantially in excess of five cents is adopted and so that no sufficient amount is given.

When all is said and done, the committee is of the opinion that many questions must be settled by decisions of the courts of last resort or by practical experience before the proposed new 5% bonds can safely be taken by investors as being practically equal in value to bonds guaranteed by the city as you intend them to be.

Other Considerations.

This letter is confined to considerations which apply especially to the securities represented by the committee. No attempt is made to speak for the obligations that are held by those represented by the committee or for the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co. stock which represents a very large investment over and above the investment represented by bonds, notes and other obligations.

It may well be that the committee representing the stock will find that the prospects of increased earnings from the elevated and subway lines under the existing contract with the city are sufficiently bright to justify the stockholders in protecting their equity by making adequate provision for the indebtedness existing on the properties and for the capital requirements of the near future.

This letter has thus far been confined to the elevated and subway lines of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company. An important part of the indebtedness in which the committee is interested consists of bonds and certificates of indebtedness resting upon various surface lines and other properties, which, the committee is assured, represent large amounts of cash actually invested

in those properties. The committee hopes that this investment will in some way be protected. It seems, however, unnecessary to discuss this investment in this communication, inasmuch as the surface lines will doubtless be represented before your Commission by other committees.

It is hoped that this letter has made it clear that, while continuing to hold itself in readiness to co-operate with the Commission and to hope for some offer from the Commission that it can recommend to the security holders, the committee may soon feel bound to formulate and endeavor to effectuate some plan for the reorganization of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co. elevated and subway lines under the protection of the existing contract with the city and to co-operate in the reorganization of the surface properties, to the end that the receiverships may be terminated and the security holders placed in a position to receive a return upon their investment.

Fortunately, the existing contract fully protects and safeguards the interests of the city in respect of the rapid transit lines. It will be open to the city eventually to secure possession of the city owned rapid transit lines in accordance with the provisions of that contract and to negotiate with the operating companies at any time for any modified arrangement that may be desired.

The committee feels sure that it will be the earnest desire of your Commission that the city will faithfully carry out the existing contract on the faith of which such large investments of private capital were so recently invited and accepted, for otherwise there would be little hope of securing from private investors the enormous amounts of capital that will be required from year to year to meet the transit needs of our rapidly growing city.

[Signed by Cravath, Henderson, Leffingwell & de Gersdorff, counsel for Kuhn, Loeb & Co. and Kidder, Peabody & Co., acting as a committee for noteholders and bondholders.]

Brooklyn City RR.—Unanimous Resolution of Board March 17 Sent to Transit Commission.

1. *Prolonged Litigation Foreseen.*—The solvent position and the earning capacity of this company are such that its directors are not solicitous to sell its franchises and properties. They remain, as was stated to the Transit Commission by Vice-President Porter, willing to co-operate with the Commission to solve the transit problems of the city upon terms fair and just to this company.

The company had a very bitter experience growing out of the lease of its properties to Brooklyn Heights RR. Co., which not only defaulted in payment of rent, but has sued this company for \$10,000,000. The directors must be well assured of the future to induce them to recommend to the shareholders to part a second time with control of their properties.

Until the city authorities are convinced of the wisdom of the plan and co-operate to insure its execution the directors feel prolonged litigation by the city to test the plan and the power of the Commission is reasonably certain.

2. *Valuations Disapproved.*—The directors feel that they could not recommend the acceptance of any of the appraisals made by the Valuation Bureau of the Commission or of any other price for the franchises and properties of this company less than their present fair value. It is the property and franchises now owned and held which are guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States against confiscation and not moneys heretofore expended.

The appraisals of the Valuation Bureau vary so widely that in the brief time available it has been impossible with the utmost diligence to determine the basis of these differences or to reconcile them.

Earnings of Properties if Merged Under Commission Plan Likely to Fall Short of Interest on New Bonds.

3. The plan of the Commission is that all the subway, elevated and surface lines in Brooklyn shall be owned by one company and that the preference over the city which the subway company has shall be surrendered. The city's investment in Brooklyn lines is estimated at \$143,000,000, interest on which at 5% exceeds \$7,000,000 per annum. The rapid transit lines of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit system under the prevailing 5-cent fare may earn interest upon its outstanding bonds and notes, but the margin will not for some years at least yield in addition the interest upon the city's investment.

The earnings of the new company under the Commission's plan are to be divided pro-rata to pay the interest upon the city's investment and to the holders of the new bonds. Default in payment of interest seems certain unless the fare is increased, which it is believed the present sentiment of the community will not permit.

Moreover, if the proposition of Engineer Turner of the Commission for the abandonment of lines, and among them the Myrtle Ave. and Tompkins Ave. lines of this company, should be adopted, the security behind these bonds would be materially decreased. The plan of the Transit Commission does not disclose whether it proposes to defer interest on the bonds for two years as the law authorizes it to do.

4. The directors are advised that the power of the Transit Commission to bind itself or its successors or the City of New York to establish and maintain a rate of fare sufficient to pay 5% upon the bonds issued by the Commission and interest also upon the city's investment is doubtful and doubt will impair the marketability of the bonds.

5. *Analyses Not Justified.*—For all these reasons the directors believe that they are not justified in expending the large amount of money necessary to examine and analyze the valuations referred to in the letter of the Commission of Feb. 23, and to prepare the detailed criticism and objections which are invited.

Coney Island & Brooklyn RR. Co.—Condensed Protest of Committee, March 19.

There are three series of bonds secured by mortgages constituting liens on the property of the Coney Island & Brooklyn RR. Co., the deposit of which has been requested by the committee, viz: (1) The 5% Consol. Mtg. bonds of the Brooklyn City & Newtown RR. Co., of which \$2,000,000 are outstanding of this \$1,160,000 have been deposited. (2) The 4% First Consol Mtg. bonds of the Coney Island & Brooklyn RR. Co., of which \$2,000,000 are outstanding of these \$1,624,000 have been deposited. (3) The 4% Consol Mtg. bonds of the Coney Island & Brooklyn RR. Co., of which \$2,272,000 are outstanding of these \$1,500,000 have been deposited with our depository.

As we are advised, there are also outstanding some mortgages on portions of the real estate so-called inter-company certificates of indebtedness, challenged by the committee, amounting to \$118,298, also \$2,981,900 capital stock.

The valuation report states the conclusion that the fair valuation of the existing property of the Coney Island & Brooklyn RR. "would consist in allowing the original cost less the necessary expenditures to put the property in a first class operating condition." The valuation on this basis would appear to be \$1,171,868.

Present Earnings Reported Substantially in Excess of Fixed Charges.

The committee is informed that since the year 1911 there has been no substantial change in the amount of interest deductions that for the years 1910 to 1918 inclusive the company has earned from the operation of its

property a sum considerably in excess of all its operating expenses and other fixed charges, including interest on all of the issued bonds, leaving a substantial surplus in these years.

At the present time the company's earnings, as the committee is informed, are substantially in excess of the amount necessary to pay the operating expenses and fixed charges, including such interest, and make provision for proper maintenance, and that the character of the service furnished by it to its patrons is fully up to any standard which could be reasonably required.

In view of the earning power of the property as disclosed by its history, and the valuation made by competent engineers and experts heretofore, the difference between the result arrived at by the aforesaid report and what the committee considers should be its fair valuation under any accepted standard under the decisions of the courts is so great that it seems unnecessary to incur the large expense which would be involved in an examination of detailed figures.

The committee protests against the adoption by the commission of such conclusions as constituting a preliminary adjudication or even a presumption as to values against such security holders represented by the committee.

[Signed by Bondholders' Protective Committee of Coney Island & Brooklyn RR. Co. and Brooklyn City & Newtown RR. Co., by A. R. Horr, Chairman. Alexander & Green are counsel for the committee.]

Nassau Electric RR. Committee for First Consols Dissents (Condensed) March 20.

The total amount of the First Consol Mortgage Bonds outstanding is \$11,508,000, of which upwards of \$4,461,000 have been deposited under the Committee's deposit agreement of July 21 1919. Junior to the bonds were \$6,047,188 of certificates of indebtedness, representing cash invested in betterments and improvements, and \$6,500,000 of Preferred and \$8,500,000 of Common stock.

[Here follows a table, taken from "Poor's Manual," showing the earnings of the road for the years 1906 to 1918, inclusive, available for interest on this issue, ranging from \$1,004,776 in 1908 to \$1,724,729 in 1914. The maximum amount of annual interest payable on the First Consols was \$460,320.]

The Nassau Electric RR. Co. shared in the troubles that affected the entire Brooklyn Rapid Transit System in and after 1919. The very great increase in operating expenses, especially in wages, the costs resulting from strikes and other extraordinary expenses, brought it about that for a considerable period the company was unable to earn the amount of its fixed charges and for a time was unable to earn even its operating expenses.

The interest upon its Consol. Mortgage bonds due July 1 1919 and thereafter has remained unpaid, and also the interest on underlying issues. There is a considerable sum due for taxes and for the purchase of necessary equipment and there is a large amount in the way of deferred maintenance to be provided for.

Earnings Again Approaching Normal—Net for Nine Months, \$912,598.

But the surplus earnings of the road under normal conditions, over and above the amounts necessary to pay current interest on its consolidated bonds and prior fixed charges, would be amply sufficient to provide for all financing necessary to protect the value of the Consolidated Mortgage Bonds.

The period of very high operating expenses has been passed and the earnings of the road are now again approaching normal. For the nine months ending Feb. 1 1922, the earnings over and above operating expenses and taxes, as reported by the receiver, were \$912,598, or at the rate of \$1,216,798 per annum.

The committee believes that the time is approaching when a reorganization of the Nassau road will be practicable, as a result of which the interests of the holders of the Consolidated Mortgage bonds will be fully protected.

Valuation Suggested Would Take Care of Only 35% of Principal of Consols.

The value of the properties of the Nassau Electric RR. Co. recommended by the Bureau of Valuation is \$8,227,539. If bonds for this amount should be issued under your plan for the Nassau properties there would remain for the holders of the \$11,508,000 of Consols, to represent the principal amount of such bonds and the \$1,380,960 of interest accrued thereon, after payment with the new bonds at par of a 1 bonds, accrued interest, receiver's certificates and other claims having priority over the Consolidated Bonds, less than \$4,000,000 of the bonds you propose to issue.

In other words, the holders of the Consolidated Bonds would receive in the new 5% Bonds less than 35% of the principal amount of their bonds, and nothing whatsoever on account of accrued interest.

The highest of the valuations suggested in the report of the Bureau of Valuations leaves nothing whatever for the \$21,000,000 of securities (certificates of indebtedness and preferred and common stock) held by the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co. and pledged under its mortgages.

The only figures given in the report that suggest a basis of valuation for the properties of the Nassau which would allow anything upon the certificates of indebtedness and the stock are the figures of the 1921 cost of reproduction new (\$26,509,070), less the expenditures necessary to place the property in first-class operating condition (\$3,313,216).

As far as the committee has been able to ascertain, the valuations do not include the Atlantic Avenue line leased to the Long Island RR., which is among the most valuable properties owned by the Nassau.

The committee expressly dissents from such suggested valuations and each of them.

[Signed by committee representing Nassau Electric RR. Co. First Consolidated Mortgage 4% Gold Bonds, by Haley Fiske, Acting Chairman.]

Brooklyn Queens Co. & Suburban RR. Consol. Bondholders Dissent March 20 (Condensed).

The total amount of the first consolidated mortgage bonds outstanding is \$2,884,000. Junior to the bonds were \$2,640,709 of certificates of indebtedness, representing cash invested in betterments and improvements, and \$2,000,000 of Common stock.

[Here follows a table from "Poor's Manual," showing the earnings of the road from 1906 to 1918 applicable to the payment of interest on the first consols as ranging from \$256,847 in 1909 to \$532,331 in 1914 and \$557,206 in 1906. The maximum amount of annual interest payable on the first consols. was \$144,200.]

The Brooklyn, Queens County & Suburban RR. Co. [like the Nassau Electric RR.] shares in the troubles that affected the entire Brooklyn Rapid Transit system in and after 1919, due to the very great increase in wages and other expenses. The interest upon consolidated bonds due July 1 1919 and thereafter has remained unpaid, and also the interest on underlying issues. There is a considerable sum due for taxes and for the purchase of necessary equipment and there is a large amount in the way of deferred maintenance to be provided for.

Net Earnings (After Taxes) for the 9 Months Ended Feb. 1 1922 Were \$436,812.

The period of very high operating expenses, however, has been passed and the earnings of the road are now again approaching normal. For the nine months ending Feb. 1 1922 the earnings over and above operating expenses and taxes, as reported by the receiver, were \$436,812, or at the rate of \$582,416 per annum.

The committee believes that the time is approaching when a reorganization of the road will be practicable, as a result of which the interests of the consolidated mortgage bonds will be fully protected.

Valuation Suggested Would Allow Nothing for the Consols.

The value of the properties of the Brooklyn, Queens County & Suburban RR. Co. recommended in the valuation is \$3,351,196. If bonds for this amount should be issued under the plan for the Brooklyn, Queens County & Suburban properties, the entire amount so issued would be insufficient to pay the prior liabilities, and the holders of the \$2,884,000 Consols. would receive nothing on account of principal or interest.

The value based on 1921 prices also as stated by the valuation is \$5,964,622, which falls short by more than a \$1,000,000 of the amount necessary to pay the principal of the first consols. with new bonds at par after payment of claims having priority over the consolidated bonds.

The highest of the valuations suggested in the valuations leaves nothing whatever for the \$4,640,000 of securities (certificates of indebtedness and stock) held by the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co. and pledged to secure its bonds and notes.

The only figures given in the valuations which suggest a basis of valuation for the properties of the company which would allow anything upon the certificates of indebtedness and the stock are the figures of the 1921 cost of reproduction new (\$10,386,975) less the expenditures necessary to place the property in first class operating condition (\$1,354,121). If these figures are taken the resulting valuation will just about cover the obligations of the company, including its certificates of indebtedness.

The committee cannot determine definitely from the report whether the valuations cover all of the properties of the Brooklyn, Queens County & Suburban or include properties of other companies.

The committee, however, expressly dissents from such suggested valuations and each of them.

[Signed committee representing Brooklyn, Queens County & Suburban RR. Co. first consolidated mortgage 5% gold bonds, by Haley Fiske, Chairman.]

VALUATION OF NEW YORK CITY TRACTION AND RAPID TRANSIT PROPERTIES—TENTATIVE DETAILS.

The main details of the preliminary valuation report prepared by the New York Transit Commission for the rapid transit and surface passenger railway systems in the City of Greater New York as a basis for the proposed merger plan were outlined in connection with the capitalization of each system in the "Chronicle" of Feb. 25, p. 803 to 805. It should be remembered, however, that while the valuation covers all lines operating or in condition to operate, the Commission favors the retention only of the really desirable lines.

The objections raised by the Interborough Rapid Transit Co. and other city transit lines are outlined at length in the preceding article.

A much condensed digest of the text of the report and the valuation table in some detail follow:

Valuation Required by Law—Omits Franchises and Going Value.

The Act of the N. Y. Legislature creating the Transit Commission required that the Commission prepare a plan of readjustment for the improvement of transit in Greater New York by combination, rehabilitation and extension of existing railroads and in this connection ordered that with such plan "the Commission shall cause a valuation to be made of the property, other than franchises or going value, necessarily used in public service of the railroads it proposes to include therein;" such valuation to be made "with due regard to the estimated prospective earning capacity of the property" under existing rates of fare, and as finally determined to be "the basis for all allowances to the railway companies under the plan and for thereafter fixing the returns on the property so valued."

The Report.—Accordingly there have been prepared as of June 30 1921, for each railway company or system proposed to be included in the plan of readjustment, the following:

(1) Valuation of property, used and not used in operation, based on (a) Actual or estimated original cost; (b) Cost to reproduce new in pre-war period (1910 to 1914); (c) Cost to reproduce new January to July 1921.

(2) Valuation of property less accrued depreciation on straight line basis, for all three periods.

(3) An estimate of amount necessary to place each property in first-class operating condition.

(4) Capitalization, book value and financial data, for each company.

(5) Operating statistics for each, over a period of the past ten years.

(6) Other relevant data respecting valuations, operating conditions, &c.

Scope of Report.—This report embraces all transit companies operating within the limits of Greater New York, except the Hudson & Manhattan Railway Co. and the Staten Island Rapid Transit Co., which are not included in the present plan.

The summaries include all companies in the railway systems constituted in 1919 before the disintegration began; but those portions now operated independently are also shown separately.

Valuations.—At the outset it will be realized that a valuation for the purpose of acquisition of railroad properties is not identical with a rate case, and the procedure is not as restricted by technicalities. A rate case may well involve a consideration of intangible values, which do not necessarily assume importance in the determination of a fair value for property to be acquired as used and useful for the operation of a railroad.

For each property included in this report the inventory was made as of June 30 1921.

The railroad companies included in the valuation comprise street surface lines and rapid transit lines. The latter are the subway and elevated railways in all boroughs which are operated under the so-called "Dual Contracts" and related certificates of March 19 1913, and Contracts Nos. 1 to 4. In the case of the Interborough and Manhattan, the valuation of construction under city contract was based upon the ascertained or determined cost as reflected by the records of the Commission, and no other estimate was made as to reproduction costs or otherwise.

For street surface lines and for the property of the original elevated railway lines, the valuation was developed on three bases; the valuation of all physical property based on (a) The original cost or an approximation thereof; (b) the cost to reproduce new at prices and conditions existing from 1910 to 1914; (c) the cost to reproduce new at prices and conditions existing in the first six months of 1921.

The term "reconstruction cost" in the Act is held to be synonymous with "reproduction cost" as employed in valuation work.

"Original cost" represents the expenditure to produce the property in its physical condition as of the date of inventory. "Costs to reproduce" represent expenditures which would have been necessary to recreate the property at the two periods selected; the second period being the first six months of 1921, which was immediately preceding the completion of the inventory, and intended to reflect the then, "present day" prices and conditions. In the half year which has elapsed since this latter period the price level has materially receded and the "Cost to reproduce" as of Jan. 1 1922 would reflect a marked reduction in the estimate as presented for the first six months in 1921.

In the two estimates to "Reproduce new" it was assumed that the property would be reproduced in "like" and not in "kind" which would apply for example in the substitution of steel for the wrought iron of the original elevated railway structures and the substitution of modern type of substation equipment where the manufacturer had discontinued the original design in favor of an improved type.

In addition, a statement is being compiled of the estimated prospective earning capacity of the transit property necessarily used in the public service at the rate of fare in effect prior to the enactment of the legislation. This will be the subject of a subsequent report.

Estimates were prepared of any claims presented by any company for consideration in the valuation of property not now existent, but such estimates were intended to make all facts available to the Commission and in no way involved any recognition as to their validity or to commit the Commission to any allowance therefor.

Companies' Appraisals and Inventories.

The appraisals applying to New York Railways System and the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co. surface lines, which were previously made for the companies by engineering firms of standing are presented as contemporaneous exhibits, segregated into the significant factors of the values placed on the properties and the results have been brought down to June 30 1921 by the Bureau of Valuation by applying the adjustments reflected by the capital accounts of each company.

For the Manhattan Railway Co. an exhibit is presented showing appraisals made in connection with the proceedings by the company against the State Tax Commission contesting the assessment levied on the value of the special franchises between 1906 and 1909.

The property included in the companies' reports may not be identical with that appraised by the Commission through a difference in the allocation of ownership within a system as well as in the distribution as to operative and non-operative property, particularly as respects land and buildings. Furthermore, the appraisal for the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co. was prepared for a rate case and included only such of the property as was to be presented for consideration in that proceeding; this appraisal has recently been brought to March 31 1921 by the company.

The inventory includes all property in existence as of June 30 1921, except such items as track, which was abandoned and allowed to disintegrate so as not to be useful for operation.

Inventories, &c., As Valued by the Commission.

The inventory for the valuation, however, was set up after segregating the property into operative and non-operative, the latter including principally buildings and power plant and substation equipment retained by the companies but not utilized in the operation of the railroad.

The inventory includes all property and equipment deemed to be essential for the operation of the railroad even though as in one instance a parent company claims ownership of a main power plant and alleges it furnishes current for operation as a commercial enterprise and that its property should not be included with that of the operating companies in arriving at a total valuation for the system. This, no doubt, refers to the powerhouse, the ownership of which is claimed both by the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co. and Brooklyn City R.R. It was considered that if the property was to be acquired the power plant essential to and operated solely for the purpose of the railroad must be included in the transaction.

When the ownership of any property was in dispute between the companies included in a system it was allocated to that company holding such property in its possession.

Pricing of Inventories.—Wherever possible an endeavor was made to establish the original cost for each item of property with the date of its installation or acquisition. An exhaustive study was made of the prices of materials and the rates for wages by years from 1890 to 1921 so as to determine the factor to apply to convert actual costs to the years when costs were not available or could not be secured.

Quotations were obtained from manufacturers and from previous commission appraisals. Estimate of all quantities entering into the construction of the railroad were confined to the actual net lines of the completed structure. For property constructed or acquired subsequent to 1911 the actual cost thereof was adopted in the estimate for cost to reproduce from 1910 to 1914 as well as for the estimate of original cost.

Basic Assumptions—Overhead Charges, Lands, &c.

Unit Costs.—To arrive at an equitable valuation of the street surface railroads certain basic assumptions must be made, since the properties are being valued as the existing type of electric operated railroads, whereas except in a few instances, they were originally built and operated as horse-car lines and were converted from time to time over a period of years.

For the purpose of producing or reproducing the properties as existent to-day, it was assumed that the company would carry out for the work to be performed on the lines of the system on a successive program similar to the horse-car operation on those lines not under construction.

In establishing the unit costs, due consideration was given to the small quantities entering into the construction per linear foot of railroad and to the expenses of such work conducted in the city streets and to structural difficulties connected with the completion of the structure, which would be factors in the cost of the various items.

Overhead Charges.—During the development and construction of the railroad, the company is obliged to defray the attendant expenses for legal services, executive, administrative and office forces, engineering, design and inspection, interest on expenditures, brokerage fees in securing funds, and taxes on property if levied by the municipality. These charges have been segregated into "Expenses during Development" and "Expenses during Construction."

Interest on expenditures during construction was allowed at 5% for the estimate of original cost, at 5% for reproduction cost for 1910 to 1914 and at 7 1/2% for reproduction cost in 1921, as a concession with no established rate at the periods specified.

Brokerage fees, consisting of the expense for marketing securities were allowed at 3 1/2% in the estimate for original cost which rate was derived from an instance of the actual expense for such services. A rate of 2% was allowed for each of the two estimates of cost to reproduce. No consideration was given to bond discount or premium which it was held should not be treated as capital items.

Track and Structures.—The appraisal is based on measured or computed quantities entering into each item of this group with unit costs applied thereto.

Rolling Stock.—The valuation is based on the result of a field inspection to determine the actual number of cars and their type and the prices applied are based on the actual or estimated cost to the company ready for operation.

Land.—The land owned in fee by each company has been allowed at its market value as of June 30 1921, determined by expert real estate appraisers. This market value was held to apply to both the original cost and the Costs to Reproduce. It was felt that the companies were entitled to credit for land at its market value because of its availability for sale for other than railroad purposes.

Easements, Private Right of Way, Consents and Damages.—For each of these items, it was held that allowances should be limited to the actual expenditures by the company and the same amount is included for the costs to reproduce as in the original cost estimate.

Depreciation on "Straight Line" Method.—Where it is held that depreciation should rightfully apply in the appraisal of a public utility company, the straight line basis has been employed in this report as the most practical means of determining the amount which should be deducted from the value of the property to which depreciation applies. This method consists in ascribing an estimated life to each class of property and computing depreciation on its cost or valuation on the basis of its age on the date of the appraisal for each of the transit companies or system.

For the property included under the Dual Contracts and their Related Certificates, the depreciation has been computed on the basis of the report of the former Transit Construction Commissioner, addressed to the interested companies, in which rates of depreciation have been specified for each class of property. These rates have been applied to the cost of the property from the date it was placed in operation. These rates, however, have not as yet been formally accepted by the companies.

Expenditures Necessary to Place Property in First-Class Operating Condition.

For the purpose of determining the actual conditions, a field inspection was made of each class of property to provide data for an estimate of the expenditures necessary to place the property in first-class operating condition. This estimate was made as of June 30 1921 and is not necessarily the present day condition, particularly in respect to rolling stock.

To correct deficiencies, there has been included in the estimates of the necessary expenditures not only an amount to correct deferred maintenance and repair, but also an allowance for renewals and replacements of equipment which, because of age and general utility, should be retired from service.

It is believed that due consideration should be given to an estimate of the necessary expenditure of this character as a practical means of determining the actual rather than the theoretical depreciation. Renovation and rehabilitation from time to time will operate to make over and renew and if successively continued may prolong the life on service to an extent difficult to estimate. The element of obsolescence would then become the determining factor in the retirement of most classes of railroad property.

Conclusions and Recommendations.

After a full consideration of all the facts, it is our conclusion that a fair valuation for the existing property of companies other than that included under Contracts 1, 2, 3 and 4 and their Related Certificates, would consist in allowing the original cost less the expenditures necessary to put the property in first-class operating condition.

Valuation of the property paid for by the Interborough Rapid Transit Co. as included under Contract 3, and similarly that paid for by the New York Municipal Railway Corporation under Contract 4, and also the property included under the certificates for extensions, additions, third-tracking and reconstruction of the elevated structures, which accompany Contracts 3 and 4, should be based on the determination of cost by the Chief Engineer of the Commission, as provided in such contracts, with the deduction therefrom of the accrued depreciation also therein provided for. The property provided under Contracts 1 and 2 by the Interborough Rapid Transit Co. has also been appraised on this same basis.

It is our opinion that the cost so determined, based on accurate cost data, represents the fair reproduction cost referred to in the Transit Act.

It is our opinion that there should be included in such valuation only the property now existent and suited for operation.

Land, buildings, power plants, or other equipment not used or useful for operation should be excluded from the valuation and deemed to be assets of the company to be disposed of as it sees fit.

No track or roadway which has been abandoned and allowed to disintegrate so as not to be suitable for operation should be included in the valuation.

It must be realized that the valuations are of the property as of June 30 1921, and that the results should ultimately be brought to the date of any contemplated settlement so as to adjust for retirements, additions, fluctuations in value, &c.

While all valuations as herewith presented are based on the inventory of property as of June 30 1921, which was deemed to be used or useful for the operation of the railroads or systems as then constituted or as then capable of being operated.

It was not within the purview of this report to segregate or discard in whole or in part any property of any company which might be designated as not necessary or useful in any plan developed for the revamping of the transit facilities so as to effect an economic unification of the present systems.

The final statutory plan of the Commission is expected to embrace only such property as is to be acquired for such a unified system of transit and the valuation herewith will permit of the schedule to be prepared of the properties on any problem as therein adopted.

a-q These are the footnotes applying to the table on the following page: a Represents accrued depreciation. b Not separately computed. c Includes \$20,070 electrical and mechanical equipment and \$1,395,540 rolling stock not distributed among the various companies in the New York Railways System. d Accrued depreciation, company investment, \$12,401,799; expenditures necessary to place property in first-class condition, \$47,199,338; total, \$59,591,137. e Accrued depreciation, company investment, \$12,401,799; accrued depreciation, city investment, \$162,070; cost to reproduce necessary to place property in first-class operating condition, \$43,116,338; total, \$55,660,213. f Includes capital stock, bonded debt, certificates of indebtedness, receiver's certificates and construction advances. g Excludes bonds, \$104,100,410; cash, \$49,325,632; certificates and construction advances, \$42,279,388; loss on sale of property, \$1,000,000. h Excludes acquired bonds, \$7,500,000. i Excludes certificates of indebtedness, company held by N. Y. R. Co., viz: Stocks, \$7,161,300; and bonds, \$1,111,342. j Includes arbitrary apportionment of \$3,055,622 to street car lines of the City of New York. k Excludes \$1,000,000 of subsidiary companies held by N. Y. R. Co., viz: Stocks, \$10,000,000; bonds, \$10,835,330; construction advances, \$1,511,785. l Company report of receiver and company and including adjustments conforming with U. S. Circuit Court decision. m Includes judgment notes, \$1,411,647. n As per report of R. B. L. & R. Co. o Includes receiver's certificates, \$4,400,000 shown in annual report. p Includes lighting department fixed capital and materials and supplies, \$1,776,493.06 and includes bond and stock in affiliated local account. q Staten Island Co. includes Interborough R. & R. Co., Southfield Beach R. R. and Union St. Railroad R. R. r Includes Interborough companies including Manhattan Bridge, Astor Line and Van Brunt St. & Erie Beach R. R. s The non-operating property (last column to right) aggregate of original cost, bonds \$13,259,420; viz: (1) Track and structures, \$4,219,000; (2) electrical power and mechanical equipment, \$1,011,200; (3) land (1921 value), \$7,618,987; (4) original, \$197,780. On basis of 1914 prices with land value taken at \$1.00 = .70 they aggregate \$2,029,738. A flow sheet includes expenses during and prior to construction including interest on expenditures, engineering, administrative and legal outlay, brokerage fees for marketing securities, &c.

TENTATIVE VALUATIONS OF OPERATING PROPERTIES OF RAPID TRANSIT AND SURFACE RAILROADS—NEW YORK CITY—AS OF JUNE 30 1921.

(Showing results on basis of original costs, and prices of 1910-14 and 1921, less depreciation. Also the cost, in last column, of non-operating properties, less depreciation.)

Main table with columns: Name of System or Company, Original Cost of Operating Property, Needed to Place Property in First-Class Condition, Net Valuation, Capital Stock, Bonds, &c., Held by Public June 30 1921, Company's Book Value of Fixed Assets June 30 1921, Appraised Value of Operating Property on Basis of (1) Original Cost, (2) Prices 1910-14, (3) Prices 1921, Value Less Depreciation, (4) Prides 1910-14, Value Less Depreciation, (5) Prides 1921, Value Less Depreciation, Track and Structures, Electrical and Mechanical Equipment, Rolling Stock, Constructions, Materials and Supplies, Land, Right of Way, Non-Operating Properties, Net Value, Original Cost.

a-a These footnotes will be found at bottom of next preceding page.

NEW ENGLAND RATE DIVISIONS CASE—INJUNCTION SOUGHT BY TRUNK LINES, BUT NOT PENNSYLVANIA RR. OR BALTIMORE & OHIO—N. Y. CENTRAL BRINGS SEPARATE SUIT.

Judge Julius Mayer in the United States District Court at New York on March 20 in an equity suit filed on behalf of the Delaware & Hudson, D. L. & W., Central RR. of New Jersey, Chesapeake & Ohio and some fifty or sixty other connecting rail roads, large and small (but not the Pennsylvania RR. or the Baltimore & Ohio), issued a temporary restraining order to delay the putting in effect of the 25% increase which was granted by the Interstate Commerce Commission on Feb. 14 to the New England with respect to their proportion in the revenue derived from certain classes of through business. The case is returnable March 30 when the question of issuing a permanent injunction will be heard. Compare order of the Commission in "Chronicle" of Feb. 18 p. 702.

The New York Central RR. Co. is bringing a separate action in the Supreme Court for the Southern District of New York State for reasons stated in the "Wall St. Journal" of March 22 as follows:

The New York Central will begin an independent suit based upon the fact that it is the only trunk line system operating or controlling a line into New England.

Under the Commerce Commission's order, now held up by a temporary injunction returnable March 30 the Boston & Albany, operated by the Central under lease was excluded from the benefits of the 15% increase in the New England share of the through rates, although the B. & A. operates wholly in New England. To make its position worse, the B. & A. is required to grant increased divisions to other New England lines on traffic interchanged with them on traffic wholly within New England, although, as the Central contends, these divisions were not an issue in the proceedings.

New York Central's complaint will set up that it has made expenditures of more than \$36,000,000 on the Boston & Albany since it took over operation of the line in 1900, that it has thus contributed largely to provide New England with efficient transportation and is continuing to do so through the present rate divisions, which it considers liberal to the New England carriers.

By its terms the commission's order makes the new divisions effective from and after March 1 but as the railroads customarily settle their balances on each month's interchange traffic about the 25th of the following month, Judge Mayer will have held at least the preliminary hearing in the proceedings to upset the commission's order before the first settlement affected by it is due.

Regarding the suit first named the "New York Times" of March 21 says:

It is asserted by the petitioning railroads that the Government is seeking to strengthen weak lines at the expense of the strong ones; that the order was made effective on March 1 and was issued Feb. 14, which is less than the thirty day's notice required by law, and that if it be enforced it will compel the complainants to pay to the lesser lines annually about \$7,500,000. This is described as arbitrary and tending to greatly injure the petitioners.

These railroads admit that they voluntarily join or class rates on a percentage basis, and denying the power of any Government agency to change the rates agreed upon. They insist that the Interstate Commerce Commission seeks to take money from one group of carriers for the benefit of another group. It is asserted that if such power exists at all, it involves the exercise of exclusively legislative discretion and cannot be conferred upon an administrative agency.

It is also alleged that the order of the commission is arbitrary because it is not based on any evidence of record and because all rates are not divided on the same basis.

It is said that every effort will be made to have the lower courts dispose of the case as quickly as possible that it may reach the United States Supreme Court before the summer vacation begins in June, in case the situation makes an appeal desirable.

It was suggested that an agreement might be reached between the two groups of railroads by which the trunk lines would agree to the division of rates ordered by the commission, provided the latter would withdraw its order, and thus prevent an injury into the entire rate situation, so far as it affects New England. The New England lines, it is said, are anxious to avoid such a widespread inquiry at this time because it would involve an inquiry into local rates.

The petition was prepared by Ex-Judge Walter C. Noyes in co-operation with nine other lawyers representing the various companies. William H. Williams, Vice President of the Delaware & Hudson and Chairman of the Trunk Line Committee handling the matter, said that the action of the Pennsylvania and Baltimore & Ohio would not affect the legal question.

On the other hand it is suggested that the recent decision of the United States Supreme Court upholding the power of the Commission to control for the benefit of the country as a whole, local (Intra-State) rates, if these be unreasonable may prove to have an important bearing in deciding the question whether the New England roads should not as a matter of public policy be found as ordered by the Commission in the present instance. Compare "Chronicle" Feb. 18 p. 702 and March 4 p. 916; March 11 p. 1026 and "Railway Age" of March 11 p. 556.

ITEMS ABOUT BANKS, TRUST COMPANIES, ETC.

No sales of bank or trust company stocks have occurred at the Stock Exchange or at auction this week.

Four New York Stock Exchange memberships were reported posted for transfer this week, the consideration being stated at \$89,000 for one and \$88,000 each for the other three. The last previous sale was at \$88,000.

J. S. Morgan, Jr., son of J. P. Morgan and a partner in the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co., shortly will sail for London to serve for an extended period with Morgan, Grenfell & Co., the firm's British house. In doing this he follows the course pursued by his father some years ago.

The sale of all of the bank stock held by the Prudential Insurance Co. (this involving the latter's interest in the Fidelity-Union Trust Co. and Merchants & Manufacturers National Bank of Newark), and the resignation of Forrest F. Dryden, President of the Prudential, as director of the Fidelity-Union Trust Co. were among the developments of the week. According to the Newark "News" of the 18th inst., the Prudential on the 17th transferred to Julius S. Rippel its 20% ownership of the stock of the Fidelity-Union Trust Co. With this interest, it is stated, the insurance company also sold to Mr. Rippel 451 shares of stock which it owned in the Merchants & Manufacturers National Bank. The same paper also said:

The par value of the Fidelity-Union shares involved in the sale is \$1,050,000. The current market price for the stock, however, is between 240 and 250. Figuring the usual concession at private sale for so large a block of stock the amount actually involved in the sale of the Fidelity-Union stock alone is in the neighborhood of \$2,500,000. Mr. Rippel acquired the stock outright for his own account, this being true of the Merchants & Manufacturers' shares as well.

Edward D. Duffield, Acting President of the Prudential, confirmed reports of the sale yesterday afternoon, following the recording of the transfer in the Fidelity-Union offices.

Mr. Duffield said it was felt in the councils of the company that there was nothing improper in the ownership of stock in banks in which the company kept large deposits of its policyholders' money. This, it was felt, had been sufficiently demonstrated by the investigation of its affairs, made at its own request, by the Insurance Departments of New Jersey and other States, which in effect gave the company a clean bill of financial health.

The sale of the stock in the two banks, Mr. Duffield added, would involve no change in the Prudential's relations with the Fidelity-Union as a large depositor. The same would be true as to the Merchants & Manufacturers', to the extent that it has been a company depository.

The only stocks now held by the Prudential Insurance Co., it is officially stated, are small lots such as railroad stocks, acquired through reorganizations of companies in which it held bond interests. One of these, a block of Pere Marquette Railroad, which it owned at the time of Mr. Dryden's appearance before the Lockwood Committee, has since been disposed of. It is the intention of the company, Mr. Duffield made clear, to divest itself of all stock holdings as rapidly as market conditions and sound financial judgment make it possible.

In the light of the Prudential's action in ridding itself of bank stock ownership, it is worth noting, perhaps, that the New York Legislature, shortly before adjourning last night, declined to pass, among nine rejected measures proposed by the Lockwood Committee and its counsel, bills further restricting the forms in which insurance companies may invest their assets and directing them to invest to a larger extent in real estate mortgage bonds.

The resignation of Mr. Dryden as director of the Fidelity-Union Trust Co., reported on the 18th, was accepted by the trustees of the latter on March 20.

The condensed statement of the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York, as of March 10 1922, issued March 18, shows deposits of \$479,148,463 76, as compared with \$470,916,979 07 in its last statement, Dec. 31. The undivided profits account of \$2,400,090 11 compares with \$2,255,398 56 on Dec. 31. The total resources of the company are \$575,513,679 39.

William Baxter, New York Agent of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China, which maintains numerous branches throughout the Far East and in Europe, received the following cable dispatch on March 23 from the bank's London office:

At the approaching annual general meeting of shareholders of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China, the directors will recommend that a dividend be declared for the past half-year at the rate of 14% per annum and a bonus of 6 1/4% per annum (making for the year 1921 20 1/4%), free of income tax; that £100,000 be added to the reserve fund, that £25,000 be added to the officers' superannuation fund, that £50,000 be written off premises account and that £215,169 15s. 5d. be carried forward.

Albert H. Wiggin, President of the Chase National Bank of this city, has been elected President of the Bankers' Club of America, to succeed the late A. Barton Hepburn, who had served as President of the club since its organization.

The Hackensack National Bank of Hackensack, N. J. (capital \$100,000) was placed in voluntary liquidation March 6, its assets and business having been purchased by the Hackensack Trust Co. Howard D. Terhune, President of the Hackensack National Bank, has become First Vice-President of The Hackensack Trust Co.; Alexander Jones, Cashier of the Hackensack National Bank, has become Treasurer of the company. The capital of The Hackensack Trust Company is now \$500,000, surplus \$100,000, undivided profits, \$100,000, and the title is continued as in the past "The Hackensack Trust Company."

The First National Bank of Boston has begun work on its new building in the heart of the financial district. It will be situated at the corners of Milk, Federal and Devonshire streets. The new site, of over 34,000 square feet, is now occupied by the Equitable Building, the Master Builders Building and the old John Hancock Building. Stone & Webster, of Boston, have charge of the construction in behalf of the bank as engineers and general contractors. The new building, of which York & Sawyer of New York are the architects, will be ten stories with three basement stories. The exterior will be constructed of stone throughout after the manner of the early Tuscan Renaissance, recalling the early Florentine architecture. The building will be fireproof throughout, of heat-protected steel frame, with cement and marble floors, hollow steel doors and trim and exterior windows of iron. The bank itself will occupy five floors, two entire floors easily accessible from the street and a basement floor below and two mezzanine floors above. Six floors will be assigned for rental as offices. The features of the main banking floor will be the officers' reception room and the large public space. The officers' reception room will be 88 feet long, 45 feet wide and 46 feet high, extending across the entire building from Federal to Devonshire streets. Leading out of this room will be the public space, 128 feet long and 30 feet wide, with tellers' wickets on each side. The officers' reception room will have a wainscot of English oak, rusticated sandstone walls and coffered plaster ceiling. The public space will have sandstone walls and a vaulted ceiling. The walls of the public space will conceal the mezzanine floors in place of the usual counterscreen, thus shutting out the noise, clatter and din of the machine work of a modern bank. This is a new feature in bank architecture in this country. The Safe Deposit Department will be reached by a broad easy stairway and by elevator. The vault will be reasonably large and of the latest design, giving perfect security. There will also be about 100 coupon and conference rooms providing every facility for customers. The First National Bank of Boston is the largest banking institution in New England, and one of the largest in the country. Its new banking building will be much the largest banking structure in New England. The statement of the bank to the Comptroller of the Currency as of March 10 1922, shows total resources of \$209,015,977. The capital was \$15,000,000 and the surplus and undivided profits \$22,035,317. Deposits were \$149,151,657. The President of the bank is Daniel G. Wing, and the Cashier, Bertram D. Blaisdell. The directorate of the First National Bank of Boston is representative of New England's most important industries and most successful business men.

The beginnings of The First National Bank of Boston are to be found in 1784, when the Massachusetts Bank was chartered. This was the first bank in New England and the third oldest in the United States. The Safety Fund Bank was chartered as a State bank in 1859, and was the first Boston bank to take advantage of the National Bank Act, in February 1864, taking at that time the name of The First National Bank. In June, 1903, the Massachusetts National Bank was absorbed, and during the following year the National Bank of Redemption was taken over, having previously absorbed several other banks. This was the last merger in which the bank took part, and all the growth since then, which has been the greatest in the history of the institution, has been due to the energy and ability of the management and the confidence which the public has felt in the institution. The bank supplies to its customers and others information and service of the most varied character, and with its new banking house hopes to be able to increase this service materially.

Directors of the Columbia Avenue Trust Co. of Philadelphia, Pa., have elected E. J. Lanerty a member of the board to fill a vacancy.

Francis T. Homer was elected President of the Second National Bank of Baltimore, Md., on March 20, to succeed his brother, Charles C. Homer, Jr., who died on March 9 1922. Daniel J. Emich, formerly Cashier, has been chosen Vice-President of the institution to succeed the late William E. Wagner, and James E. Lockard has been made Cashier to succeed Mr. Emich. Grason Ray was appointed Assistant Cashier—a new position in the Second National. Mr. Homer was formerly connected with the banking firm of Bertron, Griscom & Co., with offices at 40 Wall Street, New York. Mr. Emich has been with the Second National

for twenty years, and prior to that was with the old German-American Bank.

The latest statement of the Midland Bank of Cleveland, indicates the continued growth of the institution. Deposits have passed the ten million mark and resources now approach \$12,800,000. The Midland opened for business April 4 1921 and has made steady progress from the first. Here are the deposit totals: May 4 1921, \$2,672,053; June 30, \$3,127,225; Sept. 6, \$4,434,793; Dec. 31, \$6,608,729; March 10, 1922, \$10,098,648. The Midland Bank recently leased the ground floor and basement of the Williamson Building, on the Cleveland Public Square, and will take over these quarters, which are now occupied by the Fourth Federal Reserve Bank, on Jan. 1 1923. William P. Sharer, formerly President of the First National Bank of Zanesville, Ohio, is President of the Midland. He has twice been President of the Ohio Bankers' Association, has served as Chairman of the A. B. A. Public Relations Committee, and is now active in the Public Service Committee of the State Bank Division.

Arrangements have been made for a consolidation of the boards of directors of the First Trust & Savings Co. and the North Side Trust & Savings Bank of Mishawaka, Ind., with the First National Bank of that city. There will be no change in the capital or surplus or names of the two institutions.

The Northern State Bank of Minneapolis was closed on Monday, March 20, by R. B. Rathbun, the State Bank Examiner, according to the Minneapolis "Journal" of that date. Mr. Rathbun, it is said, issued the following official statement regarding the failure of the institution:

The closing of the Northern State Bank was necessitated by reason of depleted reserve, which was brought about by continued shrinkage in deposits, and the bank's inability to realize on frozen loans, but more particularly to bad management.

If the hopes of the officers and directors are realized there will be no loss to depositors.

The capital of this bank, \$25,000, was too small for a downtown institution, and the bank in attempting to take care of demands made upon it was overloaned.

This bank is not affiliated with any other banking institution in Minneapolis, and its suspension affects its depositors and stockholders solely. The deposit liabilities are only about \$175,000.

The Oklahoma State Bank at Walters, Okla., has been closed, according to a press dispatch from Oklahoma City, Okla., under date of Mar. 10, appearing in "Financial America" of this city of the same date. The bank had a capital of \$50,000 with surplus and undivided profits of \$15,000 and deposits aggregating \$440,000.

The American State Bank of Durant, Okla., has been converted into the American National Bank of Durant; the latter began business March 1. The American State Bank had a capital of \$100,000.

The C. M. Condon & Co. State Bank at Oswego, Kan., was closed on Mar. 1 by order of the State Banking Department, according to a press dispatch on that date from Parsons, Kan., printed in the Kansas City "Star." The dispatch also stated that W. E. Davis, a Vice-President of the institution, admitted taking \$33,800 in Government bonds from the bank. The following statement, according to the dispatch, was given out by the directors after the closing of the institution:

The board of directors of the Condon Bank late last night voted to turn over the affairs of the bank to the State Banking Department. Hope is entertained that a failure may be avoided and the State Banking Department is working to that end. W. E. Davis, Vice-President of the bank, has admitted taking \$33,800 of Government bonds. He is trying to raise funds to make good the shortage. B. V. Curry, special Deputy Bank Commissioner, has not yet completed his examination, but he states that it is his belief that there are no other shortages.

A press dispatch from Parsons, Kan., dated Mar. 1, and appearing in the Topeka "Capital" of Mar. 3, stated that, according to J. H. Sandell, Assistant State Bank Commissioner, criminal proceedings would be brought against W. E. Davis and R. P. Lehman, Vice-Presidents of the bank. It was further stated in the dispatch that the bank held unsecured notes amounting to several thousand dollars. According to the dispatch, Mr. Davis and Mr. Lehman together purchased a controlling interest in the bank two years ago, and it was believed by Mr. Sandell that part of the present difficulty was due to the fact that they did not have sufficient capital for the purchase. As additional funds were needed to meet the purchase installments, it is alleged, the bonds were withdrawn and used for the purpose. The bank

had a capital of \$50,000. It was operated, it is said, under the State Bank Guaranty Law.

According to a press dispatch from Jefferson City, Mo., under date of March 10, appearing in the New York "Times" of March 11, the Bank of Dearborn, Dearborn, Mo. (a small institution with capital of \$25,000 and deposits of \$183,800) was closed on that date (March 10) by order of J. G. Hughes, State Director of Finance, and William E. West, State Bank Examiner, placed in charge of its affairs. From a press dispatch from Dearborn under date of March 13, printed in the Kansas City "Star" of the same date, it is understood the closing of the bank was due to the discovery of a shortage of \$31,500 which had resulted from the sale of bonds left with the bank for safe keeping. This shortage, according to a later press dispatch (March 14) from Dearborn, appearing in the Kansas City "Star" of the same date, Mr. West said the directors had agreed to make up. New capital stock, it said, had been subscribed, and plans for the reorganization of the institution were being worked out. Mr. West it was said, could make no definite announcement as to when the bank would reopen.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Merchants-Laclede National Bank of St. Louis, Mo., on March 7, George E. Hoffman, heretofore Vice-President, was elected President to succeed William H. Lee, who was made Chairman of the board. Mr. Hoffman began his banking career with the Valley National Bank, which bank later merged with the Laclede Bank. The Merchants' National and the Laclede National Bank consolidated in 1895 and he became Assistant Cashier and later Cashier and Vice-President.

According to a press dispatch from Cotton Plant, Ark., dated, March 14, appearing in "Financial America" of this city of March 15, the First National Bank of that place has closed its doors. The institution had a capital of \$60,000 and its deposits were, it is said, about \$600,000.

At a meeting of the Directors of the Trust Co. of Georgia, Atlanta, held on March 7 1922, the following officers were elected: Ernest Woodruff, Chairman of the Board; Thomas K. Glenn, President; William C. Wardlaw, Vice-President; James J. Goodrum, Jr., Vice-President & Manager Bond Department; George B. Pendleton, Secretary and Treasurer; John K. McDonald, Trust Officer, Asst. Secretary and Asst. Treasurer; Charles T. Hopkins, Manager Real Estate Department; Albert Pritchard, Asst. Secretary and Asst. Treasurer, and William L. Pomeroy, Asst. Trust Officer and Asst. Secretary.

According to a press dispatch from Webb, Miss., dated March 16, printed in the Memphis "Appeal" of the following day, the Bank of Tallahatchie, located at Sumner, closed its doors on that date. The bank had a capital of \$25,000. Hope was expressed, it was said, by M. F. Anderson, State Bank Examiner, that the institution would soon be in a position to take care of all concerned without material loss to anyone.

Announcement was made on March 20 by the Hon. W. S. Fielding, Canadian Minister of Finance, that the Dominion Government had approved the proposed merger of the Merchants Bank of Canada with the Bank of Montreal, according to a press dispatch from Ottawa on that date, appearing in the New York daily papers of March 21. Mr. Fielding is reported in the dispatch as saying that "under ordinary circumstances such a merger decreasing the number of competing banks, would not be approved, but in view of the fact that the merger was planned to prevent failure or financial embarrassment of the Merchants Bank of Canada, it was decided to permit it." We last referred to the proposed absorption of the Merchants Bank of Canada by the Bank of Montreal in these columns in our issue of Feb. 18.

The "Evening Post" of this city in its issue of yesterday (March 24) printed a press dispatch from Montreal of the same date in which it was stated that Sir H. Montagu Allan, the former President of the Merchants' Bank of Canada, and D. C. Macarow, former General Manager of the institution, were summoned on that day to appear in Enquete for examination. According to the dispatch Sir Montagu is charged with having "falsely and negligently concurred in the preparation of the October financial statement, made by the Merchants Bank to the Department of Finance," which did not show that the bank's reserves were impaired, and Mr. Macarow is charged with having "falsely

and wilfully made a deceptive return to the Federal Government on the bank's standing." The dispatch further states that when the accused appeared in Court yesterday afternoon (March 24), Sir H. Montagu Allan's case was continued to March 29, and Mr. Macarow's to March 31.

O. R. Sharp has been appointed an Assistant General Manager, and G. W. Spinney has been appointed Assistant to the General Manager of the Bank of Montreal, Montreal, Canada.

THE ENGLISH GOLD AND SILVER MARKETS.

We reprint the following from the weekly circular of Samuel Montagu & Co. of London, written under date of March 2 1922:

GOLD.

The Bank of England gold reserve against its note issue is £126,932,135, as compared with £126,929,690 last week.

Most of the very moderate amount of gold on offer was taken for India and the Straits. Yesterday's price for exportable gold—93s. 3d.—represents a premium of about 10 3/4% over the pre-war Bank of England buying price and is the lowest fixed since September 1919, when dealings in such gold were resumed. It is a matter of regret that the situation on the Rand has become more acute, but gratifying that some of the mines are able to continue working, though at a reduced rate of output.

No arrivals of gold are reported in New York.

The "Times of India" dated Feb. 11 last stated that "the continuance of the strike in the South African gold mines and the news from London that Rand gold will not be available there after next week has created a heavy demand for gold bullion in Bombay for shipment from London for this and next week. This has forced exchange down to 1s. 3 9-16d. in spite of the support given to the market by export bills in Calcutta and Rangoon. As the Indian demand for bar gold and sovereigns for the next few months is likely to be large and insistent, owing to the favorable winter rains in North India and the large rice crop in Burma, the bazaar will have to turn before long to America, Australia and Japan for its gold supplies if the South African mines are not re-started."

The Dutch Minister of Agriculture, Industry and Trade has suspended the operation of the Royal Decree of April 7 1917, forbidding the export of all metals under any form, and of the Royal Decree of Aug. 8 1914, prohibiting the export of gold bullion, on the understanding that all such consignments take place through or on account of the Bank of Holland, and that the Minister of Finance offers no objection to such export.

The Southern Rhodesian gold output for January 1922 amounted to 53,541 ounces, as compared with 55,968 ounces for December 1921 and 46,956 ounces for January 1921.

Reports received from Meshed, Persia, by the "Daily Mail" Allahabad correspondent state that the Bolsheviks are sending adulterated gold to Persia. The gold bars contain cores of a low grade of gold, on which a layer of pure gold has been deposited electrolytically.

SILVER.

Owing to the inactivity of the Indian Bazaars, pending the announcement of Indian budget proposals, to the firmness of the American and to the weakness of the China exchanges, the tendency of the market has been distinctly heavy until yesterday, when the news arrived that no re-imposition of an Indian import duty on silver was proposed. As silver does not figure in the list of commodities subject to the ad valorem duty of 15%. It remains duty free.

When the mail just received left Bombay, coined rupees were again returning to the currency offices, the latest currency returns showing an increase of 152 lacs in the holding of silver. It is stated that the province which is returning the greatest number of rupees is the Punjab. This is probably owing to large imports of wheat, for which the people have to bring rupees from their hoards.

The effect was somewhat unexpected. The undertone continued poor, as a result of renewed weakness from China, and the rate for forward delivery drooped further to 31 3/4d. (the lowest price since March 17 1921), but that for prompt delivery rose from 32 3/4d. (the lowest recorded for cash since March 11 1921) to 32 3/4d., owing to a spurt of Indian buying for immediate shipment, coming upon a market rather short of supplies after the large shipment of last week.

It is considered in some quarters that the very large consignments of silver to India during the last few months, prompted by fear of a fresh import duty, are really in excess of actual requirements, and that the Bazaars will not be able to continue purchases on a large scale. Meanwhile other factors, such as China where the stocks show a considerable increase—America and the Continent do not favor the outlook.

INDIAN CURRENCY RETURNS.

(In Lacs of Rupees.)	Feb. 7.	Feb. 15.	Feb. 22.
Notes in circulation	17343	17295	17357
Silver coin and bullion in India	7485	7535	7598
Silver coin and bullion out of India	-----	-----	-----
Gold coin and bullion in India	2432	2432	2432
Gold coin and bullion out of India	-----	-----	-----
Securities (Indian Government)	6841	6743	6743
Securities (British Government)	585	585	584

The silver coinage during the week ending 22d ult. amounted to 3 lacs of rupees.

The stock in Shanghai on the 25th ult. consisted of about 39,200,000 ounces in value, 28,000,000 dollars and 1,310 silver bars, as compared with about 37,900,000 ounces in value, 25,500,000 dollars, and 1,260 silver bars on the 18th ult.

The Shanghai exchange is quoted at 3s. 1/2d. the fact, 8s. 10d. for the month of February are appended.

Quotations—	Bar Silver per Oz. Std.		Bar Gold per Oz. Fine
	Cash	2 1/2%	
Highest price	35 3/4d	34 3/4d	96s. 3d.
Lowest price	32 3/4d	31 3/4d	95s. 6d.
Average price	33 8/16d	33 5/16d	94s. 11 1/2d.
Feb. 24	32 3/4d	32 3/4d	95s. 10d.
Feb. 25	32 3/4d	32 3/4d	-----
Feb. 27	32 3/4d	32 3/4d	95s. 7d.
Feb. 28	32 3/4d	31 3/4d	95s. 6d.
Mar. 1	32 3/4d	31 3/4d	95s. 3d.
Mar. 2	32 3/4d	31 3/4d	95s. 6d.
Average	32 39/64d	31 9/16d	95s. 6 1/2d.

The silver quotations today for cash and forward delivery are respectively 3/4d. and 1 1/4d. below those fixed a week ago.

ENGLISH FINANCIAL MARKET—PER CABLE.

The daily closing quotations for securities, &c., at London, as reported by cable, have been as follows the past week:

London.	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Week ending Mar. 24—	Mar. 18.	Mar. 20.	Mar. 21.	Mar. 22.	Mar. 23.	Mar. 24.
Silver, per oz.-----d.	33 3/4	33 3/4	33 3/4	33 3/4	33 3/4	33 3/4
Gold, per fine ounce-----	94s. 9d.	94s. 9d.	94s. 9d.	94s. 8d.	94s. 8d.	94s. 10d
Consols, 2 1/2 per cents-----	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 3/4	54 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2
British, 5 per cents-----	96 1/4	96 1/4	96 3/4	97 1/4	97 1/4	98
British, 4 1/2 per cents-----	94	94	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2
French Rentes (in Paris), fr.	58.45	58.80	58.22	58.50	58.2	57.75
French War Loan (in Paris), fr.	78.95	78.95	78.95	78.95	78.95	78.95

The price of silver in New York on the same days has been:

Silver in N. Y., per oz. (cts.):	99 3/4	99 3/4	99 3/4	99 3/4	99 3/4	99 3/4
Domestic-----	99 3/4	99 3/4	99 3/4	99 3/4	99 3/4	99 3/4
Foreign-----	64 3/4	64 3/4	64 1/2	65 1/2	64 3/4	65

Commercial and Miscellaneous News

Philadelphia Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Philadelphia Stock Exchange, Mar. 18 to Mar. 24, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Stocks—	Par.	Friday Last Sale. Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range since Jan. 1.				
			Low.	High.		Low.	High.	Low.	High.	
Alliance Insurance	10	22	22	22	20	19	Jan	22	Mar	
American Gas of N J	100	63	63	65	128	47	Jan	65	Mar	
American Milling	10	7	7	7	36	5 1/2	Mar	7	Mar	
American Railways	50	9 3/4	9	10	2,338	4	Jan	10	Mar	
Preferred	100	43	38	43	165	20	Jan	43	Mar	
American Stores	100	96 3/4	96	100	5,489	83	Jan	100	Mar	
1st preferred	100	127 1/2	127 1/2	132	1,261	114	Jan	132	Mar	
2d preferred	100	127 1/2	127 1/2	130	25	123	Mar	130	Mar	
Bank of No Am warrants	100	60	55	60	116	46	Jan	63	Feb	
Catawissa 1st pref	50	35 1/4	35 1/4	35 1/4	20	35 1/4	Mar	35 1/4	Mar	
Consol Trac of N J	100	49	49	49	10	44	Jan	49	Mar	
Elec Storage Battery	100	147	149	149	425	120	Jan	151	Mar	
do now	100	37 1/2	37 1/2	38 1/2	900	37 1/2	Mar	38 1/2	Mar	
General Asphalt	100	58 3/4	60 3/4	60 3/4	60	55 3/4	Jan	65	Jan	
Preferred	100	90	90	90	100	90	Mar	90	Mar	
Hunt & Bd Top Mtn	50	4 3/4	4 3/4	4 3/4	100	4 3/4	Mar	4 3/4	Mar	
Preferred	50	13	13	13	200	10	Mar	13	Mar	
Insurance Co of N A	10	35	33	35	1,352	30	Jan	35	Mar	
J G Brill Co	100	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	10	36	Mar	41	Mar	
Keystone Telephone	50	9 3/4	8 1/2	9 3/4	725	7	Jan	9 3/4	Mar	
Preferred	50	33	28	33	110	27 1/2	Feb	33	Mar	
Lake Superior Corp	100	9 1/4	8 3/4	9 5/8	2,445	6 3/4	Jan	9 1/2	Mar	
Lehigh Navigation	50	70	69 3/4	70 3/4	540	66 3/4	Feb	73 1/4	Feb	
Lehigh Valley	50	58 3/4	60 1/2	60 1/2	174	57	Jan	61	Feb	
Pennsly Salt Mfg	50	70 1/2	70 1/2	72	225	69 1/2	Jan	72	Jan	
Pennsylvania	50	37 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2	5,183	33 3/4	Jan	38 1/2	Mar	
Philadelphia Co (Pltts)	50	37 1/2	38	38	85	32 1/2	Jan	38	Mar	
Pref (cumul 6%)	50	39	38 1/2	39	1,277	36	Jan	39 1/2	Mar	
Phila Elec of Pa	25	26 1/4	24	26 1/4	14,063	23	Feb	26 1/4	Mar	
Preferred	25	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	5,191	27 1/2	Jan	28 1/2	Jan	
Phila Insul Wire	50	35	35	35	8	35	Mar	50 1/4	Jan	
Phila Rapid Transl	50	26 1/4	25 5/8	26 1/4	8,253	17 3/4	Jan	27	Mar	
Philadelphia Traction	50	65 1/4	65 1/4	65 1/4	105	58	Jan	66	Jan	
Phila & Western	50	8 3/4	8 3/4	9 3/4	748	5	Jan	9 3/4	Mar	
Preferred	50	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2	65	29	Jan	32 1/2	Mar	
Tono-Belmont Devel	1	1 1/4	1 1/4	1 1/4	1,130	1 1/4	Jan	1 1/4	Mar	
Tonopah Mining	1	1 1/4	1 1/4	1 1/4	2,120	1 1/4	Jan	2	Feb	
Union Trac, \$17 1/2 pd	50	39	38 1/4	39	783	34	Jan	39 1/4	Mar	
United Gas Impt	50	44 1/2	44	45	1,180	38	Jan	45 1/2	Mar	
Preferred	50	51 3/4	41 3/4	52	460	50 1/4	Jan	52 1/4	Feb	
Warwick Iron & Steel	10	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	225	7 1/2	Feb	8	Feb	
Westmoreland Coal	50	69	69	69	10	67	Jan	70	Jan	
York Railways	50	20 1/2	19 3/4	20 1/2	1,680	9	Jan	21	Jan	
Preferred	50	34 1/2	34 1/2	35 1/2	305	31 1/2	Jan	35 1/2	Mar	
Bonds—										
U S Lib Loan 3 1/2s 1932-47	100	97.18	98.00	98.00	\$8,150	94.32	Jan	98.00	Mar	
1st 4 1/2s 1932-47	100	98.00	98.06	98.06	23,350	95.84	Feb	98.06	Mar	
2d 4 1/2s 1927-42	100	97.64	98.06	98.06	112,800	95.70	Jan	98.06	Mar	
3d 4 1/2s 1928	100	98.06	99.20	99.20	49,250	96.94	Jan	99.20	Mar	
4th 4 1/2s 1933-38	100	97.90	98.32	98.32	162,400	95.92	Feb	98.10	Mar	
Victory 4 1/2s 1922-23	100	100.70	100.92	100.92	78,850	99.90	Jan	100.92	Mar	
Amer Gas & Elec 5s 2007	84	84	84 1/2	84 1/2	4,500	81	Jan	86	Feb	
do small 2007	84	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2	500	82	Jan	85	Feb	
Atch Top & S Fe gen 4s '95	108	88	88	88	10,000	88	Mar	88	Mar	
Bell Telep of Pa 1st 7s 1945	108	108	108	11,000	107 1/2	107 1/2	Feb	109	Feb	
Colorado So 4 1/2s 1935	108	88	88	88	5,000	88	Mar	88	Mar	
Consol Trac N J 1st 5s 1932	100	77 1/2	80	80	24,000	71	Jan	80	Mar	
Elec & Peop tr cts 4s 1945	64 1/2	64 1/2	65 1/2	65 1/2	10,800	62	Jan	65 1/2	Feb	
Keystone Telep 1st 5s 1935	76	73	76	76	14,000	72 1/2	Jan	76	Mar	
Leh C & Nav gen 4 1/2s 1924	100	98 3/4	98 3/4	98 3/4	1,000	98 3/4	Mar	98 3/4	Mar	
Lehigh Valley cons 4 1/2s '23	100	91 1/4	91 1/4	91 1/4	2,000	88 1/2	Mar	91 1/4	Mar	
N Y Westch & Bos 4 1/2s '46	100	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	1,000	43 1/2	Mar	43 1/2	Mar	
N Y N H & H deb 6s 1948	100	68	68	68	5,000	68	Mar	68	Mar	
Pennsylvania RR 7s 1930	100	106 3/4	106 3/4	106 3/4	2,000	106 3/4	Mar	106 3/4	Mar	
6 1/2s 1936	106 1/2	106 1/2	106 1/2	106 1/2	1,000	104 1/2	Jan	106 1/2	Jan	
Phila Co cons & coll tr 6s '51	89	89	89	89	14,000	86 1/2	Jan	89	Mar	
do stmpd s f & red 1951	89	89	89	89	3,000	87 1/2	Jan	90	Mar	
Phila Elec 1st 5s 1968	96	95	96	96	19,500	93	Jan	98 1/2	Feb	
do small 1968	96	95 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2	500	94	Feb	96	Feb	
1st s f 4s 1966	101 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	2,000	72 1/2	Jan	79	Mar	
do 6s 1941	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 3/4	101 3/4	43,000	100 1/2	Jan	102 1/2	Feb	
do small 1941	101 1/2	102	102 1/2	102 1/2	700	100 1/2	Jan	102 1/2	Jan	
Reading gen 4s 1997	84	84	84 1/2	84 1/2	36,000	80 3/4	Jan	84 1/2	Jan	
Reading Traction 6s 1933	101	101	101	101	5,000	101	Feb	101 1/2	Mar	
Spanish Am Iron 6s 1927	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	1,000	100	Jan	101 3/4	Mar	
United Rys gold tr ctf 4s '40	83 3/4	55	55	55	2,000	55	Jan	58	Feb	
United Rys Invest 5s 1926	83 3/4	83	84 1/2	84 1/2	18,000	71 1/2	Mar	84 1/2	Mar	

* No Par Value.

STOCK OF MONEY IN THE COUNTRY.—We published last week the 1st of March statement of the stock of money in the country and of money in circulation, but have since received a corrected statement from the 1st of February. As the corrected statement embodies some important revisions—the total of money in circulation, for instance, having been changed from \$5,447,953,533 to \$5,499,120,745 and the gold coin and bullion in circulation from \$1,024,641,707 to \$1,075,808,919—we reproduce the entire statement herewith, as of Feb. 1, with the revised figures inserted:

—Stock of Money Feb. 1 '22— Money in Circulation—
in U. S. a Held in Treas. Feb. 1 1922. Feb. 1 1921.

	\$	\$	\$	\$
Gold coin and bullion	3,680,882,401	367,064,680	1,075,808,919	1,075,347,317
Gold certificates	357,481,851	12,858,238	436,528,999	304,368,825
Standard silver dollars	357,481,851	66,862,616	97,720,180	97,720,180
Silver certificates	272,541,512	276,217,973	148,177,905	148,177,905
Subsidiary silver	272,541,512	257,591,117	263,674,536	263,674,536
Treasury notes of 1890	1,543,024	1,604,447	1,604,447	1,604,447
United States notes	346,681,016	3,967,098	342,713,918	342,742,668
Federal Reserve notes	2,560,887,510	3,158,867	2,202,894,568	3,104,653,864
Federal Reserve bank notes	111,140,400	1,719,532	109,420,868	220,911,066
National bank notes	749,611,367	20,072,624	729,539,743	697,186,364
Total	8,079,226,057	423,791,434	5,499,120,745	6,256,387,672

Population of continental United States estimated at 109,055,000. Circulation per capita, \$50.43.

a This statement of money held in the Treasury as assets of the Government does not include deposits of public money in Federal Reserve banks and in national banks and special depositaries to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, amounting to \$340,248,173.

c Includes \$522,361,245 Federal Reserve Gold Settlement Fund deposited with Treasurer of the United States.

d Includes own Federal Reserve notes held by Federal Reserve banks.

Note.—On Feb. 1 1922 Federal Reserve banks and Federal Reserve agents held against Federal Reserve notes \$1,535,376,523 gold coin and bullion, \$266,103,280 gold certificates, and \$354,834,075 Federal Reserve notes, a total of \$2,156,313,878; against 1,530,614,076 on Feb. 1 1921.

Breadstuffs figures brought from page 1324.—The statements below are prepared by us from figures collected by the New York Produce Exchange. The receipts at Western lake and river ports for the week ending last Saturday and since Aug. 1 for each of the last three years have been:

Receipts at—	Flour.	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Barley.	Rye.
	bbls. 196lbs.	bush. 60 lbs.	bush. 56 lbs.	bush. 32 lbs.	bush. 48lbs.	bush. 56lbs.
Chicago	291,000	301,600	2,299,000	1,471,000	174,000	73,000
Minneapolis	-----	1,713,000	568,000	366,000	329,000	180,000
Duluth	-----	832,000	800,000	29,000	15,000	744,000
Milwaukee	22,000	19,000	473,000	461,000	310,000	65,000
Toledo	-----	59,000	78,000	40,000	-----	5,000
Detroit	-----	48,000	71,000	30,000	-----	-----
St. Joseph	-----	166,000	137,000	42,000	-----	-----
St. Louis	93,000	668,000	562,000	266,0		

The visible supply of grain, comprising the stocks in granary at principal points of accumulation at lake and seaboard ports Saturday, March 18, was as follows:

GRAIN STOCKS. Table with columns for Wheat, Corn, Oats, Rye, Barley and rows for various US cities like New York, Boston, Philadelphia, etc.

Total March 18 1922... 38,178,000 49,509,000 67,382,000 8,525,000 1,607,000

Note.—Bonded grain not included above: Oats, 224,000 bushels New York, 208 Boston, 406,000 Buffalo, 87,000 afloat; total, 925,000 bushels, against \$1,000 in 1921

Canadian— Montreal, Ft. William & Pt. Arthur, Other Canadian. Table with columns for Wheat, Corn, Oats, Rye, Barley.

Total March 18 1922... 29,215,000 1,000,000 7,306,000 36,000 2,648,000

Summary— American... 38,178,000 49,509,000 67,382,000 8,525,000 1,607,000

Total March 18 1922... 67,393,000 50,509,000 74,688,000 44,525,000 4,255,000

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. Table listing various securities and their prices.

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

Shares, Stocks. \$ per sh. Shares, Stocks. \$ per sh. Table listing various securities and their prices.

By Messrs. Wine, Hobbs & Arnold, Boston:

Shares, Stocks. \$ per sh. Shares, Stocks. \$ per sh. Table listing various securities and their prices.

By Messrs. Barnes & Lofland, Philadelphia:

Shares, Stocks. \$ per sh. Shares, Stocks. \$ per sh. Table listing various securities and their prices.

National Banks.—The following information regarding national banks is from the office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Treasury Department:

APPLICATIONS TO ORGANIZE RECEIVED, APPLICATIONS TO CONVERT RECEIVED. Table listing bank applications.

APPLICATION TO ORGANIZE APPROVED. Mar. 16—First National Bank in Conneautville, Pa. \$50,000

APPLICATIONS TO CONVERT APPROVED. Mar. 16—The First National Bank of Kemp City (P. O. Hendrix), Okla. \$25,000

Mar. 16—The First National Bank of Unadilla, Neb. 25,000

Mar. 18—City National Bank in Norman, Okla. 50,000

CHARTERS ISSUED. Mar. 15—12135 The LeFlore County National Bank of Poteau, Okla. \$25,000

Mar. 16—12137 The Rittenhouse Nat. Bank of Philadelphia, Pa. 500,000

Mar. 17—12138 The Texas National Bank of Beaumont, Texas. 250,000

Mar. 18—12139—Standard National Bank of Washington, D. C. 200,000

EXPIRATION OF CHARTER. Mar. 7—6200—The City National Bank of Evansville, Indiana. \$350,000

CORPORATE EXISTENCE EXTENDED. 6167 The City National Bank of Fulton, Ky. Mar. 14 1942

6218 The First National Bank of Hankinson, No. Dak. Mar. 14 1942

6249 The First National Bank of Burton, Ohio. Mar. 14 1942

6169 The First National Bank of Livingston, Texas. Mar. 16 1942

6176 The First National Bank of Henderson, Texas. Mar. 16 1942

6239 The Yorkville National Bank, Yorkville, Ill. Mar. 16 1942

6173 The City National Bank of Tuscaloosa, Ala. Mar. 17 1942

6220 The First National Bank of Everett, Pa. Mar. 17 1942

6270 The First National Bank of Sutersville, Pa. Mar. 19 1942

CORPORATE EXISTENCE RE-EXTENDED. 2659 The First National Bank of Bangor, Pa. Mar. 13 1942

CONSOLIDATION. Mar. 13—The Grand Rapids National City Bank (3293), Grand Rapids, Mich., capital \$1,000,000, and the City National Bank of Grand Rapids, Mich. (12108), capital \$200,000; consolidated under the charter of the Grand Rapids National City Bank (3293) and under the corporate title of "Grand Rapids National Bank," with capital stock of \$1,000,000.

VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATIONS. Mar. 13—4521 The First National Bank of Tupelo, Miss. \$50,000

Mar. 15—5865 The First National Bank of Roby, Texas. 40,000

Mar. 16—5380 The First National Bank of Berkeley, Calif. 300,000

Canadian Bank Clearings.—The clearings for the week ending Mar. 16 at Canadian cities, in comparison with the same week in 1921, show a decrease in the aggregate of 2.3%.

Table with columns: Clearings at—, Week ending March 16, 1922, 1921, Inc. or Dec., 1920, 1919. Lists cities like Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg, Vancouver, etc.

DIVIDENDS. Dividends are now grouped in two separate tables. In the first we bring together all the dividends announced the current week.

Table with columns: Name of Company, Dividend, When Paid, Date Closed, Days In Arrears. Lists companies like Railroads (Steam), Kansas City Southern, Norfolk & Western, etc.

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 Pacific (quar.)	*1 1/4	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 12	Island Creek Coal, pref. (quar.)	\$1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 24
Northern Railroad of N. H. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 13	Johnston (R. F.) Paint Co. (quar.)	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 31
Old Colony (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 11	King Philip Mills (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a
Reading Co., commn(Quar.)	*\$1	May 11	*Holders of rec. Apr. 18	Kirschbaum (A. B.) Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a
Street and Electric Railways.				Kroger Grocery & Baking, 1st pf. (qu.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Bangor Ry. & Elec., common	3/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Second preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20	New preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Duquesne Light, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 1	Laurentide Company (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 23
Elmira Water, L. & RR., 1st pref. (qu.)	1 1/4	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Laurentide Power (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 15	*Holders of rec. Mar. 31
Second preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Laurion Mills (quar.)	2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 24a
Kentucky Securities, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 15	*Holders of rec. Mar. 31	Lawyers' Mortgage Co. (quar.)	2 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 22a
Manchester Trac., Light & Pow. (quar.)	2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 1	Liberty Steel, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 21 to Mar. 31
Philadelphia Co., common (quar.)	75c.	Apr. 29	Holders of rec. Apr. 1	Lone Star Gas (quar.)	*1 1/2	Mar. 31	*Holders of rec. Mar. 25
Six per cent preferred	\$1.50	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 1	Long Island Lighting, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 21
Pine Bluff Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a	Louisville Gas & El. of Ky., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31
Portland Ry., Light & Pow., 1st pf. (qu.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 22a	Magor Car Corp. of N. Y., pref. (qu.)	1 1/2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 25a
Public Service Corp. of N. J., com. (qu.)	*1 1/2	Mar. 31	*Holders of rec. Mar. 29	Magor Car Corp. of Del., com. (quar.)	50c.	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 25a
Preferred (quar.)	*2	Mar. 31	*Holders of rec. Mar. 21	Manchester Cotton Mills (quar.)	3	Apr. 1	Mar. 16 to Mar. 31
Rutland Ry., Light & Pow., pf. (qu.)	1 1/4	Apr. 1	Mar. 16 to Mar. 31	Marine Oil (quar.)	2	May 1	Holders of rec. May 1a
Tri-City Ry. & Light, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20	Mason Tire & Rubber, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 10a
Wash. Water Power, Spokane (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 24	Massachusetts Lig. Cos., 6% pf. (qu.)	\$1.50	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 25
West India Elec. Co. (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 1	Mar. 24 to Apr. 1	Eight per cent preferred (quar.)	\$2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 25
Banks.				Metropolitan Edison, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 16 to Mar. 31
Atlantic National (quar.)	2 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 31	Michigan Drop Forge Co., com. (mthly.)	25c.	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 25
Extra	1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 31	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Butchers' & Drovers' Nat. (quar.)	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 30a	Michigan State Telephone, pref. (quar.)	*3h	Apr. 15	*Holders of rec. Apr. 1
Coal & Iron National (quar.)	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 8a	Midland Securities (quar.)	2 1/2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 3a
Colonial (quar.)	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a	Montreal Telegraph (quar.)	2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a
Fifth National (quar.)	2	Apr. 1	Mar. 28 to Mar. 31	Mortgage-Bond Co. (quar.)	1 1/2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 24
First National (quar.)	10	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a	Nashua Mfg., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 24a
Garfield National (quar.)	3	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 27a	Nat. Automatic Fire Alarm of Cin. (qu.)	2 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 31
Gotham National (quar.)	3	Apr. 1	Mar. 29 to Mar. 31	National Casket, common (quar.)	1 1/2	Mar. 30	Mar. 31 to Apr. 4
Hanover National (quar.)	8	Apr. 1	Mar. 23 to Mar. 31	National Paper & Type, com. & pf. (qu.)	2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a
Irving National (quar.)	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 24	National Refining, preferred (quar.)	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
Mutual (quar.)	5	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 25a	New England Coal & Coke (quar.)	*2	Mar. 30	*Holders of rec. Mar. 24
Nassau National (Brooklyn), (quar.)	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 30a	New England Fuel & Transport'n (qu.)	*1	Mar. 30	*Holders of rec. Mar. 24
Park, National (quar.)	6	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 24a	New England Teleg. & Teleg. (quar.)	2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 22a
Public National (quar.)	4	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 24	New Jersey Power & Light, com. (quar.)	2 1/2	Mar. 20	Mar. 16 to Mar. 31
Seaboard National (quar.)	3	Mar. 28	Holders of rec. Mar. 24a	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 16 to Mar. 31
Trust Companies.				Newton & Watertown Gas (quar.)	*2 1/2	Mar. 30	*Holders of rec. Mar. 24
American (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 22	New York Title & Mortgage (quar.)	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 22a
Bankers (quar.)	5	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 23a	New York Transportation (quar.)	*50c.	Apr. 15	*Holders of rec. Apr. 1
Central Union (quar.)	5 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 22a	Nipissing Mines, Ltd. (quar.)	3	Apr. 20	Apr. 1 to Apr. 17
Empire (quar.)	3	Mar. 30	Holders of rec. Mar. 25a	Norton Co., preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 23 to Apr. 2
Hudson (quar.)	2 1/2	Mar. 31	Mar. 26 to Mar. 31	Ogilvie Flour Mills (quar.)	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 23
Title Guarantee & Trust (quar.)	4	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 23	Ohio Brass, common (quar.)	6	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a
U. S. Mortgage & Trust (quar.)	*4	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 28	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a
Fire Insurance.				Ohio Fuel Supply (quar.)	*2 1/2	Apr. 15	*Holders of rec. Mar. 31
Hanover Fire (quar.)	*2 1/2	Apr. 1	*Mar. 19 to Apr. 1	Extra (pay. in 4 1/2% Vic. L. Bonds)	*2	Apr. 15	*Holders of rec. Mar. 31
Miscellaneous.				Osborn Mills (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a
Abtibi Pow. & Paper, Ltd., pf. (qu.)	1 1/4	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20	Otis Elevator, common (quar.)	2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a
Adirondack Power & Lt., 7% pf. (qu.)	*1 1/4	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 21	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a
Eight per cent preferred (quar.)	*2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 21	Pacific-Burt, Ltd., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
Alabama Power, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 31	Palge-Detroit Motor, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
Amer. Acceptance Corp., com. (spec.)	2	Apr. 28	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Pennsylvania Edison, com. (quar.)	\$2.50	Mar. 20	Mar. 16 to Mar. 31
Preferred (quar.)	2	Apr. 28	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Preferred (quar.)	\$2.00	Apr. 1	Mar. 16 to Mar. 31
American Multigraph, preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 22	Pennsylvania Salt Mfg. (quar.)	2 1/2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a
American Piano, common (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 23 to Apr. 2	Pittsburgh Coal, common (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 25	Holders of rec. Apr. 7a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 23 to Apr. 2	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 25	Holders of rec. Apr. 7a
American Screw (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 24a	Plattsfield Lime & Stone, preferred (quar.)	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 31
American Surety (quar.)	\$1.25	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 25a	Procter & Gamble, 8% pref. (quar.)	2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 25a
Arlington Mills (quar.)	*2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 21	Pub. Serv. Corp. of Nor. Ill., com. (qu.)	*1 1/2	Mar. 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Barnet Leather, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 30	Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Bayuk Bros., Inc., 1st & 2d pref. (quar.)	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a	Public Service Co. of Quebec (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a
Beacon Oil (monthly)	*2	Mar. 30	*Holders of rec. Mar. 24	Public Utilities Corp., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 16 to Mar. 31
Billings & Spencer Co., pref. (quar.)	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 22a	Renfrew Manufacturing, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 21 to Apr. 1
Binghamton Lt., Ht. & Pow., com. (qu.)	2 1/2	Mar. 20	Mar. 16 to Mar. 31	Richman Bros. (quar.)	*\$1	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 25
Seven per cent preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 16 to Mar. 31	Richardson Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20
Six per cent preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 16 to Mar. 31	Robinson (Dwight P.) Co., Inc., 1st pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 16 to Mar. 31
Borden (Richard) Manufacturing (quar.)	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 23a	St. Joseph Stock Yards (quar.)	2	Mar. 31	Mar. 22 to Mar. 31
Boston Consolidated Gas (quar.)	*1 1/4	Mar. 30	*Holders of rec. Mar. 24	Sandusky Gas & Electric, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 16 to Mar. 31
Brighton Mills, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 31	Mar. 22 to Mar. 31	Sayers & Scovill Co., com. & pf. (qu.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20
British American Oil, Ltd. (quar.)	50c.	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 23	Sayre Electric Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 16 to Mar. 31
Buckeye Pipe Line (quar.)	\$2	June 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 21	Shawmut Mills, common (quar.)	1 1/2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 21a
Canada Cement, Ltd. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
Canada Salt (quar.)	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21	Singer Manufacturing (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 21a
Canadian Cottons, Ltd., com. (quar.)	2	Apr. 4	Holders of rec. Mar. 24	Spring Valley Water (quar.)	1 1/2	Mar. 31	Mar. 16 to Mar. 31
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 4	Holders of rec. Mar. 24	Standard Screw, common	5	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 24a
Canadian Woollens, Ltd., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 28	Standard Textile Products, pf. A&B (qu.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 14	Holders of rec. Apr. 10a
Casey-Hedges Co., com. (quar.)	*2 1/2	May 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 28	Stearns (F. B.) Co., common (quar.)	50c.	Apr. 20	Holders of rec. Apr. 8a
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 28	Steel Co. of Canada, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 8a
Central Petroleum, preferred	2 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 24a	Textile Banking (quar.)	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 27a
Chace Mills (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 23	Thayer & Foss Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a
Champion Coated Paper, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20	Traylor Engineering & Mfg., pref. (qu.)	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 25
Chicago Railway Equipment (quar.)	*2	Mar. 31	*Holders of rec. Mar. 21	Trinidad Elec. Co., Ltd. (quar.)	1	Apr. 10	Apr. 1 to Apr. 10
Cincinnati Union Stock Yards (quar.)	2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 13	Trumbull Steel, common (quar.)	15c.	Apr. 1	Mar. 21 to Mar. 31
Stock dividend	14-2-7	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 13	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 21 to Mar. 31
Citizens' Gas Light (Quincy, Mass.) (qu.)	*1	Mar. 30	*Holders of rec. Mar. 24	Tuckett Tobacco, Ltd., com. (quar.)	1	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a
Consumers E. L. & P., New OrL., pf. (qu.)	1 1/4	Mar. 31	Mar. 11 to Mar. 31	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a
Continental Motors, preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 15	*Apr. 8 to Apr. 15	Union Natural Gas Corporation (quar.)	2 1/2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a
Cosden & Co., common (quar.)	*62 1/2c	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 3	United Drug, 1st pref. (quar.)	*\$7 1/2c	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Dalton Adding Machine, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21a	United Royalties (monthly)	3	Apr. 25	Holders of rec. Mar. 5
Diamond Match (quar.)	*2	June 15	*Holders of rec. May 31	Extra	1	Apr. 25	Holders of rec. Mar. 5
Dixon (Joseph) Crucible (quar.)	2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 23	United Utilities, preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21a
Dodge Manufacturing, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 1	Mar. 26 to Mar. 31	United Verde Extension Mining (quar.)	25c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 3a
Dow Drug, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21a	U. S. Playing Card (quar.)	5	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21a
Driver-Harris Co., preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 1	Mar. 22 to Mar. 31	U. S. Ptg. & Lithographing, 1st pf. (qu.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21
Duluth Edison Electric, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21	Vermont Hydro-Elec. Corp., pf. (qu.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 16 to Mar. 31
Easton Boston Gas (quar.)	*2 1/2	Mar. 30	*Holders of rec. Mar. 24	Victor-Monaghan Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20
Elmira Water, L. & RR., 1st pf. (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Wahl Company, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 23
Second preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	July 1	Holders of rec. June 22
Empire Safe Deposit Co. (quar.)	1 1/2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 25a	Warren Bros., 1st pref. (quar.)	75c.	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 25
Falcon Steel (quar.)	*1	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 20	Second preferred (quar.)	\$7 1/2c.	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 25
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 20	Western Electric (quar.)	2 1/2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 24a
Federal Sugar Refining, com. (quar.)	1 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 21a	West Kootenay Pow. & Lt., com. (qu.)	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 27a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 21a	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 27a
Finance & Trading Corp., pref. (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 29	Westmoreland Coal (quar.)	2 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 22 to Apr. 2
General Aluminum & Brass Mfg., pf. (qu.)	2	Apr. 2	Holders of rec. Mar. 25a	Whitman (William) Co., Inc., pf. (qu.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20
General Fireproofing, com. (quar.)	*1	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 17	Wilson (C. R.) Body, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 22 to Mar. 31
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 17	Winnsero Mills, common (quar.)	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 27a
General Tire & Rubber, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 27a
Gibson Art Co. (quar.)	*2 1/2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a	Woods Mfg., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar.

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 (Continued)—			
Joliet & Chicago (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 3	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a	Amer. Window Glass Mach., com. (qu.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 14
Lackawanna RR. of N. J. (quar.)	*1	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 8	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 14
Lehigh Valley, com. (quar.)	87 1/2 c	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 11a	American Woolen, com. and pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 15	Mar. 16 to Mar. 30
Preferred (quar.)	\$1.25	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 11a	Armour & Co., pref. (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 15
M. St. P. & S. S. M., com. & pref. (qu.)	2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 22a	Associated Oil (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 25	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a
Minn. St. Paul & S. S. M. leased lines	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a	Auburn Automobile, com. (quar.)	\$1	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20
Newark & Bloomfield	*3	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 24	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20
New York Central RR. (quar.)	1 1/2	May 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a	Barnhart Bros. & Spindler—			
N. Y. Lackawanna & Western (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 14a	First and second preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 26a
Philadelphia & Trenton (quar.)	2 1/2	Apr. 10	Apr. 1 to Apr. 11	Beach Royalties Corp. (monthly)	2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31
Pittsburgh Bessemer & Lake Erie, com.	75c.	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Beatrice Creamery, common (quar.)	*4	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20
Pitts., Ft. Wayne & Chic., com. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 10a	Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 4	Holders of rec. Mar. 10a	Bech-Nut Packing, pref. B. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 1a
Reading Company, 2d pref. (quar.)	50c.	Apr. 13	Holders of rec. Mar. 27a	Bell Telephone of Canada (quar.)	2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31
Southern Pacific (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 28a	Bethlehem Steel, com. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 14a
Southern Ry., M. & O. stk. tr. cts.	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a	Common B (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 14a
Union Pacific, common (quar.)	2 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 1a	8% cum. conv. pref. (quar.)	2c	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 14a
Preferred	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 1a	7% non-cum. pref. (quar.)	1 1/2 c	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 14a
United N. J. RR. & Canal Cos. (quar.)	2 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 21 to Mar. 31	Bliss (E. W.) Co., common (quar.)	*55c.	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 20
Warren RR.	*3 1/2	Apr. 15	*Holders of rec. Apr. 6	First preferred (quar.)	*\$1	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 20
Western Pacific RR. Corp., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a	Second preferred (quar.)	*15c.	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 20
Street and Electric Railways.				Bourne, Scrymser & Co. (extra)			
Asheville Power & Light, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 17		*15c.	Apr. 15	*Mar. 19 to Apr. 14
Boston Elevated Ry., com. (quar.)	\$137 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 17	Brandram-Henderson, Ltd., common	*1 1/2	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 1
Brazillan Trac., Lt. & Pow., pref. (qu.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Common	*1 1/2	Dec. 1	*Holders of rec. Nov. 1
Capital Trac., Wash., D. C. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 15 to Mar. 31	Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 1
Carolina Power & Light, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 17	Brier Hill Steel, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 20
Chicago City Ry. (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 31	*Holders of rec. Mar. 25	Brit.-Amer. Tobacco, preference	3	Mar. 31	Holders of coup. No. 37
Cinc. & Ham. Trac., common (quar.)	1	Apr. 1	Mar. 21 to Mar. 31	British-Amer. Tobacco, ord. (interim)	4	Mar. 31	Holders of coup. No. 901
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 21 to Mar. 31	Brunswick-Balke-Collender, pref. (qu.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 20
Cincinnati Street Railway (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 17 to Mar. 31	Bucyrus Company, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20
Cleveland Railway (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 13	Buffalo General Electric (quar.)	2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Eastern Texas Elec. Co., com. (quar.)	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a	Burns Bros., 2d pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 24a
Frankford & Southwark Pass. Ry. (qu.)	\$4.50	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 1a	Burroughs Adding Machine (quar.)	*2	Mar. 31	*Holders of rec. Mar. 20
Illinois Traction, preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Burt, F. N., com. (quar.)	2 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Manila Electric Corp., com. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Market St. Ry. (San Fran.), prior pt. (qu.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Bush Terminal Bldgs., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a
Mississippi River Power, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 17a	California Petroleum Corp., pref. (qu.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a
Mohawk Valley Co. (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 24	Cambrla Iron	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
Monongahela Power & Ry., pref. (qu.)	37 1/2 c	Apr. 7	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a	Canada Bread, Ltd., preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 16
Montreal Tramways (quar.)	2 1/2	Mar. 28	Holders of rec. Mar. 20	Canadian General Elec., com. (quar.)	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Ottawa Traction (quar.)	1	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Preferred	3 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Philadelphia Traction	\$2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 10a	Canadian Locomotive, com. (quar.)	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20
Philadelphia & Western Ry., pref. (qu.)	1 1/2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20
Porto Rico Rys., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Carey (Phillip) Mfg., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20
Ridge Ave. Pass. Ry., Phila. (quar.)	\$3	Apr. 1	Mar. 16 to Apr. 2	Case (J. I.) Thresh. Mach., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 13a
Second & Third Streets Pass. Ry. (quar.)	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 1a	Central Agulre Sugar (quar.)	\$1.50	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21
Springfield Ry. & Lt., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a	Certain-teed Products Corp.—			
Twin City Rap. Tran., Minn., pf. (qu.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 16a	First and second preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a
United Light & Rys., 1st pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a	Central States Electric Corp., pref. (qu.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 10
Utah Power & Light, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 16	Chandler Motor (quar.)	\$1.50	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a
Wash. Balt. & Annap. El. RR., com. (qu.)	*50c.	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 18	Chesebrough Mfg., common (quar.)	3 1/2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 10a
Preferred (quar.)	*75c.	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 18	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 10a
West End Street Ry., Boston, common	\$1.75	Apr. 1	Mar. 19 to Apr. 2	Chic. June Rys. & M. Stk. Yds., com. (qu.)	2 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
West Penn Power Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Winnipeg Electric Ry., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 17	Chicago Mill & Lumber, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 23
Worcester Consolidated St. Ry., pref.	*2 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 17	Cinc. & Subur. Bell Telep. (quar.)	\$1	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 22
Yadkin River Power, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 17	Cincinnati Gas & Electric (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 15 to Mar. 31
Banks.				Titles Service—			
America, Bank of (quar.)	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21a	Common (monthly payable in scrip)	*9 1/2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Amer. Exchange Secur. Corp., Cl. A (qu.)	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 18	Common (payable in com. stk scrip)	*9 1/2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Chase National (quar.)	4	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 23a	Pref. & pref. B (mthly. pay. in scrip)	*9 1/2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Chase Securities Corporation	\$1	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 23a	Common (monthly, payable in scrip)	*9 1/2	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Chatham & Phenix National (quar.)	4	Apr. 1	Mar. 21 to Apr. 2	Common (payable in com. stk. scrip)	*9 1/2	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Commerce, Nat. Bank of (quar.)	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 17a	Pref. & pref. B (mthly., pay. in scrip)	*9 1/2	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Fifth Avenue (quar.)	6	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a	Titles Serv. Bkrs. shares (in cash scrip)	*95c.	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Greenwich (quar.)	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21a	Payable in common stock scrip	*95c.	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Importers' & Traders' Nat. (quar.)	6	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 22a	Cities Serv. Bkrs.' shs. (in cash scrip)	*95c.	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Manhattan Co., Bank of the (quar.)	6	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 23a	Payable in com. stock scrip	*95c.	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Mechanics' & Metals Nat. (quar.)	5	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 18a	City Dairy (Toronto), com. (quar.)	2 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20
Mechanics (Brooklyn) (quar.)	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 18a	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20
National City (quar.)	4	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 18a	City Investing Co., preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 28
National City Co. (quar.)	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 18a	Cleveland Worsted Mills (quar.)	*1	Apr. 31	*Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Extra	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 18a	Cluett, Peabody & Co., Inc., pref. (qu.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21a
New York, Bank of, N. B. A. (quar.)	5	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21a	Coca Cola Co., com.	\$1	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 13a
State (quar.)	4	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a	Columbia Petroleum (monthly)	1	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20
United States, Bank of (quar.)	2 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 29	Computing-Tabulating-Recording (quar.)	1	Apr. 10	Holders of rec. Mar. 24a
Trust Companies.				Conor (John T.), Co., com. (quar.)			
Brooklyn (quar.)	6	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 25		25c.	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20
Columbia (quar.)	4	Mar. 30	Holders of rec. Mar. 21	Cons. Gas, El. & P., com. & pf. (quar.)	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
Equitable (quar.)	4	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 24	Consumers' Gas, Toronto (quar.)	2 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Fidelity-International (quar.)	2 1/2	Mar. 31	Mar. 26 to Mar. 31	Consumers Power 6% pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
Guaranty (quar.)	3	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 1	Seven per cent pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
Lawyers Title & Trust Co. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Mar. 16 to Apr. 2	Continental Can, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a
Manufacturers (Brooklyn) (quar.)	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a	Corona Typewriter, 1st pref. (quar.)	*2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a
Metropolitan (quar.)	4	Mar. 31	Mar. 18 to Mar. 31	Second preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a
New York (quar.)	5	Mar. 31	Mar. 19 to Mar. 31	Cramp (Wm.) & Sons S. & E. Bldg. (qu.)	1	Mar. 31	Mar. 16 to Mar. 31
Peoples, Brooklyn (quar.)	4	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 30	Creamery Package Mfg., com. (quar.)	*50c.	Apr. 10	*Holders of rec. Apr. 1
Miscellaneous.				Preferred (quar.)			
Advance-Rumely, preferred (quar.)	75c.	Apr. 1	Mar. 16 to Apr. 10		1 1/2	Apr. 10	*Holders of rec. Apr. 1
Aeolian Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a	Cresson Cons. Gold Min. & Mill. (quar.)	*5c.	Apr. 10	*Holders of rec. Mar. 31
Air Reduction (quar.)	\$1	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a	Extra	*5c.	Apr. 10	*Holders of rec. Mar. 31
All America Cables (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 14	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a	Crucible Steel, preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
Allied Chemical & Dye Corp., pf. (qu.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 16	Cubao-American Sugar, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 10a
Allis-Chalmers Mfg., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 24a	Davis Mills (quar.)	*1 1/2	Mar. 25	*Holders of rec. Mar. 11
Amalgamated Oil (quar.)	*75c.	Apr. 15	*Holders of rec. Mar. 20	Dayton Power & Light, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a
Amer. Art Works, com. & pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 13a	Detroit & Cleveland Navigation (quar.)	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
American Bank Note, pref. (quar.)	75c.	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 13a	Detroit Creamery (quar.)	*30c.	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 21
Amer. Beet Sugar, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 11a	Detroit Edison (quar.)	2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a
Amer. Brake Shoe & Fdy., com. (quar.)	\$1	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 24a	Dome Mines (capital distribution)	\$1	Apr. 20	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 24a	Domlon Cannery, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 18
American Can, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 16a	Domlon Glass, common (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Amer. Car & Fdry., com. (quar.)	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Domlon Iron & Steel, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
American Cigar, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 11a	Domlon Oil (quar.)	30c.	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 10
American Express (quar.)	\$2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 10a	Domlon Textile, common (quar.)	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Amer. Gas & Elec., com. (quar.)	2 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 18	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 13	Draper Corporation (quar.)	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 4
Am. LaFrance Fire Eng., Inc., com. (qu.)	25c.	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1a	Dunham (James H.) & Co., com. (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 18
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21	First preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 18
American Locomotive, common (quar.)	1 1/2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 13a	Second preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 18
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 13a	du Pont (E. I.) de Nemours & Co.			
American Machine & Foundry (yearly)	0	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 1	Debuture stock (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 25	Holders of rec. Apr. 10a
Amer. Mfg. com. (payable in com. stock)	1/10						

Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed, Days Inclusive.	Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed, Days Inclusive.
Miscellaneous (Continued)				Miscellaneous (Concluded)			
Guantanamo Sugar, preferred.....	\$1.09	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a	Prairie Pipe Line (quar.).....	3	Apr. 29	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a
Gulf States Steel, 1st pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Price Brothers (quar.).....	½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21a
Hanes (P. H.) Knitting, pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20	Providence Gas (quar.).....	\$1	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
Harbison-Walker Refrac., pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 20	Holders of rec. Apr. 10a	Provincial Paper Mills, common (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Harris Bros., pref. (quar.).....	*1½	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 10	Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Hart, Schaffner & Marx, pref. (quar.).....	*1½	Mar. 31	*Holders of rec. Mar. 18	Pure Oil, 8% pref. (quar.).....	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Haverhill Gas Light (quar.).....	\$1.12½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 24a	Six per cent pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Hecla Mining (quar.).....	*15c.	Mar. 28	*Holders of rec. Mar. 1	Five and one-quarter per cent pf. (qu.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Helme (George W.) Co., com. (quar.).....	2½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Quaker Oats, preferred (quar.).....	*1½	May 31	*Holders of rec. May 1
Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Railway Steel-Spring, common (quar.).....	2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 17a
Hendee Mfg. Co., preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a	Ranger Texas Oil (quar.).....	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 10
Hercules Powder, common (quar.).....	3	Mar. 25	Mar. 16 to Mar. 24	Reece Button Hole Machine (quar.).....	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Hillcrest Collieries, com. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31	Reece Folding Machine (quar.).....	1	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31	Reo Motor Car (quar.).....	20c	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
Hollinger Consol. Gold Mines (monthly)	1	Mar. 25	Holders of rec. Mar. 10	Reynolds (R. J.) Tobacco—			
Holt-Kenney Co., pref. (quar.).....	*1½	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 29	Common, class A & B (quar.).....	75c.	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Homestake Mining (monthly)	25c.	Mar. 25	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a	Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Hood Rubber, common (quar.).....	\$1	Mar. 31	Mar. 26 to Mar. 31	Reynolds Spring Co., pref. A (quar.).....	1½	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 22a
Hupp Motor Car Corp., pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20	Rogers (Wm. A.), pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
Illinois Bell Telephone (quar.).....	*2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 30	Royal Baking Powder, com. (quar.).....	2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
Imperial Oil, com. (quar.).....	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 10	Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
Preferred (quar.).....	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 10	Safety Car Heating & Lighting (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
Imperial Tobacco, Canada, Ltd.....	*1½	Mar. 29	-----	St. L. Rocky Mt. & Pac. Co., com. (qu.).....	1	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 18a
Preference.....	*3	Mar. 31	-----	Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 18a
Independent Pneumatic Tool (quar.).....	*2	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 20	Savannah Elec. & Power, pref. (No. 1).....	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 24a
Indiana Pipe Line (quar.).....	2	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 24	Seovill Manufacturing (quar.).....	5	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 24a
Extra.....	2	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 24	Sears, Roebuck & Co., preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
Indianapolis Water, pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Mar. 19 to Mar. 31	Shawinigan Water & Power (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 10	Holders of rec. Mar. 24a
Indianapolis Water Works Secur., pref.	3½	Apr. 1	Mar. 19 to Mar. 31	Sherwin-Wms Co. (Canada), com. (qu.).....	1½	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
Internat. Buttonhole Sew. Mach. (quar.).....	1	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
International Cement, com. (quar.).....	62½c.	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 22a	Shredded Wheat Co., com. (quar.).....	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21
Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 22a	Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21
Internat. Harvester, com. (quar.).....	\$1.25	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 25	Smith (Howard) Paper Mills, com. (qu.).....	1½	Apr. 20	Holders of rec. Apr. 10a
Int. Motor Truck, 1st & 2d pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21a	Preferred (quar.).....	2	Apr. 20	Holders of rec. Apr. 10a
International Salt (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a	Soden (G. A.) & Co., 1st pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 17
International Silver, preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Feb. 21 to Feb. 28	Second preferred (quar.).....	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 17
Internat. Teleg. & Teleg. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31	South Penn Oil (quar.).....	1½	Mar. 31	Mar. 15 to Mar. 31
Island Creek Coal, common (quar.).....	\$2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 24a	South Porto Rico Sugar, pref. (quar.).....	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 10
Common (extra).....	\$5	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 24a	Southern Canada Power, pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a
Jones Bros. Tea, preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 22a	Southwest Pa. Pipe Lines (quar.).....	\$1	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Jordan Motor Car, preferred (quar.).....	*1½	Apr. 22	*Holders of rec. Mar. 10	Southwestern Cities Elec., pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a
Kaufmann Dept. Store, pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a	Standard Oil (Kentucky) (quar.).....	3	Apr. 1	Mar. 16 to Apr. 2
Kayser (Julius) & Co., com. (quar.).....	2	Apr. 1	Feb. 25 to Mar. 23	Standard Oil, Ohio, common (quar.).....	*\$3	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Feb. 24
Kelly-Springfield Tire, pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a	Common (extra).....	*\$1	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Feb. 24
Kelsey Wheel, common (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a	Standard Safe Deposit (quar.).....	3	Mar. 30	Holders of rec. Mar. 27a
Kerr Lake Mines (quar.).....	12½c.	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 1a	Steel Co. of Canada, common (quar.).....	1½	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 8a
Kolb Bakery, preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 25	Steel & Tube Co., preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 23a
Kress (S. H.) & Co., pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a	Sterling Oil & Development.....	*10c.	Apr. 5	*Holders of rec. Mar. 31
Kresge (S. S.) Co., preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 17a	Stover Mfg. & Engine, com. (quar.).....	50c.	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21
La Rose Mines, Ltd.....	10	Apr. 20	Mar. 25 to Apr. 17	Sullivan Machinery (quar.).....	75c.	Apr. 15	Apr. 1 to Apr. 15
Lehigh Valley Coal Sales (quar.).....	\$2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 16	Swift & Co., (quar.).....	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 10
Library Bureau, common (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21	Tecumseh Cotton Mills (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a
Preferred (quar.).....	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21	Texas Chief Oil (quar.).....	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 10
Liggett & Myers Tobacco, pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Texas Company (quar.).....	75c.	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 3
Loft, Incorporated (quar.).....	25c.	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 19a	Texas Pacific Coal & Oil (quar.).....	25c.	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 14a
Loose-Wiles Biscuit, 1st pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a	Thompson (John R.) Co., com. (quar.).....	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 25a
Second preferred (quar.).....	1½	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 18a	Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 25a
Lorillard (P.), com. (quar.).....	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 18a	Thompson Starrett Co., pref.....	4	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20
Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 18a	Tobacco Products Corp., pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 16
MacAndrews & Forbes, com. (quar.).....	2½	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a	Tonopah-Belmont Development (quar.).....	5	Apr. 1	Mar. 16 to Mar. 21
Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a	Tonopah Extension Mining (quar.).....	*5	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 11
Mackay Companies, common (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 8a	Tonopah Mining.....	5c.	Apr. 21	Apr. 1 to Apr. 9
Preferred (quar.).....	1	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 8a	Extra.....	2½c.	Apr. 15	Apr. 1 to Apr. 9
Magnolia Petroleum (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 25	Holders of rec. Mar. 25a	Torrington Co., common (quar.).....	5	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 22a
Mallinson (H. R.) & Co., Inc., pref. (qu.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21a	Underwood Typewriter, com. (quar.).....	2½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 4a
Manati Sugar, pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 4a
Manhattan Electrical Supply (quar.).....	\$1	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21a	Union Carbide & Carbon (quar.).....	\$1	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 4a
Manhattan Shirt, preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a	United Dyewood, common (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
Manning, Maxwell & Moore, Inc. (qu.).....	1	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a	Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
Manufacturers' Light & Heat (quar.).....	2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a	Preferred (quar.).....	1½	July 1	Holders of rec. June 15a
Maverick Mills, preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 22a	Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a
May Department Stores, pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	United Fruit (quar.).....	2	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a
McCroly Stores Corp., pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a	United Gas Improvement, com. (quar.).....	50c.	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31
Merchants Despatch Transp. (quar.).....	2½	Mar. 30	Holders of rec. Mar. 27	Preferred (quar.).....	87½c.	June 15	Holders of rec. May 31a
Merchants & Miners Transp'n (quar.).....	2	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 23a	United Profit Sharing (quar.).....	3½c.	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 9a
Messinghauser Linotype (quar.).....	2½	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 4a	United Profit Sharing, (quar.).....	3½c.	July 1	Holders of rec. June 7a
Merrimac Chemical (quar.).....	\$1.25	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 18a	United Royalties (monthly).....	3	Mar. 27	Holders of rec. Feb. 5
Mexican Petroleum, com. (quar.).....	3	Apr. 10	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a	Extra.....	1	Mar. 27	Holders of rec. Feb. 5
Preferred (quar.).....	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a	United Shoe Machinery, com. (quar.).....	50c.	Apr. 5	Holders of rec. Mar. 14
Michigan Stamping, com. (monthly).....	*¾	Mar. 25	*Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Preferred (quar.).....	37½c.	Apr. 5	Holders of rec. Mar. 14
Middle States Oil (quar.).....	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 10	U. S. Bobbin & Shuttle, com. (quar.).....	1½	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 8
Montana Power, common (quar.).....	¾	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 14a	Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 8
Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 14a	U. S. Gypsum, common (quar.).....	1	Mar. 31	Mar. 16 to Mar. 31
Motor Wheel Corp., com. (quar.).....	*2	Mar. 30	*Holders of rec. Mar. 10	Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Mar. 31	Mar. 16 to Mar. 31
Mountain Producers (quar.).....	20c	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a	U. S. Industrial Alcohol, pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a
Narragansett Electric Lighting (quar.).....	\$1	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a	U. S. Steel Corporation, com. (quar.).....	1½	Mar. 30	Feb. 28 to Mar. 2
National Biscuit, common (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a	Universal Leaf Tobacco, com. (No. 1).....	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 22
National Breweries, com. (quar.).....	\$1	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Preferred (quar.).....	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 22
Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Utah Copper (quar.).....	50c.	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Nat. Enameling & Stpg., pref. (quar.).....	1½	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 11a	Utilities Securities, preferred (quar.).....	1½	Mar. 27	Holders of rec. Mar. 17
Preferred (quar.).....	1½	June 30	Holders of rec. June 10a	Van Dorn Iron Works, pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 22a
Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 9a	Victor Talking Machine, com. (quar.).....	10	Apr. 15	Apr. 1 to Apr. 5a
Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Dec. 30	Holders of rec. Dec. 9a	Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 15	Apr. 1 to Apr. 5
National Lead, common (quar.).....	1½	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 17a	Wabasco Cotton Co. (quar.).....	\$1	Apr. 3	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
National Licorice, preferred (quar.).....	1½	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 24	Wahl Co., com. (quar.).....	\$1.50	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 28
National Sugar Refining (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 3	Holders of rec. Mar. 11	Common (monthly).....	50c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 22
National Surety (quar.).....	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21a	Common (monthly).....	50c.	June 1	Holders of rec. May 22
New York Transit (quar.).....	\$4	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 23	Common (monthly).....	50c.	July 1	Holders of rec. June 22
Nlagara Falls Power, preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31	Waldorf System, common (quar.).....	50c.	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a
North American Co., com. (quar.).....	75c.	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 16	First preferred and preferred (quar.).....	20c.	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a
Common (extra payable in pref. stk.).....	\$500.	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 16	Walworth Mfg., pref. (quar.).....	1½	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 21
Preferred (quar.).....	75c.	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 16	Warren Bros., first preferred.....	65	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 18
Ohio Bell Telephone, preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 21a	Second preferred.....	67	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 18
Ohio Oil (quar.).....	*\$1.25	Mar. 31	*Holders of rec. Feb. 24	Weber Piano, preferred (quar.).....	1½	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a
Extra.....	*\$1.75	Mar. 31	*Holders of rec. Feb. 24	West Coast Oil (quar.).....	*\$1.50	Apr. 5	*Holders of rec. Mar. 20
Ontario Steel Products, preferred (quar.).....	1½	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 29a	Western Union Telegraph (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 15	Mar. 26 to Apr. 14
Orpheum Circuit, preferred (quar.).....	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a	Westinghouse Air Brake (quar.).....	\$1	Apr. 29	Apr. 1 to Apr. 11
Ottawa Car Manufacturing (quar.).....	1	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Westinghouse El. & Mfg., com. (quar.).....	\$1	Apr. 29	Holders of rec. Mar. 31
Ottawa Light, Heat & Power (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 22	Preferred (quar.).....	\$1	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31
Oversea Securities Corp., common.....	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20	Weyman-Bruton Co., com. (quar.).....	3	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 13
Owens Bottle, common (quar.).....	50c.	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 16a	Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 13
Preferred (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 16a	White Motor Co. (quar.).....	\$1	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 21a
Pacific Gas & Electric, com. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a	Will & Baumer Candle, pref. (quar.).....	2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a
Pacific Teleg. & Teleg., pref. (quar.).....	1½	Apr. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a	Williams Tool Corp., pref. (quar.).....	2</		

New York City Banks and Trust Companies.

