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### CLEARING HOUSE RETURNS.

Returns of Bank Clearings heretofore given on this page now appear in a subsequent part of the paper. They will be found to-day on pages 485 and 486.

### THE FINANCIAL SITUATION.

On January 18, the lower branch of Congress, sitting just then in Committee of the Whole, had before it the "army appropriation bill," and Mr. Hull of Iowa offered a rider providing that no part of the funds appropriated could be used for the salary or the pay of any officer or manager or superintendent or foreman "or other person having charge of the work of any employee of the United States Government" while such person was making or causing to be made, "with a stop-watch or other time-measuring device," any study of any employee between beginning and ending his job, "or of the movements of any such employee while engaged upon such work." It is told of Mr. Edison that when somebody asked him for a motto for young men, he replied, "Never look at the clock!" The laborer of the present time, certainly the laborer organized in unions, approves and urges Mr. Edison's motto, though not wishing to follow his application of it. Labor dislikes clocks and all other time-measuring or service-accounting devices and methods, and nobody is brazen enough to try to conceal the reason: labor objects to using efficiency as the scale test, and hence all methods of measuring efficiency must be banned. Labor wants to get the most and furnish the least, and the trouble with the world is that this desire is too generally attempted.

Congressman Hull's rider is not novel, but very old; it is really the established custom, in essence if not in

precise form, and therefore Gen. Dawes was not immediately popular with the rank and file of officialdom; when he brought in his brusque ideas about service and efficiency he recalled the story of how Arthur Wellesley, Duke of Wellington, shocked the idle clerks in the Circumlocution Office one day, when he surprised them in the practice of the art of How Not to Do It.

But Mr. Blanton of Texas objected to Mr. Hull's rider as being really a restriction upon executive authority and pro tanto a change of existing law. Mr. Husted of New York supported the objection, as did Mr. Tilson of Connecticut, who was in the chair, and when Mr. Hull appealed and the question was put to the House the Chair was sustained by a vote of 66 to 26. The point of order could have been raised as to the rider of 1913 which Mr. Taft had rejected and Mr. Wilson accepted, but it was not. That it has been raised successfully now is a bit hard to realize, but the story is in the "Record," and therefore must be true. Shall we ascribe it to Mr. Dawes's influence, or to the President, or to the budget, or to the faint beginning of a reaction in favor of common sense and against labor domination? At least, let us not omit to note any item of encouragement that is offered us.

The Pennsylvania Fuel Commission's director of anthracite distribution writes to the "Herald" to criticize that journal's argument that the "fat" mines make huge profits from prices necessary to enable the lean ones to be worked at all and to question the statement of Col. Goethals that coal prices vary as much as from \$8 to \$14 a ton. Since working was resumed in September last, the director admits, some coal probably has been sold as high as the larger figure, but, he says, 85% of anthracite production is by the larger companies, whose prices range from \$8 to \$8 35, and over 16% is by large companies, whose prices do not exceed \$9 25 for domestic sizes, while the production at prices at \$9 50 to \$12 approved by the Fair Practice Committee of the Commission was under 8% of the total. From these figures the director concludes that the high-priced anthracite does not materially affect the average price at the mine, and it is true that the price must be large enough to allow the lean or high-cost mine to operate. The charge of large profits for the fat or low-cost mines is answered, the director thinks, in the report of the Federal Trade Commission on June 30 1919, covering the six calendar years 1913-18, which showed the average margin on the anthracite in the last year to be 42.8 cents a ton, from which must be taken sales expenses, interest and taxes. The head of the Lehigh

Coal & Navigation Co. figures the average margin in 1921 as about 54 cents, from which must come taxes and certain other expenses, and he estimates the average return on the investment in the two preceding years as 35 to 40 cents a ton, and the average profit rate at not over 5%, which he regards as rather unattractive.

All this leaves unexplained why coal does—or should—about double its price at the mine when it reaches the consumer's cellar. If labor is not the robber, and if carrying to market does not load the article, then the loading is done during the final stages of distribution. The fault seems to be at the beginning or at the end of the entire process rather than with the carrying. We know how greedy and how indifferent to all outsiders is organized labor; we know that if the carriers are making undue profits they are successfully hiding them; nobody has accused either the operators or the final distributors of altruism; and we know that coal mining, by whatever and whosoever fault, is not conducted with the steadiness and efficiency which we consider belong to American character. The consumer is justly and seriously concerned to know why he must pay for this essential twice or nearly twice what he paid in less abnormal times.

Careful men neither propose nor put faith in any specifics for the trouble. The "Herald's" offered remedy is "standardization," which would start with putting the Federal Government into the problem, the agency which has usually muddled wherever it has meddled. A committee of the United Mine Workers of America has put out a scheme for "nationalization," but there now seems to be some division within the ranks about this. The "Chronicle" has no counsel to offer except courageous and patient waiting, with considerable faith that the Creator puts obstacles before us with the express intent of making us develop our wit and strength by overcoming them. The high cost of food means that we should, and eventually will, shape our agriculture into better efficiency; the cost of fuel similarly seems to mean that we shall find the way out. The Legislature of Pennsylvania may amend its "miners' certificate" law, and that State may abandon and modify its tax on anthracite for its sister States, a selfish and short-sighted policy, notwithstanding its constitutionality was sustained, about two months ago. Furthermore, the utilization of natural water power is certain to continue, and the coal trouble is its strongest stimulus. At this juncture the scheme of a company at whose head is James B. Duke is especially interesting. The water of the River Saguenay is the objective, and it is said to be within possibility that citizens in New England, far to the south of that stream, may yet read by the light it furnishes, ride by its power, and run their factories by the same.

Visionary? Yes, may be; but the men said to be in the undertaking are practical business men, and every success has begun as a vision. The almost unmeasurable power exists, and is running off to waste as it has been running for centuries. It can be utilized. The chief essential is that Government keep hands off and that individual enterprise be left to do the work, with the usual incentive of a probable profit.

What was generally regarded in Europe and in this country as the most important announcement of the week relative to European affairs was made

about noon on Wednesday on the tickers of the financial district. It was a "flash" stating that the British Cabinet, at an adjourned meeting from the day before, had accepted the proposals made to the British Debt Funding Commission in Washington recently by a corresponding body of Americans. International bankers in this city, Secretary of the Treasury Mellon, and other prominent officials of the Administration at Washington were quoted as attaching unusual importance to this action on the part of the British Cabinet. The following day the Washington dispatches indicated some doubts as to whether the necessary legislation would be passed by the American Senate without the attachment of a bonus rider. President Harding and Secretary Mellon are strongly opposed to such a scheme. He is said to have been assured by Senators Lodge and Watson on Thursday that the Senate will adopt the agreement, although considerable opposition appears to have arisen already. The situation at the Near East Conference at Lausanne appeared extremely critical, and on the eve of a break practically all week. A complete rupture on Wednesday was said to have been averted only by the granting to the Turks until to-morrow (Sunday) to consider the terms of the treaty which was presented by the Allies formally at Wednesday's session of the Conference.

Stanley Baldwin, Chancellor of the British Exchequer, and Chairman of the British Debt Funding Mission to the United States, and Montagu C. Norman, Governor of the Bank of England, arrived back in London a week ago to-day. In an interview at Southampton, the Chancellor "emphasized the difficulty of the debt problem." He declared, on the one hand, that "the American Commission had made Great Britain as good an offer as it was possible for it to get through Congress, and he hoped that it was realized that if the British Government was to accept, it must lose no time in doing so." On the other hand, "he expressed no views as to the wisdom of doing this." Describing the political situation in the United States with respect to international debts, Mr. Baldwin was quoted in part as follows: "We have got men of our way of thinking in the Eastern States, but that does not cut any ice at all in regard to the other parts of America. If you look at the Senate you will find the majority come from the agricultural and pastoral communities and they do not realize the meaning of any international debt. The bulk of the people in America have no acquaintance with international trade—Great Britain lives on international trade. The people in the west of America merely sell their wheat, hogs and other produce and take no further interest in international trade. They are very much in the same frame of mind as we used to be about reparations when a large number of people here thought Germany would send bags of gold every Saturday night until the money was paid. A great many people in America think all we have to do is to send the money over." In speaking thus, Mr. Baldwin was not considered in this country as having shown any tact, and his remarks have been widely resented, not alone in the West, but also by the press and the public here in the East. Asked "whether the British Government could put forward any new proposals which Congress would accept before its adjournment on March 4," Mr. Baldwin replied: "There is not any chance of that. The American Commis-



sion has already put forward the only proposals which would be accepted, if they are accepted at all, by Congress. They have gone to the limit of what they are likely to propose." He added that "what America has offered represents an immense advance in American opinion in a very short time. It was not thought possible that Congress would be willing to alter its own legislation and give terms for reducing our percentage to  $3\frac{1}{2}\%$  over a series of years. The original terms of Congress, with a sinking fund yearly, represented  $6\%$ ." Replying to the suggestion that "at some time in the future there might be a change in American opinion in favor of Great Britain," Mr. Baldwin said: "My own view is that any change would not be in our favor. The debt has got on the nerves of the American people and there is no sentiment whatever in favor of conciliation. The word makes them shy all along the line. It is quite impossible." He was reported to have emphasized "the importance of the debt settlement to Great Britain by asserting that the hope of a reduction of taxation in the forthcoming budget depended largely upon it."

Upon the publication of a synopsis of Mr. Baldwin's statements regarding the funding of the British debt, "details of the suggestions made by the American Debt Commission to the British Commission were made available in an official quarter" in Washington. It was explained that "the American suggestions called for a retroactive interest rate of  $4\frac{1}{4}\%$  from the date the obligations were contracted to the date of the completion of funding arrangements. The rate now being charged is  $5\%$ . Furthermore, the American Commission suggested an interest rate of  $3\%$  for the first ten years after funding arrangements were completed, the rate to be increased to  $3\frac{1}{2}\%$  after ten years, to continue until the debts were liquidated, probably 52 years. Amortization provisions to make possible yearly payments on principal were to be established, the amount to be set aside for this purpose being in the first years, at least approximately one-half of  $1\%$  of the entire principal of the debts." An American official, in discussing Mr. Baldwin's interview, was quoted as explaining that, "first, the terms expressed by the American Commission were not in the nature of a proposition, but rather of suggestions made during informal discussions of the matter, many various suggestions being made on both sides. The terms as stated in the cable as coming from the Chancellor are not exactly the nearest approach to an arrangement arrived at, although correct in some particulars." The official was further reported to have said that "the arrangement, it was felt, also would make the rate charged the British square with the rate which, averaged over the whole proposition, the United States would be called upon to pay to holders of Liberty bonds and long-term refunding issues. Sums paid by the British to reduce the principal of the debt owed the United States, it is proposed, shall be used to reduce the principal amount of Liberty bonds distributed by this Government. The American Commission, it was said, felt that the suggestion as outlined would receive the sanction of Congress, although this would not be definitely established until modifying legislation was sought. It had been the hope of the Administration that the suggestion would be accepted quickly by the British Cabinet so that the matter could be placed before the present

Congress." The Washington correspondent of the New York "Times" recalled that "the British debt to the United States on Nov. 15 last aggregated \$4,746,862,560, of which \$4,135,818,358 was principal and \$611,044,201 interest accrued since the loans were made." He also said that "it is probable that in any funding arrangement the accrued interest would be merged with principal up to the time of completion of funding." Reverting to the differences between the British and American proposals, he said: "It is understood here that the British first sought an interest rate of  $2\frac{1}{2}\%$  to be made retroactive to the date the debts were made, and later suggested  $3\%$  on the same basis with an amortization provision of  $\frac{1}{2}$  of  $1\%$ . It was such a proposition as the American Commission did not believe to be acceptable to Congress. It was the feeling here, it is understood, that the American suggestions as outlined were, in the opinion of the American Commission, the most liberal which might hope to receive Congressional favor. It was believed that an argument could be placed before Congress for funding, on the basis suggested, which would convince Congress of its fairness."

The cable advices from London Monday morning stated that the British press generally urged acceptance of the American terms. The "Daily News" said, for instance, "it is difficult to see how, in the face of the inexorable facts which he has set forth with studied moderation, public opinion in this country can fail to give the Government authority to close at once if Congress is willing." The "Daily Telegraph" asserted that "the truth is, that if this debt is not funded at once it will hang like a cloud over our home politics, ruin the budget and retard industrial recovery. In addition to that, it will also tend to bedevil Anglo-American relations. In the existing troubled state of European affairs it may be worth almost anything to us to remove any possible source of friction between ourselves and the United States, and the probabilities are always in favor of an unsettled question like this becoming more difficult rather than more easy to settle." The London "Times" said: "Taking everything into consideration—the importance of every reasonable settlement in this world of chaos, the immeasurable harm which may arise from too protracted bargaining, the legal strength of the American case, and the manifest good-will of its spokesman—we are definitely of the opinion that a supreme effort should be made this week to reach an agreement."

It was generally reported in London dispatches in advance of Chancellor of the Exchequer Baldwin's report to the Cabinet on the results of the Debt Funding Mission to the United States, that there was a division in the Cabinet as to whether the American terms should be accepted. The New York "Tribune" correspondent even said that "according to reports, the Government is badly divided over this question." Sir Eric Geddes, before sailing for the United States on the Olympic on Wednesday, was said to have given to Premier Bonar Law "the views of British manufacturers on the debt problem." According to one dispatch, "Sir Eric favors a reduction in taxation, and, it is said, is against acceptance of the American offer." The British Cabinet met at 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon to "receive the report of Stanley Baldwin, Chancellor of the Exchequer, on his mission to Washington." The discussion lasted until 5.45, when ad-

jourment was taken until the next day. No statement except with respect to the adjournment was made.

The big news was made public in New York about noon on Wednesday. It was a "flash," to use the newspaper term, that the British Cabinet, at its adjourned meeting, had "decided to accept the American offer in regard to the funding of the British war debt to the United States." The later dispatches stated that "there was a full attendance of the Ministers," and it was reported that the vote was practically unanimous. Administration officials in Washington and international bankers in this city generally stressed the importance to the international situation as a whole of Great Britain's decision. It was held that "this action would be of material assistance." It was explained in Washington dispatches that "the American Debt Commission has yet to hear officially from Ambassador Geddes. If it is found that Great Britain accepts the tentative American plan in substance as well as in principle, the Commission will proceed at once to incorporate that plan in a report to President Harding. The President will then be in a position to recommend to Congress the adoption in appropriate legislation." Secretary Mellon was quoted as saying that "the British decision opens the way for immediate drafting of recommendations to the President for changes in the funding law to legalize the terms suggested in the American proposition." The dispatches Thursday morning from Washington indicated some uncertainty as to whether the necessary legislation would be passed by the Senate without the attachment of a rider providing for the payment of a soldier bonus out of the proceeds of the British debt. The advice the same evening stated "President Harding will send a message to Congress urging amplification of the American Commission's debt funding powers, Senators Lodge and Watson announced, after a conference with the President to-day. The message probably will not be sent before next week, as the American Commission is not expected to complete its recommendations for the changes until Saturday." Washington dispatches yesterday morning told of a "storm" in the Senate over the British debt plan, under the leadership of Senator McKellar of Tennessee. Senators Lodge and Watson called on the President and were said to have assured him that the Senate would approve the agreement.

The cable advices early in the week indicated that the French already had formed practically a complete ring around the Ruhr Valley. The New York "Tribune" correspondent at Dusseldorf cabled that "the entire egg-shaped circumference line of the Ruhr to-night lay virtually inclosed with a ring of bayonets guarding every exit, whether by railroad, highway, canal or river, leading to the outside world, including unoccupied Germany." He also explained that "the purpose of this military blockade is to support the hundreds of French and Belgian customs guards who now have taken their places on the border line ready to enforce the collection of the 26% duty on all outgoing goods and 40% on coal and coke, as provided in the sanctions allowed under the treaty for violation of that document." In another dispatch from the same centre it was observed that "how completely the French already encircle the Ruhr was shown when a night train destined for interior Ger-

many, drawn by four locomotives where one would have been sufficient, was halted east of Dortmund and three of the locomotives returned to the occupied area." From Essen came the report a week ago this afternoon that "the customs offices set up on the boundary between the Ruhr Valley and the rest of Germany were put into operation to-day by the French army of occupation." It was also stated that "reports reaching Essen said the barrier was practically complete, Germans now being required to pay to the invaders taxes upon products of the Ruhr shipped to consignees other than the French reparations collectors." The Associated Press correspondent at Dusseldorf cabled that "what practically amounts to martial law has been declared in the occupied area. All cafes, hotels, theatres and cabarets were closed at 10 o'clock to-night [Jan. 26], German time, which is 9 o'clock French time." He added that "the next move in the economic war will come from Paris, probably early in February, after the Germans have failed to meet their Jan. 31 payment of 500,000,000 gold marks. Germany must submit to the ultimatum which then will be sent or further military operations, the nature of which have not been announced, will begin." That correspondent did not hesitate to say that "the economic side of the occupation of the Ruhr apparently has proved a failure, and it is not believed the situation will improve, as strikes continue to spread. It is understood, however, that France has decided upon a further use of force to bring Germany to terms. It is known that some of the engineers who came into the Ruhr with the mission of M. Coste, head of the French industrial delegation, are returning to France. The mission is marking time until the Reparations Commission renders its decision at the end of the month." At a meeting of the British Cabinet a week ago yesterday it was said to have been decided that "circumstances did not necessitate the withdrawal of the British troops from the Rhineland."

Monday morning the traffic conditions in the Rhine country were described in part as follows in a Paris dispatch from the New York "Times" correspondent at that centre: "Railroad strikes yesterday spread from the Ruhr to the Rhineland, where they became general, according to 'Matin' dispatches. Suspension of service occurred in the stations at Cologne, Bonn, Duren, Treves, Coblenz and Aix la Chapelle. Near the last named station bolts were drawn from the rails in an effort to wreck the Paris-Warsaw express, but the sabotage was discovered and the track repaired by the French military rail experts, permitting the international train to pass. German navigation is practically at a standstill on the Rhine and the canals of the Ruhr and Rhineland. In the Ruhr mines production is limited to immediate needs of the factories." From Dusseldorf came the announcement that "the telegraph and telephone central stations went on strike at 7 o'clock this [Sunday] evening." The New York "Times" correspondent at Brussels cabled that "in Belgium, just as in France, the question of the Ruhr continues to occupy the attention of the whole country to the exclusion of everything else except the Flemish question. There is no doubt that Belgium will support France in whatever measures may be deemed necessary in the Ruhr and the official attitude will continue to be that of approval. But there is good reason to suppose that the Government is be-



ginning to have cold feet about the developments in store."

According to an Associated Press dispatch from Dusseldorf Monday evening "the strike of German railroad workers throughout the Ruhr was complete to-day, as was that of the telegraph employees. The telephone and postal services are partially affected. The French occupational authorities to-day began a series of wholesale arrests and expulsions of the highest German State officials, chiefs of bureaus, and municipal heads of services for refusal to obey orders." The correspondent added that "the Ruhr has been taken over so completely that to-day the city of Dortmund was the only open avenue of communication with the rest of Germany. The closing of that entrance, it is expected, will be followed by the usual strike of the workmen. The departure of the American troops from the Coblenz area has had a marked effect on the people, who are showing the new occupying forces tempers that contrast with those displayed to the doughboys."

There has been a great amount of discussion since the French invaded the Ruhr Valley as to whether their plans included annexation of that section of German territory. Special significance, therefore, was attached to a statement made to American correspondents by Premier Poincare in an interview on Monday. He was quoted as saying that "France has no intention of holding the Ruhr permanently. She means to stay there until she is paid, or has assurances that she will be paid. It is evident that France will not be satisfied with bare German promises. She awaits, and will await, sufficient guarantees by the German Government." In view of the fact that announcement was made in Paris on Monday that "the French Government has made arrangements to supervise press dispatches going through Paris and from points occupied by the French in Germany," less importance than formerly was attached to the news cabled from points in the Ruhr Valley. Considerable attention was given in European capitals and also in this country to the announcement in the British capital that "the Parliamentary Labor Party held a meeting in London to-day [Jan. 29] and passed resolutions demanding an immediate summoning of Parliament in view of the serious state of Europe. Ramsay MacDonald, the leader of the Opposition, called on Premier Bonar Law to-night and communicated the resolution formally. He drew Mr. Bonar Law's attention to the gravity of affairs in the occupied area and reminded him of his promise to summon Parliament earlier than Feb. 13 if any situation arose in which it seemed essential that Parliament should be consulted." The Chicago "Tribune" correspondent said that "Mr. Bonar Law's reply was not published. Doubtless the demand will be laid before the Cabinet." Word came from London on Wednesday that the Premier had rejected the demand and that Parliament would not be reconvened at this time.

Through a Dusseldorf cablegram filed Monday evening it became known that "the French occupational authorities to-day began a series of wholesale arrests and expulsions of the highest German State officials, chiefs of bureaus and municipal heads of services for refusal to obey orders." The Associated Press correspondent also said that "it was expected the carrying out of the expulsion measure would be completed by 6 o'clock to-night, at which time prob-

ably about 100 persons, a larger number than had been expelled during the entire three weeks of the occupation, would have been escorted into unoccupied Germany in a single day." The New York "Tribune" representative in Berlin, in a wireless message Monday evening, asserted that "we are bound for oblivion and nothing matters any more," was "the declaration heard everywhere in Germany to-night. It reflects the psychological attitude of the country, perhaps the most important present elements in the situation." He added, however, that "out of this attitude of desperation there appears to be born a new determination to go to the limit in resisting France. Even if such resistance should mean complete smashing of the vast Ruhr industrial machine, Germans to-night are declaring that it does not matter."

It became known in Dusseldorf on Tuesday that "the German telegraph operators, who have been on strike here, resumed work at 11 o'clock this morning, the French agreeing to withdraw their soldiers from the operating rooms and post them outside." Announcement was also made at the same centre that "the French occupational authorities to-day began the confiscation of the large warehouses containing general merchandise and foodstuffs in Duisburg and Dusseldorf."

That still sterner measures would be adopted by the French was indicated in cable advices from Dusseldorf the following morning. The representative there of the New York "Herald" asserted that "direct action will be taken by the French in the Ruhr as the result of Germany's passive resistance and economic war. That is the declaration of Gen. Degoutte as a result of conferences with the French Chief of the General Staff, Gen. Weygand, and the French Minister of Public Works, Le Trocquer, and also a conference with Belgian Cabinet Ministers in Brussels, at which a full accord was reached by the two Governments." That correspondent added that "an ultimatum in spirit if not in form will be presented to the German Government demanding reversal of its policy regarding the Ruhr. It will be told once and for all that France will not tolerate passive hostility supported and financed by the German Government, by the inhabitants of the Ruhr. If a satisfactory reply to this ultimatum is not forthcoming drastic measures will be taken, exceeding those already in force under sanctions already authorized by the Rhineland Commission and under the state of siege declared by the French in the newly occupied area. What the French plan for further action may be is not clear, but it is obvious it is not likely to involve further occupation of territory or measures of military repression, with which enemies of the French charge them."

The cable advices from Paris Thursday morning revealed the determination of the French Government to impose even more severe measures than those outlined the day before. The correspondent of the New York "Times" said that "Premier Poincare has played his high trump. Beginning at midnight to-night [Wednesday] all coal from the Ruhr is cut off from Germany. Gen. Degoutte, acting on orders from Paris, has instructed his troops not to allow one train, one car, one ton, or one pound of coal or coke to go into the unoccupied territory. Germany gets 80% of her coal supply from the Ruhr fields." He added that he had learned that the French Premier "intends to withhold all Ruhr coal from Germany

until Germany accepts the French reparations terms, agrees to all disarmament terms and recognizes all her obligations under the Treaty of Versailles." Announcement was also made that the French Government had seized the customs at Dusseldorf and that all occupied area was under martial law. In an interview with American correspondents, Chancellor Cuno, of Germany, Wednesday night, was quoted as saying that "the German Government had not changed and would not change the attitude it has assumed from the start," and as adding that "as long as French troops occupied the Ruhr district there could be no negotiations with France." The Associated Press correspondent at Dusseldorf, cabling at 1 p. m. Thursday, said that "since midnight the order prohibiting the export of coal and coke from the Ruhr to unoccupied Germany has been in force. There had been no reaction from the Germans up to early this afternoon."

Word came from Berlin yesterday morning that an appeal, "carrying the signatures of the Chairmen of the Executive Board of the General Federation of Trade Unions, the Federation of Christian Labor Unions, the League of Clerical Employees, and the Independent Federation of Liberal Trade Unions, which embrace a registered membership of 12,000,000 male and female workers," was sent to the American Congress the day before. In the communication it was declared that "American honor, asserted at this time, can save Europe and the world from inevitable disaster."

Announcement was made in an Associated Press dispatch yesterday morning that "Premier Poincaré's demand for a postponement of interpellations in the Chamber of Deputies on foreign affairs, which were set for to-morrow [to-day], was granted by the Chamber to-night by a vote of 485 to 81 after long and noisy outbursts and adverse criticisms of the Premier's action by the leaders of the Left party."

In an Associated Press cablegram from Coblenz last evening it was stated that "the railroad strikers in this area are returning to work. The men were repairing signals and putting the locomotives in shape to-day, and full train service between Coblenz and Cologne is promised for to-morrow." From Essen came word that "probably the busiest spot in the Ruhr to-day was the Essen Post Office, where the postal, telegraphic and telephonic services were resumed at about 8.15 o'clock this morning." It was said also that "the first case of the French forces of occupation themselves loading coal cars is reported to-day from the Dahlhausen pits of the Essen Anthracite Coal Co."

Brief mention was made in our issue of last week of the fact that the Reparations Commission refused Germany's application for a moratorium and declared her in general default with respect to her reparations obligations. The Paris correspondent of "The Sun" of this city, in a cablegram a week ago this afternoon declared that he was able "to state on excellent authority that the reason why the Reparations Commission was requested to declare a general German default on reparations was to avert the danger of disconcerting the Italian vote." He also said that "yesterday's decision enables the French moratorium plan to be quietly buried without the necessity of having Italy or Belgium express an opinion

on it." The correspondent further asserted that "The Sun's" informant, who is authoritative, says that neither Italy nor Belgium was prepared to accept the plan, but both of them, like Britain, believed that the contest begun between France and Germany, must be carried to a different stage before there was any use in discussing the moratorium scheme. In the interval they did not wish to embarrass France by any signs of disagreement. When the opportune moment comes there is every reason to believe that an entirely different plan will be produced, breathing a far greater spirit of compromise."

Rather strenuous efforts have been made to save the Near East Conference at Lausanne from complete collapse. At the session a week ago to-day the Associated Press correspondent stated that "the policy of the open door in Turkey, as advocated by the United States at the Near Eastern Conference, was ratified by the Allies in the form of a declaration read by M. Bompard to the Conference, declaring that Turkey was not obliged to follow the advice of the Council on the Ottoman debt in the matter of concessions in Turkey." He also said that "this declaration, which satisfied the American representatives and which goes on the official records, was made at the last hour of an amazing session, which only served to bring out the large number of points on which the Allies and the Turks are divided."

In a cablegram filed at Lausanne Sunday evening the Associated Press correspondent said that Ismet Pasha and Riza Nur Bey, the Turkish delegates, had informed him that "the Near Eastern Conference can be saved if the Allies are willing to adopt a set of essential principles recognizing the complete sovereignty of Turkey, with total abolition of the capitulations and an equitable distribution of the Ottoman debt." Riza Nur Bey was reported to have declared that "if the Conference did this Turkey's national dignity and primary rights as an independent nation would be safeguarded; the details of the treaty could then be worked out later by experts. Both delegates seemed depressed and anxious to find the road to a settlement." The correspondent observed, however, that "despite these expressions, so far apart have the Turks and the Allies drifted that Lausanne is confronted to-night with the probability that the Conference will adjourn without reaching an agreement. Such, at least, is the view voiced by nearly all the delegations." He added that "the British are clinging to the hope that the Turks will sign, but in this they stand alone. Ambassador Child, by conferring with Ismet Pasha and Lord Curzon, is contributing his bit to saving the Conference from collapse."

Cabling from Paris, the New York "Times" correspondent said that "the meeting of the Council of the League of Nations which begins here to-morrow [Jan. 29] derives special importance from the fact that on the eve of the probable failure of the Lausanne Conference England has asked the League to intervene in the most difficult issue with the Turks—that of Mosul. If the Lausanne effort fails; if the diplomats leave Lake Lemman without peace being made with Turkey, the possibilities, indeed, the probabilities, of war are grave enough to impress everyone." In a dispatch the next day the Associated Press correspondent said that "at its first session this forenoon the Council of the



League of Nations decided to ask all the members of the League if they had any suggestions to offer regarding the proposed elimination of Article X from the League Covenant. Replies are asked for before the June meeting of the Council, when the Council will take measures for further study of the proposal to strike out Article X, originally made by Canada, in conformity with the request for such study made by the last assembly of the League." At that time it had not been decided whether the invasion of the Ruhr would be brought before the Council. The Mosul oil dispute was to be presented at Tuesday's session. From Constantinople came a dispatch to the New York "Herald" in which it was asserted that "while France is engaged in a bloodless war against Germany, England seems to be on the eve of a fateful struggle in the Near East on whose issue the very existence of the British Empire will depend. Almost immediately after his arrival at Smyrna yesterday, Mustapha Kemal Pasha while making a public speech was handed a telegram from Angora asking him to return immediately and preside at an extraordinary session of the National Assembly called in view of the imminent rupture of the Lausanne Conference. Breaking off his speech, Kemal boarded a special train for Angora amid scenes of the greatest enthusiasm. He is expected to arrive there to-day [last Sunday]." In a dispatch from the Turkish capital to the London "Times" relative to the incident, it was reported that "the Turkish Commander-in-Chief prayed long and solemnly at his mother's grave in the presence of a great crowd of officers, citizens and officials, saying: 'I swear by the soul of my mother that I will defend the newly won liberties of my country; I swear that I would rather join her in her grave than to allow the sovereignty which the Turkish people reconquered at the price of its blood to be imperiled.'"

On Wednesday the Allies submitted a so-called "draft treaty" for Turkish signature, which had the caption, "Project of the Treaty of Peace." The Associated Press correspondent observed that the title bore "evidence that the document is not necessarily definitive," and made it known that "the contracting parties are Turkey on the one part, and Great Britain, France, Italy, Japan, Rumania and Yugoslavia on the other." He said that the document "provides that for at least five years Turkey will organize a corps of local advisers. The Turkish Government will appoint a commission composed of two Turks and three justices of The Hague Tribunal, which will submit a list of foreign advisers. These will be attached to the Ministry of Justice and assigned to service in the Turkish courts in Constantinople, Smyrna, Samsoun and Adana, and also to the Courts of Appeal and Cassation. One foreigner will be present in ordinary trial cases involving foreigners, and they must be in the majority when cases are tried in courts of last appeal." He noted that "the problem of Mosul is treated in a few words. The frontier between Turkey and Irak will be determined in conformity with a decision to be rendered by the Council of the League of Nations," and also explained that "a special section is devoted to reparations. It will contain a clause under which the Turkish Government should seek the advice of the Council on the Ottoman debt concerning all concessions to be accorded the Turks or others. This would seem to hit the open door, which the United States has cham-

pioned, but France, through an official statement made by M. Bompard, has expressly gone on record as favoring the open door and as indicating that the above clause in no way closes the door, since the Turkish Government is not bound to follow the advice of the Council."

In an Associated Press cablegram from Lausanne made public here Wednesday morning it was reported that "complications suddenly arose among the Allied representatives at the Near East Conference at a late hour to-night, when the French delegation announced that it had decided to remain in Lausanne as long as there was any hope of carrying on successful negotiations with the Turks. The British delegation considered the decision of the French as a flagrant violation of the understanding reached between the Allies a few days ago that all of them would leave Lausanne at the end of the week if the Turks did not sign to-morrow the treaty which has been handed them. All the British delegates announced officially to-night that they would adhere to this program, whatever the other Allied delegations decided to do. Marquis Curzon will start for London Friday." The newly developed situation was made clearer in a cablegram to the New York "Times" from its Paris correspondent. In part he said: "A note sent to Angora, as well as to the Turkish delegation at Lausanne, and likewise communicated to Rome and London, set forth that Paris did not regard the text of the treaty handed to the Turks yesterday as the Allies' last word, and that if the Turkish delegates wished to remain at Lausanne the French diplomats would stay there to discuss affairs with them. The note announced that in case Ismet Pasha wished to go to Angora to consult his Government about the proposed treaty, France was willing to resume the negotiations when and where the Turks wished to do so."

Ismet Pasha requested the Allies on Wednesday for two weeks in which to consider the treaty. The Allied representatives decided to give the Turks until Sunday [to-morrow]. At the session on Wednesday, at which time the treaty was presented formally to the Turks, it was stated that Richard Washburn Child "made a strong plea for peace." He declared that "Turkey must be reasonable if she was to have the peace and co-operation desired." The Associated Press correspondent added that "his address made a deep impression on the Conference."

The dispatches Thursday morning disclosed how narrowly a complete break-up of the Conference had been averted by the granting of a few days extra to the Turks to consider the treaty after the French had announced that they would remain beyond this week to negotiate with the Turks if an agreement was not reached by the Allied representatives as a body. Word came from Lausanne by the way of London Thursday forenoon that the French had made it known that they would reserve the right to negotiate with the Turks if all other negotiations on the part of the Allies failed. This was regarded as complicating the situation still further and possibly as forecasting a new political alignment in Europe. Later in the day it became known that Russia had injected herself into the Near East situation. A dispatch from Lausanne stated that "Russia to-day took part in negotiations at Lausanne, apparently seeking to take advantage of differences between France and

Britain to impose the Soviet viewpoint that the Straits of the Dardanelles should be closed to war vessels. Marquis Curzon replied on behalf of the Allies that the question of freedom of the Straits could not be reconsidered."

The Council of the League of Nations at its session in Paris on Thursday "authorized Austria to borrow £3,500,000 from international bankers to begin the task of effecting her financial recovery." The Paris correspondent of the New York "Times" explained that "the loan is to be used under League supervision and is the beginning of a series of loans totaling about \$150,000,000, which will be sought by the League for Austria. Under the League management these loans are guaranteed by Austrian railroad and customs receipts, and are underwritten by Britain, France, Italy, Czechoslovakia, Spain, Belgium and Switzerland, in fixed proportions, so that these countries stand responsible for 520,000,000 gold crowns. It is expected that guarantees by other nations will meet fully the 600,000,000 gold crowns needed for the Austrian plan, which calls for putting the country on its feet within two years." According to a Paris cablegram to the New York "Herald" yesterday morning, it is the hope of those conferring with the League Council here that New York bankers will be induced to take at least \$10,000,000 of these bonds."

Official discount rates at leading European centres have not been changed from 12% in Berlin; 5½% in Madrid; 5% in France, Denmark and Norway; 4½% in Belgium and Sweden; 4% in Holland; 3½% in Switzerland, and 3% in London. Open market discounts in London stiffened slightly and short bills were quoted at 2½@2 9-16% and long bills at 2 9-16% at the close, as against 2@2 3-16% last week. Call money at the British centre, however, advanced to 1¼%, against 1⅛% last week. At Paris the open market discount rate has been lowered to 4⅛%, against 4½%, while at Switzerland there has been an advance to 3%, in comparison with 2%, the quotation previously ruling.

The Bank of England in its statement for the week ending Jan. 31, reported a further trifling addition to gold reserves, namely, £2,706. As against this, however, total reserve fell £1,217,000 as a result of an increase in note circulation of £1,220,000, while the proportion of reserve to liabilities to 19.78%, as against 20% a week ago. These changes which were, of course, due to preparations for the month-end settlements, were accompanied by material alteration in the deposit accounts. Public deposits increased £3,109,000, while "other" deposits declined £8,108,000. The Bank's temporary loans to the Government were reduced £4,025,000, although loans on other securities expanded £370,000. Gold holdings now are £127,491,860, in comparison with £128,752,275 a year ago and £128,292,398 in 1921. Total reserve aggregates £23,921,000. This compares with £23,615,620 in 1922 and £17,142,018 the year before. Note circulation is £122,017,000. A year ago the total was £123,586,655 and in 1921 £129,600,380 in 1921, while loans amount to £65,608,000, against £80,589,627 and £78,696,717 one and two years ago, respectively. Clearings through the London banks for the week were £754,746,000, as against £683,214,000 a week ago and £765,075,000 last year.

No change has been made in the Bank's official discount rate from 3%. We append herewith comparisons of the principal items of the Bank of England returns for a series of years:

BANK OF ENGLAND'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	1923. Jan. 31.	1922. Feb. 1.	1921. Feb. 2.	1920. Feb. 4.	1919. Feb. 5.
	£	£	£	£	£
Circulation.....	122,017,000	123,586,655	129,600,380	89,323,045	69,986,695
Public deposits.....	14,480,000	15,646,226	18,603,513	18,689,896	30,721,201
Other deposits.....	105,320,000	144,749,777	129,851,796	124,560,686	115,481,209
Gov't securities.....	49,420,000	74,203,686	70,621,466	46,548,714	50,838,744
Other securities.....	65,608,000	80,589,627	78,696,717	82,451,421	83,469,813
Reserve notes & coin	23,921,000	23,615,620	17,142,018	32,235,094	29,906,972
Coin and bullion.....	127,491,860	128,752,275	128,292,398	103,108,139	81,443,667
Proportion of reserve to liabilities.....	19.78%	14¾%	11.54%	22¼%	20.50%
Bank rate.....	3%	5%	7%	6%	5%

The Bank of France continues to report small gains in its gold item, the increase this week being 106,975 francs. The Bank's gold holdings, therefore, now aggregate 5,535,405,175 francs, comparing with 5,524,830,907 francs on the corresponding date last year and with 5,501,941,164 francs the year previous; of the foregoing amounts 1,864,344,927 francs were held abroad in 1923 and 1,948,367,056 francs in both 1922 and 1921. During the week increases were registered in the various items as follows: Silver, 90,000 francs; bills discounted, 396,405,000 francs; Treasury deposits, 12,852,000 francs, and general deposits, 149,103,000 francs. Advances, on the other hand, tell off 22,303,000 francs. An expansion of 303,170,000 francs occurred in note circulation, bringing the total outstanding up to 37,083,578,000 francs, comparing with 36,606,704,330 francs at this time last year and with 38,205,387,420 francs in 1921. 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 1922 and 1921 are as follows:

BANK OF FRANCE'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Changes for Week	Feb. 1 1923.	Feb. 2 1922.	Feb. 3 1921.
	Francs.	Francs.	Francs.	Francs.
Gold Holdings—				
In France.....Inc.	106,975	3,671,060,248	3,576,463,851	3,553,574,108
Abroad.....No change		1,864,344,927	1,948,367,056	1,948,367,056
Total.....Inc.	106,975	5,535,405,175	5,524,830,907	5,501,941,164
Silver.....Inc.	90,000	290,259,000	280,501,196	268,646,786
Bills discounted.....Inc.	396,405,000	3,057,986,000	2,820,557,992	3,317,704,191
Advances.....Dec.	22,303,000	2,045,282,000	2,261,084,455	2,225,791,892
Note circulation.....Inc.	303,170,000	37,083,578,000	36,606,704,330	38,205,387,420
Treasury deposits.....Inc.	12,852,000	60,411,000	27,813,226	50,926,858
General deposits.....Inc.	149,103,000	2,309,142,000	2,601,966,292	3,619,931,198

In its statement as of Jan. 23, the Imperial Bank of Germany reports a still more spectacular rise in note circulation, viz., 216,794,815,000 marks, another new high record. Discount and Treasury bills expanded 184,306,969,000 marks, bills of exchange and checks 85,817,097,000 marks and deposits 84,132,782,000 marks. Treasury and loan association notes increased 35,229,464,000 marks. Other lesser increases comprised 8,270,000 marks in notes of other banks, 2,397,276,000 marks in advances and 6,400,669,000 marks in other liabilities. Investments were reduced 22,036,000 marks and other assets 408,785,000 marks. Total coin and bullion registered a nominal gain of 11,000 marks, and gold was unchanged, so that the Bank's total holdings are still 1,004,842,000 marks, in comparison with 995,399,000 marks a year ago and 1,091,554,000 marks in 1921. Note circulation has now reached the inconceivable total of 1,654,574,587,000 marks. In the corresponding week of 1922 the total was 111,889,569,000 marks and in 1921 66,018,450,000 marks.



The Federal Reserve Bank statement which was issued at the close of business on Thursday was along similar lines to that of the previous week, although in the matter of gold reserves the reverse was true; that is, holdings for the System were reduced \$5,000,000, while at New York there was a gain of about \$6,000,000. Changes for the banks as a group included a substantial expansion in rediscounts of Government secured paper, which not only counteracted declines in other bills discounted and in purchases in the open market, but increased total bill holdings by \$11,500,000; an increase in earning assets of \$12,000,000, and a decrease in the volume of Federal Reserve notes in circulation of \$18,000,000. Deposits remained almost stationary. At New York there was a parallel increase in rediscounting of paper secured by Government obligations, which led to an addition of \$31,000,000 in total bill holdings. A moderate gain was also noted in deposits of the local bank, approximately \$4,000,000, while Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation increased \$5,700,000. In the member banks reserve account contraction has taken place—\$11,000,000 nationally and \$2,000,000 locally. Changes in reserve ratios were unimportant. That of the New York Bank declined 0.1% to 76.0%, while for the System as a whole there was an increase of 0.4%, to 76.9%.

Last Saturday's statement of New York Clearing House banks and trust companies showed a reduction in loans and an expansion in deposits. Net demand deposits increased \$34,232,000, to \$3,978,698,000, which is exclusive of \$55,574,000 in Government deposits, a falling off in the latter item of \$26,801,000 for the week. As against this, however, time deposits were reduced \$69,826,000, to \$376,252,000.

Other changes were comparatively insignificant, comprising a decline in cash in own vaults of members of the Federal Reserve Bank of \$467,000, to \$52,693,000 (not counted as reserve), increase of \$109,000 and \$162,000 in the reserves of State banks and trust companies in own vault and in other depositories, respectively, and a decrease in the reserves of member banks with the Reserve Bank of \$483,000. As a result of the addition to deposits, surplus was brought down to \$14,624,520, a loss for the week of \$2,511,920. Taken as a whole the statement was in line with general expectations and not especially significant. The figures here given for surplus are on the basis of reserves above legal requirements of 13% for member banks of the Federal Reserve System, but not including cash in own vaults to the amount of \$52,693,000 held by these banks on Saturday last.

Probably the chief characteristic of the local money market the past week has been its steadiness. Preparation for the Feb. 1 disbursements was completed without call money going above 5%. Time funds were quoted at  $4\frac{5}{8}$ ,  $4\frac{3}{4}$  and 5%, with the demand only moderate. Almost nothing was said with regard to money as a factor in the stock market. It seemed to be taken largely for granted that funds would be easy, and as expectations were realized, the subject was dismissed in speculative circles. There was nothing in the happenings of the week, either in financial circles or in industry, to cause an abnormally large demand for funds. Speculation in stocks was on a relatively small scale and character-

ized as largely professional in character. The offerings of bonds and other new securities were restricted, as they were last week, because of the extremely large aggregate of issues put out during the first three weeks of January or thereabouts. Dealings in bonds on the Stock Exchange were on only a fair-sized scale. There were no Government operations in the local money market that attracted special attention. The withdrawals from local depositories, so far announced, totaled a little less than \$12,000,000. The first effect of the announcement of the acceptance by the British Cabinet of the American suggestions for funding Great Britain's war debt to the United States was helpful to the foreign exchange and stock markets, but naturally had no effect on the local money market. That may come later if the plan is ratified by our Congress, but even this probably would be indirect rather than direct. The indications in Washington dispatches yesterday were that although there would be a battle of words in the Senate over the agreement, ultimately it would be approved. In fact, Senators Lodge and Watson were said to have assured the President of this. There were rumors all day that negotiations already are in progress for a settlement between Germany and France. Such a development undoubtedly would result in rather extensive financing in this country for Europe, which naturally would be an important factor in our money market.

As to specific rates for money, the week's range for call loans was 4@5%, the same as last week. On Monday the high was 5% and the low  $4\frac{1}{2}$ %, with renewals at the latter figure. Tuesday a single rate of 4% prevailed. Increased firmness developed on Wednesday and a maximum quotation of 5% was reached; renewals were negotiated at  $4\frac{1}{2}$ %, which was the lowest. On Thursday no loans were made under  $4\frac{3}{4}$ %, and this was the renewal basis, with the high 5%. Practically no change was noted on Friday, call loans again renewing at  $4\frac{3}{4}$ %, the minimum and maximum figure for the day. The figures here given are for mixed collateral and all-industrial loans without differentiation. For fixed-date maturities the situation remains without essential alteration. During most of the week quotations continued at the levels of the previous week, but on Friday (yesterday) time funds were in decidedly lighter supply and there was an advance to  $4\frac{3}{4}$ @5% for all periods from sixty days to six months, against  $4\frac{1}{2}$ @ $4\frac{3}{4}$ % last week. Trading was quiet and no large loans reported.

Mercantile paper rates were not changed from  $4\frac{1}{2}$ @ $4\frac{3}{4}$ % for sixty and ninety days' endorsed bills receivable and six months' names of choice character, with names less well known at  $4\frac{3}{4}$ @5%, the same as heretofore. Country banks were still the principal buyers, but business taken as a whole was of moderate proportions; offerings continue light.

Banks' and bankers' acceptances ruled steady at the levels previously current. Institutional buying figured in the week's dealings and the demand was in excess of the supply. A fairly active inquiry was also noted on the part of local and out-of-town banks and individual investors, with the turn-over larger than for some little time. For call loans against bankers' acceptances, the posted rate of the American Acceptance Council has been advanced to  $4\frac{1}{2}$ % from 4% a week ago. The Acceptance Council makes the discount rates on prime bankers'

acceptances eligible for purchase by the Federal Reserve banks  $4\frac{1}{8}\%$  bid and  $3\frac{7}{8}\%$  asked for bills running for 30 days;  $4\frac{1}{8}\%$  bid and  $4\%$  asked for bills running from 60 days to 120 days, and  $4\frac{3}{8}\%$  bid and  $4\frac{1}{8}\%$  asked for bills running 150 days. Open market quotations are as follows:

SPOT DELIVERY.			
	90 Days.	60 Days.	30 Days.
Prime eligible bills.	$4\frac{1}{8}\%$	$4\frac{1}{8}\%$	$4\frac{1}{8}\%$
FOR DELIVERY WITHIN THIRTY DAYS.			
Eligible member banks.			$4\frac{1}{8}\%$ bid
Eligible non-member banks.			$4\frac{1}{8}\%$ 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 FEBRUARY 2 1923.

Federal Reserve Bank of—	Discounted bills maturing within 90 days (incl. member banks' 15-day collateral notes) secured by—			Bankers' acceptances discounted for member banks	Trade acceptances maturing within 90 days	Agricultural and live-stock paper maturing 91 to 180 days
	Treasury notes and certificates of indebtedness	U. S. bonds and Victory notes	Other- wise secured and unsecured			
Boston	4	4	4	4	4	4
New York	4	4	4	4	4	4
Philadelphia	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$
Cleveland	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$
Richmond	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$
Atlanta	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$
Chicago	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$
St. Louis	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$
Minneapolis	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$
Kansas City	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$
Dallas	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$	$4\frac{1}{8}$
San Francisco	4	4	4	4	4	4

Dulness characterized dealings in sterling exchange during the week and much of the time trading was at a low ebb, with the volume of business exceptionally small. For the first half of the week price levels to some extent reflected the Ruhr disturbances and the sensational collapse in Continental currencies, and losses of from  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 cents in the pound occurred, carrying demand bills down to  $4\ 62\frac{5}{8}\%$ . On Wednesday, however, there was a sharp rally following cable advices to the effect that Great Britain had accepted the American plan for a settlement of the debt funding issue. The importance of this development for a while swept aside all other considerations and sterling promptly moved up to  $4\ 67\%$ . As a matter of fact, the whole foreign exchange situation took on a more favorable aspect and recoveries were noted practically throughout the entire list. Later on Continental rates sagged off, but sterling maintained all of its gains and closed strong.

Bankers were quick to grasp the far-reaching potentialities connected with the clearing away of the debt funding difficulties and many regarded it as the first step toward a settlement of the whole international problem; consequently the market, sentimentally at least, showed a degree of buoyancy somewhat surprising in view of the unsettlement still existing. It should, however, be noted that the conservative element appeared extremely reluctant to take advantage of the improvement and nearly all of the larger operators continue to hold aloof to await the outcome of the Franco-German struggle. It is conceded that unless a reparation agreement is reached shortly, serious complications are likely to arise. Moreover, news from Lausanne was not encouraging and seemed to indicate the possibility of a breaking up of the Near East Conference. Reports of wide differences between the French and British over the Turkish question were not

liked and the net result was to limit transactions very materially, so far as local dealers are concerned. At intervals foreign selling was reported, with quotations largely influenced by London. Buying of sterling at the British centre on the part of Continental interests was less of a feature, particularly in the earlier part of the week. While not a few usually well informed market observers persist in the belief that a way will be found for an adjustment even of the troublesome Franco-German reparations problem, extreme caution in the matter of making new commitments is likely to be observed for some time to come; hence important changes in sterling levels, save in the event of some especially untoward happening, are not looked for in the immediate future.

As to the more detailed quotations, sterling exchange on Saturday last was easier and demand receded to  $4\ 63\frac{1}{2}\%$  @  $4\ 64\frac{3}{8}\%$ , cable transfers to  $4\ 63\frac{3}{4}\%$  @  $4\ 64\frac{5}{8}\%$ , and sixty days to  $4\ 61\frac{3}{8}\%$  @  $4\ 62\frac{1}{4}\%$ ; trading was dull and uncertain. On Monday weakness developed as a result of unfavorable foreign news and there was a decline to  $4\ 62\frac{5}{8}\%$  @  $4\ 63\frac{1}{4}\%$  for demand, to  $4\ 62\frac{7}{8}\%$  @  $4\ 63\frac{1}{2}\%$  for cable transfers, and to  $4\ 60\frac{1}{2}\%$  @  $4\ 61\frac{1}{8}\%$  for sixty days. Some improvement was shown on Tuesday and demand moved up to  $4\ 63\frac{5}{8}\%$  @  $4\ 64\frac{3}{4}\%$ , cable transfers to  $4\ 63\frac{7}{8}\%$  @  $4\ 64\frac{5}{8}\%$ , and sixty days to  $4\ 61\frac{1}{2}\%$  @  $4\ 62\frac{1}{4}\%$ ; rumors that a settlement of the debt question was impending was mainly responsible for the firmness. Wednesday's market after a weak opening, turned firm on news of Great Britain's acceptance of the American debt plan and rates advanced to  $4\ 63\frac{3}{8}\%$  @  $4\ 65\%$  for demand, to  $4\ 63\frac{3}{8}\%$  @  $4\ 65\%$  for cable transfers and to  $4\ 61\frac{1}{4}\%$  @  $4\ 62\frac{7}{8}\%$  for sixty days. More or less irregularity prevailed on Thursday, although actual quotations were not materially changed and the range was  $4\ 65\frac{5}{8}\%$  @  $4\ 66\frac{1}{2}\%$  for demand bills,  $4\ 65\frac{7}{8}\%$  @  $4\ 66\frac{3}{4}\%$  for cable transfers and  $4\ 63\frac{1}{2}\%$  @  $4\ 64\frac{3}{8}\%$  for sixty days. On Friday the undertone was strong with demand moving up to  $4\ 66\frac{1}{8}\%$  @  $4\ 67\%$ , cable transfers to  $4\ 66\frac{3}{8}\%$  @  $4\ 67\frac{1}{4}\%$  and sixty days to  $4\ 64\frac{1}{4}\%$  @  $4\ 64\frac{7}{8}\%$ . Closing quotations were  $4\ 64\frac{3}{8}\%$  for sixty days,  $4\ 66\frac{1}{2}\%$  for demand and  $4\ 66\frac{3}{4}\%$  for cable transfers. Commercial sight bills finished at  $4\ 66\frac{1}{4}\%$ , sixty days at  $4\ 63\frac{1}{2}\%$ , ninety days at  $4\ 62\frac{5}{8}\%$ , documents for payment (sixty days) at  $4\ 64\%$ , and seven-day grain bills at  $4\ 65\frac{1}{2}\%$ . Cotton and grain for payment closed at  $4\ 65\frac{1}{2}\%$ .

No gold imports were recorded this week and the outflow was of small proportions. Interest in the movement has dwindled perceptibly, since withdrawals amounted to only \$275,000 for India.

Uneasiness over the threat of German resistance to France's occupation of the Ruhr and in fact over the Franco-German situation generally, has been responsible for spectacular weakness in Continental exchange and the week has been marked by a series of violent breaks which created a condition bordering upon demoralization and at times rendered trading practically impossible. As was of course inevitable, German, French, and Belgian currency led in the decline. After a comparatively steady opening, unsettling reports of grave disturbances in the invaded regions gave rise to alarmist rumors of all sorts, and caused a fresh accession of selling. Huge quantities of exchange—chiefly marks—were thrown on the market and proved to be unsaleable even at the



severest concessions, with the result that quotations again completely collapsed. Successive new low levels were established for Reichsmarks until the quotation had reached the extraordinarily low level of 0.0020½, the equivalent of about 50,000 marks to the dollar and comparing with the previous low of 0.0042, although there was a recovery to 0.0028 before the close. In London marks were quoted at approximately 190,000 to the pound sterling. French exchange, although likewise under heavy pressure, received some support and losses were less sensational. Up till Wednesday Paris checks hovered between 6.30 and 6.00; subsequently there was a slump to 5.76½. Belgian currency followed suit and dropped to as low as 5.08½. At the close, however, prices rallied and the final quotation was 6.04 and 5.41 respectively. The whole market, however, continues to be dominated by London and the movements just recorded were simply a reflection of what was going on abroad. Selling was nearly all for foreign account and local operators took very little part in the dealings. A few of the more venturesome of the speculative clique put out moderate short lines and the recovery which took place on the announcement of agreement on the British debt funding question was in part due to covering operations. The sharp drop in the franc has led to some rather pessimistic utterances in banking circles and it is claimed that if the movement goes much further, France's internal prices will have to be revised upward, a policy which might easily lead to currency inflation and its attendant danger of financial upheaval. One of the most dangerous aspects of the weakness is said to be the fact that the selling represents exports of French capital, on the part of those who feel the chances of making the occupation of the Ruhr remunerative are becoming increasingly remote. Italian lire were apparently unaffected by the week's untoward developments and ruled between 4.81 and 4.67 for checks, while Greek drachma and other minor currencies, with the exception of Polish marks which suffered severely in sympathy with Berlin marks, all gave a comparatively good account of themselves.

The London check rate in Paris closed at 76.45, as against 72.85 last week. In New York sight bills on the French centre finished at 6.16, against 6.37¾; cable transfers at 6.16, against 6.38½; commercial sight at 6.13, against 6.35¾, and commercial sixty days at 6.10, against 6.32¾. Antwerp francs closed at 5.41 for checks and 5.42 for cable transfers, as compared with 5.75¾ and 5.76¾ a week ago. Closing quotations for Berlin marks were 0.0028 for both checks and cable transfers, in comparison with 0.0042 the previous week. Austrian exchange remains unaffected by the collapse in German currency values and ruled at 0.0014 (nominal), unchanged, but closed a trifle higher at 0.0014½. Exchange on Czechoslovakia finished at 2.89, against 2.83; Bucharest at 0.46, against 0.48; Poland at a new low of 0.0029, against 0.0034, and Finland at 2.48, against 2.50 last week. Greek exchange finished at 1.15 for checks and 1.20 for cable transfers. Last week the close was 1.18 and 1.23.

In the neutral exchanges, formerly so-called, very little of importance transpired and rate variations have again paralleled those in other Continental centres, only to a lesser degree. Irregularity was

more or less in evidence and declines took place in guilders and Swiss francs, also pesetas, while the Scandinavian currencies were all easier. At the extreme close there was a sharp drop in the last named, losses of as much as 80 points taking place. Trading was at no time active; except sales for foreign account and these were intermittent with the undertone nervous and unsettled. Selling by German interests continues to be a feature at the important European centres.

Bankers' sight on Amsterdam finished at 39.23, against 39.38; cable transfers at 39.32, against 39.47; commercial sight at 39.18, against 39.33, and commercial sixty days at 38.87, against 39.02 last week. Swiss francs closed at 18.76 for bankers' sight bills and 18.77 for cable transfers, as compared with 18.67 and 18.68 in the week preceding. Copenhagen checks finished at 18.36 and cable transfers at 18.40 against 19.57 and 19.61. Checks on Sweden closed at 26.51 and cable remittances at 26.55, against 26.70 and 26.74, while checks on Norway finished at 18.51 and cable transfers at 18.55, against 18.71 and 18.75 last week. Final quotations for Spanish pesetas were 15.64 for checks and 15.65 for cable transfers, in comparison with 15.79 and 15.80 at the close on Friday of last week.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES CERTIFIED TO BY FEDERAL RESERVE BANK TO TREASURY UNDER TARIFF ACT OF 1922, JAN. 27 TO FEB. 2 1923, INCLUSIVE.

Country and Monetary Unit.	Noon Buying Rate for Cable Transfers in New York. Value in United States Money.					
	Jan. 27.	Jan. 29.	Jan. 30.	Jan. 31.	Feb. 1.	Feb. 2.
<b>EUROPE—</b>						
Austria, krone.....	.000014	.000014	.000014	.000014	.000014	.000014
Belgium, franc.....	.0567	.0554	.0541	.0512	.0511	.0543
Bulgaria, lev.....	.0070	.0070	.006829	.006857	.006900	.006764
Czechoslovakia, krone.....	.02885	.02878	.028673	.028453	.028720	.028920
Denmark, krone.....	.1935	.1901	.1904	.1910	.1907	.1871
England, pound sterling.....	4.6438	4.6331	4.6441	4.6387	4.6646	4.6685
Finland, markka.....	.024833	.0249	.024872	.024817	.024906	.025067
France, franc.....	.0630	.0618	.0609	.0582	.0592	.0617
Germany, reichsmark.....	.000036	.000029	.000022	.000021	.000025	.000027
Greece, drachma.....	.012244	.012081	.011836	.011813	.011963	.012063
Holland, guilder.....	.3946	.3942	.3942	.3937	.3919	.3924
Hungary, krone.....	.000385	.000386	.000384	.000378	.000392	.000394
Italy, lire.....	.0478	.0473	.0475	.0470	.0473	.0480
Norway, krone.....	.1872	.1847	.1853	.1859	.1864	.1854
Poland, mark.....	.000033	.000032	.000029	.000027	.000027	.000027
Portugal, escudo.....	.0454	.0450	.0448	.0446	.0450	.0444
Rumania, leu.....	.004411	.004056	.003728	.003819	.004208	.004467
Spain, peseta.....	.1558	.1553	.1554	.1554	.1559	.1566
Sweden, krona.....	.2671	.2666	.2672	.2672	.2676	.2653
Switzerland, franc.....	.1865	.1863	.1866	.1866	.1872	.1875
Yugoslavia, dinar.....	.008805	.008650	.008590	.008588	.008875	.009540
<b>ASIA—</b>						
China, Chefoo tael.....	.7500	.7525	.7479	.7483	.7475	.7458
" Hankow tael.....	.7496	.7521	.7475	.7479	.7471	.7454
" Shanghai tael.....	.7244	.7229	.7209	.7209	.7185	.7161
" Tientsin tael.....	.7558	.7575	.7529	.7533	.7525	.7508
" Hongkong dollar.....	.5365	.5355	.5323	.5316	.5282	.5263
" Mexican dollar.....	.5248	.5244	.5275	.5271	.5213	.5183
" Tientsin or Peking dollar.....	.5421	.5417	.5496	.5492	.5379	.5350
" Yuan dollar.....	.5325	.5317	.5267	.5263	.5229	.5200
India, rupee.....	.3202	.3197	.3209	.3199	.3190	.3183
Japan, yen.....	.4857	.4845	.4830	.4858	.4846	.4849
Singapore (S. S.) dollar.....	.5471	.5467	.5467	.5417	.5458	.5458
<b>NORTH AMERICA—</b>						
Canada, dollar.....	.989458	.989229	.989332	.98875	.987819	.988924
Cuba, peso.....	.999844	.9995	.99950	.999688	.999500	.999625
Mexico, peso.....	.488958	.49125	.48875	.489688	.490813	.489531
Newfoundland, dollar.....	.987031	.986797	.986875	.986719	.985625	.986406
<b>SOUTH AMERICA—</b>						
Argentina, peso (gold).....	.8407	.8357	.8366	.8359	.8382	.8397
Brazil, milreis.....	.1140	.1136	.1139	.1140	.1144	.1145
Chile, peso (paper).....	.1248	.1228	.1225	.1198	.1203	.1208
Uruguay, peso.....	.8356	.8326	.8238	.8231	.8254	.8253

\* 4 kronen equal 1 dinar.

As to South American quotations the situation remains about the same. Trading has ruled dull with the undertone steady. Argentine checks finished at 37.10 and cable transfers at 37.20, against 37¼ and 37¾. Brazil closed at 11.55 for checks and 11.60 for cable transfers (unchanged). Chilean exchange was easier and finished at 12¼, against 13, but Peru was not changed from 4.15.

Far Eastern exchange relapsed into comparative dullness and changes in rates were less marked than in the previous week. Hong Kong currency finished at 53¾@54 (unchanged); Shanghai, 73@73¼, against 73¼@73½; Yokohama, 48½@48¾, against 48¾@49¼; Manila, 49¾@50, against 50¼@50½; Singapore, 54¾@55, against 54¾@55; Bombay,

32 $\frac{3}{4}$ @33 (unchanged), and Calcutta, 32 $\frac{1}{4}$ @32 $\frac{1}{2}$  (unchanged).

The New York Clearing House banks in their operations with interior banking institutions have gained \$2,900,152 net in cash as a result of the currency movements for the week ending Feb. 1. Their receipts from the interior have aggregated \$4,161,152, while the shipments have reached \$1,261,000, as per the following table:

CURRENCY RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS BY NEW YORK BANKING INSTITUTIONS.

Week ending February 1.	Into Banks.	Out of Banks.	Gain or Loss to Banks.
Banks' interior movement.....	\$4,161,152	\$1,211,000	Gain \$2,900,152

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, Jan. 27.	Monday, Jan. 29.	Tuesday, Jan. 30.	Wednesday, Jan. 31.	Thursday, Feb. 1.	Friday, Feb. 2.	Aggregate for Week.
\$57,000,000	\$62,000,000	\$38,000,000	\$64,000,000	\$53,000,000	\$63,000,000	Cr. 342,000,000

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

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

Banks of	Feb. 1 1923.			Feb. 2 1922.		
	Gold.	Silver.	Total.	Gold.	Silver.	Total.
England	£127,491,860	£	£127,491,860	£128,752,275	£	£128,752,275
France a.	146,842,410	11,600,000	158,442,410	143,058,554	11,200,000	154,258,554
Germany	50,110,530	7,271,200	57,381,730	49,769,800	692,600	50,462,400
Aus.-Hun.	10,944,000	2,369,000	13,313,000	10,944,000	2,369,000	13,313,000
Spain	101,004,000	25,989,000	126,993,000	100,607,000	25,134,000	125,741,000
Italy	35,330,000	3,031,000	38,361,000	33,974,000	2,967,000	36,941,000
Netherl'ds	48,482,000	678,000	49,160,000	50,497,000	611,000	51,108,000
Nat. Belg.	10,757,000	2,278,000	13,035,000	10,663,000	1,624,000	12,287,000
Switz'land	21,533,000	4,125,000	25,658,000	22,036,000	4,330,000	26,366,000
Sweden	15,220,000		15,220,000	15,249,000		15,249,000
Denmark	12,681,000	248,000	12,929,000	12,685,000	197,000	12,882,000
Norway	8,115,000		8,115,000	8,183,000		8,183,000
Tot. week	588,510,800	57,589,200	646,100,000	586,418,629	49,124,600	635,543,229
Prev. week	588,411,805	57,321,150	645,733,015	586,046,201	48,876,500	634,922,701

a Gold holdings of the Bank of France this year are exclusive of £74,573,797 held abroad.

#### LABOR UNIONS AS BANKERS.

The head of "The Labor Bureau, Inc.," whose notice that labor will demand a still larger share in business earnings has already been mentioned, discusses in the "Times" of Jan. 28 "labor's concerted move to do its own banking." "Labor is now definitely reaching," says this bureau head, "for financial power through the control of credit." Stimulated by the success of the three large labor banks, "there has sprung up overnight a crop of smaller ones; no less than eleven new ones have been authorized by labor groups in nine different cities and will open during this year." So says this man; also, that since 1920 the movement has tended away from "the Cleveland example," that is, towards a full 100% of labor and no "dilution by outsiders."

This man quotes what he calls "the high spot" of Chief Stone's address to the last annual convention of the Firemen's Brotherhood, that "if you will use the power you hold in your hands in ten years you can control the financial policy of the United States." A truly flamboyant declaration, and to this writer it "was probably high-pitched, like most convention speeches"; yet he retains the notion that the present operation of credit is anti-labor, for he remarks that

most labor leaders "have seen liberal employers whipped into line by a mere crack of the credit lash, a hint of loans called or of borrowing privileges withheld; the idea that labor can crack the same whip is seductive." It may be seductive, and it may also be deceiving. Whoever could borrow at bank must show a clean standing. Credit is not a personal favor, unless it is misused. The employer who conceded too much to labor demands, and the employer who sought to yield too little, would be classed together as unsafe borrowers; the notion that bankers, or employers, band or ever will band together for any such purpose as to "destroy" labor is nonsense; to favor, or even to seek to promote, the open-shop movement is not anti-labor, notwithstanding union leaders may declare or even really believe it to be such. When the union members have passed the seeming triumph of organization of their "own" and of seeing deposits rise under the first enthusiasm they will get down to business and will encounter rules which are in the best sense (but in no other) respecters of persons and of business policies. Mr. Stone was right in telling the firemen (as he is quoted in this article) that it has been a mistaken notion that there "was something mysterious about the banking business," but he erred in statement at least when he added that "it is really not as complicated as running a grocery store, it is just about as complicated as running a peanut stand on the corner."

Not quite, Mr. Stone. Try it by a single test: as a matter of investment, should one sell French and Belgian bonds, at their market prices in the present uncertainty, or should he interpret that situation as opportunity to buy them? Banking, like other business, large or small, consists in part in forecasting the future—not an easy or surely inerrant process, but one which the wage-earner must face when he becomes a banker, whether he deals only with "our own" or with the outside public.

This remark itself recalls the pestilent union delusion that the public is "outside," the truth being that nobody is outside; we are all insiders, with a common interest in general prosperity. Mr. Stone has shared that delusion, and the best reason for expecting good out of the union banking fervor is that the changed position will compel, either by calm reflection or by the touches of painful experience, a change in mental attitude. Mr. Stone is at odds with the record, perhaps unconsciously so, in saying that the history of his Brotherhood "has been for many years one of conspicuous conservatism in all its policies." Can we, or should we, forget the last months of 1916? Yet it is encouraging to find him saying to the "Herald" that one of the greatest obstacles facing healthy railroad development and "the continued prosperity of our transportation system is the marked lack of capital now seeking investment in that field." Now, the Brotherhood "has capital to invest," and he perceives that "the continued prosperity of our rail transportation and its maintenance upon a high plane of efficiency are essential to preserve the livelihood of the members of an organization whose business is the driving of locomotives." Correct; yet there was a time when Mr. Stone thought receiver's cash was as good as any other kind of cash to those driving the locomotives, and did not see that the wages of necessary employees depend in any degree upon the prosperity of employers. It is gratifying to note that now he sees nothing more natural than that the engineers should do "what they can to promote



the interests of rail transportation." He sees another fundamental fact, the wide distribution of real railway ownership, for he notes a difficulty heretofore "in reaching the ears of the actual owners," and adds:

"Who are the actual owners of our railroads? The wage-earners of the country, through their savings bank deposits, probably are to-day the largest owners of American railroad securities. Is it not obvious that if this ownership and the responsibilities attending it can be brought home to them through such institutions as our Brotherhood banks the closer relationship thus established should make for a better understanding on the part of labor as well as of capital? It is with the hope that it may be a potent factor in promoting a mutually satisfactory arrangement for adjustment of the difficulties alike confronting capital and labor in the sphere of railway transportation that, with the substantial backing of the Brotherhood, we have entered into the banking field."

Chief Lee, of the Trainmen's Brotherhood, announces that he will presently resign, to become head of a large corporation for making automatic train control devices, counting upon being able to "render a real public service to railroad employees and the traveling public in a real safety first movement." The purpose is good. What the world needs is to get together in promoting safety for all and industry and prosperity for all. Any and every step towards this is in the line of good news and warrant for rising confidence.

#### NEW FIGURES ON THE GOVERNMENT DEFICIT.

At the semi-annual meeting of the Governmental business organization on January 29, which was addressed by the President and General Lord, Director of the Budget, revised figures for Government receipts and expenditures were made public. At the meeting on July 11 1922 the estimated expenditures for the current fiscal year then just begun were given at \$3,896,258,542. By the time the Budget was ready for transmission to Congress by the President last December there had been five months of actual operations in the fiscal year, and upon the basis of this experience, new estimates of expenditures for the year were put at \$3,703,801,671. This was a reduction of \$192,456,871 from the July estimate. On January 15, after six and one-half months operations, a further revised estimate of expenditure was given at \$3,574,554,132, being a reduction from the December figure of \$129,247,539, and a total reduction in the estimates of expenditures since the commencement of the year of \$321,704,410. This marked reduction may be accounted for in part by a certain amount of over-estimating in the early figures, and in part by continued pressure for economy and retrenchment by the President. It will be remembered that the total expenditures for the fiscal year ending June 30 1922 were \$3,795,302,499. The latest estimate of expenditures for the fiscal year 1923 are therefore \$220,748,367 less than for the preceding fiscal year.

Turning now to the question of receipts, the new estimates indicate considerable increases in ordinary receipts from customs and other sources. The July estimate of receipts was put at \$3,073,825,311. This indicated a prospective deficit of about \$822,000,000—a sum so stupendous for a Government deficit that it was plain that no amount of economy

and efficiency could possibly wipe it out. Fortunately for balancing the Budget, this revenue estimate was too conservative. When the revised estimate was made in December the figure was given at \$3,429,862,959, showing an increase over the previous estimate of \$356,037,648. This brought the prospective deficit down to about \$373,000,000. In the interim the new tariff had been in operation, bringing in much larger receipts than had been looked for. The new revenue figure of January 15 places the total estimated receipts for the current year at \$3,481,904,959, a further increase of \$52,042,000 over the December estimate and \$408,079,648 over the July estimate. At this time, therefore, there is a prospective deficit in sight of only \$92,649,173, a sum which, it appears, may possibly be eliminated by further increases in the revenues supplemented by continued economies in the expenditure of public funds. Such is the hope expressed by the President and by General Lord.

On the whole—while there appears in this program no immediate relief to the taxpayer from the existing burden—this presents an encouraging picture. There have been times during the fiscal year when the situation appeared serious and it seemed as though new taxation would have to be imposed to enable the Government to meet its current expenses for the fiscal year 1923. The wisdom and courage of the President in vetoing the Bonus Bill and the Bursum Pension Bill closed the doors of the Treasury to two monumental attempts to raid that institution. A considerable burden of these expenditures would have fallen within the current fiscal year. These acts of the President, giving evidence, as they did, of his firm intention to stand between the taxpayer and the authorization of such ill considered expenditures by Congress, no doubt restrained Congress from making other attempts of this character. As a consequence, the Budget for the fiscal year 1923 has not been augmented to any considerable extent by new legislation.

The financial operations of the Government by the President under the budget system have clearly demonstrated that business methods can, at least in a considerable measure, be applied to the public service. That is all that can be expected at the present stage. Whether the expenditures of the Government are to be further substantially reduced, as they must be, will depend not upon further measures of economy and efficiency in business administration, but upon policies emanating from Congress in the form of statutory enactments.

#### THE QUEST OF INDUSTRIAL PEACE.

A new book with the above attractive title by a prominent Scotch professor and writer, proves especially readable and useful as presenting an important and much involved subject in a clear and succinct form.\*

It begins with an examination of the causes of the present industrial unrest. Social order is an obvious necessity. Justice must reign and a stable peace prevail if civilization is to endure. This must rest on the good-will of the community. As knowledge increases, new wants arise, moral imperatives become more sensitive and ideals change. Discontent quickly finds expression in new demands, and conflict of interests is inevitable. The world to-day is in the throes of these. Impossible claims are confused with

\*The Quest of Industrial Peace. Principal W. M. Clow of Glasgow. Geo. H. Doran Co.

just ones and half-truths are exalted as axioms and made into slogans. Attention centres in material interests and higher ones are ridiculed. Lenin says: "Religion is the opium of the poor," and H. G. Wells refers with cheap scorn to "the consolations of the little Bethels."

Existing conditions have drawn quickened consciences to the redress of evils, and to advocate reform which is often radical. Hence an academic Socialism and Utopian schemes. This often serves to increase the unrest and to create opposition to genuine effort for better conditions. Political power in the hands of the people gives force to discontent. Democracy often sets wholly ignorant and incompetent men in office; then confusion is made worse, and when public action is found futile and the people are deceived or disappointed in their representatives and the efforts of the State, "direct action" is their resort, and disorder reigns.

Several chapters are given to the consideration of Capitalism, its justification, and the charges made against it. Capital is defined as so much of accumulated wealth as is available for use in affairs. Money is its representative and the instrument by which it is transferred and applied. Capitalism has proved its worth by its service to production. It survives because of its recognized value in human society. It produces, as well as uses wealth. This production is the basis of the world's progress and well-being. But it also increases the efficiency of labor. Without it labor is practically helpless. It provides the tools and the co-operation which make labor profitable. Substituting public for private control and management destroys initiative and deadens interest. It also lessens production and increases waste.

Of all this there is abundant proof. Robert Burns declared that he desired possessions

"... for the glorious privilege  
Of being independent."

Private property and personal liberty go hand in hand. To have nothing leaves a man dependent, helpless, subject to all. Communism in any form means conscription for industry. It represents only the personal liberty of the private soldier in the army. Private ownership has this special value; beginning with the home and its endless variety and peculiar worth, it calls into exercise a personal responsibility for the right use of possessions. It impels a man to serve his fellow man and the community. Aristotle long ago laid down the principle that "the adoption of the community idea robs us of the virtue of generosity in the use of property."

After a review of the indictments against Capitalism and the wrong doings of both Capital and Labor, there follows an historic account of the early forms of Utopian Communism and their failure; as also of the Co-operative Movement and its inadequacy, despite its limited success.

This leads up to an examination of Marxian Socialism, and the breakaway in Anarchism, Syndicalism, Guild Socialism, and the Nationalizing of Industry, in certain directions, in which, as in the railways, mining and land, the ill success of Government ownership is abundantly evidenced, and even in the Postal Service is persistently claimed by competent authority.—(Vide—Chapter XII.)

*Note.*—The return of public utilities into the hands of private individuals as in the case of the railways, the street cars, the telegraph and telephone, with the elimination, as far as possible, of the bureaucratic element, is recently reported as among the important reforms already introduced by the new Government in Italy.—*Semper Avanti.*

Many will find in these chapters the chief interest of the book. They certainly stimulate and clarify thought and contribute to the value of the concluding chapter on The Gateway of Peace, and An Industrial Covenant.

The crying evils have been shown to be the unrest resulting from existing conditions, the prevalence of unsound and false conceptions both material and moral, and the failure of various schemes and attempts to set things right. The causes which stand out in explanation of these experiments to secure industrial peace are described as mainly these: disregard of economic law; denial of individual freedom; the appeal to low and selfish motives; failure to understand human nature; and, above all, the entire materialism of the attempts.

Man is both a social and a spiritual being. He is an animal and much more. He can only attain peace and be satisfied as he cherishes ethical ideals and acquires moral integrity. Then alone he takes pride in the work of his hands; labor assures satisfaction and strength and such possessions as he acquires make pleasant and possible unselfish thoughts and acts. He begins to recognize in some proportionate degree what he owes to the community and the State for his prosperity and his freedom.

To-day the failure to secure this result, and the persistence of selfish and evil methods which have prevailed in the past, even those for which the individual was not responsible, are painfully evident. The attention of the world to the conditions of peace, as long ago proclaimed by high authority, is demanded; they were never more commanding. "The work of Righteousness shall be Peace, and the effect of Righteousness Quietness and Confidence forever."

To apply this to the problem before us our author suggests an Industrial Covenant which shall rest on these postulates: it must be a covenant only for wage-earning industry, it cannot properly be extended to cover the various relations of society, of politics, of art and the like; it must accept the method of Capitalism as the only practicable method for sound efficiency, if freedom, responsibility and frugality are to be secured. Capital and Labor must adopt a relationship of co-operation which recognizes the indispensable place of competition as the spur to progress, invention and achievement. Co-operation secures right methods, fair dealing and correction of evils.

Finally, reward must bear a proportion not only to the toil and strain, but also to the value of the function fulfilled, each according to his desert. Brain must be compensated as well as brawn; and ability, as measured by actual service. Abilities that are never used have no claim to reward.

If these postulates are accepted, working agreements can be framed which must of necessity vary with different industries and conditions. The author presents the outlines of a draft which is offered only as suggestive. "Men of good-will" can be trusted to work out their own best plans. The recognition of the mistakes of the past and the control of the underlying principles which are, in the main, beyond dispute, will make it possible to establish ways of joint action which will secure what is just, and then what makes for peace.

The end will only be reached and both justice and peace assured, when the right of the things of the spirit to rule is accepted, and men deal with one another as men, and do to others what they would have others do to them. Otherwise, Industrial Covenants



no less than Ententes and Treaties of Peace will fall apart when self-interest asserts itself.

#### END OF THE DAUGHERTY CASE.

Some note should be taken of the action of the House of Representatives on Jan. 25 in the attempted impeachment of Attorney-General Daugherty. That attempt, of course, was legal and regular in form, since the Constitution leaves all civil officers subject to it at any time and the House is the tribunal before whom the case for an impeachment is to be shown. The attack upon Mr. Daugherty ran along until, about as soon as the session began, the Judiciary Committee, which is the proper one, was induced to consider it, Congressman Keller of Minnesota taking the role of prosecutor. The charges were almost of the bouffe class in their number (exactly fourteen) and their seriousness, but the prosecutor not only failed to produce any evidence, but flew into a simulated passion when asked for it and stalked out of the committee room, making such an exhibition that proceedings against him for contempt of the House were talked of. He was lately reported to have become "a physical wreck" and in Florida for a rest.

The committee, of course, dismissed the case, reporting to the House accordingly, and that body, by 204 to 77, adopted a resolution discharging the committee from further consideration and declaring that there is no ground for deeming Mr. Daugherty "guilty of any high crime or misdemeanor requiring the interposition of the impeachment powers of the House." As one of the charges was of refusal to take up certain alleged violations of the anti-trust laws discovered by the Lockwood Committee (a general-nosing body whose existence the Legislature has refused to prolong) two Congressmen relieved their feelings by a counter-attack upon Mr. Untermyer. It is not necessary to discuss that; excesses may sometimes be the product of good intentions, but ugly talk and retaliatory epithets never help a good cause and always aggravate a bad one.

The Daugherty prosecution was one of the bad class. The House does not praise him, or so much as express an opinion upon the quality of his official work or upon his fitness for his position. Charge 7, really the only one which could be called a positive act, was "the perversion of the legal process of the United States for the purpose of instituting action for which there was no justification and the demanding against individuals processes of court subversive of the rights of freedom of the press and peaceful assembly assured by the Constitution of the United States." But Mr. Daugherty thought there was "justification" for the injunction of last September, and the Federal Court agreed with him by issuing it; we may individually have our opinions, but an error in judgment is not an impeachable offense, nor is it something worthy of punishment to have violently displeased Mr. Gompers and Mr. Jewell; if to anger somebody were a malfeasance in office no official, in a public or in a corporate capacity, could be sure of himself.

The moral of the affair is its illustration of the folly of that public opinion which follows impulse instead of sober thinking and would turn noise into strength. The initiative and the recall are devices of hasty temper, and lower the standard of government by making men in office watch for what might be temporarily "popular" instead of what is just. Im-

peachment is always available against real misconduct, and it has very rarely been needed. Elections are the regular means of recall, and one used again and again, as the "feeling" shifts; experience has dimly proved that the closer we get to "direct" orders and approval of the "people" the poorer our governing becomes; everybody begins to lay pipe and hold his ear to the ground for another term.

The courage to be unpopular, and the self-control which accepts the displeasing rather than retort by an attack upon its author are qualities much needed. What the people seem to "want" may be widely different from what they need. "I would rather be right than be President," said Henry Clay. Adherence to principles and convictions ought to be a better warrant of contemporary approval than even the nimblest sycophancy.

#### HENRY CLEWS.

The death of Mr. Clews, about midway in his 89th year, removes a veteran figure from the world of finance. The son of a prosperous English business man who intended him "for holy orders," he was brought to this country on a visit while early in his teens and was so impressed by its achievements (even when the last century was half finished) and with its opportunities for the ambitious that he persuaded his father to let him stay. Beginning with a clerkship in a dry goods importing house, he obeyed an impelling impulse by organizing a modest banking firm before he was 25. As he tells it in his "Fifty Years in Wall Street," he was one of a number of young men who sought admission to the Stock Exchange, but that body thought him too youthful and declined him, whereupon he changed their view by advertising that he would execute stock transactions at one-half of the then regular commission. Once in, he stayed in, and after a membership of more than 58 years, he was the oldest but one of those still surviving.

He was always bullish "on the United States," and when the Union was in question during the Civil War he stood staunchly for it. He threw himself into the work of placing the loans of that troubled time, and with such energy and success that he rendered a memorable public service, so that Secretary Chase afterwards said he could never have carried the "5-20s" through but for Mr. Clews and Jay Cooke. After the war he put faith in the South, so that in 1872 he held over two millions in Georgia bonds. Naturally, he failed in 1873, when so many others failed, losing his Exchange membership; but pluck and good reputation served him, and in 1878 he got back his membership and regained his business footing.

He was a founder of the Union League, the distinctive Republican club, and was member of many public organizations. He once declined the Republican nomination for Mayor, once declined the Collectorship here, and twice declined to become head of the Treasury. His social opportunities and services were varied. He was an optimist throughout, with an instinctive sense of where lay the right side upon every public question; as one instance, he was prominent in organizing the "Committee of Seventy" which bore a large part in shattering the old Tweed ring.