All prices dollars per share.

Table listing New York City Banks and Trust Companies with columns for Bid, Ask, and various bank names like America, Amer Exch, Atlantic, etc.

* Banks marked with (*) are State banks. † New stock. ‡ Ex-dividend. † Ex-rights

New York City Realty and Surety Companies.

All prices dollars per share.

Table listing New York City Realty and Surety Companies with columns for Bid, Ask, and company names like Alliance R'ty, Amer Surety, Bond & M G, etc.

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.)

Table showing the return of non-member institutions of the New York Clearing House, including columns for Capital, Profits, Loans, etc.

U. S. deposits deducted, \$512,000. Bills payable, redemptions, advances and other liabilities, \$143,000. Excess reserve, \$29,350.47.

Philadelphia Banks.—The Philadelphia Clearing House statement for the week ending March 18 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...

Table showing Philadelphia Banks' statement for the week ending March 18, 1922, with columns for Two Weeks, Member of System, and Total.

* 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.

Table showing Boston Clearing House Members' data for March 18, 1922, with columns for March 18, Changes from previous week, March 11, and March 4.

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 March 18. 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.)

Large table showing New York Weekly Clearing House Returns, including columns for CLEARING HOUSE MEMBERS, Capital, Profits, Loans, Cash in Vault, Reserve with Legal Deposit, Net Demand Deposits, Time Deposits, and Bank Circulation.

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*	5,242,000	4,219,000	9,461,000	9,264,780	196,220
Trust companies	2,163,000	4,900,000	7,063,000	6,939,900	123,100
Total Mar. 18	7,405,000	539,637,000	547,042,000	514,192,270	32,849,730
Total Mar. 11	7,642,000	514,364,000	522,006,000	505,987,070	15,018,930
Total Mar. 4	7,503,000	512,816,000	520,319,000	508,227,910	12,091,090
Total Feb. 25	7,502,000	504,257,000	511,759,000	505,970,980	5,788,020

	Actual Figures.				
	Cash Reserve in Vault	Reserve in Depositories	Total Reserve	b Reserve Required	Surplus Reserve
Members Federal Reserve banks	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
State banks*	5,353,000	4,330,000	9,733,000	9,251,640	481,360
Trust companies	2,126,000	5,050,000	7,176,000	6,986,400	189,600
Total Mar. 18	7,479,000	561,278,000	568,757,000	519,596,680	49,160,320
Total Mar. 11	7,744,000	532,449,000	540,193,000	509,791,350	30,401,650
Total Mar. 4	7,616,000	487,105,000	494,721,000	506,775,030	d112054,030
Total Feb. 25	7,623,000	542,122,000	549,754,000	505,551,480	d144202,520

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

Week ended—	Loans and Investments	Demand Deposits	*Total Cash in Vaults	Reserve to Depositors
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Jan. 14	5,110,207,100	4,566,220,000	104,881,900	644,736,100
Jan. 21	5,096,705,600	4,525,120,000	95,694,700	591,642,500
Jan. 28	5,038,302,500	4,467,360,600	93,598,200	592,588,600
Feb. 4	5,073,132,000	4,463,981,500	91,150,400	592,291,600
Feb. 11	5,084,673,400	4,415,936,800	92,782,400	590,816,500
Feb. 18	5,050,803,700	4,437,139,800	93,134,900	599,000,500
Feb. 25	4,993,954,100	4,422,144,400	93,603,400	586,490,900
Mar. 4	4,984,481,600	4,425,726,900	92,174,900	598,610,500
Mar. 11	4,956,963,700	4,416,490,700	92,371,000	596,530,400
Mar. 18	4,997,034,100	4,482,227,300	90,428,300	624,862,400

* This item includes gold, silver, legal tenders, national bank notes and Federal Reserve notes. z Corrected figures.

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 March 22 1922, in comparison with the previous week and the corresponding date last year:

	Mar. 22 1922.	Mar. 15 1922.	Mar. 25 1921.
Resources—			
Gold and gold certificates	221,980,634	222,687,660	206,695,000
Gold settlement fund—F. R. Board	81,402,144	53,108,678	112,298,000
Total gold held by bank	303,382,779	275,796,338	318,993,000
Gold with Federal Reserve Agent	770,489,178	770,672,678	233,300,000
Gold redemption fund	10,000,000	10,000,000	36,000,000
Total gold reserves	1,083,871,957	1,056,469,017	588,293,000
Legal tender notes, silver, &c.	33,077,951	34,081,442	151,624,000
Total reserves	1,116,949,908	1,090,550,459	739,917,000
Bills discounted; Secured by U. S. Government obligations—for members	34,063,064	37,970,268	377,173,000
All other—for members	34,828,465	26,327,768	318,651,000
Bills bought in open market	33,127,595	28,427,725	39,386,000
Total bills on hand	102,019,124	92,725,761	735,210,000
U. S. bonds and notes	68,267,650	77,347,750	1,255,000
U. S. certificates of indebtedness—			
One-year certificates (Pittman Act)	28,900,000	30,400,000	59,276,000
All other	46,509,000	177,297,000	—
Total earning assets	245,695,774	377,770,511	795,741,000
Bank premises	7,578,393	7,576,339	4,640,000
5% redemp. fund agst. F. R. bank notes	1,256,060	1,331,050	2,148,000
Gold abroad in custody or in transit	—	—	1,211,000
Uncollected items	108,459,488	123,814,065	133,521,000
All other resources	2,363,588	2,380,405	3,202,000
Total resources	1,482,303,213	1,603,422,842	1,680,380,000
Liabilities—			
Capital paid in	27,056,250	27,052,250	26,488,000
Surplus	60,197,127	60,197,127	56,414,000
Reserved for Government Franchise Tax	421,704	382,122	—
Deposits:			
Government	17,435,422	389,155	25,245,000
Member banks—Reserve account	634,980,116	757,552,630	639,486,000
All other	10,453,132	14,151,415	24,123,000
Total deposits	662,868,671	772,093,201	688,854,000
F. R. notes in actual circulation	625,843,738	626,500,671	780,740,000
F. R. bank notes in circula'n—net liability	15,823,700	15,851,200	31,300,000
Deferred availability items	86,519,614	97,625,966	79,446,000
All other liabilities	3,572,407	3,710,303	17,138,000
Total liabilities	1,482,303,213	1,603,422,842	1,680,380,000
Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined	86.7%	78.0%	50.3%
Contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents	10,489,306	10,941,876	12,125,268

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.

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.)

	March 18.	Differences from previous week.
Loans and Investments	\$621,447,100	Inc. \$9,305,400
Gold	5,732,900	Inc. 718,600
Currency and bank notes	15,028,400	Dec. 1,413,300
Deposits with Federal Reserve Bank of New York	52,837,000	Inc. 1,889,300
Total deposits	651,410,200	Inc. 12,830,800
Deposits, eliminating amounts due from reserve depositories and from other banks and trust companies in N. Y. City exchanges and U. S. deposits.	603,844,300	Inc. 10,839,600
Reserve on deposits	105,986,700	Inc. 2,364,300
Percentage of reserve, 21%.		

	RESERVE.		—Trust Companies—
	State Banks		
Cash in vault	\$26,511,800	16.03%	\$47,086,500 13.97%
Deposits in banks and trust cos.	8,934,800	5.45%	23,453,600 6.96%
Total	\$35,446,600	21.48%	\$70,540,100 20.93%

* Includes deposits with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, which for the State banks and trust companies combined on March 18 were \$52,837,000.

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 March 23

The figures for the system as a whole are given in the following table, and in addition we present the results for seven preceding weeks, together with those of corresponding 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:

Aggregate increases of \$23,900,000 in discounted and purchased bills, as against reductions of \$6,100,000 in U. S. bonds and notes, and of \$149,100,000 in Treasury certificates, are shown in the Federal Reserve Board's weekly consolidated bank statement issued as at close of business on March 22 1922. Government deposits increased by \$49,600,000, while members' reserve deposits declined by \$177,700,000 and other deposits, largely cashier's checks by \$10,800,000. Federal Reserve note circulation shows a further reduction of \$5,200,000, and the reserve ratio a rise from 75.6 to 78.4%.

A summary of changes in the principal asset and liability items of the Reserve banks, as compared with a week and a year ago, follows:

	Inc. (+) or Dec. (—) In Millions of Dollars Since	
	Mar. 15 '22.	Mar. 25 '21.
Total reserves	+3.2	+682.6
Gold reserves	+7	+765.9

	Inc. (+) or Dec. (—) In Millions of Dollars Since	
	Mar. 15 '22.	Mar. 25 '21.
Total earning assets	—131.3	—1,546.2
Discounted bills, total	+24.2	—1,670.7
Secured by U. S. Government obligations	—1.9	—783.2
All other	+26.1	—887.5
Purchased bills	—3	—36.0
United States securities, total	—155.2	+160.4
Bonds and notes	—6.1	+183.1
Pittman certificates	—1.5	—163.9
Other Treasury certificates	—147.6	+141.2
Total deposits	—138.9	—66.3
Members' reserve deposits	—177.7	—6.7
Government deposits	+49.6	—48.3
Other deposits	—10.8	—11.3
Federal Reserve notes in circulation	—5.2	—747.4
Fed. Reserve bank notes in circulation, net liability	+8	—96.6

COMBINED RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS MARCH 22 1922.

	Mar. 22 1922.	Mar. 15 1922.	Mar. 8 1922.	Mar. 1 1922.	Feb. 21 1922.	Feb. 15 1922.	Feb. 8 1922.	Feb. 1 1922.	Mar. 25 1921.
RESOURCES.									
Gold and gold certificates	\$321,499,000	\$321,233,000	\$380,823,000	\$350,406,000	\$381,673,000	\$382,260,000	\$382,418,000	\$385,044,000	\$291,960,000
Gold settlement, F. R. Board	514,262,000	484,180,000	491,294,000	521,273,000	520,713,000	531,354,000	514,110,000	509,193,000	509,913,000
Total gold held by banks	835,761,000	805,463,000	872,117,000	901,679,000	902,386,000	913,614,000	896,528,000	894,237,000	801,873,000
Gold with Federal Reserve agents	2,081,361,000	2,090,124,000	2,030,161,000	1,982,061,000	1,977,802,000	1,940,665,000	1,942,725,000	1,928,419,000	1,245,507,000
Gold redemption fund	79,581,000	80,435,000	63,595,000	67,694,000	66,847,000	81,775,000	82,099,000	88,872,000	163,385,000
Total gold reserve	2,976,703,000	2,976,022,000	2,965,873,000	2,951,434,000	2,946,835,000	2,936,054,000	2,921,352,000	2,911,528,000	2,210,765,000

	Mar. 22 1922.	Mar. 15 1922.	Mar. 8 1922.	Mar. 1 1922.	Feb. 21 1922.	Feb. 15 1922.	Feb. 8 1922.	Feb. 1 1922.	Mar. 25 1921.
Legal tender notes, silver, &c.	\$ 127,907,000	\$ 125,375,000	\$ 128,087,000	\$ 129,359,000	\$ 134,006,000	\$ 139,866,000	\$ 141,277,000	\$ 149,990,000	\$ 211,212,000
Total reserves	3,104,610,000	3,101,397,000	3,093,960,000	3,080,793,000	3,030,841,000	3,075,940,000	3,062,629,000	3,061,518,000	2,421,977,000
Bills discounted:									
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations	227,138,000	229,068,000	238,497,000	285,347,000	281,994,000	327,641,000	361,906,000	361,167,000	1,010,373,000
All other	388,769,000	362,662,000	392,544,000	422,200,000	439,289,000	457,979,000	461,553,000	476,651,000	1,276,275,000
Bills bought in open market	87,045,000	87,311,000	101,931,000	95,730,000	82,564,000	78,287,000	94,255,000	90,027,000	123,056,000
Total bills on hand	702,952,000	679,041,000	732,972,000	803,277,000	803,847,000	863,907,000	917,714,000	927,845,000	2,409,704,000
U. S. bonds and notes	208,968,000	215,093,000	188,773,000	163,322,000	124,299,000	125,633,000	109,919,000	90,709,000	25,866,000
U. S. certificates of indebtedness:									
One-year certificates (Pittman Act)	90,500,000	92,000,000	93,966,000	95,466,000	96,966,000	98,466,000	98,466,000	113,000,000	254,375,000
All other	143,696,000	291,274,000	161,102,000	154,250,000	133,743,000	160,499,000	133,723,000	101,702,000	2,490,000
Municipal warrants	102,000	102,000	102,000	102,000	191,000	193,000	193,000	206,000	---
Total earning assets	1,146,218,000	1,277,510,000	1,176,915,000	1,216,417,000	1,159,046,000	1,248,693,000	1,280,015,000	1,233,462,000	2,692,435,000
Bank premises	38,237,000	38,005,000	37,394,000	37,232,000	36,930,000	36,908,000	36,496,000	36,407,000	20,522,000
5% redemp. fund agst. F. R. bank notes	7,806,000	8,005,000	8,173,000	8,362,000	9,339,000	7,930,000	8,029,000	7,855,000	12,068,000
Gold abroad in custody or in transit	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	3,300,000
Uncollected items	521,650,000	607,795,000	486,190,000	505,782,000	488,018,000	655,990,000	450,841,000	498,220,000	592,950,000
All other resources	15,306,000	15,310,000	16,216,000	15,759,000	14,813,000	15,583,000	14,769,000	14,460,000	9,915,000
Total resources	4,833,827,000	5,048,022,000	4,818,848,000	4,864,345,000	4,788,987,000	4,941,049,000	4,832,779,000	4,851,922,000	5,753,167,000
LIABILITIES									
Capital paid in	103,961,000	103,948,000	103,802,000	103,736,000	103,685,000	103,325,000	103,233,000	103,190,000	101,113,000
Surplus	215,398,000	215,398,000	215,398,000	215,398,000	215,398,000	215,398,000	215,398,000	215,398,000	202,036,000
Reserved for Govt. franchise tax	1,829,000	1,570,000	1,530,000	1,349,000	1,317,000	1,504,000	1,548,000	1,250,000	---
Deposits—Government	66,359,000	16,789,000	24,207,000	60,770,000	63,910,000	79,316,000	112,717,000	114,744,000	114,685,000
Member banks—reserve accounts	1,667,842,000	1,845,493,000	1,719,910,000	1,725,065,000	1,677,011,000	1,744,430,000	1,714,668,000	1,689,422,000	1,674,536,000
All other	40,382,000	51,181,000	35,938,000	32,607,000	31,260,000	33,728,000	31,111,000	36,304,000	51,666,000
Total	1,774,583,000	1,913,463,000	1,780,055,000	1,818,442,000	1,772,181,000	1,857,474,000	1,858,496,000	1,940,470,000	1,840,887,000
F. R. notes in actual circulation	2,183,374,000	2,188,590,000	2,197,434,000	2,196,983,000	2,173,514,000	2,169,953,000	2,166,179,000	2,178,053,000	2,930,729,000
F. R. bank notes in circulation—net liab.	78,863,000	78,029,000	79,633,000	80,095,000	81,165,000	82,988,000	83,507,000	83,888,000	175,490,000
Deferred availability items	458,377,000	529,912,000	424,418,000	432,241,000	425,437,000	494,568,000	338,650,000	414,475,000	454,279,000
All other liabilities	17,442,000	17,109,000	15,578,000	16,101,000	16,290,000	15,839,000	15,768,000	15,198,000	48,633,000
Total liabilities	4,833,827,000	5,048,022,000	4,818,848,000	4,864,345,000	4,788,987,000	4,941,049,000	4,832,779,000	4,851,922,000	5,753,167,000
Ratio of gold reserve to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined	75.2%	72.5%	74.6%	73.5%	74.7%	72.9%	72.6%	72.4%	46.3%
Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined	78.4%	75.6%	77.8%	78.7%	78.1%	76.4%	76.1%	76.2%	50.8%
Distribution by Maturity—									
1-15 days bills bought in open market	\$ 32,227,000	\$ 27,723,000	\$ 43,171,000	\$ 45,348,000	\$ 29,475,000	\$ 28,665,000	\$ 49,096,000	\$ 51,708,000	\$ 49,120,000
1-15 days bills discounted	337,022,000	317,482,000	345,054,000	413,818,000	428,670,000	485,495,000	609,208,000	492,041,000	1,355,122,000
1-15 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness	17,117,000	167,362,000	44,998,000	44,086,000	1,884,000	23,768,000	35,019,000	26,527,000	31,424,000
Municipal warrants	---	---	---	---	140,000	142,000	2,000	15,000	---
16-30 days bills bought in open market	17,096,000	18,707,000	14,427,000	15,855,000	22,050,000	19,161,000	16,768,000	13,089,000	24,977,000
16-30 days bills discounted	73,540,000	73,175,000	76,492,000	75,111,000	74,039,000	75,271,000	81,307,000	87,361,000	227,479,000
16-30 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness	13,033,000	14,763,000	13,909,000	2,125,000	39,302,000	35,999,000	2,000,000	2,009,000	4,627,000
Municipal warrants	---	---	---	---	---	---	140,000	140,000	---
31-60 days bills bought in open market	23,004,000	23,813,000	23,186,000	16,991,000	15,289,000	15,137,000	16,743,000	14,677,000	35,343,000
31-60 days bills discounted	100,551,000	97,705,000	102,340,000	106,621,000	100,593,000	104,904,000	113,179,000	119,719,000	359,303,000
31-60 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness	2,700,000	3,703,000	10,587,000	15,458,000	15,449,000	9,671,000	9,294,000	34,773,000	6,576,000
Municipal warrants	102,000	102,000	102,000	102,000	---	---	---	---	---
61-90 days bills bought in open market	12,157,000	12,101,000	15,540,000	16,795,000	15,633,000	15,011,000	11,431,000	10,187,000	13,340,000
61-90 days bills discounted	69,048,000	67,223,000	69,709,000	69,538,000	67,841,000	77,396,000	82,558,000	91,344,000	242,118,000
61-90 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness	20,064,000	500,000	500,000	1,000,000	2,700,000	2,700,000	38,165,000	3,200,000	4,640,000
Municipal warrants	---	---	102,000	---	51,000	51,000	51,000	51,000	---
Over 90 days bills bought in open market	2,531,000	4,967,000	4,507,000	741,000	119,000	313,000	217,000	366,000	---
Over 90 days bills discounted	35,746,000	36,145,000	37,446,000	42,459,000	41,337,000	42,549,000	46,207,000	47,352,000	40,897,000
Over 90 day certif. of indebtedness	181,252,000	196,949,000	185,074,000	187,147,000	171,373,000	186,827,000	147,711,000	148,193,000	237,684,000
Municipal warrants	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Federal Reserve Notes—									
outstanding	2,523,374,000	2,527,772,000	2,540,443,000	2,526,660,000	2,510,576,000	2,507,229,000	2,525,009,000	2,559,656,000	3,310,900,000
held by banks	340,000,000	339,179,000	243,009,000	329,677,000	337,062,000	337,276,000	358,830,000	351,603,000	348,020,000
in actual circulation	2,183,374,000	2,188,593,000	2,197,434,000	2,196,983,000	2,173,514,000	2,169,953,000	2,166,179,000	2,178,053,000	2,962,880,000
amount chargeable to Fed. Res. agent in hands of Federal Reserve Agents	3,397,570,000	3,407,483,000	3,423,544,000	3,444,451,000	3,458,017,000	3,467,995,000	3,496,610,000	3,615,117,000	4,105,419,000
held to Federal Reserve banks	874,196,000	879,711,000	883,101,000	917,791,000	947,441,000	960,766,000	971,601,000	955,461,000	794,519,000
held to Federal Reserve banks	2,523,374,000	2,527,772,000	2,540,443,000	2,526,660,000	2,510,576,000	2,507,229,000	2,525,009,000	2,559,656,000	3,310,900,000
How Secured—									
by gold and gold certificates	403,712,000	403,713,000	344,012,000	344,013,000	344,012,000	344,012,000	344,013,000	344,013,000	227,386,000
by eligible paper	462,013,000	437,648,000	510,282,000	544,599,000	532,974,000	566,564,000	582,284,000	631,237,000	2,053,093,000
Gold redemption fund	123,271,000	118,317,000	121,616,000	114,401,000	123,729,000	123,374,000	134,397,000	122,108,000	116,071,000
With Federal Reserve Board	1,534,378,000	1,568,094,000	1,564,633,000	1,523,647,000	1,509,861,000	1,473,279,000	1,464,315,000	1,462,240,000	914,350,000
Total	2,523,374,000	2,527,772,000	2,540,443,000	2,526,660,000	2,510,576,000	2,507,229,000	2,525,009,000	2,559,656,000	3,310,900,000
Eligible paper delivered to F. R. Agent	676,630,000	650,065,000	706,998,000	766,738,000	767,269,000	827,554,000	886,807,000	891,648,000	2,295,178,000

WEEKLY STATEMENT OF RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF EACH OF THE 12 FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS MAR. 22 1922

Two copies (OO) omitted. Federal Reserve Bank of—	Boston.	New York	Phila.	Cleveland	Richmond	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minneapolis	Kan. City	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
RESOURCES.													
Gold and gold certificates	\$ 10,997.0	\$ 221,981.0	\$ 2,217.0	\$ 12,495.0	\$ 2,876.0	\$ 5,256.0	\$ 23,076.0	\$ 3,537.0	\$ 9,103.0	\$ 2,705.0	\$ 9,140.0	\$ 18,716.0	\$ 321,499.0
Gold settlement fund—F. R. B'd	26,296.0	81,402.0	61,874.0	52,437.0	28,939.0	24,960.0	80,421.0	10,325.0	32,364.0	34,411.0	21,454.0	47,349.0	514,262.0
Total gold held by banks	36,393.0	303,383.0	64,091.0	64,932.0	31,815.0	30,216.0	109,497.0	20,162.0	41,467.0	37,146.0	30,594.0	66,065.0	835,761.0
Gold with F. R. agents	121,879.0	770,489.0	143,867.0	188,642.0	32,667.0	83,242.0	347,736.0	74,958.0	29,218.0	39,792.0	10,685.0	248,186.0	2,061,361.0
Gold redemption fund	20,095.0	10,000.0	4,942.0	2,877.0	8,479.0	2,000.0	19,316.0	2,082.0	1,179.0	3,102.0	1,740.0	3,558.0	79,581.0
Total gold reserves	178,278.0	1,083,872.0	212,900.0	256,451.0	72,961.0	115,458.0	476,549.0	97,202.0	71,864.0	80,340.0	43,019.0	287,809.0	2,976,703.0
Legal tender notes, silver, &c.	21,920.0	33,078.0	7,974.0	7,515.0	7,345.0	4,555.0	11,063.0	10,463.0					

LIABILITIES (Concluded)— Two ciphers (00) omitted.	Boston	New York	Phila.	Cleveland	Richmond	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minneapolis	Kan. City	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
Memoranda.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities com- bined, per cent.	74.2	86.7	75.4	79.4	53.5	72.3	77.7	75.5	72.9	63.0	65.0	79.7	78.4
Contingent liability on bills pur- chased for foreign correspondents	2,072,0	10,489,0	2,271,0	2,327,0	1,391,0	1,022,0	3,378,0	1,334,0	766,0	1,362,0	738,0	1,306,0	28,456,0

STATEMENT OF FEDERAL RESERVE AGENTS ACCOUNTS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS MAR. 22 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	127,450	334,230	49,560	33,300	28,160	70,146	115,700	24,060	11,620	16,450	21,020	42,500	874,196
Federal Reserve notes outstanding	160,117	802,806	204,174	213,080	98,985	116,516	404,491	97,443	54,849	70,479	31,085	269,349	2,523,374
Collateral security for Federal Reserve notes outstanding:													
Gold and gold certificates	5,300	356,924	13,375	15,267	2,872	2,400	5,960	13,052	6,701	2,432	2,500	14,281	403,712
Gold redemption fund	16,579	32,565	10,478	15,267	4,842	15,091	3,398	2,966	2,432	2,500	14,281	123,271	123,271
Gold fund—Federal Reserve Board	100,000	381,000	133,339	160,000	29,795	76,000	332,645	65,600	31,200	37,360	1,484	203,905	1,534,378
Eligible paper (Amount required)	38,238	32,317	60,307	24,438	66,318	33,274	56,755	22,485	25,631	30,687	20,400	51,163	462,013
(Excess amount held)	12,565	58,895	11,532	29,957	9,155	16,950	36,488	9,685	2,879	1,796	14,426	10,289	214,617
Total	460,249	1,998,737	469,440	489,417	235,285	320,128	961,170	228,631	124,197	159,204	97,616	591,487	6,135,561
Liabilities—													
Net amount of Federal Reserve notes received from Comptroller of the Currency	287,567	1,137,036	253,734	246,380	127,145	186,062	520,191	121,503	66,469	86,929	52,105	311,849	3,397,570
Collateral received from (Gold Federal Reserve Bank) Eligible paper	121,879	770,489	143,867	188,642	32,667	83,242	347,736	74,958	29,218	39,792	10,685	218,186	2,061,361
	50,803	91,212	71,839	54,395	75,473	50,224	93,243	32,170	28,510	32,483	34,826	61,452	676,630
Total	460,249	1,998,737	469,440	489,417	235,285	320,128	961,170	228,631	124,197	159,204	97,616	591,487	6,135,561
Federal Reserve notes outstanding	160,117	802,806	204,174	213,080	98,985	116,516	404,491	97,443	54,849	70,479	31,085	269,349	2,523,374
Federal Reserve notes held by banks	6,141	176,962	17,972	17,384	6,382	5,545	34,666	16,481	2,552	8,318	3,081	44,516	340,000
Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation	153,976	625,844	186,202	195,696	92,303	110,971	369,825	80,962	52,297	62,161	28,004	224,833	2,183,374

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 MAR. 15 1922.

Aggregates increases of \$98,000,000 in total investments, largely in Government securities, and of \$13,000,000 in loans and discounts are indicated in the Federal Reserve Board's weekly statement of condition on March 15 of 805 member banks in leading cities. In connection with the March 15 loan operations of the Government, Treasury notes increased by \$91,000,000 and Treasury certificates by \$62,000,000, while Victory notes declined by \$74,000,000. Net demand deposits of the reporting institutions show an increase of \$264,000,000. This large increase chiefly represents additional balances to cover income tax checks and checks in payment for newly issued Treasury notes and certificates.

Following is a statement of changes in the principal items, as compared with figures of a week and year ago:

	Inc. (+) or Dec. (—) In Millions of Dollars Since Mar. 8 '22. Mar. 18 '21.
Loans and discounts—total	+13 —1,713
Secured by U. S. Government obligations	—9 —351
Secured by stocks and bonds	+24 +102
All other	—2 —1,463

	Inc. (+) or Dec. (—) In Millions of Dollars Since Mar. 8 '22. Mar. 18 '21.
Investments, total	+98 +267
U. S. bonds	+11 +143
Victory notes	—74 —118
U. S. Treasury notes	+91 +364
Treasury certificates	+62 —125
Other stocks and bonds	+8 +3
Reserve balances with Federal Reserve banks	+19 +171
Cash in vault	—4 —48
Government deposits	—37 —107
Net demand deposits	+264 +222
Time deposits	+9 +188
Total accommodation at Federal Reserve banks	—29 —1,493

1. Data for all reporting member banks in each Federal Reserve District at close of business Mar. 15 1922 Three ciphers (000) omitted

Federal Reserve District.	Boston	New York	Phladcl.	Cleveland	Richm'd.	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minneapolis	Kan. City	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
Number of reporting banks	49	108	58	85	82	43	119	37	35	79	52	68	808
Loans and discounts, including bills re- discounted with F. R. Bank:													
Loans sec. by U. S. Govt. obligations	24,684	143,351	40,170	42,642	17,059	11,512	70,659	14,512	8,999	13,115	5,477	17,793	409,973
Loans secured by stocks and bonds	207,398	1,393,529	197,732	324,830	107,239	53,341	443,925	129,929	29,325	64,620	41,332	141,640	3,134,840
All other loans and discounts	570,707	2,470,931	325,547	626,004	309,704	284,737	1,053,512	292,657	197,983	348,819	188,052	695,576	7,364,229
Total loans and discounts	802,789	4,007,811	563,449	993,476	434,002	349,590	1,568,096	437,098	236,307	426,554	234,861	855,009	10,909,042
U. S. bonds	49,617	404,309	50,560	123,074	58,046	25,236	84,121	24,667	17,974	37,816	34,663	98,968	1,009,042
U. S. Victory notes	2,509	21,000	7,243	5,473	2,018	1,113	13,630	4,469	884	2,144	1,036	12,790	74,629
U. S. Treasury notes	14,247	218,348	18,159	26,011	6,220	1,488	39,628	6,075	5,618	7,146	4,334	16,646	363,920
U. S. certificates of indebtedness	9,802	83,729	8,984	9,326	4,569	3,124	53,807	6,486	6,987	6,448	4,831	15,870	213,873
Other bonds, stocks and securities	140,062	705,876	162,800	271,754	48,989	33,910	381,908	70,881	21,613	48,111	8,359	165,417	2,059,680
Total loans, disc'ts & investments, incl. bills rediscounted with F. R. Bank	1,019,028	5,441,034	811,195	1,429,114	553,844	414,461	2,141,190	549,676	289,343	528,219	288,084	1,164,610	14,029,826
Reserve balance with F. R. Bank	73,867	699,577	71,959	102,901	33,244	31,708	201,509	43,315	18,807	41,154	22,611	82,717	1,423,369
Cash in vault	17,238	85,187	14,222	26,766	12,921	9,083	48,167	13,440	5,453	10,843	9,382	19,787	272,519
Net demand deposits	744,480	1,793,694	642,487	806,491	303,226	235,258	1,380,351	314,449	181,784	391,849	201,616	602,509	10,598,194
Time deposits	193,388	527,981	48,236	471,921	151,362	142,042	663,709	157,863	70,563	104,563	62,668	539,685	3,113,931
Government deposits	23,205	101,816	18,701	19,612	3,078	6,460	34,356	7,282	8,442	7,372	4,699	5,996	241,049
Bills payable with Federal Reserve Bank:													
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations	3,690	19,007	14,557	7,281	15,838	1,076	2,066	1,240	851	1,734	1,055	13,731	82,126
All other	—	—	—	26	—	—	—	—	97	—	50	295	468
Bills rediscounted with F. R. Bank:													
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations	1,764	716	2,881	496	763	543	158	95	55	322	—	280	8,073
All other	15,776	18,343	8,088	23,934	18,588	5,351	12,963	9,020	1,939	7,712	3,747	9,963	135,424

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		All Other Report. Bks.		Total.	
	Mar. 15.	Mar. 8.	Mar. 15.	Mar. 8.	Mar. 15.	Mar. 8.	Mar. 15.	Mar. 8.	Mar. 15.	Mar. 8.	Mar. 15 '22	Mar. 8 '22
Number of reporting banks	67	67	50	50	275	275	212	212	318	319	805	806
Loans and discounts, incl. bills re- discounted with F. R. Bank:												
Loans sec. by U. S. Govt. oblig'ns	127,117	132,600	56,670	54,587	286,154	292,363	65,238	67,893	58,581	58,802	409,973	419,058
Loans secured by stocks & bonds	1,221,471	1,176,910	328,738	330,983	2,252,578	2,223,759	456,021	461,228	426,241	425,786	3,134,840	3,110,773
All other loans and discounts	2,181,888	2,162,809	678,955	681,558	4,696,252	4,672,836	1,380,408	1,396,124	1,287,589	1,297,434	7,364,229	7,366,394
Total loans and discounts	3,530,476	3,472,319	1,064,363	1,067,123	7,234,984	7,188,958	1,901,667	1,925,245	1,772,391	1,782,022	10,909,042	10,896,225
U. S. bonds	353,546	353,532	29,127	25,471	548,987	542,756	228,669	225,987	231,386	228,920	1,009,042	997,663
U. S. Victory notes	14,022	66,963	8,894	9,386	40,308	95,950	18,075	33,677	15,886	18,380	74,269	148,007
U. S. Treasury notes	205,679	113,328	25,985	18,208	283,164	203,787	40,881	39,036	33,875	29,765	363,920	272,588
U. S. certificates of indebtedness	77,042	74,368	37,868	4,786	154,783	106,145	35,051	24,220	24,039	22,128	213,873	152,493
Other bonds, stocks and securities	522,258	511,235	180,961	178,330	1,115,772	1,104,182	578,506	580,798	367,402	367,250	2,059,680	2,056,939
Total loans, disc'ts & invest'ts, incl. bills rediscounted with F. R. Bk.	4,706,026	4,626,745	1,347,198	1,303,309	9,377,998	9,241,778	2,806,849	2,828,963	2,444,979	2,448,465	14,629,826	14,519,206
Reserve balance with F. R. Bank	653,827	577,673	138,120	130,658	1,048,074	958,418	212,949	195,710	162,366	149,635	1,423,369	1,303,763
Cash in vault	74,062	77,777	27,400	29,091	162,266	153,726	51,818	52,621	68,435	70,987	272,519	277,334
Net demand deposits	4,310,949	4,172,149	945,722	922,568	7,412,824	7,223,199	1,666,183	1,618,731	1,519,187	1,492,184	10,598,194	10,334,114
Time deposits	337,062	329,789	316,595	317,479	1,453,107	1,443,858	956,929	955,037	703,945	705,985	3,113,931	3,104,900
Government deposits	96,461	91,560	24,604	29,287	187,698	202,399	29,174	47,919	24,177	28,078	241,049	278,396

Bankers' Gazette.

Wall Street, Friday Night, March 24 1922.

Railroad and Miscellaneous Stocks.—Monday's stock market was conspicuous for activity and strength. Nearly 1,200,000 shares were included in the transactions and practically every issue sold at higher figures than last week.

Influences affecting the market have been of a diverse character, the most depressing of which is the attitude of the House of Representatives—or mis-representatives—at Washington towards the impending Bonus Bill.

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 March 24, Sales for Week, Range for Week (Lowest, Highest), Range since Jan. 1 (Lowest, Highest). Lists various stocks like American Chicle, Amer Malt & Grain Co, etc.

and they have averaged well up to the 2 million mark throughout the week. Several of the foreign issues and Liberty Loans have been conspicuous for moving to new high record prices, and in the active railway and industrial list three times as many have advanced as declined.

United States Bonds.—Sales of Government bonds at the Board are limited to the various Liberty Loan issues, which, as noted above, have been in demand at advancing prices.

Daily Record of Liberty Loan Prices. Table with columns: Mar. 18, Mar. 20, Mar. 21, Mar. 22, Mar. 23, Mar. 24. Lists various Liberty Loan issues and their prices.

Note.—The above table includes only sales of coupon bonds. Transactions in registered bonds were: 44 1st 3s., 97.00 to 97.92; 71 3d 4 1/2s., 98.72 to 99.12; 11 1st 4 1/2s., 97.60 to 97.82; 100 4th 4 1/2s., 97.76 to 98.32; 1 2d 4s., 97.38; 259 Victory 4 1/2s., 100.60 to 100.86; 98 2d 4 1/2s., 97.60 to 98.00; 5 Victory 3 1/2s., 100.00.

Quotations for U. S. Treas. Ctfs. of Indebtedness, Etc.

Table with columns: Maturity, Int. Rate, Bid, Asked, Maturity, Int. Rate, Bid, Asked. Lists various Treasury certificates and their market rates.

Foreign Exchange.

To-day's (Friday's) actual rates for sterling exchange were 4 36/64 @ 4 36/64 for sixty days, 4 38 1/2 @ 4 38 1/2 for checks and 4 38 1/2 @ 4 39 1/4 for cables. Commercial on banks, sight, 4 31 1/4 @ 4 32 1/4; sixty days, 4 24 1/4 @ 4 25 1/4; ninety days, 4 23 1/4 @ 4 24 1/4, and documents for payment (sixty days), 4 25 1/4 @ 4 26 1/4.

The range for foreign exchange for the week follows: Sterling Actual—Sixty Days. High for the week 4 37 1/2, Low for the week 4 31 1/4.

Paris Bankers' Francs—High for the week 9.03, Low for the week 8.86. Germany Bankers' Marks—High for the week 0.37 1/2, Low for the week 0.29.

Amsterdam Bankers' Guilders—High for the week 37.65, Low for the week 37.31. Domestic Exchange.—Chicago, par. St. Louis, 15 @ 25c. per \$1,000 discount. Boston, par. San Francisco, par. Montreal, \$37.75 per \$1,000 premium. Cincinnati, par.

The Curb Market.

After a strong and active opening in Curb Market trading this week, there was a lull and business became comparatively quiet. Price movements were irregular, and while no special weakness developed, the list was inclined to heaviness. Oil shares monopolized the attention. Standard Oil (Indiana) after an early fractional advance from 88 to 88 3/4, dropped to 86 3/4, the close to-day being at 86 7/8.

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

Table with columns: Week ending Mar. 24 1922, Stocks (Shares, Par Value), Railroad, State, Mun. and Foreign Bonds, U. S. Bonds. Shows daily, weekly, and yearly transaction volumes.

Table with columns: Sales at New York Stock Exchange, Week ending Mar. 24, 1922, 1921, Jan. 1 to Mar. 24, 1922, 1921. Shows sales volume for stocks, bonds, and government securities.

Table with columns: Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore. Shows daily transactions for stocks and bonds in these cities.

DAILY TRANSACTIONS AT THE BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA AND BALTIMORE EXCHANGES.

Table with columns: Week ending Mar. 24 1922, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore. Shows daily transaction volumes for stocks and bonds in these cities.

State and Railroad Bonds.

Sales of State bonds at the Board include \$1,000 New York 4 1/2s 1963 at 100 1/2 and \$3,000 New York Canal 4s 1962 at 101. The general bond market has been unusually active and strong. On Tuesday total sales were nearly \$22,000,000.

Main table with columns: HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICE—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT. (Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday); Sales for the Week; STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE (Railroads, Industrial & Miscellaneous); PER SHARE (Range since Jan. 1 1922); PER SHARE (Range for previous year 1921).

* Bid and asked prices; n = sales on this day. † Ex-rights. ‡ Less than 100 shares. a Ex-dividend and rights. * Ex-dividend b Ex-rights June 15) to subscribe are for share, to stock of Glen Alden Coal Co. at \$5 per share and ex-dividend 100% on stock (Aug. 22)

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

Table with columns: HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICE—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT; STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE; PER SHARE Range since Jan. 1 1922; PER SHARE Range for previous year 1921. Rows include various stock listings such as Am Agricul Chem pref, American Bank Note, American Beet Sugar, etc.

* Bid and asked prices. d Dividend and rights. A Assessment paid. B Rights. C Dividend. P Par value \$10 per share.

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

HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICE—PER SHARE. NOT PER CENT.

Table with columns for days of the week (Saturday to Friday) and 'Sales for the Week'. Rows list various stock prices and share counts.

STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Main table listing stock names, share counts, and price ranges. Includes categories like 'Indus. & Miscell. (Con.)', 'Cuban-American Sugar', 'Davison Chemical', etc.

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. † Ex-rights. § Less than 100 shares. α Ex-dividend and rights. Ex-dividend β Ex-rights

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

HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT

Table with columns for dates from Saturday, March 18, to Friday, March 24, and rows for various stock prices per share.

Sales for the Week

STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table listing various stock companies such as Indus. & Miscell. (Con.) Par, Oklahoma Prod & Ref of Am 5, etc., with their respective share counts.

PER SHARE Range since Jan. 1 1922 On basis of 100-share lots

Table showing price ranges for various stocks from January 1, 1922, to the current date, including lowest and highest prices.

PER SHARE Range for previous year 1921

Table showing price ranges for various stocks for the previous year (1921), including lowest and highest prices.

* Bid and asked prices, no sale on this day. † Less than 100 shares. ‡ Rights. § Dividend. ¶ Reduced to basis of \$25 par.

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

Main table containing bond listings with columns for Bond Description, Interest Period, Price (Bid/Ask), Week's Range or Last Sale, Bonds Sold, and Range Since Jan. 1. Includes sections for U.S. Government, Foreign Government, and State and City Securities.

*No price Friday; latest bid and asked. aDue Jan dDue April. eDue May. fDue June. gDue July. hDue Aug. iDue Oct. jDue Nov. Due Dec. k Call on sale

Main table containing bond listings with columns for Bond Description, Interest Period, Price (Bid/Ask), Week's Range or Last Sale, Bonds Sold, and Range Since Jan. 1. The table is split into two main sections: 'N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE' and 'BONDS'.

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.

Table of N. Y. Stock Exchange bonds, week ending Mar. 24. Columns include Bond Description, Interest Period, Price (Bid/Ask), Week's Range, Bonds Sold, and Range Since Jan 1.

Table of N. Y. Stock Exchange bonds, week ending Mar. 24. Columns include Bond Description, Interest Period, Price (Bid/Ask), Week's Range, Bonds Sold, and Range Since Jan 1.

* No price Friday; latest bid and asked, since Jan. since April, since May, since June, since July, since Aug., since Oct., since Dec., option sale

HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICE—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT

Table with columns for days of the week (Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday) and stock prices. Includes a 'Shares' column and 'Sales for the Week'.

Sales for the Week

STOCKS BOSTON STOCK EXCHANGE

Main table listing various stocks and bonds, including categories like Railroads, Miscellaneous, and Mining. Columns include stock names, share counts, and price ranges for the current week and the previous year (1921).

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day † Less than 100 and shares ‡ Ex-rights § Ex-dividend rights ¶ Par value \$100 Old stock z -- dividend

Outside Stock Exchanges

Boston Bond Record.—Transactions in bonds at Boston Stock Exchange Mar. 18 to Mar. 24, both inclusive:

Table of Boston Bond Record with columns for Bonds, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range since Jan. 1.

Chicago Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Chicago Stock Exchange March 18 to March 24, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists.

Table of Chicago Stock Exchange with columns for Bonds, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range since Jan. 1.

Table of Chicago Bonds with columns for Bonds, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range since Jan. 1.

Pittsburgh Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Pittsburgh Stock Exchange March 18 to March 24, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists.

Table of Pittsburgh Stock Exchange with columns for Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range since Jan. 1.

Table of Baltimore Stock Exchange with columns for Stocks (Concl.), Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range since Jan. 1.

Baltimore Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Baltimore Stock Exchange, Mar. 18 to Mar. 24, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Table of Baltimore Stock Exchange with columns for Stocks, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range since Jan. 1.

Philadelphia Stock Exchange.—This week's record on the Philadelphia Stock Exchange will be found on page 1256.

New York Curb Market.—Official transactions in the New York Curb Market from Mar. 18 to Mar. 24, inclusive.

Table of New York Curb Market with columns for Week ending March 24, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, and Range since Jan. 1.

Stocks (Concl.)— Par.	Friday Last Sale. Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range since Jan. 1.				Other Oil Stocks (Concluded) Par.	Friday Last Sale. Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range since Jan. 1.			
		Low.	High.		Low.	High.	Low.	High.			Low.	High.					
Cities Service com. 100	108	194	200	500	158	Jan	201	Mar	Hudson Oil. 1	38c	31c	49c	501,500	7c	Jan	50c	Mar
Preferred. 100	59 1/2	60	306	51	Jan	62	Mar	Imperial Oil (Canada) coup. 99	99	99	101	415	97 1/2	Mar	108	Jan	
Preferred B. 10	5 1/2	5 3/4	100	4 1/2	Jan	5 1/2	Mar	Internat Petrol. *	15	14 1/2	16 1/2	22,900	14 1/2	Mar	16 1/2	Jan	
Cities Serv Bankers' sh. *	20 3/4	20 1/2	21 1/4	2,400	17	Jan	21 1/2	Jan	Keystone Ranger Devel. 1	65c	70c	3,200	60c	Mar	1 1/2	Jan	
Cleveland Automobile. *	30	30	32	700	20	Jan	33	Mar	Kirby Petroleum. *	22 1/2	24 1/2	14,000	14 1/2	Jan	26 1/2	Feb	
Columbia Emerald Synd. 70c	67c	72c	2,100	55c	Jan	\$1	Mar	Lance Creek Royalties. 1	5c	5c	6c	7,000	3c	Mar	10c	Jan	
Columbia Motor Corp. 4 1/2	4 1/2	100	4 1/2	Mar	4 1/2	Mar	Livingston Oil Corp. *	25c	27c	3,000	15c	Jan	27c	Mar			
Com'lth Pow Ry & Lt. 100	20 1/2	20 1/2	20	20 1/2	Mar	20 1/2	Mar	Livingston Petrol. *	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	13,000	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Mar	
Conley Tin Foll. *	13 1/2	14	1,100	10	Feb	15	Mar	L'Yons Petroleum. *	95c	94c	1	15,800	58c	Jan	1 1/2	Mar	
Continental Motors. 10	7 1/2	6 1/2	7 3/4	20,800	5 1/2	Feb	7 3/4	Mar	Magna Oil & Refining. 1	1	1	300	1	Mar	1 1/2	Jan	
Curtiss Aeropl & M com. *	5 1/2	6	200	2 1/2	Jan	6	Mar	Maracaibo Oil Explor. *	24 1/2	24 1/2	25 1/2	5,300	18 1/2	Jan	27 1/2	Mar	
Davies (Wm A) Co. Inc. *	30	32	300	25	Jan	34	Feb	Margay Oil Corp. *	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	300	1 1/2	Feb	2 1/2	Jan	
Delatour Beverage Corp. 10	75c	1 1/2	500	75c	Mar	1 1/2	Mar	Marland Oil. *	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	400	1	Jan	1 1/2	Mar	
Delaware Lack & W Coal 50	89 1/2	89 1/2	60	87	Mar	89 1/2	Mar	Merridian Petroleum. 10	14c	13c	17c	44,333	9c	Jan	20c	Mar	
Denv & Rio Gr RR, pf. 100	58c	50c	60c	1,400	38c	Jan	60c	Jan	Merritt Oil Corp. 10	10 1/2	10 1/2	12	7,400	8 1/2	Jan	12 1/2	Mar
Dort Motor Car. *	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 3/4	200	20 1/2	Feb	20 3/4	Mar	Mexican Pantuco Oil. 10	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	300	1 1/2	Feb	2	Jan
Durant Motors Inc. *	27 1/2	26	29	1,100	22 1/2	Jan	31	Mar	Mexican Seaboard Oil. *	30 1/2	30	30 1/2	6,900	28 1/2	Feb	42	Feb
Durant Motors of Ind w 110	12 1/2	13 1/2	1,200	8 1/2	Jan	14 1/2	Mar	Mexico Oil Corp. 10	3 1/2	2 1/2	3 1/2	129,600	1 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	Mar	
Eastman Kodak, new com. *	73	70	75 1/2	5,500	66	Feb	75 1/2	Mar	Mountain Producers. 10	12 1/2	11 1/2	12 1/2	6,500	9 1/2	Jan	12 1/2	Mar
Elec Stor Bat new w l. *	37 1/2	38	3,800	35	Feb	38 1/2	Mar	Mutual Oil. *	7	6 1/2	7	15,700	5 1/2	Jan	7	Mar	
Federal Tel & Tel. 5	6	6	1,000	5 1/2	Mar	6 1/2	Jan	New York Oil. *	13	13	13 1/2	200	11 1/2	Mar	14 1/2	Mar	
Gardner Motor Co. *	14	14	14 1/2	700	11	Jan	15	Feb	Noble Oil & Gas. 1	25c	27c	35c	193,000	13c	Jan	35c	Mar
Gibson-Howell Co, com. 10	15 1/2	15 1/2	400	15 1/2	Jan	17	Jan	Preferred. 1	65c	65c	75c	1,600	36c	Mar	90c	Mar	
Gillette Safety Razor. 190	188	191	217	169	Jan	191	Mar	North American Oil. 5	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	500	1 1/2	Jan	2 1/2	Jan	
Glen Aldon Coal. 43	43	43 1/2	2,600	42	Jan	49 1/2	Jan	Northwest Oil. 1	25c	25c	25c	5,000	15c	Jan	34c	Mar	
Goldwyn Pictures. 6 1/2	6 1/2	8	57,700	4	Jan	8	Mar	Ohio Ranger. 1	10c	10c	11c	21,500	5c	Jan	12c	Mar	
Goodyear T & R com. 100	10 1/2	11	1,800	9 1/2	Jan	12 1/2	Jan	Omni Oil & Gas. 10	1 1/2	1	1 1/2	85,550	67c	Mar	87c	Jan	
Preferred. 100	27 1/2	27	1,000	24	Jan	28 1/2	Jan	Pennok Oil. 10	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	300	4 1/2	Jan	6	Jan	
Grant Motor Car. 10	1	90c	1,000	50c	Feb	1 1/2	Jan	Producers & Refiners. 10	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	1,200	5	Jan	6	Jan	
Havana Tobacco com. 100	25c	25c	2,200	10c	Feb	25c	Mar	Red Bank Oil. 10	22c	21c	24c	22,000	20c	Feb	35c	Jan	
Preferred. 100	90c	90c	100	20c	Jan	1	Feb	Red Rock Oil & Gas. 1	50c	50c	50c	500	30c	Jan	65c	Jan	
Heyden Chem. 95c	90c	1	3,900	80c	Feb	1 1/2	Jan	Ryan Consol. *	5	5	6 1/2	2,400	4 1/2	Feb	6 1/2	Jan	
Hudson Cos, pref. 100	13 1/2	10 1/2	14 1/2	5,200	7 1/2	Feb	14 1/2	Mar	Salt Creek Con Oil. 10	11	11	11	200	11	Mar	11	Mar
Hudson & Man RR com 100	8 1/2	5 1/2	8 1/2	14,100	3 1/2	Feb	8 1/2	Mar	Salt Creek Producers. 10	14 1/2	13 1/2	14 1/2	7,000	12 1/2	Jan	14 1/2	Jan
Preferred. 100	45	45	45	100	25	Jan	45	Mar	Sapulpa Refining. 5	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3,100	2 1/2	Feb	3 1/2	Jan
Imperial Tob of Canada. 5	6	6	100	6	Mar	6	Mar	Seaboard Oil & Gas. 5	80c	80c	1 1/2	200	80c	Mar	1 1/2	Mar	
Imp Tob of G B & Ire. £1	11 1/2	11 1/2	700	10 1/2	Jan	11 1/2	Mar	Slams Petroleum. *	10 1/2	10 1/2	12 1/2	31,400	9 1/2	Jan	12 1/2	Jan	
Inland Steel. 25	49 1/2	49 1/2	200	49	Mar	54	Jan	Sinclair Central. 10	3	3	3	100	2 1/2	Mar	3	Mar	
Intercontinental Rubb 100	8	7 1/2	8 1/2	4,100	6	Jan	11 1/2	Feb	Sinclair Con Oil pref. 100	97	97	100	93 1/2	Feb	100	Jan	
Internat Products, com. *	7	6	7	400	4	Feb	7	Mar	Skelly Oil. 10	5	4 1/2	5	8,900	4 1/2	Jan	5 1/2	Jan
Kaiser (Jul) & Co, w l. *	21 1/2	22	2,100	20 1/2	Feb	24 1/2	Mar	South Petrol & Refin. 10	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	1,000	2	Mar	5	Jan	
Kirby Lumber, pref. 100	107 1/2	115	110	107 1/2	Mar	115	Mar	Southwest Oil. 1	2c	2c	2c	4,000	1c	Feb	2c	Jan	
Lehigh Valley Coal Sales 50	66 1/2	66 1/2	20	66	Feb	69 1/2	Jan	Spencer Petrol Corp. 10	1 1/2	1 1/2	2	1,500	75c	Feb	2	Mar	
Libby, McNeill & Libby. 10	5	5	5 1/2	16,100	4 1/2	Jan	7 1/2	Mar	Stanton Oil. 5	16c	17c	3,000	5c	Jan	23c	Mar	
Lincoln Motor Class A. 50	2	2 1/2	1,600	75c	Feb	8 1/2	Jan	Texas Ranger. 5	1c	2c	3,000	1c	Mar	3c	Jan		
Madison Tire. 6	6	7 1/2	75	6	Mar	7 1/2	Mar	Texon Oil & Land. 1	65c	64c	75c	258,000	40c	Jan	75c	Mar	
Morris (Phillip) Co., Ltd. 10	10 1/2	10 1/2	11	4,100	5 1/2	Jan	13 1/2	Feb	Tidal Osage Oil. *	12 1/2	12 1/2	100	10	Jan	14 1/2	Mar	
N Y Transportation. 10	22	22	300	19	Mar	22	Mar	Victoria Oil. 1	75c	80c	200	51c	Jan	1 1/2	Jan		
North Amer Pulp & Paper *	2 1/2	2 1/2	200	2	Jan	3 1/2	Jan	Western States O & G. 1	32c	32c	1,000	22c	Mar	35c	Mar		
Packard Mot Car com. 10	6 1/2	7 1/2	600	5 1/2	Feb	7 1/2	Jan	Whelan Oil. 10	30c	50c	3,700	25c	Mar	50c	Mar		
Parsons Auto Accessories. 1	1	1	300	80c	Jan	2	Jan	Wilcox Oil & Gas. 5	4 1/2	4	4 1/2	15,100	2 1/2	Jan	5	Mar	
Peerless Trk & Mot Corp 50	36	34 1/2	36	500	33 1/2	Feb	37 1/2	Jan	Woodburn Oil Corp. *	75c	65c	75c	2,000	60c	Jan	\$1	Feb
Perfec'n Tire & Rubber. *	3 1/2	3 1/2	3	600	2 1/2	Jan	4 1/2	Mar	"Y" Oil & Gas. 1	20c	19c	21c	45,000	15c	Feb	35c	Jan
Piggly Wiggly Stores A. *	39 1/2	37	39 1/2	75	35	Mar	39 1/2	Mar	Alaska Brit Col Metals. 1	3 1/2	2 1/2	3 1/2	15,100	1 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	Mar
Postum Cereal, com, w l. *	62 1/2	62 1/2	67 1/2	16,500	54 1/2	Feb	67 1/2	Mar	Alvarado Min & Mill. 20	5	5	200	5	Mar	8	Jan	
Preferred w l. 100	103	102 1/2	104	4,800	102	Feb	104	Feb	Anglo-Am Corp of S Afr w l. 1	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	6,000	23	Mar	24 1/2	Mar
Pyrene Mfg. 10	11	9 1/2	11	630	9 1/2	Jan	11	Mar	Belcher Divide. 10c	2c	2c	1,000	1c	Jan	2c	Jan	
Radio Corp of Amer. *	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	110,400	2 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	Mar	Beicher Extension. 4c	4c	7c	85,800	2c	Mar	7c	Mar	
Preferred. 5	3 1/2	3	3 1/2	15,300	2	Jan	3 1/2	Mar	Big Jim Cons. 7c	7c	7c	1,000	3c	Jan	10c	Feb	
Repetit, Inc. 5	50c	60c	1,200	50c	Mar	1 1/2	Mar	Big Ledge Copper Co. 5	20c	20c	22c	35,000	15c	Mar	23c	Jan	
Republic Ry & Lt pref. 100	50	52	20	50	Mar	52	Mar	Boston & Montana Corp 25	1 1/2	1 1/2	3 1/2	92,100	1 1/2	Mar	5	Jan	
Southern Coal & Iron. 1 1/2	1	1 1/2	42,300	75c	Jan	2 1/2	Jan	Boston & Montana Dev. 5	34c	33c	48c	360,700	33	Mar	94	Jan	
Standard Gas & El, pf. 50	44	44	100	44	Mar	44	Mar	Caledonia Mining. 1	6c	5c	7c	10,000	4c	Feb	7c	Jan	
Swift International. 15	20 1/2	20 1/2	22	1,300	20 1/2	Feb	23 1/2	Feb	Calumet & Jerome Cop. 1	20c	24c	18,000	13c	Jan	35c	Feb	
Tenn Ry, L & P, com. 100	2	1 1/2	2 1/2	6,700	1	Feb	2 1/2	Mar	Canada Copper Co. 5	20c	22c	6,000	9c	Mar	40c	Jan	
Preferred. 100	11 1/2	11 1/2	100	10	Jan	11 1/2	Mar	Candalaria Silver. 1	22c	30c	51,100	19c	Jan	30c	Mar		
Tob Prod Exports Corp. *	5 1/2	5 1/2	6	1,700	3	Jan	7 1/2	Feb	Cash Bay Consol. 1	5c	5c	5c	9,000	4c	Feb	6c	Jan
Todd Shipyards Corp. *	74 1/2	73	75	350	70	Jan	80 1/2	Feb	Colorado Consol Min. 1	16	16	25	15	Mar	16	Mar	
Union Carb & Carb. *	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2	100	44	Jan	53 1/2	Mar	Constock Tunnel. 8c	8c	8c	1,000	8c	Mar	8c	Mar	
United Lt & Ry, pref. 100	75	75	25	75	Mar	77 1/2	Jan	Conlagas Min. 1	1 1/2	1 1/2	100	1 1/2	Mar	1 1/2	Mar		

Mining—(Concl.) Par.	Ave. Day Last Sale Price	Week's Range of Prices		Sales for Week Shares	Range since Jan. 1.				
		Low.	High.		Low.	High.	Low.	High.	
Tonopah North Star		3c	4c	6,000	2c	Feb	5c	Jan	
Tri-Hullou S & D	6	7c	7c	1,000	6c	Feb	10c	Feb	
Trinity		2	2 1/2	500	2	Feb	3	Jan	
Tuolumne Copper	1	60c	60c	65c	11,400	45c	Mar	80c	Jan
United Eastern Mining	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	2	20,100	1 1/2	Feb	2 1/2	Jan
United Verde Exten	50c	27 1/2	28	500	27	Mar	29 1/2	Jan	
Unity Gold Mines	5	4	3 1/2	4	800	3 1/2	Jan	5 1/2	Feb
Victory Divide	10c	2c	2c	3,200	2c	Feb	2c	Mar	
Volcano Mining	5 c	46c	53c	44,700	44c	Mar	53c	Mar	
West End Consolidated	5	1 1/2	1	1 1/2	29,200	70c	Feb	1 1/2	Mar
West End Opelia		4c	4c	2,000	3c	Feb	5c	Mar	
White Caps Mining	10c	4c	4c	5c	17,000	3c	Feb	5c	Jan
Yukon Gold Co.	5	1	1	1 1/2	1,200	1	Mar	1 1/2	Jan

Quotations for Sundry Securities.

All bonds prices are "and interest" except where marked "I."

Standard Oil Stocks	Par	Bid.	Ask.	Joint. Strk. Land Bk. Bonds	Par	Bid.	Ask.
Anglo-American Oil new	£1	*17 3/8	17 1/2	Chic Jt Strk Land Bk 5s. 1939	100	100	100
Atlantic Refining	100	92 1/2	95 1/2	5s 1951 opt 1931	101 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2
Preferred	100	111 1/2	115 1/2	5 1/2s 1951 opt 1931	104 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2
Borneo Strymer Co.	100	350	370	RR. Equipments—Per Ct	Basis		
Buckeye Pipe Line Co.	50	*94 1/2	95 1/2	Ach Topeka & Santa Fe 6s	6.65	6.35	6.35
Chesapeake Mfg new	100	192	196	Atlan Coast Line 6s & 6 1/2s	5.70	5.50	5.50
Preferred new	100	111	114	Baltimore & Ohio 4 1/2s & 6s	6.90	6.50	6.50
Continental Oil	100	130	133	Buff Roch & Pitta 4s & 4 1/2s	5.80	5.10	5.10
Crescent Pipe Line Co.	50	*93	94	Equipment 6s	5.75	5.40	5.40
Cumberland Pipe Line	100	140	150	Canadian Pacific 4 1/2s & 6s	6.80	6.40	6.40
Eureka Pipe Line Co.	100	93	95	Caro Clinchfield & Ohio 5s	6.75	5.75	5.75
Galena Signal Oil com	100	15	47	Central of Georgia 4 1/2s	5.00	5.50	5.50
Preferred old	100	110	114	Central RR of N J 6s	5.65	5.35	5.35
Preferred new	100	100	105	Chesapeake & Ohio 6s & 6 1/2s	5.90	5.50	5.50
Illinois Pipe Line	100	174	176	Equipment 5s	5.75	5.50	5.50
Indiana Pipe Line Co.	50	*102	105	Chicago & Alton 4 1/2s, 5s	7.25	6.00	6.00
International Petrol. (no par)		*147 1/2	151 1/2	Chicago Burl & Quincy 6s	5.85	5.40	5.40
National Transit Co.	12.50	*27	28	Chicago & Eastern Ill 5 1/2s	7.00	6.00	6.00
New York Transit Co.	100	174	176	Chicago Ind & Loulev 4 1/2s	6.25	5.50	5.50
Northern Pipe Line Co.	100	106	108	Chicago St Louis & N O 5s	6.75	5.50	5.50
Ohio Oil Co.	25	*273	276	Chicago & N W 4 1/2s	5.70	5.10	5.10
Penn. Mex Fuel Co.	25	*26 1/2	27 1/2	Equipment 6s & 6 1/2s	5.75	5.50	5.50
Prairie Oil & Gas	100	555	565	Chic R I & Pac 4 1/2s, 5s, 6s	5.90	5.50	5.50
Prairie Pipe Line	100	232	235	Colorado & Southern 5s, 6s	5.80	5.60	5.60
Solar Refining	100	340	360	Delaware & Hudson 6s	5.70	5.60	5.60
Southern Pipe Line Co.	100	97	98	Erie 4 1/2s, 5s & 6s	6.20	5.70	5.70
South Penn Oil	100	179	183	Great Northern 6s	6.70	5.50	5.50
Southwest Pa Pipe Lines	100	60	63	Hocking Valley 4 1/2s, 5s & 6s	6.00	5.50	5.50
Standard Oil (California)	25	*91 3/4	96	Illinois Central 4 1/2s, 5s & 6s	6.75	6.35	6.35
Standard Oil (Indiana)	25	*86 3/4	87	Equipment 7s & 8 1/2s	5.75	5.40	5.40
Standard Oil (Kansas)	100	540	560	Kanawha & Mich 4 1/2s, 6s	5.85	5.80	5.80
Standard Oil (Kentucky)	100	480	490	Louisville & Nashville 5s	5.70	5.25	5.25
Standard Oil (Nebraska)	100	165	172	Equipment 6s & 6 1/2s	5.70	5.50	5.50
Standard Oil of New Jer.	25	*175	170 1/2	Mchigan Central 5s, 6s	5.80	5.50	5.50
Preferred	100	114	114 1/2	Min St P & S S M 4 1/2s & 5s	6.00	5.60	5.60
Standard Oil of New Yk.	100	375	378	Equipment 6 1/2s & 7s	6.00	5.65	5.65
Standard Oil (Ohio)	100	390	400	Missouri Kansas & Texas 5s	5.40	5.90	5.90
Preferred	100	115	116	Missouri Pacific 5s	6.25	5.75	5.75
Swan & Finch	100	35	45	Equipment 6s & 6 1/2s	6.00	5.90	5.90
Union Tank Car Co.	100	97	102	Mobile & Ohio 4 1/2s, 5s	6.00	5.50	5.50
Preferred	100	102 1/2	103	New York Central 4 1/2s, 5s	6.70	6.40	6.40
Vacuum Oil	100	350	355	Equipment 6s & 7s	5.75	5.50	5.50
Washington Oil	10	*25	30	N Y Ontario & Western 4 1/2s	6.10	5.70	5.70

Public Utilities

Amer Gas & Elec. com.	50	*142 1/2	144
Preferred	50	*41 3/4	42 3/4
Amer Light & Trac. com.	100	139	141
Preferred	100	95	97
Amer Power & Lt. com.	100	98	99
Preferred	100	85	86
Amer Public Util. com.	100	7	7
Carolina Pow & Lt. com.	100	22	25
Cities Service Co. com.	100	196	198
Preferred	100	50 1/2	60
Colorado Power, com.	100	15	16
Preferred	100	85	88
Com'wth Pow, Ry & Lt.	100	20	22
Preferred	100	50	52
Elec Bond & Share, pref.	100	91 1/4	92 1/4
Federal Light & Trac.	100	17	19 1/2
Preferred	100	66	69
Mississippi Riv Pow, com.	100	19 1/2	20 1/2
Preferred	100	78 1/2	80
First Mtge 5s. 1951 J&J	100	80 1/4	80
S I g deb 7s 1935 M&N	100	99	101
Northern Ohio Elec. (no par)	100	*5 1/2	7
Preferred	100	23 1/2	25 1/2
North States Pow, com.	100	87	89
Preferred	100	91	93
Nor Texas Elec Co. com.	100	92	94
Preferred	100	80	83
Pacific Gas & El, 1st pref	100	86 1/2	88
Puget Sound Pow & Lt.	100	37	39
Preferred	100	98	100
Gen M 7 1/2s 1941 M&N	100	103	105
Republic Ry & Light	100	15	18
Preferred	100	48	50 1/2
South Calif Edison, com.	100	96 1/2	97 1/2
Preferred	100	110 1/2	113
Standard Gas & El (Del.) 5s	100	*14 1/2	15 1/2
Preferred	100	*4 3/4	4 1/2
Tennessee L&P, com.	100	11	13
United Lt & Ry, com.	100	40	42
1st preferred	100	73 1/2	75 1/2
Western Power Corp.	100	28 1/4	28 3/4
Preferred	100	77	79 1/2

* No par value. † Listed on the Stock Exchange this week where additional transactions will be found. ‡ New stock. § When issued. ¶ Dividend. ** Dollars per 1,000 lbs. flat. †† Dollars per 1,000 marks. ‡‡ Correction.

* Per share. † Basis. ‡ For basis. § Also says accrued dividend. ¶ New stock. †† Flat price. ‡‡ Last sale. § Nominal. ¶ 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.	Current Year.	Previous Year.
Alabama & Vicksb.	January	239,526	318,382	239,526	318,382	Missouri Kan & Tex	January	2,139,370	2,925,832	2,139,370	2,925,832
Amer Ry Express	December	146,242.83	210,018.07	160,445.152	154,719.712	Mo K & T Ry of Tex	January	1,583,727	2,463,461	1,583,727	2,462,461
Ann Arbor	4th wk Feb	53,109	79,936	686,016	753,295	Total system	January	3,852,666	5,612,670	3,852,666	5,612,670
Atch Topeka & S Fe	January	1,238,641	1,535,003	12,398,611	15,351,010	Missouri Pacific	January	7,469,339	9,552,310	7,169,339	9,552,310
Gulf Colo & S Fe	January	1,615,391	2,509,046	1,615,391	2,509,046	Mobile & Ohio	2d wk Mar	322,590	361,343	3,233,041	3,918,895
Paohandle S Fe	January	528,484	681,260	528,484	681,260	Columb & Greensv	January	121,148	170,828	121,148	170,828
Atlanta Birm & Atl.	January	273,752	376,141	273,752	376,141	Monongahela Conn.	January	93,186	91,079	93,186	91,079
Atlanta & West Pt.	January	181,562	231,635	181,562	231,635	Nashv Chatt & St L	February	90,652	102,157	167,434	217,831
Atlantic City	January	221,641	217,146	221,641	217,146	Nevada-Calif-Ore	2d wk Mar	2,138	4,255	38,195	63,690
Atlantic Coast Line	January	5,291,044	6,451,142	5,291,044	6,451,142	Nevada Northern	January	17,380	54,085	17,380	54,085
Baltimore & Ohio	January	14,269,760	17,856,152	14,269,760	17,856,152	Newmrbz & Son Sh	January	99,484	151,345	99,484	151,245
B & O Chic Term.	January	201,085	212,227	201,085	212,227	New Or Great Nor.	February	194,261	200,193	388,484	420,803
Bangor & Aroostook	January	678,569	706,172	678,569	706,172	N O Texas & Mexico	January	217,618	301,260	217,618	301,260
Bellefonte Central	January	7,101	7,445	7,101	7,145	Beaum S L & W	January	153,794	255,733	153,794	255,733
Belt Ry of Chicago	January	436,434	456,797	436,434	456,797	St L Browns & M	January	451,011	630,682	451,011	630,682
Bessemer & L Erie	January	559,801	1,010,636	559,804	1,010,636	New York Central	January	24,570,348	27,119,271	24,570,348	27,418,927
Bingham & Garfield	January	9,882	23,512	9,882	23,512	Ind Harbor Belt	January	679,407	837,092	679,407	837,092
Boston & Maine	January	5,769,515	6,120,263	5,769,515	6,120,263	Lake Erie & West	January	682,256	782,645	682,256	782,645
Bklyn E D Term.	January	114,910	86,466	114,910	86,466	Michigan Central	January	5,277,044	6,128,497	5,277,044	6,128,497
Buff Roch & Pittsb.	2d wk Mar	393,032	283,605	3,430,548	3,480,284	Clev C C & St L	January	6,038,126	6,960,699	6,038,126	6,960,692
Huffa & Susq.	January	171,818	273,517	171,818	273,517	Cincinnati North	January	217,686	253,181	217,686	253,181
Canadian Nat Rys.	2d wk Mar	2,250,238	2,379,968	20,141,864	25,948,615	Pitts & Lake Erie	January	1,776,273	2,975,566	1,776,273	2,975,566
Canadian Pacific	2d wk Mar	3,121,000	3,176,000	28,139,000	23,015,000	Tol & Ohio Cent.	January	790,408	887,475	790,408	887,475
Caro Chmch & Ohio	January	599,080	653,044	599,080	653,044	Kanawha & Mich	January	312,141	365,987	312,141	365,987
Central of Georgia	January	1,506,887	1,788,911	1,506,887	1,788,911	N Y Chic & St Louis	January	2,033,735	2,265,037	2,033,735	2,265,037
Central RR of N J	January	3,969,907	4,204,671	3,969,907	4,204,671	N Y Connecting	January	215,193	291,817	215,193	291,817
Cent New England	January	528,074	660,613	528,074	660,613	N Y N H & Harif.	January	8,724,503	8,656,046	8,724,503	8,656,046
Central Vermont	January	460,237	467,006	460,237	467,006	N Y Ont & Western	January	806,303	959,257	806,303	959,257
Charleston & W Ca	January	236,494	251,485	236,494	251,485	N Y Susq & West.	January	324,440	435,828	324,440	435,828
Ches & Ohio Lines	January	5,889,542	7,126,098	5,889,542	7,126,098	Norfolk Southern	January	519,865	537,687	519,865	537,687
Chicago & Alton	January	2,427,480	2,600,000	2,427,480	2,600,000	Norfolk & Western	January	6,027,671	7,436,716	6,027,671	7,436,716
Chic Burl & Quincy	January	11,662,144	13,999,800	11,662,144	13,999,800	Northern Pacific	January	5,987,826	6,460,094	5,987,826	6,460,094
Chicago & East Ill.	January	2,055,635	2,553,942	2,055,635	2,553,942	Northwestern Pac.	January	507,399	479,521	507,399	479,521
Chicago Great West	January	1,630,488	2,036,297	1,630,488	2,036,297	Pennsvly RR & Co.	January	37,322,163	44,717,812	37,322,163	44,717,812
Chic Ind & Louisv.	January	1,146,492	1,229,795	1,146,492	1,229,795	Balt Ches & Atl.	January	71,284	88,799	71,284	88,799
Chicago Junction	January	392,452	423,560	392,452	423,560	Cine Leb & Nor.	January	77,139	86,215	77,139	86,215
Chic Milw & St Paul	January	10,872,247	11,587,656	10,872,247	11,587,656	Grand Rap & Ind	January	588,470	751,653	588,470	751,653
Chic & North West	January	9,974,817	11,789,596	9,974,817	11,789,596	Long Island	January	1,921,303	1,774,881	1,921,303	1,774,881
Chic Peoria & St L	January	191,177	183,940	191,177	183,940	Mary Del & Va	January	56,958	72,421	56,958	72,421
Chic R I & Pac.	January	8,568,236	10,140,227	8,568,236	10,140,227	Monongahela	January	370,639	480,273	370,639	480,273
Chic R I & Gulf.	January	470,312	603,879	470,312	603,879	N Y Phila & Norf	January	405,798	588,498	405,798	588,498
Chic St P M & Om.	January	1,956,525	2,400,185	1,956,525	2,400,185	Tol Peor & West.	January	123,135	158,399	123,135	158,399
Cinc Ind & Western	January	320,079	296,891	320,079	296,891	W Jersey & Seash	January	720,322	839,305	720,322	839,305
Colo & Southern	2d wk Mar	426,827	493,756	4,205,607	5,467,519	Pitts C C & St L	January	6,983,180	9,782,189	6,983,180	9,782,189
Et W & Den City	January	672,831	1,006,213	672,831	1,006,213	Pennsylvania Syst.	January	48,528,909	59,071,523	48,528,909	59,071,523
Trin & Brazos Val	January	463,812	247,958	463,812	247,958	Peoria & Peain Un.	January	141,368	173,668	141,368	173,668
Wichita Valley	January	105,881	157,263	105,881	157,263	Pere Marquette	January	2,435,110	2,404,554	2,435,110	2,404,554
Cumb Vall & Mart.	January	99,189	133,184	99,189	133,184	Perkiomen	January	87,627	119,687	87,627	119,687
Delaware & Hudson	January	3,413,924	4,082,317	3,413,924	4,082,317	Phila & Reading	January	6,120,758	7,873,621	6,120,758	7,873,621
Del Lack & Western	February	6,072,949	6,168,813	12,266,540	13,103,860	Pitts & Shawmut	January	101,105	145,884	101,105	145,884
Deny & Rio Grande	January	2,331,979	2,981,378	2,331,979	2,981,378	Pittsb & West Va	January	225,672	266,735	225,672	266,735
Denver & Salt Lake	January	114,569	201,971	114,569	201,971	Port Reading	January	178,229	260,180	178,229	260,180
Detroit & Mackinac	January	103,264	120,284	103,264	120,284	Quincy Om & K C	January	72,518	105,521	72,518	105,521
Detroit Tol & Iront.	November	681,052	481,032	6,631,658	4,711,939	Rich Fred & Potom	January	751,156	895,499	751,156	895,499
Det & Tol Shore L.	January	267,859	209,384	267,859	209,384	Rutland	January	411,866	511,561	411,866	511,561
Dul & Iron Range	January	99,788	194,650	99,788	194,650	St Jos & Grand Isl'd	January	234,311	257,949	234,311	257,949
Dul Missabe & Nor.	January	126,255	217,143	126,255	217,143	St Louis San Fran.	January	5,881,133	7,035,215	5,881,133	7,035,215
Dul Sou Shore & Atl	2d wk Mar	69,105	84,921	655,810	932,220	Ft W & Rio Grande	January	105,244	150,752	105,244	150,752
Duluth Winn & Pac	January	168,177	327,093	168,177	327,093	St L-S F of Texas	January	138,897	193,699	138,897	193,699
East St Louis Conn.	January	131,813	111,330	131,813	111,330	St Louis Southwest	January	1,321,807	1,519,646	1,321,807	1,519,646
Eastern S S Lines	January	238,983	167,591	238,983	167,591	St L S W of Tex.	January	623,513	632,769	623,513	632,769
Edin Joliet & East.	January	1,467,640	2,602,621	1,467,640	2,602,621	Total system	2d wk Mar	498,448	488,916	4,485,865	5,186,537
El Paso & Sou West	January	753,911	1,087,768	753,911	1,087,768	St Louis Transfer	January	107,087	133,534	107,087	133,534
Erie Railroad	January	7,177,250	8,399,621	7,177,250	8,399,621	San Ant & Arin Pass	January	361,809	477,519	361,809	477,519
Chicago & Erie	January	580,378	875,631	580,378	875,631	San Ant Uvalde & G	January	65,776	94,112	65,776	94,112
N J & N Y RR	January	114,954	111,812	114,954	111,812	Seaboard Air Line	January	3,588,569	4,335,111	3,588,569	4,335,111
Florida East Coast	January	1,209,536	1,549,447	1,209,536	1,549,447	Southern Pacific Co	January	18,635,651	21,889,117	18,635,651	21,889,117
Fonda Johns & Glov	February	120,716	101,834	237,845	214,547	Southern Pacific	January	12,431,735	14,688,080	12,431,735	14,688,080
Ft Smth & Western	January	109,351	185,070	109,351	185,070	Atlantic S S Lines	January	892,223	769,059	892,223	769,059
Galveston Wharf	January	104,897	252,132	104,897	252,132	Arizona Eastern	January	182,385	346,911	182,385	346,911
Georgia Railroad	January	341,318	428,211	341,318	428,211	Galv Harris & S A	January	1,629,592	2,617,565	1,629,592	2,617,565
Georgia & Florida	January	91,672	101,077	91,672	101,077	Hous & Tex Cent.	January	1,413,881	1,106,209	1,413,881	1,106,209
Grand Trunk Syst.	2d wk Mar	1,988,401	1,841,416	18,931,289	20,073,029	Hous E & W Tex.	January	215,655	251,226	215,655	251,226
Atl & St Lawrence	January	277,028	375,973	277,028	375,973	Louisiana Western	January	344,795	406,710	344,795	406,710
Ch DetCanGTJct	January	201,301	203,263	201,301	203,263	Morg La & Texas	January	608,390	783,178	608,390	783,178
Det G H & Milw	January	324,867	335,690	324,867	335,690	Texas & New Or.	January	828,814	801,281	828,814	801,281
Grand Trk West.	January	1,012,782	1,346,786	1,012,782	1,346,786	Southern Railway	2d wk Mar	3,057,336	3,273,870	30,176,418	33,860,159
Great Northern Syst	January	5,8									

Latest Gross Earnings by Weeks.—In the table which follows we sum up separately the earnings for the second week of March. The table covers 19 roads and shows 2.60% decrease in the aggregate over the same week last year:

Table with 5 columns: Second Week of March, 1922., 1921., Increase., Decrease. Lists various railroads and their earnings for February 1922 and 1921, along with percentage changes.

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 6 columns: Gross from Railway, Net from Railway, Net after Taxes, 1922., 1921., 1922., 1921. Lists monthly earnings for various companies like Delaware Lackawanna & Western, Denver & Rio Grande, etc.

* Revised figures. x These figures are for the years of 1921 and 1920.

Electric Railway and Other Public Utility Net Earnings.—The following table gives the returns of ELECTRIC railway and other public utility gross and net earnings with charges and surplus reported this week:

Table with 6 columns: Companies, Current Year, Previous Year, Current Year, Previous Year, Gross Earnings, Net after Taxes, Fixed Charges, Balance Surplus. Lists earnings for companies like Appalachian Power, Arkansas Light & Power, etc.

Table with 5 columns: Gross Earnings, Net after Taxes, Fixed Charges, Balance Surplus. Lists earnings for Texas Elec Ry, Texas Pow & Lt, and United Gas & Elec Corp.

* Fixed charges include interest and dividends on outstanding Preferred stocks of constituent companies. z After allowing for other income received.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Annual, &c., Reports.—The following is an index to all annual and other reports of steam railroads, street railways and miscellaneous companies published since and including Feb. 25.

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

Full-face figures indicate reports published at length.

Index of financial reports with columns for Steam Roads, Industrial Co's, and page numbers. Lists reports for various companies like Canadian Pacific Ry, Lee Rubber & Tire Corp, etc.

Alabama Great Southern R.R.

(Preliminary Report for Calendar Year 1921.)

INCOME STATEMENT FOR YEARS ENDING DEC. 31.

1920.		1921.		1920.		1921.	
Freight revenue	\$8,236,856	\$6,910,461	Net rev. from op.	\$2,522,647	\$1,345,905	Taxes	489,540
Passenger revenue	2,501,211	2,035,374	Uncollec. ry. rev.	1,126	2,731	Equip. & joint facility rents	Cr. 146,676
Mall, express, &c.	850,738	596,390	Ry. oper. inc.	\$2,178,657	\$1,020,786	Other income	427,697
Gross oper. rev.	\$11,588,805	\$9,542,225	Total gross income	\$1,448,483	402,606	Deductions from gross inc.	402,606
Expenses—			Int. on mtgd., bonded and secured debt	510,787		Balance of income over charges and deductions	\$535,090
Maint. of way, &c.	\$1,315,992	\$1,177,062					
Maint. of equip.	2,574,169	1,933,306					
Traffic expenses	235,288	272,161					
Transportation exp.	4,545,520	4,426,152					
Gen'l. &c., exps.	395,189	387,639					
Total oper. exp.	\$9,066,158	\$8,196,320					

—V. 114, p. 76.

Cincinnati New Orleans & Texas Pacific Ry.

(Preliminary Report for Calendar Year 1921.)

INCOME STATEMENT FOR YEARS ENDING DEC. 31.

1920.		1921.		1920.		1921.	
Freight revenue	\$15,071,456	\$12,586,859	Net rev. from op.	4,297,538	2,391,208	Taxes	971,319
Passenger revenue	4,354,644	3,516,637	Uncollec. ry. rev.	1,382	8,086	Equip. & joint facility rents	Cr. 772,445
Mall, exp., &c.	1,432,459	1,066,949	Ry. oper. inc.	4,097,232	1,942,444	Other income	276,869
Gross oper. revs.	\$20,858,559	\$17,170,445	Total gross income	2,219,313	2,219,313	Deduct. from gross income	1,362,133
Expenses—			Int. on equip. obligations	153,645		Balance of income over charges and deductions	703,535
Maint. of way, &c.	2,348,869	2,326,988					
Maint. of equip.	5,535,916	4,359,476					
Traffic expenses	329,151	364,131					
Transportation exps.	7,720,432	7,107,572					
Gen'l. &c., exps.	626,603	631,070					
Tot. oper. exps.	\$16,561,021	\$14,789,237					

—V. 114, p. 737, 625.

New Orleans & Northeastern R.R.

(Preliminary Report for Calendar Year 1921.)

INCOME STATEMENT FOR YEARS ENDING DEC. 31.

1920.		1921.		1920.		1921.	
Freight revenue	\$5,597,590	\$4,677,467	Net rev. from op.	\$1,130,722	\$475,120	Taxes	535,182
Passenger revenue	1,327,662	1,058,115	Uncollec. ry. rev.	1,287	9,155	Equip. & joint facility rents	Cr. 9,214
Mall, express, &c.	802,864	594,004	Ry. oper. inc.	\$603,467	\$259,591	Other income	661,484
Gross oper. revs.	\$7,728,116	\$6,329,586	Total gross income	\$401,893	\$401,893	Deduct. from gross income	103,134
Expenses—			Int. on mtgd., bond. & sec. d't	405,638		Deficit for year	\$106,878
Maint. of way, &c.	\$1,240,655	\$1,013,152					
Maint. of equip.	1,595,928	1,268,433					
Traffic expenses	135,571	150,202					
Transportation exps.	3,349,268	3,153,312					
Gen'l. &c., exps.	275,972	269,367					
Total oper. exps.	\$6,597,394	\$5,854,466					

—V. 113, p. 2076.

Public Service Corporation of New Jersey.

(13th Annual Report—Year ending Dec. 31 1921.)

The remarks of President Thomas N. McCarter will be found at length on subsequent pages, together with the income account and balance sheets of the company and its subsidiaries, and numerous interesting statistical tables covering a number of years.

EARNINGS OF PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATION OF NEW JERSEY AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES FOR YEARS ENDING DEC. 31.

	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Gross earnings of leased and controlled cos.	\$75,311,508	\$72,318,087	\$59,136,763	\$52,997,839
Oper exp. and taxes	51,769,628	52,360,894	40,821,282	33,824,826
Amortization charges	4,893,957	3,237,529	2,803,808	3,113,559
Net earnings	\$18,647,923	\$16,719,664	\$15,511,673	\$16,059,454
Non-operative income	238,258	241,255	344,229	472,518
P. S. Corp. of N. J.—				
Income from securities pledged (excl. divs. on stks. of op. cos.) & from misc. sources	1,859,057	*1,859,106	1,952,883	1,891,667
Total	\$20,745,238	\$18,820,025	\$17,808,784	\$18,423,639
Deduct—				
Bd., &c., int. of sub. cos.	\$12,856,151	\$12,324,889	\$12,443,377	\$12,320,529
Fixed charges of Public Service Corp. of N. J.	4,294,458	4,276,728	4,351,506	4,282,680
Net income	\$3,594,629	\$2,218,408	\$1,013,902	\$1,820,430
Adjustments	Deb 107,986	Cr. 18,657	Deb 406,537	Cr. 841,866
Common divs. paid	(4%) 1,200,000	(4) 1,199,984	(4½) 1,399,882	(6) 1,799,976
Preferred divs.	(8%) 1,835,739	(8) 681,758	(62-3) 468,918	
Bal., sur. or def.	\$1,450,904 sur	\$355,321 def	\$1,211,536 sur	\$862,320

* After deducting in 1921 \$320,136, in 1920 \$278,045 and in 1919 \$207,968 for expenses and taxes.

Note.—The directors on March 21 increased the annual rate on the Com. stock from \$4 to \$6 by the declaration of a quarterly dividend of 1½%.

PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATION BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.

1921.		1920.		1921.		1920.	
Assets—				Liabilities—			
Perpetual interest-bearing certifs.	\$943,288	\$917,835	Common stock	30,000,000	30,000,000	Preferred stock	11,809,200
Securs. of substd. and leased cos.	104,113,962	104,003,517	Gen. M. 5% bonds	50,000,000	50,000,000	20-yr. sec. 7% bds.	10,000,000
Other securities	53,488	105,736	Perpetual interest-bearing certifs.	20,086,950	20,050,770	3-yr. 7% conv. notes	8,237,000
Special deposits	8,554,767		8% Cum. Pref. stk. subsc.	1,198,600		Adv. from oth. cos.	383,387
Gen. M. 5s in treas.	12,500,000	12,500,000	Bills payable		38,000	Accounts payable	100,734
Miscell. invest'ns.	1,750	101,750	Accrued taxes	2,295	2,283	Accrued interest	910,784
Gen. M. 5s sk. fd. (par \$1,500,000)	1,275,000	1,275,000	Other acer. items	126,789	109,922	Prem. on stks. res.	1,500
Advances to cos.	170,000	560,000	Contractual res.	242,962	303,111	Profit and loss	2,971,477
Real estate, &c.	181,911	181,911					
Cash	148,938	339,739					
Accts. receivable	19,766	11,237					
Subsc. to 8% Cum. Pref. stock	664,295						
Prepayments	15,188	18,028					
Int. & divs. rec'le	166,232	157,497					
Sinking fund	2,455,325	2,106,219					
Other spec. funds	566,480	472,468					
Unamortized debt discount & exp.	4,241,284	3,952,506					
Total	\$136,071,677	\$126,703,443	Total	\$136,071,677	\$126,703,443		

—V. 114, p. 1181.

Long Island Railroad.

(Preliminary Statement for Fiscal Year ending Dec. 31 1921.)

The "Information Bulletin" issued periodically by the management of the Long Island R.R. Co. to promote a better understanding of local and general railroad problems among patrons and employees reports under date of Feb. 10:

The Employees.—The wage reductions made on July 1 1921 represented only a small part of the increases which were made during the war period. The total payrolls covering operation, maintenance and construction for 1921 aggregated \$15,091,883, as compared with \$16,867,426 in 1920 and \$7,220,794 in 1917.

The Public.—Outside of the old city limits of Brooklyn and Long Island City, a thorough canvass by the company shows that 19,771 buildings were constructed during 1921, against 9,227 in 1920, 8,860 in 1919, 1,615 in 1918, 4,892 in 1917 and 8,890 in 1916. Every town, village and hamlet on Long Island increased in population in 1921 according to the statistics. The train operation record shows that 91.3% of all trains operated during the year were on time, as compared with 85.3% in 1920.

Passengers & Fares.—Approximately 75,300,000 passengers were carried by the Long Island system during the year, viz.:

1. Commuters (at average rate of 0.77 cents per mile, 37,040,460, or 49.0%.
2. Local electric (Atlantic Ave.) at average rate of 1.56 cents per mile, 7,720,935, or 10.2%.
3. Others not included in 1 and 2 (at average rate of 2.63 cents per mile), 30,714,650, or 40.8%.

The average rate per mile paid by each passenger was 1.582 cents, while the actual cost to handle each passenger per mile was 1.534 cents.

On Jan. 29 1921 the regulatory bodies and the courts allowed an increase of 20% in all the one-way and round-trip fares (or 40.2% of the total passenger traffic handled by the road). There was no change in the commutation and family trip fares, although a 20% increase was made in these fares on all the lines operating between N. Y. City and points in New Jersey.

A comparison of present commutation fares on the Long Island system, from Flatbush Ave., Brooklyn, and Long Island City with the average fares on the five New Jersey lines, shows the Long Island below such fares from 12% to 30%, as applied to zones ranging from 5 to 70 miles. Compared with New Jersey, therefore, Long Island commuters in 1921 profited to the extent of 20%, or over \$1,000,000.

The commuters carried by the road purchased a total of 586,690 tickets during the year, as compared with 484,953 in 1920, 367,957 in 1919, and 226,391 in 1915. These figures point out how Long Island is growing, and emphasizes how necessary it is for the railroad to make extensions, purchase new equipment, &c., to keep up with this rapid growth.

In Dec. 1921 the directors authorized the construction of 50 new steel passenger coaches at a cost of \$1,200,000, if possible, before the peak of the 1922 summer travel.

The repeal of the war tax on passenger and freight transportation, will save Long Island R.R. patrons a \$1,500,000 in 1922, as compared with 1921.

Pullman tickets are now obtainable at 22 Long Island stations, and arrangements have been made for checking baggage from Long Island stations direct to residences in N. Y. City and Brooklyn.

Seasonal Fluctuations.—During January to May, inclusive, and October, November and December (8 months), the Long Island system lost about \$1,865,000 from its passenger traffic. In June, July, August and September (4 months), the road made a profit of about \$2,122,000, leaving a net profit for the 12 months of about \$257,000. Expense figures applied to passenger service include taxes, but do not include interest on the capital invested. This profit should have been \$1,800,000, in order to place the road on a sound financial basis.

Freight carried to and from Long Island points decreased 314,290 tons, as compared with 1920. A number of local freight rates advanced in 1920, were reduced during the year. Statistics show that the railroad made no profit from freight operations from January to July, inclusive, notwithstanding the higher freight rates as compared with former years.

After July the results from wage reductions and economies generally were reflected in a profit from freight operations, so that after charging out cost of operation and taxes allocated to freight service, the profit for the year will amount to around \$1,000,000. This profit should have been \$1,860,000 in order to put the road on a sound financial basis.

Fiscal Results—Deferred Maintenance.—The financial results from operation in 1921 were fairly satisfactory. The company closed the year with a small surplus after paying taxes and fixed charges, but the strictest kind of economy was practiced particularly during the last five or six months.

The company had to make ends meet, because in these times it is not possible to borrow money to meet deficits from operation, maintenance, improvements, &c., were cut down to the lowest possible minimum consistent with safe operation. Holding maintenance expenditures down means merely awaiting the availability of ready cash.

Under the Transportation Act this railroad is entitled to earn a 6% net operating return on approximately \$95,000,000, or \$5,700,000. In 1921, due to economies, wage reductions, &c., coupled with an increase in passenger traffic, the company had net railway operating income of \$3,311,214, leaving a shortage of \$2,388,786.

Earnings.—A profit of \$257,000 from passenger traffic, a profit of \$1,000,000 from freight traffic added to the net earnings from other sources, made up the amount which paid fixed charges of about \$3,939,847 and left a surplus of about \$693,602, or about 2% on the Capital stock.

The stockholders have received no dividends for 25 years, and none can be declared until a large profit and loss deficit, which has accumulated due to losses of the past has been wiped out.

These figures show what a narrow margin the road has to play on. With a 20% increase on 40.2% of its traffic, it was able to make a profit from passenger traffic, for 12 months, of only \$257,000.

The gross operating earnings, \$28,720,910, were expended as follows: (1) for train and station service, 47.7%; (2) for maintaining equipment, 17.3%; (3) for maintaining track, buildings, signals, electric lines, &c., 11.5%; (4) taxes, 5.3%; (5) expenses of administration of all departments, hire of equipment, joint facility rents, uncollectible revenue and general and miscellaneous expenses, 6.4%; total, 88.2%.

This leaves 11.8 cents out of every dollar taken in to go toward payment of interest on bonds, equipment notes, floating debts, &c.—V. 114, p. 1063.

Chicago Railway Company.

(14th Annual Report—Year ended Jan. 31 1921.)

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR YEARS ENDING JAN. 31.

	1921-22.	1920-21.	1919-20.
Gross earnings	\$60,343,733	\$55,327,385	\$43,963,438
Operating expenses	46,516,150	43,300,393	33,254,015
Residue receipts	\$13,827,583	\$12,026,992	\$10,709,423
Chicago Railways (60%)	\$8,296,519	\$7,216,195	\$6,425,654
South Side Lines (40%)	5,531,033	4,810,797	4,283,769
(2) Statement of Chicago Rys. Co.—			
Chicago Railways (60%)	\$8,296,519	\$7,216,195	\$6,425,654
Joint account exps. & adjustments	290,000	84,834	56,371
Balance	\$8,006,519	\$7,131,361	\$6,369,283
Deduct—Int. at 5% on valuation	4,615,862	4,580,658	4,541,539
Net income	\$3,390,657	\$2,550,703	\$1,827,744
Chicago Railways (45%)	\$1,525,809	\$1,147,816	\$822,485
5% on investment	4,615,862	4,580,658	4,541,539
Miscellaneous interest	195,451	145,653	119,080
Gross income	\$6,337,124	\$5,874,127	\$5,483,104
Deduct—			
Total interest on bonds	\$4,725,386	\$4,742,259	\$4,744,888
Interest on loans	123,232	126,171	115,839
Sinking fund reserve accrued	250,000	250,000	250,000
Loss on securities		107,437	
Federal income tax on int. coupons	42,000	42,000	42,000
Corporation expenditures & adjustments	131,100	142,761	147,916
Net income for interest, &c.	\$1,065,105	\$463,587	\$182,461
Previous surplus	508,174	44,588	37,126
Deduct—			
Int. on adj. inc. bds. for prev. years	100,000		
Proportion of percentages allowed on additions to property			175,000
Total profit and loss surplus	\$1,473,580	\$508,175	\$44,588

John A. Spoor has been elected a director of the South Side companies to succeed E. R. Bliss, resigned.—V. 1

Chicago City Railway Company.

(Report for Fiscal Year Ending Jan. 31 1922.)

Chairman Leonard A. Busby, Chicago, March 16, wrote in substance:

Results.—Gross earnings of the Chicago Surface Lines amounted to \$60,343,733, operating expenses \$16,516,150, leaving "residue receipts" (which include the city's 55%) of \$43,827,583, divisible 60% or \$8,296,550 to the Chicago Railways Co. and 40% or \$5,531,033 to the South Side Lines, namely, the Chicago City Railway Co., the Southern Street Ry. Co. and the Calumet & South Chicago Ry. Co.

While gross earnings, due to the 8c. fare, were the largest ever earned, operating expenses, due mainly to the wage increase of June 1 1920, were also the largest. Increased wages and higher costs of operating material and supplies, since we entered the World War in 1917, have absorbed substantially all of the increase in revenue due to increase in fares.

Wages and Rate of Return 1917 and 1922.—In 1916-17 the maximum wage for trainmen was 39 cents per hour; the present scale is 80 cents per hour; in 1916-17 operating wages amounted to \$12,019,113, or 55.28% of our total operating costs; in 1921-22 operating wages rose to \$30,967,702, or 66.58% of our total operating costs. The rate of return to the companies on the City Purchase Price was practically the same, being almost exactly 6 1/2% for each year.

It is perfectly evident from these facts that a decrease in the present rate of fare will necessarily involve a decrease in our present wage scales, unless the investors, whose money was used to build these properties, are to be deprived of a fair return on their investment—a procedure which is not only contrary to the provisions of the Illinois Commerce Act, but which has been repeatedly condemned and enjoined by the Courts as confiscatory and in violation of the Constitution of the United States.

Dividends and Surplus.—After payment of operating expenses and bond interest, the property of the Chicago City Ry. Co. produced a net income of \$1,759,928, an increase over last year of \$274,779. Four quarterly dividends of 1 1/2% each, or 6% on the \$18,000,000 of capital stock, were paid amounting to \$1,080,000. The remainder of the net earnings, amounting to \$679,928, were carried to surplus, which Dec. 31 1921 amounted to \$1,539,611, as against \$859,683 in 1920. During the year the company paid off \$750,000 of its bank loans, which represented capital expenditures in previous years.

Cash Reserve.—This fund for renewals and replacements stands at \$4,260,561. Since July 1 1920 the 8% of the gross receipts, amounting to \$2,772,169, has been paid into a "Special Renewal and Equipment Fund" under an order of the Public Utilities Commission entered July 31 1920. There has been paid out of this special fund for current renewals \$2,279,656, and for 40 new trailer cars \$348,828, leaving a balance of \$143,685 in the fund.

Capital Outlay.—Capital expenditures required by ordinance amounted to \$90,513, but there was a decrease of \$146,556 in the amount of our material and supplies carried in capital account, making the so-called "City Purchase Price" at Jan. 31 1922 \$54,949,651, as compared with \$55,005,694 at Jan. 31 1921. No extensions were built during the year, but 13.26 miles of single track were reconstructed. Total miles of single track Dec. 31 was 332.45.

The 5-Cent Fare Order of Nov. 23 1921.—On July 8 1921 the Mayor of the City of Chicago and others filed petitions with the Illinois Commerce Commission asking the restoration of the 5-cent fare. Hearings were held Oct. 4 to Nov. 4 1921. Late on Nov. 23 the Commission entered a 5-cent fare order, effective at 12:01 a. m. Nov. 25. On Nov. 24 at our instance the U. S. District Court in Chicago granted a temporary injunction to restrain the enforcement of the 5-cent fare order. Three Federal Judges on Jan. 9 1922 held that, upon the facts set forth in the bill, the 5-cent fare was confiscatory. (See full statement, V. 114, p. 304.)

A temporary injunction was thereupon issued, restraining the enforcement of the Commission's order, and the case is now pending on final hearing.

The repeated attacks by the city and State administrations have seriously impaired the companies' credit, and prevented them from obtaining, on permissible terms, the new money needed for capital improvements.

Unified System Necessary.—Until there is provided a unified system of surface, elevated and subway lines, in substantial conformity with the physical plan and recommendations contained in the Chicago Traction and Subway Commission report of Dec. 15 1916, there can be no practical or satisfactory solution of the problem of furnishing local transportation facilities adequate to the needs of the city.

Recently the City Council, realizing the seriousness of present conditions, has taken independent action with reference to the construction of a subway, which can be made part of a unified surface, elevated and subway system. This company stands ready at all times to assist in working out such a plan. We hope that the not distant future will offer an opportunity for solving the problem and settling all controversies on a sound economic basis, to the mutual advantage of the public and the owners of the property.

The comparative income account was given in the "Chronicle" of Mar. 18, on page 1178.

Balance sheet of Chicago City Ry. Co. Jan. 31.

Assets—		Liabilities—	
1922.	1921.	1922.	1921.
\$	\$	\$	\$
Par. price of prop.		Cap. stock equity	19,539,611
In terms of ord.	54,949,651	1st M. 5% gold bds	33,926,000
Accounts receiv.	7,398	Notes payable	1,630,745
Real estate	14,000	Accts. payable, &c.	873,255
Cash on hand	998,682		902,897
Total	55,969,641	Total	55,969,641
	56,069,324		56,069,324

—V. 114, p. 1178.

Pacific Gas & Electric Company.

(Preliminary Statement for Fiscal Year ended Dec. 31 1921.)

The preliminary statement for the calendar year 1921, issued yesterday, says:

For more than two years the company has had a large force engaged in making an intensive and detailed appraisal of its properties. This work is now practically finished and on the basis of average labor and material costs for the five years ended Dec. 31 1919 gives a valuation of approximately \$200,000,000, as compared with total outstanding bond and stock capitalization at Dec. 31 1921 of \$188,000,000.

Labor and materials as of Jan. 1 1922 were about 13% higher than this five year average and would produce a present day valuation of properties of approximately \$210,000,000. These values include not working assets but an exclusive of water rights and land appurtenant thereto and also exclusive of "going concern" value of the franchises and other intangible elements of value generally recognized in court proceedings involving valuation of public utility properties.

PRELIMINARY INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1921 (SHOWING INCREASE OVER 1920)

	1921	Increase
Gross operating expenses, including Federal taxes	\$17,509,707	\$2,573,915
	21,279,085	821,135
Net income	\$13,230,622	\$1,024,170
Int. & amort. of bond discount & expenses	5,192,311	3,135,575
Reserve for depreciation	3,069,058	280,000
Dividends on Preferred stock (6%)	2,137,783	344,500
Dividends on Common stock (5%)	1,700,204	
Balance, surplus	\$1,130,744	\$692,819

—V. 114, p. 1070.

United States Steel Corporation.

(20th Annual Report—Year Ending Dec. 31 1921.)

The annual report, signed by Elbert H. Gary, Chairman of the Board, will be found at length on subsequent pages of to-day's "Chronicle" under "Reports and Documents," together with many important tables of operations, balance sheet, &c.

INCOME ACCOUNT, INCLUDING SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES.

	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Gross sales and earnings	986,749,719	1,755,477,025	1,448,557,835	1,744,312,163
Mfg. cost and oper. exp.	837,664,039	1,402,488,960	1,140,988,637	1,178,032,666
Administration, selling & general expenses, excl. gen. exp. of trans. cos.	30,710,764	35,945,537	31,632,076	29,786,576
Taxes (ordinary)	37,683,727	38,724,289	29,594,337	23,367,214
Estimated Federal taxes		37,500,000	52,000,000	274,277,835
Commercial disc'ts & int.	5,756,375	10,849,880	9,062,142	9,646,361
Total expenses	911,814,904	1,525,508,666	1,263,277,192	1,515,110,651
Balance	74,934,815	229,968,359	185,280,642	229,201,512
Misc. net mfg. gains	3,109,971	5,726,463		
Adjustment inven. value		deb 14,385,649	2,840,639	3,402,410
Rentals received	1,196,190	991,570	323,282	255,568
Compensation accrued		2,179,000	15,582,724	15,610,511
Total net income	79,240,976	224,479,742	204,027,288	248,370,000
Net profits of prop. owned whose oper. are not incl. Int., &c., on investments and on deposits, &c.	175,554	321,346	381,795	349,192
Prov. res. fr. prof. of sub. RRs.	deb 459,078			
Deprec. on book value of U. S. bonds & securities		(dr) 9,780,770		
Total income	91,349,891	231,219,507	217,173,443	269,676,336
Net bal. profits sub. cos.	Cr. 9,441,389	deb. 9,624,147	Cr. 12,125,446	deb. 1,098,232
Total	100,791,280	221,595,360	229,298,889	268,578,104
Deduct—				
Accr. est. sum due U. S. by sub. railroads		4,500,000		
Reserve for excessive cost of inventory		5,000,000	38,710,396	20,297,000
Propor. of extraordinary cost of facil's installed			27,000,000	38,297,854
Int. on bonds & mortgages subsidiary companies	8,065,222	8,408,461	8,701,577	8,930,424
Net earnings	92,726,058	176,686,899	143,589,062	199,350,680
Deduct Charges, &c.—				
Depr. & extraor. replac't; also sink. fds. on bonds of subsidiary cos.	27,905,045	38,245,602	37,603,819	33,117,398
Charged off for adjustm't	Cr. 1,038,230	Cr. 632,536	Cr. 194,219	Cr. 629,454
Int. on U. S. Steel Corp. bds.	19,679,582	20,105,560	20,509,321	20,891,116
Sinking fund, &c., U. S. Steel Corp.	9,582,807	9,155,990	8,751,526	8,369,107
Prem. on bds. red. sub. cos.	27,836	118,104	119,032	70,135
Approp. for add'l property and construction		30,000,000		
Amortiz'n of war facilities				12,215,000
Preferred dividend (7%)	25,219,677	25,219,677	25,219,677	25,219,677
Common dividend	25,415,125	25,415,127	25,415,125	71,162,350
do annual rate	(5%)	(5%)	(5%)	(14%)
Total deductions	106,743,842	147,627,472	117,429,281	170,415,329
Balance	deb 14,017,784	sur 29,059,427	sur 26,159,781	sur 28,935,350

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET OF UNITED STATES STEEL CORPORATION AND ITS SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES DEC. 31.

	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Assets—				
Prop. owned & oper. by the several companies	1,644,795,075	1,606,758,546	1,673,661,547	1,563,937,123
Advanced m'g' royalties	24,673,016	22,821,049	21,636,489	20,562,090
Deferred charges, future operations, &c.	3,196,380	3,007,805	2,220,398	1,751,649
Mining royalties	31,234,352	31,196,919	32,559,197	33,912,076
Cash held by trustees on account of bond sinking funds (in 1921, \$146,730,000 par value of redeemed bonds held by trustees not treated as an asset)	1,407,010	1,208,653	1,062,732	1,638,663
Depos. with trust. of mtgs. (proceeds from sale of property)			93,297	1,298,319
Inv. outside real estate & other property owned	14,172,688	14,059,825	8,745,227	4,947,973
Depr. & insur. fund assets & purch. bonds avail'le for future bond sinking fund requirements	34,006,247	38,393,240	42,024,684	49,723,127
Inventories	241,504,370	258,363,497	226,796,678	274,753,600
Accounts receivable	63,643,028	138,724,743	88,192,692	113,810,679
Bills receivable	7,586,968	10,687,974	4,613,308	3,045,076
Agents' balances	1,452,967	1,750,563	1,271,397	4,456,994
Sundry marketable securities (incl. U. S. Liberty bonds & Treas. certifs.)	131,462,691	150,350,617	159,069,671	277,745,969
True bank deposits & secured demand loans	6,924,463	869,807	869,807	15,860,807
Due from U. S. Mt. Adm.		17,962,307	24,755,028	19,647,696
Cash	116,856,843	123,660,955	166,720,806	173,806,259
Contingent fund & m'c.	16,189,212	10,730,461	10,983,420	10,710,074
Total assets	2,339,105,310	2,430,546,962	2,365,882,382	2,571,617,176
Liabilities—				
Common stock	508,302,500	508,302,500	508,302,500	508,302,500
Preferred stock	360,281,100	360,281,100	360,281,100	360,281,100
Bonds held by public	540,700,561	554,828,231	508,727,932	582,646,169
Stocks sub. cos. not held by U. S. Steel Corp. (par value)	405,643	421,442	431,343	434,043
Non interest bearing notes subsidiary companies	31,234,352	31,196,919	32,559,197	33,912,076
Mtgs. of subsidiary cos.	158,207	200,402	171,153	174,800
Treas. debt sub. cos.			See footnote 1 below.	
Par. mon. debt of sub. cos.	10,000	37,768	65,537	53,095
Mining royalty notes		127,282	254,504	381,847
Current accounts payable and pay rolls	39,694,094	73,541,862	61,487,954	68,687,048
Employees' int. fallments on Liberty bonds			4,600,396	15,220,873
Accr. taxes not due (incl. reserves for Fed. taxes)	24,446,945	63,993,970	70,574,346	288,078,866
Accrued interest and un-paid coupons, &c.	7,448,810	7,480,702	7,692,807	8,040,371
Preferred stock dividend	6,304,919	6,304,919	6,304,919	6,304,919
Common stock dividend	6,333,781	6,141,781	6,333,781	11,430,800
Appr. for add'n's & constr. insurance funds	140,898,914	140,898,914	110,898,914	110,898,914
Contingent, res. & other reserve funds	26,580,280	27,310,268	20,629,084	19,246,356
Undiv. surp. of U. S. Steel Corp. & subsidiary cos.	508,926,958	623,451,891	493,048,202	460,888,421
Total liabilities	2,339,105,310	2,430,546,962	2,365,882,382	2,571,617,176

Note—That part of the surplus of subsidiary companies representing profits accrued on sales of materials and products to other subsidiary companies and on bond in factors' inventories is in the above balance sheets deducted from the amount of inventories included under current assets. A Capital obligations of subsidiary companies aggregating \$27,072,000 are authorized or created for capital expenditures made and held in treasury subject to sale, but not included in assets or liabilities—V. 114, p. 1072, 637.

Western Electric Company.

(Report for Fiscal Year Ending Dec. 31 1921.)

The remarks of President Charles G. Du Bois, together with the income account and balance sheet as of Dec. 31 1921, will be found under "Reports and Documents," on a subsequent page of this issue.

RESULTS FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

(Including the Owned Subsidiaries, Western Electric Co., Inc., of Delaware, and Western Electric Co., Inc., of California.)

	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Sales	189,764,814	206,111,680	135,722,489	145,226,119
Other income	2,892,499	1,747,077	854,578	664,919
Gross income	192,657,313	207,858,757	136,577,067	145,891,038
Cost of merchandise	168,565,875	183,511,734	118,420,440	128,219,691
Expenses	12,207,613	14,321,434	10,986,139	9,999,965
Taxes	1,717,488	1,748,175	1,518,399	1,520,533
Net income	10,166,337	8,277,414	5,652,089	6,150,849
Interest paid	5,842,340	4,037,645	1,263,180	1,540,528
Reserve for contingenc's				1,000,000
Spec. pay't to employees				100,000
Prof. divs. (6%)	xNopfstkout	315,000	1,800,000	1,800,000
Common dividends	(\$10)3,500,000	(10)3,000,000	(10)1,500,000	(10)1,500,000
Balance, surplus	823,997	894,769	1,088,909	210,321

x Dividends on Preferred stock to date of its retirement March 9 1920.

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31.

Assets—	1921.	1920.	Liabilities—	1921.	1920.
Real est. & bldgs	19,354,501	17,174,836	Prof. stock	a-----	-----
Mach'y & equip.	26,215,335	20,663,477	Com. stock (no par value)	b58,773,450	57,949,453
Merchandise	58,978,025	72,209,721	First Mtge. bds., 5% due 1922.	15,000,000	15,000,000
Cash	13,262,880	7,825,257	Bills payable	29,050,000	41,550,000
Trade accept'ces	573,474	1,869,307	Conv. 7% gold bonds	28,600,000	27,000,000
Trus. & employ. bond pur. plan	465,464	1,066,751	Bills pay., accr. by Lib. bonds		1,200,000
Bills receivable	779,019	848,378	Acc'ts payable	13,586,093	14,563,466
Acc'ts receivable	39,035,927	44,012,698	Trade accep. dis	448,456	1,082,384
Lib. bonds (market value)		1,193,220	Res'v'e for depr.	27,924,413	24,021,005
Market'le sec's	833,268		Res'v'e for empl. benefit fund.	1,600,000	1,600,000
Sundry invest'ns (market val.)	2,315,471	2,703,265	Res'v'e for cont.	4,819,005	4,617,888
Internat. West'n Elec. Co., Inc	17,988,053	19,017,286			
Total	179,801,417	188,584,196	Total	179,801,417	188,584,196

a Preferred stock 7% authorized, 500,000 shares; none outstanding.
b Common stock, authorized, 500,000 shares, no par value, of which 350,000 are issued.—V. 114, p. 1195.

Consolidated Gas, Elec. Light & Pow. Co. of Baltimore.

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Dec. 31 1921.)

The remarks of President Herbert A. Wagner, together with the income account and balance sheet as of Dec. 31 1921, will be found under "Reports and Documents," on a subsequent page of this issue.

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Gross income from elec-tric sales	\$9,694,054	\$9,385,888	\$7,760,293	\$6,044,633
Gross income from gas sales	6,911,956	6,003,556	5,019,827	4,444,917
Miscellaneous income	6,378	44,013	33,497	130,039
Total gross income	\$16,612,388	\$15,433,458	\$12,813,617	\$10,619,589
Oper. expenses and taxes	10,584,582	10,451,791	8,012,906	6,415,684
Net earnings	\$6,027,806	\$4,981,667	\$4,800,711	\$4,203,905
Fixed charges (incl. Int. and Pref. divs. on sub-companies' issues)	2,963,761	2,475,192	2,283,622	2,071,340
Net income	\$3,064,045	\$2,506,474	\$2,517,089	\$2,132,565
Dividends	1,218,726	1,168,643	1,162,026	1,150,864
Gross surplus	\$1,845,319	\$1,337,831	\$1,355,063	\$981,701
Res. for depr (renew'ls)	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$925,000	\$725,000
Reserve for contingencies			394,000	250,000
Surplus for the year	\$745,319	\$237,831	\$36,063	\$6,701

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31.

Assets—	Consol'd 1921.	Co. Proper. 1920.	Liabilities—	Consol'd 1921.	Co. Proper. 1920.
Plant, equip., real est., fran., &c.	79,502,161	52,631,984	Capital stock—		
Unfin. plant invest	197,232	1,019,382	Co.'s common	14,610,200	14,608,700
Stocks, bonds, &c.	208,563	6,786,988	Co.'s Pref. "A"	3,200,000	-----
Construc. funds in hands of trustees	555,661	-----	Balt El. Co. pref	1,000,000	-----
Cash	3,413,333	1,849,893	Public Serv. Bldg Co., pref.	700,000	-----
Acc'ts & notes rec.	2,416,981	3,182,248	Bonds, term notes, &c.	59,901,000	42,181,100
Inventories	2,333,006	2,198,454	Accounts payable	949,542	699,156
Consum. stk. sub. advances	75,965	310,288	Notes pay ble	-----	2,819,210
Sinking funds—			Unpaid wages (not due)	62,725	71,111
Invested	554,402	50,179	Accr. Int. on bonds, notes, &c.	1,092,369	965,627
Uninvested	113,037	418,190	Divs. pay. Jan. 3.	342,204	292,174
Deferred charges	37,662	110,842	5% 5-yr. conv. gold notes (matured)	25,200	-----
Total	89,408,075	68,588,448	Prof. stock called	-----	19,680

Note.—The assets and liabilities of all subsidiary companies are included in the foregoing balance sheet. Heretofore, only the balance sheet of the parent company has been included in the annual report.—V. 114, p. 1185.

Union Tank Car Co., New York City.

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Dec. 31 1921.)

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.	1917.
Earns. after oper. expenses	\$5,903,574	\$7,224,982	\$6,694,169	\$6,051,375	\$4,467,465
Depr. & amort.	3,817,350	2,545,438	1,858,826	3,386,334	716,313
Fed. taxes (prev. year)	1,001,115	1,286,491	1,017,054	908,415	41,635
Res. for annuities	82,485	-----	200,000	-----	-----
Bal., surplus	\$1,002,624	\$3,393,053	\$3,618,289	\$1,756,627	\$3,709,516
Prof. div. (7%)	840,000	(5 1/2)503,433	-----	-----	-----
Com. divs. (7%)	840,000	(7)840,000	(7)840,000	(5)600,000	(5)600,000
Bal., surplus def	\$677,376	\$2,049,620	\$2,778,289	\$1,156,627	\$3,109,516

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31.

Assets—	1921.	1920.	Liabilities—	1921.	1920.
Tank car equip.	41,802,527	37,203,313	Preferred stock	12,000,000	12,000,000
Real estate	47,189	34,918	Common stock	12,000,000	12,000,000
Office furniture	21,137	25,477	Car trust notes	9,012,000	12,500,000
Shop investment	85,938	115,448	Accounts payable	563,032	1,265,065
Cash	1,714,681	7,038,468	Res. for annuities	225,520	162,866
Marketable secur		1,759,311	Surplus	10,815,177	11,492,553
Material	192,250	881,603			
Acc'ts receivable	753,058	1,978,392			
Car trust fund	-----	350,550			
Total (each side)	44,616,779	49,420,485			

—V. 114, p. 746.

Bethlehem Steel Corporation.

(17th Annual Report—Year ended Dec. 31 1921.)

The annual report, dated March 20 1922, says in subst.:

Results.—The gross sales and earnings aggregated \$147,794,353, being a decrease of \$126,636,883, compared with 1920; manufacturing cost, administrative, selling and general expense and taxes amounted to \$125,943,813, a decrease of \$113,525,045, while interest, dividends and other miscellaneous income aggregated \$3,901,144, an increase of \$2,511,962; total net earnings were \$25,754,677, a decrease of \$10,596,876; interest charges, including proportion of discount on and expense of bond and note issues amounted to \$9,419,158 an increase of \$1,467,955, and provision for depreciation, obsolescence and depletion to \$6,002,715, a decrease of \$7,938,799. The net income for the year was therefore \$10,332,804, compared with \$14,458,836 in 1920.

Inventories.—Inventories valued at prices not in excess of cost or market and do not include any inter-department profit aggregated on Dec. 31 1921 \$39,240,537 (against \$73,208,678 on Dec. 31 1920) including chiefly ore, cinder and scale, \$11,240,614; pig iron and iron and carbon steel scrap, \$6,528,950; fuel and by-products thereof, \$1,595,886; blooms, billets, bars, sheets and tin plate, \$3,132,269; structural material, plates, rails and rail accessories, \$2,124,417; labor, material and expense on contracts, less bills rendered on account, \$6,395,394.

ORDERS RECEIVED IN YEAR AND ON HAND DEC. 31.

	Received.	On Hand.		Received.	On Hand.
1905	\$29,020,424	\$14,466,307	1914	\$69,163,720	\$46,513,190
1906	16,216,570	13,300,885	1915	275,433,500	175,432,895
1907	23,602,857	8,425,737	1916	234,225,909	193,374,249
1908	15,849,409	7,592,503	1917	559,364,041	453,808,759
1909	28,696,517	14,073,834	1918	323,548,115	328,946,066
1910	29,530,563	17,370,660	1919	204,118,387	251,422,545
1911	28,607,561	15,885,199	1920	168,295,328	145,286,637
1912	47,030,503	29,282,182	1921	52,672,334	50,164,619
1913	39,935,873	24,865,560			

AVERAGE NO. OF EMPLOYEES IN THE UNITED STATES AND (IN MILLIONS) THEIR PAYROLL.

1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.	1917.	1918.	1919.	1920.	1921.
15,052	15,586	22,064	47,013	64,782	93,964	81,695	65,105	36,435
\$13	\$14	\$21	\$51	\$83	\$167	\$135	\$124	\$56

Average Earnings per Hour.—All employees in the United States, exclusive of general administrative and selling force, \$5.99 1921, \$6.61 1920.
Operations.—The value of shipments and deliveries by your corporation, as represented by gross sales and earnings, was \$147,794,353, as compared with \$274,431,236 for 1920. The net income of \$10,332,804 for the year compares with \$11,458,835 for 1920.

Full dividends were paid upon the Preferred stocks and regular quarterly dividends of 1 1/4% were paid during the year upon the Common stock and Class B Common stock.

The volume of new business booked aggregated only \$52,672,334. The unfilled orders on Dec. 31 1921 amounted to \$50,164,619, as compared with \$145,286,637 on Dec. 31 1920.

Coal Cars Sold.—549 coal cars purchased from the New England Fuel & Transportation Co. in 1920 were sold to the Baltimore & Ohio R.R. in part consideration for which the railroad company assumed the outstanding \$675,000 Bethlehem Steel Co. Equipment Trust 6% Gold Notes, Series B, issued at the time of the purchase of these cars, Bethlehem Steel Co. thereby being discharged from all liability therefor.

Ore Banks Purchase—New Bonds.—Bethlehem Steel Co. purchased the remaining outstanding 19.78% undivided interest in the Cornwall Ore Banks and Mine Hills and in part payment therefor issued \$1,877,000 face amount of its Cornwall Ore Banks Purchase Money Mortgage 5 1/2% 20-Year bonds. This valuable ore deposit is an asset of considerable importance to your corporation as the property is located within short distances from its steel plants.

Purchase of Baltimore Dry Docks—New Bonds.—Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corp., Ltd., purchased the properties of the Baltimore Dry Docks & Shipbuilding Co., located at Baltimore, and in part payment therefor issued \$2,750,000 of its Purchase Money Mortgage 5 1/2% 15-Year Sinking Fund Gold Bonds, guaranteed by Bethlehem Steel Co. These plants are well located and equipped for the building and repairing of vessels (V. 113, p. 1577).

Lease.—For the purpose of extending the ship repair facilities of the corporation on the Pacific Coast the plant of the Southwestern Shipbuilding Co. at Los Angeles, Calif., was leased in 1921 by Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corp., Ltd., for 15 years.

Your corporation now has modern ship repair plants and drydocking facilities in connection with its shipbuilding yards located in the harbors of Boston, Wilmington, Baltimore, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

Ore Vessels.—Of the five 20,000-ton cargo vessels of Ore Steamship Corp. for the Chilean ore trade, referred to in our last report, one was delivered in Feb. 1922 and the remaining vessels, it is expected, will be delivered during the next 12 months.

Additions.—The net additions to property account in 1921 for plant construction and properties acquired amounted to \$13,338,543. The estimated cost of completing construction authorized and in progress as of Dec. 31 1921 was \$8,500,000, of which \$6,078,000, the unexpended proceeds of the sale of Bethlehem Steel Co. Marine Equipment Trust Certificates, has already been provided.

Your properties are now well integrated, have an ample supply of ore, coal and limestone of a good quality, and as a whole are capable of producing a diversified line of commercial products.

Adjustments.—Adequate provision has, we believe, been made for the adjustment of values of plants and facilities constructed during the war period and subsequent years at abnormally high costs. The total provision for depreciation, amortization, obsolescence and depletion provided from earnings for the six years 1916 to 1921, inclusive, amounted to \$96,283,174. Of the total net property account of \$238,285,995, less than 3% represents investments in buildings and equipment for the manufacture of ordnance products.

Inventories.—Inventories have been valued at prices not in excess of cost or market, and the total amount has been reduced to \$39,240,537, as compared with \$73,208,678 as of Dec. 31 1920. Of this reduction approximately \$9,350,000 represents shrinkage in the value of inventories which was provided for in part by charges against the current year's costs, and in part from reserves set aside out of previous years' earnings.

Current Accounts.—The value of current assets as of Dec. 31 1921 was \$87,748,433 in excess of current liabilities, as compared with \$77,473,917 the previous year. Of the total current assets \$51,881,227 consisted of cash and marketable securities, largely U. S. Treasury obligations.

U. S. Contracts.—Final adjustment was made with the Navy Department for all work done for it on account of war contracts and practically so with the War Department.

Work is still going forward on one uncompleted war-time contract with the Emergency Fleet Corp. Progress is being made in the adjustment of balances due your corporation from the Emergency Fleet Corp.

Fire Insurance.—In 1918 your directors approved the establishment of an insurance fund plan. The plan has operated satisfactorily, the reserve fund having increased to \$1,647,099 as of Dec. 31 1921.

Notes & Bonds.—On Dec. 15 1921 your corporation called for redemption on Jan. 16 1922 the outstanding \$7,343,000 of its Series D Secured Serial 7% Gold Notes maturing July 15 1922. The exercise of the conversion privilege attached to the Secured Serial 7% Gold Notes has resulted in the issue of \$2,448,000 Consolidated Mortgage 6% 30-Year Sinking Fund Gold Bonds, Series A, to the holders of the notes in lieu of cash.

The \$2,000,000 Maryland Steel Co. 1st M. 5% 30-Year bonds, assumed by your corporation upon its purchase of the property of that company, were paid at their maturity, Feb. 1 1922.

The net result of payments, at maturity or on redemption, and ordinary sinking fund operations, since Dec. 31 1921, has been a reduction of the funded and secured debt of your corporation to approximately \$137,500,000 as of March 1 1922.

Operations.—The satisfactory earnings of the corporation for the year accrued very largely from business booked during the war and the period immediately following. In general, conditions during the past year were the worst ever experienced in the steel industry. In practically all steel lines only the immediate requirements were purchased. This resulted in a gradual but continual reduction in selling prices throughout the year and at a rate faster than manufacturing costs could be reduced to meet such conditions.

A gradual improvement in the demand for steel products can be expected just as soon as the country is given lower transportation, fuel and building costs, through the lowering of the war time labor rates still prevailing in these very important industries.

In the shipbuilding industry your corporation received contracts during the year for only one merchant vessel and three ferry boats. A gradual increase in the amount of vessel repair business, with the uncompleted shipbuilding contracts, insures fair activities for your shipbuilding plants for at least the first half of the current year.

The steel passenger coach department of your Harlan plant has booked a sufficient volume of orders to insure full operation for at least six months. (Signed by C. M. Schwab, Chairman, and E. G. Grace, President.)

CONSOLIDATED INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Gross sales	147,794,353	274,431,236	281,641,908	448,410,809
Net, before deprec., &c., after all taxes	21,850,533	34,962,371	35,147,749	53,417,719
Other income	3,904,144	1,389,182	2,293,469	3,771,051
Total income	25,754,677	36,351,553	37,441,218	57,188,769
Deduct—				
Bond, &c., interest, &c.	9,419,158	7,951,203	9,518,206	9,748,013
Depreciation & depletion	6,002,715	13,941,514	12,566,152	31,510,366
Preferred dividends—(8%)	2,400,000	(8)2,400,000	(8)2,400,000	(8)2,397,800
Preferred dividends—(7%)	1,043,560	1,043,560	1,043,560	1,043,560
Com. divs., Class A—(5%)	743,100	(5)743,100	(7)1,040,340	(10)1,486,200
do Class B—(5%)	2,250,000	(5)2,250,000	(7)3,126,195	(10)4,458,600
Balance, surplus	3,896,144	8,022,176	7,746,765	6,544,230
Previous surplus	10,826,786	10,304,610	10,057,845	11,013,615
Total	14,722,930	18,326,786	17,804,610	17,557,845
Bal. of disc. on & exp. of bond & note issues	2,304,001			
Approp. for and invest. in add'n to prop. and working capital		7,500,000	7,500,000	7,500,000
Total surplus	12,418,929	10,826,786	10,304,610	10,057,845

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.

Assets—		Liabilities—	
1921.	1920.	1921.	1920.
Property acc't.	238,285,995	7% pref. stock	14,903,000
Funds for mtg., &c., redemp'n	858,067	8% convertible pref. stock	30,000,000
Conting. Insur. fund	1,859,679	Common stock	14,862,000
Investments	7,353,840	Class B common	45,000,000
Inventories	39,240,537	Funded & secur. debt	146,163,892
Unexp. bal. from sale of secur.	6,078,030	Mtgs. of sub. cos.	239,005
Acc'ts & notes receivable	16,095,624	Notes payable	2,000,000
Marketable sec., incl. lib. bds. & Treas. cfs.	41,793,359	Acc'ts pay. (incl. adv. pay. on contracts, &c.)	18,507,506
Cash for coups. payable	1,178,677	Bond. int. accr'd	1,961,450
Cash in banks, &c.	13,087,869	Coups. payable	1,173,677
Deferred charges	590,439	Contingent, &c., reserves	9,152,627
Total	366,422,085	Approp. for & invest. in add'n to property & working cap.	70,000,000
		Unapprg. surp.	12,418,929
		Total	366,422,085

a Property account as at Jan. 1 1921 (less depletion), \$322,345,064; additions during year (net), \$13,338,543; less reserve for depreciation, obsolescence, refining of furnaces, &c., \$97,397,612. b 7% Pref. stock, non-cumulative; 150,000 shares of \$100 each, all authorized and issued; less shares held by corporation, \$92,000. c 8% Cumulative Pref. stock, 300,000 shares of \$100 each, all authorized and issued. d Common stock, 150,000 shares of \$100 each, all authorized and issued, less \$138,000 held by corporation.—V. 114, p. 741.

Barnsdall Corporation (and Subsidiary Cos.)

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Dec. 31 1921.)

The report of President Robert Law Jr. is given in full under "Reports and Documents" on a subsequent page. The comparative income account was published in last week's "Chronicle," V. 114, p. 1183.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.

Assets—		Liabilities—	
1921.	1920.	1921.	1920.
Property x	33,741,099	Class A stock	13,000,000
Invest. in sub. cos.	803,439	Class B stock	3,713,400
Adv. to sub. cos.	238,251	Bonded debt	10,612,800
Bank. fds. for red. of fund. debt.	189,405	Stock of subs. not owned by Barns.	2,514,733
Cash to redeem sub. cos. notes		Pur. money oblig's	10,100
Deferred charges	227,333	Bills & acc'ts pay.	2,025,550
Cash	972,600	Accr. int. & exp.	80,096
Barns. stk. in trans.	573,050	Dividend payment Jan. 31	350,000
Empl. stock subs.	24,677	Accrued taxes	109,266
Bills & acc'ts rec.	830,266	Surplus	7,373,895
Inventories	1,524,450		
Govt. obligations	315,999		
Total	39,439,449	Total	39,439,449

x After deducting depreciation and depletion of \$11,387,161. y Includes reserve for Federal taxes.—V. 114, p. 1183.

The Montana Power Company, New York.

(Report for Fiscal Year ended Dec. 31 1921.)

President John D. Ryan, Feb. 23, wrote in substance:

Results.—The report includes the operations of Great Falls Power Co., Thompson Falls Power Co., Montana Reservoir & Irrigation Co., and Great Falls Water Power & Townsite Co., which are owned entirely (except directors' shares) by your company.

The decrease in gross earnings for the year 1921 was due to the general depressed condition of business, which caused the closing of mines and smelters early in the year for a period of nine months, and a marked retrenchment in all lines of business in the territory served by this company. The decrease in operating expenses was due to wage reductions and decreases in costs of materials and supplies, as well as curtailed operations. There were increases in local taxes due to further changes in classifications and higher levels in practically all counties in which properties of the company are located.

There was a net loss of 1,860 customers, owing to the decreased number of employed in the State, leaving, Dec. 31, a total of 44,032, exclusive of the larger mines, smelters, refineries and railroads.

Power Plants.—The relative capacity and output of the system are summarized as follows:

For Calendar Years—

	1921.	1920.	
Total rated generating cap'y	212,340 k. w.	212,340 k. w.	No change
Total k. w. hours generated	572,277,989	1,103,620,644	48% decrease.
Maximum demand	116,600 k. w.	159,700 k. w.	27% decrease.
Connected load at end of year	381,633 k. w.	358,268 k. w.	6.5% increase

Capacity of Plants.—Hydro-electric—in operation, 211,530 k. w.; steam, 810 k. w.; total, 212,340 k. w.; water powers, undeveloped, in reserve, 121,500 k. w.; total, 333,840 k. w.

Transmission Lines.—(a) Steel tower lines, 100,000 volts, 341 miles; (b) Pole lines, pin type, 6,600 to 60,000 volts, 680 miles; (c) Pole lines, suspension insulator type, 50,000 to 100,000 volts, 632 miles; (d) Pole line, bridge suspension insulator type, 100,000 volts, 400 miles; total, 2,053 miles.

Depreciation.—Charges aggregating \$343,791 were made against depreciation reserve and \$300,000 was credited to this account. There was a credit balance of \$1,918,511 in depreciation reserve account Dec. 31 1921.

Additions, improvements and extensions aggregate about \$300,000.

Contracts.—During the year the company entered into contracts for furnishing power to several coal mining companies operating in the Washoe and Red Lodge fields, southwest of Billings, but some of these mines will not begin to take power until next April. The distributing system in Bridger was taken over early in the year and power is now supplied to the local lighting system in Red Lodge.

Outlook.—The revival of the mining industry at the beginning of 1922 and the general upward trend in other lines of business will undoubtedly increase our earnings for 1922 very considerably over those of 1921.

Funded Debt.—The outstanding funded debt was reduced by \$344,600 bonds acquired in the sinking funds of the several mortgages. First and Refunding Mortgage bonds to the amount of \$432,000 were executed against bondable expenditures made in 1920, and added to like bonds already in the treasury, making a total of \$1,168,000 available for issue when necessary. No bonds were sold during the year.

Capital Stock and Dividends.—The final installment, No. 6, consisting of 30,000 shares of common stock, on which dividends had been deferred, was released and became dividend bearing on June 2 1921.

The 2,258 shares of Common stock which have been held in the treasury of the Great Falls Power Co. were transferred to the employees' stock subscription account.

During 1921 the regular quarterly dividends of 1 3/4% each were paid on the Pref. stock and quarterly dividends of 3/4% each were paid on the Common stock.

CONSOLIDATED INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

Calendar Years—	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Total gross earnings	\$6,106,384	\$7,928,087	\$6,851,983	\$7,609,868
Oper. expenses and taxes	2,494,168	2,811,738	2,450,674	2,473,563
Net, after taxes	\$3,612,216	\$5,116,349	\$4,401,309	\$5,136,305
Bond discount	123,388	124,319	130,650	114,660
Interest on bonds	1,624,834	1,634,306	1,675,027	1,571,450
Balance over charges	\$1,863,994	\$3,357,723	\$2,595,631	\$3,450,195
Miscellaneous charges				77,486
Depreciation	300,000	300,000	300,000	400,000
Pref. dividends (7%)	677,026	677,026	677,026	677,026
Common dividends (3 1/4%)	1,451,499 (3 1/4)	1,354,724 (4)	1,673,801 (5)	1,916,208
Balance, surplus—def.	\$564,531	\$1,025,972	def. \$55,197	\$379,475

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31.

Assets—		Liabilities—	
1921.	1920.	1921.	1920.
Property acc't.	93,761,347	Preferred stock	9,671,800
Inventories (cost)	504,830	Common stock	49,633,300
Acc'ts & notes rec.	824,070	1st & Refdg. Mtg.	22,277,600
Cash	869,103	s. f. gold bonds	22,328,700
Montana Pow. Co. stock purch. for employees, less cash rec. on subs	269,990	Mortgage bonds	10,025,500
Sinking fund depts.	5,590	Accounts payable	393,069
Disc. on bonds sold	2,582,236	Accrued interest	655,384
Miscellaneous	133,742	Dividends payable	541,506
Total	98,950,893	Reserves: Deprec. acc't & miscell.	1,918,511
		Surplus	3,718,954
		Total	98,950,893

y Property; being the value of the rights, franchises, real estate, buildings, plant and equipment, two-thirds interest in Great Falls Townsite Co. and other investments.—V. 114, p. 1187.

American Radiator Company.

(30th Annual Report—Year ended Dec. 31 1921.)

President Clarence M. Woolley Mar. 15 reports as follows:

Volume of Business.—Unprecedented activity in small home construction created a strong market for company product. This demand, however, did not materialize until the last half of the year. While business during the first half was far below normal, the volume for the year was gratifying, approaching within a fraction of 1% in tonnage the sales of the preceding record year.

Financial Status Dec. 31.—The year closed with cash balances of \$2,043,414 and no current indebtedness except for purchases made in December. Inventories were based upon replacement values when lower than cost.

Prices.—Prices of materials used by the plants declined throughout the year. This, associated with declining prices for our finished products, imposed a burden not experienced during periods of advancing prices. Great caution was exercised by making purchases in minimum quantities for immediate requirements only.

Results.—The net profits were \$3,168,326. After paying the usual dividends on Preferred and Common stocks, the sum of \$749,330 was carried to surplus accounts.

While profits were gratifying, they were not consistent with those of former years, due in part to excessive overhead expense, which survived the war period. Commodities and labor have been in process of deflation, but it is difficult to bring the overhead into consistent relation. Adjustment of this fundamental problem involves abandonment of certain selling activities which, while profitable in pre-war years, are presently unprofitable because of the higher cost of their maintenance.

Sales.—"Arcola," brought out two years ago, offering to small homes the fuel economy and warming comfort formerly available only to more expensive structures, continues to grow in popularity, and has become a very important adjunct of the business. Maintenance of volume was largely influenced by the sale of this merchandise.

On the other hand, the product designed for larger installations, such as Type "A" Heat Machines, met with a greater demand than that of the preceding year.

Foreign Subsidiaries.—The subsidiary companies in Canada, England, France, Italy, Germany, Belgium, Austria and Spain, exclusively owned by the American Radiator Co., have demonstrated satisfactory results in the aggregate.

Post-war regulations prohibiting the use of more than one fuel-consuming medium in a building, have impelled the abandonment of grate fires and encouraged the substitution of a steam or hot water system for an entire building. In some countries business is backward; in others it has been sufficiently active to effect a gratifying profit.

The subsidiary companies have no bank or bonded debt. Their cash balances, including negotiable securities, aggregated \$1,877,749 at current rates of exchange.

Their net profits for the year were \$787,710 at current rates of exchange. Of this sum \$691,823 was paid to the American Radiator Co. in dividends and included in its income. The balance, \$95,887, was credited to surplus accounts.

No dividends whatsoever were paid by these companies until late in the war period. In view of their strong financial condition, it was found desirable to declare and pay a portion of their current income in cash dividends.

Starting in a modest way 25 years ago, the investment in these properties was nominal and is so carried on the books of the American Radiator Co. Growth was accomplished by the reinvestment of all earnings in larger producing capacity and in working capital. These enterprises were thus developed to their present important proportions by the conservation of profits, enabling them to maintain leadership in the industry originated in Europe by the American Radiator Co.

INCOME ACCOUNT OF AMERICAN COMPANIES FOR CALENDAR YEARS 1921 AND 1920 AND 11 MONTHS OF 1919.

	Cal. Year 1921.	Cal. Year 1920.	11 Months 1919.
Net profits after taxes—			
Before depreciation	\$3,178,777	\$5,106,347	b2,774,410
After depreciation			261,836
Divs. from foreign constituent cos.	666,030	109,816	261,836
Other income	18,865	79,680	
Total income	\$3,863,672	\$5,295,843	\$3,036,247
Deduct—Interest and discount	76,037	256,564	
Loss on bonds on for. exch., &c.		316,643	
Inventory adjustments (less reserve)		589,851	
Reserve for pension, &c., fund	50,000	50,000	
Depreciation and depletion	690,989	685,068	See b above
Dividends on Pref. stock (7%)	210,000	210,000	210,000
Dividends on Common stock	2,208,996	(19)2516,235	(16)1964,544

Total deductions \$3,236,022 \$4,651,361 \$2,174,544
 Balance, surplus, American Cos. \$627,650 \$641,482 \$861,703
 a In 1921 the profits from American companies are derived from the operations of American Radiator Co., Humphreys Coal & Coke, Ideal Supply Co. and Arco Transportation Co.

CONSOL. BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31 OF AMERICAN COMPANIES.

Assets—	1921.		1920.		Liabilities—	1921.		1920.	
	\$	\$	\$	\$		\$	\$	\$	\$
Plants, prop., &c.	22,148,532	21,404,332	22,148,532	21,404,332	Preferred stock	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000
Sub. cos.' stock	1,357,403	1,310,363	1,357,403	1,310,363	Common stock	13,806,225	13,806,225	13,806,225	13,806,225
Cash	2,043,414	2,272,656	2,043,414	2,272,656	Acc'ts pay'le, incl.				
Other investments	94,435	34,000	94,435	34,000	res. for Fed. tax.	1,460,622	1,462,679	1,460,622	1,462,679
Notes receivable	183,857	238,118	183,857	238,118	Accrued wages	251,412	145,616	251,412	145,616
Acc'ts receivable	5,148,061	4,554,013	5,148,061	4,554,013	Oblig. for pur. prop.	778,750	912,750	778,750	912,750
Inventories	6,975,705	7,508,202	6,975,705	7,508,202	General reserves	2,123,973	2,521,348	2,123,973	2,521,348
Deferred charges	389,718	127,293	389,718	127,293	Conting. deprec'n.	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000
					Res. for pens's, &c.	627,185	577,185	627,185	577,185
					Deprec. & deple'n.	4,468,624	3,826,459	4,468,624	3,826,459
					Surplus	11,324,335	10,696,686	11,324,335	10,696,686
Total	38,341,126	37,448,977	38,341,126	37,448,977					
Contingent liabilities	\$30,000.		\$30,000.						

INCOME OF FOREIGN SUBSIDIARIES FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1921.	1920.
Total profit from oper., after ded. all ord. exps. & res. for est. Govt. taxes, but before ded. for depr. of inventories, deprec. of prop. & reserves, calculated at rates of exchange current Dec. 31 1921	\$925,343	\$1,598,505
Rentals	6,530	12,025
Other income	73,891	12,207
Total income	\$1,005,764	\$1,622,737
Deductions—Interest, discount and exchange		15,644
Inventory depreciation		37,649
Bad debts		6,906
Reserve for depreciation of inventory		120,966
Reserve for depreciation of property		64,903
Dividends paid parent company		173,499
		79,970
		691,823
		109,816

Balance, surplus, foreign companies \$95,887 \$818,362
 x Subsidiary companies include: National Radiator Co., Ltd., England; Compagnie Nationale des Radiateurs, France; National Radiator Co., Ltd., Belgium; Societa Nazionale dei Radiatori, Italy; American Radiator Co. of Canada, Ltd., Canada; Nationale Radiator Gesellschaft, m. b. H., Germany; Nationale Radiator Gesellschaft, m. b. H., Austria; Compania de Radiadores, Spain.

Note.—In 1920 a stock dividend of \$421,608 was paid by the foreign subsidiaries.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET OF FOREIGN SUB. COS. DEC. 31. (Including Companies stated in footnote "x" above.)

Assets—	1921.		1920.		Liabilities—	1921.		1920.	
	\$	\$	\$	\$		\$	\$	\$	\$
Cash	828,359	2,243,698	828,359	2,243,698	Accrued wages	18,370	7,832	18,370	7,832
War loans	1,049,391	313,559	1,049,391	313,559	Acc'ts pay'le, incl.				
Notes receivable	379,427	187,137	379,427	187,137	res. for est. Gov.				
Acc'ts receivable	1,227,770	1,502,212	1,227,770	1,502,212	taxes	1,687,694	2,240,158	1,687,694	2,240,158
Inventories	1,645,819	2,049,211	1,645,819	2,049,211	Notes payable	30,567	42,409	30,567	42,409
Investments	4,568	10,930	4,568	10,930	Mtg. notes pay.	48,045	34,684	48,045	34,684
Deferred charges	37,703	16,380	37,703	16,380	General reserves	49,406	117,613	49,406	117,613
Real est., bldgs., machinery, &c.	6,805,181	6,587,628	6,805,181	6,587,628	Depreciation	1,953,228	1,789,322	1,953,228	1,789,322
					Capital & surplus	8,190,908	8,678,736	8,190,908	8,678,736
Total	11,978,218	12,910,756	11,978,218	12,910,756					

x This item is made up as follows: Capital stock in 1921, \$5,351,247; apparent surplus at Dec. 31 1920, \$6,232,132 (after adding profit for 1921 over dividends); total, \$11,679,267. Deduct balancing figure due to valuations based on rates of exchange current Dec. 31 1921, \$3,488,359. This leaves the figure \$8,190,908 shown in balance sheet of Dec. 31 1921.

Note.—The current assets and liabilities are based upon rates of exchange current Dec. 31 1921. The permanent properties are based upon par of exchange.—V. 113, p. 852.

Tide Water Oil Company.

(33rd Annual Report—Year ended Dec. 31 1921.)

President R. D. Benson, Mar. 7, reports as follows:

Results.—The year 1921 was a distressful one for the oil industry as well as for the other great industries of the country. Following a decline in the demand for petroleum products, due to industrial depression, in the last quarter of 1920, with no relative decline in the price of crude oil, crude prices responded about the middle of January, and by the middle of June Mid-Continent crude at the wells had dropped from \$3.50 to \$1 per barrel and Pennsylvania crude from \$6.10 to \$2.25 per barrel. During this period, prices of refined products also declined, in many instances to an even greater extent. A majority of producers and refiners lost heavily during the first nine months of 1921.

Toward the end of the year Mid-Continent crude advanced to \$2 per barrel, at which price it now stands, and Pennsylvania crude advanced to \$4 per barrel, later declining again to \$3.25 per barrel, where it now stands. However, the advance in the price of refined products has not kept pace with the recovery in the price of crude.

Our net loss for the year was \$2,020,388, and as our inventory values were reduced approximately \$2,700,000, this indicates a small operating gain in the actual trading of the year. In all our long experience in the production and refining of petroleum, we have witnessed no such drastic change in conditions as that which came about in the year 1921.

Failure of Mexican Property.—After the failure of the Amatlan-Zacamixtle pool, where we were operating in Mexico, our refinery requirements for Mexican crude were covered by a contract which we have made with one of the larger companies operating in the Toteco Cerro-Azul field, the most prolific pool now producing in Mexico.

In adjusting our books to show actual conditions, we have reduced our Mexican investment to practically junk value, and have also reduced to present-day replacement cost the inventoried value of our ships, which are in constant service carrying oil purchased in Mexico. To offset the failure of our Mexican production we have increased our holdings of producing property in the Mid-Continent field. These properties we carry on our books at a value of \$2,000 per barrel of daily production, which is a very conservative valuation for settled production of the character of ours maintained at our standard.

Five Wholly Owned Subsidiaries.—The drilling operations of the Tidal Oil Co., Dallas Osage Co., System Oil Co., Associated Producers and Republic Oil & Pipe Line Co. during 1921 have been restricted, owing to the low price of crude oil. However, 72 producing wells were added and on Dec. 31 the number of wells in all divisions was 5,028, producing a gross daily production of 12,600 barrels. The total acreage owned in fee or leased by the companies on Dec. 31 1921 amounted to 85,000 acres. The decrease in holdings from the previous year is accounted for by the surrender of large tracts of condemned acreage in Texas and Louisiana.

Tidal Osage Oil Co. (formerly Guffey-Gillespie Oil Co.)—Tide Water Oil has acquired a 55% stock interest in this company and took over its management in August. The company has about 9,800 acres under operation, with 210 wells, the present production being about 3,900 barrels per day,

which should be somewhat increased and maintained for a considerable length of time. It also owns a gas lease of 166,400 acres in Osage County, Okla., from which a very substantial revenue is now being obtained. The company also has about 40,000 acres of well selected but unproven acreage upon which very little drilling has been done. Drilling is in progress on several parcels of this acreage and the company confidently expects to open up additional sources of supply.

Tidal Refining Co.—Tidal-Western Oil Corp.—These companies manufacture and sell natural gasoline and operate refineries to provide the necessary blending material. The Tidal Refining Co. (formerly Tidal Gasolene Co.) operates in the Oklahoma field while Tidal-Western Oil Corp. was organized in 1921 to take over a half interest in plant and refinery at Burkburnett, Texas. On Jan. 1 1922 the Tidal Refining Co. purchased an additional one-eighth interest in the Burkburnett properties, which gives it a five-eighths interest. One gasoline plant was built in 1921, making a total of 20 plants operated by the two companies, with a daily average production of natural gasoline of 57,000 gallons.

Three refineries, of which two are owned and one was leased, ran 1,678,623 bbls. of crude oil, a daily average of 4,600 bbls. The daily capacity of the two refineries owned by these companies was increased to 5,000 bbls. during the year and operation of the refinery under lease was discontinued Dec. 31. The companies own 576 tank cars and have under lease 199 cars, or a total of 775 cars in service. The products were distributed in 23 States and in Canada.

The Tidewater Co., S. A.—This company has a line of 10-inch pipe about 20 miles in length, with a pump station and capacity for delivering oil to the sea terminal at the rate of about 40,000 bbls. per day. The company owns a third interest in one of the best terminals in Mexico, having a million bbls. storage capacity and a loading capacity of about 3,000,000 bbls. per month; also a half interest in 20 miles of 36-inch gauge railway running from Las Milpas, the water terminal, to the pump station. The company owns in fee and under lease 202,813 acres of undeveloped land in the Chila Perez District and in the States of Jalisco and Colima, which are being held for future development.

Tide Water Pipe Co., Ltd.—In 1921 this pipe line company expended \$46,806 for additions and betterments. In the Bradford and Allegany fields the number of wells served has increased from 17,999 to 18,184; the increase in average daily runs is 147.29 bbls. In the Illinois field there was an increase of 98 wells, with an increase of 12.89 bbls. in daily average.

Our gross stocks of crude on hand Dec. 31 1921 showed 1,427,840 bbls. as against 1,067,762 bbls. on Dec. 31 1920.

Refinery Operations—Bayonne Plant.—The total crude run in 1921 was 5,650,000 bbls., a decrease of 926,000 bbls. as compared with 1920. The decrease in runs of domestic crude, however, was about 2,000,000 bbls., which was partially made up by increasing the runs of Mexican crude about 1,000,000 bbls. Owing to market conditions we did not run it at full capacity until December, when we averaged something over 27,000 bbls. per day.

Crude Run by Grades in 1921.—Pennsylvania 1,115,183 bbls., decrease 492,193; Illinois 569,364 bbls., decrease 645,879; Oklahoma 1,409,533 bbls., decrease 725,316; Texas 111,317 bbls., decrease 98,588; Mexican 2,412,033 bbls., increase 1,004,173; miscellaneous 33,432 bbls., increase 31,909; total 5,650,862 bbls., a decrease of 925,924 bbls.

Cooperage.—The Tide Water Hardwood Corp., organized to operate the timber tract in Bath and Highland counties, Virginia, of which we told in the last annual report, has just begun operations. Owing to the depression prevailing last year, we delayed completion of the mill and our industrial town called Bacova, but they are now completed and in operation.

Tide Water Oil Sales Corp.—It is gratifying, however, to be able to report an increase in the sales of Tydol gasoline of about 32% over 1920.

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS (INCL. SUB. COS.).

	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Gross earnings	\$46,255,290	\$60,077,032	\$46,828,784	\$40,644,351
Operating expenses	45,294,444	45,195,335	32,145,519	25,133,176
Operating income	\$960,846	\$14,881,697	\$14,683,265	\$15,511,175
Other income	952,493	1,295,029	668,881	470,558
Total income	\$1,913,339	\$16,176,726	\$15,352,146	\$15,981,733
Deprec'n & depletion	3,933,727	4,880,132	4,080,915	6,137,978
Federal taxes		2,190,592	2,298,211	3,115,497
Net	def. \$2,020,388	\$9,106,002	\$8,973,020	\$6,728,258
Outside stockholders' proportion	6,442	5,516	66,350	292,110
Tide Water Oil stockholders' proportion loss	\$2,026,830	\$9,100,486	\$8,906,670	\$6,436,148
Dividends	(10)4,171,534	(16)5859,060	(16)5246,412	(19)6060,925
Balance, surplus, def.	\$6,198,364	\$3,241,426	\$3,660,258	\$375,223
Profit & loss surplus	\$12,067,825	\$18,660,087	\$17,659,919	\$13,292,226

x In previous annual report Federal income taxes are shown as \$2,190,592, this amount was later reduced by \$497,363, which added a like amount to the surplus at end of year.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.

Assets—	1921.		1920.		Liabilities—	1921.		1920.	
	\$	\$	\$	\$		\$	\$	\$	\$
Prop. & equip.	56,766,992	44,157,017	56,766,992	44,157,017	6 3/4% 10-yr. gold				
Other investments	2,833,433	2,846,940	2,833,433	2,846,940	bds. (due 1931)	12,000,000			
Inv. in cos. affil. (not consol.)	6,378,282	2,206,250	6,378,282	2,206,250	Bank loans	3,305,000	7,500,000		
Cash	1,728,113	1,221,436	1,728,113	1,221,436	Notes payable	3,917,486	4,894,686		
Liberty bonds	1,857	1,857	1,857	1,857	Trade accts. pay'le	2,269,198	3,214,689		
Accts. & notes rec.	5,584,390	6,218,834	5,584,390	6,218,834	Wages, etc., pay'le	938,819	273,466		
Crude oil & prod'ts	14,101,008	18,872,477	14,101,008	18,872,477	Due to cos. affil. (not consol.)	59,513			
Mat'ls & supplies	1,659,830	2,020,318	1,659,830	2,020,318	Accrued taxes	165,364	1,847,784		
Due from cos. affil. (not consol.)	403,724	2,530,145	403,724	2,530,145	Pay. on stk. subsc.	466,481	219,103		
Deferred items	737,261	238,153	737,261	238,153	Deferred liabilities	1,339,931	198,696		
					Res. for conting's.	3,628,215	3,414,331		
					Capital stock	49,670,300	39,725,900		
					Surplus	12,067,825	18,660,087		
					Minor. int. in subs.				
					Capital stock	368,933	326,333		
					Surplus	def. 2,177	18,363		
Total	90,194,889	80,293,428	90,194,889	80,293,428					

a Properties and equipment on Dec. 31 1921 included: (a) refining properties and equipment, \$16,552,630, increase for year \$981,007; (b) pipe lines \$10,724,552, increase \$46,806; (c) oil producing properties \$26,248,711, increase \$1,012,193; (d) gasoline properties and equipment \$6,626,485, increase \$1,108,987; (e) railroad and lighterage properties \$1,508,193; (f) marketing properties and equipment \$1,440,785, increase \$1,036,490; (g) timber properties \$1,364,237; (h) tank steamships \$4,154,831, increase \$1,469,559; total \$71,620,427, less reserve for depreciation and depletion \$14,853,435, net \$56,766,992.—V. 114, p. 1189.

United States Worsted Co., Boston, Mass.

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Dec. 31 1921.)

President Andrew Adie, Boston, March 4, wrote in subst.:

Readjustment.—Throughout the year 1920 we were going through the process of readjustment of values, which was inevitably attended with great loss. During the first six months of the year 1921 prices continued to decline. For a portion of that period the mills were practically shut down, but were gradually opened up as conditions improved, and placed under full operation. During the last six months of 1921 there was a slow but steady enhancement in the value of raw materials, but without a corresponding change in the values of finished merchandise.</

The business of the company and the good reputation of its products, established by many years of successful work, are of great value, and the plants are in first-class condition and efficient in every respect.

I sincerely trust that the plans contemplated for providing your company with the additional capital which it needs will be carried to a successful conclusion.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR YEARS ENDING DECEMBER 31.

Table with 4 columns: Year (1921, 1920, 1919, 1918), Net profits, Dividends.

Balance, sur. or def. def \$2,697,399 df \$5,999,859 sr \$1,477,323 sr \$1,113,710 Profit and loss... adf \$7,229,951 df \$4,534,527 sr \$3,894,350 sr \$2,291,164

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Table with 4 columns: Year (1921, 1920), Assets, Liabilities.

Total (each side)... 24,671,655 24,817,668 Includes real estate, plant, machinery, &c., \$6,300,901; Saxony Worsted Mills purchase price (less mortgage, not assumed by U. S. Worsted Co., \$598,771), \$651,229; total, \$6,952,130; less depreciation reserve of \$1,846,585; balance (as above), \$5,105,545

Note.—Liability Not on Books.—"Some further liability is anticipated for Federal Income and profits taxes, years 1918 and 1919, not yet assessed, but cannot be accurately estimated, pending the completion of the Treasury Department's examination."—V. 114, p. 1072.

GENERAL INVESTMENT NEWS

RAILROADS INCLUDING ELECTRIC ROADS.

General Railroad and Electric Railway News.—The following table summarizes recent railroad and electric railway news of a more or less general character, 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.

Nearly 100 Railroads Sue Over New England Rate Divisions.—Court asked to enjoin order increasing share of New England lines. N. Y. Central R.R. brings separate suit. Penn. R.R. and B. & O. not plaintiffs. "Times" Mar. 21, p. 21.

Commerce Commission Sustains Short Line Interpretation of "Deficit."—"Ry. Age" Mar. 18, p. 741

Labor Board to Investigate Erie's Contract with Meadville Machinery Co.—"Ry. Age" Mar. 18, p. 751; also p. 739

More Work Under Contract.—The Western Maryland Ry. has placed under contract with the Dickson Construction Co. of Youngstown, O., both the maintenance of way work and the car repair shops at Hagerstown, Baltimore and Cumberland, Md., Connellsville and Hanover, Pa., and Eldins, W. Va. "Iron Age" Mar. 23, p. 800

The Pere Marquette has entered into a contract with Kellogg, Grego Co. of Chicago to operate its lunch shops. "Post" Mar. 22, p. 12.

Employees Question Legality of Wage Conferences.—B. M. Jewell charges roads are not properly before Labor Board. Burlington clerks agree to cut. "Ry. Age" Mar. 18, p. 739

Claim Labor Board Is Unfair.—Eastern Federation of Clerks asks President to abolish tribunal. "Times" Mar. 21, p. 13

Commission Brings Rate Hearings to a Close Mar. 22.—Decision Expected Early in April.—Argument for reductions made by Clifford Thorne for American Farm Bureau Federation and by representatives of Industrial League, National Coal Association, National Fertilizer Association, National Association of Owners of Railroad Securities wants higher percentage of return. "Ry. Age" Mar. 18, p. 731 to 734

J. W. Higgins, representing Western carriers, testified that 19 Western roads declare they cannot pay present wages and continue in operation, among them the North Western and the St. Paul. Boston "News Bureau" Mar. 22, p. 1

D. L. & W. Settles Wage Controversy With Firemen and Engineers.—Over-time pay to be negotiated with the Hall Labor Board. "Times" Mar. 20, p. 13

Cul Rates on Paper Ordered by Commerce Commission from Western Points.—"Times" Mar. 19, p. 10

Inter-State Commission Told That Drop in Coal Rates Would Not Stimulate General Business.—Testimony by H. A. Cochran of Baltimore, Assistant Coal Traffic Manager of B. & O. R.R. "Coal Trade Journal" Mar. 15, p. 239

Denied Right to Compete for Montana Copper Business.—Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul has been denied privilege by Montana State R.R. Commission to compete at same rate as granted Mar. 1 to Great Northern for hauling copper commodities from Butte and Anaconda to Great Falls, on ground that said rate of \$2.50 a ton is not a compensatory one for Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul. The latter's rate is \$3.12 a ton, but this road is compelled to carry copper commodity out of Butte by a circuitous route to reach Great Falls, distance of 412 miles compared with 189 for Great Northern. Boston "News Bureau" Mar. 20, p. 5

Ore Shippers Notified of Proposed New Freight Rates from Lower Lake Ports to Interior Furnaces to Become Effective April 17.—Reduction is to be 20%, bringing rate to the valleys down from 91 cents to 71 cents, or only 6 cents more than the rate in effect prior to 1917 freight advance made in Aug. 1920. New rate to Pittsburgh \$1.02 as compared with present rate of \$1.27 1/2. "Iron Trade Review" Mar. 16, p. 734-737

Rates.—The Union Pacific has announced its intention to reduce transcontinental freight rates from 10 to 7 1/2% on building materials and accessories (substances, cement, shoe lug, roofings, red bath tubs, cots, mits, insecticides, poultry, fish food, ammonium glycerin, soda fountain supplies, furniture parts, pole-line construction material, auto cranks and rotary blowers. The Southern Pacific has made a similar announcement. "Ry. Age" Mar. 18, p. 756

Oppose Interchangeable Milage Book Bill.—I. S. C. C. members hold fixing of prices unconstitutional. "Times" Mar. 22, p. 17

Before the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee A. P. Thom, counsel for the railroads, also opposed the interchangeable mileage ticket. "Wall St. Journal" Mar. 21, p. 9

Railroads Must Lead the Country to Prosperity.—E. L. Haas, Vice-Pres. of Pennsylvania R.R. "Wall St. J." Mar. 18, p. 8

Reading, Origin Case.—Questions to which U. S. Supreme Court directs special attention in the reargument on April 10. "Wall St. J." Mar. 22, p. 6

Jail for Two RR Employees in Reading Wreck Case at Bryn Athyn.—"Times" Mar. 21, p. 34

Gov. Miller Says Nickel Will Be Fare Limit in N. Y. City.—Chance to cut fare predicted when nickel is taken off. "Times" Mar. 22, p. 21

Manhattan Fare & Overhaul to Issue on R.R.—Expected to take Court action if Interborough doesn't pay \$1,000,000 over due. "Times" Mar. 22, p. 23

N. Y. Transit Commission and Port Authority Would Control Proposed Staten Island Tunnel.—"Times" Mar. 22, p. 3

D. L. & W. Settles Wage Controversy With Firemen and Engineers.—Over-time pay to be negotiated with the Hall Labor Board. "Times" Mar. 21, p. 13

C. R. & Q. Reduces Dining Car Prices 25% to 1 1/2% War Level.—"Wall St. Journal" Mar. 21, p. 7

Rumor of Deal for Maintenance That Opposite New Rail System Is Planned in Proposed Merger.—Wall Street thinks Pere Marquette and Ann Arbor deal may mean a big combination. "Times" Mar. 24, p. 1.

Returning Confidence in British Railways.—"Railway Gazette," London, Mar. 3, p. 349.

Joint Repeal for Principal French RRs. under Company-Government Convention.—"Sterling Loan."—"Railway Gazette" of London, Mar. 3, p. 337, 346; Jan. 27.

Higher Fare Denied as Gov. Miller Acts to Checkmate I. R. T.—Transit Board takes the stand new amendment robs it of jurisdiction over fares. Company may test its constitutionality. "Times" Mar. 24, p. 1 & 3.

Cars Loaded.—The total number of cars loaded with revenue freight totaled 829,128 cars during the week ending March 11, compared with 803,255 cars the previous week, or an increase of 25,873. This was the largest loading for any one week since Nov. 5 last, falling only 594 cars below that week. This was also an increase of 128,688 cars over 1921 and 9,799 over 1920.

Principal changes as compared with the week before were as follows: Grain and grain products, 45,160 cars, decrease 4,360 (but 6,932 more than in 1921 and 12,439 over 1920); merchandise and miscellaneous freight (incl. manufactured products), 484,713 cars, increase 16,518; coal, 204,568, increase 7,929; ore, 5,107, increase 456; coke, 8,530, increase 273; forest products, 51,120, increase 3,456; live stock, 29,930, increase 1,601.

Idle Cars Further Decreased.—The total number of freight cars idle March 8 totaled 398,982, compared with 417,964 on Feb. 28, or a decrease of 18,982. Of the total March 8, 223,816 were serviceable freight cars, while the remaining 175,136 cars were in need of repairs.

Surplus box cars in good repair March 8 amounted to \$8,974, a decrease since Feb. 28 of 6,387, while surplus coal cars in good order numbered \$6,464, a decrease within the same period of 11,170. The number of surplus stock cars totaled 19,877, a decrease of 78.

Idle Cars on or about First of Month, on April 8 '21 (Peak) and on Mar. 8 1922.

Table with 7 columns: Date (Mar. 8, Mar. 22, Feb. 22, Jan. 22, Dec. 21, Nov. 21, Apr. 8, Jan. 21), Good order, Bad order.

Ashtabula (O.) Rapid Transit Co.—To Vote on Purchase.—The citizens will vote April 24 on the purchase of the property by the city. Company operates 5 1/2 miles of track and leases one mile. It operates Ashtabula & Lake Shore Ry.—V. 113, p. 2184.

Atlanta Birmingham & Atlon. Ry.—Loan Application.—In connection with the company's application to the I.-S.-C. Commission for a Federal loan of \$10,000,000, B. L. Bugg, receiver, says the application has no special significance at this time. The application was filed in order to make it eligible for consideration later as a ruling of the Commission required all applications for loans this year to be filed not later than March 1.

The Commission has been asked not to take it up until later in the year, probably in the fall, when, it is believed, business will be much better. See V. 114, p. 1061, 1177.

Augusta-Aiken Ry. & Elec. Corp.—Service Discontinued.—A dispatch from Augusta March 15 states that the company withdrew its cars from service at Augusta as a result of a long controversy with the City Council over the regulation of jitneys.

The Augusta-Aiken line is not involved nor is the lighting nor power service, it is stated.—V. 112, p. 2641.

Beaver Valley Traction Co.—Consolidation.—The Pennsylvania P. S. Commission has approved the sale of the corporate powers, franchises and property of the following street railway companies to the Beaver Valley Traction Co. under a consolidation of traction interests: People's Electric, General Electric, Beaver Valley Street Ry., Rochester & Monaca Electric, Freedom & Conway Electric, Riverview Electric, College & Grandview Electric, Feaver & Vanport Electric, and Vanport Electric Street Ry. ("Pittsburgh Dispatch" March 15.)

[We are officially informed that the consolidation into Beaver Valley Traction Co. of a number of subsidiary street railway companies is merely legal consummation of a step which has been in practical effect for a considerable time. It entails no change in operating methods or accounting.]—V. 112, p. 2413.

Brooklyn City R.R.—Objects to Valuation.—See "Current Events" this issue.—V. 114, p. 197.

Brooklyn Queens County & Suburban R.R.—Bondholders Object to Valuation.—See "Current Events" this issue.—V. 112, p. 1143.

Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co.—Possibility of Reorganization Plan at Early Date—Earnings Said to Exceed Interest on Funded Debt—Objections to Transit Commission's Valuation.—See under "Current Events" this issue.

One-Man Car Petition Granted.—Judge Julius M. Mayer, in the Federal District Court, has granted the application of Lindley M. Garrison, Receiver, to expend \$860,000 to convert several cars into cars of the one-man type and to reconstruct several of the company's lines. Mr. Garrison in the petition said the present financial condition of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit warranted the expenditure to rehabilitate the company's service.—V. 114, p. 1061.

Chicago & Indiana Coal Ry.—Operation.—See Chicago Indianapolis & Western R.R.—V. 114, p. 408, 304.

Chicago & Interurban Traction Co.—Earnings.—

Table with 4 columns: Calendar Years (1921, 1920, 1919, 1918), Rev. from transportation, Other revenue, Gross income, Operating expenses, Net operating revenue, Interest and taxes, Net deficit.

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Table with 4 columns: Year (1921, 1920), Assets, Liabilities.

*Additional bonds issued and pledged to secure notes aggregate \$546,000. V. 110, p. 19, 2.

Chicago Junction Ry.—Equip. Notes Sold.—Alfred Borden announces that the \$276,900 Equip. 6% Notes purchased March 15 from the Director-General of R.R.s have all been sold. The notes mature \$21,300 annually Jan. 15 1923 to 1935, inclusive. Total principal amount, \$114,700, the balance subordinate in ten, being held by the Director-General of R.R.s.—V. 114, p. 1168

Chicago Surface Lines.—Federal Court Appoints Master to Take Testimony in Fare Case.—At a hearing to make permanent the temporary order restraining the Illinois Commerce Commission from reducing the fare to 5 cents, Federal Judge Carpenter appointed C. H. Morrison Master in Chancery to take testimony on the question. Judge Carpenter said in part: "The Master will be allowed only to hear matters pertaining to the legality of the order of the Illinois Commerce Commission dated Nov. 23, restoring the 5-cent street car rate. "This suit involves solely the question of whether the 5-cent fare is void. No issue of contract relations of the companies with the city can be considered by the court." See also report of Chicago Ry. Co. under "Financial Reports" above.—V. 114, p. 625

Cincinnati Indianapolis & Western R.R.—George M. Barnard and Edgar M. Hurling, members of the Indiana P. S. Commission, have obtained from the Federal Court authority for the Cincinnati Indianapolis & Western R.R. to continue indefinitely its operation as a part of the Chicago & Indiana Coal R.R.

The C. I. & W. is operating that part of the division between Brazil and West Union. Its authority to operate the part was to expire March 23. Commissioner Barnard says it now may operate the part until the Court gives it 30 days' notice to cease.

A proposal for authority to abandon the entire division is pending before the I.-S.-C. Commission. All but the Brazil-West Union part is now inoperative.—V. 113, p. 1052.

Cleveland Cincinnati Chicago & St. Louis Ry.—Acquisition by N. Y. Central Opposed by Preferred Stockholders.

The preferred stockholders' committee, Edwin G. Merrill, Chairman, have filed a brief with the I.-S.-C. Commission in opposition to the approval by the Commission of the acquisition by the New York Central of the preferred and common capital stock of the company.

The brief opposes the approval of the acquisition on the ground that the Commission is without jurisdiction under Section 5 of the Inter-State Commerce Act to grant the application at this time because the control sought involves the consolidation of the two lines "into a single system for ownership and separation." This, the brief states, cannot be authorized in advance of the completion by the Commission of the final consolidation plan. Two other points on which the application is opposed are that it is premature because approval is asked of a mere offer, before any agreement has been made or attempted with the minority interests sought to be acquired, and because the terms offered to the preferred stockholders are, in fact, unjust and unreasonable.—V. 114, p. 625.

Columbus & Ninth Avenue RR.—Committee Urges Deposit of Bonds.—

The committee for the 1st Mtge. 5s in a notice Mar. 15 says in brief: The Transit Commission has prepared a valuation of the property of the New York Rys. and proposes to use this valuation as a basis for the acquisition of the lines of the New York Rys., including the property covered by the Columbus & Ninth Ave. RR. mortgage.

In the opinion of this committee the valuation proposed is too low and the division of the valuation between the property originally covered by the mortgage of the Columbus & Ninth Ave. RR. and other New York Rys. property is unfair to the holders of these bonds.

The Transit Commission has given to this committee the opportunity to file objections and criticisms in reference to these valuations, and suggestions as to a proper basis for the acquisition of the railroad properties in question. All holders of the bonds who have not already deposited their bonds with the committee are urged to do so before Apr. 1, with Columbia Trust Co., 60 Broadway, New York, depository.

Committee.—George E. Warren, Chairman; C. Robert Adams, Frank Coenen, with Arthur N. Hazeltine, Sec'y.

See also under "Current Events" above.—V. 112, p. 2189.

Coney Island & Brooklyn RR.—Objections to Valuation.

See "Current Events" this issue.—V. 113, p. 2818.

Crawford County Rys.—Lease Approved.—

See Northwestern Pennsylvania Rys. below.—V. 111, p. 1751, 2227; V. 113, p. 1573.

Denver & Rio Grande RR.—Payments to Railroads.—

The I.-S.-C. Commission has certified to the Secretary of the Treasury the payment of \$477,953 as partial payment under Section 209 of the Transportation Act.—V. 114, p. 1062, 947.

Detroit & Toledo Shore Line RR.—Equip. Notes Sold.—

Alfred Borden announces that the \$289,900 Equipment 6% Notes recently purchased from the Director-General of RRs. have all been sold. The notes mature \$22,500 each Jan. 15 1923 to Jan. 15 1935, incl. Total principal amount outstanding \$434,200, the balance subordinate in lien, being held by the Director-General of RRs.—V. 113, p. 730.

Easton Transit Co.—Would Lease Road.—

See Lehigh Valley Transit Co. below.—V. 85, p. 1461.

Erie RR.—New Financing to Take Care of \$15,000,000 Notes Due April 1.—

The company has made arrangements for taking care of its \$15,000,000 note issue, which matures on April 1. It has completed arrangements for the sale of \$5,000,000 of Erie Ry. Co. Consol. Mortgage 7% bonds, owned by Erie RR., and which are pledged with other collateral as security for a loan from the I.-S.-C. Commission. These bonds will be released from that loan and there will be substituted other mortgage bonds which the company has available for that purpose.

The \$5,000,000 of Erie Ry. 7s will be sold for more than their par value and the proceeds from their sale will be used by the company to pay off and discharge at maturity \$2,247,000 of the maturing notes which are held by the public and \$2,253,000 of the same notes which are held by the War Finance Corporation. An official statement states:

The remaining maturing notes (\$10,000,000) all of which are held by the War Finance Corp., will be refunded by extension through a note given to the War Finance Corp. maturing after one year. This note will bear 6% interest, will be taken at par by the War Finance Corp., and will be secured by the company's general lien bonds and general mortgage bonds in an amount equal at present market prices to about 125% of the note.

The company has available for that purpose all of the General Lien bonds and General Mortgage bonds which it will pledge with the War Finance Corporation.

The I.-S.-C. Commission has authorized the company to take necessary action to complete those arrangements with the exception of authorizing the issue of the note to be given to the War Finance Corporation, for which authorization the company has made application to the Commission, and formal approval of which it is expected will be given within a few days.

The War Finance Corp. has agreed to its part of the arrangement for the refunding by extension of \$10,000,000 of its maturing notes.

Excepting for \$1,100,000 of Leased Line bonds which mature May 1 1922, and for the extension of which arrangements have been made subject to the approval of the I.-S.-C. Commission, and with the exception of an underlying issue of New York & Erie RR. 3d Mortgage bonds amounting to \$4,617,000, which were issued in 1853 and which mature in 1923, the company has no funded debt maturities (other than serial payments on equipment trust obligations) until 1927, in which year \$858,000 of leased line bonds mature.

\$5,000,000 Erie Ry. Consol. Mtge. 7% Bonds Offered.—White, Weld & Co., Cassatt & Co. and West & Co. are offering at 103¾ and int., yielding over 6.40%, \$5,000,000 Erie Ry. Co. Consol. (closed) Mtge. 7% gold bonds. Dated Sept. 1 1870; extended Sept. 1 1920; due Sept. 1 1930. Denom. \$1,000. Outstanding, incl. this issue, \$16,889,000. (See further particulars in advertisement on another page.)—V. 114, p. 1062.

Great Northern Ry.—Dividend Action Deferred, but Directors Hope to Maintain Full 7% Rate.—

See "Current Events" in "Chronicle" March 18, p. 1143, and compare V. 114, p. 1171, 1179.

Gulf & Ship Island RR.—Would Cut Wages.—

The company has applied to the Railroad Labor Board for permission to reduce wages rates to the scale recently authorized for the New Orleans & Great Northern, which will amount to about 25%.

The Kansas City Mexico & Orient RR. has asked for a wage cut of 15%.—V. 113, p. 1155.

Illinois Central RR.—Equip. Trusts Sold.—Kuhn, Loeb & Co. have sold privately \$3,255,000 5½% Equipment Trust Certificates, Series "H."

Commercial Trust Co., Philadelphia, trustee. Denom. \$1,000. \$217,000 of the certificates are to mature on Feb. 1 in each year from 1923 to 1937, both incl. Divs. payable F. & A. at the agency of the trustee in N. Y. City without deduction for any tax or taxes (other than Federal income taxes) which the company or the trustee may be required to pay or to retain therefrom under any present or future law of the U. S. of A. or of any State, county, municipality or other taxing authority therein.

Security.—Secured on new equipment costing approximately \$4,071,500, including the following: 350 refrigerator cars, 500 drop-bottom drop-end gondola cars, 1,500 drop-bottom composite gondola cars.

Issuance.—The issuance and sale has been approved by the I.-S.-C. Commission and the Illinois Commerce Commission.—V. 114, p. 749, 738.

Indianapolis Street Ry.—Aquin Defers Dividend.—

The regular quarterly dividend on the \$5,000,000 6% Cumul. Pref. stock, par \$100, usually paid March 1, was deferred.

An official notice to Preferred stockholders says in substance: "After a careful examination of the company's present financial resources, the directors deem it advisable to defer the payment of the quarterly dividend due March 1 1922.

"The urgent necessity of an increase in revenue in order that the company may meet its obligations, including the dividends on the Preferred stock, and make necessary improvements, is again being presented to the public officials and it is hoped that the justice of the company's claim will be recognized so that the payment of dividends may be resumed as speedily as possible."

Dividends of 6% (1½% quar.) were paid on the Pref. stock to and incl. March 1921; none since.—V. 114, p. 1062.

Interborough-Metropolitan Corp.—Bondholders Object to Valuation.—

See "Current Events" this issue.—V. 111, p. 473.

Interborough Rapid Transit Co.—Objection to Transit Commission's Valuation—Increase Fare Application Denied—April 1 Obligations, &c.—

For company's objection to Transit Commission's valuation of properties see "Current Events" above. The principal developments in the traction situation in New York City this week may be summarized as follows:

(1) Objections by the several companies and committees representing the differing securities to the Transit Commission's valuation. (For extracts from objections see "Current Events" above.)

(2) Application of counsel for I. R. T. for an increase in fare sufficient to return 8% on a valuation of \$300,000,000, which would mean an increase in fare from 5 to 7.3 cents.

(3) Reply of Governor Miller to request of James L. Quackenbush, counsel for the I. R. T. for a hearing on the Simpson bill amending Transit Act of 1921, stating that appeal reached Executive after the measure had been signed and gone into effect. The amendment will have the effect of preventing any increase of fare by the Transit Commission, "except as a part of and as may be provided" in the plan of readjustment.

(4) At a hearing before the Transit Commission on the question of improving the service Pres. Frank Hedley produced a statement from the office of the Treasurer of the company, giving the expected financial condition on April 1, when a number of obligations became due. The statement states that the company now had \$3,580,000 cash in banks and expected to have \$4,105,000 in cash on April 1.

Against this balance, President Hedley said that the Interborough would owe on that date the following obligations, unescapable without bankruptcy:

Sinking fund 5% bonds	\$1,500,000
Manhattan rental due Jan. 1 and April 1	2,100,000
Manhattan 4% bonds	813,500
Manhattan organization expenses	17,500
Total owed Manhattan Co.	\$2,931,000

Taxes due city: Last half, 1920, \$1,100,000; first half 1921, \$1,150,000; last half 1921, \$1,150,000; total	3,400,000
Miscellaneous supplies and coal	1,150,000
Unrepresented coupons on 5% bonds	85,000
Total	\$9,066,000

It was stated that there also was about \$1,250,000 in unliquidated accident claims.

(5) A letter from Mayor Hylan to Corporation Counsel O'Brien directing the latter to take steps to have the Transit Commission revoke the Interborough's lease of the subways. Mayor Hylan quoted provisions of the contract requiring the Interborough to maintain safe and adequate facilities permitting the city through the Commission to take possession and operate the railroad upon 90 days' notice to the operating company to correct the default.

(6) Reported that difficulties have developed in connection with the proposed readjustment of the Interborough Company's lease of the Manhattan Elevated lines. It was stated that before the Manhattan will consent to a reduction of the present rate of 7% on its capital stock, other features of the lease must be modified.

For other details see New York daily papers March 18-24.—V. 114, p. 1172, 1179.

Jacksonville Terminal Co.—Bonds Authorized.—

The I.-S.-C. Commission, March 15, authorized the company to issue not exceeding \$3,100,000 Ref. & Ext. Mtge. bonds, consisting of \$2,000,000 of Series A 5% bonds, to be exchanged for a like amount of First & Gen. Mtge. bonds, and \$1,100,000 of Series B 6% bonds, to be sold at not less than 95 and int., and the proceeds used for capital purposes.

The Atlantic Coast Line RR., Florida East Coast Ry., Seaboard Air Line Ry. and Southern Ry., are to guarantee jointly and severally, the principal and interest on the bonds. [It was reported this week that J. P. Morgan & Co. have purchased the \$1,100,000 Series "B" issue.]—V. 114, p. 1179.

Kansas City Mexico & Orient RR.—Would Cut Wages.—

See Gulf & Ship Island RR. above.—V. 114, p. 947, 79.

Lake Erie & Western RR.—Equip. Notes.—

The Director-General of RRs. recently announced that he had, with the consent of the President, confirmed additional sales, at par plus int., of railroad equipment trust certificates now held by the Government as follows: To Alfred Borden and National City Co., New York; Lake Erie & Western 1923 to 1935, incl., \$561,600.—V. 112, p. 162; V. 113, p. 2402.

Lehigh Valley Transit Co.—Seeks Lease.—

Application has been made to the Pennsylvania P. S. Commission by the Easton Transit Co. to lease all of its property and franchises to the Lehigh Valley Transit Co. The lease is for 99 years, and stipulates the lessee must carry out all the obligations of the lessor. The Easton Transit Co. is controlled by the Easton Consolidated Electric Co. in turn controlled by the Lehigh Company.—V. 113, p. 1053.

Louisiana Ry. & Navigation Co.—Fine Imposed.—

The Louisiana P. S. Commission has imposed a fine of \$2,000 on the company for violation of the terms of an order issued by the Commission in March 1919 which required the road to repair and place in satisfactory condition its entire roadway. Representatives of the company appeared before the Commission on Jan. 26 1921 and asked for an extension of time to comply with the order, stating at the same time that they had made every effort to comply with the order. The Commission granted this request. The Commission now concludes, however, that little or nothing has been done to comply with that agreement. The present order calls for a further payment of \$200 for each day hereafter that the road falls or refuses to comply with the original order. ("Railway Age", Mar. 18, p. 757.)—V. 113, p. 182.

Manhattan Ry.—Objection to Valuation, &c.—

See "Current Events" this issue and Interborough Rapid Transit Co. above.—V. 114, p. 1179, 738.

Maxton Alma & Southbound RR.—Loan Refused.—

The I.-S.-C. Commission has denied a Government loan of \$84,290 on the ground that the prospective earning power of the company and the character of the security offered were not such as to warrant the Government in taking the risk.

Mexican Ry. Co., Ltd.—Scheme Approved.—Earnings.—

The scheme of arrangement (V. 113, p. 2819) has been approved by the holders of the 6% Perpetual Debenture stock, the 4½% 2d Debentures, and the Deferred Interest certificates. Under the new scheme, of the amount due on the 6% Debenture stock, 20% is to be paid in cash on Feb. 1 1922, and the balance in 4½% Registered Stock "A," redeemable by Dec. 31 1925. Deferred Interest certificates of the 4½% Debentures are to be satisfied by the issue of 3% Registered stock "B," to be redeemed by April 1 1928. Interest payments in cash on the 6% and the 4½% stocks will be resumed on Jan. 1 and April 1 1922, respectively. Until all such liability is discharged no share dividends can be declared.

Income Statement of the Mexican Railway Co.

Mexican \$	1921.		1920.	
	1st Half	2d Half	1st Half	2d Half
Operating receipts	\$6,769,256	\$7,009,693		
Operating expenses	5,750,427	5,536,700		
Net earnings	\$1,018,829	\$1,472,993		
Other income	£118.7 8	£202.698		
	12.126	1.534	£124	
Total income	£130,844	£204,232	109,640	
Interest, &c	101,121	114,000	£124	
Profit and loss deficit	694,986	714,709	804,942	

To Build New Line.—

Following close upon the recent announcement of a modification by the Mexican Government of the concession for the construction of the Pachuca & Tampico RR. comes the authorized statement that the Mexican (Vera Cruz) Railway, a British corporation, has purchased a controlling interest in the Pachuca & Tampico from the heirs of the late Richard Honey and will finish building the line as fast as the work can be done. The Mexican (Vera Cruz) Railway runs between the port of Vera Cruz and Mexico City. It was one of the first railroads to be built in Mexico.

The taking over of this project by the strong British interests that own the Mexican (Vera Cruz) Railway is regarded as an assurance that it will be pushed to fulfillment as rapidly as possible. It is one of the most important transportation projects ever undertaken in Mexico for the reason that it will give direct connection between Mexico City and Tampico, shortening the rail distance between the two points by about 200 miles, and opening to agricultural development a big scope of rich lands. The fact that the road will have to mount from sea level to an altitude of more than 6,000 feet within a distance of 30 miles in order to reach the plateau region makes the engineering features of the project of unusual interest. It is explained, however, that a feasible route for this part of the line has been found and that the grade will not be excessive. ("Railway Age", Mar. 18).—V. 113, p. 2819.

Missouri Kansas & Texas Ry.—Stricken from List.—

The following securities have been stricken from the list of the New York Stock Exchange: Missouri Kansas & Texas Ry. 1st & Ref. Mtge. 4s, due Sept. 1 2004; Gen. Mtge. 4½s, due Jan. 1 1936; St. Louis Division 1st Mtge. Ref. 4s, due April 1 2001; Missouri, Kansas & Eastern Ry. 1st Mtge. 5s, due April 1 1942.—V. 114, p. 948, 854.

Missouri & North Arkansas RR.—Government Loan.—

The I.-S. C. Commission has approved a Government loan of \$3,500,000 to enable the carrier to meet maturing debt, providing that the owners and the receiver of the property comply with certain conditions in its corporate reorganization. The Commission by a decision earlier this week provided for a greater revenue for the road by increasing its proportionate joint rates formerly maintained with other carriers.—V. 114, p. 1063.

Missouri Pacific RR.—Bonds Sold.—Kuhn, Loeb & Co. have sold at 98¾ and int., to yield about 6.10%, \$18,000,000 1st & Ref. Mtge. 6% gold bonds, Series "D," due Feb. 1 1949.

Interest payable F. & A. Entire series redeemable as a whole only, on any interest date, at 107½ and int. upon 90 days' notice. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500 (c* & r*). Principal and interest payable without deduction for any tax assessment or Governmental charge (except Federal income tax), which the company or the trustee shall be required to pay, or to retain therefrom, under any present or future law of the U. S. of A. or of any State, county or municipality therein.

Data from Letter of President B. F. Bush, Dated March 21.

Purpose.—To provide the necessary funds for the retirement of the \$13,641,000 1st & Ref. Mtge. bonds, Series "B," which mature on Jan. 1 1923, and to reimburse the company for capital expenditures.

Security.—Secured by a direct lien on all the railroad properties, including about 6,694 miles directly owned, valuable terminal properties, depots, bridges, and all upon all the equipment owned, subject to \$127,232,500 prior liens, for the retirement of which, at or before maturity, 1st & Ref. Mtge. bonds are reserved. The prior liens may not be increased; they may be acquired and deposited under the 1st & Ref. Mtge. without impairment of lien, but unless and until they have been so deposited they may not be renewed or extended.

Upon completion of the present financing, the 1st & Ref. Mtge. bonds will be a first lien on 3,354 miles of railroad and a refunding lien on the remaining about 3,340 miles, subject to prior liens thereon as above stated. The bonds of this issue outstanding plus the amount of loans from the U. S. Government secured by such bonds are at the rate of only \$15,955 per mile on the mileage on which the bonds are a first lien.

Following the first & Refunding Mtge. bonds the company has outstanding \$51,350,000 of General Mtge. 4% bonds due Mar. 1 1975, \$71,800,100 of Preferred stock and \$82,839,500 of Common stock, having a total present market value of approximately \$90,000,000.

Earnings.—The income applicable to interest on the outstanding 1st & Ref. Mtge. bonds, after deducting interest on prior liens, rentals, taxes (other than income taxes), &c., for the calendar year 1921, amounted to about \$7,852,000 (including about \$1,509,000 overlap items account of Government control and Government guaranty periods), while the amount of interest on the 1st & Ref. Mtge. bonds after the issuance of the present bonds and the retirement of the \$13,641,000 bonds due on Jan. 1 1923, amounts to \$2,424,225 per annum.

Assets.—The general balance sheet as of Dec. 31 1921, compared with June 1 1917 (the date company took over operation of the property), shows an increase in total assets of \$62,782,466, against an increase in its liabilities of only \$28,571,390, of which latter \$19,570,360 represents equipment trust certificates and amounts funded by the U. S. Government for new equipment purchased, additions, betterments, &c. On Dec. 31 1921 current assets, without including \$11,221,087 materials and supplies, exceeded current liabilities by \$9,209,541. There was no floating debt and the company held as part of its current assets cash, U. S. Government certificates and New York City warrants aggregating \$14,653,679.

This Issue.—Authorized amount is limited to an amount which, together with all prior debts, after deducting bonds reserved to retire prior debts, shall never at any time exceed three times the then outstanding capital stock, with the additional proviso that, when the aggregate amount of the bonds issued and the bonds reserved for refunding purposes shall equal the sum of \$150,000,000, no additional bonds shall be issued without the consent of a majority of the stock, and then only to the extent of 80% of the cost of work done or property acquired.

Under the terms of the mortgage, bonds issuable thereunder shall be issuable in series, shall bear interest at such rates (not exceeding 6% p. a.) and mature at such time (but not earlier than June 2 1948) as the directors may determine. The amount of bonds secured by this mortgage, which will be outstanding in hands of the public after the present issue (and after deducting the \$13,641,000 bonds due Jan. 1 1923), aggregates \$14,881,500, of which \$26,884,500 will be 5% bonds and \$18,000,000 6% bonds. \$11,757,000 additional 6% bonds are pledged with the U. S. Government to secure loans aggregating \$8,929,760, of which \$4,509,760 mature on July 1 1929, \$4,000,000 on Mar. 1 1930 and the balance in installments of \$80,000 per annum from 1924 to 1936.

Issuance.—The issuance and sale of these bonds are subject to the approval of the I.-S. C. Commission and any other public authorities that may be necessary.

Listing of Convertible 5% Preferred Stock and Common Stock

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing on or after Apr. 1 of \$71,800,100 Convertible 5% Pref. stock, par \$100, and \$82,839,500 Common stock, par \$100 per share, upon official notice of issuance in exchange for outstanding stock trust certificates.

Consol. Income Account Year ending Dec. 31 1921 (Dec. tentative.)

Railway operating revenues	\$109,785,950
Railway operating expenses	91,693,856
Net revenue from railway operations	\$18,092,094
Railway tax accruals	4,348,577
Uncollectible railway revenues	47,952
Total operating income	\$13,695,565
Non-operating income	5,832,811
Gross income	\$19,528,377
Total deductions	15,991,361
Net corporate income	\$3,537,016

—V. 114, p. 180, 410.

Nassau Electric RR.—Bondholders Object to Valuation.—See "Current Events" this issue.—V. 114, p. 306.

New York Central RR.—Consolidation Rumors.—Wall Street is full of rumors that the New York Central RR. contemplates merging all of its subsidiary properties with the parent company with a view to producing a greater degree of efficiency than is possible through the operation of these various properties as individual units. It would not be surprising if the reports possess merit.

While these reports have been freely circulated, it was intimated by those usually conversant with New York Central affairs that the matter up to the present time has not proceeded further than the talking stage. ("Financial America" March 21).—V. 114, p. 1063.

New York & Harlem RR.—Company Objects to Valuation.—See "Current Events" this issue.—V. 114, p. 854, 410.

New York New Haven & Hartford RR.—Seeks Extension The company has petitioned the Mass. Depart. of Public Utilities for an extension of time during which it shall be lawful for it to hold the securities of the Rutland RR., for five years from May 8 1922. On that date the authority given under the special Acts of 1917 for the holding of the securities expires.

The petition says: "Owing to the financial situation which has prevailed during the past five years—there has been no market whatever on which it has been possible to dispose of the securities of the Rutland RR. owned by the petitioner, without great and unnecessary sacrifice—and there is no sufficient reason to think the prospect of the disposal of said securities is materially better now than it was at the passage of the Act."

Extension of Debentures Urged by Bankers.—Boston dispatches late last week stated that J. P. Morgan had conferred with Boston bankers in the interest of obtaining a 100% deposit of the debentures under the road's offer as outlined in last week's "Chronicle," p. 1180. Mr. Morgan is quoted as saying:

I am in this city at the solicitation of the New Haven to impress upon those interested in this great property and in the destiny of New England itself the necessity of a 100% response to the company's offer in respect to these bonds.

This is not a banking proposition. There is not a dollar in it for any one, and the investor who holds out his bonds and refuses to avail himself of the very liberal privileges extended by the road can only claim the doubtful distinction of bringing about a very chaotic condition of affairs. He has nothing else to gain.

Deposits of the debentures to date have been very encouraging, but nothing short of a 100% response will meet the necessities of the situation. The bankers and others interested in the road are using their utmost endeavors to save the property.—V. 114, p. 1180, 1063.

New York Rys.—Bondholders Object to Valuation.—See "Current Events" this issue.—V. 114, p. 1063, 1180.

N. Y. & Rockaway Beach Ry.—Stricken from List.—The stock of the company has been removed from the New York Stock Exchange list.—V. 113, p. 533.

Norfolk & Western Ry.—Bonds Authorized.

The I.-S. C. Commission, Mar. 15, authorized the company to issue \$666,000 1st Consol. Mtge. 4% bonds, by selling them at not less than 90% to reimburse its treasury for moneys expended in the payment of \$600,000 1st Mtge. 5% bonds of the Columbus Connecting & Terminal RR. Co., which matured Jan. 1 1922. No arrangements for the sale of the bonds have been made, but company states that the selling commission will not exceed 15-100 of 1%. On this basis the cost will not exceed 4½% per annum.—V. 114, p. 627.

Northern Ohio Traction & Light Co.—Calls Notes.

The company announces that it intends to pay and redeem at 101 and int., on April 17, all of its outstanding 6-Year 7% Secured gold bonds, due June 1 1926, at the National City Bank of New York.—V. 114, p. 1180, 1064.

Northern Pacific Ry.—Regular Quarterly Dividend Cut from 1¾% to 1¼%.—The directors on March 22 declared a quarterly dividend of 1¼%, payable May 1 to holders of record April 12. The company has paid quarterly dividends of 1¾% from 1910 to Feb. 1922, inclusive.

Chairman Howard Elliott says in substance: "In declaring a dividend of 1¼%, the directors feel they are best serving the interests of the stockholders and are hopeful that conditions will warrant the resumption of the rate of 1¾% quarterly in the future."

Chairman Elliott is quoted as saying that the business of the Northern Pacific had suffered materially in recent months because of the slump in mining, lumber and agriculture in the Northwest. In the first month of 1922 the company had a deficit of \$624,563, and the February showing is expected to be about the same.—V. 114, p. 1064.

Northwestern Pennsylvania Ry.—Lease Approved.

The Pennsylvania P. S. Commission has approved the application of the Crawford County Rys. to lease its street railway lines and equipment to the Northwestern Pennsylvania Rys. Co. in Meadville and suburbs.—V. 113, p. 1574.

Philadelphia Co., Pittsburgh.—Annual Report.

Calendar Years—	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Gross earnings	\$11,308,595	\$16,560,669	\$13,774,501	\$13,109,097
Oper. expenses	5,792,654	6,680,115	6,679,285	4,401,150
New prod. gas wells, lines, &c.			934,200	
Taxes	610,606	618,107	513,715	394,327
Depreciation	1,597,239	2,609,935	523,142	381,113
Net earnings	\$3,278,095	\$6,658,512	\$5,124,159	\$6,007,537
Net earnings from oth. op.	35,380			
Divs. and int. received	2,183,113	2,209,850	1,868,606	1,439,384
Int. discount, rents, &c.	96,823	70,650	201,434	220,411
Total income	\$5,593,412	\$8,938,018	\$7,194,199	\$8,577,338
Interest on bonds, &c.	\$2,157,142	\$2,253,942	\$2,325,020	\$2,097,992
Other line charges	404,017	1,011,850	928,624	450,615
New wells, lines, &c.	152,711	258,226	144,478	1,209,307
Preferred dividends	915,591	776,161	1,015,085	476,743
Common dividends	(6%) 2,576,304	(6) 2,576,364	(6) 2,576,334	(6) 2,576,864
Balance, surplus	def\$702,443	\$2,062,400	\$204,516	\$1,702,516
Previous surplus	\$13,814,530	\$11,775,148	\$11,570,603	\$8,976,220
Additions to profit & loss	10,067,008	559,621		553,174
Total	\$24,090,185	\$14,397,205	\$11,755,149	\$11,231,910
Deduct fr. profit & loss	10,453,249	662,670		29,451
Total P. & L. surplus	\$13,636,936	\$13,834,529	\$11,755,149	\$11,202,459

The foregoing income account in 1921 includes Philadelphia Co., Equitable Gas Co., The Allegheny Heating Co., Monongahela Natural

Gas Co., Pittsburgh & West Virginia Gas Co., The Philadelphia Co. of West Virginia, and Philadelphia Oil Co., with transactions between companies eliminated.

Balance sheet as of Dec. 31 shows cash, \$10,648,819; materials and supplies, \$820,294; unsold oil and gasoline, \$57,532; current liabilities, \$2,430,949; total p. & l. surplus, \$13,645,937.—V. 114, p. 627.

Pennsylvania RR.—Annual Report.—

The stockholders may obtain copies of the annual report and the necessary tickets for admission to the annual meeting, to be held April 11, on and after April 4, by personal application at, or by letter to, Secretary Lewis Neilson's office, Room 269, Broad Street Station, Phila., Pa.—V. 114, p. 1064.

Philadelphia Rapid Transit Co.—Exec. Committee, &c.

An official statement says: "The present agreement with Mr. Mitten has been renewed with compensation unchanged. He was also elected President and Chairman of the board.

"The by-laws remain unchanged and an executive committee of five members was elected by the board with T. E. Mitten as Chairman, the other members being W. C. Dunbar, who is also Vice-President of finance and accounting; G. A. Richardson, also Vice-President in charge of operation; H. G. Tulley, who represents Mitten management in Co-Operative Welfare matters and C. J. Joyce, counselor.

"The other officers elected by the Board were E. L. Austin, Comptroller; G. W. Davis, Treasurer; F. B. Ellis, Secretary and W. D. Witt, Auditor."—V. 114, p. 1181, 943.

Pittsburgh (Pa.) Rys.—Receivers Directed to File Account by April 1—Settlement of Litigation Approved—Reorganization Going Forward.—The U. S. District Court March 16 on the petition of the Philadelphia Co., ordered the receivers to file a report on the receivership not later than April 1 next. This is taken as the first step toward a reorganization of the company in line with the contract between the City of Pittsburgh and the Philadelphia Co. The Pittsburgh "Gazette" March 17 further states in brief:

The Federal Court also approved the settlement by the receivers with the Southern and United Traction companies at more than \$1,000,000 for bond and mortgage interest payments, which had been in litigation several years.

The settlement, recommended by former Judge Henry G. Wasson as Master, proposes to pay the trustees of the mortgages held on the lines of the Southern Traction Co. (the West End Lines) \$700,000 in interest, less \$100,000 already paid on account; \$75,000 to the Union Trust Co., trustee under these mortgages, for services and expenses, and to the holders of the bonds of the United Traction Co., \$480,400 as interest. The total payments approved by the Court are \$1,155,400.

The Court subjected its approval of these payments to the following conditions:

"That the holders of the outstanding bonds of the Southern Traction Co. and the United Traction Co. surrender any interest coupons and relinquish and forfeit any claim for interest thereon from the date when coupons fell due to the date of payment thereof

"That the Southern Traction Co. properly cure the default arising from the non-payment of the interest coupons at the time the same fell due, and reinstate the Southern Traction Co. mortgage in full force and effect, the same as if defaults had not taken place.

"That the Philadelphia Co. and the various creditors to whom payments are directed to be made by the order of the Court of Aug. 25 1921 relinquish and forfeit any claim for any interest thereon."

This settlement disposes of an expressed intention on the part of the Southern Traction Co. to foreclose on its mortgages and properties, take the West End lines out of the Pittsburgh Railways Co., and operate them independently.

No Appeal Against Contract.—

Attorney George G. Shaffer for the Allied Boards of Trade, it is stated, has announced that no appeal will be made to State Superior Court against the P. S. Commission's approval of the contract between the City of Pittsburgh and Philadelphia Co. for reorganization of the Pittsburgh Railways. The last legal obstacle to the proposed reorganization plans thus has been wiped out.

In answer to specific questions of the Board, Pres. Thompson of the Philadelphia Co. submitted these answers:

"Our purpose is to provide for one bond issue with two series of new company or reorganized Pittsburgh Railways, and these issues will ultimately absorb all underlying properties as they mature from year to year and so far as possible anticipate maturities. Results will have to be accomplished through circulars and personal canvass.

"Through use of Class B bonds for exchange purposes we hope to eliminate the leases and get ownership vested in new company. Negotiations have already been started for solution of this.

"Ultimately all properties will be operated under single franchise. We depend upon you (the city) to help accomplish this result."—V. 114, p. 1064, 855.

Porto Rico Railway Co., Ltd.—Omits Dividend.—

The quarterly dividend, usually paid April 1 on the outstanding \$3,000,000 Common stock, par \$100, will be omitted on that date. The company has paid quarterly dividends of 1% each from July 1920 to Jan. 1922, inclusive.—V. 110, p. 2568.

Public Service Corp. of N. J.—Div. Increased—Report.—

The directors have declared a quarterly dividend of 1 1/2% on the Common stock, payable Mar. 31 to holders of record Mar. 29. The company paid 1% quarterly from Mar. 1920 to Dec. 1921 incl.

The directors also declared the regular quarterly dividend of 2% on the Preferred stock, payable Mar. 31 to holders of record Mar. 21.

For annual report see "Financial Reports" above.—V. 114, p. 1181.

Reading Co.—Supreme Court Indicates Points to Be Re-Argued.—The Phila. "News Bureau" March 20 says:

Counsel for the Reading Co., who are preparing for the reargument ordered by the U. S. Supreme Court, to be held April 10, have been advised by the Clerk that in response to a request from counsel, the Supreme Court has issued a supplemental order directing that special attention be given in the reargument to the following questions:

(1) Whether the disposition by the Reading Co. of the stock of the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Co., contemplated and ordered in the decree of the District Court, will establish such entire independence between the Reading Co., present and prospective, and the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Co. and the new company to be organized as is required by the opinion and judgment of this court.

(2) Whether the general mortgage having been executed, and the bonds secured by it issued, as a part of the process of forming the combination held to be unlawful, there is any legal or practical difficulty in providing by appropriate modification of the decree, for sale of the Coal Co. stock, owned by the Reading Co., free from the lien of that mortgage and from the lien of the contemplated new mortgage.

(3) Whether compliance with the decree will confer on any one class of stockholders of the Reading Co. any benefit to the prejudice of the rights of any other class of stockholders.

(4) What the basis is upon which the amount and character of the payments to be made by the Coal Co. and by the new company to the Reading Co. was arrived at and what the reasons are for adopting it.—V. 114, p. 948.

Rome & Northern RR.—Would Abandon Line.—

Federal Judge Samuel H. Sibley at Atlanta, Ga., has ordered H. H. Shackleton receiver, to apply to the I-S-C. Commission for authority to abandon operations, temporarily or permanently, of the road on account of lack of funds for operation. The road runs from Rome to Gore, 18.7 miles.

St. Louis-San Francisco Ry.—Bonds Authorized.—

The Missouri P. S. Commission has authorized the company to issue \$11,453,000 5% Prior Lien bonds. These bonds, with the exception of \$521,000 of notes for equipments, are issued in lieu of four former issues of 6% Prior Lien bonds, which were not sold and remain in the treasury of the company. The new securities are not to be sold at less than 80 or pledged at less than 70.—V. 114, p. 1064, 522.

San Francisco-Oakland Term. Rys.—Operations, &c.—

The gross operating revenue amounted to \$6,872,597 and operating expenses were \$4,853,032. The final surplus of the year was \$49,297.

Vice-President W. R. Alberger is quoted as saying that the general business depression of the year 1921 had not materially changed the company's condition and that it was in practically the same position at the end of that year as it was at the close of the year 1920.

Federal, State, county and municipal taxes for 1921 increased 14.75% as compared with 1920; the increase was practically all due to taxes paid the State of California.—V. 114, p. 739.

Savannah & Southern Ry.—Receivership.—

This road, operating from Lanier to Glennville, Ga., about 32 miles, entered the hands of a receiver, appointed by Judge W. W. Sheppard, at Savannah, Ga., on March 3. J. C. Morgan, Savannah was named receiver.

Second Ave. RR.—Receiver Objects to Valuation.—

See "Current Events" this issue.—V. 113, p. 1051.

Slate Belt Electric St. Ry., Pen Argyl, Pa.—Receiver.—

On application of First National Bank, Bangor, Pa., which alleges that the company has an indebtedness of \$23,000, the Northampton County Court has appointed Oscar J. Mutchler receiver. Joseph Hambleton, for many years President of the company, has been appointed manager by Receiver Mutchler.—V. 104, p. 765.

Southern Railway.—Listing.—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of \$30,000,000 additional Devel. & Gen. Mtge. 6 1/2% bonds, series "A," making the total applied for \$61,333,000 of Series "A" 4% bonds and \$30,000,000 of series "A" bonds hearing 6 1/2% int. (see offering in V. 114, p. 307.)—V. 114, p. 1181, 1171.

Southern Traction Co., Pittsburgh.—Interest, &c.—

See Pittsburgh Rys., above.—V. 114, p. 307, 199.

Springfield (O.) Washington Ry.—Would Abandon Line.—

Application was filed March 6 with the Ohio P. U. Commission by this road, operating between Springfield and South Charleston, O., for authority to abandon service on the line. The line has been operating at a loss. A committee of citizens from South Charleston and Springfield are now attempting to form a company to take over the line. ("Electric Railway Journal.")—V. 93, p. 1601.

Tennessee Alabama & Georgia RR.—Sale Postponed.—

For the sixth time the road was offered for sale at public outcry March 18 and, as on the former occasions, there were no bidders. Special Commissioner D. L. Grayson declared the sale adjourned until April 1.—V. 114, p. 522, 199.

Third Ave. Ry.—Company Objects to Valuation.—

See "Current Events" this issue.—V. 114, p. 948.

Union Traction Co. of Indiana.—Annual Report.—

Calendar Years—	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Gross earnings.....	\$3,710,606	\$4,095,755	\$3,781,554	\$3,198,821
Net, after taxes.....	\$938,664	\$931,516	\$899,186	\$823,424
Other income.....	21,281	13,114	17,518	21,627
Interest, rentals, &c.....	917,674	917,550	898,669	880,048
Sinking fund.....	-----	-----	-----	63,546

Balance, surplus..... \$42,271 \$30,080 \$18,035 def\$98,543
The Oct. 1 1914 First Pref. dividend was passed and no dividend on this stock has since been paid. No dividends have been paid on the 2nd Pref. stock.

The balance sheet as at Dec. 31 shows: Cash, \$209,118; materials and supplies, \$347,967; bills payable, \$392,500.—V. 113, p. 732.

United Traction Co., Pittsburgh.—Interest, &c.—

See Pittsburgh Rys., above.—V. 114, p. 80.

Western Maryland Ry.—Car Repair Shops.—

Following announcement that the car repair work of the Western Maryland Ry., Baltimore, at the shops in Baltimore and Elkins, W. Va., had been abandoned and placed on contract, and also the announcement that the railroad's maintenance of way work had been placed in the hands of Dickson Construction & Repair Co., Youngstown, O., the company has now announced that the shops at Hagerstown, Cumberland, Connelville and Hanover have been placed under the control of the Youngstown company. ("Iron Age," March 23.)—V. 113, p. 2500.

West Penn Trac. & Water Power Cos. (Incl. Sub. Cos.)

Earnings—Calendar Years—	1921.	1920.	1919.
Gross earns. West Penn Rys. & subs.....	\$14,189,777	\$13,607,949	\$10,634,611
Depreciation.....	\$1,000,000	\$802,553	\$402,553
Operating expenses.....	8,571,542	\$8,807,927	6,411,208
Ordinary taxes.....	673,136	425,494	357,295
Federal taxes (estimated).....	-----	214,468	192,686

Net earnings.....	\$3,945,100	\$3,357,507	\$3,270,869
Miscellaneous income.....	566,158	550,294	453,200

Interest and amortization of discount.....	\$4,511,257	\$3,907,801	\$3,724,069
Divs. accrued on stock of sub. cos....	\$2,438,561	\$2,113,050	\$2,009,298
Dividends on Preferred stock.....	608,188	538,255	527,657
Dividends on Preferred stock.....	808,282	483,282	483,282

Balance, surplus..... \$656,226 \$773,213 \$703,832

x Excluding interest charged to improvement account and to cost of coal; amounting to \$227,151 in 1921, \$273,889 in 1920, \$201,389 in 1919.—V. 113, p. 2722.