Mr. Clews was a financier in the best sense of this sometimes misused term, and no stain ever attached to either his business or his private life. He stayed

in, and he represented the better part of Wall Street, a place which renders indispensable services and maintains the highest standard of rectitude in dealings. A clean and useful career has left a good example.

#### BUSINESS INSOLVENCIES IN 1922.

Losses through insolvencies during the calendar year 1922 were unusually severe. Bankruptcies in mercantile lines in number were in excess of any previous record, and the amounts involved in the aggregate exceed, for the second year in succession, the abnormally large sum of \$600,000,000. Only in the disastrous year 1915, following the beginning of the European War, has the number of insolvencies ever approached those reported for last year. At that time, however, the defaulted indebtedness was less than one-half the amount reported in either of the two latest years. Mercantile transactions are now on a much wider plane than they were then. The aggregate volume of trading is enormously greater. Values are higher and there are 325,000 more business concerns engaged in mercantile pursuits—the number now being fully one-fifth larger than it was eight years ago. The period of liquidation which has now been in progress during the past two years or more apparently culminated early in 1922 and in the later months of 1922 there was some little relaxation, although the losses continued very large.

Mercantile defaults in the United States for the full 12 months of 1922 numbered 23,676 and the amount of defaulted indebtedness was \$623,896,251. These figures contrast with 19,652 similar defaults for the preceding year, when the amount of liabilities reported was \$627,401,883. As noted above, the number of mercantile insolvencies reported in 1915, which year is second as to number of such disasters, was 22,156, but in that year the amount of indebtedness reported was only \$302,286,148. These statements are based on the records compiled by the mercantile agency of R. G. Dun & Co., and relate to failures in mercantile lines as distinguished from banking suspensions, the latter being reported separately. The compilation covers more than 60 years, and in that period of time the ratio of mercantile disasters of this character, to the number of concerns engaged in business in the United States, has been from 3.8 per 1,000 to 15.5—that is, the lowest ratio of mercantile defaults to each 1,000 business concerns is 3.8, this occurred in 1919; the highest is 15.5, which was the record for the year 1878. In 1922 the ratio on the same basis was 11.9, and for the preceding year it was 10.2. For the years 1914 and 1915, when insolvencies were numerous, the ratios were respectively 11.0 and 13.2. In 1893 it was 12.8 and in 1884, 12.1. There were 23 years when the ratio was 10 or over, up to 15.5, and 33 years, covering the entire time from 1866 to 1922, inclusive, when the ratio was less than 10 in 1,000. This relates to mercantile failures only.

It is not improbable that the inflation incident to the war period is reflected in the recent insolvency records, and it may be that this inflation is one of the direct causes of the recent heavy liquidation. Another compilation based on these same records has a bearing on this matter. The amount of defaulted indebtedness per firm in business last year was \$314.61 and in the preceding year it was \$325.53, the largest amounts for any year since the 70's, when this

particular record was first computed. During the intervening 40 years the amount has seldom gone above \$160 or \$170—in fact on only four occasions during these 40 years was it higher than \$200, and those were years of severe stress, such as 1884, 1893 and 1914. The first record covering this particular compilation was for the year 1876, when the amount of defaulted indebtedness per firm in business was \$305.15. That was during the period of inflation following the Civil War, and also at a time when heavy liquidation was in progress. At that time also, the ratio of firms failing to the total number of concerns in business was 13.3 per 1,000. Three years later specie payments were resumed in the United States. Not until 1921 did the defaulted indebtedness per firm in business again reach \$300—in fact, as noted above, it seldom went above \$160 or \$170, and for a number of years was under \$100.

Below is given the statement of the number of failures quarterly for the past two years; also the amount of liabilities reported, and the averages for each quarter:

DISTRIBUTION OF MERCANTILE FAILURES IN UNITED STATES BY QUARTERLY PERIODS.

	1922.			1921.		
	No.	Liabilities.	Average Liab.	No.	Liabilities.	Average Liab.
First.....	7,517	\$218,012,365	\$28,870	4,872	\$180,397,989	\$37,038
Second.....	5,867	155,703,973	26,539	4,163	130,273,615	31,293
Third.....	5,033	117,198,157	23,284	4,472	122,699,399	27,440
Fourth.....	5,255	132,981,756	25,287	6,145	194,030,880	31,575
Year.....	23,676	\$623,896,251	\$26,352	19,652	\$627,401,883	\$31,926

The most disastrous quarterly report ever issued since quarterly statements have been compiled covering nearly 50 years was that of the first quarter of 1922, when the number of defaults was 7,517 and the amount of liabilities \$218,012,365. In only one other quarterly statement does the number exceed 7,000, namely the first quarter of 1915, when there were 7,216 defaults of mercantile concerns and the liabilities were \$105,703,355—less than one-half the amount involved in the insolvencies in the first quarter of 1922. Both as to number and as to the amount involved, the defaults that occurred in each of the four quarters of the last two years were very heavy—in fact, this same remark applies to the preceding quarter, the final three months of 1920. In each of these quarterly periods, from October 1920 to December 1922, two years and a quarter, the amount of defaulted indebtedness was considerably in excess of \$100,000,000. The average liabilities for each firm failing in each quarter of 1922 is somewhat smaller than for the corresponding period in the preceding year, but in part this is due to the fact that the number of failures that occurred during such quarterly period in 1922 was very much larger than for the corresponding period of 1921.

Mercantile defaults in 1922 were also more numerous in each section into which the country is divided than in the preceding year; and the Middle Atlantic States, which includes the very large industrial States of New York and Pennsylvania, as is usual, leads all other sections in the number of defaults and in the amounts involved. As to the number of failures, there is a considerable increase in 1922 over 1921. Failures in the Central States east of the Mississippi River and north of the Ohio River, were also very much more numerous last year than in 1921—in fact, relatively the largest augmentation was in this section. Liabilities were also very much larger here. There was some increase in failures in the Southern States, but not so great an increase as in



1921 over 1920. Failures in the South last year and the year before were unusually large in number and the amount of defaulted indebtedness in both years was very heavy. There is a slight reduction in the amount of defaulted indebtedness in the Southern Central States for 1922 as contrasted with the previous year, but this is not especially significant, as the amount in both years was very large. The increase for the Pacific Coast States was somewhat above the average, and here, too, while the amount of indebtedness in both years was large, the sum was slightly smaller last year than in the preceding year.

In the following table the total number of failures in the eight different geographical divisions of the country, with the total of defaulted indebtedness, is contrasted for the last two years. The figures showing banking suspensions last year by sections are also given; the latter are naturally not included with the commercial defaults:

FAILURES IN UNITED STATES ACCORDING TO GEOGRAPHICAL SECTIONS.  
Commercial Failures.

	Number.		Liabilities.		Banking, 1922.	
	1922.	1921.	1922.	1921.	No.	Liabilities.
New England.....	2,073	1,702	\$49,692,282	\$44,629,101	1	\$263,787
Middle Atlantic.....	5,701	4,810	205,122,485	230,599,813	6	1,594,883
South Atlantic.....	3,175	2,694	73,979,651	60,939,878	38	10,790,953
Southern Central.....	3,190	3,067	67,168,370	71,574,682	65	17,353,463
Central Eastern.....	4,530	3,337	132,990,498	106,598,941	9	822,129
Central Western.....	2,262	1,855	50,037,986	67,629,098	85	23,727,417
Western.....	845	714	15,063,309	14,427,169	58	16,604,213
Pacific.....	1,900	1,473	29,841,670	31,103,201	15	6,578,701
United States.....	23,676	19,652	\$623,896,251	\$627,401,883	277	\$77,735,551

In every State in the Union, with the exception of five or six Southern States, failures were more numerous last year than in the year preceding. The States referred to in which a decrease appears include North Carolina, Alabama, Mississippi and Texas, also Missouri and Arizona. In several of the States the number of defaults last year was very much larger than in the preceding year, notably in Ohio, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Washington and California. In many of the States liabilities were reduced in 1922 as contrasted with 1921, although there were other States in which there was a considerable increase in the defaulted indebtedness of 1922, but in most instances this was caused by a number of very large failures. A very considerable part of the total amount of liabilities for the entire country is in New York State and a great part of this is, of course, for New York City. In 1922 it was nearly 25% and in 1921 the ratio was even larger. But last year the losses for New York were particularly heavy in the class of agents and brokers, some very large failures occurring in those lines. More than one-half of the failures in New York State in 1922 were in the large trading class, with a little more than one-quarter of the total indebtedness. Manufacturing lines accounted for about one-third of the number of failures in New York State and practically the same proportion of indebtedness, while in the class of agents and brokers less than 8% of the total number of failures in New York State reported 42% of the total liabilities. In some other States much the same thing was true. In Maryland there were 30 failures in the brokerage class, with \$11,500,000 of liabilities, about 8% in number and more than 71% of the total amount of defaulted indebtedness reported for the year in that State. A large brokerage failure at Kansas City added \$6,000,000 to the liabilities reported for Missouri, nearly 40% of the total liabilities for that one default. For Illinois there was nearly \$17,000,000 of liabilities for the brokerage class, one-third of the total for the State, and 79 fail-

ures in that class, the total number of defaults in that State being 1,420 and the amount of indebtedness nearly \$50,000,000. Similar conditions prevailed in some of the other States, although the losses were not so heavy.

In the New England and Middle Atlantic States, there was a considerable increase in the number of failures in most of the States in 1922 as contrasted with 1921. Failures were numerous and losses were large in both manufacturing and trading lines in Massachusetts and there were some large manufacturing failures in Connecticut. Perhaps the best showing is made by Pennsylvania, the increase in that State being smaller than in some of the other States. In the South the failures are naturally more numerous in the large trading classes, general stores and others of that variety. In the Central Eastern States, Ohio, Illinois and the other States in that section, there were many more failures last year in both the manufacturing and trading classes than in the preceding year, and in Ohio, Illinois and Wisconsin there were some heavy losses in the manufacturing division. The Central Western group of States shows much the same conditions as the Central Eastern, although the number of failures is not nearly so large as in the Central Eastern as might be expected, no unusual losses appear, and the total liabilities are somewhat reduced as contrasted with the preceding year. In the Pacific Coast States there is an increase all along the line, except that for Oregon the liabilities reported for 1922 are less than one-half the amount reported for that State in 1921, occasioned by an exceptionally large failure in Oregon in the brokerage class that occurred in the last mentioned year.

In the following table the statement of failures for three years, divided as to the three classes, is compared; a separate line is given showing the number of banking defaults, and the amount of liabilities, the latter figures as to the banks not being included with strictly commercial lines:

DISTRIBUTION OF FAILURES IN UNITED STATES ACCORDING TO CLASSES.

	Number.			Liabilities.		
	1922.	1921.	1920.	1922.	1921.	1920.
Manufacturing.....	5,682	4,495	2,635	\$214,925,388	\$232,907,185	\$127,992,471
Trading.....	16,923	13,999	5,532	271,388,107	254,794,285	88,558,347
Agents and brokers.....	1,071	1,158	714	137,582,756	139,700,413	78,570,987
Total commercial.....	23,676	19,652	8,881	\$623,896,251	\$627,401,883	\$295,121,805
Banking.....	277	383	119	\$77,735,551	\$167,849,555	\$50,708,300

Trading failures were exceptionally numerous last year and the amount of indebtedness reported by these trading concerns was very large. Of all mercantile failures in 1922 71.5% were of trading concerns. The liabilities, too, were considerably in excess of the liabilities reported by the manufacturing division. In both preceding years the ratio of trading failures to the total number of failures was somewhat smaller as compared with the figures for the year just closed. Failures in manufacturing lines continue heavy and the losses were large in the aggregate, but not so large as in the preceding year. There were somewhat fewer failures among brokers and agents than in the preceding year, but the losses in both years were very large, a little less last year than in 1921.

The increase in the number of trading failures last year, as compared with the preceding year, is more than 20% and failures among grocers and dealers in meats were very much larger than in 1921. The clothing and furnishings lines, as well as dealers in dry goods, made a rather poor showing last year, in

contrast with the preceding year, not only as to the number of defaults but likewise as to the amounts involved, the latter being very much larger than in the preceding year. Failures of general stores were about the same as to number as well as to the amount of liabilities in 1922 as in 1921, and in both years they were very heavy. More than one-half of all the insolvencies in the trading classes last year were in the departments above mentioned.

In the manufacturing branches increases also quite generally appear, although in some departments of the producing trades, losses, while still large, are slightly less than in the preceding year. As to manufacturers of cotton goods and allied lines, there were fewer failures last year than in the preceding year, and liabilities of last year were considerably less than one-half the amount of the preceding year. In the large machinery class there were many more failures last year than in 1921 and the amount of defaulted indebtedness continues very heavy. The same thing is true of clothing manufacturing. There were many more failures of brokers in 1922, and the losses were very heavy again last year. In lumber manufacturing there were more failures last year than in 1921, but the liabilities, while amounting to a considerable sum, were practically the same as in the preceding year.

Below is given for ten years a comparison showing the number of the larger failures and the amount of liabilities for each of the three classes, these figures including all defaults where the amount of indebtedness is more than \$100,000:

NO. OF FAILURES FOR OVER \$100,000 WITH THE AMOUNTS INVOLVED.

	Manufacturing.		Trading.		Agents & Brokers.	
	No.	Liabilities.	No.	Liabilities.	No.	Liabilities.
1922	369	\$132,790,993	337	\$73,234,665	162	\$117,817,168
1921	410	162,495,458	343	88,337,955	120	124,292,740
1920	230	89,933,982	139	34,609,853	84	67,264,207
1919	100	29,644,087	38	8,156,247	53	18,186,209
1918	132	44,171,393	46	13,780,850	52	23,610,722
1917	147	43,435,232	53	13,678,534	50	24,747,252
1916	116	29,257,548	54	14,467,600	46	22,732,441
1915	163	58,700,533	111	38,986,288	57	25,063,086
1914	216	93,548,237	136	72,805,493	57	44,362,217
1913	213	74,134,110	101	36,421,367	65	26,348,438

In all classes of failures except agents and brokers the number of the larger failures last year was less than in the preceding year, it will be seen, and in all three classes liabilities are reduced as compared with the amounts reported for 1921. In comparison with the earlier years, all the figures for both 1921 and 1922 hold the record. As previously noted, the number of the larger failures of agents and brokers shows an increase of one-third over the previous year and is double that of any other year.

#### FAILURES OF BANKS.

Banking failures last year were fewer in number and for a smaller amount than in the preceding year. The records show 277 banking suspensions, with liabilities of \$77,735,551. These figures contrast with 383 similar defaults in 1921, the liabilities amounting to \$167,849,555. As in the preceding year, practically all of the banking defaults were in the South and in the States west of the Mississippi River. In all sections the amount of defaulted indebtedness was very much less last year than it was in the preceding year. The largest number of defaulting banking concerns was in the Central Western States, which lie west of the Mississippi River to the Rocky Mountains, and in the Central South, and more than one-half of the total liabilities for all bank failures is attributable to these defaults. All of the banks were small and located, most of them, in isolated sections of the country.

#### FAILURES IN CANADA.

Bankruptcies in Canada last year were 50% greater than in the preceding year, which in turn were considerably more than double those of 1920. The number of defaults reported through the agency of R. G. Dun & Co. for 1922 was 3,695, while the amount of indebtedness was \$78,068,959. These figures compare with 2,451 failures in the preceding year and \$73,299,111 of liabilities.

One feature of the Canadian return is noteworthy because it is so at variance with the conditions in the United States, and that is the reduced number of failures reported in the class of agents and brokers and the very much smaller amount of indebtedness, in contrast with the figures for 1921. In the manufacturing and trading classes the insolvencies in Canada last year were very much more numerous than they were in the preceding year, and in both instances liabilities in 1922 were somewhat larger, although the increase was not at the same ratio as the increase in the number of defaults. As to agents and brokers, however, last year's defaults were under 80% of those in the same class for the year before, while the amount of the liabilities for 1922 in this class was 36.6% less than in 1921. The large increase in the manufacturing division last year was in the lumber class. Among traders there was a considerable increase in the number of failures of dealers in clothing, in dry goods and of hotels and restaurants. Geographically considered, all of the Provinces show a larger number of failures in 1922, but there is a decrease of more than \$8,000,000 in the liabilities reported in Ontario as compared with the preceding year, and an increase of twice that amount reported by the Province of Quebec. Below we compare the Canadian figures as to number and liabilities for three years:

CANADIAN FAILURES FOR LAST THREE CALENDAR YEARS.

	Number.			Liabilities.		
	1922.	1921.	1920.	1922.	1921.	1920.
Manufacturing	857	559	255	\$39,080,791	\$33,976,790	\$15,871,216
Trading	2,717	1,739	771	33,004,203	29,386,569	7,704,500
Agents and brokers	121	153	52	5,983,965	9,435,752	2,918,585
Total commercial	3,695	2,451	1,078	\$78,068,959	\$73,299,111	\$26,494,301

### Indications of Business Activity

#### THE STATE OF TRADE—COMMERCIAL EPITOME.

Friday Night, Feb. 2 1923.

The tide of business is still rising in this country. January sales were far in excess of those of a year ago. Big mail order concerns of the West report an increase in their January business of anywhere from 38 to 51½% over that of January last year. This is significant. The buying power of the West is rising with employment general and wages high, although there is no use disguising the fact that the farmer is not sharing as fully as he should in the improvement in the country's business. Collections, however, are somewhat better. The big industries are active. Iron and steel are leading. They are only held back by the shortage of common labor in this country. Big Pennsylvania mills are driven to importing large numbers of negroes from the South, where they can ill be spared. They are wanted on the cotton farms. The last cotton crop was to all intents and purposes a failure, like the preceding one. The world needs a cotton crop in this country next season of anywhere from 12,000,000 to 13,000,000 bales and in order to restore the equilibrium a crop of 14,000,000 bales would be so much the better. But very many fear that this is entirely out of the question, partly owing to the threatened shortage of labor. And the scarcity of common labor in this country is largely traceable to the short-sighted 3% immigration law, whose pernicious effects are felt everywhere throughout the country. It adds to the cost of labor and to the cost of living simply at the dictation of labor itself, which suffers



in common with everybody else as a matter of course. But the scarcity of labor also shows that business in the great industries of this country is expanding. A year ago there was widespread and very serious unemployment. The present situation in this respect marks the difference of a whole diameter. Bank clearings, it is significant to notice, keep rising. Another striking fact is that there is a sharp falling off in the number of failures and also in the amount of liabilities. The number for the week is 434, against 508 last week and 481 in the same week of 1922. Liabilities in January were only about half as large as in the same month last year and 20% less than two years ago. In a word, the outlook is clearing. Men are in a more cheerful mood.

Yet there is no venturesome trading. A very conservative course is noticeable everywhere. In the iron and steel trade, as a matter of necessity, various industries have had to order supplies ahead for some months to come. Some of the steel mills are said to be sold ahead to June. The steel industry can hardly handle the business tendered to it, partly owing to the troubles in the Ruhr Valley which have diverted foreign demand to this country and England. Germany and France both suffer in the iron and steel trade, to go no further, as it cuts down their pig iron production, in all, it is said, about 200,000 tons a month. Japan, South America and Denmark are all trying to buy steel in this country and the competition of Continental pig iron with American product on this side of the water has practically ceased, importations, for the time being at any rate, being out of the question. Copper has been firm and there is a large consumption of this and other metals, namely tin, lead and zinc, in connection with the big building movement in this country. This movement of itself is one of the most remarkable signs of the times. In mid-winter there is an actual building boom going on in many parts of the country. The sales of lumber and building material are of unprecedented size for this time of the year. Meantime the textile industries are busy, even if of late new business has fallen off somewhat in New England. The assurance that there will be no coal strike has had a good effect everywhere. The supply of coal, by the way, is steadily increasing. The coal crisis here is believed to be practically over. About 200 cars were unloaded yesterday. Long Island is receiving more coal daily than ever before in its history. The tendency of bituminous coal prices has been downward with rising supplies.

Raw cotton declined early in the week under stress of very heavy selling in an overbought market and gloomy outlook in Europe, not only in the Ruhr, but apparently in the Near East. But to-day came reports that the labor troubles in the Ruhr Valley are dying out, and there was a rumor at one time that the Turks had agreed to the Allies' terms. At one time there had been a fear that there might be hostilities between England and Turkey. Japanese are trying to buy large quantities of cotton in Galveston and New Orleans. Japan's trade is evidently improving. The yarn business there is better and, as already intimated, the steel trade there seems to be improving. Rubber prices have declined in this country in response to lower quotations in London. Crude oil prices are up 10 to 20 cents. The grain markets have been slow and there is no use minimizing the fact that Argentina competition in European wheat markets is felt in this country. Food prices on the whole are the lowest since last October, although the general trend of commodity prices in this country has recently been upward.

Of course, the situation is not without some drawbacks, such as the scarcity of labor, the high costs of production, due largely to high wages, high fuel and high taxes, Federal and State, which show little relaxation from the peak stage, strange as it may sound, over four years after the ending of the war, something which it may as well be recognized is a source of discontent and complaint through the length and breadth of the land. Apart from this there are not a few hopeful features. Stocks of merchandise are generally believed to be low. The buying power of large sections of the American population has within the twelve-month been increased. It is believed that there will be a large increase in the next cotton acreage. Rains in Kansas and Nebraska have latterly been beneficial to the winter wheat crop. New York and London stock markets were stronger to-day. Continental exchange was generally better. It is hoped that a way will be speedily found for the settlement of the deplorable situation in the Ruhr Valley. The fact that a settlement of England's debt to the United States has been agreed upon by England is something just so much to the good, and

as Secretary of the Treasury Mellon says, tends toward a stabilization of the world's trade. Many hope it will prove to be the first step towards restoration of something like the old economic conditions throughout the civilized world.

The index number of the purchasing power of farm products in terms of other commodities that the farmers buy, is stated for December by the Department of Agriculture as 68, against 66 in November, with the average, however, for the year 1922, 69 against 67 in 1921 and 86 in 1920. This is certainly a far from satisfactory exhibit. The farmer's discontent is not hard to understand. High labor is one of the chief reasons for the fact that the farmer is still at such a disadvantage. He is not unionized; he cannot fight unionized labor which has such an advantage over him. As an indication of the growing business of this country the car loadings for the week ending Jan. 20 reached a new high record. The lumber shipments were the largest ever known, something remarkable in the dead of winter. Fewer cars, by the way, now need heavy repairs.

In Lawrence, Mass., on Jan. 29 steps for the formulation of tentative plans for an organization which will, it is hoped, bring about closer relations between the Pacific Mill Corporation and its employees were under way. Both sides have selected representatives which it was provided would meet on Jan. 30 to make further plans for the organization. At Salem, Mass., a strike of 600 workers in the Spring mill of the Naumkeag Steam Cotton Co. occurred on Wednesday. An embargo on freight shipments, with certain exceptions, to or beyond the Boston & Maine Railroad, has been placed by the Maine Central Railroad, effective immediately. Unusual stormy conditions, difficulty of transportation because of snow and the resultant congestion of freight made this action necessary, it is said. In Philadelphia a general strike occurred in the cloak and suit manufacturing trades on Thursday.

In New York State a steady rate of increase in the wages paid to factory workers during the last months of 1922 is indicated in the monthly report of Henry D. Sayer, State Industrial Commissioner. The average weekly earnings of factory workers were \$26.39 in December, which is a gain of 35 cents compared with November and \$1.48 since December 1921. Most of the industries in the State reported higher average earnings in December. Montgomery, Ward & Co.'s sales in January increased 51.54% over last year. Sears, Roebuck & Co.'s January sales increased 33.42% as compared with January 1922.

December employment figures for 273 manufacturing plants in the Chicago district, i. e. in the Federal Reserve district, were markedly below those of November. The declines, 2.6% in men and 5% in payrolls were, however, indicative of the curtailment incident to the holiday season and the customary inventory period rather than of a decrease in demand for labor, it is said. Many plants reported that lay-offs and shut-downs necessary for repairs and inventories were of an unusually short duration and affected payroll and production figures more than the volume of employment, as in many cases the total number of men were retained on the records. A certain amount of unemployment has been caused by the influx of farm and road labor to the cities and by the slowing up of extensive building operations. State employment officers report an increase in the number of men looking for work; in Illinois a surplus of 16.6 men for each 100 jobs available was shown for December, as against 12.2 for November. But a year ago, it is true, this surplus was over 100%. Yearly comparisons show important gains for practically all of the manufacturing industries. The greatest expansions have taken place in iron and steel industries, automobile and accessories and in construction work. Metals, other than iron and steel, building materials, furniture, musical instruments and boots and shoes are other industries that have recovered, to a large extent, from the depression of a year ago.

There was another 3½-inch snowfall here last Sunday. The January snowfall here has broken the record with 22.7 inches, as against the previous high record in January 1893, which was 20.3. Also, the rainfall for January came near equaling the high record, reaching 5.96 inches, as against the record of 6.15 inches in January 1882. January alone this year greatly exceeded—i. e. by nearly 10 inches—the snowfall for the whole winter of 1920-21, when it was only 17.7 inches. The records for 1919-1920, it is true, show a total of 45.6 inches. The year before was the lowest on record, the amount being only 3.3 inches. The snowfall in 1917-1918 was 32.3; for 1916-1917, 49.7, and for 1915-1916, 47.3 inches.

The heavy snow storm which swept over New York and vicinity on Sunday extended as far south along the Atlantic coast as North Carolina. The temperature here on Sunday fell to 17 degrees. Later the weather here became mild and pleasant. To-day was mild and springlike here with the temperature up to 42 degrees.

The winter has been so severe in Canada that a Saranac Lake dispatch of Jan. 29 said that famine at the north had driven timber wolves down to the slope of Whiteface Mountain near there for the first time since pioneer days, and had alarmed the surrounding country, and protective measures were being taken against depredations of the pack. Evansville, Ind., wired on Feb. 1 that warnings were issued there by the U. S. Weather Observatory to the effect that the Ohio River will reach a 40-foot stage at Evansville during the next two or three days. Flood stage is 35 feet.

### Summary of Business Conditions by Federal Reserve Board.

Continuing the national summary of business and credit conditions, originated in January, and which is to be prepared each month by the statistical services of the Federal Reserve Board and the Federal Reserve banks, the Feb. 1 statement reports that "production and prices remained relatively constant in December, while trade and credit showed the usual increases in the holiday season followed by declines in January." The Feb. 1 summary continues:

#### Production.

The index of production in basic industries, after rising rapidly since last August, showed a slight recession in December, though production was maintained at a level near the peak of 1920. The output of pig iron and coal continued to increase, but the production of certain other commodities, particularly of cotton textiles and flour, showed declines. In Southern districts the building industry continued active and in all parts of the country much new construction was projected.

Railroad traffic continued heavier than a year ago, though the seasonal decline in car loadings and the reduction in bad order cars partially relieved freight congestion.

Employment at industrial establishments made a further advance in December, accompanied by wage increases in certain industries. Some shortage of labor in the Eastern districts was still reported, but in the Pacific States a substantial surplus of unskilled labor was indicated.

#### Wholesale Prices.

The general level of wholesale prices remained unchanged in December. Among various groups of commodities the price tendencies of recent months were continued. Prices of farm products, cloth, chemicals and house furnishings registered further increases, while fuel and metal prices continued to decline.

During January a number of basic commodities advanced in price and cotton, rubber and lead rose to the highest points since 1920.

#### Trade.

Wholesale trade in most reporting lines showed a seasonal decline in December, but was considerably larger than a year ago. Farm implement dealers, however, reported larger sales than in November, and more than doubled their December 1921 business. Retail sales of reporting stores during December reached the largest volume in the last four years.

#### Bank Credit.

Dividend and interest payments and the disbursement of Government funds in connection with the redemption of Victory notes and War Savings certificates, together with the usual decline in the demand for currency after the holiday season, were attended by a large increase in the volume of new security issues and by somewhat easier money conditions. Open market commercial paper rates in financial centres which were  $4\frac{1}{2}$  to  $4\frac{3}{4}$  % in December declined to  $4\frac{1}{4}$  to  $4\frac{1}{2}$  % in January.

Member banks in leading cities reported an increase in demand deposits, an important factor in which was the usual seasonal flow of funds from country districts to financial centres. While the volume of loans on stocks and bonds decreased in the first two weeks of January there was a somewhat larger increase in the investments owned by the banks.

At the Federal Reserve Banks the principal change between Dec. 20 and Jan. 24 was a reduction of \$230,000,000 in Federal Reserve note circulation caused by the seasonal decline in currency requirements. Reserves increased \$65,000,000 while earning assets declined \$171,000,000. These changes are similar to developments during the same period a year ago, although the decline in earning assets was less than last year.

### New York Federal Reserve Bank on Gain in Basic Industries.

The "Monthly Review of Credit and Business Conditions," issued Feb. 1 by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, says:

Production in basic industries continued during December at about the same rate as during the previous month. The chief gain has been in the production of pig iron, the domestic output of which is now 5% above normal as computed by this bank.

There have been three primary factors causing the rapid recovery in iron and steel production during the past year; first, the unprecedented amount of new construction work undertaken, necessitating the use of large quantities of structural steel; second, the record output of automobiles; and third, heavy buying of equipment by the railroads. These three industries, the building, automobile, and railway equipment industries, used during 1922 roughly one-half of the country's iron and steel output. The "Iron Age" publishes the following estimates of the percentages of the year's output used in different industries:

Railroads.....	22%	Tin plate.....	4%
Building.....	15%	Exports.....	7%
Automobiles.....	10%	All other.....	28%
Oil, water, gas and mining.....	10%		
Agriculture.....	4%	Total.....	100%

December production of bituminous coal was 46,450,000 net tons, or 1,180,000 tons greater than in November and with the exception of March, the largest for any month since December 1920. Total production in 1922 was only 8,000,000 tons below the 1921 figure and moderate amounts of coal have been going into storage. Exports and bunker sales have been smaller than in 1921. Anthracite production during December was slightly larger than in November.

### Expanding Volume of Retail Trade in New York Federal Reserve District.

From the Feb. 1 issue of the "Monthly Review of Credit and Business Conditions" by the Federal Reserve Agent at New York we take the following:

Preliminary reports received from department stores indicate that during the first three weeks of January the dollar value of goods sold has continued large under the stimulus of special sales.

Final reports show that December sales were 5% above those of December a year ago and were larger than in any previous month. Detailed figures are shown in the following table:

(In Percentages.)	December Net Sales				Stock, January 1, Selling Price.			
	1919	1920	1921	1922	1920	1921	1922	1923
All department stores.....	97	98	100	105	105	105	100	101
New York.....	100	97	100	104	104	103	100	101
Buffalo.....	95	107	100	101	102	100	100	94
Newark.....	92	97	100	111	118	112	100	110
Rochester.....	93	105	100	115	127	128	100	105
Syracuse.....	100	109	100	108	127	133	100	95
Bridgeport.....	113	110	100	105	110	102	100	103
Elsewhere in 2d District.....	95	103	100	100	90	94	100	84
Apparel stores.....	85	92	100	106	97	105	100	111
Mail order houses.....	181	122	100	135				

Mail order sales in December were 35% larger than in the same month a year ago. They were larger than in December 1920, but less than in 1919. Spring prices fixed by one of the large mail order houses are on the average 10% above the prices which were in effect last spring.

### Gain in Wholesale Trade Reported by Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

The Feb. 1 issue of the "Monthly Review of Credit and Business Conditions" by the Federal Reserve Agent at New York reports that "December sales by representative wholesale dealers in ten principal lines were 20.5% above those of December 1921, the largest gain over the corresponding month in the previous year since the spring months of 1920." It adds:

For the year 1922 as a whole the weighted index shows an increase of 4.2% over 1921. Gains in the latter part of the year were sufficient to offset the losses sustained in the early months. Due largely to the lower price level, however, 1922 sales were about 20% below those of 1919 and about 30% below those of 1920. Detailed figures for both December sales and annual sales are shown in the following table:

(In Percentages.)	December Sales—				Annual Sales—			
	1919	1920	1921	1922	1919	1920	1921	1922
Commodity—								
Machine tools.....	742	340	100	325	374	385	100	121
Jewelry.....	212	108	100	153	209	202	100	112
Clothing.....	200	122	100	151	114	127	100	111
a Men's.....	192	84	100	121	100	138	100	117
b Women's.....	205	147	100	171	124	119	100	107
Diamonds.....	249	104	100	139	384	223	100	149
Groceries.....	170	117	100	126	136	144	100	104
Drugs.....	114	94	100	123	105	106	100	112
Hardware.....	159	117	100	120	127	145	100	106
Stationery.....	139	136	100	120	124	141	100	98
Shoes.....	196	98	100	116	162	134	100	91
Dry goods.....	167	76	100	93	112	124	100	97
Weighted average.....	174	105	100	121	126	135	100	104

With the exception of dry goods all groups of dealers reported substantial increases in December sales. Sales of shoes, which have consistently lagged behind those of last year, gained 16%.

### Federal Reserve Bank of New York Reports Increases in Chain Store Sales in December.

According to the Feb. 1 issue of the "Monthly Review of Credit and Business Conditions" by the Federal Reserve Agent at New York, "the final figures for holiday sales by chain store organizations confirm earlier estimates of an unusually large Christmas trade." Continuing, the "Review" says:

The increases which December sales showed over the sales figures for December 1921 ranged from 31% in the case of concerns operating apparel stores to 3% in the case of the cigar stores. In three lines the sales per store were substantially ahead of those a year ago, and in all of the cases in which there was a decrease in sales per store there has been considerable expansion in the number of stores under operation. There is a tendency for the sales of new stores to be somewhat smaller than those of stores previously established. In the case of the shoe stores a further factor in the reduction of nearly 5% in the sales per store has been a decline of 8.6% in the average price per pair of shoes from \$3.36 in December 1921 to \$3.07 in December 1922. There was an increase in the number of pairs of shoes sold per store.

Type of Store—	No. of Stores.		December Sales.				Per Ct. Change in Sales per Store Dec.'21 to Dec. 1922.
	Dec. 1921.	Dec. 1922.	1919	1920	1921	1922	
Apparel.....	370	435	66	97	100	131	+11.0
Ten Cent.....	1,627	1,665	81	89	100	116	+13.2
Shoe.....	201	228	92	103	100	108	-4.6
Grocery.....	6,931	9,399	86	94	100	112	-17.4
Drug.....	282	282	98	103	100	107	+6.6
Cigar.....	2,241	2,767	86	104	100	103	-16.2
Total.....	11,652	14,776	83	94	100	114	-10.2



### Possibility of a Setback in Business.

The possibility of a setback still exists and the wiser business men will temper their optimism with caution, according to the February monthly letter of Secretary-Treasurer J. H. Tregoe addressed to the wholesale, manufacturing and banking members of the National Association of Credit Men. Reports from practically all parts of the country reveal an optimism that contrasts markedly with the sentiments prevailing a year ago, says this observer. "The tremendous volume of sales during the holiday period which retailers are reporting in virtually all parts of the country have given buoyancy and hope to even those business men whose memory of the depression has tended to make them conservative. The wiser among business men will temper their optimism with caution, for though surface conditions in most parts of the country are everywhere of a kind to make us hopeful of the future, certain factors that are pregnant with adverse possibilities still exist." Mr. Tregoe adds:

The industrial sections of the country are increasingly active and approaching a prosperous condition. The most encouraging single factor in the whole situation has been the increased buying power of the farmer as compared with a year ago, a result of the higher prices which he has obtained for his products. With these higher prices the farmer has been able to liquidate in large measure his old indebtedness, though he still needs supplies of credit for planting and harvesting the present year's crops. A great deal will depend, therefore, upon the prices which he will receive for his crops during the coming year. Since a large percentage of these crops are exported to Europe, the prosperity of the farmer, and with him the prosperity of those businesses directly or indirectly dependent upon him, will be determined partly by the European situation. With the present high prices for cotton all signs point to a large planting for this year. If Europe is unable to take its normal supply, an unfavorable reaction on American cotton growers will naturally follow.

Since in the face of an unrebuilt Europe we have succeeded in obtaining a fair measure of business activity and prosperity, it would seem unwise to over-emphasize our dependence on European conditions. But on the other hand, we can not expect our present trend toward prosperity to be maintained or accelerated in the face of deteriorating European conditions. The farmers of America and no less their business associates are hoping that the present crisis in Europe may forecast an improvement rather than a further disintegration of European commerce and finance.

### Orders for Postal Cards and Stamps Reflect Trade Activity.

Orders for postal cards in carload lots and the sale to one firm of eleven million pre-cancelled stamps at one time, are two of the features marking the biggest business in the sale of stamped paper in the history of the Post Office Department, according to figures compiled this week for the 6 months ending Dec. 31 1922. Despite the rapidly increasing use of the postage metering device, the monetary value of stamps issued during the 6 months period totaled \$232,882,075 48, as compared with \$196,176,612 63 for the same period of the previous year, or an increase of \$36,705,462 85, or 18.1%.

Stamp issues are gauged by demand but because of the unusually heavy demand it has been impossible to keep up, so that the reserve supply has fallen two hundred million below the figure set as a safe margin. The usual let-up in January, caused by many offices over-stocking for the holiday business, is not apparent this year, the Post Office Department says, and indications are that high records set each month will only be shattered by the next. Further information furnished is as follows:

The total number of postage stamps issued from July 1 to Dec. 31 1922 were 7,660,578,830, with a monetary value of \$199,538,599 09, as compared with 6,661,813,086 stamps, with a monetary value of \$168,838,399 22 for the same period of 1921. The quantity increase was 15% and the increase in monetary value was 18%.

All records were broken during the period in the production of stamped envelopes and newspaper wrappers. Stamped envelopes numbered 1,345,907,611, with a monetary value of \$27,544,915 39, as compared with 1,038,112,558 envelopes with a monetary value of \$22,099,513 41 for the last 6 months of 1921. The quantity increase was 29% and the value increase 24.6%.

The demand for postal cards was the largest for any previous given period. It has not been unusual for a number of patrons to order an entire carload at a time, amounting to 6,000,000 cards and having a value of \$60,000. The number of cards issued during the 6 months was 568,768,000, with a monetary value of \$5,798,560, as against 494,815,000 cards with a monetary value of \$5,242,700 for the same period last year, or an increase in number of 10.6%. The difference in the number of cards and the monetary value is explained by the sale of double return cards.

### Steel Castings Sales at 1920 Level.

Sales of commercial steel castings in 1922 were almost three times as large as in 1921, and were almost at the same level as in the year 1920, according to an announcement by the Department of Commerce from data compiled by the Bureau of the Census in co-operation with the Steel Founders' Society from 65 companies comprising over two-thirds of the commercial castings capacity of the United States. Commercial castings booked in 1922 by these companies, with a capacity devoted to commercial work of 1,162,800

tons per year, totaled 795,059 tons, as against 287,674 tons in 1921 and 793,305 tons in 1920. The 1922 bookings were equivalent to 68.4% of shop capacity, as against 24.7% in 1921 and 68.2% in 1920. Railway specialties slightly exceeded miscellaneous castings in the 1922 sales, while in 1920 and 1921 the bookings of miscellaneous castings were about 50% greater than railway specialties. Railway specialties were booked at 86.9% of shop capacity in 1922 and miscellaneous sales at 56.3%.

The largest monthly bookings of steel castings since the end of 1919 occurred, it is stated, in March 1920, when 110,282 tons were booked, or 113.8% of the shop capacity of the reporting firms. Thereafter an almost uninterrupted decline in bookings took place until the minimum of 15,785 tons was reached in July 1921, at 16.3% of shop capacity. Except for a slump in December 1921, a gradual increase in bookings ensued until June 1922, and, after two low months, reached in September the highest mark since March 1920, with total bookings of 97,919 tons, or 101.1% of shop capacity. Declines occurred in October and November, but December bookings were over 13% larger than the November sales, with increases in both railway specialties and miscellaneous castings. December bookings equaled 71.1% of shop capacity. The following table, prepared by the Census, shows the monthly bookings for the past three years of commercial steel castings by 65 identical companies with a monthly capacity of 96,000 tons, of which 38,300 tons are usually devoted to railway specialties and 58,600 tons to miscellaneous castings:

BOOKINGS OF COMMERCIAL STEEL CASTINGS.

Year and Month—	Total.		Railway Specialties		Miscell. Castings.	
	Net Tons.	% of Capacity	Net Tons.	% of Capacity	Net Tons.	% of Capacity
1920.						
January.....	68,935	71.1	25,048	65.4	43,887	74.9
February.....	72,959	75.3	24,669	64.4	48,290	42.8
March.....	110,282	113.8	58,437	152.7	51,795	88.4
April.....	85,286	88.0	37,435	97.7	47,851	81.7
May.....	83,543	86.2	36,741	95.9	46,802	79.9
June.....	71,084	73.4	23,714	61.9	47,370	80.8
July.....	64,885	67.0	25,253	65.9	39,632	67.6
August.....	62,360	64.4	26,822	70.0	35,538	60.6
September.....	64,610	66.7	29,894	78.1	34,716	59.2
October.....	42,655	44.0	12,447	32.5	30,208	51.5
November.....	36,501	37.7	10,927	28.5	25,574	43.6
December.....	30,205	31.2	6,789	17.7	23,416	40.0
Total.....	793,305	68.2	318,226	69.2	475,079	67.6
1921.						
January.....	24,679	25.5	5,964	15.6	18,715	31.9
February.....	25,209	26.0	9,942	26.0	15,267	26.1
March.....	20,903	21.6	6,173	16.1	14,730	25.1
April.....	17,726	18.3	4,795	12.5	12,931	22.1
May.....	18,622	19.2	6,369	16.6	12,253	20.9
June.....	19,381	20.0	7,330	19.2	12,051	20.5
July.....	15,785	16.3	4,673	12.2	11,112	19.0
August.....	18,539	19.1	6,870	17.9	11,669	19.9
September.....	23,435	24.2	10,032	26.2	13,403	22.9
October.....	32,961	34.0	17,605	46.0	15,356	26.2
November.....	40,552	41.8	20,726	54.1	19,796	33.8
December.....	29,912	30.9	14,389	37.6	15,523	26.5
Total.....	287,674	24.7	114,888	25.0	172,786	24.6
1922.						
January.....	34,459	35.6	20,081	52.4	14,378	24.5
February.....	37,080	38.3	18,578	48.5	18,502	31.6
March.....	47,892	49.4	23,791	62.1	24,101	41.1
April.....	75,665	78.1	46,560	121.6	29,105	49.7
May.....	77,600	80.1	42,796	111.7	34,804	59.4
June.....	89,365	92.2	51,694	135.0	37,671	64.3
July.....	66,166	68.3	32,372	84.5	33,794	57.7
August.....	63,416	65.4	21,843	57.0	41,573	70.9
September.....	97,919	101.1	56,781	148.3	41,138	70.2
October.....	75,709	78.1	34,276	89.5	41,433	70.7
November.....	60,899	62.8	22,131	57.8	38,768	66.2
December.....	68,889	71.1	28,271	73.8	40,618	69.3
Total.....	795,059	68.4	399,174	86.9	385,885	56.3

### General Reduction in Milk Prices Announced by Borden Company.

Patrick D. Fox, President of the Borden Farms Products Co., announced on Jan. 26 that there would be a general reduction in milk and cream to the public for February, with Grade A selling at 18 cents a quart instead of 19, and Grade B 15 cents instead of 16. Mr. Fox announced a 2-cent decrease in prices of cream. Half-pints of extra heavy cream were priced at 30 cents instead of 32, and half-pints of route cream 20 cents instead of 22. These prices cover Manhattan, Brooklyn, the Bronx and Queens. Staten Island prices are one cent higher.

### Secretary Hoover Urges Coal Consumers to Supply Winter Needs in June.

Secretary of Commerce Hoover on Jan. 30 warned consumers of fuel to buy next winter's supply during June. The Secretary declared coal prices will be down to a competitive basis next spring and that by June there will be enough reserves on hand to permit the fuel consuming public to stock up for next winter.

## Current Events and Discussions

### The Week with the Federal Reserve Banks.

Further reductions by \$17,600,000 of Federal Reserve note circulation, a nominal increase in deposit liabilities, and a gain of \$5,200,000 in cash reserves are shown in the Federal Reserve Board's weekly bank statement issued as at close of business on Jan. 31 1923, and which deals with the results for the twelve Federal Reserve Banks combined. In consequence of these changes, the reserve ratio shows a rise for the week from 76.5% to 76.9%. After noting these facts, the Federal Reserve Board proceeds as follows:

Discounted bills on hand show an increase for the week of \$27,500,000, acceptances purchased in open market a decline of about \$16,000,000, and Government securities an increase of about \$900,000. Gold reserves of the System show a reduction of \$4,300,000. The New York Reserve Bank shows an increase in its gold reserves of \$6,300,000, Dallas reports an increase of \$5,400,000, and San Francisco an increase of \$4,600,000, while smaller increases totaling \$5,600,000 are shown for the Cleveland, Kansas City and Richmond banks. The largest decrease in gold reserves amounting to about \$12,000,000, is shown for the Philadelphia Reserve Bank. Chicago reports a decrease of \$7,500,000, while smaller decreases, aggregating \$6,800,000, are shown for the remaining four banks.

Holdings of paper secured by Government obligations show an increase for the week from \$341,500,000 to \$377,500,000. Of the total held on the last day of January, \$163,800,000, or 43.4%, were secured by United States bonds, \$4,300,000, or 1.1%, by Victory notes, \$151,800,000, or 40.2%, by Treasury notes, and \$57,600,000, or 15.3%, by Treasury certificates, compared with \$152,400,000, \$2,000,000, \$134,900,000 and \$52,200,000 reported the week before.

The statement in full in comparison with preceding weeks and with the corresponding date last year, will be found on subsequent pages, namely pages 491 and 492. A summary of changes in the principal assets and liabilities of the Reserve banks on Jan. 31 1923, as compared with a week and a year ago, follows:

	Increase (+) or Decrease (—) Since Jan. 24 1923.	Feb. 1 1922.
Total reserves.....	+\$5,200,000	+\$165,600,000
Gold reserves.....	—4,300,000	+164,700,000
Total earning assets.....	+12,400,000	—93,900,000
Discounted bills, total.....	+27,500,000	—240,600,000
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations.....	+36,000,000	+16,400,000
Other bills discounted.....	—8,500,000	—257,000,000
Purchased bills.....	—16,000,000	+98,500,000
United States securities, total.....	+900,000	+48,300,000
Bonds and notes.....	—3,900,000	+72,200,000
U. S. certificates of indebtedness.....	+4,800,000	—23,900,000
Total deposits.....	+200,000	+150,600,000
Members' reserve deposits.....	—11,100,000	+224,000,000
Government deposits.....	+13,000,000	—68,700,000
Other deposits.....	—1,700,000	—4,700,000
Federal Reserve notes in circulation.....	—17,600,000	+25,600,000
F. R. Bank notes in circulation, net liab.....	.....	—80,800,000

### The Week with the Member Banks of the Federal Reserve System.

Aggregate liquidation of \$108,000,000 of loans and discounts and of \$22,000,000 of investments, accompanied by combined reductions of \$219,000,000 in deposits and an increase of \$63,000,000 in accommodation at the Federal Reserve banks, is shown in the Federal Reserve Board's weekly consolidated statement of condition on Jan. 24 of 780 member banks in leading cities. It should be noted that the figures of these member banks are always a week behind those of the Federal Reserve banks themselves.

All classes of loans show smaller figures than the week before: Loans secured by Government obligations by \$19,000,000, loans secured by corporate obligations by \$79,000,000 and other, largely commercial, loans and discounts by \$10,000,000. Under the general head of investments Government securities show a reduction of \$24,000,000 and other securities an increase of \$2,000,000. For member banks in New York City reductions of \$47,000,000 in loans secured by corporate obligations, of \$28,000,000 in other loans and of \$10,000,000 in investments are noted.

Net withdrawals of Government deposits for the week amounted to \$118,000,000. Net demand deposits declined by \$80,000,000 and time deposits by \$21,000,000. Member banks in New York City report reductions of \$52,000,000 in Government deposits, of \$13,000,000 in net demand deposits and of \$23,000,000 in time deposits. Further comment regarding the changes shown by these member banks is as follows:

Borrowings of the reporting institutions from the Federal Reserve banks increased from \$296,000,000 to \$359,000,000, or from 1.8 to 2.2% of their total loans and investments. New York City banks show an increase from \$140,000,000 to \$167,000,000 in their borrowings from the local Reserve Bank and from 2.6 to 3.2% in the ratio of these borrowings to their aggregate loans and investments.

Reserve balances of the reporting banks show an increase of \$9,000,000 and cash in vault a reduction of \$2,000,000. Corresponding changes for the New York City banks comprise an increase of \$18,000,000 in reserve balances and a decrease of \$2,000,000 in cash.

On a subsequent page—that is, on page 492—we give the figures in full contained in this latest weekly return of the member banks of the Reserve System. In the following is furnished a summary of the changes in the principal items as compared with a week and a year ago:

	Increase (+) or Decrease (—) Since Jan. 17 1923	Jan. 25 1922
Loans and discounts—total.....	—\$108,000,000	+\$469,000,000
Secured by U S Govt obligations.....	—19,000,000	—173,000,000
Secured by stocks and bonds.....	—79,000,000	+658,000,000
All other.....	—10,000,000	—16,000,000
Investments, total.....	—22,000,000	+1,228,000,000
U S bonds.....	—6,000,000	+507,000,000
U S Victory notes and Treasury notes.....	—6,000,000	+626,000,000
Treasury certificates.....	—12,000,000	+1,000,000
Other stocks and bonds.....	+2,000,000	+94,000,000
Reserve balances with Fed Res banks.....	+9,000,000	+193,000,000
Cash in vault.....	—2,000,000	+10,000,000
Government deposits.....	—118,000,000	+13,000,000
Net demand deposits.....	—80,000,000	+1,248,000,000
Time deposits.....	—21,000,000	+693,000,000
Total accommodation at Fed Res banks.....	+63,000,000	—50,000,000

### Secretary of Treasury Mellon Opposed to Bill Providing Billion Dollar Food Credit for Germany.

Opposition to the Bursum bill, which would provide a billion dollar credit for the German Government for the purchase of food stuffs in the United States is opposed by Secretary of the Treasury Mellon, who, in a letter to Chairman McCumber of the Senate Finance Committee, stated that the proposal was in contravention of the Treasury's policy "that foreign governments desiring to find finance in the United States should appeal to the investing public and not seek Government aid." The letter was presented at opening hearings on the bill by a finance subcommittee, headed by Senator Sutherland of West Virginia. W. W. Bauer of New York, who has been attempting for a year or more to obtain credits in this country for Germany, appeared in support of the measure before the Sub-Committee on Jan. 30. According to a Washington dispatch to the New York "Commercial" Mr. Bauer exhibited the contract which he has with the German Government to negotiate a credit of this sort from the American Government. The "Commercial" dispatch also said:

He told the sub-committee that so far he had not received any compensation for his efforts.

Indications were that the sub-committee will make an adverse report on the bill.

Secretary Mellon in his letter to the Committee, made public Jan. 30, said that he knew of "no reason for taking any more favorable position with respect to the German Government than toward foreign governments associated with us in the late war." Secretary Mellon further said:

The United States Treasury, moreover, has no funds available for loans to foreign governments, and, if such a bill as this were passed, would have to find funds by new borrowings or additional taxation of the American people, either of which would be out of the question for such a purpose as this, for the Government's borrowings are already too heavy and existing taxes are too high for the good of agriculture, business and industry.

"The purpose of the present bill is apparently to assist producers of agricultural products or other raw materials to find a market for their products," Mr. Mellon wrote, "and to do this by lending money to prospective buyers without adequate security or sufficient assurance of ability to repay principal and interest when due. I do not believe that such an extraordinary measure is justified by conditions.

"The emergency situation which existed in agriculture in 1921 has in a large measure passed and conditions are becoming more normal. Better machinery for distribution and marketing and some additional credit facilities may be necessary in order to establish the agricultural and livestock industries on a more stable basis, but the credits to be provided should, I believe, follow the lines indicated in the bill introduced by Senator Capper which was passed in the Senate a day or two ago.

"I have already expressed the Treasury's views as to this bill, and the general agricultural situation, and in that connection have suggested that in so far as special relief may be necessary to meet emergency conditions that still remain as a result of the derangement of markets and depression in business, it should be provided by a further extension of the life of the War Finance Corporation for a limited period.

"By this means, rather than by a spectacular Government loan to our enemy in the late war, it will be possible, I believe, with the help of the established banking facilities, to provide the necessary credits for agriculture and such export credits as may be justified by world business conditions."

### U.S. Gets \$10,000,000 in Interest on French Indebtedness.

On Feb. 1 the following from Washington was reported by the "Journal of Commerce":

The Treasury to-day received a payment of \$10,000,000 from France. The French payment was a semi-annual installment of interest at 5%



upon a debt of \$400,000,000 contracted after the armistice through the purchase of surplus supplies from the War Department. To-day's payment makes a total of \$50,000,000 of interest on this debt paid by the French although there has been no reduction of the principal.

It was indicated to-day at the Treasury that efforts would be made to resume negotiations with France for the funding of that country's total debt to the United States, which amounts to \$3,844,000,000, soon after the arrangements for the liquidation of the British debt is completed.

### Comparative Figures of Condition of Canadian Banks.

In the following we compare the condition of the Canadian banks under the December 1922 statement with the return for November:

ASSETS.			
	Dec. 30 1922.	Nov. 30 1922.	
Gold and subsidiary coin—	\$	\$	
In Canada.....	78,615,584	79,928,646	
Elsewhere.....	15,173,721	20,088,418	
Total.....	93,789,305	100,017,064	
Dominion notes.....	182,686,820	177,770,676	
Deposited with Minister of Finance for security of note circulation.....	6,450,026	6,441,991	
Deposit of central gold reserves.....	61,202,533	59,452,533	
Due from banks.....	120,577,121	156,891,287	
Loans and discounts.....	1,415,797,701	1,456,278,213	
Bonds, securities, &c.....	340,588,998	317,260,046	
Call and short loans in Canada.....	98,383,580	98,984,090	
Call and short loans elsewhere than in Canada.....	185,653,891	204,437,459	
Other assets.....	113,507,990	112,901,310	
Total.....	2,618,637,965	2,690,434,669	
LIABILITIES.			
	\$	\$	
Capital authorized.....	187,175,000	187,175,000	
Capital subscribed.....	125,572,300	125,476,400	
Capital paid up.....	125,291,934	125,144,564	
Reserve fund.....	130,675,000	130,440,964	
Circulation.....	176,201,351	169,626,264	
Government deposits.....	78,583,303	131,762,338	
Demand deposits.....	825,963,824	868,091,664	
Time deposits.....	1,184,703,596	1,167,609,065	
Due to banks.....	50,403,020	50,490,303	
Bills payable.....	8,506,825	6,570,303	
Other liabilities.....	23,102,968	24,908,693	
Total, not including capital or reserve fund.....	2,347,464,887	2,419,058,630	

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

### Loan to Austria Guaranteed by League of Nations.

The Associated Press in Paris advices, Feb. 1, stated:

The financial salvation of Austria was announced to the Council of the League of Nations to-day by the Earl of Balfour as virtually an accomplished fact, and M. Viviani, who referred to the league as "the last resort for nations and States whose problems had become insoluble," said the Council now was ready for other problems.

The Committee's report to the Council set forth that the needed loan of 650,000,000 gold crowns had been guaranteed to the amount of 84% by Great Britain, France, Italy and Czechoslovakia, that 9% more had been pledged by Spain, Belgium and Switzerland, and that Sweden, Denmark, Norway and Holland would guarantee the balance. Thus bankers will be fully guaranteed for any loans they make to Austria up to the total fixed by the Committee.

Chancellor Seipel of Austria, thanking the Council for coming to the rescue of his country, said it enabled Austria "to preserve its political independence," which was taken as an allusion to the declarations made prior to the League's intervention that if Austria's finances were not restored she would fall into the arms of Germany.

The Chancellor announced that all the reforms demanded as a condition of the loan had been put into effect and said that the successful progress of the League's efforts had "revived the sunken hopes of the Austrian people." "But it is not yet all," he added. "We must be freed from the economic chains that have been stretched around us since the war."

This reference to the barriers raised by neighboring States, which had throttled Austria's trade, elicited a declaration from Dr. Pospisil, of Czechoslovakia, that his country was ready to facilitate a revival of Austrian trade. He also introduced a resolution that all members of the League do likewise.

The representatives of the Allies in turn assured the Council that their countries were ready to make new commercial treaties with Austria on favorable terms, and the resolution was adopted unanimously.

### Ford Grants \$4,000,000 Credit to Soviet Russia.

The following from Berlin, Feb. 1, appeared in the New York "Commercial":

Henry Ford has obtained a concession in Southern Russia from the Soviet Government.

According to the agreement, Ford is to supply Russia immediately with 2,000 Fordson tractors, valued at \$4,000,000. The first shipment of these tractors is already on the high seas.

Ford is to receive in return cotton and other raw materials which his agents will convert into money in Western Europe.

Thus Henry Ford becomes the first large American capitalist to grant extensive credit to the Soviets.

It is learned that Ford has been trying for the last three years to do business in Russia, first negotiating with Kolchak, and later with Denikin. These early efforts led to Ford's connection with Czarist officers and is declared to be responsible for his anti-Semitic campaign.

### Return of Senor Villanueva to Bolivia.

Spencer Trask & Co. make the following announcement under date of Jan. 30:

Senor Villanueva, the recently appointed third member of the Permanent Fiscal Commission established by the Republic of Bolivia when the Govern-

ment's \$24,000,000 loan was placed in this country, has just completed a visit to New York and sailed for Bolivia. One of the objects of Senor Villanueva's visit was to confer with the bankers with reference to the work of this Commission, which, it will be recalled, is to help in the establishment of a system which will provide for the better collection of the revenues.

Two representatives of the bankers are returning with Senor Villanueva in order that they may lend their aid on the ground to the working out of the details.

It is understood that general conditions have improved very considerably in the last twelve months, and that both imports and exports show a corresponding increase. With regard to the service payments of the interest and sinking fund payable May 1 next, the Government has on deposit in New York funds more than sufficient to meet these, which it can apply to that purpose. The decline in the market price of the loan is attributed to general conditions which appear to have affected all South American loans.

### Internal Issues of Germany, Austria, and Russia Barred from Curb Trading.

The following is from the New York "Evening Post" of Jan. 27:

Trading in German, Austrian and Russian bond issues, payable in the currency of the country of issue, was suspended to-day by the Curb Exchange, according to announcement made from the rostrum at the beginning of the day's session. The mark itself went down to a new low record, being quoted at 27.777 to the dollar.

The suspende issues include the following:

Badische Anallie, Berlin, Bremen, Buda-Pesth, City of Elberfeld, City of Munich, Coblenz, Cologne, Dresden, Dusseldorf, Essen, Frankfurt, German General Electric, German Government, Giessen, Greater Berlin, Hamburg American Line, Hamburg, Leipzig, Mannheim, Munich, North German Lloyd, Neurnberg, Prussian Government, Russian Government (Russian), Stuttgart and Vienna.

It was learned that a protest over the amount of commission charged on transactions in these bonds precipitated the action. In one case, a few days ago, the commission was more than the total value of the securities.

The fall in the value of the German mark especially has been exceedingly rapid during the past few weeks and the difficulty of quoting and dealing in securities the value of which was determined primarily by the fluctuating value of the mark has been increased accordingly.

This action does not mean that there will exist no market for this type of securities, however. There are a number of specialists who specialize in these foreign municipal and corporate issues and they will continue to deal in them over the counter. For some time past the greater part of the dealings in German internal issues have been accomplished in this fashion, the difficulties in trading in them in an open market having brought the amount of business done in that way to a minimum some time since.

Two or three years ago bond salesmen started to flood the country with these Russian, German and Austrian bonds, and the sales have mounted into the millions of rubles, marks and kronen.

### Acceptance by Great Britain of United States Debt Funding Proposals.

Following the return to London of Stanley Baldwin, Chancellor of the British Exchequer, and the presentation on Jan. 30 to the British Cabinet of the report of the debt funding mission to the United States (of which Chancellor Baldwin was head), the Cabinet Council on Jan. 31 decided to accept the terms proposed by the United States for the funding of the British war debt to this country. The Council, according to the Associated Press advices from London Jan. 31, acted "with unexpected promptitude, and almost without further debate," and the American terms were accepted (the cablegrams added), "so far as known to-night without reservations of any kind." The following day (Feb. 1) Associated Press cablegrams from London said:

It is authoritatively stated that the officials of the British Government consider the American terms for funding of the British war debt to the United States to have been completely accepted by yesterday's action of the British Cabinet.

While the words "in principle" were used in informing both the American Ambassador in London and the British Ambassador in Washington of the Cabinet's action, this terminology, it is explained, merely permits the British Ambassador to continue the "unimportant details of the negotiations."

The terms proposed by the United States during the recent conversations in Washington between the United States Commission—the World War Foreign Debt Mission—and the British debt funding mission, which included Chancellor Baldwin, Montagu C. Norman, Governor of the Bank of England, and P. J. Griggs of the British Treasury, call for a reduction from 5% to 4¼% in the rate of interest borne by the loans from the date of the obligations (1917-18) to the present time; the period within which the debt is to be liquidated, it is understood, is fixed at 62 years—a 3% rate of interest being proposed for the first ten years and 3½% for the remaining period of 52 years. The conferences between the two missions were referred to in our issues of Jan. 20, page 235, and Jan. 27, page 359. From a special Washington dispatch to the New York "Times" Jan. 27 we quote the following regarding the proposals made by the United States commission:

Details of the suggestions made by the American Debt Commission to the British Commission in regard to the funding of the British debt to the United States were made available here to-day in an official quarter, following the publication of cable dispatches of an interview with Stanley Baldwin, Chancellor of the British Exchequer, in which Mr. Baldwin made reference to the so-called American terms.

The American suggestions called for a retroactive interest rate of 4¼% from the date the obligations were contracted to the date of the completion

of funding arrangements. The rate now being charged is 5%. Furthermore, the American Commission suggested an interest rate of 3% for the first ten years after funding arrangements were completed, the rate to be increased to 3½% after ten years, to continue until the debts were liquidated, probably another fifty-two years.

Amortization provisions to make possible yearly payments on principal were to be established, the amount to be set aside for this purpose being in the first years, at least approximately one-half of 1% of the entire principal of the debts.

In his interview Chancellor Baldwin set forth substantially these details, but was quoted as representing the American Commission as holding out for 5% interest during the period from the date the debts were contracted to the date of completion of a funding agreement.

In discussing Mr. Baldwin's interview an American official said first that the terms expressed by the American Commission were not in the nature of a proposition, but rather of suggestions made during informal discussions of the matter, many various suggestions being made on both sides. The terms as stated in the cable as coming from the Chancellor, it was explained, "are not exactly the nearest approach to an arrangement arrived at, although correct in some particulars."

The amortization feature, this official said, was rather a series of payments from year to year to be made in extinguishment of the debt, varying in increasing amounts, but probably would amount to substantially the rate of 1½% of the principal, as mentioned in the cable. It also was understood by the American Commission that should the other terms be agreeable under the suggestion made the rate of interest to cover the period prior to the refunding should be at the rate of 4¼% fixed for the period prior to funding and with 3% for ten years thereafter; the American Commission, it is understood, calculated that the average interest to be paid by Great Britain would be approximately 4%, probably slightly under that level.

The arrangement, it was felt, also would make the rate charged the British square with the rate which, averaged over the whole proposition, the United States would be called upon to pay to holders of Liberty bonds and long-term refunding issues. Sums paid by the British to reduce the principal of the debt owed the United States, it is proposed, shall be used to reduce the principal amount of Liberty bonds distributed by this Government. The American Commission, it was said, felt that the suggestion as outlined would receive the sanction of Congress, although this would not be definitely established until modifying legislation was sought. It had been the hope of the Administration that the suggestion would be accepted quickly by the British Cabinet so that the matter could be placed before the present Congress.

The British debt to the United States on Nov. 15 last aggregated \$4,746,862,560 of which \$4,135,818,358 was principal and \$611,044,201 interest accrued since the loans were made. It is probable that in any funding arrangement the accrued interest would be merged with principal up to the time of completion of funding.

Should the accrued interest be fixed at 4¼% the total would be reduced about \$100,000,000. At the rate of 3% the British apparently would be called upon to pay about \$130,000,000 annually in interest, and also to set aside about \$23,000,000 annually for amortization provisions. The total payments to the United States over the first ten years would approximate \$153,000,000, or slightly in excess of £30,000,000, to be raised by the British in taxes.

It is understood here that the British first sought an interest rate of 2½%, to be made retroactive to the date the debts were made, and later suggested 3% on the same basis with an amortization provision of one-half of 1%. It was such a proposition that the American Commission did not believe to be acceptable to Congress, it was the feeling here, it is understood, that the American suggestions as outlined were, in the opinion of the American Commission, the most liberal which might hope to receive Congressional favor. It was believed that an argument could be placed that an argument could be placed before Congress for funding, on the basis suggested, which would convince Congress of its fairness.

As we indicated in our issue of a week ago, Chancellor Baldwin returned to Europe on the steamer Olympia, which left New York Jan. 20. With his arrival at Southampton on Jan. 27 he was reported as stating that "the settlement of the debt in America is in the hands of politicians"—that the majority of the members of the Senate "come from the agricultural and pastoral communities and they do not realize the existing position with regard to the meaning of the international debt." The Associated Press furnished the following account of what he had to say:

Stanley Baldwin, Chancellor of the Exchequer, returning on the Olympic to-day from his debt mission to Washington, told newspaper men that settlement of the debt question in the United States was in the hands of Congress as the representatives of the people, and that this situation constituted the great difference between America and this country.

Explaining that in America "you may have an Executive who is willing to do a great deal for you, but cannot because of difficulties" encountered in Congress, Mr. Baldwin said:

"In the early days the Secretary for the Treasury could undoubtedly have arranged terms with the British Government, but the situation is now complicated, because the matter is in the hands of the American Congress. You are not settling in America with the Cabinet at one end or with business men at the other. You are settling with Congress and the Senate, which represent the people of America from one end of the country to the other. In England, if any terms are agreed on regarding the debt, the Government takes the responsibility.

"On the other hand, what the executives in America have to do is to endeavor to force anything of this sort through Congress, and in doing so they may be beaten."

The Chancellor said he wondered "whether the position which obtains regarding the debt is as clear in America as in this country." Continuing, he asserted:

"The great difference between America and this country is that the settlement of the debt in America is in the hands of politicians. We are bound in regard to that debt in the most stringent bonds you can possibly imagine."

Mr. Baldwin described Americans as "a country, not an urban, people." "They have men of our way of thinking in the Eastern States," he said, "but that does not cut any ice at all with regard to the other parts of America."

"If you look at the Senate you will find that the majority of the members come from the agricultural and pastoral communities, and they do not realize the existing position with regard to the meaning of the international debt."

"The bulk of the people in America have no acquaintance with it. Great Britain lives on international trade, but in America this is not so. The people in the West merely sell wheat and hogs and other produce and take

no further interest in connection with the international debt or international trade.

"They are in very much the same frame of mind we used to be in regarding reparations, when a large number of people in this country thought that Germany would send bags of gold every Saturday night until the money was paid up. A great many people in America think that all we have to do is send money over there."

"The debt can only be funded on such terms as can be got through Congress and the Senate, and that is the root of the difficulty with which we are now faced."

Mr. Baldwin asserted that he might say more, but was obliged to discuss the question with the Cabinet. Asked whether he would return to America, he said:

"I should like to do so because I have been well received here, but I shall not be able to return, as I have my own work to do at home."

Mr. Baldwin said that unless an arrangement were arrived at by which an agreement between the American Debt Funding Commission and the British Government were approved and ratified by Congress before March 4 the matter would be deferred until the end of the year. There was no chance, he said, of new proposals being put forward previous to March 4, because the Funding Commission in America had put forward the only proposals which were thought to have a chance of acceptance by Congress.

"They have gone to the limit in what they are likely to propose," he said.

"If no agreement is come to now the whole thing falls to the ground," Mr. Baldwin added. "The American Commission was appointed and closely tied up by Congress—not given more favorable terms than those you are already familiar with. Those terms are perfectly impossible for they would mean that we would pay something like 6%."

He believed the American people thought they had been generous in their offer, but the English people did not take that view.

"Unless Congress agrees to what the Commission already has proposed, we shall have to continue paying what we are paying now," the Chancellor went on. "It is a matter of opinion whether it will be impossible to find all this money for many years to come."

Mr. Baldwin intimated that unless the debt were funded, Great Britain would continue paying 5% interest. "We are pledged up to the hilt to pay it, and also to pay back all the capital," he said.

Questioned by English correspondents whether a stage had been reached when according to the present outlook no better terms could be hoped for, Mr. Baldwin replied:

"Yes, I think that is so."

On the Commission's terms of 3½%, Mr. Baldwin pointed out, Great Britain would have to pay £31,000,000 yearly, which might be relieved to a certain extent by an improved position of the sovereign in exchange.

"All the best opinion in New York," he said, "believes that the pound and the dollar will go to parity pretty soon. The way in which the pound has been going up is very remarkable, but there are good judges who think it is not so much the appreciation of the pound as the depreciation of the dollar."

Mr. Baldwin expressed the belief that the strain of paying 5% interest on the whole debt would be greater than this country could carry. This was a "ghastly thought," he added but there was no doubt about it.

"I should like to point out," the Chancellor continued, "that what America has offered represents an immense advance in American opinion in a very short time. It was not thought possible that Congress would be willing to 'eat' its own legislation and give terms subsequently reducing the percentage to be paid to 3½% over a series of years. The original terms of Congress, with the sinking fund, really represented about 6%."

Mr. Baldwin thought there could be no more opportune time than the present to offer terms in order to change opinion in Britain's favor.

"The debt has got on the nerves of the American people, and the word 'cancellation' makes them shy all along the line," he added.

The Chancellor hinted that any reduction in the British budget would depend entirely upon whether a settlement with America was effected and the state of the financial position generally.

Too much could not be said about the cordial reception of the mission in America, he concluded. The kindness there had been extraordinary, and everyone assured them the visit would do an immense amount of good in furthering the relations between the two countries.

Senator McKellar, of Tennessee, entered into a criticism in the Senate on Jan. 29 of Chancellor Baldwin's remarks, saying in part:

"I do not know what defense members of the American Debt Funding Commission are going to make to the slurs and innuendoes cast upon them by this representative of the British Government."

"I am sure that Mr. Baldwin's statement that Western Senators and Representatives and Western people are ignorant of international finance and business is quite untrue. The Senator from Utah (Mr. Smoot), who is a member of the American commission, is probably as well versed in international finance and business as is Mr. Baldwin. Representative Burton, who formerly was a member of this body, also is an authority on international finance and business matters. Together they are the representatives of the American Congress with whom Mr. Baldwin was most closely associated while he was here. Mr. Baldwin's statement, therefore, appears to be an unwarranted criticism of these two distinguished gentlemen."

"I have taken the position herefore that these gentlemen and the other members of the American commission were at fault in not taking the American people into their confidence. . . . If our commission had disclosed what was going on to the American people, if they had taken the American people into their confidence, they would not have subjected themselves to what I think the wholly unwarranted reflection that has been made upon them by this representative of the British people."

"Mr. Baldwin's statement that a majority of the Senators were from agricultural and pastoral communities, while technically true, is an attempted clumsy effort on his part to cast odium upon Western Senators. His statement that 'the people of the West merely sell wheat and hogs' . . . and do not think or know anything else, is simply a disgusting attempt at wit and a shining display of ignorance."

"I am glad that no Democrat was put on that commission and that the party to which I belong does not have to bear the odium of any part of the slurring statements made by the head of the British commission. That partisan commission, instead of being criticised by Mr. Baldwin, should have been praised by him, for it seems to have been all the time under the influence of the British commission in so far as secrecy, at least, is concerned."

"I cannot believe that the British people entertain the views that Mr. Baldwin expresses in reference to the funding of these debts. The British people have always been a debt-paying people. They have not treated their obligations as a scrap of paper, and it is inconceivable to me that these self-respecting people, these contract-observing people, will permit one of



their own number to utter these uncalled for, untrue and discourteous words toward the American people and American representatives without rebuke in view of all the wonderful acts of friendship that have so frequently characterized the American people in their attitude toward the British Government and the British people.

As to the criticisms occasioned by his remarks, Chancellor Baldwin was reported in Associated Press advices from London Jan. 29 as stating:

Questioned by the "Daily Mail" with reference to the criticism in the United States of his interview given at Southampton with regard to the funding of Great Britain's debt, Chancellor of the Exchequer Baldwin said he felt sure that the criticism was due to the fact that only extracts of his statement had been cabled across the Atlantic.

"I am sure if the whole interview was read in the United States," the Chancellor said, "no exception would be taken to it. My principal object, of course, was to explain to the British people the position of affairs in the United States, the difficulties and opinions of the great mass of the American people away from the Eastern seaboard, regarding the debt.

"Of this I am sure: a majority of the people of this country are ignorant, just as a majority of the people of the United States, as friendly as they are to this country, do not yet realize our point of view."

The "Daily Mail" adds that steps have been taken to convey the full interview to the American authorities. It says it is understood that no exception has been taken to the interview on their behalf.

On Jan. 31 the Associated Press cablegrams from London indicating the acceptance of the debt funding proposals of the United States said:

No official statement has been issued beyond the bare announcement of acceptance, and if there are any reservations or counter proposals, they will probably become known only after the Ambassador at Washington has communicated the British Government's decision to the State Department.

The question which presented itself to the Government, according to the view of the majority of the British newspapers, was whether to accept the proposed basis of settlement, which, according to belief here, the American Congress will ratify, or to continue on the 5% interest rate until the election of another Congress that might perhaps be less accommodating.

The American Ambassador, Colonel Harvey, expressing to the Associated Press his gratification that the matter had been thus arranged, said he considered it a fair and just settlement.

That the Cabinet should have decided after practically only one sitting causes general surprise, for, although a decision was fully expected before the expiration of the week, it had been supposed that it might entail possibly two or three councils. The alacrity with which the dissenting Ministers have been brought into line, says much for the strength and cogency of the arguments in favor of acceptance which the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Stanley Baldwin, was able to bring before his colleagues.

Chief among these arguments is believed to have been Mr. Baldwin's firm conviction that no better terms could be expected or obtained by further delay and of the inadvisability of allowing such a favorable opportunity to slip for securing a settlement which it might at least be hoped would meet the approval of the American Congress.

What almost certainly turned the scale in favor of acceptance was the strong desire on the part of the financial and commercial community to put an end to the period of uncertainty, and bring about some stable conditions, under which the country would at least know its exact position. The argument was, in fact, between the politicians, who aspired to some more flexible arrangement, and the business men desiring stability and a settlement which, in their belief, would sustain the edifice of British credit.

While many strong arguments have been employed here against acceptance, notably the fact that the American terms require repayments in American currency, there was even a greater number of arguments and influences for acceptance. The two currents of arguments took two main lines, those against being mainly political, those in favor mainly financial and commercial. There was virtually universal admission that the American terms were generous, and many writers in the press went so far as to say that the Government ought not to look a gift horse in the mouth, that America had the full right to demand 5% interest and; therefore, the terms offered were a great concession.

On the other hand, the political argument against acceptance took the line that acceptance would mean binding England down to a large payment in American currency and that the necessity of buying more than thirty millions sterling worth of dollars yearly might have a bad effect on the exchange value of the pound, and, further, that once the funding was achieved on definite terms, it would be impossible to take advantage in the future of any exceptional circumstances promising relief in the heavy burden to British taxpayers.

Undoubtedly also false hopes which had been raised of the possibility of funding the debt on a 2 or a 2½% basis accounted for much of the political opposition.

The "Westminster Gazette" says that the Government's decision will be received with a sigh of relief by all who appreciate the issues involved.

"In would, indeed, have been more satisfactory if the decision had been taken without the unfortunate interview which Mr. Baldwin gave," continues the paper, "and must be credited with sufficient common sense to have spoken as he did only under the conviction that it was necessary to influence reluctant colleagues. This reluctance, happily, has been overcome and we are prepared to accept the terms which, though onerous, are not beyond our capacity to bear."

In a Washington dispatch, Jan. 31, the "Journal of Commerce" said:

Prompt action by Congress authorizing the funding of the British war debt to this country on the terms approved by the London Cabinet to-day is forecast by Administration leaders.

The way is cleared in the House to begin the consideration of a measure, extending the powers of the Debt Funding Commission next week, and while some debate is expected in the Senate, it is the general consensus of opinion that authority for arranging the liquidation of the British obligations will be obtained by the Administration before Congress adjourns.

General satisfaction that Great Britain had accepted the terms suggested by the American Commission was expressed in official circles, where it is believed that the settlement of the foreign debt question with the country's principal debtor will have an extremely beneficial effect upon the general international situation.

Last night (Feb. 2) the New York "Evening Post" reported the following from Washington:

Agreement on details of the plan for funding Great Britain's war-time debt to the United States was regarded by officials as virtually certain to be reached at this afternoon's meeting of the American Debt Commission with Sir Auckland Geddes, the British Ambassador, acting for his Government in the concluding negotiations.

It was hoped the Commission would be in a position after to-day's meeting to submit to President Harding to-morrow its recommendations for action by Congress. The President thus would be able to place the settlement before Congress for ratification probably early next week.

Decision as to what procedure would be followed in asking approval by Congress apparently had not been reached, but indications strongly favored action on the British terms specifically and without attempted changes in the debt funding act itself.

### Secretary Mellon to Fight Plan to Link British Debt Payments with Bonus.

The following from Washington, Feb. 1, appeared in the "Journal of Commerce":

Completion of arrangements for the payment of the British debt to the United States will in no way alter Secretary Mellon's opposition to a soldier bonus, it was said to-day at the Treasury. As the British funding negotiations near their conclusion indications of a revival of the soldier bonus agitation is apparent among some members of Congress.

Mr. Mellon takes the position that the country's inability to bear the burden of a bonus would not be changed by the liquidation of the British debt on the ground that the interest and principal of the Liberty bonds outstanding must be provided for. He holds that the British payments could have nothing to do with a bonus as the law required the amounts to be received from foreign debtors shall be applied on the Liberties.

Other high Administration officials give an impression of unflinching toward connecting the liquidation of the British debt with a soldier bonus, but at the same time it is expected that some effort will be made in Congress to tie up bonus legislation with the ratification of the funding terms.

### The Debt of Great Britain and the Other Allies to the United States.

In giving in our issue of Jan. 20 (page 237) the remarks made by Senator McKellar in the U. S. Senate on Jan. 16, in presenting the position of the United States in the matter of the British debt funding issue, we did not print the article to which Mr. McKellar referred in commendatory terms, published in the "Saturday Evening Post" several weeks ago and written by Gareth Garrett, and which by unanimous consent Mr. McKellar had inserted in full in the "Congressional Record." The article has increased pertinence at the moment in view of the renewed prominence given the subject by the events of the past week, and we accordingly reproduce it below:

"NOTES ON THE WAR DEBTS" BY GARETH GARRETT.

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Things as things and the unremembered circumstance—a time would come to speak of them.

The war cost the United States a little more than \$1,500,000 an hour. After the associate hand of America went in, it lasted 14,000 hours more and cost all of the European Allies combined, out of their own resources, a little less than \$2,750,000 an hour.

Besides our own direct contribution of more than \$1,500,000 an hour, we loaned to the Allied Governments nearly \$750,000 an hour, and these loans now constitute the European war debt to this country. Direct advances of Liberty Loan dollars from the United States Treasury amounted to \$9,500,000,000. Then when hostilities had ceased, France, Great Britain, Italy, Belgium and others took over from us, on credit, docks, buildings, plants, railroads, machinery and vast stores of food and other supplies. This wholesale bargain sale of our things on their soil increased the debt to more than \$10,000,000,000. Loans for relief and unpaid interest have slowly increased it since until it now stands between \$10,500,000,000 and \$11,000,000,000.

Until the war Europe was creditor to the whole world, drawing billions of interest annually from distant countries, including at least \$500,000,000 a year from the United States. Now for the first time it owes, and from thinking of this debt of, say, \$11,000,000,000 to the United States it has developed a kind of debtor's hysteria. Although it has not paid a dollar of principal, and only a very little of the interest, it complains that the debt is crushing it and asks to be forgiven. It owes itself so much on account of the war that it cannot pay. Or it cannot pay us until Germany pays and it seems impossible to make Germany pay.

Lord Balfour's Note.

Great Britain's position is peculiar. Her own war losses notwithstanding, she is still a great creditor nation, with investments scattered all about the world. Therefore she is obliged to hold for the sanctity of debts between nations. She cannot afford to talk or advocate repudiation. Always, she has said she would and could pay her debt to the United States. Yet, steadily, since the Armistice, cancellation of war debts has been powerfully and adroitly urged.

First it was urged on the ground that otherwise the Allies would be obliged to consume Germany; then on the ground that they couldn't consume Germany if they would; and again on the plea that it would be very good business for us.

For four years Great Britain had been moving ceaselessly by indirection to bring about a general cancellation of inter-Ally debts, meanwhile failing to enter into any arrangement that looked to the payment of either principal or interest, and at last Congress called by law for action. Thereupon Lord Balfour, Acting Secretary for Foreign Affairs, addressed to Great Britain's European Allies, all of them America's debtors, a note on the subject of the debts. In this note he said that for the good of mankind, and to mitigate the economic evils from which the world is suffering, the Government of Great Britain thought of performing an act of unparalleled generosity. That would be to cancel, forgive, utterly wipe out, all the war debts owing to it by its Allies, and also to forego any share whatever in the German indemnity, to the one colossal aggregate sum of £3,400,000,000. But, alas, it was impossible for the Government of Great Britain to obey this impulse. Why? Because the American Government would not enter into the British Government's spirit of generosity; because the American Government would not forgive about a quarter of this sum, say £850,000,000, owing to it from the Government of Great Britain. And while, "To generous minds it can never be agreeable, although for reasons of state it may perhaps be necessary, to regard the monetary aspect of this great event as a thing apart, to be torn from its historical setting and treated as no more than ordinary



commercial dealing between traders who borrow and capitalists who lend," nevertheless, the British Government, because the Americans insisted on being paid, was distastefully and regretfully constrained to call upon France, Italy and the others to pay on their war debts to the British Treasury at least enough to enable the British Treasury to pay in full its debt to the United States.