Wisconsin Central Ry.—Minority Stockholders' Committee to Investigate Where Earnings Go.—

The committee named below, under date of Mar. 22, sent a circular to the minority common stockholders, saying in brief:

We are large holders, or represent large holders, of common stock. Much stock was purchased on the assumption that the absorption of the Wisconsin Central, with its 1,020 miles, into the Canadian Pacific System, with its 13,000 miles, making of the Wisconsin Central the only outlet into Chicago of the great trans-continental Canadian Pacific System, would result in a large increase in gross earnings, and a corresponding increase in net revenue for the common stock. The increase in gross earnings has occurred but there has been no corresponding benefit to the common stockholders.

The Minneapolis St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie (Soo) Ry., controlled by the Canadian Pacific, is the lessee of the Wisconsin Central, and owns substantially all of the Wisconsin Central preferred stock, and 51% of the common stock.

In view of the results during the 13 years since the Soo Line took over the management we feel that the time has come when the minority stockholders of the Wisconsin Central should ascertain from their own standpoint, whether in the relations between the two companies, the Wisconsin Central is receiving the full return to which it is entitled. To ascertain the facts an examination of the books of the Wisconsin Central by independent expert accountants is necessary and for that purpose we have formed ourselves into a committee.

The committee will ask no compensation for any service it may be able to render nor does it ask for the deposit of stock, that being unnecessary, but it seeks 25 cents per share now from those who wish to join the committee with the assurance of a further sum not to exceed 25 cents per share to defray the expenses. Those joining are requested to communicate with W. J. Wollman, 120 Broadway.

A full report of all the findings, it is stated, will be given to the participants by the committee.

Minority Stockholders' Committee.—William J. Wollman, Chairman (W. J. Wollman & Co., N. Y.), John E. Fritsche (formerly of Chas. E. Lewis & Co., Minneapolis), William Hammi, St. Paul, Harry E. Kohn (H. F. Bachman & Co., Phila.), William P. Tuttle, Chicago, with W. A. Dibble Jr., Sec., 120 Broadway, N. Y. City.—V. 114, p. 412.

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 and Iron Production, Prices, &c.

IRON AND STEEL MARKETS.—"Iron Age," March 23, reports:

(1) Production & Prices.—"The improvement in the steel trade, both in demand and in rate of operation, has gone farther in the past week. The situation as to prices is stronger, though the 1.50c. basis on plates, structural shapes and bars, for which more large producers are holding, is not established thus far by important transactions. The week has seen the closing of considerable business on which lower quotations were out.

"Reports of an expected announcement of the 1.50c. price by the Steel Corporation have not been borne out, price announcements from that source having been out of vogue for some time.

"The percentage of active capacity for the entire industry is evidently close to 60. Current production of ingots in the Pittsburgh, Youngstown and Wheeling districts is put at 60 to 65% of capacity.

The Carnegie Steel Co., which has reached a 65% operation, is preparing to blow in six additional blast furnaces in the next 10 days, bringing the number up to 35 out of 59. The starting up of the company's Farrell, Pa., steel plant, which has been shut down nearly a year, leaves only three of its steel works idle, these being high cost plants.

"Sentiment is divided as to the basis and the continuance of the present increased demand for steel. With almost no forward buying, the large call for quick delivery indicates the scant stocks of manufacturing consumers. But conditions in dependent industries still present many variations.

"New construction, railroad and automobile activities figure more largely in the market. Detroit motor car works are busier. Ford requirements for April amount to 10,000 to 15,000 tons of bars, wire and sheets.

Effective March 20, an advance of \$2 per ton was made by several Central Western producers of sheet bars and billets. Sheet mill operations have increased rather more rapidly than the supply of sheet bars.

"At Chicago a situation has developed in which some sellers of heavy melting steel have paid higher prices, in covering short sales, than were paid by steel mills. The highest price paid by a mill there was \$12 75, whereas dealers have bought at as high as \$13 25.

(2) Coal Strike.—"The nearness of the coal strike has made little impression on the finished steel market. Reserves of bituminous coal, at 60,000,000 tons, are estimated at eight weeks' supply and output of non-union mines has reached 60% of total requirements in recent weeks.

(3) RR. Orders.—"Tie plates figure largely in railroad negotiations. Including 2,500 tons for the Missouri Pacific, 5,000 tons for the Northern Pacific and 2,000 tons for the Illinois Central, the total is fully 12,000 tons. Some 343 passenger service cars have been inquired for, of which 250 are for the Pennsylvania, and 50 electric cars have been bought by the Southern Pacific.

"A 5,000-ton order for 16-lb. rails for Japan will be rolled at a western Pennsylvania mill.

(4) Fabricated Steel.—"Fabricated steel lettings of the week, taking in only the sizable bridge and building projects, exceed 40,000 tons, though for all of February, according to the records of the Bridge Builders and Structural Society, the total was 78,700 tons. March promises to be the largest month in structural steel in over 20 months. To the pending list of structural business was added over 20,000 tons, and round lots of reinforcing bars are under inquiry.

(5) Pig Iron.—"The pig iron market is showing greater firmness in prices. This is due in part to uncertainty as to what effect the expected strike of coal miners will have on prices of coke, and in part to increased foundry melt. Buying in the East and the Central West has amounted to a considerable tonnage, made up to a large extent of moderate orders for early delivery. Eastern Pennsylvania and Buffalo furnaces have taken much of the new business, but furnaces along the lakes have also had their full share.

(6) Manganese Ore.—"The first large contract for manganese ore from the Caucasus since the war involves the sale of 50,000 tons to an Eastern producer of ferromanganese. For 52% ore the basis was 24 1/2c. per unit.

(7) Merger.—"Early announcement is looked for of an important consolidation in the machinery trade in which seven machine tool companies will be included with other large interests."

U. S. Steel on March 24 Operating at Least 70% of Normal Capacity and Booking 65%. Balance on Old Orders—Judge Gary.

Coal Production, Prices, &c.

WEEKLY REVIEW.—"Coal Age," New York, reports in brief:

(1) Prices.—"Striking evidence of the weakened condition of the market is found in the marked decline in spot prices this week, ten of the fourteen coals entering into the "Coal Age" Index recording decreases, with the result that the index dropped five points to 173, the sharpest decline this year. Spot prices on soft coal are now lower than at any time since the middle of 1916. [For instance, Pocahontas mine run, c. o. b. mines, was quoted at Chicago March 20 at \$1 65 @ \$2 00, against \$2 15 Feb. 20 1922, and Clearfield mine run, at Boston, at \$1 65 @ \$2 25, against \$1 95.]

But while prices have been dropping, production has gone up. Forced sales and stocking by railroads and public utilities have taken the large outputs in recent weeks. In the last few days before April 1 the operators of union mines will fill every car they can obtain, thus holding production to a high level up to the last minute.

"There is no feeling of appreciation now being shown by consumers in the face of the impending suspension. The reason for this, of course, is that stocks are in comfortable volume and that with the present low rate of industrial consumption they will last for some time. Then, too, non-union offerings are heavy.

"A New England railroad has just completed an arrangement for a large tonnage, over the next 12 months, at \$1 50 for a good grade of Connellsville coal.

"Bituminous production increased another 500,000 tons during the week ended March 11. The output was 11,053,000 net tons, as compared with 10,553,000 tons in the previous week.

(2) Bituminous Shipments.—"All-rail shipments to New England are holding fairly well. During the week ended March 11 there were 3,695 cars moved as compared with 3,765 cars in the preceding week. This tonnage is largely contract fuel which is being pressed on old agreements before their expiration on April 1.

Dumpings for all accounts are Hampton Roads were 377,307 net tons during the week ended March 11, as compared with 316,553 tons in the previous week. Accumulation at tidewater have declined while vessel tonnage awaiting cargo has increased. Most of the coal dumped is being taken to New England. Those markets are disappointed with coal that prices have sagged, while domestic cargoes are on the increase. Marine freight has also sagged in the past week.

(3) Anthracite.—"Hard coal demand is waning, although there is hope of a recovery toward retail stocking that in the past week coal trade. Loadings of anthracite increased to 1,920,000 net tons during the week ended March 11, as compared with 1,911,000 tons in the preceding week. New England coal movement of anthracite was 1,226 cars during the week ended March 11, as compared with only 5,492 cars during the first week of March."

Estimates of Production (Net Tons) as Estimated by U. S. Geological Survey

Table with 5 columns: Month, 1921, 1920, 1919, 1918. Rows include Week ended, Feb 25, Mar 4, Mar 11, and Coal year.

a Subject to revision. b Rebased from last report.

Strike Call by 40,000 Miners in U. S. and in Canada.—See "Current Events" and "Times" March 21, p. 21.

New South Coal Miners Repl. Tentative Wage Agreement.—Boston "N. B." March 18, p. 10.

Oil Production, Prices, &c.

Crude Oil Price Advance.—Humble Oil and Texas Co. have advanced price of Mexco crude oil 25 cents a barrel to \$1 50. "Times" March 18, p. 18.

Mexican Oil Production 1,750,000 Barrels Last Week.—Mexican Petroleum sold with 1,236,000 bbls. Gulf Oil next 728,000, Royal Dutch, 319,000 bbls. "Wall Street Journal" March 23, p. 8.

Crude Oil Production in United States.—Daily average for week ended March 18, 1,452,750 bbls. gross daily (estimate of American Petroleum Institute); increase of 23,550 over previous week.

American Loan Is Condition on Oil Concessions.—"Times" March 20, p. 2. Oil Men Drop Rail for Water Routes.—Rate increases force industries to seek other means of shipment, says, representatives. "Times" March 20, p. 17.

Refined Oil Stocks Increased.—End of January, fuel oil gained 43% over 1921, lubricants 33%, gasoline 23%; kerosene diminished. "Wall Street Journal" March 22, p. 1, 2 and 13.

Mexican Oil Pooling Plan Being Worked Out.—May include undeveloped acreage of five companies, viz.: Standard Oil of N. J., Mexican Petroleum, Sinclair, Texas Co. and Atlantic Refining; no one company to control; producing properties not included. "Wall St. Jour." March 22, p. 1.

Prices, Wages and Other Trade Matters.

Prices.—Cash prices at wholesale in New York show new record prices for 1922 as follows: (1) New high price for refined sugar on Mar. 17, 5.4 cts., and for coffee on Mar. 22, 9 3/4 cts.; (2) New low price for pig iron 2 x Philadelphia Mar. 23, \$21, and tin, Mar. 14, 28.50 cts., the latter contrasting with 33.25 cts. Jan. 12.

Crude rubber sells for 14 1/2 cts. a pound, a reduction of 7 cts. from a price around 21 cts. quoted at the end of Jan. "Wall St. J." Mar. 20.

Maxwell Motors Price Advance.—Increase of \$100 in prices of Chalmers open models, effective April 1; roadster, \$1,295; 5-passenger touring, \$1,395; 7-passenger touring, \$1,495. "Phila. B. N." Mar. 20, p. 1.

Copper Price Weaker.—Certain producers show willingness to sell at 12 1/2 cts., delivered, for domestic and others at 12 1/4 cts. aside ship New York. "Wall St. Jour." Mar. 22, p. 15 & 12 & 2.

Average Prices of Gingham Offered by Importers Are 5c. per Yard Under Those for American Made.—"Fin. Am." Mar. 23, p. 7.

Prices for Camisoles Reduced 50 to 60% Under Those for Last Spring.—"Fin. Am." Mar. 23, p. 7.

Marks Touch \$0.0029 1/2 Mar. 23. See editorial department.

Lawrence (Mass.) Textile Mills Reduce Wages—Strike Threat.—See "Current Events" above.

Lynn Shoe Manufacturers Insist on 20% Wage Cut, Workers for 10%.—"Times" March 21, p. 21.

Strike by 300 Lowell Leather Workers of American Hide & Leather Co. Against 10% Wage Cut.—"Times" March 22, p. 2.

Fifty Leading Plumbing Contractors in Chicago Accept Landis Award Effective March 11—All Union Rules Eliminated.—"Eng. News Record" March 16, p. 468.

Open Rates Declared on Pacific Lines to Orient.—Eight steamship companies start what promises to be fierce war. "Post" March 18, Sec. 2, p. 2.

N. Y. Pressmen Vole to Stay on Job, Though Not Entirely Satisfied.—Manton decision upheld. Union reserves right to protest certain proposals of publishers. Hitch reported. "Times" March 22, p. 2; "Sun" March 20, p. 4.

Chicago Press Feeders Take \$3 Arbitration Cut.—Dean Hellman asserts nation's income unequal to paying minimum wage of \$2.445. "Times" March 24, p. 9.

Negotiations Fail in N. Y. Building Tangle.—Employers refuse to make wage agreement with the Trades Council. New meeting is called. "Times" March 21, p. 5.

250 San Francisco Street Laborers of the United Laborers Union No. 1 Agree to Wage Reduction from \$6 to \$5 Per Day.

German Potash Price Increase of 21% Approved by Imperial Potash Council.—"Times" Mar. 22, p. 9.

Legal Matters, Legislation, Taxation, &c.

Wire Goods Exchange Ends.—Dissolution by Court follows Federal investigation under Sherman Anti-Trust Law, as to reporting prices, production and the selling terms, &c. "Times" March 21, p. 40.

N. Y. Rent Laws Held Valid by U. S. Supreme Court.—"Times" March 21, p. 21.

U. S. Supreme Court Holds that Income Held by a Trustee for Unborn or Unascertained Persons is Not Taxable.—"Times" March 22, p. 12.

U. S. Files Its Appeal in American Linseed Case.—"Sun" March 20, p. 2.

New Jersey Legislature Over Veto Repeals Excess Crew Law.—Also \$40,000,000 highway bonds, &c. "Times" March 18, p. 6.

Mayor Hylan Orders Fight to Get 80-Cent Gas for N. Y. City.—Says Supreme Court decision against it was based on costs of 1918-19. "Times" March 20, p. 19.

Federal Bonus Bill Passed in House by 333 Votes to 70.—See "Current Events" and "Times" March 24, p. 1.

Morris Canal Abandonment Bill Approved by Governor of N. J.—"Eng. News Record" March 23, p. 505.

Hearings Begun at Washington on New Highway Legislation.—Markham, representing state highway officials, urges \$75,000,000 annually for three years. "Eng. News Record" March 23, p. 503.

Real Estate Brokers' License Bill.—Passed at Albany by both Senate and Assembly for cities, &c., adjoining a city with a population of 1,000,000 or more. "Times" March 18, p. 21.

Senate Committee Republicans Fix Duty at \$1 60 on Cuban Raw Sugar.—"Times" March 22, p. 12.

Estate of William Waldorf Astor Worth \$80,000,000 in U. S.—\$23,641,262 in personal property. "Times" March 23, p. 23.

Amalgamated Leather Cos., Inc.—Annual Report.

Loss from operations for the year ended Dec. 31 1921 was \$1,363,920 before adding \$500,000 reserve to reduce inventories to cost value; total loss, \$1,863,900.

The balance sheet as of Dec. 31 1921 shows current assets of \$6,060,474, which includes, with other items, cash of \$611,216, notes, accounts and drafts receivable, less reserves, \$927,968, and inventories of finished goods work in process, raw materials and supplies, \$1,474,086. Current liabilities total \$4,508,431, including notes payable of \$3,092,397.

The unpaid balance of Federal income and excess profits taxes on 1919 income in respect to which claim for abatement has been filed, amounts to \$473,297.—V. 112, p. 2415.

American Connellsville (Pa.) Fuel Co.—Acquisition.

It is reported that this company has taken over the Lafelle plant of Lafelle Coke Co. The company it is said, will produce 1,000 tons of coal and 500 tons of coke daily. R. M. Fry, Uniontown, President.

American Gas Co., Philadelphia.—Annual Report.

Your ending Dec. 31— 1921, 1920. Gross earnings, subsidiary companies \$9,798,236 \$8,846,788 Operating income, subsidiary companies \$3,818,618 \$2,535,169 Miscellaneous income, subsidiary companies 68,616 352,403

Total income \$3,887,254 \$2,887,572 Bond interest \$1,538,504 \$1,499,815 Depreciation, amortization, &c. 1,232,916 980,341

Net income as to the American Gas Co. \$1,115,154 \$1,077,716 Sundry income items—the American Gas Co. 199,670 188,466

Total revenue—the American Gas Co. \$1,314,824 \$1,266,182 Interest on bond \$1,538,504 \$1,499,815 Interest on loan 111,779 121,395 General expense 31,732 223,805 Deferred charges 28,569

Surplus for year \$196,926 \$12,352

The combined balance sheet of American Gas Co. and its subsidiary companies, as of Dec. 31, show cash \$3,131,317, material and supplies, \$1,227,890, accounts payable \$700,000, notes payable and customers' deposits, \$4,411,278, and total profit and loss surplus, \$1,410,288.—V. 114, p. 159.

American Linseed Co.—Government Appeals.

The Government appeal by the U. S. against the United States against this company et al. from the Federal Circuit for the Southern District of Illinois, was paid in the U. S. Supreme Court March 20. The question involved is similar to that of several weeks ago in the so-called live-wood lumber case, in which the Supreme Court held that a Federal Bureau of a trade association was an violation of the anti-trust law, if operated so as to curtail production and increase prices.—V. 114, p. 156.

American Machine Tool Corporation.—Merger.

A dispatch from Philadelphia March 23 states that officials of the Hiles & Jones Co. Wilmington Del. machine tool manufacturers, announced that the leading machine tool manufacturing plants of the country

had been merged under the above name. The companies going into the consolidation, it is said, are: Hilles & Jones Co., Wilmington, Del.; Betts Machine Co., Rochester, N. Y.; Colburn Machine Tool Co., Cleveland; Newton Machine Tool Works, Philadelphia; Modern Grinder Mfr. Co., Erie, Pa.; Carlton Machine Tool Co., Cincinnati; Lodge & Shipley Machine Tool Co., Cincinnati; and Dale Machinery Co., New York City.

American Pneumatic Service Co.—Mail Tube Service Bill as Passed by Senate.

The post office appropriation bill passed the Senate March 20 and carries with it provision for transmission of mail through the tubes of the company in New York and Brooklyn at an annual rate not to exceed \$18,500 a mile of double line of tubes, including power, labor and all other operating expenses. The company's mileage in New York and Brooklyn is slightly under 28 miles. The appropriation therefore calls for \$513,911. The proposed contract with the Government to furnish service on this basis runs for ten years.

The bill provides further that either party to the proposed contract may apply to the U. S. C. Commission at any time after Oct. 1 1922 and before July 1 1923 for a revision of the rate, but in no case shall it exceed \$19,500 a mile.

The bill will now be sent to the House, where favorable action is expected. The company estimates that it will be able to supply full service within 30 to 60 days. (Boston "News Bureau.")—V. 114, p. 856.

American Telephone & Telegraph Co.—Price of Shares to Employees Increased to \$110 a Share—Listing.

The company on March 1 last advanced the price at which employees are permitted to subscribe to stock of the company from \$105 to \$110 a share. The original price at which stock was offered to employees was \$100, later being advanced to \$105 (see V. 113, p. 2188).

The Philadelphia Stock Exchange on Mar. 18 listed \$1,473,500 additional Capital stock, issued \$131,100 in exchange for \$135,000 Conv. 4½% bonds due 1933; \$1,232,500 in exchange for \$1,232,500 7-Year 6% Conv. bonds due 1925, canceled and stricken from the list; and \$109,900 account of 100,000 shares offered under employees' stock plan dated May 1 1921, making the total amount of said stock listed Mar. 18 \$559,918,400, and reducing the amount of Conv. 4½% bonds listed to \$10,699,400, and the amount of Conv. 6% bonds listed to \$26,114,500.—V. 114, p. 1183.

American Transit Co.—Detroit-Windsor Bridge.

The "United States Investor" of March 11 has an article entitled "The Detroit-Windsor Bridge." The article doubts the substantiality of the bankers at the back of the enterprise.—V. 113, p. 2315, 2408.

American Water-Works & Electric Co.—Earnings.

	6 Mos. to Dec. 31 '21	Year to Dec. 31 '21	Year to June 30 '21
Co.'s propor'n of net income of sub. cos.	\$369,097	\$586,463	\$375,584
Divs. on stocks of West Penn Cos.	187,431	413,786	374,863
Int. on bonds, notes & adv. to sub. cos.	275,160	551,151	539,770
Other income	148,192	285,362	315,145
Gross earnings	\$979,880	\$1,836,762	\$1,605,362
Less expenses and taxes	166,598	312,304	288,969
Less int. on coll. trust 20-yr. 5% bonds	400,008	799,966	800,125
Net income	\$413,274	\$724,493	\$516,269

The foregoing income account does not include subsidiary companies.—V. 113, p. 2082.

Anaconda Copper Mining Co.—Now on 50% Capacity.

Since resumption of operations Anaconda has put its copper products on a basis of about 11,000,000 pounds a month and zinc on an 8,000,000-pound monthly basis. Beyond this there will be no effort to increase output until demand improves. This would indicate current operations to be slightly less than 50%, with zinc production about 80% of normal. For zinc Anaconda will depend on Butte & Superior, with which it has a new smelting contract, and on one of its own mines. The Emma mine of Butte Copper & Zinc Co., in which Anaconda holds a large interest, being a high-cost producer, will not resume in the near future.

Quite apart from the American Brass Co. products Anaconda has built up a line of commodities finding favor among consumers. The "new Anaconda" has passed from a purely mining and refining proposition to the realm of big industrial enterprise, self-contained as to raw material and with factories favorably located throughout the country to command all markets for the finished products.

Anaconda's mining activities in South America have been confined to development work, construction having ceased some time ago. Nor will it be resumed until such time as the general outlook for the metal shows considerable improvement.

Copper metal, ready for the market, was turned out at the Great Falls refinery of Anaconda March 16 the first time since suspension of mining in spring of 1921.

The zinc plant of the company at Great Falls is operating at 65% capacity and is being increased as rapidly as Butte & Superior can ship zinc concentrates to it.—("Boston N. B." March 18, p. 1).—V. 114, p. 1066.

Arundel Corp., Baltimore.—Omits Common Div., &c.

The directors have voted to omit the quarterly dividend usually paid Apr. 1 on the Common shares. The last disbursement was 1½%, made on Jan. 3 1922. (Compare V. 113, p. 2725.)

The directors, it is stated, have made provision for further reducing the funded debt by calling in on Aug. 1 the remaining bonds of the Arundel Shipbuilding Co., amounting to about \$160,000, and all outstanding bonds of the Maryland Dredging & Contracting Co., totaling about \$68,000. The former are callable at 103 and int. and the latter at 105 and int.—V. 113, p. 2725.

Astoria Mahogany Co., Inc.—Reorganization—Committee

It is understood that a plan of reorganization is being prepared and may be ready for publication in the near future.

The Jan. 1 1922 interest on the \$400,000 Astoria Veneer Mills & Dock Co. 1st Mtge. Sinking Fund 6s, due 1941, still remains unpaid.

The full wing committee was formed some time ago to protect the holders of the Preferred stock: Edward C. Blum, V.-Pres. of Abraham & Straus; Beauveau Borio, Jr., of W. H. Newbold's Son & Co.; Charles F. Flagg of Portland, Me.; Buell Hollister of Pyne, Kendall & Hollister, and J. F. B. Mitchell of Redmond & Co., with Paul C. Beardsee, Sec., and Cravath, Henderson, Leffingwell & de Gersdorff, counsel. The Farmers' Loan & Trust Co., 22 William St., New York, is depository. For receivership see V. 114, p. 310.

Atlas Portland Cement Co.—Indictments.

See "Current Events" in "Chronicle," Mar. 18, p. 1142.—V. 114, p. 1183.

Balaklala Consolidated Copper Co.—Mtge. Canceled.

A mortgage release involving \$1,000,000 has been recorded by the company at Redding, Shasta County, Cal. The bonds held by the Windsor Trust Co., New York, have been paid, resulting in the cancellation of the mortgage. The Balaklala property has been leased to the U. S. Smelting, Refining & Mining Co., which owns the Mammoth mine and smelter, in the same district. The terms of the lease have not been made public, nor have any definite plans been announced for resumption of mining at either the Balaklala or the Mammoth.—(Boston "Financial Post" March 20).—V. 85, p. 1464.

Barnsdall Corp.—New Director—Annual Report.

William Dewey Loucks has been elected a director, succeeding Eugene W. Stetson.

For annual report see under "Reports and Documents" and "Financial Reports" on other pages of this issue and also last week's "Chronicle."—V. 114, p. 1183.

Bethlehem Motors Corporation.—Receiver's Sale.

The plants and property of the company at Allentown and Pottstown, Pa., will be sold at public auction April 18-21 by order of the U. S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.—V. 114, p. 951.

Bethlehem Steel Corp.—Annual Report—Certificates.

For annual report see "Financial Reports" above. Six hundred forty-two (\$642,000) Bethlehem Steel Co. 15-Year 7% Marine Equipment Trust Certificates, due Oct. 1 1935, have been called for payment April 1 at 102½ and int. at the Guaranty Trust Co., 140 Broadway, N. Y. City.—V. 114, p. 741.

Birmingham (Ala.) Steel Corp.—Resale Ordered.

The recent sale of the properties to the U. S. Shipping Board has been set aside by Referee in Bankruptcy Emmett O'Neal on the ground that the bid was inadequate. The property will be again offered for sale April 17. The bid at sale to Shipping Board was \$7,000 cash and assumption of liens of about \$123,000 against the company.—V. 114, p. 741.

Bush Terminal Co.—To Increase Stock.

The stockholders will vote April 3 on increasing the authorized common stock from \$7,000,000 to \$10,000,000. The pref. stock will remain unchanged.—V. 114, p. 201.

Caddo Central Oil & Refining Corp.—Earnings.

	12 Mos. to Dec. 31 '21	12 Mos. to Dec. 31 '20	9 Mos. to Dec. 31 '19
Department profits	\$908,072	\$2,170,858	\$747,559
Deduct—General & admin. expenses	289,533	290,412	128,487
Adjustments	deb. 455,938		
Miscellaneous income	\$162,601	\$1,880,146	\$619,072
Settlement of Taylor suit	20,676	1,189	a28,157
Cost of drilling dry holes	\$488,472	\$1,881,635	\$647,229
Interest, &c.	17,744	87,400	658,997
Organization expense written off	440,104	416,010	104,895
	6,974	44,487	
Net profits before providing for abandoned leases, deprec'n & depletion	\$23,650	\$1,333,648	\$483,337
Depletion and depreciation	564,735	460,581	295,292
Set aside to provide for abandoned lease	12,161	c59,000	
Balance, surplus	def. \$553,246	\$373,064	\$188,045

The balance sheet as of Dec. 31 shows: Cash, \$66,937; total current assets, \$926,167; current liabilities, \$529,692; and revenue surplus, \$507,863.—V. 114, p. 202.

Camden (N. J.) Iron Works.—Sale.

Samuel T. Freeman & Co., auctioneers, Philadelphia, Pa., will sell at absolute auction sale the entire machinery and equipment of this company, manufacturers of hydraulic machinery, gas producer, and cast iron pipe, on April 6 and 7 at Camden, N. J.—V. 105, 1311.

Car Lighting & Power Co.—Committee.

At the request of the holders of a large amount of the stock the following have consented to serve as a committee for the purpose of investigating the condition of the company. Stockholders are urgently requested to communicate immediately with the Secretary of the committee. H. F. Searle, Chairman. Searle, Nicholson, Oakley & Lill; Howard Wilson, with H. N. Whitney & Sons; Austin Agnew, Sec., with Shippee & Rawson, 111 Broadway, New York, and Chadbourne, Hunt & Jaecel, counsel.—V. 114, p. 1067.

Chile Copper Co.—20th Quarterly Report for Three Mos. End. Dec. 31 1921.—Pres. Daniel Guggenheim reports:

During the quarter ended Dec. 31 there were treated 375,004 tons of ore, averaging 1.76% copper; in the preceding quarter 379,417 tons, averaging 1.67% copper, were treated. The recovery during this quarter was 93.563%, compared with 92.196% for the quarter ended Sept. 30 1921.

Production for the quarter averaged 3,992,080 lbs. per month, compared with 4,037,725 lbs. per month during the third quarter of 1921.

The cost of copper produced during the quarter was 9.111c. per lb., including selling and delivery expense, but excluding depreciation and Federal taxes and with no credit for miscellaneous income, compared with 11.405c. per pound for the previous quarter.

Combined Earnings of Chile Copper Co. and Chile Exploration Co. (Based on Copper Actually Sold and Delivered).

	4th Quar.—1921—3d Quar.	
Copper production (in pounds)	11,976,241	12,023,177
Copper sold (pounds)	21,575,310	17,300,055
Net profit on copper delivered	\$333,537	\$429,652
Miscellaneous income	80,988	44,594
Interest on call loans and bank balances	80,679	86,056
Total income	\$501,201	\$550,302
Depreciation	\$801,404	\$789,402
Amortized discount on 15-yr. 6% Conv. bonds	35,030	35,000
Accrued bond interest of Chile Copper Co.	787,500	787,500
Expenses of Chile Copper Co.	12,162	8,280
Balance, deficit, both companies	x\$1,131,862	\$1,059,880

xOf the above loss of \$1,131,862 the sum of \$801,404 is for depreciation, which is a book entry and is computed on a time basis, regardless of production or sale.

The companies had at March 1 \$10,435,900 representing cash on hand and marketable securities.—V. 113, p. 2725.

Considine-Martin Oil Co.—Capital Increase.

The stockholders (Mar. 16) authorized an increase in the capital stock from \$4,000,000, par \$10, to \$6,000,000, par \$10. The new stock, it is said, will be sold as needed to provide funds for development. The new stock will first be offered to present stockholders.—V. 113, p. 1892.

Consolidated Distributors, Inc.—Reorganization Plan.

The reorganization committee, representing creditors of every class, has prepared and adopted a plan of reorganization outlined below. The plan has the approval of a majority of the creditors of each class.

The plan contemplates the purchase of the assets by a new corporation managed by a board of 7 directors, four of which directors are to be representatives of the merchandise creditors until the first preferred stock given to them is fully paid off and retired, and the other three directors represent, respectively, the banks, the second preferred stock and the common stock.

Creditors and stockholders desiring to participate in the reorganization plan must send their claims and stock certificates (creditors and scrip holders to Empire Trust Co., depository, 120 Broadway, N. Y. City, and stockholders to the reorganization committee, 55 Liberty St.), not later than April 1 1922.

Data from Report and Recommendation of Creditors Committee.

Receivers' Report, &c.—On Jan. 18 1922 the creditors appointed the undersigned creditors' committee, which includes representatives of the four largest merchandise creditors. The receivers made a report of their proceedings and of the condition of the affairs of the company. Their report showed that at the time they were appointed, the books indicated that assets exceeded liabilities; at the time of the report, the situation was found to be very different. The receivers were confronted with the necessity of liquidating large quantities of slow-moving and obsolete merchandise; they discontinued half of the stores on account of their non-paying character; they found great difficulty in collecting accounts from debtors who were failing under the press of hard times; in addition to that, reductions in market values radically depreciated the value of the merchandise inventory.

Liabilities.—Liabilities, roughly divided into five classes, amount to \$3,321,000, as follows:

(a) Bank creditors	\$408,000
(b) Merchandise creditors (liquidated claims)	900,000
(c) Stockholders who loaned money to the corporation and whose loans are subordinated to the bank loans; (for convenience these will be referred to as "loan-creditors")	810,000
(d) Holders of scrip dividend	117,000
(e) Unliquidated claims	1,086,000

There are other unliquidated claims but only three were considered, as they constitute the bulk of the class, viz.: (1) trustees of Allan A. Ryan (claim based on stock purchase), \$750,000; (2) Henderson Tiro & Rubber (breach of contract), \$250,000; (3) Jesse Froehlich (on contract of employment), \$86,000.

It appeared that the bank creditors had a written agreement with the loan-creditors, made in 1920, whereby, in case of any liquidation the dividends coming to the loan-creditors were assigned to the banks to make good any deficiency on the banks' claims; so that, in the event of liquidation, the banks would stand a fair chance of being paid in full, while the loan-creditors would get little, if anything.

The creditors who have unliquidated claims of \$1,086,000, have agreed to assign their claims to a nominee of the committee, to be used for the benefit of the assenting creditors in general and of the new company.

Assets.—The greatest asset is the leasehold property at 55th-56th Sts. and Broadway; which stands at \$800,000 on the books. The receivers have been offered \$275,000 for this property, subject to commissions, &c., which will probably bring it down to \$200,000, and it is doubtful if any more could be realized on liquidation, as the leases run out in something under four years. However, if the company could be reorganized and continued, advantage could be taken of certain renewal privileges in the leases which would extend their terms 21 years, and then the leasehold property might well be worth the book value.

Merchandise is estimated at \$600,000, but owing to its slow-moving character it is not expected to realize more than \$150,000.

The accounts receivable, estimated at \$300,000, would in the event of a forced liquidation be largely uncollectible. It is doubtful if more than \$75,000 would be obtained. The receivers had cash on hand at the time of their report, which after expenses, &c., would probably leave \$150,000, this amount would probably be reduced to \$125,000 by the usual bankruptcy expenses.

Non-Assenting Creditors.—Creditors who do not join in the plan will receive from the trustee in bankruptcy such dividends as he may declare out of the net proceeds in his hands after the sale of the assets and deduction of expenses. These dividends will perhaps amount to 15 cents on the dollar.

Creditors' Committee.—Ben Asch, E. P. Chalfant, F. L. Lamson, J. I. Nevin, George C. Riley, Chairman.

Plan of Reorganization Dated March 10 1922.

New Company.—A new corporation shall be organized, to be known as *Times Square Auto Supply Co., Inc.*, or such name as the committee may determine, and shall acquire approximately such part of the assets as shall not be otherwise utilized or disposed of.

Securities to be Issued by New Company [authorized amount determined by Securities, &c., Exchanged.]

(1) **Notes.**—4-year 6% notes (or participation certificates from one of the banks, acting as trustee for all the banks and holding one note) secured by a first lien on all the real estate interests in the property located on 55th to 56th Sts., and the adjoining Broadway property, New York, such lien to be effectuated by a transfer to such trustee bank of all the capital stock of the *Times Square Automobile Co.* and the various deeds of trust, &c., relating to title.

Conditions Governing Note Issue.—All earnings or receipts from the above property shall be deposited in a separate account (known as real estate account) from which shall be paid all carrying charges and expenses of maintenance and administration of the property, and the balance of the earnings shall be applied first to the payment of interest on the notes, and after payment of interest, any balance shall be paid into a sinking fund for the redemption of the notes.

The new company will pay any deficiency, if any, in interest on the notes and will annually set aside not exceeding 75% of its net earnings from sources other than the above property to make up any deficiency in the sinking fund, it being intended to pay one-fourth of the notes annually.

The new company will not pay any dividends until the sinking fund and all deficiencies shall have first been made good.

No leases in respect of the above property shall be made, except with the consent of a majority of the directors. Any portion of the above property occupied by the new company shall be at the following minimum rate: present 56th Street store, \$30,000 per year, entire floors \$10,000 per year. All or any portion of the notes may be paid at any time.

(2) **1st Pref. Stock.**—1st pref. (a. & d.) 7% cum. stock, par \$10. Dividends payable semi-annually. Red. all or part by lot, on thirty days' notice, at \$10.70 and divs. Sinking fund of 50% of the net earnings, after all interest charges and sinking-fund payments on the notes and all cumulative divs. on the 1st and 2nd pref. stocks, shall be applied to the retirement of the 1st pref. stock. Each share of the 1st pref. stock shall have one vote.

(3) **2nd Pref. Stock.**—2nd pref. (a. & d.) 7% stock, par \$10. Dividends shall not be cumulative during first two years and shall be cumulative during following two years to the extent that net earnings for the first four years shall exceed \$1,000,000, and after four years such dividends shall be cumulative. Redeemed by lot on 30 days' notice, at \$10.20 and divs. After retirement of 1st pref. stock and 6% notes a sinking fund of at least 50% of the net earnings shall be provided to retire the pref. stock. Each share of the 2nd pref. stock shall be entitled to one vote.

(4) **Common Stock.**—The new company shall have 300,000 shares of common stock, no par value, which shall be entitled to one vote per share.

Existing Creditors Outstanding and Stockholders (about)		Will Receive		
		Notes.	1st Pref. Stk.	2d Pf. Stk. Com. Shs.
a Bank creditors	\$408,000	a \$408,000		
b General creditors	900,000		b \$585,000	
c Loan creditors	927,000			c \$602,550
Stockholders	190,484 shs.			190,484
Mr. Froehlich for acting as general manager will receive				(x) 150,000

(a) Bank creditors who join in the plan will receive 100% of their claims in the 4-year notes described above. (b) General creditors who join in the plan shall receive 65% of their claims in 1st pref. stock (general creditors do not include loan creditors whose loans are subordinated to the bank loans or holders of scrip dividends.) (c) Loan creditors whose loans are subordinated to the bank loans and holders of scrip dividends will receive 65% of their claims in 2d Pref. stock.

x 150,000 shares of the common stock are to be set aside subject to the 5-year contract for payment of part of Jesse Froehlich's compensation for acting as general manager. The 150,000 shares so set aside, are to be delivered to Mr. Froehlich at rate of 30,000 shares each successive year over a period of five years, provided, however, that the installments for the first four years, amounting to 120,000 shares, or any portion thereof, not already delivered, shall be delivered to him as soon as all of the first pref. stock shall have been retired, or as soon as the remaining 150,000 shares of common stock held by the company shall have been sold, whichever event happens first. In case less than 150,000 shares are so sold, then a proportionate amount shall be so delivered, but the directors may at any time deliver to him any portion of such allotment of 120,000 shares, when they deem it for the best interests of the company so to do.

The 150,000 shares of common stock not set aside as aforesaid are to be at the disposal of the directors and are to be sold in whole or in part at the discretion of the board. Such stock shall not be sold during the first five years for less than \$1 per share, and if not so sold during the first five years, then it shall be offered, pro rata, to the then holders of 1st and 2nd pref. stock, for a period of three months, at \$1 per share, and any portion not so taken by the preferred stockholders shall then remain in the treasury, at the disposal of the directors.

Voting Trust.—All stock shall be subject to a voting trust agreement which the reorganization committee shall cause to be duly made and entered into, Empire Trust Co., or such other trust company as the reorganization committee may select, shall be the voting trustee.

Reorganization Committee.—Ben Asch, E. P. Chalfant, Benj. M. Kaye, F. L. Lamson, J. I. Nevin, George C. Riley, Eugene Untermyer, with Warren A. Schenck, Secretary, 55 Liberty St., N. Y. City. [For members of stockholders committee, see V. 114, p. 952.]

Continental Paper Co.—Bonds Called.

Thirty 1st Mfgo. 15-Year 6% gold coupon bonds dated Oct. 1 1912 have been called for payment Oct. 1 at par and int. at the Empire Trust Co., 120 Broadway, N. Y. City.—V. 110, p. 1529.

Corn Products Refining Co.—New Plant Opens.

This company's \$7,000,000 syrup factory in North Kansas City, Mo., has been put into operation.—V. 114, p. 1058.

(Wm.) Cramp & Sons Ship & Engine Building Co.

The company has purchased the plant of the Pelton Water Wheel Co., organized in San Francisco in 1887. The Pelton company will continue under the old corporate name with H. B. Taylor, V.-Pres. of the Cramp Co., Pres.; Ely C. Hutchinson, chief engineer of the old company, as V.-Pres. & Gen. Mgr.; and Wm. M. Moody, 2nd V.-Pres.—V. 112, p. 2417.

Crucible Steel Co. of America.—Chairman on Paying of Dividend.—In connection with the passing of the dividend on the Common stock (noted in V. 114, p. 1185), Chairman Horace S. Wilkinson states in brief:

The directors decided that it was not to the interest of the stockholders to declare a dividend on the common stock at this time. The long period of depression in the steel business and the uncertainty of the length of time before return to normal conditions is the reason for this action.

I am of the opinion that the long-drawn-out depression in the steel business is nearing the end and that from now on we shall have a gradual return to more normal business. I believe it will not be long before the company will be able to resume the payment of the dividend on its common stock.

On March 1 1922 the company had a surplus of \$24,032,121, which may be applied to the payment of dividends, but we do not believe this surplus should be reduced at this time, except in the payment of dividends on the preferred stock. It will be the policy of the management to resume a reasonable disbursement for dividends on the common stock as soon as the earnings and business conditions justify the same.

October and November last were the two low months in number of orders received and also in volume of production in our mills, and we have been having a steady improvement in business each month since that time. The improvement in business has been slow and the increase in volume has not been sufficient to earn the dividend we have been paying on the common stock.

The entire steel business of the country is growing in volume, stocks and inventories are being reduced, and the situation is undoubtedly getting better.

A number of preferred stockholders have recently inquired the reason for the prevailing low market price of the preferred stock. The recent decline in this stock was caused primarily by the disposition in the open market of a large block which had been held by persons formerly connected with the management.

Practically no changes have taken place in the common stockholders of record since I have been chairman of the company, except the changes that show the acquisition of additional stock by certain stockholders and the addition of new names to our common stockholders' list.—V. 114, p. 1185.

Dayton Power & Light Co.—Earnings, &c.—

Calendar Years—	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Gross earnings	\$4,183,954	\$3,731,487	\$2,932,868	\$2,430,728
Total income	1,319,076	983,802	1,038,498	802,079
Charges, &c.	765,093	551,175	660,288	500,163
Preferred dividends	217,583	208,821	193,561	179,533
Common dividends	122,120	122,120	122,120	-----

Balance, surplus, \$214,281 \$101,687 \$117,529 \$122,363
The balance sheet as of Dec. 31 shows current assets, \$817,691; material and supplies, \$381,532; accrued liabilities, \$618,700; total profit and loss surplus \$1,054,141.—V. 112 p. 2194.

Detroit Edison Co.—Stock Sold.

Dominick & Dominick and Spencer Trask & Co. announce that all of the stock of the co. offered by them for subscription last week has been sold.

Gross earnings for the 12 months ended Feb. 28 1922 amounted to \$23,780,977, an increase of 5.7% over the 12 months ended Feb. 28 1921, and net after int. charges was \$3,069,654, an increase of 47%.—V. 114, p. 1185

Diamond Match Co.—Annual Report.

Income account for the year 1921 compares as follows:

	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Net profits, all sources	\$4,603,498	\$4,026,603	\$3,556,399	\$3,873,500
Deprec., repairs, res., &c	2,672,089	1,429,302	882,883	1,264,940
Federal taxes	260,000	450,000	500,000	550,000
Dividends	1,357,208	1,357,208	1,357,208	1,357,208
Surplus	\$314,201	\$790,093	\$816,308	\$701,419
Profit and loss surplus	\$3,370,081	\$3,055,881	\$2,265,787	\$1,449,479

—V. 113, p. 2084.

(E. I.) du Pont de Nemours Export Co.

This company, with headquarters at New York, and a subsidiary of E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., will cease to function after Mar. 31. The export business of parent company will be handled through its various industrial divisions.—V. 108, p. 174.

Duquesne Light Co.—Listing—Earnings.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of \$10,000,000 15-Year 7 1/2% Conv. Debenture gold bonds, due July 1 1936 (see offering in V. 112, p. 2195).

The income account for the year ended Dec. 31 1921 shows: Gross earnings, \$16,053,347; operating expenses (incl. Federal taxes \$425,501), \$10,407,138; net earnings, \$5,646,208. Net earnings from other operations, \$344,486; other income, \$593,826; gross income, \$6,584,522. Income charges, \$2,493,953; net income for the year, \$4,090,569; surplus Jan. 1 1921, \$2,544,732; gross surplus, \$6,635,401. Divid. on Pref. stock, \$395,502; divs. on Common stock, \$1,549,210; mt. callaneous, \$180,128; surplus, Dec. 31 1921, \$4,510,459.—V. 114, p. 1185.

Elk Horn Coal Corp.—Annual Report.

Calendar Years—	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Earnings (all sources)	\$2,195,158	\$5,374,050	\$2,829,542	\$4,951,921
Oper. exp., taxes, &c.	1,881,025	3,234,263	2,057,197	2,930,519
Depreciation, &c.	287,928	324,000	288,033	308,752
Net earnings	\$788,185	\$1,815,787	\$484,313	\$1,712,650
Federal taxes	-----	-----	-----	\$101,302
Fixed charges	407,195	411,033	419,726	360,703
Preferred dividends (6%)	395,952	395,589	395,576	395,538
Common dividends	-----	-----	(4 1/2) 539,924	(6) 719,278
Balance, def. or sur.	def \$776,942	sr \$1,009,165	def \$870,912	sur \$135,809
Profit and loss, surplus	\$909,640	\$1,686,582	\$677,417	\$1,548,329

—V. 113, p. 735.

Framerican Industrial Develop. Corp.—Further Data.

See "Current Events" in "Chronicle" March 18 p. 1124.—V. 114 p. 1185.

(H. H.) Franklin Mfg. Co.—New Plant.

The company announced March 20 that it would establish a plant for manufacture of a new-style car at Syracuse and employ about 5,000 men.—V. 114, p. 1068.

Freeport Texas Co.—New Bond Issue Proposed—Contract with Texas Co. for Sulphur Property.

The stockholders will vote April 10 for the following purposes:

(1) To consider and ratify the action of the company in guaranteeing and entering into a certain contract between the Freeport Sulphur Co. and the Texas Co., dated March 14 1922.

(2) To vote on creating an issue of \$4,000,000 7% 10-year bonds, to be convertible into capital stock.

(3) To vote on authorizing the issue of additional stock, without nominal or par value, in sufficient number of shares to meet the conversion privilege to be contained in the bonds, not to exceed 250,000 shares.

It is proposed to offer the bonds to stockholders in proportion to their respective rights.

The annual report, signed by Pres. E. P. Swenson, says:

The Freeport Sulphur Co. (a subsidiary of the Freeport Texas Co.) was organized in Texas. Company has carried on sulphur mining operations at Bryanmound since Nov. 1912, during which time the company has mined 2,060,690 tons of sulphur. On April 1 1921, in view of large stocks of sulphur above ground (343,009 tons) and the diminished demand, mining operations were suspended. Substantial shipments have been made during the past year, but under existing market conditions ample stock remains on hand to meet current requirements. The advisability of resuming operations is now being considered, with a view of keeping sulphur tonnage above ground, up to an adequate amount for future sales.

The company is now drilling for oil at Stratton Ridge, a salt dome formation 9 1/2 miles northeast of Bryanmound. Lease holdings of the company in this field aggregate approximately 500 acres. A test well is now being drilled, from which a heavy flow of gas has recently been encountered, carrying promising indications.

Hokkins Mound is located near the coast approximately 15 miles northeast of Freeport, where a rich sulphur deposit was discovered by the Texas Co. under a mineral lease held by them. A large amount of money has been expended by the Texas Co. in prospecting the sulphur deposit. It is considered, in the opinion of experts, the largest sulphur deposit known.

The Freeport Sulphur Co. has entered into a contract with the Texas Co., which, in a general way, provides for the assignment by the Texas Co. to the Freeport Sulphur Co. of all the right, title and interest which the Texas Co. has in the Hokkins Mound sulphur deposit, and further provides that the Freeport Sulphur Co. shall retain out of cash for sulphur sold, first, the

cost of production and sale of sulphur from the Hoskins Mound sulphur deposit; second, the Freeport Sulphur Co. shall retain out of the balance remaining an amount equal to its initial capital expenditures with interest, accounting to the Texas Co. in respect to a contingent royalty as agreed upon in the contract.

The Freeport Texas Co.'s officers and directors feel that this is a most advantageous contract, and in order to enable the Freeport Sulphur Co. to carry out and perform the conditions, it was necessary that the Freeport Texas Co. guarantee the performance of said contract on the part of the Freeport Sulphur Co. It will be necessary for the Freeport Texas Co. to advance money to the Freeport Sulphur Co. for development and working capital.—V. 113, p. 2508.

General Gas & Electric Co.—Plan for the Adjustment of Securities.

A plan for the adjustment of the securities of the company has been submitted to the stockholders. The plan provides for the formation of a new company in Maine, to be known as General Gas & Electric Corp., to take over the assets of the present company and to issue and exchange securities of the new company for the present securities. The present stockholders will be offered stock in the new company, share for share.

The object of this plan is to provide for the gradual payment of the bonded debt of the company, the payment of dividends on its cumulative preferred stock and the creation of a marketable security to provide for the future expansion of the company's business, which in turn should permit the payment of additional dividends.

Data from Letter of President W. S. Barstow, March 14 1922.

Present Company.—Incorp. in 1912. Paid regular divs. on the Cumul. Pref. Stock up to April 1 1917, when dividends were suspended to protect the principal of the stockholders and preserve the integrity of subsidiary companies. Receipts of the company at present are sufficient to leave a balance for the stockholders, but the directors propose to protect the interest of the stockholders in every way possible through this plan.

Debts.—Outstanding bonded debt: \$450,000, due 1925; \$4,120,200, due 1929; \$1,076,000, due 1932; and \$816,125, due 1934.

Advantages to Stockholders under Plan.—(1) Providing a definite plan for the extension of bonded debt and its gradual payment increases the actual value of the stock. With such a plan no refunding will be required.

(2) The payment of one-half of the accumulated dividends over an extended period, accomplished by raising the dividend rate from \$7 p. a. to \$8 p. a. per share, on stock offered in exchange for one-half of the present Cumul. Pref. stock.

(3) The creation of non-par stock will enable company to extend its operations, and thereby increase its earnings.

Plan for the Adjustment of Securities, Dated March 14 1922.

New Company.—A new corporation shall be formed in Maine, known as *General Gas & Electric Corp.*, and will acquire all of the assets of the present company.

Collateral Trust Bonds.—The new corporation shall create an issue of \$2,510,000 collateral trust bonds, containing sinking fund provisions which will retire the total amount of any such bonds outstanding at their maturity, and will exchange such bonds, from time to time, for the present outstanding bonds, except income bonds, and will assume all the outstanding obligations.

Exchange of Income Bonds and Stocks.—The plan provides for the exchange of the present income bonds for the non-par cumulative preferred stock, and for the exchange of the present cumulative preferred stock, convertible pref. stock and common stock, share for share, for similar classes of no par value stocks.

Present Outstanding Bonds and Capitalization of Company.

10-Year 5% Gold Bonds, due Jan. 1 1925.....	\$450,000
10-Year 6% Secured Gold Bonds due Sept. 1 1929.....	4,120,200
First Lien 5% Convertible Gold Bonds, due July 1 1932.....	1,076,000
15-Year 7% Income Bonds, due Oct. 1 1934.....	816,125
7% Cumulative Preferred stock (authorized, \$7,000,000).....	2,500,000
Convertible Preferred Stock (authorized, \$10,000,000).....	4,025,900
Common Stock (authorized, \$10,000,000).....	4,515,400

Existing Securities—	Out-standing	Coll. Tr. Ts Series A.	Will Receive		
			y-Preferred Stock— Series A.	z-Preferred Stock— Series B.	a-Common Stock.
10-year 5s, 1925.....	\$450,000	\$450,000			
Each \$1,000.....		100%			
10-year 6s, 1929.....	4,120,200	2,060,100			
1st Lien 5s, 1932.....	1,076,000	No	provision at this time		for exchange
15-yr. 7% Inc. bds. 816,125			8,161 1/4 sh.		10 shares
Each \$1,000.....			12,500 sh.	12,500 sh.	
7% cum. pt. stk. 2,500,000			1/2 share	1/2 share	
Each \$100.....					40,259 sh.
Conv. Pref. stock 4,025,900					1 share
Each \$100.....					45,154 sh.
Common stock 4,515,400					1 share
Each \$100.....					

x The plan provides for the present of the exchange of \$2,060,100 of the new Coll. Trust 7s for a like amount of 10-year 6% secured gold bonds.

y Authorized, 200,000 shares, no par value, divided into 187,500 shares Class A 8%, and 12,500 shares Class B 7%. In addition to the amount in this table, 166,838 1/4 shares of Class A may be issued, from time to time, for the acquisition of additional property and for other corporate purposes, as determined by the directors.

z Authorized, 100,000 shares, no par value, entitled to non-cumulative dividends at the rate of \$6 per share per annum. In addition to the 40,259 shares above, 59,741 shares may be issued from time to time for the acquisition of additional property and for other corporate purposes.

a Authorized, 100,000 shares no par value. In addition to the 45,154 shares above, 54,846 shares may be issued from time to time for the acquisition of additional property and for other corporate purposes.

Income Account for Calendar Years.

Revenue—	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Dividends on stock owned.....	\$506,376	\$447,536	\$168,800	\$79,125
Bond interest.....	69,753	77,053	91,228	92,975
Other interest.....	15,162	13,005	43,558	49,367
Total income.....	\$591,292	\$537,594	\$303,586	\$221,467
Expenses and taxes.....	21,174	25,914	18,705	12,932
Net earnings.....	\$570,118	\$511,680	\$284,881	\$208,535
Other income.....			2,630	5,410
Gross income.....	\$570,118	\$511,680	\$287,511	\$213,945
Deduct—Bond interest.....	\$383,216	\$377,601	\$179,748	\$128,250
Other interest.....	13,795	17,316	61,627	56,670
Amort'n of debt, disc. & exp.....	4,371	5,469	3,235	3,110
Balance, surplus.....	\$168,704	\$111,294	\$42,900	\$25,914

General American Tank Car Corp.—Pref. Stock Sold.—Chas. D. Barney & Co. and Brown Brothers & Co. have sold at 97 1/2, to yield about 7.20%, \$2,500,000 7% Cumul. Pref. (a. & d.) stock (see advertising pages).

Dividends payable Q.—J. Redeemable, all or part, or for sinking fund, at 110 and divs. on any div. date on 30 days' notice.

Capitalization—	Authorized.	Outstanding.
7% Cumulative Preferred stock (par \$100).....	\$10,000,000	\$7,371,700
Common stock (no par value).....	400,000 shs.	252,872 sh
Car equipment notes (Dec. 31 1921).....	11,855,000	

Data from Letter of President Max Epstein, Chicago, March 17.

Business.—Company (including subsidiaries) is engaged in the construction and operation of tank cars under lease; the construction and sale of railroad freight equipment of all kinds, and the rebuilding and repair of miscellaneous equipment. The company derives a large revenue from the leasing of cars, a majority of the leases being for long-term periods, at fixed rentals, to responsible lessees. Company was the pioneer in the business of leasing cars to shippers of liquid commodities, and to-day is the largest manufacturer of tank cars in the world. Beginning with 27 tank cars in 1902, company has grown until to-day it operates and leases over 10,000 tank cars to various shippers. Plants located at East Chicago, Ind.; Warren, Ohio, and Sand Springs, Okla.

Earnings Cal. Years—	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Net earns. bef. Fed. taxes.....	\$2,262,404	\$2,213,804	\$3,558,886	\$2,492,541
Federal taxes.....	300,000	480,000	1,263,331	1,283,909
Net profit aft. all chgs. x.....	\$1,962,404	\$1,733,804	\$2,295,555	\$1,208,632
Preferred stock dividends.....	354,373	352,926	315,000	262,041

x For 1921 net earnings, after providing for all charges, including inventory adjustments and setting aside a reserve for Federal taxes and contingencies.

Purpose.—Additional capital to enable company to take care of a growing volume of business.—V. 114, p. 1186.

Great Western Power Co. (California).—Bonds.

The California Railroad Commission has authorized the company to issue and sell \$1,000,000 of Series C 1st & Ref. Mtge. 6% bonds, due Feb. 1 1952. The company is ordered to use the proceeds to reimburse its treasury for \$275,341 for construction work on the Caribou project; \$3,242 on the 160,000-volt transmission line from Caribou to Valona, and \$246,198 for other additions and betterments; \$271,506 to pay notes for material and equipment and \$143,711 to pay in part the cost of the construction of a new high-tension substation in Contra Costa County, the total estimated cost of which is \$880,562.—V. 114, p. 952.

Guantanamo Sugar Co.—Listing.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 300,000 shares (auth. 375,000 shares) Common stock, no par value on official notice of issuance in exchange for a like number of shares, with authority to add 75,000 shares of Common stock on official notice of issuance in exchange for outstanding full-paid subscription receipts therefor, and \$1,500,000 8% Cumul. Pref. stock, par \$100, on official notice of issuance in exchange for outstanding full paid subscription receipts therefor.—V. 114, p. 311, 1068.

Gulf Oil Corporation.—Earnings (Incl. Sub. Cos.).

Results—	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Calendar Years—				
Gross earnings.....	128,232,402	159,575,089	97,431,516	85,904,306
Total income (after other income).....	45,889,579	51,431,613	35,301,328	36,124,992
Depletion, depreciation, interest, taxes, &c.....	*36,820,792	22,888,456	23,840,475	23,542,395
Net earnings.....	9,068,787	28,543,157	11,460,854	12,582,597
Dividends (6% p. a.).....	2,167,926	2,112,306	2,104,513	2,082,104
Balance, surplus.....	6,900,861	26,400,851	9,356,340	10,500,493

* Includes inventory adjustments of \$11,545,765.—V. 114, p. 633.

Gulf States Steel Co.—Listings.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of \$1,000,000 7% Cumul. 1st Pref. stock, par \$100; \$1,067,800 6% Non-Cumul. 2d Pref. stock, par \$100, and \$277,750 Common stock, par \$100, with further authority to add \$1,000,000 Common stock on official notice of issuance in exchange for outstanding 2d Pref. stock, making the total amounts applied for \$3,000,000 7% Cumul. 1st Pref. stock, \$1,067,000 6% Non-Cumul. 2d Pref. stock, and \$12,500,000 Common stock.—V. 114, p. 1068.

Harbison-Walker Refractories Co.—To Decrease Pref.

The stockholders will vote May 15 on decreasing the capital stock from \$36,600,000 to \$20,000,000, the decrease to be made by retirement and cancellation of \$6,600,000 of Preferred stock now in the treasury of the company.—V. 114, p. 952.

Hartford Automotive Parts Co.—Sale Ordered.

Federal Judge Edwin S. Thomas has ordered the sale of the property at public auction on May 3 at the upset price of \$325,000, not including a mortgage of \$75,000, which brings the price up to \$400,000. The order for the sale followed the failure of the stockholders and the creditors to come to terms on plans for a reorganization.—V. 113, p. 2825.

Hayes Wheel Co., Jackson, Mich.—Earnings, &c.

Calendar Years—	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Net sales.....	\$11,535,534	\$20,382,922	\$14,686,383	\$7,655,249
Net profit.....	Not stated.	874,716	1,605,911	594,502
Federal taxes.....	Not stated	250,000	714,377	343,062
Net, after taxes.....	\$502,708	\$624,746	\$891,564	\$251,440
Res. for loss on material.....		210,000		
Dividends.....	195,998	163,332	125,999	90,000
Balance, surplus.....	\$306,710	\$221,414	\$765,565	\$161,440

The indebtedness of the company has been reduced during the year by \$2,325,730, brought about mainly through a reduction in inventories of approximately \$2,000,000.

The balance sheet as of Dec. 31 shows: Cash, \$352,544; inventories, \$1,490,317; accounts payable, accrued Federal and local taxes, payrolls, &c., \$393,782; total profit and loss surplus, \$2,127,465.—V. 112, p. 937.

Hollinger Consolidated Gold Mines, Ltd.—Earnings.

The net profits for the year, after deducting general, mining and milling charges, amounted to \$5,091,660, of which \$429,800 has been appropriated for Dominion, Provincial and municipal taxes, \$634,813 for depreciation, &c., and \$3,198,000 for thirteen dividends of 1%; which leaves \$828,927 to be added to surplus.—V. 114, p. 953.

Humphreys Oil Co.—Merger, &c.

See Pure Oil Co. below.—V. 114, p. 527.

Humphreys Pure Oil Pipe Line Co.—Status, &c.

See Pure Oil Co. below.—V. 114, p. 953.

Humphreys Pure Oil Refineries Corp.—Status, &c.

See Pure Oil Co. below.

Illinois Pipe Line Co.—Annual Report.

Calendar Years—	1921.	1920.
Net profits after depreciation.....	\$5,286,362	\$6,324,092
Dividends paid.....	(16%) \$3,200,000	(18%) \$3,600,000
Reserve for Federal taxes.....	886,499	906,722
Balance, surplus.....	\$1,199,863	\$1,817,370

Balance Sheet December 31.				
Assets—	1921.	1920.	Liabilities—	
Pipe line property.....	\$21,907,081	\$20,164,893	Capital stock.....	\$20,000,000
Cash & acc'ts rec.....	2,063,989	1,210,926	Accounts payable.....	122,476
Material & supplies.....	905,915	527,794	Federal tax liability.....	886,499
Other investments.....	450,000	2,289,000	Surplus.....	4,318,010
Total.....	25,326,985	24,192,613	Total.....	25,326,985

a Book value of the stock on Dec. 31 1920 was \$121.59 per share.—V. 112, p. 2196.

Indiahoma Refining Co.—Notes Called.

All of the outstanding 10-Year 8% Sinking Fund Coupon Gold notes dated Apr. 1 1921 have been called for payment Apr. 1 at 101 and int. at the Bank of America, 44 Wall St., N. Y. City.—V. 114, p. 1068.

(Robert H.) Ingersoll & Bro.—Creditors' Meeting.

E. H. Childs, trustee in bankruptcy, has announced that the meeting of creditors to pass upon the question of whether the sale to the Waterbury Clock Co. should be confirmed, has been adjourned to March 29.—V. 114, p. 1186, 1068.

Inland Marine Corp.—Bonds Offered.

Stone, Seymour & Co., Syracuse, N. Y., are offering at 95 and int., to yield over 7 1/2%, \$500,000 1st M. 7% Coll. Trust gold bonds. A circular shows: Dated Jan. 1 1922. Due Jan. 1 1937, non-callable. Int. payable J. & J. at Mercantile Trust Co., N. Y., trustee. Denom. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100 (c). Free of all normal Federal and State taxes which company may be permitted to pay.

Capitalization after This Financing—	Authorized.	Outstanding
Shippers' Navigation Co. 6% Serial Notes.....	\$150,000	\$120,000
First Mortgage 7% bonds.....	500,000	500,000
8% Preferred stock.....	1,000,000	299,400
Common stock (no par value).....	x 50,000 sh.	12,999 sh.
x 25,000 shares reserved for conversion of Preferred stock.		

Corporation.—Organized in April 1920 and acquired the Long Island Barge Co., together with the business, assets and operating organization of the Shippers Navigation Co. The Lake Champlain Transportation Co., at Whitehall, N. Y. (generally known as "The Line") has been engaged in the towing and transportation business through its predecessors since 1816. The consolidated companies are engaged in a general towing business on Lake Champlain and the Champlain Canal and the transportation of bulk cargoes over all the waters of the New York State Barge Canal between Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa and St. Lawrence River points on the north to New York and points on Long Island Sound; and from New York to Buffalo and points on the Oswego, Cayuga Lake and Seneca Lake branches, which operation also includes winter operation in New York Harbor and adjacent waters.

Purpose.—To acquire additional equipment, to expand the present boat-building properties of the Lake Champlain Transportation Co., to provide working capital for enlarged operations of the consolidated fleets, and for the construction of new boats.

Security.—A first lien on all the outstanding stock of Shippers' Navigation Co. and over 82% of the outstanding stock of the Lake Champlain Transportation Co. Further secured by a first mortgage on 11 barges.

Convertible.—Convertible par for par into 8% Convertible Preferred stock, in turn convertible into the Common stock at \$40 per share at any time prior to Aug. 1 1925, and at \$50 per share thereafter.

Sinking Fund.—An amount equal to 10% of the net earnings annually is to be applied to the purchase of bonds.

International Cement Corp.—Quarterly Report.

Quarter ending—	Dec. 31 '21	Sept. 30 '21	June 30 '21	Mar. 31 '21
Sales, less disc., allow., &c.	\$2,039,784	\$2,759,298	\$2,279,629	\$2,136,857
Manufacturing cost.....	\$1,056,307	\$1,448,824	\$1,129,146	\$990,021
Depreciation.....	280,937	225,592	194,750	183,196
Manufacturing profit.....	\$702,539	\$1,084,881	\$955,733	\$963,640
Selling, adm., &c., exp.....	411,359	409,898	329,855	300,612
Net profit.....	\$291,180	\$674,983	\$625,877	\$663,028
Miscellaneous income.....	def12,983	def5,166	def2,776	Cr.19,896
Int. chgs. & financial exp.....	35,229	48,013	106,170	83,269
Loss on sack inventories.....	59,387	121,012	88,763	-----
Reserve for Federal income taxes & contingencies.....	Cr.5,681	80,000	80,000	100,000
Net to surplus.....	\$189,263	\$420,793	\$348,168	\$499,656

President Holger Struckmann, March 14, said: The total of the above shows a net to surplus for the year 1921 of \$1,457,880, which is equivalent to \$4 30 on the 324,693 shares of Common stock outstanding at the present time, after allowing for the dividends paid on the Preferred stock in 1921.

The above statements for the fourth and third quarters include the statements of the Knickerbocker Portland Cement Co.

This report is made to the stockholders before receiving the final report for the year from the certified public accountants. The annual report to be issued in the near future will contain the certified figures with discussion of conditions obtaining at the various properties.

The usual quarterly dividends of 6 1/2% per share on the Common stock, and 1 1/2% on the Preferred stock were paid on Dec. 31 1921.—V. 113 p. 958, 966, 1681, 2085, 2190.

International Combustion Eng. Corp.—Sub. Co. Bonds.

All of the outstanding Combustion Engineering Corp. 20-Year 6% Conv. Sinking Fund Debenture bonds, due Apr. 1 1934, have been called for payment Apr. 1 at 105 and int. at the Bankers Trust Co., 16 Wall St., N. Y. City.—V. 114, p. 633.

International Motor Truck Corp.—Name Changed.

The stockholders March 22 voted to change the present name to Mack Trucks, Inc.—V. 114, p. 1173, 1068.

International Shoe Co., St. Louis.—Orders.

Rumors have been current of a slackening in business of some of the large shoe manufacturing concerns both east and west. As a matter of fact, International Shoe is shipping from its factories about 750,000 pairs of shoes per week, or an average of 125,000 pairs per day for every working day, which is the largest output the company has ever been able to manufacture. International has under construction three new shoe factories, which, with additions to some existing plants now in process, will give it a further production of some 10,000 to 12,000 pairs per day, or an increase of approximately 10%. Orders now on the books are sufficient to keep the plants running until the new season opens, and the company anticipates a good volume of business for the coming season. (Boston "News Bureau.")—V. 114, p. 624, 416.

Island Oil & Transport Co.—Receivership.

Federal Judge Knox on March 20 appointed H. Snowden Marshall and Arthur J. Stevens receivers in a friendly equity proceeding instituted to protect creditors. Liabilities were given as \$5,000,000. Assets, it was said, were greater than this amount.

Francis L. Kohlman, attorney for the Antillan Corp. and other petitioning creditors, issued a statement which said:

"The profits of the company in 1920 were around \$7,000,000, and in 1921, although it was a notably bad year in the oil industry, profits were about \$1,350,000. Two years ago the company owed in the neighborhood of \$9,000,000. That indebtedness has been reduced by about \$1,000,000, so that liabilities are now little more than \$5,000,000.

"The assets exceed the liabilities by a large margin and the company is believed to be entirely solvent. The continued depressed condition of the oil market and the diminution in the Mexican oil production have seriously affected the company like many of the other oil producing companies in Mexico.

"While the company still has a considerable flowage of oil, the widespread reports of the appearance of salt water generally in the Mexican oil fields have affected the credit of the company. A reorganization will doubtless result, and this receivership is a step to that end.

Receiver for Subsidiary Company.

Federal Judge Knox on March 22 appointed H. Snowden Marshall and Arthur J. Stevens receivers in equity for the Island Oil Marketing Corp. The corporation, organized with a capital of \$25,000, is a subsidiary of the Island Oil & Transport Corp., the receivers of which made the petition, asserting a claim of \$1,244,632 for money advanced. The company is said to be solvent, but the complaint states that its business is so closely interwoven with that of the parent corporation that a receivership is necessary.

Stockholders Protective Committee.

The committee named below in a notice to the stockholder says: "The corporation having been placed in the hands of receivers with a reorganization of its corporate affairs in prospect, we have been requested to act as a committee to protect the interests of all stockholders, and therefore urge your communicating with Austin Agnew, Sec., stating the number of shares owned or controlled."

Committee.—Charles T. Brown, Henry R. Wilson, Charles C. Matchett, C. Douglas Green, Howard Wilson, P. W. Keen, Clifford J. Voorhees, with Austin Agnew, Sec., 111 Broadway, N. Y., and J. Markham Marshall, Counsel.—V. 114, p. 631.

Jones Bros. Tea Co., Inc.—February Sales.

1922—Feb.—1921	Increase	1922—2 Mos.—1921	Increase
\$1,377,642	\$1,366,494	\$11,147	\$2,772,634
			\$2,750,455
			\$11,579

Kansas & Gulf Co.—Definitive Notes Ready.

The Guaranty Trust Co. of New York is now prepared to deliver definitive 8% Serial gold notes dated Oct. 1 1921 in exchange for the outstanding temporary notes. (See offering in V. 114, p. 1580.—V. 113, p. 2509.)

(Julius) Kayser & Co.—Rights.

The common holders of record Feb. 25 have the right to subscribe until April 3 at \$20 a share to new common stock of no par value in the ratio of 150 shares for each 100 shares of old stock of \$100 par value held. Compare V. 111, p. 858, 1069.

Keystone Power Corp.—Bonds Offered.—West & Co. and Parsly Bros. & Co., New York and Phila., are offering at 96 and int., yielding about 6.80%, \$1,750,000 1st Mtge. Gold Bonds, Series A, 6 1/2%.

Dated March 22 1922, due March 1 1952. Int. payable M. & S. at Guaranty Trust Co., New York. Red. all or part at 107 1/2 and int. for first 10 years, 105 and int. for second 10 years and 102 1/2 and int. for 3d ten years on any int. date. Denom. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100 (c* & r*). Penna. Co. for Ins. on Lives & Granting Annuities, Phila., trustee. Company agrees to pay the normal Federal income tax not to exceed 2% and to refund Connecticut and Pennsylvania taxes.

Sinking Fund.—Annual sinking fund payments increasing from 1% of Series A bonds outstanding in 1927 to 2% in 1937 are provided for the purpose of retiring bonds.

Data from Letter of V.-Pres. N. M. Argabrite, Ridgway, Pa., March 17.

Company.—Organized in Pennsylvania in Feb. 1922 to acquire by purchase all the property, rights and franchises of the Keystone Electric Service Corp., which early in 1921 merged 12 companies that operated throughout the district now served by the company.

Corporation will supply electric light and power without competition to a district having a population of over 40,000 in northwestern Pennsylvania, including the cities of Kane, Mt. Jewett, St. Mary's, Ridgway and Johnsonburg and a number of smaller communities. Physical property includes 2 modern generating plants with an aggregate capacity of 12,500 k. w., 80 miles of high tension transmission lines connecting the two power plants with each other and covering the entire territory served, substations at the various points, distribution systems and street lighting equipment in the various cities supplied.

Capitalization—	Authorized.	Issued.
Common stock (no par value).....	12,500 shs.	12,500 shs.
Preferred stock, 7% Cumulative.....	\$5,000,000	\$1,150,000
1st Mtge. Series A 6 1/2% bonds, due 1952 (this iss.)	25,000,000	1,750,000
Earnings Year Ended Feb. 28 1922—		
Gross earnings.....		\$639,908
Net earnings, after operating expenses and taxes.....		191,759
Annual interest on \$1,750,000 bonds.....		113,750
Balance.....		\$78,009

Kirby Petroleum Co.—Production.

The company's gross production for the first 20 days of March totaled 195,142 bbls.—V. 114, p. 743.

Laurentide Power Co., Ltd.—Dividend Increased.

A quarterly dividend of 1 1/4% has been declared on the outstanding \$10,500,000 Capital stock, par \$100, payable April 15. This compares with dividends of 1% paid quarterly from April 1919 to Jan. 1922, inclusive.—V. 112, p. 1872.

Libby, McNeill & Libby.—Refinancing Rumor.

A Chicago dispatch March 23 said that it is rumored that a recapitalization is impending in which the common stock will be scaled down materially and a preferred stock issue created. The adjustment, it is expected, will follow closely the plan of recapitalization of the National Leather Co. last December.—V. 114, p. 312.

Lone Star Gas Corporation.—Larger Dividend.

A quarterly dividend of 1 1/4% has been declared on the outstanding Capital stock, par \$25, payable March 31 to holders of record March 25. In December last the company resumed dividends by the payment of 1%.—V. 113, p. 2622.

Long Island Lighting Co.—Acquisition.

The stockholders March 18 voted to purchase the property and assets of the Consumers Gas Co. of Long Island, the Southold Lighting Co. and the Riverhead Electric Light Co.—V. 113, p. 2190.

Lowell Electric Light Corp.—Stock.

The Mass. Dept. of Public Utilities has approved an issue of 2,972 additional shares at \$140 a share. Proceeds to be used to cancel an equal amount of outstanding obligations represented by promissory notes.—V. 112, p. 167.

Ludlow Manufacturing Associates.—Earnings.

Calendar Years—	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Gross sales.....	\$8,324,000	\$19,210,000	\$16,146,000	\$14,183,000
Net earnings after estimated Federal taxes.....	516,000	2,075,000	2,501,000	1,887,000
The balance sheet as at close of business shows: Cash, \$1,287,385; stock and merchandise accounts, \$5,423,730; notes payable, \$1,400,000; reserved for shareholders, \$18,931,576. There are outstanding 120,000 shares.—V. 114, p. 634.				

Mack Trucks, Inc.—New Name.

See International Motor Truck Corp. above.—V. 114, p. 1069.

Manning, Maxwell & Moore, Inc.—Smaller Dividend.

The directors declared a dividend of 1%, payable March 31 to holders of record March 31. Quarterly distributions of 1 1/4% have been made from June 1915 to Dec. 1921, incl.—V. 112, p. 1983.

Maxwell Motor Corp.—Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1921.

The comparative consolidated balance sheet as of Dec. 31 1921 shows: total current assets of \$19,731,658, incl. cash, \$2,895,284; inventories (at cost or market, whichever was lower), less depreciation, \$10,563,895; bank acceptances and marketable securities, \$4,121,385; notes receivable, &c., \$1,134,961; claims against U. S. Govt. (paid Feb. 1 1922), \$144,453; total current liabilities are \$6,278,943, incl. notes payable (due June 1 1922), \$3,819,795; and accounts payable, \$1,811,309.—V. 114, p. 1186.

Merck & Co.—Annual Report for Calendar Year 1921.

Results for Periods ended Dec. 31—	Year 1921.	Year 1920.	6 Mos. 1919.
Net profits after depreciation.....	loss\$699,521	\$323,561	\$409,866
Other income.....	39,491	17,216	35,606
Total income.....	loss\$660,030	\$340,777	\$445,472
Preferred dividends.....	—(1%)137,900	(\$)280,000	(4)13,967
Other deductions.....	72,969	66,908	140,000

Balance, surplus or deficit.....def.\$870,899 def.\$6,131 sur.\$291,505
The balance sheet of Dec. 31 1921 shows total current assets of \$2,572,085, against \$146,829 total current liabilities. Capital stock includes (a) 40,000 shares Common stock no par value, of a declared value paid in of \$200,000, and (b) 33,950 shares 8% cumulative Preferred, par value \$100 each, \$3,395,000 making a total outstanding of \$3,595,000. Total profit and loss surplus Dec. 31 1921, \$134,281, against \$988,400 Dec. 31 1920.—V. 112, p. 2197.

Michigan State Telephone Co.—Company Declares Preferred Dividend on Account of Arrears.—Acquisition App.

The company has declared a dividend of 3% on the outstanding \$1,000,000 Preferred stock, par \$100, payable April 15 to holders of record April 1, to be applied on account of dividends in arrears for the quarters ended Dec. 31 1919 and March 31 1920.

The U. S. C. Commission has authorized the company to acquire the property of the Valley Home Telephone Co. The report of the Commission says in brief:

Both applicants own and operate telephone exchanges and toll lines in the counties of Bay, Saginaw, Tuscola, Genesee, Sanilac and Huron, in Michigan, and the Michigan company also operates throughout the State generally. In a number of municipalities both companies maintain and operate local exchanges. The total subscriber stations after unification will be as follows: (estimated) Saginaw, 11,011; Bay City, 6,923; Frankenthum, 448; Flint, 10,033.

By the terms of a tentative agreement between the applicants, all of the physical properties and assets of the Home company are to be transferred to the Michigan company at an agreed price of \$1,250,000, which is the value of the properties as found and determined by the Michigan Public Utilities Commission on Aug. 26 1921.

The balance sheet of the Home company at the close of 1921 showed investment in property of \$1,383,181 and total assets of \$1,447,508, capital outstanding, \$853,462, unamortized funded debt, \$200,000, and surplus and reserves of \$97,965.—V. 114, p. 1070.

Middle States Oil Corp.—New Directors.—J. Sherry O'Brien and J. F. Loonan have been elected directors.—V. 114, p. 1187.

Middle West Utilities Co.—Annual Report.—The annual report for 1921 shows: Total income, \$3,441,561; total expenses, \$390,572; interest paid, \$1,434,664; net income for year, \$1,616,326; dividends paid, \$902,897; profit and loss surplus, \$813,048.—V. 114, p. 1070.

Midland Counties Public Service Corp.—Earnings.

Income Account—Years ending Dec. 31—

	1921.	1920.
Gross earnings	\$800,386	\$648,248
Operating expenses, taxes, &c.	566,496	453,504
Fixed charges	115,144	103,237
Balance	\$118,745	\$91,506

—V. 113, p. 2410.

Midway Gas Co.—Annual Report.

<i>Calendar Years—</i>				
	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Gross revenue	\$2,619,242	\$2,370,917	\$1,728,510	\$1,172,784
Oper. expenses and taxes	1,909,325	1,782,342	984,884	451,628
Interest charges	172,485	158,676	126,980	126,642

Balance, surplus, \$537,432 \$429,930 \$616,645 \$594,514
Preferred dividends have been paid quarterly Jan. 15, &c., since dividend No. 1 on the preferred, covering the two years' period July 1 1915 to June 30 1917, was paid in July 1917. An extra dividend of \$20 per share in amortization of outstanding preferred stock paid Jan. 15 1919. The par value then reduced from \$100 to \$80. Regular 2% per annum, paid quar. from Jan. 15 1918 on common stock. Dividends on common stock are limited to 2% until the preferred stock is paid in full.

Rights, fran., plants, &c. \$8,483,755 Capital stock \$2,880,280
Discount on pref. stock 138,638 Bonds 1,879,000
Cash 176,738 Accounts & notes payable 281,010
Accounts receivable 280,547 Accruals & divs. declared 274,616
Materials and supplies 85,197 Reserves 2,908,268
Deferred charges 127,407 surplus 1,089,100

Bonded Debt Dec. 31.—(a) \$56,000 Valley Natural Gas Co. 1st gold 6s of 1916, due March 15 1922 to 1924. Company pays normal income tax of 2%.
(b) \$1,573,000 Midway Gas Co. 1st & Ref. gold 6s of 1915, due Dec. 1 1929.
(c) \$250,000 Midway Gas Co. 7% gold notes of 1920, due June 1 1922.
—V. 113, p. 2623.

Miner Edgar Co. of N. J.—Bonds Offered.—Ralph W. Voorhees & Co., Inc., New York, are offering at 98 and int. to yield 7.51% to 7.21%, \$1,000,000 7% 1st Mtge & Ref. bonds.

Dated Oct. 15 1921. Due serially \$100,000 per annum from Oct. 15 1927, and to Oct. 15 1941 inclusive. Int. payable A. & O. at the office of National Bank of New Jersey, New Brunswick, trustee. Denom. of \$1,000. \$500 and \$100 (c*).

Date from Letter of Henry M. Miner, Pres. of Co., dated Jan. 7 1922.
Business.—Company is the largest distributor of American paper clay to the book, news and wall paper trades in the U. S. Is the largest distributor of denatured alcohol in the New York territory, and the second largest distributor of wood alcohol in the country. It is one of the leading manufacturers of pyroxylin solutions for split and artificial leather and lacquer trades. Also produces acetates, formaldehyde, and other basic chemicals.

History.—Company started in 1910 in Brooklyn, N. Y., as a sales organization, but in January 1921, the varied interests were combined into one corporation, incorp. in New Jersey.

Security.—A direct mortgage, subject only to \$266,500 of prior liens now outstanding, to retire which the company proposes to use bonds of this issue, on modern plants and equipment, and on the coal, timber and clay lands of the railroad of the company.

Purpose.—Proceeds will be used to refund prior liens, to repay the treasury for plant expenditures, to pay bank loans and to provide additional working capital.

Earnings.—Net earnings for the past 7 years (two months of 1921 estimated), were \$1,541,673, averaging \$220,239, or 3.15 times the bond interest on the present issue.

Mullins Body Corp. Salem Ohio.—Earnings.

<i>Calendar Years—</i>			
	1921.	1920.	
Net sales	\$1,431,243	\$3,711,420	
Cost of sales	1,301,182	2,403,668	
Gross profit on sales	\$130,061	\$1,307,751	
Administrative, general and selling expenses	217,679	412,254	
Operating income	loss \$87,618	\$895,498	
Other income	553	70,793	
Federal taxes (est.)		265,000	
Income charges	23,328		

Balance	def. \$110,393	sur. \$701,291
Previous surplus	\$2,264,015	\$2,189,136
Federal taxes for 1919		136,412
Federal capital stock tax	4,024	
Amount trans. to res. for Fed. inc. tax to bring est. tax into equality with tax assessed	723	
Bad debts written off	29,339	10,000
Preferred dividends	78,400	80,000
Common dividends	100,000	400,000

Profit and loss surplus, \$1,941,135 \$2,264,015
—V. 113, p. 77.

Municipal Gas Co., Albany, N. Y.—Bonds Offered.—White, Weld & Co., N. Y., and New York State National Bank, Albany, are offering, at 104½ and int., to yield about 5.20%, \$2,000,000 1st Mtge. 5½% Gold Bonds, Series A. (See advertising pages.)

Dated April 1 1922. Due April 1 1952. Int. payable A. & O. in N. Y. City. Denom. \$1,000 (c*). Red. after 30 days' notice on any int. date, all or part, on or prior to April 1 1937, at 107½ and int., and on any int. date thereafter at ½ of 1% less for each year or fraction thereof after April 1 1937. Central Union Trust Co., New York, trustee.

Data from Letter of President Nicholas F. Brady, March 23.
Company.—Organized in 1885. Does entire commercial electric light and power and gas business in Albany, N. Y., and in adjacent communities. Population, estimated, 155,000. Franchises are unlimited as to duration.

In 1921 company delivered to its 46,412 customers 822,940,000 cu. ft. of gas and 41,878,000 k. w. h. of electric energy, the latter either purchased from hydro-electric properties in the immediate vicinity or produced in its own steam plants. Capacity of latter is now being increased from 20,000 h. p. to 43,000 h. p.

Security.—Secured by a first mortgage on the entire fixed property and franchises and constitute only funded debt.

Earnings Years Ended December 31.

	Gross.	xNet.		Gross.	xNet.
1921	\$2,676,359	\$598,996	1916	\$1,504,366	\$592,400
1920	2,379,253	556,041	1915	1,407,165	560,598
1918	1,703,628	378,488	1913	1,309,277	557,526
1917	1,570,905	549,603	1912	1,223,375	454,275

x Net after depreciation and taxes.
Purpose.—To retire \$1,250,000 8% notes, maturing April 1 1922, and plant improvement.

Capitalization After This Financing.

First Mortgage 5½% Gold Bonds, Series A	\$5,000,000	\$2,000,000
Common Stock (\$100 par, paying 6%)	10,000,000	6,000,000

Rates.—Present maximum electric rate is only 8c. per k. w. h., and maximum gas rate is \$1.35 per 1,000 cu. ft.—V. 114, p. 1187.

New York Telephone Co.—Definitive Bonds Ready.—The Definitive Ref. Mtge. 20-Year 6% gold bonds, series "A" are now ready for delivery at the Bankers Trust Co., 10 Wall St., N. Y. City, in

exchange for outstanding temporary bonds. See offering in V. 113, p. 2191.—V. 114, p. 1187, 1070.

National Acme Co., Cleveland, O.—Earnings.

<i>Calendar Years—</i>				
	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Net sales	\$3,879,072	\$15,758,921	\$12,240,990	\$14,193,754
Cost of goods sold	3,971,020	11,460,903	8,416,774	8,379,852
Admin., sales, &c., exp.	828,140	1,053,573	762,450	733,060
Other deductions	554,806	280,831	281,757	603,944
Net profit	loss \$1,474,894	\$2,963,614	\$2,780,010	\$4,476,898
Other income	62,533	36,723	137,158	68,554
Net profit	loss \$1,412,360	\$3,000,337	\$2,917,168	\$4,545,451
Adjust't of inventories	2,315,138			
Estimated war taxes		515,000	500,000	2,200,000
Dividends	None	(7)1,744,697	(6)1,497,998	(6)1,497,236

Balance, surplus, def. \$3,727,498 sur. \$710,610 sur. \$919,170 sur. \$848,215
Profit and loss surplus, \$1,536,775 \$5,265,596 \$4,550,940 \$3,489,484
The balance sheet as of Dec. 31 shows: Cash, \$15,269; inventory, \$7,513,876; notes payable, \$1,187,500; accounts payable, \$69,849; total profit and loss surplus, \$1,536,775.—V. 113, p. 2510.

New York Transportation Co.—Earnings.

<i>Years ended—</i>				
	Dec. 31 '21.	Dec. 31 '20.	Dec. 31 '19.	June 30 '18.
Gross earnings	\$5,441,854	\$4,800,783	\$4,222,907	\$2,660,747
Net after oper. expenses	\$1,754,833	\$1,557,306	\$1,245,447	\$645,987
Other income	139,976	109,029	82,948	127,433
Total income	\$1,894,809	\$1,666,335	\$1,328,395	\$773,420
Charges and all taxes	779,744	899,516	562,600	517,272
Dividends	470,000	(15)411,250(7½)	176,250	(10)235,000

Balance, surplus, \$645,065 \$355,569 \$589,545 \$21,148
The balance sheet as of Dec. 31 shows: Total current assets, \$2,683,192; cash, \$325,990; materials and supplies at cost, \$356,134; total current liabilities, \$742,006; and total profit and loss surplus, \$2,362,670.—V. 112, p. 1523.

Nipissing Mines Co.—Regular Dividend—Cash, &c.—The regular quarterly dividend of 3% has been declared on the outstanding \$6,000,000 Capital stock, par \$5, payable April 20 to holders of record March 31.
Financial Statement March 18 1922, Showing Total Cash, &c.,

	Mar. 18 '22	Dec. 15 '21
Cash in bank, including Canadian War bonds, &c.	\$3,395,046	\$3,290,727
Bullion and ore in transit and on hand, &c.	892,948	834,234

—V. 114, p. 1187.

North American Co.—Listing.—The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing on or after April 1 1922 of \$171,650 additional 6% Cumulative Preferred stock, par \$50, on official notice of issuance as a stock dividend of 1%, making the total applied for \$15,068,300.—V. 114, p. 954, 943.

North American Light & Power Co. (of Me.)—Earnings.

<i>12 Months Ending Jan. 31—</i>			
	1922.	1921.	Increase.
Gross earnings	\$3,574,939	\$3,170,217	\$404,721
Operating expenses and taxes	2,563,817	2,353,027	210,789
Net earnings	\$1,011,122	\$817,190	\$193,932
Int., divs., &c., of controlled cos.	289,661	265,045	24,617
Interest charges, depreciation, &c.	368,896	332,004	36,892
Preferred dividends	90,053	69,908	20,144

Balance, surplus, \$262,512 \$150,233 \$122,279
—V. 111, p. 636, 312.

Northern Indiana Gas & Elec. Co.—Purchase Approved.—The Indiana P. S. Commission has authorized the company to acquire the steam electric generation plant of the Lafayette Service Co. at Lafayette (V. 114, p. 1063). The company bid in the plant at a chancery sale for \$120,000.—V. 113, p. 2318.

Ohio Fuel Supply Co.—Extra Dividend.—An extra dividend of 2% in Victory Loan 4¾% notes has been declared on the Capital stock, in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 2½% in cash, both payable April 15 to holders of record March 31. In Jan., April and Oct. 1921 and in Jan. last the company paid extras of 2% each in Victory bonds.—V. 114, p. 1187.

Ohio Public Service Co.—Acquisitions.—Authority for this company to purchase the properties of the Richland Public Service Co., Mansfield, O., and the Ashland Gas & Electric Co., Ashland, O., was recently granted by the Ohio P. U. Commission on Feb. 15. Compare V. 114, p. 744, 860, 1070.

Oklahoma Natural Gas Co.—Decision.—The U. S. Supreme Court March 20 affirmed a decision of the Supreme Court of Oklahoma in the case of this company against the State of Oklahoma for refusing to issue an injunction to the Oklahoma P. S. Commission which ordered a refund for alleged failure of the company to furnish an adequate supply of gas.—V. 113, p. 1571.

Owens Bottle Co.—Annual Report.

<i>Results for Calendar Years—</i>			
	1921.	1920.	1919.
Mfg. profit and royalties	\$1,938,490	\$6,469,104	\$2,744,180
Other income	1,356,073	1,319,698	1,295,616
Total income	\$3,294,563	\$7,788,802	\$4,039,796
Expenses, &c., charges	1,802,467	2,143,198	773,407
Federal taxes	123,000	1,423,400	300,000

Net profit, \$1,369,096 \$4,222,205 \$2,966,388
—V. 113, p. 1989.

Oxford (Me.) Paper Co.—Pref. Stock Offered.—Lee, Higginson & Co. are offering at 95 and int. to yield over 7.35% \$3,000,000 7% Cumul. Pref. (a. & d.) Stock, par \$100. A circular shows:

Dividends payable quarterly beginning June 1 1922. Redeemable all or part in blocks of not less than \$100,000, or for the sinking fund, at 110 and divs.

Earnings.—Average annual net profits available for dividends during 5 years ending Dec. 31 1921 (after deducting interest charges on the present funded debt, all taxes, including Federal taxes, and ample allowances for maintenance, renewals and depreciation) were nearly 7 times the \$210,000 annual dividend requirements for this Preferred stock. For the year 1921, a period of business depression, net profits were 2.8 times this dividend.

Dividends.—Cash dividends have been paid on the Common stock continuously during the last 11 years.

Sinking Fund.—An annual sinking fund (first payment Aug. 15 1923) equal to 1% of the total par value of Pref. stock issued, will be payable out of net earnings available after payment of divs. on the Preferred stock, and will be applied to purchase or redeem Preferred stock at not exceeding 110 and dividends.

Preferred Stock Provisions.—Authorized \$10,000,000. Issues in excess of first \$3,000,000 may be in series carrying different dividend rates and calling prices and may be issued when average annual net earnings applicable to Pref. divs. covering a period of 3 yrs. ending within 3 months immediately preceding date of issue, shall have been at least twice the Pref. dividend requirements, incl. divs. on Pref. stock proposed. No voting power, unless 8 consecutive quarterly dividends are due and unpaid, or unless the company is in default in the observance of any of the Preferred stock provisions, or in default in provisions of any bonds or indenture securing any obligations, or unless the company has been declared bankrupt.

For history of company, description of property, purpose of issue, capitalization, &c., see offering of \$5,000,000 1st Mtge. 6s in V. 114, p. 1070.

Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co., Calif.—Stock Issue.—The company has applied to the California Railroad Commission for authority to issue and sell \$25,000,000 Preferred stock.—V. 114, p. 860.

Packard Motor Car Co.—Number of Stockholders.—According to a report of President Alvan Macauley there are 3,844 holders of Preferred stock and 1,698 holders of the Common stock.

Nearly 56% of the outstanding 147,818 shares of Preferred stock is in the hands of small holders, those owning less than a hundred shares. These investors number 3,658, or about 95% of the total number of Preferred stockholders. Only 13% of the outstanding shares of this class is held by owners of more than a thousand shares each. The highest amount in the hands of any individual is 3,215 shares, or only about 2%. Out of the 1,698 holders of the outstanding 1,888,314 shares of Common stock 1,333, or about 78%, own less than a hundred shares each.—V. 114, p. 744.

Patchogue Plymouth Mills.—Common Div. No. 2.—A dividend of \$1 per share has been declared on the Common stock, no par value, payable Apr. 1 to holders of record Mar. 27. An initial dividend of like amount was paid in Dec. 1921.—V. 113, p. 2192.

Peoples Gas Light & Coke Co.—Decision.—Judge Smith in the Sangamon County Circuit Court has handed down a ruling that the finding of the former Illinois P. U. Commission fixing the valuation of the company's properties at \$85,000,000 was not supported by the evidence. The case was brought to the Circuit Court on appeal from the old Commission's finding, and has been pending for years. Attorneys for the company state the ruling by Judge Smith will probably send the case back to the present Illinois State Commission for settlement.—V. 114, p. 733, 745.

Philadelphia Electric Co.—Listing.—The Philadelphia Stock Exchange on Mar. 18 listed \$4,000,000 additional 8% Cumulative Preferred stock, subscribed and paid for in full, making the total amount of said stock listed \$15,000,000, being the total authorized issue.—V. 114, p. 636, 530.

Pure Oil Co.—Listing—Data Regarding Humphreys Cos.—The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing on or after April 10 of \$12,897,500 additional Common stock, par \$25 each, on official notice of issuance and payment in full (see offering to stockholders in V. 114, p. 1071). The proceeds from the sale are to be applied as follows: (1) To retire and cancel on June 1 1922 \$7,980,000 of Serial Notes maturing June 1 1922, June 1 1923, June 1 1924 and June 1 1925, \$7,980,000; (2) To reimburse the Treasury for capital outlay in connection with the investment in the stock of Humphreys Oil Co., Humphreys Pure Oil Pipe Line Co. and the Humphreys Pure Oil Refineries Corp., \$4,917,500.

The Humphreys Mexia Co. and the Humphreys Texas Co. have been merged under the name of *Humphreys Oil Co.*, and the stocks of the respective merged companies owned by the Pure Oil Co., consisting of \$500,000 Humphreys Mexia Co. and \$1,500,000 Humphreys Texas Co. were exchanged by Pure Oil Co. for \$2,000,000 (consisting of 80,000 shares of the par value of \$25 each) Capital stock of Humphreys Oil Co.

The Humphreys Oil Co. was organized in Delaware on March 10 1922 with a perpetual charter. Authorized capital \$15,000,000, par \$25, of which \$8,458,000 has been issued. This company has leases on approximately 80,000 acres of land located in Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana; on these leases there have been completed 62 producing wells, with a total average daily production as of March 15 about 45,000 barrels, and 87 wells are in process of drilling.

The Pure Oil Co. and the Humphreys Oil Co. each own 50% of the outstanding stock of the following companies, and as advances are made by these companies for development and improvement of the properties additional stock is issued to them in payment therefor:

(1) *Humphreys Pure Oil Pipe Line Co.*—Organized in Texas Nov. 10 1921. Authorized capital \$2,000,000, par \$100, all outstanding. Company has under construction an 8-inch pipe line extending from Mexia, Tex., to Smith's Bluff, Tex., 210 miles, with necessary gathering lines and pumping stations. Pipe line expected to be in full operation about June 1 1922.

(2) *Humphreys Pure Oil Refineries Corp.*—Organized in Delaware Dec. 27 1921. Authorized capital \$50,000,000, par \$100, of which the Pure Oil Co. has subscribed for \$5,000,000 and the Humphreys Oil Co. has subscribed for \$5,000,000. As of March 15 each company has subscribed and paid cash for \$2,050,000, making the total amount of company's stock outstanding \$4,100,000. Company owns in fee 791 acres in Limestone County, Tex., on which there has been erected 66 55,000-barrel steel tanks for storage purposes. At Smith's Bluff, located on the Gulf of Mexico, Tex., company also owns in fee 603 acres on which is located terminal facilities, consisting of tanks, pumping stations and wharves.—V. 114, p. 1188.

Remington Typewriter Co.—Directors Reply to Charges.—The directors on March 18 sent a circular letter to the stockholders in reply to a letter dated March 15, signed by James C. Carney, and others, mailed to stockholders, soliciting proxies for the annual meeting to be held April 19 1922, to vote against and replace the present directorate.

The directors' letter states that it is proper that the exact status of the company should be placed before the stockholders, and for that purpose says that the time under review should properly be divided into three periods as follows: (1) From Jan. 1 1916 to May 1 1919, when factory operations were in charge of the present management. (2) From May 1 1919 to Aug. 1 1920, when factory operations were in charge of engineers selected by the finance committee then in office. (3) From Aug. 1 1920 to date, when the present management were again in control.

The circular states in brief: On Jan. 1 1916, the beginning of the first period, cash on hand amounted to \$1,765,236, whereas on May 1 1919, the end of the period, and after the retirement or acquisition of \$3,662,500 of the company's bonds, the company had \$3,963,278 cash on hand and \$422,087 securities in which accumulated cash had been temporarily invested and factory inventories amounting to \$2,885,371.

At the end of the second period the company had Cash on hand, \$1,125,203 securities in which accumulated cash had been temporarily invested, \$1,086,788, and factory inventories amounting to \$4,492,172.

On again taking over the control of factory operations at the beginning of the third period (Aug. 1 1920), the present management, which had been in control during the first period, were forced to continue operations with greatly reduced cash resources, a very large increase in inventories and with purchase commitments amounting to over \$1,700,000, and faced a disorganization due to the fact that many of the most important factory superintendents, heads of departments, and skilled employees had been discharged.

Owing to the large inventories and purchase commitments made during the second period, it was found necessary during the balance of the calendar year to borrow \$1,000,000, and in 1921 to increase such borrowings to \$1,700,000. Under the present management this condition has been altered, so that now, as of the date (March 18), the bonded debt has been reduced to \$1,499,500, the borrowings to \$1,250,000 and purchase commitments to \$350,000, while the company has on hand cash of upwards of \$1,300,000.

Preliminary Income Account for Year ending Dec. 31 1921.

Earnings from operations based on absorption in costs of estimated normal operating expenses	\$881,147
Depreciation of plants, \$431,526 less on bonds and bank loans	\$192,225
Losses in respect of reduction in inventories to current cost or market, obsolete parts, excess over exp. incidental to changes in models, etc.	3,161,269
Balance, deficit	\$2,000,874
Surplus at Jan. 1 1921 \$6,881,818 less divs. on 1st and 2d Pref. stock for quarter ended March 31 1921, \$191,220	6,690,597
Balance, surplus, Dec. 31 1921	\$3,792,723

Stockholders' Committee Answers Officials.

The independent stockholders' committee has issued another statement replying to the above answer made by the company to the original charges. The supplemental statement says in part: "The management's circular seeks to cast the entire blame for last year's loss upon General & Co., who, it appears, were brought in in April 1919 by the finance committee to return to the production department. We are advised that that firm was employed after the voting trustees had struggled ineffectively to obtain results from the production organization of the company. The assertion of the management that they the officers, to increased production that the company on Aug. 1 1920 had an excessive inventory."—V. 114, p. 1188.

Republic Steel Co.—Annual Report.

The consolidated income account for the year ended Dec. 31 1921 shows Net earnings, after deducting all expenses incidental to operations, including

ordinary repairs and maintenance and expenses of idle plants, \$85,029; deprec., \$221,763; interest, \$27,035; net loss for year, \$163,769; int. on bonds of Wharton Steel Co., \$354; inventory adjustments, \$709,450; total deficit, \$873,572. Profit and loss surplus Dec. 31 1921, \$512,659.—V. 114, p. 530.

Silver King Consol. Mining Co. of Utah.—Assessment.—The company has levied an assessment of 10 cents per share, payable April 22, with sale date May 16. In April 1921 the company levied an assessment of 20 cents per share.—V. 105, p. 2280.

Singer Mfg. Co.—Dividend Payable in Cash.—A dividend of \$1 25 has been declared on the outstanding Capital stock, payable April 1 to holders of record March 15. This compares with dividends of 20 French francs each paid on March 31, Sept. 30 and Dec. 31 1921. In June last a cash dividend of \$1 25 per share was paid.—V. 113, p. 1259

Southern Gem (Coal) Co.—Bonds Offered.—Peabody, Houghteling & Co., Inc., are offering at par and int., \$1,250,000 1st Mtge. Serial Gold 7 1/2%. A circular shows:

Dated March 1 1922. Payable serially. Red. in reverse of numerical order at 105 and int. on any int. date. Denom. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100 (c*). Int. payable at Continental & Commercial National Bank, Chicago, trustee, and First National Bank, New York, without deduction for Federal income tax not to exceed 2%. Authorized, \$2,000,000. Reserved for future issuance, \$750,000.

Company.—A subsidiary of Southern Gem Coal Corp. of Chicago. Company has available unmined coal amounting to approximately 116,967,000 tons, located in Franklin and Jefferson counties, Ill. Mine No. 1 located near West Frankfort, has rail connections with the Illinois Central, Chicago & Eastern Illinois, and C. B. & Q. RRs. It has modern electrical equipment underground, and an annual capacity of 600,000 tons. Mine No. 2 is located at Sesser and has rail connections with the C. B. & Q. RR. Annual capacity, 700,000 tons. Total valuation of property, \$2,912,342.

Lease.—Mines and coal are under lease for a period of 15 years from March 1 1922 to Southern Gem Coal Corp. on the basis of 25 cents per ton of coal produced with a minimum of \$225,000 p. a., payable monthly, beginning April 25 1922. This lease has been assigned to and deposited with the trustee. The company also receives 50% of the annual net profits derived by the lessee from the operation of the leased property.

Sinking Fund.—Company is obligated to pay to trustee each month, a sinking fund of 15 cents a ton on coal produced during the preceding calendar month, and in any event a minimum equal to one-sixth of the next maturing interest and installment of principal.

Earnings.—Net earnings of the two mine properties have been as follows: Mine No. 1, average annual earnings for 5 years ended Dec. 31 1921, \$274,069; Mine No. 2 (opened Sept. 1919), average annual earnings for 2 years ended Dec. 31 1921, \$181,306.

Southwestern Power & Light Co.—Bonds Sold.—Bonbright & Co., Inc., have sold at 89 and int. \$3,000,000 6% Gold Debenture bonds, Series A, non-callable for 25 years. (See advertising pages.)

Dated Mar. 1 1922. Due Mar. 1 2022. Red. on and after Mar. 1 1947 and up to and incl. Sept. 1 2016, all or in lots of not less than \$1,000,000, on any int. date, upon 30 days' notice, at 110 and int.; thereafter at par and int. Int. payable M. & S. in New York without deduction of the normal Federal income tax payable up to 2%. Penna. State tax of 4 mills refunded. Denom. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100 c* & r* \$1,000 and \$5,000. Central Union Trust Co., New York, trustee.

Data from Letter of Pres. F. G. Sykes, New York, March 22.

Company.—Incorp. July 30 1912 in Maine. Owns or controls various companies furnishing a diversified public utility service in 113 communities, of which 110 are supplied with electric power and light service, while gas, water and miscellaneous service is supplied to a number of communities. Companies owned are Wichita Falls Electric Co., West Texas Electric Co., International Electric Co., Oil Cities Electric Co., Oil Belt Power Co., El Paso Gas Co., Galveston Gas Co., Sweetwater Ice & Cold Storage Co., Paris Transit Co. and Eagle Pass Water Co. Also controls Texas Power & Light Co. through ownership of all its Common stock, except directors' shares, and Fort Worth Power & Light Co. through ownership of more than 93% of its Common stock. Population in excess of 724,000.

Capitalization Outstanding with Public upon Completion of This Financing.			
6% Debentures (this issue)	\$3,000,000	5-yr. 8% Notes, Series "A," due 1925	\$2,000,000
8% Secured bonds, Series "A"	2,750,000	1st Lien 30-yr 5s, 1943	3,797,000
20-yr. 8% Notes, Series "B"	2,250,000	Pref stock, 7% Cumul.	4,387,000
		Common stock	15,125,000

The above does not include General Lien bonds and 1st Lien 5s, pledged as collateral under the bond-secured notes.

	Earnings for the 12 Months ended Dec. 31.		
	1919	1920	1921
Gross earnings all subsidiary cos.	\$6,409,736	\$9,514,350	\$9,921,790
Net after oper. exps., incl. taxes	2,371,796	3,435,926	4,490,822

Earnings applicable to interest charges of this company—\$1,129,570 \$2,097,488 \$3,014,525
Annual int. charges (a) prior to 6% Gold Debs (\$749,850); (b) 6% Gold Debs, \$180,000; total—929,850

Balance 85% of gross earnings of combined properties is derived from the sale of electric power and light in 110 communities; 13% is derived from the sale of gas in 5 communities, while the remaining 2% comprises railway, water and ice business.

Purpose.—To provide funds for general corporate purposes.

Management.—Electric Bond & Share Co.—V. 113, p. 738, 426.

Standard Gas & Electric Co.—Notes Offered.—H. M. Byllesby & Co., New York, are offering approximately \$250,000 6% Gold Notes (closed issue) of 1915. Due Oct. 1 1935. A circular shows:

	Authorized	Outstanding
Common stock	\$15,000,000	\$10,600,000
8% Cumulative Preferred stock	30,000,000	12,379,850
Convertible 6% bonds, due Dec. 1 1926	30,000,000	6,291,000
Conv. secured 7% gold bonds, due March 1 1937	Closed	3,000,000
Secured 7 1/2% sink. fund bonds, due Sept. 1 1941	Closed	3,424,200
5 1/2% gold notes, due Oct. 1 1935	Closed	15,000,000
7% gold notes, due Nov. 1 1941	15,000,000	887,200

The company guarantees \$11,427,600 Shaffer Oil & Refining Co. 1st Mtge. 6s, due June 1 1929.

Earnings for year ended Dec. 31 1921. (Giving effect to present capitalization).

Gross revenue (not incl. earnings retained by operated companies for reserves & undistributed surplus)	\$3,892,201
General expenses & taxes	68,550

Net revenue—\$3,823,651

Annual interest charges on total funded debt—\$1,806,509

—V. 114, p. 956, 530

Standard Oil Co. (Kansas).—Annual Report.

	1921	1920	1919	1918
Net earnings	\$207,789	\$2,043,119	\$1,661,611	\$1,413,890
Dividends paid (2 1/2%)	480,000	480,000	480,000	480,000

Balance, surplus, deficit \$272,211 \$1,563,119 \$1,181,611 \$933,890

Balance Sheet December 31

	1921	1920	1921	1920
Assets	\$	\$	\$	\$
Real estate & plant	5,780,455	4,815,449	2,000,000	2,000,000
Raw material &c.	3,215,333	3,991,003	919,503	1,508,510
Cash	100,468	141,509	1,076,890	854,300
Accruals	1,201,600	1,634,413	17,000	960,208
Accounts receivable	445,778	1,764,235	6,708,408	7,040,616
Total	10,753,660	12,357,735	Total	10,753,660 12,357,735

—V. 114, p. 715

Standard Oil Co. (N. J.).—Statement on Oil Pool.—

Pres. Walter C. Teagle issued the following March 22:
 "A report printed this morning to the effect that five prominent oil companies, of which the Transcontinental Oil Co., a subsidiary of the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey is one, are preparing to pool their resources for the development of new producing fields in Mexico is premature. A proposal of this general character has been under discussion for some months without reaching any definite conclusion. If an arrangement assuring a comprehensive effort to bring new producing territory to light can be arrived at and the necessary co-operation obtained an announcement embracing the details can then be made."
 The Mexican Petroleum Co., Sinclair Consolidated, Texas Co., Atlantic Lobos, the Mexican subsidiary of the Atlantic Refining Co., and the Standard of New Jersey's Mexican subsidiary are said to be included. It is estimated that about 3,000,000 acres are involved.
 The Persian Government has refused a £200,000 loan from Washington against future oil royalties, as it is conditional on oil concessions granted to Standard Oil, and indicates understanding with Anglo-Persian company, regarding respective interests—"Wall Street Journal"—V. 114, p. 1072.

Standard Shipbuilding Corp., Shooters Island, N. J.

Application was made to Judge Edwin L. Garvin in the U. S. District Court March 22 by William J. Young and Albert Conway, receivers, to raise \$100,000 to protect the corporation's property. The application was opposed by the Shooters Island Shipbuilding Co. and the U. S. Shipping Board, which hold first and second mortgages on the property. It was finally agreed to raise \$30,000.—V. 114, p. 1072.

(F. B.) Stearns Co., Cleveland, Ohio.—Smaller Div.—

The directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents a share, payable April 20 to holders of record April 10. From April 1920 to Jan. 1921 the company made quarterly disbursements of \$1 a share.—V. 112, p. 2757.

Submarine Boat Corp.—Committee Asking Proxies for Annual Meeting With Object of Making Report—Circular Alleges Mismanagement.—

In a letter to the stockholders, Isaac L. Rice, Jr., criticizes the present management and asks proxies for the annual meeting April 11. A committee headed by George C. Van Tuyl has been formed. The letter states that the object is to elect a board committed to policy of conservation of assets, to retain officials who will aid in this policy and to appoint a sub-committee to investigate the corporation's affairs and report to stockholders.
 Mr. Rice, who declares he is one of the largest stockholders, owning over 25,000 shares, says in part: "Owing to the part which my father played in affairs of this corporation, I have been interested in it for many years, and have been a director since 1916. Many occurrences set forth in the circular were never reported to me, nor, I believe, at any meeting of directors."
 "Neither have I ever been able to obtain full and complete information concerning many of them. I have opposed the program of the officers respecting many of these transactions for a long time, but, as they had complete control by reason of the voting trust arrangement and its resulting consequences, I as a minority director was powerless to swerve officials from their course. The situation, however, has become so serious that the issues should be now submitted squarely to the stockholders."—V. 113, p. 2193.

Susquehanna (Pa.) Silk Mills.—To Pay Off Notes.—

All of the outstanding \$1,000,000 Series "A" 6% gold notes, due April 1 1922, will be paid at and maturity at par and int., to date of delivery at the National City Bank of N. Y., 55 Wall St., N. Y. City.—V. 109, p. 585.

Union Bag & Paper Co.—New Financing—Ann. Report.

The company, it is reported, is considering a first mortgage bond issue of between \$6,000,000 and \$7,000,000. It is reported that out of the proceeds of the proposed issue, \$2,195,000 first mortgage bonds of the present total funded debt will be retired. The balance will be used to provide additional working capital.

Earn. Cal. Year—	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Net earnings	\$797,192	\$5,046,301	\$2,335,255	\$2,619,173
Depreciation	266,978	428,173	348,221	460,710
Other income	-----	-----	Cr.140,625	Cr.46,375
Interest	146,461	160,245	188,812	187,151
Federal taxes	-----	982,956	258,228	601,467
Dividends	(8%)1,164,866	(8)1,081,896	(8½)836,062	(6)589,074

Balance, surplus, def.\$781,113 \$2,393,031 \$844,557 \$827,645
 Profit and loss surplus, x\$1,176,042 \$1,874,306 \$3,948,987 \$3,174,715
 x This deficit is before adding \$1,200,000 as reserve for dividends at Jan. 1 1921, which after adding makes a surplus of \$418,888; add surplus as at Jan. 1 1921, \$1,874,305; deduct \$1,107,151 for "reduction in value of materials and merchandise on hand at Jan. 1 1921, and of wood commitments outstanding at that date to market prices subsequently determined;" leaving \$1,186,042 as profit and loss surplus.—V. 114, p. 861.

Union Electric Light & Power Co., St. Louis.—New Steam Power Plant for St. Louis to Cost over \$6,000,000.—

Title has been taken by Pres. Louis H. Egan to about 50 acres of land, as a site for a new power plant, on the Illinois side of the Mississippi River, immediately south of the city limits of East St. Louis, and approximately four miles from the electrical centre of St. Louis.
 This plant, intended to supply the rapidly increasing demands for electrical energy in St. Louis and vicinity, will be known as the Cahokia Steam Power Plant, and will have an initial capacity of 60,000 k. w., and an ultimate capacity of probably 240,000 k. w. The first two units will be 30,000 k. w. each, supplied with steam at 300 lbs. pressure at the throttle, and will deliver electrical energy at 60 cycles, 13,200 volts.
 The cost of power house and contents will be upwards of \$6,000,000.
 McClellan & Junkersfeld, Inc., New York City, have been engaged as engineers and constructors.—V. 113, p. 1479.

Union Oil Co. (Calif.).—Majority of Stock Deposited Under Agreement to Form Union Oil of Calif. Stockholding Co.

With a view to maintain control of Union Oil of California as an American Californian institution more than a majority of Union Oil shares are committed to the plan of mutual protection. We are informed that Union Oil Associates will immediately proceed with the organization of the company.—V. 114, p. 1072, 956.

United Electric Light & Power Co.—Opens Plant.—

What is said to be the largest electric power plant in the United States and one of the largest in the world was opened formally March 2 by the company at 134th St. and Locust Ave., N. Y. City. It is known as the company's Hell Gate branch and has been in operation for some months at a producing capacity of 150,000 k.w. When it is fully equipped it will produce 350,000 k.w.—V. 113, p. 2412.

United Gas Improvement Co.—Indictments.—

See "Current Events" "Chronicle" March 18, p. 1142.—V. 114, p. 1189

United Oil Producers' Corporation.—Tenders.—

The Coal & Iron National Bank, trustee, will until April 20 receive bids for the sale to it of 10-year First Lien gold 8% and Participating sinking fund production bonds, sufficient to exhaust \$60,000. With this additional call, redemptions will total \$170,000, leaving outstanding \$1,900,000 bonds.—V. 114, p. 1072, 746.

U. S. Food Products Corp.—Sub-Committee.—

A board of managers composed of three members has been appointed a committee representing the various groups of creditors to investigate the affairs of the company. It is composed of George Q. Palmer, Pres., George Rublee, receiver and Hobart H. Porter of Sanderson & Porter.—V. 114, p. 956, 637.

United States Tobacco Co.—Listing.—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of (a) temporary certificates for \$4,938,800 7% Non-Cumul. Pref. stock, par \$100, on official notice of issuance in exchange for a like amount of present outstanding Preferred stock of Weyman-Bruton Co., with authority to add \$581,200 of Pref. stock, on official notice of issuance, making total applied for \$5,520,000; (b) temporary certificates for 317,952 shares Common stock, no par value, on official notice of issuance, in exchange for present outstanding Common stock, par \$100, on the basis of 4 shares of Common stock, no par value, for one share of Common stock of Weyman-Bruton Co., par \$100, certificates.

The stockholders on March 7 voted to change the name of Weyman-Bruton Co. to United States Tobacco Co.—V. 114, p. 1072.

United States Worsted Co.—Report—New President.—

For annual report see "Financial Reports" above.
 Myron E. Wood of New Bedford has been elected President, succeeding Andrew Adie of Brookline, who will remain as a director. Mr. Wood also retains his position as Treasurer.—V. 114, p. 1072.

Vanadium Corp. of America.—Second Annual Report.—

Income and Surplus Account for—
 Cal. Year 15½ mos. to
 1921. Dec. 31 '20.

Net earnings from operations, after deducting all expenses incident to operations, including those for repairs and maintenance	loss\$78,374	\$4,005,541
Other income (from comm'l int., disc't, &c.)	30,332	71,029
Total income	loss\$48,042	\$4,076,570
Provision for depreciation of plant, equip., &c.	322,367	305,287
Provision for doubtful accounts	10,594	-----
Provision for Federal taxes on income	-----	794,662
Provision for contingencies	-----	335,633
Loss on sale of Primos Plant No. 2 & other assets	46,542	-----
Organization expense written off	-----	67,058
Dividends declared (\$5½ per share)	None	2,053,337
Balance, surplus	def.\$427,545	\$520,593
Previous surplus	520,593	-----
Miscell. adjustments affecting prior income	deb.185,846	-----

Balance, profit and loss, deficit or surplus, def.\$92,799 sur.\$520,593
 The balance sheet of Dec. 31 1921 shows total assets of \$14,909,019. This includes property account, \$10,379,524, and patents and processes, \$1,000,000, and also current assets of \$3,397,883, notably cash, \$156,175, and inventories, \$2,877,136. Offsets include with other items: (a) Current liabilities, \$38,692; accounts payable, \$24,879; and outstanding securities, viz., capital stock, \$14,323,697 (373,334 shares no par value); and also profit and loss deficit (as per income account), \$92,799.—V. 113, p. 1369.

Virginia Iron, Coal & Coke Co.—Annual Report.—

Calendar Year—	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Gross earnings	\$3,699,842	\$16,346,587	\$10,271,985	\$13,083,072
Net earnings	\$641,827	\$2,801,602	\$1,403,778	\$1,737,293
Other income	143,040	118,459	86,239	98,299
Total income	\$784,867	\$2,920,061	\$1,490,017	\$1,835,592
Bond interest	142,414	155,572	193,776	207,801
Federal taxes	21,110	579,677	150,000	607,600
Rentals, expenses, &c.	282,885	44,760	70,912	-----
Dividends (6%)	599,886	572,184	544,416	544,416
Stock dividend (10%)	-----	926,400	-----	-----
Balance surplus	\$264,428	\$461,469	\$530,913	\$475,775

—V. 114, p. 638.

Welsbach Co., Phila.—Bonds Off List—Annual Report.—

The Philadelphia Stock Exchange on March 15 struck off the regular list \$104,800 30-year S. P. Coll. Trust 5% bonds, due 1930, reported purchased for account of the sinking fund, leaving the amount listed \$1,288,000, and making a total of \$5,696,000 held in the sinking fund as of March 9 1922.

Results—Calendar Years—	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Net profits, after depreciation	\$616,390	\$974,451	\$868,884	\$741,734
Bond int. & sinking fund charges	454,610	454,610	454,610	452,622
Preferred dividends (7%)	85,750	85,750	85,750	85,750
Common dividend (2%)	70,000	70,000	70,000	70,000
Working capital reserve	-----	250,000	150,000	-----

* Balance, surplus, \$6,030 \$114,091 \$108,524 \$133,362
 * Excess profit and income taxes for year to be deducted when ascertained.

The trustees under the mortgage have purchased \$379,300 of the company's collateral trust 5% bonds for the sinking fund, making total purchase to date \$5,696,000.—V. 114, p. 1195.

Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co.—Consol. Sub. Cos.—

The company has announced, effective March 20, the consolidation of the Alpha Electric Co., Inc., and the Northwestern Electric Equipment Co., both jobbing companies for the parent corporation. They will now be operated under the name of the Alpha Electric Co., Inc.—V. 114, p. 967.

Whitaker Paper Co.—Defers Preferred Dividend.—

The directors on March 21 voted to defer payment of the quarterly dividend of 1¼%, usually paid April 1 on the 7% Cumul. Pref. stock. This is the first lapse in the Preferred dividend record.
 This action, it was stated, was due to depressed business conditions, which did not permit of the earning of the dividend during the first quarter of the year and to the depleted surplus, which suffered from the heavy writing off in inventories during the past year. The company's surplus in a year, it is said, decreased from \$1,200,000 to \$12,000.—V. 109, p. 2363.

Willys-Overland Co.—New Bond Issue of \$16,500,000 to Be Taken by Banks.—Ralph Van Vechten, V.-Pres. of the Continental & Commercial National Bank, Chicago, and Chairman of the Creditors' Committee, has issued the following statement:

The company has perfected arrangements with its own banks whereby the latter are to take \$16,500,000 in 7% bonds maturing Dec. 1 1923. These bonds are secured by fixed assets of the company in such a way that the current assets will be available for the normal operation of its expanding business.

All bank loans [now amounting to \$16,500,000 and which matures June 1 next] will be retired by these bonds, and inasmuch as the current liabilities of the company outside of bank loans are quite small in proportion to current assets, the company will be left in a position to take care of operations at full capacity when conditions in the automobile industry get back to normal.

While this financing provides amply for the company's needs and will have the effect of stabilizing the business for two season's operations, the bonds will be so drawn that they can be retired before they are due in order to make it possible for the company to refinance itself permanently at any time if it is deemed advisable to do so.

A considerable portion of fixed assets and properties can be disposed of during the life of these bonds, so that before maturity the issue should be considerably reduced in amount, thus facilitating the problem of permanent financing when conditions in the industry are propitious.

In view of the fact that the company owns a large amount in securities and properties which are not essential to the business as now conducted, and it is believed their properties can be converted into cash during the life of these bonds, it was felt by the directors of the company that this plan offered special advantages over any plan for long-term financing at this time.

Willys-Overland has further strengthened its position by addition of six men to its directorate, all strong and influential business men of Toledo, who will take an active part in the re-development of the business along safe and conservative lines.

At a recent meeting Vice-President C. B. Wilson was made Gen. Mgr. in full charge of operations. President John Willys is in the field, devoting his entire time to the promotion of sales.—V. 114, p. 1073, 967.

CURRENT NOTICES.

—"The London Stock Exchange Official Intelligence" for 1922 will be published this month and will include the British Railway figures for 1921, together with particulars of the Railways Act the grouping amalgamations hitherto announced, and the recent distributions out of the Railways Compensation Account, as well as the usual vast amount of information regarding the securities, industrial, Government, and other, that are dealt in on the London Stock Exchange.

Hornblower & Weeks, in a special circular, call attention to the attractiveness of the stock of Lee Rubber & Tire Corp. from the standpoint of conservative speculation, and recommend the stock particularly, as it is the only stock which is a first claim on the assets and earnings of the company and is not preceded by funded debt or preferred stock.

Dean, Onativla & Co., 71 Broadway, announce the opening of a bond and investment department under the management of Mr. William F. Haynes. Mr. Haynes was formerly with Pearl & Co.

Reports and Documents.

UNITED STATES STEEL CORPORATION

TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT—FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31 1921.

Office of United States Steel Corporation,
51 Newark Street, Hoboken, New Jersey,
March 14 1922.

To the Stockholders:

The Board of Directors submits herewith a combined report of the operations and affairs of the United States Steel Corporation and Subsidiary Companies for the fiscal year which ended December 31 1921, together with a statement of the condition of the finances and property at the close of that year.

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR 1921.

The total earnings were, after deducting all expenses incident to operations, including ordinary repairs and maintenance (approximately \$92,000,000) and taxes (including reserve for Federal income taxes), per General Profit and Loss Account.....	\$100,791,279 50
Less, Interest on outstanding bonds, mortgages and purchase money obligations of the subsidiary companies.....	8,065,221 58
Balance of Earnings in the year 1921.....	\$92,726,057 92
Less, Charges and Allowances for Depletion and Depreciation applied as follows, viz.:	
To Depreciation and Replacement Funds and Sinking Funds on Bonds of Subsidiary Companies.....	\$27,905,045 44
To Sinking Funds on Bonds of U. S. Steel Corporation.....	8,863,180 35
	36,768,225 79
Net Income in the year 1921.....	\$55,957,832 13
Deduct:	
Interest on U. S. Steel Corporation Bonds outstanding, viz.:	
Fifty-Year 5% Gold Bonds.....	\$11,037,432 49
Ten-Sixty-Year 5% Gold Bonds.....	8,642,150 00
	\$19,679,582 49
Premium paid on Bonds redeemed, viz.:	
On Subsidiary Companies' Bonds.....	\$27,835 57
On U. S. Steel Corporation Bonds.....	719,626 39
	747,461 96
Balance.....	20,427,044 45
Balance.....	\$35,530,787 68
Add: Net Balance of sundry charges and credits, including adjustments of various accounts.....	1,086,229 51
Balance.....	\$36,617,017 19
Dividends for the year 1921 on U. S. Steel Corporation Stocks, viz.:	
Preferred, 7%.....	\$25,219,677 00
Common, 5%.....	25,415,125 00
	50,634,802 00
Balance provided from Undivided Surplus.....	\$14,017,784 81

UNDIVIDED SURPLUS OF U. S. STEEL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES.	
(Since April 1 1901)	
Surplus or Working Capital provided in organization.....	\$25,000,000 00
Balance of Surplus accumulated by all companies from April 1 1901 to Dec. 31 1920, exclusive of subsidiary companies' inter-company profits in inventories, per Annual Report for year 1920.....	\$498,451,890 89
Less, for the following items, viz.:	
Adjustment of previous years' allowances for depreciation and of other accounts not applicable to 1921 operations.....	510,148 49
Provision from Undivided Surplus for excess of Dividends over Income for year 1921, as above.....	14,017,784 81
	183,926,957 59
Total Undivided Surplus, Dec. 31 1921, exclusive of Profits earned by subsidiary companies on inter-company sales of products on hand in inventories at that date (see note below).....	\$508,926,957 59

Note: Surplus of Subsidiary Companies amounting to \$32,111,777 50, and representing Profits accrued on sales of materials and products to other subsidiary companies which are on hand in latter's Inventories Dec. 31 1921, is deducted from the amount of Inventories included under Current Assets in Consolidated General Balance Sheet.

COMPARATIVE INCOME ACCOUNT FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDING DEC. 31 1921 AND 1920.

	1921. \$	1920. \$	+ Increase. — Decrease. \$
Earnings—Before charging interest on Bonds and Mortgages of Subsidiary Companies:			
First Quarter.....	34,342,006 44	44,212,019 49	—9,870,013 05
Second Quarter.....	23,911,921 99	45,268,551 34	—21,356,629 35
Third Quarter.....	20,916,498 75	50,145,301 18	—29,228,802 43
Fourth Quarter.....	21,620,852 32	45,469,487 27	—23,848,634 95
Total for year.....	*100,791,279 50	*185,095,359 28	—84,304,079 78
Less, Interest on outstanding Bonds and Mortgages of the Subsidiary Companies.....	8,065,221 58	8,408,460 87	—343,239 29
Balance of Earnings.....	92,726,057 92	176,686,898 41	—83,960,840 49
Less, Charges and Allowances for Depletion and Depreciation applied as follows, viz.:			
To Depreciation and Replacement Funds and Sinking Funds on Bonds of Subsidiary Companies.....	27,905,045 44	38,245,601 92	—10,340,556 48
To Sinking Funds on U. S. Steel Corporation Bonds.....	8,863,180 35	8,438,762 40	+424,417 95
Net Income in the year.....	55,957,832 13	130,002,534 09	—74,044,701 96
Deduct:			
Interest on U. S. Steel Corporation Bonds outstanding.....	19,679,582 49	20,105,559 58	—425,977 09
Premium paid on Bonds redeemed, viz.:			
On Subsidiary Companies' Bonds.....	27,835 57	118,104 19	—90,268 62
On U. S. Steel Corporation Bonds.....	719,626 39	717,228 49	+2,397 90
Balance.....	35,530,787 68	109,061,641 83	—73,530,854 15
Add: Net Balance of sundry charges and credits, including adjustments of various accounts.....	1,086,229 51	632,585 81	+453,643 70
	36,617,107 19	109,694,227 64	—73,077,210 45
Dividends on U. S. Steel Corporation Stocks, viz.:			
Preferred, 7%.....	25,219,677 00	25,219,677 00	-----
Common, 5%.....	25,415,125 00	25,415,125 00	-----
Surplus Net Income.....	d14,017,784 81	59,059,425 64	—73,077,210 45
Less, Appropriated from Surplus Net Income on account of expenditures made on authorized appropriations for additional property and construction.....	--	30,000,000 00	—30,000,000 00
Balance.....	d14,017,784 81	29,059,425 64	—43,077,210 45

* Balance of Earnings after making allowances for estimated amount of Federal Income and excess profits taxes.
d Deficit provided from Undivided Surplus.

MAINTENANCE, RENEWALS AND EXTRAORDINARY REPLACEMENTS.

The expenditures made during the year 1921 for current maintenance and renewals of the properties of the subsidiary companies, also for blast furnace relinings and for extraordinary replacements were, in comparison with expenditures for the same purposes in 1920, as follows:

	1921	1920	Decrease.	%
Ordinary Repairs and Maintenance.....	\$88,703,378 67	\$142,735,828 89	\$54,032,450 22	37.85
Blast Furnace Relinings.....	1,776,747 41	4,732,609 41	955,902 07	20.20
Extraordinary Replacements.....	2,301,581 52	5,757,479 00	3,395,898 44	58.08
Total.....	\$94,811,707 59	\$153,225,958 26	\$58,384,250 73	38.10

The foregoing expenditures were charged to current operating expenses and to depreciation and replacement reserves provided from earnings.

The following table shows a classification of the amount of the expenditures made during the year for above purposes on the respective groups of operating properties:

EXPENDED ON—	EXPENDITURES DURING THE YEAR 1921			Total Expenditures in 1920.	Decrease in 1921.
	Ordinary Maintenance and Repairs, Including Blast Furnace Relinings.	Extraordinary Replacements.*	Total.		
Manufacturing Properties—					
Total, except Blast Furnace Relinings and Renewals.....	\$55,183,735 03	\$1,713,858 19	\$56,897,593 22	\$105,281,689 43	\$48,384,096 21
Blast Furnace Relining and Renewals.....	3,776,747 34	-----	3,776,747 34	4,732,649 41	955,902 07
Coal and Coke Properties.....	7,333,722 53	372,245 00	7,705,967 53	11,179,673 71	3,473,706 18
Iron Ore Properties.....	1,664,520 78	104,825 18	1,769,345 96	2,737,276 55	967,930 59
Transportation Properties—					
Railroads.....	21,421,348 35	36,573 66	21,457,922 01	25,817,616 89	4,359,694 88
Steamships and Docks.....	1,624,540 59	118,734 85	1,743,275 44	1,730,562 01	Inc. 12,713 43
Miscellaneous Properties.....	1,475,511 39	15,344 64	1,490,856 03	1,746,490 26	255,634 23
Total.....	\$92,480,126 01	\$2,361,581 52	\$94,841,707 53	\$153,225,958 26	\$58,384,250 73

* These expenditures were charged to reserves provided from earnings to cover requirements of the character included herein, as see below.

DEPLETION, DEPRECIATION AND REPLACEMENT RESERVES.

Summary of allowances made during the year 1921, from Earnings and through charges to current operating expenses for these reserves and the credits to the same from other sources; also charges made thereto and the application thereof and adjustments therein during the year, together with balances to credit of the reserves at December 31 1921.

(Balances shown at close of year do not include depreciation allowances reserved from Income, which have been transferred to Trustees of Bond Sinking Funds and used or to be used in retiring bonds).

RESERVES.	Balances December 31 1920.	CREDITS TO RESERVES DURING THE YEAR.		CHARGES TO, APPLICATION OF & ADJUSTMENT OF RESERVES.		Balances to Credit of Reserves December 31 1921.
		Set Aside During 1921 from Income and by Charges to Current Expenses.	Other Credits During 1921 Including Salvage.	Expenditures and Charges to Reserves in 1921.	Transfers and Adjustments of Reserves in 1921.	
Depletion and Depreciation other than those specifically applied to Bond Sinking Fund.....	\$234,222,831 66	\$27,905,045 44	\$1,076,743 18	\$4,248,288 38 (a)	+\$4,112,523 69 (b)	\$263,068,855 59
Blast Furnace Relining.....	13,383,837 35	3,304,548 16	-----	3,776,747 34	-----	12,911,638 17
Reserve applicable for Sinking Fund on U. S. Steel Corporation Bonds.....	3,904,154 15	8,863,180 35	-----	-----	—8,768,701 17 (c)	3,998,633 33
Total.....	\$251,510,823 16	\$40,072,773 95	\$1,076,743 18	\$8,025,035 72	—\$4,656,177 48	\$279,979,127 09

(a) Includes \$2,361,581 52 of expenditures made in 1921 for extraordinary replacements and \$1,886,581 86 charged off and credited Property Account (see below) for investment in improvements and equipment dismantled and retired.

(b) Includes credit of \$6,153,889 19 for transfer of capital expenditures charged in previous years to these reserves and for sundry other adjustments, less \$2,041,365 50, transferred to Depreciation Reserves invested in Bond Sinking Funds of subsidiary companies.

(c) Covers transfer of this amount to Depletion and Depreciation Reserves invested in Bond Sinking Funds for U. S. Steel Corporation Bonds.

CAPITAL STOCK.

The amount of outstanding capital stock of the United States Steel Corporation on December 31 1921 was the same as at the close of the preceding fiscal year, viz.:

Common Stock.....	\$508,302,500 00
Preferred Stock.....	360,281,100 00

BONDED, DEBENTURE AND MORTGAGE DEBT.

The total bonded, debenture and mortgage debt of the United States Steel Corporation and Subsidiary Companies outstanding on January 1 1921 was \$555,028,633 33 Issues were made during the year as follows:

Bessemer & Lake Erie RR. Co. Osgood Equipment Trust Bonds (issued and delivered to Trustees of United States Steel and Carnegie Pension Fund).....	310,000 00
Total.....	\$555,338,633 33

Bonds and Mortgages were retired during the year as follows, viz.:

Clairton Steel Co. issues, viz.:	
St. Clair Furnace Co. First Mortgage Bonds.....	\$90,000 00
St. Clair Steel Co. First Mortgage Bonds.....	100,000 00
American Sheet & Tin Plate Co.—W. Dewees Wood Co. First Mtge. Bonds.....	100,000 00
H. C. Frick Coke Co. issues, viz.:	
First Mortgage.....	2,000 00
Pittsburgh-Monongahela First Lien Purchase Money Mtge. Bonds.....	592,000 00
Union RR. Co. issues, viz.:	
Duquesne Equipment Trust Bonds.....	115,000 00
Mifflin Equipment Trust Bonds.....	120,000 00
Bessemer & Lake Erie RR. Co. issues, viz.:	
Bessemer Equipment Trust Bonds.....	110,000 00
Girard Equipment Trust Bonds.....	240,000 00
Pittsburgh Bessemer & Lake Erie RR. Co. Butler Equipment Trust Bonds.....	\$2,050,000 00
Less, Proportion account of minority interest in stock of P. B. & L. E. RR. Co. not owned.....	980,330 50
Total.....	1,069,669 50
American Steamship Co. First Mortgage Bonds.....	5,000 00
Sundry Real Estate Mortgages of various Subsidiary Companies.....	42,196 09
Bonds Redeemed by Trustees of Sinking Funds, viz.:	
U. S. Steel Corporation 50-Year 5% Bonds.....	\$6,602,000 00
U. S. Steel Corporation 10-60-Year 5% Bonds.....	2,087,000 00

Sundry Bonds of Subsidiary Companies.....	3,190,000 00	11,879,000 00
Total.....		\$14,464,865 59
Potter Ore Co. First Mortgage Bonds retired by that company (T. C. I. & RR. Co.'s proportion).....	9,000 00	
Total.....		\$14,473,865 59
Bonded, Debenture and Mortgage Debt, Dec. 31 1921.....		\$540,864,767 74
Net Decrease during the year 1921.....		\$14,163,865 59

The following is a summary by general classes of the total bonded, debenture and mortgage debt:

	Total Including Bonds in Sinking Funds.	Less Redeemed and Held by Trustees of Sinking Funds.	Balance Outstanding.
U. S. Steel Corporation 50-Year 5% Bonds.....	304,000,000 00	86,194,000 00	217,806,000 00
U. S. Steel Corporation 10-60-Year 5% Bonds.....	200,000,000 00	27,761,000 00	172,239,000 00
Total U. S. Steel Corporation Bonds.....	504,000,000 00	113,955,000 00	390,045,000 00
Subsidiary Companies' Bonds			
—Guaranteed by U. S. Steel Corporation.....	120,611,000 00	28,044,000 00	92,567,000 00
—Not Guaranteed by U. S. Steel Corporation.....	62,812,400 00	4,731,000 00	*58,081,400 00
Debenture Scrip, Illinois Steel Company.....	13,161 24	-----	13,161 24
Total Subsidiary Companies' Bonds.....	183,436,561 24	32,775,000 00	150,661,561 24
Total Bonded and Debenture Debt.....	687,436,561 24	146,730,000 00	540,706,561 24
Sundry Real Estate Mortgages.....	158,206 50	-----	158,206 50
Grand Total Bonded, Debenture and Mortgage Debt.....	687,594,767 74	146,730,000 00	540,864,767 74

* Includes only 52.179% of the outstanding bonds of P. B. & L. E. RR. Co., being the same proportion of the total bonds as the stock of P. B. & L. E. RR. Co. owned by U. S. Steel Corporation bears to the total issue of stock.

PRODUCTION OF RAW, SEMI-FINISHED AND FINISHED PRODUCTS BY SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES IN THE YEAR 1921 COMPARED WITH THE YEAR 1920.

Products—	1921.		1920.		—Decrease—	
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	%		
Iron Ore Mined:						
In the Lake Superior Region:						
Missabe & Vermilion Ranges	12,065,390	20,875,695	8,810,305	42.2		
Gogebic, Menominee & Marquette Ranges	2,415,802	3,587,937	1,172,135	32.7		
In the Southern Region:						
Tennessee Coal, Iron & RR. Co.'s Mines	1,941,490	2,557,377	615,887	24.1		
Total	16,422,682	27,021,009	10,598,327	39.2		
Limestone Quarried	4,607,486	5,981,022	1,373,536	23.0		
Coal Mined:						
For use in the manufacture of coke	14,546,103	24,384,925	9,838,822	40.3		
For steam, gas and all other purposes	7,081,836	6,443,409	*638,427	*9.9		
Total	21,627,939	30,828,334	9,200,395	29.8		
Coke Manufactured:						
In Bee-Hive Ovens	1,698,178	6,125,032	4,426,854	72.3		
In By-Product Ovens	8,127,086	10,083,079	1,955,993	19.4		
Total	9,825,264	16,208,111	6,382,847	39.4		
Blast Furnace Production:						
Pig Iron	8,547,199	14,352,617	5,805,418	40.4		
Spiegel, Ferromanganese and Ferrosilicon	131,063	180,029	48,966	27.2		
Total	8,678,262	14,532,646	5,854,384	40.3		
Steel Ingot Production:						
Bessemer Ingots	2,950,897	5,402,897	2,452,000	45.4		
Open Hearth Ingots	8,015,450	13,875,063	5,859,613	42.2		
Total	10,966,347	19,277,960	8,311,613	43.1		
Rolled and Other Finished Steel Products for Sale:						
Steel Rails (Heavy and Light Tee and Girder)	1,480,049	1,490,616	10,567	.7		
Blooms, Billets, Slabs, Sheet and Timplat Bars	409,767	1,023,762	613,995	60.0		
Plates	723,355	1,759,263	1,035,908	58.9		
Heavy Structural Shapes	439,762	1,040,619	600,857	57.7		
Merchant Bars, Hoops, Skelp, Light Shapes, &c.	1,125,961	2,846,686	1,720,725	60.4		
Tubing and Pipe	984,285	1,429,691	445,406	31.2		
Wire Rods	88,232	254,968	166,736	65.4		
Wire and Wire Products	915,651	1,757,141	841,490	47.9		
Sheets (Black and Galvanized) and Timplates	1,024,542	1,610,531	585,989	36.4		
Finished Structural Work	272,621	416,469	143,848	34.5		
Angle, Splice Bars and All Other						
Rail Joints	198,397	235,913	37,516	15.9		
Spikes, Bolts, Nuts and Rivets	60,291	93,464	33,173	35.5		
Axles	22,567	97,145	74,578	76.8		
Steel Car Wheels	35,101	73,819	38,718	52.4		
Sundry Steel and Iron Products	79,753	98,415	18,662	19.0		
Total	7,660,334	14,258,502	6,368,168	44.8		
Miscellaneous Products:						
Zinc	33,426	63,077	29,651	47.0		
Sulphate of Iron	24,499	40,291	15,792	39.2		
Fertilizer—"Duplex Basic Phosphate"	14,528	14,683	155	1.1		
Fertilizer—Sulphate of Ammonia	117,496	133,798	16,302	12.2		
Ammonia (as Liquor)	3,620	5,393	1,773	32.9		
Benzol Products	113,354	119,109	5,755	4.8		
	<i>Bbls.</i>	<i>Bbls.</i>	<i>Bbls.</i>			
Universal Portland Cement	12,499,000	11,960,000	*539,000	*4.5		

* Increase over 1920.

INVENTORIES OF MANUFACTURING AND OPERATING MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES AND SEMI-FINISHED AND FINISHED PRODUCTS, INCLUDING NET ADVANCES ON CONTRACT WORK, ETC.

The net book valuation of the inventories of the above classes of assets for all the subsidiary companies equaled at Dec. 31 1921 the sum of \$211,504,369, a decrease of \$16,859,128 in comparison with the total at close of preceding year. The valuation as stated is the net after allowing credit for a reserve of \$60,710,255 set aside from earnings of previous years to absorb deflation in value from war period prices which may from time to time develop in respect of inventory items.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES.

The expenditures made during the year 1921 by all companies for the acquisition of additional property, for additions and extensions to the plants and properties and for net outlays for stripping and development work at ore mines, less credits for property sold, equaled the net sum of \$71,978,448 17 Less, amount written off to Depreciation and Replacement Reserves for investment cost of improvements and equipment dismantled and retired 1,886,581 86

Balance of expenditures on capital account during the year \$70,091,866 31

The following is a classification of the total expenditures by property groups, viz.:

Manufacturing Properties	\$36,868,523 13
Coal and Coke Properties	9,074,691 92
Iron Ore Properties	2,929,312 78
Transportation Properties:	
Railroads and docks	\$3,938,353 43
Ocean-going steamers	8,216,090 90
	12,154,444 33
Housing facilities for employees, including development of townsites and construction of public utilities in connection therewith	3,262,275 84
Limestone Properties	2,276,656 02
Sundry Properties, including natural gas lines and development, water supply systems, &c.	447,443 01
	\$67,013,347 03
Total expenditures during the year for stripping and development work at mines and for additional logging and structural erection equipment	\$7,401,207 77
Less, Credit for expenditures of this character absorbed in 1921 in operating expenses	2,436,106 63
	4,965,101 14
Total expenditures	\$71,978,448 17
Less, Written off to Depreciation and Replacement Reserves	1,886,581 86
	\$70,091,866 31

The total net amount expended since April 1 1901 (the date of organization of United States Steel Corporation) to Jan. 1 1922, including expenditures by T. C., I. & RR. Co. from Nov. 1 1907 only, for additional property and construction, and for net unabsorbed outlays for stripping and development work at mines, &c., equaled \$1,061,349,353 97.

EMPLOYEES AND PAY ROLLS.

The average number of employees in the service of all companies during the year, and the total salaries and wages paid in comparison with corresponding results for the preceding year were as follows:

Employees of—	1921.	1920.
	Number.	Number.
Manufacturing Properties	133,963	200,991
Coal and Coko Properties	22,451	25,889
Iron Ore Properties	11,183	11,517
Transportation Properties	20,010	24,643
Miscellaneous Properties	4,093	4,305
Total	191,700	267,345
Total salaries and wages paid	\$332,887,505	\$581,556,925

Average Earnings per Employee per Day During 1921:

All employees, exclusive of General Administrative and Selling force	\$5.61	\$6.96
Total employees, including General Administrative and Selling force	\$5.73	\$7.00

GENERAL.

The marked decrease in the demand for iron and steel products which developed in the midsummer of 1920, continued until the early fall of 1921, when there was some improvement. As stated in the annual report for last year the subsidiary companies carried forward into 1921 a substantial tonnage of orders for steel products. This enabled them to operate at an average of somewhat over 70% of capacity during the first quarter. The degree of operations dropped in succeeding months and reached the low point for the year in July when the output was only about 29%. The average production for the entire year in rolled and other finished products for sale was 47.5% of capacity, the lowest ratio of production to capacity in any year since the organization of the Corporation. Concurrently with the decrease in demand for steel products there were marked declines in the prices obtained for nearly all classes of the same. These price reductions as a rule exceeded the decreases it was possible to effect in the cost of production through the reduction in unit prices of factors entering into cost of operations and the exercise of rigid economics. A number of elements in the cost of producing steel show little if any recession from war-time figures, notably that of railroad transportation, which on basis of existing rate conditions averages in the case of the subsidiary companies upwards of 40% of the total cost of producing steel. At the close of the year the prices prevailing for some products were below the cost of produc-

tion. Since the beginning of 1922, and to the date of writing this report, the new orders received have been equal to about one-half the total capacity of the plants of the subsidiary companies.

PRODUCTION.

The production of the several principal departments during the year in comparison with results for the preceding year was as follows:

	1921.		1920.		—Decrease—	
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	%
Iron Ore Mined.....	16,422,682	27,021,009	10,598,327	39.2		
Coal Mined:						
For use in making coke.....	14,546,103	24,384,925	9,838,822	40.3		
For steam, gas & other purposes..	7,081,836	6,443,409	638,427	*9.9		
	21,627,939	30,828,334	9,200,395	29.8		
Coke Manufactured.....	9,825,264	16,208,111	6,382,847	39.4		
Limestone Quarried.....	4,607,486	5,981,022	1,373,536	23.0		
Pig Iron, Ferro and Spiegel.....	8,678,262	14,532,646	5,854,384	40.3		
Steel Ingots (Bessemer and Open Hearth).....	10,966,347	19,277,960	8,311,613	43.1		
Rolled and Other Finished Steel Products for Sale.....	7,860,334	14,228,502	6,368,168	44.8		
(For classification, see below.)						
	Barrels.	Barrels.	Barrels.	Inc.		
Universal Portland Cement.....	12,499,000	11,960,000	539,000	4.5		
Vessels completed and delivered from shipyards:						
Ocean steamers.....	16	18				
Barges and Car Floats.....	16	5				
D. W. tonnage.....	195,240	171,890				

* Increase.

SHIPMENTS.

The shipments of all classes of products in comparison with shipments during the preceding year were as follows:

	1921.		1920.		Inc. (+) or Dec. (—)	
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	%	%
<i>Domestic Shipments.</i>						
Rolled Steel and Other Finished Products...	6,832,038	12,453,243	5,621,205	—45.1		
Pig Iron, Ingots, Ferro and Scrap.....	142,715	341,563	198,848	—58.2		
Iron Ore, Coal and Coke	618,729	1,212,811	594,082	—49.0		
Sundry Materials and By-Products.....	103,265	175,735	72,470	—41.2		
Total tons all kinds of materials, except Cement.....	7,696,747	14,183,352	6,486,605	—45.7		
Universal Portland Cem- ent (Bbls.).....	12,211,285	11,380,260	831,025	+7.3		
<i>Export Shipments—</i>						
Rolled Steel and Other Finished Products...	1,126,795	1,645,464	518,669	—31.5		
Pig Iron and Scrap.....	978	6,979	6,001	—86.0		
Sundry Materials and By-Products.....	80,384	55,657	24,727	+44.4		
Total tons all kinds of materials.....	1,208,157	1,708,100	499,943	—29.3		
Aggregate tonnage of Rolled Steel & Other Finished Products shipped to both Do- mestic and Export Trade.....	7,958,833	14,098,707	6,139,874	—43.5		
Total Value of Business (Covering all of above shipments, including cement and completed steamships delivered and other business not measured by the ton unit.)						
Domestic (not including inter-company sales).....	\$563,093,812	\$1,071,739,500	\$508,645,688	—47.5		
Export.....	92,313,756	147,905,404	55,591,648	—37.6		
Total.....	\$655,407,568	\$1,219,644,904	\$564,237,336	—46.3		

The decrease in operations necessarily called for less outlays for maintenance and upkeep than were expended in previous year, as well as for smaller allowances for depletion and depreciation. The expenditures and appropriations for these purposes in comparison with similar charges in 1920, were as follows:

	1921.		1920.		—Decrease—	
	Amount.	Amount.	Amount.	Amount.	Amount.	%
Ordinary repairs and mainten- ance.....	\$92,480,126	\$147,468,478	\$54,988,352	37.3		
Extraordinary replacements..	2,361,582	5,757,480	3,595,898	59.0		
Total expended.....	\$94,841,708	\$153,225,958	\$58,584,250	38.1		
Net allowances made from earnings (being the excess of same over amount expended and included in above) for exhaustion of minerals and depreciation of plants and properties.....	33,934,444	42,524,256	8,589,812	20.2		
Total expended and appropri- ated for maintenance, de- preciation and depreciation..	\$128,776,152	\$195,750,214	\$66,974,062	34.2		

The aggregate amount of inventories at the close of the year, valued at cost or market price (whichever was the lower) was \$302,214,624, compared with a valuation of \$353,363,497, at the close of 1920. During the year there was written off for shrinkage in inventory values the sum of \$34,289,746. This amount of depreciation in values was charged to the Inventory Reserve Fund set aside from earnings of previous years to absorb any marked deflation of values from war period prices. Of the amount so charged to the Inventory Reserve, \$20,005,548 were used in writing down to market prices at December 31 1921 the values of various inventory materials and products then in stock, and the balance, \$14,284,198, was similarly applied at various times during the year in respect of materials which were used in the manufacture of products shipped within the year. At December 31 1921 the balance remaining in the Inventory Reserve Fund was \$60,710,255. This balance of Inventory Reserve Fund is stated in the Condensed Balance Sheet as a reduction in the total value for Inventories on basis of cost or market (whichever was the lower) as carried in current assets.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES.

The expenditures made by the Corporation and the subsidiary companies during the year for the acquisition of additional property, new plants, extensions and improvements, including net stripping and development expense at mines, equaled the net sum of \$70,091,866, classified generally as follows:

For Manufacturing properties.....	\$36,868,523
For Coal and Coke properties.....	9,074,692
For Ore properties, including net additional expenditures for mine stripping and development.....	7,894,414
For Railroads and Lake Docks.....	3,938,353
For Ocean Steamers, built by our own Subsidiaries.....	8,216,091
For Housing facilities for employees, including improvements of town sites and establishing necessary public utilities in con- nection therewith, less credits for sales of houses to employees	3,262,276
For purchase of additional interests in Limestone properties and development of same.....	2,276,656
For Sundry properties, including natural gas lines, development of gas properties, extension of water supply system, etc.....	447,443
	\$71,978,448
Less: Credit for write-off to Depreciation and Replacement Re- serves of the original cost of improvements and equipment dis- mantled, etc.....	1,886,582
Balance of expenditures in the year.....	\$70,091,866

Reference is made to pages 18 to 22 [of pamphlet report] for a statement in considerable detail of the purposes for which capital expenditures in 1921 were made. Some of the more important items are the following:

At Edgar Thomson works of Carnegie Steel Company there was completed the reconstruction of stock yard bunkers and a larry system for blast furnaces; also practically completed the installation of a Greenawalt sintering plant. At the Homestead works there was completed the installation of a motor drive for the 33-inch finishing mill and at Duquesne works the reconstruction of Blast Furnace No. 3 was practically finished. At the Ohio plant the installation of a new boiler plant was completed. At the Clairton by-product coke plant initial work was undertaken in the construction of a second battery of 384 ovens with by-product recovery departments.

At the Gary plant of Indiana Steel Company, substantial progress was made towards the completion of a 12-inch and 20-inch mill for rolling strip steel. The mill will be ready for operation in 1922. The coal storage yard at Gary plant was enlarged.

At the Illinois Steel Company's South Chicago works, extensive outlays were made in the construction of a gas engine driven electric power station; and at its Joliet works, 4 batteries of by-product coke ovens were rebuilt.

At the Christy Park works of National Tube Company, outlays were made for enlarging the welding plant for production of steel pipe of large diameter; and at the Lorain plant there were completed 2 additional lap weld mills with auxiliary departments; also substantial progress was made in rebuilding Blast Furnace No. 4.

At the plants of American Steel & Wire Company, important improvements were: At Waukegan works, the completion of a new boiler house and equipment; at Cuyahoga

works, the commencement of construction of a machine and electric repair shop; at H. P. (Cleveland) works, the completion of a new boiler plant; at Donora Wire works, the construction of a department for manufacture of electric welded concrete reinforcement; and at Worcester works, additions and improvements to electrical cable department.

The American Sheet & Tin Plate Company, at its Vandergrift plant, completed and placed in operation during the year a new and enlarged pickling and galvanizing department, also the installation of new engines and drives for Nos. 1 and 2 sheet mills.

At the Pencoyd Steel works of American Bridge Company extensive improvements were made in modernizing the O. H. furnace plant.

At the Duluth plant of the Minnesota Steel Company work was continued during the year in the construction of a new rod and wire mill and additions to general power plant and roll shop and machine tool equipment. It is expected the new rod and wire mill will be ready for operation about July 1 1922.

At the Buffington and Universal plants of the Universal Portland Cement Company extensive outlays were made for installation of a dust-controlling system, for additional kilns and coal drying and pulverizing plant.

The Tennessee Coal, Iron & Railroad Company during the year completed and placed in operation a modern car-building plant at its Fairfield works. This plant has a capacity for building 7,200 steel cars annually and for the rebuilding and repairing of 6,000 cars.

The Federal Shipbuilding Company completed and placed in operation at its Kearney, N. J., plant a modern 10,000-ton floating dry dock. With the addition of this dock the company is equipped to thoroughly overhaul and repair ships of large tonnage.

During the year considerable progress was made on the foundation work, cast house and hot blast stoves for the furnaces at the Ojibway plant of Canadian Steel Corporation; also there was practically completed the general machine shop building for this plant.

The expenditures made by the coal and coke companies for capital investment included payment of \$5,829,307 for additional acreages of steam coal in Greene County, Pa., contracted for in previous years. At the close of 1921 there was still due upon these purchase contracts about \$2,500,000, payable upon completion and acceptance of satisfactory conveyances of title. Extensive outlays were made in developing for operation the steam coal properties of the subsidiaries in the Pittsburgh district. Additional expenditures will be made in 1922 and 1923, in the continuance of this work, with the view of placing the subsidiaries on a self-contained basis in respect of their requirements for steam coal.

The expenditures by the ore mining companies include: A net outlay of \$4,965,101 for mine stripping preliminary to mining the ore; \$1,776,855 for a wide range of general mine improvements and equipment at the various mines; and \$1,152,458 for acquiring surface rights of and improvements on an important part of the city of Hibbing, Minnesota, moving the buildings therefrom and developing a new town site, all in order to permit the economical mining of large deposits of iron ore underlying the vacated site.

There were purchased during the year the balance of the capital stocks, not theretofore owned by the Corporation and its subsidiary companies, of several limestone companies, thus securing for the Corporation the undivided ownership of the properties of such companies. The properties contain large reserves of flux stone and insure an ample supply of this essential raw material for the furnaces of the subsidiaries located in the Pittsburgh and Valley districts. The cost of the above purchase, together with outlays made during the year for construction and improvement work at quarries, totaled \$2,276,656.

During the year the subsidiary railroad companies added to their equipment 10 locomotives and 12 cars of various kinds, and the manufacturing companies added to their complement of standard railroad equipment 3 locomotives, 683 freight cars and 8 service cars. The total cost of all the foregoing equipment was \$2,471,020. There were added to the fleet of marine equipment operated by the subsidiaries on the Monongahela and Ohio rivers (principally in transport-

ing coal for their own uses) 25 steel barges, 1 tug and 1 service boat.

There were added to the fleet of ocean-going steamers operated by the subsidiaries 11 cargo steamers of 9,400 D. W. tons each. These vessels were built at the shipyards of the Corporation.

Expenditures amounting to a net of \$3,262,276 were made during the year for additional housing facilities for employees, the development of town sites for same and the installation and extension of public service utilities in connection with these developments. These outlays were made largely in completing the program for extension of housing facilities inaugurated in 1917.

At the close of 1921 there were unexpended on active appropriations for new extensions, additions and improvements, including iron ore mines, stripping, the sum of about \$60,000,000. It is expected a large part of this will be expended during 1922.

During the year \$14,492,634 of bonds, real estate mortgages and purchase money obligations of the Corporation and the subsidiary companies were paid off. There were also paid during the year \$1,480,161 18 of mining royalty notes of the subsidiary companies, and there were issued \$1,390,312 50 of such non-interest-bearing royalty notes in substitution for previously existing royalty obligations under mining leases. There were issued during the year and sold to the Trustees of the United States Steel and Carnegie Pension Fund \$310,000 of subsidiary companies' equipment trust bonds.

The total number of employees in the service of the Corporation and the subsidiary companies during the year, together with the total pay roll and average wages paid, in comparison with similar data for the preceding year, were as follows:

	1921. (January)	1920. (March)	Decrease.	Per Cent.
Largest number of employees in any one month	263,308	275,552	12,244	4.44
	(July)	(May)		
Smallest number in any one month	157,083	261,037	103,954	39.82
Average number of employees during entire year	191,700	267,345	75,645	28.30
Total amount of annual pay-rolls	\$332,887,505	\$581,556,925	\$248,669,420	42.76
Average salary or wage per employee per day	\$5.73	\$7.00	\$1.27	18.14

Of the decrease in total pay roll of \$248,669,420 compared with the total roll for 1920, the sum of approximately \$175,143,000 is due to the lesser number of employees in service during 1921, and \$73,526,000 is attributable to lower wage and salary rates paid in 1921 than in previous year. During the year reductions were made in the wage rates and salaries of employees. The effect of these adjustments was to establish from September 1 1921 wage and salary rates in relation to those paid in 1913 as per the following comparison of actual average earnings per employee per day in months of October, 1913, and October, 1921 (the earnings in these months being fairly representative of average annual conditions), viz.:

Employees in Service of—	Average Actual Earnings per Employee per day.		
	October 1913.	October 1921.	Per Cent Increase.
Manufacturing Properties	\$2.97	\$4.40	48.1
Coal and Coke Properties	2.86	5.30	85.5
Iron Ore Mining Properties	2.85	4.33	51.9
Transportation Properties	2.77	5.22	88.4
Miscellaneous Properties	2.38	3.96	66.4
Average of all	\$2.93	\$4.60	57.0

In January 1922 the employees of the United States Steel Corporation and its subsidiary companies were again offered the privilege of subscribing for shares of Common Stock of the Corporation under substantially the same conditions and terms as in previous years, except that the price for 1922 subscriptions was \$81 per share. Subscriptions have been received to the date of writing this report from 34,505 employees for an aggregate of 94,415 shares.

The trustees of the United States Steel and Carnegie Pension Fund disbursed during 1921, in pensions to retired employees, the sum of \$947,879. Pensions were granted during the year to 708 retiring employees. At the close of the

year there were 3,437 names on the Pension rolls, a net increase of 468 compared with the number at the close of 1920. Since the inauguration of the plan in 1911, an aggregate of \$6,828,460 has been disbursed in pensions.

Accident Prevention.—The total expended by the Corporation and the subsidiary companies during the year for Safety Work was \$1,061,685, compared with an outlay of \$1,420,456 in the preceding year. The average number of accidents of all kinds per 100 employees in 1921 showed a decrease of 19.6 per cent compared with the previous year. The previously established low record for serious and fatal accidents was maintained. In comparison with the record in 1906, this class of accidents per 100 employees in 1921 was 53.2 per cent less than in the former year.

Accident Relief.—The disbursements made by the subsidiary companies during the year for Work Accidents (including accruals not yet actually payable under State compensation laws) was \$4,409,211, compared with an outlay of \$5,634,263 in 1920. Of the total disbursed in 1921, upwards of 90 per cent of the same was paid or is payable directly to the injured employees or their families.

Sanitation.—The expenditures made during 1921 in providing modern sanitary facilities throughout the plants, mines and departments, for the health and comfort of the employees, totaled \$3,615,150, compared with an outlay of \$4,227,263 in the previous year. At the close of the year there were in and about the plants and works 1,989 comfort stations with adequate toilet facilities, including 21,814 washing faucets and basins, 3,741 showers and 144,003 lockers, also 3,979 sanitary drinking fountains.

Housing and Welfare.—In addition to the capital expenditures made during the year for additional housing facilities for employees and development of town sites in connection therewith, previously mentioned in this report, the subsidiary companies had at the close of 1921 advanced or loaned to employees the net sum of \$8,479,031 on contracts or mortgages, carrying interest at 5 per cent and payable in installments over a long period of years, to assist them in the construction or purchase of homes under the Corporation's Home-Ownning Plan. The efforts of the subsidiary companies in general welfare and educational work for their employees and their families have been consistently continued.

The Board takes pleasure in acknowledging to the officers and employees of the Corporation and the several subsidiary companies the efficient and loyal services rendered by them during the year.

By order of the Board of Directors,

ELBERT H. GARY, *Chairman.*

UNITED STATES STEEL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES CONDENSED GENERAL PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31 1921.

Gross Receipts—Gross Sales and Earnings.....	\$986,749,719 23
<i>Operating Charges, viz.:</i>	
Manufacturing and Producing Cost and Operating Expenses, including ordinary maintenance and repairs and provisional charges by subsidiary companies for depreciation.....	\$865,569,084 23
Administrative, Selling and General Expenses (not including general expenses of transportation companies).....	30,710,763 98
Taxes (including reserve for Federal income taxes).....	37,683,726 64
Commercial Discounts and Interest.....	5,756,374 87
	<u>\$939,719,949 72</u>
Less, Amount included in above charges for allowances for depletion and depreciation here deducted for purpose of showing same in separate item of charge, as see below.....	27,905,045 44
	<u>911,814,904 28</u>
Balance.....	\$74,934,814 95
Sundry Net Manufacturing and Operating Gains and Losses, including idle plant expenses, Royalties Received, &c.....	\$3,109,970 74
Rentals Received.....	1,196,190 40
	<u>4,306,161 14</u>
Total Net Manufacturing, Producing and Operating Income before deducting provisional charges for depreciation.....	\$79,240,976 09
<i>Other Income and Charges—</i>	
Net Profits of properties owned, but whose operations (gross revenue, cost of product, expenses, &c.) are not classified in this statement.....	\$175,553 91
Income from sundry investments and interest on deposits, &c.....	12,392,439 25
Provisional reserve from profits of subsidiary railroads under Transportation Act of 1920.....	Dr. 459,078 44
	<u>12,108,914 72</u>
Balance.....	\$91,349,890 81
Add, Net balance of Profits earned by subsidiary companies on sales made and service rendered account of materials which were on hand at first of year in purchasing companies' inventories and which profits were realized in cash during the year from the standpoint of a combined statement of the business of all companies.....	9,441,388 69
Total Earnings in the Year 1921 per Income Account.....	\$100,791,279 50
Less, Interest Charges on Subsidiary Companies' Bonds, Mortgages and Purchase Money Obligations.....	8,065,221 58
Balance of Earnings for the year before deducting provisional charges for depreciation.....	\$92,726,057 92
Less, Charges and Allowances for Depletion and Depreciation, viz.:	
By Subsidiary Companies.....	\$27,905,045 44
By U. S. Steel Corporation.....	8,863,180 35
	<u>36,768,225 79</u>
Net Income in the year 1921.....	\$55,957,832 13

PROPERTY INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS DECEMBER 31 1921.

Gross Fixed Property Investment Account, December 31 1920, exclusive of Stripping and Mine Development, Erection and Logging	
Plants, per Annual Report.....	\$1,970,646,663 94
Sundry adjustments during 1921 in the foregoing balance.....	2,817,795 32
Net Capital Expenditure on Property Account in 1921.....	65,126,765 17
	<u>\$2,038,591,224 43</u>
Less, Property values written off to Depletion Reserves.....	14,964 03
Gross Fixed Property Investment Account, December 31 1921.....	\$2,038,576,260 40
Less, Depletion and Depreciation Reserves, Balances December 31 1921:	
Balances in various Reserve Accounts, per table on a previous page.....	\$279,979,127 09
Specifically applied for redemption of bonds through Bond Sinking Funds.....	143,220,979 15
	<u>423,200,106 24</u>
Net Fixed Property Investment Account, December 31 1921.....	\$1,615,376,154 16
Investments in Stripping and Development at Mines and in Structural Erection and Logging Plants, viz.:	
Balance at December 31 1920.....	\$24,453,819 92
Expended during the year 1921.....	\$7,401,207 77
Less, Charged off in 1921 to operating expenses.....	2,436,106 63
Net Increase in the year 1921.....	4,965,101 14
	<u>29,418,921 06</u>
Total of Property Investment Account, December 31 1921, per Consolidated General Balance Sheet.....	\$1,644,795,075 22

APPROPRIATED SURPLUS TO COVER CAPITAL EXPENDITURES, DECEMBER 31 1921.

Amount of appropriations made from Surplus Net Income prior to January 1 1908, applied in payment of capital expenditures, and in the Consolidated General Balance Sheet formally written off to credit of the Property Investment Account.....	\$162,795,509 45
Amount of appropriations made from Surplus Net Income since January 1 1908, applied in payment of same class of expenditures, but in the Consolidated General Balance Sheet carried in the account "Appropriated Surplus to Cover Capital Expenditures".....	140,898,914 10
Total.....	<u>\$303,694,423 55</u>

CONSOLIDATED GENERAL BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31 1921.

ASSETS.

Property Accounts—

Properties Owned and Operated by the Several Companies.

Balance of this account as of December 31 1921, less Depletion and Depreciation Reserves, per details on a previous page.....\$1,644,795,075 22

Advanced Mining Royalties—

Payments for Advanced Mining Royalties.....	\$31,673,015 96	
Less, Reserved from Surplus to cover possible failure to realize all of the foregoing.....	7,000,000 00	
		24,673,015 96

31,234,352 24

Mining Royalties—In respect of which non-interest bearing notes of the subsidiary companies have been issued—See Contra.....

Deferred Charges (Applying to future operations of the properties)—

Mine exploration expenses and other charges.....	\$2,327,133 78	
Discount on subsidiary companies' bonds sold (Net).....	869,245 99	
		3,196,379 77

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Investments—

Outside Real Estate and Investments in sundry securities, including Real Estate Mortgages.....	\$5,693,657 24	
Employees' Land Sales Contracts and Mortgages under Home-owning Plan.....	8,479,031 03	
		14,172,688 27

14,172,688 27

Sinking and Reserve Fund Assets—

Cash resources held by Trustees account of Bond Sinking Funds.....	\$1,407,009 93	
(In addition Trustees hold \$146,730,000 of redeemed bonds, which are not treated as an asset.)		

Contingent Fund and Miscellaneous Assets.....	16,189,211 57	
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Insurance and Depreciation Fund Assets and purchased bonds available for future bond sinking fund requirements, viz.:

Securities.....	\$53,825,106 66	
Cash.....	2,469,615 71	
	\$56,294,722 37	

Less, Amount of foregoing represented by obligations of Subsidiary Companies issued for capital expenditures made.....	22,288,475 00	
		34,006,247 37

51,602,468 87

Current Assets—

Inventories, less credit for Reserve and for amount of inventory values representing Profits earned by subsidiary companies on Inter-Company sales of products on hand in Inventories December 31 1921. (See note below).....	\$241,504,369 79	
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Accounts Receivable.....	63,643,028 45	
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Bills Receivable.....	7,586,968 30	
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Agents' Balances.....	1,452,966 99	
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Sundry Marketable Securities (including U. S. Liberty Loan Bonds).....	131,462,690 73	
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Time and other special Bank Deposits.....	6,924,462 89	
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Cash (in hand and on deposit with Banks, Bankers and Trust Companies, subject to cheque).....	116,856,842 99	
		569,431,330 14

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2,339,105,310 47

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock of United States Steel Corporation—

Common.....	\$508,302,500 00	
Preferred.....	360,281,100 00	
		\$868,583,600 00

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Capital Stocks of Subsidiary Companies Not Held by United States Steel Corporation (Par Value).....

405,642 50

Bonded and Debenture Debt Outstanding—

United States Steel Corporation 50-Year 5% Bonds.....	\$217,806,000 00	
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United States Steel Corporation 10-60-Year 5% Bonds.....	172,239,000 00	
	\$390,045,000 00	

Subsidiary Companies' Bonds, guaranteed by U. S. Steel Corporation.....	92,567,000 00	
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Subsidiary Companies' Bonds, not guaranteed by U. S. Steel Corporation.....	58,091,561 24	
		540,706,561 24

540,706,561 24

Capital Obligations of Subsidiary Companies Authorized or Created for Capital Expenditures Made (held in Treasury Subject to sale, but not included in Assets or Liabilities).....

\$27,072,000 00

Subsidiary Companies' Non-Interest Bearing Notes—Maturing over a period of 36 years, substituted for previously existing mining royalty obligations—Guaranteed by United States Steel Corporation (See Contra).....

31,234,352 24

Mortgages and Purchase Money Obligations of Subsidiary Companies—

Mortgages.....	\$158,206 50	
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Purchase Money Obligations issued in acquisition of Fixed Property.....	10,000 00	
		168,206 50

168,206 50

Current Liabilities—

Current Accounts Payable and Pay-Rolls.....	\$39,694,093 59	
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Accrued Taxes, not yet due, including Tax Reserves.....	24,446,945 16	
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Accrued Interest, Unpresented Coupons and Unclaimed Dividends.....	7,448,816 47	
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Preferred Stock Dividend No. 83, payable February 27 1922.....	6,304,919 25	
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Common Stock Dividend No. 70, payable March 30 1922.....	6,353,781 25	
		84,248,555 72

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Total Capital and Current Liabilities.....

\$1,525,346,918 20

Sundry Reserves—

Contingent, Miscellaneous Operating and Other Reserves.....	\$137,352,240 12	
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Insurance Reserves.....	26,680,280 46	
		163,932,520 58

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Appropriated Surplus to Cover Capital Expenditures

(See statement on a previous page.)

Invested in Property Account—Additions and Construction.....		140,898,914 10
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140,898,914 10

Undivided Surplus of United States Steel Corporation and Subsidiary Companies

Capital Surplus provided in organization.....	\$25,000,000 00	
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Balance of Surplus accumulated by all companies from April 1 1901 to December 31 1921, per table on a previous page.....	483,926,957 59	
		508,926,957 59

508,926,957 59

2,339,105,310 47

Note—That part of the Surplus of Subsidiary Companies representing Profits accrued on sales of materials and products to other subsidiary companies and on hand in latter's Inventories is, in this Balance Sheet, deducted from the amount of Inventories included under Current Assets.

We have audited the above Balance Sheet, and certify that in our opinion it is properly drawn up so as to show the financial position of the United States Steel Corporation and Subsidiary Companies on December 31 1921.

New York, March 10 1922.

PRICE, WATERHOUSE & CO., Auditors.

PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATION OF NEW JERSEY

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31 1921

To the Shareholders:

The combined results of operations of Public Service Corporation of New Jersey and subsidiary companies for the twelve months ending December 31 1921 were as follows:

Operating Revenue of Subsidiary Companies.....	\$75,311,507 53
Operating Expenses and Taxes.....	\$51,769,627 73
Amortization Charges.....	4,893,956 65
	56,663,584 38
Operating Income.....	\$18,647,923 15
Non-Operating Income—	
Interest on advances to Public Service Corporation of New Jersey.....	\$4,208 22
Other Non-Operating Income.....	234,050 25
	238,258 47
Income Deductions of Subsidiary Companies (Bond Interest, Rentals and Miscellaneous Interest Charges).....	\$18,886,181 62
	12,856,151 12
Net Income of Subsidiary Companies.....	\$6,030,030 50
Public Service Corporation of New Jersey Income from Securities Pledged (exclusive of dividends on stocks of operating companies) and from Miscellaneous Sources.....	\$2,179,192 26
Less Expenses and Taxes.....	320,135 74
	1,859,056 52
	\$7,889,087 02
Public Service Corporation of New Jersey Income Deductions—	
Interest Charges.....	\$3,918,039 50
Amortization of Debt Discount and Expense.....	334,978 96
Other Contractual Deductions from Income.....	41,439 97
	4,294,458 43
Net Income of Public Service Corporation of New Jersey and Subsidiary Companies.....	\$3,594,628 59
Appropriation Accounts of Subsidiary Companies—	
Adjustments of Surplus Accounts (debit).....	3,074 21
	\$3,591,554 38
Appropriation Accounts of Public Service Corporation of New Jersey (exclusive of dividends) (debit).....	104,911 57
	\$3,486,642 81
Dividends on Preferred Stock of Public Service Corporation of New Jersey, exclusive of that owned by Public Service Electric Company.....	835,738 55
Net Increase in Surplus before payment of Common Stock Dividends.....	\$2,650,904 26

Dividends at the rate of four per cent per annum on the outstanding common stock of the corporation and aggregating \$1,200,000 were paid quarterly from the accumulated surplus of the corporation.

During the year the company inaugurated the plan of selling its 8% cumulative preferred stock to customers on the installment plan. The plan has been favorably received and the company intends to continue this method of distribution of its securities. It is believed that the plan affords an opportunity to interest the public, whom the company serves, so that they will take more interest in the services devoted to their use and assist in developing and protecting these great properties. There has been sold at par and issued chiefly in this way \$1,666,600 of the 8% cumulative preferred stock. In addition, \$1,198,600 of the 8% cumulative preferred stock has been sold on the installment plan and partially paid for. \$83,200 of the 8% cumulative preferred stock was issued in exchange for three-year notes under the convertible clause of the agreement securing the notes.

Provision has been made to retire the Three-Year Secured Convertible 7% Gold Notes due March 1 1922, of which \$12,500,000 were originally issued. \$10,000,000 Twenty-Year Secured 7% Gold Bonds were issued December 1 1921. The proceeds of this issue, together with cash in the treasury of the corporation, were used for the purpose of retiring the aforesaid three-year notes. \$4,263,000 of the three-year notes have been actually retired. Cash for the balance has been deposited with the trustee.

Capital stock of the United Electric Company of New Jersey to the amount of \$120,600 was purchased and exchanged for Public Service Corporation of New Jersey 6% Perpetual Interest-Bearing Certificates.

Equipment Trust Series A Certificates of Public Service Electric Company to the amount of \$130,000 were retired under the equipment trust agreement.

Public Service Electric Company Car Equipment 8% Bonds to the amount of \$450,000 were issued during the year.

Public Service Gas Company 8% Notes to the amount of \$1,496,000 were issued April 1 1921 for the construction of a new battery of coke ovens and producer plant at the Camden Coke Plant.

Public Service Railway Company retired \$418,000 equipment trust certificates of Series C, D and E, in accordance with the equipment trust agreements. The remaining Series E certificates to the amount of \$865,000 were issued during the year.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

As appears from the foregoing figures, the company came through the year in a very satisfactory condition. Special attention is called to the amount of \$4,893,956 65, which is ploughed back into the properties of the company through the amount set up for amortization charges. In addition thereto, a very considerable amount was carried to Profit

and Loss account, over and above the sum disbursed for dividends.

The future is full of promise. If the company is allowed to proceed in its great work of developing the State along the lines of its activities, without undue interference occasioned either by political agitation or unfair and ill-advised regulations, it believes it can perform a most useful service to the people of the State and yield to its security holders a reasonable return upon their existing and future investments.

RATE CASES.

Railway, gas and electric rate cases claimed a large share of the time and attention of the management of the several companies, and the year closed with important issues pending before the Board of Public Utility Commissioners and the Courts.

Toward the end of the year there was put into effect on the railway a base rate of eight cents, with four tokens for thirty cents, each token being good for a ride, and a one-cent charge for transfers. This was the result of a condition imposed by the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey in an order restraining the Public Utility Board from enforcing the findings of the latter body that the company should charge no more than seven cents cash fare and two cents for transfers. The higher rate is still in force, pending the outcome of the court proceedings.

On December 7 1920 the railway company filed a rate of ten cents, which rate was suspended by the Public Utility Board under the provisions of the law and because of the removal from office of the members of the old Board and the creation by legislation of a new Board, hearings were not begun until April, 1921, after the new Commissioners took office. There were at this time two proceedings before the Board, one growing out of the filing of the ten-cent rate; the other an independent proceeding initiated by the Board in 1918 to fix a "just and reasonable rate" based upon a valuation of the company's property.

In June, 1921, the Board disapproved the company's action filing a ten-cent rate, continuing the other proceeding. The company took the former case to the Supreme Court upon a writ of certiorari and the Court in an opinion filed, and judgment entered July 1 1921, set aside and reversed the action of the Board, holding that it was the duty of the Board to decide the case upon the evidence before it and without waiting for valuation of the property, and, moreover, that "a considerable part at least of the increased rate is just and reasonable and that the major part is required to pay the cost of operation and maintenance." The proceedings were remanded to the Board.

In the meantime, the Board had continued the valuation proceedings. Under the terms of an Act passed by the Legislature in 1920 and amended in 1921, Ford, Bacon & Davis, a firm of engineers of national reputation, was employed by a specially designated State Commission to make a valuation of the railway company's property. The Act provided that the valuation be as complete and thorough as possible and that the engineers' report was to be presumptive evidence of the value of the railway. The work of the engineers, which covered a period of months, and cost the State, in round figures, \$100,000, resulted in a report that the value of the property was \$125,000,000. This report was transmitted to the Board which also heard the testimony of other experts, some of whom fixed the value at a much larger amount. On July 14, the Board handed down a report and order in which, after throwing out the State's valuation, it fixed the value of the property at \$82,000,000, and decreed a rate of seven cents, with a two cent charge for a transfer, effective August 4. In the opinion of the company this valuation was confiscatory of the company's property to the extent of many millions of dollars.

On application by the company the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey, on the ground of confiscation under the Fourteenth Amendment to the Federal Constitution, granted a temporary injunction, restraining the Board from enforcing the rates fixed in its order of July 14, on condition that the company would charge, effective October 20, and pending the Court's determination in the matter of a permanent injunction, no more than the eight cent fare rate, with four tokens for thirty cents, and one cent for a transfer.

After a preliminary hearing the Court appointed Hon. Thomas G. Haight, as a Special Master to take evidence in the application for the permanent injunction. An appeal to the United States Supreme Court from the decision of the District Court was taken by the Board of Public Utility Commissioners and the Attorney General. The Supreme Court formally declined an application to advance the case on its calendar and the taking of testimony by the Master us under way.

Beginning in August the Board, upon its own initiative, conducted an investigation into the matter of abrogating

a surcharge of twenty-five per cent. upon bills of wholesale power users, which surcharge had been allowed by the former Board as a measure of relief from war costs. A number of hearings were held but no decision was reached until after the end of the year when an order, removing the surcharge, effective with February, 1922 bills, became operative.

During the year, the Board announced that it would, upon its own initiative, conduct a general investigation of the reasonableness of the gas rates charged by the company, and such an investigation was undertaken. Upon the motion of the City of Newark, the Board first took up the question of restoring the standard for gas to the former standard of 600 British thermal units, instead of 525 B.t.u., as ordered in 1920. After a full investigation the Board decided to retain the 525 B.t.u. standard.

THE ELECTRIC COMPANY.

Overcoming the effects of the industrial depression which caused a substantial decrease in the use of Central Station power, the total revenue derived by Public Service Electric Company from electric sales for the year increased 3.95 per cent. This net result was due to a growth of 18.49 per cent in sales for commercial lighting. A remarkable feature of the year's business and one which makes for permanency of revenues was a net gain of 45,912 in the number of meters, more than ninety per cent of which increased number were of the five ampere type, indicating the largest extension in the use of electricity for domestic purposes that the company has ever experienced in a single year. Average receipts per kilowatt hour increased from 4.55 cents in 1920 to 5.54 cents in 1921, due principally to the falling off of heavy power loads which were carried at the lower ranges of the rate schedule.

There were placed in service during the first six months of the year, for the purpose of assuring a steady and continuous supply of coal, 600 standard 55-ton coal cars, which have well served their purpose.

While no additions were made to generator or boiler capacity during the year, a 1,000 K. W. motor generator set and a 3,750 KVA transformer were placed in service at the Plainfield substation and additional transformer capacity was added both at the Seventh Street substation, West New York, and at the Society of Useful Manufactures plant in Paterson.

The transmission system was improved by the installation of additional lines between the Marion Station and the Morgan Street substation; between Marion and the Garfield Avenue substation, Jersey City; and between Paterson and Passaic; while the circuits between Marion and Passaic were reinforced.

Additional underground facilities were installed on West Grand and North Broad Streets, Elizabeth. In Trenton, underground conduits, cable and lamp poles were installed in Montgomery Street. In New Brunswick, combination railway and lighting poles were erected on George Street.

In Newark the installation of the modern "C" type of lamp provided for in a new contract between the city and the company was begun, and those in use have greatly improved street lighting, particularly in the business section.

THE GAS COMPANY.

Public Service Gas Company, notwithstanding generally adverse industrial conditions during 1921, increased its revenue from sales of gas 14.15 per cent for the year.

The Camden Coke Company plant was materially improved by the removal of fifty Otto Hoffman ovens in use since 1903 and the installation of a modern battery of thirty-seven Koppers ovens, heated with producer gas from four Koppers-Kirpley producers, and by the installation of a modern system of coke screening. The new ovens have a daily capacity of 6,000,000 cubic feet of gas of the standard fixed by the State.

A new contract entered into with the Seaboard By-Products Coke Company increases the amount of gas to be supplied from that company's plant to a minimum of 23,000,000 and a maximum of 25,000,000 cubic feet a day.

To take care of the additional gas received from the Seaboard company, a sixteen-inch main, laid on piles, was constructed from the West End works in Jersey City to the Harrison holders, a distance of six miles. An additional rotary pump was installed at the Market Street works, Newark, to insure the safety of the supply to the outlying districts. An additional outlet was installed in connection with the relief holder at Market Street to permit of using one of the storage holders in case of emergency.

Ninety-six hundred feet of six-inch main were laid to provide an additional supply of gas and improved service to Lyndhurst Township and the southern section of East Rutherford. For the benefit of consumers in Milltown and South Amboy, 4,000 feet of six-inch main were laid to replace an old main.

A new meter shop, capable of repairing 30,000 meters a year, was opened in Newark, in which meter work for all territory north of Trenton will be taken care of. Two new Ingersoll-Rand compressors and a sixteen-foot station meter were housed in a new building and a new machine and blacksmith shop was built at West End. At Paterson an additional rotary blower driven by a Corliss engine was installed as was a tur extractor at the inlet to the purifying house. At Hackensack an additional compressor with a capacity of

eighty thousand cubic feet per hour and a 200 h. p. boiler were placed in service. At the water gas plant in Camden a building was fitted up as a service station for the employees.

A total of 52.8 miles of mains were laid and 12,335 services and 12,368 meters were installed during the year.

THE RAILWAY COMPANY.

Rigorous economy in operation, a readjustment of wages, together with the action of the Federal Court in restraining the enforcement of the Public Utility Board's fare rate order, and permitting, pending a final adjudication, the collection of an eight cent fare, or four rides for thirty cents, resulted for Public Service Railway Company in financial improvement during the year despite the fact that it was confronted with a decrease in the number of passengers carried, resulting from unfavorable industrial conditions and in a measure to the increased activity of jitneys.

Operating revenues of the railway properties were less by \$477,277 91 than for 1920. Operating expenses and taxes were \$1,403,339 less, although there was set up \$1,195,695 38 for depreciation, as against \$211,617 27 in 1920. We feel that the Railway Company has turned the corner and from now on should earn a substantial amount annually upon its capital stock.

Labor conditions have improved. The turnover among trainmen was for 1921 the lowest of any year since 1915. As the result of the wage agreement, renewed for a two-year term, wages of trainmen were reduced five cents an hour, and other employees correspondingly, effective August 1.

In April a law was passed declaring jitney buses whose routes are located in whole, or in part, on streets through which street cars are operated, to be public utilities and requiring the approval of the Board of Public Utility Commissioners before they were authorized to operate except that buses in operation before March 15 1921, are not included within the purview of the Act.

The Board has construed the legislative intent to be that the number of jitneys operating on March 15, should be continued and under this interpretation has permitted the transfer of jitney licenses. This interpretation was not accepted by the company as correct and a suit was instituted to have the Courts pass authoritatively on the question. It is still pending and in the meantime by stipulation entered into, the Board has been granting transfers subject to the final outcome of the test case. In a number of instances the Board has refused approval of new jitney routes, but one effect of the approval of the transferral of licenses from small to large buses, is to increase competition from this source.

The basic problem of wasteful jitney competition still remains unsettled in New Jersey, although nearly everywhere else it has been solved, at least to the extent of the removal of useless competitive service upon the same streets. While, as above stated, the financial condition of the railway company is already much improved and this improvement is expected to continue, the railway company cannot function at its highest efficiency at a minimum fare so long as this destructive competition remains. Statistics show that between the cars of the railway company and the jitneys a useless and wasteful amount of service is being supplied and the system of the company is not being worked at anything like its full capacity. This problem will never be settled until it is settled right. The present situation is altogether uneconomic. Vast sums of money have been expended in the development of the railway company's system. This system operates on approximately only fifteen per cent of the highways in the municipalities where it operates at all. It would seem fair that if other service is in the public interest, it should be confined to the remaining eighty-five per cent of the highways upon which there is no street railway operation. This is what has happened generally throughout the country and such a solution in this State would be in the public interest, as well as that of the company, for it would permit the company to operate and obtain the same results at a substantially lower fare. There would be at least the difference of one cent per ride, and perhaps more.

The financial condition of the company has not permitted the amount of reconstruction and rehabilitation necessary to bring its property into normal pre-war condition, and has prevented any but the most necessary expenditures in connection with municipal improvements. During the year 10.187 miles of track were reconstructed with new rail, and 7.920 miles were reconstructed or overhauled using the existing rail.

The total expenditure on account of claims, including the expenses of administration, was \$1,163,923 92, or 4.58 per cent of gross passenger receipts. This is a reduction of \$100,315 22 as compared with 1920, and reflects a decrease of seventeen per cent in the number of accidents reported, and of twenty-seven per cent in the number of claims made. An actual decrease of 2,093 in the number of accidents on account of automobiles is reported, due, at least partly, to a lessening of vehicular traffic.

The fleet of boats operated for the Riverside & Fort Lee, and the Port Richmond & Bergen Point ferries, was increased during the year by two boats purchased from the Long Island Railroad Company and rechristened the "Hackensack" and "Tonafly." Both were put in service on the Riverside & Fort Lee ferry, which enabled the "Englewood" to be transferred to the Port Richmond & Bergen Point service, giving

two boats to the latter and five to the former. Extensive repairs were made to the ferry slips and racks both at 125th Street, New York, and at Edgewater. For the two ferries, operating revenues increased while total operating revenue deductions were decreased.

WELFARE WORK.

For the first time since 1915, the expenditures of the Welfare Department, including payments under the Workmen's Compensation Act, show a decrease, the aggregate expenses being \$247,962 69, or \$9,531 25 less than for the year 1920.

Of the total expenditures, \$119,526 89 was on account of Welfare Work as follows:

Insurance	\$19,500 00
Sick Benefits	26,021 65
Pensions	55,704 07
Expenses	18,298 17
Total	\$119,526 89

The total shows an increase of \$1,657 94 over 1920, caused by accessions to the pension roll to the number of 41, with but 11 removals, leaving the number on the rolls at 130 as against 100 the previous year. A saving was made in both insurance and sick benefits, 65 deaths occurring against 68 in 1920, and the cases of illness falling off 275, or nearly ten per cent.

Payments under the Workmen's Compensation Act and the supplementary Welfare Plan, amounted to \$128,435 80, a decrease as compared with 1920 of \$11,189 19, and were as follows:

Payments required by law	\$105,260 71
Additional payments not required by law	6,849 74
Expenses of Department	16,325 35
Total	\$128,435 80

The statement reflects a decrease in the number of injuries to employees amounting to 721, there having been 2,669 reports as against 3,390 in 1920.

INSURANCE.

At the close of the year there were in force fire insurance policies to the amount of \$52,555,466. Premiums paid amounted to \$162,872 54, the average rate having been 31.0 cents as against 29.8 cents the previous year, an increase of 1.2 cents on each \$100 of insurance.

TAXES.

Total taxes for the year amounted to \$7,352,492 42, an increase over the preceding year of \$1,510,820 40.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND STATISTICS.

Attention is called to the balance sheets and statement of earnings and expenses of the corporation and its subsidiary companies, which have been verified by Niles & Niles, certified public accountants of New York, and to the usual statistical information and other statements herewith submitted.

THOMAS N. McCARTER,
President.

COMBINED RESULTS OF OPERATIONS, PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATION OF NEW JERSEY AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES.

FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 31 1921

Operating Revenue of Subsidiary Companies	\$75,311,507 53
Operating Expenses and Taxes	\$51,769,627 73
Amortization Charges	4,893,956 65
	56,663,584 38

Operating Income.....\$18,647,923 15

Non-Operating Income—	
Interest on advances to Public Service Corporation of New Jersey	\$4,208 22
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Income Deductions of Subsidiary Companies (Bond Interest, Rentals and Miscellaneous Interest Charges)	\$18,886,181 62
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Net Income of Subsidiary Companies	\$6,030,030 50
Public Service Corporation of New Jersey	
Income from Securities Pledged (exclusive of dividends on stocks of operating companies) and from Miscellaneous Sources	\$2,179,192 26
Less Expenses and Taxes	320,135 74
	1,859,056 52

Public Service Corp. of New Jersey Income Deductions:

Interest on Perpetual Interest-Bearing Certificates	\$1,203,408 00
Interest on Public Service General Mortgage 5% Bonds	1,800,000 00
Interest on 3-Year Secured Convertible 7% Gold Notes	861,542 66
Interest on 20-Year Secured 7% Gold Bonds	17,500 00
Interest on Miscellaneous Obligations	35,588 84
Amortization of Debt Discount and Expense	334,978 96
Other Contractual Deductions from Income	41,439 97
	4,294,458 43

Net Income of Public Service Corporation of New Jersey and Subsidiary Companies	\$3,594,628 59
Appropriation Accounts of Subsidiary Companies—	
Adjustments of Surplus Accounts (debit)	3,074 21
	\$3,591,554 38

Appropriation Accounts of Public Service Corporation of New Jersey (exclusive of dividends) (debit)	104,911 57
	\$3,486,642 81

Dividends on Preferred Stock of Public Service Corporation of New Jersey, exclusive of that owned by Public Service Electric Company	835,738 55
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Net Increase in Surplus before payment of Common Stock Dividends	\$2,650,904 26
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PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATION OF NEW JERSEY.

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31 1921.

ASSETS.

Investments—	
Securities of subsidiary and leased companies	\$104,113,962 32
Perpetual Interest-Bearing Certificates (par \$956,665 00)	943,288 00
General Mortgage 5% Sinking Fund 50-Year Gold Bonds (par \$1,500,000 00)	1,275,000 00
Other securities	53,487 60
Advances to Public Service Railroad Co.	170,000 00
Real estate	181,911 05
Miscellaneous investments	1,750 00
	\$106,739,398 97
Treasury Bonds—	
General Mortgage 5% Sinking Fund 50-Year Gold Bonds	12,500,000 00
Sinking Funds and Other Special Funds—	
Sinking Fund of General Mortgage 5% Sinking Fund 50-Year Gold Bonds	\$2,455,327 95
Other special funds	566,480 38
	3,021,808 33
Special Deposits—	
Cash and United States Certificates of Indebtedness deposited with Trustee of Three-Year Secured Convertible 7% Gold Notes, due March 1 1922	\$8,523,339 93
Other special deposits	31,427 23
	8,554,767 16
Current Assets—	
Cash	\$148,937 95
Accounts receivable	19,766 39
Interest and dividends receivable	166,231 66
	334,936 00
Subscribers to 8% Cumulative Preferred Capital Stock	664,295 00
Deferred Charges—	
Prepayments	\$15,188 11
Unamortized debt discount and expense	4,241,283 59
	4,256,471 70
	\$136,071,677 16

LIABILITIES, CAPITAL STOCK AND SURPLUS.

Funded Debt—	
General Mortgage 5% Sinking Fund 50-Year Gold Bonds	\$50,000,000 00
Perpetual Interest-Bearing Certificates	20,086,950 00
Three-Year Secured Convertible 7% Gold Notes	8,237,000 00
Twenty-Year Secured 7% Gold Bonds	10,000,000 00
	\$88,323,950 00
Advances from Other Corporations	383,386 50
Current Liabilities—	
Taxes accrued	\$2,295 05
Interest accrued	910,784 34
Other accrued liabilities	126,789 38
Accounts payable	100,733 64
	1,140,602 41
Reserves—	
Premiums on stocks	\$1,500 00
Contractual reserves	242,961 55
	244,461 55
Capital Stock—	
Common capital stock	\$30,000,000 00
8% Cumulative preferred capital stock	11,809,200 00
	41,809,200 00
8% Cumulative Preferred Capital Stock Subscriptions	1,198,600 00
Corporate Surplus—	
Balance December 31 1920	\$2,752,110 56
Net income year ending December 31 1921	2,377,246 09
Total	\$5,129,356 65
Deductions from surplus	104,911 57
	\$5,024,445 08
Less dividends paid during year—	
Common capital stock	\$1,200,000 00
8% Cumulative preferred capital stock	852,968 38
	2,052,968 38
Balance of surplus December 31 1921	2,971,476 70
	\$136,071,677 16

PUBLIC SERVICE RAILWAY COMPANY AND PUBLIC SERVICE RAILROAD COMPANY.

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31 1921.

ASSETS AND DEFICIT.

Road and Equipment—	
Balance Dec. 31 1920	\$102,992,666 75
Construction—Year ending Dec. 31 1921	1,453,500 92
Total	\$104,446,167 67
Less property written off during year	914,317 94
	\$103,531,849 73
Miscellaneous Physical Property	2,400 00
Investments in Affiliated Companies	1,279,454 70
Sinking Funds	76,501 11
Current Assets—	
Materials and supplies	\$659,373 97
Cash	771,375 06
Loans and notes receivable	2,250 00
Miscellaneous accounts receivable	239,159 05
Interest, dividends and rents receivable	31,940 31
Special deposits	61,073 83
Other current assets	52,085 00
	1,817,257 22
Deferred Assets	12,620 28
Deferred Charges—	
Rents and insurance premiums paid in advance	\$64,225 73
Discount on funded debt	664,283 99
Other unadjusted debits	10,113 64
	738,623 36
Corporate Deficit—	
Balance Dec. 31 1920	\$1,517,788 00
Net deficit year ending Dec. 31 1921	204,074 27
Total	\$1,721,862 27
Profit and Loss adjustments (debit)	5,332 28
Balance—Deficit Dec. 31 1921	1,727,194 55
	\$109,185,900 95

LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL STOCK.

Funded Debt Unmatured—	
Mortgage bonds	\$46,000,000 00
Equipment obligations	2,074,000 00
Notes payable	409,600 04
Miscellaneous obligations—	
Real estate mortgages	299,435 00
Advances for construction	1,888,634 62
	\$50,671,669 66

Non-Negotiable Debt to Affiliated Companies—		
Advances:		
Public Service Corporation of New Jersey	\$170,000 00	
Port Richmond & Bergen Point Ferry Company	65,000 00	
Riverside & Fort Lee Ferry Company	205,000 00	
Bonds of affiliated companies issued for construction expenditures	1,643,000 00	\$2,083,000 00
Current Liabilities—		
Tax liability	\$1,719,563 60	
Accrued interest, dividends and rents payable	779,462 58	
Accounts payable	3,578,140 55	
Other current liabilities	34,828 38	
		6,111,995 11
Deferred Liabilities—		326,538 78
Reserves—		
Accrued depreciation—road and equipment	\$297,390 42	
Premium on funded debt	8,687 75	
Injuries and damages reserve	505,918 14	
Other unadjusted credits	145,701 09	
		957,697 40
Capital Stock	49,035,000 00	
		\$109,185,900 95

PUBLIC SERVICE GAS COMPANY.
BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31 1921.
ASSETS.

Fixed Capital—		
Balance Dec. 31 1920	\$17,402,824 13	
Construction—Year ending Dec. 31 1921	3,518,791 03	
Total	\$20,921,615 16	
Less property written off during year	961,953 32	
Balance Dec. 31 1921		\$19,959,661 84
Investments		341,724 77
Sinking Funds and Other Special Funds		159,643 83
Current Assets—		
Materials and supplies	\$1,851,260 23	
Cash	271,473 94	
Bills receivable	720 00	
Accounts receivable	2,761,905 87	
Interest and dividends receivable	5,284 37	
Other current assets	8,650 00	
		4,899,294 41
Deferred Charges—		
Prepayments	\$16,556 13	
Unamortized debt discount and expense	100,463 80	
Other suspense	33,499 53	
		150,519 46
		\$25,510,844 31

LIABILITIES, CAPITAL STOCK AND SURPLUS.

Funded Debt—		
Real estate mortgages	\$238,166 67	
Public Service Gas Company 8% notes	1,496,000 00	
Advances for construction	518,878 09	
		\$2,253,044 76
Bills Payable		433,000 00
Current Liabilities—		
Taxes accrued	\$1,464,984 63	
Interest accrued	75,114 06	
Other accrued liabilities	504,211 02	
Consumers' deposits	1,245,890 09	
Other accounts payable	1,308,724 55	
Other unfunded debt	45,872 02	
		4,644,796 37
Reserves—		
Permanent reserves	\$721,739 91	
Accrued amortization of capital	1,127,156 90	
Unamortized premium on debt	29 61	
Casualty and insurance reserve	68,000 00	
Other optional reserves	9,042 73	
		1,925,969 15
Capital Stock		15,160,000 00
Corporate Surplus—		
Balance Dec. 31 1920	\$675,053 52	
Net income year ending Dec. 31 1921	1,632,275 30	
Total	\$2,307,328 82	
Deductions from surplus	494 79	
		\$2,306,834 03
Less dividends paid during year		1,212,800 00
Balance of surplus Dec. 31 1921		1,094,034 03
		\$25,510,844 31

PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC COMPANY.
BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31 1921.
ASSETS.

Fixed Capital—		
Balance December 31 1920	\$37,171,873 62	
Construction—Year ending Dec. 31 1921	6,199,278 23	
Total	\$43,371,151 85	
Less property written off during year	1,441,013 15	
Balance December 31 1921		\$41,930,138 70
Investments		695,686 82
Sinking Funds and Other Special Funds		23,773 72
Current Assets—		
Materials and supplies	\$2,558,012 32	
Cash	1,161,419 61	
Bills receivable	3,400 00	
Accounts receivable	5,638,771 67	
Interest and dividends receivable	12,024 66	
Other current assets	100,405 00	
		9,477,033 26
Deferred Charges—		
Prepayments	\$81,974 14	
Unamortized debt discount and expense	82,449 72	
Other suspense	387 08	
		167,810 94
		\$52,294,443 44

LIABILITIES, CAPITAL STOCK AND SURPLUS.

Funded Debt—		
Equipment obligations	\$1,530,000 00	
Real estate mortgages	318,833 31	
Advances for construction	1,349,451 59	
		\$3,198,287 92
Bills Payable		641,000 00
Advances from Other Corporations—		
Public Service Railway Company (account of United States Government contract)		378,034 88
Current Liabilities—		
Taxes accrued	\$1,211,867 79	
Interest accrued	216,228 55	
Other accrued liabilities	246,314 84	
Consumers' deposits	971,639 86	
Other accounts payable	977,424 23	
Other unfunded debt	60,534 80	
		3,687,009 07

Reserves—		
Permanent reserves	\$1,200,568 11	
Accrued amortization of capital	9,950,322 20	
Unamortized premium on debt	23 03	
Casualty and insurance reserve	81,243 28	
Other optional reserves	67,783 03	
		\$11,299,939 65
Capital Stock		30,000,000 00
Corporate Surplus—		
Balance December 31 1920	\$2,163,744 73	
Net income year ending December 31 1921	4,525,879 28	
Total	\$6,689,624 01	
Additions to surplus	547 91	
		\$6,690,171 92
Less dividends paid during year		3,600,000 00
Balance of surplus December 31 1921		3,090,171 92
		\$52,294,443 44

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CERTIFICATE OF ACCOUNTANTS

New York, March 1 1922.

We have examined the books and accounts of the Public Service Corporation of New Jersey, and of its subsidiary operating companies for the year ending December 31 1921.

We certify that the statement shown above correctly presents the combined income and profit and loss of the Public Service Corporation of New Jersey and its subsidiary companies for the year ending December 31 1921, and that the balance sheets, as of December 31 1921, of

Public Service Corporation of New Jersey,
Public Service Railway Company and Public Service Railroad Company (consolidated),
Public Service Gas Company, and
Public Service Electric Company,
shown above are in accordance with the books and correctly show the financial condition of those companies at that date.

NILES & NILES,
Certified Public Accountants.

EXPENDITURES CHARGED TO FIXED CAPITAL ACCOUNTS BY SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES OF PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATION OF NEW JERSEY, YEAR 1921.

Electric—		
Land Devoted to Electric Operations	\$80,935 34	
General Structures	10,973 13	
General Office Equipment	6,957 96	
General Shop Equipment	779 50	
General Store Equipment	3,191 45	
General Automobile Equipment	77,803 77	
General Freight Car Equipment	1,749,730 36	
Power Plant Buildings	70,504 69	
Furnaces, Boilers and Accessories	314,418 60	
Steam Engines	55,447 95	
Electric Generators	85,358 90	
Accessory Electric Power Equipment	218,366 63	
Miscellaneous Power Plant Equipment	4,153 31	
Substation Buildings	7,646 05	
Substation Equipment	502,626 09	
Poles and Fixtures	447,210 03	
Underground Conduits	96,571 29	
Transmission System	136,883 77	
Overhead Distribution System	428,376 02	
Other Underground Distribution System	93,091 64	
Line Transformers and Devices	264,107 57	
Electric Services	524,959 91	
Electric Meters	459,575 39	
Electric Meter Installation	44,425 24	
Municipal Street Lighting System	171,884 64	
Electric Tools and Implements	5,226 62	
Electric Laboratory Equipment	2,032 27	
Other Tangible Electric Capital	2,775 00	
Engineering and Superintendence	137,571 96	
Spare and Emergency Apparatus	42,170 64	
Apparatus Withdrawn from Service Awaiting Reinstallation	92,622 21	
Fixed Capital installed during year	\$6,199,278 23	
Less Property written off during year	1,441,013 15	
		\$4,758,265 08

Gas—		
Land Devoted to Gas Operations	\$80,851 11	
General Structures	2,241 73	
General Office Equipment	4,148 45	
General Shop Equipment	2,607 35	
General Automobile Equipment	42,711 36	
General Stable Equipment	2,548 83	
Works and Station Structures	92,859 03	
Holders	444 01	
Furnaces, Boilers and Accessories	39,869 36	
Steam Engines	10,417 40	
Water Gas Sets and Accessories	111,021 07	
Purification Apparatus	19,469 01	
Accessory Equipment at Works	150,039 52	
Trunk Lines and Mains	615,993 54	
Gas Services	430,783 51	
Gas Meters	312,684 92	
Gas Meter Installation	37,084 18	
Municipal Street Lighting Fixtures	6,560 14	
Gas Engines and Appliances	197 06	
Gas Tools and Implements	4,679 68	
Gas Laboratory Equipment	746 96	
Other Tangible Gas Capital	2,775 00	
Fixed Capital in Other Department	1,468,215 97	
Fixed Capital installed during year	\$3,518,791 03	
Less Property written off during year	961,953 32	
		\$2,556,837 71

Railway—		
Engineering and Superintendence (credit)	\$21,741 18	
Right of Way	45,950 33	
Other Land used in Electric Railway Operations	79,307 63	
Grading (credit)	1,956 12	
Ballast (credit)	7,591 69	
Ties	11,003 01	
Rails, Rail Fastenings and Joints	50,304 58	
Special Work	10,777 02	
Track and Roadway Labor	96,807 10	
Paving	3,830 84	
Roadway Machinery and Tools	3,746 24	
Tunnels and Subways (credit)	39,962 67	

Elevated Structures and Foundations.....	\$106 60	Shop Equipment.....	\$7,693 24
Bridges, Trestles and Culverts (credit).....	1,488 04	Furniture.....	7,232 22
Crossings, Fences and Signs (credit).....	963 09	Miscellaneous Equipment.....	14,092 32
Signals and Interlocking Apparatus.....	477 02	Injuries and Damages (credit).....	390 69
Telephone and Telegraph Lines.....	1,006 88	Miscellaneous Construction Expenditures (credit).....	1,645 19
Distribution Poles and Fitures.....	4,321 23	Miscellaneous Intangible Capital.....	332 89
Underground Conduits (credit).....	6 69	Ferry Slips, Buildings and Piers.....	109,967 02
Distribution System (credit).....	2,270 17	Ferry Boats.....	424,981 13
General Office Buildings.....	37,638 44		
Shops and Car Houses (credit).....	6,052 62	Fixed Capital installed during year.....	\$1,988,945 28
Stations, Miscellaneous Buildings and Structures.....	25,835 91	Less property written off during year.....	915,038 97
Passenger and Combination Cars.....	899,312 39		
Service Equipment.....	209,364 77		
Electric Equipment of Cars.....	28,719 62		
			\$1,073,906 31
			\$8,389,009 10

PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATION OF NEW JERSEY AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES.
STATEMENT OF FUNDED DEBT DECEMBER 31 1921.

	Authorized.	Outstanding.	Amount Owned by the Corporation.	Amount in the Hands of Public.
Public Service Corporation of New Jersey—				
Public Service Corporation of New Jersey 5% General Mortgage. Due October 1 1959. Fidelity Union Trust Company, Trustee. Interest Payable April and October.....	\$50,000,000 00	\$50,000,000 00	\$14,000,000 00	*\$36,000,000 00
Perpetual Interest Bearing Certificates of Public Service Corporation of New Jersey. Fidelity Union Trust Company, Trustee. Rate 6%. Interest Payable May and November.....	20,200,000 00	20,086,950 00	956,665 00	19,130,285 00
Public Service Corporation of New Jersey Three-Year Secured Convertible 7% Gold Notes. Due March 1 1922. Fidelity Trust Company (Philadelphia), Trustee. Interest Payable March and September.....	12,500,000 00	8,237,000 00		†8,237,000 00
Public Service Corporation of New Jersey Twenty-Year Secured 7% Gold Bonds. Due Dec. 1 1941. Fidelity Trust Co. (Philadelphia), Trustee. Interest Payable June and December.....	10,000,000 00	10,000,000 00		10,000,000 00
Public Service Gas Company.				
Public Service Gas Co. 8% Notes. \$36,000 due each month, Feb. 1 1922 to June 1 1925, inclusive. \$20,000 due July 1 1925. Interest payable April and October at Union Trust Company, Pittsburgh, Pa.....		\$88,323,950 00	\$14,956,665 00	\$73,367,285 00
	\$1,496,000 00	\$1,496,000 00		\$1,496,000 00
Companies Leased by Public Service Gas Company—				
Newark Consolidated Gas Company 5% Consolidated Mortgage. Due December 1 1948. Fidelity Union Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable June and December.....	\$10,000,000 00	\$6,000,000 00		\$6,000,000 00
Newark Gas Company 6% First Mortgage. Due April 1 1944. National Newark and Essex Banking Co., Trustee. Interest Payable July, October, January April.....	4,000,000 00	3,999,700 00		3,999,700 00
Hudson County Gas Company 5% First Mortgage. Due November 1 1949. New Jersey Title Guarantee & Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable May and November.....	10,500,000 00	10,500,000 00		10,500,000 00
New Brunswick Light, Heat & Power Company 4% First Mortgage. Due December 15 1939. Fidelity Union Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable June and Dec.....	500,000 00	500,000 00		500,000 00
Ridgewood Gas Company 5% First Mortgage. Due June 1 1925. Equitable Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable June and December.....	100,000 00	100,000 00		100,000 00
Ridgewood Gas Company 5% Second Mortgage. Due April 1 1925. Fidelity Union Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable April and October.....	100,000 00	85,000 00		85,000 00
Public Service Electric Company.				
Public Service Electric Company Equipment Trust Series "A" 8% Certificates. \$65,000 due each February 1st and August 1st. Philadelphia Trust Company, Trustee. Interest Payable February and August.....	1,300,000 00	1,170,000 00		1,170,000 00
Public Service Electric Co. Car Equipment Bonds. \$45,000 due each March 1 and Sept. 1. Bankers' Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable March and September.....	450,000 00	360,000 00		360,000 00
Companies Leased by Public Service Electric Co.—				
United Electric Company of New Jersey 4% First Mortgage. Due June 1 1949. New Jersey Title Guarantee & Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable June and December.....	20,000,000 00	18,617,500 00	683,000 00	17,934,500 00
Consumers' Light, Heat & Power Company 5% First Mortgage. Due June 1 1938. New Jersey Title Guarantee & Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable June and December.....	1,000,000 00	308,000 00		308,000 00
North Hudson Light, Heat & Power Company 5% First Mortgage. Due October 1 1938. New Jersey Title Guarantee & Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable April and October.....	2,000,000 00	367,000 00		367,000 00
Middlesex Electric Light & Power Company 5% First Mortgage. Due January 1 1955. Fidelity Union Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable July and January.....	200,000 00	181,000 00	21,000 00	160,000 00
Weehawken Contracting Company 6% First Mortgage. Due February 20 1928. Weehawken Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable August and February.....	30,000 00	30,000 00		30,000 00
Companies Leased by Public Service Gas Co. and Public Service Electric Co.—				
Paterson & Passaic Gas & Electric Company 5% Consolidated Mortgage. Due March 1 1949. The Paterson Safe Deposit & Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable September and March.....	5,000,000 00	4,049,000 00		4,049,000 00
Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Paterson 5% First Mortgage. Due July 1 1925. The Paterson Safe Deposit & Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable January and July.....	600,000 00	585,000 00		585,000 00
Passaic Gas Light Company 6% First Mortgage. Due June 1 1922. The Paterson Savings Institution, Trustee. Interest Payable June and December.....	50,000 00	50,000 00		50,000 00
Passaic Lighting Company 5% Consolidated Mortgage. Due May 1 1925. Guaranty Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable May and November.....	450,000 00	316,000 00		316,000 00
South Jersey Gas, Electric & Traction Company 5% First Mortgage. Due March 1 1953. Fidelity Union Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable September and March.....	15,000,000 00	12,992,000 00	3,507,000 00	9,485,000 00
Trenton Gas & Electric Company 5% First Mortgage. Due March 1 1949. Equitable Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable March and September.....	2,000,000 00	2,000,000 00		2,000,000 00
Somerset Union & Middlesex Lighting Company 4% First Mortgage. Due December 1 1943. Fidelity Union Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable June and Dec.....	2,750,000 00	1,974,481 24	573,181 70	1,401,299 54
Central Electric Company 5% Consolidated Mortgage. Due July 1 1940. Fidelity Union Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable January and July.....	750,000 00	750,000 00	20,200 00	729,800 00
Plainfield Gas & Electric Light Company 5% General Mortgage. Due April 1 1940. Guaranty Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable April and October.....	500,000 00	500,000 00		500,000 00
Somerset Lighting Company 5% First Mortgage. Due February 1 1939. Fidelity Union Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable February and August.....	150,000 00	150,000 00	21,000 00	129,000 00
The Gas & Electric Company of Bergen County 5% General Mortgage No. 2. Due November 1 1954. Fidelity Union Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable May and November.....	5,000,000 00	3,271,000 00	1,655,000 00	1,616,000 00
The Gas & Electric Company of Bergen County 5% General Mortgage No. 1. Due November 1 1954. Equitable Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable May and November.....	5,000,000 00	38,000 00		38,000 00
The Gas & Electric Company of Bergen County 5% Consolidated Mortgage. Due June 1 1949. Fidelity Union Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable June and Dec.....	1,500,000 00	1,443,000 00		1,443,000 00
Hackensack Gas Light Company 5% First Mortgage. Due July 1 1934. G. W. Conklin, D. W. Chamberlain, Trustees. Interest Payable July and January at Fidelity Union Trust Co.....	42,000 00	24,000 00		24,000 00
Hackensack Gas & Electric Company 5% Gen'l Mortgage. Due July 1 1935. G. W. Conklin, E. A. Pearce, Trustees. Interest Payable January and July at Fidelity Union Trust Co.....	40,000 00	10,000 00		10,000 00
Englewood Gas & Electric Company 5% First Mortgage. Due January 1 1939. Geo. W. Conklin, Trustee. Interest Payable January and July.....	200,000 00	23,000 00		23,000 00
Princeton Light, Heat & Power Company 5% 30-year Sinking Fund Mortgage. Due February 1 1939. Equitable Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable February and August.....	250,000 00	158,500 00		158,500 00
Shore Lighting Company 5% First Mortgage. Due April 1 1951. Fidelity Union Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable April and October.....	400,000 00	400,000 00		400,000 00
Total Public Service Gas Company and Public Service Electric Company		\$72,448,181 24	\$6,480,381 70	\$65,967,799 54
Public Service Railway Company—				
North Jersey Street Railway Company 4% First Mortgage. Due May 1 1948. Bankers Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable May and November.....	\$15,000,000 00	\$15,000,000 00	\$7,230,000 00	\$7,770,000 00
Jersey City Hoboken & Paterson Street Railway Company 4% First Mortgage. Due November 1 1949. New Jersey Title Guarantee & Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable May and November.....	20,000,000 00	14,061,000 00	1,498,000 00	12,563,000 00
North Hudson County Railway Company 5% Consolidated Mortgage. Due July 1 1928. S. B. Dod, Trustee. Interest Payable January and July at First National Bank, Hoboken.....	3,000,000 00	2,998,000 00		2,998,000 00
North Hudson County Railway Company 5% Improvement Mortgage. Due May 1 1924. Fidelity Union Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable May and November.....	1,292,000 00	1,291,000 00		1,291,000 00
North Hudson County Railway Company 5% Weehawken Extension Mortgage. Due February 1 1945. Fidelity Union Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable February and August.....	100,000 00	100,000 00		100,000 00
Paterson Railway Company 6% Consolidated Mortgage. Due June 1 1931. Columbia Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable June and December.....	1,250,000 00	1,250,000 00		1,250,000 00

* Includes \$3,089,000 purchased by the Sinking Fund.