#### Uncle Sam Cartooned Abroad.

Thus Mr. Balfour in his letter subtly though fairly definitely accused the American people of tearing the war debts apart from their historical setting in order to treat them in the selfish, ungenerous spirit of traders.

In Europe the effect of this upon public opinion was profound. The whole Old World press has since been filled with cartoons representing the United States to be the Shylock of the world. This picture has been endlessly reproduced in words of comment, even in newspapers, reviews and magazines of high repute, all taking Lord Balfour's distinguished word for an exact statement of the case. The London "Economist," a journal of financial opinion far above the drift of mob emotions, the most influential publication of its kind in England—the London "Economist" of all papers—printed a communication from "Portia," who said that for the United States to demand payment from Great Britain was to lay a tribute upon those who saved Kansas and Kentucky from the German peril, adding, "Even the terrible law courts of the Middle Ages refused to sanction removal of the merchant's flesh when it was pointed out that his lifeblood would follow." Even those of Lord Balfour's critics who said that to have written his letter when and as he did was a political blunder almost invariably have made it worse by adding: "Nevertheless, the truth is there. 'Tis Shylock again, demanding his pound of flesh. We shall have to pay, what's in the bond."

Americans were shocked. For several days they went about saying to each other, "Can it be true? Are we like that?"

We do not carry figures in our heads. We had forgotten them. We had forgotten the terms and conditions. In fact, as people, we had been thinking very little about our war loans to Europe. Among a thousand of us taken unawares there would have been, perhaps, not one who could have said how much they were or for what they were made exactly, except to help win the war, and certainly not one who would have had any positive notion as to how they ought to be settled. But to the imputation that our way with them was that of traders we could not be indifferent. We said: "No; we are not like that. In our hearts we know it. Let us look at the record."

The record is of prodigious extent, not at all readable, and few people have ever been seriously interested in it, merely taking right consummations for granted. No one person has yet read the whole of it. Perhaps the British have never read it at all. Or it may be that the truth, like a graffe in one's back yard, is so astonishingly palpable that one who wishes it were not so may see and disbelieve.

In the first place, when Great Britain says she is willing to forgive war debts of £3,400,000,000—say \$17,000,000,000—while the United States is unwilling to forgive only about a quarter of that sum, say £850,000,000—\$4,250,000,000—the arithmetic is misleading.

In that sum of \$17,000,000,000 of war debts due to Great Britain, which she would forgive, is included \$7,250,000,000 of German indemnity, which now is admitted to be uncollectible.

The American Government has no claim upon German indemnities. It does not participate. Thus the figure of Great Britain's generosity is swelled with a claim against Germany for \$7,250,000,000 in contrast with which the American Government has no such claim to be either enforced or forgiven, for the specific reason that it never made one and left the Allies free to take for themselves first whatever they could get from Germany.

#### The Net Figures of Forgiveness.

If we deduct Great Britain's claim upon Germany, the actual amount of debt she is willing to forgive becomes \$9,750,000,000. On the other hand, in the event of an all-around cancellation of war debts, the amount the United States would have to forgive would be \$10,500,000,000, for of course, we could not forgive Great Britain \$4,250,000,000 and collect from all our other debtors. We should have to forgive everybody. Moreover, in the event of an all-around cancellation, Great Britain would both forgive and be forgiven, whereas the United States could only forgive. Great Britain would forgive \$9,750,000,000 owing to her and at the same time be forgiven \$4,250,000,000 owing by her to the United States. The case would then be:

Great Britain forgives.....	\$9,750,000,000
Great Britain is forgiven.....	4,250,000,000
Net British sacrifice.....	5,500,000,000
The United States would forgive and sacrifice.....	10,500,000,000

Thus we, the traders, would lose \$5,000,000,000 more than Great Britain. Now let us go straight to the heart of the matter. There are only two questions, namely:

1. Should Europe's war debt to the United States Government be paid as a matter of right?

2. Can it be paid as a matter of fact?

The first question has two aspects—a legal aspect and a moral aspect; and since the legal aspect is not final, let us now dispose of it.

Read first the face of one of those bits of I O U paper which the Allied Governments left at the United States Treasury to represent the value of the things they borrowed from America during and after the war. It is understood that we speak of things. What we loaned was not money but things, such as food, steel, munitions and cotton. As the Allied Governments bought these things from the American farmers and manufacturers they got dollars from the United States Treasury to pay for them, and for those dollars they gave their I O U's, called certificates of indebtedness, which were temporary, identical for all borrowers, and recited an obligation as follows:

"This certificate will be converted by the Government of the (United Kingdom of Great Britain) . . . if requested by the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States of America, at par, with an adjustment of accrued interest into an equal par amount of 5% gold bonds conforming to the Acts of Congress."

It was as if a man in desperate haste came to a bank where he was known, saying: "I need some money out of the till—quick. My life is in jeopardy for want of it. I haven't time now to do more than write you an I O U. Later, whenever you say, I'll come in and make it regular by giving you a long-term promissory note."

Well, in that way, on their simple I O U's, the United States Government loaned Great Britain, France, Italy and the other Allied countries billions of dollars, which were the proceeds of our Liberty bonds; and the Allied countries spent those billions of dollars for the food, the steel, the munitions, the cotton, and the like, they required in order to continue their part in the war, while at the same time we were producing and requiring enormous quantities of the same things in order to do our part. We put \$22,000,000,000 worth of things into the war on our own account, besides what we loaned in that way to the Allies.

Then the war was won and there came the Peace Conference.

Almost the first concrete matter with which President Wilson was confronted at Paris was a proposal from Great Britain to cancel all inter-

Ally war debts by an act of fantasy. What Mr. Lloyd George proposed was that there should issue a great quantity of German bonds to be divided among the Allies and the United States; with those bonds the Allies would pay off their debts to each other and to the United States, and the slate should be clean. Cancellation of the inter-Ally debts at that time with German bonds would have come precisely to the same thing as now to cancel those same debts with air and gestures, and was open to the same notable objection—namely, that the United States would sacrifice much more than any other country—\$5,000,000,000 more than Great Britain—to the happy solution.

That was the formal beginning of an agitation that has continued up to this time. It has been a most consistent agitation, with one end steadily in view—an all-around cancellation of debts.

But before that, on Dec. 4 1918, less than a month after the Armistice, we find in the record a cable message from Oscar T. Crosby, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, to the Secretary of the Treasury in Washington, saying:

Chancellor (meaning the Chancellor of the British Exchequer) revived suggestion made before of possibility of cancellation of all loans made by one associated government to any other for the conduct of the war.

And on the next day came a message from Norman H. Davis, Special United States Commissioner of Finance in Europe, to the United States Treasury, saying:

As I have already advised you, the British Treasury has notified the French and Italian Treasuries that they are through making advances to them. They have either done this in order to force them on us or for political reasons to force their opinions at the Peace Conference. The British Treasury attitude regarding relief has changed considerably. In discussing the question of relief to Belgium and Serbia, Keynes told me substantially that he had changed from his original idea of dividing the financial assistance into three parts, because in view of the fact that they have advanced considerably more than we have to these countries we should be willing to finance practically all of the relief. I told him we might be willing to finance the relief. But it would not be because they had advanced more or less to these countries than we have; nor should we take the position that the war should be continued for a year or two in order to enable us to loan as much to other governments as the British had loaned them.

#### Continuing Cancellation Talk.

And after this—after Great Britain had begun to move for the cancellation of all debts—after Dec. 4 1918, we advanced \$500,000,000 more to Great Britain alone.

At Paris, President Wilson was interested in German bonds just as much as the American people were interested in German indemnities or spoils or division or the arithmetic of victory, which was not at all. He said no.

His saying no did not stop the agitation for a cancellation of the debts. It continued at the Peace Conference, in conversations among the Allied premiers, in private interviews and in propaganda to the press. The record is full of it. On March 8 1919 the American Treasury formally notified the French of its surprise, in view of their still receiving money from the American Treasury, that at a meeting of the financial drafting committee appointed by the Executive Council of Ten at the Peace Conference, one of the Allied governments having proposed as a financial question affecting peace the reapportionment and consolidation of war debts, the proposal was strongly supported by the French representative, M. Klotz. The French replied, March 18 1919, that it was the Italians who had raised that question; all the French did was to ask that it should not be discarded a priori.

And after that the American Treasury advanced \$750,000,000 more to France and nearly \$250,000,000 more to Italy.

Reflect upon the spectacle of the American Treasury continuing to advance hundreds of millions of dollars, without security, to foreign governments which at the same time are debating a cancellation of those very loans! When did a Shylock lend money in that manner?

More than a year elapsed. Then Mr. Albert Rathbone, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, was sent to Europe to ask our debtors to make their I O U's into regular loans. This you might think would be a purely formal consummation, seeing that all the borrowing governments alike were pledged in writing on the face of the paper to do this thing on request. The record speaks.

On February 2 1920 there is a memorandum from Norman Davis, then Assistant Secretary of State, to President Wilson, saying:

As you are aware, efforts beginning with the peace negotiations were made to bring about a cancellation of our debts against the Allied governments, but the question was not presented in such a definite way as to require us to take any formal action. Much to the surprise of the Treasury, in connection with negotiations which have been under way with the British Treasury regarding the funding of short-time obligations of the Allied governments, the question has been formally raised by the British Treasury, both in a communication to Mr. Rathbone and also in a message from the Chancellor of the Exchequer sent through the British Embassy, in which, among other questions, the Chancellor in effect invites the American Treasury to a consideration of a general cancellation of all inter-governmental debts. . . . While the Allies have never bluntly so stated, their policy seems to be to make German indemnify them for having started the war and to make us indemnify them for not having entered the war sooner.

To these suggestions from the British Chancellor of the Exchequer the Secretary of the United States Treasury replied as follows:

As to the general cancellation of inter-governmental war debts suggested by you, any proposal or movement of such character would, I am confident, serve no useful purpose. On the contrary, it would, I fear, mislead the people of the debtor countries and arouse hopes of the disappointment of which could only have a harmful effect. . . . The United States has shown its desire to assist Europe. Since the Armistice this Government has extended to foreign governments financial assistance to the extent of approximately four billions of dollars. Their need now is for private credits. . . . This nation has neither sought nor received substantial benefits from the war. On the other hand, the Allies, although having suffered greatly in loss of lives and property, have, under the terms of the treaty of peace and otherwise, acquired very considerable accessions of territories, populations, economic and other advantages. It would, therefore, seem that if a full account were taken of these and of the whole situation, there would be no desire nor reason to call upon the Government of this country for further contributions.

#### Negotiations Postponed.

Well, after that there was nothing for it but to abandon the proposed cancellation plan and perform the obligation expressed on the face of the I. O. U. or to refrain from doing so.

In May 1920 the papers were all ready to be signed, and Mr. Rathbone was on his way from Paris to London to take the British signature, when suddenly he was notified by the British Chancellor of the Exchequer that he need not come. Negotiations were off. It appeared that it had been decided that the general situation must be further explored, and Mr. Lloyd George would write to President Wilson about it.

Mr. Lloyd George did write to President Wilson about it, but not until the following August. He expressed regret for the delay, saying: "I come now to the other question I wish to write to you about, and that is the knotty problem of inter-Ally indebtedness. Indeed, I had promised Mr. Rathbone long ago that I would write to you about it, but I have had to put it off for one reason and another until now."



The British and French Governments, he went on to say, had been trying to fix the German indemnity at a reasonable sum, but the French could accept nothing less than all they had hoped for under the Treaty unless Great Britain would forgive them their debt to the British Treasury, and this Great Britain could not consider except as part and parcel of an all-around settlement of inter-Ally indebtedness. He added: "I recognize that in the midst of a Presidential election it is impossible for the United States to deal with this question in a practical manner; but I should very very much welcome any advice which you might feel yourself able to give me."

To this President Wilson replied: "The United States Government fails to perceive the logic in a suggestion in effect either that the United States shall pay part of Germany's reparation obligation or that it shall make a gratuity to the Allied Governments to induce them to fix such obligation at an amount within Germany's capacity to pay."

#### A Tardy Proposal.

All that has happened since has been monotonous. The campaign for a general forgiveness of debts has continued without cease and has culminated in the suggestion that the American people are treating the debts in the manner of traders who will have their due though it ruins Europe.

This brings us to the moral and controlling aspect of the question: Should Europe's indebtedness be paid as a matter of right?

It is bound to be admitted that cancellation may be morally urged upon one ground only—that is, upon the ground that the war was a common enterprise in defense of civilization; wherefore no money account should have been kept at all, and no defender should charge another for things contributed.

Americans understand that view romantically. They might have accepted it, indeed, if it had been presented at the time, or at any time before the war was won and the money account that had been kept of things contributed was as it is.

The amazing fact is that neither Great Britain nor any other Allied Government in Europe is proposing even now to take that view of the case actually. What is proposed only is that America shall uncharge Europe for the things Europe borrowed in the United States. It has never once been suggested that Europe should uncharge America for the things America bought and paid for in Europe during the war, for the war.

While Great Britain, France, Italy and the other Allies were giving us their I. O. U.'s for the war things they got in the United States, we paid at once for all the things we got in Europe. The difference between giving one's I. O. U. for things as others gave us theirs and paying for things as we paid them is the difference between plus and minus. For example, there is an extra pair of shoes in England. General Pershing wants that pair of shoes for his Army and buys it because that will be a little quicker than to get it from home. Now, if he gives England an I. O. U. for that pair of shoes it is just a matter of one pair of shoes some time to be settled for and nothing more. Instead he pays at once with an order on the United States Treasury for so many dollars. Britain spends those dollars in the United States for another pair of shoes and then there are two pairs of shoes for the soldiers in France.

Thus America's expenditures for war things in Europe gave Europe more dollars to spend for war things in the United States and increased the means to victory; and the aggregate of these expenditures was enormous—four or five billion dollars.

If now America's debtors, the Allied countries were proposing really to treat the war as a common cause in the faith of mankind wherein no one should have been charged for the things consumed, they would be obliged to say: "Uncharge us for the war things we got on credit in the United States and we will uncharge America for the corresponding things it bought and paid for in Europe." Nobody says that. Why not? Why, for a very obvious reason. If you uncharge a nation for things that were bought on credit you simply tear up its I. O. U.'s. But if you uncharge a nation for things that have been actually paid for you have to return either the money or the equivalent in things. That is precisely what Europe has not been prepared to do.

There is no thought of uncharging all around. There is no thought of uncharging America. There is only the idea of cancellation all around, which would mean to uncharge the Allied countries for what they borrowed in this country, enable them to forgive Germany and leave the United States holding the bag.

So far one discovers no shape to the idea, beautiful and romantic in itself, that to a common purpose all things were in common and not chargeable to one another.

Did this idea ever exist?

During the war we did not encounter it.

Did it exist when we were charged rentals and port taxes and rail mileage for our cars and locomotives and damages for the roads we built—in France? It was all right. We paid and were good friends still. But we were charged and we did pay and we hear no suggestion that we shouldn't have been charged or shouldn't have paid or ought now to be uncharged.

Did the idea exist when the British charged us \$90,000,000 for transporting 1,000,000 of our troops to France? That was all right too. We do not owe for the service. We have paid.

#### The Jute and Silver Episode.

Clearly it did not exist when our War Industries Board was struggling with the British Ministry of Munitions, and could not by persuasion fully open its eyes to see how unfair it was that we should be charged trade prices for the war things we bought in the British Empire while Great Britain, on its purchases in the United States, received full benefit of war-control prices.

The American Government had created price-fixing agencies, and these agencies not only determined the prices to be paid by the American Government to its own people for the things of war but those same prices applied also to the purchases of Allied countries. These Allied countries were charged exactly what the American Government paid for food, raw materials and manufactures.

In the same way the British Government fixed prices for itself in its own country and throughout its empire, but those prices did not apply to American purchases in the British Empire. We were charged more. Our War Industries Board sent a mission to Great Britain to deal with these matters. On page 84 of its report we read:

The mission had an important struggle with the British Government on the question of jute. All the jute of the world comes from India, and the British Government urged that it could not control the price, because it was an affair of the Indian Government. The mission pointed out that our Government was supplying silver to the Indian Government through the mediation of the British Treasury, and that if the British Government could not exercise control in India our Government might find it necessary to withdraw from the arrangement of supplying silver, and by thus causing a depreciation of Indian currency buy the jute at reasonable prices.

There is a story by itself—a story of silver and jute and deviltry. German propagandists started a rumor in India that the Indian Government

could not on demand redeem those millions of paper rupees which the people of India had been taught to believe were as good as silver because the silver was always there and they could get it when they wanted it. And the rumor was true. The Indian Government had let its silver hoard run down. The Indian people began to present their paper rupees and demand silver, and the Indian Government was embarrassed. It could get gold, but gold would not go. The people demanded silver, and if they did not get it their faith in Great Britain would be ruined. It was a very serious matter. Revolution might be the least of its consequences.

Jute comes from India and nowhere else, and jute was an essential war material. At that moment the only available supply of silver in the world was a pile of two hundred-odd million silver dollars in the basement of the United States Treasury, sacredly pledged to redeem an equal amount of silver certificates passing from hand to hand as currency in the country. Great Britain appealed to America. What was to be done? A conference was held. Leaders of Congress undertook to pass, and did pass, a law that no one could understand who did not have the secret, authorizing the Treasury to melt those silver dollars and lend them to Great Britain. Thus a calamity was averted.

But while we were melting a portion of those \$200,000,000 and lending the silver to Great Britain, who made it into rupees and sent it out to India—it took some time—while we were doing that the War Industries Board came to an impasse with the British Government over the price of jute. We had to buy our jute in the English market because there was nowhere else to buy it, and the price we were charged for it was very much more than the price at which the British Government bought its own military supply of the same material. The War Industries Board insisted that the American Government should be permitted to buy jute at the British Government's military price because the British and all the Allied countries were permitted to get anything they wanted in the United States at the American Government's military price.

The British Government was very sorry. But that was a matter for the Indian parliament to deal with, and the Indian parliament was deaf and independent. At last the War Industries Board, backed by the whole United States Government, in substance said: "All right. No more silver dollars to be melted up for rupees. Then we shall see what happens to the price of jute."

At that the British Government discovered in the Indian parliament a very acute and hitherto unsuspected sense of hearing, and with forty-eight hours the American Government was able to buy jute at a fair price.

So it was, to some extent, with wool, of which the British Government got a tight monopoly at the beginning of the war by taking the whole Australian and New Zealand clip at a low price on a yearly basis; and with tin, which is a natural British monopoly; and with practically everything else we bought in Great Britain or the British Empire.

#### The Ten Per Cent Surcharge.

It came to an episode with the British in wool. The excuse for charging the United States more than Great Britain paid for the wool was that America had no original risk in the monopoly. That seemed a fair point. However, we went on from there, and the American Army contracted with the British for a large quantity at the trade price. It was left to the War Industries Board to arrange transportation and other details. It sent two American ships to Australia for the wool, and they were there waiting when the foreign mission of the War Industries Board in London was suddenly asked to sign a contract to pay, above the purchase price, an additional 10% for overhead and administrative expenses. The War Industries Board refused to be charged that extra 10%. Whereupon it received an ultimatum. Unless it signed the contract the American vessels waiting in an Australian port, within the British Empire, would not be permitted to ship the wool.

The War Industries Board said: "We have got to have the wool. Maybe we will sign that contract to get it. But if we do 10% will be added to everything you buy in the United States." That brought about a change in the British attitude.

After the war the United States sent a liquidating commission to square the books. Among the unexpected claims presented by Great Britain against America were what came to be known as hidden costs, proposed to be charged in addition to the prices already paid. On page 58 of the Commission's report we read:

An example of such indirect charges was an item covering bonuses paid by the British Government to manufacturers of silica brick for the purpose of stimulating their production, that the brick might be used in the building of furnaces for the production of steel for the manufacture of shells, some of which were sold to America. The Commission pointed out how impracticable it would be for each government to trace every remote and indirect element of cost which had entered into the production of materials furnished to the other. Attention was called to the fact that, under the principle which Great Britain was seeking to apply here, she might ask America to participate in the subsidy which she had paid on the bread which the workers in her steel mills had eaten.

Other incidents passed unmentioned. Before America got into the war Allied vessels were exempt from port taxes in French harbors. After we got in the rule was changed. Our vessels were taxed in French ports.

We paid. We could afford to. We were not thinking of it in those terms at the time. It seems now very lucky that we had a War Industries Board that knew how to play this thorny game of trade, for otherwise our expenditures abroad for war things would have been perhaps \$1,000,000,000.

The view changes. It is the record still.

What were the things—the things the Allied governments bought in the United States with dollars borrowed from the American Treasury on their I O U'S? They fall into several classes, to wit:

- I. Things like food, cotton and munitions directly consumed for military purposes.
- II. Things, especially food, bought on credit in the United States by the Allied governments and resold by them in their own countries for civil consumption.
- III. Things such as steel, cotton and other raw materials bought on credit in the United States by the Allied governments and resold by them in their own countries to private manufacturers for the purpose of sustaining trade.
- IV. Things of all kinds bought in the United States on private credit before the American people entered the war and afterward paid for with dollars borrowed from the United States Treasury.
- V. Things, both food and industrial commodities, bought on credit in the United States after the Armistice for purposes of post-war relief and reconstruction.

That these different classes of things require different symbols is obvious.

#### Goods for Civil Issue.

If there had ever been the idea that everybody's war things were in common, or if that idea now existed so as to include their things as well as ours, and if in the fulfillment of that idea we were happily uncharging one another all around, then, of course, those things of the class first mentioned that were directly consumed in military uses would have to be charged off.

In the same way those things of the class next mentioned—food and other vital supplies taken from us on credit and resold for civil consumption—those also would have to be charged off. Civil welfare was essential to victory.



But when we come to Class No. III—to the steel, cotton and other goods and materials bought on credit in the United States by the Allied governments and resold to private manufacturers for the purpose, so far as possible, of sustaining trade as usual—perplexities begin.

The effort to continue business as usual in England during the war was heroic. British Government and British business were almost as one. That was quite right. The survival of British trade was a matter of vital importance. Only that is not the point.

The Government of Great Britain took arbitrary control of essential raw materials as a military measure, and in its wisdom divided them between the uses of trade and the uses of war. Then when the United States came into the war private purchases for British trade ceased in the American market. The British Government did the buying for both military and trade necessities with dollars borrowed from the United States Treasury; and then there were two prices and two uses for the same things in Great Britain. There was one price for a thing resold by the British Government for military issue and a higher price for that same thing when resold for civil issue.

Things bought in the United States with borrowed dollars were resold in Great Britain for both military issue and civil issue. In what proportions we do not know. We could never find out.

We do know as to certain great groups of things, such as food products and cereals, that if the entire British Army had been sustained exclusively from what was bought in the United States less than half the total would be accounted for. The other half, therefore, was resold by the Government for civil issue. That applies only to food.

As to raw materials, such as cotton and steel, we cannot guess in what proportions they were divided between military purposes and civil issue. The reason we cannot guess is that the British Government lumped the figures and we accepted them. For example, in reporting to the United States Government how it had been spending the borrowed dollars it put in one item as follows: "Exchange and cotton purchases, \$1,682,419,875 31."

What did that mean? More than \$1,500,000,000 for cotton and exchange! That item alone is more than the national debt of the United States before the war.

Well, the cotton means cotton, though how much cotton nobody knows; and the rest, maybe \$1,000,000,000, represents things bought all over the world with pounds sterling—that is to say, with English money—and the dollars borrowed from the United States Treasury were used in the international exchange market to buy pounds sterling; the point of this being to keep business doing as usual in English money, which had been the paramount money of the world, and then to support the value and prestige of that money with borrowed dollars. Instead of purchasing American cotton at New York with American dollars, the British Government bought American cotton at Liverpool with English money and then used dollars to redeem its own money at a fixed price in the international exchange market. But for this sagacity on the part of British finance the pound sterling would have declined in prestige and the dollar instead might have become the paramount money of the world. After the war, when dollars with which to support the pound sterling were no longer forthcoming, the exchange value of English money suffered a great fall.

To what extent the pound sterling, while sustained in value with borrowed dollars, was employed to buy things in other markets which were then resold to British trade we cannot tell. We knew all the time, however, that materials bought on credit in the United States were replacing materials consumed in British trade. Our War Industries Board was continually vexed at the procedure of taking steel away from private industry in the United States while British steel makers, our competitors, continued to export steel products from Great Britain for profit.

These things are cited for illustration. What they illustrate is how impossible it is for us now to imagine that the wartime transactions between the United States and the Allies were governed by the sentimental idea of all things in common.

#### *Early Loans Refunded.*

In the fourth class we spoke of things of all kinds—food, cotton, steel and munitions—first bought in the United States on private credit before the American people entered the war and then afterward settled for with dollars borrowed from the American Treasury. That is an interesting item. It appears in the record as "Maturities, \$648,246,316 94," of which more than half was for Great Britain and nearly all the rest for France. It is thus explained:

In 1918 certain loans fell due that Great Britain had floated in Wall Street through J. P. Morgan & Co. before we got into the war. These were what are known as secured loans. That is, valuable British securities were pledged thereunder. It was thought better to pay them off than to renew them, because to renew them might hurt British credit and also conflict with the sale of Liberty Bonds. The easiest way to pay them off, perhaps the only way, was to do it with dollars borrowed from the United States Treasury. That was all right again. Yet the fact stands out that the proceeds of Liberty Bonds to the amount of more than a third of a billion dollars were loaned to pay off debts contracted by Great Britain with private bankers before this country had put itself into the war. And this now is a part of that debt owing by Great Britain to the American Government which we are urged to forgive. The securities pledged under those private loans were not received by the American Government.

In the same way French loans amounting to more than a quarter of a billion dollars, floated in Wall Street through private bankers before this country entered the war, matured while we were at war and were paid off with dollars borrowed by the French Government from the United States Treasury.

So our public loans to the Allies were retroactive. More than that, they continued for nearly two years after the end of the war. The Armistice was signed on Nov. 11 1918.

After the Armistice, down to July 1 1919, the United States Treasury advanced \$576,000,000 more to Great Britain.

After the Armistice, down to May 11 1920, the United States Treasury advanced \$629,789,000 more to Italy.

After the Armistice, down to Aug. 26 1920, the United States Treasury advanced \$176,834,467 more to Belgium.

And after the Armistice, down to Sept. 28 1920, the United States Treasury advanced \$1,027,427,800 more to France.

The total of these post-armistice advances to Great Britain, France, Italy and Belgium amounted to nearly \$2,500,000,000. What did they represent? Things, to be sure. But things of what kind and for what purpose?

There is no definite accounting in this post-Armistice period. Hundreds of millions of dollars went to settle contracts for war things that were running when hostilities suddenly ceased. The remainder—an undetermined amount—went for food, for relief in many forms and for materials very urgently needed to make the swing from war to peace.

Directly and indirectly, a very large proportion of these advances represented the loan of American things toward reconstruction. France, for example, the largest after-the-war borrower, got enormous quantities of American foodstuffs, and to the extent to which she was supplied with food-

stuffs and other peace materials on American credit her own resources were released for works of reconstruction.

All of this is a good deal like the item received from the British: "Exchange and cotton purchases, \$1,682,419,875 31." We cannot break the figures up. Only the borrowers could do that.

Although the record in this respect is dim and confused, owing to the involved nature of the transactions, still it does reveal these "traders" in a very strange light. Having raised billions from taxation and Liberty bond sales to be advanced to the Allies explicitly for the purpose of the prosecution of the war, as provided by law, they strained the law and continued long after the Armistice, long after the signing of the Peace Treaty, to make advances, without security, to Great Britain, France, Italy, Belgium and even to new and enemy countries, ostensibly for relief, but in effect to aid reconstruction.

#### *The Debts Analyzed.*

The Committee on Judiciary of the United States Senate explored the record and reported:

That: "Millions of dollars of this Liberty Loan money were loaned to Great Britain after all hostilities had ceased for the purpose of allowing her to build up her export trade."

That: "Millions of dollars of this Liberty Loan fund were loaned to foreign Governments and by them loaned to various relief and reconstruction organizations."

That: "Money was loaned to these various Governments so that they could repay it to the United States as interest on loans already made."

That: "Millions of dollars' worth of products purchased with United States money loaned to foreign Governments were sent directly to Germany with our consent."

That: "Forty-eight millions of dollars of the American people's Liberty Loan money were used for the purpose of sending supplies into Austria, which country was then our enemy."

Nowhere in the record is there one fleeting glimpse of an idea existing in Europe during the war that war things were everybody's in common and should not be finally charged for.

Nowhere in all the subsequent talk of cancellation of debts is there any suggestion that the things the American Government bought and paid for in Europe should be so regarded. There is only the idea that the things the Allied countries borrowed in America should be treated as things in common.

America's debtors have never offered to make distinctions. They have never said: "There were things of many kinds. First let us set apart those things (a) which contributed to the relief and reconstruction of Europe after the war, and (b) those things which contributed to the maintenance of trade during the war, and (c) those American things that we bought on credit before the United States got into the war and afterward paid for with dollars borrowed from the United States Treasury. We propose that a commission shall be appointed to go into our accounts and trace out all those three kinds of things in order that we may put them aside and treat them for repayment. The remainder will be war things as such, consumed directly in the common effort, and so much of our debt as these represent we propose to you for cancellation."

No; they have talked only of a cancellation of the whole debt; they have talked of this as persistently and doggedly as during the war they resisted every suggestion that anything we got from them should be charged against their obligations to the United States, which is further proof that never did they regard their things in common with ours. There came a time, with 2,000,000 Americans in France, when the American demand for francs in France was greater than the French need of dollars in the United States. Instead of taking the opportunity to reduce their debt to the United States the French insisted upon charging us dollars for all the francs we needed and having the dollars they got in exchange and didn't need put aside in the United States Treasury as a special credit to be available after the war.

#### *Europe Misinformed.*

Since the only ground upon which the cancellation of war debts may be urged morally is that all war things were in common and not to be charged for, and since clearly that idea never in fact existed during the war and does not now exist except as to our things, not theirs, the question, Should the war debts be paid as a matter of right? is answered.

Then shall it be supposed that Europe is wilfully perverse and fills itself with rage against America in order to rid her conscience of a debt that cannot be collected by force or otherwise than as a moral obligation voluntarily paid?

The record, remember, is not a popular document. It is written in a technical language. If Lord Balfour himself could be so misinformed as to fall deeply into error with the subject, how much more excusable it is for the people of Europe—without access to the facts, with no capacity for analyzing the facts—to get a wrong point of view. And Lord Balfour was misinformed on a vital point. There is no other way of accounting for his statement that:

Our liabilities were incurred for others, not for ourselves. . . . The United States insisted in substance if not in form that though our Allies were to spend the money, it was only on our security that they (the United States) were prepared to lend it.

What his countrymen did propose was that Great Britain should act as a conduit for all American loans to the Allied cause. This arrangement the American Government declined to consider. It insisted always upon making its loans direct to the country requiring credit. On this the record is very clear. In a memorandum addressed to B. P. Blackett, Esq., of the British Treasury, from Mr. Albert Rathbone, Assistant Secretary of the United States Treasury, Nov. 8 1919, the whole matter is summarized thus:

You will recall that the reply of the Secretary of the Treasury to the then Chancellor's communication, in which he referred to the British Treasury acting as a conduit pipe, was delivered to Lord Reading in the late spring or early summer of 1918. This reply reviewed the situation and definitely refused to make reimbursement to your Government for any of its expenditures for France within the British Empire or for all its like expenditures for neutral purchases. This formal statement of the position of the United States Treasury was in effect a restatement of the position that had been taken during the previous months, as to which the representatives in Washington of the British Treasury had been fully informed.

There is the hand of trade again. The advantage to Great Britain of converting billions of dollars into pounds sterling and spending those pounds throughout the British Empire and over all the world on behalf of the Allies is rather obvious. We had at least enough trade sense to see that.

There is yet that bleak other question: Can Europe's debt to the American Government be paid as a matter of fact?

If the answer to "can" is "no," we have only beguiled ourselves with "should." Shylock had done much better long since to write his rue upon those I O U's and post them back to their makers.

But consider what this debt represents—what it represents actually, not in money but in things.

It represents a surplus of things produced in nineteen months by the labor of 100,000,000 people above their own peace needs and war needs combined and loaned away to other people. That is all it can represent.



What would repayment represent? Merely a return of those things or the equivalent thereof.

Does any one pretend to say that the 172,000,000 people of Great Britain, France, Italy, Belgium, Rumania, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia and Greece, in twenty-five years, cannot with their labor produce an excess of their own peace needs a surplus of things equivalent to the surplus of things produced in nineteen months by 100,000,000 people in excess of their own peace and war needs combined?

It will be—has been—said: "That is all very well; but if we produced the things we could not sell them in the United States. They have raised a tariff wall against us."

The answer to that, if it needs to be answered, is that there is all the world in which to sell things. Besides, here comes Mr. Reginald McKenna, formerly Chancellor of the British Exchequer, with an argument for the cancellation of war debts that entirely disregards the tariff. In a speech before the American Bankers' Convention in New York he proposed the riddle that a country cannot afford to receive payment of a large debt, and cited the fact that with the payment of the French indemnity to Germany after the Franco-Prussian War Germany suffered a depression of trade while France became more prosperous than ever. At this point the propaganda for cancellation of the debts becomes too complex for human understanding. For if this thesis were true the way for Europe to become fabulously prosperous and lay the United States in commercial ruin is to pay her debts as fast as possible.

However, it is not always absolutely necessary for one country to pay its debt to another in things. It happens that our principal debtor is able to pay out of pocket. In that same speech Mr. McKenna said, "England still owns sufficient foreign securities to cover her debt to the United States two or three times over."

This means that the great bulk of Great Britain's foreign investments, probably \$15,000,000,000, survived the war intact. Possibly, too, Mr. McKenna was thinking inaudibly of the fate that since the war, with interest accumulating on their debt to the United States Treasury, the British have made large new investments in Germany, Austria, the Balkans and Asia Minor, in banking, shipping, industry and oil—oil particularly. During the war the Government of Great Britain bought into the Anglo-Persian Oil Company, that now, engaged in private trade, is blotting out American competition in Egypt. This investment has recently been referred to in Parliament as comparable to the Suez Canal.

It would be a great wrench, of course, for Great Britain to sacrifice a third of her foreign investments in order to pay her debt to the United States; but if she had not been able to borrow American dollars all those foreign investments would perhaps now belong to the late Imperial German Government.

If the Allied countries did not owe us they might be paying the Germans.

And if the Allied countries do not pay us we shall, to all intents and purposes, have paid the German indemnity.

### Developments Growing Out of Ruhr Invasion by France.

Perhaps the statement, made in Associated Press advices from Duesseldorf Feb. 1, that "honors were about even on the twenty-second day of the gigantic economic battle now being waged between the French and Germans," is as accurate a description as is possible to obtain relative to the situation which has grown out of the invasion of the Ruhr territory on Jan. 10 by France. On Jan. 31 it was announced in Associated Press cablegrams from Brussels that Belgium and France would present to the German Government in Berlin at 6 o'clock that night an ultimatum demanding for the last time that Germany fulfil the reparations program and execute the Treaty of Versailles. This account added:

If the ultimatum does not bring a satisfactory response from Germany, it is declared, rigorous measures will be taken by Belgium and France in the occupied territories of the Rhineland and Ruhr.

Whatever the consequences may be, it was said in official quarters, the two Allies will execute resolutely their program to bring to terms once and for all the nation who, as officials put it, is able to find billions of marks for resistance and to buy British coal, but pleads poverty in the face of demands for payment of reparations justly due.

The threatened taking over of the Ruhr customs by the French was carried out on Jan. 31, the Associated Press (Duesseldorf advices) stating with regard thereto:

Seizure of the Ruhr customs by the French; the low level of coal production reached; the practical disappearance of empty coal cars from the region, threatening a complete stoppage of work at the mines within a few days; the cutting of the Cologne-Berlin trunk telegraph and Telephone cables at several places around Essen, completely isolating the city from the outside world, and a more acute scarcity of food—these were the developments of the twenty-first day of the Franco-Belgian occupation.

On the other hand, calm has apparently been restored so far as outward demonstrations are concerned. The infantry, bicycle and cavalry patrols, which have been keeping order in the streets since the outbursts of last Thursday, have arrested only two men at Essen and one at Duesseldorf in the last twenty-four hours, and these were for minor offenses. The patrols had been averaging 15 to 20 arrests daily in each of these cities.

The taking over of the customs by the French is the most severe economic blow attempted since they entered the Ruhr. Customs officers were placed in charge of the large general merchandise warehouses in Duesseldorf and Duisburg and the stocks of mineral water, petroleum, benzol, spirits and tobacco were seized, as well as all the customs offices throughout the district. Four high German customs functionaries in Duisburg and Duesseldorf who objected to seizures were expelled from the district.

M. Filippi, the French chief of the Ruhr customs, avers that the defections of the personnel of the German functionaries amount to only about 40%. These were immediately replaced and work proceeded normally. The Germans declare that more than 70% of their customs staff walked out and insist that the French will not be able to handle collections.

On the same date Associated Press reports from Berlin said:

Reports from all points in the Rhineland and occupied Ruhr areas to-night reflect a condition of increasing chaos in all branches of the German official administration growing out of the drastic procedure of the Franco-Belgian military and civil officials and the stubbornly determined resistance with which the German population is flouting the occupation authorities.

At Essen the railway men to-day held a significant confidential meeting at which a definite line of action was decided on in case the French persist in blocking railway transportation.

Arrests and deportations of Government officials and employees are reported from a score of new points on both sides of the Rhine, the French especially seeking out local revenue and tax collectors, from whom they demand official records and archives and even the keys to their vaults. In all cases the German officials are stoutly resisting, whereupon they are immediately deposed and sent into unoccupied Germany. The entire staff of railway officials at Essen has been arrested.

At Bochum, French soldiers have raided shops in retaliation against merchants who refused to serve them.

The local French commanders in all the Ruhr towns have been ordered to withdraw General Degoutte's order to the populace to keep off the streets after 10 o'clock in the evening. This decision was taken because the civilians refused to stay indoors and have been conducting lively outdoor demonstrations at Essen and other points.

Edwin L. James, writing from Paris Jan. 31 to the New York "Times" (the message is copyrighted), gave the text of Premier Poincare's note to Germany regarding the intention of France to cut off from Germany all Ruhr coal deliveries on Feb. 1 as a result of the German default declared by the Reparations Commission. This will be found in our narrative of events for January, given in the issue of the Bank & Quotation Section, which accompanies to-day's issue of the "Chronicle".

From the New York "Evening Post" of last night (Feb. 2) we take the following (from Duesseldorf) regarding the adoption of the proposed steps by France:

Not a single ton of coal or coke has entered Germany from the Ruhr in the last 36 hours, the French authorities announce, adding that the measures they put into force at midnight of Jan. 31 are totally effective.

The Germans show no disposition to contradict the French as to the general effectiveness of the blockade, but they relate how one train of 46 loaded coal cars, disregarding all signals, ran the blockade at Horde, near Dortmund, at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon and escaped into interior Germany.

The French have 75's commanding every line into Germany and the directors of the railroads have been informed that any locomotive attempting to escape will be fired upon.

Inquiries addressed to the French authorities as to why they have not resorted to the simpler way of tearing up a few hundred yards of track along the occupied frontier of the Ruhr elicited the reply that they did not wish to interfere with other traffic for the present than exports of coal and coke, and they are desirous of giving the railwaymen full opportunity to resume work.

On Jan. 26, in referring to the proposed Ruhr customs seizure by the French, the Associated Press had the following to say in Essen advices:

The customs barrier with which the French are threatening to encircle the occupied Ruhr region is expected to become effective at midnight to-night.

The occupation authorities decline to reveal their proposed plan, or to indicate the methods they will take for enforcement. "Ask Marshal Foch," was the uniform reply given the newspaper correspondents to-day when they asked for information.

This is interpreted as indicating that Marshal Foch will have headquarters in Essen and be in charge of the customs embargo, which it is presumed will permit of exports and imports to and from occupied Germany only with the consent of the French authorities.

German industrialists declare that if the ring is established it will mean ultimately the definite shutting down of industry in the Ruhr.

On Jan. 28 it was stated in press advices from Duesseldorf that employees of the telegraph and telephone central stations had gone on strike at 7 p. m. that day in protest against the presence of French soldiers; the following day (Jan. 29) the statement was made in the cablegrams from Duesseldorf (Associated Press) that the strike of German railroad workers throughout the Ruhr was complete, as was that of the telegraph employees, the telephone and postal services being partially affected. The same advices also stated:

The French occupational authorities to-day began a series of wholesale arrests and expulsions of the highest German State officials, chiefs of bureaus, and municipal heads of services for refusal to obey orders.

The railway strike is completely effective in Coblenz, but two battalions of French engineers have taken over the lines and placed heavy guards at important points. The workers have served notice that they will not resume their jobs while French troops are present. There is no communication between this city and Duisburg and Essen. Yesterday only one train was operated to Mayence.

The resumption of postal, telegraphic and telephone service was indicated in the following (Associated Press) from Essen last night, according to the New York "Evening Post":

Probably the busiest spot in the Ruhr to-day was the Essen Post Office, where the postal, telegraphic and telephonic services were resumed at about 8:15 o'clock this morning.

During the last three days in which the workers have been on protest strike, enormous quantities of mails and telegrams bearing Essen addresses have accumulated, and the 5,000 post office work ers were deluged to-day.

The resumption of work, it was stated in both French and German circles, was due to the desire to serve the public interests, special petitions to this end having been presented by commercial and industrial circles.

As far as could be learned at mid-day, no concessions had been made by the French, and the patrols of the various buildings and other military measures were continuing in force.

We likewise take from the "Evening Post" the following Associated Press advices from Colbenz:

The railroad strikers in this area are returning to work. The men were repairing signals and putting the locomotives in shape to-day, and full train service between Coblenz and Cologne is promised for to-morrow.

[At Cologne and Duesseldorf partial resumption of train service was reported.]

The same paper also printed the following (Associated Press) from Duesseldorf:

#### *Rail Strike Weakens.*

As a matter of fact the striking railway workers were showing an inclination this morning to resume their duties on many of the interior lines in the occupied area of the Ruhr. The French are occupying militarily only the lines surrounding the region. The interior roads are now being partially operated by Germans.

The strike at Cologne also seems to be petering out. An understanding was reached between the Cologne railway directorate and the Inter-Allied Railway Subcommission that from 6 o'clock this morning the German railway men would resume work throughout the area administered by the Cologne directorate, after French and Belgian armed guards are withdrawn from all stations. Neither coal nor other reparation trains will be operated. Only those coming under the Rhineland agreement will be moved.

The Duesseldorf station was opened this morning for the first time since Jan. 25, but only a small percentage of the scheduled trains were running.

Gen. Payot, the French Quartermaster-General, told the correspondent the French army service supplies were operating efficiently. He said he had seven days' supplies of food ahead, while the poilu is assured of fifty days' rations of his red wine, the "Pinard."

#### *Taxes Payable at Essen.*

Tobacco dealers and manufacturers in the valley have been instructed by the French authorities they must pay the tax on tobacco at Essen or Duesseldorf, disregarding Berlin's orders to remit direct to the capital. Should the tobacco men pay the tax at Berlin such payments would be considered null and void, and payments will have to be made again here in the valley.

The Chief of Police of Bochum was arrested and expelled this morning.

According to press advices from Coblenz, Jan. 29, railroad traffic in the Rhineland was brought almost to a standstill at 4 o'clock this afternoon when the partial strike which had been in progress during the few days preceding had suddenly become general.

On Jan. 26 it was reported that the railway workers in Duesseldorf had torn up the railroad lines, isolating Ruhr main line traffic. It was likewise reported the same day in cablegrams (Associated Press) from Duesseldorf that what practically amounted to martial law had been declared in the occupied area. All cafes, hotels, theatres and cabarets were closed at 10 o'clock that night, German time, which is 9 o'clock French time.

Associated Press advices from Berlin, Jan. 26 said:

A state of siege has been proclaimed in the Aix-la-Chapelle and Kreuznach districts by the French occupational authorities as the result of yesterday's demonstrations, according to the correspondent of the "Berliner Tageblatt" at Aix-la-Chapelle.

On Jan. 27 the following Associated Press accounts came from Duesseldorf:

The railroad strike is fully effective and passenger service is absolutely at a standstill, except for trains manned by French crews, one of which left for Paris and another for Mayence to-day.

How completely the French already encircle the Ruhr was shown during the night when a train destined for interior Germany, drawn by four locomotives where one would have been sufficient, was halted east of Dortmund and three of the locomotives returned to the occupied area.

Another court-martial is in prospect. Burgomaster Schmidt and Dr. Oexle, the Duesseldorf Police Chief, both of whom are under arrest as a result of Thursday evening's disturbance, await trial at Mayence on charge of failing to preserve law and order.

According to Coblenz (Associated Press) advices, Jan. 27, the general railroad strike in the occupied region was extended to the former American zone, beginning at noon that day, following the formal turning over of the zone to the French authorities. It was added:

The men offer no explanation for the general strike in this area beyond saying they wished to make a protest, and also keep the former Emperor's birthday. The French assert that the railroad men are acting under orders from Berlin, inasmuch as the strike is not receiving popular support and is inconveniencing thousands of Germans. It has also been discovered that the strike leaders are strangers in the Rhineland.

A special radio to the "Journal of Commerce" from Frankfurt on the Main, Jan. 29, was authority for the following:

Steel manufacturers in Lorraine and Luxemburg have begun to cut off all deliveries to Germany. Among the plants that have suspended deliveries are those of the Rombacher, the Differding and Huettenerwerke companies.

Announcement is made that prices for Ruhr coal will be increased 20,000 marks per ton next Thursday, Feb. 1.

Also, effective Feb. 1, all railroad traffic will be put under regulations compelling from 10 to 20% restriction in service.

At the same time German railroad tariffs will be increased to double the present rates.

Reporting the removal by the French of the soldiers from the Duesseldorf post office on Jan. 30, and the immediate resumption of work, the New York "Times" copyright cablegram from that city said in part:

Wherever they have taken them [the soldiers] from the railroad stations, as at Treves, the men have returned. If they refrain from ordering functionaries deliberat to disobey their Government, they can count on co-operation.

That has, for instance, been the case with Dr. Gotzner, the Prussian Governor of this Province. Either because of his large personal following or for other reasons, the French have so far refrained from asking him to fulfill their orders in opposition to those of Berlin. As a result he is still at his post carrying on the local Government with skill and authority, and in many ways aiding the French Generals in their task without giving them direct help.

### German Labor Appeals to United States Congress for Preservation of Europe and World from "Inevitable Disaster."

An appeal has been addressed by organized German labor to the Senators and Representatives in the United States Congress, in which it is declared that "American honor, asserted at this time, can save Europe and the world from inevitable disaster." The message recalls the willingness of the German workers to submit to complete disarmament, and, besides declaring that the Ruhr occupation and Versailles Treaty "permanently destroy German and European economics and threaten unemployment for millions of German workers," it appeals to "the traditional American honor and appreciation of fair play. The appeal reads as follows:

To the United States Senate and House of Representatives: The undersigned Federations of Labor Unions, representing 12,000,000 members, who, with their families, constitute more than half of Germany's population, again affirm that because of America's positive promise that right and justice shall prevail they substituted democracy for autocracy, submitted to complete disarmament and gave an unqualified expression of their desire to work for peace and international reconciliation.

The German loves the pursuit of peaceful professions, but he is equally opposed to being made a slave indefinitely or to having the coming generations of his fellow citizens committed to a system of economic bondage. The Ruhr occupation and the Versailles Treaty, however, make such a condition of servitude inevitable. They permanently destroy German and European economics and threaten unemployment of millions of German workers.

An impartial but authoritative survey of the situation will readily establish this fact and will in addition be able to confirm that in the midst of peace, men and women, young and old, are forcibly being evicted from their homes and deported merely because they have refused to become traitors to their country.

We have been reduced to a nation which is chronically hungry. Our infants are wrapped in paper, instead of swaddling clothes, while our women and children are succumbing to physical misery.

This appeal is not an attempt to induce the United States to take an attitude in favor of one of the other of the opposing parties. It is an appeal to the traditional American honor and appreciation of fairplay. America, we are sure, did not enter the war for the purpose of annihilating the German people.

American honor asserted at this time can save Europe and the world from inevitable disaster.

The Associated Press advices from Berlin Feb. 1, in giving the text of the appeal as above, says:

#### *Act on Their Own Initiative.*

The labor leaders assert that their action was undertaken independent of any influence from official sources, which, it was stated, would first learn of the appeal to the American Congress in case it was reported back from Washington. Neither has the German press been apprised of the unique procedure.

"We decided to go straight to the official representatives of the American people with our appeal, and preferred to dispense with official or diplomatic intervention." Paul Grassmann, Vice-Chairman of the General Federation's Executive Board, informed the Associated Press. "The message was drafted this morning at a joint session of the executive heads of the four federations, and it represents the feeling of alarm with which labor already is contemplating the situation after three weeks of the Ruhr occupation. There is something more than the fate of the Ruhr Basin at stake. If Germany is still a land of apparent order and organization, it is only because the dozen cool-headed men in charge of organized labor's ranks have prevented the workers in all lines from becoming dangerously restive. The situation, however, now threatens to go beyond control."

Herr Grassmann believes that labor radicalism is not unlike typhus in that it germinates and thrives wherever there is "economic filth and pollution." He believes that it is a disease of the brain brought on by conditions which the humblest hand and the best trained head worker gradually find intolerable.

Labor wage scales, he points out, which were formerly fixed for periods of from one to five years, are now being upset and revised every fourteen days, a condition which automatically results from the effects of fluctuations in German money as reflected in the current dollar rate of 40,000 marks and over.

The men who signed the appeal to Congress admit that they are not acquainted with American parliamentary procedure, and even confess to a degree of timidity over their undertaking, which appears to have been inspired by reports of the Senate debates on the European situation printed in the German newspapers.

One of the federation leaders declared that "such a minor detail as possible violation of parliamentary etiquette will not prevent us from letting your Senators and Representatives know that they eyes of millions of men and women workers in Germany are turned toward America."

### Run Causes Closing of Reichsbank in Coblenz.

The following from Coblenz Jan. 31 appeared in the New York "Herald" of the 1st inst.:

Owing to the failure of the Reichsbank to deliver adequate supplies of German currency there was a run on the Coblenz branch to-day, which closed down during the afternoon. The mark fluctuated wildly between 40,000 and 50,000 to the dollar.

The bottom seems to have dropped out of the exchange market. Sterling to-day brought 220,000 marks and the French franc 2,000 in Duesseldorf and Essen, with paper marks becoming scarce again.

### German Loan from Tokio.

From Paris Jan. 30 the New York "Times" reported the following copyright advices:

It is reported here that the Reichsbank recently addressed to the Japanese Government a request for a loan of 50,000,000 gold marks, offering as a guarantee a lien on 50,000,000 gold marks the Reichsbank has in the Bank of England.

It is understood that Tokio asked English jurists for a ruling on the validity of the operation and obtained the reply that there was no judicial obstacle.



### Panic in Mark Exchange in Rhineland.

The Associated Press in advices from Coblenz Feb. 1 stated:

The panic in mark exchange has completely upset the commercial life of the Rhineland. The runs on the banks which occurred yesterday were not resumed to-day, when the mark advanced from 50,000 to the dollar to 38,000, but the banks are suffering from a shortage of currency and their directors are scouring the country for bank notes, going into even the unoccupied regions. The Rhineland High Commission has so far sought in vain for a solution of these conditions.

Many of the Americans here, as well as the Germans, are engaging in a new spending orgy, as a result of the low prices of merchandise, although a number of the stores have been closed. Husbands are joining their wives in buying everything possible for future use.

Grand pianos are selling for \$160, shotguns cost only \$7, bicycles \$10, phonographs \$4 and shoes \$1 a pair. Automobiles cost only a few hundred.

The amount of German currency received in exchange for American money sometimes makes bulky packages, and one Major in the American detachment here was seen to take off his belt to tie up a mass of small bills received in a bank in exchange for \$10.

### Belgian Labor Party Assails Ruhr Occupation.

The Associated Press in a Brussels cablegram Jan. 26 said:

The Belgian Labor Party issued a manifesto to-day assailing the occupation of the Ruhr.

The manifesto contains a proposal to solve the reparation problem by an appeal to the League of Nations, cancellation of the inter-allied debts, reasonable reduction of the German debt, an increase in the French, Belgian and Italian reparation shares by the suppression of the British claims and a vast international loan with the help of America.

### British Labor Demands Calling Parliament at Once Owing to Serious State of Europe.

A cablegram from London Jan. 29, copyright by the Chicago Tribune Co., appeared as follows in the New York "Times" of Jan. 30:

The Parliamentary Labor Party held a meeting in London to-day and passed resolutions demanding an immediate summoning of Parliament in view of the serious state of Europe. Ramsay MacDonald, the leader of the Opposition, called on Premier Bonar Law to-night and communicated the resolution formally. He drew Mr. Bonar Law's attention to the gravity of affairs in the occupied area and reminded him of his promise to summon Parliament earlier than Feb. 13 if any situation arose in which it seemed essential that Parliament should be consulted.

Mr. Bonar Law's reply was not published. Doubtless the demand will be laid before the Cabinet.

On the Ruhr the Cabinet is still divided. Mr. Bonar Law is afraid of complications if the British troops remain in Germany, but he does not feel sufficiently strong to insist on their withdrawal in the face of the divided Cabinet.

His present policy is to wait and hope for the best, but he is being pressed from all sides to act. The Conservative Party is definitely divided, the die-hard wing being strong in support of France, while the Progressives demand the withdrawal of the troops without breaking with France, if possible, but withdrawal at any cost.

Of the other parties, the Liberals do not care whether a break with France occurs or not, and Labor would be glad to have it.

Later it was announced that Mr. Law had turned down the labor request.

### French Labor Protest Against Ruhr Measures.

The French Federation of Labor, at the opening of its annual meeting on Jan. 30, with 600 delegates in attendance, voted a resolution protesting against the "repressive measures imprisonments and arbitrary searches" in the Ruhr, according to Associated Press advices from Paris, which added:

The Federation demands the release of those held prisoner by the French authorities, and sends greetings "to the Ruhr workers upon whom military force is being imposed to compel them to work."

### Premier Poincare Denies Reports of Ruhr Annexation—Will Occupy Ruhr Until Paid.

The declaration the "the French troops will remain in the Ruhr as long as may be necessary to assure the payment of reparations, but not a single day longer," was attributed to Premier Poincare of France by the Associated Press in cablegrams from Paris Jan. 30. This, it was stated, was the Premier's answer to reports that France was seeking to annex the Ruhr Valley. The New York "Times" in a copyright cablegram from Paris Jan. 29 reported the Premier to the following effect:

Premier Poincare receiving American correspondents to-day, authorized the following declaration:

"France has no intention of holding the Ruhr permanently. She means to stay there until she is paid, or has assurance that she will be paid. It is evident that France will not be satisfied with bare German promises. She awaits, and will await, sufficient guarantees by the German Government."

It was pointed out in high quarters that France would be weakening herself to annex the Ruhr basin. The Rhine would have been an excellent military border, it was said, but the Ruhr, without natural defenses, would constitute as French territory a most vulnerable point, and it would be furthest from French desires to have their frontier embrace this territory.

It is the attitude of Premier Poincare that Germany has now contested the whole Versailles Treaty, and therefore, that the whole treaty is at stake in the Ruhr effort. As an instance of German determination to repudiate the Whole Treaty it was instanced that negotiations to return the bodies of French soldiers who died in captivity had been broken off by Berlin.

More Danger Seen in Near East.

While the French Government regards the Ruhr situation as immensely important, and serious enough, it thinks the dangers of conflict much less there than those which lurk in the threatened Lausanne fiasco, and even in Memel mix-up. There is no hiding the fact that there is danger of a wide-

spread conflagration in the Near East mess, while it is admitted that if Poles should be sent in force sufficient to chase the Lithuanians out of Memel complications might become, indeed, dangerous.

The French Government is bending all its efforts to prevent an open break at Lausanne. Pressure is being brought on the British Government to make a compromise on the all-important issue of Mosul. To-night the semi-official Temps says:

"Certainly, England may make brilliant steps in the Near East. She has the naval supremacy necessary, finances and excellent bases. But if the dream of Lord Curzon comes to pass and if Turkey is made a British colony, what may be the result? Now, when the equilibrium of the nation is largely industrial and in sufficiently agricultural, a phenomenon so delicate, is it prudent to jump into undertakings which may furnish many arguments to revolutionary factions. No other nation has anything to gain from a Turkish war.

"In the case of this war all other European nations will suffer. It will give the United States no greater chance to collect their debt. They will see go up in smoke in the oil regions—where war will not conduce to the open door some more of the pounds sterling they have just demanded from the Chancellor of the Exchequer. It is true the Government of Greece seeks to regain glory in a new war, but that was also Constantine's idea.

"As for the Turks, we have shown the great risks they would incur. They can't gain much and they can lose a great deal.

"We insist that a rupture be avoided. The text of the treaty to be submitted to the Turks is not intangible and not an ultimatum. It is a basis for discussion. France feels she is separated from Turkey by no insoluble question. She will shoulder no responsibility if Pacific solutions are not found."

### Says British Drive Puts Down Francs.

Copyright advices from Paris to the New York "Times" on Feb. 1 stated:

The Council of Ministers, under the Presidency of Premier Poincare, occupied itself again this morning with the fall of the franc.

According to the "Matin," documents in possession of the Government leave little doubt that the campaign to depress French currency originates in London. The directors of a number of international institutions, the newspaper says, have revealed telegrams from big British customers saying, "Force down francs at all costs."

"The Premier, in accord with the Minister of the Interior," the "Matin" says, "is considering the following important measures: The establishing at the Bourse des Valeurs a rapid news service such as exists at the Bourse du Commerce to permit rectification of tendentious news and stop dishonest speculation.

"If it becomes necessary important restrictions will be considered.

The previous day the same paper printed the following (copyright) from Paris Jan. 31:

The French press charges a plan of international bankers to force down the franc in the hope of influencing the French in the Ruhr occupation. It is alleged that there is no good reason why the dollar to-day reached 16.87 francs and the pound sterling passed 87. The "Liberte" calls attention to the increasing receipts from French taxes, recalls that the report of the Bank of France was satisfactory and refers to the efforts of Parliament to balance the budget, as showing that francs should be strong instead of weak.

"The really feverish movement of exchange has no proper relation to the real position of France either from a political or financial point of view," the paper says. "It indicates simply a foreign effort to influence our plans in the Ruhr."

### French Censorship Over Ruhr News.

Under date of Jan. 29 the Associated Press had the following to say in cablegrams from Paris:

The French Government has made arrangements to supervise, press dispatches going through Paris and from points occupied by the French in Germany, it was announced this afternoon.

It was said at the Foreign Office that the object of this supervision was to stop the dissemination of manifestly false news. Dispatches which the Supervisor regards as untrue and likely to be mischievous are referred to the Minister of the Interior. The Foreign Office declared this arrangement was not a censorship.

Correspondents whose dispatches would be subject to this arrangement have made representations to the effect that such supervision, if not most judiciously exercised, might amount to the worst kind of censorship, declaring that an organized censorship would risk less interference with legitimate and conscientious press correspondence.

### Price of Bread Is Raised in French Cities—Ruhr Invasion and Exchange Slump Blamed.

A cablegram from Paris Feb. 1 was printed as follows in the New York "Times" of yesterday:

The price of bread in Paris has been increased 1 sou, making it 1 franc 15 centimes a kilo, effective from Monday, by order of the Prefect of Paris. The City of Bordeaux made a similar increase to-day, and other cities in various departments will follow suit. The increase here was granted after an expert investigation of costs to bakers in making bread.

A campaign to keep down the price of wheat flour and thus avoid speculation has been begun by the Minister of Agriculture. His idea also is to save the franc from further depreciation by buying abroad no more flour than is absolutely necessary.

The Minister has sent a circular to all the Ministry's agents ordering the dissemination of his appeal to the patriotism of the farmers. He has ordered also weekly reports as a means of checking grain and flour prices.

At the same time a Chicago "Tribune" cablegram from Paris (copyright) under date of Feb. 1 was quoted as follows by the "Times":

The advance in the price of bread can be traced directly to the occupation of the Ruhr, which sent exchange mounting since Jan. 11. The increase in the cost of bread, it is feared, will result in a general demand for higher wages everywhere, as the payment to employees in France is always based on the cost of bread.

Further relative advances in living costs are expected to follow the rising exchange rates, as since Jan. 11, when the French entered the Ruhr, dollars and pounds sterling have advanced about 25% from 14 francs and 62 francs to the dollar and pound respectively to 17 francs and 78 francs.

### French Renew Future Trading in Exchange.

According to press advices from Paris Feb. 1, the French Government has authorized the resumption of dealings in futures on the foreign exchange market in view of the violent fluctuations of exchange. These advices added:

The financial interests have been bringing pressure to bear upon the Government for some time for the removal of the restriction. Quotations are now officially authorized on one and three months' futures.

### French Furnaces Suspend Because of Fuel Shortage.

The New York "Herald" of Jan. 28 is authority for the following (copyright) from Paris Jan. 27:

Many forges and blast furnaces in Alsace-Lorraine have suspended because of the cessation of German coke and coal deliveries. A list compiled by the "Journal Industriel" shows that more than a score of furnaces have been damped down in Lorraine, though in the Saar Basin furnaces have continued blasting, consuming locally burned coke. The paper points out that this proves the peril to which the Lorraine steel industry would have been exposed if it had continued to rely upon German good faith in reparations deliveries.

### End of Lausanne Conference Near As Allied Draft Treaty is Presented to Turks.—Difference Between France and Britain.

With the Allies and the Turks gradually drifting apart and the Allies themselves diverging on many important questions, the draft treaty prepared by the experts of the Allied Powers was officially presented to the Turkish delegation at the Near East Conference in Lausanne on Jan. 31. The treaty has been unofficially communicated to the Turkish delegates on Jan. 29, and the Turks were given to Feb. 2 to frame a reply to the proposals contained therein. Subsequently, the time limit was extended to Feb. 4. The extension of the time limit, however, appeared to be of little value, for the Powers already had set their faces in different directions on fundamental policies, and it seemed impossible that a satisfactory settlement could come of the Conference or a treaty signed to take the place of the discredited Treaty of Sevres, which was the purpose in mind in originally calling the Near East Conference.

The difficulties that arose among the Allies themselves—particularly between the British and French at the Conference—were regarded by many observers as the outgrowth of the protracted discussion and controversy over the Mosul territory, rich with oil lands. The Turks demanded sovereignty over this territory, but Britain refused to accede to the claim, and in turn insisted on control herself over the Mosul oil lands. On the eve of the official presentation of the Allied draft treaty, that is, Jan. 30, further complications suddenly arose among the Allied representatives at the Conference when the French delegation announced that it had decided to remain in Lausanne as long as there was any hope of carrying on successful negotiations with the Turks. The British delegation considered the decision of the French a flagrant violation of the understanding reached between the Allies a few days before that all of them would leave Lausanne at the end of the week if the Turks did not sign the treaty within the time limit set. All the British delegation announced officially that they would adhere to this program, whatever the other Allied delegations decided to do.

The British protested against the French decision was based on a statement issued by the British delegation last week. This was to the effect that the treaty would be presented to the Turks for signature on Wednesday, Jan. 31, and that the Allied delegations had agreed to depart Friday. If the Turks asked for further time to consider the treaty, the Conference was to adjourn, but the plenipotentiaries would be ready to return to Lausanne when there were indications that the negotiations could be brought to a successful conclusion. Both the French and Italian delegations supported the British stand with the greatest reluctance. The spokesman for the French delegation informed the Associated Press on Jan. 30 that, while there was some idea of leaving Lausanne at the end of the week if the Turks signed, France found it difficult to adhere to any tentative program of procedure if the Turks asked for several days in which to examine the draft treaty and requested further negotiations on the spot. He added that France could not get herself in the position of blocking the road to peace, nor abruptly breaking off negotiations so vital to the future of Europe. Moreover, M. Bompard, the French spokesman, was not a free agent, like Lord Curzon, who is Foreign Minister of Great Britain. The representative added that M. Bompard was subject to

instructions from his Government in Paris. The statement from the British delegation on Jan. 30 was as follows:

A semi-official announcement appearing this evening giving an alleged communication from the French Government to the Ankara Government that the treaty submitted at Lausanne is only part of a series of pourparlers leading to fresh negotiations, and that the French Government is prepared to leave its entire delegation in Lausanne, is not credited by the British delegation.

It would be a flagrant violation of the mutual understanding arrived at by the Allied plenipotentiaries only a few days ago, and it has been issued without reference either to the British Government or delegation. The latter does not propose to alter its plans, as already announced.

The British idea has been that further detailed discussions on the treaty would be impossible, because the Conference already has dragged out too long. They announced last week that Lord Curzon would depart Friday, leaving an expert or two to give any information the Turks might desire. When the Turks were ready to sign, if ever, then all hands would return to Lausanne.

It was only with great difficulty, according to the press dispatches, that a rupture of the conference was prevented after formal presentation of the treaty to the Turks. Lord Curzon, the British Foreign Secretary, changed his plans or leaving Lausanne on Friday, and agreed to remain with his entire delegation until Sunday night. Meanwhile efforts would be made, it was said, by private negotiations to obtain accord on the disputed points in the treaty. Richard Washburn Child, the American Ambassador, made what was described as a striking address at the meeting on Jan. 31, urging that peace be signed as soon as possible, and he played an important part in harmonizing the conflicting views of the Allies as to the limit to be given the Turks and in convincing the Ottoman delegates that their national interests demand that peace be concluded without delay. Reasonable prospects of attaining an agreement, probably by submission of several of the matters in conflict to arbitration, induced the Turks to adopt a more moderate attitude and prevented discord among the Allies, it was asserted. The result is that the Turks probably will not present their counter projects at a formal session of the conference, but will endeavor to iron out the difficulties speedily in private conferences.

Some of the salient features of the session on Jan. 31 were brought out in press dispatches which had the following to say with reference to the remarks of Ambassador Child:

Ambassador Child, chief American spokesman, made a strong appeal for peace. Turkey must be reasonable, he said, if she was to have the peace and co-operation she required. His address made a deep impression upon the conference.

The United States was represented at Lausanne for three purposes, he said. First, to protect American interests, idealistic or commercial, humane or financial, without discrimination; second, to protect, whenever possible, humanitarian interests, regardless of nationality; and, third, to serve in all appropriate ways the cause of peace.

The Americans, he asserted, sought no special privilege or favor. They had declared for the open door in the Near East.

"Our declarations and the spirit of assent given by the Allied nations in the words of the chief delegates of Great Britain and France," he added, "constitute an accord, creating, we hope, a new understanding and a new regime of international relationships in the Near East."

Mr. Child said the accord would be not only between the Western Powers seeking to aid development of the Near East by friendly and fair competition, but between the Near East that desires freedom from political intrigues and those nations who now have no desire for hazardous, costly experiments in politics or political interference.

The Americans, he said, had favored the freedom of the Straits and the Black Sea because in their belief it was for the good of all. They had opposed the expulsion of populations when this appeared to menace human beings with sufferings and injustice.

They had asked, in so far as it affected religious liberty, that religious functionaries should be allowed to remain where their people wanted them to be. They had asked for the protection of minorities, and said that the problem of the refugees in the Near Eastern regions could only be effectively administered by some joint action, so that suffering could be prevented and disease checked.

Continuing, the Ambassador said:

"If we can assist in bringing about the peace wanted by the whole world and the establishment of normal conditions in the Near East, we are ready to give any help in our power. Because we are not at war with Turkey and are not involved in the ancient bygone politics of the Near East, we may bring to bear whatever power there may be in detachment and impartiality."

"We see no reasons why peace should not be made here. We believe peace will be made here, and this belief is not founded upon the sway of accords and dissensions, but upon the existence of forces that lead to peace. Unless these forces are met by utter recklessness they are irresistible."

"The failure of the world peace would be a world calamity, but for Turkey it would be an irreparable tragedy."

### Ismet Asks for Fortnight's Delay.

Ismet Pasha asked the conference for a delay of two weeks before the signing of peace and a delay of eight days before a meeting of the conference commission. The interval would be employed, he explained, in striving by every means to reach an agreement.

The Turks desired the delay of eight days so that they need not give a definite reply as to acceptance of the treaty until that time expired.

A statement was issued by the Turkish delegation on Jan. 30 declaring that the Allied draft treaty not only contains some clauses of which the Turks never heard, but also some which in the sessions of



the sub-commissions both sides agreed should be left out of the compact. The statement declares the Turks never heard of the clause "threatening the open door," in accordance with which the Turkish Government is required to consult the Council on the Ottoman Debt before granting concessions to Turks or foreigners. It is insisted in the statement that the sub-commissions unanimously agreed to omit the clause giving privileged treatment to foreign merchantmen in Turkish coast traffic, but nevertheless this clause has been inserted in the draft treaty to the detriment of Turkish sovereignty. "Generally speaking," says the statement, "the Allied treaty is worse than anything we ever expected. The inclusion of a system of legal advisers, who would sit as judges in cases involving foreigners, is absolutely unacceptable. It means that Turkey would be treaty as inferior to Albania."

It is interesting to record that the policy of the open door in Turkey, as advocated by the United States at the Near Eastern Conference, was ratified by the Allies on Jan. 27. With regard to the action of the Powers in this matter the Associated Press had the following to say:

This declaration, which satisfied the American representatives and which goes on the official records, was made at the last hour of an amazing session which only served to bring out the large number of points on which the Allies and the Turks are divided.

The open door question arose in connection with the demand of the Allies that Turkey pay to the Allies fifteen million Turkish pounds gold as reparation to Allied citizens for damages sustained during the war. When the Allied draft of the protocol providing for the details of this payment, which, by the way, Turkey absolutely refused to make in any form, reached Ambassador Child yesterday, he found in it a clause that the Turkish Government should ask the opinion of the Council on the Ottoman debt with reference to all contracts for new concessions or the extension of old concessions.

Ambassador Child immediately conferred with the Allied leaders and pointed out that this provision collided with the open door. In consequence, M. Bompard to-night read a declaration that it was far from the Allies' intention to strike any blow at the sovereign rights of Turkey, which were fully safeguarded, as Turkey need not follow the advice of the Council on concessions.

Turkey under her own responsibility, the declaration said, maintains all her liberties, and the principle of the open door remains always that which should exist in Turkey in all economic questions.

#### British Lay Mosul Territory Dispute Before the Council of the League of Nations.

Lord Curzon, head of the British delegation in the Near East Conference at Lausanne, wrote on Jan. 25 to the Secretary of the League of Nations asking the Council of the League at its next meeting to take up the question of the Mosul district, possession of which valuable oil territory is in dispute between the British and the Turks. When the Council of the League met on Jan. 30 Lord Balfour, the British spokesman, formally laid before it the Mosul situation, which he described as having in it the possibilities of war, but without pressing for immediate action. Addressing the Council, Lord Balfour said that the Mosul frontier dispute, which Lausanne had not been able to solve, interested the League from two points of view: First, because Mosul was within the territory under a League mandate, and, second, because, as Lord Curzon had pointed out in his letter to the League, it constituted a danger of war. "If there is a disputed frontier," said Lord Balfour, "there is always danger of war; there is always an occasion which may ultimately be made the occasion for warlike operations whose limits no man can see, warlike operations which may bring in their train tragedies of unknown magnitude." Reviewing Lord Curzon's appeal to the League, Lord Balfour said:

Unfortunately it was not at the time accepted by the Turkish representatives. There are still hopes that it may be accepted, and that the scheme, which is obviously fair, will meet not merely with the approval of France, Italy, Japan and Great Britain, but of Turkey itself. But I am afraid we have to contemplate an alternative possibility. I am afraid we cannot disguise from ourselves the danger that when this proposal comes formally and finally before the Conference at Lausanne the Turkish representatives will not find it in accordance with their instructions to accept the proposal, however reasonable, however moderate it may appear to other people. We have to contemplate failure. How are we to parry the dangers which failure might conceivably bring in its train?

The British Government has given great and anxious thought to this question, and it thinks the proper course to pursue would be to invoke Article XI, and summon a special meeting of the Council to take any action deemed wise to safeguard the peace of the nations.

This meant that the League would take no immediate action, but would await further word from the Turks. Going into the general situation, Lord Balfour said:

I want it clearly understood that it is only if the peace of the world is threatened as a consequence of what happens at Lausanne, or of what may follow what happens at Lausanne, that my Government proposes to take these special precautions. If there is no threat of war, if there is no attempt to invade Iraq, if there is no threat of turbulence of troops at frontiers, I need hardly say no one will rejoice more than the British Government.

Lord Balfour also laid stress upon the fact that if the Turks accepted the arbitration of the League, Turkey would

be admitted to the proceedings on a footing of equality with all League members.

#### Provisions of the Draft Treaty Presented by the Allied Powers to Turkey at Lausanne.

The draft treaty presented to the Turkish delegation at Lausanne by Allied Powers formally on Jan. 31 contains 160 articles, to which eight conventions are attached. The document bears the caption "Project of the Treaty of Peace," thereby giving evidence that it is not necessarily definitive. The contracting parties are Turkey, on the one part, and Great Britain, France, Italy, Japan, Rumania and Yugoslavia on the other. A summary of the important provisions of the draft treaty was given in Associated Press dispatches, which had the following to say:

The question of judicial guarantees for foreigners is covered in a special declaration, which outlines the system which the Turks refused to accept.

It provides that for at least five years Turkey will organize a corps of legal advisers. The Turkish Government will appoint a commission composed of two Turks and three Justices of The Hague Tribunal, which will submit a list of foreign advisers. These will be attached to the Ministry of Justice and assigned to service in the Turkish courts in Constantinople, Smyrna, Samsun and Adana, and also to the Courts of Appeal and Cassation. One foreigner will be present in ordinary trial cases involving foreigners, and they must be in the majority when cases are tried in courts of last appeal.

Arrests of foreigners in large cities can be effected only by a permit from the legal advisers, and foreigners arrested elsewhere, or without a permit from the advisers, can demand to be brought before one of the advisers for a hearing.

The problem of Mosul is treated in a few words. The frontier between Turkey and Iraq will be determined in conformity with a decision to be rendered by the Council of the League of Nations.

The project for a convention for the administration of the Straits is a separate document. It stipulates that the Straits Control Commission may include a representative of the United States when the United States adheres to the Straits treaty.

The mysterious guarantee of non-aggression which Turkey demanded is found to be:

In case of any act of war or menace to the security of the demilitarized zones, the high contracting parties, "and in any event, France, Great Britain, Italy and Japan, will hinder them conjointly by every means that the council of the League of Nations may lay down."

The remainder of the convention, by which waterways are open to merchantmen and warships under defined restrictions, is virtually as has been reported from time to time.

The treaty fixes the entire frontier of Turkey, except that of Mosul. It gives Eastern Thrace to Turkey.

The financial clauses, many of which Turkey has refused to accept, are set forth in great detail.

A special section is devoted to reparations. It will contain a clause under which the Turkish Government must ask the advice of the Council on the Ottoman debt concerning all concessions to be accorded Turks or others. This would seem to be in violation of the open door policy which the United States has championed; but France, through an official statement made by M. Bompard, has expressly gone on record as favoring the open door and as indicating that the above clause in no way closes it, since the Turkish Government is not bound to follow the advice of the Council.

The Turks are sitting up all night to-night studying the voluminous treaty and trying to frame their answer, on which so much depends.

The eight conventions deal respectively with the Straits, the frontiers of Thrace, the status of foreigners in Turkey, the Albanian declaration regarding payment of the Ottoman debt, the commercial regime with Turkey, the armistice declaration and the exchange of populations and exchange of prisoners of war between Turkey and Greece, which last two will be signed tomorrow by these two Powers.

#### France May Make Separate Treaty with Turks if Lausanne Conference Fails—Explains Her Policy in Notes to Allied Powers.

Following the formal presentation of the Allied draft treaty to the Turks on Jan. 31 at Lausanne, the British Government and the other Allied Powers on Feb. 1 received a note from France, the substance of which is said to be that France reserves the right to undertake separate negotiations with Turkey if the Lausanne Conference fails. A note of similar purport was sent to the Turks. Serious possibilities in the Near East situation were foreseen in British official circles, according to London press dispatches, in view of the French communication, which is characterized as a direct invitation to the Turks to refuse to sign the Lausanne Treaty. The hope is that the Turks will sign ultimately, because the Kemalists, it is felt, urgently need an agreement with Great Britain to obtain capital, which is considered unlikely to be forthcoming from France.

The French official explanation of its notes to Great Britain and Mustapha Kemal Pasha on Near East peace, according to Paris reports, is that France wants to keep the door open for the re-establishment of peace in the Near East, and that this was the sense of the notes to both the Turks and the Allies. It was made clear to the Turks that it was to the interest of Turkey to sign peace on the terms proposed at Lausanne, which Premier Poincare, pointed out were extremely moderate. At the same time the Premier thought it opportune to make known to the Allies that France could not abandon the right to negotiate direct with Turkey in case the Lausanne Conference failed. The interpretation

in London, that M. Poincare's action was an encouragement to the Turks to hold out, was declared to be erroneous, as nothing in the note to Kemal Pasha gave the right to suppose that France had in mind any subsequent negotiations.

#### Russia Says She Will Refuse to Sign Straits Convention at Lausanne Conference.

The Russian delegation at the Near East Conference in Lausanne announced officially at the meeting of the Straits Commission on Feb. 1 that Russia would not sign the convention providing for control of the Dardanelles and the Bosphorus. Although such action had been expected, Bolshevik Russia's refusal, it was said, caused depression in Near East Conference circles. M. Tchitcherin, the leading Russian delegate, urged that the whole question with regard to the Straits be reopened. By doing this the Bolshevik Foreign Minister declared the Allies would repair their fault of seeking to impose upon Russia a treaty which Russia had not had suitable opportunity to discuss. His request was refused by the Allies. With respect to Russia's position in the matter, Associated Press dispatches said:

The Russian delegation to-night distributed the texts of the two addresses made by M. Tchitcherin before the Conference to-day. They show that the Moscow leader charged that the Straits convention was "the fruit of clandestine negotiations," but that Russia was ready in the interest of conciliation to make important concessions.

The original project, M. Tchitcherin said, was that the total of all the foreign warships permitted to pass the Straits should be equal to that of the strongest fleet in the Black Sea. Russia deemed that dangerous, because any fleet on the Black Sea could be artificially strengthened, and if foreign fleets united with it then the equilibrium of the Black Sea would be overthrown. What Russia wanted was that the total foreign tonnage should be restricted to one-fifth the total tonnage of the Black Sea States, including Turkey.

When the Russian request to reopen the discussion was refused, M. Tchitcherin charged that the Allies had imposed their views on Turkey by an ultimatum and the menace of war. And so for Russia, he added, the Allies simply had asked her to sign a blank check, because Russia did not even know the purport of some clauses of the compact which affected her commerce.

Continuing M. Tchitcherin declared that the convention jeopardized vital interests of Russia, rendered impossible the establishment of a stable peace in the Near East and would impose on Russia and other countries supplementary naval armament which would create an obstacle to the establishment of international peace.

"The Russian delegation," said the Bolshevik Foreign Minister, "places on record its unchangeable opposition both to the treaty and also to the policy of domination and violence of which this project is an expression."

Marquis Curzon, said he had always held that the adherence of Russia was necessary to a permanent and satisfactory solution of the Straits problem, and hoped that Russia would sign later.

The Straits Convention which Russia has declined to sign provides that the maximum foreign naval force of each power permitted to pass through the Straits should not exceed the strongest fleet of any Black Sea State. This would mean, however, that Russia and the other powers would maintain the right to have in the Black Sea a minimum of three warships not exceeding 10,000 tons.

#### Offering of Burlington (Iowa) Joint Stock Land Bank Bonds.

On Jan. 29 Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., William R. Comp-ton Co. and Harris, Forbes & Co. offered at 103 and accrued interest, to yield over 4.625% to the optional date and 5% thereafter, a \$1,000,000 issue of Burlington (Iowa) Joint Stock Land Bank 5% bonds, issued under the Federal Farm Loan Act. The bonds are dated Feb. 1 1923, are due Feb. 1 1953, and are optional Feb. 1 1933. Coupon bonds of \$1,000 denomination; they are fully registrable and interchangeable. Interest is payable semi-annually, Feb. 1 and Aug. 1, and principal and interest are payable at the Burlington Joint Stock Land Bank, or through the Bank's fiscal agency in Chicago, at the holders' option. The bonds are acceptable as security for postal savings and other deposits of Government funds, and are exempt from Federal, State, municipal and local taxation. By a decision of the Supreme Court of the United States, rendered Feb. 28 1921, the constitutionality of the Act under which the bonds are issued and the tax exemption features of the bonds were fully sustained. The Burlington Joint Stock Land Bank received its charter Jan. 11 1923, and is authorized to operate in Iowa and Illinois. The circular announcing the offering says:

C. J. Artz, President of the bank, was connected with the American Savings Bank & Trust Co. of Burlington for twenty years, and his familiarity with agricultural credit problems in Iowa brings to the bank invaluable experience. C. G. Clark, Vice-President, has been a practicing attorney for thirty-five years and operates about 1,500 acres of farm land near Hannibal, Mo. As managing official of the Hannibal Missouri Land Co., operating some 2,500 acres of land near that city, his opinion as to titles is highly regarded. Mr. Clark will pass upon all titles for the Burlington Joint Stock Land Bank. C. S. Tracy, Vice-President, a practicing attorney and an extensive land-owner has for years made substantial investments in farm mortgages. E. W. Niehaus, Secretary, and J. L. Edwards, Treasurer, are both experienced in farm credits, the latter, President of the Merchants National Bank of Burlington, having been in the banking business for the past thirty-five years. In addition to the above officers the board of directors includes F. N. Smith, the President of four banks, who has been engaged over a long period in the mortgage loan business, and F. C. Crane, who, like his associates, has handled farm loans.

The bank proposes to confine its operations for the present to the territory within a radius of 50 miles around Burlington, a highly developed section, in which the principal crops are corn, wheat, oats and hay. Security for loans will be personally examined by two members of the loan committee before applications are accepted. This committee consists of Messrs. Artz, Clark, Tracy, Niehaus and Edwards, and functioning in this manner will insure the bank a conservative supervision of its loans. The entire capital stock has been subscribed locally and is held by 115 stockholders whose aggregate wealth is reported to be \$4,000,000.