† Cash has been deposited with the trustee to retire these notes at maturity.

	Authorized.	Outstanding.	Amount Owned by the Corporation.	Amount in the Hands of Public.
<i>Brought forward</i>				
Paterson Railway Company 5% 2nd General Mortgage. Due October 1 1944. Fidelity Union Trust Company, Trustee. Interest Payable April and October.	\$300,000 00	300,000 00		300,000 00
Elizabeth Plainfield & Central Jersey Railway Company 5% First Mortgage. Due December 1 1950. Fidelity Union Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable June and December.	2,500,000 00	2,400,000 00	154,000 00	2,246,000 00
Plainfield Street Railway Company 5% First Mortgage. Due July 1 1922. Fidelity Union Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable January and July.	100,000 00	100,000 00		100,000 00
Elizabeth & Raritan River Street Railway Company 5% General Mortgage. Due May 1 1954. Fidelity Union Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable May and November.	3,500,000 00	1,500,000 00	274,000 00	1,226,000 00
Brunswick Traction Company 5% First Mortgage. Due July 1 1926. Fidelity Union Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable January and July.	500,000 00	500,000 00		500,000 00
East Jersey Street Railway Company 5% First Mortgage. Due May 1 1944. Perth Amboy Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable May and November.	500,000 00	500,000 00		500,000 00
Middlesex & Somerset Traction Company 5% First Mortgage. Due January 1 1950. Fidelity Union Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable January and July.	1,500,000 00	1,000,000 00		1,000,000 00
Public Service Newark Terminal Railway Co. 5% First Mortgage. Due June 1 1955. Fidelity Union Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable June and December.	5,000,000 00	5,000,000 00		5,000,000 00
Public Service Series "C" Equipment Trust 5% Certificates. \$25,000 due each March 1st and September 1st. The Pennsylvania Company for Insurances on Lives & Granting Annuities, Trustee. Interest Payable March and September.	500,000 00	50,000 00		50,000 00
Public Service Series "D" Equipment Trust 5% Certificates. \$44,000 due each November 30th and May 31. Philadelphia Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable November 30th and May 31.	880,000 00	484,000 00		484,000 00
Public Service Series "E" Equipment Trust 7 1/4% Certificates. \$140,000 due each Feb. 1st and Aug. 1st for first five years and \$42,000 due each Feb. 1st and Aug. 1st for the second five years. Bankers Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable Feb. & Aug.	1,820,000 00	1,540,000 00		1,540,000 00
Total Public Service Railway Company		\$48,074,000 00	\$9,156,000 00	\$38,918,000 00
Companies Controlled by Public Service Railway Company—				
Consolidated Traction Company 5% First Mortgage. Due June 1 1933. Bankers Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable December and June.	\$15,000,000 00	\$15,000,000 00		\$15,000,000 00
Jersey City & Bergen Railroad Company 4 1/4% First Mortgage. Due January 1 1923. Edmund Smith, Trustee. Interest Payable January and July at Bankers Trust Co. or First National Bank, Jersey City.	1,000,000 00	258,000 00		258,000 00
Newark Passenger Railway Company 5% First Mortgage. Due July 1 1930. New Jersey Title Guarantee & Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable January and July.	6,000,000 00	6,000,000 00		6,000,000 00
Passaic & Newark Electric Traction Company 5% First Mortgage. Due June 1 1937. New Jersey Title Guarantee & Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable June and December.	1,000,000 00	550,000 00		550,000 00
Rapid Transit Street Railway Co. 8% First Mortgage. Due April 1 1941. Mechanics National Bank of Trenton, N. J., Trustee. Interest Payable April and October.	500,000 00	500,000 00		500,000 00
Orange & Passaic Valley Railway Company 5% First Mortgage. Due December 1 1938. New Jersey Title Guarantee & Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable June and December.	1,000,000 00	833,000 00	83,000 00	750,000 00
Camden & Suburban Railway Company 5% First Mortgage. Due July 1 1946. National State Bank of Camden, Trustee. Interest Payable Jan. & July.	3,000,000 00	1,940,000 00		1,940,000 00
Bergen Turnpike Company 5% First Mortgage. Due July 1 1951. New Jersey Title Guarantee & Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable January and July.	1,000,000 00	1,000,000 00		1,000,000 00
People's Elevating Company 5% First Mortgage. Due October 1 1939. New Jersey Title Guarantee & Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable April and October.	250,000 00	175,000 00		175,000 00
Paterson & State Line Traction Company 5% First Mortgage. Due June 1 1964. Fidelity Union Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable June and December.	300,000 00	150,000 00		150,000 00
New Jersey & Hudson River Railway & Ferry Company 4% 50-year Mortgage. Due March 1 1950. United States Mortgage & Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable March and September.	5,000,000 00	4,011,000 00		4,011,000 00
Hudson River Traction Company 5% First Mortgage. Due March 1 1950. United States Mortgage & Trust Co., Trustee. Interest Payable March and September.	1,000,000 00	631,000 00		*564,000 00
Riverside Traction Company 5% First Mortgage. Due June 1 1960. West End Trust Co., Philadelphia, Trustee. Interest Payable December and June.	1,500,000 00	1,500,000 00		1,500,000 00
Total Companies Controlled by P. S. Ry. Co.		\$32,548,000 00	\$83,000 00	\$32,398,000 00
Total Public Service Railway Co. and Subsidiary Companies		\$80,622,000 00	\$9,239,000 00	\$71,316,000 00
Companies Controlled by Public Service Railroad Co.—				
Elizabeth & Trenton Railroad Co. 5% First Mortgage. Due April 1 1962. Fidelity Trust Co., Philadelphia, Trustee. Interest Payable April and October.	\$1,200,000 00	\$990,000 00		\$990,000 00
Total Companies Controlled by Public Service Railroad Co.		\$990,000 00		\$990,000 00
TOTAL FUNDED DEBT		\$242,384,131 24	\$30,676,046 70	\$211,641,084 54

* \$67,000 Hudson River Traction Company bonds owned by New Jersey & Hudson River Railway & Ferry Company.

REAL ESTATE MORTGAGES

	Authorized.	Outstanding.	Amount Owned by the Corporation.	Amount in the Hands of Public.
Public Service Railway Company Real Estate Mortgages		\$299,435 00		\$299,435 00
Public Service Gas Company Real Estate Mortgages		238,166 67		238,166 67
Public Service Electric Company Real Estate Mortgages		318,833 33		318,833 33
Total		\$856,435 00		\$856,435 00

LIST OF STOCKS OF COMPANIES OPERATED UNDER LEASE BY SUBSIDIARY OPERATING COMPANIES OF PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATION OF NEW JERSEY, WITH THE RATES OF DIVIDEND PAYMENTS GUARANTEED FROM RENTALS.

COMPANY	Capital Stock Outstanding	Amount Owned by Corporation and Pledged Under Gen. Mortgage.	Amount in Hands of Public, Including Directors' Shares.	RENTALS Equivalent Per Cent on Capital Stock.		Date of Lease.	Term of Lease, Years.
				Ann. Rate	12-31-21 and thereafter.		
Bordentown Electric Co.	\$50,000		\$50,000	1-5%		4-1-14	46
Burlington Electric Light & Power Co.	17,550	\$17,050	500	12.82%		5-1-11	900
The Camden Horse Railroad Co.	250,000		250,000	24%		4-1-98	999
The Camden & Suburban Railway Co.	3,000,000		3,000,000	4%		5-1-04	999
Cinnaminson Electric Light, Power & Heating Co.	20,000		20,000	4%		4-1-14	46
Citizens' Electric Light, Heat & Power Co.	41,400	41,175	225	10%		6-15-10	999
Consolidated Traction Co.	15,000,000		15,000,000	4%		6-1-98	999
The East Newark Gas Light Co.	60,000	25	159,975	6%		9-1-09	999
Elizabeth & Trenton Railroad Co., Preferred	180,300		180,300	5%			
Elizabeth & Trenton Railroad Co., Common	811,350		811,350	4%		4-1-12	999
Essex & Hudson Gas Co.	6,500,000		6,500,000	8%		6-1-03	900
The Gas Light Co. of the City of New Brunswick	400,000		400,000	5%		1-2-05	900
The Gas & Electric Company of Bergen County	2,000,000		2,000,000	5%		1-1-05	999
Hudson County Gas Co.	10,500,000		10,500,000	8%		6-1-03	900
Middlesex Electric Light & Power Co.	175,000	174,500	500	5%		5-1-08	999
The Morristown Gas Light Company	367,500	367,150	350	5%		7-1-10	999
Newark Consolidated Gas Co.	6,000,000		6,000,000	5%		12-1-08	999
New Jersey & Hudson River Ry. & Ferry Co., Preferred	750,000	4,633	1743,847	6%			
New Jersey & Hudson River Ry. & Ferry Co., Common	2,500,000	2,446,350	53,650	6%		5-1-11	900
The Nichols Electric Light & Power Co. of Nutley, N. J.	25,000		250	10%		5-1-08	999
Orange & Passaic Valley Railway Co.	1,000,000	*923,500	76,500	1-4-5%		11-1-03	900
The Paterson & Passaic Gas & Electric Co.	5,000,000	268,700	4,730,300	5%		8-1-03	900
Princeton Light, Heat & Power Co.	122,500	115,850	6,650	2%		5-1-11	900
Rapid Transit Street Ry. Co. of the City of Newark	504,000		504,000	11%		6-1-93	999
The Ridgewood Gas Company	100,000		100,000	2%		7-1-10	999
Riverside Traction Co., Preferred	266,500		266,500	5%			
Riverside Traction Co., Common	747,150		747,150	2 7/8%		4-1-12	999
Shore Lighting Co.	112,000	104,900	7,100	5%		5-1-11	900
Somerset Union & Middlesex Lighting Co.	1,050,000	422,400	627,600	4%		12-31-03	900
South Jersey Gas, Electric & Traction Co.	6,000,000		6,000,000	2 8/8%		6-1-03	900
The South Orange & Maplewood Traction Co.	225,000		225,000	2-2-3%		10-1-03	Perpetual
United Electric Company of New Jersey	20,000,000	*19,725,100	274,900	5%		7-1-07	999
Weehawken Contracting Co., Preferred	41,050	41,050		6%		1-1-10	999
Weehawken Contracting Co., Common	70,000	69,450	550				
Total	\$83,886,300	\$24,747,583	\$59,137,717				

* Pledged under agreement securing Public Service Corporation of New Jersey Perpetual Interest-Bearing Certificates.

† All of this stock except directors' shares is owned by Essex & Hudson Gas Company and Newark Consolidated Gas Company.

‡ \$1,500 reserved to retire stock of consolidated companies.

LIST OF STOCKS OF SUBSIDIARY OPERATING COMPANIES OF PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATION OF NEW JERSEY.

	Capital Stock Outstanding.	Amount Owned by P. S. C. of N. J.	Amount in Hands of the Public. (Inc. Directors' Shares).
Public Service Electric Co.	\$30,000,000	*\$29,999,000	\$1,000
Public Service Gas Co.	15,160,000	†15,158,900	1,100
Public Service Railway Co.	‡48,750,000	‡48,729,000	21,000
Public Service Railroad Co.	285,000	‡284,100	900
	\$94,195,000	\$94,171,000	\$24,000

* \$24,999,000 pledged under Public Service Corporation of New Jersey General Mortgage; \$5,000,000 pledged as security to Public Service Corporation of New Jersey 20-year Secured 7% gold bonds.
 † Pledged under Public Service Corporation of N. J. General Mtge.
 ‡ Of this amount \$18,400 is reserved to retire outstanding stock of consolidated companies.
 § \$47,479,000 pledged under agreement securing Public Service Corporation of New Jersey Perpetual Interest-Bearing Certificates. \$1,250,000 pledged under Public Service Corporation of New Jersey General Mortgage. a Includes stock of merged companies.

SUMMARY OF SECURITIES OWNED BY THE CORPORATION

	Par Value.
Bonds	\$30,676,046 70
Stocks of Leased Companies	24,747,583 00
Stocks of Subsidiary Operating Companies	94,171,000 00
Total	\$149,594,629 70

OPERATING REVENUE AND NON-OPERATING INCOME OF SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES AND MISCELLANEOUS INCOME OF PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATION OF NEW JERSEY.

YEAR.	Electric Properties.	Gas Properties.	Railway Properties.	P. S. C. Miscellaneous Income.	Total.
1903 (Seven Months)	\$1,776,557 65	\$3,026,993 50	\$4,471,244 37	\$187,403 74	\$9,462,199 26
1904	3,502,811 92	5,378,440 63	8,415,278 79	463,249 75	17,759,781 09
1905	3,721,631 68	6,059,446 56	9,488,358 45	640,405 91	19,909,842 60
1906	4,161,917 81	6,526,316 01	10,086,933 92	723,658 34	21,498,826 08
1907	4,647,219 18	7,251,480 50	10,705,392 77	1,023,951 44	23,628,043 89
1908	4,584,682 27	7,349,930 23	11,086,353 43	1,246,721 36	24,267,687 29
1909	5,117,728 04	7,870,878 58	12,114,412 19	1,457,432 29	26,560,451 10
1910	5,872,237 86	8,491,882 46	13,290,431 99	1,532,347 57	29,186,899 88
1911	6,689,731 57	8,985,688 42	14,450,088 44	1,890,512 55	32,016,020 98
1912	7,582,373 58	9,809,669 83	15,262,426 49	1,939,338 57	34,593,808 47
1913*	8,545,845 06	10,222,668 39	16,201,932 56	2,308,873 59	37,279,319 60
1914	9,340,749 47	10,555,556 53	16,379,309 53	2,484,644 82	38,760,260 35
1915*	10,487,281 33	10,764,877 94	16,638,141 73	2,437,874 08	40,328,175 08
1916	12,898,064 75	11,911,625 83	18,255,613 80	1,965,421 58	45,030,725 96
1917	15,240,114 06	12,954,256 69	19,494,677 70	1,953,097 19	49,642,145 64
1918	17,745,869 50	14,823,424 01	20,901,063 24	2,040,242 71	55,510,599 46
1919	20,190,376 12	15,078,590 46	24,212,024 66	2,160,851 32	61,641,842 56
1920	23,660,578 30	20,908,069 25	27,990,695 65	2,137,151 28	74,696,494 48
1921	24,470,842 03	23,560,674 38	27,518,249 59	2,179,192 26	77,728,958 26

*Change in classification of accounts effective Jan. 1.

ELECTRIC STATIONS.
Railway and Lighting.

	June 1 1903	Dec. 31 '21
Number of Generating Stations	14	18
Capacity of Generators in K. V. A.	40,075	293,755
Number of Substations	9	70
Capacity of Rotaries in Kilowatts	5,400	69,900
Capacity of Motor Generator Sets in Kilowatts		18,784
Kilowatt Hours Produced (Years 1903 and 1921)	129,614,180	805,596,180

ELECTRIC CONDUITS AND TRANSMISSION LINES.

	1903	1921
Length of Transmission Lines (in miles)	47	947
Length of Conduits (in street miles)	25	161

ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM STATISTICS.

Number of Poles	45,059	182,773
Miles of Wire	4,244	20,882
Number of Transformers	5,336	29,851
Number of Meters	16,000	280,408
Total Commercial Load Connected (in 50 W. equivalent)	710,000	11,391,794

MILEAGE—DECEMBER 31 1921.

First main track	438.011	miles
Second main track and turnouts	300.282	"
Connections, crossovers, wyes and loops	12.712	"
Carhouse and yard tracks	46.360	"

Total	897.365	"
Total number of passenger cars available for operation:		
Closed.	2,012	
Open	563	
Number of new passenger cars since 1903:		
Closed	1,493	
Open	327	
Track reconstructed with new rail during 1921	10.487	miles
Track reconstructed with same rail during 1921	7.920	"
Extensions built during 1921	.004	"

MUNICIPALITIES SERVED BY SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES OF PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATION OF NEW JERSEY.

	Municipalities Served.	Population (1920 Census)
Electric	197	2,496,016
Gas	166	2,306,016
Railway	146	2,421,742
Total Number	226	2,600,003

ELECTRIC LIGHTING AND POWER STATISTICS.

Year.	Kilowatt Hours Sold.	No. of Street Arc Lamps Supplied December 31.	No. of Street Incandesc't Lamps Supplied Dec.31	Total Connected Load in K. W. December 31.
1903	7,745	5,733	45,380	
1904	8,121	8,538	55,748	
1905	48,894,308	8,681	68,331	
1906	56,666,749	9,150	81,873	
1907	65,472,561	9,671	92,143	
1908	69,274,132	10,397	102,104	
1909	78,911,840	10,863	118,135	
1910	89,742,689	11,441	137,058	
1911	103,144,595	11,726	156,202	
1912	122,543,747	12,297	180,942	
1913	141,936,243	12,787	209,835	
1914	159,044,648	13,187	239,719	
1915	197,079,581	12,619	277,652	
1916	280,871,843	10,954	326,019	
1917	371,509,459	10,073	367,021	
1918	440,676,475	9,367	430,485	
1919	442,641,630	9,353	464,605	
1920	505,813,937	8,559	525,238	
1921	432,073,405	8,219	576,410	

The increases shown above are somewhat, but not very materially, affected by properties acquired between June 1 1903 and January 1 1922.

GAS STATISTICS.

	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.	1917.	1918.	1919.	1920.	1921.
Gas Sold—M. Cubic Feet	9,637,555	10,221,097	10,907,541	11,231,828	12,399,852	13,610,865	14,783,231	14,900,704	16,493,276	16,644,298
Miles of Mains in use Dec. 31	2,741	2,844	2,906	2,977	3,041	3,089	3,096	3,126	3,170	3,223
Meters in Service Dec. 31	410,649	435,383	454,389	473,644	496,885	516,745	526,213	538,574	553,343	565,711
Services Run	14,154	13,192	10,787	11,452	11,037	7,629	3,227	7,166	7,590	12,335
Ranges Sold	20,855	23,437	23,296	23,071	27,901	27,613	9,524	12,209	15,572	11,838
Water Heaters Sold	6,753	8,792	9,587	9,963	11,766	11,468	5,317	7,496	9,831	6,020
Hot Plates Sold	3,135	3,044	2,421	1,945	2,221	1,608	707	499	547	486
Heating Stoves Sold	3,403	3,703	7,477	8,383	11,094	19,442	6,119	7,059	6,731	4,276
Gas Arcs Installed	4,787	3,815	5,222	4,921	5,405	4,918	1,556	1,563	1,296	855
Welsbach Lamps Sold	46,096	49,805	33,634	68,908	59,277	41,828	18,835	14,622	17,018	14,962
Mantles Sold	123,977	136,367	121,254	185,285	314,303	327,868	157,468	213,832	150,502	111,998
Domestic Appliances Installed	24,011	22,608	16,731	15,335	34,190	42,737	14,514	24,854	26,854	20,970
Manufacturing Appliances Installed	682	927	1,134	1,175	1,778	2,444	1,205	824	736	949
Gas Fixtures Installed	30,208	27,419	20,008	15,817	15,769	12,883	5,780	5,854	5,901	3,421
No. of Gas Engines Installed	36	32	40	29	48	47	5	9	8	1
Horse Power of Gas Engines	300 1/2	268 1/2	505 1/2	292 1/2	774 1/2	514 1/2	35	133	75	3

RAILWAY TRAFFIC STATISTICS.

YEAR.	Revenue Passengers.	Transfers and Passes.	Total Passengers.	Percentage of Passengers Using Transfers.	Average Fare Per Passenger.	Car Mileage.	Car Hours.	Passengers Per Day.	Passenger Receipts Per Car Mile.	Passenger Receipts Per Car Hour.
1904	165,400,000	50,000,000	215,400,000	21.8	3.83c.	32,168,888	4,003,614	588,525	25.59c.	\$2.06
1905	180,000,197	55,079,789	235,079,986	21.2	3.83c.	35,068,223	4,228,341	644,055	25.73c.	2.13
1906	198,326,167	62,986,021	261,312,188	22.1	3.76c.	37,462,801	4,461,162	715,925	26.29c.	2.21
1907	211,025,386	71,638,588	282,663,974	23.2	3.70c.	39,178,277	4,671,216	774,422	26.75c.	2.24
1908	219,421,971	74,688,628	294,110,602	23.0	3.70c.	39,519,972	4,598,714	803,581	27.56c.	2.37
1909	238,171,257	81,548,978	319,720,235	23.0	3.72c.	40,890,360	4,747,729	875,916	29.08c.	2.50
1910	258,746,130	82,652,558	341,398,688	22.1	3.78c.	42,632,760	4,961,608	951,721	30.29c.	2.60
1911	277,730,238	81,820,157	359,550,395	21.4	3.82c.	44,561,111	5,159,073	993,289	31.07c.	2.68
1912	293,085,287	90,018,960	383,104,247	21.2	3.82c.	47,355,292	5,465,926	1,046,733	30.87c.	2.67
1913	308,985,240	95,425,865	404,411,105	21.1	3.82c.	49,853,408	5,696,066	1,107,976	30.97c.	2.71
1914	310,308,660	96,969,254	407,277,914	21.2	3.83c.	50,792,889	5,665,119	1,115,830	30.72c.	2.75
1915	313,923,363	100,498,677	414,422,040	21.5	3.82c.	51,873,660	5,573,670	1,135,403	30.49c.	2.84
1916	342,205,993	109,492,019	451,698,012	21.8	3.82c.	54,964,708	5,911,131	1,234,147	31.37c.	2.92
1917	361,187,782	115,787,201	476,974,983	21.9	3.82c.	56,087,403	6,021,225	1,306,781	32.44c.	3.02
1918	*253,190,897	98,029,909	351,220,806	20.0	4.31c.	54,039,150	5,698,089	1,236,221	36.00c.	3.41
1919†	*327,619,606	69,069,628	396,689,234	15.4	5.71c.	57,644,927	6,039,453	1,086,820	39.29c.	3.75
1920	*363,757,587	89,777,107	453,534,694	17.7	5.79c.	60,798,743	6,539,207	1,239,166	43.21c.	4.02
1921	*348,284,212	87,395,589	435,679,801	17.3	5.90c.	58,309,883	6,212,276	1,193,613	44.11c.	4.11

* Excluding revenue transfer passengers.
 † Mile zone system in effect from September 14 to December 7.

BARNSDALL CORPORATION

THIRD ANNUAL STATEMENT 1921

New York, February 15, 1922.

To the Stockholders:

The operations of the Barnsdall Corporation during 1920 appeared to be very satisfactory, but the rigid economies and efficient methods discovered and applied will prove that 1921 was far more beneficial in ultimate results.

With approximately 35% reduction in production costs and about 77% reduction in drilling of new wells, the Producing Department developed a substantial profit and a decline of less than 2% in production. Thus is emphasized the value of real settled producing properties. This department closes the year with more defined well locations than at any time in the history of the Company. The Mining Division believed it impossible to produce zinc concentrates at the prevailing low market price, but applying the same rigid policy in this department we find the 1921 annual statement with a substantial profit after all charges including depletion and depreciation. The natural gas subsidiaries were little affected by the industrial depression and exceeded 1920 in gross and net earnings. The Refining Division suffered like all manufacturers of petroleum products, but aggressive research work in developing new methods and refinements, together with the gradual establishment of our own distributing stations, augurs well for a larger income through this channel than from all the other departments of the Corporation together.

On the whole, the experience of 1921, while severe, is creative of valuable ideas along better lines of efficient operation and management. Therefore, even though the profits of 1920 are not reflected in 1921, the experience further secures the firm foundation for future conservative expansion.

During the year the Barnsdall Corporation and its subsidiary companies produced 2,341,547 barrels, net, of crude oil; transported and sold almost 4,000,000,000 cubic feet of natural gas; produced 1,323,788 gallons of casing-head gasoline; 32,645 tons of high grade zinc concentrates; 3,662 tons of tripoli products; and 18,626,231 gallons of refined petroleum products.

A summary by States of the acreage and wells in which Barnsdall Corporation and its subsidiary companies are interested is as follows:

State—	Wells—			Acreage—	
	Oil.	Gas.	Combination Oil & Gas.	Operated.	Unoperated.
Arkansas.....	---	---	---	---	68,409
California.....	51	---	---	259	1,322
Colorado.....	---	---	---	---	3,300
Illinois.....	39	---	---	178	80
Indiana.....	9	---	---	172	1,001
Kansas.....	---	1	---	480	5,945
Kentucky.....	2	---	---	250	3,092
Louisiana.....	3	---	---	40	48,439
Montana.....	---	---	---	---	13,032
New York.....	2	---	14	215	117
Oklahoma.....	1,704	32	---	36,634	19,327
Ohio.....	153	4	---	3,634	2,595
Pennsylvania.....	320	484	80	18,637	52,287
Texas.....	114	---	---	1,393	510
West Virginia.....	267	10	---	22,219	9,363
Totals.....	2,694	531	94	84,111	229,419

The Consolidated Balance Sheet shows the combined assets and liabilities of Barnsdall Corporation and all of its owned or controlled subsidiary companies. The Consolidated Balance Sheet has heretofore included only those subsidiary companies of which the entire capital stock is owned by Barnsdall Corporation. This year, controlled companies not entirely owned are also included. It is believed that this is a more complete and accurate statement of the financial condition of the Corporation and all of its interests. The interests of minority stockholders in subsidiary companies, both with respect to Capital Stock and Surplus, are shown in the Statement. The Consolidated Statement of Income includes the entire net income of Barnsdall Corporation and all owned or controlled subsidiary companies, and is a conservative statement of the operations for the year 1921 after making very liberal provision for depreciation, depletion, and charging off drilling costs.

We face the new year with industrial conditions throughout the world generally on the mend. The process of recovery will be slow, sure, but healthy. Every wheel started means additional lubrication. There will be more automo-

biles in use during 1922 than in any previous year in history. The petroleum consumption curve will steadily rise. The production curve has already started to decline. Undoubtedly, there will be sufficient oil to meet the demand for years to come, and prices will advance until they "more nearly reflect the service value" of petroleum products.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS,

ROBERT LAW, JR., *President.*BARNSDALL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES.
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31 1921.

ASSETS.

Properties:			
Oil and Gas Properties.....	\$37,913,365	23	
Mining Properties.....	6,129,327	14	
Real Estate and Miscellaneous Properties..	1,085,538	38	
	\$45,128,230	75	
Less Reserves for Depreciation and Depletion	11,387,161	46	
			\$33,741,069 29
Investments in and Advances to Affiliated Companies Not Controlled:			
Investments in shares.....	\$546,738	74	
Investments in Bonds and Mortgages.....	256,700	00	
Advances to Affiliated Companies.....	238,250	59	
			1,041,689 33
Sinking Funds for Redemption of Funded Debt of Subsidiary Companies			188,405 32
Barnsdall Corporation Stock Held in Treasury at Par.....			573,050 00
Deferred Charges:			
Prepaid Expenses, &c.....			227,333 14
Current Assets:			
Cash	\$972,599	65	
Bills and Accounts Receivable.....	830,266	36	
Employees' Stock Subscriptions Receivable	24,677	42	
Inventories of Oils at market prices.....	949,243	34	
Inventories of Minerals at cost.....	36,980	94	
Inventories of Supplies at cost.....	538,226	14	
U. S. and Canadian Securities at market prices.....	315,907	93	
			3,667,901 78
			\$39,439,448 86

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock of Barnsdall Corporation:			
	Class A.	Class B.	
Authorized.....	\$15,000,000	\$15,000,000	00
Unissued.....	2,000,000	11,286,600	00
Outstanding.....	\$13,000,000	\$3,713,400	\$16,713,400 00
Capital Stock of Subsidiary Companies Not Owned by Barnsdall Corporation.....			2,514,753 00
Funded Debt of Barnsdall Corporation and Subsidiary Companies:			
Barnsdall Corporation 8% Sinking Fund Convertible Gold Bonds due 1931, Outstanding		\$8,600,300	00
Funded Debt of Subsidiary Companies, Outstanding.....		2,012,300	00
			10,612,800 00
Current Liabilities:			
Bills Payable.....	\$1,441,346	68	
Accounts Payable.....	584,203	22	
Purchase Money Obligations.....	10,099	68	
Accrued Interest and Expenses.....	80,695	62	
Accrued Taxes.....	108,266	00	
			2,224,611 20
Surplus of Barnsdall Corporation and Subsidiary Companies:			
Applicable to Stock of Barnsdall Corporation		\$7,130,186	56
Applicable to Minority Stocks of Subsidiary Companies		243,698	10
			7,373,884 66
			\$39,439,448 86

BARNSDALL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME FOR THE YEAR
ENDING DEC. 31 1921.

Gross Sales and Earnings from Operations.....	\$8,304,000	40
Producing and Operating Expenses (not including depreciation, depletion and drilling charges) and General and Administrative Expenses	5,651,381	60
Net Producing and Operating Income before deducting depreciation, depletion and drilling charges	\$2,652,708	80
Other Income:		
Interest Income.....	\$123,418	52
Dividends Received from Investments	15,787	81
		139,206 33
Total Earnings		\$2,791,915 22
Deductions:		
Depreciation and Depletion.....	\$1,471,805	60
Drilling Charges written off.....	365,120	40
Interest Paid	899,848	71
		2,736,764 80
Net Income Jan. 1 to Dec. 31 1921		\$55,150 42

Note—Proportion of Income of Subsidiary Companies included above applicable to minority stockholdings amounts to \$98,994 for the year.

**UNDIVIDED SURPLUS OF BARNSDALL CORPORATION AND
SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES.**

Undivided Surplus Dec. 31 1920-----	\$6,122,485 07
Surplus of Subsidiary Companies not previously consolidated, less sundry charges to surplus for Bond Discount, Property Adjustments, &c-----	1,713,043 93
Adjusted Surplus, Jan. 1 1921:	
Applicable to Stock of Barnsdall Corporation	\$7,590,715 14
Applicable to Minority Stocks of Subsidiary Companies-----	244,813 86
Net Income of Barnsdall Corporation and Subsidiary Com- panies Jan. 1 to Dec. 31 1921-----	7,835,529 00
	55,150 42
	\$7,890,679 42
Less Dividends Paid:	
Dividend No. 7 Paid April 30 1921 on Capi- tal Stock of Barnsdall Corporation-----	\$417,285 00
Dividends paid to Minority Stockholders of Subsidiary Companies-----	99,509 76
	516,794 76
Total Surplus of Barnsdall Corporation and Subsidiary Companies, Dec. 31 1921:	
Applicable to Stock of Barnsdall Corpora- tion-----	\$7,130,186 56
Applicable to Minority Stocks of Subsidiary Companies-----	243,698 10
	\$7,373,884 66

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To the Stockholders of Barnsdall Corporation:

We have audited the books and accounts of the Barnsdall Corporation and Subsidiary Companies for the year ending December 31, 1921, and

We hereby certify that in our opinion the accompanying Consolidated Balance Sheet sets forth the financial position of the Barnsdall Corporation and all of its owned or controlled Subsidiary Companies as at December 31st, 1921, after adequate provision for depreciation and depletion and after charging off all drilling costs for the year, and that the relative Consolidated Statement of Income correctly shows the results of operations for the year ending December 31, 1921.

COLLINS & COMPANY.

New York, March 1, 1922.

WESTERN ELECTRIC COMPANY
 (INCORPORATED)

REPORT TO STOCKHOLDERS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1921.

March 20, 1922.

To the Stockholders:

Herein is respectfully submitted a statement of the business of Western Electric Company, Incorporated, for the year 1921.

SALES.

The total sales of your Company billed during 1921 were \$189,765,000, which compares with 1920 as follows:

	1920.	1921.
To Bell Telephone Companies-----	\$113,517,000	\$135,560,000
To Other Customers-----	92,595,000	54,205,000
	\$206,112,000	\$189,765,000

Under sales to Bell Telephone Companies there is included the merchandise not of Western Electric manufacture which the Company procures for and furnishes to them as their purchasing agent and storekeeper.

These totals represent an increase of 19% to the Bell Telephone Companies and a decrease of 41% to other customers. The aggregate is slightly more than was estimated at the beginning of the year and represents the largest volume of business ever reached by your Company in any year except 1920.

The sales for the past several years have been as follows:

1914-----	\$66,409,000	1918-----	\$145,226,000
1915-----	63,852,000	1919-----	135,722,000
1916-----	106,987,000	1920-----	206,112,000
1917-----	150,340,000	1921-----	189,765,000

EARNINGS.

The earnings were sufficient to provide as usual for depreciation of plant, for all taxes and fixed charges and for dividends on the common stock at the rate of \$10.00 per share.

The net earnings for the year available for interest and dividends were as shown in the Comptroller's statement appended hereto-----	\$10,166,337
Out of which were paid:	
Interest-----	\$5,842,340
\$10 00 per share dividends on Common Stock-----	3,500,000
Balance carried to Common Stock-----	\$823,997

This result was obtained only by a thorough readjustment and reduction of expenses, which were decreased from \$14,321,434 in 1920 to the \$12,207,613 for 1921 shown in the Comptroller's statement.

The net earnings, as stated above, \$10,166,337, were 7.2% on the average investment for the year, which was \$140,700,000. This compares with \$8,277,414 net earnings of the previous year, or 7.2% on the average investment for that year of \$114,900,000.

PROSPECT.

The unfilled orders of your Company at December 31, 1921, aggregated \$75,525,000, as compared with \$82,655,000 at the end of the year 1920, and \$47,442,000 at the end of the year 1919. Of the total unfilled orders, \$67,324,000 was for manufactures of your Company, and \$8,201,000 was for the manufactures of others which are bought and sold by your Company.

A survey of the prospects for 1922 indicates that the business in the Company's products will be about the same in quantity as 1921, but somewhat less in money value, due to the lower price level at which the product will be sold. In the manufactures of others it is expected that there will be about the same volume of business as in 1921. On the whole, it is probable that the billings in 1922 will be somewhat less than the high mark reached in 1920 and 1921.

GENERAL ORGANIZATION.

The business conducted by your Company and its subsidiaries naturally divides itself into three main operating departments:

1. Telephone Department, having for its principal business the furnishing of telephone equipment and materials to the Bell Telephone Companies.

2. Supply Department, conducting the merchandising of electrical merchandise and supplies throughout the United States.

3. Foreign Department, having an export and foreign business in telephone and electrical apparatus and supplies, which is conducted through your Company's subsidiary, the International Western Electric Company, Incorporated, and its various associated and affiliated companies throughout the world.

Except for the principal officers each of these three main operating departments of the business has now its separate personnel and carries on its affairs on its own program. Each, however, buys from and sells to the two others as occasion arises.

There are in addition several general departments, Legal, Accounting, Treasury, Publicity and Purchasing, which provide a specialized service for all three of the operating departments and for the executive.

TELEPHONE DEPARTMENT.

The relationship between your Company and the Bell Telephone Companies is well known, but as the reasons underlying it are not so generally understood, the following excerpt from the Report of the Directors of the American Telephone & Telegraph Company to its Stockholders for the year 1921 may be of interest:

"In the very beginning of the business of giving telephone service—over forty years ago—it was foreseen by the management that in connection with the use of the telephone there would be developed many varieties of auxiliary and related apparatus and that unless this development was controlled these necessary devices would be likely to be produced by different manufacturers and patented by them, leaving the operating telephone companies in time at their mercy. To avert this danger, and as stated in the annual report of 1882 'to insure the highest standards', a combination was arranged of some of the manufacturers of that time into what became the Western Electric Company, of which The American Bell Telephone Company, our predecessor company, owned the control, and going beyond this, a contract was made between the companies through which the control of patents, present and future, was vested in The American Bell Telephone Company. The contract also specified that the manufacturing company should sell to all licensees (the Associated Companies) at uniform prices which should not be unreasonable.

"There was no requirement of the Associated Companies that they should buy anything of the Western Electric Company, so that what was accomplished was to make the manufacturing company depend upon the operating companies rather than to make the operating companies depend upon the manufacturing company.

"Starting from that beginning the Western Electric Company gradually became the manufacturer of nearly all of the apparatus required in the Bell System. That fundamental work has been of inestimable value in the development of the Bell System. Out of it have grown the advantages foreseen and others equally valuable unforeseen. The closest co-operation through more than a generation has made the Western Electric Company virtually a department of the Bell System exercising the function of manufacturer, purchasing agent and storekeeper. Its compensations have been fixed on the basis of reasonable but steady return on investment rather than that of the high but fluctuating profit on the sales of an uncontrolled manufacturer. No public utility has paid less proportionately in profits to the manufacturers of its equipment and such profits as have been paid, through our stock ownership, remain in the Bell System for the advancement of the utility. Volume of sales and profits therefrom, the goal of most manufacturers, were of secondary importance, while the needs of the service became the predominant factor in working out the solution of the problems which confronted the Bell System. The telephone users have been materially benefited by this arrangement.

"A large telephone central office well designed is housed in a building planned to fit the switchboard. The switchboard itself is a complicated and expensive apparatus requiring two or three years for its manufacture and installation. It must be capable of extension and of operation in connection with other similar switchboards in other offices, so that each purchase of a switchboard is a virtual commitment to its manufacturer for

extensions and other switchboards. To a greater or less extent this is true of all of the apparatus going into our service. The advantage of a control in the interest of economy in construction and operation, over the patent rights and prices of the manufacturer must be apparent.

"Furthermore there is the advantage of control over production. The manufactures of the Western Electric Company are designed for our requirements with a view to the greatest economies in construction of plant and in maintenance and operation. They are produced in quantities we specify in fireproof buildings where every precaution is taken to insure continuity of production. They are of uniform standards so that the cost of maintenance and repairs is at a minimum.

"The relation which has grown out of the contract and financial interest established in 1882 has therefore provided for the Bell Telephone System a controlled source of supply of the apparatus and material needed in the construction, maintenance and operation of its plant.

"The apparatus, designed especially for its requirements, can be specified by our engineers with regard only to efficiency and economy. There is ample protection as to patent rights, prices and continuity of supply.

"The expense of selling is eliminated. The use of apparatus is determined solely by its merit and there is afforded an opportunity for the greatest economy in the routines of purchase and distribution."

It is clearly understood by the Directors of your Company that on the one hand the responsibility for providing with diligence and promptness whatever equipment and materials the Bell Telephone Companies may order rests on them and that on the other hand those Companies are under no obligation to purchase continuously from your Company. At the same time by reason of the intimate relationship that has existed for many years your Company is able to meet the requirements of the Telephone Companies both technically and in quantity production as no other manufacturers could do.

Out of this intimate relationship there has grown by natural stages of evolution, not only manufacturing duty and responsibility, but also a centralized purchasing organization and a widespread distributing system operating now through some thirty-two warehouses throughout the country.

Your Company's success in the telephone field has not been due to contracts but to a continuous effort to merit the patronage of the Telephone Companies, and it is the duty of your Company's Directors to see that such effort is steadily maintained.

The plant of the Bell Telephone System grows steadily year by year and is likely to grow for many years to come. Since the war, orders on your Company have taxed its factory capacity to the utmost, and to meet these requirements important additions—more fully described elsewhere—have been made to the Hawthorne plant. These additions and the continuous operation of the entire plant at full capacity during the year made possible a production of telephone apparatus exceeding that of 1920, the highest previous year, by nearly 50% and more than double the pre-war production.

The output of lead-covered cable, which is the other principal product of the Hawthorne plant, considerably exceeded any previous year (with the single exception of 1917), although its money value was less than in some previous years because of the very low prices of copper and lead prevailing throughout the year.

The first of the Panel Machine-Switching equipments for local traffic was put into service at Omaha, Nebraska, at midnight of December 10, 1921. This is known as the Atlantic office. The second Omaha office, known as Jackson, was put into service shortly thereafter. These two offices give switchboard service to about 13,500 subscribers. The service given by both equipments has completely met our expectations and has been entirely satisfactory to the Telephone Company and its subscribers. Several other equipments of the Panel type are in process of installation in various cities, including New York, some of which will go into public service during 1922.

SUPPLY DEPARTMENT.

The business of merchandising electrical supplies has been during the past year generally unprofitable to those engaged in it. There was a somewhat demoralized condition in the trade due to a sudden and greatly reduced volume and a continued shrinking in prices in inventory values. It naturally followed that the competition for the declining volume of business was even sharper than usual and that the losses from bad accounts were abnormally large.

Your Company's net capital invested in this business varies in different years from \$9,000,000 to \$19,000,000 and was at December 31, 1921, approximately \$9,000,000. This investment is represented almost entirely by stocks of merchandise carried in 49 warehouses throughout the country and by current accounts receivable. A prompt and drastic reduction of expenses proved insufficient to overcome the inventory losses, the uncollectible accounts and the lowered margin of gross profit which characterized the year.

It appears, however, that after deducting the loss for 1921 your Company's profits on the business of its Supply Department have averaged over the past six years approximately 10% per year on its investment in this department. As soon as general business revives, it is believed that with continued economies in operation the business of this department again can be made profitable.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

The export and foreign business of your Company is conducted through the International Western Electric Com-

pany, Incorporated, to which, upon its organization in 1918, your Company sold and conveyed all of its export and foreign business and assets. All of the issued capital stock of the International Company—55,000 shares of preferred having a par value of \$100 per share and 100,000 shares of common without par value—is owned or controlled by your Company. Such additional capital as has been required for its expansion, either permanent or temporary, has been advanced by your Company, the total capital and advances being shown in the Balance Sheet. This amount at the close of the year was \$17,988,000, a reduction of \$1,029,000 during the year.

The International Company and the numerous affiliated companies in which it owns interests, conduct in nearly all foreign countries a business generally similar to that of your Company in the United States.

The sales of the International Company and its principal foreign affiliated companies, excluding all inter-company sales, were in 1921 approximately \$41,000,000, reckoning them into dollars at the current rates of exchange or approximately \$49,000,000, if reckoned at the standard or par of exchange. This latter figure compares with \$41,300,000 sales for 1920.

The foreign business as a whole was larger and more profitable than in any previous year. This was due chiefly to getting the Antwerp factory on a full capacity basis for the first time since the war and to the exceptional activity of the London factory. Both of these allied companies do a large export business from Belgium and England respectively.

The export billings from the United States, while almost equal to those of the previous year, resulted largely from orders in hand at the beginning of the year. The prospect of selling American-made apparatus for export during the coming year is not very promising, although the recent and continued improvement in foreign exchange rates will be helpful.

On the other hand, the prospect for the principal foreign allied companies is distinctly good. The demands for telephone equipment in most foreign countries continue to increase and while competition is always active the manufacturing facilities of these foreign allied companies and the technical assistance furnished them by the International Company enable them to maintain and better their position year by year.

The International Company's earnings in 1921 from its own operations and from interest and dividends received from its foreign affiliated companies were sufficient to meet its interest obligations and to pay the 7% dividend on its preferred stock, both for the current year and for the years 1918 and 1919, so that all accumulated dividends on this stock have now been paid. No dividends have been paid on the common stock.

The average investment of your Company's Foreign Department (the International Company) during 1921 was \$19,650,000, on which there was earned for interest and dividends \$1,842,546, equal to 9.4%.

PLANT.

The plant account comprises the following properties:

1. The Hawthorne Plant, comprising some 207 acres of ground on the western edge of Chicago, with modern fire-proof factory and warehouse buildings, having a net floor space of 3,125,000 square feet, together with fixtures, machinery, tools and patterns. A view of the Hawthorne plant, taken recently from an airplane, is appended to this [pamphlet] report.
2. The Engineering Laboratories at 463 West Street, New York, a thirteen-story modern fire-proof building, having a net floor space of 411,000 square feet, together with fixtures and laboratory equipment.
3. Ground at Norfolk, Virginia (some 56 acres), with waterfront, acquired and held for future manufacturing purposes.
4. Real estate used for warehouses at Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Atlanta, Salt Lake City and San Francisco, and fixtures for warehouse and repair shop purposes in those and some 43 other American cities.

The additions to plant during 1921 aggregated \$7,731,523. Practically all of the additional plant was at Hawthorne, and as indicated in last year's report, was made necessary by the enlarged requirements for telephone equipment for the Bell Companies. The additions necessary for this purpose are now practically completed.

The New York warehouse building, covering the block bounded by Hudson, Houston, Clarkson and Greenwich Streets, was completed in the spring of 1921, and is now fully occupied, handling under one roof all the merchandise carried at New York, the local repair shop and garage. The building contains 527,000 square feet. The property is controlled by your Company through a separate corporation (395 Hudson Street Corporation) and the net investment therein is carried in the Balance Sheet under Sundry Investments.

MERCHANDISE.

The merchandise on hand Dec. 31, 1921, including all raw materials, work in process and finished merchandise, was inventoried at the amount shown on the Balance Sheet, \$58,978,025. This is 31% of the sales for 1921, as compared with an inventory at December 31, 1920, equal to 35% of the sales for 1920.

In arriving at the valuation of the inventory, the established conservative practices of depreciating all old stocks

and overstocks were followed, and all inventory losses were accepted which seemed probable of realization.

Notwithstanding the volume of shop work in process, which represents a large part of the inventory, merchandise stocks were reduced from \$72,209,721 at the beginning of the year to \$58,978,025 at December 31, 1921.

FINANCE.

At the end of 1921 the Company's capitalization was as follows:

Common Stock—no par value. Authorized 500,000 shares. Issued 350,000 shares. Book Value.....	\$58,773,450
Preferred Stock—7% cumulative, par value \$100 per share. Authorized 500,000 shares. Issued none.....	
5% First Mortgage Bonds, maturing Dec. 31 1922.....	\$15,000,000
Five-Year 7% Convertible Gold Bonds, maturing April 1 1925 but convertible after April 1 1922 until and including Oct. 1 1924, into 7% cumulative Preferred Stock at par. Amount authorized \$35,000,000. Issued.....	28,600,000
Total	\$102,373,450

The only changes in capitalization during the year were (1) the increase of \$823,997 in the book value of common stock representing the undivided profits for the year and (2) an issue of \$1,600,000 7% Convertible Gold Bonds during the year for sale to employees.

The Company's Bills Payable were reduced during the year from \$42,750,000 to \$29,050,000, a reduction of \$13,700,000, while the cash on hand increased \$5,438,000, making a total improvement for the year in its financial position of \$19,138,000. In the two months since the end of the year a further improvement of about \$8,500,000 has been made in the financial position.

Your Company's First Mortgage Bonds amounting to \$15,000,000 were issued in 1909 and mature at the end of the current year. Under present financial conditions it is entirely feasible to do permanent financing and it is possible that your Directors will take action in that direction before the maturity of these bonds. But your Company's financial position is now sufficiently favorable to enable it to meet the payment out of its current resources and current credit should it seem desirable to do so when the time for decision arrives.

Following is a comparison of the net working capital at the beginning and end of the year:

	Dec. 31 1920.	Dec. 31 1921
Current Assets.....	\$126,765,361	\$113,462,593
Current Liabilities.....	58,395,850	43,084,549
Net Working Capital.....	\$68,369,511	\$70,378,044

EMPLOYEES.

The total number of employees of your Company—not including the International Company or its subsidiaries—was 45,243 at December 31, 1921, as compared with 39,650 at December 31, 1920. This is the largest number ever on the Company's rolls at the end of a year, although a slight decrease from the high mark reached in October, 1921. Of the total number, 26,110 were located at Hawthorne, and 10,332 were engaged in installing telephone switchboards in many cities and towns throughout the country.

The labor "turn-over" during the year, and particularly towards its end, was considerably decreased as compared with recent years, with a corresponding increase in efficiency. While all "supplemental war wages" were discontinued during the year the "standard rates" of pay and piecework rates were generally maintained. As stated in last year's report "it has always been your Company's aim to pay the highest wages consistent with the market and to provide the best possible working conditions." This policy has been strictly adhered to.

The Employees' Benefit Fund, maintained entirely at the Company's cost, provides for payments in cases of accident, sickness, retirement for age or disability and death. The total payments from this fund in 1921 amounted to \$587,496, and were made to 6,870 beneficiaries including pensioners who numbered 126 at the end of the year.

The Memorial Athletic Field at Hawthorne mentioned in the 1919 report was dedicated on May 14, 1921, with appropriate ceremonies and games before a large audience.

The field covers ten acres and comprises 22 tennis courts, a baseball field, a running track with a depressed area for various field events in summer and flooded for skating in winter. Suitable quarters for lockers and baths will be provided soon. This field not only commemorates fitly the supreme sacrifice made by 61 Western Electric men in the great war, but will be of lasting benefit to the thousands of employees who make use of it.

Employees have continued during 1921 making payments on their purchases of the Company's 7% Convertible Bonds offered them on easy terms in 1920. At December 31, 1921, there had been paid in \$1,268,500, leaving a balance of \$465,464, which is being gradually paid under the plan by 3,932 employees. This amount appears in the balance sheet under the title "Trustees, Employees' Bond Purchase Plan."

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION.

The complaint which was issued under date of January 5, 1921, by the Federal Trade Commission against Western Electric Company, alleging violation of Section 5 of the Federal Trade Commission Act and Section 3 of the so-called Clayton Act, was on March 9, 1922, formally dismissed.

This action of the Commission comes as a result of more than a year's investigation by the Commission of the Company's files and records in the greater number of its houses and departments and the interviewing and examination, by the Commission's representatives, of many of the Company's suppliers, customers, competitors and former employees.

Your Company cooperated with the Commission to the fullest extent in furnishing it information regarding the matters complained of, and it is a source of considerable satisfaction that the Commission has, after thorough investigation, dismissed the complaint on its own motion.

GENERAL.

On December 6, 1921, Mr. H. B. Thayer resigned as a Director and as Chairman of the Board. Mr. Thayer's service with your Company began in 1881; he was Manager at New York from 1884 to 1902; Director, 1902 to 1921; Vice-President from 1902 to 1908; President from 1908 to 1919 (when he became president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company); Chairman of the Board of your Company from 1919 to 1921.

While we are not deprived of the benefit of Mr. Thayer's long experience and wise counsels in the Company's affairs, it seemed fitting to your Directors that his retirement from official connection with the Company should be marked by the following resolution:

Resolved, That the resignation of H. B. Thayer as chairman of the board and as a director of the Company be accepted, and that in accepting this resignation the board regrets that Mr. Thayer feels compelled to sever his official relations with Western Electric Company and desires to express its deep appreciation of the marked service which Mr. Thayer has rendered the Company during the more than forty years of his association with it.

The Board of Directors again takes occasion to express to the stockholders its earnest appreciation of the loyal and able service given by the Company's employees. In the face of a smaller volume of business and declining prices and in spite of the unsatisfactory results in the Supply Department, the moderate margin of profit of the previous year for the Company as a whole was maintained. This result was accomplished only by exceptionally good team-work applied to the reduction of expenses, the liquidation of merchandise stocks and the improvement of manufacturing and warehousing processes. The necessary readjustments in a period of deflation and reconstruction have been accepted with good feeling and a spirit of helpfulness that augurs well for your Company's continued prosperity.

For the Directors,

CHARLES G. DUBOIS, *President*.

WESTERN ELECTRIC COMPANY,

Incorporated.

Including the owned subsidiaries,

Western Electric Company, Incorporated, of Delaware
Western Electric Company, Incorporated, of California

EARNINGS FOR TWELVE MONTHS ENDING DEC. 31 1921.

Sales.....	\$189,764,814
Other Income.....	2,892,499
	\$192,657,313
Cost of Merchandise.....	\$168,565,875
Expenses.....	12,207,613
Taxes.....	1,717,488
	182,490,976
Available for Interest and Dividends.....	\$10,166,337
Interest Paid and Amortization of Bond Discount	\$5,842,340
Dividends: On Common Stock, \$10 00 per share, 350,000 shares outstanding.....	3,500,000
	9,342,340
Balance carried to Common Stock.....	\$823,997

R. H. GREGORY,
Comptroller.

BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31 1921.

ASSETS.

Real Estate and Buildings.....	\$19,354,501
Machinery and Equipment.....	26,215,335
	\$45,569,836
Total Plant.....	
Merchandise.....	\$28,978,025
Cash.....	13,262,880
Bills Receivable.....	779,019
Trade Acceptances.....	573,474
Marketable Securities.....	833,268
Accounts Receivable.....	39,035,927
	113,462,593
Total Current Assets.....	465,464
Trustees, Employees' Bond Purchase Plan.....	2,315,471
Sundry Investments.....	
International Western Electric Company, Incorporated, of Delaware.....	17,988,053
Grand Total.....	\$179,801,417

LIABILITIES.

Preferred Stock, 7%, 500,000 Shares Authorized, None Issued.....	
Common Stock, 500,000 Shares Authorized, 350,000 Shares Issued, No Par Value.....	\$58,773,450
First Mortgage Bonds, 5%, 1922.....	15,000,000
Convertible Gold Bonds, 7%, 1925.....	28,600,000
	\$102,373,450
Total Capital Liabilities.....	
General Bills Payable.....	\$29,050,000
Trade Acceptances and Bills Receivable Dis- counted.....	448,456
Accounts Payable.....	13,586,093
	43,084,549
Total Current Liabilities.....	
Reserve for Depreciation on Plant.....	\$27,924,413
Reserve for Employees' Benefit Fund.....	1,600,000
Reserve for Contingencies.....	4,819,005
	34,343,418
Total Reserves.....	
Grand Total.....	\$179,801,417

R. H. GREGORY,
Comptroller.

CONSOLIDATED GAS ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY OF BALTIMORE

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1921.

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 17, 1922.

To the Stockholders of the Consolidated Gas Electric Light and Power Company of Baltimore:

The operations of your Company, for the year ending December 31, 1921, are outlined and summarized in the following report.

As compared with the year ending December 31, 1920, the earnings, expenses, and net results were as follows:

	Twelve Months Ending Dec. 31 1921.	Twelve Months Ending Dec. 31 1920.	Increase %
Gross Income from Electric Sales	\$9,694,054 06	\$9,385,888 58	3.28
Gross Income from Gas Sales	6,911,956 14	6,003,556 30	15.13
Miscellaneous Income	6,378 24	44,013 34	*85.51
Total Gross Income	\$16,612,388 44	\$15,433,458 22	7.64
Operating Expenses and Taxes	10,584,581 95	10,451,791 27	1.27
Net Earnings	\$6,027,806 49	\$4,981,666 95	21.00
Fixed Charges (including interest and preferred dividends on subsidiary companies' issues)	2,963,761 02	2,475,192 59	19.74
Net Income	\$3,064,045 47	\$2,506,474 36	22.25
Dividends	1,218,726 00	1,168,642 58	4.29
Gross Surplus	\$1,845,319 47	\$1,337,831 78	37.93
Reserve for Depreciation (Renewals)	1,100,000 00	1,100,000 00	---
Surplus for the Year	\$745,319 47	\$237,831 78	213.38
<i>Additions to Surplus:</i>			
Miscellaneous Income Applicable to Prior Years	\$8,275 22	-----	-----
<i>Deductions from Surplus:</i>			
Amortization of balance of Cost of Retirement of Statutory Lien Preferred Stock (retired Apr. 2 1917)	\$394,654 14	-----	-----
Amortization of The Consolidated Power Company of Baltimore Note Discount	-----	\$197,453 13	-----
Total Net Deductions from Surplus	\$386,378 92	\$197,453 13	95.68
Net Increase in Corporate Surplus for the Year	\$358,940 55	\$40,378 65	

*Denotes decrease.

EARNINGS AND OPERATING CONDITIONS.

The past year has been marked by unprecedented general business depression. Such conditions were but the natural sequence of the widespread inflation of prices which reached a climax in the latter part of the prior year. Business in general has been, during the year, subjected to sharp deflations in prices and a great falling off in sales and in constructive enterprises. Relatively, the Company's business has held on with surprising firmness and has even increased in volume in some lines.

Increase in gas rates and decrease in labor and other operating costs have materially increased the Company's earnings. The comparison of operating results with those of the next prior year are most encouraging and strongly significant of the great stability of the gas and electricity utilities industry, even under unusually trying general business conditions.

PROPERTIES AND PLANTS.

The property of the Company, including plants, distribution systems and equipment, has been maintained at the usual high standard of operating efficiency. Repairs and maintenance expenditures during the year amounted to \$985,196.88, or 5.93% of the gross income. Also, there was set aside out of earnings for the year and placed to the credit of Depreciation (Renewals), \$1,100,000, or 6.62% of the gross income. During the year, substantial additions to the generating plants and distribution systems were made to meet the increasing demands for electricity and gas. Such extensions, improvements, and betterments to property completed during the year, or in the course of completion as of December 31, 1921 (including the purchase of the powerhouse of The United Railways and Electric Company of Baltimore, hereinafter referred to), involved expenditures as follows:

Electric Properties	\$5,815,278 79
Gas Properties	1,854,767 91
Total	\$7,669,046 70

ELECTRIC OPERATIONS.

In spite of the depression in other lines of business, the Company's output in electricity attained a very substantial increase, especially in domestic and general uses, with the exception of a few very large industries which curtailed their production and in consequence used far less than their

normal needs for great amounts of electric power. The following statistics show the net results of such gains and temporary losses:

	Twelve Months to Dec. 31 1921.	Twelve Months to Dec. 31 1920.	Increase.	Per Cent Inc.
Gross income from sale of electricity	\$9,694,054 06	\$9,385,888 58	\$308,165 48	3.28
Electricity sold—K.W.H.	359,071,254	377,613,364	*18,542,110	*4.91
Customers at end of year	92,543	79,469	13,074	16.45

* Denotes decrease.

Increases in installations using or preparing to use electric power for industrial purposes were very substantial, as shown by the following:

	No. of Concerns.	Horse- Power.
Increase in existing customers' installations	364	8,360
Increase due to private plants displaced	57	8,304
Increase due to new and established industries	339	7,493
	760	24,157

It is but natural that the industrial growth of Baltimore, which has been so remarkable during the past five years as compared with other American cities, should have been temporarily arrested during the past year. The substantial additions in industrial power customers' installations during the year, however, are strongly indicative that Baltimore is preparing to maintain its lead in growth.

A notable addition to the Company's electric business during the year is the supply of all power required by the street railway system of Baltimore and environs through the negotiation, in midyear, of a three-party agreement between The United Railways and Electric Company of Baltimore, the Pennsylvania Water and Power Company and your Company. Under this contract, your Company is to supply the Railways Company with its entire electric power requirements for a period of fifty years on a cost-plus basis. Your Company also becomes entitled to the entire supply of hydro-electric power available for Baltimore from the Pennsylvania Water and Power Company, whose plant at Holtwood, Pa., on the Susquehanna River, is the largest water-power plant in operation east of the Mississippi River and south of Niagara.

As a further condition and result of this contract, your Company acquired by purchase from The United Railways and Electric Company of Baltimore, its large steam-electric power plant in Baltimore, with a nominal capacity of over 40,000 K.W. or over 53,000 horse-power.

The steam-electric generating stations capacity of your Company has thus been increased to over 240,000 horse-power.

During the year a considerable part of the Company's electric output was supplied through hydro-electric energy purchased from the Pennsylvania Water and Power Company.

GAS OPERATIONS.

The Company's gas business for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1921, as compared with the year ending December 31, 1920, is as follows:

	Twelve Months to Dec. 31 1921.	Twelve Months to Dec. 31 1920.	Increase.	Per Cent Inc.
Gross income from sale of gas	\$6,911,956 14	\$6,003,556 30	\$908,399 84	15.13
Total sales—cubic feet	8,733,580,200	8,771,431,700	*37,851,500	*0.43
Customers at end of year	155,240	152,454	2,786	1.83

*Denotes decrease.

Notwithstanding the unprecedented increase in gas sales, in cubic feet, for the year 1920, the total sales for the fiscal year just ended show a falling off of less than 1/2 of 1%. Despite the general business depression, the use of gas for commercial and industrial purposes increased during the year.

There were no additions to the major equipment of the gas-generating plant. A new holder (10,000,000 cubic feet) was completed and placed in commission, resulting in improved operating conditions.

During the year, there were added to the gas distribution system 17 miles of mains and 2,767 service pipes, bringing the total of the system to 860 miles of main and 139,426 services.

APPLIANCE AND MERCHANDISE SALES.

The sales of gas and electricity consuming appliances and related merchandise were considerably curtailed during the year, such sales having been affected by the general depressed condition of merchandise trade. The gross merchandise business for the year was \$1,700,519.07, as compared with \$2,866,744.81 for the next prior year.

RATE INCREASE AND WAGE DECREASE.

In March last the Company applied to the Public Service Commission of Maryland for an increase in the maximum net rate for gas from 75 cents to \$1.15. Pending the final hearing the Commission decided, after a preliminary hear-

ing, to allow an immediate increase effective on and after July 1, 1921, of 17 cents in the net maximum rate for gas, making the net rate 92 cents. The final hearing involving a possible further increase in gas rates is still pending.

On July 15, 1921, the Company reduced salaries and wages 10%.

This granted rate increase, after allowing for Federal taxes, will (on the basis of 1921 output) increase annual net earnings by \$955,000. The reduction in salaries and wages effects a net decrease in operating expense, after allowing for Federal taxes, of approximately \$245,000 per year. This saving in operating expenses, added to the increase in gross income provided by the gas rate increase, will increase annual net earnings by at least \$1,200,000, exclusive of such further increase in gas rates as may be allowed by the Commission in the gas rate case now awaiting final hearing. This reduction in salaries and wages and this gas rate increase were effective during less than half of the calendar year 1921.

Notwithstanding this increase in rates, the gas rates charged by the Company are still materially lower than the gas rates charged in any other city on the Atlantic Seaboard.

FINANCIAL.

The financial position of the Company has been strengthened by the charter amendment adopted by the stockholders on September 7, 1921, authorizing the issuance of Preferred Stock which may bear dividends at a rate not exceeding 8% per annum. The initial series of this stock is known as "8% Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series A". \$3,200,000 thereof was sold during 1921 and \$1,800,000 additional has been sold during the first part of the year 1922. As money market conditions continue to improve, Preferred Stock bearing lower dividend rates may be issued. The sale of Preferred Stock has served the two-fold purpose of providing a portion of the additional funds required for capital needs, including the liquidation of all Notes Payable, and of improving the ratio of outstanding capital stock to total security issues.

The 5% 5-Year Convertible Notes, issued November 15, 1916, matured and were retired during the year. Of the \$8,500,000 par value originally issued, \$246,900 par value were converted into Common Stock of the Company at the rate of \$110 par value of notes for each share of stock.

\$9,000,000 First Refunding Mortgage 7% Sinking Fund Gold Bonds, Series C, dated October 1, 1921, and maturing October 1, 1931, were sold to refund the \$8,253,100 5% 5-Year Notes, par for par, and 80% of a \$260,000 mortgage on the property of a subsidiary company, since conveyed to this Company; and for the further purpose of paying for 80% of the cost of certain additions and extensions to gas and electric plants, transmission lines and distribution systems. The Series C bonds are convertible, at the holder's option, into Series D 6½% 30-Year Bonds which may be issued under the First Refunding Mortgage.

During the latter part of January, 1921, the proceeds from the sale of \$5,000,000 First Refunding Mortgage Sinking Fund 7½% Gold Bonds, Series B, dated December 1, 1920, became available for extensions and improvements. \$1,250,000 thereof was expended in part payment for the Pratt Street Power House of The United Railways and Electric Company of Baltimore. The payment of the balance of the purchase price of this Power House was made through a non-interest-bearing note, due May 15, 1922, for \$2,750,000 and a like par value of additional First Refunding Mortgage Sinking Fund 7½% Gold Bonds, Series B, were issued and used as collateral for this note.

After the refunding of the two short-term Note issues of \$5,000,000 each, which will mature August 1, 1922, the Company will have no further refunding financing to do until the maturity of one of the underlying issues in 1929. The financing requirements meanwhile will, therefore, be limited to such further moneys as may be needed to provide the additional property demanded by the growth of the Company and of Baltimore and its environs.

The total number of common shareholders on the books of the Company on December 31, 1921, was 5,785, as compared with 5,401 on December 31, 1920. The Preferred Stock issued up to December 31, 1921, resulted in 1,276 new shareholders.

CONCLUSION.

The efforts of the Management have been directed with even greater force toward furnishing and maintaining satisfactory and continuous service at fair rates and to assure, through all points of contact with the public, the maintenance of the confidence, respect and good-will of the people of Baltimore. Only through such co-operation with its customers can the Company secure the full recognition that the ideal economic relations require the allowance of adequate rates in return for adequate service.

The development of your Company's business and the results achieved are due in a very large measure to the loyalty, zeal and efficiency of my associates in the Management and of the employees, for which, in conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation.

(Signed) HERBERT A. WAGNER, *President.*
February 16, 1922.

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February 16, 1922.

Consolidated Gas Electric Light and Power Company of Baltimore, Maryland.

Gentlemen:

We have examined the books, records and accounts of your Company and submit herewith Statement of Assets and Liabilities at December 31, 1921, which we certify is in accord with the books and, in our opinion, presents a true and correct statement of the condition of the Company at that date.

The structure of this statement differs from those previously submitted in that this is a Consolidated Condensed Balance Sheet, which shows the Assets of not only those items which have been distinctly recognized as pertaining to your Company but those of the other Companies which you control, while the Liabilities include not only your own obligations but those of the controlled Companies as well. This accounts for the increase in the totals of Assets and Liabilities in the current statement over those previously submitted.

In connection with the preparation of this statement, we have also satisfied ourselves as to the correctness of the items entering into the income and expenditures for the year ended December 31, 1921.

The balances with the several banks and fiscal agents, as shown by your books, were verified by certificates received from these depositories, and we counted and proved the cash on hand.

We also verified the unpaid balance of Notes Receivable and reconciled with the respective controlling accounts in the General Ledger, the Accounts Receivable and Payable.

We counted the securities held in your vaults and verified all securities in the hands of Trustees by their certificates as of December 31, 1921. Certificates were also received from the several Trustees or Registrars confirming the outstanding Capital Stock, funded debt and term notes in the respective amounts shown under the section of Liabilities on the Balance Sheet.

We accepted, for the purpose of this report, the total of property accounts and all inventory of material and supplies on hand as of December 31, 1921, as prepared by your Accounting Department.

Respectfully yours,
LOOMIS, SUFFERN & FERNALD,

Certified Public Accountants.

CONSOLIDATED GAS ELECTRIC LIGHT & POWER COMPANY OF BALTIMORE AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES CONSOLIDATED CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31 1921.

ASSETS.

Invested Assets:		
Plant and Equipment, including Real Estate, Franchises, etc.	.....	\$79,502,161 44
Unfinished Plant Investment	.....	197,232 35
Investment in Stocks and Bonds, etc.	.....	208,563 25
Construction Funds in hands of Trustees	.....	555,660 70
Total Invested Assets	.....	\$80,463,617 74
Current Assets:		
Cash on hand, in banks and with Fiscal Agents	.....	\$3,413,383 42
Accounts and Notes Receivable	.....	2,416,981 41
Material and Supplies	.....	2,304,940 34
Work in Progress—Account of Consumers	.....	28,065 75
Total Current Assets	.....	8,163,370 92
Advances—re. Consumers' Stock Subscriptions	.....	75,964 70
Sinking Funds:—Invested	.....	554,402 30
—Uninvested	.....	113,056 95
Sundry Deferred Charges	.....	37,662 26
		<u>\$89,408,074 87</u>

Note.—The assets and liability of all subsidiary companies are included in the foregoing balance sheet. Heretofore, only the balance sheet of the parent company has been included in the annual report.

Approved:

WM. SCHMIDT, Jr.,
Assistant Treasurer.

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock:		
Consolidated Gas Electric Light & Power Co. of Baltimore—Common	.....	\$14,610,200 00
Consolidated Gas Electric Light & Power Co. of Baltimore—Preferred, Series "A"	.....	3,200,000 00
Baltimore Electric Co. of Baltimore City—Preferred	.....	1,000,000 00
The Public Service Building Co.—Preferred	.....	700,000 00
Bonds, Term Notes, etc. (issues listed on page 12 pamphlet report)	.....	59,901,000 00
Total Capital Liabilities	.....	\$79,411,200 00
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	.....	\$949,541 89
Unpaid Wages (not due)	.....	62,724 77
Accrued Interest on Bonds, Notes, etc.	.....	1,092,369 52
Dividends Payable—January 3 1922	.....	342,204 00
5% 5-year Convertible Gold Notes, matured Nov. 15 1921	.....	25,200 00
Total Current Liabilities	.....	2,472,040 18
Sundry Reserves, Accruals, etc.	.....	383,252 63
Reserve for Depreciation (Renewals)	.....	4,491,652 64
Reserve for Contingencies	.....	408,604 37
Surplus	.....	2,241,325 05
		<u>\$89,408,074 87</u>

We Certify that the above Statement of Assets and Liabilities is in accord with the books and records of your Company and, in our opinion, is a true and correct exhibit of the financial condition of the Company at the close of business December 31 1921.

LOOMIS, SUFFERN & FERNWALD,
Certified Public Accountants.

New York,
February 16 1922.

The Commercial Times.

COMMERCIAL EPITOME

New York, Friday Night, March 24 1922.

The gradual improvement in American business continues. It is very gradual; there should be no illusions on this point. Bank clearings, however, are gradually increasing, which is no bad sign after the deflation in prices which has taken place within the last few months in many industries. There is some increase in trade in such barometers of business as iron and steel, not to mention lumber and other building materials. Another rather noteworthy factor is that business in automobiles is increasing somewhat. Of course this is due to the cuts in prices which have been made within the last two months. Grain markets have declined. There is some increase in jobbing and retail trade in spring goods. It is nothing marked, but still there is some slight tendency towards betterment. The outlook for the winter wheat crop is on the whole better, and conditions are also more satisfactory for farm work in many parts of the cotton belt, not excepting Texas, although that State needs more rain.

Carloadings show some increase, partly, however, owing to coal shipments. Stocks have been more or less irregular, but to-day were active and rallied after some early reaction, something which tends to cheer merchants, especially as call money is still relatively easy at around 4½%.

In the main there has been a fair business for export in grain, and the total exports for the week make a good showing. And this is also the case as regards the exports of corn. Corn exports, indeed, are some 85,000,000 bushels in excess of those up to this time last season. A coal strike threatens the country on April 1, but it is said that the quantity of bituminous available is nearly 65,000,000 tons. And in the steel trade, non-union mines, at which there will be no strike, have, it seems; been supplying 60% of its requirements. There are even estimates that at a pinch non-union soft coal mines could produce 4,000,000 to 5,000,000 tons a week. Efforts are being made by President Harding to avert a strike, but with apparently little hopes of success. Such a strike will not have the approval of the American people; that is clear enough. Meanwhile, unemployment is gradually decreasing in this country. It is believed, however, that cotton textile strikes may spread to Massachusetts and Connecticut, owing to a wage cut at Lawrence, Mass., of about 20%. The mills insist that the South is underselling them, and that labor costs must be reduced or the mills must close. The Rhode Island mill owners seem to have gone on a strike themselves. Certainly they appear to be perfectly satisfied to have the mills closed in the present dulness of trade. They are as firm in their determination now as they were over two months ago to cut wages and increase hours. Meanwhile, failures show some increase. For the week they are stated at 537, against 505 last week and 302 this week last year. General export trade is quiet. And German marks have fallen to a new "low." Raw and manufactured cotton have been dull and lower. Raw silk has likewise declined. It is also said that some descriptions of wool have occasionally sold at somewhat lower prices. Of course the outlook has clouded over somewhat from the determination of 600,000 coal miners to strike on April 1. There is an undercurrent of hopefulness in American trade, despite any drawbacks that have arisen. As to the coal strike declared for April 1 the United States Government warns strikers that it will tolerate no violence to prevent coal production during a strike. Topeka, Kansas, wired to-day that the Kansas Industrial Court issued an order designed to prevent the Kansas coal miners from going out on the general strike called for April 1. It requires the coal operators and miners' union officials to appear in Topeka, next Thursday morning, and give testimony on which a temporary order may be based to prevent the closing down of the mines.

The third month of the Rhode Island strike finds 21 plants closed, 13 operating with reduced forces, and about 15,000 persons out of work. The Rhode Island State Board of Mediation and Conciliation has abandoned all attempts to settle the textile strike there. Lawrence, Mass., mill workers are voting on the question of whether they shall strike against the proposed wage cut of 20%. New wage cuts at other New England mill centres are expected, including Fall River. Hope of passing a 48-hour work week law in Rhode Island has been practically abandoned by the sponsors of such a bill. Lawrence, Mass., wired that the big Arlington mills, employing 7,500, announced in conjunction with the lower wage scale fixed that it will close down to-morrow night for an indefinite period, and when it re-opens it will be under the new scale. According to the notice posted at the Pacific Mills, the pay cut was necessary because of the steady falling off of business during recent months. The plant has been operating on a four-day schedule. Union officials, it is said, intend to contest a cut at Lawrence, as they have at Manchester, N. H., in Rhode Island, and other centres. The Lawrence Duck Co., Lawrence, Mass., is said to be considering the advisability of removing its plant to the South, owing to unequal competi-

tion in the matter of hours and wages. At Chester, S. C., on March 21, after having been closed for 30 days, the Lockmore Cotton Mills at York again started up, although a notice has been given of a proposed reduction in wages of from 22% to 25%.

The Ford Motor Co. stated that an increase of 20% in the number of employed at the Ford plants was being put into effect and that preference would be given to former service men. The National Lumber Trade Barometer reports production and shipments of lumber increased slightly for the week ending March 11, but orders fell off approximately 10,000,000 feet. Boston department stores did more business in February than in January, but New England stores outside of Boston were affected by textile strikes.

The Brazilian Government has purchased from German steel interests 120,000,000 marks' worth of rails, the German bid being 3% cheaper than the next lowest, which came from a Belgian firm.

The Memphis weather forecaster predicted that the Mississippi River within a week will reach 41 feet at Memphis and 51 at Helena, Ark. Stage at Memphis last night, 36 feet. Levee engineers expect no danger from flood this year. The weather at New York has been cold this week, but to-day it was clear and warmer.

LARD quiet; prime Western 11.40@11.50c.; refined to Continent 12.75c.; South American 13c.; Brazil in kegs 14c. Futures declined with hogs and grain. Hedge selling by some of the smaller packers has also had some influence. Hogs have been falling in spite of light receipts, as the demand lessened. At times, on the other hand, hogs have been firm under the influence of small receipts, and this, too, in the face of lower Liverpool markets and falling prices for grain. It is pointed out that stocks of product at packing centres are smaller than usual at this season. It is believed in some quarters that if grain should advance lard would readily follow. To-day prices were higher, but they end 60 points lower than a week ago.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF LARD FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
May delivery.....cts.	11 15	11 15	10 92	10 85	10 65	10 80
July delivery.....	11 37	11 37	11 15	11 07	10 90	11 05
September delivery....	11 60	11 60	11 37	11 30	11 12	11 25

PORK quiet; mess \$26@\$26 50; family \$27@\$29; short clear \$22 50@\$26 50. May closed at \$19 05, a decline for the week of 95 cents. Beef dull; mess \$13@\$14; packet \$13@\$15; family \$15@\$16; extra India mess \$24@\$25; No. 1 canned roast beef \$3 25; No. 2, \$5 25; six pounds, \$15 50. Cut meats steady; pickled hams, 10 to 20 pounds, 21¾@24¾c.; pickled bellies, 10 to 12 pounds, 16@18c. Butter, creamery extras, 38@39½c. Cheese, flats, 20½@25c. Eggs, fresh gathered extras, 24½@29c.

COFFEE on the spot quiet; No. 7 Rio 9¾c.; No. 4 Santos 13½@14c.; fair to good Cneuta 13½@13¾c. Futures have advanced with Brazilian markets higher. Trade and Commission houses bought near months. Cost and freight prices have advanced. The trade has been covering in near positions. Later months have at times weakened under liquidation. Yet the undertone has been in the main firmer with the encouragement of rising Brazilian markets. Victoria cabled: "Market firm and advancing owing to the scarcity here and interior. Crop nearly exhausted." The United States visible (Brazil coffee), it is pointed out, is now 1,300,000 bags less than last year at this date and 1,375,000 bags less than two years ago and there is now afloat for the United States from Brazil only about 260,000 bags, of which 9,800 bags are coming from Rio with consumption almost at the highest ever known. Later came a further rise on higher Brazilian cables. Europe bought July and sold December. The total transactions on the 22d inst. reached something like 100,000 bags. On Thursday profit taking caused some decline. To-day prices advanced partly on a small squeeze in March, but more because of higher cables from Brazil. It was asserted, too, that Rio planters are buying back some of their coffee. Europe is said to have bought freely in Central America, and also a good deal of syndicate Rio coffee. Prices end 40 points higher for the week.

Spot unofficial 9¾-10c.	May.....	9 39@9 40	September	9 24@9 25
March	July.....	9 34@	December.....	9 21@9 25

SUGAR.—Spot raws have latterly been rather weaker; sales were at one time reported of Cuba here at 2.50c. c. & f. Earlier in the week the quotation was 2 9-16c. c. & f., with sales of 16,000 tons for April shipment and some for late April shipment at 2½c. c. & f. These sales were made to New Orleans refiners. A price of 2½c. under such circumstances is equal to about 2.65c. c. & f. New York. Philadelphia is said to have bought Cuba sugar for March shipment at 2 9-16c. Futures have latterly declined. The United Kingdom, it seems, bought Cuba for March-April shipment early in the week at 14s. 4½d. c. i. f. United Kingdom. But later this price is said to have been cut to 14s. Meanwhile, receipts at Cuban points are increasing and are considerably larger than at this time for two years past, though it is also true to be sure that exports are far larger. Cuban stocks increased last week some 72,000 tons, but they are a little smaller than a year ago. Cuban interests are believed to have been buying May futures here and selling July against it. Later in the week prices weakened with cables lower from the United Kingdom. Manuel Rienda says: "Notwithstanding this country's increased require-

ments and the situation in Europe, an impression has prevailed that the world has a surplus of sugar available for consumption. This impression is based principally on the fact that Cuba had an abnormal supply left over from last year's crop. Whether the largest or the smallest estimate of the Cuban crop is taken, the requirements of this country and Europe are such that all the sugar Cuba can produce this year will be needed either here or abroad. Taking even the maximum estimate of Cuban supplies and the minimum estimate of requirements, the remainder is far from abnormal. Against the minimum estimate of available Cuban supplies, minimum requirements of the United States and Europe leave a surplus of only 50,000 tons. Against the maximum estimate of available Cuban supplies, the maximum requirements of the United States and Europe leave no surplus whatsoever. Against the maximum estimate of available Cuban supplies, the minimum requirements of the United States and Europe leave a surplus of 750,000 tons, which is less than the world's consumption of sugar per month. From the Cuban crop of 1920-21 the surplus in January 1922 was 1,000,000 to 1,200,000 tons. The Cuban 1921-22 crop is estimated at 3,000,000 to 3,500,000 tons. The Cuban supply is variously estimated at 4,000,000 to 4,700,000 tons. As to distribution, the United States for domestic consumption will take 2,750,000 to 3,000,000 tons; United States for re-export as refined sugar to Europe and elsewhere 500,000 to 700,000 tons; exports to Europe and elsewhere, 700,000 to 1,000,000 tons. Total requirements anywhere from 3,950,000 to 4,700,000 tons. Surplus remaining 50,000 and some say none. The surplus, taking minimum requirements against maximum supply, is 750,000 tons. The world's consumption per month is 1,350,000 to 1,500,000 tons." In Cuba receipts for the week were 220,458, against 187,401 in the previous week, 157,174 in the same week last year and 181,996 two years ago; exports, 149,380, against 83,269 last week, 91,169 the same week last year and 98,435 two years ago; stock, 667,041 tons, against 595,966 last week, 678,556 in the same week last year and 545,560 two years ago. Centrals grinding numbered 178, against 177 last week, 191 last year and 189 two years ago. United States Atlantic port receipts for the week were 100,409 tons, against 113,930 last week, 56,473 this week last year and 73,632 in 1920; meltings, 90,000 tons, against 92,000 last week, 70,000 last year and 74,000 in 1920; total stock, 189,772 tons, against 179,363 last week, 113,060 last year and 111,440 in 1920. To-day futures declined and they end 17 points lower than a week ago. Spot raws were said to be weaker, too. Unconfirmed rumors were afloat that Cuba had sold at as low as 2 1/4c.; some sold at 2 5/16c. for a small lot. Refined was reduced in one case to 5.40c.

Spot unofficial-----4.11c|May-----2.48@2.49|September .2.82@2.83
 March-----@-----|July-----2.66@2.67|December .2.87@2.89

OILS.—Linsed lower. The demand for domestic oil is disappointing though foreign oil is in much better demand. Small paint mixers are buying more freely. Interior buyers are showing rather more interest. March earloads 80@81c.; less than earloads 84c.; five barrels or less, 88c. Coconut oil, Ceylon, barrels, 8 3/8@9 1/4c.; Cochin 9 3/4@10 1/4c. Olive \$1 15. Soya bean, edible, nominal. Lard strained winter, New York, 92c.; extra, 87c. Cod, domestic, nominal; Newfoundland, 60c. Spirits of turpentine, 87c. Rosin, \$5 15@ \$7 50. Cottonseed oil sales to-day, 10,800 barrels; crude S. E., 10c. Prices closed as follows:

Spot-----11.60@-----|May-----11.69@11.70|August-----11.46@11.51
 March-----11.60@12.00|June-----11.40@11.65|September.11.45@11.48
 April-----11.60@11.85|July-----11.45@11.47|October---10.82@10.90

PETROLEUM.—Keener interest has latterly been shown by foreign buyers for both gasoline and bunker oil and prices are slightly firmer. Case gasoline is moving more rapidly and prices show an upward tendency especially in the Middle West. Demand from smaller distributors is much better and shorts are finding it hard to cover. Some big refiners are asking 19 3/4c. for new navy bulk, delivered, but business, it is said, can still be done at 18 3/4c. No offerings, however, have been recorded at this level. Train-load sales are frequently reported. According to the Government refinery report for January there is a goodly quantity available, but well informed people in the trade say that much of this gasoline is contracted for. Bunker oil rather more active. Gas oil quiet. Kerosene is still weak. New York prices gasoline, cargo lots, 30 1/4c.; U. S. Navy specifications, bulk, 17c.; export naphtha, cargo lots, 19 1/2c.; 63-66 degrees, 22 1/2c.; cases, New York, 16 1/2c. Refined petroleum tank wagon to store, 14c.; motor gasoline to garages (steel bbls.), 24c. The American Petroleum Institute estimates the daily average gross crude oil production in the United States for the week ended March 18 at 1,452,750 bbls., against 1,429,200 bbls. in the previous week, an increase of 23,550 bbls. The estimated daily average gross production of the Mid-Continent (light oil) field, including Oklahoma, Kansas, north Texas, central Texas, North Louisiana and Arkansas for the week ended March 18 was 842,000 bbls., against 836,050 bbls. in the previous week, an increase of 5,950 bbls. The estimated daily average gross production of the Gulf Coast (heavy oil) field was 112,200 bbls., against 111,350 bbls. in the previous week, an increase of 850 bbls. The combined daily average gross production of the Southwest field was 954,200 bbls., against 947,400 bbls. in the previous week, an increase of 6,800 bbls. Oklahoma-Kansas show a daily average gross production of 433,800 bbls., an increase of 3,950 bbls.; north Texas a decrease

of 50 bbls.; central Texas a decrease of 3,000 bbls.; north Louisiana an increase of 4,400 bbls. and Arkansas an increase of 650 bbls. The estimated daily average gross production of the Wyoming and Montana field was 62,550 bbls., against 61,300 bbls. in the previous week, an increase of 1,250 bbls.

Pennsylvania-----\$3 25	Indiana-----\$2 28	Coriscana, heavy-\$0 75
Corning-----1 90	Princeton-----2 27	Electra-----2 25
Cabell-----2 11	Illinois-----2 27	Strawn-----2 25
Somerset, light---1 90	Plymouth-----1 65	Thrall-----2 25
Ragland-----1 00	Kansas and Okla- homa-----2 00	Moran-----2 25
Wooster-----2 70	Coriscana, light---1 30	Henrletta-----2 25
Lima-----2 48		Caddo, La., light. 2 00

RUBBER dull and lower. London and Singapore advices at times have been depressing. Dulness prevails in all markets. The stock of rubber in the United Kingdom is steadily falling. But this falling off in stock is neutralized by the absence of demand from factories. Reports from London stated that there are signs of a curtailment in rubber production; yet many plantations made larger February returns. Smoked ribbed sheets here 14 1/2c.; April 14 3/4c.; April-June 15 1/2c.; July-September 16 3/4c.; July-December 17 1/4c. Brown crepe, thin, clean, 13 1/4c.; rolled 12 1/2c. Para quiet; up river fine 17 1/2c.; coarse 13c. Crude rubber was quoted at a new low for the year at 14 1/2c. a pound, which is a fall of 7 cents within the last three months and is only 4 cents above the extreme "low" of last year. On the 23d inst. the tone here became firmer with stronger prices in London and Singapore. In London there was larger buying for the United States of first latex crepe at 8d. Para was quoted there at 10 3/4d. for upriver fine. Singapore cabled that that market was firm with buyers for both first latex crepe and ribbed smoked sheets at the equivalent of 17c. cost and freight New York for prompt shipment. Rolled brown was said to be firm at the equivalent of 13c. cost and freight New York; blankets were held at 15 1/2c. for A, 15c. for B and 14 1/4c. for C, cost and freight New York.

HIDES have been rather weak with trade as a rule quiet. Frigerifico, however, have sold more freely. The sales were estimated at as high as 25,000, said to be in the neighborhood of 16 1/2 to 16 3/4c. c.i.f. Bogata hides have been held at 15 1/2c. It was intimated that 15c. might be obtained. In Boston the South American (green) hides are said to be rather weak, with light weight hides selling, it is said, at around 16c. and heavier weight around 16 1/2c. on a ninety day basis. The figures of the February kill, just received, which show a little over 158,000, look rather large as some reports have stated that the kill there would be much less this year than normal. Later in the week hides were reported rather steadier with a better demand for China. In Chicago extremes sold more freely, though buffs were rather weak at 8c. A Chicago packer is said to have sold 10,000 branded cows at 10c. Common Bogatas later on were quoted at 15@15 1/2c. The demand for China cows is said to have come from German exporters, who were understood to have bought at around 30c. River Plate hides are said to be steadier at the recent drop. It is also said that 4,000 San Sierras were sold to Canada, reported at somewhere in the neighborhood of \$41.

OCEAN FREIGHTS have been dull and it is said in some cases rather lower. The Shipping Board on Monday rejected all bids received for the 4,190 Shipping Board vessels, recently announced for sale. Chairman Lasker said he was convinced that there was no market for ships at this time in the United States and that there probably would not be until Congress has decided the subsidy question now before it.

CHARTERS included a three to six months time charter in West Indies trade, \$2 50 April-May delivery; one or two round trips in West Indies trade, \$1 20, prompt; grain from Atlantic range to Havre-Hamburg range, 17c.; option of United Kingdom at 17 1/2c., or Bordeaux at 18c., April. Grain from Baltimore or Philadelphia to Rotterdam, direct, 15c., April 5th; sugar from Cuba to United Kingdom, \$5 75, April; from San Domingo to United Kingdom, \$6 50, April; grain from Atlantic range to Bordeaux-Hamburg range, 17c., one port, 18c. two ports, with United Kingdom options April 10th, cancelling; bulk grain from Atlantic range to Russian Baltic, 32c., late March; one round trip to the River Plate said to be about \$1 30, prompt; one round trip in West Indies trade, \$2 25, prompt; three months' time charter in West Indies trade, \$2, prompt; coal from Atlantic range to West Italy, \$4 50, April; grain from Baltimore to Vaksdal, 25c., option of three ports Sweden, spot; sugar from Cuba to United Kingdom or Continent, \$5 75, April; lumber from Gulf to River Plate, 180s., April 20th to May 20th; grain from Atlantic range to Greece, 25c., late April; sugar from Cuba to United Kingdom, \$6, April; grain from Atlantic range to Antwerp-Hamburg range, 7c., April; sugar from Cuba to United Kingdom, Continent, basis of 27s., with options April 16th, cancelling; sugar south side of Cuba to New York, 18c., Gulf, 16c., prompt; general cargo two ports Philippines to two ports United Kingdom, \$7 50, May; three months' time charter 1,335 ton steamer, \$1 70, delivery Cuba, April.

TOBACCO has been in fair demand at times but it is conceded that any increase in business is very gradual. Prices are reported generally steady without particular changes. It is the opinion of some that when buyers are able to get a better line on the new crop developments they will be more ready to enter the market. Recently the outstanding feature has been a clearing up of the last crop.

COPPER quiet but steady. Electrolytic 13c. Exports on the 22d inst. were the largest thus far this year. Stocks are dwindling rapidly, however. The domestic surplus is now stated at about 350,000,000 lbs., while the surplus of export copper is reported as about 150,000,000 lbs. Tin in fair demand and firm; spot 29 3/4c. For the first time in many weeks the London market failed to make any changes in prices, on the 22d inst., except in Eastern c.i.f. London, which fell 5s. on sales of 25 tons to £148. Sterling exchange of late has been stronger. Lead in good demand and steady; spot New York, 4.70@4.75c.; spot St. Louis, 4.37 1/2@4.40c. Zine has reacted slightly from its recent strength. The setback is believed to be only temporary, owing to the present

strong statistical position. Spot New York, 4.95@5c.; St. Louis, 4.70@4.75c.

PIG IRON is steadier owing to the impending coal strike and the fear of a shortage of supplies. It may put up coke quotations. Besides the foundry melt is larger. Quite a good business in the aggregate has been done in the east and the middle west, though it is made up of rather small orders. Much of this business has been done in eastern Pennsylvania and the Buffalo district. Lake furnaces have also taken part. No. 1 cast or scrap has advanced \$1 a ton in the last 10 days. Eastern Pennsylvania furnace iron is reported firmer at around \$19 50 to \$20. Some reports say that \$20 is the minimum now.

STEEL has been in rather better demand with a somewhat larger output. But the 1.50c. price for plates, shapes and bars has not been firmly maintained. The demand is not yet strong enough for that. The average output for the entire industry is believed to be very nearly 60%. In Pittsburgh, Youngstown and Wheeling districts, it is said to be 60 to 65%. Talk of a big coal strike on April 1 has had little effect. Supplies of bituminous coal are estimated at 65,000,000 tons, enough for two months. Non-union mines have recently supplied 60% of the requirements. The demand for steel is mostly for building, railroad transportation and the automobile industry. Sales of tie plates are noteworthy; also of cars. Bridge building has taken a considerable tonnage. In fact, it is said that March will turn out to be the most active month in structural steel for nearly two years past. Some Western producers have marked up sheet bars and billets \$2 a ton. Take it for all and all, steel trade has shown rather more life. One company advanced sheet bars \$1, making the rate \$31. New York warehouses reduced their prices on bars, shapes and plates \$3 per ton, following the action of Chicago operators a week ago. Youngstown reports prices firmer, without an actual advance. It is stated that on April 1 steel sheets will be advanced in price \$3 a ton by independents at Youngstown, Ohio. Blue annealed sheets will thus be advanced from \$2 25 per 100 lbs. to \$2 40; black sheets from \$3 per 100 lbs. to \$3 15 and galvanized sheets from \$4 per 100 lbs. to \$4 15.

WOOL has been quiet and steady. In the absence of anything like activity, the tone has not been aggressive, although it is true that the foreign auctions have been in the main at firm or somewhat higher prices. The American wool duty is to be 33 cents per pound clean content. A 12% rate is fixed on carpet wool with drawback privileges. Greater activity in woolen and worsted industry is noted in active and idle wool machinery statistics dated March 1, compiled from reports of 992 manufacturers, published by the Bureau of Census. With the exception of worsted spindles, all grades of machinery increased in activity. Wool valued at more than \$10,000,000 was pooled or concentrated in warehouses financed and marketed in 1921, in storage warehouses licensed and bonded under the United States Warehouse Act, the Department of Agriculture announced. In London on March 17 at the auction the joint offering was 11,600 bales. Prices strong; good-home and foreign demand. All sold. Prices for the week closed with merinos par to 5% above those of January. Greasy crossbreds part and slipe and crossbreds were fully 5% above January. Details: Sydney, 1,807 bales, chiefly greasy crossbred, 11 1/2d. to 19d. Queensland, 3,520 bales; greasy merino, 15d. to 25d.; scoured 33 1/2d. to 44d. Victoria, 1,560 bales; greasy merino best scoured taken by Yorkshire at 30d. to 36 1/2d. New Zealand, 4,029 bales; greasy crossbred, 6d. to 16 1/2d.; slipe 7 1/2d. to 18 1/2d. At Wanganui, N. Z., auction, 20,000 bales were offered and 18,000 sold, chiefly medium to inferior qualities. Demand good from American, Continental and English buyers, especially English. Compared with the recent Wellington sales prices were unchanged except that 36-40s were up a little. In London on March 20 the joint offering was 12,000 bales. Demand good from home and Continental buyer. Details: Sydney, 1,299 bales, greasy merino, 14 1/2d. to 26 1/2d. Queensland, 35,570 bales, greasy merino, 12 1/2d. to 23d. Victoria, 813 bales, greasy merino, 18 1/2d. to 26d.; lamb, 7 3/4d. to 16 1/2d.; comeback, 20 1/2d. to 24 1/2d. Adelaide, 413 bales, scoured merino, 31 1/2d. to 40d. New Zealand, 3,400 bales, greasy crossbred, 5 1/2d. to 14d.; comeback, 10d. to 21d.; slipe, 7 3/4d. to 18d. Boston wired March 21: "Cables from Melbourne and Sydney, Australia, to-day report very firm wool auction with price tending slightly higher at Melbourne. Bradford was especially keen in Melbourne and America was taking some wool. On an average topmaking wool from Sydney as low as 78c. clean landed basis for 64s was quoted, taking exchange at \$4 40 and not allowing for duty. London is strong and Bradford is tending upward. In London on March 21 the joint offering was 12,700 bales. Good demand. Australian clip firm. The Realization Association's catalogue 5,000 bales, consisted entirely of Cape greasy combing mostly taken by the Continent at 5% above the January auction prices, the best realizing 15d. Details: Sydney, 3,108 bales; greasy merinos, 18 1/2d. to 28d. Queensland, 2,386 bales, greasy merinos, 18 1/2d. to 25d. New Zealand, 1,953 bales, sold chiefly to Yorkshire; greasy crossbred, medium coarse grades, 5 3/4d. to 13d.; scoured, 17 1/2d. to 31 1/2d. On March 21 at Auckland, N. Z., 12,000 bales were offered and 10,000 sold. Compared with the prices realized on Feb. 8, super hoggets were a penny higher and wools suitable for

American 1/2d. lower; others unchanged. In London on March 22 joint offerings were 12,765 bales. Prices stronger. Demand brisk. Details: Sydney, 2,395 bales; greasy merino, 15d. to 23 1/2d.; greasy crossbred, 8 3/4d. to 19 1/2d. Queensland, 1,498 bales; greasy merino, broken, 15 1/2d. to 22d.; pieces, 13 3/4d. to 20 1/2d.; necks, 16 1/2d. to 22 1/2d. Victoria, 2,802 bales; greasy merino combing, 15 1/2d. to 27c.; fine merino greasy lambs (secured by home operators), 36 1/2d. to 40d.; scoured 32 1/2d. to 43d.; greasy crossbred, 7 1/2d. to 19 1/2d.; New Zealand, 4,709 bales; crossbreds, best greasy, 14d.; slipe lamb, 17d. Demand keen from English and Continental buyers. London cabled March 23 that German buying of Australian wool, according to the Premier of Victoria in Melbourne, has benefited Australia since the war to the extent of three to four million pounds sterling. On March 23 at Melbourne, it is said in Boston advices, the market was firm; best 70s warp wools about 95c. to 96c. clean landed basis, free of duty; 64-70s about 92c. clean landed. For warp wools and good topmaking wools of the same grade about 87c. to 88c. was said to have been paid. At Geelong, of the 15,000 bales offered, 95% was sold. England and the Continent bought heavily. American operators bought a little of the best wool. Prices were very firm as compared with the last sale three weeks ago. Sydney closed firm on March 23 with prices about on a parity with Melbourne. The Easter holidays will prevail at Sydney from April 7 to 17. London and Bradford, Eng., prices very firm for all descriptions. In London, March 23, joint offerings were 12,775 bales. Selection in the main below the average practically; all sold at firm prices. Details: Sydney, 1,024 bales; greasy merino, 15d. to 23 1/2d. Queensland, 3,142 bales; greasy merino, 15 1/2d. to 24 1/2d.; scoured, 24 1/2d. to 40d. Tasmania, 720 bales; greasy crossbred, best, 16d. Victoria, 697 bales; greasy crossbred, best, 18d. New Zealand, 4,409 bales; greasy crossbred. Animated bidding, especially by Yorkshire, 6d. to 14 1/2d.; slipe quality, 7d. to 17d.

COTTON

Friday Night, March 24, 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 102,691 bales, against 123,593 bales last week and 84,833 bales the previous week, making the total receipts since Aug. 1 1921 4,511,050 bales, against 4,715,477 bales for the same period of 1921, showing a decrease since Aug. 1 1921 of 204,427 bales.

Receipts at	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Total.
Galveston	5,761	6,589	11,038	7,148	4,955	4,049	39,540
Texas City						996	996
New Orleans	5,663	1,953	3,636	3,374	4,398	2,819	21,843
Mobile	198	145	921	856	260	642	3,022
Jacksonville						127	127
Savannah	5,888	2,837	6,138	1,342	1,748	1,386	19,339
Brunswick						550	550
Charleston	369	770	664	648	458	1,191	4,100
Wilmington	273	374	1,079	138	146	143	2,153
Norfolk	696	938	952	545	1,099	841	5,071
New York		1,046	574	897	613	403	3,533
Boston	506		821		86	151	1,564
Baltimore						147	147
Philadelphia	100		237	65	304		706
Totals this week	19,454	14,652	26,060	15,013	14,067	13,445	102,691

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 7.	1921-22.		1920-21.		Stock.	
	This Week.	Since Aug 1 1921.	This Week.	Since Aug 1 1920.	1922.	1921.
Galveston	39,540	2,040,305	28,878	2,237,758	307,496	269,373
Texas City	996	20,818	1,461	22,037	8,854	6,048
Houston		331,632	9,722	316,460		
Port Arthur, &c		10,305	1,798	53,980		
New Orleans	21,843	867,780	17,561	1,105,791	233,555	407,474
Gulfport		8,123		4,819		
Mobile	3,022	107,460	672	71,315	9,866	14,050
Pensacola		1,070				
Jacksonville	127	3,109		4,533	1,713	2,067
Savannah	19,339	552,317	4,976	408,514	124,716	156,125
Brunswick	550	16,976		12,015	1,335	2,079
Charleston	4,100	66,992	969	57,511	75,814	240,340
Wilmington	2,153	80,127	1,881	64,723	35,829	28,249
Norfolk	5,071	274,569	4,000	201,710	121,774	92,100
S'port News, &c		583		37	1,548	
New York	3,533	16,791	280	25,808	91,601	128,200
Boston	1,564	33,738	284	23,025	6,859	10,221
Baltimore	147	49,128	379	35,559	2,188	3,717
Philadelphia	706	28,027		5,281	6,896	5,374
Totals	102,691	4,511,050	72,898	4,715,477	1,034,580	1,371,435

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	39,540	28,878	31,304	21,512	24,472	32,966
Texas City &c	996	12,981	6,013	1,196	6,910	
New Orleans	21,843	17,561	31,817	21,017	20,393	22,795
Mobile	3,022	672	4,929	1,934	978	505
Savannah	19,339	4,976	20,713	20,596	17,690	3,372
Brunswick	550	6,000	3,300			2,500
Charleston	4,100	969	3,012	3,699	2,012	2,550
Wilmington	2,153	1,881	3,259	2,825	2,170	1,275
Norfolk	5,071	4,000	5,601	6,628	1,125	7,534
S'port N., &c		37	38		183	176
All others	6,077	944	4,232	130	2,851	9,362
Total this wk.	102,691	72,898	118,968	87,657	76,820	83,641
Since Aug 1	4,511,050	4,715,477	5,821,277	4,067,604	4,895,783	5,840,094

The exports for the week ending this evening reach a total of 98,592 bales, of which 16,869 were to Great Britain, 27,690 to France and 54,033 to other destinations. Below are the exports for the week and since Aug. 1 1921.

Exports from—	Week ending Mar. 24 1922. Exported to—				From Aug. 1 1921 to Mar. 24 1922. Exported to—			
	Great Britain.	France.	Other.	Total.	Great Britain.	France.	Other.	Total.
Galveston	700	10,037	25,947	36,684	452,600	275,443	1,052,331	1,780,374
Houston					76,649	61,851	193,132	331,632
Texas City							5,142	5,142
Gulfport					5,534		2,589	8,123
New Orleans	5,829	4,800	16,219	26,848	215,202	94,622	522,330	832,154
Mobile					39,057	6,304	37,506	82,867
Jacksonville					400		500	900
Pensacola					300		770	1,070
Savannah	8,584	12,565		21,149	128,602	58,418	286,699	473,719
Brunswick					15,028			15,028
Charleston					21,093	2,500	67,739	91,332
Wilmington					9,000	8,500	46,450	63,950
Norfolk	950		6,550	7,500	71,157	4,850	79,797	155,804
New York	241	100	3,135	3,476	20,047	4,226	54,872	79,145
Boston	65	188	74	327	559	188	6,573	7,320
Baltimore					59	350	1,000	1,409
Philadelphia					424	50	641	1,115
Los Angeles	500		2,058	2,558	12,681	1,482	18,951	33,114
San Fran.							48,404	48,404
Seattle			50	50			62,174	62,174
Tacoma							20,605	20,605
Portl'd, Ore.							1,150	1,150
Total	16,869	27,690	54,033	98,592	1,068,392	518,784	2,509,355	4,096,531
Total '20-'21	7,589	7,747	62,498	77,834	1,227,060	427,927	2,030,862	3,685,849
Total '19-'20	117,679	25,794	41,551	185,024	2,623,624	488,140	1,928,867	5,040,631

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.

March 24. at—	On Shipboard, Not Cleared—for						Leaving Stock.
	Great Britain.	France.	Germany.	Other Cont'l.	Coast-wise.	Total.	
Galveston	13,519	11,000	7,000	13,084	2,500	47,103	260,393
New Orleans	7,714	3,242	9,184	12,732	159	33,031	200,524
Savannah					500	500	124,216
Charleston*	1,500			500	100	2,100	73,714
Mobile	1,808			937		2,745	7,121
Norfolk	200	100	100	300	100	800	123,974
Other ports*	3,000	1,000	2,000	2,000	200	8,200	150,165
Total 1922	27,741	15,342	18,284	29,553	3,559	94,479	940,107
Total 1921	15,555	15,110	13,463	21,958	5,600	71,686	1,299,749
Total 1920	86,215	3,244	24,338	119,431	12,459	245,687	1,013,563

* Estimate.