#### Offering of Bonds of Oregon—Washington Joint Stock Land Bank.

At 102½ and interest, to yield about 4.68% to the callable date and 5% thereafter, Brooke, Stokes & Co. of Philadelphia, Washington and Baltimore announced on Feb. 1 an offering of \$500,000 Oregon-Washington Joint Stock Land Bank (Portland, Ore.) 5% Farm Loan bonds. The bonds are dated Nov. 1 1922, are due Nov. 1 1952 and are callable at par on Nov. 1 1932, or any interest date thereafter. They are in denomination of \$1,000. Interest is payable May and Nov. 1, at the Oregon-Washington Joint Stock Land Bank, Portland, Ore., or at Brooke, Stokes & Co., Philadelphia, Pa. It is stated that:

The Bank restricts its loans to certain choice farming sections in the States of Oregon and Washington. The average appraised value of land on which it has placed loans is \$60 per acre while the loans thereon average only \$26 per acre, or 43.3% of the appraised value.

The Bank states that in addition to the regulations of the Federal Farm Loan Board respecting security, all loans are judged from an income basis, no loans being accepted unless the earning history of the farm conclusively shows that it will produce in addition to interest, principal, tax and maintenance requirements ample funds for living expenses for the borrower.

#### President Harding on Reductions in Government Operations Incident to Budget Plan.

In a message addressed on Jan. 29 to the Government's Business Organization comprised of Department heads of the Federal Government, whose meetings are held under the auspices of the Bureau of the Budget,—President Harding praised the co-ordinating agencies for what they have done in "instituting economies and applying business principles to Government routine operations." President Harding was unable to be present at the meeting owing to his recent illness, and in his absence his message was read by Vice-President Coolidge. Brigadier-Gen. Herbert M. Lord, Director of the Bureau of the Budget also addressed the gathering, and he likewise spoke of the success of the efforts of the Government agencies in keeping down expenses, stating, however, that "there is before us a persistent, tireless, unremitting fight until the Treasury closes its doors on June 30 next." Referring to the cut in the estimated deficit he said incidentally:

This great reduction is not due solely to efforts for retrenchment, no matter how heroic. The campaign for a balanced budget has received material assistance from fortunate conditions and happenings that we can not with reason depend upon for the elimination of the remaining excess.

Director Lord, among other things, urged that it be remembered that "U. S." meant United States and not "us." President Harding in his communication stated that instead of a deficit of \$698,000,000, which had been estimated as a result of Treasury operations for the year ending June 30 1923, revised estimates showed reductions which indicate an apparent deficit of \$92,000,000 for the current fiscal year.

"What now confronts us," said the President, "is the overcoming of this estimated deficit of \$92,000,000 and, if possible, the closing of this fiscal year with a balance on the right side of the ledger. I must look to you, therefore, for continuing efforts to control your expenditures during the remainder of this fiscal year, for in this way you can aid materially, I know that I can rely upon you."

As to the 1924 estimates the President said that "it is a pleasure to state that the estimate of appropriations submitted to Congress for the fiscal year 1924 are \$120,000,000 less than the estimated receipts for that year and \$196,000,000 less than the appropriations for the current year.

The following is President Harding's message:

Members of the Government's Business Organization:

This is the fourth regular meeting of the business organization of the Government. We have met to review the work of the first six months and to consider the task which confronts us for the remaining period of this fiscal year, 1923, along the lines of co-ordination, economy and efficiency—three inseparable factors to successful government. There can be no economy of operation without co-ordination, and efficiency without economy is impossible.

The first meeting of the business organization of the Government was held June 29 1921, less than one month after the enactment of the Budget and Accounting Act. We faced then the problem of inaugurating a budget system, and growing out of this the further problem of reforming the unco-ordinated routine business of the Government.

Probably there never was a time in our country's history when a revision of its financial procedures was so urgent and necessary. The habit of large expenditures, of almost unlimited obligation of the public credit, acquired during the World War, seemed difficult to restrain, while the continuing demand upon the National Treasury gave little indication of abatement.



The Budget and Accounting Act placed definitely upon the Chief Executive responsibility for checking the flood of expenditures. This task called for the help of the Government officers and employees, as the solution of the problem lay in the co-ordination of the Government's business, requiring co-operation of its personnel and their commitment to a continuing constructive policy of economy. From this determination—that the solution of the financial problems of the Government could be achieved only by teamwork—came the call for that first meeting of those officials and employees in the Government service who have to do with its routine business.

The campaign, then begun with such high hopes and courageous defiance of the obstacles to be overcome is continuing to-day, and with no little pride and satisfaction we point to a continuing policy of economy, with efficiency evidenced by the progressive and material reductions made in expenditures. This has been accomplished not only without impairment of the effective operation of the Government departments and establishments but with an increase of efficiency resulting from a closer study of methods and cost of operation.

This achievement, your achievement, is a matter of great satisfaction to the Chief Executive, who takes this opportunity to express appreciation to all who have participated in this constructive and patriotic work—not only those charged with the administration of Government funds and who control large and important activities, but as well, those devoted Government people who have applied principles of economy to their daily work in various smaller ways through the conservation of Government supplies and time. When the spirit of real economy has permeated the entire rank and file of the public service and the use of time and supplies is regarded as a public trust, many of our problems will be solved.

At our last meeting on July 11 1922, we had just entered upon a new fiscal year. We were concerned over a threatened discrepancy of large proportions between estimated receipts and estimated expenditures. The executive department estimated that they would call upon the Treasury during the twelve months of the year (July 1 1922 to June 30 1923) for \$3,771,000,000, while the estimate of ordinary receipts for that period reached a total of only \$3,073,000,000.

This situation indicated withdrawals from the Treasury of \$698,000,000 more than it was anticipated would be received from ordinary sources. At that time, however, I expressed confidence that with the budget organization and co-operation we need not be unduly concerned, and urged additional concerted effort to curtail expenditures in the laudable endeavor to keep our expenditures within our income.

The statement of expected receipts and proposed and anticipated expenditures, given in the budget for 1924, transmitted to Congress Dec. 5 last showed a probable excess of expenditures over receipts for the fiscal year 1923 of \$273,000,000—a downward revision of \$425,000,000 in the estimate made in July and a real downward revision of \$550,000,000 as the budget statement included as an ordinary expenditure an item of \$125,000,000 for discount accruals on war savings securities due Jan. 1 1923, which was not embraced in the estimate made in July.

I am now advised that a revised estimate, just completed, shows a further reduction in the anticipated deficit for 1923 of \$181,000,000, which indicates, as the situation exists to-day, an apparent deficit of \$92,000,000 for the current fiscal year. This gratifying result is due not only to reductions in the program of expenditure, but also to an increase in the anticipated total of revenues and other receipts for the year. The adherence to the policy of economy and the effective co-ordination of routine business were important factors in reducing this estimated deficit.

What now confronts us is the overcoming of this estimated deficit of \$92,000,000 and, if possible, the closing of this fiscal year with a balance on the right side of the ledger. I must look to you, therefore, for continuing efforts to control your expenditures during the remainder of this fiscal year, for in this way you can aid materially. I know that I can rely upon you.

At my last meeting with you I emphasized the necessity of keeping the estimates for the next fiscal year, ending June 30 1924, within the receipts for that year, which at that time were estimated at \$3,198,000,000. I also stated that the probable receipts for the next fiscal year would not permit as liberal appropriations as were provided for the current year.

It is a pleasure to state that the estimates of appropriations submitted to Congress for the fiscal year 1924 are \$120,000,000 less than the estimated receipts for that year and \$196,000,000 less than the appropriations for the current year. Whatever pressure may have been brought to bear upon the executive departments of the Government with reference to their estimates, there must have been in the departments concerned a spirit of sacrifice and co-operation to make this real achievement possible. Treasury conditions, however, demanded such co-operation and sacrifice. The Chief Executive expected, it but nevertheless wishes to express his full appreciation of it.

In view of the importance of the subject and to guard against misapprehension as to the nature of the budget, I take occasion to refer to the fundamental principles which control its preparation. Under the terms of the law the President is required to transmit it in the budget. It is his budget. He recommends it to Congress upon his own responsibility as the head of the executive branch of the Government. The estimates of appropriations contained therein are his estimates, except those for the legislative branch and the Supreme Court.

The budget law, recognizing the fact that the President could not personally attend to all of the details involved in the preparation of the budget, gave to him an agency and designated it the Bureau of Budget. It did not confer upon this bureau any function which it could exercise independently of rules and regulations of the President. There cannot, therefore, be any conflict of procedure or policy between the President or the members of his Cabinet and the Director of the Bureau of the Budget. The budget as transmitted to Congress embodies the administrative policies which the President has decided to recommend.

Very significant and encouraging is the co-operation and collaboration between Congress and the Executive in connection with estimates for appropriation. It is the endeavor of the President to present to Congress calls for funds that are sufficient and no more than sufficient to carry out approved policies. The Budget and Accounting Act places no limitation upon the power and right of Congress to increase or decrease estimates submitted. This is in accord with the spirit of our institutions and is as it should be.

It is my hope and expectation that as the budget procedures develop the estimates transmitted to Congress will be so carefully prepared and will present so accurate a picture of the real operating needs of the Government as materially to lighten the burden of the appropriating committees. But it is not expected or desired that Congress should relinquish any of its prerogatives regarding public funds—prerogatives so wisely given to the people's representatives by the founders of the Government.

I am kept advised by the Director of the Bureau of the Budget of the constructive work being done by the various co-ordinating agencies and area co-ordinators under the immediate leadership of the Chief Co-ordinator and of the value of the work being done by the several co-ordinating boards composed of the representatives of the departments and establishments. These co-ordinating agencies are accomplishing the purpose for which they were created—to provide the machinery through which to co-ordinate the activities of the departments and establishments so as to guarantee the most provident and efficient expenditure of public funds and to furnish the Execu-

tive an agency for imposing a unified, concerted plan of governmental routine business.

The results attained show how admirably these important agencies are functioning. They are performing a most important part in the task of developing teamwork, instituting economics and applying business principles to government routine operations. These efforts have the interest and cordial endorsement of the Chief Executive. I am also much interested in the organization of the Federal associations in various part of the country carrying out from the seat of government into the field the gospel of teamwork, economy and efficiency.

A subject, always in mind when I meet with you, is that of deficiency and supplemental estimates, and I am glad to note a marked improvement in the number, character and amount of such estimates of this fiscal year.

The fact that Congress has made a new record in the passing of appropriation bills at an early date makes it certain that the heads of the departments and establishments will have sufficient time before the beginning of the fiscal year 1924 to plan their expenditure program and apportion the funds appropriated to fit the program so planned. This makes it possible to avoid to a greater extent than in other years the necessity for supplemental and deficiency appropriations.

I am not unmindful of the fact that many appropriations are made for disbursement by the departments, although the total of the obligations to be discharged is not within administrative control—payments being required to be made pursuant to the terms of specific statutes.

Supplemental estimates in such cases cannot be avoided, no matter how carefully estimates have been considered, both in the preparation and in the action by Congress thereon, unless the original estimate be made largely in excess of what past experience has indicated will be required. However, where appropriations are within the control of administrative officers, a serious emergency only should justify departure from a well-considered plan of expenditure made in advance and contemplating a total with the amount fixed in the appropriation Act.

I shall expect, therefore, that in making expenditure plans for 1924 you will give this subject most careful consideration and in making apportionment appropriations under your control you will not fail to make provision, usually by setting up a reasonable reserve, for the ordinary variation in the needs of the several periods of the year and what may be called ordinary emergencies.

General Lord, the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, will take up with you in detail the work of the past six months, with particular reference to the preparation of the budget and the work of the various co-ordinating agencies, and I give way to him, expressing in closing, however, my satisfaction and appreciation of the good work you have done, the good work you are doing and the good work I know you will continue to do.

If you have made sacrifices of certain cherished plans in connection with your work in order that expenditures might be reduced, if you have become discouraged and wearied at this continuing insistence upon economy, if you have labored, as possibly some of you have labored, without apparent recognition of your service, we should remember that what we are doing is not for ourselves, not for our immediate chief, not for the President of the United States, but for the people—the stockholders of this great business, who are dependent upon us for the welfare and the proper conduct of this great business. Honest work well and faithfully done brings its own recompense in the consciousness of duty performed.

To you, representatives of the business organization of the Government, and to all my faithful co-laborers in the Government service, wherever stationed, I tender my thanks and appreciation for services rendered.

## House Passes Green Bill Designed to Stop Tax Evasions.

The first of a series of amendments to the existing tax law designed to close up what Secretary Mellon has described as avenues availed of by the wealthy to escape Federal taxation, was passed by the House of Representatives on Feb. 1. The measure, known as the Green Bill, repeals the provision in the 1921 Revenue Act permitting the exchange of securities without the realization of taxable gain. The "Journal of Commerce" in reporting the adoption of the bill by the House, in advices from its Washington bureau, said:

The Treasury estimated that \$50,000,000 was being lost annually by the widespread practice of holders of stocks and bonds swapping them for other securities and thus escaping the levies of Federal taxes. In accepting an amendment, proposed by Representative Fordney of Michigan, the House, by a vote of 52 to 29, excluded lands, held for investment purposes, from the scope of the repeal.

There was little opposition from the minority, the Democrats contenting themselves with pointing out that the Republican Party in drafting a substitute for the Act of 1918 made possible tax evasions.

The Green Bill, designed to stop tax leaks, was urged for passage by Secretary Mellon, who explained that he desired to have the gain resulting from exchanges of property computed by the ordinary method. Under the existing provision one security may be exchanged for another, plus a cash consideration. If this "boot" does not exceed the original cost of the property exchanged the Treasury is forced to the ruling that there has been no taxable gain.

After Jan. 1 1923 the gain is to be computed by subtracting from the total value of all the property received in exchange the cost of the property given in exchange, but with a provision that the taxable gain shall not exceed the amount of the side cash transaction.

### Object of Amendment.

The Fordney amendment provoked some opposition, on the ground that by exchanging blocks of land taxation might be escaped for years. However, Mr. Fordney explained that the sole object of his amendment was to make it clear that when lands were exchanged for other lands and there was no profit, the Commissioner of Internal Revenue could not levy income taxes.

The Fordney amendment amends Paragraph (1) of Sub-Division (C) of Section 202 of the Revenue Act of 1921 to read:

"(1) When any such property held for investment, or for productive use in trade or business (not including stock in trade or other property, held primarily for sale, and in the case of property held for investment not including stock, bonds, notes, choses in action, certificates of trust or beneficial interest, or other securities or evidence of indebtedness or interest) is exchanged for property of a like kind of use."

### Would Stop Tax Leaks.

The tax leaks growing out of the exchange of securities would be stopped by making Sub-Division (E) of Section 202 of the Revenue Act read:

"(e) Where property is exchanged for other property which has no readily realizable market value, together with money or other property



which has a readily realizable market value, then the money or the fair market value of the property having such readily realizable market value received in exchange shall be applied against and reduce the basis, provided in this section, of the property exchange, and if in excess of such basis shall be taxable to the extent of the excess; but when property is exchanged for property specified in paragraphs (1), (2) and (3) of subdivision (c) as received in exchange, together with money or other property of a readily realizable market value other than that specified in such paragraphs, the amount of the gain resulting from such exchange shall be computed in accordance with subdivisions (a) and (b) of this section, but in no such case shall the taxable gain exceed the amount of the money and the fair market value of such other property received in exchange."

The House passed two other bills without opposition. The Green Bill limiting to one year the time within which applications for the refund of taxes paid into the Treasury might be made was adopted without a record vote.

The Hudspeth Bill extending from eight months to one year the time within which cattle grazing on Mexican lands might re-enter the United States without the payment of tariff duties was accepted.

### New York State Chamber of Commerce in Opposition to Proposed Ban against Tax-Exempt Securities.

A report expressing the opposition of the New York Chamber of Commerce "to any amendment of the Constitution of the United States which shall disqualify either the Federal Government or any State or municipal Government from issuing bonds free from both Federal and State taxation" was presented and adopted at the meeting on Thursday last (Feb. 1) of the Chamber. The report, submitted by the Chamber's Committee on Taxation, of which Clarence H. Kelsey is Chairman, declares that if Federal bonds are put out subject to tax, the rate of interest will go up, and that "the money to pay this extra tax has to be raised by taxation." The argument against the change, it says, "is still further strengthened by the consideration that a great quantity of Government bonds are held by non-taxable institutions, like savings banks, life insurance companies, educational and charitable institutions." The report was made public before its presentation at Thursday's meeting, and Secretary of the Treasury Mellon took occasion to answer the contentions in a letter which he addressed to Mr. Kelsey on Jan. 31 prior to the Chamber's action on the report. Secretary Mellon's letter, which we give under another heading in this issue, states that the position which the report takes "is founded upon several serious misconceptions," and he argues that the report seems to overlook "the most important factor in the tax-exempt security problem, namely that the root of the trouble lies in the Federal income surtaxes." Below we give the report presented to the Chamber by Mr. Kelsey on Thursday:

Your Committee has considered the proposal for an amendment to the Constitution prohibiting the issuing of tax exempt bonds by the Federal Government and by State and municipal authorities and presents the following views and recommendations on the subject:

If the Federal bonds are put out subject to tax, the rate of interest will go up. How much is uncertain—probably 1%. Secretary Mellon, before the Ways and Means Committee, is quoted in the Congressional Record of Dec. 19, page 721, as stating that it is probably true that a 3½% tax free Government bond can be put out at par, and then adds:

"Now to sell a security at par that is not tax free, the Government would have to pay a rate of interest to-day of more than 4%, of course."

He adds:

"I suppose it would depend upon the length of time they would have to run, but it would be somewhere from 4½% to perhaps 5%, depending on the length of time they would run."

And Mr. McCoy, the Government actuary, in a memorandum to Secretary Mellon, dated Jan. 24 1922, and included in the Report of the Secretary of the Treasury, page 321, says:

"There is little doubt that under these conditions the future investors in what are now tax exempt securities would demand that they bear a higher rate of interest or be sold at a discount sufficient, at least, to meet this tax."

and the figures presented by him resulted in an estimated increase in the rate of interest of approximately 1.1%.

The money to pay this extra interest has to be raised by taxation. Who will pay it? The citizens, of course, and probably by an increase of the income taxes. If they own enough of the bonds to get as much in extra interest as they have to pay in extra taxes, they will perhaps break even. So far as they do break even, there is no merit in the plan either for them or for the Government. It is very unlikely, however, that any particular number of citizens will break even. The large taxpayers show a great capacity to take care of themselves and it is fair to expect that much of the burden will fall on the smaller taxpayers, who will pay more in increased income taxes than they are at all likely to receive in increased interest on Federal bonds which they hold.

This argument against the change is still further strengthened by the consideration that a great quantity of Government bonds are held by non-taxable institutions, like savings banks, life insurance companies, educational and charitable institutions. It is certain that the additional taxes necessary to meet the additional interest which will be paid to non-taxable institutions will be saddled upon those who do pay taxes—both the small taxpayers and the large ones.

Congressman Mills, in arguing for the amendment, is quoted as estimating that 37% of the holders of Government bonds pay only 12½% income tax, 23% pay nothing, and 40% pay all the balance. Mr. McCoy, in the memorandum to Secretary Mellon above-mentioned, estimated that about 50% of the tax free bonds were held by corporations paying a 12½% tax, ¼ by tax exempt individuals and institutions and ¼ by those subject to full taxation, but in this discussion we have taken Congressman Mills' figures.

Why, then, should all this trouble be taken to increase the interest burden of the Government and compel it to collect just so much more in taxes plus the additional expenses of collecting them?

It is said that there are other serious objections to the Federal Government's continuing to put out tax exempt bonds because, for instance, they are availed of by the rich, who withdraw their capital from industry

and it thus ceases to contribute to the productivity of the country. There is nothing in this argument unless all capital invested in securities is thereby withdrawn from trade. The money they represent goes right into production and the bond is simply the titular evidence that it has done so. The proceeds of Government bonds are spent in wages, material and structures, just as the proceeds of industrial bonds do precisely the same thing and is used over and over again in trade. It is certainly a new theory that once money is invested in bonds it ceases to work. Even if it were true, how can it be helped unless the Government stops spending money? If it makes appropriations which cannot be met from the current tax levy, it must sell bonds and the proceeds are used just as the proceeds of a corporation's bond issue are used—they pay bills and go into circulation—only the Government expenditures are not as profitably employed as the ordinary corporation's.

It may be that the very rich buyer of the tax exempt bonds withdraws from active business but his money is not withdrawn. At any rate, the figures show that something is greatly increasing the number of people who pay income taxes. In 1917 that number was reported as 3,472,000 and in 1920 as 7,250,000 and the total income increased from \$13,652,000,000 to \$23,735,000,000. It does not look, therefore, as if the increase in the number of tax exempt bonds was impairing the productivity or prosperity of the country, or drying up the sources of revenue.

Neither is there strength in the argument that the power to put out tax exempt bonds encourages Government extravagance. The men who vote the improvements take pride in equipping the Government with everything it needs but have little concern for the consequent increase in taxation. The Government has to sell the bonds and will sell them at any price. It cannot gain anything by putting up the interest it pay just to get it back in taxes. Mr. R. C. Leffingwell, ex-Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, agrees that the ability of Government to waste is not determined by its sources of revenue and adds: "Credit and tax exemption have nothing whatever to do with each other." How can anyone expect, therefore, that the necessity of paying 1% more in interest will deter a Government from spending money?

Another argument that Government bonds free of tax make unfair competition for trade borrowings is also unsound. The competition will be the same whether the Government bonds are taxable or free of tax. If taxable, the rate of interest will have to be increased, and the rate on railroad, industrial and other corporate bonds will go up correspondingly. The Government bonds will have the preference and there will be approximately the same difference between such bonds and corporation bonds generally, whatever the rate is on the Government bonds.

If the exemption remains, there is hope that the surtaxes may be reduced and people with smaller incomes can buy tax exempt bonds or they can be put out at a lower rate to the very rich. If the exemption is removed, the interest rate has to go up and there is poor chance of the surtaxes ever being reduced, for greater taxes must be collected to meet the increased interest charge, and there will be greatly increased cost of collection incident to the abolition of tax exempt bonds. This interest charge will have to be increased to such a rate as will satisfy the demand of investors and the rate on all other bonds will be correspondingly forced up. It is, therefore, unwise for the Government to favor the removal of the exemption for it gains nothing by it. It is unwise for the great body of taxpayers, for it will increase taxes and a greater burden fall on all those who do not, or are unable to get their share of the bonds.

The unfair competition for general corporate borrowings results when other corporations or individuals are given the same advantage of a tax free market. The Government should have this advantage exclusively because it gains nothing but rather loses by surrendering it. That advantage, however, should be taken away from every other borrower, and instead of attempting to amend the Constitution to prohibit Government exemption, every other exemption should be repealed by act of Congress and all individual borrowers put on an equality in the money market.

When it comes to State and municipal bonds, the proposition is still worse for the taxpayers because of the relations of the States to the Federal Government and of the different methods of collection of taxes for State and municipal purposes. It is said that the Federal Government suffers by reason of the fact that the Federal income taxpayers invest largely in tax exempt State and municipal bonds. That means that the Federal Government has to fix its income tax rate on the basis of what it can reach. Who pays that rate? The very citizens of the States putting out the exempt State and municipal bonds. If the States lose the privilege, the rates on their bonds will go up and the extra interest will have to be collected by extra taxes and the same citizens pay them. It makes no difference to them whether they pay more in Federal income taxes and less in State taxes, or vice versa. They have to pay both and the average taxpayer will be a great deal better off if neither the Federal Government nor the State and municipal governments have to collect taxes to cover extra interest, for the chances are that a great deal of the extra interest will go to the tax exempt and partly exempt investors, and as to the others, the heavy taxpayers will be more skillful in relieving themselves of the extra burden and getting more of the extra interest than the small taxpayers will.

As between the States, those that pay the greater share of the total Federal tax will have the greater burden if Federal bonds are made taxable. Consider how Ohio fares in connection with the Federal appropriations for good roads. Congressman Begg has stated in a speech on the floor of the House that Ohio, though receiving from the Federal appropriation \$12,500, or one-half for each \$25,000 mile of road built in Ohio, has really paid \$55,368 per mile for it. In other words, by reason of its contribution toward the total Federal appropriation, it has not only paid all that it received from the Federal Government, but \$30,368 additional per mile of road built in the shape of its share of the tax moneys that were distributed to other States. It should pray that there should be no more Federal appropriations for good roads, but should undertake to build its own roads. It is likely to fare just about the same way if it co-operates to have the Government pay, say, 1% more in interest and Ohio pays its share of the increase.

There is another and quite as compelling a reason why States which now have an income tax of their own, or a small tax only on bonds, should be against the amendment. If such States and the cities in them can no longer put out tax exempt bonds, the States and the municipalities under the tax laws will get a small percentage on the income of these bonds. Whatever they pay in extra interest, be it 1% or more or less, they will get only a small fraction of it in taxes on the same bonds and none at all so far as the bonds do not stay in the States or are held by non-taxpayers. Who pays the balance? The States will have to get it by putting up taxes somewhere else.

It is said though, that there is a great social reason why the issue of tax exempt securities should be abandoned, that they are the means by which the rich unload the burdens of taxation on the poor. In fact, the whole agitation seems to be founded on this false premise and a change is suggested which will have just the reverse effect of that intended. Taking Secretary Mellon's and Actuary McCoy's own figures that the rate of interest will at once be raised at least 1%, what are the facts as to who pays the greater tax—the man with a salary of \$10,000 a year or the man with



\$10,000 a year derived from \$250,000 invested in tax exempt 4% Government bonds? The latter has accepted 4% tax free instead of 5% subject to tax. The salaried man pays a total tax of \$520, whereas the man living on his accumulated fortune of \$250,000 which he could put out at 5% on taxable bonds, yields \$2,500 in interest and saves the Government, according to Secretary Mellon, \$2,500 in interest which it would otherwise have to collect in taxes. You can follow this comparison up to the man with an earned income from his profession or business of \$60,000 a year, whose total tax is \$11,940, and the man with an unearned income of \$60,000 a year from \$1,500,000 of tax exempt 4% Government bonds who surrenders \$15,000 in interest and saves the Government that much in taxes.

It is, therefore, true that until you get to incomes considerably above \$60,000 a year, the man who lives on an unearned income from tax exempt bonds is contributing more to the burdens of the Government than the man living on an earned income of the same amount, and it is only the poor man with an earned income of more than \$70,000 that finds himself paying more by way of income taxes than the man with an unearned income of the same amount in tax exempt Government bonds.

How wrong it is, therefore, to attempt to stir up discontent by representing that the present law transfers the burden of taxation from the rich to the poor. When it comes to equalizing the burdens between the two classes of incomes above the \$70,000 mark, if it is important to do it, it can be accomplished by a reduction in the surtaxes and that could be done and still leave the maximum surtax at not more than 25%.

It is, therefore, to correct evils like those above mentioned which do not exist at all or for which the tax exempt bonds are in no way responsible that the Government would be led into the folly of giving up the right to issue exempt bonds and by so doing gain nothing itself and greatly add to the burdens of the taxpayers. The project is urged by so-called economists who seem to disregard all the principles of arithmetic and attempt to stir up social unrest by preaching that the rich are unloading the taxes on the poor when the opposite is true until you get to incomes exceeding \$70,000 a year; then by superficial argument, which the figures belie, reach the conclusion that there is advantage to the Government and the taxpayers by making a change, which in reality will be to the disadvantage of both.

The foregoing cannot be controverted by disputing the amount of the increase in interest which the Government will have to pay. If one insists that it will only be  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 1%, the two classes of income come to an equal payment at incomes of \$32,000 a year. If, on the other hand, the increase is  $\frac{3}{4}$  of 1%, they come to an equality at \$56,000 a year.

Let us get right down to figures and follow the operation clear around the circle. There is a great deal of superficial reasoning on the subject which is quite oblivious of the facts and favors the amendment on the pleasant but wrong impression that in some way it will benefit the Governments, Federal and State, and relieve the taxpayers.

Let us take a million dollars, say, of new Federal bonds put out subject to all taxes and then a million dollars of State bonds put out on the same footing. A million dollars of Federal bonds put out subject to taxation will have to pay a higher rate of interest, say 5% instead of 4%. That means that the Federal Government will have to raise \$50,000 to pay the interest on the bonds, that is \$10,000 more than if it put them out at 4% free of tax; but it has \$50,000 of additional taxable income received by the citizens on which to collect taxes. To collect taxes sufficient to meet the extra \$10,000 which it has to pay in interest will require an average tax of 20% on the \$50,000 of income. If Congressman Mills is right, 37% of this income will pay only  $12\frac{1}{2}$ % tax, or \$2,312 50; 23% will pay nothing, the remaining 40% has to pay all the balance, or \$7,687 50. Its taxes, therefore, which, if all the income was taxable, would take 20% on its interest, will, by reason of the non-taxable and part taxable receivers of the balance of the interest, take \$7,687 50 instead of \$4,000, that is, 38.4% instead of 20%. The Government has gained nothing. The  $12\frac{1}{2}$ % class, all corporations, pay  $12\frac{1}{2}$ % on 5% received by it subject to taxation, or  $\frac{5}{8}$  of 1%. The corporations, therefore, instead of getting 4% on non-taxable Governments, get 5% on taxable Governments, pay  $\frac{5}{8}$ % in the way of taxes and receive 4% net on their investment. The exempt class, instead of getting 4% on a non-taxable bond, get 5% on a taxable bond, do not pay any taxes at all, and, therefore, have a clear gain of 1% on their bonds. The holders of the balance of the bonds, 40%, have to pay all the balance of the taxes. If we consider that a single person holds them all, say \$400,000, he gets 1% more in interest, or \$4,000, but he pays in taxes \$7,687 50, and is much worse off for the change. If a great number of taxpayers hold the bonds, the additional burden is spread over them all, or if not, over the whole body of taxpayers.

Now as to a million dollars of new State bonds put out subject to tax, we have the same problem. The rate of interest goes up, say, from 4% to 5%. If it is more or less, the result varies but is always against the taxpayer. The State has \$10,000 more to raise to pay its interest.

As the plan provides for taxing the interest, and not the bonds as such, the State will have to collect a tax of 20% of the entire interest to meet the increase. If it is a State which taxes personal property but has no income tax law, it will have to pass an income tax law to collect this extra tax on the interest, or allow the Federal Government to collect taxes on the interest on Federal and State bonds and forego the privilege itself. The income tax rate will have to be as high as 20% if it is hoped to collect it from the holders of the bonds, or at such a rate applicable to all incomes as will total this 20%. If the State has an income tax law with low rates, it will have to increase those rates to the extent of 20%, against the holders of the bonds or against all incomes so as to secure an aggregate of 20% of the entire interest on the bonds. Inasmuch as there are 23% of exempt holders and many of the bonds are held in other States or out of reach where the tax collector does not get them this extra burden will come on the holders of the bonds who do pay taxes or upon the general body of taxpayers who get none of the extra interest. The State merely gets back its increased expenses and has increased the burdens of its taxpayers.

But how about the State's contribution to the Federal Treasury because it has made \$50,000 of new income taxable by the Federal authorities? The same taxpaying citizens of the State pay the Federal tax on this \$50,000 besides having to pay the State taxes on it. The same situation exists as with the income taxes on the Federal bonds. Thirty-seven per cent of the holders will pay  $12\frac{1}{2}$ % on their additional taxable income, 23% will pay nothing and 40% will pay the balance.

They will have the same unjust proportion of the Federal taxes to pay and they will have no further offset in increased interest for they have used that up in meeting their State taxes.

Neither can the conclusions from the foregoing computation be upset by contesting the estimates as to how many of the holders of the Federal and State bonds are in a position to have to pay full taxes. If it is 25%, as Mr. McCoy estimated, the burdens on the 25% who pay full taxes will be still greater. If it is 50%, as Professor Seligman concludes, they will be slightly less, but as long as there are holders who are non-taxpayers or part taxpayers, the extra interest, whatever it is, will be thrown upon the holders of bonds who pay full taxes whether they are few or many, or so far as they are able to escape it upon the great body of taxpayers.

It is true that the Federal Government gains by its taxing the income on State bonds. It may be that five times as many State bonds will be put

out as the Federal Government will put out and thus the Federal Government may have five times as many \$50,000 in State interest to levy on as it has in Federal interest and will gain proportionately more, but to what end? Its taxes have to be paid anyway and by the citizens of the States.

It is true, too, that the States will recoup something by the right to tax Federal bonds, but the citizens lose still more. This taxes them twice, as the State bonds will be taxed twice, and the same citizens will pay both. The double tax will send the rate of interest still higher, make the taxes to be collected still greater, drive the bonds still more into the hands of the non-taxpayers and the part taxpayers, and continue the vicious circle by which the tax burden on the few who pay will be increased. The taxpayers might better pay as they do now, at the rates involved under non-taxable Government and State issues, than to consent that the Federal and State Governments should make their bonds taxable and that those who pay full taxes should heavily increase their State taxes in consequence and increase their Federal taxes also, and all for the purpose of helping the non-taxpayers and the part taxpayers to get more interest out of their Government and State bonds. The State and National Governments collectively gain nothing at all, for with them, collectively—and that is the way to look at it—it is immaterial whether they put out non-taxable bonds and keep down their net expenses, or put up their interest on taxable bonds and their expenses, too, for they must simply balance their budgets on either basis.

In the foregoing, the question has been studied purely from the economic and sociological standpoint and if the conclusions reached are sound, it does not seem necessary to consider any constitutional or State's rights question which may be involved.

In the judgment of your Committee, the Chamber should oppose any change in the Federal Constitution or in the practice of the Federal Government or of the States and municipalities by which they shall hereafter put out taxable bonds or be forbidden to put out non-taxable bonds. The Chamber should favor the repeal of all laws permitting tax exempt bonds to be put out by any other bodies than the Federal Government and the States and municipalities, to the end that all individual and private corporation borrowings shall be on an equality in the money market.

The Committee recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, That the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York is opposed to any amendment of the Constitution of the United States which shall disqualify either the Federal Government or any State or municipal Government from issuing bonds free from both Federal and State taxation, as uneconomic and contrary to the interests both of the Federal Government and of the States and municipalities and of the taxpayers in both jurisdictions, and particularly disadvantageous to the States, their municipalities and their citizens, which now collect their taxes through an income tax law; and, be it

*Resolved*, That the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York recognizes the propriety and wisdom of the Federal Government and the State and municipal governments having the right to issue tax exempt bonds but believes that such right should belong exclusively to such political bodies; that no private individual or corporation should have any such right; that all such borrowers should be put on an equality in the money market; that Congress should repeal any such existing privilege to cover all future borrowings of all individual or private corporation borrowers; and, be it further

*Resolved*, That the officers of the Chamber be instructed to forward the foregoing resolutions to the Senators and Representatives in Congress, and to other chambers of commerce and similar bodies throughout the United States with which it is accustomed to co-operate, and take such other steps as they may be advised, to urge the views set forth in this report and secure Government action accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

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### Secretary of the Treasury Mellon in Answer to Report of New York Chamber of Commerce Opposing Ban on Tax-Exempt Securities.

The report voicing the opposition of the New York State Chamber of Commerce to the proposed constitutional amendment placing a ban on the issuance of tax-exempt securities brought from Secretary of the Treasury Mellon the statement that the position taken by the report "is founded upon several serious misconceptions," and that on many points it is "directly at variance with the facts." Secretary Mellon's declarations were contained in a letter addressed to Clarence H. Kelsey, Chairman of the Chamber's Committee on Taxation, which drafted the report, and forwarded to the latter on Jan. 31, before the report was brought before the Chamber on Feb. 1. Secretary Mellon declared that the report seemed to "overlook the most important factor in the tax-exempt security problem, namely that the root of the trouble lies in the Federal income surtaxes." Referring to the fact that the tax exemptions of the securities will tend to defeat the collection of the taxes, Secretary Mellon pointed out that he had "accordingly urged that action be taken first to restrict further issues of tax-exempt securities, in order to block this avenue of escape from the surtaxes, and second to reduce the surtax rates to a reasonable level." The Secretary expressed the belief that the proposed constitutional amendment is safe and practicable, and he added "I hope that the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York will not take a position adverse to its adoption." In his letter to Mr. Kelsey Secretary Mellon said:

I received your letter of Jan. 22, with further reference to the question of tax-exempt securities, and have since had opportunity to examine the report of your committee on this subject to the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York, which I notice was published yesterday morning and is expected to come up for action at the meeting of the Chamber on Thursday. I cannot escape the feeling after reading this report that the position which it takes is founded upon several serious misconceptions, and I am satisfied that on many points the report is directly at variance with the facts.

Reduced to its lowest terms, the main contention of the report seems to be that so long as there are high surtaxes there ought to be tax-exempt securities to provide relief from those surtaxes. This view is not unnatural, having



regard to the excessive rates of surtax which now prevail, but it is the Treasury's view that to sanction the continued issuance of securities carrying full exemptions from taxation and at the same time attempt to levy Federal income surtaxes running as high as 58%, when combined with the normal tax, creates an impossible situation, since the tax exemptions of the securities will tend to defeat the collection of the taxes.

I have accordingly urged that action be taken, first, to restrict further issues of tax-exempt securities, in order to block this avenue of escape from the surtaxes, and, second, to reduce the surtax rates to a reasonable level, with a maximum of 25%, amounting to 33% when combined with the normal tax. This would, in my judgment, provide a workable system and in the long run produce more revenue than the present rates.

The report of your committee, it seems to me, overlooks the most important factor in the tax-exempt security problem, namely that the root of the trouble lies in the Federal income surtaxes. The high surtaxes date from the Revenue Act of 1917, and until that time tax-exempt securities presented a problem of small magnitude, since most taxes were levied at level rates, and it could generally be said, as stated in your report, that the loss of taxes was roughly made up by the saving in interest costs. With taxes at flat rates, the exemption is worth about as much to one taxpayer as another, and, barring any question as to conflicting State and Federal jurisdiction, it could be said with some force that if the State or Federal Governments were to tax the securities which they themselves issued, purchasers of securities would insist on an interest yield high enough to compensate for the taxes levied.

The Federal surtaxes have changed all this and created an entirely different problem. The exemption to which the greatest importance now attaches is the exemption from Federal surtaxes, and the value of this exemption depends entirely upon the income of the individual taxpayer. Generally speaking, it will be greatest in the case of the wealthiest taxpayer, while to the person paying only a normal tax or a low surtax the exemption will be relatively of little value. This makes it quite impossible, as a practical matter, for the borrowing State or Federal Government to obtain full value for the exemption carried by the securities, for in the nature of things the securities will be sold in the open market at quoted prices adjusted to market conditions, though to one purchaser the exemption may be worth little or nothing and to another purchaser who pays the same price, the exemption may be worth the equivalent of 10 or 11% on a taxable security.

Another fundamental difference, which your report completely overlooks, is that the surtaxes are levied by the Federal Government, while the tax-exempt securities are, for the most part, issued by the State and municipal Governments. In other words, the Federal Government gets no compensating advantage whatever from any reduction in interest rates that may accrue to the State or municipal Government through the tax-exempt privilege, so that the tax exemption from Federal surtaxes is in fact an involuntary subsidy conferred upon State and municipal Governments by the Federal Government at the expense of its own revenues.

Your report, I notice, attempts to meet this on the ground that, whether the State or Federal Governments are involved, it is all one body of taxpayers; but while this is undoubtedly a valid argument in support of uniformity of treatment as between the State and Federal Governments, it cannot be advanced in support of a system which permits taxpayers to avoid their taxes to the Federal Government by purchasing securities issued by or under authority of the States.

It must be clear that graduated additional income taxes cannot be effective when there exist side by side with them practically unlimited quantities of fully tax-exempt securities available to defeat them, and that either some way must be found to stop the continued issuance of tax-exempt securities or the Federal Government must find some substitute for the surtaxes. The issue is immediate and serious, for the yield of the surtaxes has already been reduced to a relatively small sum as compared with the early years, and the persistence of the present system is distorting our whole economic structure and hampering the development of business and industry throughout the country.

A constitutional amendment along the lines proposed in the pending resolution would correct the situation and would put State and Federal Governments on an equality. I believe that such a constitutional amendment is safe and practicable, and I hope that the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York will not take a position adverse to its adoption.

### Governor Trinkle, of Virginia, in Opposition to Proposal to Do Away with Issues of Tax-Exempt Securities, State and National.

In a communication addressed by E. Lee Trinkle, Governor of Virginia, to the Senators and Representatives from Virginia in Congress, a stand is taken against the Green resolution which proposes to amend the Federal Constitution so as to do away with the issuance of tax-exempt securities. Governor Trinkle undertakes to set out some of the consequences which to his mind "will flow from the adoption of this amendment, particularly with reference to the change which will be made in the nature of our Government and the injurious effects which will necessarily result to the States and their subdivisions." His views have been issued in pamphlet form under the title "A Plea for Principle—Shall the Federal Government Control the Credit of the States"? In view of the great importance of the subject, and the widespread interest in it, we give his communication in full herewith:

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA.  
Governor's Office.

Gentlemen of the Virginia Delegation, of the Congress:

Favorable action upon House Joint Resolution 314, known as the Green Resolution, which has for its purpose the amendment of the Federal Constitution so as to confer upon the central Government the authority to tax income arising from securities issued by the States and their subdivisions, is being urged by the officers of the National Tax Association for reasons largely theoretical.

The Treasury Department and certain members of Congress seem inclined to favor this legislation because it will increase the income subject to the Federal income tax. At the hearing before the Committee on Ways and Means in January and March of this year (1922) many phases of the question were presented, all the arguments being advanced by proponents of the measure and no dissenting voice being expressed, save by elegrams of six Governors who stated simply that they were not in favor of Federal taxation of State securities, without giving fully their reasons therefor.

In view of these facts, it seems not appropriate at this time that attention be directed to some of the consequences which will flow from the adoption of this amendment, particularly with reference to the change which will be made in the nature of our Government and the injurious effects which will necessarily result to the States and their subdivisions.

A revolutionary change in our system of constitutional government is proposed. Prudence teaches us that principles long established should not be set aside for light or transient causes. Before determining to make this change we must answer these questions:

- (1) Is this change fundamentally right in principle?
- (2) Is it expedient as a matter of policy?

I submit that both of these questions should be answered in the negative.

#### The Power To Tax Is the Power To Destroy.

The principle that our Government is an indissoluble Union of indestructible States is as old as the Government itself. Each Government is supreme and sovereign in its own domain. It is, and of right ought to be, no more within the power of the Federal Government to destroy a State than it is within the power of a State to destroy the Union. From this principle it follows that neither Government has power to tax the other, or any of its agencies, for it was decided at an early time that the power to tax is the power to destroy. This principle is fundamental in our system.

So far as I am aware, no writer upon taxation has ever come out in the open and directly advocated that a Government should tax itself, or that one Government should tax another, yet, as I shall show, this is precisely what the proponents of this measure are trying to do. They are attempting by thinly-veiled indirect methods to accomplish a purpose that they haven't the face and the hardihood to try directly.

#### Taxation Is Regulation.

Grant the State the power to tax the Government, it ceases to be independent; grant the Government the power to tax the States, they become not States but Provinces. Empower the Government to tax securities issued by the States, you create absolute Federal domination and control over these securities; sow the wind, you reap the whirlwind; for is it not plain that once Congress begins to tax, it must necessarily look to the regulatory effect of its tax laws upon these securities? It is but one short step from the use of the taxing power to "raise revenue to pay the debts and provide for the common defense and general welfare of the United States," to the perversion of this power to an instrumentality for regulating, controlling and prohibiting. Congress has taken this step too often to encourage the idea that it is likely to reform. Witness the tariff, constitutionally intended solely for revenue, it has been, since the days of Hamilton, the football of politics for the promotion of the ever-changing economic theories of the party in power. We have no means of judging of the future but by the past, and judging by the past, we have no reason to believe that Congress will voluntarily abandon any part of this regulatory power, once it is granted.

#### Evasive Language of the Proposed Amendment.

While, on account of the violation of the principles outlined above, I would be opposed to any amendment authorizing Federal taxation of State securities, yet the Green resolution, the measure now before Congress contains features that are especially condemnatory. This resolution reads as follows:

"Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled (two-thirds of each House concurring therein). That the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by the Legislatures of three-fourths of the several States.

#### Article -----

Section 1. The United States shall have power to lay and collect taxes on income derived from securities issued, after the ratification of this article, by or under the authority of any State, but without discrimination against income derived from such securities and favor of income derived from securities issued, after the ratification of this article, by or under the authority of the United States or any other State.

Sec. 2. Each State shall have power to lay and collect taxes on income derived by its residents from securities issued, after the ratification of this article, by or under the authority of the United States; but without discrimination against income derived from securities issued, after the ratification of this article, by or under the authority of such State."

It is worthy of note that this article authorizes Federal taxation of the income derived from State and municipal securities at the pleasure of Congress, with only one restriction. Such taxation may not discriminate against income from such securities and in favor of income derived from Federal securities. This is the only limitation, there is no requirement of uniformity, there is no requirement that the taxation of the income from State and municipal securities be not greater than that imposed upon all other income, there is nothing to prevent Congress from classifying various State and municipal securities among themselves and prescribing a different rate for each class. The language of this article is so indefinite and illusive that no one can tell what it means. In fact no one will ever know this until Congress has tried every device conceivable to the mind of men, and the Supreme Court has told us which of these are forbidden and which are not forbidden. The proposed amendment is far less clear than the language of Section 5219 of the Revised Statutes authorizing State taxation of the stock of national banks, and providing that "such taxation shall not be at a greater rate than is assessed upon other moneyed capital in the hands of individual citizens of such State." The latter section was enacted nearly sixty years ago, the Supreme Court has construed it in some thirty cases and I doubt that there are a dozen men to-day who know precisely what this limitation means. Mr. Samuel Lord, Chairman of the Minnesota Tax Commission, in an address delivered at Minneapolis on Sept. 20 1922, stated that since 1900 up to 1921 both the bankers of the nation and all the tax officers of the States had been considerably in the dark as to the real meaning of this section.

Under this law, the Supreme Court in *Amoskeag Savings Bank v. Purdy*, 231 U. S., 373, held that the true test as to whether or not a State law discriminated against national bank stock, and in favor of other moneyed capital, was not the effect of the law upon a few isolated stockholders, but whether the scheme of taxation adopted by the State discriminates against bank stockholders as a class and in favor of the holders of other moneyed capital as a class. It cannot be doubted that the Court would construe the amendment now proposed in the same way, that is, although Congress might tax some State securities at a very much higher rate than it taxes Federal securities, yet such discrimination would not be forbidden, provided the entire tax upon the income from all outstanding State securities is not at a higher rate than the entire tax upon the income from all outstanding Federal securities. For instance, if Congress desired to exercise absolute regulation over the issuance of State and municipal securities, it would have only to set up a State Security Board and provide that the income derived from securities issued under the Board's permission should be taxed at one-fourth of one per cent less than the income derived from Federal securities, and that the income derived from all securities issued by States and municipalities without the consent of the Board should be taxed at 100%. This



would not discriminate against State and municipal securities as a class, and in favor of Federal securities as a class, and the Court would hold that it is a perfectly valid exercise of the taxing power conferred by the Constitutional amendment in question.

This is only a single illustration, but a careful study of the bank stock cases suggests a practically endless variety of ways in which Congress could oppress and burden the States which issue securities without violating the Constitutional inhibition.

Nearly three thousand years ago, the wisest of monarchs said: "The borrower is a servant unto the lender." This is true because the lender has the power to dictate the terms of the contract, and he thus controls the relationship. Place the control of State and municipal credit in Congressional hands, and the exercise of every function of local government will become sooner or later a matter of Federal license.

In the foregoing discussion, I have refrained from commenting on the last four words in Sec. 1 of the resolution. These words are: "Or any other State." This was for the reason that this loose language does not, to my mind at least, convey any meaning whatever. Of course if the matter should be brought before the Court, it would necessarily seek an interpretation of these words; but until a meaning is assigned to them it is unprofitable as well as unsafe to discuss it. Of one thing I am fairly sure, the Court will say that they do not mean "Any other State of this Union," because the words "Other State" follow the words "United States" and this requires the construction that the United States is a State, and that the words mean "the United States or other similar State." The States of the Union are not similar to the United States, they are diverse, and therefore cannot be included in the term. Let me mention a pertinent illustration: to the layman's mind, it is quite clear that in the sentence: "The taxation of shares of national banks shall not be at a greater rate than is imposed on other moneyed capital in the hands of individuals," the word "other" is mere surplusage and should be disregarded, since nothing could be more dissimilar to capital, whether moneyed or otherwise, in the hands of individuals than shares of corporate stock. However the judicial mind, being forced to discover a meaning for each word in the statute or to invent one where none can be found, said in *Mercantile National Bank v. New York* 121 U. S. 138, a leading case which is being followed to-day:

"Applying this rule of construction, we are led, in the first place, to consider the meaning of 'other moneyed capital' as used in the statute. Of course it includes shares in national banks; the use of the word 'other' requires that, if bank shares were not moneyed capital, the use of the word 'other' in this connection would be without significance."

The Court then goes on solemnly to declare that the term includes also shares of stock in State banks, trust companies and other corporations engaged in a similar business and competing with national banks. A monstrous conclusion truly, yet it fairly illustrates the length to which the Court may be driven when it is required to find a meaning where none exists.

#### *Amendment Not Conceived in Idea of Fairness to States.*

It is apparent that this proposed amendment was drawn with the view solely to allow Federal taxation of State securities without any definite plan of fairness to the States or giving them a quid pro quo. Speaking of the right given to the States to tax Federal securities, M. McFadden, author of the resolution, said (Hearing, page 11): "If I was following my own thought in that connection I would not refer to that. I think the question of giving the States the same right is largely a political sop, as you might say, to get them to ratify the whole proposition." Mr. McFadden's candor in this connection is refreshing. His statement is manifestly untrue for the reason that the entire amendment is drawn to fit the present Federal system of taxation and not to fit the system in force in the great majority of the States. The only taxation permitted is taxation of the income. Comparatively few States have income tax laws, and in each of these, except perhaps Wisconsin, New York and Massachusetts, it is only supplemental to a property tax. The basic tax in practically all the States is some form of a property tax, whether it be a classified property tax, as in Minnesota, Maryland, Pennsylvania and Virginia, or a general property tax, as in Illinois, Ohio, Arkansas and Texas. Under these systems the chief support of the State Government comes not from the taxation of income but from the taxation of property. The Federal Government, however, has no property tax, its entire system is a tax upon income. Manifestly, if it is right in principle for a State, imposing an income tax, to tax the income derived from Federal securities, it is likewise proper for a State imposing a property tax to tax Federal securities as property. I may remark in passing that the derogatory statements made by some of those before the Committee with reference to State systems of property taxation were wholly gratuitous. Their desire to use force to compel the States to adopt income systems shows the trend of a certain type of the Congressional mind. The Federal Government has no more concern with the kind of a tax system a State chooses to adopt than it has with regulating navigation on the canals of Mars.

#### *Amendment False to Principles Proclaimed by Its Proponents.*

It is stated by the Committee on Tax Exemptions in its report to the National Tax Association, 1920, page 3: "If the basis of taxation be property, all private property should be taxable; if the basis be income, all private income should be taxable." It is clear that if income from a Federal security is private income, then the property in the security is private property and there is no excuse for taxing the income and exempting the property. Moreover, if the income from State securities should be taxed, there is no reason for exempting the salaries of State officers and employees from Federal taxation. The Committee on Tax Exemptions says in report, page 8: "Since all personal or private income should be taxed, so the recipients of public salaries . . . should be taxable as any other person is." Federal taxation of these salaries seems to have been provided in the original resolution. However, in a letter from Mr. S. P. Gilbert, Undersecretary of the Treasury, to Hon. Louis T. McFadden, author of the resolution, he said with regard to striking out the provisions as to the salaries of State officers, (Hearing, page 27):

"It will be extremely difficult in any circumstances, however, to get three-fourths of the States to ratify a Constitutional amendment to restrict the further issuance of tax-exempt securities, and to add to these difficulties by giving the State and local officials who are likely to be most active in the several States a definite personal interest against the amendment might easily defeat the whole proposition."

The presentation of this gratuity to State officials, not to use a shorter and uglier expression, for the purpose of lining them up in support of the proposed amendment, is, I submit, a departure from principle and an affront to their integrity and patriotism. It shows that the Congressional proponents of the resolution are not standing for the principle of taxation of all property and all income, which was advocated by the National Tax Association, but that they, losing sight of that principle entirely, are simply endeavoring to extend the field of Federal taxation at whatever cost.

#### *Arguments of Proponents.*

The proponents of the amendment condemn the present system upon the following grounds:

1. A large portion of property escapes taxation, thereby causing great loss of revenue.
2. It violates the ability principle of taxation and unfairly discriminates between taxpayers.
3. It impedes private financing.
4. It discourages investment in new enterprises.
5. It encourages investment in new Governmental agencies.
6. It grants a private subsidy to certain interests, thereby creating a privileged class.
7. By withdrawing money from private enterprises it increases the rate of interest required for all enterprises not carried on by the Government and thereby adds to the cost of living.
8. It creates social unrest; and that the only practical remedy is by Constitutional amendment such as proposed in the resolution offered by the committee.

These reasons may be reduced to three. First, a large portion of property escapes taxation. Second, it increases the interest rate for non-Government borrowing. Third, States and municipalities are encouraged to borrow more money than they should have. The answer to these arguments is that the first and second are untrue and the third is no concern of the Federal Government.

#### *Tax Exemption vs. Tax Prepayment.*

First, is it true that under the present system of taxation a large portion of the property escapes taxation? Upon to-day's market 1st 3½ Liberty bonds, the only issue entirely exempt from further income tax, may be purchased to yield 3.43%. The other issues, identically like Firsts except that interest from them is liable to the surtax, are selling on the average to yield 4.40%. This difference of ninety-seven one-hundredths of one per cent, or ninety-seven cents per year on each hundred dollar bond, over 20% of the income, represents the amount of tax prepaid by the bondholder to the Government. It is idle to say that 1st 3½ escape taxation or are exempt. As a matter of fact they have been fully taxed for their entire life and the Government collected this tax on the day it sold the bond. This is the only absolutely scientific and perfect self-collecting tax in existence. Federal Farm Loan bonds are now selling on the basis of 4.41% and they are competing in the market with equally good Farm Loan bonds yielding 6.50%. This difference, 2.09%, or thirty per cent of the income, is but a tax collected at the source when the bonds were issued. As stated by Secretary Mellon before the hearing, page 29, the Government can now sell at par a 3½ security with exemption from further taxation. If these securities were liable for further taxation the rate would be somewhere from 4½ to perhaps 5%. This difference inuring to the benefit of the Government cannot be regarded as anything except a tax already collected. Precisely the same reasoning applies to the issuance of State and municipal bonds. Bonds of the State of Virginia may now be bought on a basis to yield 4.1%. Our State could issue any reasonable amount of bonds at about this rate. If, however, these bonds were further taxable by the State and Federal Government, I am informed by reliable brokers who deal in this class of securities they would have to be sold on a 6% basis, if, indeed, they could be sold at all. In other words, as Secretary Mellon said, endorsing the statement of Mr. Jos. S. McCoy, the Government actuary: (Hearings p. 21):

"There is little doubt that under these conditions (after the passage of the proposed amendment) the future investor in what are now tax-exempt securities would demand that they bear a rate of interest or be sold at a discount sufficient at least to meet this tax."

Especial attention should be directed to the words "at least." Secretary Mellon, after his usual manner of carefully choosing his words, does not say that simply the amount of the tax would be added, but that certainly no less than the amount of the tax would have to be added to make the bonds marketable. It follows from this that the effect of the proposed amendment would be to require all States and sub-divisions issuing bonds to pay in addition to the interest at least an additional amount sufficient to meet the tax assessed on these bonds by the Federal Government. It is true that this tax would be paid through the medium of the bondholder. However, the bondholder would be a mere conduit through which the tax would pass from the State to the Federal Government, and I submit that it would be simpler, cheaper, and more efficient if this tax is to be imposed, to require the State to withhold the amount of the tax on its bonds and to pay this amount directly into the Federal Treasury. This method of direct dealing instead of using subterfuge would cost the States less and the Federal Government would realize more. Since it is thus shown that the so-called tax-exempt securities are mis-named and should be called tax-prepaid securities, it is plain that only two objections can be raised to this method:

- First, that the tax is too low, and
- Second, that the tax is improperly distributed.

#### *Natural Limits of Income Taxation.*

As I have shown above, the tax upon tax-prepaid securities is more than 30% of the net income, and, while it may be argued that a 30% income tax too low, I do not believe you can get any authority on taxation to say that a higher tax can be imposed successfully as an established policy. It is my experience and observation that there is a dead line of taxation somewhere between a tax which takes 10% and one which takes 20% of the taxpayer's income. While a government may take more for a brief time in a national emergency, yet as a fixed policy it cannot long endure.

Perhaps the earliest income tax imposed by man was in Egypt. The rate was 20%. (Genesis XLVII., 24.) While this tax seems to have been successfully collected for a time, mark you its ultimate fruits. The dynasty of the King imposing it was overthrown and exiled, and the entire race of the Prime Minister who proposed the tax was taken in bondage. (Exodus I., 8.) Shortly thereafter the greatest of lawgivers fixed the rate of tax at 10% of the income; under this law the nation prospered for more than one thousand years, during which time the law was never amended or revised. The lesson taught by the history of these primitive people is repeated in the rise and fall of every nation. Can you name one nation that, successfully, as a fixed policy, imposed year in and year out a tax upon any substantial part of its citizens or subjects which took away more than 30% of their income. I can recall a number who tried it, but in every case the end was a revolution and an overthrow of the government. A detailed study of these tax systems that attempted too much and failed is not valueless to us to-day, for the thing that hath been it is that which shall be. For these reasons I reach the conclusion that the 30% income tax already collected on Federal and State bonds is sufficiently high.

#### *Unfairness to the States.*

We come now to the real milk in the cocoanut from the standpoint of the Congressional proponents of this measure, viz., the distribution of the tax on these tax-prepaid securities. The Federal Government has issued about twenty-three billions of bonds. It does not contemplate any further large issues. These bonds cannot be taxed by the States. The Government in effect collected and put in its pocket the tax that would otherwise have come to the States on these bonds. The States are now issuing bonds for much needed roads, schools and other internal improvements, localities are issuing bonds for public utilities. The proposition is that none of the outstanding bonds will be liable to the tax which is to be imposed only upon income derived from securities issued after the ratification of the



amendment. It is thus probable that during the next fifty years, at least, there will be no Federal securities liable to State taxation; but, on the other hand, the States and municipalities are issuing about a billion dollars in securities each year. All of these will be liable to the Federal taxation. Since there will be no Federal securities liable to the tax, the value of the provision against discrimination will be nil.

Since the Federal Government has issued about twenty-three billion dollars in bonds not taxable by the States, and since the States and municipalities have issued only about ten billion not taxable by the Federal Government, the Government is by far the larger beneficiary of the system, and it comes with exceedingly bad grace from it to ask that the plan be terminated before the States and municipalities have reaped equal benefits. The proposition is too much like the old saying, "What is yours is mine, and what is mine is my own." No matter from what angle we view the proposed amendment, it always comes back to the same thing, namely, the Federal Government is attempting to get authority to tax the States on account of the exercise of one of their governmental functions. This, I submit, is wrong in principle and should not commend favor either in Congress or in the State Legislatures.

#### Amendments to Constitution Not Proper Remedy.

The evil, or supposed evil, which the proposed amendment is desired to correct is thus expressed by Secretary Mellon (hearing, page 20): "The most important consideration is that the existence of the growing mass of tax-exempt securities, coupled with the extremely high surtax rates still imposed by law, tends to drive persons of large income more and more to invest in wholly exempt securities issued and still being issued by the States and municipalities and heretofore issued by the Federal Government." To remedy this situation, Secretary Mellon makes five suggestions (hearing, pages 24 and 25). Two of his recommendations have not been adopted by Congress. These are:

1. Repeal of the \$2,000 exemption applicable to corporations.
2. Readjustment of the surtaxes to a maximum combined normal and surtax of 33% for years succeeding 1921.

These recommendations on the part of the Secretary are emphatic and unqualified. He continues: "I suggest for the consideration of Congress that it may also be advisable to take action by statute or constitutional amendment to restrict issuance of tax-exempt securities." The committee is ignoring the two unqualified recommendations and is proceeding to act upon the Secretary's suggestion as to the constitutional amendment. I submit that it is fundamentally improper to attempt to seek relief from the situation by constitutional amendment before the remedies already given by the Constitution are exhausted. The repeal of the exemption allowed corporations will yield an average revenue of between four hundred and five hundred million dollars. (Secretary Mellon's statement, hearings, page 24.) The proposed constitutional amendment would yield an annual revenue of approximately only one hundred and twenty million. There is really no excuse for the exemption to corporations. It violates the fundamental principle of uniformity in taxation. By the repeal of this provision about four times as much additional revenue would be collected as by the proposed amendment. The repeal of the higher surtax would lessen the demand for tax-prepaid securities and would go far toward remedying the condition of which complaint is made, for it is to be observed that the condition results not from the existence of the securities alone but from the existence of the securities coupled with the extremely high surtaxes still imposed by law. Moreover, the Treasury now has in its possession about ten and one-half billion dollars of temporary obligations of foreign Governments. These obligations are definite commitments by these Governments to issue to the United States regulation long-time 5% bonds upon request. Against these obligations the Federal Government sold its Liberty bonds, which are non-taxable by the States. If the Government is in earnest in its desire to decrease the tax-exempt bonds outstanding, it will have these foreign obligations converted into bonds, selling them upon the market and using the proceeds for redeeming that amount of its outstanding securities. This procedure will increase the taxable bonds by ten and one-half billion dollars and will retire an equal amount of bonds from which the States now derive no revenue and the Federal Government no normal tax.

#### Dog-in-the-Manger Arguments.

A number of representatives of various privately owned public utilities and private loan and mortgage companies appeared before the committee to urge favorable action on the amendment. The gist of their argument was: "Why should the States be allowed to borrow money cheaper than we can borrow it? You tax us and we want you to tax them." They labored industriously to make it appear that they could borrow to better advantage and that the supply of money for their enterprises would be increased if the credit of the States was string-haltered. However, in the light of Secretary Mellon's testimony these arguments were dissipated like morning mists before the sun. In this connection he says: "I doubt if it would have any effect. There is the quantity of securities existing to-day. Some are tax-exempt and some are not. Now there would be practically the same quantity existing if they were all made subject to tax, and I do not think it would have any appreciable bearing on the securities that are existing to-day which are not tax free." This statement by the eminent financier, like so many of his other utterances, has the ring of hard common sense, for it is obvious that the taxation of income arising from State securities could reduce the rate of interest on other securities only to the extent that it reduces the rate of tax on these securities. The amount of tax which would be received from State and municipal securities, \$120,000,000, is infinitesimal when compared with the \$23,700,000,000 taxable income in the United States, and it is apparent that taxation of these securities could reduce the general tax rate only 6-100 of 1%, an amount which, as the Secretary says, would not be appreciable.

It is further objected that the holders of State and municipal securities constitute a privileged class. People who own bath tubs likewise constitute a privileged class, but this is no argument for closing the tub factories. Anybody can buy State or municipal securities. There is no objection to a privileged class so long as it is not exclusive.

#### Bad Policy.

But even if we care nothing for governmental principles, if we are willing to tear down the constitutional structure and sell our birthright, there is another reason for defeating this amendment that ought to be conclusive. It is bad business. Would Congress entertain a proposal to sell gold dollars for fifty cents apiece? Yet that would be a stroke of financial genius when compared to the proposition it is now considering.

From first to last throughout the hearing Chairman Fordney plumbd the track on this question. He saw clearly and kept reiterating that the effect of the amendment would be simply to take money out of one pocket and put it in another. This would be true provided the income tax is perfectly administered, is 100% efficient and is assessed and collected without cost. However, we know as a practical matter that the collection of taxes is far from perfect. The experts of the Treasury Department think that the Federal income tax collects about 80% of what it ought to collect. It is probable that they are a little optimistic as to the workings

of their department. At any rate, it is certainly true that no State income tax approaches this mark of efficiency.

#### Loss to Government and to States.

Secretary Mellon estimates (hearing, page 21) that if all tax-exempt securities outstanding Jan. 1 1922 were made taxable the gross increase in revenue to the Government would be approximately \$120,000,000 per annum. He says (hearing, page 29) that while the Government can to-day issue a 3½% tax-free security it would have to pay a rate of 4½% to 5% on a security not tax free. Taking the lowest estimate and assuming that the bonds could be sold at 4½%, the Government's loss would be, if the tax applied to bonds now outstanding, as follows:

Additional 1% interest on \$23,000,000,000	\$230,000,000
Less gain from income tax (hearing, page 21)	120,000,000

Net loss per year	\$110,000,000
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Similarly, on the amount of State and municipal securities outstanding, the States would pay an additional amount of interest of 1% on ten billion dollars. The States would receive an additional income tax of not more than an average of 2% on the income derived from State and Federal securities. This total income would be about one and one-half billion dollars, and the net loss on the part of the States would be as follows:

Additional 1% interest on \$10,000,000,000	\$100,000,000
Less income tax at 2% on \$1,500,000,000	30,000,000

Net loss per year	\$70,000,000
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Federal loss per year	\$110,000,000
State loss per year	70,000,000

Total loss per year	\$180,000,000
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This is on the assumption that each State enacts an income tax law and that the States and the Federal Government all collect their taxes with 100% efficiency. As a matter of fact, State income taxes cannot apply easily to the income of banks, insurance companies and other moneyed corporations who would hold a large proportion of these bonds. The maximum rate of State tax would by no means apply to all the income and, furthermore, the administration of the laws is far from perfect. Due to these facts, it is likely that the total loss entailed by the proposed amendments would be nearer \$250,000,000 or \$300,000,000 annually. This calculation is based upon securities now in existence, for, although, of course, the tax would not apply to these securities, it is only fair to figure its application to existing conditions in order that we may understand its application to conditions as they may be in the future.

#### Loss to Virginia.

Applying these same principles to the State of Virginia, the amount of Liberty bonds sold in this State was \$275,000,000. I am informed that the records of the Federal Reserve Bank indicate that approximately 57% of this amount has been resold by the holders to persons outside the State and that there remains in Virginia only about \$90,000,000 of these bonds; that \$50,000,000 is a liberal estimate of the amount now in the hands of persons liable to the Virginia income tax. The Commonwealth of Virginia and its sub-divisions have now outstanding \$102,000,000 in securities. The figures from the tax rolls of the Auditor's office indicate that less than 20% of these bonds are held by persons who would be taxable under the income tax law, a large part of them being held outside the State and a great amount being held by banks, trust companies, insurance companies and other corporations not taxable under the Virginia income tax law. In the opinion of leading brokers, if the income from State and municipal bonds was liable to Federal and State taxation 1½% would have to be added to the interest rate to make these bonds marketable. Therefore, the additional taxable income under the proposed amendment would be:

Liberty bonds, \$50,000,000—Interest at 4½%	\$2,250,000
State and municipal bonds, \$20,000,000—Interest at 5½%	1,100,000

Total	\$3,350,000
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The loss to Virginia and her municipalities under the proposed amendment would be:

Additional interest at 1½% on \$102,000,000	\$1,530,000
Less additional tax at 2% on \$3,350,000	67,000

Net loss per year	\$1,463,000
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Virginia is not able to bear this additional expense. It seems to me that it would be far better to sacrifice some of the beauties of theoretical taxation and to keep the system we now have and to spend this money on State and national highways rather than pay it out as additional interest, thus putting it in the pockets of the bondholders.

#### Statistics Prove Loss Underestimated.

That the foregoing estimates of the loss which will be entailed by the passage of this amendment is ridiculously low is demonstratively shown by the actual facts in existence to-day. From what Secretary Mellon said, and the present market price of the various Liberty issues, it is easy to calculate what it costs the Government to issue nineteen and one-half billions of obligations not wholly exempt from tax. The annual interest is \$886,000,000, or over \$185,000,000 more than it would be had all these issues been wholly exempt. I was interested in this, and I wished to know how much the Government got back in surtaxes on the income from these securities. In reply to my request, I was informed that the Commissioner of Internal Revenue said he did not believe that there is any compilation of such statistics. In order to get some idea of these figures, I turned to pages 58 and 59 of Statistics of Income, 1920, which showed that of this \$886,000,000 \$61,549,572 was reported by taxpayers—a little over 6%. The tax on this reported income, taking the highest current rates of surtax for the income classes into which the incomes respectively fall, and multiplying this rate by the amount of income received from these securities by persons in the class, we have \$8,658,374.26 as the maximum amount of tax which could be collected from income derived from these securities, assuming every dollar of this income to be taxable, and taxed at the highest possible rate. This is about 4 1-3% of the \$185,000,000 additional interest paid on these securities. But this is not the whole story, due to the conditional exemptions which allow each taxpayer to own up to \$160,000.00 of these bonds without paying any tax on the income derived from them, if these bonds are so distributed that each taxpayer holds this amount as nearly as he can, then the amount of taxable income from these bonds is reduced to less than \$800,000 and the tax to less than \$400,000—less than ¼ of 1% of the \$185,000,000 additional interest paid. Did I say that the proposition was worse than selling gold dollars for fifty cents each? The Government is to-day selling gold dollars, more than a half-million a day, one hundred and eighty-five million of them a year, certainly for less than a nickel apiece, and perhaps as low as four for a cent.

To Virginia the question of highway improvement is of paramount importance. With one voice her people are demanding that her program in this regard be carried to successful completion. Her most astute thinkers are now engrossed in solving the problem whether this objective may best be obtained by financing road construction from current revenues or from



the proceeds of the sale of bonds. To solve this problem, which is one of the most perplexing to arise within a generation, to answer aright this question, both for ourselves and for those who come after us, to whom we are determined to transmit undimmed the torch of governmental activity, Virginia deserves in addition to the wisdom and patriotism of her sons an opportunity, full and free, to exercise her own judgment unhindered by conditions foreign to herself, and unhindered by outside influence.

The Green resolution, if passed by Congress and referred to the States for ratification, would tend mightily towards forcing the judgment of this and other States, as well as the municipalities, by driving them into issuing at once a sufficient amount of long-term bonds to anticipate all needs for several decades to come, thus bringing into actual reality the conditions which it is said that the amendment was designed to prevent. For is it not clear that as the ratification of the amendment would say to the States, "You must cease issuing securities," so the passage of the resolution would say to them with no less authority, "You must issue now or never"?

Virginia has no desire to control any activities outside her jurisdiction, no purpose to exert her influence beyond its proper sphere. She believes that she can best decide her own questions for herself, and she asks only that she be allowed to do this in her own time and in her own way. A spirit of toleration and justice permits her to ask no more and a proper respect for the opinion of mankind allows her to demand no less.

In concluding this cursory sketch, for I am sure that all the reasons which occur to me for opposing this measure could not be set out at length in a pamphlet much shorter than the ones containing the minutes of the hearings, permit me to observe that the centripetal forces pulling everything in toward centralization in the Federal Government have of late years grown so strong that they have well nigh pulled our Republic out of balance. The States have been shorn of more and more of their power, and it has been lodged in the central authority, so that to-day there is scarce one subject left to local control. The real danger to our institutions is not from without, it is from within; it is the danger arising from taking the control of State affairs out of the hands of State authority where they can be best administered, and lodging them within the grasp of Federal power.

The process of centralization has gone merrily on, now by the slow erosion of judicial decision, now swept forward by the flood waters of constitutional amendment, until to-day about all that is left to the States is their honor and credit. The proposed amendment would take these away and place them irrevocably under the control of the central Government.

In dealing with this question, may I not ask the gentlemen of the Congress, when they hear the persuasive voice of the sirens luring them on to experiments with Utopian tax systems, to place their feet firmly upon the constitutional principles of our Republic which have withstood the storm and seriously ask themselves this question: "Is it worth the price"?

Respectfully,

E. LEE TRINKLE, Governor.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 15 1922.

#### Acceptance by Secretary Hughes of Invitation to Pan-American Conference—Mexico Declines Participation.

An invitation extended by the Chilean Government to the United States to the Fifth Pan-American Conference, which is to be held during March in Santiago, Chile, has been accepted by Secretary of State Hughes, who, in his letter of acceptance states that "only an unforeseen emergency requiring my presence in this country will prevent my attending in person." The invitation was addressed to Secretary Hughes under date of Dec. 29 by the Chilean Ambassador Don Beltrau Mathieu.

Chilean Embassy, Washington, Dec. 29 1922.

Mr. Secretary:

The Minister of Foreign Affairs of Chile has just instructed me to invite your Excellency on behalf of his Excellency the President, to visit Chile in connection with the holding at Santiago of the Fifth Pan-American Conference, to the opening of which your Excellency's presence would lend special distinction and significance.

The Chilean Government will feel highly honored by your Excellency's visit and will be greatly gratified if your Excellency will accept its hospitality during your stay in the country, which hospitality it hereby has the honor to offer you, together with the persons to accompany you.

I have the honor to reiterate to your Excellency the assurances of my most distinguished consideration.

Your most obedient servant,

B. MATHIEU.

The reply of Secretary Hughes was as follows:

Washington, Jan. 8 1923.

Excellency: I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your note of Dec. 29, inviting me on behalf of his Excellency the President of Chile to visit Santiago in connection with the opening of the Fifth Pan-American Conference to be held there. In reply it gives me great pleasure to inform you that it is my present intention to avail myself of the gracious invitation of the President, and I look forward with anticipation to this visit as affording me an opportunity not only to attend the opening of the conference, in the success of which I take the keenest interest, but also to become more intimately acquainted with your country, for which I have so long entertained the sincerest friendship and good-will.

I trust, therefore, that no contingency may arise to prevent the carrying out of my present plans to attend the conference, and I shall be greatly obliged if, in conveying to his Excellency the President my heartiest thanks for his kind offer of hospitality, you will be good enough to explain that only an unforeseen emergency requiring my presence in this country will prevent my attending in person the conference to be inaugurated at Santiago in March of this year.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurance of my highest consideration.

CHARLES E. HUGHES.

In reporting, under date of Jan. 12, that Mexico had announced its inability to take part in the Pan-American Conference, Associated Press advices from Mexico City said:

Mexico's regrets that she will not be able to take part in the Pan-American Congress to be held in March at Santiago, Chile, were on their way to the Chilean Government to-day.

In a note handed last evening to Enrique Dermudez, the Chilean Minister, Foreign Secretary Pani says that Mexico is forced to decline the conference invitation because she has not an accredited representative at Washington and therefore cannot comply with one of the requirements for admission to the conference circle.

Asserting that Mexico has given proof of her ability and capacity to comply with international obligations and that she maintains an "unprecedented cordiality" with the Latin-American nations and the United States, the note says Mexico has hopes that the time will come when she "may contribute to the fulfillment of the aims of the Pan-American fraternity."

The New York "Times" of the 13th inst. printed the following advices in the matter from Washington, Jan. 12:

The failure of the United States Government to recognize Mexico has resulted in a decision by the Mexican Government to refrain from participation in the Fifth Pan-American Congress in March at Santiago, Chile.

The text of the official note from Mexico to Chile declining the invitation, made public at the Mexican Embassy to-day, quotes regulations of the Pan-American Union that only the diplomatic representatives of American republics accredited to the Government of the United States are eligible to the Governing Board of the Pan-American Union, and asserts that it would be beneath the dignity of Mexico, a sovereign State, to be represented by proxy.

The Mexican refusal to participate was deplored in diplomatic circles to-night, and it was freely admitted that the success of the conference might be affected, particularly in connection with the effort to limit South American armaments.

The Mexican note to Chile, signed by Alberto J. Pani, Minister of Foreign Affairs, further states that although the Mexican Government was of "stainless popular origin and undoubted stability," has given "unmistakable proofs of its purpose and capacity to fulfill its international obligations," and maintain cordial and unprecedented relations not only with all American peoples but also with the people of the United States, it was unable to take part in the formation of the program because of the "anomalous conditions of our relations with the White House." Attention is also called to the fact that Mexico pays her share of the cost of maintaining the Pan-American Union headquarters in Washington.

There is also a possibility that Peru may not attend the Santiago gatherings, according to information from Lima, due to the dispute between Chile and Peru over the Tacna-Arica boundary.

As to the failure to invite Canada to participate, we quote the following from Buenos Aires, published in the New York "Times":

The fact that Canada has not been invited to participate in the Pan-American Conference is criticised by "La Nacion" in an editorial article to-day. The exclusion of the country that has done so much toward the common progress of the American nations is unjust, the editorial argues, particularly in view of the fact that Canada is engaged in drawing closer in her relations with Latin America.

The "legal scruple" that Canada lacks sovereignty is no good reason for barring her out, contends the newspaper, which asks where is the sovereignty of Santo Domingo, especially invited, but, it says, under the domination of the United States, not to mention the situation of other American countries which, "pursuant to their fundamental statutes, have their exterior sovereignty restricted in favor of the United States."

The newspaper notes that Canada is a member of the League of Nations and also participated in the International Labor Conference in Washington in 1918, and had delegates in the Washington armaments conference last year. The term "Pan-American" itself, it argues, is hostile to any omission, and extremely so in the case of a country with the prestige of Canada.

#### Reading Company's Second Modified Segregation Plan Filed with United States District Court.

The Reading Company on Jan. 30 filed a plan with the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania for the carrying out of the decision of the Supreme Court rendered last May. The plan contemplates dividing the liabilities of the Reading Company (with which will be merged the Philadelphia & Reading Ry.) and the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Co. on the \$94,627,000 (Joint) General Mortgage 4% bonds outstanding in the proportion of two-thirds to the Reading Company and one-third to the Coal Company. The plan also contemplates the transfer of the equity in the \$1,000,000 stock of the Reading Iron Co., subject to the General Mortgage, from the Reading Company to the Coal Company for the sum of \$8,000,000, to be paid by the latter to the former, the Iron Company having first paid a dividend of \$6,000,000 out of the surplus earnings to the Reading Company. The plan as now submitted does not differ in any other material respect from the plan approved by the District Court in June 1921 as modified (V. 112, p. 745, 2306, 2638).

The plan is accompanied by a supplement offering the holders of the General Mortgage bonds the privilege of receiving in exchange for each \$1,000 principal amount of bonds surrendered as follows: \$100 in cash, \$600 4% 74-Year General (or if and when practicable, First) and Refunding Mortgage gold bonds, Series A, of the Reading Company, and \$300 4½% 50-Year Refunding Sinking Fund gold bonds of the Coal Company. This offer is conditional upon the acceptance by the holders of at least 75% of the amount of the bonds.

Judge J. W. Thompson in the United States District Court on Jan. 31 entered a formal decree permitting the filing of the amended segregation plan. The decree provides that any parties interested may file objections to the plan on or before Feb. 20.

On Feb. 14 1921, in pursuance of the decree on mandate of the Court entered Oct. 8 1920 (V. 111, p. 1473; V. 110, p. 1816, 2358, 2488), the defendants, the Reading Company, the Philadelphia & Reading Railway Co. (hereinafter called the Railway Company), and the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Co. (hereinafter called the Coal Company), submitted a plan for the dissolution of the combination existing and maintained through the Reading Company which had been declared to be illegal by the Supreme Court of the United States in its opinion rendered April 26



1920. On May 12 1921 the Reading Company submitted modifications of the plan (V. 112, p. 745), and on June 6 1921 the Court entered its decree approving the modified plan (V. 112, p. 2306, 2538), as supplemented by the provisions of the decree. The Supreme Court of the United States in its opinion, rendered May 29 1922, directed certain modifications of said decree and affirmed the decree with the modifications directed.

On June 30 1922 the Court entered an order directing the defendants, the Reading Company and the Coal Company, to submit to the Court for its consideration a plan for the modification of said decree of June 6 1921, to accord with the opinion of the Supreme Court. In pursuance of said order, the defendants, the Reading Company, and the Coal Company, respectfully submit the following.

**Full Text of Second Modified Plan Dated Jan. 30 1923.**

1. The issue of General Mortgage bonds under the General Mortgage of the Reading Company and the Coal Company, dated Jan. 5 1897, of which Central Union Trust Co. of New York is trustee, will be closed at \$94,627,000, the amount of bonds authenticated and delivered by the trustee and not purchased for the sinking fund and canceled before Nov. 30 1922; and provision will be made that no additional bonds shall be authenticated under the General Mortgage for refunding underlying bonds or for any other purposes, except in exchange for mutilated or destroyed bonds, or upon the issue of registered bonds in exchange for coupon bonds or other registered bonds as provided in Section 5 of Article One of the General Mortgage.

2. The Supreme Court in its opinion directed the attention of this Court to a question raised by one of the appellants, whether the Federal commodities clause or the Constitution of Pennsylvania would be violated if the Reading Company, when it becomes a railroad company, were to retain the stock of the Reading Iron Co. (hereinafter called the Iron Company). The Reading Company is advised not to contest the point and accordingly makes provision in this second modified plan for the disposition of the stock of the Iron Company, which has a par value of \$1,000,000 and is carried at that amount on the books of the Reading Company. The Iron Company has a book surplus of about \$18,500,000. After payment by the Iron Company to the Reading Company of a dividend of \$6,000,000 in cash or marketable securities at market value, the Reading Company will sell all its right, title and interest in and to the stock of the Iron Company, including the present right to vote and receive dividends thereon, to the Coal Company for the sum of \$8,000,000. The stock of the Iron Company will, however, remain subject to the lien of the General Mortgage but as security for the obligation of the Coal Company and not the obligation of the Reading Company.

3. Having regard to the method of determination indicated in the opinion of the Supreme Court, it is suggested that the liability of the Reading Company on the principal of the General Mortgage bonds outstanding as aforesaid be decreed to be two-thirds thereof and the liability of the Coal Company on the principal of the General Mortgage bonds be decreed to be one-third thereof. Statements with respect to the properties and earnings of the Reading Company and the Coal Company will be presented to the Court to enable it to determine the propriety of allocating the liability in the proportions herein set forth.

4. The sinking fund payments provided for in the General Mortgage are measured by the amount of coal mined from lands owned by the Coal Company subject to the General Mortgage, and, for the protection of the bondholders, should be applied to reduce the Coal Company's several liability on the General Mortgage bonds. Accordingly, the Coal Company will agree with the Reading Company and the trustee that it will, on or before the first day of June, 1923, and on or before the first day of June in each year thereafter, (a) until all the General Mortgage bonds shall be paid and discharged, deliver to the trustee a statement in writing under its corporate seal showing the amount of anthracite coal mined during the next preceding calendar year, from lands then owned by the Coal Company and at any time subject to the General Mortgage; and (b) until the several liability of the Coal Company upon the General Mortgage bonds shall be paid and discharged, simultaneously with the filing of such statement, pay to the trustee a sum equal to five cents per ton on all coal so mined in the next preceding calendar year. When the several liability of the Coal Company shall have been paid and discharged, the obligation to make the sinking fund payments provided for in Section 12 of Article Two of the General Mortgage shall rest on the Reading Company alone, but the obligation of the Coal Company to make the statements provided for in clause (a) above shall continue until all the General Mortgage bonds shall have been paid and discharged. The several liability of either company upon General Mortgage Bonds shall be reduced from time to time by the principal amount of General Mortgage bonds purchased and canceled with the sinking fund payments made by that company or with the proceeds of sale of property of that company released from the General Mortgage, or with other moneys realized out of property of that company which by the General Mortgage are directed to be applied in the same manner as the proceeds of released property. Either company may also from time to time reduce its several liability by surrendering General Mortgage bonds to the trustee for cancellation. The liability of each company in respect to the principal and interest of each General Mortgage bond, and the lien of the General Mortgage upon the property of such company, shall be in the same proportion as its liability in respect to the total amount of General Mortgage bonds from time to time outstanding, determined as above in Section 3 and this Section 4 provided.

5. There are outstanding certain of the underlying bonds mentioned in Section 3 of Article I. of the General Mortgage. These bonds include (a) \$810,000 of the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad Co. Ten-Year Sinking Fund Collateral Gold Bonds of 1892, extended to Feb. 1 1932, which are secured by pledge of bonds of coal companies belonging to the Coal Company were assumed by the Coal Company in 1896 and are in effect guaranteed by the Reading Co.; (b) \$5,766,717 of the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad Co. First Series Consolidated Mortgage Bonds of 1882, extended to March 1 1937, which are secured by property of the Railroad Company and of the Coal Company and are in effect guaranteed by the Reading Company and the Coal Company; and (c) certain other bonds which are not the obligation of the Coal Company and are not secured upon any property of the Coal Company. The final decree will make provision so that the covenants of the companies in the General Mortgage in respect of these underlying bonds shall bind only the Reading Co. in respect of the bonds described in (b) and (c) above and shall bind only the Coal Company in respect of the bonds described in (a) above; and, as between the companies, the Coal Company will remain ultimately liable on the bonds described in (a) above, and the Reading Co. will remain ultimately liable on the bonds described in (b) and (c) above.

6. In order to comply with the United States Supreme Court's direction to sever completely the interests and joint obligations of the Reading Co. and the Coal Company, the final decree shall make specific provision so that (a) all the covenants, stipulations, promises and agreements in the General Mortgage contained by or on behalf of the companies shall bind each of them severally and respectively, but only, as to each company, in respect of such company's several liability on General Mortgage Bonds, or in respect of such company's property, and none of said covenants, stipu-

lations, promises and agreements shall constitute joint or joint and several obligations of the companies; (b) the default of one company under the General Mortgage shall not constitute a default of the other company; (c) each company shall have and may exercise alone in respect of its own property subject to the lien of the General Mortgage all the rights which under the provisions of the General Mortgage might be exercised in respect of such property by either company alone or jointly with the other company; (d) the respective liens upon the properties of the two companies shall be separately foreclosed on default, all rights and remedies against each company, under the General Mortgage or upon the General Mortgage Bonds, shall be separately enforced against such company, and the trustee under the General Mortgage and the bondholders shall be perpetually enjoined from enforcing the obligation of the Reading Co. or of the Coal Company upon the General Mortgage Bonds or any of them, against the Reading Co. or its property or the Coal Company or its property, by any action under the General Mortgage or upon the General Mortgage Bonds or otherwise, to an amount greater than the liability of the Reading Co. or of the Coal Company, as the case may be, in respect thereof under the provisions of the final decree.

7. The Coal Company will pay to the Reading Co. \$10,000,000 in cash or current assets at market value. General releases of all claims and liabilities as between the Reading Co. and the Coal Company, including the claim of approximately \$70,000,000 carried on the books of the Reading Co. as an asset and on the books of the Coal Company as a liability, will be exchanged. The current indebtedness of the Reading Co. to the Coal Company amounting to \$2,500,000 will first be paid.

8. The Reading Co. will, subject to the lien of the General Mortgage (but as security for the obligation of the Coal Co. and not the obligation of the Reading Co.), sell, assign and transfer all its right, title and interest in and to the stock of the Coal Co., including the present right to vote and receive dividends thereon, to a new corporation (hereinafter called the New Coal Co.) to be formed with appropriate powers, in consideration of the payment by the New Coal Co. to the Reading Co. of the sum of \$5,600,000, and its agreement to issue its shares to the stockholders of the Reading Co. as hereinafter provided. The New Coal Co. will issue 1,400,000 shares of stock without par value. Such no par value stock will be sold by the New Coal Co. to the stockholders of the Reading Co., preferred and common, share and share alike, for \$5,600,000, or \$2.00 for each share of Reading stock. Provision will be made for the disposition by the Reading Co. of any rights to subscribe which may not be availed of by the Reading stockholders within such period as may be fixed by the Reading Co., with the approval of the Court, to the end that the New Coal Co. shall receive the full purchase price of \$5,600,000. This sale will be carried out by issuing to Reading stockholders assignable certificates of interest in stock of the New Coal Co., exchangeable for such stock only when accompanied by an affidavit that the holder is not an owner of any stock of the Reading Co., all in accordance with the decree of this Court entered June 6 1921. The Reading Co. will adopt a by-law, effective until the further order of the Court, permitting the registration of transfers of shares of its capital stock in the names only of persons who shall make an affidavit that they are not stockholders, registered or actual, in either the Coal Co. or the New Coal Co. and have not been and are not holders of proxies to vote shares of stock therein.

9. The Reading Co. will merge the Railway Co. under the authority contained in the present charter of the Reading Co., and will subject the Railway Co.'s property to the direct lien of the General Mortgage. The name of the Reading Co., after merger, will not be changed. The Reading Co. will accept the Pennsylvania Constitution of 1874, and it will proceed under the Act of 1856 to surrender those of its powers which are inappropriate for a railroad corporation of Pennsylvania. Thus the Reading Co. will be in all respects subject to the regulation of State and Federal authorities as a common carrier, and the relation of the Reading Co., as a specially chartered holding company, to the Railway Co. will be terminated.

*Supplement to the Second Modified Plan.*

If the Court shall so direct the Reading Co. and the Coal Co. will tender for consideration and acceptance by the bondholders the following proposal for the execution of new bonds and mortgages and the delivery of new bonds with a part payment in cash to holders of General Mortgage bonds. The proposal shall not, however, become effective, nor shall the Reading Co. and the Coal Co. be required to execute the mortgages herein described, or to make any delivery of bonds or payment of money under this proposal, unless and until the holders of 75% in principal amount of the General Mortgage bonds directly or through their duly constituted representatives shall have agreed to avail themselves of the offer of exchange herein contemplated.

(a) The Reading Co. will execute a new mortgage which shall constitute a lien, subject to the General Mortgage in so far as it attaches thereto, upon all the railroads, railroad property, railroad equipment and stocks and bonds of other railroad companies then owned by the Reading Co., or thereafter acquired by means of bonds issued thereunder, but not including stock of the Central R.R. Co. of New Jersey. So far as legal and practicable, the properties of certain railroad companies other than the Railway Co. of which the Reading Co. owns the entire capital stock (such other railroad companies owning in all 17 miles of railroad or thereabouts), will be acquired and subjected to the new mortgage as a direct lien thereon. The new mortgage will provide for the creation of a series of bonds to be known as Series A, to be limited to the aggregate principal amount of \$56,776,200 and to be issuable only upon the surrender of General Mortgage bonds as hereinafter provided. Said bonds of Series A will bear interest at the rate of 4% per annum, will mature Jan. 1 1997, and will be redeemable as a whole but not in part at 105 and accrued interest on any interest due on 60 days' notice. The new mortgage will contain appropriate provisions for the creation and issue of additional series of bonds bearing interest at such rates and maturing on such dates and otherwise in such form and containing such provisions as may be determined by the board of directors at the time of issue. The new mortgage will provide for the issue of such additional bonds only (a) to an amount not exceeding 80% of future capital expenditures for the acquisition of new property and for additions, betterments and improvements to the mortgaged property, and (b) par for par to refund outstanding bonds or obligations of the Reading Co. or of the Railway Co. prior to the General Mortgage.

(b) The Coal Co. will execute a new mortgage which shall constitute a lien, subject to the General Mortgage in so far as it attaches thereto, upon all the coal property and equipment and stocks and bonds of other coal companies then owned by the Coal Co. The Coal Co.'s interest in the stock of the Iron Co. shall also be subjected to the mortgage with appropriate provision for its release. The new mortgage will provide for an issue of bonds limited to the aggregate principal amount of \$28,388,100, and to be issuable only upon the surrender of General Mortgage bonds as hereinafter provided. Said bonds will bear interest at the rate of 4½% per annum, will mature Jan. 1 1973, and will be redeemable as a whole but not in part at 105 and accrued interest on any interest due on 60 days' notice. The new mortgage of the Coal Co. will provide for a sinking fund of 5 cents for



each ton of coal mined from the property subject to the new mortgage, to be applied to the purchase and cancellation of bonds issued thereunder; but no such sinking fund payment shall be required to be made as long as the Coal Co. shall be required to make sinking fund payments under the General Mortgage.

(c) The Reading Co. and the Coal Co. will offer to the holders of General Mortgage bonds the right to surrender their bonds and receive in exchange for each \$1,000 principal amount of bonds surrendered:

\$100 cash

600 4% Seventy-four Year General (or, if and when practicable, First) and Refunding Mortgage Gold Bonds, Series A, above described of the Reading Co., bearing interest from the last preceding date for the payment of interest on the General Mortgage bonds.

300 4½% Fifty Year Refunding Mortgage Sinking Fund Gold Bonds above described of the Coal Co., with an adjustment of interest as of a date or dates after the proposal becomes effective.

\$1,000

Said offer will be kept open until six months after the entry of the Final Decree in this cause, and for such additional period or periods, if any, as the Companies may from time to time determine.

(d) Of the General Mortgage Bonds so surrendered, a principal amount equal to the aggregate liability of the Reading Company on said surrendered General Mortgage Bonds will be pledged under the new mortgage of the Reading Company and will be stamped to show that they represent obligations of the Reading Company secured by the lien of the General Mortgage on the property of the Reading Company to their full principal amount and also to show the release of the Coal Company from liability thereon and the release of the property of the Coal Company as security therefor. The remaining General Mortgage Bonds so surrendered, which will be equal in principal amount to the aggregate liability of the Coal Company on said surrendered General Mortgage Bonds, will be pledged under the new mortgage of the Coal Company and will be stamped to show that they represent obligations of the Coal Company secured by the lien of the General Mortgage on the property of the Coal Company to their full principal amount and also to show the release of the Reading Company from liability thereon and the release of the property of the Reading Company as security therefor. Appropriate provision will be made so that in case at any time the division between said two mortgages as aforesaid of the General Mortgage Bonds surrendered produces fractional amounts, such fractional differences may be adjusted or compensated in subsequent exchanges. The General Mortgage Bonds so pledged under the new mortgage of the Reading Company will be kept alive until the liability of the Reading Company upon the General Mortgage Bonds not so pledged is fully discharged. The General Mortgage Bonds so pledged under the new mortgage of the Coal Company will be kept alive until the liability of the Coal Company upon the General Mortgage Bonds not so pledged is fully discharged.

### Eastern Railroads Consider Wage Demands of Maintenance of Way Workers.

A conference attended by several of the presidents of the large Eastern railroads was held on Jan. 31 at the offices of the Bureau of Information of the Eastern Railways at Grand Central Station, New York City, to consider the demands of the United Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Workers. The union is understood to be asking the restoration of the wage schedule established by the Railway Board on July 1 1920, which was retroactive to May 1 of that year.

No statement was authorized following the meeting, but it was learned from the daily papers that a program for resisting the demand of the workers is being formulated. The maintenance of way men on a number of roads in the Western and Southeastern districts are reported to have made similar demands, but what action is being taken regarding them is not known here.

### Court Denies Injunction Asked by Telegraphers Against Pennsylvania Railroad.

Judge Dickinson in the United States District Court at Philadelphia on Jan. 30 refused to interfere with the plans of the Pennsylvania Railroad to hold an election on that date for a new committee to represent the telegraphers of the road in future conferences with officials of the company. The court discussed the motion of Joseph Nucklas, Chairman of the telegraphers' union, asking for an injunction to restrain the company from holding the election. Judge Dickinson told counsel for both sides that there is now pending in the Supreme Court a case to define the powers of the Federal Railroad Labor Board and that if the Pennsylvania Railroad Co. in the meantime attempts to hold conferences with the newly elected committee, the Nucklas committee will have the right to come into court and ask for a restraining order, and if the latter action is taken the court will render a decision in the matter.

### Signalmen Granted 8-Hour Day by Railroad Labor Board.

The U. S. Railroad Labor Board announced a decision on Jan. 31 granting to the Brotherhood of Railroad Signalmen the 8-hour day. This decision is the result of a hearing before the Board when the signalmen reconsidered their strike vote, taken with the shopmen last summer after reductions in wages became effective on July 1, and then instituted new negotiations with the roads and took their case back to the Board.

### William G. Lee to Resign as Head of Trainmen's Brotherhood to Join New Manufacturing Company.

William G. Lee, President of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, announced on Jan. 28 that he had accepted the presidency of the Steigelmeyer Manufacturing Co., a \$10,000,000 corporation of Seymour, Ind., and probably would resign as head of the trainmen. For the present he will serve in his new position without pay. The corporation will manufacture automatic train control devices, it is said, which will mechanically stop a train when anything goes wrong. The devices are operated with air and are attached to both engine and rail. Erection of a manufacturing plant will start within 90 days. "My only reason for taking the position is the service I believe I can render railroad employees and the traveling public in a real safety first movement," Mr. Lee said. "We have a demonstrator in use on the Big Four Railroad at Indianapolis now and others are being placed on the Great Northern and Burlington routes. It will mean practically the elimination of wrecks and prevent disaster should a wrong signal be given or an engineer die at the throttle, as sometimes happens. When the organization gets in full operation I most likely will resign as head of the trainmen. The board of directors of the new company has already offered me as much salary as I am now receiving."

### American Bankers' Association Selects Delegates to International Chamber of Commerce Meeting.

The delegates of the American Bankers' Association appointed by its President, J. H. Puelicher, to represent it at the International Chamber of Commerce meeting at Rome, Italy, as announced here, are as follows:

Fred I. Kent, Vice-President Bankers Trust Co., New York, Chairman.  
George M. Reynolds, Chairman of the board Continental & Commercial Bank, Chicago.

Oliver C. Fuller, President First Wisconsin National Bank, Milwaukee.  
Melville A. Traylor, President First Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago.  
Oliver J. Sands, President American National Bank, Richmond, Va.

The conference at Rome, which is the second general meeting of the International Chamber of Commerce and will be held March 19-26, will take up problems of world business conditions. The Chamber is a world-wide federation of financial, commercial and industrial interests, without government or political control or motives of private gain. It was organized in Paris in 1920 by business men of the five Allied nations and its membership now includes twenty-six nations.

### Union Officials Say Jersey Central Railroad is Trying to Break Up Labor Unions.

In answer to the refusal of C. H. Stein, General Manager of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, to negotiate with the federated shop crafts, whose members are still on strike, though the road seems to have succeeded in filling their places, three international Vice-Presidents of the allied shop crafts issued a statement on Jan. 14 in which they declared that "the officials of the Central Railroad of New Jersey belong to that class who are responsible for the spread of radicalism among the members of organized labor, through their determination to break up the present labor unions." The statement, according to accounts in the daily papers, said:

As members of the Arbitration Board selected by the shop crafts of the Central Railroad of New Jersey in 1917 we believe we should give the public the reasons for the great desire of the company to break up these unions at this time.

When called to act as arbitrators in 1917 we found that the Central Railroad of New Jersey maintained a minimum rate of pay for mechanics of 28.6 cents per hour. This was the lowest rate of any railroad in the United States.

During an investigation of the cost of maintaining equipment by the Inter-State Commerce Commission, it was asserted by the shopmen's officers that "officials of the road testified how they had given out the shop work to the Baldwin Locomotive Co. at a contract price of actual cost of repairs, plus 90% additional for overhead, a very unreasonable profit to the Baldwin Co."

By this manipulation the company was able to show a deficit of \$6,029,079 for 1920. Then in the spring of 1921, in an effort to make the shopmen take less wages than the U. S. Railroad Labor Board had allowed, this company laid off most of its shopmen, many of whom were idle for months.

When the report for the year 1921 was filed by the Central Railroad with the Inter-State Commerce Commission the net operating income was found to be \$5,998,782, allowing the company to pay 14% dividends for that year. Compare this with the loss of over \$6,000,000 for the year 1920, when the company inflated its costs at the expense of the Government.

The statement was signed, the dispatches say, by David Williams, Vice-President of the International Association of Machinists; J. J. Dowd, Vice-President of the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers and Helpers, and D. J. Collins, Vice-President of the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen of America.

### Railroad Workers Vote to Continue Strikes on Two Roads.

Refusal to call off strikes on the Missouri & North Arkansas and the Atlanta Birmingham & Atlantic railroads, declared early in 1921, was voted on Jan. 14 by chiefs of the sixteen railway unions, meeting at the Great Northern Hotel in Chicago. Both roads, tied up for a time, are now operating. On authority from a Federal Court, the Atlanta Birmingham & Atlantic reduced wages after a receiver had been appointed. A strike resulted before the Labor Board considered the dispute. After wages had been reduced on the Missouri & North Arkansas and the road had gone into receivership the men walked out. The receiver invited the workers to return at a 25% reduction, but promised to increase wages as earnings warranted and meanwhile to pay no stock or bond dividends. The offer was rejected.

### ITEMS ABOUT BANKS, TRUST COMPANIES, ETC.

A New York Stock Exchange membership was reported reported for transfer this week, the consideration being stated as \$98,000. Last previous sale was \$100,000.

Francis L. Hine, Chairman of the executive committee of the First National Bank of New York, has been elected a director of the New York Clearing House Building Co., succeeding the late William A. Nash. Other directors re-elected were: Stephen Baker, President Bank of the Manhattan Co.; Richard Delafield, Chairman National Park Bank; Alexander Gilbert, Vice-Chairman Irving Bank; Edward Townsend, Chairman Importers & Traders National Bank.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Seaboard National Bank, New York, on Feb. 1 S. Stern was elected a director and Vice-President. He will have charge of the foreign department of the Seaboard, a position he is well qualified to fill due to his many years of experience in banking in England, France and Germany. Mr. Stern was formerly Vice-President of the Columbia Trust Co. and had charge of their foreign department. He is a writer on economics and an authority on foreign exchange, being the author of "The Foreign Exchange Problem," which is used extensively as a text book in numerous colleges. His acquaintance and general knowledge of foreign exchange conditions throughout the prominent countries of Europe should prove to be a valuable acquisition to the Seaboard in the further enlargement and development of the foreign department of that institution.

The New York Agency of the Sumitomo Bank, Ltd., at 149 Broadway, announces that at the general shareholders' meeting of the bank, held at Osaka, Japan, on Jan. 26, Sakio Imamura, Agent of the New York office, was elected Director of the bank. Mr. Imamura will continue his present post as Agent of the New York office until further notice.

The following announcement was made after the meeting of the directors of American International Corporation on Feb. 1, regarding the resignation of Frank A. Vanderlip as Chairman of the Board, and director, and the resignation as President of Charles A. Stone:

At the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the American International Corporation held at its offices, 120 Broadway, New York, Feb. 1, the resignation of Frank A. Vanderlip as Chairman and Member of the Board of Directors was presented and accepted. Mr. Vanderlip is desirous of being relieved of as many duties as possible and has left for an extended trip to California.

There was also presented the resignation of Charles A. Stone as President of the Corporation, which was accepted. Mr. Stone's recovery from a serious operation several weeks ago has been slow and his surgeon has directed that he be relieved from as many duties and official positions as possible in order that he may completely regain his health.

M. C. Brush, Senior Vice-President of the Corporation, was elected President and Chairman of the Executive Committee.

Gordon H. Balch was elected Vice-President.

Recognition of fifty years of continuous service has been given by the Board of Directors of the Irving Bank, New York, to Benjamin F. Werner, a Vice-President of that institution, who on Jan. 31 celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his association with the bank. A substantial sum of money and a set of resolutions, handsomely engrossed, were presented to Mr. Werner. Many business and personal friends called on Mr. Werner at the office of the bank in the Woolworth Building to offer congratulations.

The stockholders of the Irving Bank, New York, and of the Columbia Trust Co. on Jan. 29 met and voted approval of the agreement of consolidation of these institutions, which was recommended by their respective boards of directors several weeks ago. The consolidation will become effective at the close of business Feb. 7, and the new institution will begin business as Irving Bank-Columbia Trust Co. Feb. 8. The proposed consolidation was referred to in these columns Oct. 28, page 1912, and Dec. 30, page 2870. The Irving Bank-Columbia Trust Co. will have a capital of \$17,500,000, with surplus and undivided profits of \$10,500,000. Its facilities will be made available at 14 banking offices in Manhattan, Brooklyn and the Bronx. Lewis E. Pierson, Chairman of the Irving board, and Harry E. Ward, President of the Irving, will retain these offices in the consolidated institution. Willard V. King, President of the Columbia Trust Co., will become Chairman of the Advisory Board in charge of the office at 60 Broadway, the present headquarters of the Columbia.

The American Foreign Banking Corporation announces that in line with its policy to withdraw from branch banking in South America, it will liquidate its branch at Rio Janeiro and depositors will be paid as of Jan. 22.

At the annual meeting of the directors of the First National Bank of Secaucus, N. J., on Jan. 15, Lewis P. Huber, heretofore Cashier, was elected President. Mr. Huber succeeds the late Winfield Clearwater.

Harry M. Titus, the former Cashier of the First National Bank of Wrightstown, N. J., whose arrest for embezzlement of the banks' funds and subsequent confession were recorded in our Dec. 2 issue, was sentenced on Jan. 16 by Judge Rellstab in the Federal Court at Trenton to two years in the Atlanta Penitentiary. In imposing sentence Judge Rellstab said:

Your youthful appeal, your well-rendered service to the bank, your realization of your conduct at the end and your prompt confession have entered into my consideration of your sentence. This is not mercy, but within human consideration of justice.

The Asbury Park Trust Co., Asbury Park, N. J., has announced that effective the first of the year the capital of the institution was increased from \$100,000 to \$150,000 and its surplus from \$50,000 to \$100,000. Since the bank opened in July 1911 its business has prospered and expanded, as evidenced by the growth in deposits, especially in the last two years. The bank owns its own bank building—a five-story stone structure at the corner of Mattison Ave. and Emory Street. Its officers are: William J. Couse, President; Lee W. Berry, Vice-President; William C. Rogers, Secretary-Treasurer; Jefferson B. Fogal and Marguerite Hampton, Assistant Secretary-Treasurers, and James Forsyth, Assistant Treasurer.

With regard to the plans, now abandoned, to form a new financial institution in Newark, N. Y., the following information has come to us:

The organization of the trust company was started for the reason that the Arcadia National Bank bought a controlling interest in the First National Bank, the only two banks in this village, and then moved the First National Bank under the roof of the Arcadia National Bank. After the organization of the Newark Trust Co. was assured, which was comprised largely of those interested in the First National Bank, the Arcadia National Bank evidently concluded that it would prefer to have the old bank as a competitor than the new trust company and accordingly sold its control to the President of the First National Bank and allowed it to be at once returned to its former place of business.

The organizers of the trust company were not interested in a third bank and accordingly, when the above action took place, discontinued the promotion of the Newark Trust Co.

The West Bergen Trust Co., of West Bergen, Jersey City, N. J., has been organized under the presidency of Dr. Joseph M. Rector. It began business on Jan. 2. It has a capital of \$200,000 and surplus of \$50,000. The stock (par \$100) was all sold, we are advised, at \$125 per share. Edward P. Stout is Vice-President and Norman Dixon is Secretary and Treasurer.

At a regular meeting of the board of directors of the National Bank of Watervliet, of Watervliet, N. Y., on Jan. 25, Eugene McLean was elected a Vice-President.



The Farmers' Bank of Springville has increased its capital stock from \$60,000 to \$100,000. The plans were ratified by the stockholders on Dec. 27, and the increased capital became effective Jan. 2. The new stock (par \$100) was sold at \$230 per share.

The Oxford Bank of Frankford, Philadelphia, Pa., has been rechartered, according to the Federal Reserve Board, under the name "Oxford Bank & Trust Co.," and the new organization admitted to membership in the Federal Reserve System.

Harry J. Haas, Vice-President of the First National Bank, of Philadelphia, has been elected a director of the Merion Title & Trust Co., Ardmore, Pa. The Merion Title & Trust Co. is the largest suburban bank around Philadelphia, with a capital and surplus of over \$1,000,000 and deposits in excess of \$5,000,000. One out of every two men, women and children in the Ardmore district, it is stated, carries an account with this bank.

Three new assistant cashiers were added to the official staff of the Commercial National Bank, of Washington, when the new board of directors on Jan. 18 organized for the current year. The newly elected men are all graduates of the Washington Chapter of the American Institute of Banking, and have been with the Commercial National for many years. They are: T. Blackwell Smith, formerly Manager of the savings department; Frederick H. Cox, heretofore Note and Collection Teller, and Alexander R. Varela, formerly Discount Teller. The directors also appointed Hayden Johnson, General Counsel of the bank to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Charles Cowles Tucker.

The First National Bank, of Lincoln, Ill., was placed in voluntary liquidation, effective Jan. 6. The business of the bank has been absorbed by the American National Bank, of Lincoln, Ill.

The Continental Bank, of Detroit, announces the following additions to its board of directors: Judge Harry J. Dingeman, of the Wayne Circuit Court; Warner P. Thompson, head of the Warner R. Thompson Co., dealers in molding and core sands and other supplies, and Harry G. Ritter, of the Ritter Cigar Box Co.

The Comptroller of the Currency announces that the First National Exchange Bank of Port Huron, Mich., has changed its name to the "First National Bank in Port Huron."

As successor to Robert Y. Speir, as a director of the Capital National Bank, of Lansing, Mich., A. B. C. Hardy, Vice-President and General Manager of the Olds Motor Works, Lansing, at a meeting on Jan. 5 was elected to the directorate of the institution. Frank E. Gorman, Cashier of the bank, was elected Vice-President and Cashier. Mr. Gorman is also State Treasurer of the State of Michigan.

John J. Stream, of the grain and elevator firms of Shaffer & Stream and J. C. Shaffer & Co., was elected President of the Chicago Board of Trade on Jan. 8. Joseph Simons, head of Simons & Co., was elected Second Vice-President; Joseph F. Lamy, who previously held the latter post, was advanced to the office of First Vice-President.

Clifford L. McMillen, General Agent of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co., was elected a director of the American Exchange Bank of Milwaukee at the annual meeting of the stockholders of the institution on Jan. 9. All the other directors were re-elected. At the meeting of the directors on the same day, the officers of the bank were re-elected as follows: E. J. Kearney, President; R. L. Stone, Fred C. Best, Carl G. Engelke (Vice-President and Cashier) and C. D. Raney, Vice-Presidents; J. Edgar Robertson, James L. White and W. A. Manegold, Assistant Cashiers. A new home is to be erected shortly by the bank at the corner of Grand Avenue and Second Street.

The First National Bank, of Lewistown, Mont., has, according to the weekly bulletin of the Comptroller of the Currency, changed its name to The First National Bank of Fergus County in Lewistown.

Two small Montana banks were closed recently, namely the Edgar State Bank, Edgar (capital \$30,000), and the Hardin State Bank, Hardin (capital \$50,000).

John W. Hay, President of the Rock Springs National Bank, Rock Springs, Wyo., was added to the Board of Directors of the Bankers Trust Co., of Denver, at the annual meeting of the stockholders of the institution on Jan. 9.

Two additional directors were elected at the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Globe National Bank, of Denver, on Jan. 9, namely W. W. Garwood and Joseph Buchhalter.

The stockholders of the International Trust Co., Denver, at their annual meeting on Jan. 9 elected Claude K. Boettcher a director of the institution. Mr. Boettcher is a member of the firm of Boettcher, Porter & Co., Vice-President of the Cement Securities Co. and a director of numerous Denver corporations.

Thomas A. Dines, President of the Midwest Refining Co., was elected a director of the First National Bank, of Denver, to succeed H. M. Blackmer, resigned.

R. V. Weicker was added to the board of directors of The Home Savings & Trust Co., Denver, at the recent annual meeting of the stockholders.

At the annual meeting of the directors of the St. Louis Union Trust Co., St. Louis, on Jan. 18, Isaac H. Orr, heretofore Senior Vice-President of the institution, was elected President in place of John F. Shepley, who became Chairman of the board. Mr. Shepley in turn succeeds N. A. McMillan, who recently was appointed Chairman of the board of the First National Bank, with which the St. Louis Union Trust Co. is an affiliated institution. Other elections were Wallis G. Rowe, heretofore Assistant Secretary, Secretary; Alexander Hamilton, formerly Assistant Trust Officer, Treasurer; George M. Pyle, formerly an attorney in the trust department, Assistant Secretary, and Edward G. Grubb, Jr., formerly assistant in the probate department, Assistant Trust Officer. Isaac H. Orr, the new President, as a young lawyer entered the employ of the St. Louis Union Trust Co. as Trust Officer nearly 30 years ago, the first person in the State of Missouri, it is said, to hold such a position. Since then he has devoted a large part of his time to the development of the trust business and has had the satisfaction of seeing the trust business of his institution grow to be one of the largest in the country. He was present and assisted in the organization of the Trust Company Section of the American Bankers Association, and has served many times on its important committees. He also assisted in the organization and became the first President of the Trust Officers' Association of St. Louis.

At the recent annual meeting of the directors of the Louisville National Bank, Louisville, Ky., Ben J. Metcalfe, Cashier, was made a Vice-President. He will also continue in the office of Cashier. J. D. Winston, head of the new business department, was likewise given the title of Vice-President. William Charlton was advanced from the general force of the bank to an Assistant Cashier and J. W. Watkins from the discount department to an Assistant Cashier.

Melville C. Branch, formerly Vice-President and a director of the Merchants' National Bank, of Richmond, Va., was elected President of the institution at the annual meeting of the directors on Jan. 9. He succeeds John Kerr Branch, who resigned to become chairman of the board of directors. The new President is a nephew of the late John P. Branch, also a former President of the Merchants' National Bank. Born in Atlanta in 1875, Mr. Branch went to Richmond in 1895 and the following year entered the banking house of Thomas Branch & Co., of which firm he became a partner in 1907. Three years later (1910) he was elected a director of the Merchants' National Bank and in 1920 a Vice-President in charge of the trust department. Upon the organization of the Old Dominion Trust Co. of Richmond in 1913 Mr. Branch was elected First Vice-President and a director of that company. These positions he held until June of last year, when the Old Dominion Trust Co. and the National State and City

Bank were merged to form the State & City Bank & Trust Co. In addition to his banking activities, Mr. Branch has been active in the work of reorganizing the cotton industries in the South. The following is the official staff as elected on Jan. 9: John Kerr Branch, Chairman of the Board; M. C. Branch, President; Thomas B. McAdams, John Akin Branch, W. F. Augustine, G. Jeter Jones and John C. White, Vice-Presidents; L. B. Thomas and H. P. Gillespie, Assistant Vice-Presidents; H. Hiter Harris, Cashier; Oliver C. White, F. C. Lafferty and B. Roy Dudley, Jr., Assistant Cashiers.

The stockholders of the Atlanta National Bank, of Atlanta, Ga., at their recent annual meeting, elected the old board of directors with the addition of Charles B. Rainwater, Secretary and Treasurer of the Coca-Cola Bottling Co. A. S. Adams, of the Adams-Cates Realty Co., and J. S. Kennedy, Vice-President, were elected directors in November to fill vacancies on the board. The directors at their meeting made the following changes in the official staff of the bank: J. S. Kennedy, heretofore Cashier, was elected Vice-President; R. B. Cunningham, heretofore an Assistant Cashier, was promoted to Cashier to succeed Mr. Kennedy, and H. G. Walker, Manager of the savings department, was named an Assistant Cashier. J. F. Alexander, formerly an Assistant Cashier, was elected a Vice-President. Mr. Donovan and Mr. Alexander were elected Manager and Assistant Manager of the Peachtree office, which was recently opened on the North Side in the Piedmont Hotel Building.

The directors of the Central State National Bank, of Memphis, at their annual meeting on Jan. 9 created a new position, that of Assistant to the President, and elected S. W. Wardlaw, formerly State Bank Examiner for Mississippi, to fill the office. The only other change was the promotion of F. E. Maxwell, heretofore Auditor, to an Assistant Cashiership. The stockholders at their meeting added A. H. Murray to the board of directors.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Memphis on Jan. 9 elected J. M. Walker of the O. K. Storage Co. a director of the institution. At the annual meeting of the directors on the same day W. C. Early was elected a Vice-President. Mr. Early has been a director of the First National Bank for a number of years.

Three new members were added to the board of directors of the Interstate Trust & Banking Co., of New Orleans, on Jan. 9. They are: H. H. Chaffe, Dr. E. D. Fenner and Charles Kohlmeier.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the American-Liberty Bank & Trust Co., of New Orleans, on Jan. 9, it was unanimously decided to eliminate the word "Liberty" from the bank's name, changing it again to the American Bank & Trust Co., the title of the institution prior to the recent merging with it of the Liberty Bank & Trust Co. John M. Taylor and E. H. Walsdorf were added to the board of directors.

The stockholders of the New Orleans Bank & Trust Co., New Orleans, at their annual meeting on Jan. 9 added A. Qvistgaard-Petersen to the board of directors. Mr. ePtersen Qvistgaard-Petersen to the board of directors. Mr. Petersen is Vice-President of the Southport Mill, Ltd., and of the New Orleans Export Co., Ltd.

At the recent annual meeting of the directors of the First National Bank, of Houston, Tex., the following changes were made in the official personnel of the institution: F. E. Russell, for 33 years connected with the institution, and its Cashier for a number of years, was promoted to a Vice-Presidency; O. W. Jackson, formerly an Assistant Cashier, was elected Cashier to succeed Mr. Russell, and H. T. McClung, also an old employee of the bank, was advanced to an Assistant Cashier. In addition, Sam R. Lawder, until recently Cashier of the Southwest National Bank, of Dallas, was appointed a Vice-President. Mr. Lawder, who is but 38 years of age, began his banking career in Dallas in 1902. When the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas was organized in 1914, Mr. Lawder was appointed Auditor of the institution and shortly thereafter an Assistant Cashier. Four years later he opened the El Paso branch of the Federal Reserve Bank and became its first Manager. In 1919 he was sent to Houston to open a branch there, of which he became Manager. A year later he was transferred to the Dallas office

of the bank as Cashier. Eighteen months ago he was elected Cashier of the Southwest National Bank of Dallas, the position he recently resigned. Mr. Lawder was also elected a director of the First National Bank at the annual meeting of the stockholders.

W. H. Irvin was elected President of the Citizens' State Bank of Houston at the annual meeting of the directors on Jan. 9. He succeeds A. C. Bell, who has retired. G. R. Treadwell and D. D. Orr were elected Vice-Presidents.

At the annual meeting of the directors of the Houston National Exchange Bank, Houston, two employees of the bank were made Assistant Cashiers. They were L. V. Hahn and J. Hill Freeman.

At the recent annual meeting of the directors of the Southwest National Bank, of Dallas, Tex., Dan D. Rogers, a Vice-President of the bank, was given the additional office of Cashier, succeeding Sam R. Lawder, who resigned as Cashier to accept a Vice-Presidency with the First National Bank of Houston.

At the recent annual meeting of the directors of the City National Bank, of Dallas, Tex., several changes took place in the official personnel of the institution. Ray Nesbitt, heretofore an Assistant Cashier of the bank, and George N. Aldredge, until recently a Vice-President of the Dallas Trust & Savings Bank, were elected Vice-Presidents; S. J. Smyth, heretofore an Assistant Cashier, was promoted to Cashier to succeed Stewart D. Beckley, who resigned to accept the cashiership of the Mercantile Trust Co., of San Francisco, and C. J. Oldham, formerly Paying Teller of the bank, was made an Assistant Cashier. Mr. Beckley, whose resignation as Cashier was accepted with much regret, had been with the City National for nearly 20 years, having entered its employ as a messenger when a lad.

Announcement was made on Jan. 17 by the Comptroller of the Currency that the City National Bank of Commerce, of Wichita Falls, Tex., has changed its name to The City National Bank of Wichita Falls.

The Central Exchange Bank of Woodward, Okla. (capital \$25,000), has been closed by the State Banking Commissioner, according to a press dispatch on Jan. 18 from Oklahoma City, appearing in "Financial America" of this city on that date. The closed bank had deposits of approximately \$750,000.

The directors of the First National Bank of Oklahoma City, Okla., at their annual meeting on Jan. 10, made the following changes in the official staff of the bank: Robert L. Smith, heretofore Cashier, and Walter Ferguson were elected Vice-Presidents of the institution, and Thad N. Wells, formerly an Assistant Cashier, was promoted to the Cashiership.

A new institution, the Planters & Mechanics Bank, began business in Tulsa, Okla., on Jan. 11, in the building formerly occupied by the Security National Bank. The charter for the new institution was issued by the Comptroller of the Currency on Dec. 16. The bank has a capital of \$100,000 and surplus of \$10,000. G. N. Wright is President; C. C. Roberts, of the United Building & Loan Association, and Rex Walker are active Vice-Presidents, and Elton Everett, formerly with the Exchange National Bank, is Cashier. The directors include H. D. Cornell, of the Western Supply Co.; Judge W. V. Bibbison, T. E. Montgomery, of the Montgomery Lumber Co.; C. S. Lahman, of the Fidelity Investment Co.; G. N. Wright, C. C. Roberts, Rex S. Walker, Elton Everitt, S. D. Pickering, J. Lyons and Mrs. G. N. Wright.

Moses A. Gunst was added to the board of directors of the Anglo & London Paris National Bank, San Francisco, at the stockholders' annual meeting on Jan. 9.

John A. McGregor was elected a director of the American National Bank of San Francisco at the recent annual meeting of the bank's stockholders, to take the place of H. M. A. Miller.



At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of San Francisco on Jan. 9 a change was made in the personnel of the directorate, only five of the old members of the board being re-elected. These were Clifton H. Kroll, Walter S. Martin, J. K. Moffitt and Clinton E. Worden and Wellington T. Smith. The newly elected members of the board are as follows: George D. Cooper, Samuel H. Boardman, Robert T. Devlin, Robert E. Easton, Arthur Goodall, E. C. Holmes, John A. Hooper, F. C. Morgan, J. H. Newbauer and Warren Olney, Jr. Immediately following the meeting, the new directors elected John A. Hooper, President of the bank in place of Rudolph Spreckels, who had been President for the past 17 years; James K. Moffitt a Vice-President and E. Avenali a Vice-President, in addition to his present duties as Cashier.

The directors of the Bank of California, N. A., of San Francisco, at their annual meeting on Jan. 9 elected George H. Fisher an additional Assistant Manager of the Tacoma Branch of the bank. The usual quarterly dividend of \$2.50 per share, together with an extra dividend of \$2 per share, was declared at the meeting and paid Jan. 15.

The stockholders of the Peninsula National Bank of Portland, Ore., at their recent annual meeting, elected H. T. Nicolai a director of the institution. Mr. Nicolai is Manager of Nicolai Door Manufacturing Co. and President of the Harry T. Nicolai Investment Co., of Portland.

At the annual meeting of the directors of the Northwestern National Bank, of Portland, Ore., on Jan. 9, O. L. Price, heretofore a Vice-President, was elected Chairman of the board of the institution to take the place of the late H. L. Pittock.

At the annual meeting of the directors of the First National Bank, of Portland, Ore., on Jan. 9, the only changes made in the official personnel of the bank was the promotion of H. S. Burdin and A. W. Groth to Assistant Cashiers.

The directors of Lloyds Bank, Ltd., London, announce that, after payment of salaries, pensions, staff bonuses and allowances, other charges and expenses, and the annual contribution to the Provident and Insurance Fund, and making full provision for rebate, income tax, corporation profits tax, bad debts and contingencies, the available profit for the past year is £2,068,875. To this has to be added £546,143 brought forward from the previous year, making a total of £2,615,018. Out of this total, an interim dividend of 1s. 8d. per share, being at the rate of 16 2-3% per annum, and amounting, less income tax, to £868,366, was paid for the half year ended June 30 last; £250,000 has been placed to the bank premises account and £100,000 to the Staff Pensions Fund. After making these appropriations, there is a balance of £1,396,252 remaining, and the directors have decided to recommend to the shareholders at the ensuing general meeting that a dividend of the same rate, amounting, less income tax, to £898,309, be paid for the past half year, leaving £498,343 to be carried forward to the profit and loss account of the current year. The available profit for the previous year was £2,529,124, to which was added £543,864, brought forward, making a total of £3,072,988. Out of this, £1,676,844 was paid in dividends (at the same rate), £200,000 was applied in writing off the bank purchase account, £250,000 placed to the bank premises account, £200,000 to income tax reserve, £100,000 to the staff Widows' and Orphans' Fund, £100,000 to the Pensions Fund, and £546,143 carried forward. The following is the comparative statement:

	1922.	1921.
Profit .....	£2,068,875	£2,529,124
Brought forward .....	546,143	543,864
Total available .....	£2,615,018	£3,072,988
Dividend (16 2-3%) .....	1,766,675	1,676,844
Bank purchase account .....	nil.	200,000
Written off bank premises .....	250,000	250,000
Income tax reserve account .....	nil.	200,000
Widows' and Orphans' Fund .....	nil.	100,000
Pensions Fund .....	100,000	100,000
Carried forward .....	498,343	546,143

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the United States National Bank of Portland, Ore., A. L. Tucker and A. M. Wright, Vice-Presidents of the bank, and Paul S. Dick, a Vice-President and Cashier, were made members of the executive committee of the board of directors. At the meeting of the directors on the same day, E. C. Sammons, heretofore an Assistant Cashier of the institution, was promoted

to Vice-President. Mr. Sammons has been an Assistant Cashier of the bank for a number of years, a position to which he was appointed when the Lumbermen's National Bank, with which he was formerly connected, was merged with the United States National Bank.

### THE CURB MARKET.

Continued irregularity marked the trading in the Curb Market this week until to-day, when there was a distinct turn for the better, business was more active and prices showed improvement. Durant Motors was an outstanding feature in this week's market, the stock dropping from 72¼ to 40. It rallied to 52½ and closed to-day at 51½. Durant Motors of Indiana sold down from 21¼ to 12½ and finally recovered to 16½. Peerless Truck & Motor declined from 77 to 73¼ and ends the week at 73¼. Stutz Motor fell from 22½ to 18½ but recovered to 20½. Amalgamated Leather com. fell from 19¼ to 16¼ and sold finally at 16½. Cuyamel Fruit added to trading last week, was active and, advanced from 56¼ to 62½, reacted to 59¼ and closed to-day at 60¼. Glen Alden Coal, after an early rise from 67¼ to 70¼, weakened to 67½, the close to-day being at 68. Oil shares in the closing session were particularly active, and Standard Oil issues made substantial gains. Cumberland Pipe Line advanced from 90 to 108 and sold finally at 105. Eureka Pipe Line gained three points to 108. Southern Pipe Line rose from 107 to 112, with the final transaction at 110. Standard Oil of N. Y. sold up from 45½ to 47¼ and back to 46 finally. Gulf Oil of Pa. lost about two points to 56½, recovering finally to 58¼. Magnolia Petroleum was off from 164 to 161. Bonds were quiet and only slightly changed.

A complete record of Curb Market transactions for the week will be found on page 505.

### COURSE OF BANK CLEARINGS.

Bank clearings continue to show very satisfactory rates of increase compared with a year ago. Preliminary figures compiled by us, based upon telegraphic advices from the chief cities of the country, indicate that for the week ending to-day, Saturday Feb. 3, aggregate bank clearings for all the cities in the United States from which it is possible to obtain weekly returns will show an augmentation of 18.6% as compared with the corresponding week last year. The total stands at \$8,221,591,309, against \$6,931,290,433 for the same week in 1922. Our comparative summary for the week is as follows:

Clearings—Returns by Telegraph. Week ending February 3.	1923.	1922.	Per Cent.
New York .....	\$4,029,000,000	\$3,378,702,204	+19.2
Chicago .....	487,078,222	414,590,925	+17.6
Philadelphia .....	384,000,000	346,000,000	+11.0
Boston .....	314,000,000	267,000,000	+17.6
Kansas City .....	113,535,026	106,233,839	+6.9
St. Louis .....	a	a	a
San Francisco .....	130,500,000	107,700,000	+21.2
Pittsburgh .....	140,607,369	*110,900,000	+26.8
Detroit .....	95,492,120	66,990,689	+42.5
Baltimore .....	79,759,421	54,600,000	+46.1
New Orleans .....	54,805,348	48,292,111	+13.5
Ten cities, 5 days .....	\$5,829,377,506	\$4,901,009,768	+18.9
Other cities, 5 days .....	1,021,948,585	875,064,760	+16.7
Total all cities, 5 days .....	\$6,851,326,091	\$5,776,074,528	+18.6
All cities, 1 day .....	1,370,265,218	1,155,215,905	+18.6
Total all cities for week .....	\$8,221,591,309	\$6,931,290,433	+18.6

a No longer report clearings. \* Estimated.

Complete and exact details for the week covered by the foregoing will appear in our issue of next week. We cannot furnish them to-day, inasmuch as the week ends to-day (Saturday) and the Saturday figures will not be available until noon to-day. Accordingly in the above the last day of the week has in all cases had to be estimated.

In the elaborate detailed statement, however, which we present further below, we are able to give final and complete results for the week previous—the week ending Jan. 27. For that week the increase is 22.5%, the 1923 aggregate of the clearings being \$7,388,233,114 and the 1922 aggregate \$6,028,908,388. Outside of this city, however, the increase is 30.4%, the bank exchanges at this centre having recorded a gain of only 16.8%. We group the cities now according to the Federal Reserve districts in which they are located, and again the noteworthy feature of the return is that every one of the Federal Reserve districts records an increase as compared with the corresponding week last year. This is the sixth consecutive week that all of the Federal Reserve districts have shown increases. In the Boston Reserve District the totals are larger by 32.0%; in the New York Reserve District (including this city) by 16.8%, and in the Philadelphia Reserve District by 29.1%. In the South

expansion is particularly noteworthy. The Cleveland Reserve Districts records an improvement of 44.2%; the Richmond Reserve District of 45.3%, and the Atlanta Reserve District of 32.2%. The Chicago Reserve District registers a gain of 29.9%; the St. Louis Reserve District of 47.6%, and the Minneapolis Reserve District of 31.7%. The Kansas City Reserve District shows an increase of 12.2%; the Dallas Reserve District of 26.4%, and the San Francisco Reserve District of 24.2%.

In the following we furnish a summary of Federal Reserve districts:

## SUMMARY OF BANK CLEARINGS.

Week ending Jan. 27 1923.	1923.	1922.	Inc. or Dec.	1921.	1920.
<b>Federal Reserve Districts.</b>	\$	\$	%	\$	\$
(1st) Boston.....10 cities	379,407,031	287,416,570	+32.0	292,785,662	375,423,222
(2nd) New York.....9 "	4,112,612,466	3,520,521,678	+16.8	3,850,897,375	4,734,688,181
(3rd) Philadelphia.....10 "	503,366,039	389,913,020	+29.1	422,655,360	454,089,149
(4th) Cleveland.....10 "	373,368,749	258,982,507	+44.2	359,080,954	370,177,288
(5th) Richmond.....6 "	177,640,662	122,257,510	+45.3	149,021,189	188,729,344
(6th) Atlanta.....12 "	191,303,076	144,678,542	+32.2	149,210,079	214,821,672
(7th) Chicago.....19 "	792,526,739	609,900,450	+29.9	674,865,519	764,202,791
(8th) St. Louis.....7 "	75,033,623	60,832,328	+24.7	53,917,892	66,899,105
(9th) Minneapolis.....7 "	114,728,978	87,128,117	+31.7	101,790,418	65,590,501
(10th) Kansas City.....11 "	232,854,825	207,629,237	+12.2	249,072,470	349,117,747
(11th) Dallas.....5 "	57,826,962	45,831,803	+26.4	52,701,682	70,176,993
(12th) San Francisco.....14 "	377,463,964	303,816,626	+24.2	290,900,954	333,656,320
Grand total.....120 cities	7,388,233,114	6,028,908,388	+22.5	6,646,899,210	7,987,571,313
Outside New York City.....	3,336,277,587	2,558,581,483	+30.4	2,856,725,440	3,311,937,458
Canada.....29 cities	274,296,930	288,679,169	-5.0	307,757,129	353,001,552

We now add our detailed statement, showing last week's figures for each city separately, for the four years:

Week ending January 27.					
Clearings at—	1923.	1922.	Inc. or Dec.	1921.	1920.
	\$	\$	%	\$	\$
<b>First Federal Reserve District—Boston</b>					
Me.—Bangor.....	807,618	728,269	+10.9	724,824	823,492
Portland.....	3,411,281	2,362,961	+46.5	2,300,000	2,496,871
Mass.—Boston.....	348,000,000	262,000,000	+32.8	264,339,586	342,921,584
Fall River.....	2,095,476	1,495,671	+40.1	1,515,647	2,764,510
Lowell.....	1,107,319	874,107	+26.7	1,008,927	1,240,018
Lynn.....	1,326,322	1,123,219	+18.1	1,240,890	2,594,019
New Bedford.....	4,710,324	3,687,015	+27.8	4,177,796	4,728,260
Worcester.....	3,453,000	2,757,777	+25.2	3,319,201	3,930,576
Conn.—Hartford.....	10,010,007	7,596,935	+31.8	8,520,658	8,348,156
New Haven.....	5,485,684	4,790,616	+14.5	5,638,133	5,585,736
R.I.—Providence.....	a	a	a	a	a
Total (10 cities)	379,407,031	287,416,570	+32.0	292,785,662	375,423,222
<b>Second Federal Reserve District—New York</b>					
N. Y.—Albany.....	3,664,516	3,936,771	-6.9	4,000,000	4,668,743
Binghamton.....	981,135	804,400	+22.0	789,000	1,084,000
Buffalo.....	39,705,431	31,230,751	+27.1	36,090,244	39,244,620
Elmira.....	612,994	Not included	In total s.		
Jamestown.....	1,013,974	838,832	+23.0		
New York.....	4,051,955,527	3,470,326,905	+16.8	3,790,173,770	4,675,633,855
Rochester.....	8,158,723	7,146,502	+14.2	8,389,703	10,139,350
Syracuse.....	3,423,427	2,986,097	+14.6	3,048,831	3,507,530
Conn.—Stamford.....	43,202,448	2,887,404	+10.9	7,969,225	-----
N. J.—Montclair.....	489,185	364,016	+34.4	436,002	410,083
Total (9 cities)	4,112,612,466	3,520,521,678	+16.8	3,850,897,375	4,734,688,181
<b>Third Federal Reserve District—Philadelphia</b>					
Pa.—Allentown.....	1,242,495	852,080	+45.8	953,758	708,153
Bethlehem.....	3,919,583	2,537,524	+54.6	3,086,017	-----
Chester.....	956,819	787,920	+21.4	1,815,832	1,334,735
Lancaster.....	3,171,892	1,891,289	+67.7	2,035,659	2,529,269
Philadelphia.....	478,000,000	370,000,000	+29.2	401,890,024	435,656,828
Reading.....	2,995,002	2,136,084	+40.2	2,174,812	2,543,912
Seranton.....	5,615,682	4,475,541	+25.5	4,324,706	4,458,885
Wilkes-Barre.....	2,841,075	2,089,000	+36.0	2,210,617	2,681,858
York.....	1,301,397	1,175,766	+10.7	1,134,310	1,269,750
N. J.—Trenton.....	3,322,094	3,967,816	-16.3	3,029,625	2,815,759
Del.—Wilmington.....	a	a	a	a	a
Total (10 cities)	503,366,039	389,913,020	+29.1	422,655,360	454,089,149
<b>Fourth Federal Reserve District—Cleveland</b>					
Ohio—Akron.....	6,365,000	4,901,000	+29.9	6,005,000	11,142,000
Canton.....	5,144,275	2,723,842	+88.7	3,916,349	4,119,914
Cincinnati.....	67,502,759	51,651,464	+30.7	58,064,370	65,845,428
Cleveland.....	410,514,659	70,827,197	+49.0	108,149,814	115,609,963
Columbus.....	14,846,500	9,925,000	+49.6	13,473,200	13,065,200
Dayton.....	a	a	a	a	a
Lima.....	513,486	606,808	-15.4	760,630	1,055,151
Mansfield.....	1,801,073	1,073,075	+67.8	1,240,018	1,750,507
Springfield.....	a	a	a	a	a
Toledo.....	a	a	a	a	a
Youngstown.....	4,125,996	2,470,310	+67.0	4,397,481	4,597,724
Pa.—Erie.....	163,805,114	*110,900,000	+47.7	158,503,425	147,146,042
W.Va.—Wheeling.....	3,749,887	3,900,811	-3.9	4,568,667	5,845,359
Total (10 cities)	373,368,749	258,982,507	+44.2	359,080,954	370,177,288
<b>Fifth Federal Reserve District—Richmond</b>					
W.Va.—Hunt'gton.....	42,058,345	1,533,609	+34.2	2,013,626	1,646,163
Virginia—Norfolk.....	67,654,193	6,540,708	+17.0	8,232,836	11,302,432
Richmond.....	58,128,035	38,660,634	+50.4	45,144,799	74,236,835
S.C.—Charleston.....	2,515,356	2,544,409	-1.1	2,500,000	4,500,000
Md.—Baltimore.....	88,287,303	57,114,138	+54.6	75,337,811	82,953,570
D. C.—Washington.....	18,997,430	15,864,012	+19.7	15,792,117	14,090,344
Total (6 cities)	177,640,662	122,257,510	+45.3	149,021,189	188,729,344
<b>Sixth Federal Reserve District—Atlanta</b>					
Tenn.—Chatt'g'a.....	6,384,993	4,726,388	+35.1	6,406,583	8,172,037
Knoxville.....	3,132,993	2,244,373	+39.6	2,437,864	3,178,592
Nashville.....	18,646,434	16,719,953	+11.5	16,361,148	23,027,785
Georgia—Atlanta.....	54,519,331	38,828,768	+40.4	43,758,435	71,719,754
Augusta.....	2,344,006	1,553,827	+50.9	1,691,435	5,515,918
Macon.....	1,513,787	1,001,341	+51.2	1,077,191	-----
Savannah.....	a	a	a	a	a
Fla.—Jack'sville.....	*2,349,852	9,863,527	+25.2	11,545,584	12,094,127
Ala.—Birm'ham.....	31,388,868	20,100,927	+56.2	17,133,411	18,867,101
Mobile.....	2,259,962	1,607,213	+40.6	1,673,772	2,223,486
Miss.—Jackson.....	991,515	909,230	+9.0	781,596	557,671
Vicksburg.....	633,489	283,710	+123.3	324,354	454,688
La.—New Orleans.....	57,137,846	46,839,285	+22.0	46,015,706	69,010,510
Total (12 cities)	191,303,076	144,678,542	+32.2	149,210,079	214,821,672

Week ending January 27.					
Clearings at—	1923.	1922.	Inc. or Dec.	1921.	1920.
	\$	\$	%	\$	\$
<b>Seventh Federal Reserve District—Chicago</b>					
Mch.—Adrian.....	173,845	185,415	-6.2	169,112	200,000
Ann Arbor.....	1,032,412	473,466	+118.1	494,307	400,000
Detroit.....	126,525,841	81,854,259	+54.6	81,081,326	100,000,000
Grand Rapids.....	5,869,221	5,776,813	+1.6	4,423,274	6,228,996
Lansing.....	4,048,000	1,906,282	+112.4	1,415,958	1,988,163
Ind.—Et. Wayne.....	2,046,554	1,510,390	+35.5	1,612,291	1,649,017
Indianapolis.....	16,899,000	12,074,000	+40.0	13,073,000	16,941,000
South Bend.....	2,223,500	1,261,854	+76.1	1,500,000	1,346,387
Wis.—Milwaukee.....	31,486,028	23,249,230	+35.4	27,115,125	26,381,894
Iowa—Cedar Rapids.....	2,250,562	1,551,550	+45.1	1,925,705	2,539,871
Des Moines.....	8,871,548	7,591,890	+16.9	7,437,376	10,299,987
Sioux City.....	5,769,896	4,574,685	+26.1	5,744,695	10,685,468
Waterloo.....	1,388,689	1,020,368	+36.1	1,187,718	1,450,994
Ill.—Bloomington.....	1,228,635	982,375	+25.1	1,287,054	1,759,201
Chicago.....	573,190,157	458,378,319	+25.0	517,767,038	571,850,945
Danville.....	a	a	a	a	a
Decatur.....	1,148,599	926,258	+24.0	1,013,377	1,317,639
Peoria.....	4,193,459	3,230,292	+29.8	3,850,451	5,045,123
Rockford.....	1,893,242	1,426,623	+32.7	1,730,991	1,894,159
Springfield.....	2,288,551	1,926,381	+18.8	2,036,721	2,223,987
Total (19 cities)	792,526,739	609,900,450	+29.9	674,865,519	764,202,791
<b>Eighth Federal Reserve District—St. Louis</b>					
Ind.—Evansville.....	4,102,647	3,825,000	+7.3	3,617,978	4,749,800
Mo.—St. Louis.....	a	a	a	a	a
Louisville.....	31,375,144	22,241,245	+41.1	23,810,421	15,605,193
Owensboro.....	426,610	690,590	-38.2	447,970	1,290,043
Tenn.—Memphis.....	26,141,491	15,046,636	+73.7	16,038,558	31,591,219
Ark.—Little Rock.....	11,458,364	7,846,548	+46.0	8,679,359	11,630,470
Ill.—Jacksonville.....	313,973	190,057	+65.2	253,033	467,419
Quincy.....	1,215,393	992,162	+22.5	1,070,573	1,635,961
Total (7 cities)	75,033,623	50,832,328	+47.6	53,917,892	66,898,105
<b>Ninth Federal Reserve District—Minneapolis</b>					
Minn.—Duluth.....	65,184,441	3,557,793	+35.7	6,148,213	5,947,341
Minneapolis.....	69,713,897	52,903,574	+31.8	61,242,728	36,213,751
St. Paul.....	33,203,648	25,279,164	+31.3	29,672,921	16,621,643
No. Dak.—Fargo.....	1,796,480	1,342,050	+33.9	1,682,909	2,500,000
S. D.—Aberdeen.....	1,059,114	885,025	+19.7	1,057,711	1,386,953
Mont.—Billings.....	509,659	546,266	-6.7	750,616	1,099,076
Helena.....	3,261,739	2,614,245	+24.8	1,235,320	1,821,737
Total (7 cities)	114,728,978	87,128,117	+31.7	101,790,418	65,590,501
<b>Tenth Federal Reserve District—Kansas City</b>					
Nebr.—Fremont.....	438,192	324,007	+34.0	385,031	714,272
Hastings.....	448,358	428,732	+4.6	428,721	698,653
Lincoln.....	3,455,242	2,492,490	+38.6	3,038,082	4,954,585
Omaha.....	41,376,467	31,698,751	+30.5	36,490,989	57,373,833
Kan.—Topeka.....	3,188,811	2,607,759	+22.3	2,607,759	2,987,258
Wichita.....	10,034,000	10,544,615	-4.0	10,578,273	13,604,104
Mo.—Kan. City.....	130,793,025	121,917,570	+7.3	151,378,429	233,612,358
St. Joseph.....	a	a	a	a	a
Okla.—Muskogee.....	a	a	a	a	a
Oklahoma City.....	e21,042,587	18,164,273	+15.8	23,793,188	11,858,104
Tulsa.....	a	a	a	a	a
Colo. Colo. Spgs.....	964,405	759,143	+27.0	728,416	1,152,781
Denver.....	20,325,091	18,168,322	+11.9	18,865,469	21,324,915
Pueblo.....	878,647	613,675	+43.2	778,113	836,884
Total (11 cities)	232,854,825	207,629,237	+12.2	249,072,470	349,117,747
<b>Eleventh Federal Reserve District—Dallas</b>					
Texas—Austin.....	2,145,656	1,254,784	+71.0	1,325,201	1,621,438
Dallas.....	31,278,656	21,925,695	+42.7	25,742,624	35,491,303
Fort Worth.....	d10,519,179	10,932,498	+4.9	14,000,000	21,436,337
Galveston.....	9,064,400	8,851,068	+2.4	7,888,768	6,555,400
Houston.....	a	a	a	a	a
La.—Shreveport.....	4,919,431	3,767,758	+30.6	3,745,099	5,072,416
Total (5 cities)	57,926,962	45,831,803	+26.4	52,701,692	70,176,993
<b>Twelfth Federal Reserve District—San Francisco</b>					
Wash.—Seattle.....	33,034,123	30,051,652	+9.9	25,850,093	36,127,070
Spokane.....	a	a	a	a	a
Tacoma.....	a	a	a	a	a
Yakima.....	868,333	1,642,560	-47.1	902,994	1,336,792
Ore.—Portland.....	29,066,396	24,574,504	+18.3	24,987,298	27,088,235
Utah—Salt L. C.....	12,190,025	10,410,471	+17.1	12,908,416	17,000,000
Nevada—Reno.....	a	a	a	a	a
Ariz.—Phoenix.....	a	a	a	a	a
Calif.—Fresno.....	3,796,117	3,560,291	+6.6	3,324,628	4,728,195
Long Beach.....	7,348,836	3,587,395	+104.9	3,115,607	2,890,673
Los Angeles.....	117,387,000	86,887,000	+35.1	78,822,000	71,341,000
Oakland.....	14,191,711	11,192,815	+26.8	9,141,332	9,182,129
Pasadena.....	5,174,504	3,343,178	+54.8	3,053,737	2,069,679
Sacramento.....	5,201,604	4,629,448	+12.4	4,959,623	5,083,618
San Diego.....	a	a	a	a	a
San Francisco.....	144,200,000	119,500,000	+20.7	117,300,000	149,756,578
San Jose.....	1,928,607	1,752,498	+10.1	1,524,281	1,648,351
Santa Barbara.....	928,608	748,914	+23.7	838,491	-----
Stockton.....	2,150,100	1,935,900	+11.1	4,349,200	5,404,000
Total (14 cities)	377,463,964	303,816,626	+24.2	290,900,600	333,656,320
Grand total (120 cities)	7,388,233,114	6,028,908,388	+22.5	6,646,899,210	7,987,571,313
Outside N. Y.....	3,336,277,587	2,558,581,483	+30.4	2,856,725,440	3,311,937,458

Week ending January 25.					
Clearings at—	1923.	1922.	Inc. or Dec.	1921.	1920.
	\$	\$	%	\$	\$
<b>Canada—</b>					
Montreal.....	83,220,549	90,560,496	-8.1	101,621,678	129,845,123
Toronto.....	97,547,454	104,361,639	-6.5	86,151,627	106,405,344
Winnipeg.....	31,732,163	34,292,951	-7.5	49,574,959	41,891,351
Vancouver.....	14,481,069	12,224,083	+18.4	12,632,032	15,032,632
Owawa.....	4,383,282	6,077,869	-28.5	5,158,457	7,818,575
Halifax.....	4,986,726	4,552,681	+9.5	6,154,719	6,154,720
Quebec.....	2,418,343	2,962,662	-18.4	3,338,564	5,664,093
Hamilton.....	4,837,186	4,682,991	+3.3	5,152,076	5,901,890
Calgary.....	4,271,662	4,243,348	+0.7	7,096,249	7,361,910
St. John.....	2,400,165	2,514,949	-4.6	2,903,242	3,073,710
Victoria.....	2,310,650	1,954,347	+18.2	2,188,718	2,341,956
London.....	2,495,335	2,620,303	-4.8	2,786,763	3,142,221
Edmonton.....	3,501,677	3,529,133	-0.8	4,342,362	4,573,374
Regina.....	3,019,687	2,683,878	+12.5	3,775,698	3,156,393
Brandon.....	457,077	462,416	-1.2	626,011	535,227
Lethbridge.....	460,203	429,061	-6.7	568,363	628,798
Saskatoon.....	1,860,516	1,345,598	-3.3	1,625,391	1,551,877
Moose Jaw.....	902,039	1,227,418	-2.7	1,365,607	1,377,605
Brantford.....	835,173	991,880	-12.3	1,152,077	1,269,890
Fort William.....	625,482	1,016,657	-38.5	1,154,719	824,695
New Westminster.....	415,439	425,852	-2.4	588,505	572,088
Medicine Hat.....	282,242	262,473	+7.5	454,404	404,139
Peterborough.....	609,123	598,568	+1.8	824,595	732,055
Sherbrooke.....	652,492	792,139	-17.6	1,058,663	904,944
Kitchener.....	837,932	864,801	-3.2	915,567	1,080,570
Windsor.....	2,641,002	2,383,878	+10.8	2,373,916	2,532,536
Prince Albert.....	295,896	290,317	+1.9	321,595	367,737
Moncton.....	935,425	958,594	-2.4	1,194,225	-----
Kingston.....	490,293	667,317	-26.5	-----	-----
Total (29 cities)	274,296,930	288,679,169	-5.0	307,757,129	353,001,532

a No longer reports clearings or only gives debits against individual accounts, with no comparative figures for previous years. b Report no clearings but gives 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. d Week end. Jan. 24. e Week end. Jan. 25. f Week end. Jan. 26. \* Estimated.



## THE ENGLISH GOLD AND SILVER MARKETS.

We reprint the following from the weekly circular of Samuel Montagu & Co. of London, written under date of Jan. 17 1923:

## GOLD.

The Bank of England gold reserve against its note issue on the 10th inst. was £125,657,635, as compared with £125,655,985 on the previous Wednesday. Gold continues to be in good request for India and practically all offering was taken for that quarter. Tenders for the 50 lacs of rupees offered for tender yesterday by the India Council obtained 31.7% immediate telegraphic transfers at 1s. 4.3-16d. and bills and deferred telegraphic transfers at 1s. 4½d. The Imperial Bank of India has raised its discount rate from 7% to 8%. The Transvaal gold output for December 1922 amounted to 790,712 fine ounces, as compared with 764,476 fine ounces for November 1922 and 681,847 fine ounces for December 1921. The Director of the United States Mint makes a preliminary estimate of the gold production of the United States of America for 1922 as 2,375,019 ounces valued at \$49,096,000. This total is \$971,000 less than the product of 1921 and less than half of the record production in 1915 of \$101,035,700. The Reichsbank has fixed the purchase price of the gold 20-mark piece at 35,000 currency marks.

## SILVER.

The Indian Bazaars have continued to buy for shipment and carried the cash price to 32½d. on the 15th inst., the highest quotation since Nov. 23 last. The scarcity of silver for immediate delivery created a still larger premium for cash—1¼d. Some Indian sales have taken place, and some supplies for the Continent have been forthcoming. China has not been active, though business has been done for that quarter either way. Owing to lessened demand from Indian Bazaars there was a sharp fall of ½d. to-day in the cash price. It is announced from Washington under date of the 3d inst. that the total amount of silver purchased under the Pittman Act was 150,630,076 ounces, which included a purchase of 72,000 ounces on that day. The following appeared in the "Bulletin" of the American Mining Congress, dated 30th ult.: "Senator Nicholson introduced a resolution, which was referred to the Mines and Mining Committee, for a commission of nine members to investigate looking to increased use of silver in monetary coinage. It points out that the production of silver in the United States is a large and important industry. The United States has favored silver as an important element of its monetary system and views with anxiety the recent tendency of many influential nations to lessen the use of silver as money, in some cases by ceasing its coinage for subsidiary and fractional denominations and in others by diminishing the silver contents of coins. Such tendencies, if unchecked, will have a serious and far-reaching effect upon the monetary customs of the world and will directly and indirectly injure one of the world's greatest industries—mining. The subject is complex, requiring investigation of many abstruse and difficult problems and their consideration by many nations." Expressed in less dignified language, Mr. Nicholson invites Europe to handle the mining chestnuts.

## INDIAN CURRENCY RETURNS.

In Lacs of Rupees—	Dec. 22.	Dec. 31.	Jan. 7.
Notes in circulation—	17483	17418	17374
Silver coin and bullion in India—	8725	8660	8614
Silver coin and bullion out of India—	2432	2432	2432
Gold coin and bullion out of India—	5742	5742	5745
Securities (Indian Government)—	584	584	585
Securities (British Government)—			

No silver coinage was reported during the week ending 7th inst. The stock in Shanghai on the 12th inst. consisted of about 23,400,000 ounces in sycee, \$31,000,000 and 150 silver bars, as compared with about 25,000,000 ounces in sycee, \$30,000,000 and 180 silver bars on the 6th inst. The Shanghai exchange is quoted at 3s. 1d. the tael.

Quotations—	Bar Silver p. oz. std. —	Bar Gold p. oz. Fine.
Jan. 11—	31 9-16d. 30½d.	88s. 6d.
Jan. 12—	31 11-16d. 30 11-16d.	88s. 9d.
Jan. 13—	31 11-16d. 30 11-16d.	88s. 9d.
Jan. 14—	31 11-16d. 30 11-16d.	88s. 8d.
Jan. 15—	31 11-16d. 30 11-16d.	88s. 3d.
Jan. 16—	31 11-16d. 30 11-16d.	88s. 5d.
Jan. 17—	31 11-16d. 30 11-16d.	88s. 11d.
Average—	32.020d. 30.895d.	88s. 11d.

The silver quotations to-day for cash and forward delivery are respectively 13-16d. and 5-16d. above those fixed a week ago.

## ENGLISH FINANCIAL MARKETS—PER CABLE.

The daily closing quotations for securities, &c., at London, as reported by cable, have been as follows the past week:

London, Week ending—	Jan. 27.	Jan. 29.	Jan. 30.	Jan. 31.	Feb. 1.	Feb. 2.
Silver, per oz. d.	32 3-16	31½	31½	31 7-16	31½	30 13-16
Gold, per fine ounce—	89.1	90	90.1	89.1	88.8	88.5
Consols, 2½ per cents—	56½	56	56	56	56½	56½
British, 5 per cents—	100½	100½	100½	100½	100½	100½
British, 4½ per cents—	96	95½	96	96	96	96
French Rentes (in Paris), fr. 58.65	58.50	58.10	58	57.50	57.50	57.50
French War Loan (in Paris), fr. 75.90	75.90	75.25	74.95	72.90	72.90	72.90

The price of silver in New York on the same day has been:

Silver in N. Y., per oz. (cts.):	Domestic	Foreign
99%	99%	99%
66	64½	65½
	64½	64½

## CURRENT NOTICES.

The seventy-eighth annual report of the New York Life Insurance Co., published in another column, is remarkable not only in the magnitude of the figures with which it deals, but also in the effort made to show their significance. The mutuality of the organization, the number of its members, the plan upon which it operates, the character of its contracts, the amount of its contingent obligations, its resources in reserve—all these are marshalled like an army on the march to preserve those inalienable rights which may be lost by "unsound living" or "pure cussedness." The New York Life has assets close to a billion dollars—in exact figures, \$988,552,210.

## Commercial and Miscellaneous News

**National Banks.**—The following information regarding national banks is from the office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Treasury Department:

APPLICATIONS TO ORGANIZE APPROVED	Capital.
Jan. 24—The First National Bank of North Girard, Pa. Correspondent, George Hawkes, North Girard, Pa.	\$25,000
Jan. 25—Merchants Midway National Bank of St. Paul, Minn. Correspondent, George H. Prince, Merchants' National Bank, St. Paul, Minn.	200,000
Jan. 26—The Brotherhood National Bank of Spokane, Wash. Correspondent, N. J. Bostwick, 602 Hyde Bldg., Spokane, Wash.	200,000

## APPLICATIONS TO ORGANIZE RECEIVED.

Jan. 22—The Flatbush National Bank of Brooklyn, in New York, N. Y.	Capital.
Correspondent, Jerome Thralls, 52 Wall St., New York, N. Y.	\$200,000
Jan. 24—The Little Ferry National Bank, Little Ferry, N. J.	\$25,000
Correspondent, Parker A. Gross, Little Ferry, N. J.	
Jan. 24—The West Englewood National Bank, West Englewood, N. J.	50,000
Correspondent, Carl A. Richter, Bogert St., West Englewood, N. J.	
Jan. 25—The Columbus National Bank, Columbus, Ohio.	500,000
Correspondent, J. Gordon Parish, 463 North High St., Columbus, Ohio.	
Jan. 26—Brotherhood of Railway Clerks National Bank of Cincinnati, Ohio.	200,000
Correspondent, E. H. Fitzgerald, 172 Kinsey Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio.	
Jan. 27—The Livermore National Bank, Livermore, Calif.	50,000
Correspondent, Theo O. Leydecker, care of H. B. Wagoner, Livermore, Calif.	

## APPLICATIONS TO CONVERT RECEIVED.

Jan. 22—The First National Bank of Agra, Okla.	\$25,000
Conversion of the Bank of Agra, Okla.	
Jan. 22—The United States National Bank of Kenosha, Wisc.	100,000
Conversion of the Citizens' Bank of Kenosha, Wisc.	
Jan. 26—The State National Bank of Wynnewood, Okla.	25,000
Conversion of the First State Bank of Wynnewood, Okla.	

## APPLICATION TO CONVERT APPROVED.

Jan. 22—The Clayton National Bank, Clayton, Mo.	37,500
Conversion of the Farmers & Commercial Savings Bank, Clayton, Mo.	

## CHARTER ISSUED.

Jan. 16—12302—Cordell National Bank, Cordell, Okla.	\$30,000
Succeeds the Cordell State Bank, Cordell, Okla. President, J. M. Armfield; Cashier, F. G. Kiewer.	
Jan. 16—12303—The First National Bank of Bellevue, Ia.	75,000
President, Z. G. Houch; Cashier, C. A. Murphy.	
Jan. 17—12304—First National Bank of Roaring Spring, Pa.	50,000
President, J. P. Martin; Cashier, J. T. Wood.	
Jan. 17—12305—The Eastern National Bank of York, Pa.	100,000
President, Elmer D. Quickel; Cashier, W. R. Thomas.	
Jan. 22—12306—First National Bank in Hayward, Calif.	\$50,000
Succeeds Commercial Department of the Hayward Branch of State Bank of San Leandro, Calif. President, A. S. Weaver; Cashier, A. A. DeMello.	

## CHANGE OF TITLE.

Jan. 22—4,975—The National Bank of Manitowoc, Wisc., to "First National Bank in Manitowoc."	
Jan. 24—2,865—The First National Bank of Baker City, Ore., to "The First National Bank of Baker."	
Jan. 24—5,287—The Northrup National Bank of Iola, Kan., to "First National Bank of Iola."	
Jan. 24—10,237—The Bowmanville National Bank, Chicago, Ill., to "The Bowmanville National Bank of Chicago."	
Jan. 26—3,752—The Quincy National Bank, Quincy, Ill., to "The Quincy-Ricker National Bank & Trust Company."	
Jan. 27—12,283—The National Exchange Bank of Eccles, W. Va., to "The National Exchange Bank of Beckley," W. Va. (Change of name and location).	

## VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATIONS.

Jan. 24—8,243—The Greenwich National Bank, Greenwich, Conn.	Capital.
Effective Jan. 20, 1923. Liquidating Committee, Robert M. Wilcox, Arthur S. Todd and Ralph E. Brush, Greenwich, Conn. Absorbed by Putnam Trust Co. of Greenwich, Conn.	\$200,000
Jan. 24—8,711—The First National Bank of Fairfax, So. Dak.	50,000
Effective Jan. 22 1923. Liquidating Agent, E. E. Kvitrud, Fairfax, So. Dak. To be succeeded by a State bank.	
Jan. 24—11,788—The Paden National Bank, Paden, Okla.	25,000
Effective Dec. 31 1922. Liquidating Agent, P. L. Sullivan, Paden, Okla. Absorbed by the First National Bank of Paden, Okla. (No. 11,824). The liquidating bank has no circulation.	

## CONSOLIDATION.

Jan. 23—2,327—The Second National Bank of Dubuque, Iowa.	\$200,000
and 3,140—The Dubuque National Bank, Dubuque, Iowa.	125,000
Consolidated under the Act of Nov. 7 1913 under the charter of the Second National Bank of Dubuque (No. 2,327), and under the corporate title of "The Consolidated National Bank of Dubuque."	500,000

## APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION TO ESTABLISH AN ADDITIONAL OFFICE.

Jan. 26—1,261—The National Butchers' & Drovers' Bank of the City of New York, N. Y., at Southeast Corner of Thirty-Seventh St. and Seventh Avenue, New York.	
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**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.
12,500 Edmonds Midway Oil Co., \$14 lot		100 Stanley Elec. Welding Co., \$100 lot	
10 St. Louis Coke & Chem., pref.	\$14 per sh.	100 Stanley Motor Carriage Co., 1st pref.	\$4 per sh.
10 do common	\$1 per sh.		
100 American Chain Co., Inc., pref.	\$93½ per sh.		
100 do	\$91½ per sh.		
50 Herzog's Majestic Cloak Co., Inc., 1st pref.	\$40 per sh.		

By Messrs. R. L. Day & Co., Boston:

Shares. Stocks.		Price.	Shares. Stocks.		Price.
5 First National Bank, Boston		320	28 Draper Corporation		168½-169
1 Androscoogin Mills		80½	1 Montpelier & Barre L. & P., pref.		40½
½ Saco Lowell Shops, 2d pref.		51½	50 Textile Building Trust, pref.		92
300 rights U. S. Worsted Co., com.		06c.	68 Boston Co-Operative Bldg. Co.,		\$25 par
10 West Point Mfg. Co.		125½			11
5 Androscoogin Mills		162	100 rights Quincy Mkt. Cold Storage		& Warehouse Co.
4,237 rights U. S. Worsted Co., 1st		pref			5 7-16
1,713 rights U. S. Worsted Co., 2d		pref	25 Library Bureau, pref. A.		104
		1	5 Massachusetts Ltg. Cos., 6% pref.		82½
121,045 rights U. S. Worsted Co.,		com.	5 Cent. Mass. L. & P. Co., pref.		85
		.04½, .04, .05, .06, .07, .08,	5 W. M. Lowney Co. (new)		8½
		.09, .10, .11, .12, .13, .14, .15,	20 Merrimac Chemical Co., par \$50		
		.16, .17, .18, .19, .20, .21, .22,			94½-94¾-94¾
		.23, .24, .25, .26, .27, .28, .29,	20 Boston Woven Hose & Rubber		
½ Wamsutta Mills		.30, .31, .32, .33, .34, .35, .36,	Co., pref.		101½
2-3 Sagamore Mfg. Co.		.37, .38, .39, .40, .41, .42, .43,	2 Plymouth Cordage Co.		98½
3 Salmon Falls Mfg. Co., com.		.44, .45, .46, .47, .48, .49, .50,	1 Lawrence Gas Co., ex-div.		115½
2 Androscoogin Mills		.51, .52, .53, .54, .55, .56, .57,	745 rights U. S. Worsted, com.		04½-03¾
10 Amoskeag Mfg. Co., pref., ex-d		.58, .59, .60, .61, .62, .63, .64,	100 Boston Wharf Co.		106½
30 do common, ex-div.		.65, .66, .67, .68, .69, .70, .71,	10 Jones McD. & Stratton Corp.,		
½ Cornell Mills		.72, .73, .74, .75, .76, .77, .78,	Class A		63
10 Androscoogin Mills		.79, .80, .81, .82, .83, .84, .85,	25 American Mfg. Co., pref.		86
25 rights U. S. Worsted Co., 1st pref.		.86, .87, .88, .89, .90, .91, .92,	20 rights U. S. Worsted Co., 1st ptd.		5½
46 rights U. S. Worsted Co., 1st pref.		.93, .94, .95, .96, .97, .98, .99,	100 do		4½-4¾-5
½ Border City Mfg. Co.		1.00, 1.01, 1.02, 1.03, 1.04, 1.05,			
½ Wamsutta Mills		1.06, 1.07, 1.08, 1.09, 1.10, 1.11,			
½ Potomac Mills		1.12, 1.13, 1.14, 1.15, 1.16, 1.17,			
1 Newmarket Mfg. Co.		1.18, 1.19, 1.20, 1.21, 1.22, 1.23,			
25 Hill Mfg. Co.		1.24, 1.25, 1.26, 1.27, 1.28, 1.29,			
10 Lyman Mills, ex-div.		1.30, 1.31, 1.32, 1.33, 1.34, 1.35,			

Bonds.	
Brown Bros. & Co. receipt for 9,000	
rubles Russian Govt. 5½s, 1915	
	\$1 per 1.000

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## By Messrs. Wise, Hobbs &amp; Arnold, Boston:

Shares. Stocks.	Price.	Shares. Stocks.	Price.
20 Continental Mills	159	1 Chelsea Real Estate Associates	200
1/2 Union Cotton Mfg. Co.	88	40 American Glue Co., com.	72
1/2 Border City Mfg. Co.	55	1 Fisk Rubber Co., 1st pref.	70 3/4
50 Nashua Mfg. Co., pref.	99	1 Hood Rubber Co., pref.	101 3/4
1/2 Whitman Mills	81 3/4	4 United Elec. Rys., Providence	68 1/2
1/2 Border City Mfg. Co.	55	10 Copley Square Trust, common	28
2 1/2 Wamsutta Mills	54-53 1/4	15 Hood Rubber Co., pref.	102
9 Norwich & Worcester RR., pref.	98 1/2	106 Exeter Ry. & Ltg. Co., com.	35
27 W. L. Douglas Shoe Co., pref.	96 1/4	35 Exeter Ry. & Ltg. Co., pref.	90
1 Draper Corporation	168 3/4	750 U. S. Worsteds Co., com. rts.	4 1/2 c.
1 W. L. Douglas Shoe Co., pref.	96 1/4	5,000 Rlondan Pulp & Paper Co. 6s.	
10 George E. Keith Co., pref.	100	1929, certificate of deposit	38
1 Western Real Estate Trustees	110		

## By Messrs. Barnes &amp; Lofland, Philadelphia:

Shares. Stocks.	Price.	Shares. Stocks.	Price.
100 Garrard Brown & Co.	\$120 lot	16 North Pennsylvania RR.	81
7 Union National Bank	237	41 Delaware RR.	40
3 Hare & Chase, Inc., pref.	\$270 lot	3 East Penn Elec. Co., 2d pref.	53 1/4
600 Eastern Cananea Dev., par \$1. \$1 lot		13 East Penn Elec. Co., com.	12 1/4
5 rights Central National Bank	425	7 U. S. Envelope Co., pref.	110
5 rights Central National Bank	425	2 Hanesport Mining & Transp.	890
1 Franklin Nat. Co.	708	26 Horn & Hardart Co., pref.	82
7 Bank of North America	315	20 Phila. Ritz-Carlton Hotel, pref.	\$2 lot
8 Bank of North America	313	8 Philadelphia Bourse	11 1/4
6 rights Central National Bank	422	4 Boone County Coal	65
1/2 do	423	1 Standard Tank Car	63
1/2 do	418		
1/2 do	418		
2 do (old stock)	600		
2 Broad Street Bank	154		
4 Provident Trust	520		
10 Metropolitan Trust, par \$50	62		
56 Commercial Trust	390 1/2		
10 Republic Trust, par \$50	74		
6 Girard Trust Co.	862		
2 Fidelity Trust	823		
15 Franklin Securities Corp.	105		
5 Glenside Trust Co., par \$50	61		
5 do	60 1/2		
5 do	60 1/2		
5 do	60 1/2		
10 do	60		
7 Burlington County Nat. Bank	77		
10 Amer. Theatre Realty, par \$10	7		
10 John B. Stetson Co., com., no par	101 1/4		
45 Union Transfer	25		
45 Union Transfer	121		
7 Union Passenger Ry.	35 1/4		
50 West Jersey & Seashore, com.	35 1/4		
9 Amer. Tank Car Corp., 1st pref.	100		
3 Fire Assn. of Phila., par \$50	329 3/4		
6 Fire Assn. of Phila., par \$50	329 3/4		

## DIVIDENDS.

Dividends are grouped in two separate tables. In the first we bring together all the dividends announced the current week. Then we follow with a second table, in which we show the dividends previously announced, but which have not yet been paid.