Speculation in cotton for future delivery has been small, at declining prices, led by March. March, which recently was 30 points over May, dropped on Thursday to 25 points under May. That had an unsettling effect on the May delivery, although it was noticeable that July and later months held up very well. New crop months made an especially sturdy resistance to the downward pull of March. The March premium went to pieces because of a fear, it is believed, that large quantities of cotton would be sent to New York for delivery. They were headed off by a steady drop of late in the premium. Spot cotton at the South has been quiet. It is believed that holders there, if the spot trade continues dull for any length of time, will sell futures in New York and deliver the cotton as the best market available. New York prices, it is well known, are relatively the highest among the world's cotton markets. Exports on Tuesday ran up to nearly 50,000 bales. But, as a rule, they have been light. And goods have been dull, and declining in some cases. Moreover, the Rhode Island strike continues. It is entering on its third month. Yet when it began it was expected to be short-lived. And now the Lawrence, Mass., mills, five of them in number, have cut wages something like 20%, or in other words, about the same as was done in Rhode Island and New Hampshire. What is more, it is now intimated that similar wage cuts are likely to be made in other parts of Massachusetts, as well as in Connecticut. Fall River, it is intimated, may be among the next of the big New England centres to reduce labor costs. One big Lawrence, Mass., mill has closed indefinitely owing to the dulness of trade. The mills of New England seem disposed to try conclusions with labor on the question of conducting a business on a remunerative basis. And efforts to bring about a settlement of the Rhode Island strike by mediation have been abandoned. They were found to be useless. And there is the prospective coal strike. According to present appearances it is said to be inevitable on April 1, and will involve 600,000 men of the union mines. Finally the weather at the South has been more favorable. That has counted for not a little. It has been clear for some days together in the Eastern belt. Cloudy conditions have latterly prevailed in Texas, with some rain. The last weekly Government report was in the main favorable. The weather in Texas has been good for plant growth, although it is admitted that more moisture is needed. Planting and replanting is progressing rapidly there. Spring plowing is being pushed in Oklahoma. The weather has been favorable for farm work in Louisiana, and good progress has been made there. It has also been favorable in Western Arkansas. In Georgia cotton has been planted in sections here and there, and some of it is up. And day after day March notices have appeared at the rate of some 2,000 to 3,000 bales. The total this month is approximately 91,000 bales, including 28,000 to-day. Meantime, the South has

been a steady seller. Local interests have also been selling, as well as Wall Street. And there has been a good deal of swapping. Many have sold the near months and bought the distant.

But cotton has a good many friends. Many are buying the new crop months at the current discounts. Strong interests are said to be in control of the May delivery. July has also acted very well; at times quite as well as new crop months, and that is saying a good deal. October ends only one point lower than last Friday. Trade and speculative interests are buying the new crop months steadily. It has been one of the outstanding features of the week. Indeed such buying has been going on for a couple of weeks. For a great many people are skeptical as to the possibility of raising an adequate crop this year. It is contended that the increase over the last yield ought to be 50%. Few or none believe that this is possible. Meanwhile, the season is late in many parts of the belt by at least a couple of weeks. An early start was needed to head off the boll weevil. The recent freeze necessitated a good deal of replanting in Southern Texas. Official reports, as well as private dispatches, make that plain. Sales of fertilizers and mules over much of the belt are smaller than usual. Farmers' poverty is a bar to normal purchases, even though here and there there has been some increase. The last Government report was not in all respects favorable. It is stated that the soil in Northern Georgia was too wet to plow. In Mississippi recent rains have seriously retarded farm work. It has been too wet in Central and Eastern Arkansas. And the Mississippi River is steadily rising. It is two feet or more above the flood stage at Memphis, which is 35 feet. And floods are expected in April. In parts of the Mississippi Valley and also to the eastward floods have already occurred. Ginning to May 20 was only 7,952,539 bales of 500 lbs. gross weight.

Moreover, Manchester's trade is growing. Tattersall is optimistic. Trade in Manchester is the best for two years past. India is buying more freely. That is becoming increasingly apparent. One of the good-sized straws showing which way the wind blows is the increase of late in the spot sales at Liverpool. On Thursday they reached the highest total for many weeks past, i.e. 15,000 bales. Stocks of American cotton totaling 1,907,000 bales were consumed by Great Britain, France, Germany and Italy during the six months ended Jan. 31 1922, according to a cablegram received by the United States Department of Agriculture from London. This is an increase of 50%, as compared with consumption of 1,275,810 bales during the preceding six months, and an increase of more than 100,000 bales, as compared with consumption of 1,789,302 bales during the six months ending Jan. 31 1921. The increase in Great Britain alone was nearly 100%, as compared with consumption of 520,393 bales during the six months ending July 31 1921, but it is pointed out that the low consumption during the latter period was in large measure due to the closing down of the Lancashire mills for several weeks on account of a strike of operatives. Liverpool and Japanese interests have latterly bought. Some trade houses have been buying May from time to time. To-day prices were irregular, closing practically unchanged and barely steady. The big March notices had some effect for a time. But it was less than had been expected. Still there are unfavorable factors in the situation. Spinners' takings fell off. The cables were weaker from Liverpool. Everybody is going slow. Final prices showed a decline in March for the week of some 60 points and a drop in other old crop months of 14 to 24 points. New crop months ended, as already intimated, a shade higher. Spot cotton closed at 17.85c for middling, a decline for the week of 55 points.

The official quotation for middling upland cotton in the New York market each day for the past week has been:

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Middling uplands	18.45	18.40	18.40	18.25	17.80	17.85

NEW YORK QUOTATIONS FOR 32 YEARS.

The quotations for middling upland at New York on March 24 for each of the past 32 years have been as follows:

1922	17.85c.	1914	13.50c.	1906	11.75c.	1898	6.06c.
1921	12.35c.	1913	12.60c.	1905	8.15c.	1897	7.31c.
1920	42.00c.	1912	10.65c.	1904	14.50c.	1896	7.88c.
1919	27.65c.	1911	14.60c.	1903	10.15c.	1895	6.31c.
1918	34.40c.	1910	15.15c.	1902	8.88c.	1894	7.56c.
1917	19.30c.	1909	9.70c.	1901	8.38c.	1893	8.94c.
1916	12.05c.	1908	10.40c.	1900	9.88c.	1892	6.75c.
1915	9.30c.	1907	11.00c.	1899	6.31c.	1891	9.00c.

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	Quiet, 5 pts. adv.	Barely steady	---	---	---
Monday	Quiet, 5 pts. dec.	Barely steady	---	1,700	1,700
Tuesday	Quiet, unchanged	Steady	---	2,900	2,900
Wednesday	Quiet, 15 pts. dec.	Steady	---	1,300	1,300
Thursday	Quiet, 45 pts. dec.	Steady	---	1,400	1,400
Friday	Quiet, 5 pts. adv.	Barely steady	---	---	---
Total				7,300	7,300

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.
March 24—				
Stock at Liverpool.....bales.	941,000	1,027,000	1,082,000	471,000
Stock at London.....	1,000	2,000	10,000	14,000
Stock at Manchester.....	62,000	95,000	180,000	81,000
Total Great Britain.....	1,004,000	1,124,000	1,272,000	566,000
Stock at Hamburg.....	46,000	27,000	-----	-----
Stock at Bremen.....	243,000	177,600	-----	-----
Stock at Havre.....	141,000	185,000	362,000	184,000
Stock at Rotterdam.....	8,000	12,000	-----	7,000
Stock at Barcelona.....	146,000	102,000	76,000	94,000
Stock at Genoa.....	21,000	46,000	195,000	109,000
Stock at Ghent.....	16,000	30,000	-----	-----
Total Continental stocks.....	621,000	579,000	633,000	394,000
Total European stocks.....	1,625,000	1,703,000	1,905,000	960,000
India cotton afloat for Europe.....	93,000	57,000	78,000	13,000
American cotton afloat for Europe.....	312,000	227,416	496,676	273,300
Egypt, Brazil, &c., afloat for Eur'e.....	82,000	69,000	62,000	38,000
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt.....	307,000	235,000	139,000	405,000
Stock in Bombay, India.....	1,119,000	1,205,000	983,000	923,000
Stock in U. S. ports.....	1,034,586	1,371,435	1,279,250	1,327,944
Stock in U. S. interior towns.....	1,230,152	1,666,593	1,214,228	1,521,143
U. S. exports to-day.....	14,786	7,077	48,117	561
Total visible supply.....	5,817,524	6,541,521	6,185,271	5,466,948

Of the above, totals of American and other descriptions are as follows:

American—	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Liverpool stock.....bales.	521,000	633,000	879,000	303,000
Manchester stock.....	46,000	82,000	153,000	48,000
Continental stock.....	506,000	488,000	523,000	347,000
American afloat for Europe.....	312,000	227,416	496,676	273,300
U. S. port stocks.....	1,031,586	1,371,435	1,259,250	1,327,944
U. S. interior stocks.....	1,230,152	1,666,593	1,214,228	1,521,143
U. S. exports to-day.....	14,786	7,077	48,117	561
Total American.....	3,664,524	4,475,521	4,573,271	3,820,948

East Indian, Brazil, &c.—	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Liverpool stock.....	420,000	394,000	203,000	168,000
London stock.....	1,000	2,000	10,000	14,000
Manchester stock.....	16,000	13,000	27,000	33,000
Continental stock.....	115,000	91,000	110,000	47,000
India afloat for Europe.....	93,000	57,000	78,000	13,000
Egypt, Brazil, &c., afloat.....	82,000	69,000	62,000	33,000
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt.....	307,000	235,000	139,000	405,000
Stock in Bombay, India.....	1,119,000	1,205,000	983,000	928,000
Total East India, &c.....	2,153,000	2,066,000	1,612,000	1,646,000
Total American.....	3,664,524	4,475,521	4,573,271	3,820,948

Total visible supply.....	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Middling uplands, Liverpool.....	5,817,524	6,541,621	6,185,271	5,466,948
Middling uplands, New York.....	10.69d.	8.05d.	28.38d.	15.78d.
Egypt, good sakes, Liverpool.....	17.85c.	12.35c.	41.50c.	28.25c.
Peruvian, rough good, Liverpool.....	21.00d.	19.00d.	84.00d.	30.58d.
Broach, fine, Liverpool.....	13.00d.	14.00d.	49.00d.	31.00d.
Tinnevely, good, Liverpool.....	9.65d.	7.15d.	22.85d.	15.60d.
-----	10.55d.	7.65d.	23.10d.	15.85d.

Continental imports for past week have been 60,000 bales.

The above figures for 1922 show a decrease from last week of 31,691 bales, a loss of 723,997 bales from 1921, a decline of 367,747 bales from 1920 and a gain of 350,576 bales over 1919.

AT THE INTERIOR TOWNS the movement—that is, the receipts for the week and since Aug. 1, the shipments for the week and the stocks to-night, and the same items for the corresponding periods of the previous year—is set out in detail below:

Towns.	Movement to March 24 1922.				Movement to March 25 1921.			
	Receipts.		Shipments.	Stocks March 24	Receipts.		Shipments.	Stocks March 25.
	Week.	Season.			Week.	Season.		
Ala., Birm'g'm.....	341	27,186	1,420	9,895	134	17,696	161	4,120
Eufaula.....	20	5,718	50	3,270	60	8,421	25	5,369
Montgomery.....	310	44,448	1,555	26,308	275	46,910	539	31,665
Selma.....	294	38,561	891	11,838	108	30,880	132	17,879
Ark., Helena.....	119	30,367	334	13,395	309	45,724	1,119	16,835
Little Rock.....	1,914	161,560	3,635	57,789	3,560	161,464	1,445	64,954
Pine Bluff.....	339	110,295	2,420	54,167	1,337	91,447	3,535	77,395
Ga., Albany.....	19	5,982	303	3,270	-----	10,416	-----	6,477
Athens.....	1,050	84,737	1,600	41,135	1,470	121,475	12,100	46,131
Atlanta.....	5,509	197,705	4,489	42,760	3,647	122,476	2,696	33,914
Augusta.....	6,395	292,929	8,658	118,852	3,171	298,213	3,779	147,714
Columbus.....	273	47,164	1,136	20,026	290	36,747	90	31,624
Macon.....	841	31,350	1,210	13,128	644	37,021	894	16,938
Rome.....	86	29,058	345	10,540	205	25,877	100	8,394
La., Shreveport.....	400	57,813	700	40,090	143	75,430	135	66,576
Min., Columbus.....	-----	18,289	-----	5,953	81	8,560	72	2,870
Clarkdale.....	587	128,388	4,353	49,447	854	104,812	1,789	71,166
Greenwood.....	342	84,197	1,062	35,622	298	81,360	752	49,785
Meridian.....	386	30,555	99	14,215	144	22,911	107	13,259
Natchez.....	578	30,124	383	11,133	-----	17,700	200	5,034
Vicksburg.....	-----	25,627	-----	10,691	51	12,239	65	13,410
Yazoo City.....	10	29,047	18	13,924	32	27,810	351	14,988
Mo., St. Louis.....	12,583	689,879	13,037	27,328	22,204	570,050	21,622	20,805
N. C., Greensboro.....	1,259	46,797	2,129	20,940	815	17,139	1,063	7,157
Raleigh.....	335	8,501	920	470	36	3,645	25	122
Okl., Altus.....	868	78,973	255	10,198	3,151	70,366	3,776	17,577
Chickasha.....	540	56,001	826	7,962	2,207	50,215	2,680	11,280
Oklahoma.....	250	58,208	1,021	16,511	1,383	60,589	2,215	9,146
Ark., Greenville.....	2,778	129,085	3,672	30,291	3,498	61,658	699	26,940
Greenwood.....	62	12,243	77	8,091	271	17,703	518	11,628
Tenn., Memphis.....	12,606	754,298	20,796	187,016	17,495	738,955	18,943	372,978
Naahville.....	-----	320	-----	721	-----	946	-----	1,344
Tex., Abilene.....	297	79,068	253	9,57	831	108,517	983	2,170
Brenham.....	271	12,451	257	4,069	40	10,384	48	4,394
Austin.....	-----	26,342	-----	341	-----	22,850	100	10,400
Dallas.....	761	158,271	4,131	37,294	499	38,391	610	16,870
Honey Grove.....	-----	19,709	-----	11,493	-----	21,100	-----	7,790
Houston.....	30,921	2,411,326	35,616	241,475	32,368	2,254,618	49,479	347,999
Paris.....	339	49,251	1,450	6,970	1,144	90,351	1,794	14,207
San Antonio.....	1,021	45,347	3,079	14,488	477	38,828	916	2,775
Fort Worth.....	841	84,918	1,081	10,223	2,550	103,346	2,242	24,263
Total, 41 towns.....	91,765	6,010,170	123,012	1,230,152	105,822	5,659,198	136,368	6,664,693

a Last year's figures are for Hugo, Okla. b Last year's figures are for Clarksville, Texas.

The above totals show that the interior stocks have decreased during the week 31,439 bales and are to-night 436,441 bales less than at the same period last year. The receipts at all towns have been 14,057 bales less than the same week last year.

FUTURES.—The highest, lowest and closing prices at New York for the past week have been as follows:

	Saturday, Mar. 18.	Monday, Mar. 20.	Tuesday, Mar. 21.	Wed'day, Mar. 22.	Thursday, Mar. 23.	Friday, Mar. 24.	Week.
March—							
Range.....	18.12-.25	18.03-.30	17.97-.113	17.80-.115	17.40-.95	17.35-.55	17.35-130
Closing.....	18.15-.16	18.07-.08	18.09	17.95-.99	17.50-.52	-----	-----
April—							
Range.....	-----	-----	-----	17.70	-----	17.45-.52	17.45-.70
Closing.....	17.97	17.95	18.06	17.85	17.55	17.46	-----
May—							
Range.....	17.92-.110	17.90-.117	17.82-.101	17.77-.100	17.64-.88	17.61-.83	17.61-.117
Closing.....	17.98-.101	17.90-.91	17.97-.99	17.88-.89	17.69-.70	17.71-.72	-----
June—							
Range.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Closing.....	17.67	17.59	17.66	17.58	17.39	17.41	-----
July—							
Range.....	17.32-.50	17.26-.55	17.22-.39	17.20-.40	17.19-.35	17.18-.33	17.18-.55
Closing.....	17.38-.41	17.28-.29	17.36-.39	17.35-.36	17.24-.25	17.21-.22	-----
August—							
Range.....	17.33-.40	-----	-----	-----	17.17	-----	17.17-.40
Closing.....	17.33	17.18	17.26	17.22	17.15	17.12	-----
September—							
Range.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Closing.....	17.08	17.02	17.12	17.12	17.00	17.00	-----
October—							
Range.....	16.85-.98	16.85-.108	16.82-.98	16.83-.99	16.84-.98	16.79-.95	16.79-108
Closing.....	16.90-.92	16.85-.86	16.95-.97	16.97	16.86-.87	16.84-.86	-----
November—							
Range.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Closing.....	16.85	16.78	16.88	16.91	16.81	16.80	-----
December—							
Range.....	16.73-.84	16.72-.94	16.75-.84	16.72-.86	16.75-.82	16.72-.86	16.72-.94
Closing.....	16.80	16.72	16.81	16.86	16.77	16.75	-----
January—							
Range.....	16.58-.69	16.53-.70	16.67-.69	16.60-.73	16.62-.71	16.62-.70	16.53-.73
Closing.....	16.58	16.53	16.65-.67	16.68	16.65-.66	16.65	-----

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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:

	1921-22		1920-21	
Shipped—	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.
Via St. Louis.....	13,037	671,305	21,622	553,879
Via Mounds, &c.....	5,148	299,293	4,760	188,417
Via Rock Island.....	-----	7,719	1,041	26,402
Via Louisville.....	2,138	61,446	1,743	47,518

WORLD'S SUPPLY AND TAKINGS OF COTTON.—The following brief but comprehensive statement indicates at a glance the world's supply of cotton for the week and since Aug. 1 for the last two seasons, from all sources from which statistics are obtainable; also the takings, or amounts gone out of sight, for the like period.

Cotton Takings. Week and Season.	1921-22.		1920-21.	
	Week.	Season.	Week.	Season.
Visible supply Mar. 17	5,849,215		6,521,469	
Visible supply Aug. 1		6,111,250		4,956,257
American in sight to Mar. 24	150,064	8,057,239	126,921	8,316,194
Bombay receipts to Mar. 23	77,000	2,229,000	140,000	1,656,000
Other India shipments to Mar. 23	4,000	126,000	4,000	188,000
Alexandria receipts to Mar. 22	11,000	589,950	8,000	460,000
Other supply to Mar. 22*	612,000	6251,000	11,000	271,000
Total supply	6,103,279	17,364,439	6,811,390	15,847,451
Deduct—				
Visible supply Mar. 24	5,817,524	5,817,524	6,541,521	6,541,521
Total takings to Mar. 24 ^a	285,755	11,546,915	269,869	9,305,930
Of which American	210,755	8,466,945	230,869	6,825,930
Of which other	75,000	3,079,970	39,000	2,480,000

* Embraces receipts in Europe from Brazil, Smyrna, West Indies, &c.
^a This total embraces since Aug. 1 the total estimated consumption by Southern mills, 2,357,000 bales in 1921-22 and 1,957,000 bales in 1920-21—takings not being available—and the aggregate amounts taken by Northern and foreign spinners, 9,189,915 bales in 1921-22 and 7,318,930 bales in 1920-21, of which 6,109,945 bales and 4,868,930 bales American.
^b Estimated.

WEATHER REPORTS BY TELEGRAPH.—Advices to us by telegraph from the South this evening indicate that the rainfall has been light, as a rule, particularly in the Southwest, where there has been a prolonged drought. Mobile reports that farm work is making good progress in the high lands, but that little work has been done in the low lands, which have suffered recently from floods. The same correspondent advises that fertilizer sales are much larger than last year.

	Rain.	Rainfall.	Thermometer		
Galveston, Texas	1 day	0.08 in.	high 70	low 54	mean 62
Abilene		dry	high 84	low 38	mean 61
Brownsville	1 day	0.84 in.	high 86	low 54	mean 70
Corpus Christi		dry	high 82	low 54	mean 68
Dallas		dry	high 80	low 38	mean 59
Del Rio		dry	high	low 46	mean
Palestine	1 day	0.01 in.	high 80	low 40	mean 60
San Antonio		dry	high 84	low 50	mean 67
Taylor		dry	high	low 48	mean
Mobile, Ala.	1 day	1.83 in.	high 79	low 46	mean 61
Selma	2 days	2.35 in.	high 78	low 34	mean 53
Savannah, Ga.	1 day	1.76 in.	high 75	low 39	mean 57
Charleston, S. C.	2 days	1.33 in.	high 74	low 40	mean 57
Charlotte, N. C.	2 days	1.31 in.	high 66	low 33	mean 49

CENSUS BUREAU'S REPORT ON COTTON GINNING.—The Division of Manufactures in the Census Bureau completed and issued on March 20 the final report on cotton ginning (excluding linters) the present season as follows, in running bales, counting round as half-bales:

	COTTON GINNED 1921-22, 1920-21, 1919-20 AND 1918-19, EXPRESSED IN RUNNING BALES.			
	1921-22.	1920-21.	1919-20.	1918-19.
Alabama	587,409	670,330	716,655	789,265
Arizona	42,926	105,191	58,472	54,215
Arkansas	787,974	1,182,010	867,177	957,118
California	34,809	77,892	59,082	71,479
Florida	12,201	19,443	17,317	31,951
Georgia	822,585	1,447,159	1,678,758	2,117,860
Louisiana	284,276	389,569	303,035	582,698
Mississippi	816,806	900,371	950,907	1,193,122
Missouri	68,145	76,328	62,667	59,797
North Carolina	803,602	949,484	857,253	919,338
Oklahoma	477,777	1,302,610	1,002,178	585,149
South Carolina	786,029	1,652,177	1,462,277	1,581,726
Tennessee	297,554	314,811	301,408	317,962
Texas	2,129,155	4,148,399	2,960,335	2,610,337
Virginia	16,680	21,898	23,076	25,235
All others	7,737	13,298	4,935	6,228
United States	7,976,665	13,270,970	11,325,532	11,906,480

The subjoined table gives the quantity of cotton ginned from the growth of the crop of the past three years, in the equivalent of 500 pound bales, exclusive of linters:

	1921.	1920.	1919.
Alabama	579,965	662,699	713,236
Arizona	45,323	103,121	59,849
Arkansas	796,863	1,214,448	881,473
California	34,109	75,183	56,107
Florida	10,905	18,114	15,922
Georgia	787,052	1,415,129	1,659,529
Louisiana	278,805	387,663	297,681
Mississippi	812,867	895,312	960,886
Missouri	69,931	78,856	64,031
North Carolina	776,206	924,761	830,293
Oklahoma	481,286	1,336,298	1,016,129
South Carolina	754,551	1,623,076	1,426,146
Tennessee	301,949	325,086	310,044
Texas	2,197,644	4,345,282	3,098,967
Virginia	16,368	21,337	22,523
All others	8,715	13,329	4,947
United States	7,952,539	13,439,603	11,420,763

Included in the figures for 1921 are 7,435 bales which ginners estimated would be turned out after the March canvass. Round bales included are 123,791 for 1921; 206,531 for 1920 and 114,305 for 1919. Included in the above are 37,074 bales of American Egyptian 1921; 92,561 for 1920 and 40,437 for 1919. The number of Sea Island bales included is 3,316, 1921; 1,868 for 1920, and 6,916 for 1919.

The average gross weight of bales for the crop, counting round as half bales, and excluding linters, is 498.5 lbs. for 1921; 506.4 lbs. for 1920 and 504.2 lbs. for 1919. The number of gineries operated for the crop of 1921 is 16,185, compared with 18,440 for 1920.

The statistics for 1921 are subject to slight corrections.

INDIA COTTON MOVEMENT FROM ALL PORTS.—The receipts of India cotton at Bombay and the shipments from all India ports for the week and for the season from Aug. 1, as cabled, for three years, have been as follows:

March 23 Receipts at—	1921-22.		1920-21.		1919-20.	
	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.
Bombay	77,000	2,229,000	61,000	1,631,000	121,000	2,072,000

Exports from—	For the Week.				Since August 1.			
	Great Britain.	Continent.	Japan & China.	Total.	Great Britain.	Continent.	Japan & China.	Total.
Bombay—								
1921-22	3,000	2,000	31,000	36,000	22,000	304,000	1,760,000	1,502,000
1920-21	---	5,000	10,000	15,000	17,000	371,000	528,000	916,000
1919-20	---	8,000	82,000	90,000	53,000	307,000	1,224,000	1,584,000
Other India								
1921-22	---	4,000	---	4,000	5,000	113,000	8,000	126,000
1920-21	---	7,000	---	7,000	19,000	147,000	20,000	186,000
1919-20	3,000	13,000	8,000	24,000	40,000	112,000	180,000	332,000
Total all—								
1921-22	3,000	6,000	31,000	40,000	27,000	417,000	1,184,000	1,628,000
1920-21	---	12,000	10,000	22,000	36,000	518,000	548,000	1,102,000
1919-20	3,000	21,000	90,000	114,000	93,000	419,000	1,404,000	1,916,000

According to the foregoing, Bombay appears to show an increase compared with last year in the week's receipts of 16,000 bales. Exports from all India ports record a gain of 18,000 bales during the week, and since Aug. 1 show an increase of 526,000 bales.

ALEXANDRIA RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS.

Alexandria, Egypt, March 22.	1921-22.	1920-21.	1919-20.
Receipts (cantars)—			
This week	80,000	52,891	22,519
Since Aug. 1	4,485,000	3,371,503	5,473,142

Exports (bales)—	This Week.		Since Aug. 1.		This Week.		Since Aug. 1.	
	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.
To Liverpool	4,000	128,041	200	75,426	892	234,571		
To Manchester, &c	---	102,040	2,009	61,980	---	135,543		
To Continent and India	7,000	157,317	4,504	95,839	5,532	115,360		
To America	3,000	153,276	600	32,075	1,593	266,636		
Total exports	14,000	540,674	7,313	265,320	8,017	752,110		

Note.—A cantar is 99 lbs. Egyptian bales weigh about 750 lbs.

This statement shows that the receipts for the week ending March 22 were 80,000 cantars and the foreign shipments 14,000 bales.

MANCHESTER MARKET.—Our report received by cable to-night from Manchester states that the market in both cloths and yarns is quiet in consequence of bad Indian accounts. 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 Twist.	3 1/4 lbs. Shirts-ings, Common to Finest.	Cot'n Mid. Upl's	32s Cop Twist.	3 1/4 lbs. Shirts-ings, Common to Finest.	Cot'n Mid. Upl's	32s Cop Twist.	3 1/4 lbs. Shirts-ings, Common to Finest.	Cot'n Mid. Upl's	
Jan. 20	17 1/2 @ 19 1/2	15 5 @ 16 5	10.18	20 1/2 @ 25 1/2	18 6 @ 20 0	9.04				
27	@ 19	15 3 @ 16 3	9.26	@ 25 1/2	18 6 @ 20 0	9.04				
Feb. 3	16 1/2 @ 18 1/2	15 3 @ 16 3	9.35	19 1/2 @ 25	18 0 @ 20 0	8.35				
10	16 1/2 @ 17 1/2	15 0 @ 16 0	9.47	19 @ 24	17 6 @ 19 6	8.11				
17	16 1/2 @ 18	14 9 @ 15 9	10.01	18 @ 22 1/2	17 0 @ 18 6	8.27				
24	17 @ 18 1/2	15 0 @ 16 0	10.25	16 1/2 @ 19 1/2	16 6 @ 18 0	6.76				
Mar. 3	17 @ 18 1/2	15 1 1/2 @ 16 1 1/2	9.98	16 1/2 @ 20 1/2	16 0 @ 17 6	6.50				
10	@ 18 1/2	15 1 1/2 @ 16 1 1/2	10.57	15 1/2 @ 17 1/2	15 6 @ 17 0	6.94				
17	@ 18 1/2	15 5 1/2 @ 16 3	10.75	14 1/2 @ 17 1/2	15 6 @ 17 0	7.31				
24	17 @ 18 1/2	15 4 1/2 @ 16 3	10.69	14 1/2 @ 17 1/2	15 6 @ 17 0	8.05				

SHIPPING NEWS.—Shipments in detail:

	Total Bales
NEW YORK—To Liverpool—Mar. 17—Baltic, 241	241
To Genoa—Mar. 17—Valdieri, 2,000	2,000
To Naples—Mar. 17—Valdieri, 1,135	1,135
To Havre—Mar. 20—Schodack, 100	100
GALVESTON—To Havre—Mar. 18—Hegira, 6,196	6,196
Cardigan, 3,841	10,037
To Antwerp—Mar. 18—Hegira, 150	150
To Rotterdam—Mar. 23—Cranford, 2,615	2,615
To Ghent—Mar. 18—Hegira, 879	879
To Manchester—Mar. 23—Ventura de Larrinaga, 700	700
To Barcelona—Mar. 18—Mar Adriatico, 6,050	6,050
To Hamburg—Mar. 23—Cranford, 250	250
To Bremen—Mar. 18—Nishmaha, 13,213	13,213
To Gothenburg—Mar. 21—Louisiana, 2,200	2,200
To Christiania—Mar. 21—Louisiana, 560	560
BOSTON—To Liverpool—Mar. 13—Hambleton Range, 65	65
To Havre—Mar. 14—Schodack, 188	188
To Hamburg—Mar. 13—Merrymouth, 74	74
NEW ORLEANS—To Liverpool—Mar. 17—Philadelphian, 5,029	5,029
Mar. 23—Naperian, 800	5,829
To Havre—Mar. 18—Cardigan, 4,368	4,368
Mar. 23—Carplaka, 1,300	5,668
To Bremen—Mar. 17—Adalia, 2,217	2,217
Mar. 25—Nobles, 6,264	8,481
To Rotterdam—Mar. 17—Janelew, 500	500
To Japan—Mar. 17—Buyo Maru, 3,500	3,500
To Genoa—Mar. 21—Caprera, 1,720	1,720
Mar. 23—Collingsworth, 550	2,270
To Antwerp—Mar. 23—Carplaka, 600	600
NORFOLK—To Liverpool—Mar. 23—Parisiana, 950	950
To Bremen—Mar. 23—West Helix, 6,550	6,550
SAVANNAH—To Liverpool—Mar. 20—Tulsa, 8,095	8,095
To Manchester—Mar. 20—Tulsa, 489	489
To Havre—Mar. 20—Kentucky, 12,565	12,565
LOS ANGELES—To Japan—Mar. 18—Seattle Maru, 976	976
Mar. 20—West Orowa, 1,082	2,058
San Diego—To Liverpool—Mar. 15—Birmingham City, 500	500
SEATTLE—To Japan—Mar. 17—Tokwa Maru, 50	50
Total	98,592

LIVERPOOL.—By cable from Liverpool we have the following statement of the week's sales, stocks, &c., at that port:

	Mar. 3.	Mar. 10.	Mar. 17.	Mar. 24.
Sales of the week	38,000	37,000	45,000	52,000
Of which American	25,000	26,000	27,000	35,000
Actual export	2,000	4,000	3,000	6,000
Forwarded	17,000	50,000	49,000	51,000
Total stock	998,000	987,000	960,000	941,000
Of which American	568,000	551,000	538,000	521,000
Total imports	27,000	36,000	26,000	30,000
Of which American	9,000</			

Spot.	Saturday.	Monday.	Tuesday.	Wednesday.	Thursday.	Friday.
Market, 12:15 P. M.		Quiet.	Moderate demand.	Good demand.	Active.	Good demand.
Mld. Upl'ds						
Sales Spec. & exp.	HOLIDAY	10.75 10,000	10.77 7,000	10.83 10,000	10.81 15,000	10.69 10,000
Futures Market opened		Quiet, 1@3 pts. decline.	Quiet, 3@6 pts. decline.	Quiet but steady, 3@4 pts. adv.	Quiet but steady, 1@3 pts. dec.	Quiet, 7 to 12 pts. decrease.
Market, 4 P. M.		Steady, 8@10 pts. advance.	Steady, 3 pts. adv.	Quiet, 1 pt 3 pts. adv.	decline to 12 pts. adv.	Barely stdy 7 to 12 pts. decrease.

Prices of futures at Liverpool for each day are given below.

March 18 to March 24.	Sat.		Mon.		Tues.		Wed.		Thurs.		Fri.	
	12 1/4	4	12 1/4	4	12 1/4	4	12 1/4	4	12 1/4	4	12 1/4	4
	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.
New Contract	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
March			10.50	10.54	10.52	10.52	10.58	10.50	10.56	10.51	10.44	10.39
April			10.40	10.45	10.42	10.42	10.47	10.39	10.45	10.40	10.32	10.28
May			10.35	10.40	10.38	10.38	10.43	10.35	10.41	10.36	10.29	10.2
June			10.27	10.32	10.29	10.30	10.37	10.28	10.33	10.27	10.21	10.17
July			10.22	10.27	10.24	10.26	10.33	10.24	10.29	10.23	10.17	10.13
August			10.11	10.16	10.13	10.16	10.23	10.14	10.19	10.13	10.07	10.03
September	HOLIDAY		9.95	10.00	9.98	10.02	10.10	10.02	10.07	10.03	9.98	9.9
October			9.85	9.90	9.88	9.92	10.00	9.92	9.97	9.93	9.89	9.86
November			9.75	9.80	9.79	9.84	9.92	9.84	9.89	9.86	9.82	9.79
December			9.67	9.71	9.71	9.77	9.89	9.80	9.85	9.82	9.77	9.74
January			9.59	9.63	9.63	9.69	9.79	9.71	9.76	9.73	9.69	9.66
February			9.53	9.59	9.59	9.65	9.75	9.67	9.72	9.69	9.65	9.62

BREADSTUFFS

New York, Friday Night, March 24 1922.

Flour has been in rather better demand of late for car-load lots, with stocks small. Buyers have held off so long that now they are compelled to replenish their supplies to a certain extent. That might have been foreseen. Early in the week there was a fair trade. But there is no doubt about one thing, namely that the general downward drift of wheat prices which by Thursday had shown a decline on May wheat of some 6 1/2 cents, has had the effect of limiting purchases to actual needs. It tends to undermine confidence in the future of both wheat and flour prices. And recently the export demand has fallen off noticeably, partly no doubt because of the decline in wheat and the hope or expectation of lower prices for flour. At the West trade has been variable and on the whole not very satisfactory. Reverting to the export trade, it is said that the American Relief Administration bought last Saturday a cargo of flour, said to be partly clears, though also to some extent soft winter from the Pacific Coast. Further offerings were requested. The above in regard to the Relief Administration is given for what it is worth. There has been no official confirmation. Evidently, however, there will be more or less buying by the Administration, at least for a time. And there is no doubt in the minds of most people that it has been buying either clears or soft winters within a week. The export demand in general has been light, but the American Relief Administration is credited with buying a cargo, mostly clears, for Jewish Relief, and advices from the West report some good sales direct of dark rye flour.

Wheat declined after a rally last Saturday. At one time early prices stood some 2 to 4 cents lower than at the close on the 17th instant. That was on account of lower cables and large world shipments. They neutralized the effects of reported crop damage and some export buying. For the world shipments last week reached the imposing total of 17,728,000 bushels, against 13,270,000 bushels in the previous week and 9,403,000 bushels in the same week last year. Moreover, Buenos Aires early in the week dropped 2 1/2 to 3 cents, and Liverpool was also weaker. Foreign exchange fell. Export business last Monday was limited to 500,000 bushels of new crop wheat for July-August shipment. On the 21st instant prices again fell. Liquidation was very noticeable. The cash and export demand was small. It looked as though European needs have been pretty well supplied for the time being. Argentine wheat was obtainable in Europe, to all appearances at much lower prices than in the United States or Canada. Also crop prospects improved. Primary receipts were noticeably larger than at this time last year. The United States visible supply decreased, it is true, 674,000 bushels, but the total is still 38,178,000 bushels, against 21,578,000 bushels a year ago. The world's available supply increased. Rallies were traceable more to covering than to anything else. Some begin to question whether there will be a shortage of wheat during the rest of the season. The quantity on ocean passage by the latest statement shows an increase of more than 5,000,000 bushels over that of a week ago. It was said, too, that British resellers were offering wheat at 9 cents per bushel under the prices of American shippers.

On the other hand, many maintain that a deficient supply is to be feared. Julian Barret gave out a statement to the effect that Europe may rely on America for 70% of its bread needs. This caused buying. Also some of the reports from the Southwest were at times more too favorable. Damage by green bugs is reported in Oklahoma. It does not appear to be serious, but the mere mention of such a thing had a certain effect, despite the fact that in the main crop advices were favorable. Many are looking for higher prices

on a foreign demand and steadily diminishing American stocks. On the 22nd instant prices were weak at first, but rallied later, partly on short covering. But Liverpool closed somewhat higher after opening lower. Germany has taken, it is understood, considerable Argentine wheat on passage. It is believed that sooner or later Europe will have to return to American markets. Interior receipts, it is true, exceeded those of last year, and the visible supply just now is not decreasing very rapidly. Duluth and Fort William are receiving, it seems, considerable wheat for shipment at the opening of navigation. German purchases of new wheat in this country are said to have amounted to 500,000 bushels.

The Kansas weekly report said: "All sections of Kansas have an abundant supply of moisture, and wheat is greening up nicely, except in a few western counties. The general opinion is that the crop has plenty of vitality in all sections, except in several extreme western counties, where the effects of the late moisture are not noticeable to date, but which may show signs of improvement with favorable weather. Many fields that looked dead before the moisture are showing signs of taking on life, and all reports indicate that there is plenty of time for stooking satisfactorily. Rain-fall last week ranged from .39 to 2.38 inches in the eastern counties, from .12 to 3.96 inches in the central, and from .18 to 2.14 inches in the western sections.

The wheat crop for 1921-22 in Argentina, according to the first official estimate, is 154,873,000 bushels, or 91.2% of the previous year and 90.6% of the average for the previous five years. Recent reports state that the quality of the grain there is generally good. In Chile the wheat area is officially estimated for 1921-22 at 1,314,000 acres, against 1,152,000 in the previous year, and 1,227,000 the five-year average; estimated production, 23,883,000 bushels, against 25,180,000 last year, and 21,206,000 the five-year average. In Uruguay the wheat crop is estimated at 8,330,000 bushels, or 7.2% greater than in the previous year, and 1.2% greater than the five-year average. Fine weather has favored threshing, and the quality is generally good. In India the first forecast of the wheat area sown is 27,739,000 acres, an increase of 20.7% over the preliminary estimate for 1920-21, and 4.1% below the five-year average.

According to an official report the suspension of import duties on all grains and flour in Italy will be continued until June 30 next. These duties formerly amounted to 13s a quarter for wheat, and 11s 7d per sack of 280 lbs. for flour. The agricultural outlook in Italy is favorable. In Rumania, Bulgaria and Jugo-Slavia, spring sowings have begun under favorable conditions. Grain prices continue easy there. The condition of winter wheat appears favorable in those countries. In France conditions of the crop have improved since Feb. 1, when winter wheat condition was officially given at 63% of normal, against 72% a year ago. In West, North and Central Europe the weather is favorable. Spring sowing is progressing. Snow cover was ample in these sections. Though prospects are favorable in Spain, North Africa and Austria, the crop is not expected to be up to pre-war level. In Hungary there have been complaints that some portions of the winter wheat area have suffered during the winter, and it is said that the acreage of wheat would be short, owing to abandoned areas. To-day prices declined at first, but rallied later, ending 1 1/2 to 6 cents lower for the week, the latter on May.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT IN NEW YORK.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
No. 2 red	147 3/4	149	145	145 1/2	143	142

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
May delivery in elevator	139 3/4	138 3/4	137 3/4	136 1/4	132	132 3/4
July delivery in elevator	121 1/2	120 3/4	117 3/4	119 1/4	117 1/2	118
September delivery in elevator	113 1/4	112 3/4	111 1/2	112 1/2	110 3/4	111 1/4

Indian corn declined steadily for a time with wheat, but rallied in the middle of the week to some extent also in company with wheat. Exporters have bought from time to time on a moderate scale, increasing their purchases, however, on the 22nd instant, especially as foreign markets have at times shown firmness. The visible supply, however, increased last week 1,150,000 bushels, bringing it up to 49,500,000 bushels, or 20,000,000 bushels more than a year ago, when, to be exact, the total was 29,856,000 bus. On the 22nd inst. export sales were estimated at half a million bushels. Cash markets, too, were stronger. Country offerings were smaller. Moreover, receipts continued light. In Chicago there was steady buying by commission houses, at times at around 60c for May and 63c for July. The tone now and then has been one of stubborn resistance to any downward trend, although some have been inclined to sell on the idea that a reaction was due after a recent advance of 5 cents. To-day prices showed little change. They end 3 to 3 1/2 cents lower than last Friday.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN IN NEW YORK.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
No. 2 yellow	77 1/2	77	75	76 1/4	74 3/4	74 1/2

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
May delivery in elevator	62	61	60 1/2	61 1/4	59 1/2	59 1/4
July delivery in elevator	61 1/2	61 1/4	61	61 1/4	60 1/2	60 1/4
September delivery in elevator	60	60 1/2	60 1/4	60 1/2	61	60 1/4

Only declined under the influence of falling prices for other grain. The drop, however, has not been very severe. Exporters took 40,000 bushels. But, of course, this was too small to figure in a market factor. The domestic demand, moreover, has not been at all aggressive. At Chicago the

smallness of the shipping demand had a depressing effect on both oats and corn. The visible supply in the United States, it is true, decreased last week 461,000 bushels, against an increase in the same week last year of 561,000 bushels. But this signified very little, seeing that the total visible supply in this country is still 67,382,000 bushels, against 34,907,000 bushels a year ago. In other words, the present supply is about 100% larger than at this time in 1921. This, coupled with slackness of trade, is not considered to augur well for a rise in the near future, unless this market comes under the influence of an active and rising market for wheat and other grain. To-day prices ended slightly higher. They are, however, 2 to 2 1/4 cents lower than a week ago.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS IN NEW YORK.

No. 2 white.....cts.	Sat. 48	Mon. 48	Tues. 48	Wed. 47 1/2	Thurs. 46 1/2	Fri. 46 1/2
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DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

May delivery in elevator.....cts.	Sat. 38 3/8	Mon. 38 3/8	Tues. 37 1/8	Wed. 38	Thurs. 36 5/8	Fri. 37
July delivery in elevator.....	40 3/8	40 1/4	39 3/4	40 1/4	38 3/4	39
September delivery in elevator....	41 1/2	41 1/8	40 3/8	40 3/8	39 3/8	40 1/4

Rye declined with other grain. Long liquidation was one of the features. And it told to a greater or less extent. Yet there were sales for export early in the week of half a million bushels. Later on prices continued to fall, despite a further demand from exporters, and a report that much of the stock at Duluth has been sold for shipment on the re-opening of navigation. The visible supply in this country increased, however, last week 773,000 bushels, against a decrease in the same time last year of 55,000 bushels. And the total now stands at 8,525,000 bushels, against 1,614,000 bushels a year ago. To-day prices ended slightly higher. Compared with a week ago, however, they are 3 to 4 cents lower.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF RYE FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

May delivery in elevator.....cts.	Sat. 107 1/2	Mon. 106 1/2	Tues. 104 1/2	Wed. 105 3/4	Thurs. 102 1/2	Fri. 102 1/2
July delivery in elevator.....	97 1/2	98	96 1/2	96 3/4	93 1/2	93 1/2

The following are closing quotations:

GRAIN.

Wheat—		Oats—	
No. 2 red.....	\$1 42	No. 2 white.....	46 1/2
No. 2 hard winter..	1 43	No. 3 white.....	
Corn—		Barley—	
No. 2 yellow.....	\$0.74 1/2	Feeding.....	Nom.
Rye—		Malting.....	74 @78
No. 2.....	1 09 1/2		

FLOUR.

Spring patents.....	\$7 50 @ \$8 00	Barley goods—Portage barley	
Winter straights, soft	6 25 @ 6 75	No. 1.....	\$5 75
Hard winter straights	7 25 @ 7 75	Nos. 2, 3 and 4 pearl	5 75
First spring clears....	5 75 @ 6 50	Nos. 2-0 and 3-0....	5 75 @ \$6 00
Rye flour.....	5 75 @ 6 25	Nos. 4-0 and 5-0....	6 00
Corn goods, 100 lbs.,		Oats goods—Carload	
Yellow meal.....	1 70 @ 1 77 1/2	spot delivery.....	5 25
Corn flour.....	1 80 @ 1 85		

For other tables usually given here, see page 1256.

WEATHER BULLETIN FOR WEEK ENDING MARCH 21.—The influences of weather on the crops as summarized in the weather bulletin issued by the Department of Agriculture for the week ending March 14 were as follows:

Temperature and moisture conditions during the week ending March 21, favored the growth of vegetation in the most central and southern states, except for some lack of moisture in portions of the southwest and in central and southern Florida.

The season continued very backward in the far northwest. Field work was delayed and is backward for the season in most central and southern areas because of frequent rains and wet soil. There was less rainfall in the south than during recent weeks and the preparation of the soil made better progress in that area, especially in the central and western portions of the cotton belt.

Field work made good progress in Texas and spring plowing advanced rapidly in Oklahoma as well as in Louisiana and western Arkansas. The preparation of soil advanced less rapidly in eastern portion of the belt, although good progress was made in southern Georgia and Florida. Some cotton has been planted in Georgia at about the average date, while planting and replanting progressed in southern Texas.

Winter wheat and other fall sown grains were favorably affected in nearly all sections of the country, except that it continued too dry in a few southwestern localities, and sleet and glaze did some further injury in the western lake region.

Wheat shows improvement in most Ohio Valley localities and is growing nicely, although the heavy rains caused some inundation of fields in lower valley localities.

Wheat continues in satisfactory condition in the lower Missouri Valley while considerable improvement has been affected by the recent rains in the central and lower Great Plains. Wheat is greening up nicely in Kansas and apparently has plenty of vitality except in a few western countries where the effect of the recent moisture is not yet evident. Wheat and oats made good progress in Oklahoma and sow improvement in Texas, although green bugs are reported in many localities of the former state.

The seeding of spring oats was further retarded in central districts because of wet soil; very little seeding was done during in central valley localities. Good progress was made in the preparation of rice lands in the west gulf district.

Truck was favorably affected by the weather in the southern states except where some local damage was caused in Florida by high winds; some truck has been seeded as far north as Virginia and New Jersey. The planting of sugar beets was nearly completed in California and the early seeded are up and looking well while sugar cane planting was continued in Louisiana and begun in Georgia.

Temperatures in the far west were milder, and more favorable for stock than for several weeks preceding. Feeding continues in the far northwest, but the disappearing snow opened more ranges in the central and southern Rocky Mountain states and in the upper Great Plains. Pastures and meadows continued to improve in central and eastern districts, under favorable temperature and moisture conditions, but more rain is needed in parts of the southwest.

Some further harm was done to fruit trees in the western lake region by the glaze storm of the nineteenth. Otherwise the weather was generally favorable for fruit.

Early trees are coming into bloom northward to North Carolina and the central portions of Arkansas and Oklahoma. Citrus fruit trees continue in splendid condition in Florida with the heavy bloom holding well. The orange crop proved to be somewhat better in California than was expected; navels are mostly picked and valencia picking has begun. Strawberries are unusually well advanced in Tennessee and shipments are increasing from Louisiana.

Traffic was interrupted in some central-northern districts by heavy snow and ice and overland highways are still closed in some northern Rocky Mountain regions. Hard roads are in fairly good shape in central and southern states, but dirt roads are universally soft and muddy, except in portions of the southern states where little rain has occurred for some days.

THE DRY GOODS TRADE

New York, Friday Night, March 24 1922.

Markets for drygoods continued to rule quiet during the past week, with an easier undertone noted in some sections. A reduction was announced in the price of 4 x 4 bleached muslins made by mills that have been forced idle by the strikes, while other evidence of the downward tendency was found in reduced prices quoted for wide sheetings. The New England strike situation remains unchanged, and the outlook is that many mills will continue idle for some time to come. The action taken by mill managers at Lawrence, Mass., to join the movement to readjust wages and working hours, has further aggravated the situation. Many predict that it is only a question of time when this curtailment will be expressed in price, but just how soon remains to be seen. The closing of large mills manufacturing cotton blankets, napped goods and fall cloths for dress purposes, has resulted in some increase in inquiries for deferred deliveries, although prices so far have not been stimulated. While the present situation is not encouraging, it still has its redeeming features. It is pointed out that if mills had been running anything like full capacity, price declines would have been more drastic than those so far recorded. Some textile merchants continue to inquire why prices in their lines should be relatively lower than prices on other goods. The explanation is found in the fact that a considerable portion of the world's textile product is non-essential and can be dispensed with in time of low purchasing power of the country. If the complete production of textiles is to be sold, it is quite evident that it will have to be offered at attractive prices. Until the general strike situation is taken in hand and settled, there is little hope of markets becoming stable.

DOMESTIC COTTON GOODS.—Trading in cotton goods has been a little more active during the week. A reduction in prices on sheetings stimulated a more active demand, and especially for the best known brands. There has also been more interest in gingham and other colored cottons, as there has been a movement to stir up action in them, on the theory that as a result of the strikes there will be a scarcity. Jobbers, as a rule, however, are not very enthusiastic over the prospects for improvement in the retail trade, and still contend that there is a strongly apparent lack of buying on the part of the public. As the season expands, nevertheless, it is believed that the demand for seasonal goods will improve. Fair buying has been reported in wash fabrics of a novelty character, while there has been a moderate demand for some of the printed staples in voiles, dimities, and other seasonable wash goods. A feature during the week has been the demand for colored drills and narrow brown drills for export to South American countries. As a result of the strike situation, production continues on a greatly curtailed scale, and just where some of the jobbers are going to secure many lines of bleached cottons in the event of any sudden improvement in demand during the next month or two is a question, as mill stocks are said to be very limited. Cotton blankets have been inquired for more freely during the week, and some of the jobbers are beginning to appreciate the meaning of the closing of the large mills by the strike. The gray goods market has been comparatively quiet, though the number of small orders is said to make a fair total in houses where the low prices are being met. Print cloths, 28-inch, 64 x 64 construction, are listed at 6 1/2c, and the 27-inch, 64 x 60's, at 6c. Gray goods, in the 39-inch, 68 x 72's, are quoted at 8 3/4c, and the 39-inch, 80 x 80's, at 10 1/4c.

WOOLEN GOODS.—Moderate activity continued in the woolen sections during the past week, despite the fact that both buyers and sellers are eagerly awaiting the outcome of the current negotiations between the union leaders and the clothing manufacturers. The women's wear division appears to display the most activity. Business in men's wear is less active, that is, so far as the standard makes are concerned. In novelty lines there is more activity, this being particularly true in regard to fancy-back overcoatings. Within the next ten days, according to reports, clothing manufacturers will open their fall lines, and a good trade is expected. The price announcements will be watched with interest. Worsteds rule quiet, with prices easier.

FOREIGN DRYGOODS.—Nothing of particular interest developed in the linen market during the past week. Prices held steady and fair orders for certain lines of dress fabrics were reported. The firmness of the market is ascribed to the curtailed production, as Irish and European looms are operating at not more than 50% of capacity, while supplies of flax are said to be below normal. There continues to be a good demand for supplies from department stores. There has been a good inquiry for burlaps, and smaller holders are inclined to expect higher prices. Calcutta advices remain firm, and local dealers are not offering goods at low prices. Owing to active demand from grain-bag or fertilizer people, heavy weights display the most strength. Some of the importers, however, are more or less skeptical about some of the recent high quotations holding, while others consider the situation firm, owing to the light production of mills in India. Spot lights are quoted at 4.25c, and spot heavies at 5.75c.

State and City Department

MUNICIPAL BOND SALES IN FEBRUARY.

We present herewith our detailed list of the municipal bond issues put out during the month of February, which the crowded condition of our columns prevented our publishing at the usual time.

The review of the month's sales was given on page 976 of the "Chronicle" of March 4. Since then several belated February returns have been received, changing the total for the month to \$70,057,053. The number of municipalities issuing bonds in February was 393 and the number of separate issues 488.

FEBRUARY BOND SALES.

Table with columns: Page, Name, Rate, Maturity, Amount, Price, Basis. Lists various municipal bond issues such as Abbeville Co. S. D. No. 22, So. Car., Acadia Parish, La., Adams Co., Ind. (4 iss.), etc.

Table with columns: Page, Name, Rate, Maturity, Amount, Price, Basis. Continuation of municipal bond issues from the previous table, including Delano Un. Gram. S. D., Calif., Delavan Com. H. S. D., Ill., etc.

Page.	Name.	Rate.	Maturity.	Amount.	Price.	Basis.
1097	Madison Co., Ind.	6		10,000	101.15	
651	Madison Co., Ind.	5	1923-1932	257,000	100	5.00
876	Madison Co. Sup. Dist., No. 2, Miss.	6	1922-1941	35,000	100.35	
981	Magnet, Neb. (2 issues)	6	1942	16,000		
651	Maine (State of)	4	1933-1942	650,000	99.159	4.05
762	Manchester, N. H.	4	1922-1941	100,000	97.51	4.33
651	Manchester Ninth S. D., Conn.	4 1/2	1923-1947	500,000	102.30	4.27
543	Maryland (State of)	4 1/2	1925-1937	500,000	101.91	4.25
876	Manteca U. H. S. D., Cal.	5 1/2	1928-1946	185,000	106.70	
876	Marianna, Fla.	6	1951	40,000	97	6.23
981	Maricopa Co. S. D. No. 31, Ariz.	6		35,000		
651	Marion, Kan.	5 1/2	1923-1942	57,000	100.15	5.48
876	Marion, No. Car. (2 lss.)	6	1952	55,000		
876	Marion Co., Ind.			200,000	104.560	
876	Marion Co., Ind.			70,000	104.062	
762	Marshall Co., Minn.	5 1/2	1928-1942	63,900	101.72	
876	Marshallville H. S. D., No. Caro.	6	1912	25,000	100.04	5.99
651	Massachusetts (State of)	4.023	1922	3,000,000	100	4.023
651	Massachusetts (State of)	4.23	1923	1,000,000	100	4.23
981	Maywood S. D., N. J.	6	1924-1926	18,000	101.91	5.60
981	Mercedes, Texas.			100,000	100.50	
651	Metuchen, N. J.	5	1924-1942	59,500	101.11	4.85
981	Middlesboro, Ky.			150,000		
543	Middletown City S. D., Ohio	5 1/2	1923-1946	600,000	103.28	5.14
651	Milan Rd. D. No. 29, Tex.	5 1/2	1927-1950	120,000		
1098	Miles City, Mont.	6		153,500	100.54	
762	Monona Co., Iowa.	6		75,000	101.25	
982	Monroe County, Ala.	5		250,000	100	5.00
762	Montezuma Co. S. D. No. 6, Colo.	5 1/2		30,000		
877	Montgomery Co., Md.	5	1923-1942	20,000	102.662	4.69
762	Montgomery Co., Ohio.	5 1/2	1923-1932	30,000	102	5.07
762	Montgomery Co., Ohio.	5		75,000	100.07	4.97
762	Mount Vernon, N. Y.	5	1925	217,000	100.88	4.68
652	Murdock, Neb.			8,000		
877	Muskingum Co., Ohio.	6	1923-1932	25,300	101.324	5.20
877	Muskingum Co., Ohio.	6	1923-1932	18,300	101.92	
652	Nankin S. D., Ohio.	6	1922-1931	5,000	100	6.00
763	Napa Un. H. S. D., Calif.	6	1926-1942	300,000	109.74	4.95
877	Natchitoches Par. Road Dist. No. 27, La.			85,000		
877	Nelson, Neb.		1927-1942	30,000		
877	Nelson, Neb.	6	1928-1937	20,000		
877	Nelson S. D., Neb.			100,000		
763	Newark, N. J.	4 1/2		500,000		
763	New Castle S. D., Pa.	4 1/2	1927-1936	300,000	100.854	4.39
982	New Prague, Minn.	6		98,000	100	6.00
763	New Hartford, Conn.	4 1/2	1952	75,000	102.10	4.13
543	New Haven, Conn.	4 1/2	1950	50,000		
543	New Haven, Conn.	4 1/2	1949	80,000	107.172	4.05
543	New Haven, Conn.	4 1/2	1947	250,000		
652	Newport, Ky.	5	1942	150,000	101.83	4.86
763	Norman Co., Minn.	5 1/2		10,885		
652	North Elba U. F. S. D., No. 2, N. Y.	4 1/2	1927-1939	65,000	100.13	4.74
763	North Sacramento S. D., Calif.	6	1923-1942	60,000	108.10	4.94
763	Nueces Co., Texas.	5 1/2		900,000	100	5.50
877	Oakdale U. H. S. D., Cal.	6	1923-1938	80,000	106.54	5.13
877	Oak Hill S. D., Ohio.	6	1928-1938	43,000	104.439	5.45
877	Oak Hill S. D., Ohio.	6	1938-1941	7,000	101.03	5.90
652	Ochlochnee, Ga.	6		25,000	97.835	
763	Ohio, Neb.			7,000		
982	Okeechobee, Fla.		1923-1932	30,000		
877	Omaha, Neb. (3 issues)	5	1942	650,000	105.31	4.59
982	Onelda, N. Y.	5	1923-1932	5,245	100.33	4.94
652	Oncida, N. Y.	5		43,000	101.57	4.66
982	Orange, Texas.			240,000	101.29	
982	Oshkosh S. D., No. Dak.	6	1932	25,000	100	6.00
877	Otter Tail Co. Ind. S. D., No. 47, Minn.	6		15,000	101.33	
763	Pacific Co. Sch. Dist. No. 6, Wash.	6		42,000	101	
763	Palo Verde Jt. Levee Dist., Calif.	6 1/2	1949-1958	54,952	104.03	
982	Paradise Irr. Dist., Calif.	6		140,000	95.07	
763	Park Co. Sch. Dist. No. 41, Mont.	6		4,082	100	6.00
1099	Pasadena, Calif.	5	1923-1942	40,000	101.20	4.84
652	Paulsboro, N. J.	6		55,000		
983	Pelham, N. Y.	6	1926-1948	92,000	113.3108	4.80
1099	Perry Township, Pa.	5		45,000		
763	Philadelphia, Pa.	4	1932-1952	9,000,000	100	4.25
544	Philadelphia S. D., Pa.	4		1,500,000	100	4.00
983	Pickaway Co., O. (2 lss.)	6	1922-1932	100,000	103.38	5.22
652	Pierre, So. Dak.	5 1/2		100,000	100.25r	5.73
877	Pierce Co. Sch. Dist. No. 2, Neb.	5 1/2	1938-1952	135,000	100.03	5.49
652	Pike County, Ind.	6	1923-1941	100,000	107.80	
652	Pittsburgh S. D., Pa.	4.30	1923-1952	5,000,000	100.79	4.225
877	Pleasant Township, Ohio.	6	1923-1924	2,500	100	6.00
878	Pocahontas County, Iowa	6	1926-1932	25,600	102.25	5.645
878	Pocahontas Co., Ia.	6	1926-1932	66,500	102.35	5.625
878	Pocahontas Co., Iowa	6	1927-1936	303,000	103.72	5.525
878	Pocatago Twp., So. Caro	6		32,000	100	6.00
983	Porter Co., Ind.	4 1/2	1923-1932	18,000	100	4.50
983	Port of Seattle, Wash.	5	1923-1962	244,000	99.05	5.07
878	Portsmouth, Ohio.	5 1/2	1923-1942	115,500		
878	Portsmouth, Ohio.	5 1/2	1923-1932	5,500	104.12	5.14
878	Portsmouth, Ohio.	6	1923-1942	59,000		
878	Portsmouth, Ohio.	6	1923-1932	16,000		
878	Price County, Wis.	5	1925-1934	70,000	100.03	4.99
653	Prince George's Co., Ind.	5	1952	65,500	106.05	4.67
764	Putnam Valley, N. Y.	4 1/2	1923-1942	10,000	100	4.50
878	Quanah, Texas.	6	1922-1961	40,000		
653	Rankin Sch. Dist., Pa.	5.60	1923-1951	100,000	108.15	4.95
653	Red Bank S. D., Calif.			15,000	100.26	
1100	Red Lake County, Minn.	5 1/2	1925-1937	41,800	100.25	
764	Redwood County, Minn., (4 issues)	4 1/2	1928-1942	60,000	100.02	4.74
983	Revere, Mass.	4 1/2	1932-1942	250,000		
764	Richwood, W. Va.	6	1931	40,000	101.81	5.77
653	Ripley Co., Ind. (2 issues)	4 1/2	1923-1932	18,800	100	4.50
983	Ripley Co., Ind.	4 1/2	1923-1932	12,000	100	4.50
653	Ripley County, Ind.	4 1/2	1923-1932	24,800	100.003	4.19
983	Robstown, Tex. (2 issues)	6		80,000		
878	Rockingham Co. S. D., No. Caro.	6		10,000	100	6.00
983	Rosedale, Texas.	6	1923-1952	30,000		
983	Rosedale S. D., Calif.	6	1925-1936	18,500	104.66	5.312
764	Rush County, Ind.	5	1923-1932	22,560	100	5.00
878	St. Clair, Minn.			30,000		
653	St. Francis Levee District, Ark.	6		139,000	100	6.00
764	Salem, Ore.	6		23,317	104.99	
653	Sampson Co., No. Caro.	5 1/2	1912	100,000	101.27	5.40
983	San Benito, Texas.	6	1923-1942	100,000	98	6.48
983	San Benito, Texas.	6	1922-1961	20,000	98	6.18
878	Sanders County, Mont.	6		80,000	100	6.00
878	Sanford, No. Caro.	6	1925-1946	22,000	100.75	5.92
878	Santa Ana Grammar Sch. District, Calif.	5	1923-1947	250,000		
878	Santa Rosa County, Fla.	6	1949	225,000	95	6.36
878	Sarpy County, Neb.	5	1924-1937	150,000	100.63	4.92
764	Scott City, Kans.			35,000		
878	Scott County, Iowa	5	1922-1925	450,000	100	5.00
1216	Seattle, Wash. (10 issues)	6	1934	215,861		
1216	Seattle, Wash.	7	1929	29,457		
878	Seminole Co. Spec. Rd. & Bridge Dist. No. 2., Fla.	6	1952	90,000	100.15	5.91

Page.	Name.	Rate.	Maturity.	Amount.	Price.	Basis.
1216	Seattle, Wash.	7 1/2	1929	109,425		
653	Shelley, Idaho.	6	1932-1942	10,000	100	6.00
1216	Sioux County, No. Dak.	6	1927-1942	90,000	100	6.00
981	South Boston, Va.	5 1/2	1942	200,090	100.63	5.44
981	Southington, Conn.	4 1/2	1952	47,000	106.26	4.14
1101	South San Joaquin Irrig. District, Calif.	5 1/2	1956-1958	60,000	101.50	5.405
764	South Sanpete Sch. Dist., Utah.	5	1941	133,000		
764	Sparta S. D. No. 1, Wisc.	5 1/2	1923-1937	225,000	103.20	
879	Springwells Twp., Mich.	5		45,000	100.30	
653	Springwells Twp. Unit Sch. Dist., Mich.	5		150,000		
1101	Stamford Ind. S. D., Tex.	6		80,000	100	6.00
984	Statesville, No. Caro.	5 1/2	1923-1952	150,000	100.28	5.48
879	Sterling, Colo.	6		25,000	107.25	5.29
654	Sullivan County, Ind.	5	1923-1932	4,400	100	5.00
654	Summit, N. J.	4 1/2	1923-1962	468,000	100.46	4.47
981	Swedesboro S. D., N. J.	5	1923-1962	150,000		
1216	Tacoma, Wash. (4 issues)	6	1929	4,086		
1216	Tacoma, Wash.	6	1934	2,500		
765	Talent Irrig. Dist., Ore.	6	1927-1948	476,000		
879	Tangipahoa Par. S. D., No. 52, La.	5		100,000	94.52	
654	Teilman S. D., Calif.	6	1922-1928	20,000	100	6.00
981	Thomasville, No. Caro.	6	1927-1951	100,000	102.16	5.81
981	Tiffin, Ohio.	6	1924-1929	19,000	102.18r	5.39
984	Tippecanoe Co., Ind.	5	1923-1932	7,000	100	5.00
879	Trinity Co. Rd. D., Tex.	5 1/2	1922-1941	170,000		
654	Troy, N. Y.	4 1/2	1923-1942	100,000	101.65	4.30
654	Trumbull County, Ohio.	5 1/2	1923-1931	254,000	100.68	5.32
879	Trumbull County, Ohio.	5 1/2		177,500		
984	Tyler, Texas.	5 1/2	1923-1952			

Page.	Name.	Rate.	Maturity.	Amount.	Price.	Basis.
765	Voorhees Twp., N. J. (Dec. 1921)	6	1922-1936	12,000	103	5.50
765	Washington Co., Minn.	5	1927-1940	38,000	104.06	---

All of the above sales (except as indicated) are for January. These additional January issues will make the total sales (not including temporary loans) for that month \$101,891,624.

DEBENTURES SOLD BY CANADIAN MUNICIPALITIES IN FEBRUARY.

Page.	Name.	Rate.	Maturity.	Amount.	Price.	Basis.
880	Brantford, Ont.	6		\$110,000	---	---
880	Carleton Co., Ont. (2 iss.)	5 1/2		270,000	100.03	---
880	Carleton County, Ont.	5 1/2		30,000	99.45	---
766	Dauphin R. M., Man.	---		25,000	100	---
1102	Dufferin R. M., Man.	6		60,000	101.30	---
766	Dysart Twp., Ont.	---		15,000	100.50	5.94
985	Hamil on, Ont. (2 iss.)	6		790,000	101.53	5.63
985	Hamilton, Ont.	---		250,000	---	---
880	Hespeler, Ont.	6		15,000	---	---
985	Kitchener, Ont.	6	1923-1942	248,000	103.41	5.54
880	Montreal, Que.	5 1/2	1932	5,000,000	99.188	5.61
880	Nehring Twp., Ont.	6		20,000	97.82	6.18
766	Oshawa, Ont. (2 issues)	6		123,135	103.329	5.61
766	Prescott & Russell Counties, Ont.	6		100,000	103.189	5.58
1104	Rockwood, Man.	6		42,228	103	---
1104	Saskatchewan Sch. Dist., Sask.	---		64,402	---	---
881	Saskatchewan S. D., Sask.	---		21,800	---	---
881	Selkirk, Man.	6 1/2		120,000	95	6.92
766	Sherbrooke, Que.	5		207,500	94.944	---
766	Sombra Twp., Ont.	---		8,000	---	---
881	Stratford, Ont. (4 issues)	6	1942	124,000	106.54	5.48
881	Stratford, Ont.	6	1952	52,000	---	---
766	Three Rivers, Que. (2 iss.)	6	1931	149,900	99.887	6.01
766	Tilbury, Ont.	6 1/2		42,000	102.14	---
881	Victoria, B. C.	6		101,000	99.367	6.12
881	Westmount, Que.	5 1/2	1923-1940	95,000	100.709	---
881	Westmount, Que. (2 iss.)	5 1/2	1923-1960	178,000	---	---
881	Weston, Ont.	6		51,551	100.60	5.92
655	Woodstock, Ont.	5 1/2		48,500	99.438	---

Total amount of debentures sold in Canada during February 1922. \$8 362,016

a Average date of maturity. d Subject to call in and during the earlier year and mature in the later year. k Not including \$4,220,000 of temporary loans reported, and which do not belong in the list. z Taken by sinking fund as an investment. y And other considerations. Refunding bonds.

NEWS ITEMS

New Jersey.—Legislature Adjourns.—The 146th session of the New Jersey Legislature adjourned a few minutes before 6 p. m. on March 17. The Newark "News" in a report from its Trenton Bureau dated March 18, reviewed the work of the session as follows:

In the closing hours the Republicans, dominating both houses, overrode a mass of vetoes by the Governor and put through some of the more important numbers in their program.

Four measures stand out in the earlier history of the session. They are the Senate bill giving further sanction to the New York Port Authority plan by an appropriation of \$100,000 to carry on New Jersey's share of the work; the Powell bill providing for the reorganization of the infantry units of the National Guard, subject to the approval of President Harding; the Morris Canal abandonment bill, by which a negotiating commission was named to handle the problem, and the adoption of the Roberts Senate concurrent resolution ratifying the Eighteenth Amendment. The Governor approved the Port Authority and Morris Canal bills and disapproved the National Guard enactment, but it was passed over his veto. The ratification resolution was not subject to his approval.

Bills Made Laws Over Veto.

Bills that this week became laws despite the previous disapproval of the Governor include:

- Three Parry bills giving Essex Board of Freeholders control of institutions at Soho and Verona.
- Repeal of the Pull Crew Law.
- Ouster of the Bridge and Tunnel Commission and establishing a new commission.
- Prohibition enforcement and supplementary measures.
- Providing for a bond issue of \$40,000,000 for State highways and bridges, subject to referendum at the general election next fall.
- Organization of a new headquarters troop of the State Police.
- Suspension of the operation of the State Highway Reimbursement Act for one year.

The measure providing for the ending of the terms of the present boards of education in Newark and Jersey City and the appointment of new boards to take office July 1.

Two bills vetoed by the Governor in addition to the anti-screen measure failed of passage by the Legislature. These were Senate 8, providing for the appointment of a State budget director, and House 351, authorizing the exchange of reciprocal or inter-insurance contracts. The budget director measure was killed in the Senate. The insurance bill was not moved in the House.

New York State.—Legislature Adjourns.—The 145th annual session of the New York Legislature adjourned sine die at 1 a. m. March 18. Approximately 2,000 bills were introduced in the Assembly and about 1,800 in the Senate. A special dispatch from Albany to the "Evening Post," dated March 18, summarized the work as follows:

In the final hours the Lockwood Trade Commission Bill was killed in the Assembly Rules Committee. The Lockwood Housing Committee record for the session include nine important bills passed and a like number defeated. The bill permitting life insurance companies to erect apartment houses was adopted and goes to Governor Miller.

Senator Lockwood, although disappointed at the defeat of the measure providing for a trade commission, is gratified over the enactment of the insurance rate-making bill. The measure puts all rate-making bureaus, particularly the casualty and fire exchanges, under the supervision of the State Superintendent of Insurance.

Among the measures passed at the session just closed were the Davenport committee bill taxing unincorporated business, the Weisell bill repealing what remains of the Direct Primary Law, and the measure repealing the Pull Crew Law.

Important measures passed and which may be classed as being without special political importance are the Lockwood housing bills, the amendments to the Transit Act, and the enactment of the Meyer-Mantle Port Authority Bill.

With the exception of two proposals, the entire group of recommendations submitted by Governor Miller received favorable action. These two measures were those providing for State printing in prisons and redistribution of the tax levies to relieve certain classes of what the Governor termed unequal burdens. Labor killed the former and protests raised by small business concerns upset the latter.

The proposals urged by the Governor and which were passed by the Legislature include:

- The bill authorizing the Attorney General to appear before the Public Service Commission on behalf of the public in the telephone investigation.
- Reorganization of the Farms and Markets Department.
- Construction of the Brooklyn State Hospital at Creedmoor.
- The Port Authority Bill.
- A series of welfare bills, including the Davenport maternity and infants' welfare measure.

Increased pay for convict labor.
County juvenile courts and welfare boards.
Improved care for crippled children.
Creation of a central State purchasing department.
Bill destroying the State printing monopoly.
Robinson measures providing for water-power development.
Constitutional amendment amalgamating all State departments having to do with construction and maintenance.

Livermore bill increasing the district representation on county party committees so as to allow equal representation of women with men.

State supervision over the construction of motion picture and other theatres and places used for public gatherings, to insure their safety.
Investigation into the excessive costs of local government by the Davenport Committee.

Highway appropriations totaling over \$21,000,000 and the \$7,000,000 reduction in appropriations for the support of the Government.

The comprehensive tax revision program submitted by the Davenport joint legislative committee on taxation and retrenchment was sidetracked, due largely to the fact that no way could be found to replace the revenues of cities that would have been eliminated. The greatest protest was raised against the proposal to impose a 4% tax on unincorporated business. Other measures dealing with tax matters and which were not passed include the repeal of the personal property tax, the bank stock tax; the Betts bill putting a 6% tax on the gross receipts of racing associations, and the Robinson bill taxing outdoor advertising. A number of minor amendments to the Income Tax Law were passed.

The State branch of the American Legion was only partly successful in its efforts to obtain legislation for the welfare of former service men. Several bills were introduced early in the session to provide relief, but the failure of the American Legion to present a definite program resulted in delaying the bills. The Legion urged passage of the Brundage bill appropriating \$30,000,000 out of current funds for bonus purposes, but Governor Miller's opposition to this plan killed it. The Legislature instead passed the Brundage bill providing relief for disabled veterans who have been out of work for more than fourteen days. It appropriates \$1,000,000. The Barnes resolution amending the Constitution so as to pave the way for a \$45,000,000 soldier bond issue two years from now, if the resolution is approved at the polls next year, was also adopted.

Proposals for "blue sky" laws to protect the public against stock swindlers were assigned to the graveyard, as the leaders decided to adopt the bill giving the Attorney-General \$10,000 with which to enforce the Martin Act of last year.

Bill Amending Savings Bank Law Signed by Governor.—Governor Miller on March 23 signed the bill amending paragraph (d) of subdivision (8) of Section 39 of the State Banking Law. The amendment extends the limit placed on the amount a savings bank may loan to a holder of a pass-book of any savings bank in the State from 90% of the balance due the holder to 100%. The text of this bill may be found in the "Chronicle" of Feb. 18 on page 757.

BOND PROPOSALS AND NEGOTIATIONS this week have been as follows:

ADAMS COUNTY (P. O. West Union), Ohio.—BONDS NOT SOLD—BONDS TO BE RE-OFFERED—The \$68,000 5 1/2% bonds offered on March 13—V. 114, p. 977—were sold to the Tillotson & Wolcott Co. of Cleveland at 102.007 on the condition that the issue be approved by Shaffer and Williams of Cincinnati. The bonds were not approved due to the fact that they mature in fifteen years and the above attorneys hold that the bonds should mature in ten years. The bonds will be reoffered on April 6.

ALAMO, Crockett County, Tenn.—BOND ELECTION.—A special election will be held on April 10 to vote on the question of issuing \$15,000 street paving bonds.

ALLENDALE COUNTY (P. O. Allendale), So. Caro.—BOND SALE.—The Carolina Bond & Mortgage Co. of Columbia has purchased \$15,000 6% road bonds at par plus a premium of \$475. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1922.

ALLIANCE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Alliance), Stark County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$70,000 5% bonds offered on March 20—V. 114, p. 1209—were sold to Minton, Lambert & Co. of Chicago at par and accrued interest, plus a premium of \$782 (101.114), a basis of about 4.85%. Date April 1 1922. Duo \$5,000 yearly on April 1 from 1927 to 1940, incl.

APACHE COUNTY (P. O. St. Johns), Ariz.—BOND SALE.—The \$175,000 6% gold road bonds offered on March 6—V. 114, p. 872—have been sold to the Bankers Trust Co. of Denver on its bid of \$176,895 25 (101.083) and interest. Date Feb. 1 1922. Duo Feb. 1 1957, optional Feb. 1 1937. The following are the bids received:
Bankers Trust Co., Denver.....\$176,895 25
Siddo, Simons, Fels & Co., Denver..... 175,175 00
Sutherland, Barry & Co., Inc., New Orleans..... 175,000 00
Green, Todd & Co..... 172,300 00
W. L. Slayton & Co., Toledo..... 172,375 00
All the above bidders offered accrued interest.

ANDERSON-COTTONWOOD IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Anderson), Shasta County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—It is stated that this district sold \$35,000 6% bonds to a Redding bank at 95.20. The bonds mature in 1933. It is also stated that there was one other bid of 95.

ANDOVER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Andover), Ashtabula County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—J. E. Baker, District Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m. April 10 for \$100,000 5 1/2% bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1922. Int. M. & S. Duo \$2,000 each six months from Sept. 1 1923 to March 1 1945 incl., and \$3,000 each six months from Sept. 1 1945 to March 1 1947 incl. Certified check for 5% of the amount bid for, drawn upon some solvent bank in the State of Ohio, payable to the Board of Education, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

ARCANUM, Darke County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$5,000 6% water works and electric light improvement bonds offered on March 11—V. 114, p. 872—were sold to W. L. Slayton & Co. at par and accrued int., plus a premium of \$38 (100.76), a basis of about 5.88%. Date May 1 1920. Duo \$500 yearly on March 1 from 1925 to 1934, incl. A premium of \$5 05 was offered by the City Trust & Savings Bank.

ASHTON, Fremont County, Ida.—BOND SALE.—During October 1921, \$51,000 7% Lateral Sewer District No. 1 bonds were sold to It. M. Hardson & Co. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1921. Int. J. & J. Duo in 20 years, optional after 10 years.

ASTORIA, Clatsop County, Ore.—BIDS.—The following bids were received on March 10 for the \$250,000 6% 20-year water bonds, dated April 1 1922:
Hlyth, Witter & Co., Portl. \$100.10 | Freeman, Smith & Camp
Ralph Schneider Co., Portl. 98.05 | Co., Portland..... \$97.13
All the above bidders offered accrued interest.

* Notice that this bid had been accepted was given in last week's issue on page 1209.

ATHENS, McMinn County, Tenn.—BOND SALE.—Baker, Gamble & Brown of Chattanooga have purchased \$90,000 street bonds.

ATLANTA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Cass County, Texas.—BONDS REGISTERED.—The State Comptroller of Texas registered \$65,000 6% serial bonds on March 13.

ATTLEBORO, Bristol County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—The temporary loan of \$150,000 dated March 21 and due Nov. 21 and due Nov. 21 1922 which was offered on March 15 was sold to Crafton & Co. on a 4.99% discount basis.

AUXILIARY EASTERN CANAL IRRIGATION DISTRICT, Maricopa County, Ariz.—BOND OFFERING.—Frank H. Parker, Secretary Board of Directors, (P. O. 119-120 Fleming Block, Phoenix) will receive sealed proposals until 3 p. m. April 14 for \$2,000,000 coupon bonds at not exceeding 7% interest. Denom. \$100 each, or multiple thereof, as may be desired by the purchaser or purchasers. Date April 15 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J & J) payable at the County Treasurer's office or at

any other place in the United States designated by the purchaser. Due \$100,000 yearly on April 15 from 1933 to 1952 incl. Cert. check for a sum not less than 5% of the amount of bid, required. Proposals for the purchase of the bonds are invited, each proposal stating the rate of interest and the denomination of bonds desired by bidder, with alternative proposals covering the following:

- (a) Entire issue of bonds to be delivered and paid for immediately;
- (b) Entire issue of bonds to be delivered and paid for as follows: One-fourth immediately, one-fourth at the expiration of four months, one-fourth at the expiration of eight months, one-fourth at the expiration of one year.

Each installment delivered to consist of as nearly as possible an equal amount of the longer term and of the shorter term bonds, as the Board of Directors may be able to select.

The purchaser of the bonds shall cause same to be prepared and furnished to the Board of Directors at expense of said purchaser. The notice of this offering was already given in last week's issue on page 1209. It is given again because of the additional data available.

BABYLON, Suffolk County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Harry N. Jackson, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. March 27 for \$120,000 5% road improvement bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the Village Treasurer's office. Due \$12,000 yearly on April 1 from 1923 to 1932 incl. Cert. check for 5% of the issue required.

BAIRD, Callahan County, Texas.—BOND SALE.—W. L. Slayton & Co., Toledo, have purchased the \$60,000 6% water bonds offered on March 22—V. 114, p. 1209—at 98.16.

BAILEY, Nash County, No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 3 p. m. April 4 by Hoke Smith, Town Clerk, for \$20,000 6% electric light bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date May 1 1922. Due \$1,000 yearly from 1925 to 1944. Legality approved by Bruce Craven of Trinity, and Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge, Boston.

BALDWINVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Baldwinville), Onondago County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—R. B. Orvis, Clerk of the Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until April 3 for \$225,000 bonds at not exceeding 6% int. per annum. Date April 1 1922. Due \$5,000 yearly from 1923 to 1937 incl. and \$6,000 yearly from 1938 to 1962 inclusive.

BAYFIELD COUNTY (P. O. Washburn), Wisc.—BOND SALE.—On March 22 the \$111,000 5% highway bonds, dated April 1 1922 (V. 114, p. 1093) were sold to the Second Ward Securities Co. of Milwaukee on its bid of 101.44.

BEDFORD, Taylor County, Iowa.—BOND SALE.—According to reports, an issue of \$15,000 water-works bonds has been sold.

BELLFLOWER SCHOOL DISTRICT, Los Angeles County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.—L. E. Lampton, County Clerk and Ex-officio Clerk Board of County Supervisors (P. O. Los Angeles), will receive sealed bids until 11 a. m. April 3 for \$30,000 5½% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1922. Principal and semi-annual interest payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due on April 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1923 to 1931, inclusive; \$2,000, 1932 to 1937, inclusive; and \$3,000, 1938 to 1940, inclusive. Certified check for 3% of the amount of the bonds, payable to the Chairman Board of County Supervisors, required.

BELLWOOD, Butler County, Nebr.—BOND ELECTION.—An election is to be held April 4 to vote upon \$6,000 municipal lighting installation bonds.

BETHLEHEM, Northampton County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—Thomas Ganey, City Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 9:30 a. m. April 10 for the following 4½% gold bonds: \$500,000 Hill-to-Hill Bridge bonds. Due \$16,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1927 to 1931, inclusive, and \$20,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1932 to 1952, inclusive.

450,000 street-improvement funding bonds. Due \$15,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1924 to 1937, inclusive, and \$16,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1938 to 1952, inclusive. Date Jan. 1 1922. Interest semi-annual. Certified check for 2% of the amount bid for, payable to the City Treasurer, required.

BEXLEY, Franklin County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—S. W. Roderick, Village Clerk, will receive bids until 12 m. April 4 at the Market Exchange Bank in Columbus for the following 6% assessment bonds aggregating \$139,000:

- \$48,000 Ashbourne Road improvement bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$2,000 yearly on April 1 from 1922 to 1933 incl. and \$3,000 yearly on April 1 from 1934 to 1941 incl.
- 14,000 Ashbourne Place improvement bonds. Denom. \$700. Due \$700 yearly on April 1 from 1922 to 1941 incl.
- 60,000 Cassady Ave. improvement bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$6,000 yearly on April 1 from 1923 to 1932 incl.
- 8,500 Plymouth Ave. improvement bonds. Denom. \$850. Due \$850 yearly on April 1 from 1923 to 1932 incl.
- 8,500 Dale Ave. improvement bonds. Denom. \$850. Due \$850 yearly on April 1 from 1923 to 1932 incl.

Date April 1 1921. Int. payable semi-ann. (A. & O.). Cert. check for 5% of amount bid for, payable to the Village Treasurer, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for within ten days from date of award. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—BOND SALE.—The \$300,000 5% tax-free market house or houses bonds offered on Mar. 21 (V. 114, p. 872) have been awarded jointly to Caldwell & Co., Nashville, and Steiner Bros. of Birmingham at 100.270, a basis of about 4.96%. Date Apr. 1 1922. Due \$50,000 in each of the years 1918, 1929, 1930 and 1931 and \$100,000 1932.

BIRMINGHAM, Oakland County, Mich.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 12 m. March 25 for the following 6% bonds: \$4,302 11 general obligation sewer bonds. Due yearly on Oct. 1 from 1922 to 1926, inclusive.

4,314 22 general obligation sewer bonds. Due yearly on Jan. 1 from 1923 to 1927, inclusive.

2,400 00 general obligation sewer bonds. Due Feb. 1 1927.

1,404 74 special assessment sewer bonds. Due yearly on Oct. 1 from 1922 to 1926, inclusive.

3,362 13 special assessment sewer bonds. Due yearly on Jan. 1 from 1923 to 1927, inclusive.

BOONTON, Morris County, N. J.—BOND SALE.—The issue of water bonds offered on March 16—V. 114, p. 977—was sold to Harris, Forbes & Co. of New York City at their bid of \$131,314 80 (101.12) for 129 bonds (\$129,000), a basis of about 4.625%. The issue is described as follows: Denom. \$1,000. Date March 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & S.) payable at the United States Mortgage & Trust Co. in New York City. Due \$4,000 yearly on March 1 from 1923 to 1939, incl.; \$3,000 yearly on March 1 from 1940 to 1959, incl., and \$1,000 on March 1 1960. Int. rate 5%.

BOULDER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3, Colo.—BOND SALE.—The \$50,000 5% bonds offered on March 17—V. 114, p. 1093—were sold on March 18 to Jas. H. Causey & Co. of Denver at 100.02, a basis of about 4.99%. Due \$40,000 March 1 1923 and \$10,000 March 1 1924. These bonds are part of the \$404,000 bonds voted at an election last fall—V. 113, p. 2331. It is announced that the remainder of the bonds will not be sold at present. The following are the bids received:

James H. Causey & Co. 100.02 | Sidlo, Simons, Fels & Co. 99.175
Boettcher, Porter & Co. 99.95 | First National Bank, Boulder 99.00
Antonides & Co. 99.71 | International Trust Co. 98.870
Bankers Trust Co. 99.615 | E. H. Rollins & Sons 98.745
Benwell, Phillips, Este & Co. 99.56 | Crosby, McConnell & Co. 98.71
Bosworth, Chanute & Co. 99.52 | Keeler Brothers & Co. -----

All of the above bidders with the exception of the one indicated, are located at Denver.

BREMOND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Bremond), Robertson County, Texas.—BOND OFFERING.—Edward W. Roberts, Secretary of School Board, will receive sealed bids at any time for \$35,000 5% 10-40 years (opt.) registered school bonds.

BRICELYN, Faribault County, Minn.—BONDS VOTED.—Recently \$6,500 water works reconstruction and \$5,500 funding bonds carried, it is stated.

BRITTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Britton), Marshall County, So. Dak.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 1:30 p. m. Apr. 4 by E. O. Jones, Clerk Board of Education, for \$25,000 funding bonds at not exceeding 5½% interest. Denom. \$1,000. Date Apr 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) payable at

the First National Bank, Minneapolis. Due Jan. 1 as follows: \$10,000 1932 and 1937 and \$5,000 1942. Cert. check for \$2,500 required.

BRONSON SPECIAL ROAD DISTRICT, Taney County, Mo.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$9,000 tax-free coupon bonds has been sold to Bowman, Cost & Co., of St. Louis. Denom. \$500. Date Nov. 1 1921. Principal and semi-annual interest (M. & N.) payable at the Mercantile Trust Co., St. Louis. Due on Nov. 1 as follows: \$500, 1923 and 1926, and \$1,000 yearly from 1929 to 1936, inclusive.

BROOKLYN HEIGHTS VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Brooklyn Heights), Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Clarence Pretzer, District Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. Apr. 10 for \$75,000 6% coupon bonds. Denom. \$500 each. Date day of sale. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the Home Branch of the Pearl Street Savings & Trust Co. Due yearly on Oct. 1 as follows: \$3,000 1923 to 1933 incl. and \$3,500 from 1934 to 1945 incl. Cert. check for 10% of the amount bid for, payable to the District Treasurer, required. Bonds to be delivered at the Prosecutor's office, Old Court House. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

BROWARD COUNTY (P. O. Fort Lauderdale), Fla.—BOND OFFERING.—Frank A. Bryan, Clerk Board of County Commissioners, will receive sealed bids until Apr. 11 for \$600,000 road bonds.

BUFFALO LAKE, Renville County, Minn.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 8 p. m. March 27 by the Town Recorder, for \$5,000 6% funding bonds. These bonds were voted at the election held March 14—V. 114, p. 1093.

BUHL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3 (P. O. Buhl), Twin Falls County, Idaho.—SUIT FILED.—Bondholders of District No. 3 school bonds have filed suit against the district on account of interest payments not being made.

BUNCOMBE COUNTY (P. O. Asheville), No. Caro.—BOND SALE.—The \$100,000 road and bridge funding bonds offered on March 20—V. 114, p. 1093—have been awarded as 5s to the Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co. of Cincinnati at par plus a premium of \$130, equal to 100.13, a basis of about 4.99%. Date April 1 1922. Due \$5,000 yearly on April 1 from 1933 to 1952, incl.

BURKE COUNTY (P. O. Morganton), No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.—J. R. Howard, Clerk Board of County Commissioners will receive sealed bids until 11 a. m. Apr. 3 for the following 6% road bonds: \$20,000 Quaker Meadows Township bonds. Due \$1,000 yearly on May 1 from 1928 to 1947.

20,000 Upper Creek Township bonds. Due \$1,000 yearly on May 1 from 1928 to 1944.

17,000 Lower Fork Township bonds. Due \$1,000 on May 1 from 1928 to 1944.

Denom. \$1,000. Date May 1 1922. Legal proceedings and preparation and sale of the bonds under the supervision of County Attorney N. M. Patton, of Morganton, and Bruce Craven, of Trinity; and validity approved by Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge, of Boston. The bonds will be delivered to the purchaser on the first day of May, together with the certified transcript, the usual final delivery certificates, and the approval opinion.

BURLINGTON, Burlington County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—Shreve R. Taylor, City Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. April 4 for an issue of \$50,000 temporary improvement bonds and an issue of \$27,000 temporary improvement bonds. The two issues are described as follows: Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-annual int. (J. & J.) payable at the City Treasurer's office. Bonds bear 5½% int. per annum and are issued in coupon form, with the privileges of registration as to principal only as to both principal and interest. Due Jan. 1 1928. Cert. check for 2% of the amount bid for, drawn upon an incorporated bank or trust company, payable to the City, required. The approving opinion of Hawkins, Delafield & Longfellow of New York will be furnished the purchaser. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

BUTLER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Castine), Darke County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—H. E. Shaeffer, District Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. April 8 for \$150,000 5% coupon bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the District Treasurer's office, or at the First State Bank in West Manchester, Ind. Due each six months as follows: \$2,000 from Oct. 1 1923 to April 1 1928 incl.; \$3,000 from Oct. 1 1928 to Oct. 1 1930 incl.; \$4,000 from April 1 1931 to April 1 1933 incl.; \$5,000 from Oct. 1 1933 to Oct. 1 1936 incl.; \$6,000 from April 1 1937 to Oct. 1 1939 incl., and \$8,000 from April 1 1940 to April 1 1941 incl. Certified check for 2% of the amount bid for, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

CALIFORNIA, Moniteau County, Mo.—TO VOTE ON WATER BONDS.—It is stated that this city will vote on \$60,000 water bonds.

CAMDEN, Camden County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—Sidney P. McCord, City Comptroller, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. April 24 for the following 4½% coupon (with privilege of registration) bonds not to exceed the amounts stated below:

- \$1,000,000 school bonds. Due yrly. on April 1 as follows: \$30,000 from 1923 to 1945 incl. and \$31,000 from 1946 to 1955 incl.
- 150,000 water bonds. Due yrly. on April 1 as follows: \$3,000 from 1923 to 1932 incl. and \$1,000 from 1933 to 1962 incl.
- 30,000 fire department bonds. Due \$3,000 yrly. on April from 1923 to 1932 incl.

Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the City Treasurer's office. Cert. check for 2% of amount bid for, drawn upon an incorporated bank or trust company, required. Check for school bond issue is to be made payable to the Custodian of School Monies and for the other two issues to the City Treasurer. The successful bidder will be furnished with the opinion of Hawkins, Delafield & Longfellow of New York City, that the bonds are valid obligations of Camden. The bonds will be printed under the supervision of the United States Mortgage & Trust Co. of New York City, which will certify as to the genuineness of the signatures and seal on the bonds. These are the bonds which were to be offered on March 27 as 4½s—V. 114, p. 1210.

CAMDEN COUNTY, (P. O. Camden), N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—Robert A. Stack, Chairman of the Finance Committee, will receive sealed bids until 11 a. m. April 10 for \$102,000. Coupon or registered temporary impt. bonds at not exceeding 6% interest per annum. Denom. \$1,000. Int. semi-annually. Due in 6 years. Cert. check for 2% of the amount bid for required. Legality approved by Caldwell & Raymond of New York City.

CANTON, Stark County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$30,000 6% intercepting sanitary trunk sewer construction bonds offered on March 17—V. 114, p. 873—were sold to Seasongood & Mayer of Cincinnati at par and accrued interest, plus a premium of \$2,717.50, equal to 109.05, a basis of about 4.97%. Date Feb. 1 1922. Due yearly on Feb. 1 as follows: \$1,000 from 1924 to 1931 incl. and \$2,000 from 1932 to 1942 incl. The following bids were received:

Seasongood & Mayer, Cln. \$2,717 50 | Otis & Co., Cleveland. ----- \$1,841
Stacy & Braun, Toledo. ----- 2,637 00 | Ryan Bowman & Co., Toledo. 1,833
W. L. Slayton & Co., Tol. ----- 2,451 00 | Sidney Spitzer & Co., Toledo. 1,542

BONDS NOT SOLD.—The \$16 04 6% sanitary sewer construction bonds also offered on March 17—V. 114, p. 873—were not sold as no bid were received.

CARRIZOZO, Lincoln County, New Mex.—BOND ELECTION.—An election is to be held Apr. 4 to vote upon \$25,000 6% municipal water-system bonds. W. W. Stadman, Town Clerk.

CASS TOWNSHIP (P. O. Dugger), Sullivan County, Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$12,000 5% bonds offered on Mar. 18 (V. 114, p. 1093) were sold to R. B. Smith of Dugger at par and accrued int. plus a premium of \$5, which is equal to 100.04, a basis of about 4.99%. Date July 1 1922. Due \$250 each six months from Jan. 1 1923 to July 1 1936 incl. and \$500 each six months from Jan. 1 1937 to July 1 1941 incl. A bid of par and accrued int., plus a premium of \$30, was submitted by Perry Hochstetter, but it was rejected on account of a condition it contained. The condition was that the contract for remodeling the building was to be awarded to him.

CATAHOULA PARISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 9, La.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until April 18 by H. W. Wright, Secretary of School Board (P. O. Jonesville), for \$12,000 school bonds. Date Jan. 1 1920. A certified check on some bank chartered under the laws to do business in Louisiana or some national bank authorized to do business in Louisiana, for a sum equal to 2½% of the amount of the issue, required. For further information concerning the bond issue and the pro-

proceedings leading thereto, apply to Martin & Campbell, bond attorneys, 600 Title Guarantee Building, New Orleans, La.

CENTRAL OREGON IRRIGATION DISTRICT, (P. O. Redmond), Deschutes County, Ore.—BOND OFFERING.—James G. McGuffie, Secretary, will receive bids until 2 p. m. April 11 for \$180,000 6% bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Jan. 1 1922. Certified check for 10% required.

CHADRON, Dawes County, Nebr.—BOND OFFERING.—The City Clerk will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. Apr. 3 for the \$32,000 6% coupon Paving District No. 2 bonds (V. 114, p. 759). Denom. \$1,000. Date Apr. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due \$2,000 yearly from 1927 to 1942 incl., optional after 1927. Cert. check for 1% required.

CHAPEL HILL, Orange County, N. C.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed proposals will be received by C. B. Griffin, Town Clerk-Treasurer, until 2:30 p. m. April 4 for the following 6% gold bonds: \$31,500 public improvement bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due yearly on Jan. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1925 to 1935 incl., and \$2,000, 1936 to 1945 incl.

3,500 funding bonds. Denom. \$500. Due \$500 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1923 to 1929 incl. Date Jan. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) payable in gold in New York. Certified check on an incorporated bank or trust company (or cash), for 2% of bid, payable to above official, required. 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 town officials and the seal impressed thereon. Legality will be approved by Charles 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. on or about April 11 1922, and must then be paid for in New York funds.

CHARTER OAK SCHOOL DISTRICT, Los Angeles County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—On March 6 the \$10,000 5 1/2% school bonds—V. 111, p. 873—were sold to the Wm. R. Staats Co. at 103.10, and interest, a basis of about 5.11%. Date March 1 1922. Due \$500 yearly on March 1 from 1923 to 1942 incl. The only other bidder was the Citizens National Bank of Los Angeles, which offered 100.10.

CHELSEA, Suffolk County, Mass.—LOAN OFFERING.—Thomas B. Frost, City Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 11 a. m. March 27 for a temporary loan of \$200,000 dated March 28 and due Nov. 7 1922.

CHESTER COUNTY (P. O. Henderson), Tenn.—BOND SALE.—Elston & Co. of Chicago have purchased the \$90,000 5 1/2% coupon road bonds offered on Mar. 7 1921—V. 112, p. 867—at 100.27 a basis of about 5.48%. Date July 1 1920. Due \$3,000 yrly. from 1922 to 1951 incl.

CLEARWATER, Pinellas County, Fla.—BOND OFFERING.—J. R. Thomas, City Clerk, will receive sealed proposals until 8 p. m. April 19 for the following 6% 30-year bonds: \$55,000 street paving bonds. 25,000 sewer extension bonds. 40,000 funding bonds. 40,000 water works extension bonds. 50,000 city hall building bonds.

Certified check for 2% of bid required. Bids will be received for all of bonds as a whole or for each issue separately.

CLE ELUM, Kittitas County, Wash.—BOND SALE.—John E. Price & Co. of Seattle have purchased \$50,000 6% water bonds. Date March 1 1922. Due March 1 1942, optional \$5,000 March 1 1933, a like amount each year thereafter.

CLERMONT COUNTY (P. O. Batavia), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—H. C. Reed, Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, will receive sealed bids until 11 a. m. April 3 for \$18,500 6% I. C. H. No. 8, Section "L," Miami Township bonds. Denom. 1 for \$500 and 18 for \$1,000 each. Date March 1 1922. Int. M. & S. Due in ten years from March 1 1924. Certified check, payable to the County Treasurer, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

COITSVILLE TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Scienceville), Mahoning County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—C. F. Shipton, District Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. April 11 for \$24,000 6% bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the Commercial Nat. Bank in Youngstown. Due \$1,000 yearly on Apr. 1 from 1923 to 1946, incl. Cert. check for \$1,000 payable to the above Clerk, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

CORONA HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, Riverside County, Calif.—BIDS.—The following is a complete list of the bids received on Feb. 27 for the \$150,000 5 1/2% 17 1/2-year (aver.) school bonds: R. H. Morrison & Co. and Bond, Goodwin & Tucker, Inc. \$160,129 50 Blyth, Witter & Co. 159,825 00 National City Co. and Anglo & London-Paris Nat. Bank 159,570 00 Frick, Martin & Co. 158,525 00 District Bond Co. 158,180 00 Citizens National Bank 157,900 00 Bank of Italy 157,288 00 California Company and Wm. R. Staats Co. 155,426 00 Farson, Son & Co. 150,089 00

All the above bidders offered accrued interest. * Notice that this bid had been successful in obtaining the bonds was given in V. 114, p. 978.

Financial Statement. Assessed valuation \$1,067,220 Total debt, including this issue 180,000

CROOK COUNTY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1, Ore.—BID.—The "Pacific Banker," of Portland, Ore., under date of March 16, said:

"A bid of \$55,000 was entered by the Inland Construction Co. of Portland for bonds of Lone Pine Irrigation District, now known as Crook County Improvement District No. 1. The company proposed to accept the bonds of the district at par and entered an alternative bid totalling \$52,000 if the board should decide upon the use of 30-inch pipe. There were no other bids.

CULBERTSON, Hitchcock County, Neb.—BOND SALE.—The \$15,000 6% 20-year (opt.) water works construction bond, dated April 1 1922, offered on March 7—V. 114, p. 83—has been sold to the Omaha Trust Co. of Omaha.

CURRY SCHOOL TOWNSHIP (P. O. Farmersburg), Sullivan County, Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$90,000 5% bonds offered on Mar. 20 (V. 114, p. 873) were sold at par and accrued int. to J. F. Wild & Co. of Indianapolis. Date Mar. 15 1922. Due \$3,000 each six months from June 15 1923 to Dec. 15 1937 incl. There was no other bid received.

CUYAHOGA FALLS, Summit County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—H. O. Bollenbacher, Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. April 11 for the following 6% sanitary sewer bonds: \$1,000 North Newberry St. bonds. Due \$500 yearly on April 1 from 1923 to 1941 incl. 25,000 North Newberry St. bonds. Due \$2,500 yearly on April 1 from 1923 to 1941 incl. Denom. \$500. Date April 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the Citizens Bank in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. Certified check for 10% of the amount bid for principal to be City Treasurer, required.

DECATUR COUNTY (P. O. Greensburg), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Chas. B. Evans, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. April 6 for the following 5% highway bonds aggregating \$9,000: \$10,400 Roscoe B. King Adams and City Township bonds. Denom. \$110.

22,800 Charles A. Whipple et al Marion Township bonds. Denom. \$70 10,000 John B. Blumpp et al Spencer Township bonds. Denom. \$50 15,400 August F. Fies et al Fust Township bonds. Denom. 20 for \$70 and 20 for \$70 each 7,000 Alexander Gardner et al Marlon and Sandcreek Township bonds. Denom. \$30 15,000 John W. Patterson Clinton Township bonds. Denom. 20 for \$50 and 20 for \$20 each 8,400 Chris. Ziegler et al Fugh Township bonds. Denom. \$40 Date March 15 1922. Int. M. & S. Due 1/20th of each issue each six months from May 15 1923 to Nov. 15 1942 incl. Certified check for 3% of the amount bid for required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

DAYTON SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Dayton), Montgomery County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$1,000,000 5% coupon school bonds offered on March 16—V. 114, p. 978—were sold to a syndicate headed by Harris, Forbes & Co., N. Y., and also consisting of the National City Co.; Estabrook & Co., N. Y.; and Curtis & Sanger, all of New York, and Hayden, Miller & Co. of Cleveland. The price paid was par and accrued interest, plus a premium of \$26,090, equal to 102.609, a basis of about 4.73%. Date March 16 1922. Due yearly on Sept. 16 as follows: \$42,000, 1923 and 1924; \$41,000, 1925; \$42,000, 1926 and 1927; \$41,000, 1928; \$42,000, 1929 and 1930; \$41,000, 1931; \$42,000, 1932 and 1933; \$41,000, 1934; \$42,000, 1935 and 1936; \$41,000, 1937; \$42,000, 1938 and 1939; \$41,000, 1940; \$42,000, 1941 and 1942; \$41,000, 1943; \$42,000, 1944 and 1945, and \$41,000 in 1946. The following is a complete list of the bids received on March 16 for the issue:

Table with columns: Bidder, Amount, Due, Price, Yield, Premium. Lists various banks and financial institutions with their respective bid amounts and yields.

The issue is being offered by the Harris, Forbes & Co. syndicate at the following prices:

Table with columns: Amount, Due, Price, Yield. Lists bond amounts and yields for various dates from 1923 to 1946.

Accrued interest to be added. Financial Statement (As Officially Reported).

Assessed valuation for taxation 1921 \$239,886.420 Total debt, including this issue \$3,085,000 Less sinking fund 84,776

Net debt 3,000,224 Population, 1920 Census, 152,550.

DERBY, New Haven County, Conn.—BOND OFFERING.—Frank M. Clark, City Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. Mar. 28 for \$45,000 4 1/2% coupon (with privilege of registration) highway-impt. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Apr. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the City Treasurer's office. Due \$1,000 Apr. 1 1923, and \$2,000 yearly on Apr. 1 from 1924 to 1945, incl. Cert. check for \$1,000, payable to the City Treasurer, required. Legality approved by John C. Thomson of New York City.

DETROIT, Wayne County, Mich.—BONDS OFFERED BY BANKERS.—The following five issues of bonds sold to a syndicate composed of Kuhn, Loeb & Co.; Hallgarten & Co., and Kidder, Peabody & Co., all of New York, on March 7 (V. 114, p. 1095) are being offered to investors at the prices given at the bottom of this item:

Table listing bond issues with columns: Amount, Maturity, 5% Bds, 4 1/2% Bds. Includes issues for \$6,000,000, \$4,000,000, \$2,500,000, \$1,000,000, and \$1,000,000.

Table with columns: Maturity, 5% Bds, 4 1/2% Bds. Lists offering prices for maturities from 1932 to 1938.

DEWITT UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 11 (P. O. Jamesville), Onondaga County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—J. H. Paul, President of the Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. March 30 for \$10,000 5% bonds. Denom. \$2,000. Date April 15 1922. Prin. and annual int. payable at the First Trust & Deposit Co. in Syracuse. Due \$2,000 yearly on Nov. 1 from 1922 to 1941 incl. Certified check for 5% of the amount bid for required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

DICKINSON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Dickinson), Dickinson County, N. Dak.—BOND SALE.—On March 14 the \$50,000 6% 20-year funding bonds—V. 114, p. 1095—were sold to the Drake Ballard Co. of Minneapolis at 102.93, a basis of about 5.75%. Denom. \$500. Int. J. & J.

DODGE COUNTY (P. O. Juneau), Wis.—BOND SALE.—On March 21 the \$700,000 5 1/2% 7 1/2-year (aver.) coupon highway bonds—V. 114, p. 1095—were sold to the Merchants' Loan & Trust Co. of Chicago at 101.31, a basis of about 4.73%. Due on April 1 as follows: \$200,000, 1923; \$80,000, 1924; \$140,000, 1928; \$60,000, 1933, and \$120,000, 1938.

DOLGEVILLE, Herkimer County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$5,000 4% street improvement bonds was recently sold to a local investor.

DUNCAN ROAD DISTRICT, Bolivar County, Miss.—BONDS OFFERED BY BANKERS.—The Bank of Commerce & Trust Co. of Memphis is offering to investors an issue of \$200,000 6% tax-free road bond. They are described as follows: Denom. \$1,000. Date Feb. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (P. & A.) payable at the Hanover National Bank, N. Y. City. Due yearly on Feb. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1923 to 1927 incl.; \$5,000, 1928 to 1937 incl.; and \$10,000, 1938 to 1947 incl.