The dividends announced this week are:

Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed. Days Inclusive.
<b>Railroads (Steam).</b>			
Buffalo Rochester & Pittsburgh, com.	2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 10a
Preferred	3	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 10a
Cleveland & Pittsburgh, quar. (quar.)	87 1/2	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 10a
Special guaranteed (quar.)	50c.	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 10a
Cripple Creek Central, preferred	1	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15
Delaware & Hudson Co. (quar.)	2 1/4	Mar. 20	Holders of rec. Feb. 26
Green Bay & Western	5	Feb. 10	Holders of rec. Feb. 9
<b>Public Utilities.</b>			
Connecticut Ry. & Ltg. Co. & pref.	*\$1.12 1/2	Feb. 15	*Holders of rec. Jan. 31
Easton Gas Works, preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 20a
Fairmount Park & Haddington	*\$1.50	Feb. 5	Jan. 26 to Feb. 5
Georgia Ry. & Power, com. (No. 1)	*1	Mar. 1	
First preferred (quar.)	*2	Apr. 20	
Second preferred (quar.) (No. 1)	*1	Mar. 1	
Southern Calif. Edison, com. (quar.)	2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31
United Power & Transportation	*\$1.94	Jan. 31	*Holders of rec. Jan. 16
<b>Miscellaneous.</b>			
Aeae Wire Co., preferred	2	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 25
American Pneumatic Service, 1st pref.	*\$1.75	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 10
Second preferred	*50c.	June 30	Holders of rec. June 9
American Tobacco, com. & com. B (qu.)	3	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 10
American Window Glass Co., pref.	*3 1/2	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 16
Boston Dock	5	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 24a
Butler Brothers (quar.)	*3 1/2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 5
Butler Mills (quar.)	3	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 5
Butte Copper & Zinc	50c.	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15a
California Petroleum, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Apr. 1	
Campbell Soup, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15
Can. Connecticut Cotton Mills, pf. (qu.)	*2	Apr. 2	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Preferred (quar.) (Jan. 1923 dividend)	*2	Feb. 10	Holders of rec. Jan. 26
Century Ribbon Mills, Inc., pref. (qu.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15a
Chief Consolidated Mining (quar.)	10c.	Feb. 1	Jan. 11 to Jan. 19
Colorado Fuel & Iron, preferred (quar.)	2	Feb. 26	Holders of rec. Feb. 10a
Consumers Co., preferred	*3 1/2	Feb. 10	Holders of rec. Jan. 31
Continental Mills	84	Feb. 10	Holders of rec. Jan. 31
Contin'l Paper & Bag Mills, com. (qu.)	1 1/2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 8
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Mar. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 28
Diamond Match (quar.)	*1	Feb. 15	Feb. 6 to Feb. 15
Dow Chemical, common (quar.)	*1	Feb. 15	Feb. 6 to Feb. 15
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Feb. 15	Feb. 6 to Feb. 15
Emerson Shoe, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 1	Jan. 27 to Jan. 31
Esmond Mills, common (quar.)	1 1/2	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 25a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 25a
Foulds Milling Co., com. (quar.)	*1	Feb. 10	Holders of rec. Feb. 1
Harbison-Walker Refrac., com. (quar.)	1 1/2	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 20
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Apr. 20	Holders of rec. Apr. 10
Hoosac Cotton Mills, pref. (quar.)	*2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 5
Inland Steel (quar.)	25c.	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 10
Internat. Harvester, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 10
Kresge (S. S.) Co., common (quar.)	*2	Apr. 2	Holders of rec. Mar. 12
Common (payable in common stock)	*\$3.13	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Apr. 2	Holders of rec. Mar. 12
Libbey-Owens Sheet Glass, com. (quar.)	*50c.	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 19
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 19
Lig. & Myers Tob., com. & com. B (qu.)	3	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15
Lima Locomotive Works, com. (quar.)	*1	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15a
Manomet Mills, common (quar.)	1 1/2	Feb. 6	Holders of rec. Jan. 30a
Marine Oil (quar.)	2	Feb. 5	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
Massachusetts Cotton Mills (quar.)	3	Feb. 10	Holders of rec. Jan. 29
Middle West Utilities, pref. (quar.)	*1.25	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15
Nashawana Mills (quar.)	2	Feb. 6	Holders of rec. Jan. 30a
Nat. Automatic Fire Alarm of Ohio (qu.)	1 1/2	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 30a
National Carbon, preferred (quar.)	2	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 20a
National Cloak & Suit, preferred (quar.)	75c.	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 23a
National Supply of Del. (quar.) (No. 1)	1 1/4	Feb. 1	Jan. 21 to Jan. 31
New Tena, preferred (quar.)	25c.	Feb. 19	Holders of rec. Feb. 2a
New Cornelia Copper	*1 1/4	Feb. 6	Holders of rec. Jan. 30a
Nonquit Spinning (quar.)	*75c.	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Feb. 24
Ohio Oil (quar.)			

Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed. Days Inclusive.
<b>Miscellaneous (Concluded).</b>			
Owens Bottle, common (quar.)	*50c.	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 16
Common (extra)	*25c.	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 16
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Apr. 1	*Holders of rec. Mar. 16
Pepperell Manufacturing (quar.)	4	Feb. 23	Holders of rec. Jan. 24
Pittsburgh Steel, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15
Pure Oil, common (quar.)	50c.	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15
Quisset Mills (quar.)	\$2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 5
Sherwin-Williams Co., com. (quar.)	*2	Feb. 15	*Holders of rec. Feb. 1
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Mar. 1	*Holders of rec. Feb. 15
Sherwood Petroleum, com. (annual)	6		Holders of rec. Jan. 19
Preferred (annual)	8		Holders of rec. Jan. 19
Smith (A. O.) Corp., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1
Southern Pipe Line	\$4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15
Standard Oil of New York (quar.)	*35c.	Mar. 15	*Holders of rec. Feb. 23
Standard Sanitary Mfg., com. (quar.)	2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 7
Common (extra)	3	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 7
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 7
Stewart Manufacturing, com. (quar.)	\$1.50	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31a
Preferred (quar.)	\$2	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 25a
Studebaker Corp., common (quar.)	2 1/2	Mar. 1	*Holders of rec. Feb. 10
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 10
Timken-Detroit Axle, preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 19
United Dyewood, preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Apr. 2	*Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	July 2	*Holders of rec. June 15
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 15
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Jan. 24	*Holders of rec. Dec. 15
U. S. Lumber (stock dividend)	*\$100	Mar. 1	*Holders of rec. Feb. 1
U. S. Steel Corporation, com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 30	Holders of rec. Feb. 1
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 27	Feb. 4 to Feb. 8
White (J. G.) Co., Inc., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15
White (J. G.) Eng., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 5
White (J. G.) Mgt. Corp., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 25
Wright Aeronautical Corp. (quar.)	25c.	Feb. 28	Holders of rec. Feb. 14

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Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed, Days Inclusive.
Railroads (Steam).			
Alabama Great Southern, pref.	3 1/4	Feb. 16	Holders of rec. Jan. 19
Ach. Topeka & Santa Fe, com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 26a
Baltimore & Ohio, preferred	2	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 13a
Bellefonte Central	50c.	Feb. 15	Feb. 1 to Feb. 15
Central RR. of N. J. (quar.)	2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 7a
Chic. St. P. Minn. & Omaha, common	2 1/2	Feb. 20	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
Preferred	3 1/2	Feb. 20	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
Cuba RR., preferred	3	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. July 20a
Illinois Central, com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 2a
Preferred	3	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 2a
Louisville & Nashville	3 1/4	Feb. 10	Holders of rec. Jan. 15a
Norfolk & Western, com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 19	Holders of rec. Feb. 28a
Adj. pref. (quar.)	\$1	Feb. 19	Holders of rec. Jan. 100
Oswego & Syracuse	4 1/2	Feb. 20	Holders of rec. Feb. 8
Pennsylvania RR. (quar.)	75c.	Feb. 28	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
Peoria & Bureau Valley	3 1/4	Feb. 10	Jan. 25 to Jan. 31
Pittsburgh & West Virginia, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 28	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
Reading Company, com. (quar.)	\$1	Feb. 8	Holders of rec. Jan. 16a
First preferred (quar.)	50c.	Mar. 8	Holders of rec. Feb. 10a
Rich. Fred. & Potomac, com. & guar. stk.	100		*Holders of rec. Feb. 15
Sharon Ry.	\$1 37 1/2	Mar. 1	
Semi-annual	\$1 37 1/2	Sept. 1	
Toledo St. L. & West., com. & pref.	4	Feb. 20	Holders of rec. Jan. 30a
Public Utilities.			
Amer. Telephone & Telegraph (quar.)	2 1/4	Apr. 16	Holders of rec. Mar. 16
Quarterly	2 1/4	July 16	Holders of rec. June 20
Amer. Water Works & Elec., 1st pt. (qu.)	1 1/4	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
Brooklyn Edison Co. (quar.)	2	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15a
Brazilian Tr. L. & Pow., ordinary (qu.)	1	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 31
Cedar Rapids Mfg. & Power, (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31a
Columbia Gas & Elec. (quar.)	1 1/2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31a
Consolidated Gas, com. (quar.)	\$1.25	Mar. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 8a
Detroit United Ry. (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
Eastern Shore Gas & Elec., pref. (quar.)	50c.	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15a
Illuminating & Power Secur., pref. (qu.)	2 1/4	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31
Kaminitiquia Power (quar.)	1 1/2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31a
Montreal L. H. & P. Cons. (quar.)	1 1/2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31a
Montreal L. H. & P. (quar.)	2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31a
North Shore Gas, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	April 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	July 1	Holders of rec. June 20
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20
Pacific Gas & Elec. 1st pt. & orig. pt. (qu.)	1 1/4	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31a
Philadelphia Co., preferred	\$1.25	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 10a
Tampa Electric Co. (quar.)	2 1/4	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
United Gas Improvement, pref. (quar.)	87 1/2	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 28a
United Rys. & Elec., Balt. (quar.)	50c.	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 25a
Virginia Ry. & Power, preferred	3	July 20	Holders of rec. Dec. 31
West Penn Co., com. (No. 1)	1 1/4	Mar. 30	Holders of rec. Mar. 15
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1
Fire Insurance.			
Westchester Fire (quar.)	*5	May 1	*Holders of rec. April 20
Extra	*1 1/4	May 1	*Holders of rec. April 20
Miscellaneous.			
Aeae Coal Mining	2	Feb. 5	Holders of rec. Jan. 25
Ahmek Mining	\$1	Mar. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 24
Alaska Packers Association (quar.)	2	Feb. 10	Holders of rec. Jan. 31
Extra (insurance fund int. inc.)	2	Feb. 10	Holders of rec. Jan. 31
Allis-Chalmers Mfg., Inc., com. (quar.)	\$1	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 24a
American Bank Note, common (quar.)	\$1	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
American Can, common (quar.) (No. 1)	1 1/4	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31a
Amer. La France Fire Eng., com. (quar.)	2 1/2	Feb. 15	Feb. 2 to Feb. 15
American Metal, com. (quar.)	*75c.	Mar. 1	*Holders of rec. Feb. 15
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Mar. 1	*Holders of rec. Feb. 17
Amer. Radiator, new com. (quar.)	\$1	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
American Shipbuilding, common (quar.)	2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 14
Common (quar.)	2	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 14
Amer. Smelt. & Refg., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 6
Amer. Soda Fountain (quar.)	1 1/2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31
Amparo Mining (quar.)	3	Feb. 10	Holders of rec. Jan. 31
Anchor Post Iron Works	*12 1/2 c.	Feb. 15	*Holders of rec. Jan. 31
Associated Dry Goods, 1st pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 10a
Second preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 10a
Babcock & Wilcox (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 2	Holders of rec. Mar. 20
Bacon Oil Ref. (quar.)	\$1.87 1/2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1
Bethlehem Steel, com. & com. B (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 2	Holders of rec. Mar. 13
Seven per cent preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 2	Holders of rec. Mar. 13
Seven per cent preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	July 2	Holders of rec. June 15
Seven per cent preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15
Seven per cent preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Jan 2/24	Holders of rec. Dec. 15
Eight per cent preferred (quar.)	2	Apr. 2	Holders of rec. Mar. 13
Eight per cent preferred (quar.)	2	July 2	Holders of rec. June 15
Eight per cent preferred (quar.)	2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15
Eight per cent preferred (quar.)	2	Jan 2/24	Holders of rec. Dec. 15
Bond & Mortgage Guarantee (quar.)	4	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 8a
Borden Co., common	4	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 1a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	June 15	Holders of rec. June 1a
Brumfield-Balke-Collider, com. (qu.)	1 1/4	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 5
Burns Pipe Line (quar.)	\$1.75	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 15
Burns Bros., A stock (quar.)	\$2.50	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 15
B stock (quar.)	50c.	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
California Packing Corp. (quar.)	\$1.50	Mar. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 28a
Calumet & Hecla Mining	\$7	Mar. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 24
Canada Cement, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31



Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed. Days Inclusive.
<b>Miscellaneous (Concluded).</b>			
Canadian Converters (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31
Canadian Oil, com.	1	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31
Cities Service			
Common (mthly. y. pay. in cash scrip)	7 1/2	Mar. 1	*Holders of rec. Feb. 15
Common (pay. in com. stock scrip)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	*Holders of rec. Feb. 15
Pref. & pref. B (payable in cash)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	*Holders of rec. Feb. 15
Consolidated Cigar Corp., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 20a
Continental Can, common (quar.)	750	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 5
Cosden & Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15a
Davis Mills (quar.)	1 1/2	Mar. 24	Holders of rec. Mar. 10a
Delaware Division Canal	\$1	Feb. 15	Feb. 6 to Feb. 14
Dominion Bridge (quar.)	1	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31
Dominion Stores, Ltd., common (No. 1)	50c.	April 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 1
Common	50c.	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 1
Eastman Kodak, common (extra)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 31a
Eisenlohr (Otto) & Bros., com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 12a
Endicott-Johnson Corp., com. (in stock)	720	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 12a
Fifth Avenue Bus	16c.	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1
Firestone Tire & Rubber, 7% pref. (qu.)	1 1/4	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
First Mortgage Guarantee Co.	2 1/2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1
General Asphalt, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 14a
General Development (quar.)	25c.	Feb. 20	Holders of rec. Feb. 10a
General Cigar, Inc., Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 21a
Debutene preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 2	Holders of rec. Mar. 26a
Gillette Safety Razor (quar.)	\$3	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 31
Stock dividend	65	June 1	Holders of rec. May 1
Goodrich (B. F.) Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	April 2	Holders of rec. Mar. 22
Good Lakes Dredge & Dock (quar.)	1	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 9 to Feb. 15
Hamilton Mfg. (quar.)	1	Feb. 28	Holders of rec. Jan. 23
Hart, Schaffner & Marx, Inc., com. (qu.)	1 1/4	Feb. 28	*Holders of rec. Feb. 19
Hays Mfg., preferred	1	Feb. 15	*Holders of rec. Feb. 1
Hudson Motor Car (quar.)	50c.	April 2	Holders of rec. Mar. 22a
Extra	25c.	April 2	Holders of rec. Mar. 22a
Humphreys Oil (quar.)	3	Mar. 15	*Holders of rec. Feb. 28
Hupp Motor Car, com. (in com stock)	1/10	Subject	to stockholders' meeting
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a
Indiana Pipe Line (quar.)	\$2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 15
International Shoe, common	750	April 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 15
Inter-type Corporation, com. (quar.)	\$1	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
Iron Products Corp., pref. (quar.)	50c.	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
Iso Royale Copper Co. (quar.)	2	Mar. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 25a
Kelly-Springfield Tire, 8% pref. (qu.)	2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
Lancaster Mills, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 25
Lee Rubber & Tire (quar.)	50c.	Feb. 28	Holders of rec. Feb. 15a
Lehigh Coal & Navigation (quar.)	2	Feb. 28	Holders of rec. Jan. 31a
Lot Brothers Corp.	50c.	Feb. 20	Jan. 30 to Feb. 19
Lewis's Boston Theatres, com. (qu.)	1	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1
Lyman Mills	6	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 23
Madison Safe Deposit	3	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1
Extra	1	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1
Martin-Parry Corporation (quar.)	50c.	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15a
Mason Tire & Rubber, pref. (quar.)	0 1/4	Jan. 25	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
May Department Stores, com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15a
Mercantile Stores, Inc.	2 1/2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1
Miami Copper (quar.)	50c.	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
Morris Canal & Bks., consolidated stk.	2	Feb. 6	Jan. 16 to Feb. 5
Preferred	5	Apr. 14	Holders of rec. Mar. 31a
National Biscuit, common (quar.)	750	Feb. 28	Holders of rec. Feb. 14a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 28	Holders of rec. Feb. 8a
National Enameling & Stpg., com. (qu.)	1 1/4	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 23a
National Lead, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 10	Holders of rec. Jan. 31a
New Jersey Zinc (quar.)	2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
Newmarket Mfg. (quar.)	2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
New River Co., pref. (acct. accum. divs.)	1 1/4	Feb. 27	Holders of rec. Feb. 7
Ontario Steel Products, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31
Pan Amer. Pet. & Transp., com. A & B	20	Feb. 8	Holders of rec. Dec. 29a
Patten Typewriter (quar.)	2 1/2	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 5
Pennsylv. Ltd., com. (quar.)	2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 3
Phillipsborn, Inc., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 10	Holders of rec. Feb. 5a
Pressed Steel Car, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 27	Holders of rec. Feb. 6
Procter & Gamble, com. (quar.)	5	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 25a
Producers & Refiners Corp., com. (No. 1)	87 1/2	Mar. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 1a
Preferred (quar.)	\$1 1/4	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 23a
Pullman Company (quar.)	2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31a
Quaker Oats, preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 28	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
Republiron & Steel, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 2	Mar. 16 to Apr. 11
Reynolds Spring, pref. A & B (quar.)	1 1/4	April 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 1a
Royal Dutch Co.	\$1.318	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 30a
St. Joseph Lead (quar.)	25c.	Mar. 20	Mar. 10 to Mar. 20
Extra	25c.	Mar. 10	Mar. 10 to Mar. 20
Salt Creek Consolidated Oil (quar.)	25c.	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
Scouten-Dillon Co. (quar.)	25c.	Mar. 20	Holders of rec. Feb. 14
Extra	3	Feb. 20	Holders of rec. Feb. 14
Seaboard Oil & Gas (monthly)	2 1/2	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15a
Monthly	2 1/2	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 15a
Shell Union Oil, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 30a
Sinclair Consol. Oil Corp., com. (quar.)	50c.	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 20a
Preferred (quar.)	2	Feb. 28	Holders of rec. Feb. 15a
Southern States Oil (monthly)	1	Feb. 20	Holders of rec. Feb. 1
Spaulding (A. G.), 1st preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 10a
Second preferred (quar.)	2	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 10
Standard Clay Products (Canada) (No. 1)	2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31
Standard Milling, com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 28	Holders of rec. Feb. 17a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 28	Holders of rec. Feb. 17a
Standard Oil (Calif.), pref. (quar.)	50c.	Mar. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 20a
Standard Oil (Ohio), pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 26
Stern Brothers, pref. (quar.)	2	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15a
Preferred (quar.)	2	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15a
Stewart-Warner Speedometer (quar.)	\$1.50	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31a
Superior Steel, 1st & 2d pref. (quar.)	2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. a
Swift International	90c.	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 25
Thompson (John R.) Co., com. (monthly)	25c.	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 23a
Thompson-Starrett Co., pref.	4	April 2	Holders of rec. Mar. 20
Tobacco Products, class A (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31a
Union Tank Car, common (quar.)	\$1.25	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 5a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 5a
United Cigar Stores of Amer., com. (qu.)	2	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15a
United Drug, 2nd pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15
United Engineering & Fdy., com. (quar.)	3	Mar. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 1
U. S. Cast Iron Pipe & Fdy., pref. (qu.)	1 1/4	Mar. 15	Holders of rec. Mar. 1
U. S. Realty & Impt. (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 16	Holders of rec. Mar. 10a
U. S. Tobacco (payable in stock)	20	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15a
Van Ralite Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 15a
Vivaudou (V.) Inc.	\$500	Mar. 2	Holders of rec. Feb. 19
Wahl Co., common (monthly)	50c.	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 21a
Common (monthly)	50c.	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 22a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 22a
Weber & Helig, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 23a
Westfield Mfg., com. (quar.)	50c.	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31a
Preferred (quar.)	\$2	Feb. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 31a
Westinghouse Air Brake, stock div.	\$35	Subj.	to stockholders' meet. Mar. 2
White Motor Co. (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 20a
Will & Baumer Candle, com. (quar.)	25c.	Mar. 15	Holders of rec. Feb. 1a
Woolworth (F. W.) Co., common (quar.)	2	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 10a
Worthington Pump & Mach., pt. A. (qu.)	1 1/4	April 2	Holders of rec. Mar. 10a
Preferred B (quar.)	1 1/4	April 2	Holders of rec. Mar. 10a
Wurlitzer (Rudolph) Co.			
Eight per cent preferred (quar.)	2	Mar. 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 19 '23
Eight per cent preferred (quar.)	2	June 1	Holders of rec. May 22 '23
Seven per cent preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Apr. 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 22

\* From unofficial sources. † The New York Stock Exchange has ruled that stock will not be quoted ex-dividend on this date and not until further notice. ‡ The New York Curb Market Association has ruled that stock will not be quoted ex-dividend on these dates and not until further notice.

a Transfer books not closed for this div. d Correction. e Payable in stock. f Payable in common stock. g Payable in scrip. h On account of accumulated dividends.

i Payable in dividend obligations.

k Subject to approval of stockholders.

## Weekly Return of New York City Clearing House Banks and Trust Companies.

The following shows the condition of the New York City Clearing House members for the week ending Jan. 27. The figures for the separate banks are the averages of the daily results. In the case of the grand totals, we also show the actual figures of condition at the end of the week.

NEW YORK WEEKLY CLEARING HOUSE RETURNS.  
(Stated in thousands of dollars—that is, three ciphers (000) omitted.)

Week ending Jan. 27, 1923.	New Capital.	Profits.	Loans, Discounts, Investments, etc.	Cash in Vault.	Reserve with Legal Depositaries.	Net Demand Deposits.	Time Deposits.	Bank Circulation.
(000 omitted.)	Nat'l. State, Tr. Cos., Nov. 15	Dec. 29	Nov. 15	Nov. 15	Nov. 15	Nov. 15	Nov. 15	Nov. 15
<b>Members of Fed. Reserve Bank.</b>								
Bank of N. Y. & Tr. Co.	4,000	11,841	63,419	759	6,704	48,522	5,319	---
Bk. of Manhattan	10,000	412,500	121,975	2,252	13,562	100,294	17,021	---
Mech. & Met. Nat.	10,000	17,182	168,494	4,269	20,426	154,872	4,870	996
Bank of America	5,000	4,551	73,111	1,660	9,534	71,329	2,819	---
Nat. City Bank	40,000	51,071	510,681	6,355	61,656	*568,047	42,707	2,116
Chem Nat Bank	4,500	16,244	122,218	1,200	13,814	102,606	8,911	344
Nat. Butch. & Dr.	500	203	4,877	74	537	3,753	10	295
Amer. Exch. Nat.	5,000	7,890	98,130	1,239	11,638	85,167	7,147	4,923
Nat. Bk. of Com.	25,000	37,437	318,006	867	33,875	258,123	13,731	---
Pacific Bank	1,000	1,701	23,947	1,122	3,421	23,952	1,017	---
Chat. & Phen. Nat.	10,500	9,316	152,331	4,914	18,049	124,405	23,351	5,868
Hanover Nat. Bk.	5,000	20,348	124,216	338	15,090	112,439	100	---
Corn Exchange	e9,075	e11,920	172,727	6,035	21,014	153,988	22,814	---
Imp. & Trad. Nat.	1,500	8,636	38,425	535	3,779	28,490	767	51
National Park	10,000	23,882	166,940	868	18,049	137,810	4,676	6,295
East River Nat.	1,000	800	14,267	31	1,629	12,082	2,242	50
First National	10,000	51,584	345,912	464	21,545	161,668	28,027	7,251
Irving National	12,500	10,989	193,235	3,758	26,363	196,138	7,327	---
Continental Bk.	1,000	920	7,893	134	864	6,033	365	---
Chase National	20,000	22,057	357,942	4,131	44,588	334,946	27,168	1,087
Fifth Avenue	500	2,430	22,004	750	3,249	23,224	---	---
Commonwealth	400	975	9,299	474	1,160	8,816	219	---
Garfield Nat.	1,000	1,645	15,357	474	3,166	15,716	25	396
Fifth National	1,200	1,125	18,406	276	2,246	16,904	727	247
Seaboard Nat.	4,000	7,079	77,983	1,155	9,909	75,212	1,634	66
Coal & Iron Nat.	1,500	1,364	15,172	167	1,650	12,453	875	422
Bankers Trust	20,000	25,039	266,568	1,046	30,532	*240,564	16,705	---
U. S. Mtge. & Tr.	3,000	4,419	52,866	860	5,954	45,754	4,660	---
Guaranty Trust	25,000	17,654	401,514	1,378	46,112	*419,454	29,044	---
Fidel-InterTrust	1,500	1,866	20,369	338	2,625	18,980	700	---
Columbia Trust	5,000	8,003	77,585	778	9,949	74,851	5,725	---
N. Y. Trust Co.	10,000	17,696	138,428	412	16,072	120,532	8,252	---
Metropolitan Tr.	2,000	3,804	39,200	512	4,396	33,808	3,615	---
Farm Loan & Tr.	5,000	15,065	129,267	519	13,319	*95,897	24,235	---
Columbia Bank	2,000	2,145	29,650	687	3,747	28,959	2,142	---
Equitable Trust	12,000	15,754	187,178	1,439	21,923	*190,138	13,090	---
<b>Total of averages</b>	<b>280,175</b>	<b>447,649</b>	<b>4,579,572</b>	<b>53,096</b>	<b>522,346</b>	<b>c3,883,696</b>	<b>332,055</b>	<b>30,507</b>
<b>Totals, actual condition Jan. 27</b>	<b>4,567,969</b>	<b>52,693,527</b>	<b>448,374,718</b>	<b>319,947</b>	<b>30,438</b>			
<b>Totals, actual condition Jan. 20</b>	<b>4,593,362</b>	<b>53,160,527</b>	<b>431,839,240</b>	<b>389,771</b>	<b>30,624</b>			
<b>Totals, actual condition Jan. 13</b>	<b>4,596,824</b>	<b>59,012,532</b>	<b>408,979,209</b>	<b>346,119</b>	<b>30,524</b>			
<b>State Banks Not Members of Federal Reserve Bank.</b>								
Greenwich Bank	2,000	2,119	18,855	1,663	1,836	19,407	52	---
Bowery Bank	250	877	5,792	347	883	2,803	2,172	---
State Bank	2,500	4,684	83,909	3,415	1,853	29,045	52,227	---
<b>Total of averages</b>	<b>3,750</b>	<b>7,681</b>	<b>108,556</b>	<b>5,425</b>	<b>4,072</b>	<b>51,255</b>	<b>54,451</b>	<b>---</b>
<b>Totals, actual condition Jan. 27</b>	<b>108,362</b>	<b>5,467</b>	<b>4,094</b>	<b>51,291</b>	<b>54,436</b>			
<b>Totals, actual condition Jan. 20</b>	<b>109,873</b>	<b>5,378</b>	<b>3,880</b>	<b>52,315</b>	<b>54,447</b>			
<b>Totals, actual condition Jan. 13</b>	<b>108,147</b>	<b>5,814</b>	<b>4,109</b>	<b>51,774</b>	<b>54,471</b>			

	Actual Figures.				
	Cash Reserve in Vault.	Reserve in Depositories	Total Reserve.	Reserve Required.	Surplus Reserve.
Members Federal Reserve banks.....	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
State banks.....	5,467,000	4,094,000	9,561,000	9,232,350	328,650
Trust companies.....	2,453,000	5,610,000	8,063,000	7,903,350	159,650
Total Jan. 27.....	7,920,000	537,152,000	545,072,000	530,447,480	14,624,520
Total Jan. 20.....	7,811,000	537,473,000	545,284,000	528,147,560	17,136,440
Total Jan. 13.....	8,463,000	541,425,000	549,888,000	544,794,360	5,093,640
Total Jan. 6.....	8,316,000	489,426,000	497,742,000	534,754,940	-37,012,940

\* Not members of Federal Reserve Bank.

b This is the reserve required on net demand deposits in the case of State banks and trust companies, but in the case of members of the Federal Reserve Bank includes also amount of reserve required on net time deposits, which was as follows: Jan. 27, \$9,598,410; Jan. 20, \$11,693,130; Jan. 13, \$10,383,570; Jan. 6, \$10,464,750.

**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.)

	Jan. 27.	Differences from previous week.
Loans and Investments.....	\$755,158,200	Dec. \$4,528,300
Gold.....	3,836,500	Dec. 148,800
Currency and bank notes.....	18,801,200	Dec. 614,400
Deposits with Federal Reserve Bank of New York.....	66,121,100	Dec. 2,361,700
Total deposits.....	791,470,200	Dec. 13,486,900
Deposits, eliminating amounts due from reserve depositories and from other banks and trust companies in N. Y. City exchanges and U. S. deposits.....	747,527,900	Dec. 3,666,300
Reserve on deposits.....	113,398,000	Dec. 8,887,400
Percentage of reserve, 18.9%.		

#### RESERVE.

	State Banks.	Trust Companies.
Cash in vault.....	\$26,636,900 16.30%	\$62,121,900 14.26%
Deposits in banks and trust cos.....	7,672,800 04.69%	16,966,400 03.89%
Total.....	\$34,309,700 20.99%	\$79,088,300 18.15%

\* Includes deposits with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, which for the State banks and trust companies combined on Jan. 27 was \$66,121,100.

**Banks and Trust Companies in New York City.**—The averages of the New York City Clearing House banks and trust companies combined with those for the State banks and trust companies in Greater New York City outside of the Clearing House are as follows:

COMBINED RESULTS OF BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES IN GREATER NEW YORK.

Week ended—	Loans and Investments.	Demand Deposits.	*Total Cash in Vaults.	Reserve in Depositories.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Oct. 7.....	5,326,359,700	4,649,378,900	86,018,300	624,721,000
Oct. 14.....	5,305,281,600	4,628,334,800	90,381,200	623,563,900
Oct. 21.....	5,397,918,900	4,699,067,600	89,798,300	642,922,400
Oct. 28.....	5,402,995,200	4,650,020,500	88,454,300	619,226,400
Nov. 4.....	5,394,373,600	4,623,416,200	87,350,900	629,119,700
Nov. 11.....	5,348,725,300	4,573,740,400	91,084,000	614,915,700
Nov. 18.....	5,331,639,900	4,569,953,000	89,248,900	617,659,300
Nov. 25.....	5,314,686,500	4,562,416,100	87,309,000	613,970,600
Dec. 2.....	5,327,903,200	4,592,129,500	88,954,800	612,086,200
Dec. 9.....	5,309,488,800	4,542,829,600	91,414,200	609,280,700
Dec. 16.....	4,798,475,400	4,545,721,000	93,839,300	609,293,500
Dec. 23.....	5,523,709,500	4,594,948,100	100,766,600	618,154,200
Dec. 30.....	5,519,496,000	4,733,584,900	100,243,100	632,127,800
Jan. 6.....	5,630,574,400	4,802,407,700	90,677,500	656,380,000
Jan. 13.....	5,529,461,100	4,774,730,400	93,343,800	642,753,600
Jan. 20.....	5,562,902,500	4,760,083,200	86,646,900	637,700,500
Jan. 27.....	5,522,233,200	4,734,896,900	83,614,700	622,630,300

**New York City Non-Member Banks and Trust Companies.**—The following are the returns to the Clearing House by clearing non-member institutions and which are not included in the "Clearing House Returns" in the foregoing:

RETURN OF NON-MEMBER INSTITUTIONS OF NEW YORK CLEARING HOUSE.

(Stated in thousands of dollars—that is, three ciphers [000] omitted.)

CLEARING NON-MEMBERS	Capital.	Net Profits.	Loans Discounts.	Cash in Vault.	Reserve with Legal Depositories.	Net Demand Deposits.	Net Time Deposits.	Net Bank Circulation.
Week ending Jan. 27 1923.	Nat. bks. Dec. 29	Tr. cos. Dec. 30	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average
Members of Fed'l Res. Bank.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Battery Park Nat.	1,500	1,163	11,075	183	1,185	7,747	459	196
W. R. Grace & Co.	500	1,339	10,419	23	534	2,142	6,831	---
Total Jan. 27 ..	2,000	2,502	21,494	206	1,719	9,889	7,290	196
State Banks	Not members	of Fed. Res. Bank	200	329	5,156	534	4,577	982
Bank of Wash. Hts.	200	329	5,156	534	4,577	982	---	---
Colonial Bank.....	800	1,879	19,105	2,349	1,449	19,470	---	---
Total Jan. 27 ..	1,000	2,208	24,261	2,883	1,722	24,047	982	---
Trust Companies	Not members	of Fed. Res. Bank	500	348	9,148	407	3,444	5,645
Mech. Tr., Bayonne	500	348	9,148	407	138	3,444	5,645	---
Total Jan. 27 ..	500	348	9,148	407	138	3,444	5,645	---
Grand aggregate.....	3,500	5,059	54,903	3,496	3,579	43,780	13,917	196
Comparison with previous week.....			+1,022	-251	+42	-62	+1,025	+1
Gr'd aggr., Jan. 20	3,500	5,059	53,881	3,747	3,537	43,742	12,892	195
Gr'd aggr., Jan. 13	3,200	5,435	53,814	3,944	3,654	43,337	12,224	196
Gr'd aggr., Jan. 6	3,200	5,435	53,102	3,819	3,352	43,973	12,414	195
Gr'd aggr., Dec. 30	3,200	5,435	52,748	3,803	3,357	43,714	12,535	198

a U. S. deposits deducted, \$644,000.  
Bills payable, rediscounts, acceptances and other liabilities, \$2,281,000.  
Excess reserve, \$212,810 decrease.

**Boston Clearing House Weekly Returns.**—In the following we furnish a summary of all the items in the Boston Clearing House weekly statement for a series of weeks:

BOSTON CLEARING HOUSE MEMBERS.

	Jan. 31 1923.	Changes from previous week.	Jan. 24 1923.	Jan. 17 1923.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Capital.....	59,000,000	No change	59,000,000	59,000,000
Surplus and profits.....	83,679,000	No change	83,679,000	83,679,000
Loans, disc'ts & Investments.....	856,807,000	Dec. 6,421,000	863,228,000	858,265,000
Individual deposits, incl. U. S. Due to banks.....	634,033,000	Dec. 2,467,000	636,505,000	649,563,000
Time deposits.....	120,403,000	Dec. 9,663,000	130,066,000	141,038,000
United States deposits.....	110,054,000	Inc. 31,000	110,023,000	111,963,000
Exchanges for Clearing House Due from other banks.....	10,404,000	Dec. 4,164,000	14,568,000	11,160,000
Reserve in Fed. Res. Bank.....	25,771,000	Inc. 306,000	25,465,000	30,942,000
Cash in bank and F. R. Bank Reserve excess in bank and Federal Reserve Bank.....	68,493,000	Dec. 2,766,000	71,259,000	82,281,000
	71,972,000	Dec. 774,000	72,746,000	74,707,000
	9,220,000	Dec. 131,000	9,351,000	9,537,000
	1,876,000	Inc. 229,000	1,647,000	2,771,000

**Philadelphia Banks.**—The Philadelphia Clearing House return for the week ending Jan. 27 with comparative figures for the two weeks preceding, is given below. Reserve requirements for members of the Federal Reserve System are 10% on demand deposits and 3% on time deposits, all to be kept with the Federal Reserve Bank. "Cash in vaults" is not a part of legal reserves. For trust companies not members of the Federal Reserve System the reserve required is 10% on demand deposits and includes "Reserve with legal depositories" and "Cash in vaults."

	Week ending Jan. 27 1923.			Jan. 20. 1923.	Jan. 13. 1923.
	Members of F. R. System	Trust Companies	Total.		
Capital.....	\$35,375.0	\$5,000.0	\$40,375.0	\$40,375.0	\$40,375.0
Surplus and profits.....	100,851.0	14,496.0	115,347.0	115,280.0	115,061.0
Loans, disc'ts & Investm'ts.....	666,900.0	43,086.0	709,986.0	714,514.0	709,787.0
Exchanges for Clear. House Due from banks.....	29,076.0	705.0	29,781.0	33,014.0	28,568.0
Bank deposits.....	91,640.0	789.0	92,429.0	99,140.0	101,624.0
Individual deposits.....	127,602.0	28,239.0	155,841.0	153,463.0	153,013.0
Total deposits.....	233,357.0	651.0	234,008.0	236,616.0	234,119.0
U. S. deposits (not incl.).....	524,769.0	29,679.0	554,448.0	554,448.0	554,448.0
Res'v with legal depositories.....	10,362.0	10,362.0	20,724.0	17,775.0	6,303.0
Reserve with F. R. Bank.....	3,803.0	3,803.0	7,606.0	3,300.0	4,181.0
Cash in vault.....	55,920.0	1,346.0	57,266.0	55,826.0	57,507.0
Total reserve and cash held.....	65,554.0	1,346.0	66,900.0	70,664.0	73,889.0
Reserve required.....	55,497.0	4,276.0	59,773.0	60,634.0	61,543.0
Excess res. & cash in vault.....	10,057.0	2,219.0	12,276.0	11,235.0	13,257.0

\* Cash in vault not counted as reserve for Federal Reserve members.

**Condition of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.**—The following shows the condition of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York at the close of business Jan. 31 1923 in comparison with the previous week and the corresponding date last year:

	Jan. 31 1923.	Jan. 24 1923.	Feb. 1 1922.
	\$	\$	\$
Resources—			
Gold and gold certificates.....	131,725,466	137,169,313	289,068,000
Gold settlement fund—F. R. Board.....	173,275,557	158,883,053	78,412,000
Total gold held by bank.....	305,001,024	296,052,366	367,480,000
Gold with Federal Reserve Agent.....	645,413,770	645,903,970	711,967,000
Gold redemption fund.....	5,894,577	8,324,377	10,000,000
Total gold reserves.....	956,309,372	949,980,715	1,089,447,000
Reserves other than gold.....	27,558,534	27,468,175	48,613,000
Total reserves.....	983,867,906	977,448,890	1,138,060,000
*Non-reserve cash.....	9,853,477	8,958,323	---
Bills discounted:			
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations.....	230,612,297	191,283,297	92,442,000
All other.....	21,251,852	25,357,889	26,770,000
Bills bought in open market.....	27,784,602	32,066,005	36,560,000
Total bills on hand.....	279,648,752	248,707,192	155,772,000
U. S. bonds and notes.....	25,040,450	29,932,250	24,714,000
U. S. certificates of indebtedness—			
One-year certificates (Pittman Act).....	---	---	35,400,000
All other.....	54,028,200	66,916,500	47,695,000
Total earning assets.....	358,717,402	345,555,942	263,581,000
Bank premises.....	10,515,340	10,478,504	9,667,000
5% redemp. fund agst. F. R. bank notes.....	107,435,015	124,681,340	1,651,000
Uncollected items.....	1,874,459	2,213,507	115,237,000
All other resources.....	---	---	2,469,000
Total resources.....	1,472,263,601	1,468,736,507	1,527,965,000
Liabilities—			
Capital paid in.....	28,736,900	28,736,900	26,958,000
Surplus.....	59,799,523	59,799,523	60,197,000
Deposits—			
Government.....	11,046,452	6,369,304	50,255,000
Member banks—Reserve account.....	720,929,177	722,716,791	662,371,000
All other.....	12,181,384	10,855,637	15,203,000
Total.....	744,157,014	739,941,733	727,829,000
F. R. notes in actual circulation.....	551,028,595	545,265,460	614,031,000
F. R. bank notes in circ'n—net liability.....	86,443,184	92,055,087	20,518,000
Deferred availability items.....	2,098,384	2,937,803	75,374,000
All other liabilities.....	---	---	3,058,000
Total liabilities.....	1,472,263,601	1,468,736,507	1,527,965,000
Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined.....	76.0%	76.1%	84.8%
Contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents.....	12,666,608	12,475,285	12,006,666

\* Not shown separately prior to January 1923.

#### CURRENT NOTICES.

—A noteworthy item of the 63d annual report of the Home Life Insurance Co. of New York is that the company's actual mortality experience during the year was but 52.87% of the amount expected.

This report shows that the company received premiums during 1922 to the amount of \$7,369,835 and paid to policy holders and their beneficiaries in death claims, endowments and dividends, \$5,400,769 and in additional to this \$2,206,762 is added to the insurance reserve funds. Net interest income from investment for the past year totaled \$2,110,922, which sum is over \$700,000 in excess of the amount required to maintain the reserve. The company has insurance in force amounting to \$232,163,052 and admitted assets of \$46,253,715.



## WEEKLY RETURN OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD.

The following is the return issued by the Federal Reserve Board Thursday afternoon, Feb. 1, and showing the condition of the twelve Reserve Banks at the close of business on Wednesday. In the first table we present the results for the system as a whole in comparison with the figures for the seven preceding weeks and with those of the corresponding week 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. The Reserve Board's comment upon the return for the latest week appears on page 460, being the first item in our department of "Current Events and Discussions."

## COMBINED RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS JAN. 31 1923.

	Jan. 31 1923.	Jan. 24 1923.	Jan. 17 1923.	Jan. 10 1923.	Jan. 3 1923.	Dec. 27 1922.	Dec. 20 1922.	Dec. 13 1922.	Feb. 1 1922.
<b>RESOURCES.</b>									
Gold and gold certificates	\$ 292,664,000	\$ 298,207,000	\$ 296,840,000	\$ 281,300,000	\$ 272,504,000	\$ 273,825,000	\$ 291,081,000	\$ 304,810,000	\$ 385,044,000
Gold settlement fund, F. R. Board	561,403,000	556,642,000	535,229,000	543,338,000	550,123,000	509,580,000	582,494,000	596,851,000	509,193,000
Total gold held by banks	854,067,000	854,849,000	832,069,000	824,638,000	822,627,000	783,405,000	873,575,000	901,661,000	894,237,000
Gold with Federal Reserve agents	2,174,677,000	2,181,121,000	2,195,474,000	2,186,194,000	2,165,627,000	2,198,846,000	2,117,688,000	2,103,069,000	1,923,419,000
Gold redemption fund	47,066,000	44,167,000	49,949,000	51,873,000	61,194,000	58,188,000	54,647,000	56,493,000	88,872,000
Total gold reserves	3,075,810,000	3,080,137,000	3,077,492,000	3,062,705,000	3,049,451,000	3,040,439,000	3,045,910,000	3,061,223,000	2,911,528,000
Reserves other than gold	151,333,000	141,844,000	136,645,000	124,509,000	113,442,000	108,398,000	110,799,000	123,665,000	149,990,000
Total reserves	3,227,143,000	3,221,981,000	3,214,137,000	3,187,214,000	3,162,893,000	3,148,837,000	3,156,709,000	3,184,888,000	3,061,518,000
*Non-reserve cash	54,452,000	79,958,000	82,178,000	92,165,000	94,442,000				
Bills discounted:									
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations	377,482,000	341,649,000	284,017,000	281,996,000	351,483,000	316,495,000	314,851,000	344,793,000	361,902,000
Other bills discounted	219,769,000	228,086,000	229,328,000	230,053,000	276,162,000	313,390,000	300,707,000	314,965,000	476,726,000
Bills bought in open market	188,566,000	204,547,000	201,335,000	225,760,000	255,182,000	246,293,000	251,728,000	292,572,000	90,027,000
Total bills on hand	785,817,000	774,282,000	714,680,000	737,809,000	882,827,000	876,178,000	867,286,000	922,330,000	927,845,000
U. S. bonds and notes	162,952,000	166,857,000	156,878,000	175,709,000	182,315,000	179,192,000	174,958,000	170,020,000	90,709,000
U. S. certificates of indebtedness:									
One-year certificates (Pittman Act)									
Other certificates	190,793,000	185,962,000	255,554,000	332,467,000	274,239,000	12,000,000	14,000,000	18,500,000	214,702,000
Municipal warrants		4,000	10,000	24,000	39,000	266,691,000	242,282,000	118,718,000	206,000
Total earning assets	1,139,552,000	1,127,105,000	1,127,122,000	1,246,009,000	1,339,420,000	1,334,101,000	1,298,552,000	1,229,602,000	1,233,462,000
Bank premises	46,471,000	46,400,000	45,895,000	45,521,000	45,281,000	47,227,000	47,181,000	46,455,000	36,407,000
5% redemp. fund agst. F. R. bank notes	311,000	310,000	311,000	911,000	2,037,000	2,520,000	2,625,000	2,680,000	7,855,000
Uncollected items	530,431,000	580,148,000	653,495,000	606,541,000	770,070,000	757,500,000	759,392,000	709,289,000	498,220,000
All other resources	15,180,000	15,497,000	15,329,000	14,894,000	15,506,000	15,226,000	14,840,000	15,729,000	14,460,000
Total resources	5,013,540,000	5,071,399,000	5,138,467,000	5,193,255,000	5,429,709,000	5,305,411,000	5,279,299,000	5,188,643,000	4,851,922,000
<b>LIABILITIES.</b>									
Capital paid in	107,703,000	107,648,000	107,484,000	107,465,000	107,450,000	107,255,000	107,261,000	107,244,000	103,200,000
Surplus	218,369,000	218,369,000	218,369,000	218,369,000	218,369,000	218,369,000	218,369,000	218,369,000	218,369,000
Deposits—Government	46,014,000	33,042,000	9,341,000	6,193,000	6,630,000	7,809,000	6,715,000	23,136,000	114,744,000
Member bank—reserve account	1,913,446,000	1,924,521,000	1,918,468,000	1,960,346,000	1,942,749,000	1,861,281,000	1,840,205,000	1,817,744,000	1,689,422,000
Other deposits	31,602,000	33,263,000	41,642,000	53,337,000	75,394,000	31,165,000	35,039,000	20,230,000	36,304,000
Total deposits	1,991,062,000	1,990,826,000	1,969,451,000	2,019,876,000	2,024,773,000	1,900,255,000	1,881,959,000	1,861,110,000	1,840,470,000
F. R. notes in actual circulation	2,203,701,000	2,225,231,000	2,256,491,000	2,312,674,000	2,411,058,000	2,464,121,000	2,456,711,000	2,379,185,000	2,178,053,000
F. R. bank notes in circulation—net liab.	3,105,000	3,132,000	3,117,000	2,866,000	2,947,000	10,632,000	12,499,000	16,497,000	83,888,000
Deferred availability items	479,551,000	514,997,000	573,705,000	521,667,000	655,532,000	578,502,000	576,997,000	580,883,000	414,475,000
All other liabilities	10,049,000	11,196,000	9,850,000	10,338,000	9,580,000	29,247,000	28,474,000	28,326,000	16,438,000
Total liabilities	5,013,540,000	5,071,399,000	5,138,467,000	5,193,255,000	5,429,709,000	5,305,411,000	5,279,299,000	5,188,643,000	4,851,922,000
Ratio of gold reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined	73.3%	70.6%	72.8%	70.6%	68.7%	69.6%	70.2%	72.1%	72.4%
Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined	76.9%	76.4%	76.1%	73.6%	71.3%	72.1%	72.8%	75.1%	76.2%
<b>Distribution by Maturities—</b>									
1-15 days bills bought in open market	\$ 65,983,000	\$ 71,673,000	\$ 62,988,000	\$ 72,452,000	\$ 97,524,000	\$ 83,210,000	\$ 72,811,000	\$ 73,985,000	\$ 51,708,000
1-15 days bills discounted	453,690,000	421,946,000	367,072,000	353,518,000	443,297,000	436,465,000	419,329,000	462,861,000	492,041,000
1-15 days U. S. cert. of indebtedness	11,048,000	13,970,000	75,710,000	145,787,000	100,385,000	103,595,000	76,670,000	225,000	26,527,000
1-15 days municipal warrants			6,000	17,000	26,000	14,000		8,000	15,000
16-30 days bills bought in open market	41,654,000	41,930,000	47,229,000	48,561,000	45,049,000	50,737,000	55,600,000	56,344,000	13,089,000
16-30 days bills discounted	34,946,000	31,576,000	31,695,000	34,678,000	43,826,000	48,609,000	49,450,000	54,663,000	87,361,000
16-30 days U. S. cert. of indebtedness			5,914,000	1,000			500,000	1,720,000	2,009,000
16-30 days municipal warrants				1,000		18,000	26	26,000	140,000
31-60 days bills bought in open market	45,442,000	52,446,000	55,604,000	61,891,000	68,309,000	69,056,000	70,654,000	78,029,000	14,677,000
31-60 days bills discounted	46,589,000	52,300,000	48,289,000	51,690,000	61,399,000	63,372,000	66,519,000	65,992,000	119,719,000
31-60 days U. S. cert. of indebtedness	53,201,000	76,567,000	71,272,000	1,000		76,000			34,773,000
31-60 days municipal warrants		4,000	4,000	5,000	6,000	8,000			51,000
61-90 days bills bought in open market	27,565,000	29,204,000	28,628,000	35,375,000	37,180,000	38,083,000	34,461,000	45,649,000	10,187,000
61-90 days bills discounted	38,258,000	36,641,000	38,848,000	43,339,000	49,559,000	50,059,000	48,794,000	45,942,000	91,344,000
61-90 days U. S. cert. of indebtedness		14,507,000		81,919,000	66,616,000	62,670,000	62,383,000	76,000	3,200,000
61-90 days municipal warrants				7,481,000	7,120,000				51,000
Over 90 days bills bought in open market	7,922,000	9,294,000	6,886,000	7,481,000	7,120,000	5,207,000	8,109,000	8,246,000	366,000
Over 90 days bills discounted	23,768,000	27,272,000	27,441,000	28,824,000	29,573,000	31,380,000	31,511,000	30,619,000	47,352,000
Over 90 days cert. of indebtedness	96,534,000	80,918,000	102,658,000	104,761,000	107,238,000	112,350,000	113,729,000	135,197,000	148,193,000
Over 90 days municipal warrants					1,000				
<b>Federal Reserve Notes—</b>									
Outstanding	2,632,727,000	2,654,125,000	2,691,511,000	2,747,705,000	2,810,254,000	2,835,092,000	2,818,805,000	2,775,320,000	2,559,656,000
Held by banks	429,026,000	428,894,000	435,020,000	435,031,000	399,196,000	370,971,000	362,094,000	396,135,000	381,603,000
In actual circulation	2,203,701,000	2,225,231,000	2,256,491,000	2,312,674,000	2,411,058,000	2,464,121,000	2,456,711,000	2,379,185,000	2,178,053,000
Amount chargeable to Fed. Res. Agent	3,566,210,000	3,588,873,000	3,620,438,000	3,650,303,000	3,683,657,000	3,679,260,000	3,666,113,000	3,640,536,000	3,515,117,000
In hands of Federal Reserve Agent	933,483,000	934,748,000	928,927,000	902,598,000	873,403,000	844,168,000	847,308,000	865,216,000	955,461,000
Issued to Federal Reserve banks	2,632,727,000	2,654,125,000	2,691,511,000	2,747,705,000	2,810,254,000	2,835,092,000	2,818,805,000	2,775,320,000	2,559,656,000
<b>How Secured—</b>									
By gold and gold certificates	339,809,000	339,809,000	342,462,000	352,462,000	353,462,000	353,657,000	346,292,000	346,292,000	344,013,000
By eligible paper	458,050,000	473,004,000	496,037,000	561,511,000	644,627,000	636,246,000	701,117,000	672,251,000	631,237,000
Gold redemption fund	133,752,000	133,647,000	134,719,000	122,876,000	130,431,000	133,090,000	137,454,000	131,365,000	122,166,000
With Federal Reserve Board	1,701,116,000	1,707,665,000	1,718,293,000	1,710,856,000	1,681,734,000	1,712,099,000	1,633,942,000	1,625,412,000	1,462,240,000
Total	2,632,727,000	2,654,125,000	2,691,511,000	2,747,705,000	2,810,254,000	2,835,092,000	2,818,805,000	2,775,320,000	2,559,656,000
Eligible paper delivered to F. R. Agent	753,115,000	746,805,000	685,399,000	713,616,000	850,750,000	836,933,000	832,130,000	887,347,000	891,648,000

\* Not shown separately prior to January 1923.

## WEEKLY STATEMENT OF RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF EACH OF THE 12 FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS JAN. 31 1923

FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS JAN. 31 1923													
Two ciphers (00) omitted. Federal Reserve Bank of—	Boston	New York	Phila.	Cleveland	Richmond	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minneap.	Kan. City	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
RESOURCES.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Gold and gold certificates	16,893,0	131,725,0	21,029,0	14,022,0	6,228,0	5,934,0	51,809,0	2,911,0	7,700,0	2,868,0	11,131,0	20,414,0	292,664,0
Gold settlement fund—F.R.B'd	41,884,0	173,276,0	15,573,0	96,995,0	28,633,0	18,215,0	46,220,0	17,368,0	28,695,0	36,301,0	18,318,0	39,925,0	561,403,0
Total gold held by banks	58,777,0	305,001,0	36,602,0	111,017,0	34,861,0	24,149,0	98,029,0	20,279,0	36,395,0	39,169,0	29,449,0	60,339,0	854,067,0
Gold with F. R. Agents	163,244,0	645,414,0	171,567,0	195,851,0	70,522,0	109,879,0	418,276,0	79,004,0	47,702,0	59,536,0	14,787,0	198,595,0	2,174,677,0
Gold redemption fund	5,649,0	5,895,0	6,600,0	4,668,0	2,374,0	1,224,0	8,871,0	1,498,0	2,035,0	2,528,0	1,012,0	4,712,0	47,066,0
Total gold reserves	227,670,0	956,310,0	214,769,0	311,536,0	107,757,0	135,252,0	525,176,0	100,781,0	86,132,0	101,533,0	45,248,0	263,646,0	3,075,810,0
Reserves other than gold	11,091,0	27,558,0	15,120,0	13,381,0	12,092,0	9,763,0	26,516,0	17,528,0	1,632,0	5,116,0	5,850,0	5,686,0	151,333,0
Total reserves	238,761,0	983,868,0	229,889,0	324,917,0	119,849,0	145,015,0	551,692,0	118,309,0	87,764,0	106,649,0	51,098,0	269,332,0	3,227,143,0
Non-reserve cash	3,041,0	9,853,0	2,025,0	3,634,0	3,455,0	6,013,0	10,544,0	2,284,0	1,022,0	2,852,0	4,547,0	5,182,0	54,452,0
Bills discounted:													
Secured by U.S.Govt.oblig'ns	23,857,0	230,612,0	41,899,0	11,529,0	15,624,0	2,456,0	19,875,0	9,893,0	2,102,0	2,938,0	1,850,0	14,847,0	377,482,0
Other bills discounted	27,485,0	21,252,0	9,908,0	8,694,0	22,239,0	18,847,0	36,791,0	5,911,0	16,807,0	13,671,0	14,970,0	23,194,0	219,769,0
Bills bought in open market	14,851,0	27,785,0	26,768,0	36,376,0	731,0	7,498,0	9,502,0	14,549,0	132,0	85,0	21,291,0	28,998,0	188,566,0
Total bills on hand	66,193,0	279,649,0	78,575,0	56,599,0	38,594,0	28,801,0	66,168,0	30,353,0	19,041,0	16,694,0	38,111,0	67,039,0	785,817,0
U. S. bonds and notes	6,480,0	25,041,0	24,591,0	12,326,0	1,341,0	510,0	6,851,0	18,228,0	9,411,0	26,928,0	3,629,0	27,616,0	162,952,0
U. S. certificates of indebtedness	22,589,0	54,028,0	4,593,0	13,998,0	—	3,031,0	61,114,0	8,528,0	—	530,0	11,593,0	3,629,0	190,783,0
Municipal warrants	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total earning assets	95,262,0	358,718,0	107,759,0	82,923,0	39,935,0	32,342,0	134,133,0	57,109,0	28,982,0	55,215,0	45,369,0	101,805,0	1,139,552,0

RESOURCES (Concluded)— Two ciphers (00) omitted.	Boston	New York	Phila.	Cleveland	Richmond	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minneapolis	Kan. City	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
Bank premises—fund against 5% redemption F. R. bank notes	\$ 4,434.0	\$ 10,515.0	\$ 660.0	\$ 7,450.0	\$ 2,617.0	\$ 2,061.0	\$ 8,321.0	\$ 919.0	\$ 980.0	\$ 4,736.0	\$ 1,937.0	\$ 1,841.0	\$ 46,471.0
Uncollected items	47,631.0	107,435.0	44,192.0	52,504.0	46,871.0	21,461.0	68,737.0	35,205.0	11,950.0	38,434.0	21,612.0	34,399.0	530,431.0
All other resources	382.0	1,875.0	500.0	631.0	421.0	292.0	1,132.0	548.0	1,690.0	869.0	1,904.0	4,936.0	15,180.0
<b>Total resources</b>	<b>389,511.0</b>	<b>1,472,264.0</b>	<b>385,025.0</b>	<b>472,059.0</b>	<b>213,148.0</b>	<b>207,184.0</b>	<b>774,624.0</b>	<b>214,374.0</b>	<b>132,388.0</b>	<b>208,955.0</b>	<b>126,513.0</b>	<b>417,495.0</b>	<b>5,013,540.0</b>
<b>LIABILITIES.</b>													
Capital paid in	8,123.0	28,737.0	9,332.0	11,711.0	5,610.0	4,379.0	14,843.0	4,837.0	3,580.0	4,614.0	4,187.0	7,750.0	107,703.0
Surplus	16,312.0	59,800.0	18,749.0	23,495.0	11,288.0	8,942.0	30,398.0	9,665.0	7,473.0	9,488.0	7,496.0	15,263.0	218,369.0
Deposits: Government	2,476.0	11,046.0	4,717.0	2,068.0	3,609.0	2,833.0	3,979.0	4,563.0	2,627.0	2,290.0	1,923.0	3,883.0	46,014.0
Member bank—reserve acc't.	125,148.0	720,929.0	114,890.0	159,283.0	61,252.0	54,433.0	283,311.0	74,002.0	48,552.0	77,846.0	54,968.0	138,832.0	1,913,446.0
Other deposits	846.0	12,182.0	542.0	1,966.0	154.0	451.0	1,369.0	751.0	1,795.0	3,876.0	471.0	7,199.0	31,602.0
<b>Total deposits</b>	<b>128,470.0</b>	<b>744,157.0</b>	<b>120,149.0</b>	<b>163,317.0</b>	<b>65,015.0</b>	<b>57,717.0</b>	<b>288,659.0</b>	<b>79,316.0</b>	<b>52,974.0</b>	<b>84,012.0</b>	<b>57,362.0</b>	<b>149,914.0</b>	<b>1,991,062.0</b>
F. R. notes in actual circulation	192,349.0	551,029.0	196,191.0	224,610.0	88,985.0	115,408.0	382,693.0	85,996.0	55,540.0	65,677.0	32,679.0	212,544.0	2,203,701.0
F. R. bank notes in circulation—net liability	—	—	—	—	—	—	264.0	—	—	2,123.0	—	—	3,105.0
Deferred availability items	43,928.0	86,443.0	40,151.0	48,197.0	41,815.0	20,145.0	56,805.0	33,872.0	11,965.0	42,624.0	22,532.0	31,074.0	479,551.0
All other liabilities	329.0	2,098.0	453.0	729.0	435.0	593.0	962.0	688.0	856.0	417.0	1,339.0	950.0	10,049.0
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>389,511.0</b>	<b>1,472,264.0</b>	<b>385,025.0</b>	<b>472,059.0</b>	<b>213,148.0</b>	<b>207,184.0</b>	<b>774,624.0</b>	<b>214,374.0</b>	<b>132,388.0</b>	<b>208,955.0</b>	<b>126,513.0</b>	<b>417,495.0</b>	<b>5,013,540.0</b>
<b>Memoranda.</b>													
Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined, per cent.	74.4	76.0	72.7	83.8	77.8	83.8	82.2	71.6	80.9	71.2	56.7	74.3	76.9
Contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents	2,505.0	12,667.0	2,745.0	2,814.0	1,682.0	1,235.0	4,084.0	1,613.0	927.0	1,647.0	892.0	1,579.0	34,390.0

## STATEMENT OF FEDERAL RESERVE AGENTS ACCOUNTS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS JANUARY 31 1923.

Federal Reserve Agent at—	Boston	New York	Phila.	Cleveland	Richmond	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minneapolis	K. City	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
<b>Resources—</b> (In Thousands of Dollars)													
Federal Reserve notes on hand	\$2,700	398,690	55,200	40,490	31,080	80,769	101,200	26,140	12,600	21,360	21,529	61,725	933,483
Federal Reserve notes outstanding	210,831	745,741	219,334	247,898	99,702	123,529	447,971	106,269	59,313	74,113	36,412	261,614	2,632,727
Collateral security for Federal Reserve notes outstanding	15,300	270,531	7,000	13,275	—	2,400	—	11,780	13,052	—	6,471	—	339,809
Gold and gold certificates	19,944	33,883	14,678	12,576	1,727	7,479	16,632	4,724	1,650	3,476	2,316	14,667	133,752
Gold redemption fund	128,000	341,000	149,889	170,000	68,795	100,000	401,644	62,500	33,000	56,360	6,000	183,928	1,701,116
Gold Fund—Federal Reserve Board	47,587	100,327	47,767	52,047	29,180	13,650	29,695	27,265	11,611	14,277	21,625	63,019	458,056
Eligible paper (Amount required)	18,606	156,475	23,321	4,274	7,982	15,138	36,387	3,088	7,000	2,417	16,403	3,974	295,065
Excess amount held	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>522,968</b>	<b>2,046,647</b>	<b>517,189</b>	<b>540,560</b>	<b>238,466</b>	<b>342,965</b>	<b>1,033,529</b>	<b>241,766</b>	<b>138,226</b>	<b>172,003</b>	<b>110,756</b>	<b>588,927</b>	<b>6,494,002</b>
<b>Liabilities—</b>													
Net amount of Federal Reserve notes received from	293,531	1,144,431	274,534	288,388	130,782	204,298	549,171	132,409	71,913	95,473	57,941	323,339	3,566,210
Comptroller of the Currency	163,244	645,414	171,567	195,851	70,522	109,879	418,276	79,004	47,702	59,836	14,787	198,595	2,174,677
Collateral received from Gold	66,193	256,802	71,088	56,321	37,162	28,788	66,082	30,353	18,611	16,694	38,028	66,993	753,115
Federal Reserve Bank Eligible paper	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>522,968</b>	<b>2,046,647</b>	<b>517,189</b>	<b>540,560</b>	<b>238,466</b>	<b>342,965</b>	<b>1,033,529</b>	<b>241,766</b>	<b>138,226</b>	<b>172,003</b>	<b>110,756</b>	<b>588,927</b>	<b>6,494,002</b>
Federal Reserve notes outstanding	210,831	745,741	219,334	247,898	99,702	123,529	447,971	106,269	59,313	74,113	36,412	261,614	2,632,727
Federal Reserve notes held by banks	18,482	194,712	21,334	23,288	10,717	8,121	65,278	20,273	3,773	8,436	3,733	49,070	429,026
Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation	192,349	551,029	196,191	224,610	88,985	115,408	382,693	85,996	55,540	65,677	32,679	212,544	2,203,701

## WEEKLY RETURN FOR THE 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 781 member banks, from which weekly returns are obtained. These figures are always a week behind those for the Reserve Banks themselves. Definitions of the different items in the statement were given in the statement of Oct. 18 1917, published in the "Chronicle" Dec. 29 1917, page 2523. The comment of the Reserve Board upon the figures for the latest week appear in our Department of "Current Events and Discussions" on page 460

## 1. Data for all reporting member banks in each Federal Reserve District at close of business January 24 1923. Three ciphers (000) omitted.

Federal Reserve District.	Boston	New York	Phila.	Cleveland	Richmond	Atlanta	Chicago	St. Louis	Minneapolis	Kan. City	Dallas	San Fran.	Total
<b>Number of reporting banks</b>	46	107	56	84	78	39	108	36	30	78	52	66	780
<b>Loans and discounts, gross:</b>													
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations	15,548	92,937	19,822	31,247	10,657	7,712	42,881	8,222	7,818	8,283	5,891	16,350	277,368
Secured by stocks and bonds	251,311	1,665,628	229,859	368,252	123,708	58,598	564,149	139,931	45,649	77,662	48,886	159,236	3,732,869
All other loans and discounts	585,602	2,292,975	327,937	650,800	312,231	335,599	1,064,036	303,421	200,455	355,146	211,177	737,941	7,377,320
<b>Total loans and discounts</b>	<b>852,461</b>	<b>4,051,540</b>	<b>577,618</b>	<b>1,050,299</b>	<b>446,596</b>	<b>401,909</b>	<b>1,671,066</b>	<b>461,574</b>	<b>253,922</b>	<b>441,091</b>	<b>265,954</b>	<b>913,527</b>	<b>11,387,557</b>
U. S. pre-war bonds	12,775	48,906	11,344	47,345	30,027	14,508	23,661	15,440	8,311	12,092	18,755	36,317	279,481
U. S. Liberty Notes	80,708	437,054	48,499	120,044	31,345	11,703	103,936	25,162	17,401	45,722	12,909	92,220	1,076,703
U. S. Treasury Notes	34,609	521,466	59,685	52,068	13,078	7,317	114,912	26,076	22,938	21,405	13,697	47,133	488,335
U. S. Victory notes & Treas. notes	4,975	109,701	2,998	15,365	3,297	7,624	29,406	3,800	1,703	4,844	3,767	11,278	198,758
U. S. Certificates of Indebtedness	172,871	753,204	187,815	298,120	52,767	36,876	362,054	87,128	30,707	60,131	8,591	155,681	2,205,945
Other bonds, stocks and securities	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total loans &amp; disc'ts &amp; invest'm'ts</b>	<b>1,166,625</b>	<b>6,020,337</b>	<b>893,694</b>	<b>1,592,817</b>	<b>582,351</b>	<b>482,040</b>	<b>2,338,712</b>	<b>629,045</b>	<b>336,977</b>	<b>590,497</b>	<b>327,719</b>	<b>1,270,349</b>	<b>16,231,163</b>
Reserve balance with F. R. Bank	87,507	656,699	72,376	114,859	39,175	34,083	207,522	41,618	24,216	47,490	24,530	92,779	1,442,854
Cash in vault	19,175	82,941	16,432	31,783	14,030	10,788	55,944	7,522	6,167	12,294	9,135	21,891	288,102
Net demand deposits	836,527	4,954,074	699,323	929,591	343,392	288,735	1,501,843	379,425	220,051	456,183	239,260	670,704	11,519,108
Time deposits	240,640	745,459	65,273	543,412	148,781	164,267	753,325	182,474	86,164	124,847	72,136	587,829	3,714,607
Government deposits	13,584	76,434	13,620	10,581	8,662	4,588	25,034	7,277	5,627	1,980	2,462	11,160	181,009
Bills payable and rediscounts with F. R. Bank	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations	11,963	171,320	14,340	11,495	8,747	935	19,320	2,344	323	3,530	954	14,395	259,666
All other	21,919	21,155	4,478	5,004	12,016	7,643	9,703	1,650	1,805	2,791	3,687	7,484	99,335

## 2. Data of reporting member banks in Federal Reserve Bank and branch cities and all other reporting banks.

2. Data of reporting members of the Federal Reserve System											
Three ciphers (000) omitted.	New York City		City of Chicago		All F. R. Bank Cities		F. R. Branch Cities		Other Selected Cities.		Total.
	Jan. 24.	Jan. 17.	Jan. 24.	Jan. 17.	Jan. 24.	Jan. 17.	Jan. 24.	Jan. 17.	Jan. 24.	Jan. 17.	Jan. 24.'23. Jan. 17.'23. Jan. 25.'22.
Number of reporting banks	64	63	50	50	262	261	207	209	311	311	\$ 780 781 804
Loans and discounts, gross:	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 892 892 892
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations	82,985	95,999	33,932	36,690	188,651	205,474	48,566	50,771	40,151	40,336	277,368 296,581 3,074,170
Secured by stocks and bonds	1,491,211	1,537,891	430,786	440,502	2,728,132	2,798,185	545,682	549,872	459,055	463,498	3,732,869 3,811,555 7,377,320
All other loans and discounts	2,001,642	2,017,399	614,489	622,815	4,512,100	4,542,196	1,532,605	1,515,055	1,332,615	1,330,309	7,377,320 7,387,560 7,387,560
Total loans and discounts	3,575,838	3,651,289	1,079,207	1,100,007	7,428,883	7,545,855	2,126,853	2,115,698	1,831,821	1,834,143	11,387,557 11,495,696 10,918,529
U. S. pre-war bonds	38,276	38,304	2,245	2,073	97,874	98,097	76,573	76,699	105,034	104,646	279,481 279,481 997,133
U. S. Liberty bonds	417,820	418,711	46,726	47,262	658,292	661,038	248,551	249,985	169,860	170,508	1,076,703 1,081,531 997,133
U. S. Treasury bonds	37,693	37,669	26,243	25,907	93,909	93,432	29,839	31,453	24,587	24,768	148,335 149,653 308,506
U. S. Victory notes & Treasury notes	490,623	492,708	66,811	66,617	714,476	715,719	138,237	143,831	81,671	80,939	934,384 940,489 197,615
U. S. Certificates of Indebtedness	106,238	109,783	18,908	18,714	144,983	150,491	37,487	37,565	16,288	22,487	198,758 210,543 197,615
Other bonds, stocks and securities	552,583	556,302	189,758	185,387	1,201,823	1,199,714	585,348	583,451	418,774	420,418	2,205,945 2,203,583 2,111,963
Total loans & disc'ts & invest'ts	5,219,071	5,304,766	1,429,898	1,445,967	10,340,240	10,464,346	3,242,888	3,238,682	2,648,035	2,657,909	16,231,163 16,360,937 14,533,744
Reserve balance with F. R. Bank	610,497	592,369	148,931	152,402	1,037,505	1,024,569	233,179	237,361	172,170	171,782	1,442,854 1,433,712 1,250,355
Cash in vault	69,579	71,573	30,924	31,202	149,811	152,430	60,383	59,311	77,908	77,883	288,102 288,102 278,480
New demand deposits	4,462,330	4,475,376	1,028,820	1,043,797	7,946,330	*7,992,973	1,907,467	1,922,133	1,665,309	1,684,435	11,519,108 *11,590,541 10,270,792
Time deposits	493,238	516,110	365,727	364,984	1,777,734	1,804,980	1,137,274	1,134,080	799,599	796,212	3,714,607 3,735,272 3,021,337
Government deposits	70,579	122,132	16,547	24,750	133,524	224,900	31,263	48,986	16,222	24,726	181,009 298,612 168,462
Bills payable and rediscounts with F. R. Bank:											
Sec'd by U. S. Govt. obligations	151,545	128,844	4,380	2,615	194,711	153,272	46,327	27,462	18,628	18,035	259,666 198,769 186,866
All other	15,237	11,208	5,184	290	61,670	*56,702	16,783	19,027	20,882	21,563	99,335 *97,292 222,427
Ratio of bills payable & rediscounts with F. R. Bank to total loans and investments, per cent.	3.2	2.6	0.7	0.2	2.5	2.0	1.9	1.4	1.5	1.5	2.2 1.8 2.8



## Bankers' Gazette

Wall Street, Friday Night, Feb. 2 1923.

**Railroad and Miscellaneous Stocks.**—Apparently cabled news from the Ruhr Valley and the movement of international exchange have attracted more attention in Wall Street this week than security values as disclosed by the ticker tape. In other words the possibilities of the situation in Western Europe seem to be regarded here as of vastly more importance than the day to day developments of domestic affairs. The latter are, indeed, almost wholly of a favorable character, the former may result in disaster the extent of which no one can forecast. The effect of this complex situation has been a steadily declining volume of business and much irregularity of prices at the Stock Exchange throughout the week.

Railway shares have been relatively firm and steady on reports of December earnings and car loadings in January, the latter exceeding all previous records for the season. On the other hand U. S. Steel has declined on a quarterly statement which was disappointing and some thought of the motor stocks were weak apparently on speculative manipulation. The Continental exchanges have, of course, been weak while Sterling has recovered somewhat, perhaps on the prospect that Great Britain's war debt to the United States will be put on a permanent and more satisfactory basis. It is also pleasing to note that some of the French and Belgian bonds have recovered a part of their recent rather precipitate decline, although the German mark has moved steadily nearer the vanishing point.

The following are sales made at the Stock Exchange this week of shares not represented in our detailed list on the pages which follow:

STOCKS. Week ending Feb. 2.	Sales for Week.	Range for Week.		Range since Jan. 1.	
		Lowest.	Highest.	Lowest.	Highest.
<b>Railroads</b>					
Ann Arbor.....	100	16	Jan 29 16	Jan 29 14 1/2	Jan 16 Jan
Buff Roch & Pittsb.....	100	10	68 Jan 27 68	Jan 27 64	Jan 68 Jan
Central RR of N J.....	1,000	210	Jan 29 212 1/2	Jan 29 210	Jan 220 Jan
C St P M & O pref.....	100	300	102 3/4 Jan 30 102 3/4	Jan 30 102 1/4	Jan 102 1/4 Jan
C C & St Louis.....	100	200	76 Jan 29 76 1/2	Jan 29 76	Jan 76 1/2 Jan
Colo & South 1st pref 100	100	58 1/4	Jan 29 58 1/4	Jan 29 58 1/4	Jan 58 1/4 Jan
Duluth St Sh & A.....	100	3	Jan 30 3	Jan 30 3	Jan 3 Jan
Preferred.....	500	5	Jan 29 5	Jan 29 4 3/4	Jan 5 Jan
Illinois Central pref.....	800	113	Jan 30 114 1/4	Jan 30 113	Jan 115 Jan
Leased line stock.....	100	74	Feb 2 74	Feb 2 74	Feb 74 Feb
Int & Gt No Ry (w l) 100	500	22 1/2	Jan 31 23 1/4	Jan 29 22	Jan 23 1/2 Jan
Manhattan Elev scrip.....	1,000	4 3/4	Jan 29 4 3/4	Jan 29 4 3/4	Jan 4 3/4 Jan
M St P & S S M pref 100	100	85	Feb 2 88 3/4	Jan 30 85	Jan 88 3/4 Jan
M K & T full paid.....	100	36 3/4	Jan 30 36 3/4	Jan 30 35 1/4	Jan 37 1/2 Jan
Nat Rys Mex 1st pref 100	200	7	Jan 27 7	Jan 27 6 3/4	Jan 7 1/4 Jan
NY Ch & St L 1st pf 100	200	94	Feb 1 94 1/2	Jan 29 92	Jan 97 Jan
Toledo St Louis & West.....	200	64	Jan 31 65	Jan 29 62	Jan 65 Jan
Preferred.....	1,300	52	Jan 30 56	Jan 29 52	Jan 56 1/2 Jan
<b>Industrial &amp; Miscell.</b>					
All American Cables.....	400	104	Feb 2 104 3/4	Feb 1 102	Jan 106 Jan
American Can cash.....	600	80 3/4	Feb 1 81 1/4	Feb 1 80 3/4	Feb 81 1/4 Feb
Am Metal tem ctf pf 100	100	115	Feb 1 115	Feb 1 115	Jan 116 1/2 Jan
Am Rolling Mill pref 100	200	100	Jan 30 100	Jan 30 100	Jan 100 1/2 Jan
Atl Fruit Col T Co ctf dep	300	1 1/4	Jan 30 1 1/4	Feb 2 1 1/4	Jan 1 1/4 Jan
Bay Bros 1st pref 100	600	110	Jan 29 116	Jan 29 110	Jan 121 Jan
Bklyn Edison Inc rights.....	28,328	3 1/2	Jan 27 4 3/4	Jan 27 2 1/4	Jan 4 3/4 Jan
Case (J I) The Mach.....	1,300	28 1/2	Jan 30 30	Jan 30 28 1/2	Jan 30 Jan
Chem Solvents class A.....	500	40	Feb 1 42 1/2	Jan 27 40	Feb 45 1/4 Jan
Class B.....	100	29	Feb 1 29	Jan 27 27	Jan 30 Jan
Conley Tin Foil.....	4,500	18 1/4	Feb 1 21	Jan 29 18	Jan 22 1/4 Jan
Cont Can Inc pref.....	100	106 1/4	Jan 30 107	Jan 27 106	Jan 107 1/4 Jan
Cosden & Co pref.....	900	106 1/4	Jan 29 108 1/4	Feb 2 101	Jan 108 1/4 Feb
Deere & Co pref.....	100	73	Jan 29 73	Jan 29 72 1/4	Jan 73 1/4 Jan
Emerson-Brant pref 100	200	26 1/4	Jan 30 26 3/4	Jan 30 26	Jan 28 1/2 Jan
Flt Phoenix Fire Ins.....	400	115 1/4	Jan 30 116	Jan 29 102	Jan 116 Jan
Fisher Body Corp pf 100	300	118 3/4	Jan 27 119	Jan 30 116	Jan 119 Jan
Gen Am Tk Car 7% pf 100	300	100 3/4	Feb 1 101 3/4	Jan 1 100	Jan 101 1/2 Jan
General Baking Co.....	200	79	Jan 30 80	Jan 31 73	Jan 89 Jan
Gimbel Bros pref.....	500	90	Jan 27 99 1/4	Feb 1 90	Jan 99 1/4 Feb
Gilliland Oil pf (8%) 100	300	49	Jan 30 50	Feb 1 48	Jan 50 Feb
Great West Sugar pf 100	1,800	105 1/4	Jan 31 105 3/4	Jan 29 105	Jan 106 Jan
Ingersoll Rand.....	50	119 1/4	Feb 1 120 1/4	Feb 1 119 1/4	Feb 120 1/4 Feb
International Salt.....	36	88	Feb 1 88	Feb 1 88	Feb 88 Feb
International Shoe.....	4,500	65 1/4	Feb 2 67	Jan 31 65 1/4	Jan 67 Jan
Lima Loco Wks pref.....	30	113	Feb 1 113	Feb 1 113	Feb 113 Feb
Macy preferred.....	200	115 1/4	Feb 1 115 1/4	Jan 113 1/2	Jan 115 1/4 Feb
Magma Copper.....	1,900	30	Jan 27 30 1/2	Feb 2 29 1/2	Jan 32 1/4 Jan
Met Edison pref.....	100	94	Feb 2 94	Feb 2 93 1/2	Jan 97 1/2 Jan
Montana Power pref 100	100	111	Feb 1 111	Feb 1 108	Jan 111 Feb
Nat Cloak & Suit pf 100	100	104	Feb 2 104	Feb 2 102	Jan 104 Feb
New Enam & Stpg pf 100	425	99 3/4	Feb 1 100 1/4	Jan 29 99 3/4	Feb 100 1/4 Jan
New York Ship Bldg.....	100	12 1/4	Jan 30 12 1/4	Jan 30 12 1/4	Jan 12 1/4 Jan
North American B rights	100	19	Jan 30 19	Jan 30 18	Jan 20 1/4 Jan
Ohio Fuel Supply.....	375	64 3/4	Jan 30 66 1/4	Jan 31 59	Jan 66 1/4 Jan
Otis Elevator pref.....	100	102 1/4	Jan 30 102 1/4	Jan 30 102 1/4	Jan 104 3/4 Jan
Otis Steel pref.....	300	48	Jan 31 50	Jan 29 47	Jan 50 Jan
Pacific Tel & Tel.....	100	67	Jan 30 67	Jan 30 67	Jan 67 Jan
Preferred.....	100	92	Jan 29 92	Jan 29 91 1/2	Jan 92 Jan
Packard Motor pref 100	1,200	96 3/4	Jan 30 98 3/4	Feb 1 93	Jan 98 1/2 Feb
Panhandle P & R pf 100	100	60	Feb 2 60	Feb 2 59 1/2	Jan 63 Jan
Penney (J C) Co pref 100	300	101 1/4	Jan 30 102 3/4	Jan 30 101 1/4	Feb 102 3/4 Jan
Philadelphia 6% pref 50	100	42 1/2	Feb 2 43	Feb 2 42 1/2	Feb 45 Jan
Phillips Jones Corp pf 100	200	94	Jan 29 94	Jan 29 94	Jan 94 Jan
Pierce Arrow rights.....	5,200	2	Feb 2 2	Feb 2 2	Feb 2 Feb
Pub Serv Corp of N J pf 100	600	106	Jan 27 106 1/4	Jan 29 106	Jan 107 1/4 Feb
Ray Steel Spring pref 100	100	115 1/4	Feb 1 115 1/4	Feb 1 115 1/4	Feb 115 1/4 Feb
Reynolds Spring rights.....	2,600	4	Feb 1 4	Jan 31 4	Feb 4 Jan
Simms Petroleum.....	8,800	12 3/4	Feb 1 13	Jan 27 12 1/4	Jan 13 Jan
Shell Union Oil pref.....	400	91 3/4	Jan 31 93 1/4	Jan 29 91 3/4	Jan 93 1/4 Jan
Sinclair Oil pref.....	3,200	97	Feb 1 98 1/4	Jan 29 97	Jan 99 Jan
Underwood Typw pf 100	100	120	Feb 1 120	Feb 1 120	Feb 120 Feb
Un Cigar Stores pref 100	23	114	Feb 2 114	Feb 2 114	Feb 116 Jan
United Paper Board.....	300	16 1/4	Jan 27 16 1/4	Jan 27 16 1/4	Jan 16 1/4 Jan
U S R & Imp pf full paid	600	102 3/4	Feb 2 103 3/4	Jan 27 102 3/4	Feb 105 Jan
Van Raalte.....	900	58 1/4	Jan 31 61	Feb 2 58	Jan 64 Jan
*Va-Carolina Chem B.....	100	14 1/4	Feb 2 14 1/4	Feb 2 14 1/4	Feb 14 1/4 Feb
West Elec 7% cum pf 100	1,200	113 3/4	Feb 1 114 1/4	Jan 27 113 3/4	Jan 114 1/4 Jan
Woolworth (F W) pf 100	300	125 1/4	Jan 30 125 1/4	Jan 30 124 3/4	Jan 125 1/4 Jan
Youngtown Sheet T.....	1,100				

\* No par value.

TRANSACTIONS AT THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE  
DAILY, WEEKLY AND YEARLY.

Week ending Feb. 2 1923.	Stocks.		Railroad, &c., Bonds.	State, Mun. and Foreign Bonds.	U. S. Bonds.
	Shares.	Par Value.			
Saturday.....	342,600	\$36,180,000	\$3,621,500	\$888,000	\$649,800
Monday.....	759,910	68,073,000	6,947,000	2,507,000	2,383,850
Tuesday.....	773,425	68,947,000	6,328,000	3,089,000	3,624,550
Wednesday.....	739,935	66,965,000	5,409,500	2,491,000	4,009,600
Thursday.....	623,516	60,180,000	5,038,000	2,356,500	2,591,550
Friday.....	836,000	79,000,000	5,139,000	2,611,000	2,670,000
Total.....	4,075,386	\$379,345,000	\$32,483,000	\$13,942,500	\$15,929,450

Sales at New York Stock Exchange.	Week ending Feb. 2.		Jan. 1 to Feb. 2.	
	1923.	1922.	1923.	1922.
Stocks—No. shares.....	4,075,386	3,282,321	21,373,343	18,444,038
Par value.....	\$379,345,000	\$307,532,150	\$1,910,388,000	\$1,679,713,550
Bonds.....				
Government bonds.....	\$15,929,450	\$33,853,750	\$84,205,900	\$244,447,750
State, mun. & for'n bds.....	13,942,500	*8,180,000	56,241,000	39,123,000
RR. and misc. bonds.....	32,483,000	35,127,500	157,405,000	174,397,000
Total bonds.....	\$62,354,950	\$77,161,250	\$297,851,900	\$457,967,750

## DAILY TRANSACTIONS AT THE BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA AND BALTIMORE EXCHANGES.

Week ending Feb. 2 1923.	Boston		Philadelphia		Baltimore	
	Shares.	Bond Sales	Shares.	Bond Sales	Shares.	Bond Sales
Saturday.....	8,817	7,900	9,165	25,500	710	47,900
Monday.....	16,654	23,200	10,451	53,400	1,872	60,100
Tuesday.....	18,822	44,950	7,251	46,200	549	17,400
Wednesday.....	16,654	23,200	7,375	29,800	1,767	17,600
Thursday.....	15,197	26,300	5,669	31,400	2,818	33,000
Friday.....	15,338	40,000	8,292	72,500	3,025	43,000
Total.....	91,482	165,550	48,203	258,800	10,741	219,000
Prev. week revised	84,968	230,600	42,225	402,200	8,724	280,200

Daily Record of U. S. Bond Prices.		Jan. 27	Jan. 29	Jan. 30	Jan. 31	Feb. 1.	Feb. 2.
First Liberty Loan	(High)	101.82	101.82	101.76	101.68	101.56	101.68
3 1/2% bonds of 1932-47	(Low)	101.76	101.70	101.56	101.42	101.44	101.44
Total sales in \$1,000 units		6	344	705	402	57	58
Converted 4% bonds of 1932-47 (First 4s)	(High)	98.70	98.70	98.70	98.70	98.70	98.70
Total sales in \$1,000 units		1	1	1	1	1	1
Converted 4 1/4% bonds of 1932-47 (First 4 1/4s)	(High)	98.68	98.64	98.60	98.52	98.34	98.48
Total sales in \$1,000 units		14	22	111	50	28	60
Second Liberty Loan	(High)	98.06	98.06	98.00	97.74	98.10	98.10
4% bonds of 1927-42	(Low)	98.06	98.00	97.74	97.74	98.10	98.10
Total sales in \$1,000 units		2	2	2	2	2	2
Converted 4 1/4% bonds of 1927-42 (Second 4 1/4s)	(High)	98.16	98.12	98.00	97.88	97.92	97.98
Total sales in \$1,000 units		74	326	591	952	3,877	577
Third Liberty Loan	(High)	98.02	98.86	98.86	98.76	98.68	98.74
4 1/4% bonds of 1928	(Low)	98.86	98.76	98.72	98.64	98.52	98.60
Total sales in \$1,000 units		250	553	217	336	343	926
Fourth Liberty Loan	(High)	98.62	98.48	98.44	98.32	98.14	98.30
4 1/4% bonds of 1933-38	(Low)	98.46	98.38	98.28	98.12	98.02	98.06
Total sales in \$1,000 units		253	705	1,815	1,878	1,419	555
Victory Liberty Loan	(High)	100.22	100.24	100.20	100.20	100.22	100.20
4 1/4% notes of 1922-23	(Low)	100.20	100.18	100.18	100.18	100.20	100.22
Total sales in \$1,000 units		13	181	51	91	128	32
Treasury	(High)	99.98	99.96	99.94	99.92	99.94	99.94
4 1/4% 1947-52	(Low)	99.94	99.92	99.90	99.80	99.84	99.84
Total sales in \$1,000 units		18	223	115	185	191	377

Note.—The above table includes only sales of coupon bonds. Transactions in registered bonds were:

102 1st 3 1/2s.....	101.30 to 101.56	18 3d 4 1/4s.....	98.44 to 98.78
5 1st 4 1/4s.....	97.98 to 98.20	90 4th 4 1/4s.....	98.00 to 98.46
1 2d 4s.....	97.60	23 Victory 4 1/4s.....	100.00 to 100.04
31 2d 4 1/4s.....	97.74 to 98.04	3 Treasury 4 1/4s.....	98.80

## Quotations for U. S. Treas. Cfts. of Indebtedness, &amp;c.

Maturity.	Int. Rate.	Bid.	Asked.	Maturity.	Int. Rate.	Bid.	Asked.
June 15 1924...	5 1/4%	101 1/4	101 1/4	Dec. 15 1925...	4 1/4%	99 1/4	99 1/4
Sept. 15 1924...	5 1/4%	101 1/4	101 1/4	Sept. 15 1923...	3 3/4%	99 1/4	100
Mar. 15 1925...	4 1/4%	100 1/4	100 1/4	Sept. 15 1926...	4 1/4%	99	99 1/4
Mar. 15 1926...	4 1/4%	100 1/4	100 1/4	Mar. 15 1923...	3 1/2%	99 1/4	100
Mar. 15 1927...	4 1/4%	100	100 1/4	June 15 1925...	4 1/4%	99 1/4	100 1/4
June 15 1928...	3 3/4%	99 1/4	100	Dec. 15 1927...	4 1/4%	99 1/4	100
				Dec. 15 1923...	4 1/2%	99 1/4	100

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For sales during the week of stocks usually inactive, see preceding page.

HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICE—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT.						Sales for the Week.	STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE		PER SHARE Range since Jan. 1 1923. On basis of 100-shares lots		PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1922.	
Saturday, Jan. 27.	Monday, Jan. 29.	Tuesday, Jan. 30.	Wednesday, Jan. 31.	Thursday, Feb. 1.	Friday, Feb. 2.				Lowest	Highest	Lowest	Highest
\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	Shares	Railroads	Par	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share
*34 36	*35 37	*35 37	*34 36	*34 36	*34 36	100	Ann Arbor preferred	100	32 1/2	Jan 10	27 1/2	Jan 52
100 100 100 100 100 100	100 100 100 100 100 100	100 100 100 100 100 100	100 100 100 100 100 100	100 100 100 100 100 100	100 100 100 100 100 100	8,100	Atch Topeka & Santa Fe	100	109	Jan 16	102 1/2	Jan 2
*89 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2	*89 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2	*89 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2	*89 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2	*89 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2	*89 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2 90 1/2	1,900	Do pref.	100	88 1/2	Jan 17	90	Jan 12
*1 1/2 2 1/2 1 1/2 2 1/2 1 1/2 2 1/2	*1 1/2 2 1/2 1 1/2 2 1/2 1 1/2 2 1/2 1 1/2 2 1/2	*1 1/2 2 1/2 1 1/2 2 1/2 1 1/2 2 1/2 1 1/2 2 1/2	*1 1/2 2 1/2 1 1/2 2 1/2 1 1/2 2 1/2 1 1/2 2 1/2	*1 1/2 2 1/2 1 1/2 2 1/2 1 1/2 2 1/2 1 1/2 2 1/2	*1 1/2 2 1/2 1 1/2 2 1/2 1 1/2 2 1/2 1 1/2 2 1/2	1,400	Atlanta Birm & Atlantic	100	1 1/2	Jan 3	2	Jan 25
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45 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2	45 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2	45 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2	45 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2	45 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2	45 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2 46 1/2	77,600	Baltimore & Ohio	100	40 1/2	Jan 17	49 1/2	Jan 20
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HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICE—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT.						Sales for the Week.	STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE		PER SHARE Range since Jan. 1 1923. On basis of 100-share lots		PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1922.	
Saturday, Jan. 27.	Monday, Jan. 29.	Tuesday, Jan. 30.	Wednesday, Jan. 31.	Thursday, Feb. 1.	Friday, Feb. 2.		Shares	Indus. & Miscell. (Con.) Par	Lowest	Highest	Lowest	Highest
\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share				\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share
*291 301 84	*294 304 84	*297 307 85	*300 310 86	*303 313 87	*306 316 88	3,000	Exchange Buffet.....No par	26 Jan 4	31 Jan 10	271 Dec	311 Oct	
*83 84 84	*83 84 84	*83 84 84	*83 84 84	*83 84 84	*83 84 84	6,300	Famous Players-Lasky.....No par	82 1/2 Jan 19	93 Jan 2	75 1/2 Jan	107 Sept	
*95 95 95	*95 95 95	*95 95 95	*95 95 95	*95 95 95	*95 95 95	900	Do preferred (8%).....100	94 1/2 Jan 16	99 1/2 Jan 11	91 1/2 Jan	107 Sept	
*73 73 73	*73 73 73	*73 73 73	*73 73 73	*73 73 73	*73 73 73	1,000	Federal Mining & Smelting.....100	84 Jan 23	94 Jan 15	9 Jan 10	161 May	
*45 45 45	*45 45 45	*45 45 45	*45 45 45	*45 45 45	*45 45 45	1,000	Do pref.....100	44 Jan 23	49 1/2 Jan 4	37 1/2 Mar	62 Sept	
*8 8 8	*8 8 8	*8 8 8	*8 8 8	*8 8 8	*8 8 8	1,100	Fifth Avenue Bus.....No par	7 1/2 Jan 17	10 1/2 Jan 2	8 1/2 Dec	10 Dec	
*182 184	170 178	*159 170	156 170	150 153	155 165	5,100	Fisher Body Corp.....No par	150 Feb 1	212 1/2 Jan 11	75 Jan 21	218 Dec	
97 98	93 100	99 100	99 100	99 100	99 100	3,100	Fisher Body Ohio, pref.....100	96 1/2 Jan 24	100 Jan 29	76 1/2 Jan	103 June	
14 15	14 15	14 15	14 15	14 15	14 15	6,000	Fisk Rubber.....No par	13 1/2 Jan 2	15 1/2 Jan 13	10 1/2 Nov	191 Apr	
*20 20 20	19 20	19 20	19 20	19 20	19 20	10,400	Freeport Texas Co.....No par	18 1/2 Feb 1	22 Jan 13	12 1/2 Jan	27 Oct	
*66 66 66	*66 66 66	*66 66 66	*66 66 66	*66 66 66	*66 66 66	19,900	Gen Am Tank Car.....No par	66 Jan 5	69 1/2 Jan 13	45 1/2 Jan	80 Oct	
*43 44	42 44	42 44	42 44	42 44	42 44	1,900	General Asphalt.....100	41 1/2 Feb 1	49 1/2 Jan 2	37 1/2 Nov	73 July	
*76 78	78 78	*76 78	*76 78	*76 78	*76 78	2,600	General Cigar, Inc.....100	76 Feb 1	80 1/2 Jan 2	69 Nov	111 July	
85 85 85	85 85 85	85 85 85	85 85 85	85 85 85	85 85 85	400	Debutent pref.....100	104 1/2 Jan 2	106 Jan 24	94 Jan	109 Oct	
*106 107	107 107	*107 107	*107 107	*107 107	*107 107	23,400	General Electric.....100	179 Jan 10	190 1/2 Feb 2	138 Jan	190 Dec	
183 183	172 183	182 183	181 183	181 183	181 183	1,800	Special.....10	11 1/2 Jan 3	12 Jan 2	10 1/2 Oct	12 Sept	
*112 112	11 11	11 11	11 11	11 11	11 11	13,800	General Motors Corp.....No par	13 1/2 Jan 17	15 1/2 Jan 4	8 1/2 Jan	15 1/2 July	
*83 84	84 84	*84 84	*84 84	*84 84	*84 84	200	Do pref.....100	83 1/2 Jan 20	85 Jan 16	69 Jan	80 Sept	
*83 84	*83 84	*83 84	*83 84	*83 84	*83 84	700	Do Deb stock (6%).....100	83 1/2 Jan 9	85 Jan 17	67 1/2 Mar	96 Oct	
*98 99	*98 99	*98 99	*98 99	*98 99	*98 99	900	Do Deb stock (7%).....100	96 1/2 Jan 10	100 Jan 17	79 1/2 Mar	100 Sept	
*45 47	*45 47	*45 47	*45 47	*45 47	*45 47	500	Gimbel Bros.....No par	41 Jan 3	48 1/2 Jan 19	38 1/2 Oct	45 Oct	
10 10 10	10 10 10	10 10 10	10 10 10	10 10 10	10 10 10	300	Gladco Co.....No par	10 Jan 18	12 Jan 4	9 1/2 Nov	18 June	
6 6 6	6 6 6	6 6 6	6 6 6	6 6 6	6 6 6	6,600	Goldwyn Pictures.....No par	4 1/2 Jan 2	6 1/2 Jan 4	4 1/2 Dec	18 Oct	
*36 36	37 37	36 37	36 37	36 37	36 37	3,500	Goldrich Co (B F).....No par	34 Jan 4	39 1/2 Jan 19	28 1/2 Nov	44 May	
*90 91	91 91	90 91	90 91	90 91	90 91	1,600	Do pref.....100	84 Jan 3	92 Jan 22	79 1/2 Nov	91 Apr	
*23 23	23 23	23 23	23 23	23 23	23 23	800	Granby Cons M, S. & Pow.....100	23 Jan 25	26 1/2 Jan 12	22 Nov	35 May	
13 14	13 14	13 14	13 14	13 14	13 14	5,700	Gray & Davis Inc.....No par	11 Jan 23	14 1/2 Jan 27	8 Nov	197 May	
24 24	*23 25	*23 25	*23 25	*23 25	*23 25	300	Greene Cananea Copper.....100	23 1/2 Feb 1	27 1/2 Jan 2	22 Nov	34 May	
*91 91	*91 91	*91 91	*91 91	*91 91	*91 91	2,200	Guantanamo Sugar.....No par	9 1/2 Jan 5	11 Feb 2	7 Feb	14 Mar	
82 84	81 84	81 82	81 82	81 82	81 82	11,000	Gulf States Steel tr cts.....100	74 Jan 10	84 1/2 Jan 19	44 1/2 Jan	94 Oct	
*18 18	18 18	18 18	18 18	18 18	18 18	600	Havisham Elec Cab.....No par	11 1/2 Jan 2	21 1/2 Jan 12	8 Jan	37 Mar	
93 93	93 93	92 92	92 92	92 92	92 92	2,100	Hartman Corp.....100	83 1/2 Jan 4	95 1/2 Jan 26	81 Nov	105 Oct	
19 19	19 19	*19 19	19 19	19 19	19 19	1,100	Hendee Manufacturing.....100	18 1/2 Jan 8	21 Jan 23	15 Jan	28 Sept	
*68 76	75 79	*68 79	75 79	75 79	75 79	1,000	Homestake Mining.....100	75 Jan 31	79 1/2 Jan 2	55 Jan	82 Nov	
72 73	72 73	72 73	72 73	72 73	72 73	1,400	Houston Oil of Texas.....100	69 1/2 Jan 10	77 1/2 Jan 15	61 1/2 Nov	91 Oct	
*29 29	29 29	28 29	28 29	28 29	28 29	20,900	Hudson Motor Car.....No par	25 1/2 Jan 10	29 1/2 Jan 26	19 1/2 Nov	26 Dec	
*23 24	24 24	24 24	24 24	24 24	24 24	6,200	Hupp Motor Car Corp.....10	22 1/2 Jan 11	25 1/2 Jan 8	10 1/2 Jan	26 Dec	
41 42	41 42	41 42	41 42	41 42	41 42	300	Hydraulic Steel.....No par	4 1/2 Jan 29	6 1/2 Jan 8	3 1/2 Feb	14 June	
*14 15	14 15	*14 15	*14 15	*14 15	*14 15	700	Indianapolis Refining.....5	13 Jan 3	16 Jan 6	3 1/2 Jan	15 Dec	
*5 6	*5 6	*5 6	*5 6	*5 6	*5 6	300	Indian Refining.....10	5 1/2 Jan 24	6 1/2 Jan 4	5 Jan	11 June	
34 34	33 34	33 34	33 34	33 34	33 34	3,900	Inspiration Cons Copper.....20	33 Jan 18	36 1/2 Jan 3	31 Nov	45 June	
*8 8	*8 8	*8 8	*8 8	*8 8	*8 8	200	Internat Agricul Corp.....100	7 1/2 Jan 4	8 1/2 Jan 24	5 1/2 Dec	11 May	
*32 32	*32 32	*32 32	*32 32	*32 32	*32 32	200	Do pref.....100	31 Jan 22	34 1/2 Jan 18	28 1/2 Nov	43 Mar	
37 37	36 37	37 37	36 37	36 37	36 37	3,200	International Cement.....No par	34 1/2 Jan 2	39 1/2 Jan 15	26 Jan	38 May	
*24 24	23 24	23 24	23 24	23 24	23 24	2,200	Int'l Combust Eng.....No par	24 1/2 Feb 2	26 Jan 3	20 1/2 June	30 Sept	
90 90	89 90	89 90	89 90	89 90	89 90	2,900	Internat Harvester (new).....100	87 1/2 Jan 17	90 1/2 Feb 2	79 1/2 Jan	115 Aug	
115 115	*113 115	*113 115	*113 115	*113 115	*113 115	2,000	Do pref (new).....100	115 Jan 25	116 1/2 Jan 4	105 1/2 Feb	119 Sept	
91 91	91 91	91 91	91 91	91 91	91 91	2,000	Int Mercantile Marine.....100	8 1/2 Jan 13	10 1/2 Jan 5	8 1/2 Dec	27 May	
38 39	37 38	38 38	38 38	38 38	38 38	10,800	Do pref.....100	37 1/2 Jan 29	47 Jan 5	41 1/2 Dec	87 May	
14 14	14 14	14 14	14 14	14 14	14 14	6,800	International Nickel (The).....25	16 Jan 2	18 Jan 19	11 1/2 Jan	19 Apr	
*70 73	73 73	*70 74	*73 74	*73 74	*73 74	400	Preferred.....100	49 1/2 Jan 22	55 1/2 Jan 15	43 1/2 Mar	87 Oct	
51 51	50 51	50 51	50 51	50 51	50 51	2,800	International Paper.....100	70 Jan 31	75 1/2 Jan 5	59 Mar	80 Sept	
*70 71	70 71	70 71	70 71	70 71	70 71	56,300	International Rubber.....50	14 1/2 Jan 17	17 1/2 Jan 30	12 1/2 Jan	20 Apr	
15 16	16 17	16 17	16 17	16 17	16 17	42 1/2	Iron Products Corp.....No par	41 1/2 Jan 17	47 Jan 3	24 Jan	53 Oct	
45 45	45 45	45 45	45 45	45 45	45 45	2,200	Island Oil & Transp v t c.....10	1 1/2 Jan 2	1 1/2 Jan 17	1 1/2 Nov	3 Jan	
17 17	18 18	18 19	19 19	19 19	19 19	400	Jewel Tea, Inc.....100	17 1/2 Jan 24	20 1/2 Jan 2	10 Jan	22 May	
*70 75	69 70	71 71	71 71	71 71	71 71	1,300	Do pref.....100	69 1/2 Jan 29	77 1/2 Jan 2	38 1/2 Jan	76 Dec	
50 50	*50 50	50 51	51 52	52 52	54 55	17,600	Jones Bros Tea, Inc.....100	50 Jan 17	56 1/2 Feb 2	34 1/2 Feb	57 Sept	
107 107	107 107	107 107	107 107	107 107	107 107	3,000	Jones & Laughlin St, pref.....100	107 1/2 Jan 29	107 1/2 Jan 8	108 Dec	109 Dec	
2 2	2 2	2 2	2 2	2 2	2 2	21,500	Kansas & Gulf.....19	11 1/2 Jan 2	13 1/2 Jan 12	11 1/2 Dec	71 Jan	
42 42	41 42	41 42	41 42	41 42	41 42	1,900	Kayser (J) Co. (new).....No par	40 Jan 8	43 1/2 Jan 2	34 May	48 Aug	
*100 102	100 100	*100 102	101 101	*100 102	101 101	2,000	Lat preferred (new).....No par	100 Jan 29	103 Jan 8	94 May	106 June	
49 49	48 49	48 49	48 49	48 49	48 49	7,600	Kelly-Springfield Tire.....25	46 1/2 Jan 4	51 1/2 Jan 13	34 1/2 Jan	53 May	
*106 106	*107 107	*107 107	*106 106	*104 107	*104 107	900	Temporary 8% pref.....100	102 1/2 Jan 2	108 Jan 18	90 1/2 Jan	107 May	
*107 109	103 106	103 106	*105 108	107 107	*107 109	900	Kelsey Wheel, Inc.....100	101 Jan 23	110 1/2 Jan 3	61 Feb	115 Dec	
36 36	36 36	36 36	36 36	36 36	36 36	19,900	Kennecott Copper.....No par	35 Jan 18	37 1/2 Jan 3	25 1/2 Jan	39 May	
8 8	8 8	8 8	8 8	8 8	8 8	4,600	Keystone Tire & Rubber.....10	8 1/2 Jan 17	10 1/2 Jan 4	4 1/2 Nov	24 May	
209 211	207 214	210 212	211 213	*210 214	*210 212	2,300	Kresge (S S) Co.....100	183 Jan 10	214 Jan 29	109 Oct	189 Nov	
*84 87	*83 84	84 84	*83 84	*83 84	*83 84	600	Laclede Gas (St Louis).....100	83 Jan 10	86 Jan 28	83 Jan	94 Aug	
*28 29	*28 28	28 29	28 28	28 28	28 28	600	Lee Rubber & Tire.....No par	208 Jan 16	29 1/2 Jan 13	24 1/2 Jan	25 Mar	
*212 218	*213 218	218 220	219 219	*218 219	*217 217	100	Liggett & Myers Tobacco.....100	116 Jan 15	118 1/2 Jan 8	108 Jan	123 Nov	
*116 117	*117 117	*115 117	*115 117	*115 117	*115 117	16,000	Lima Loco Wkstempets No par	58 1/2 Jan 17	62 1/2 Jan 29	52 Nov	117 May	
61 62	61 62	61 61	61 61	61 61	61 61	5,700	Loew's Incorporated.....No par	18 1/2 Jan 17	19 1/2 Jan 5	10 1/2 Jan	23 Sept	
19 19	19 19	18 18	18 18	18 18	18 18	1,100	Loft Incorporated.....No par	10 1/2 Jan 15	11 1/2 Jan 5	9 Jan	14 May	
*11 11	*11 11	*10 11	*10 11	*10 11	*10 11	1,000	Loose-Wiles Biscuit.....100	51 1/2 Jan 4	61 1/2 Jan 13	36 Jan	65 Oct	
167 167	*167 174	170 170	169 170	*165 168	*166 169	900	Lorillard (P).....100	161 1/2 Jan 8	170 Jan 31	147 1/2 Jan	180 Sept	
*113 117	*114 117	*114 116	*113 117	*110 117	*116 116	100	Mackay Companies.....100	105 Jan 22	116 1/2 Feb 2	72 Jan	117 Dec	
*69 69	*69 69	*69 69	*69 69	*69 69	*69 69	400	Do pref.....100	69 Jan 16	69 1/2 Jan 11	57 Jan	70 Nov	
66 66	66 67	66 67	66 67	66 67	66 67	5,900	Maack Trucks, Inc.....No par	58 1/2 Jan 2	69 1/2 Jan 12	25 1/2 Jan	61 Sept	
*93 94	*92 94	*92 94	*92 94	*92 94	*92 94	500	Do 1st pref.....100	92 1/2 Jan 3	94 1/2 Jan 13	68 Feb	94 Dec	
85 85	*85 87	*85 87	*85 87	*85 86	*85 86	200	Do 2d pref.....100	84 Jan 3	87 1/2 Jan 12	54 Jan	87 Sept	
*67 68	*68 69	68 68	67 68	66 67	67 68	3,000	Maey.....No par	61 1/2 Jan 8	71 1/2 Jan 20	59 Nov	62 Dec	
36 36	36 37	35 36	34 35	34 35	35 35	5,700	Malinson (H R) & Co.....No par	34 1/2 Jan 24	40 Jan 2	35 1/2 Jan	40 Aug	
*46 47	46 47	46 47	46 47	46 47	47 47	2,600	Manatt Sugar.....100	43 1/2 Jan 17	47 1/2 Feb 2	30 1/2 Jan	52 Mar	
*79 82	*78 82	*78 82	*78 82	*78 82	*78 82	200	Manhattan Elec Supply No par	51 1/2 Jan 3	57 1/2 Jan 15	41 Mar	69 Apr	
53 53	53 53	*53 56	*52 55	*52 56	*52 54	1,900	Manhattan Shirt.....25	43 1/2 Feb 2	47 1/2 Jan 5	32 Mar	58 Oct	
34 34												



For sales during the week of stocks usually inactive, see fourth page preceding.

HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICE—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT.						Sales for the Week.	STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE		PER SHARE Range since Jan. 1, 1923. On basis of 100-share lots		PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1922.	
Saturday, Jan. 27.	Monday, Jan. 29.	Tuesday, Jan. 30.	Wednesday, Jan. 31.	Thursday, Feb. 1.	Friday, Feb. 2.		Indus. & Miscell. (Con.)	Par	Lowest	Highest	Lowest	Highest
\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	Shares			\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share
84 1/4	84 1/4	84 1/4	84 1/4	84 1/4	84 1/4	13,000	Otis Steel	9 1/4	7 1/4	9 1/4	6 1/4	9 1/4
44 1/4	44 1/4	44 1/4	44 1/4	44 1/4	44 1/4	53,600	Owens Bottle	25	36 1/2	46	24 1/2	46
7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	4,600	Pacific Development	100	12	18	12	18
79 1/2	80	79 1/2	82 1/4	79 1/2	80	8,300	Pacific Gas & Electric	100	78 1/4	85	60	85
11 1/4	12	11 1/4	12	11 1/4	12	11 1/2	Pacific Mail SS	5	11 1/2	15 1/4	11	15 1/4
43 1/4	44	42 1/4	43 1/4	42 1/4	43 1/4	39,000	Pacific Oil	100	42 1/2	48 1/2	42 1/2	48 1/2
13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	47,500	Packard Motor Car	10	10 1/2	14 1/2	10	14 1/2
87 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2	42,500	Pan-Am Pet & Trans	60	84	91 1/4	84	91 1/4
79 1/4	80 1/4	79 1/4	80 1/4	79 1/4	80 1/4	43,100	Do Class B	50	77 1/4	84 1/4	77 1/4	84 1/4
4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	Panhandle Prod & Ref	No par	4 1/4	5	3	5
12 1/4	14 1/4	13 1/4	14	13 1/4	14	1,800	Parish & Bingham	No par	11 1/2	14 1/4	7 1/2	14 1/4
3 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4	4,600	Penn-Seaboard St'l v t c	No par	2 1/2	3 1/4	2 1/2	3 1/4
92 1/2	93	92 1/2	93 1/4	93 1/4	93 1/4	6,200	People's G. L. & C (Chic)	100	90	94 1/2	59 1/2	94 1/2
42 1/4	42 1/4	42 1/4	42 1/4	42 1/4	42 1/4	7,400	Philadelphia Co (Pittsb)	50	41 1/4	44 1/4	31 1/4	44 1/4
72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2	Phillips-Jones Corp	No par	76	78 1/2	73 1/2	78 1/2
51 1/2	52 1/4	51 1/2	52 1/4	51 1/2	52 1/4	51 1/2	Phillips Petroleum	No par	47 1/2	56 1/2	28 1/4	56 1/2
11 1/4	11 1/4	11 1/4	11 1/4	11 1/4	11 1/4	12 1/2	Pierce-Arrow M Car	No par	11 1/2	15 1/4	8	15 1/4
27 1/4	29	28 1/4	28 1/4	29	30	29 1/2	Do pref	100	27 1/4	35 1/2	18 1/2	35 1/2
4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	4 1/4	Pierce Oil Corporation	25	4	4 1/2	3 1/2	4 1/2
37 1/4	40	39 1/4	39 1/4	37 1/4	39 1/4	39 1/4	Do pref	100	38	45	32	45
60 1/4	61 1/4	60 1/4	60 1/4	60 1/4	61 1/4	60 1/4	Pigg Wigg St'l Inc "A" No par	55 1/4	55 1/4	64 1/4	39	64 1/4
61 1/4	61 1/4	60 1/4	60 1/4	60 1/4	61 1/4	61 1/4	Pittsburgh Coal of Pa	100	58	61 1/2	55	61 1/2
98 1/4	99	98 1/4	99	98 1/4	99	98 1/4	Do pref	100	99	99 1/2	90 1/2	99 1/2
41 1/4	41 1/4	41 1/4	41 1/4	41 1/4	41 1/4	40 1/2	Pond Creek Coal	10	38 1/2	42	34 1/2	42
127 1/4	127 1/4	126 1/2	127 1/4	126 1/2	127 1/4	128 1/2	Postum Cereal	No par	113	131 1/2	65 1/2	131 1/2
112 1/4	114	113 1/4	113 1/4	113 1/4	113 1/4	113 1/4	8% preferred	100	110 1/2	114 1/4	105 1/2	114 1/4
66 1/2	65	65	65	65	65	62	Pressed Air	100	58	61 1/2	63	61 1/2
91 1/4	91	90 1/4	91	91	91	91	Do pref	100	88	94 1/2	91	94 1/2
47 1/4	48 1/4	47 1/4	48 1/4	47 1/4	48 1/4	47 1/4	Producers & Refiners Corp	50	47 1/4	51 1/4	44 1/4	51 1/4
99 1/4	99 1/2	98 1/4	99 1/2	98 1/4	99 1/2	97 1/4	Public Service Corp of N J	100	93 1/4	100 1/2	66	100 1/2
130 1/4	131 1/4	130 1/4	129 1/4	130 1/4	127 1/4	128 1/2	Pullman Company	100	126 1/4	137 1/2	105 1/2	137 1/2
45 1/4	46 1/4	45 1/4	45 1/4	45 1/4	45 1/4	45 1/4	Punta Alegre Sugar	50	43	48 1/2	29 1/2	48 1/2
27 1/4	28	27 1/4	27 1/4	27 1/4	27 1/4	27 1/4	Pure Oil (The)	25	27	29 1/4	26 1/2	29 1/4
98 1/4	100	98 1/4	99	98 1/4	99	98 1/4	8% preferred	100	97	99 1/2	94	99 1/2
109 1/4	113	109 1/4	112	110 1/2	110 1/2	110 1/2	Railway Steel Spring	100	110 1/2	130 1/2	94	130 1/2
32 1/4	33	33 1/4	33 1/4	32 1/4	33 1/4	32 1/4	Rand Mines Ltd	No par	32 1/2	33 1/4	19 1/2	33 1/4
13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	Ray Consolidated Copper	10	13 1/2	14 1/2	12 1/2	14 1/2
36 1/4	36 1/4	36 1/4	36 1/4	36 1/4	36 1/4	36 1/4	Remington Typewriter v t c	100	33 1/2	38	24	38
100 1/4	103	100 1/4	103	100 1/4	103	102 1/2	1st preferred v t c	100	101	118	65	118
80 1/4	82	80 1/4	82	80 1/4	82	80 1/4	2d preferred	100	80	83	50 1/2	83
26 1/4	26 1/4	26 1/4	26 1/4	26 1/4	26 1/4	25 1/4	Reynolds	No par	23 1/4	29	21	29
48 1/4	48 1/4	48 1/4	48 1/4	48 1/4	48 1/4	47 1/4	Republic Iron & Steel	100	47	52 1/2	43 1/2	52 1/2
89 1/4	89 1/4	89 1/4	89 1/4	89 1/4	89 1/4	89 1/4	Do pref	100	89	90	74	90
174 1/4	181 1/4	174 1/4	181 1/4	174 1/4	181 1/4	20 1/2	Reynolds Spring	No par	16 1/2	23 1/2	12 1/4	23 1/2
52 1/4	53 1/4	52 1/4	53 1/4	52 1/4	53 1/4	52 1/4	Reynolds (R J) Tob Cl B	25	47	55 1/2	43	55 1/2
115 1/4	116 1/4	115 1/4	116 1/4	115 1/4	116 1/4	116 1/4	7% preferred	100	114 1/2	116 1/4	111 1/2	116 1/4
48 1/4	48 1/4	48 1/4	48 1/4	48 1/4	48 1/4	48 1/4	Royal Dutch Co (N Y shares)	42 1/2	48 1/4	53 1/2	47 1/2	53 1/2
18 1/4	18 1/4	18 1/4	18 1/4	18 1/4	18 1/4	18 1/4	St Joseph Lead	100	18	19 1/4	15 1/4	19 1/4
21 1/4	23 1/4	21 1/4	23 1/4	21 1/4	23 1/4	21 1/4	San Ceclia Sugar v t c	No par	2	2 1/2	1 1/2	2 1/2
23 1/4	23 1/4	23 1/4	23 1/4	23 1/4	23 1/4	21 1/2	Savage Arms Corp	100	18 1/2	23 1/2	10	23 1/2
85 1/4	86 1/4	85 1/4	86 1/4	85 1/4	86 1/4	85 1/4	Sears, Roebuck & Co	100	83 1/2	90	59 1/2	90
108 1/4	111 1/4	108 1/4	111 1/4	108 1/4	111 1/4	110 1/2	Preferred	100	110 1/2	126 1/2	91	126 1/2
7 1/4	8	7 1/4	8	7 1/4	8	7 1/4	Seneca Copper	No par	7 1/4	8 1/4	6	8 1/4
88 1/4	89	88 1/4	89	88 1/4	89	88 1/4	Shattuck Arizona Copper	10	8 1/2	9 1/2	6 1/2	9 1/2
35 1/4	36	35 1/4	36	35 1/4	36	35 1/4	Shell Transp & Trading	£2	34 1/2	38 1/4	34 1/2	38 1/4
13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	Shell Union Oil	No par	12 1/2	14 1/2	12 1/2	14 1/2
32 1/4	32 1/4	32 1/4	32 1/4	32 1/4	32 1/4	32 1/4	Shell Oil Corp	No par	31 1/2	35 1/2	18 1/2	35 1/2
11 1/4	11 1/4	11 1/4	11 1/4	11 1/4	11 1/4	11 1/4	Sinclair Oil Co	10	9 1/2	12	8 1/2	12
48 1/4	48 1/4	48 1/4	48 1/4	48 1/4	48 1/4	48 1/4	Sloss-Sheffield Steel & Iron	100	42	50 1/4	34 1/2	50 1/4
72 1/4	72 1/4	72 1/4	72 1/4	72 1/4	72 1/4	72 1/4	Do pref	100	72	81 1/2	66 1/2	81 1/2
40 1/4	41 1/4	40 1/4	41 1/4	40 1/4	41 1/4	40 1/4	So Porto Rico Sugar	100	40	43 1/2	33	43 1/2
21 1/4	22 1/4	21 1/4	22 1/4	21 1/4	22 1/4	21 1/4	Spicer Mfg Co	No par	10	17 1/2	15	17 1/2
92 1/4	94 1/4	92 1/4	94 1/4	92 1/4	94 1/4	92 1/4	Preferred	100	90	93 1/2	84	93 1/2
87 1/4	87 1/4	87 1/4	87 1/4	87 1/4	87 1/4	87 1/4	Standard Milling	100	85 1/2	90 1/2	84 1/2	90 1/2
55 1/4	56 1/4	55 1/4	56 1/4	55 1/4	56 1/4	55 1/4	Standard Oil of Cal	25	54 1/2	58 1/2	51 1/2	58 1/2
39 1/4	40 1/4	39 1/4	40 1/4	39 1/4	40 1/4	39 1/4	Standard Oil of N J	25	39 1/4	43 1/4	38 1/2	43 1/4
116 1/4	116 1/4	116 1/4	116 1/4	116 1/4	116 1/4	116 1/4	Do pref non voting	100	116 1/4	117 1/4	113 1/4	117 1/4
104 1/4	104 1/4	104 1/4	104 1/4	104 1/4	104 1/4	104 1/4	Steel & Tube of Am pref	100	85	107 1/2	68	107 1/2
62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4	62 1/4	61 1/2	Sterling Products	No par	60 1/2	64	45 1/2	64
115 1/4	115 1/4	115 1/4	115 1/4	115 1/4	115 1/4	115 1/4	Stern Bros pref (8%)	100	109 1/2	115	81	115
88 1/4	89 1/4	88 1/4	89 1/4	88 1/4	89 1/4	88 1/4	Stewart-Warn Sp Corp	No par	79 1/4	91 1/4	24 1/2	91 1/4
64 1/4	66	64 1/4	66	64 1/4	66	64 1/4	Stromberg Carburetor	No par	62 1/4	69	35 1/4	69
114 1/4	115 1/4	114 1/4	115 1/4	114 1/4	115 1/4	114 1/4	Studebaker Corp (The)	100	112 1/2	119	79 1/2	119
112 1/4	113	112 1/4	113	112 1/4	113	112 1/4	Do pref	100	112	121 1/2	100	121 1/2
91 1/4	91 1/4	91 1/4	91 1/4	91 1/4	91 1/4	91 1/4	Submarine Boat	No par	7	9 1/4	3 1/2	9 1/4
44 1/4	45	44 1/4	45	44 1/4	45	44 1/4	Superior Oil	No par	4 1/2	5 1/2	4	5 1/2
30 1/4	30 1/4	30 1/4	30 1/4	30 1/4	30 1/4	29 1/4	Superior Steel	100	29 1/4	31	26	31
21 1/4	22 1/4	21 1/4	22 1/4	21 1/4	22 1/4	21 1/4	Sweets Co of America	10	2	2 1/2	1 1/2	2 1/2
11 1/4	11 1/4	11 1/4	11 1/4	11 1/4	11 1/4	11 1/4	Tenn Copp & C r etts	No par	10 1/2	12 1/2	8 1/2	12 1/2
47 1/4	48 1/4	47 1/4	48 1/4	47 1/4	48 1/4	47 1/4	Texas Gulf Sulphur (The)	25	47 1/4	49 1/4	42	49 1/4
60 1/4	62	60 1/4	62	60 1/4	62	60 1/4	Texas Gulf Sulphur	10	58 1/2	65 1/2	38 1/2	65 1/2
20 1/4	20 1/4	20 1/4	20 1/4	20 1/4	20 1/4	21 1/4	Texas Pacific Coal & Oil	10	20	24 1/4	18 1/2	24 1/4
125 1/4	127 1/4	125 1/4	127 1/4	125 1/4	127 1/4	125 1/4	Tidewater Oil	100	120	133	109 1/4	133
37 1/4	37 1/4	37 1/4	37 1/4	37 1/4	37 1/4	36 1/4	Timken Roller Bearing	No par	33 1/2	38 1/2	28 1/2	38 1/2
52 1/4	53 1/4	52 1/4	53 1/4	52 1/4	53 1/4	52 1/4	Tobacco Products Corp	100	50 1/2	58 1/2	49 1/4	58 1/2
81 1/4	82 1/4	81 1/4	82 1/4	81 1/4	82 1/4	81 1/4	Do CIA (since July 15)	100	79 1/2	84 1		



Jan. 1 1909 the Exchange method of quoting bonds was changed and prices are now — "and interest" — except for income and defaulted bonds

BONDS. N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week ending Feb. 2							BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week ending Feb. 2						
	Interest Period	Price Friday Feb. 2	Week's Range or Last Sale		Bonds Sold	Range Since Jan. 1		Interest Period	Price Friday Feb. 2	Week's Range or Last Sale		Bonds Sold	Range Since Jan. 1
			Bid	Ask						Bid	Ask		
U. S. Government.													
First Liberty Loan—							At h Top & S Fe—(Concluded)						
3½% of 1932-1947	J D	101.47	101.42	101.82	1572	100.94 101.90	Conv 45 issue of 1910—	J D	100.14	103	101	161	5 100 101
Conv 4% of 1932-1947	J D	98.10	98.70	98.70	98.70	98.64 98.90	East Okla Div 1st g 4s—	M S	95	95½	94½	Jan'23	93½ 95½
Conv 4½% of 1932-1947	J D	98.48	98.24	98.63	285	98.60 99.10	Rocky Mtn Div 1st 4s—	J J	81½	82½	81½	81½	4 81½ 83
2d conv 4½% of 1932-1947	J D	98.00	98.50	98.50	11	98.10 99.00	Trans-Cont Short L 1st 4s—	J J	86	86	86	3	85 86½
Second Liberty Loan—							Cal-Ariz 1st & ref 4½% "A"—	M S	92½	92½	92½	3	91½ 93
4% of 1927-1942	M N	97.80	98.10	97.74	98.10	97.80 98.44	Atl & Birm 30-yr 1st g 4s—	M S	66	66½	65½	67	4 65½ 67
Conv 4½% of 1927-1942	M N	98.12	98.58	98.18	6197	98.10 98.60	Atl & Knox & Clin Div 4s—	M N	86½	86½	85	86½	29 85 86
Third Liberty Loan—							Atl & Knox & Nor 1st g 5s—	J D	99½	99½	May'22	99½	5 98½ 100
4½% of 1928	M S	98.74	98.52	98.92	2625	98.74 99.08	Atl & Charl A L 1st A 4½s—	J D	90¼	91¼	91¼	Jan'23	91¼ 91½
Fourth Liberty Loan—							Atl 30-yr 5s Ser B—	J D	99	99	98½	99	5 98½ 100
4½% of 1933-1938	A O	98.28	98.02	98.52	6625	98.42 99.00	Atl Coast Lnt 1st g 4s—	M S	67½	67½	67½	67½	61 67 89
Victory Liberty Loan—							10-yr secured 7s—	J D	106½	108	106½	107½	23 106 107½
4½% Notes of 1922-1923	J D	100.22	100.13	100.24	496	100.10 100.30	General unified 4½s—	J D	86½	86½	86½	86½	14 86½ 88½
Treasury 4½s 1947-1952	J D	99.94	99.80	99.96	1109	99.84 100.02	L & N coll gold 4s—	M S	81	81	80½	81	12 80½ 82
2s consol registered—	Q J	102½	102½	102½	102½	102½	Atl & Danv 1st g 4s—	J D	75½	76½	77	Jan'23	77 77
2s consol coupon—	Q J	102½	102½	102½	102½	102½	2d 4s—	J D	65½	72	72½	Nov'22	72½ 72½
4s registered—	Q F	103½	103½	103½	103½	103½	Atl & Yad 1st g guar 4s—	A O	77½	77½	77½	18	77½ 77½
4s coupon—	Q F	103½	103½	103½	103½	103½	A & N W 1st g 5s—	J D	99½	99½	95½	2	95½ 95½
Panama Canal 10-30-yr 2s—	Q F	102	102½	102½	102½	102½							
Panama Canal 3s gold—	Q M	95	95	95	95	95							
Registered—	Q M	93½	94	94	94	94							
Foreign Government.													
Argentina (Govt) 7s—	F A	101¼	101¼	101¼	176	100 101½	Canada Sou cons gu A 5s—	A O	99½	99½	99½	6	98¼ 100½
Argentina Treasury 5s of 1909—	M S	81	82	80½	16	80¼ 82	Canadian North deb s f 7s—	J D	114½	113½	114½	58	113 114½
Belgium 25-yr ext s f 7½s g—	J D	97½	97½	97½	343	91¼ 102	25-yr s f deb 6½s—	J D	111	110½	111½	81	110½ 112½
5-yr 6% notes—	Jan'23	95½	95½	95½	121	93 98½	Canadian Pac Ry deb 4s stock—	J J	80	80	79½	80	284 78 80¼
20-yr s f 8s—	Jan'23	94½	94½	94½	212	91¼ 101¼	Carb & Shaw 1st gold 4s—	M S	87½	90	92½	Sept'22	92½ 92½
Bergen (Norway) s f 8s—	Jan'23	103½	103½	103½	33	107½ 109	Caro Cent 1st con g 4s—	J D	70½	72½	70½	Dec'22	70½ 72½
Berne (City) of s f 8s—	Jan'23	110¼	111	112¼	127	110¼ 112	Car Clinch & Ohio 1st 3-yr 5s 1938	J D	91½	91½	91½	5	91½ 92
Bolivia (Republic) of 8s—	Jan'23	89½	92	89½	182	89½ 94	Cart & Ad 1st g 4s—	J D	70	83½	81½	Dec'22	81½ 83½
Bolivia (Republic) s f 8s—	Jan'23	89½	92	89½	182	89½ 94	Cent Br U P 1st g 4s—	J D	68	73½	70½	Dec'22	70½ 73½
Bordeaux (City) of 15-yr 8s—	Jan'23	74½	74½	74½	110	69¼ 94	Cent New Eng 1st g 4s—	J D	56½	62½	56½	57	56½ 58
Brasilia, U S external 8s—	Jan'23	94½	94½	94½	195	94 94½	Central of Ga 1st gold 5s—	A O	101½	101½	101½	5	101½ 101½
7s—	Jan'23	82	82	82	82	81 86¼	Consol gold 5s—	M N	96½	96½	95½	97	1 95½ 98
7½s—	Jan'23	100½	100½	100½	101	150 96¼ 101	10-yr temp secur 6s June 1929	J D	99½	99½	99½	34	99½ 101
Canada (Dominion) of g 5s 1926—	A O	100¼	100¼	100¼	1,112	64 99½ 101½	Chart Div pur money g 4s—	J D	73¼	73¼	73¼	Jan'23	73¼ 73¼
do do do 5s—	A O	101½	101½	101½	1,112	94 99½ 101	Mac & Nor Div 1st g 5s—	J D	93¼	93¼	96½	Sept'22	96½ 96½
10-yr 5½s—	Jan'23	101½	101½	101½	1,112	101½ 102½	Mld Ga & Atl Div 5s—	J D	92	92	95½	Jan'22	95½ 95½
5s—	Jan'23	99	99	99	414	98½ 102	Cent RR & B of Ga coll g 5s—	M N	94	94½	93	93½	19 92½ 93½
Chile (Republic) ext s f 8s—	Jan'23	103½	103½	103½	89	102½ 103½	Central of N J gen gold 5s—	J D	105½	105½	105½	2	105½ 108
External 5-yr s f 8s—	Jan'23	103½	103½	103½	63	101½ 102½	Registered—	J D	103	105	105	Sept'22	105 105
25-yr s f 8s—	Jan'23	95	95	95	187	95 96½	Cent Pac 1st ref g 4s—	A O	87	87	84½	87½	216 84½ 87½
25-yr s f 8s—	Jan'23	103½	103½	103½	54	102½ 103½	Mort guar gold 3½s—	J D	90¼	91½	91½	3	90½ 91½
Chinese (Hukang Ry) 5s of 1911	J D	92	92	92	504	92	Tough S L 1st g 4s—	A O	82	82	82	82	9 82 83
Christiana (City) s f 8s—	Jan'23	90	90	90	102	89 94	Ches & Ohio full & imp 6s—	J D	95½	95½	94½	Jan'23	94½ 96½
Columbia (Republic) 6½s—	Jan'23	91	91	91	54	90 94	1st consol gold 5s—	M N	100½	100	100	6	100 102
Copenhagen 25-yr s f 6½s—	Jan'23	90	90	90	97	89 94	Registered—	M N	98½	100	100	Dec'22	100 102
Cuba 5s—	Jan'23	93½	93½	93½	93	93 96½	General gold 4½s—	Jan'23	84½	84½	85	44	84 86¼
Ext deb 5s 1914 Ser A—	Jan'23	90	90	90	90	90 93¼	Registered—	Nov'22	86	86	86	86	86 86
External oan 4½s—	Jan'23	83¼	84¼	83	83	80 87	20-yr convertible 4½s—	Jan'23	87	86½	87	81	85 89½
Czechoslovak (Repub o) 8s—	Jan'23	82½	84	83	117	75 89½	30-yr conv secured 5s—	Jan'23	94½	94½	95½	565	93½ 96½
Danish Con Municipal 8s "A" 1946	Jan'23	107½	107½	107½	45	107 108½	Craig Valley 1st g 5s—	Jan'23	91¼	94	95	Jan'23	95 95
Series B—	Jan'23	107½	107½	107½	53	107 108½	Potts Creek Branch 1st 4s—	Jan'23	78	84	79	Jan'22	79 84
Denmark external s f 8s—	Jan'23	107½	107½	107½	109	108½ 110	R & A Div 1st con g 4s—	Jan'23	78¼	83	81½	Dec'22	81½ 83
20-yr 6s—	Jan'23	97	97	97	240	95½ 96½	2d consol gold 4s—	Jan'23	75½	96½	77½	Dec'22	77½ 96½
Dominican Rep Cons Adm s f 5s—	Jan'23	87½	87½	87½	89	84 91	Warm Springs V 1st g 5s—	Jan'23	93¼	93¼	93¼	Dec'22	93¼ 93¼
5½s—	Jan'23	87½	87½	87½	89	84 91	Chie & Alton RR ref g 3s—	Jan'23	80	82	81	51½	8 51 52½
Dutch East Indies ext 8s—	Jan'23	93½	93½	93½	321	92¼ 94¼	Chie & Alton RR 1st 3½s—	Jan'23	86	86	86	26	101 25 29¼
40-yr 6s—	Jan'23	93½	93½	93½	321	92¼ 94¼	Chie & Ohio Q—III Div 3½s—	Jan'23	80	81	81½	81½	8 81½ 83
French Republic 25-yr ext 8s—	Jan'23	93½	93½	93½	321	92¼ 94¼	Illinois Division 4s—	Jan'23	89	88½	89½	22	88½ 90½
20-yr external loan 7½s—	Jan'23	90½	90½	90½	84	90½ 95	Nebraska Extension 4s—	Jan'23	96¼	97	97	Jan'23	96¼ 97
Great Brit & Ireland (U.K. ex—)							Registered—	Jan'23	90¼	90¼	90¼	Oct'19	90¼ 90¼
20-yr conv bond 5½s—	Jan'23	102½	102½	102½	367	102½ 104½	General 4s—	Jan'23	87½	87½	86½	88	46 86½ 89½
10-yr conv 5½s—	Jan'23	114½	114½	114½	621	113 116	1st & ref 5s—	Jan'23	99½	99½	99	39½	67 99 101½
Greater Prague 7½s—	Jan'23	69½	69½	69½	135	65 75½	Chie & E III RR (new co) gen 5s—	Jan'23	79½	79½	78	80¼	117 78 80¼
Haiti (Republic) 6s—	Jan'23	95½	95½	95½	96	91½ 96½	Chie & Erie 1st gold 5s—	Jan'23	92	92	92	2	92 97½
Italy (Kingdom of) Ser A 6½s—	Jan'23	94¼	94¼	94¼	12	91½ 96½	Chicago Great West 1st 4s—	Jan'23	52	52	51	52	70 50 52
Japanese Govt—£ loan 4½s—	Jan'23	93	93	93	93	92 94	Chie Ind & Louisv—Ref 6s—	Jan'23	104½	104½	104½	Jan'23	104½ 104½
Second series 4½s—	Jan'23	93	93	93	93	92 94	Refunding gold 5s—	Jan'23	95¼	96½	95¼	95¼	6 92½ 97½
Sterling loan 4s—	Jan'23	80	81½	80	81½	80 82	Refunding 4s Series C—	Jan'23	80½	82½	82½	82½	7 81¼ 83
Lyons (City) of 15-yr 6s—	Jan'23	74¼	74¼	74¼	134	73½ 79¼	General 5s—	Jan'23	84	86½	86	86	2 85½ 87½
Marseilles (City) of 15-yr 6s—	Jan'23	74¼	74¼	74¼	134	73½ 79¼	General 6s B—	Jan'23	84	86½	86	86	2 85½ 87½
Mexico—External loan 2 5s of 1899	Jan'23												



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Interest Period	Price Friday Feb. 2	Week's Range or Last Sale		Bonds Sold	Range Since Jan. 1		Interest Period	Price Friday Feb. 2	Week's Range or Last Sale		Bonds Sold	Range Since Jan. 1							
		Bid	Ask		Low	High			Low	High									
Chic T H & So East 1st 5s...	1960 J D	77 3/8	78	77 1/2	77 3/8	6	77	81	Illinois Central (Concluded)										
Chic Union St 1st 4 1/2 A...	1963 J J	91	93	90 1/2	91 1/2	52	90	91 1/2	Collateral trust gold 4s...	1953 M N	81	Sale	80 1/2						
1st Ser C 6 1/2 (cts)...	1963 J J	115	Sale	114 1/2	115	43	112 1/2	115	Registered...	1953 M N	101 1/2	Sale	101 1/2						
Chic & West Ind gen g 6s...	1932 Q M	105	105	105	105	1	105	105	15-year secured 5 1/2s...	1934 J J	101 1/2	Sale	101 1/2						
Consol 50-year 4s...	1952 J J	72 1/2	Sale	72 1/2	73	14	72 1/2	75 1/2	15-year secured 6 1/2s g...	1934 J J	110	Sale	109 1/2						
15-year s f 7 1/2s...	1935 M S	102 1/4	102 1/4	101 1/2	101 1/2	3	101 1/2	102 3/4	Calo Bridge gold 4s...	1950 J D	86	Jan 23	87						
Choc Okla & Gulf cons 5s...	1952 M N	96 3/4	99	96 3/4	96 3/4	1	96 3/4	96 3/4	Litchfield Div 1st gold 3s...	1951 J J	72	73	69 3/4						
C Find & Ft W 1st gu 4s g...	1923 M N	84	91	88 1/2	Mar 17	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2	Louisville Div & Term 3 1/2s...	1951 J J	76	Sale	76						
Cin H & D 2d gold 4 1/2s...	1937 J J	88	89 1/4	87 1/2	Dec 22	87 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2	Omaha Div 1st gold 3s...	1951 F A	68 1/4	69 3/4	68 1/4						
C I St L & C 1st g 4s...	1936 Q F	88	89 1/4	87 1/2	Dec 22	87 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2	St Louis Div & Term g 3s...	1951 J J	71	73	71						
Registered...	1936 Q F	88	89 1/4	87 1/2	Dec 22	87 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2	Gold 3 1/2s...	1951 J J	75 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2						
Cin Leb & Nor gu 4s g...	1942 M N	85 1/4	88 1/2	85 1/4	Jan 23	85 1/4	85 1/4	85 1/4	Springfield Div 1st g 3 1/2s...	1951 J J	73 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2						
Cin S & C cons 1st g 5s...	1928 J J	98 1/2	99	98 1/2	Jan 23	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	Western Lines 1st g 4s...	1951 F A	83	89	83						
Cleat & Mah 1st gu 5s...	1943 J J	97 1/2	99 1/2	97 1/2	Jan 23	97 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2	Registered...	1951 F A	83	89	83						
Cleve Cin Cn & St L gen 4s...	1933 J J	79	Sale	79	79 1/2	8	79	82 1/2	Ind B & W 1st pref 4s...	1940 A O	85 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2						
20-year deb 4 1/2s...	1933 J J	92 1/2	94 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2	17	91 1/2	93	and Ill & Iowa 1st g 4s...	1950 J J	82 1/2	85	82 1/2						
General 5s Series B...	1933 J J	99 1/2	100 1/2	99 1/2	Jan 23	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	Int & Great Nor Adjust 6s...	1952 J J	46 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2						
Ref & Imp 6s Series A...	1929 J J	102 1/2	104 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2	62	101	102	Iowa Central 1st gold 6s...	1938 J D	72 1/2	78 1/2	73						
Calo Div 1st gold 4s...	1939 J J	85 1/2	87 1/2	85 1/2	Jan 23	85 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2	Refunding gold 4s...	1951 M S	36	37	36						
Cin W & M Div 1st g 4s...	1911 J J	78	78 1/2	77 1/2	78	11	77 1/2	78	James Frank & Clear 1st 4s...	1959 J D	85	86	85 1/2						
St L Div 1st col tr g 4s...	1940 M S	83 1/2	85 1/2	83 1/2	Jan 23	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2	Ka A & G R 1st gu g 5s...	1935 J J	95 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2						
Spr & Col Div 1st g 4s...	1940 M S	83 1/2	85 1/2	83 1/2	Jan 23	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2	Kan & M 1st gu g 4s...	1930 A O	77 1/2	78 1/2	77 1/2						
W W Val Div 1st g 4s...	1940 J J	80 1/2	81 1/2	80 1/2	Nov 22	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	2d 20-year 5s...	1927 J J	95 1/2	97 1/2	95 1/2						
C C & I gen cons g 6s...	1934 J J	106 1/2	107 1/2	106 1/2	Jan 23	106 1/2	106 1/2	106 1/2	K C F T S & M cons g 6s...	1928 M N	102 1/2	103	102 1/2						
Clev Lor & W con 1st g 5s...	1933 A O	96 3/4	99 1/2	97 1/2	Jan 23	96 3/4	97 1/2	97 1/2	K C F T S & M Ry ref g 4s...	1936 A O	77	77 1/2	77						
Cl & Mar 1st gu g 4 1/2s...	1936 M N	93 1/2	95 1/2	92 1/2	Dec 22	92 1/2	95	95	K C & M R & B 1st gu 5s...	1929 A O	92	96	95						
Cleve & Mahon Vall g 6s...	1938 J J	94 1/2	96 1/2	94 1/2	Dec 22	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	Kansas City Sou 1st gold 3s...	1950 A O	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2						
Cl & P gen gu 4 1/2s Ser A...	1942 J J	81 1/2	83 1/2	81 1/2	Dec 22	81 1/2	81 1/2	81 1/2	Ref & Imp 5s...	Apr 1950 J J	85 1/2	85	85 1/2						
Series B...	1942 A O	80 1/2	81 1/2	80 1/2	Dec 22	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	Kansas City Term 1st 4s...	1960 J J	81 1/2	81 1/2	81 1/2						
Int reduced to 3 1/2s...	1942 A O	80 1/2	81 1/2	80 1/2	Dec 22	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	Kentucky Central gold 1s...	1987 J J	81 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2						
Series C 3 1/2s...	1943 M N	82 1/2	84 1/2	82 1/2	Jan 21	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2	Keok & Des Moines 1st 5s...	1923 A O	90 1/2	90 1/2	91						
Series D 3 1/2s...	1950 F A	82 1/2	84 1/2	82 1/2	Jan 21	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2	Knorr & Ohio 1st g 6s...	1925 J J	101	101 1/2	101 1/2						
Cleve Shore Line 1st gu 4 1/2s...	1961 A O	95 1/2	96 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2	6	95 1/2	97 1/2	Lake Erie & West 1st g 5s...	1937 J J	94	95	94						
Cleve Union Term 5 1/2s...	1972 A O	103 1/2	104 1/2	103	106	56	103	106	2d gold 5s...	1941 J J	83 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2						
Coal River Ry 1st gu 4s...	1945 J D	83	Sale	83	83	13	83	84	Lake Shore gold 3 1/2s...	1937 J D	74 1/2	77 1/2	72 1/2						
Colorado & South 1st g 4s...	1929 F A	92 1/2	Sale	92 1/2	92 1/2	14	92 1/2	93 1/2	Registered...	1937 J D	70	71 1/2	71 1/2						
Refunding & exten 4 1/2s...	1935 M N	84 1/2	Sale	84 1/2	84 1/2	25	84 1/2	87 1/2	Debtenture gold 4s...	1928 M S	94	94 1/2	92						
Col & H V 1st ext g 4s...	1948 A O	79 1/2	88	80 1/2	Nov 22	79 1/2	79 1/2	80 1/2	26-year gold 4s...	1931 M N	92 1/2	92 1/2	92						
Col & Tol 1st ext 4s...	1955 F A	79 1/2	85 1/2	82	Dec 22	79 1/2	79 1/2	80 1/2	Registered...	1931 M N	92 1/2	92 1/2	92						
Cuba RR 1st 50-year 5s g...	1952 J J	84 1/2	Sale	85	84 1/2	25	83 1/2	85 1/2	Lah Val N Y 1st gu g 4 1/2s...	1940 J J	92 1/2	94 1/2	92 1/2						
1st ref 7 1/2s...	1936 J D	104 1/2	Sale	104	104 1/2	81	104	105 1/2	Registered...	1940 J J	90	90	90						
Day & Mich 1st cons 4 1/2s...	1931 J J	91 1/4	91 1/4	91 1/4	Jan 23	91 1/4	91 1/4	91 1/4	Lahigh Val (Pa) cons g 4s...	2003 M N	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2						
Delaware & Hudson—									General cons 4 1/2s...	2003 M N	89 1/2	90	90						
1st & ref 4s...	1943 M N	87 1/2	Sale	86 3/4	88 1/2	92	86 3/4	90	Lah Val Ry 1st gu g 5s...	1941 A O	101	101 1/2	101 1/2						
30-year conv 5s...	1935 A O	93 1/2	Sale	92 1/4	93 1/2	16	92 1/4	93	Lah Val RR 10-yr coll 6s...	1928 M S	102 1/2	103	102 1/2						
5 1/2s...	1937 M N	101	Sale	100 1/2	101	14	100 1/4	102 3/8	Lah & East 1st guar g 1d 4s...	1945 M S	83 1/2	87 1/2	86						
10-year secured 7s...	1930 J D	105	109	105	105	4	111	111 1/2	Long Dock cons g 6s...	1935 A O	104 1/2	110	108 1/2						
D R R R & Bldg 1st gu 4s g...	1936 F A	91 1/2	92 1/2	91 1/2	87	May 22	91 1/2	91 1/2	Long 1st gold 4s...	1931 Q J	97 1/2	98 1/2	97 1/2						
Den & R Gr—1st cons g 4s...	1936 J J	74 1/4	78 1/2	74 1/4	75	63	73 1/2	76	1st consol gold 4s...	1931 Q J	89 1/2	90 1/2	89 1/2						
Consolid gold 4 1/2s...	1936 J J	78 1/2	Sale	78 1/2	78 1/2	6	78 1/2	80	General gold 4s...	1938 J J	83 1/2	88	85 1/2						
Improvement gold 5s...	1928 J D	83	85 1/2	83	85	7	84	88	Gold 4s...	1932 J D	81	81	81						
1st & refunding 5s...	1955 F A	54 1/2	Sale	53	54 1/2	161	50 1/2	57	Unifed gold 4s...	1949 M S	78 1/2	79 1/2	78 1/2						
Trust Co certifs of deposit...		51	Sale	51	51	1	48	53	Debtenture gold 5s...	1934 J D	92 1/2	95	94						
Des M & Ft D 1st gu 4s...	1935 J J	44	Sale	44	44	1	43	45	20-year p m deb 5s...	1937 M N	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2						
Des Plaines Val 1st gu 4 1/2s...	1947 M S	93	Sale	93 1/2	93 1/2	1	93 1/2	93 1/2	Guar refunding gold 4s...	1949 M S	71 1/2	79 1/2	79 1/2						
Det & Mack—1st llen g 4s...	1905 J D	60 1/2	60 1/2	60 1/2	60 1/2	1	60 1/2	60 1/2	Nor Sh B 1st con g 5s...	1932 Q J	91 1/2	94 1/2	95						
Gold 4s...	1905 J D	60 1/2	60 1/2	60 1/2	60 1/2	1	60 1/2	60 1/2	Louisiana & Ark 1st g 5s...	1927 M S	92 1/2	94	92 1/2						
Det Riv Tun 4 1/2s...	1905 J D	83 1/2	Sale	83 1/2	83 1/2	14	83 1/2	83 1/2	Louisiana & N W 5s...	1935 A O	78	79	78						
Dul Missabe & Nor gen 5s...	1941 J J	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	8	98 1/2	99 1/2	Lou & Jeff Debt Co g 4s...	1946 M S	78	79	78						
Dul & Iron Range 1st 5s...	1937 A O	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	8	99 1/2	100	Louisville & Nashville—										
Registered...	1937 A O	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	8	99 1/2	100	Gold 5s...	1937 M N	101	102	102						
Dul Sou Shore & Atl g 5s...	1937 J J	75	78	75	79	75	79	79	Unifed gold 4s...	1940 J J	91	Sale	90						
E Minn Nor Div 1st g 4s...	1948 A O	89	90	89	89	89	89	90	Registered...	1940 J J	90 1/2	90 1/2	90 1/2						
E Tenn Nor Div 1st g 5s...	1938 M S	83	85	83 1/2	83 1/2	1	83 1/2	85 1/2	Collateral trust gold 5s...	1931 M N	97	101	Dec 2						
E T Va & Ga 1st g 5s...	1930 J J	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/															



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		Friday	Friday	Week's	Week's	Since			Since			Friday	Friday	Week's	Week's	No.			Since
		Feb. 2	Feb. 2	Range or	Range or	Jan. 1			Jan. 1			Feb. 2	Feb. 2	Range or	Range or				Jan. 1
				Last Sale	Last Sale									Last Sale	Last Sale				
Moblie & Ohio new gold 6s.	1927 J	103 3/8	104 1/4	104 1/4	104 1/4	10	104	104 1/4		Pennsylvania Co (Concluded)									
1st ext gold 6s.	1927 J	100 3/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	2	100 3/4	101 1/4		Guar 3 1/2 trust etfs C.	1942 J	80	82	83	July '22				
General gold 4s.	1933 M	75 1/2	78	75 1/2	75 1/2	1	75 1/2	76		Guar 3 1/2 trust etfs D.	1944 J	80	82	83 1/2	Nov '22				
Montgomery Div 1st g 5s.	1947 F	93	94 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2	1	92 1/2	94 1/2		Guar 15-25 year gold 4s.	1931 A	92	93 1/2	92	Jan '23				
St Louis Div 5s.	1927 J	94	94 1/2	94	94 1/2	1	94	94 1/2		40-year guar 4s etfs Ser E.	1952 M	84 1/2	88	87	Jan '23				
Mob & Ohio coll tr g 4s.	1933 M	78 1/2	88	78 1/2	79	4	78 1/2	88		Peoria & East 1st cons 4s.	1940 A	95 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2	77	4	74	78	
Moh & Mal 1st gu g 4s.	1931 M	82	83 1/2	81 1/2	81 1/2	1	81 1/2	83 1/2		Income 4s.	1900 Apr.	27	28 1/2	27	27	6	27	28 1/2	
Mont C 1st gu g 6s.	1937 J	107 1/2	114	107 1/2	111	111	107 1/2	114		Pere Marquette 1st Ser A 5s.	1956 J	95 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2	96	40	94 1/2	97 1/2	
Registered	1937 J	107 1/2	114	107 1/2	111	111	107 1/2	114		1st Series B 4s.	1956 J	95 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2	96	40	94 1/2	97 1/2	
1st guar gold 5s.	1937 J	101 1/2	102 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101	101	101 1/2		Phila Balt & W 1st g 4s.	1943 M	94 1/2	95 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	16	94 1/2	95 1/2	
Will & S F 1st gold 5s.	1938 J	101 1/2	102 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101	101	101 1/2		Philippine Ry 1st 30-yr s f 4s	1937 J	94 1/2	95 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	16	94 1/2	95 1/2	
M & E 1st gu 3 1/2s.	2000 J	77 1/2	78	77 1/2	77 1/2	6	77 1/2	78		P C & St L gu 4 1/2s A.	1940 A	94 1/2	95 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	16	94 1/2	95 1/2	
Nashv Chatt & St L 1st 5s.	1928 A	100	101	100	100 1/4	5	99 3/4	100 1/4		Series B 4 1/2s guar.	1942 A	94 1/2	95 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	16	94 1/2	95 1/2	
Jasper Branch 1st g 6s.	1923 J	96 3/4	101 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2	13	96 3/4	101 1/2		Series C 4 1/2s guar.	1942 M	94 1/2	95 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	16	94 1/2	95 1/2	
N Fla & S 1st gu g 6s.	1937 F	96 3/4	101 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2	13	96 3/4	101 1/2		Series D 4 1/2s guar.	1942 M	94 1/2	95 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	16	94 1/2	95 1/2	
Nat Rys of Mex pr lien 4 1/2s.	1957 J	26 1/2	29	26 1/2	26 1/2	29	26 1/2	29		Series E 3 1/2s guar gold.	1949	80 1/2	81 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	16	80 1/2	81 1/2	
Guaranteed general 4s.	1977 A	29 1/2	31 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2	31 1/2	29 1/2	31 1/2		Series F guar 4s gold.	1953 J	80 1/2	81 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	16	80 1/2	81 1/2	
Nat of Mex prior lien 4 1/2s.	1926 J	24 1/2	26 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	26 1/2	24 1/2	26 1/2		Series G 4s guar.	1957 M	80 1/2	81 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	16	80 1/2	81 1/2	
1st consol 4s.	1951 A	24 1/2	26 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	26 1/2	24 1/2	26 1/2		Series I cons guar 4 1/2s.	1963 F	94	95	95	95	1	95	95	
Naugatuck R.R. 1st 4s.	1954 M	68 1/2	70 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2	70 1/2	68 1/2	70 1/2		General 5s Series A.	1970 J	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	22	98 1/2	99 1/2	
New England cons 5s.	1945 J	88 1/2	94	88 1/2	88 1/2	94	88 1/2	94		Pitts & L Erie 2d g 5s.	1928 A	96 1/2	97 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2	22	96 1/2	97 1/2	
Consol 4s.	1937 J	82 1/2	84 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2	84 1/2	82 1/2	84 1/2		Pitts McK & Y 1st gu 6s.	1932 J	102	105	102	102	22	102	105	
N J June RR guar 1st 4s.	1937 J	82 1/2	84 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2	84 1/2	82 1/2	84 1/2		2d guaranteed 6s.	1932 J	102	105	102	102	22	102	105	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s A.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		Pitts Sh & L E 1st g 6s.	1940 A	100	101	100	100	22	100	101	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s B.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		1st consol gold 5s.	1943 J	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	22	98 1/2	99 1/2	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s C.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		Pitts Sh & L E 1st g 6s.	1940 A	100	101	100	100	22	100	101	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s D.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		1st consol gold 5s.	1943 J	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	22	98 1/2	99 1/2	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s E.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		Pitts Sh & L E 1st g 6s.	1940 A	100	101	100	100	22	100	101	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s F.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		1st consol gold 5s.	1943 J	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	22	98 1/2	99 1/2	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s G.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		Pitts Sh & L E 1st g 6s.	1940 A	100	101	100	100	22	100	101	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s H.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		1st consol gold 5s.	1943 J	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	22	98 1/2	99 1/2	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s I.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		Pitts Sh & L E 1st g 6s.	1940 A	100	101	100	100	22	100	101	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s J.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		1st consol gold 5s.	1943 J	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	22	98 1/2	99 1/2	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s K.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		Pitts Sh & L E 1st g 6s.	1940 A	100	101	100	100	22	100	101	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s L.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		1st consol gold 5s.	1943 J	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	22	98 1/2	99 1/2	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s M.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		Pitts Sh & L E 1st g 6s.	1940 A	100	101	100	100	22	100	101	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s N.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		1st consol gold 5s.	1943 J	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	22	98 1/2	99 1/2	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s O.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		Pitts Sh & L E 1st g 6s.	1940 A	100	101	100	100	22	100	101	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s P.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		1st consol gold 5s.	1943 J	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	22	98 1/2	99 1/2	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s Q.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		Pitts Sh & L E 1st g 6s.	1940 A	100	101	100	100	22	100	101	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s R.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		1st consol gold 5s.	1943 J	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	22	98 1/2	99 1/2	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s S.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		Pitts Sh & L E 1st g 6s.	1940 A	100	101	100	100	22	100	101	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s T.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		1st consol gold 5s.	1943 J	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	22	98 1/2	99 1/2	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s U.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		Pitts Sh & L E 1st g 6s.	1940 A	100	101	100	100	22	100	101	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s V.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		1st consol gold 5s.	1943 J	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	22	98 1/2	99 1/2	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s W.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		Pitts Sh & L E 1st g 6s.	1940 A	100	101	100	100	22	100	101	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s X.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		1st consol gold 5s.	1943 J	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	22	98 1/2	99 1/2	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s Y.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		Pitts Sh & L E 1st g 6s.	1940 A	100	101	100	100	22	100	101	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s Z.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		1st consol gold 5s.	1943 J	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	22	98 1/2	99 1/2	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s AA.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		Pitts Sh & L E 1st g 6s.	1940 A	100	101	100	100	22	100	101	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s AB.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		1st consol gold 5s.	1943 J	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	22	98 1/2	99 1/2	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s AC.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		Pitts Sh & L E 1st g 6s.	1940 A	100	101	100	100	22	100	101	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s AD.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		1st consol gold 5s.	1943 J	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	22	98 1/2	99 1/2	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s AE.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		Pitts Sh & L E 1st g 6s.	1940 A	100	101	100	100	22	100	101	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s AF.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		1st consol gold 5s.	1943 J	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	22	98 1/2	99 1/2	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s AG.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		Pitts Sh & L E 1st g 6s.	1940 A	100	101	100	100	22	100	101	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s AH.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		1st consol gold 5s.	1943 J	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	22	98 1/2	99 1/2	
N O & N E 1st ref & imp 4 1/2s AI.	1952 J	81	81 1/2	81	81	81 1/2	81	81 1/2		Pitts Sh & L E 1st g 6s.	1940 A	100	101	100	100	22	100	101	
N O & N E 1st ref &																			



\*No price Friday; latest bid and asked. <sup>a</sup>Due Jan. <sup>d</sup>Due April. <sup>c</sup>Due Mar. <sup>e</sup>Due May. <sup>f</sup>Due June. <sup>h</sup>Due July. <sup>k</sup>Due Aug. <sup>o</sup>Due Oct. <sup>g</sup>Due Dec. <sup>s</sup>Option sale.



### Quotations for Sundry Securities

Standard Oil Stocks		Bid.	Ask	RR. Equipments—Per Ct.	Basis
Anglo-American Oil new	£1	17½	17½	Atlan Coast Line 6s & 6½s	5.60 5.05
Atlantic Refining new	100	133	135	Baltimore & Ohio 4½s & 6s.	5.60 5.00
Preferred	100	118	120	Buff Roch & Pitts 4s & 4½s	5.15 4.60
Borne Strymser Co.	100	113	117	Equipment 6s	5.45 5.15
Buckeye Pipe Line Co.	50	90	92	Canadian Pacific 4½s & 6s.	5.25 5.00
Chesbrough Mfg new	100	220	235	Caro Clinchfield & Ohio 6s	6.10 5.50
Continental Oil new	25	40	41	Central of Georgia 4½s	6.00 5.15
Crescent Pipe Line Co.	50	6	6	Central RR of N J 6s.	5.50 5.25
Cumberland Pipe Line new	103	106	108	Chicago & North Western 6s & 6½s	5.70 5.10
Eureka Pipe Line Co.	100	107	109	Equipment 5s	5.30 5.00
Galena Signal Oil com.	100	59	60	Chicago & Alton 6s	6.50 6.00
Preferred old	100	109	111	Chicago & Eastern Ill 5½s.	6.00 5.50
Preferred new	100	101	107	Chicago Ind & Louisv 4½s.	5.60 5.00
Illinois Pipe Line	100	168	170	Chicago St Louis & N O 5s.	5.25 5.00
Indiana Pipe Line Co.	50	96	97	Chicago & N W 4½s.	5.20 4.75
International Petrol (no par)	20	20½	20½	Equipment 6s & 6½s	5.65 5.10
National Transit Co.	12.50	8	8 28½	Chic R I & Pac 4½s, 5s, 6s.	5.70 5.10
New York Transit Co.	100	13	133	Colorado & Southern 5s, 6s.	5.65 5.30
Northern Pipe Line Co.	100	1	1	Delaware & Hudson 6s	5.50 5.20
Oil Oil new	25	17	17½	Erie 4½s, 5s & 6s	6.01 5.50
Penn Mfg Fuel Oil Co.	100	226	230	Great Northern 6s, 5s & 6s	5.55 5.20
Prairie Oil & Gas new	100	229	230	Hocking Valley 4½s, 5s & 6s	5.60 5.00
Prairie Pipe Line new	100	109½	110½	Illinois Central 4½s, 5s & 6s	5.61 5.00
Solar Refining	100	180	185	Equipment 7s & 7½s.	5.25 5.00
Southern Pipe Line Co.	100	109½	110½	Kanawha & Mich 4½s, 6s.	5.75 5.15
South Penn Oil	100	175	178	Louisville & Nashville 5s.	5.20 4.75
Southwest Pa Pipe Lines	100	75	78	Equipment 6s & 6½s.	5.60 5.00
Standard Oil (California)	25	57½	57½	Michigan Central 5s, 6s.	5.25 5.00
Standard Oil (Indiana)	25	61¼	62	Minn St P & S S M 4½s & 6s	5.50 5.10
Standard Oil (Kan) new	25	41½	42	Equipment 6½s & 7s.	5.65 5.25
Standard Oil (Kentucky)	25	8	9	Missouri Kansas & Texas 6s	5.65 5.30
Standard Oil (Nebraska)	100	220	230	Missouri Pacific 5s.	5.60 5.10
Standard Oil of New Jer.	25	40¼	40½	Equipment 6s & 6½s.	5.75 5.25
Preferred	100	116½	117	Mobile & Ohio 4½s, 5s.	5.60 5.25
Standard Oil of New Yk.	25	44	46¼	New York Central 4½s, 5s.	5.25 5.00
Standard Oil (Ohio) new	25	293	297	Equipment 6s & 7s.	5.60 5.10
Preferred	100	117	119	N Y Ontario & Western 4½s	5.75 5.25
Swan & Finch	100	30	34	Norfolk & Western 4½s.	5.21 4.75
Union Tank Car Co.	100	81	82½	Northern Pacific 7s.	5.30 5.00
Preferred	100	111	111	Pacific Fruit Express 7s.	5.30 5.10
Vacuum Oil new	25	46	45½	Pennsylvania RR 4s & 4½s.	5.10 4.75
Washington Oil	100	2	2	Equipment 6s	5.51 5.00
		2	2	Pitts & Lake Erie 6s & 6½s.	5.40 5.10
		2	2	Reading Co 4½s.	5.11 4.80
		2	2	St Louis Iron Mt & Sou 5s.	5.75 5.15
		2	2	St Louis & San Francisco 5s.	5.60 5.10
		2	2	Seaboard Air Line 4½s & 5s.	6.00 5.50
		2	2	Southern Pacific Co 4½s.	5.10 4.75
		2	2	Equipment 7s.	5.65 5.10
		2	2	Southern R 4½s, 5s & 6s.	5.75 5.10
		2	2	Union Pacific Central 6s.	5.75 5.30
		2	2	Union Pacific 7s.	5.20 5.00
		2	2	Virginian Ry 6s.	5.55 5.25
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\* Per share. <sup>b</sup> Basis. <sup>d</sup> Purchaser also pays accrued dividend. <sup>e</sup> New stock  
Flat price. <sup>k</sup> Last sale. <sup>p</sup> Ex-special dividend of \$15. <sup>n</sup> Nominal. <sup>z</sup> Ex-div  
<sup>y</sup> Ex-rights. <sup>t</sup> Ex-stock div. <sup>u</sup> Ex cash and stock dividends. <sup>v</sup> Ex-100% stock  
dividend



# BOSTON STOCK EXCHANGE—Stock Record

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HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICE—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT.

Sales  
for the  
Week

STOCKS  
BOSTON STOCK  
EXCHANGE

Range since Jan. 1 1923.

PER SHARE.  
Range for Previous  
Year 1922.