Financial Statement. Estimated actual value taxable property \$5,500,000 Assessed value taxable property 2,031,623 Total debt, including these bonds 200,000 Area of district, 25,600 acres. Estimated population, 2,500.

EARLIHAM, Madison County, Iowa.—BOND COLLECTION.—An issue of \$80,000 6% bonds is to be submitted to the voters on March 27.

EASLY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 13 (P. O. Easley), Pickens County, S. C.—BOND OFFERING.—Open bids will be received until 4 p. m. April 16 by J. R. Martin, Chairman, for \$50,000 5% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1922 or later at option of purchaser. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable in New York. Due in 20 years. Certified check for 5% required. Sale subject to local opinion of successful bidder's attorney.

EAST BATON ROQUE PARISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Baton Rouge), La.—BOND OFFERING.—W. B. Hatcher, Secretary.

Treasurer Parish School Board, will receive sealed bids until April 4 for \$364,000 5% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1920. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) payable at the office of the Sec.-Treas. of the Board, or at the Hibernia Bank & Trust Co., New Orleans. Due yearly on July 1 as follows: \$21,000, 1937; \$23,000, 1938; \$24,000, 1939; \$26,000, 1940 and 1941; \$28,000, 1942; \$29,000, 1943; \$31,000, 1944; \$32,000, 1945; \$34,000, 1946; \$35,000, 1947; \$38,000, 1948 and \$17,000, 1949. Certified check for 1% of bid, payable to R. C. Gordon, Pres. School Board, required. Legality approved by Wood & Oakley. Bids to be made on blank forms to be furnished by the Superintendent.

EDGEWATER, Bergen County, N. J.—BOND SALE.—The following two issues of coupon or registered bonds offered on March 21—V. 114, p. 974—were sold to Harris, Forbes & Co. of New York at the prices given below:

\$479,000 5% street construction bonds (\$485,000 bonds offered) sold at 101.31, a basis of about 4.81%. Due yearly on March 1 as follows: \$24,000 from 1923 to 1941 incl., and \$23,000 in 1942. 24,000 5½% sewer bonds sold at 102.12, a basis of about 5.10%. Due \$2,000 yearly on March 1 from 1923 to 1934 incl. Denom. \$1,000. Date March 1 1922.

EDMOND SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Edmond), Oklahoma County, Okla.—BOND ELECTION.—An election is to be held within the next 30 days to vote on \$150,000 high school building bonds.

ELIZABETH, Union County, N. J.—ADDITIONAL DATA.—The following additional data have come to hand relative to the offering on March 27 of the issue of 4½% coupon (with privilege of registration) public improvement bonds not to exceed \$93,000—V. 114, p. 1211. The bonds are dated April 1 1922 and are in denomination of \$1,000.

ELK CHUTE DRAINAGE DISTRICT (P. O. Caruthersville), Pemiscot County, Mo.—BOND OFFERING.—The Board of Supervisors will offer for sale at 7:30 p. m. April 5 \$250,000 6% 20-year bonds. J. C. Malloure.

ENGLEWOOD CLIFFS SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Coytesville), Bergen County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—H. S. Enger, District Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. April 4 for an issue of 5½% coupon or registered bonds not to exceed \$40,000. Denom. \$1,000. Date Feb. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (F. & A.) payable at the Palisades Trust Guaranty Co. in Englewood. Due \$2,000 yearly on Feb. 1 from 1923 to 1942 incl. Certified check for 2% of the amount bid for, payable to the Custodian of School Moneys, required.

ERIE, Erie County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—The \$65,000 4½% coupon or registered storm-sewer and subway bonds offered on Mar. 21—V. 114, p. 1095—were sold to the Mellon Nat. Bank of Pittsburgh at par and accrued interest, plus a premium of \$1,468.35, equal to 102.29, a basis of about 4.26%. Denom. \$1,000. Date Apr. 1 1922. Int. A. & O. Due \$2,000 Apr. 1 1924, and \$3,000 yearly on Apr. 1 from 1925 to 1945, incl. The following bids were received:

Name of Bidders—	Total Premium	Names of Bidders—	Total Premium
Mellon Nat. Bank, Pittsb.	\$1,468 35	L. F. Rothschild & Co., N.Y.	\$1,025 70
Glover & MacGregor, Pitts.	951 00	Graham, Parsons & Co., Phila.	442 00
M. M. Freeman & Co., Phil.	870 35	Stroud & Co., Phila.	1,211 00
Biddle & Henry, Phila.	721 50	Lewis & Snyder, Phila.	890 50
Erie Trust Co., Erie	65 00	J.H. Holmes & Co., Pittsb.	727 00

ESSEX COUNTY (P. O. Salem), Mass.—NOTE OFFERING.—Phoebe M. Curtis, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. March 27 for \$1,500,000 coupon tuberculosis hospital renewal notes dated April 1 1922 and due April 1 1923. Denom. \$1,000. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the Commonwealth Trust Co. in Boston. Notes to be delivered at the Commonwealth Trust Co. in Boston. These notes are prepared under the supervision of and certified as to genuineness by the Commonwealth Trust Co. of Boston. This trust company will further certify that the legality of this issue has been approved by Messrs. Ropes, Gray, Boyden & Perkins, a copy of whose opinion will be furnished the purchaser. All papers incident to this issue will be filed with the Commonwealth Trust Co., where they may be inspected at any time.

EVELETH, St. Louis County, Minn.—REFUNDING BOND ISSUE ATTACKED.—The Minneapolis "Journal" on March 16 said: "Harry L. Burns, on behalf of himself and others has started injunction proceedings against the city of Eveleth to restrain it from issuing \$300,000 in refunding bonds."

EVERETT, Middlesex County, Mass.—LOAN OFFERING.—Nathan Nichols, City Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 3 p. m. March 28 for a temporary loan of \$300,000. Denom. to suit purchaser. Due \$150,000 on Nov. 14 and Dec. 14 in the year 1922. These notes are engraved under the supervision of and certified as to their genuineness by the Old Colony Trust Co. of Boston, Mass. This trust company will further certify that the legality of this issue has been approved by Ropes, Gray, Boyden & Perkins of Boston, Mass., a copy of whose opinion will accompany the notes when delivered, without charge to the purchaser. All legal papers incident to this issue, together with an affidavit certifying to the proper execution of the notes, are filed with the Old Colony Trust Co., where they can be inspected at any time.

FAIRPORT, Monroe County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—The following two issues of bonds offered on March 20—V. 114, p. 1095—were sold to the Security Trust Co. of Rochester at par for 4.62s.

\$33,000 West Avenue paving bonds, series A. Due yearly on Jan. 1 as follows: \$3,000, 1923 to 1929 incl., and \$4,000, 1930 to 1932 incl. 11,000 West Avenue paving bonds, series B. Due yearly on Jan. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1923 to 1931 incl., and \$2,000 in 1932. Date Jan. 1 1922.

FALL RIVER, Bristol County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—A temporary loan of \$300,000 offered on March 24 was sold to Blake Brothers & Co. on a 4.06% discount basis, plus a premium of \$3. Date March 27 1922. Due Nov. 9 1922.

FINDLAY, Hancock County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$75,000 6% home and hospital improvement bonds offered on March 16—V. 114, p. 875—were sold to Seasongood & Mayer of Cincinnati at par and accrued interest plus a premium of \$4,510, equal to 106.01, a basis of about 5.08%. Date March 1 1922. Due \$5,000 yearly on Sept. 1 from 1923 to 1937 incl. The following is a list of the bids received:

Bidder and Location—	Premium.	Bidder and Location—	Premium.
Seasongood & Mayer, Cinc.	\$4,510 00	Provident Sav. & Tr. Co., Cinc.	3,300 00
* Detroit Trust Co., Detroit.	4,381 00	Bohmer-Reinhart & Co., Cinc.	3,210 00
Bead, Elton & Houser, Cinc.	4,055 00	W. L. Staylor & Co., Toledo.	3,151 50
L. R. Ballinger Co., Cincinnati.	3,967 50	N. S. Talbot Co., Dayton.	3,048 75
Stacy & Braun, Toledo.	3,907 50	Prudden & Co., Toledo.	2,867 00
Otis & Co., Cleveland.	3,645 00	Richards, Parish & Lamson	
Sidney Spitzer & Co., Toledo.	3,606 00	Cleveland	2,832 00
W. K. Terry & Co., Toledo.	3,458 00	Ryan-Bowman & Co., Toledo.	2,701 50
N. S. Hill & Co., Cincinnati.	3,450 75	Title Tr. & Guar. Co., Cincin.	2,580 00
Tucker, Robinson & Co., Tol.	3,424 50	Hayden, Miller & Co., Clevel'd.	No check
A. T. Bell & Co., Toledo.	3,402 83	*This company also agreed to print the bonds.	
Well, Roth & Co., Cincinnati.	3,396 00		

FORT DODGE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Fort Dodge), Webster County, Iowa.—BOND SALE.—On March 20 the \$50,000 refunding bonds—V. 114, p. 1095—were sold to A. B. Leach & Co., Inc., of Chicago, for \$50,900 (101.80) and interest for 4¼s, a basis of about 4.61%. Date April 1 1922. Due April 1 1942. The different propositions under which the bonds were offered were given in V. 114, p. 1095. The following bids were received:

Name of Bidder—	For 4¼%	For 6%
Paino, Webber & Co., Chicago.	\$50,925 00	\$50,000
Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., Chicago.	50,785 00	
Minton, Lampert & Co., Chicago.		50,141
Taylor, Ewart & Co., Chicago.	50,717 50	
Bolger, Mosser & Willaman, Chicago.	50,535 00	
Schanke & Co., Mason City.	50,790 00	50,156
Geo. M. Bechtel & Co., and White-Phillips Co., Davenport.		50,155
Harris Trust & Savings Co., Chicago.	50,835 00	
A. B. Leach & Co., Inc., Chicago.	50,900 00	
Northern Trust Co., Chicago, and Drake-Ballard Co., Minneapolis.	50,895 00	

FOND DU LAC COUNTY (P. O. Fond Du Lac), Wis.—PRICE PAID.—The price paid for the \$626,000 5% county highway bonds on March 8 by the William R. Compton Co. and Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., both of

Chicago, was 102.43, a basis of about 4.69% (not 102.39, a basis of about 4.695%, as stated in V. 114, p. 1095).

FOREST HILLS, Allegheny County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—H. E. Halderman, Secretary of the Borough Council, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. April 12 for \$35,000 4½% fire apparatus and municipal building bonds. Due from 1928 to 1942 incl. Certified check for \$700, payable to the Borough, required.

FORT SMITH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Fort Smith), Sebastian County, Ark.—BOND OFFERING.—C. J. Tidewell, Supt. Board of Education, will sell at public auction on April 15 at 10 a. m. \$100,000 5% school building bonds.

FORT STOCKTON, Pecos County, Texas.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until April 4 by the City Secretary for \$75,000 6% 10-40-year (opt.) water works bonds. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the Hanover National Bank, N. Y. City.

FRANKLIN GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Franklin), Macon County, No. Caro.—BOND SALE.—The \$50,000 6% school building bonds offered on March 20—V. 114, p. 760—have been awarded to R. M. Grant & Co. of New York at 102.70, a basis of about 5.76%. Date Feb. 1 1922. Due yearly on Feb. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1925 to 1931 incl.; \$2,000, 1932 to 1945 incl., and \$2,500, 1946 to 1951 incl.

FRANKLIN SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Franklin), Sussex County, N. J.—BOND SALE.—The issue of 5½% coupon or registered bonds offered on March 22—V. 114, p. 1095—was sold to the Newton Trust Co. of Newton, N. J., at its bid of \$187,372 90 for 179 bonds (\$179,000), equal to 101.67, a basis of about 4.88%. Date April 1 1922. Due \$11,000 yearly on April 1 from 1924 to 1939 incl., and \$3,000 on April 1 1940. The following bids were received:

Name of Bidder—	Amount Bid For.	Amount Bid.
Newton Trust Co.	\$179,000	\$187,372 90
American Trust Co.	182,000	187,501 01
R. J. Van Ingen & Co.	181,000	187,840 00
New Jersey Fidelity & Plate Glass Insurance Co.	185,000	187,775 00
Sussex County Trust Co., R. Winthrop & Co., and J. S. Rippel & Co.	180,000	187,797 00

GARFIELD HEIGHT, Mahoning County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Herman Bohning, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. April 11 for the following 6% coupon bonds:

\$17,516 44 East 106th Street pavement bonds. Denom. 1 for \$1,516 44 and 16 for \$1,000 each. Due \$1,516 44 Dec. 1 1923; 1,000, Dec. 1 1924 and Dec. 1 1925, and \$2,000 yearly on Dec. 1 from 1926 to 1932 incl.

10,513 25 Homeworth Ave. pavement bonds. Denom. 1 for \$1,513 25, and 9 for \$1,000 each. Due \$1,513 25 Dec. 1-1923, and \$1,000 yearly on Dec. 1 from 1924 to 1932 incl.

8,960 94 East 136th Street water main bonds. Denom. 1 for \$960 40, and 8 for \$1,000 each. Due \$960 40 Dec. 1 1924 and \$1,000 yearly on Dec. 1 from 1925 to 1932 incl.

Date Dec. 1 1921. Int. J. & D. Certified check for 1% of the amount bid for, payable to the Village Treasurer, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

GARY, Lake County, Ind.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$115,000 5% coupon bonds was sold on Mar. 11 to the Merchants Loan & Trust Co. of Chicago at 100.416 and accrued interest. A bid of 100.459 was submitted by Paine, Webber & Co., but was not considered on account of lacking the required certified check of 2½% of the amount bid for.

GERMANTOWN, Shelby County, Tenn.—BOND SALE.—The \$15,000 6% tax-free water and light plant bonds offered on March 4—V. 114, p. 979—have been sold. Date Sept. 15 1921. Due in 30 years, callable in 15 years.

GLEN (P. O. Fultonville), Montgomery County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—John Brookman, Town Supervisor, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. March 27 for \$1,200 6% bonds. Denom. 1 for \$1,200 and 3 for \$1,000 each. Date April 1 1922. Prin. and ann. int. payable at the Fultonville National Bank in Fultonville. Due yearly on Feb. 1 as follows: \$1,000 from 1923 to 1925 incl., and \$1,200 in 1926. Certified check for 5% of the amount bid for required.

GLOUCESTER, Essex County, Mass.—BOND OFFERING.—City Treasurer will receive bids until 3 p. m. March 27 for \$39,000 4¼% bonds. Date April 1 1922. Due \$2,000 yearly from 1923 to 1932 and \$1,000 from 1933 to 1942.

GLOUCESTER, Essex County, Mass.—NOTE SALE.—An issue of \$150,000 temporary revenue notes offered on March 22 was sold to the Gloucester Safe Deposit & Trust Co. on a 4.08% discount basis, plus a premium of \$2. Date March 27 1922. Due \$50,000 Dec. 1 1922 and \$100,000 March 1 1923.

GLOUCESTER CITY, Camden County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—Allan W. Redfield, City Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. April 6 for the following two issues of 6% coupon or registered refunding bonds, not to exceed the amounts stated below:

\$19,600 street paving bonds. Denom. \$980. Due \$980 yearly on March 1 from 1923 to 1942 incl.

11,700 sewer or drain bonds. Denom. \$585. Due \$585 yearly on March 1 from 1923 to 1942 incl.

Date March 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & S.) payable at the City Treasurer's office. Certified check for 2% of the amount bid for, payable to the City Treasurer, required.

GLOUSTR, Athen County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Thomas Mavin, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. March 27 for \$1,244 65 6% sewer bonds. Denom. \$124 47. Date Feb. 1 1922. Due \$124 47 yearly on Feb. 1 from 1923 to 1932 incl. Certified check for 5% of the amount bid for, payable to the Village Treasurer, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

GLOVERSVILLE, Fulton County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—E. A. James, City Chamberlain, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. Apr. 13 for \$28,000 5% registered deficiency and refunding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date May 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & N.) payable at the City Chamberlain's office or at the Mechanics & Metals National Bank in N. Y. City. Due \$2,000 yearly on May 1 from 1923 to 1936, incl. Certified check for 2% of the amount bid for required.

GOLDSBORO, Wayne County, No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed proposals will be received by J. G. Tyson, City Clerk, until 7.45 p. m. April 3 for \$180,000 coupon with privilege of registration street improvement bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int., payable at the Hanover National Bank, N. Y. City. Due \$10,000 1924 to 1933, inclusive, and \$20,000 1934 to 1937, inclusive. Bidders are required to name in their bids the rate of interest the bonds are to bear, in multiples of one-quarter of one per cent per annum. Successful bidder will be furnished with the approving opinion of Reed, Dougherty & Hoyt, New York City.

The official notice of this offering may be found among the advertisements elsewhere in this Department.

GRAHAM COUNTY (P. O. Safford), Ariz.—BOND OFFERING.—Martin Layton, Clerk Board of County Supervisors, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. April 4 for \$500,000 6% coupon highway improvement bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date March 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & S.) payable at the County Treasurer's office or at the National Park Bank, N. Y., at option of holder. Due \$25,000 yearly on March 1 from 1923 to 1942 incl. All bids must be accompanied by certified check drawn by a banking house in Safford, and made payable to the Board of Supervisors, for not less than 5% of the total amount of bid. Bonded debt (including this issue), March 16 1921, \$538,000. Sinking fund, \$129 02. Assessed value, 1921, \$13,487,202. State and County tax rate (per \$1,000) \$18 30. Population, 1910, 23,999; 1920, 10,148. The reason for the decrease in the 1920 census figures from those of 1910 is that the eastern part of the county was taken to organize Greenlee County. The population of Greenlee County for 1920 was 15,362.

GRAND ISLAND, Hall County, Neb.—ADDITIONAL DATA.—The \$200,000 sewage and \$100,000 drainage bonds which are to be voted upon at an election to be held Apr. 4, notice of which was given in V. 114, p. 1212—bear 5% interest, payable semi-annually, and mature 20 years from July 1 1922, optional after 5 years. H. E. Clifford, Clerk.

GREEN LAKE COUNTY (P. O. Green Lake), Wis.—BOND OFFERING.—J. T. Shaw, Chairman; G. A. Weinkopf, County Clerk, and the Highway Committee will offer for sale at 2 p. m. April 18 the following highway bonds:
 \$110,000 bonds, Series "A." Due yearly on April 1 as follows: \$18,000, 1927; \$50,000, 1928, and 1929, and \$22,000, 1930.
 20,000 bonds, Series "B." Due \$10,000 on April 1 1928 and April 1 1929.
 Sealed bids will be accepted on part or all of the above bonds. Bids to include accrued interest from April 1 1922. Deposit or certified check of 2% required with bid. All of the above bonds have been approved by the Wisconsin State Bond Commission, and the legal departments of several bond and trust companies of Wisconsin and Illinois.

GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS, El Paso County, Colo.—BOND ELECTION.—An election is to be held April 4 to vote upon \$3,000 park bonds.

GREENVILLE, Hunt County, Texas.—BONDS REGISTERED.—On March 16 \$125,000 5% serial street improvement bonds were registered by the State Comptroller of Texas.

GUNNISON, Gunnison County, Colo.—BOND ELECTION.—An election is to be held April 4 to vote upon \$45,000 municipal water works bonds. H. V. Napier, Town Clerk.

HACKENSACK, Bergen County, N. J.—BOND SALE.—The issue of 5% coupon or registered improvement bonds offered on Mar. 20—V. 114, p. 875—was sold to J. S. Rippel & Co. of Newark and the Equitable Trust Co. of New York at their joint bid of \$275,777 for 264 bonds (\$264,000), equal to 104.46, a basis of about 4.48%. Date Mar. 1 1922. Due yearly on Mar. 1 as follows: \$12,000 from 1923 to 1936, incl.; \$15,000 from 1937 to 1942, incl.; and \$6,000 in 1943. The following bids were received:

J. S. Rippel & Co.	\$275,777 00	for 264 bonds
Equitable Trust Co.		
Eldredge & Co.	275,368 52	for 266 bonds
B. J. Van Ingen & Co.	275,213 00	for 268 bonds
Paine, Wehber & Co.	275,725 00	for 269 bonds
R. M. Grant & Co.	275,255 00	for 269 bonds
Frank Durant & Co.	275,221 20	for 269 bonds
Outwater & Wells.	275,199 99	for 269 bonds
Harris, Forbes & Co.	275,670 00	for 270 bonds
Peoples Trust & Guaranty Co.	275,690 00	for 270 bonds
City National Bank	275,555 55	for 270 bonds
Gobey & Kirk	100 25	for 275 bonds

HAMILTON, Butler County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Ernst E. Erb, City Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. April 18 for \$21,436 6% special assessment sidewalk bonds. Date Feb. 1 1922. Due \$4,287 yearly on Feb. 1 from 1923 to 1927, inclusive. Certified check for 5% of the amount bid for, payable to the City Treasurer required.

HAMILTON COUNTY (P. O. Noblesville), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—A. G. Findley, County Treasurer, will receive bids until 10 a. m. April 1 for \$15,300 4 1/2% bonds as follows:
 \$5,500 William Schmalling bonds.
 9,800 Albert Helny bonds.
 Int. M. & N. Due semi-annually. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

HAMMOND, Tangipahoa Parish, La.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 10 a. m. March 28 (date changed from March 21—V. 114, p. 1096) by C. C. Carter, Mayor, for the following 6% coupon municipal bonds:

\$55,000 street improvement bonds. Denom. \$1,000.
 40,000 city hall bonds. Denom. \$1,000.
 20,000 paving bonds. Denom. \$500.
 2,500 light bonds. Denom. \$50.
 18,000 sewerage bonds. Denom. \$500.
 9,500 water bonds. Denom. \$250.
 Semi-ann. int. payable M. & S. Due in 25 years. Certified check for 5% of bid, payable to the City of Hammond, required.
 The legality of these bonds approved by Wood & Oakley of Chicago, Ill., and A. W. Spiller of Hammond, La.

HENDERSONVILLE, Henderson County, No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed proposals will be received until 8 p. m. March 31 by G. W. Brooks, City Clerk, for the following 6% coupon bonds:
 \$12,000 refunding bonds.
 15,000 funding bonds.
 22,000 water funding bonds.

Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the Hanover National Bank, N. Y. City. Due April 1 1942. Certified check for 2% of bid required. The city will furnish the lithographed bond forms and also the approving opinion of Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge, Boston.

HIBBING, St. Louis County, Minn.—BOND SALE.—The First National Bank and the Merchants & Miners State Bank, both of Hibbing, have been awarded, it is stated, \$2,000,000 bonds at par.

HICKORY, Catawba County, No. Caro.—BOND SALE.—Seasongood & Mayer of Cincinnati have purchased the \$45,000 6% funding bonds offered on March 21—V. 114, p. 980—at par plus a premium of \$1,820, equal to 104.04. Date April 1 1922. Due serially for 30 years.

HIGHLAND PARK (P. O. Dallas), Dallas County, Texas.—BOND SALE.—The \$150,000 bonds voted on March 7 (V. 114, p. 1212) have been sold. The Dallas "News" of March 17 says:

"The development of Highland Park's water department is assured by the sale of the \$150,000 water works improvement bonds at a premium of \$12,750. Mayor H. R. Davis of Highland Park announced Thursday. The winning bid, made by J. T. Bowman of Austin, for the Taylor, Ewart Co., Chicago; Stacy & Braun, Chicago, and the Detroit Trust Co., was 108 1/2. It was the highest of fourteen bids that were submitted by firms from every section of the country."

HILLSDALE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Hillsdale), Bergen County, N. J.—BOND SALE.—The issue of 5% coupon (with privilege of registration) school bonds offered on March 20—V. 114, p. 1212—was sold to B. J. Van Ingen & Co. at their bid of \$120,119 (100 94) for 119 bonds (\$119,000), a basis of about 4.91%. Date March 1 1922. Due \$4,000 yearly on March 1 from 1921 to 1943 incl.; \$5,000 yearly on March 1 from 1944 to 1950, incl. and \$4,000 on March 1 1951. The following bids were received:

B. J. Van Ingen & Co.	\$120,119 00	for 119 bonds.
H. L. Allen & Co.	120,119 00	for 119 bonds.
New Jersey Fidelity & Plate Glass Ins. Co.	120,792 00	for 120 bonds.
Harris, Forbes & Co.	122,252 00	for 120 bonds.
M. M. Freeman & Co.	120,222 22	for 120 bonds.

* Bid withdrawn by agreement with B. J. Van Ingen & Co.
HOLDREGE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 44 (P. O. Holdrege), Phelps County, Neb.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 8 p. m. March 27 by E. E. Nelson, Secretary Board of Education for the purchase of all or any part of \$250,000 school bonds at not exceeding 5 1/2% interest. Denom. \$1,000. Date on or about June 1 1922. Int. J & D. Due yearly as follows: \$5,000 1923 to 1932 incl.; \$8,000, 1933 to 1942 incl.; and \$12,000, 1943 to 1952 incl. Prin. and int. payable at the County Treasurer's office. Certified check on a solvent bank for \$5,000, payable to the above official, required. Bids are to be upon par and accrued interest to date of payment for bonds. Purchaser of bonds shall include in his bid the printing and furnishing of the bonds, for which no charge is to be made against the school district.

HOLMESVILLE, Holmes County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$1,000 6% funding bonds offered on March 15—V. 114, p. 875—were sold to the Holmesville Banking Co. at par and accrued interest. Date March 1 1922. Due \$100 each six months from March 1 1923 to Sept. 1 1927 incl.

HONEY CREEK SCHOOL TOWNSHIP, Vigo County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Edwin R. Halstead, Township Trustee, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. April 10 for \$17,000 5 1/2% coupon bonds. Denom. \$500. Date April 5 1922. Int. J & J. Due \$2,000 each six months from Jan. 1 1923 to Jan. 1 1946 incl.

INGLEWOOD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Los Angeles County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—On March 8 the \$39,000 5 1/2% 8 1/2-year (over) school bonds, dated March 1 1922—V. 114, p. 980—were sold to the

National City Co. for \$40,258 75 (103.22) and interest, a basis of about 5.03%. Date March 1 1922. Due yearly on March 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1923 to 1928 incl.; \$3,000, 1929 to 1933 incl.; and \$4,000, 1934 to 1936 incl. The following bids were received:
 National City Co. \$40,258 75 | R. H. Moulton & Co. \$40,126 50
 Wm. R. Staats Co. 40,258 00 | Bank of Italy 40,091 80
 Frick, Martin & Co. 40,219 00 | District Bond Co. 39,780 00
 Anglo & London Paris *
 National Bank 40,198 00

IRONDEQUOIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4 (P. O. Irondequoit), Monroe County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—The Board of Trustees will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. April 3 at 202 Ellwanger & Barry Building in Rochester for \$85,000 5% coupon (with privilege of registration) bonds. Denom. \$500 and \$1,000. Date April 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the Rochester Trust & Safe Deposit Co. in Rochester. Due \$1,000 yearly 1922 to 1926 incl.; \$2,500 yearly 1927 to 1931 incl.; \$5,000 yearly 1932 to 1936 incl.; and \$8,500 yearly 1937 to 1941 incl. Certified check for \$500, payable to Charles F. Miller, Treasurer, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

IRONTON, Lawrence County, Ohio.—BIDS REJECTED.—All bids received on March 14 for the \$25,000 6% city's portion street-improvement bonds offered on that date (V. 114, p. 761) were rejected.

IRWINTON, Wilkinson County, Ga.—BOND SALE.—W. M. Davis & Co. of Macon have purchased \$15,000 6% school bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Jan. 1 1921.

JACKSON COUNTY (P. O. Brownstown), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—C. C. Finch, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m. Apr 15 for \$29,600 5% C. W. Newkirk et al. Grassy Fork Township bonds. Denom. \$1,480. Due \$1,480 each six months from May 15 1923 to Nov. 15 1932, inclusive.

JACKSON COUNTY (P. O. Jackson), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—C. W. Scurlock, Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. Apr 8 for the following two issues of 5 1/2% coupon I. C. H. No. 364 improvement bonds:
 \$60,000 Section "L" bonds. Due yearly on Oct. 1 as follows: \$6,000, 1923 to 1925, incl. and \$7,000 1926 to 1931, incl.
 20,000 Section "M" bonds. Due \$2,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1923 to 1929, incl., and \$3,000 on Oct. 1 in 1930 and 1931.

Denom. \$1,000. Date Apr. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the County Treasurer's office. Cert. check for 3% of the amount bid for, payable to the Board of County Commissioners, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

JEFFERSON CITY, Cole County, Mo.—BOND SALE.—On March 20 the following 10-20-year (ont.) bonds—V. 114, p. 1096—were sold to the First National Bank of Jefferson City, at 100.12 for 5s:
 \$1,000 Elm St. bridge reconstruction bonds. Denom. \$500.
 21,500 Miller St. tunnel reconstruction bonds. Denom. \$500.
 11,000 Miller St. tunnel extension bonds. Denom. \$500.
 2,000 storm sewer construction bonds. Denom. \$500.
 49,000 bonds for the purpose of discharging and satisfying \$49,000 of valid outstanding judgment indebtedness of the city.
 Date March 1 1922. (Interest rate originally fixed at 6%.)

JEFFERSON COUNTY (P. O. Birmingham), Ala.—BOND SALE.—R. M. Grant & Co. of N. Y., and Otto Marx & Co., of Birmingham, have purchased, jointly, the following two issues of 6% bonds at par, plus a premium of \$23,500, equal to 101 1/2, a basis of about 5.898%.
 \$1,000,000 Series "A" to pay debt. Due \$200,000 yearly on Apr. 1 from 1933 to 1937.
 1,000,000 Series "B" for road-construction. Due \$200,000 yearly on Apr. 1 from 1943 to 1947.

Date Apr. 1 1922. Denom. \$1,000. Int. A & O. The bids of five other companies with the premiums offered were: Ward, Sterne & Co., \$21,000; Caldwell & Co., \$20,789 50; Title Guarantee Co. and Providence Saving Bank & Trust Co., of Cincinnati, \$10,120, and Steiner Brothers, \$16,760.

KALAMAZOO, Kalamazoo County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—The Wm. R. Compton Co. of Chicago was the successful bidder at 101.28, a basis of about 4.71% for \$100,000 5% general obligations sewer extension bonds offered on March 20—V. 114, p. 1213. The amount offered was \$140,000, of which \$40,000 was reserved by the city for private sale as already reported in our issue of March 18 on page 1213.

BOND SALE DEFERRED.—The sale of the \$120,000 5% special assessment street improvement bonds which was to take place on March 20—V. 114, p. 1213—was deferred until March 27.

KENT VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Kent), Portage County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$22,000 6% school bonds offered on March 20—V. 114, p. 980—were sold to the Hanchett Bond Co., Inc. of Chicago at par and accrued interest plus a premium of \$627 50 (102.943), a basis of about 5.32%. Date Jan. 1 1922. Due yearly on Jan. 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1923 and 1924; \$4,000, 1925 and \$2,000 from 1926 to 1932 incl. The following bids were received:

The Hanchett Bond Co.	\$627 50	Davles-Bertram Co.	\$387 00
Otis & Co.	600 00	Providence Savings Bank & Trust Co.	385 00
City Bank, Kent, Ohio.	455 40	W. L. Slayton & Co.	343 20
Tucker, Robison & Co.	442 20	W. K. Terry Co.	283 25
L. R. Ballinger Co.	420 20	Milligan & York	261 57
A. H. Bell Co.	413 61	Person Campbell Co.	239 80
Sidney Sptizer Co.	412 00	Ryan-Bowman Co.	134 20
Well, Roth & Co.	410 00		

KILLDEER SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Killdeer), Dunn County, No. Dak.—BOND SALE.—On March 15 the \$50,000 5% 20-year funding bonds—V. 114, p. 1097—were sold to Sidney Sptizer & Co. of Toledo on their bid of par. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1922. Int. A. & O.

KOSCIUSKO COUNTY (P. O. Warsaw), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$32,200 5% E. W. Gresso et al., Lake Township bonds, offered on March 15—V. 114, p. 980—were sold at par and accrued interest to the Fletcher-American Co. of Indianapolis. Date Sept. 15 1921. Due \$3,110 each six months from May 15 1923 to Nov. 15 1932, inclusive.

LAKE COUNTY (P. O. Painesville), Ohio.—BID.—The Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co. of Cincinnati submitted a bid of 103.01 for the two issues of 5 1/2% coupon improvement bonds, aggregating \$90,000, which were offered on March 21 as reported in V. 114, p. 1097.

LANCASTER SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Lancaster), Lancaster County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—R. M. Bolenus, Secretary of the Board of School Directors, will receive sealed bids until 4 p. m. April 5 at the Fulton National Bank in Lancaster for \$100,000 4 1/2% coupon school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1922. Int. A. & O. Due yearly on April 1 as follows: \$20,000 in 1932, \$30,000 in 1942 and \$50,000 in 1952. Certified check for 2% of the amount bid for, payable to the District, required. Legality approved by Townsend, Elliott & Munson of Philadelphia and Benjamin C. Atlee, Solicitor of the District.

LARCHMONT, Westchester County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Eugene D. Wakeman, Village Clerk, will receive sealed proposals until 8 15 p. m. March 27 for \$349,500 coupon or registered water works bonds not to exceed 6%. Denom. to suit purchaser, but not to be less than \$500 each. Due \$13,980 yearly on April 1 from 1927 to 1951, inclusive. Certified check for \$5,000 of the amount bid, payable to the Village Treasurer, required. Legality approved by Clarence De Witt Rogers, of New York City. These are the bonds mentioned in V. 114, p. 762.

LARIMER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17, Colo.—BONDS DEFEATED.—On March 11 \$20,000 5 1/2% school building bonds were defeated by a vote of 9 "for" to 17 "against." These bonds had been sold to the International Trust Co. of Denver subject to being sanctioned by the voters at said election. The notice of election and sale appeared in V. 114, p. 876.

LAWRENCE, Douglas County, Kans.—BOND SALE.—The \$150,000 5% water works bonds mentioned in V. 114, p. 220—have been sold to the Brown-Crummer Co. of Wichita.

LEESBURG, Lake County, Fla.—BOND SALE.—The \$125,000 5% municipal plant bonds offered on March 22—V. 114, p. 1097—have been awarded to the Atlantic National Bank of Jacksonville at 93 90. Date July 1 1922.

LEONARD, Clearwater County, Minn.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$5,000 funding bonds has been sold to the Drake-Ballard Co. of Minneapolis. It is stated

LEXINGTON, Dawson County, Neb.—BOND SALE.—During January 1922 \$10,000 7% district paving bonds were sold to the State of Nebraska at par. Date June 1 1920. Due June 1 1940, optional June 1 1921.

BOND SALE.—During February the State of Nebraska also purchased the following 7% bonds at par: \$5,000 district paving bonds.

10,000 district paving and improvement bonds.
Date June 1 1920. Due June 1 1940, optional June 1 1921.

LINCOLN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5 (P. O. Cokeville), Wyo.—BOND OFFERING.—Rowland Bennion, District Clerk will receive bids until 7 p. m. Apr. 8 for \$13,000 6% building bonds. Denom. \$1,000.

LOGAN COUNTY (P. O. Bellefontaine), Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$60,000 6% inter-county highway bonds offered on March 18—V. 114, p. 876—were sold to Sidney Spitzer & Co. of Toledo at 103.695, a basis of about 5.21%. Due \$3,000 each six months from March 1 1923 to Sept. 1 1932, incl.

LONDON GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. London), Laurel County, Ky.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until Mar. 30 for \$21,500 6% tax-free bonds by W. H. Poynter, Secretary. They will be sold either as a whole, or by piece, which ever brings the most money.

LOUISVILLE VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Louisville), Stark County, Ohio.—BONDS AWARDED IN PART.—Of the \$225,000 5½% bonds offered on March 18—V. 114, p. 981—\$216,000 have been sold to Stacy & Braun of Toledo at 102.14.

LYONS SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Lyons), Wayne County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—W. R. Strain, Clerk of the Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until April 1 for \$400,000 bonds.

McCAMMON, Bannock County, Ida.—BONDS VOTED.—On Mar. 14 the \$16,000 6% 10-20-year (opt.) water-works bonds (V. 114, p. 876) were voted by 28 to 3. The bonds will be offered for sale about April 18.

McIVOR CREEK DRAINAGE DISTRICT, Panola County, Miss.—BONDS OFFERED BY BANKERS.—The Municipal Securities Co. of Memphis is offering to investors \$100,000 6% drainage bonds. They are described as follows: Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 1 1921. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & D.) payable at the American Trust Co., St. Louis. Due yearly on Dec. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1922 to 1926 incl.; \$2,000, 1927; \$4,000, 1928 to 1930 incl.; \$5,000, 1931 to 1933 incl.; \$6,000, 1934 and 1935; \$7,000, 1936; \$9,000, 1937 to 1939 incl., and \$10,000, 1940 and 1941.

Financial Statement.

Estimated actual value of property	\$300,000
Assessed value of taxable property	141,000
Assessed benefits from improvement	291,000

MADISON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 (P. O. Norfolk), Neb.—BOND SALE.—During January 1922 \$35,000 5% school impt bonds were sold to the State of Nebraska on a 5½% basis. Date Nov. 1 1919. Due Nov. 1 1939, optional after 10 years.

MADISON COUNTY (P. O. Anderson), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Earl C. Morris, County Treasurer, will receive bids until 10 a. m. Mar. 30 for \$10,400 4½% S. M. Ertel Road No. 1, Duckcreek Township bonds. Denom. \$520. Date Mar. 30 1922. Int. M. & N. Due \$520 each six months from May 15 1923 to Mar. 15 1932, incl. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

MAINE (State of).—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$500,000 4% State pier bonds offered on March 24 was sold to Brandon, Gordon & Waddell and Barr & Schmeltzer, both of New York, at 99.299, a basis of about 4.07%.

MANITOWOC, Manitowoc County, Wisc.—BOND OFFERING.—Arthur H. Zander, City Clerk, will receive sealed proposals until 4 p. m. March 31 for the whole or any part of \$350,000 5½% high-school bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Feb. 2 1922. Interest payable semi-annually at the City Treasurer's office on Feb. 1 and Aug. 1, except that the first coupon on each bond is for twelve months interest and will be due Feb. 1 1923. Due \$17,500 yearly on Feb. 1 from 1923 to 1942, inclusive. Certified check for 5% of the amount of bonds bid for, required. Official announcement says: "Proceedings preliminary to issue of said bonds were submitted to and examined by the Attorney-General of the State of Wisconsin, acting as Bond Commissioner, under and pursuant to the provisions of Section 4225a, of Wisconsin Statutes, and were found and certified by him to be regular and valid. Bonds will bear endorsement of the said Bond Commissioner as to their validity." Proposals will be opened publicly at the regular meeting of the Common Council, at 8 p. m. April 3.

MANSFIELD, Richland County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—C. E. Rhoads, City Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. March 29 for the following 6% special assessment bonds:

\$6,300	Foster Street bonds. Denom. 1 for \$1,500 and 4 for \$1,200 each. Due yearly on March 1 as follows: \$1,500, 1922, and \$1,200 from 1924 to 1927, inclusive.
5,300	Florence Avenue bonds. Denom. 1 for \$1,300 and 4 for \$1,000 each. Due yearly on March 1 as follows: \$1,300, 1923, and \$1,000 from 1924 to 1927, inclusive.
2,350	Temple Court bonds. Denom. 1 for \$550, 3 for \$500 and 1 for \$300. Due yearly on March 1 as follows: \$550, 1923; \$500, 1924, 1925 and 1926; and \$300 in 1927.
6,300	Spring Street bonds. Denom. 1 for \$1,300 and 4 for \$1,000 each. Due yearly on March 1 as follows: \$1,300, 1923, and \$1,000 from 1924 to 1927, inclusive.
5,700	Walnut Street bonds. Denom. 1 for \$900 and 4 for \$1,200 each. Due yearly on March 1 as follows: \$1,200 from 1923 to 1926, inclusive, and \$900 in 1927.
4,400	Home Avenue bonds. Denom. 1 for \$800 and 4 for \$900 each. Due yearly on March 1 as follows: \$900 from 1923 to 1926, inclusive, and \$800 in 1927.
17,300	Woodland Avenue bonds. Denom. 1 for \$3,300 and 4 for \$3,500 each. Due yearly on March 1 as follows: \$3,500 from 1923 to 1926, inclusive, and \$3,300 in 1927.
5,600	Johns Avenue bonds. Denom. 1 for \$1,200 and 4 for \$1,100 each. Due yearly on March 1 as follows: \$1,200, 1923, and \$1,100 from 1924 to 1927, inclusive.
4,300	Glenwood Heights Avenue bonds. Denom. 3 for \$900 and 2 for \$800 each. Due yearly on March 1 as follows: \$900 in 1923, 1924 and 1925, and \$800 in 1926 and 1927.

Date March 1 1922. Int. M. & S. Certified check for 2% of the amount bid for, payable to the City Treasurer, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

MAPLE HEIGHTS VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Maple Heights), Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—L. O. Snyder, Clerk of the Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. April 12 for \$30,000 6% coupon bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date March 1 1922. Principal and semi-annual interest (A. & O.) payable at the office of the above Clerk. Due \$2,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1923 to 1937, inclusive. Certified check for 5% of the amount bid for, payable to the District Treasurer, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

MARION, McDowell County, No. Caro.—BOND SALE.—The \$65,000 6% school building bonds offered on March 20—V. 114, p. 876—have been awarded to Sidney Spitzer & Co. of Toledo at par plus a premium of \$750, equal to 101.153, a basis of about 5.89%. Date April 1 1922. Due yearly on April 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1923 to 1942 incl., and \$2,500, 1943 to 1952 incl.

MARION COUNTY (P. O. Indianapolis), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—R. A. Lemcke, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. Mar. 30 for the following bonds:

\$37,000	4½% Robert H. Collins et al. Franklin Township bonds. Denom. \$925. Due \$1,850 each six months from May 15 1923 to Nov. 15 1932, incl.
216,000	5% Charles F. Hessong et al bonds. Denom. \$1,080. Due \$10,800 each six months from May 15 1923 to Nov. 15 1932, incl. Date Mar. 1 1922. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

MARION COUNTY (P. O. Marion), Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$28,500 6% coupon Marion-Marysville 1. C. H. No. 115, Section "G-3" improvement bonds offered on March 20—V. 114, p. 1097—were sold to Ryan-Bowman & Co. of Toledo at par and accrued interest plus a premium of \$943.35 (103.31), a basis of about 5.24%. Date March 1 1922. Due \$1,500 Sept. 1 1922 and \$1,000 on March 1 and \$2,000 on Sept. 1 in each of the years from 1923 to 1931 incl. The following bids were received:

Ryan-Bowman Co.	\$943.35	W. L. Slayton & Co.	\$672.60
Otis & Co.	941.00	Persons, Campbell & Co.	624.15
Provident Sav. Bk. & Tr. Co.	886.00	Sidney Spitzer & Co.	par

MARLIN, Falls County, Texas.—BONDS REGISTERED.—On March 15 the State Comptroller of Texas registered \$25,000 5½% 10-40-year water works bonds.

MARLOW, Stephens County, Okla.—BOND SALE.—According to newspaper reports \$80,000 water and sewer bonds have been sold.

MARTIN COUNTY (P. O. Shoals), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Henry O. McCord, County Treasurer, will receive bids until 12 m. Mar. 28 for \$21,060 5% Martin Terrell et al, Mitchelltree Township bonds. Denom. \$1,053. Date Jan. 9 1922. Int. semi-annually Due \$1,053 each six months from May 15 1923 to Nov. 15 1932, incl. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

MARTIN COUNTY (P. O. Williamstown), No. Caro.—BOND SALE.—The \$300,000 5½% road and bridge bonds offered on March 15 (V. 114, p. 1097) have been awarded to Spitzer, Rorick & Co. of Toledo at \$304,755 (101.58)—a basis of about 5.38%. Date March 1 1922. Due yearly on March 1 as follows: \$5,000, 1927 to 1932, inclusive; \$10,000, 1933 to 1942, inclusive; \$15,000, 1943 to 1952, inclusive; and \$20,000, 1953. The following bids were received:

Successful bid (as above)	\$304,755	Little, Vardaman & Bittling	\$303,771
Prudden & Co.	301,801	Nicol, Ford & Co.	303,155
Providence S. Bk. & Tr. Co.	303,685	Clairborne, Royall & Co.	303,170
Weil, Roth & Co.	304,230	Sidney Spitzer & Co.	303,540
Shapker & Co.	300,600	C. W. McNear & Co.	304,627

MARYSVALE, Piute County, Utah.—BOND ISSUE INVALID.—The bond issue of \$10,000 voted last Sept. 26 for water improvements is invalid, according to the opinion of W. A. Hilton, Assistant Attorney-General. He claims that the bonds should have been advertised four weeks before the election. These bonds were reported sold in V. 114, p. 651.

MAYWOOD, Bergen County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—William J. Sinniger, Borough Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. April 11 for an issue of 5% coupon or registered assessment sewer bonds, not to exceed \$50,000. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1922. Principal and semi-annual interest (A. & O.) payable at the Hackensack National Bank in Hackensack. Due yearly on April 1 as follows: \$5,000, 1924; \$6,000 from 1924 to 1928, inclusive, and \$7,000 from 1929 to 1931, inclusive. Certified check for 2% of the amount bid for, payable to the Borough of Maywood, required. Validity of the bonds will be approved by Wakelee, Thornall & Wright, of New York City. The bonds will be prepared under the supervision of the United States Mortgage & Trust Co. of New York, which will certify as to the genuineness of the officials and the seal impressed thereon. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

MEAD, Saunders County, Neb.—BONDS NOT YET SOLD.—No sale has as yet been made of the \$8,500 6% water extension bonds offered on Jan. 2—V. 113, p. 2844. Denom. \$500. Date Nov. 15 1921. Int. annually. Due in 20 years, optional after 5 years.

MEMPHIS, Shelby County, Tenn.—NOTE OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by C. C. Pasby, City Clerk, until 2:30 p. m. April 4 for \$500,000 (part of an authorized issue of \$1,500,000) revenue notes, series of 1922. Denom. \$10,000. Date Jan. 1 1922. Due Sept. 1 1922. The rate of interest will be 6% and will be evidenced by one coupon for six months' interest, due Sept. 1 1922. Prin. and int. will be payable, in lawful money of the United States, at the U. S. Mtge. & Trust Co., N. Y. City, or at the City Hall in Memphis, at option of holder. Certified check on a solvent bank or trust company for \$5,000, payable to the City of Memphis required. The official announcement states:

"In the preparation and sale of these notes, the legal steps have been taken under the direction of Jno. C. Thomson, attorney-at-law, 120 Broadway, N. Y. City. His full and final approving opinion that these notes, when sold and delivered pursuant to the terms of aforesaid legislation, will constitute valid and legally binding obligation of said City of Memphis, Tennessee will be furnished by the City of Memphis, together with the Treasurer's receipt for proceeds of sale, certificates of genuineness of signatures on notes attested by the Union & Planters Bank & Trust Co., Memphis, Tenn., and a full transcript of proceedings by the Board of Commissioners, in passing ordinance and selling these notes.

"These notes will be delivered in Memphis, in New York, or the equivalent of New York, at the option of the purchaser. Payment shall be made in Memphis or New York funds. Delivery will be made promptly after sale. Bidders will state point of delivery desired. In case of New York delivery, legal opinion will be delivered at same time of notes; otherwise within four days thereafter."

BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 2:30 p. m. April 4 by C. C. Pasby, City Clerk, for the following bonds:

\$200,000	water bonds, tax-free, registerable as to principal, bearing interest at 4½, 4¾, 5, 5¼, 5½, 5¾ or 6% per annum. These bonds are a portion of \$2,000,000 authorized by Chapter 141 of the Private Acts of 1921 and were further authorized by an ordinance passed on final reading Feb. 7 1922. Due yearly on Jan. 1 as follows: \$5,000 in every odd year from 1927 to 1957, and \$6,000 in every even year from 1928 to 1958, and \$6,000 also in the years 1959, 1960, 1961 and 1962.
150,000	Recreation Park bonds, tax-free, registerable as to principal, bearing interest as shown in the first issue (\$200,000). These bonds are the remaining portion of \$250,000 authorized in Chapter 634, Private Acts of 1921 (\$100,000 having been sold Sept. 6 1921). Due \$5,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1927 to 1956.
175,000	hospital bonds, tax-free, registerable as to principal, bearing interest as shown in the first issue. These bonds are a portion of \$250,000 of bonds authorized for this purpose by Chapter 923 of the Private Acts of 1921, and further authorized by an ordinance passed final reading Feb. 7 1922. Due \$7,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1925 to 1949.
350,000	improvement bonds, tax-free, registerable as to principal, allocated to meet the city's share of street construction under the provisions of the Front Foot Assessment Law, bearing interest as shown in the first item. Due \$14,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1921 to 1949.
150,000	improvement bonds, tax-free, registerable as to principal, bearing interest as shown in the first item. Due \$6,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1925 to 1949.
75,000	improvement bonds, tax-free, registerable as to principal, bearing interest as shown in the first item. Due \$3,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1925 to 1949.
150,000	river terminal and warehouse bonds, tax-free, registerable as to principal, bearing interest at 4½, 4¾, 5, 5¼, 5½ or 5¾% per annum. Due \$5,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1928 to 1957.
175,000	6% street improvement Front Street assessment bonds, maturing \$35,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1923 to 1927.

Date Jan. 1 1922. Coupon bonds in the denomination of \$1,000 each. Prin. and semi-ann. int. will be paid at the City Hall in Memphis or at the U. S. Mtge. & Trust Co., N. Y. City. The bonds will be lithographed by the city, and will all be delivered by the city at New York or the equivalent of New York, but bidders will state in bid the point of delivery desired. Certified check for \$15,000 on a solvent bank payable to the City of Memphis, required. All the foregoing items are sold subject to the unqualified approving opinion of John C. Thompson, N. Y. City. These opinions, together with a transcript of the whole proceedings of the passage of the various ordinances and the sale will be furnished to the successful bidder.

Financial Statement.

Gross bonded debt	\$16,700,700 00
Water debt (gross)	\$3,300,000 00
Cash and investments	323,514 46
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1926 gold rfd. sinking fund	152,000 00

Total deductable	\$4,039,133 63
Net bonded debt	\$12,661,566 37

1921 Assessed Values.

Real estate	\$134,098,406 00
Personalty	15,874,692 00
Merchants' capital	15,247,646 00
Public utilities, assessed by the State and reported to city	28,616,463 24

Total assessed values	\$193,837,207 24
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MERCEDES, Hidalgo County, Texas.—CORRECTION.—In our issue of March 4, page 981, we stated that J. L. Arlitt & Co. of Austin had purchased \$100,000 6% street improvement bonds. It appears that W. L. Pearson, a contractor of Austin, was the original purchaser, paying the city slightly above par, and that J. L. Arlitt & Co. acted as intermediary in the transaction, depositing a cashier's check for \$2,500 with the city for the account of Mr. Pearson, and also arranging the matter of having the

legality of the bonds passed upon by attorneys. J. E. Jarratt & Co of San Antonio, however, were the actual purchasers, they having negotiated with Mr. Pearson for the bonds, and having succeeded in acquiring them from him.

MERCER, Mercer County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—The \$20,000 5 1/2% coupon (opt.) general improvement and funding bonds offered on March 15—V. 114, p. 762—were sold to the First National Bank at par and accrued interest plus a premium of \$514, equal to 102.57. Date April 1 1922. Due Dec. 1 1951, optional Dec. 1 1936. The following bids were received: First National Bank.....\$514 | Hanchett Bond Co.....\$417 Farmers & Merchants Nat. Bk. 246 | Glover & McGregor..... 201

MIDDLESEX, Nash County, No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.—H. R. Knight, Town Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 3 p. m. April 4 for \$20,000 6% electric-light bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date May 1 1922. Due \$1,000 yearly from 1925 to 1944. Legality approved by Bruce Craven of Trinity, and Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge, Boston.

MINATARE, Scottsbluff County, Neb.—BOND SALE.—During Jan. 1922 the State of Nebraska purchased the following 6% bonds at par for the Soldiers' Relief: \$21,528 Sewer District No. 1 bonds. 37,472 Main Sewer District bonds.

Date Nov. 15 1921. Due serially. The notice of this sale was already given in V. 114, p. 330. It is given again because of the additional data available.

MINDEN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Rusk County, Texas.—BONDS REGISTERED.—The State Comptroller of Texas registered \$10,000 5% 10-40-year bonds on March 15.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—BOND OFFERING.—Additional information is at hand relative to the offering on March 29 of the \$946,140 31 coupon special street improvement bonds at not exceeding 5% interest—V. 114, p. 1213. Sealed bids for these bonds will be received until 2 p. m. on that day by the Committee on Ways and Means of the City Council at the office of Dan C. Brown, City Comptroller. Date April 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the fiscal agency of the City of Minneapolis in N. Y. City, or at the office of the City Treasurer, at option of holders. Bonds to be in denominations of \$1,000 each or fractions thereof as nearly as practicable, as desired by the purchasers, and to be payable as nearly as practicable one-twentieth thereof one year from the date of bonds and one-twentieth thereof on April 1 of each and every year thereafter to and including April 1 1942 except that the bonds in said proceedings Nos. 738, 739, 742, 744, 750, 755, 756 and 757 are to be made payable as nearly as practicable in ten equal annual installments, commencing April 1 1923. Certified check for 2% of the par value of the bonds bid for, payable to C. A. Bloomquist, City Treasurer, required. The bonds will be delivered to purchaser thereof at the office of the City Comptroller, or elsewhere in the United States, at the option of the purchaser.

The official advertisement of this bond offering will again be found among the municipal advertisements of this Week's issue.

BOND OFFERING.—The Committee of Finance of the Board of Park Commissioners will sell at public sale at the office of Dan C. Brown, City Comptroller, at 2:30 p. m. March 29, \$165,000 5% special park and parkway improvement bonds. Date May 2 1921. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the fiscal agency of the City of Minneapolis or at the office of the City Treasurer, at option of holders. Bonds to be in denominations of \$1,000 each or fractions thereof, as desired by the purchasers, and to be payable one-tenth thereof one year from the date of said bonds and one-tenth thereof on May 2 of each and every year thereafter to and including May 2 1931. Certified check for 2% of the par value of the bonds bid for, payable to C. A. Bloomquist, City Treasurer, required. The bonds will be delivered to the purchaser thereof at the office of the City Comptroller or elsewhere in the United States, at the option of the purchaser. Sealed bids will be received by the Committee on Finance, care of J. A. Ridgway, Secretary, Minneapolis, Minn., until 2:30 p. m. of the date of sale, and open bids will be asked for after that hour, and all proposals and subscriptions must state the total amount offered therefor, including premium and accrued interest thereon from the date of said bonds to the date of delivery.

MORRISON COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 22 (P. O. Upsala), Minn.—BOND OFFERING.—Eston W. Smith, Superintendent of Schools, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m. March 31 for \$65,000 6% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date March 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable in St. Paul or Chicago. Due serially in 3 to 15 years. Certified check for \$5,000 required.

MOUNT HOLLY, Gaston County, No. Caro.—BOND SALE.—The \$80,000 6% bonds offered on March 6—V. 114, p. 762—have been awarded to W. A. Ebert of Charlotte, at par and accrued interest. Denom. \$500. Date March 1 1922.

NASHUA, Hillsboro County, N. H.—LOAN OFFERING.—The City Treasurer will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. Mar. 29 for a temporary loan of \$80,000 to be dated March 30 and due Dec. 15 1922.

NASSAU COUNTY (P. O. Mineola), N. Y.—CERTIFICATE OFFERING.—Earl J. Bennett, County Comptroller, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. March 30 for \$135,000 5% bridge certificates of indebtedness. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1922. Prin. and semi-annual int. (A & O) payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due Oct. 1 1923. Cert. Check for 2% of the amount bid for, payable to the County Treasurer, required.

NELSON SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Nelson), Nuckolls County, Neb.—BOND SALE.—During last month \$75,000 5% new school building bonds were acquired by the State of Nebraska for the Soldiers' Relief at par. Date July 1 1920. Due Jan. 1 1950, optional 5 years from date. This report corrects the one given in V. 111, p. 877.

NEW BRIGHTON, Ramsey County, Minn.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$14,000 6% funding bonds has been sold to Gates, White & Co of St. Paul, at par and accrued interest.

NEWTON COUNTY ROAD DISTRICTS (P. O. Newton), Texas.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by J. E. Roush, County Judge, until 10 a. m. April 10 for the following 5 1/2% bonds: \$200,000 Road District No. 4 bonds. Int. M & 8. 100,000 Road District No. 3 bonds. Int. P & A. Due serially 1 to 30 years. Certified check for 1/4 of 1% required. Separate bids will be received for each issue.

NOBLES COUNTY (P. O. Worthington), Minn.—BOND SALE.—The Well Dickey Co. of Minneapolis has been awarded \$110,000 Judicial Ditch No. 76 bonds at 101.45 for 5a.

NOBLES COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO 114 (P. O. Worthington), Minn.—BOND SALE.—On March 9 \$3,500 6% building and equipment bonds were sold to Gates, White & Co of St. Paul at par and accrued interest. Denoms. 3 for \$1,000 and 1 for \$500. Date March 1 1922. Int. M & 8. Due in 5, 10 and 15 years.

NOGALES, Santa Cruz County, Ariz.—BOND SALE.—The \$30,000 5 1/2% city hall and fire department bonds offered on March 18—V. 114, p. 1099—have been sold to Antonides & Co., of Denver. Date Feb. 15 1920.

NORFOLK, Norfolk County, Va.—BOND SALE.—The Trust Company of Norfolk has purchased \$300,000 improvement bonds.

NORTH ADAMS, Berkshire County, Mass.—LOAN OFFERING.—The City Treasurer will receive bids until 12 m. March 30 for the purchase at discount of a temporary loan of \$100,000 to be used in anticipation of revenue. Date March 31 1922. Due Nov. 1 1922.

NORTH BEND SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. North Bend), Hamilton County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—W. W. Welsh, Clerk of the Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. March 30 for \$2,500 3% bonds. Denom. \$250. Date Jan. 2 1922. Prin. and semi-annual int. (J & J) payable at the Hamilton County National Bank in Cleveland. Due \$250 yrly on Jan. 2 from 1923 to 1932 incl. Cert. check for 1/2% of the amount bid for, payable to the Board of Education, required.

NORTH RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT, Garden County, Neb.—BOND SALE.—The State of Nebraska during Jan. 1922 acquired \$15,000 1% serial irrigation bonds at par. Date April 1 1920.

NORTHWILKESBORO, Wilkes County, No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.—S. L. Pardue, Town Clerk, will receive sealed bids until Apr. 17 for \$75,000 6% street improvement bonds. Int. A-O.

ODESSA TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT NO 1 (P. O. Lake Odessa), Ionia County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—The \$51,000 5 1/2% coupon tax-free new school building bonds offered on March 16—V. 114, p. 1099—were sold to the Harris, Trust and Savings Bank of Chicago, at par and accrued interest plus a premium of \$2,953 (105.79) and blank bonds to be furnished by the above Bank. Date April 1 1922. Due yrly on April 1 beginning 1927. In giving the offering of these bonds in—V. 114, p. 1099—the item was incorrectly given under the caption of Odessa Township School District No. 1, Iod.

OLD BENNINGTON, Bennington County, Vt.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 10:30 a. m. March 31 by the Village Trustees for \$32,000 5% bonds. Denom. 30 for \$1,000 each and 4 for \$500 each. Due Oct. 1 1942, optional on any interest paying date by a 30-day written notice to the holders thereof. Int. payable semi-annually.

OSCEOLA, Polk County, Neb.—BOND SALE.—It is stated that \$56,500 6% paving bonds have been sold.

OXFORD, Butler County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—D. P. Beaton, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 7 p. m. April 4 for \$56,000 5 1/2% water works improvement bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the Village Treasurer's office. Due yearly on April 1 as follows: \$2,000 1923 to 1941, incl., and \$3,000 1942 to 1947, incl. Cert. check for 5% of the amount bid for, payable to the Village Treasurer required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

PAGE COUNTY (P. O. Clarinda) Iowa.—BOND SALE.—On March 16 the \$125,000 5% 9 year (aver) funding bonds—V. 114, p. 1099—were sold to the Peters Trust Co. of Omaha at 101.60 a basis of about 4.78%. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (F. & A.) payable at the County Treasurer's office, with Chicago exchange. Due yearly on Aug. 1 as follows: \$13,000 1927 to 1931, incl., and \$12,000 1932 to 1936, incl. The White-Phillips Co., Davenport, Geo. M. Bechtel & Co., Davenport, Rengheim, Wheelock & Co. and Schanke & Co. of Maston City, also submitted bids.

Financial Statement. *Value of taxable property.....\$50,177,928 Total debt (this issue included)..... 454,000 Population, 1920 census, 24,137.

* The constitutional debt limit is 5% of the value of taxable property. The Supreme Court of Iowa defined this to be 5% of the actual value of taxable property as returned by the assessor and as equalized.

PAJARO SCHOOL DISTRICT, Monterey County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.—Until 2 p. m. April 3 T. B. Joy, Clerk of Board of County Supervisors (P. O. Salinas), will receive sealed bids for \$42,000 5 1/2% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due \$2,000 yearly from 1925 to 1944, incl. Certified check for 10% of bid, payable to the above official, required.

PALM BEACH COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT NO. 8 (P. O. West Palm Beach), Fla.—BOND SALE.—The \$78,000 6% road and bridge bonds offered on March 6—V. 114, p. 982—have been sold to the Farmers Bank & Trust Co. of West Palm Beach at 95.02.

PALMYRA TOWNSHIP, Halifax County, No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed proposals will be received by A. E. Akers, Secretary County Board of Education (P. O. Roanoke Rapids) until 12 m. Apr. 10 for \$25,000 6% coupon school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Apr. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable in gold coin at the Hanover National Bank, N. Y. C. Due yearly on Apr. 1 as follows: \$1,000 1923 to 1937 incl. and \$2,000 1938 to 1942 incl. Cert. check upon an incorporated bank or trust company (or cash) for 2% of bid payable to Palmyra Township, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest from date of bonds to date of delivery. Successful bidders will be furnished with the opinion of Reed, Dougherty & Hoyt of New York City, that the bonds are valid and binding obligations of Palmyra Township, payable out of a special tax of not exceeding twenty cents on the 9100 of assessed valuation of all taxable property in the Township, authorized by the voters for the sole purpose of paying the principal and interest of the bonds. The last assessed valuation of taxable property in Palmyra Township, being the valuation for the year 1921, is \$1,706,360.00. An annual tax of twenty cents on the \$100 of such valuation will yield annually the sum of \$3,412.00.

PARLIER SCHOOL DISTRICT, Fresno County, Calif.—BIDS.—The following bids were received on March 10 for the \$120,000 5% tax-free school bonds:

Par, Accrued Interest and Premium of— Cyrus Peirce & Co. and Mercantile Trust Co.....\$210 50 R. H. Moulton & Co..... 635 The Citizens National Bank..... 27 00 Anglo & London-Paris Nat. Bk. Bank of Italy..... 379 20 and National City Co..... 732 Bradford, Weedon & Co.....*756 00

* Notice that this bid had been accepted was given in last week's issue on page 1214.

Financial Statement. Assessed valuation 1921-22.....\$2,440,864 Total debt (including this issue)..... 121,500 Population (estimated).....500

PASADENA, Los Angeles County, Calif.—BOND ISSUES TO BE VOTED UPON NEXT MONTH MADE KNOWN.—The Los Angeles "Times" on March 16 said: "The items of the proposed municipal bonds issues totaling \$3,236,500, to be placed before the voters of the city at a special election next month, were made known March 15 by the Municipal Board of Directors. The list includes: Parks, \$920,500; isolation hospital, \$12,000; fire department extensions, \$117,000; public comfort stations, \$25,000; sewage disposal, \$112,000; street openings (extension of additional through cross-town thoroughfares, to relieve Colorado St.), \$825,000; water department extensions and equipment, \$175,000; municipal auditorium, \$750,000. This is the largest budget of public improvements ever contemplated by the city at one time. Another public improvement, the new stadium for Rose Tournament games and other events, in the Arroyo Seco, is not being built with municipal funds."

PARSONS, Labette County, Kan.—BOND SALE.—Storn Bros. & Co., Prescott & Sulder and the Guaranty Trust Co. of Kansas City, have been awarded \$150,000 5% tax-free new city hall bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.), payable at the office of the State Treasurer. Due serially on Jan. 1 from 1930 to 1942, incl.

Financial Statement. Actual value estimated.....\$20,000,000 Assessed valuation 1921..... 15,160,885 Total bonded debt outstanding..... 1,199,335 Water works debt.....\$525,000 Net debt.....\$674,335 Population 1920..... 16,028

PASSAIC COUNTY (P. O. Paterson), N. J.—BOND SALE.—The issue of 4 1/2% coupon (with privilege of registration) road and bridge improvement bonds offered on March 22—V. 114, p. 1099—was sold to L. P. Rothchild & Co. of New York at their bid of \$125,432 (101.203) for 422 bonds (\$120,000), equal to a basis of about 4.35%. Date April 1 1922. Due yearly on April 1 as follows: \$2,000 from 1923 to 1934 incl.; \$24,000, 1935 to 1940 incl., and \$20,000 in 1941. The following bids were received: L. P. Rothchild & Co.....\$125,432.00 for 422 bonds National City Co..... 125,211.42 for 422 bonds Equitable Trust Co..... 425,252.60 for 423 bonds * Second National Bank..... 425,827.50 for 424 bonds H. L. Allen & Co..... 425,272.72 for 424 bonds * Located in Paterson. All the other concerns are located in N. Y. City.

PERRY COUNTY (P. O. Cayuga), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Wm. C. Vogel, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. April 10 for \$21,000 1 1/2% Wm. H. Kokenbush of M., Clerk Township bonds. Denom. \$610. Date April 10 1922. Int. M & N. Due \$1,220 each six months from May 15 1923 to Nov. 15 1932, inclusive. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

PERRYTON, Ochiltree County, Texas.—BONDS REGISTERED.—The State Comptroller of Texas registered \$7,000 6% 10-20-year street improvement bonds on March 13.

PORTAGE SCHOOL TOWNSHIP, Porter County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Until 2 p. m. Apr. 20 bids will be received by H. W. Swanson, Township Trustee (P. O. Hobart R. F. D. No. 1) for the purchase of \$35,000 6% coupon bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Apr. 10 1922. Principal and semi-annual interest (J. & J.) payable at the Citizens Savings & Trust Co. in Valparaiso, Ind. Due \$1,000 each six months from July 1 1922 to July 1 1930, inclusive and \$1,500 from Jan. 1 1931 to July 1 1936, incl. Certified check for \$900 required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest. The official announcement states that this bond issue is to be in lieu of the bond issue heretofore advertised (V. 114, p. 1215). The reason was that the bonds will be issued in \$500 denominations instead of \$625 as first agreed upon.

PRATT, Pratt County, Kan.—BONDS VOTED.—At the election held March 14—V. 114, p. 764—\$150,000 water and light plant bonds carried by a vote of 928 to 327.

QUINCY, Norfolk County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—A temporary loan of \$200,000 was recently awarded to the First National Bank of Boston on a 4.08% discount basis plus a \$4 premium. Date March 20 1922. Due Dec. 14 1922.

RAVALLI COUNTY (P. O. Hamilton), Mont.—ISSUE BONDS TO PAY OFF OUTSTANDING WARRANTS.—The Montana "Record-Herald" of March 18 said: "The Board of County Commissioners have entered into a tentative agreement to refund or exchange bonds bearing 5 1/2% interest for approximately \$175,000 outstanding warrants bearing 6% interest. The deal is being negotiated by Ferris & Hardgrove of Spokane, representing the Bankers Trust of Denver. These people will advance the cash to pay off outstanding warrants and accrued interest, receiving the face value in serial bonds. It is an even exchange, dollar for dollar, the bond house defraying all expenses for lithographed bonds, lawyers' fees, &c. The advantage to the county lies in being placed on a cash basis, so that the budget system may be adopted, and in saving one-quarter per cent in interest on approximately \$175,000. The banks refuse to cash road and bridge warrants, thus compelling a heavy discount, which falls on the county."

RAWLINS, Carbon County, Wyo.—BOND ELECTION PROPOSED.—The Board of Trustees is contemplating the holding of a special election to vote for water bonds to the amount of \$400,000.

RED LAKE COUNTY (P. O. Red Lake Falls), Minn.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 1 p. m. April 5 by George Dupont, County Auditor, for \$177,000 road bonds at not exceeding 6% interest. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1922. Prin. and int. payable at a place designated by the purchaser. Due April 1 1932. Certified check for 5% of the amount bid, payable to the County Treasurer, required.

RISINGSUN VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Risingsun), Wood County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—A J. Daly, Clerk of the Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m. Apr. 8 for \$52,000 5 1/2% coupon bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Mar. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & S.) payable at the District Treasurer's office. Due yearly on Sept. 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1923 to 1940, incl. \$3,000, 1941 to 1944 incl., and \$4,000, 1945. Cert. check for 2% of the amount bid for, payable to the Village Treasurer, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

ROANOKE, Roanoke County, Va.—BONDS VOTED.—The Baltimore "Sun" of March 19 says:

"Three bonds issues in aggregate \$1,260,000 were passed by a big majority in a special election held in Roanoke yesterday (March 18). A majority of 2,950 was rolled up in favor of the three issues. "The first issue for \$1,000,000 will be used for the erection of a new high school, the erection of an intermediate school, and general improvement on other schools of the city. The second issue, for \$200,000, will be used for street improvement. The third, for \$60,000, will be used for fire equipment."

ROCHESTER, N. Y.—NOTE OFFERING.—J. C. Wilson, City Comptroller, will receive sealed bids until 2:30 p. m. March 27 for \$200,000 revenue notes which will be payable in two months from March 30 1922 at the Central Union Trust Co. at 80 Broadway, N. Y. City, where the notes will be delivered to the purchaser on March 30 1922. Bidder is to name interest rate, designate denominations desired, and to whom (not bearer) notes shall be made payable. No bids for less than par will be considered.

ROYSE CITY, Rockwell County, Texas.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received at any time by Carl G. Miller, Mayor, for the \$5,000 6% water bonds voted April 12 1921—V. 112, p. 1898. Date June 1 1921. Due June 1 1951, optional June 1 1926.

RUNNELS COUNTY COMMONS SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 46, Ballinger County, Texas.—BONDS REGISTERED.—On March 14 the State Comptroller of Texas registered \$10,000 5% 10-40-year bonds.

RUPERT, Minidoka County, Ida.—BOND SALE.—Bosworth, Chanute & Co. of Denver on March 7 were awarded \$25,000 6% 10-20-year (opt.) funding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date March 1 1922. Int. payable at City Treasurer's office or in New York City.

RUSTON, Lincoln Parish, La.—BONDS VOTED.—An issue of \$175,000 school bonds was recently voted by an overwhelming majority.

SAN ANGELO, Tom Green County, Texas.—BONDS REGISTERED.—On March 13 the State Comptroller of Texas registered \$150,000 6% 15-30-year street improvement bonds.

SCHULENBERG INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Fayette County, Texas.—BONDS REGISTERED.—On March 15 the State Comptroller of Texas registered \$60,000 6% serial bonds.

SCOTCH PLAINS TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Scotch Plains), Union County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—T. J. Nicholl, District Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. April 4 for an issue of 5% coupon (with privilege of registration) bonds not to exceed \$110,000. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the Westfield Trust Co. in Westfield. Due \$2,000 yearly on April 1 from 1923 to 1932, incl., and \$3,000 yearly on April 1 from 1933 to 1962, incl. Certified check for 2% of the amount bid for, payable to the Custodian of School Moneys of the above township, required. The opinion of Hawkins, DeLafield & Longfellow of New York will be furnished to the successful bidder. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

SCOTTSDALE HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, Maricopa County, Ariz.—BOND ELECTION.—An election will be held April 1 to vote on \$73,000 6% 20-year bonds Int. semi-ann. Denom. \$500. Chas. Miller, President Board of Education.

SEATTLE, Wash.—BONDS OFFERED BY BANKERS.—R. M. Grant & Co. of New York, are offering to investors in an advertisement appearing on a preceding page of this issue, to yield about 5.10%, \$1,005,000 6% tax-free municipal light and power bonds. Coupon bonds, with the privilege of registration as to principal alone or both principal and interest. Denom. \$1,000. Date March 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & S.) payable in gold in New York City or at the office of the City Treasurer at option of holder. Due \$67,000 yearly on March 1 from 1928 to 1942 incl.

Financial Statement.

Actual value of taxable property (estimated)	\$489,908.794
Assessed valuation for purpose of taxation (1921)	244,954.397
Total bonded debt (including this issue)	\$47,026,800
Bonds self-supporting (including this issue)	37,421,949

Net bond debt \$9,604,851
Population, 1910 U. S. census, 237,979. Population, 1920 U. S. census, (Increase 33%), 315,652.

SIERRA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 (P. O. Hillsboro), N. Mex.—BOND ELECTION.—An election is to be held March 25 to vote upon \$12,000 school building bonds. C. C. Rea, Clerk.

SHELBY COUNTY (P. O. Sidney), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—W. A. Harman, County Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. April 15 for \$33,500 6% coupon bonds as follows:
\$5,800 Sidney-Wapakoneta I. C. II No. 161, Section "Anna" bonds. Denom. 18 for \$300 each and 1 for \$100. Due \$300 each six months from April 1 1923 to Oct. 1 1931 incl., and \$400 on April 1 1932
5,500 Sidney-Wapakoneta I. C. II No. 161, Section "Botkind" bonds. Denom. 17 for \$300 each and 2 for \$200. Due \$300 each six months from April 1 1923 to April 1 1931 incl., and \$200, Oct. 1 1931 and April 1 1932.

22,200 Versailles-Sidney I. C. H. No. 217, Section "A-1" bonds. Denom. 6 for \$1,100 each and 13 for \$1,200 each. Due \$1,100 each six months from April 1 1923 to Oct. 1 1925 incl., and \$1,200 each six months from April 1 1926 to April 1 1931 incl.

Date April 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the County Treasurer's office. Certified check for 3% of the amount bid for, payable to the above Auditor, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

SHELBY COUNTY (P. O. Memphis), Tenn.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 12 m. April 4 by E. E. Strong, Chairman County Court, for \$200,000 4 3/4%, 5%, 5 1/2% and 5 3/4% jail bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date March 1 1922. Principal and semi-annual interest (M. & S.) payable at the Seaboard National Bank, New York City, or at the North Memphis Savings Bank, Memphis. Due \$25,000 yearly on March 1 from 1932 to 1939, inclusive. Certified check on a solvent bank or trust company for \$1,000, payable to the above official, required. Legality approved by Jno. C. Thomson, New York City.

SHERIDAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 83 (P. O. Ranchester), Wyo.—BOND SALE.—The \$24,000 6% 25-year school building bonds, offered on March 15—V. 114, p. 764—have been sold to Keeler Bros. & Co. of Denver for \$24,010 and cost of providing themselves with legal proceedings. Denom. \$1,000. Date Feb. 15 1922. Int. J. & J.

SILVERTON, Marion County, Ore.—BOND SALE.—Howard C. Whitlock, of Silverton, has purchased \$7,734 63 improvement bonds, it is stated.

SMITH'S PRAIRIE HIGHWAY DISTRICT (P. O. Prairie), Elmore County, Idaho.—BOND OFFERING.—Bids will be received until 2:30 p. m. March 27 for the purchase of \$25,000 6% bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due Jan 1 1942. Certified check for \$2,500 required. Bids less than par will not be considered. Phele T. McProud, Secretary.

SNYDER, Dodge County, Neb.—BOND SALE.—Last month \$4,000 6% electric-light bonds were purchased at par by the State of Nebraska for the Soldiers' Relief. Date Apr. 23 1921. Due Apr. 23 1941, optional after 10 years.

SOUTH BEND SCHOOL CITY (P. O. South Bend), St. Joseph County, Ind.—ADDITIONAL DATA.—We are advised that the Federal Securities Corporation of Chicago was associated with Paine, Webber & Co. in acquiring the \$250,000 5% coupon bonds at 101.61—a basis of about 4.74% (V. 114, p. 1216).

SOUTH CAROLINA (State of).—NOTE SALE.—Watkins & Co., of New York, have purchased \$3,000,000 4 1/2% 10-1-3 months tax-anticipation notes, and are offering them to investors at par and interest to yield 4 1/2%. Denom. \$1,000 and multiples. Date March 15 1922. Principal and interest payable at the Chemical National Bank, New York. Due as follows: \$500,000 on Jan. 10, 17, 24 and 31 1923, and \$500,000 on Feb. 7 and 14 1923. The official announcement states that these notes are "legal investment for savings banks and trust funds in New York, New Jersey and other States and are eligible to secure postal savings deposits."

These notes are being offered to investors in an advertisement appearing on a previous page of this issue.

SOUTH FORK UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT, Kern County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—On March 20 the \$20,000 6% 1-10-year serial coupon bonds—V. 114, p. 1101—were sold to the Security Trust Co. of Bakersfield at 100.05, a basis of about 5.99%. Due \$2,000 yearly on Feb. 27 from 1923 to 1932, inclusive.

SOUTH HILL, Mecklenburg County, No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 12 m. May 1 for \$100,000 6% coupon registrable as to principal, water, light and power and sewer-system bonds by N. G. Smith, Clerk of the Town Council. Denom. \$1,000. Date May 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M.-N.) payable at the Hanover Nat. Bank, N. Y. C. Due May 1 1957. Cert. check for 2% of total issue required. Legal opinion as to legality of issue will be furnished by Caldwell and Raymond, attorneys, N. Y. City.

Financial Statement.

Assessed value for taxation, 1921	\$977,904 00
Estimated actual value of property	2,225,000 00
Total bonded debt, including this issue	125,000 00
Floating or unfunded debt in addition to bonded debt	None
Sinking funds	None
Water works, included in total debt above, about	65,000 00
Population, 1920 Census, 1,074. Estimated now 1,250. Tax rate at present \$1 per \$100 valuation. No default in payment of any other obligation. No other bond issues contemplated.	

SPANG (P. O. Hill City), Minn.—BOND OFFERING.—Chas. A. Dutton, Town Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 4 p. m. March 27 for \$4,000 bonds at not exceeding 6% interest. Denom. \$1,000. Date March 27 1922. Due \$1,000 yearly on March 27 from 1930 to 1933 incl. Certified check for 5% of the amount bid required.

SPARTANBURG COUNTY (P. O. Spartanburg), So. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 11 a. m. March 30 by J. J. Vernon, County Supervisor, for \$110,000 5% funding bonds. Date April 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) payable at the National Park Bank, N. Y. City. Due \$4,000, 1923 to 1927; \$5,000, 1928 to 1932; \$6,000, 1933 to 1937; and \$7,000, 1938 to 1942. Certified check for 2% of bid, payable to the above official, required. The approving opinion of Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge as to legality of bonds will be furnished.

SPENCER COUNTY (P. O. Rockport), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Frank M. Harter, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. to-day (March 25) for \$8,080 5% bonds. Denom. \$404. Date Feb. 15 1922. Int. M. & N. Due \$404 each six months from May 15 1923 to Nov. 15 1932, inclusive. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

SQUAW CREEK IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Sisters), Deschutes County, Ore.—BOND OFFERING.—This district will receive bids until April 4 for \$25,000 bonds. It is stated.

STEELE AND FREEBORN COUNTIES CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 30 (P. O. Ellendale), Minn.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 1 p. m. April 4 by Andrew Gregerson, Clerk Board of Education, for \$75,000 5 1/4% school building bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Feb. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (F. & A.) payable at the Northwestern Trust Co. St. Paul. Due yearly on Feb. 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1928 and 1929; \$3,000, 1930 and 1931; \$4,000, 1932 and 1933; \$5,000, 1934 to 1936 incl., and \$12,000, 1937. Certified check for 2% of the amount of the issue, payable to the District Treasurer, required.

STERLING, Johnson County, Neb.—BOND ELECTION.—An election is to be held April 4 to vote upon \$28,000 water works system bonds. E. H. Johnson, Village Clerk.

SUMMIT COUNTY (P. O. Akron), Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$252,000 5 1/2% coupon bridge bonds offered on March 23—V. 114, p. 1101—were sold to Richards, Parish & Lamson of Cleveland at 102.64, a basis of about 4.98%. Date Feb. 1 1922. Due \$25,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1923 to 1931, incl., and \$27,000 on Oct. 1 1932. In our issue of March 11, on page 1101, we incorrectly stated that the amount to be offered was \$105,000, the above corrects this error.

SUPERIOR, Nuckolls County, Neb.—BOND SALE.—The State of Nebraska during January 1922 purchased \$1,000 5 1/2% intersection paving bonds at par. Date May 1 1920. Due May 1 1940, optional at any time.

SUPERIOR, Douglas County, Wis.—SALE OF BONDS POSTPONED.—Reports say that the immediate sale of the \$75,000 auditorium installment bonds—V. 114, p. 984—has been postponed until a vote is taken on the proposition.

SUSSEX COUNTY (P. O. Georgetown), Del.—BOND SALE.—The \$200,000 5% gold tax-free highway bonds offered on March 21—V. 114, p. 984—were sold to the Farmers Bank of Delaware at 102.375. Date Jan 1 1922. Due \$5,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1931 to 1970 incl., but the county reserves the right to redeem any bonds not matured by Jan. 1 1932 on any interest paying date thereafter at not more than 105. The following bids were received:
Farmers Bank of Delaware 102.375
National City Co. of New York 102.079
Harris, Forbes & Co. and Laird & Co. 101.82
Estabrook & Co., New York 101.39
Gillespie, Needs & Co. 100.7782

TAFT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, Kern County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING—Sealed bids will be received until 10 a. m. April 4 by F. E. Smith, County Clerk and Clerk Board of County Supervisors (P. O. Bakersfield) for the \$380,000 6% coupon school bonds recently voted—V. 114, p. 879. Denom. \$1,000. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (March 13 & Sept. 13) payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due yearly on March 13 as follows: \$50,000, 1923 to 1929 incl., and \$30,000, 1930. Certified check for at least 10% of the amount bid, payable to Stanley Abel, Chairman Board of County Supervisors, required. Bonded debt, \$90,000. Assessed value of taxable property, 1921-1922, \$70,066,270.

TAYLORVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Taylorville), Christian County, Ill.—BONDS OFFERED BY BANKERS.—The Harris Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago are offering to investors an issue of \$90,000 5% coupon bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date March 1 1922. Principal and semi-annual interest (M. & S.) payable at the First National Bank in Taylorville. The maturity and the prices at which the bonds are being offered to investors are as follows:

Table with columns: Amt., Due, Price, Yield, Ame., Due, Price, Yield. Rows list bond amounts and terms from 1922 to 1942.

Financial Statement, As Officially Reported.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include real value of taxable property, assessed valuation, and population.

TEANECK TOWNSHIP (P. O. West Englewood), Bergen County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—Robert J. Lewis, Township Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. April 6 for an issue of 5 1/2% coupon or registered equipment bonds not to exceed \$11,000. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1922. Principal and semi-annual interest (A. & O.) payable at the Palisades Trust & Guaranty Co. of Englewood. Due yearly on April 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1923, and \$1,000 from 1924 to 1937 inclusive. Certified check for 2% of the amount bid for, payable to the Township, required. The bonds will be prepared under the supervision of the United States Mortgage & Trust Co. of New York City, which will certify as to the genuineness of the signatures of the officials and the seal impressed thereon. Validity to be approved by Wakelee, Thornall & Wright, of New York. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

TEANECK TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. West Englewood), Bergen County, N. J.—BOND SALE.—The issue of 5% coupon or registered school bonds offered on March 20—V. 114, p. 1101—was sold to the City National Bank of Hackensack at its bid of \$45,555 55 (101 234) for 45 bonds (\$45,000), a basis of about 4 85%. Date April 1 1922. Due yearly on April 1 as follows: \$2,000, from 1923 to 1937 incl., and \$1,000, from 1938 to 1942 incl. The above interest rate and maturity corrects the ones given in V. 114, p. 1101. The following bids were received:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder Name and Amount. Rows include City National Bank, Outwater & Wells, and Ogilby & Austin.

TEKAMAH, Burt County, Neb.—BOND ELECTION.—An election is to be held April 4 to vote upon \$50,000 funding bonds. W. H. Holmquist, City Clerk.

TERRACE PARK, Hamilton County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$4,000 6% improvement bonds offered on March 18—V. 114, p. 879—were sold to the First National Bank of Norwood at 102 025, a basis of about 5 69%. Date March 1 1922. Due \$250, yearly on March 1 from 1923 to 1937 incl. There was no other bidder.

TRAIL COUNTY (P. O. Hillsboro), No. Dak.—BOND OFFERING.—Gerhard D. Olsen, County Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. April 5, it is stated, for \$32,000 6% drainage bonds, it is stated.

TRINITY HEIGHTS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Texas.—BONDS REGISTERED.—The State Comptroller of Texas registered \$100,000 5% serial bonds on March 18.

TROSKY, Pipestone County, Minn.—BONDS VOTED.—Reports say that bonds of \$10,000 were voted at Trosky for fire-fighting apparatus and the construction of a water-works system.

TRUMBULL COUNTY (P. O. Warren), Ohio.—BIDS.—The following two bids were received on March 14 for the \$71,000 5 1/2% Balley-Leattsbury-Johnson Road, Warren Township bonds offered on that date—V. 114, p. 1101:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder Name and Amount. Rows include A. T. Bell & Co. and Richards, Parish & Lamson.

TRYON, Polk County, No. Caro.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed proposals will be received until 7 p. m. April 3 by M. G. Blake, Town Clerk, for \$60,000 6% coupon, with privilege of registration, gold street-improvement bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Apr. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.), payable in gold coin at the Hanover National Bank, N. Y. City. Due yearly on April 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1925 to 1928 incl.; \$3,000, 1929 to 1933 incl., and \$1,000, 1934 to 1942 incl. Cert. checks for \$1,200, payable to the above official required. The bonds will be ready for delivery Apr. 3, and must be paid for within two weeks thereafter. They will be delivered by the city to the successful bidder, at any bank designated, together with the certified transcript of legal proceedings, the usual final delivery papers, and the unqualified approval opinion of Storey, Thorncliffe, Palmer and Dodge, of Boston. Notice of this offering was already given in V. 114, p. 1216. It is given again as additional data have come to hand.

The Town of Tryon will sell \$5,000 6% water bonds at the same time and place as street bonds described above, but entirely as a separate proposition, though no additional certified check is required for this sale. Date May 1 1922. Int. semi-ann. Due \$500 yearly from 1925 to 1931, incl. Bonds to be prepared and delivered at expense of town, delivery May 1, with certified transcript, usual delivery certificates, and approval opinion of Storey, Thorncliffe, Palmer & Dodge Esqs.

Financial Statement

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include estimated true valuation, gross debt, water bonds, special property assessments, and net debt.

TULSA, Tulsa County, Okla.—BONDS VOTED.—Reports say that \$900,000 sewer bonds have been voted.

TULSA AND OSAGE COUNTIES CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2, Okla.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$35,000 6 1/2% school bonds has been sold to the Commerce Trust Co. of Kansas City.

TURKEY CREEK CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT, Buncombe County, No. Caro.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$12,000 6% school bonds was sold to Miss Roberta Rogers of Marshall. Denom. \$500.

UKIAH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Ukiah), Mendocino County, Calif.—BONDS VOTED.—An issue of \$80,000 school bonds was voted by majority of more than 7 to 1 on Mar. 3.

UNION, Hudson County, N. J.—NOTE SALE.—The \$100,000 tax-anticipation notes offered on March 20—V. 114, p. 1101—were sold to Corlies Adams of New York at 100.01 for 5 1/4%, a basis of about 5 74%. Due Dec. 31 1922.

UNION COUNTY (P. O. Monroe), No. Caro.—BOND SALE.—Giltzer, Rortek & Co. of Toledo has purchased the \$250,000 6% road and bridge bonds offered on Mar. 17—V. 114, p. 1101—at par plus a premium of \$17,817, equal to 107 16, a basis of about 5 37%. Date Mar. 1 1922. Due yearly on Mar. 1 as follows: \$6,000, 1925 to 1936 incl.; \$8,000, 1937, \$10,000, 1938 to 1948, incl. and \$15,000, 1949 to 1952, incl.

UNION ROAD DISTRICT, Jackson County, W. Va.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—The \$85,000 5% coupon tax-free road bonds offered on Mar. 18—V. 114, p. 1217—were not sold. Mr. Knott, County Clerk, says: "Ryan, Bowman & Co. of Toledo bid par and accrued interest to date of delivery with a proviso that a N. Y. draft of \$8,075 be allowed them for printing bonds, coupon, brokerage and other expenses of marketing and R. P. Shiner, T. J. Sayre and G. G. Starcher of Ripley, bid \$78,000 and accrued interest." He also adds that "these bonds cannot be sold unless they bring par."

UPPER YODER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT, Pa.—BOND SALE.—The \$60,000 5% serial "B" school bonds offered on Feb. 20—

V. 114, p. 654—were sold to Frank Mullin & Co. for \$61,950 (103.25), a basis of about 4.74%. Date Feb. 1 1922. Due \$10,000 on Feb. 1 in each of the following years: 1931, 1937, 1941, 1945, 1948 and 1950.

VANDERBURGH COUNTY (P. O. Evansville), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Walter Smith, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. April 3 for \$16,600 4 1/2% J. J. Hendricks et al. Perry Township bonds. Denom. \$415. Date April 3 1922. Due \$415 each six months from May 15 1923 to Nov. 15 1942 incl. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

BOND SALE.—The \$8,080 4 1/2% William O. Sullivan et al. Knight Township bonds offered on March 16—V. 114, p. 984—were sold at par and accrued interest to John Faigy of Evansville. Date March 16 1922. Due \$202 each six months from May 15 1923 to Nov. 15 1942 incl. There was no other bid received.

BOND OFFERING.—Walter Smith, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. April 3 for \$33,560 4 1/2% Henry Reininger et al. Browning Road bonds. Denom. \$834. Date April 3 1922. Int. M. & N. Due \$834 each six months from May 15 1923 to Nov. 15 1942 incl.

BOND SALE.—The \$28,200 4 1/2% John Reese et al. German Township bonds offered on March 13—V. 114, p. 984—were sold at par and accrued interest to P. J. Enler of Evansville. Date Mar. 13 1922. Due \$705 each six months from May 15 1923 to Nov. 15 1942, incl. There was no other bid received.

VERSAILLES, Darke County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Allen Wilson, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. Apr. 14 for \$2,600 6% deficiency bonds. Denom. \$100. Date Apr. 1 1922. Int. semi-ann. Due yearly on Apr. 1 as follows: \$500 1927 to 1930 incl. and \$600 in 1931. Cert. check for 10% of the amount bid for, payable to the Village Treasurer, required.

VINITA, Craig County, Okla.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$70,000 funding bonds has been disposed of, it is stated.

WALLOWA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 12 (P. O. Enterprise), Ore.—BOND OFFERING.—Until April 4 bids will be received by Anna M. Bledsoe, District Clerk, for \$47,500 6% school building and equipment bonds. Date April 1 1922.

WALWORTH COUNTY (P. O. Elkhorn), Wisc.—DESCRIPTION OF BONDS.—Further details are at hand relative to the sale of the \$1,100,000 5% 9 5-6-year (aver.) highway-impt. bonds awarded on Mar. 15 to the Federal Securities Co. of Chicago for \$1,126,455, equal to 102.405, a basis of about 4.70%. V. 114, p. 1217. Tax free. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int., payable at the office of the County Treasurer, or through the offices of P. W. Chapman & Co., Inc., N. Y., and Chicago. Due on Apr. 1 as follows: \$150,000 in each of the years 1923, 1927, 1929, 1933, 1934, 1936, 1938 and \$50,000, 1940.

Financial Statement.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include equalized assessed valuation, total debt, and population.

WARREN, Trumbull County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Geo. T. Hecklinger, City Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. April 18 for \$9,700 6% coupon (city share) sewer bonds. Denom. 9 for \$1,000 each; 1 for \$500 and 1 for \$200. Date May 1 1922. Int. semi-annually. Due \$2,500 on May 1 in 1933, 1934 and 1935 and \$2,200 on May 1 1936. Cert. check for \$500, payable to the City Treasurer, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

WASHBURN COUNTY (P. O. Shell Lake), Wis.—BOND OFFERING.—A. F. Cameron, County Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. April 15 (award to be made by committee at 2 p. m. April 18) for \$60,000 5% road bonds. Date June 1 1922. Prin. and semi-annual int. (J. & D.) payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due \$6,000 yearly on June 1 from 1932 to 1941, inclusive. Certified check for 1% of the bid required.

WASHINGTON, Fayette County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The following nine issues of 6% bonds offered on March 20—V. 114, p. 1102—were sold for \$79,379 70 (103.0402) to the L. R. Ballinger Co.:

Table with 2 columns: Bond Description and Amount. Rows list various bond issues with denominations and terms.

The following is a complete list of the bids received:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder Name and Amount. Rows include L. R. Ballinger Co., A. T. Bell & Co., Ryan-Bowman & Co., and Richards, Parish & Lamson.

* This bid was for the \$5,400 issue only, the other bids being for the entire nine issues.

WASHINGTON COUNTY (P. O. West Bend), Wis.—BIDS.—The following is a complete list of the bids received on March 14 for the \$700,000 5% 8 2 5 year (aver.) tax free coupon highway improvement bonds:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder Name and Amount. Rows include First Wis. Co., Taylor, Ewart & Co., Morris F. Fox & Co., and Wm. R. Compton Co.

* Notice that this bid had been the successful one was given in last week's issue on page 1217.

Financial Statement.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include real value of taxable property, assessed valuation, net debt, and population.

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3 (P. O. Applegate), Sanilac County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—The \$10,000 6% bonds offered on March 20—V. 114, p. 1217—were sold to Whitteley, McLean & Co. of Detroit at par and accrued interest, plus a premium of \$60, equal to 100.50 a basis of about 5 94%. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1922. Int. annually (April). Due \$3,000 on April 1 in 1927 and 1932, and \$4,000 on April 1 1937.

WATERTOWN, Middlesex County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—The City Treasurer will receive sealed bids until 3 30 p. m. March 29 for a \$150,000 temporary loan to be due Dec. 27 1922.

WAYNE COUNTY (P. O. Wooster), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—F. C. Redek, Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. March 27 for \$200,000 5% ditch bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date March 15 1922. Prin. and semi-annual int. payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due \$10,000 yrly on March 15 from 1923 to 1942 incl. Cert. check for 3% of the amount bid, payable to the Board of County Commissioners, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

WELLS COUNTY (P. O. Bluffton), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—John A. Everado, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. April 15 for the following 5% bonds:

Table with 2 columns: Bond Description and Amount. Rows include \$4,000 1st B. Heblen, Liberty Township bonds and \$26,000 John T. Miller, Union Township bonds.

Date April 15 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & N.) payable at the National City Bank in N. Y. City. Certified check for 3% of the amount bid for required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

WEST PARK, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Fred Feuchter, City Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. April 11 for \$50,000 5½% coupon water main bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1922. Int. semi-ann. Due yrly on Oct. 1 as follows: \$2,000 1923 incl.; \$3,000 1934; \$2,000 1935 to 1945 incl. and \$3,000 in 1946. Certified check for 5% of the amount bid for, payable to the City Treasurer, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

BOND SALE.—The \$50,000 5½% coupon fire-department bonds, offered on March 21—V. 114, p. 879—were sold to Tillotson & Wolcott of Cleveland for \$52,111 (104.222), a basis of about 4.97%. Date April 1 1922. Due \$2,500 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1923 to 1942 incl. The following bids were received:
Tillotson & Wolcott, Clev. \$52,111 00 | Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co., Cincinnati \$51,370 00
Otis & Co., Cleveland \$51,650 00 | W. L. Slayton & Co., Tol. 51,283 50
Weil, Roth & Co., Cincl. 51,562 50 | Sidney Spitzer & Co., Tol. 51,078 64
Seasongood & Mayer, Cin. 51,240 00 | A. T. Bell & Co., Toledo 50,831 00

WHITING SCHOOL CITY (P. O. Whiting), Lake County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—J. B. Kyle, Secretary, will receive sealed bids until 4 p. m. March 27 for \$540,000 5% bonds. Denom. 540 for \$500 each and 2 for \$1,000 each. Date May 1 1922. Payable at the First National Bank in Whiting. Due \$27,000 yearly on July 1 from 1924 to 1943 incl. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

WHITNEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Whitney), Dawes County, Neb.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 2 p. m. April 4 for \$390,870 6% coupon bonds by Geo. E. Lawrence, Secretary Board of Directors. Denoms. 781 for \$500 and 1 for \$870. Int. semi-ann. Proposals for payment of bonds in installments as money is required to pay contractors will be considered.

WILLIAMS COUNTY (P. O. Williston), No. Dak.—BOND DESCRIPTION.—The \$225,000 6% tax-free funding bonds, awarded as stated in—V. 113, p. 2535—are described as follows: Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1922. Prin and semi-ann int (J. & J.) payable at the American Exchange National Bank, N. Y. Due Jan. 1 1942.

Financial Statement

Estimated Real Value.....	\$40,000,000 00
Assessed Valuation.....	26,256,307 00
Total Bonded Debt (including this issue).....	376,500 00
Sinking Fund.....	\$31,318 51
Net Debt.....	345,181 49
Population (1920 Census) 17,980.	

WILLIAMSON COUNTY (P. O. Georgetown), Texas.—BOND SALE.—The Dallas "News" of March 15 says:

"The Williamson County Commissioners' Court in session to-day accepted the bid of the county depositories for the \$322,000 Williamson County road bonds at par and accrued interest, the money to be paid to the county upon the delivery of the bonds by County Judge F. D. Love to E. G. Gillett, President Farmers' State Bank, and J. E. Cooper, President First National Bank, both of Georgetown, and deposited in the various depositories of the county in a special account."

WILMINGTON, New Castle County, Del.—BOND SALE.—The \$517,000 4½% sinking fund bonds offered on March 20—V. 114, p. 1102—were sold to Forson, Son & Co. and J. S. Bache & Co., both of New York, at their joint bid of \$530,783 22 (102 666), a basis of about 4 35%. Date April 1 1922. Due \$44,250 Oct. 1 1923; \$185,500, April 1 1924; \$189,200, Oct. 1 1924, and \$98,050, April 1 1925. There were ten bids received.

WINNSBORO, Fairfield County, So. Caro.—BOND SALE.—Weil, Roth & Co. of Cincinnati have purchased \$100,000 6% school building bonds at par.

WORTHINGTON, Nobles County, Minn.—BONDS VOTED.—It is stated that the City Council has voted to issue \$10,000 bonds to purchase a site for the erection of a new armory building.

YELLOW MEDICINE COUNTY (P. O. Granite Falls), Minn.—BOND SALE.—On March 21 the \$400,000 County Ditch No. 9 and \$82,636 County Ditch No. 25 bonds—V. 114, p. 1102—were sold to the Minnesota Loan & Tr. Co., and the Wells-Dickey Co., both of Minneapolis.

YOAKUM, Lavaca County, Texas.—BOND SALE.—H. C. Burt & Co. of Houston have purchased \$20,000 water and light bonds.

ZEELAND, Ottawa County, Mich.—BOND OFFERING.—J. N. Clark, City Clerk, will receive sealed bids until April 1 for \$18,000 5½%

paying bonds. Denom. \$2,000. Date Feb. 1 1922. Int. annually. Due \$2,000 yrly. on Feb. 1 from 1927 to 1935 incl.

CANADA, its Provinces and Municipalities.

BOISSEVAIN, Man.—DEBENTURE OFFERING.—Tenders will be received by H. J. Phillips, Town Secretary-Treasurer, until 12 m. April 4 for \$7,500 7% debentures. Int. ann. (June). Due serially for 20 years. Denom. \$707 94.

HULL, Que.—BOND OFFERING.—H. Boulay, City Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 4 p. m. April 10 for the following two issues of 5½% bonds: \$76,000 bonds. Due May 1 1937. 62,000 bonds. Due May 1 1932. Denom. \$1,000. Date May 1 1922. Int. M. & N.

MARKHAM, Ont.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$4,500 6% bonds was recently sold at 100 35 to W. C. Brent & Co.

NEWFOUNDLAND (Government of).—BOND SALE.—Dillon, Read & Co., and Lee, Higginson & Co. of New York, and the Dominion Securities Corp. of Toronto have purchased \$6,000,000 5½% gold coupon (with privilege of registration) bonds, issued for railway improvements and extensions, for other public works, and for naval and military expenses. Denom \$1,000. Date March 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann int. (J. & J.) payable in U. S. gold coin at the Bank of Montreal in New York, Toronto, Montreal and St. Johns, or in London, England, in sterling at par of exchange. Due July 1 1942.

Attention is called to the official advertisement of the public offering of these bonds at 101, to yield about 5 40%, by Dillon, Read & Co., and Lee, Higginson & Co., which appears on a previous page of this issue.

ORILLIA, Ont.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$41,866 6% hospital bonds was recently sold at 101 75 to MacKay & MacKay.

SASKATCHEWAN SCHOOL DISTRICTS, Sask.—DEBENTURES AUTHORIZED.—The following, according to the "Financial Post" of Toronto, is a list of authorizations granted by the Local Government Board from Feb. 18 to March 4:

School Districts.—Dunay, \$2,500; Kristnes, \$500; Wyatt, \$4,000; Meacham, \$11,000.

Rural Telephones.—Finnie, \$350; Glenayon, \$500.

DEBENTURE SALES.—The following, we learn from the same source, is a list of debentures amounting to \$41,700 reported sold in the same period: Schools—Boyer Lake, No. 4331, \$4,000, 10 years 8%, E. & F. Busse, Bestville, D'Arcy, 3016, \$1,500, 10 years, 8%, W. D. Smith, D'Arcy; Meeting Lake, 1307, \$2,500, 10 years, 8%, C. C. Cross & Co., Regina; Mount Hope, 1915, \$1,300, 10 years, 8%, C. C. Cross & Co., Regina.

Rural Telephones—Glenrose, \$3,000, 15 years, 7¼%, Regina Public School Sinking Fund; Briercrest, \$2,650, 15 years, 7¼%, Regina Public School Sinking Fund; Willow Heights, \$3,000, 15 years, 7¼%, Regina Public School Sinking Fund; Bellevue Domremy, \$1,650, 15 years, 8%, C. C. Cross & Co., Regina; Kincora, \$1,500, 15 years, 8%, C. C. Cross & Co., Regina; Arabella, \$4,100, 15 years, 8%, J. & M. McLeod, Regina; Cactus Lake, \$16,500, 15 years, 8%, C. C. Cross & Co., Regina.

TRENTON, Ont.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$22,500 6% bonds offered recently was sold at 101 50 to the Municipal Bankers Corp.

VERDUN, Que.—DEBENTURE OFFERING.—Sealed tenders will be received by J. Wishart, City Secretary Treasurer, until 7 p. m. April 3 for the following 6% debentures:

\$100,000 By-Law No. 179 debentures. Denom. \$500. Due May 1 1941.
26,500 By-Law No. 180 debentures. Denom. \$500. Due May 1 1941.
50,000 By-Law No. 181 debentures. Denom. \$1,000. Due Nov. 1 1941.

Int. semi-ann. (M. & N.) payable in Montreal or New York. The By-Laws under which the above debentures are being issued have been approved by the Metropolitan Commission of the Island of Montreal, and by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council or by the Legislature.

WINDSOR ROMAN CATHOLIC SEPARATE SCHOOL BOARD (P. O. Windsor), Ont.—BOND OFFERING.—Damlen Gourd, Secretary-Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m. April 3 for \$260,000 5½% school building and site bonds. Date April 1 1922. Due serially in 1 to 30 years. Payable at the Provincial Bank of Canada, Windsor.

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CITY OF GOLDSBORO

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STREET IMPROVEMENT BONDS

Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Goldsboro, N. C., until 7:45 P. M. **APRIL 3, 1922**, for the following bonds of said City:

\$180,000 Street Improvement Bonds, Dated April 1, 1922. Denominations \$1,000 each. Due \$10,000 each year, 1924 to 1933, inclusive; and \$20,000 each year, 1934 to 1937, inclusive. Interest payable semi-annually. Principal and interest payable at the Hanover National Bank, New York City. Coupon bonds with privilege of conversion into fully registered bonds.

Bidders are required to name in their bids the rate of interest which the bonds are to bear, in multiples of one-quarter of one per centum per annum.

Successful bidders will be furnished the approving opinion of Messrs. Reed, Dougherty & Hoyt of New York City.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

For full particulars, address the undersigned.

J. G. TYSON, City Clerk.

NEW LOANS

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CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS

Special Street Improvement Bonds.

Sealed bids will be received by the Committee on Ways and Means of the City Council of the City of Minneapolis, Minnesota, at the office of the undersigned,

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29TH, 1922,

at 2:00 o'clock P. M., for \$946,140.31 not exceeding Five Per Cent Special Street Improvement Bonds, all dated April 1st, 1922, and to be payable one-tenth and one-twentieth each year thereafter, as the case may be, the last one being payable April 1st, 1932, and April 1st, 1942.

Sealed bids may be submitted up to 2:00 o'clock P. M. of the date of sale. After that hour open bids will be asked for and all bids must include accrued interest from the date of said bonds to date of delivery.

The right to reject any or all bids is hereby reserved.

A certified check for Two (2%) Per Cent of the par value of the bonds bid for, made to C. A. Bloomquist, City Treasurer, must accompany each bid.

Circular containing full particulars will be mailed upon application.

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