Saturday, Jan. 27.		Monday, Jan. 29.		Tuesday, Jan. 30.		Wednesday, Jan. 31.		Thursday, Feb. 1.		Friday, Feb. 2.		for the Week.		BOSTON STOCK EXCHANGE				Range since Jan. 1 1923.				Range for Previous Year 1922.			
												Shares		Lowest		Highest		Lowest		Highest					
145	145	145	145	145	145	145	145	145	145	145	145	93	Railroads		144 1/4	Jan 3	149	Jan 9	130 1/4	Jan	152	May			
83	83	82	82	81 1/2	82	82	82	81 1/2	82	82	82 1/4	177	Boston & Albany		80 1/2	Jan 26	84	Jan 5	73 1/2	Feb	89 1/2	Sept			
120	120 1/2	120	120 1/2	120	120	120	120 1/2	120	120 1/2	120	120	16	Do pref		97	Jan 9	98 1/2	Jan 4	94 1/4	Mar	105	Sept			
102	102 1/2	102	102 1/2	102 1/2	103	102 1/2	103 1/2	103	103 1/2	103	103	67	Do 1st pref		118	Jan 2	121	Jan 10	116	Jan	126	Sept			
17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	18	18	18 1/2	17 1/2	18 1/2	18	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2	265	Do 2d pref		102	Jan 2	104 1/2	Jan 6	101 1/2	Nov	109	Sept			
22	22	22	22	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	1,620	Boston & Maine		16 1/2	Jan 19	20 1/4	Jan 15	14	Jan	31 1/2	May			
29 1/2	29 1/2	29	29 1/2	29	30 1/2	29 1/2	30	29 1/2	30	29 1/2	30	25	Do Series A 1st pref		21 1/2	Jan 2	26	Jan 25	20	Jan	37 1/2	Apr			
36	36	36	36	39 1/2	39 1/2	39	40	38 1/2	39 1/2	38	40	108	Do Series B 1st pref		27 1/2	Jan 24	31	Jan 4	22	Jan	44 1/2	Apr			
56	57	57	58	58	58	58	58	58	58	57	59 1/2	56	Do Series C 1st pref		40	Jan 17	46	Jan 3	36	Jan	62	May			
19 1/2	20	19	19	19	20	19	20	19	20	19	20	175	Do Series D 1st pref		36	Jan 22	41	Jan 9	30	Jan	54	May			
26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	174	3 Boston & Providence		159	Jan 2	160	Jan 9	40	Jan	77 1/2	May			
36	36	36	36	36	36	36	36	36	36	36	36	27	East Mass Street Ry Co.		19	Jan 23	21 1/2	Jan 25	125	Jan	163	July			
41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	105	Do 1st pref		68	Jan 29	72	Jan 16	68	Jan	26 1/2	July			
19 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	21	21 1/2	21 1/2	21	21 1/2	20 1/2	21	20 1/2	21	114	Do pref B		257	Jan 13	64	Jan 23	51	Jan	77	July			
82	82	81	83	81	81	81	81	81	81	81	81	114	Do adjustment		35	Jan 2	39 1/2	Jan 16	28	July	47	Aug			
75	77	75	75	74	78	75	78	98	98	75	76	370	East Mass St Ry (tr cfs)		35	Jan 15	39	Jan 4	29	July	47	Aug			
97	97	97	97	96	96	96	96	98	98	98	98	1,523	Maine Central		40	Jan 23	43	Jan 2	27 1/2	Jan	55	Oct			
3	3 1/2	3	3 1/2	3	3 1/2	3	3 1/2	3	3 1/2	3	3 1/2	6	N Y N H & Hartford		16 1/2	Jan 15	22 1/2	Jan 30	12 1/4	Jan	34 1/2	Mar			
19 1/2	19 1/2	18 1/2	19 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2	17 1/2	18 1/2	17 1/2	18 1/2	17 1/2	18 1/2	200	Northern New Hampshire		81	Jan 30	83	Jan 3	69	Jan	96	July			
122	122 1/2	121 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2	122 1/2	121 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	122 1/2	100	Norwich & Worcester pref.		96 1/2	Jan 29	100	Jan 3	58	Jan	103 1/2	Dec			
94	94	94	94 1/2	94	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	94	95	94 1/2	95	200	Old Colony		73	Jan 20	79 1/2	Jan 11	67	Jan	98 1/4	Mar			
82 1/2	82 1/2	82	82 1/2	82	82 1/2	82	82 1/2	82	82 1/2	82	82 1/2	15	Rutland pref		33	Jan 26	36	Jan 13	15	Jan	52 1/2	June			
215	215	215	215	215	215	215	215	215	215	215	215	24	Vermont & Massachusetts		96	Jan 16	98	Jan 11	78	Jan	100	Aug			
17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	18	18	18 1/2	17 1/2	18 1/2	18	18 1/2	18	18 1/2	925	Miscellaneous												
105	105	105	105	105	105	105	105	105	105	105	105	1,947	Amer Pneumatic Service		25	2 1/2	Jan 18	3 1/2	Jan 9	2 1/2	Dec	4 1/2	Jan		
20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	4,854	Do pref		50	17 1/2	Jan 2	20	Jan 10	13	Feb	20 1/2	Apr		
22 1/2	23	22 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	24 1/2	23 1/2	24 1/2	23 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	306	Amer Telephone & Teleg		100	121 1/2	Jan 3	124 1/2	Jan 5	114 1/2	Jan	128 1/2	Aug		
3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	405	Amoskeag Mfg		No par	288	Jan 8	112	Jan 6	104	Jan	121	Dec		
7 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	100	Do pref		No par	81 1/2	Jan 16	88	Jan 5	80	Nov	91	Aug		
91	92 1/2	91 1/2	92 1/2	89	91	88 1/2	89	88	88	88	88	100	Art Metal Construc Inc		10										
168 1/2	168 1/2	168 1/2	169	168 1/2	169	168 1/2	169	168	168	168 1/2	169	100	Atlas Tack Corp		No par	17	Feb 2	20	Jan 5	14	Nov	20 1/2	May		
10	10 1/2	10	10 1/2	10	10 1/2	10	10 1/2	10	10	10	10	100	Boston Gas & Elec Co. pref.		100	105	Jan 22	108 1/2	Jan 12	104 1/2	Aug	107	Dec		
27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	28	27 1/2	28	27 1/2	28	27 1/2	28	27 1/2	28	7,037	Boston Mex Pet Trust		No par	10	Jan 18	30	Jan 25	10	Sept	50	May		
12 1/2	12 1/2	11 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	50	Connor John T		10	20	Jan 13	24 1/2	Jan 30	15 1/2	Jan	30 1/2	Dec		
20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	425	East Boston Land		5	3 1/2	Jan 27	4	Jan 2	3	Jan	6	Apr		
58	58	58 1/2	58 1/2	58	58 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2	3,050	Eastern Manufacturing		5	7 1/2	Jan 25	9	Jan 2	7	Dec	14 1/2	Feb		
37	38	37 1/2	38 1/2	37 1/2	38 1/2	37 1/2	38 1/2	37 1/2	38 1/2	37 1/2	38 1/2	1,158	Eastern SS Lines Inc		25	81 1/2	Jan 10	93 1/2	Jan 29	35 1/2	Jan	89 1/2	Oct		
20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	1,330	Do pref		100	267	Jan 17	17 1/2	Jan 3	42	Jan	48	Sept		
75	77	75	76 1/2	75	76 1/2	75	76 1/2	75	76 1/2	75	76 1/2	100	Edison Electric Illum		100	10	Jan 25	10 1/2	Jan 2	156	Mar	185	Sept		
2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	130	Elder Corporation		No par	10	Jan 25	10 1/2	Jan 2	3	Mar	13	May		
6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	215	Galveston-Houston Elec		100	27 1/2	Jan 12	29 1/2	Jan 23	28	Dec	39	Aug		
10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	580	Gardner Motor		No par	10 1/2	Jan 2	12 1/2	Jan 12	9	Nov	16 1/2	Apr		
72	73	72	73	72	73	72	73	72	73	72	73	215	Greenfield Tap & Die		25	20	Jan 2	22	Jan 8	17	Dec	27 1/2	Feb		
178	178	178	178	178	178	178	178	178	178	178	178	580	Hood Rubber		No par	54	Jan 8	59 1/2	Jan 15	43	Mar	54 1/2	Dec		
26 1/2	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	27	15	Internat Cement Corp		No par	35	Jan 2	39	Jan 12	26	Jan	33 1/2	May		
80	81	81	82	81	82	81	82	81	82	81	82	50	Internat Cotton Mills		50	20	Jan 8	20	Jan 2	20	Nov	32	Jan		
7 1/2	8	7 1/2	8	7 1/2	8	7 1/2	8	7 1/2	8	7 1/2	8	100	Do pref		100	71 1/2	Jan 2	79 1/2	Jan 10	60	Dec	61 1/2	Mar		
118	119	118	119	118	119	118	119	118	119	118	119	2	International Products		No par	2	Jan 15	2 1/2	Jan 21	1 1/2	Dec	6 1/2	Mar		
19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	5 1/2	Do pref		100	5 1/2	Jan 19	7 1/2	Jan 19	5 1/2	Dec	17	Apr		
98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	99 1/2	98 1/2	99 1/2	368	Island Oil & Transp Corp		10										
16	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	100	Libby, McNeill & Libby		10	6 1/2	Jan 2	7 1/2	Jan 9	1 1/2	Apr	3	Jan		
2	2 1/2	2	2 1/2	2	2 1/2	2	2 1/2	2	2 1/2	2	2 1/2	100	Loew's Theatres		25	10 1/2	Jan 23	10 1/2	Jan 4	8	July	13	Jan		
108	108 1/2	107 1/2	108 1/2	107 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	232	Massachusetts Gas Cos		100	80	Jan 23	87 1/2	Jan 2	63	Jan	90 1/2	Nov		
47	47	47	47	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2	293	Do pref		100	70	Jan 3	73	Jan 25	62	Jan	74	Oct		
50 1/2	50 1/2	49 1/2	50 1/2	49 1/2	50 1/2	49 1/2	50 1/2	49 1/2	50 1/2	49 1/2	50 1/2	35	Mergenthaler Linotype		100	83	Jan 16	179	Jan 6	130	Jan	181	Oct		
27 1/2	28	27 1/2	28 1/2	27 1/2	28 1/2	27 1/2	28 1/2	27 1/2	28 1/2	27 1/2	28 1/2	430	Mexican Investment Inc		10	7 1/2	Jan 9	11	Jan 3	11	Dec	27 1/2	Jan		
38 1/2	38 1/2	38	38 1/2	38	38 1/2	38	38 1/2	38	38 1/2	38	38 1/2	264	Mississippi River Power		100	27	Jan 2	29	Jan 2	13	Jan	34	Aug		
3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	45	Do stamped pref		100	80	Jan 16	83	Jan 2	72 1/2	Jan	85 1/2	Oct		
13	13 1/2	13	13 1/2	13	13 1/2	13	13 1/2	13	13 1/2	13	13 1/2	623	National Leather		10	7	Jan 2	8 1/2	Jan 9	6 1/2	Dec	11 1/2	Jan		
14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	700	New England Oil Corp		100	30	Jan 30	70	Jan 24	22	Dec	22	Jan		
26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	116	New England Telephone		100	116	Feb 1	122	Jan 3						

## Outside Stock Exchanges

**Boston Bond Record.**—Transactions in bonds at Boston Stock Exchange Jan. 27 to Feb. 2, both inclusive:

Bonds—	Friday Last Sale Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week.	Range since Jan. 1.	
		Low.	High.		Low.	High.
American Tel & Tel 4s 1929	52 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2	\$3,000	92	Jan 54 1/2
Atl G & W I S S L 5s. 1950	93 1/2	51 1/2	52 1/2	29,000	51 1/2	Jan 54 1/2
Chic June & U S Y 5s. 1940	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	2,000	93 1/2	Jan 94
Cudahy Pack Co 5s. 1946	71	90 1/2	90 1/2	2,000	90 1/2	Feb 90 1/2
East Mass St RR A 4 1/2 s 4s	71	70 1/2	72	10,000	69	Jan 72
Series B 5s. 1948	71	70 1/2	72	1,400	74	Jan 77 1/2
Hood Rubber 7s. 1938	87	101 1/2	102	7,000	100 1/2	Jan 102 1/2
K C Mem & Birm 5s. 1934	87	86 1/2	87	3,100	86 1/2	Jan 88 1/2
K C Mem Ry & Bdg 5s 1929	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	1,000	94 1/2	Jan 94 1/2
Mass Gas 4 1/2 s. 1929	90 1/2	90 1/2	92	4,000	95	Jan 95 1/2
4 1/2 s. 1931	90 1/2	90 1/2	92	5,000	90 1/2	Feb 92
Miss River Power 5s. 1951	93 1/2	93	93 1/2	10,000	93	Jan 95
New England Tel 5s. 1932	96 1/2	98 1/2	99 1/2	10,000	97 1/2	Jan 99 1/2
Swift & Co 5s. 1944	96 1/2	95 1/2	96 1/2	54,000	95 1/2	Feb 98
Warren Bros 7 1/2 s. 1937	96 1/2	106	106	2,000	106	Jan 108 1/2
Western Tel 5s. 1932	96 1/2	95 1/2	96 1/2	11,500	95 1/2	Jan 97

**Philadelphia Stock Exchange.**—Record of transactions at Philadelphia Stock Exchange Jan. 27 to Feb. 2, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Stocks—	Par.	Friday Last Sale Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week.	Range since Jan. 1.	
			Low.	High.		Low.	High.
Alliance Insurance. 10	27 1/2	27 1/2	28	150	27 1/2	Jan 28	Feb
American Gas of N J. 100	13	79	79	20	79	Jan 82	Jan
American Railways. 50	13	11 1/2	13	1,051	11 1/2	Jan 16 1/2	Jan
Preferred. 100	65	63 1/2	65 1/2	93	63 1/2	Feb 77	Jan
American Stores. 100	166 1/2	169 1/2	174	1,625	163	Jan 180	Jan
Brill (J G) Co. 100	58 1/2	52	58 1/2	2,195	49	Jan 58 1/2	Feb
Cambria Iron. 100	45	45	45	35	40	Jan 45	Jan
East Shore G & E 8 1/2 p. 25	25	25	26	151	25	Feb 26	Jan
Eisenlohr (Otto). 100	80	80	80	90	80	Jan 85	Jan
Preferred. 100	99	99	99	20	99	Feb 100	Jan
Electric Storage Batt'y. 100	54	55	48 1/2	54	55	Jan 57 1/2	Jan
Erie Lighting Co. 100	24	24	24	150	23 1/2	Jan 25	Jan
Insurance Co. of N. A. 10	44	44	44 1/2	114	42 1/2	Jan 46	Jan
Keystone Telephone. 50	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	70	7 1/2	Jan 8 1/2	Jan
Lake Superior Corp. 100	6	5 1/2	6	1,165	5 1/2	Jan 7 1/2	Jan
Lehigh Navigation. 50	72 1/2	72 1/2	74	238	72	Jan 75	Jan
Lehigh Valley. 50	69 1/2	70 1/2	70 1/2	167	70 1/2	Jan 70 1/2	Jan
Lehigh Val Tran pref. 50	22	22	22 1/2	50	35	Jan 38	Feb
Lit Brothers. 100	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	100	27 1/2	Jan 28 1/2	Jan
Midvale Steel & Ord. 50	52	52	52	9	50 1/2	Jan 52	Jan
Minerhill & Schuyt Hay. 50	81	81	81	50	80 1/2	Jan 81 1/2	Jan
North Pennsylvania. 50	3	3	3	600	1 1/2	Jan 3 1/2	Jan
Pennsylvania Beaver Oil. 50	57	57	57	209	55	Jan 58	Jan
Penn Cent Light & Fr. 50	82	82	82	50	82	Jan 82	Jan
Pennsylvania Salt Mfg. 50	246 1/2	47 1/2	2,952	46 1/2	Feb 47 1/2	Jan	
Pennsylvania RR. 50	43	43	43 1/2	359	42	Jan 44 1/2	Jan
Philadelphia Co (Pittsb). 50	33	32 1/2	33 1/2	4,178	31 1/2	Jan 33 1/2	Jan
Phila Electric of Pa. 25	32 1/2	32 1/2	33 1/2	2,978	31 1/2	Jan 33 1/2	Jan
Preferred. 25	32 1/2	32 1/2	33 1/2	30	45	Jan 50 1/2	Jan
Phila Insulated Wire. 50	30	30	30 1/2	10,733	30	Jan 31 1/2	Jan
Phila Rapid Transit. 50	67	66 1/2	67	27	64	Jan 67	Jan
Philadelphia Traction. 50	8	8	8 1/2	430	8	Jan 8 1/2	Jan
Phila & Western. 50	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	15	35 1/2	Jan 36 1/2	Jan
Preferred. 50	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	100	3 1/2	Jan 3 1/2	Jan
Railways Co General. 10	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	125	77	Jan 78 1/2	Jan
Reading Company. 50	55 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2	350	55 1/2	Jan 55 1/2	Jan
1st preferred. 50	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	350	1 1/2	Jan 1 1/2	Jan
Tono-Belmont Devel. 1	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	780	2	Jan 2 1/2	Jan
Union Traction. 50	34	34	34 1/2	280	34	Jan 40 1/2	Jan
United Gas Impt. 50	50 1/2	50 1/2	51	1,645	50	Jan 51 1/2	Jan
Preferred. 50	55 1/2	55 1/2	56 1/2	122	55 1/2	Jan 56 1/2	Jan
West Jersey & Sea Shore. 50	36 1/2	35 1/2	36 1/2	113	35	Jan 36 1/2	Feb
York Railways pref. 50	36	35	36	30	35	Jan 36 1/2	Jan

\* No par value.

**Baltimore Stock Exchange.**—Record of transactions at Baltimore Stock Exchange Jan. 27 to Feb. 2, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Stocks—	Par.	Friday Last Sale Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week.	Range since Jan. 1.	
			Low.	High.		Low.	High.
Alabama Co 1st pref. 100	85	85	85	35	82	Jan 85	Jan
Arundel Sand & Gravel. 100	41	41 1/2	41 1/2	131	40	Jan 41 1/2	Jan
Preferred. 100	95	96 1/2	96 1/2	61	94 1/2	Jan 96 1/2	Jan
Baltimore Brick com. 100	5	5	5	219	4	Jan 5	Jan
Baltimore Tube. 100	18	18	18	2	17 1/2	Jan 19	Jan
Preferred. 100	46	46	46	10	46	Feb 49	Jan
Benesch (I) common. 33	33	33	33	3	32 1/2	Jan 34	Jan
Celestine Oil. 1	47	41	47	5,760	32	Jan 50	Jan
Central Teresa Sug pref. 10	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	100	2 1/2	Jan 2 1/2	Jan
Ches & Po Tel of Balt. 100	109	108 1/2	110	68	108 1/2	Jan 110 1/2	Jan
Commerce Trust. 50	62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2	20	58 1/2	Jan 62 1/2	Jan
Commercial Credit. 25	60	59	61	355	58	Jan 61	Feb
Preferred. 25	27	27	27	36	27	Jan 27 1/2	Jan
Preferred B. 25	109	109	110 1/2	74	108	Jan 110 1/2	Jan
Consol Gas, E L & Pow 100	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	26	105 1/2	Jan 107 1/2	Jan
7% preferred. 100	117	117	117 1/2	190	117	Jan 120	Jan
8% preferred. 100	93	93	93 1/2	45	93	Jan 98	Jan
Consolidation Coal. 100	31	31	31	13	25	Jan 32	Jan
8% preferred. 100	85 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2	50	80	Jan 90	Jan
Equitable Trust. 25	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2	60	46 1/2	Feb 46 1/2	Jan
Fidelity & Deposit. 50	130	130	130	50	120	Jan 130	Jan
Finance & Guar pref. 25	18	18	18 1/2	24	18	Jan 18 1/2	Jan
Finance Co of America. 25	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2	51	40 1/2	Jan 40 1/2	Jan
Houston Oil pt tr cts. 100	90 1/2	90 1/2	91	75	95	Jan 95 1/2	Jan
Manufacturers Finance. 25	56 1/2	56 1/2	56 1/2	299	83	Jan 90	Jan
Maryland Casualty Co. 25	84 1/2	83	84 1/2	50	85 1/2	Jan 86	Jan
Maryland Motor Insur. 50	132	132	132	13	132	Jan 132	Jan
Maryland Trust. 100	132	132	132	13	132	Jan 132	Jan

\* No par value.

Stocks (Concluded)	Par.	Friday Last Sale Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week.	Range since Jan. 1.	
			Low.	High.		Low.	High.
Monon Val Trac pref. 25	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2	30	18 1/2	Jan 18 1/2	Jan
MtV-Woodb Mills pt tr 100	61	60 1/2	62	161	54	Jan 66	Jan
New Amsterdam Gas. 100	37	36 1/2	37	579	35 1/2	Jan 37	Jan
Northern Central. 50	76	76	76 1/2	89	76	Jan 77	Jan
Penna Water & Power. 100	106	106	106	60	106	Feb 108 1/2	Jan
United Ry & Electric. 50	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	115	18 1/2	Jan 20 1/2	Jan
U S Fidelity & Guar. 50	152	152	153 1/2	181	147	Jan 164	Jan
Wash Balt & Annap. 50	13	13	13	75	12 1/2	Jan 13	Jan
Preferred. 50	30	30	30	55	29	Jan 30	Jan
Bonds—							
Alabama Cons C & I 5s '33	87 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2	1,000	87 1/2	Feb 92 1/2	Jan
Cons Gas, E L & P 4 1/2 s '35	99	99	99	11,000	99	Jan 100	Jan
5 1/2 s Series A. 1949	102 1/2	102 1/2	103	29,000	102 1/2	Jan 103 1/2	Jan
7s Series C. 1931	106 1/2	106 1/2	107 1/2	36,000	106	Jan 107 1/2	Jan
Consol Coal ref 5s. 1950	88 1/2	87 1/2	88 1/2	12,600	87	Jan 90	Jan
Danville Trac & P 5s. 1941	84	84	84	6,000	84	Jan 85	Jan
Davison Sulp 6s. 1927	97	97	97	4,000	97	Jan 97	Jan
Elkhorn Coal Corp 6s. 1925	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	16,000	98 1/2	Jan 99 1/2	Jan
Fair & Clarks Trac 6s. 1938	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2	3,000	92	Jan 93 1/2	Jan
Fla Cent & Penln 6s. 1923	90 1/2	90 1/2	90 1/2	5,000	90 1/2	Jan 91 1/2	Jan
Ga & Alabama com 6s. 1945	81 1/2	81 1/2	82	3,000	81 1/2	Feb 82	Jan
Macon Dub & Sav 5s. 1947	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2	2,000	49 1/2	Jan 50	Jan
Md Elec Ry 1st 5s. 1931	95 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2	4,000	95	Jan 95 1/2	Jan
Monon Valley Trac 7s. 1923	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	3,000	99 1/2	Jan 100 1/2	Jan
United E & P 4 1/2 s. 1929	95	95	95	1,000	94 1/2	Jan 95	Jan
United Ry & El 4s. 1949	72 1/2	72	72 1/2	15,000	72	Jan 74 1/2	Jan
Income 4s. 1949	53	53	54	27,000	53	Jan 55	Jan
Funding 5s. 1936	74 1/2	74 1/2	75	1,600	74 1/2	Jan 77 1/2	Jan
6s. 1927	97 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2	9,000	97 1/2	Jan 98	Jan
6s. 1949	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	10,000	100 1/2	Jan 102 1/2	Jan
Wash Balt & Annap 5s 1941	76 1/2	76 1/2	76 1/2	9,000	76 1/2	Feb 77 1/2	Jan

**Pittsburgh Stock Exchange.**—Record of transactions at Pittsburgh Stock Exchange Jan. 27 to Feb. 2, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Stocks—	Par.	Friday	Week's Range		Sales	Range since Jan. 1, 1923			
		Last Sale Price.	Low.	High.		for Week.	Shares.	Low.	High.
Am Wind Glass Mach. 100	80	79	80	565	79	Jan	84½	Jan	
Arkansas Nat Gas, com. 10	7½	7½	8¾	2,450	7½	Jan	9½	Jan	
Bank of Pittsburgh. 50	131	131	131	10	130½	Jan	131	Jan	
Carnegie Lead & Zinc. 5	5½	4½	5½	1,884	3¾	Jan	5½	Jan	
Consolidated Ice, com. 50	6	6	6½	635	6	Jan	7	Jan	
Preferred. 50	30	30	30	10	26	Jan	36	Jan	
Exchange Nat Bank. 50	85½	85½	85½	4	85½	Jan	88	Jan	
General Motors. 100	14	14½	14½	100	14	Feb	14½	Jan	
Harb-Walk Refrac, com. 100	102½	116½	116½	60	102½	Feb	116½	Jan	
Indep Brewing, com. 50	3¾	3¾	4	80	3½	Jan	4	Jan	
Preferred. 50	9¾	9¾	9¾	80	9½	Jan	9¾	Jan	
Jones-Laughlin Steel, pref. 100	107½	107½	107½	1,725	107½	Jan	108½	Jan	
Lone Star Gas. 25	25	25	2½	352	24	Jan	26½	Jan	
Mrs Light & Heat. 100	56½	56½	58½	292	55½	Jan	56½	Jan	
Metropolitan Bank. 50	75	75	75	20	75	Jan	75	Jan	
Nat Fireproofing, com. 50	7½	7¾	7¾	370	7½	Jan	8¾	Jan	
Preferred. 50	19½	20	210	18¾	Jan	20½	Jan	Jan	
Ohio Fuel Oil. 1	16	16	16½	260	15¾	Jan	17½	Jan	
Ole Fuel Supply. 25	65	64½	66	3,297	59	Jan	66	Jan	
Oklahoma Natural Gas. 25	22	20½	22	935	19½	Jan	22	Feb	
Oklahoma Prod & Refin. 5	2½	2½	2½	50	1½	Jan	2½	Jan	
Pittsburgh Brew, pref. 50	7	6½	7¼	337	6¾	Jan	7¼	Jan	
Pittsburgh Coal, pref. 100	99	99	99	55	97	Jan	99½	Jan	
Pitta & Mt Shasta. Cop. 1	24c	22c	24c	35,000	22c	Jan	24c	Jan	
Pittsburgh Oil & Gas. 100	8½	8½	40½	8½	Jan	9½	Jan	Jan	
Pittsburgh Plate Glass. 10	170	165	205	250	160	Jan	205	Jan	
Salt Creek Consol Oil. 10	10½	10½	1½	260	10	Jan	11½	Jan	
Superior Insurance Co. 50	99	99	11	10	99	Jan	99	Jan	
Tidal Osage Oil. 100	10½	10½	11	1,285	10½	Jan	11	Jan	
Union Natural Gas. 100	25½	25	26½	1,922	23½	Jan	26	Jan	
U S Glass. 50	25½	27	525	25½	Feb	27	Jan	Jan	
W house Elr & Mfg, com. 50	109	110	827	107	Jan	110	Jan	Jan	
West Penn Rys, pref. 100	63¾	61	63¾	320	59	Jan	63¾	Jan	
W Penn Tr & W Pmcom. 100	80½	80½	10	78½	Jan	80½	Jan	Jan	
Preferred. 100	34¾	34	34¾	1,001	30	Jan	35	Jan	
71	72	56	70¾	Jan	78½	Jan	Jan	Jan	
Bonds—									
Union Gas 6s. 1923	100¾	100¾	1,000	100¾	Feb	100¾	Feb	Feb	



Stocks (Concluded)—	Friday Last Sale Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range since Jan. 1.		Friday Last Sale Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range since Jan. 1.							
		Low.	High.		Low.	High.		Low.	High.									
Lyon & H. pref.	100	100 1/2	425	100	Jan	100 1/2	Jan	N Y Transportation	10	24 1/2	26	200	24 1/2	Jan	28 1/2	Jan		
Kuppenheimer (B) & Co.	26	26	20	26	Jan	27	Jan	Nor Amer Pulp & Paper	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	100	1	Jan	1 1/2	Jan		
Preferred	94 1/2	95	30	93	Jan	95	Jan	Ossela Corp.	14 1/2	13	15	5,700	10 1/2	Jan	15	Jan		
Middle West Util. com. 100	48 1/2	45 1/2	47	1,316	45 1/2	Jan	47	Jan	Patten Typewriter	5	6	5 1/2	6	300	5 1/2	Jan	6	Feb
Preferred	100	86	85 1/2	421	84	Jan	86 1/2	Jan	Peless Truck & Motor	50	73 1/2	77	1,100	73 1/2	Jan	80	Jan	
Prior lien preferred	102 1/2	102	102 1/2	481	102	Jan	104	Jan	Perfection Tire & Rubber	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	100	1 1/2	Jan	1 1/2	Jan	
National Leather, new	7 1/2	7 1/2	2,262	5 1/2	Jan	8	Jan	Phoenix Hosiery com.	5	43 1/2	42	43 1/2	1,100	35 1/2	Jan	45 1/2	Jan	
People's Gas Lt & Coke 100	94	94	5	91 1/2	Jan	94	Jan	Preferred	100	101 1/2	101 1/2	600	100	Jan	101 1/2	Feb		
Phillipsborn's, Inc., com. 5	30 1/2	30 1/2	275	30 1/2	Jan	38	Jan	Prima Radio Corp.	1	55	58	1,700	55	Feb	1	Jan		
Pick (Albert) & Co.	34 1/2	34 1/2	935	34 1/2	Jan	36 1/2	Jan	Pyrene Manufacturing	10	10 1/2	11	900	9 1/2	Jan	11	Jan		
Pigg Wigg Stores, Inc. "A"	62 1/2	59 1/2	63 1/2	4,732	55 1/2	Jan	65 1/2	Jan	Radio Corp of Amer com.	3	3 1/2	3 1/2	9,200	3 1/2	Jan	4	Jan	
Pub Serv of N Ill. com. 100	101 1/2	101 1/2	341	101 1/2	Jan	104	Jan	Preferred	5	3 1/2	3 1/2	17,000	2 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	Jan		
Preferred	100	95 1/2	96 1/2	212	95	Jan	98	Jan	Reo Motor Car	10	13 1/2	13 1/2	1,600	13 1/2	Jan	14 1/2	Jan	
Quaker Oats Co.	235	233	235	30	233	Feb	236	Jan	Repetit, Inc.	5	1 1/2	1 1/2	900	1 1/2	Jan	2	Jan	
Preferred	100	98 1/2	100	347	96 1/2	Jan	100	Jan	Root & Vandervoort Eng.	5	9	9	150	9	Feb	9	Feb	
Reo Motor	10	13 1/2	13 1/2	1,969	11 1/2	Jan	14 1/2	Jan	Schulte Retail Stores, com.	59	57 1/2	59	4,100	53	Jan	59	Feb	
Sears-Roebuck, com. 100	18 1/2	18 1/2	19 1/2	390	17 1/2	Jan	19 1/2	Jan	Southern Coal & Iron	5	31	30	32	12,000	30	Jan	40	Jan
Standard Gas & Electric	50	48 1/2	49 1/2	48	48 1/2	Jan	49	Jan	Stand Mot Construction	10	3 1/2	3 1/2	500	2 1/2	Jan	3 1/2	Jan	
Preferred	50	89 1/2	91 1/2	86,130	79	Jan	91 1/2	Jan	Stutz Motor Car	20 1/2	18 1/2	22 1/2	6,300	17 1/2	Jan	24 1/2	Jan	
Stewa Warn Speed, com. 100	89 1/2	88 1/2	91 1/2	1,361	106 1/2	Jan	109 1/2	Jan	Swift & Co.	100	108	108	175	107	Jan	108	Jan	
Swift & Co.	107	106 1/2	108 1/2	7,417	19 1/2	Jan	21 1/2	Jan	Swift International	15	19 1/2	20	2,000	19 1/2	Jan	21	Jan	
Swift International	15	19 1/2	20 1/2	1,075	48 1/2	Feb	51 1/2	Jan	Tenn Elec Power, 2d pref.	5	8 1/2	8 1/2	1,810	7	Jan	9	Jan	
Thompson, J.R. com. 25	49	48 1/2	49 1/2	10,235	62	Jan	67 1/2	Jan	Timken-Det Axle new w. l.	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	100	43 1/2	Feb	44 1/2	Jan	
Union Carbide & Carbon	64	62 1/2	64	10,235	62	Jan	67 1/2	Jan	Tob Prod Exports Corp.	5	4 1/2	5	1,900	4 1/2	Jan	5 1/2	Jan	
United Iron Works v t c. 50	76 1/2	76 1/2	78 1/2	180	71 1/2	Jan	79	Jan	Todd Shipyards Corp.	58 1/2	58 1/2	59	225	55	Jan	59	Jan	
United Lt & Rys, com. 100	75 1/2	75	76 1/2	390	75	Jan	76 1/2	Jan	Triangle Film Corp v t c. 5	18	18	19	4,000	8	Jan	21	Jan	
Unit preferred	100	76 1/2	77 1/2	180	71 1/2	Jan	79	Jan	United Profit Shar, new. 1	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	2,300	4 1/2	Jan	5 1/2	Jan	
Unit Pap Board, com. 100	104	104	108	104	104	Jan	104 1/2	Jan	Un Retail Stores Candy	5	5	5 1/2	3,600	5	Jan	5 1/2	Jan	
U S Gypsum, pref.	30	30	30	175	26	Jan	30	Jan	Founders shares	49 1/2	49	50 1/2	900	49	Jan	51 1/2	Jan	
Vesta Battery Corp.	54 1/2	53 1/2	55	2,165	53 1/2	Feb	58 1/2	Jan	U S Distrib Corp com. 50	25	25	25	100	25	Jan	30 1/2	Jan	
Wahl Co.	20	21 1/2	22 1/2	4,985	20 1/2	Jan	22 1/2	Jan	U S Light & Heat, com. 10	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	10,600	1	Jan	1 1/2	Jan	
When issued.	20	22 1/2	21 1/2	580	93	Jan	95	Jan	U S Preferred	10	1 1/2	1 1/2	2,700	90	Jan	13 1/2	Jan	
Class "A"	20	94	95	580	93	Jan	95	Jan	Wayne Coal	5	1 1/2	2 1/2	1,850	1 1/2	Jan	2 1/2	Jan	
Western Knitting Mills.	9	9	9 1/2	585	9	Jan	10 1/2	Jan	West End Chemical	45	45	55	1,000	30	Jan	40	Jan	
Wrigley Jr. com. 25	101	100 1/2	102	782	100	Jan	104	Jan	Willys Corp 1st pref. 100	7 1/2	7 1/2	8 1/2	1,100	7 1/2	Jan	11 1/2	Jan	
Yellow Cab Mfg. "B"	249	245	249	870	223	Jan	270	Jan	1st pref etts of dep.	7	7 1/2	7 1/2	500	7	Jan	10 1/2	Jan	
Yellow Taxi Co.	72	71	73 1/2	5,332	70 1/2	Jan	74	Jan	Yale & Towne Mfg new. 25	60 1/2	60	60 1/2	300	58 1/2	Jan	61 1/2	Jan	
Bonds—																		
Chicago City Ry 5s. 1927	76 1/2	76 1/2	77	\$4,000	76 1/2	Feb	78	Jan	Rights.									
Chic City Ry. Com Rys 6s 1927	47	47	10,000	47	Jan	48	Jan	Maracaibo Oil rights	13	13	40	26,000	16	Jan	40	Feb		
Chic Rys 5s, Ser "A" 1927	59	59	60	7,000	59	Feb	63	Jan	Reynolds Spring Co	2 1/2	6	5,200	2 1/2	Jan	2 1/2	Jan		
4s, Series "B" 1927	44	44	5,000	44	Jan	44 1/2	Jan	Former Standard Oil										
Common Edison 6s. 1943	97 1/2	97 1/2	4,000	97	Jan	99	Jan	Subsidiaries										
South Side Elev 4 1/2s. 1924	89	89	89 1/2	4,000	89	Feb	89 1/2	Feb	Anglo-American Oil	17 1/2	17 1/2	18	3,800	17 1/2	Feb	18 1/2	Jan	
Swift & Co 1st st g. 58.1944	95 1/2	95 1/2	5,000	95 1/2	Feb	97 1/2	Feb											

\* No par value.

**New York Curb Market.**—Official transactions in the New York Curb Market from Jan. 27 to Feb. 2, inclusive:

Week ending Feb. 2.		Friday Last Sale Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range since Jan. 1.	
Stocks—	Par.		Low.	High.		Low.	High.
<b>Indus. &amp; Miscellaneous</b>							
Acme Coal Mining	1	68 1/2	62 1/2	85 1/2	63,100	60 1/2	85 1/2
Acme Packing	10	27 1/2	25 1/2	29 1/2	13,000	25 1/2	29 1/2
Aluminum Mfrs. com.	100	22	22	22	200	22	22 1/2
Preferred	100	100	101 1/2	101 1/2	200	100	101 1/2
Amalgam Leather, com.	50	16 1/2	16 1/2	19 1/2	9,300	14 1/2	19 1/2
Preferred	50	16 1/2	16 1/2	19 1/2	200	14 1/2	19 1/2
Amer Gas & Elec. com.	100	170	166 1/2	170	35	166 1/2	170
Preferred	100	144	144	144	100	137 1/2	144
Amer Lt & Trac. com.	100	138 1/2	140	140	137	140	140
Armour & Co of Del, pf 100	99 1/2	99	99 1/2	99 1/2	1,300	99	99 1/2
Arnold, Constable & Co.	19	19	19	19	100	19	20 1/2
Borden Co. com.	100	116 1/2	115 1/2	122	600	113 1/2	122
Brit-Amer Tob ord bear. £1	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	700	19 1/2	20
Ordinary	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	500	19 1/2	20
British Int Corp. class A	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2	300	15 1/2	15 1/2
Brooklyn City RR.	10	9	9	10 1/2	13,700	7 1/2	10 1/2
Buddy-Buds, Inc.	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	11,700	107 1/2	107 1/2
Campbell Soup pref w l 100	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	900	106 1/2	107 1/2
Car Lighting & Power	25	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	300	107 1/2	107 1/2
Celluloid Co. com.	100	95	95	95 1/2	100	95 1/2	95 1/2
Cent Teresa Sug. com.	10	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	500	1 1/2	1 1/2
Centrifugal Cast I Pipe.	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	4,800	10 1/2	10 1/2
Century Ribbon Mills com.	25	25	26	26	400	24 1/2	26 1/2
Chie Nipple Mfg Cl A. 10	4 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	4 1/2	11,300	2 1/2	4 1/2
Cities Service com.	180	178	180	180	475	173	182
Preferred	180	68	68	68 1/2	1,200	67	68 1/2
Cities Serv. bankers' sh.	17 1/2	17 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2	1,300	17 1/2	18 1/2
Cleve Automobile, com.	29 1/2	29 1/2	30	30	300	29 1/2	30
Colombian Emerald Synd.	31 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2	33 1/2	24,000	27 1/2	33 1/2
Columbia Motors	10	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	200	3 1/2	3 1/2
Congleum Co. com.	100	145	145	145	10	145	145
Cox's Cash Stores	5	3 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	13,600	3 1/2	5 1/2
Cuban-Dominican Sug.	100	6 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	3,400	6	7 1/2
Curtiss Aerop & M. com.	100	21	21	21	700	21	21
Preferred	100	56 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2	23,100	55 1/2	62 1/2
Cuyamel Fruit Co.	60 1/2	53 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2	100	52	62 1/2
Del Laek & West Coal	50	53 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2	100	52	53 1/2
Dublier Condenser & Rad	50	5 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	5,600	4 1/2	6 1/2
Durant Motors, Inc.	51 1/2	40	72 1/2	72 1/2	116,500	40	72 1/2
Durant Motors of Ind.	10	12 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	28,300	12 1/2	21 1/2
Federal Light & Trac. com.	10	53 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2	10	48	53 1/2
Film Inspection Mach Co.	33 1/2	33	33 1/2	33 1/2	100	6	33 1/2
Fleischmann Co com.	402	402	402	402	17,800	30 1/2	402
Ford Motor of Canada	100	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	60	400	402
Gardner Motor Co.	3	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	1,900	10 1/2	75 1/2
Garland Steamship	272	271	275	275	4,600	70	275
Gillette Safety Razor	68	67 1/2	70 1/2	70 1/2	11,500	65 1/2	70 1/2
Glen Alden Coal	10 1/2	10 1/2	12	12	1,600	9 1/2	12
Goodyear Tire & R com 100	10 1/2	36	38 1/2	38 1/2	1,750	29 1/2	38 1/2
Preferred	100	78 1/2	78 1/2	78 1/2	100	70	78 1/2
Prior preferred	100	102	102	102	300	102	102
Gt West Sug new com w l 25	80 1/2	80	80 1/2	80 1/2	200	77	81
Hanna (M A) Co 1st pf. 100	102	102	102	102	300	102	102
Hayes Wheel	107	37	37 1/2	37 1/2	1,800	36 1/2	37 1/2
Heyden Chemical	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	2	1,700	1 1/2	2
Hocking Vall Products	10	2	2	2	100	1 1/2	2
Hudson Cos pref.	100	16	15 1/2	17	1,700	14 1/2	17
Hud & Manhat RR com 100	9 1/2	9 1/2	10	10	1,800	9 1/2	10
Preferred	100	47	47	47	100	43	48
Hydrox Corp. com.	22 1/2	21 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	2,900	20	22 1/2
Preferred	100	96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2	100	96 1/2	96 1/2
Industrial Fibre Corp com	8 1/2	8 1/2	9	9	2,300	8 1/2	9
Inland Steel Co.	25	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2	100	46 1/2	46 1/2
Intercontinental Rubb. 100	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	600	4 1/2	5 1/2
Kupfheimer (B) & Co, com 5	26	27 1/2	300	300	26	27 1/2	300
Preferred	100	94	94	96 1/2	900	93 1/2	94
Lehigh Valley Coal Sales 50	15	13 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2	800	13 1/2	15 1/2
Lucey (F G) class A	50	13	17 1/2	17 1/2	5,600	13	22
Lupton (M F) Pub, Cl A.	5	3 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	500	2 1/2	3 1/2
Marconi Wire Tel of Can.	5	3 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	400	3 1/2	4 1/2
Marlin Firearms com.	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	2,600	2 1/2	3 1/2
Merced Motors	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	9,700	2 1/2	2 1/2
Voting trust certifs.	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Messabi Iron Co.	16	16	17	17	500	16	18
Morris (Phillip) Co, Ltd. 10	54 1/2	54	54 1/2	54 1/2	1,700	54	54 1/2
Nat Dept Stores, Inc. com.	36 1/2	34	36 1/2	36 1/2	8,400	34	36 1/2
Nat Leather new	50	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2			
Nat Supp Co (of Del) com 50	54 1/2	54	54 1/2	54 1/2	1,700	54	54 1/2
New Fletton Pub Corp.	5	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	2,400	7	7 1/2
New Mexico & Ariz Land. 1	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	200	3 1/2	3 1/2
N Y Cannery, Inc. com.	29 1/2	28	29 1/2	29 1/2	4,800	28	29 1/2
N Y Tel 6 1/2 % pref.	100	110 1/2	110 1/2	111	150	110 1/2	111
<b>Other Oil Stocks.</b>							
Allied Oil	1	6 1/2	6 1/2	9 1/2	2,000	5 1/2	9 1/2
Ark Natural Gas, com. 10	7 1/2	7 1/2	8	8	7 1/2	7 1/2	8
Atlantic Gulf Oil	100	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	100	3 1/2	3 1/2
Atlantic Lobos Oil, com.	100	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	2,900	5 1/2	6 1/2
Big Indian Oil & Gas	19 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2	34,000	15 1/2	15 1/2
Boston-Wyoming Oil.	1	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	1,300	7 1/2	7 1/2
Cardinal Petroleum	1	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	1,300	7 1/2	7 1/2
Carib Syndicate	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	6,100	4 1/2	4 1/2
Cosden & Co, old pref.	5	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	100	5 1/2	5 1/2
Continental Oil.	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2	100	39 1/2	39 1/2
Creole Syndicate	3 1/2	3 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	17,500	2 1/2	4 1/2
Cushing Petroleum Corp. 5	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	1,000	1 1/2	2 1/2
Darby Petroleum	1	1	1	1	300	1	1 1/2
Engineers Petroleum Co. 1	19 1/2	18 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	14,000	14 1/2	20 1/2
Equity Petrol Corp pref.	100	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	600	14 1/2	14 1/2
Federal Oil	5	8 1/2	8 1/2	9 1/2	89,100	6 1/2	9 1/2
Fensland Oil	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	5,300	10 1/2	10 1/2
Gilliland Oil, com.	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	6,800	3 1/2	4 1/2
Glenrock Oil	10 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	45,100	1 1/2	1 1/2
Granada Oil Corp, Cl A. 10	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2,900	1 1/2	2 1/2
Gulf Oil Corp of Pa.	25	58 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2	5,500	58 1/2	58 1/2
Harris Consol Petrol Corp.	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1,200	1 1/2	1 1/2
Hudson Oil	1	13 1/2	13 1/2	14 1/2	51,000	10 1/2	14 1/2
Humble Oil & Ref.	25	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	2 1/2	24 1/2	34 1/2
Imperial Oil (Canada) corp	116 1/2	111	117	117	5,670	110 1/2	117
International Petroleum	20 1/2	20 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	15,500	20 1/2	21 1/2
Keystone Ranger Develop.	31 1/2	30 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	22,000	22 1/2	33 1/2
Kirby Petroleum	3	2 1/2	3	3	900	2 1/2	3
Latin-Amer Oil Develop.	1	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2	4,180	66 1/2	68 1/2
Livingston Oil Corp.	1	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2	1,000	14 1/2	15 1/2
Livingston Petroleum	1	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	1,200	75 1/2	80 1/2
Lowry Oil Corporation.	5	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	21,500	80 1/2	80 1/2
Lyons Petroleum	100	161	161	164	92	155	164
Magnolia Petroleum	100	53 1/2	53 1/2	54 1/2	7,900	47 1/2	54 1/2
Mammoth Oil, Class A	12	10 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	20,500	9 1/2	12 1/2
Marathon Oil Explor.	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	500	1	1 1/2
Marland Oil	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	3,200	1 1/2	2 1/2
Marland Refining	5	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	1,400	2 1/2	2 1/2
Merritt Oil Corporation.	1	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	3,800	8 1/2	9 1/2
Mexican Eagle Oil.	5	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2	100	8 1/2	15 1/2
Mexico Oil Corp.	10	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	161,400	80 1/2	12 1/2
Midwest Texas Oil	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	18,000	50 1/2	1 1/2
Mountain & Gulf Oil.	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1,100	50 1/2	1 1/2
Mountain Producers.	10	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	1,600	16 1/2	16 1/2
Mutual Oil	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	7,800	12 1/2	12 1/2
Natural Gas trust certificates.	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	14,900	12 1/2	12 1/2
New England Fuel Oil.	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2	500	42 1/2	42 1/2
New York Oil	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2	700	15 1/2	15 1/2
Noble (Chas F) Oil & Gas. 1	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	30,100	20 1/2	20 1/2
Preferred	100	60 1/2	60 1/2	60 1/2	1,600	60 1/2	60 1/2
Northwest Oil	1	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2	2,000	10 1/2	18 1/2
Omar Oil & Gas.	10	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	18,800	11 1/2	11 1/2
Pennock Oil	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	24,900	9 1/2	11 1/2
Pennsylvania-Beaver Oil. 1	3	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	7,400	2 1/2	2 1/2
Red Bank Oil	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2	140	14 1/2	15 1/2
Ryan Consolidated	5	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	800	4 1/2	4 1/2
Salt Creek Consol Oil	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	900	10 1/2	10 1/2
Salt Creek Producers	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	4,000	20 1/2	20 1/2
Sanjula Refining	5	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	8,000	2 1/2	3 1/2
Savoy Oil	5	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	10,700	3 1/2	3 1/2
Seaboard Oil & Gas	5	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	2,900	2 1/2	3 1/2
South Petrol & Refining	1	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	83,000	5 1/2	16 1/2
Southern States Oil	1	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	24,700	13 1/2	16 1/2
Texon Oil & Land.	1	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2	257,000	80 1/2	88 1/2
Tidal-Osage Oil	1	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	100	11 1/2	11 1/2
Turman Oil	1	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	10,100	94 1/2	94 1/2
Western States Oil & Gas. 1	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	4,000	23 1/2	23 1/2
Willcox Oil & Gas.	5	9 1/2	9 1/2				

		Friday Last Sale Price.		Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week.		Range since Jan. 1.				Friday Last Sale Price.		Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week.		Range since Jan. 1.			
		Price.		Low. High.		Shares.		Low. High.				Price.		Low. High.		Week.		Low. High.			
<div>Alaska Brit-Coi Metals... 1 2 1/2 2 1/2 1,400 2 Jan 2 1/2 Jan 2 1/2</div> <div>Alvarado Min &amp; Mill... 20 4 4 200 2 1/2 Jan 4 Jan 4</div> <div>Amer Comm... 8c 10c 6,000 5c Jan 11c Jan 11c</div> <div>Arizona Globe Copper... 10c 10c 39c 83,000 10c Feb 39c Jan 39c</div> <div>Belcher Extension... 10c 3c 5c 8,000 4c Jan 6c Jan 6c</div> <div>Big Ledge Copper Co... 5 1c 1c 3c 118,000 1c Jan 4c Jan 4c</div> <div>Bison Gold Inc... 10c 25c 25c 10,000 2 1/2c Jan 25c Jan 25c</div> <div>Black Hawk Cons Mines... 10c 9c 10c 3,000 9c Jan 15c Jan 15c</div> <div>Booth Mining... 8c 8c 4,000 6c Jan 16c Jan 16c</div> <div>Boston-Montana Dev... 5 11c 10c 12c 24,000 10 1/2 Jan 17c Jan 17c</div> <div>Calaveras Copper... 2 1/2 3 5,700 2 1/2 Jan 3 Jan 3</div> <div>Canada Copper Co... 5 2c 3c 16,000 2c Jan 3c Jan 3c</div> <div>Canario Copper... 5 2 1/2 2 1/2 10,700 2 1/2 Jan 2 1/2 Jan 2 1/2</div> <div>Candelaria Silver... 1 32c 31c 34c 85,000 30c Jan 38c Jan 38c</div> <div>Consol Arizona... 3c 3c 5c 6,000 2c Jan 5c Jan 5c</div> <div>Consol Copper Mines new... 3 1/2 3 1/2 3 1/2 5,300 3 1/2 Feb 4 Jan 4</div> <div>Consol Nevada Utah Corp... 10c 10c 12c 12,000 10c Jan 15c Jan 15c</div> <div>Continental Mines, Ltd... 4 1/2 4 1/2 1,600 4 1/2 Jan 5 Jan 5</div> <div>Cork Province Mines... 1 12c 12c 1,000 12c Jan 15c Jan 15c</div> <div>Cortez Silver... 1 1 1/2 1 1/2 55,300 1 1/2 Jan 1 1/2 Jan 1 1/2</div> <div>Crackerjack Mining... 7c 4c 8c 36,000 2c Jan 15c Jan 15c</div> <div>Cresson Cons Gold M &amp; M... 1 2 1/2 2 1/2 2,900 2 1/2 Jan 2 1/2 Jan 2 1/2</div> <div>Crown Reserve... 35c 35c 1,000 33c Jan 35c Jan 35c</div> <div>Dean Consolidated Corp... 1 72c 71c 75c 7,600 63c Jan 7c Jan 7c</div> <div>Denbigh Silver... 4c 4c 4c 1,000 4c Jan 4c Jan 4c</div> <div>Diam'd Black Butte (reorg)... 3c 3c 1,000 3c Jan 3c Jan 3c</div> <div>Divide Extension... 1 11c 13c 3,000 11c Jan 13c Jan 13c</div> <div>Dolores Esperanza... 5 2 2 1/2 500 1 1/2 Jan 2 1/2 Jan 2 1/2</div> <div>Dryden Gold Corporation... 73c 68c 73c 7,900 63c Jan 78c Jan 78c</div> <div>El Salvador Silver Mines... 1 3c 3c 4c 26,000 2c Jan 4c Jan 4c</div> <div>Ely Consolidated... 1 4c 4c 1,000 4c Feb 9c Jan 9c</div> <div>Emma Silver... 1 3c 3c 4c 174,000 2c Jan 4c Jan 4c</div> <div>Eureka Croesus... 1 32c 31c 33c 90,000 29c Jan 37c Jan 37c</div> <div>Fortuna Cons Mining... 40c 27c 44c 209,200 25c Jan 7 1/2c Jan 7 1/2c</div> <div>Forty-nine Mining... 1 11c 10c 11c 2,000 6c Jan 1c Jan 1c</div> <div>Gadsden Copper... 1 62c 62c 1,000 60c Jan 62c Jan 62c</div> <div>Gold Coin Mines... 64c 62c 64c 3,200 62c Feb 64c Jan 64c</div> <div>Goldfield Bluebell... 4c 2c 4c 38,000 2c Jan 4c Jan 4c</div> <div>Goldfield Consol Mines... 10c 10c 10c 8,000 7c Jan 11c Jan 11c</div> <div>Goldfield Deep... 5c 20c 19c 21c 250,000 9c Jan 24c Jan 24c</div> <div>Goldfield Development... 27c 11c 30c 324,000 4c Jan 30c Feb 30c</div> <div>Goldfield Florence... 1 68c 60c 72c 127,600 27c Jan 7c Feb 7c</div> <div>Goldfield Jackpot... 50c 36c 50c 143,000 35c Jan 50c Feb 50c</div> <div>Goldfield Oro... 3c 3c 4c 5,000 1c Jan 6c Jan 6c</div> <div>Gold Zone Division... 1 9c 9c 9,000 9c Jan 11c Jan 11c</div> <div>Hard Shell Mining... 1 8c 7c 9c 80,000 3c Jan 13c Jan 13c</div> <div>Harmill Division... 10c 5c 7c 10,000 5c Jan 7c Jan 7c</div> <div>Heda Mining... 25c 8 1/2 8 1/2 1,400 8 Jan 8 1/2 Jan 8 1/2</div> <div>Henrietta Silver... 49c 49c 56c 5,600 33c Jan 6c Jan 6c</div> <div>Hilltop-Nevada Mining... 1 1 1/2 1 1/2 21,900 1 1/2 Jan 1 1/2 Jan 1 1/2</div> <div>Howe Sound Co... 3c 3c 3 1/2 2,300 2 1/2 Jan 3 1/2 Jan 3 1/2</div> <div>Independence Lead Min... 1 33c 30c 34c 94,000 30c Jan 42c Jan 42c</div> <div>Iron Blossom Cons M... 1 31c 29c 31c 10,500 28c Jan 38c Jan 38c</div> <div>Jerome Verde Devel... 1 2 1/2 2 1/2 400 2 1/2 Jan 2 1/2 Jan 2 1/2</div> <div>Jim Butte Consol... 1 6c 6c 4,000 4c Jan 6c Jan 6c</div> <div>Jumbo Extension... 1 7c 7c 8c 5,000 5c Jan 10c Jan 10c</div> <div>Kerr Lake... 5 3c 3 1/2 600 3 Jan 3 1/2 Jan 3 1/2</div> <div>Kewanee... 1 4c 3c 4c 5,000 3c Jan 8c Jan 8c</div> <div>Knox Division... 100 3c 3c 3,000 2c Jan 3c Jan 3c</div> <div>Lone Star Consolidated... 1 7c 6c 7c 35,000 5c Jan 8c Jan 8c</div> <div>MacNamara Development... 1 4c 4c 4c 7,000 4c Jan 6c Jan 6c</div> <div>MacNamara Mining... 1 5c 5c 7c 6,400 5c Feb 7c Jan 7c</div> <div>Marsh Mining... 1 7c 7c 14,000 6c Jan 11c Jan 11c</div> <div>Mason Valley Mines... 5 2 1 1/2 2 1/2 3,200 1 1/2 Jan 2 1/2 Jan 2 1/2</div> <div>McKinley-Darr-Sav Min... 1 18c 18c 1,000 17c Jan 19c Jan 19c</div> <div>Mizpah Ext'n of Tonopah... 1 4c 4c 4c 3,000 4c Feb 4c Feb 4c</div> <div>Mohican Copper... 19c 15c 19c 2,000 10c Jan 19c Feb 19c</div> <div>Mornington Mining... 1 1c 2c 16,000 1c Jan 4c Jan 4c</div> <div>Nabob Consol Mining... 4c 4c 4c 3,000 4c Jan 6c Jan 6c</div> <div>National Tin Corp... 50c 22c 25c 39,000 21c Jan 3c Jan 3c</div> <div>Nevada Opin... 1 17c 17c 19c 22,000 10c Jan 19c Jan 19c</div> <div>Nevada Silver Horn... 1 1c 2c 20,000 1c Jan 7c Jan 7c</div> <div>New Cornelia... 18 17 1/2 18 1/2 1,200 16 1/2 Jan 18 1/2 Jan 18 1/2</div> <div>New Dominion Copper... 5 3 1/2 3 1/2 6,800 2 1/2 Jan 3 1/2 Jan 3 1/2</div> <div>New Jersey Zinc... 100 168 1/2 173 153 168 1/2 Jan 173 Jan 173</div> <div>N Y Porcupine Mining... 37c 33c 39c 67,500 30c Jan 48c Jan 48c</div> <div>Nipissing Mines... 5 5 1/2 5 1/2 3,500 5 1/2 Jan 6 Jan 6</div> <div>Ohio Copper... 1 47c 42c 50c 30,200 37c Jan 59c Jan 59c</div> <div>Ray Hercules, Inc... 5 1 1/2 1 1/2 12,100 1c Feb 1 1/2 Jan 1 1/2</div> <div>Red Hills Florence... 2c 2c 3c 28,000 2c Jan 6c Jan 6c</div> <div>Rex Consolidated Mining... 1 6c 5c 6c 27,000 5c Jan 6c Jan 6c</div> <div>Richmond Cop M &amp; Dev... 26c 25c 38c 51,000 21c Jan 28c Jan 28c</div> <div>Sandstorm Kendall... 3c 4c 6,000 2c Jan 5c Jan 5c</div> <div>San Toy Mining... 1 3c 3c 1,000 3c Jan 3c Jan 3c</div> <div>Silver Mines of America... 1 33c 19c 38c 82,000 14c Jan 38c Jan 38c</div> <div>Silver Pick Consol... 1 8c 8c 2,000 6c Jan 9c Jan 9c</div> <div>Silver Queen Mining Corp... 45c 42c 45c 25,300 35c Jan 45c Jan 45c</div> <div>Silver Smith Mining... 50c 35c 53c 21,300 47c Jan 53c Jan 53c</div> <div>Simon Silver Lead... 1 34c 31c 34c 12,000 30c Jan 3c Jan 3c</div> <div>South Amer Gold &amp; Plat... 1 3 1/2 3 1/2 1,000 3 Jan 3 1/2 Jan 3 1/2</div> <div>Spearhead... 1 11c 8c 12c 8,000 7c Jan 13c Jan 13c</div> <div>Stewart Mining... 1 7c 6c 7c 9,600 6c Jan 8c Jan 8c</div> <div>Superstition Cons... 1 65c 60c 65c 46c Jan 65c Jan 65c</div> <div>Sutherland Division... 1 10c 6c 14c 62,000 3c Jan 14c Jan 14c</div> <div>Sutherland Division... 1 7c 7c 19,000 1c Jan 11c Jan 11c</div> <div>Tec-Hughes... 1 90c 88c 92c 13,000 81c Jan 1 Jan 1</div> <div>Tonopah Belmont Devel... 1 17c 17c 5,400 1 1/2 Jan 1 1/2 Jan 1 1/2</div> <div>Tonopah Division... 1 70c 66c 71c 26,500 66c Feb 78c Jan 78c</div> <div>Tonopah Extension... 1 12c 2 1/2 3 1/2 16,200 2 1/2 Feb 3 1/2 Jan 3 1/2</div> <div>Tonopah Midway... 1 12c 12c 12c 1,000 72c Jan 13c Jan 13c</div> <div>Tonopah Mining... 1 2 1/2 2 1/2 1,100 1 1/2 Jan 2 1/2 Jan 2 1/2</div> <div>Tonopah North Star... 1 3c 3c 4c 3,000 3c Jan 4c Jan 4c</div> <div>Tri-Bullion S &amp; D... 5 10c 8c 10c 13,900 6c Jan 10c Jan 10c</div> <div>Tuolumne Copper... 1 55c 53c 58c 45,300 49c Jan 58c Jan 58c</div> <div>United Eastern Mining... 1 1 1/2 1 1/2 20,100 1 1/2 Jan 2 1/2 Jan 2 1/2</div> <div>United Verde Extension... 1 26 1/2 26 1/2 7,000 26 1/2 Jan 28 Jan 28</div> <div>U S Cont Mines, new... 5 10c 10c 1c 1c Jan 2c Jan 2c</div> <div>Unity Gold Mines... 5 3 1/2 3 1/2 1,000 3 1/2 Jan 3 1/2 Jan 3 1/2</div> <div>Victory Division... 10c 3c 3c 9,000 1c Jan 3c Jan 3c</div> <div>West End Consolidated... 5 1 1/2 1 1/2 10,300 1 1/2 Jan 1 1/2 Jan 1 1/2</div> <div>West End Extension Min... 4c 4c 4c 9,000 3c Jan 6c Jan 6c</div> <div>Western Utah Copper... 1 40c 20c 40c 21,500 20c Jan 40c Feb 40c</div> <div>White Caps Extension... 1 5c 6c 6c 1,000 2c Jan 6c Jan 6c</div> <div>White Caps Mining... 10c 5c 2c 6,000 2c Jan 12c Jan 12c</div> <div>Yerrington... 1 2c 2c 1,000 2c Jan 3c Jan 3c</div> <div>Yukon Gold Co... 5 76c 76c 76c 100 75c Jan 86c Jan 86c</div>																					
<div><b>Bonds</b></div> <div>Allied Pac conv deb 6s '39 71 71 72 \$22,000 71 Jan 76 1/2 Jan 76 1/2</div> <div>Ss Series B w L '39 80 80 83 11,000 80 Feb 84 1/2 Jan 84 1/2</div> <div>Aluminum Mfrs 7s '1933 108 1/2 105 1/2 106 17,000 105 1/2 Jan 106 1/2 Jan 106 1/2</div> <div>7s '1925 103 1/2 103 1/2 13,000 103 1/2 Jan 104 Jan 104</div> <div>Amer G &amp; E deb B 6s 2014 '1925 96 1/2 96 1/2 20,000 96 1/2 Jan 97 1/2 Jan 97 1/2</div> <div>Amer L &amp; Trac 6s '1925 101 1/2 101 1/2 4,000 101 1/2 Jan 110 Jan 110</div> <div>Without warrants. 101 1/2 100 1/2 30,000 100 1/2 Jan 101 1/2 Feb 101 1/2</div> <div>Am Republic Corp 6s w L '37 89 88 89 10,000 88 Jan 90 1/2 Jan 90 1/2</div> <div>Amer Rolling Mill 6s '1938 100 100 100 44,000 100 Jan 100 1/2 Jan 100 1/2</div> <div>Am Sumatra Tob 7s '1938 96 95 96 2,000 95 1/2 Jan 96 Jan 96</div> <div>Amer Tel &amp; Tel 6s '1924 101 101 101 43,000 100 1/2 Jan 101 1/2 Jan 101 1/2</div> <div>Anaconda Cons Min 7s 1929 103 1/2 103 1/2 131,000 103 1/2 Jan 104 Jan 104</div> <div>6s Notes Series A '1929 101 1/2 101 1/2 185,000 101 1/2 Jan 102 1/2 Jan 102 1/2</div> <div>Amer Copper Oil 7 1/2s '1923 103 1/2 103 1/2 10,000 103 1/2 Jan 103 1/2 Jan 103 1/2</div> <div>Armour &amp; Co Del 5 1/2s '43 96 96 96 281,000 96 Jan 96 1/2 Jan 96 1/2</div> <div>Armour &amp; Co 7s 'notes '30 105 105 105 13,000 105 Jan 105 1/2 Jan 105 1/2</div> <div>Ati Gulf &amp; W ISS L 5s 1959 53 52 53 51 1,000 51 1/2 Feb 54 Jan 54</div> <div>Beaver Board 8s '1938 65 1/2 63 3,000 65 1/2 Feb 66 Jan 66</div> <div>Beaver Products 7 1/2s 1942 100 100 1,000 100 Jan 100 1/2 Jan 100 1/2</div> <div>Bethlehem Steel 7s '1923 105 1/2 105 1/2 320,000 104 1/2 Jan 105 1/2 Jan 105 1/2</div> <div>Equipment 7s '1935 102 1/2 102 1/2 71,000 102 1/2 Jan 103 1/2 Jan 103 1/2</div> <div>Boston &amp; Maine RR 6s '33 90 90 91 3,000 90 1/2 Jan 93 1/2 Jan 93 1/2</div> <div>Canadian Nat Rys 7s '1935 108 108 109 15,000 109 Jan 110 1/2 Jan 110 1/2</div>																					
<div><b>Bonds (Concluded)</b></div> <div>Canadian Pacific 6s... 1924 101 101 101 11,000 101 Jan 101 1/2 Jan 101 1/2</div> <div>Central Steel 8s... 1941 106 1/2 106 1/2 107 4,000 106 1/2 Jan 107 1/2 Jan 107 1/2</div> <div>Charcoal Iron of Am 8s '31 94 1/2 94 1/2 17,000 94 Jan 94 1/2 Jan 94 1/2</div> <div>Column Graphophone 8s '25 28 1/2 28 1/2 3,000 28 Jan 30 Jan 30</div> <div>Cts of deposit... 24 24 25 1/2 3,000 24 Jan 35 Jan 35</div> <div>Cons G E L &amp; P Balt 6s '49 102 1/2 102 1/2 17,000 102 1/2 Jan 103 1/2 Jan 103 1/2</div> <div>7s... 1931 106 108 51,000 105 1/2 Jan 108 Jan 108</div> <div>5 1/2s Series E... 1952 99 99 1/2 32,000 99 Jan 100 Jan 100</div> <div>Consol Textile 8s... 1941 100 99 1/2 32,000 98 Jan 100 1/2 Jan 100 1/2</div> <div>Copper Export Assn 8s '24 101 101 1,000 101 Jan 101 1/2 Jan 101 1/2</div> <div>Cuban Telep 7 1/2s... 1941 102 102 19,000 102 Jan 103 1/2 Jan 103 1/2</div> <div>Cudahy Packing 5s... 1946 91 91 1,000 91 Jan 91 1/2 Jan 91 1/2</div> <div>Deere &amp; Co 7 1/2s... 1931 102 1/2 103 14,000 101 1/2 Jan 103 Jan 103</div> <div>Detroit City Gas 6s... 1947 100 100 67,000 100 1/2 Jan 101 1/2 Jan 101 1/2</div> <div>Detroit Edison 6s... 1952 102 1/2 103 1/2 41,000 101 1/2 Jan 104 Jan 104</div> <div>Dunlop T &amp; It of Am 7s 1942 95 95 11,000 95 Feb 97 Jan 97</div> <div>Gair (Robert) Co 7s '1937 98 1/2 98 1/2 9,000 9 1/2 Jan 99 1/2 Jan 99 1/2</div> <div>Galena-Signal Oil 7s... 1930 103 1/2 104 22,000 103 1/2 Jan 104 1/2 Jan 104 1/2</div> <div>General Asphalt 8s... 1930 104 103 1/2 7,000 103 1/2 Jan 105 Jan 105</div> <div>Grand Trunk Ry 6 1/2s... 1936 105 1/2 105 1/2 35,000 101 1/2 Jan 107 Jan 107</div> <div>Gulf Oil Corp 7s... 1933 103 1/2 103 1/2 2,000 103 1/2 Jan 103 1/2 Jan 103 1/2</div> <div>Gulf Oil of Pa 5s... 1937 96 1/2 97 53,000 96 1/2 Jan 97 1/2 Jan 97 1/2</div> <div>Hood Rubber 7 1/2 notes... 36 101 1/2 102 40,000 100 1/2 Jan 102 Jan 102</div> <div>Inter R T 8s J P M recte... 95 95 42,000 94 1/2 Jan 96 1/2 Jan 96 1/2</div> <div>Certificates of deposit... 90 89 1/2 99,000 89 1/2 Jan 91 1/2 Jan 91 1/2</div> <div>Kansas City Pow &amp; Lt 5s '52 101 101 101 51,000 101 1/2 Jan 101 1/2 Jan 101 1/2</div> <div>Kennecott Copper 7s 1930 104 104 104 14,000 103 Jan 105 1/2 Jan 105 1/2</div> <div>Laclede Gas Light 7s... 101 101 101 54,000 101 Jan 101 1/2 Jan 101 1/2</div> <div>Libby McNeill &amp; Libby 7s '31 100 1/2 101 6,000 99 1/2 Jan 103 1/2 Jan 103 1/2</div> <div>Liggett-Winchester 7s 1942 103 102 1/2 22,000 101 1/2 Jan 103 1/2 Jan 103 1/2</div> <div>Louis Gas &amp; Elec 5s... 1952 89 89 33,000 89 Jan 91 1/2 Jan 91 1/2</div> <div>Manitoba Power 7s... 1941 98 1/2 98 1/2 9,000 97 Jan 98 1/2 Feb 98 1/2</div> <div>Without warrants... 96 1/2 96 1/2 4,000 95 Jan 96 1/2 Feb 96 1/2</div> <div>Morris &amp; Co 7 1/2s... 1930 106 1/2 106 1/2 8,000 104 Jan 106 1/2 Jan 106 1/2</div> <div>Nat Acme Co 7 1/2s... 1931 95 1/2 95 1/2 41,000 95 1/2 Jan 96 1/2 Jan 96 1/2</div> <div>Nat Cloak &amp; Suit 8s... 1930 105 1/2 105 1/2 7,000 105 1/2 Jan 105 1/2 Jan 105 1/2</div> <div>National Leather 8s... 1925 101 1/2 101 1/2 10,000 101 1/2 Jan 102 Jan 102</div> <div>N Y Chie &amp; St L RR 6s '31 99 1/2 99 1/2 19,000 99 1/2 Jan 101 Jan 101</div> <div>Series C... 99 1/2 99 1/2 14,000 99 1/2 Jan 100 Jan 100</div> <div>Ohio Power 5s... 1952 87 1/2 87 1/2 62,000 87 1/2 Jan 89 1/2 Jan 89 1/2</div> <div>Penn Pow &amp; Lt 6s B... 1952 89 89 5,000 87 1/2 Jan 90 1/2 Jan 90 1/2</div> <div>Phila Elec 5 1/2s... 1947 101 101 11,000 100 1/2 Jan 101 1/2 Jan 101 1/2</div> <div>Phillips Petrol 7 1/2s... 1931 124 124 3,000 120 Jan 124 Feb 124</div> <div>I C A W M T R ar 8 1/4 83 83 87 10,000 83 F b 87 Feb 87</div> <div>Public Serv Corp 7s w L '41 104 104 63,000 102 1/2 Jan 104 1/2 Jan 104 1/2</div> <div>Sears, Roebuck &amp; Co 7s '23 101 1/2 101 1/2 51,000 101 1/2 Jan 101 1/2 Jan 101 1/2</div> <div>Shawheen Mills 7s... 1942 104 104 21,000 104 1/2 Jan 105 Jan 105</div> <div>Sheffield Farms 6 1/2s... 1942 99 1/2 99 1/2 10,000 99 1/2 Feb 100 1/2 Jan 100 1/2</div> <div>Sloss-Sheffield S-I 6s... 1929 97 1/2 97 1/2 10,000 96 1/2 Jan 97 1/2 Jan 97 1/2</div> <div>Solvay &amp; Cie 8s... 1927 104 1/2 105 18,000 94 1/2 Jan 105 1/2 Jan 105 1/2</div> <div>South Calif Edison 5s 1944 92 91 1/2 30,000 9 1/2 Feb 97 1/2 Jan 97 1/2</div> <div>South Bell Tel 7s 1925 102 1/2 102 1/2 133,000 102 1/2 Jan 103 Jan 103</div> <div>Stand Oil of N Y deb 6 1/2s 106 1/2 106 1/2 53,000 106 1/2 Jan 107 1/2 Jan 107 1/2</div> <div>7s serial gold deb... 1925 104 1/2 104 1/2 4,000 103 1/2 Jan 105 Jan 105</div> <div>7s serial gold deb... 1927 106 1/2 106 1/2 4,000 105 1/2 Jan 106 1/2 Jan 10 Jan</div>																					



## 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 electric railways are brought together separately on a subsequent page.

ROADS.	Week or Month.	Latest Gross Earnings.		Jan. 1 to Latest Date.	
		Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.
Akron Canton & Y.	December	198,836	129,574	2,209,489	1,658,542
Alabama & Vicksb.	December	333,506	273,933	3,963,635	3,397,144
American Ry Exp.	October	133,414	142,233	125,207	150,031
Ann Arbor	3d wk Jan	98,636	76,547	282,254	230,516
Atch Topeka & S Fe	December	19,091,741	13,645,282	191,506,230	189,217,520
Gulf Colo & S Fe	December	2,690,963	1,932,410	24,392,120	29,231,224
Panhandle S Fe	December	801,755	681,722	8,115,141	9,531,957
Atlanta Birm & Atl.	December	391,850	306,200	4,017,228	3,201,933
Atlanta & West Atl.	November	288,499	196,974	2,364,352	2,299,018
Atlantic City	December	259,025	236,747	4,626,752	4,615,848
Atlantic Coast Line	December	7,077,193	6,023,453	70,823,346	66,730,768
Baltimore & Ohio	December	20,949,106	15,504,563	200,843,170	186,622,373
B & O Chic Term.	December	507,627	208,800	3,115,207	2,678,783
Bangor & Aroostook	December	507,627	638,024	7,436,968	7,345,709
Bellefonte Central	December	9,747	6,812	98,468	69,489
Belt Ry of Chicago	December	594,121	436,432	6,184,668	5,495,789
Bessemer & L Erie	December	1,116,557	696,441	14,511,803	13,527,593
Bingham & Garfield	December	27,368	12,986	208,996	166,942
Boston & Maine	December	6,793,630	6,444,565	79,800,123	78,477,418
Buff Roch & Pittsb.	December	122,875	107,059	1,573,325	1,315,013
Buffalo & Susq.	December	2,098,487	1,239,678	16,756,681	14,399,526
Canadian Nat Ry.	December	240,620	183,822	1,675,822	2,052,782
Canadian Pacific	31 wk Jan	1,946,584	1,991,921	6,298,226	5,734,352
Caro Clinch & Ohio	December	17,656,639	15,756,924	186,675,035	193,021,854
Central of Georgia	December	648,997	575,054	7,608,602	7,464,112
Central RR of N J.	December	2,184,168	1,477,813	23,263,021	22,057,499
Cent New England	December	4,585,612	4,136,735	49,488,471	52,660,997
Central Vermont	December	758,781	566,253	6,700,751	8,387,791
Charleston & W Car	December	267,406	264,125	7,626,626	7,135,753
Ches & Ohio Lines	November	6,801,070	6,052,549	3,221,243	3,282,057
Chicago & Alton	December	2,575,120	2,546,952	24,711,937	28,575,703
Chicago Burl & Quincy	December	15,061,251	13,384,310	164,916,470	168,712,268
Chicago & East Ill.	December	2,523,000	2,020,893	24,731,348	27,099,126
Chicago Great West	December	2,148,750	1,687,405	24,224,788	24,723,653
Chic Ind & Louisville	December	1,414,719	1,226,135	14,526,700	13,952,614
Chic Milw & St Paul	December	13,966,658	11,347,782	156,950,628	146,765,766
Chic & North West	December	11,990,925	10,578,608	146,100,437	144,775,476
Chic Peoria & St L.	December	180,937	177,699	1,928,579	1,916,058
Chic River & Ind.	December	589,143	447,537	4,299,810	4,299,810
Chic R I & Pacific	December	10,756,785	10,463,637	109,198,522	122,228,852
Chic R I & Gulf	December	551,133	409,937	5,881,674	7,510,255
Chic St P M & Om.	December	2,375,828	2,106,305	27,801,007	28,407,675
Cinc Ind & Western	December	406,053	321,334	4,363,694	3,716,572
Colo & Southern	December	1,245,200	1,023,330	13,196,239	13,273,220
Fl W & Den City	December	913,211	828,039	9,717,037	11,334,956
Fl W & Brazos Val	December	209,371	460,679	2,777,179	3,501,011
Wichita Valley	November	169,86	8	1,225,58	81,596,105
Columbus & Greeny	December	161,742	153,412	1,581,751	1,594,294
Delaware & Hudson	December	3,432,888	3,740,129	37,722,123	45,723,398
Del Lack & Western	December	6,761,151	6,619,954	74,873,605	86,243,394
Den & Rio Gr West	December	3,101,986	2,828,226	30,320,175	30,246,118
Denver & Salt Lake	December	172,999	148,192	1,580,590	2,879,058
Detroit & Mackinac	December	172,999	148,192	1,580,590	2,879,058
Detroit Tol & Iron	December	761,611	337,380	9,004,474	6,453,669
Det & Tol Shore L.	November	333,020	315,710	3,262,852	2,686,390
Dul & Iron Range	December	146,747	98,007	6,818,658	4,972,514
Dul Missabe & Nor.	December	163,270	135,510	14,976,811	12,374,949
Duluth So Sh & Atl.	3d wk Jan	101,308	64,619	1,137,125	198,165
Duluth Winn & Pac	November	168,823	180,919	1,811,530	2,199,652
East St Chic Conn.	December	205,700	116,734	2,099,554	1,598,465
Eastern S S Lines	October	548,465	495,889	5,141,941	4,661,055
Elgin Joliet & East.	December	2,161,187	1,991,021	21,483,415	19,334,042
El Paso & Sou West	December	1,170,017	787,030	10,421,837	10,910,087
Erie Railroad	December	9,714,735	8,520,387	85,313,149	95,815,443
Chicago & Erie	December	1,169,303	1,023,958	10,434,642	10,046,176
N J & N Y RR	December	12,693	119,528	1,372,935	1,367,299
Florida East Coast	December	1,270,968	1,220,293	13,427,625	13,558,013
Fonda Johns & Glov	December	164,921	113,596	1,409,648	1,355,659
Ft Smith & Western	December	135,117	135,837	1,692,267	1,773,094
Georgia Railroad	November	499,189	400,738	1,597,862	2,608,285
Georgia & Florida	December	124,398	115,686	4,725,349	4,839,106
Grand Trunk Syst.	3d wk Jan	1,848,454	1,755,834	15,632,046	13,899,678
Chic Det & Lawrence	November	281,393	237,411	2,538,469	2,851,815
Al & St Lawrence	November	245,884	151,897	2,083,311	1,785,969
Det G H & Milw	November	529,223	452,220	4,957,147	4,161,915
Grand Trk West	November	1,393,324	1,246,186	14,898,780	13,417,702
Great North System	December	8,533,565	7,675,481	103,452,937	101,317,204
Green Bay & West.	December	106,395	109,876	1,349,241	1,393,576
Gulf Mobile & Nor.	December	434,311	340,142	4,108,480	3,749,332
Gulf & Ship Island	December	249,625	229,321	2,947,651	2,852,960
Hocking Valley	November	1,383,658	1,142,583	12,558,373	13,222,248
Illinois Central	December	14,415,811	10,862,427	154,860,387	141,127,066
Internat & Grt Nor.	December	1,359,020	1,136,432	13,375,887	16,447,636
Internat Ry of Me.	December	329,086	310,737	2,658,610	2,808,902
Kan City Mex & Or	December	140,168	113,776	1,375,952	1,789,643
K C Mex & O of Tex	December	195,968	165,009	1,600,627	1,199,355
Kansas City South.	December	1,747,621	1,419,918	18,221,027	19,609,283
Texark & Ft Sm.	December	205,994	150,795	2,140,153	2,177,725
Total system	December	1,953,614	1,582,747	20,361,179	21,768,140
Kansas Okla & Gulf	December	287,555	217,263	2,933,928	2,337,527
Lake Sup & Ishpeming	December	45,279	25,828	1,065,616	404,356
Lake Term Ry	December	50,273	92,001	1,012,304	1,201,902
Lehigh & Hudson River	December	211,189	255,917	1,422,760	3,242,288
Lehigh & New Eng.	December	547,469	277,757	4,597,073	4,775,737
Lehigh Valley	December	5,494,705	5,312,289	62,418,889	74,997,799
Los Ang & Salt Lake	November	1,954,600	1,602,751	18,101,935	18,105,921
Louisiana & Arkan.	December	304,352	246,212	3,264,233	3,800,764
Louisiana Ry & Nav	December	380,058	272,918	3,269,840	3,615,415
Louisville & Nashv.	December	103,705,86	8,405,120	121,140,207	117,149,124
Louisv Hend & St L	November	256,742	216,593	2,980,217	2,641,457
Midland Valley	December	1,636,965	1,517,535	20,387,172	20,590,064
Mineral Range	December	388,935	346,217	4,661,004	4,462,758
Minneapolis & St L	3d wk Jan	8,730	3,162	24,586	8,657
Minn St P & S S M.	November	1,274,170	1,171,854	15,551,248	16,185,130
		4,579,916	3,935,114	42,902,214	39,829,798
Mississippi Central	December	132,987	117,469	1,502,610	1,198,143
Mo & North Arkan.	November	132,987	117,469	1,502,610	1,198,143
Missouri Kan & Tex	December	3,056,252	2,548,741	31,991,331	33,488,591
Mo K & T Ry of Tex	December	1,946,705	1,732,831	21,469,110	26,797,515
Mo Kan & Tex Syst	November	5,142,552	5,161,689	49,802,258	58,521,537
Missouri Pacific	December	8,726,795	7,725,256	99,921,331	109,974,505
Colum & Greeny	November	149,625	164,257	1,421,009	1,440,882
Monongahela	November	415,826	484,724	3,315,918	4,006,782
Monongahela Conn.	December	202,473	96,876	1,715,071	824,143
Montour	December	141,415	89,401	1,138,757	1,408,940
Nashv Chat & St L	December	2,000,862	1,542,897	22,535,763	20,924,603
Nevada-Cal-Oregon	3d wk Jan	4,881	4,354	16,696	13,062
New York Northern	December	188,359	164,041	1,950,343	1,496,821
Newburgh & Sou Sh	December	212,027	204,342	2,323,731	2,355,149
New Or Great Nor	November	343,915	229,955	2,634,531	2,450,586
N O Texas & Mex.	November	190,059	148,140	1,867,376	1,978,572
Beaum S L & W	November	356,098	423,982	4,690,775	5,494,548
New York Central	December	34,979,139	27,458,262	363,122,527	339,947,458
Ind Harbor Belt	November	905,535	730,037	9,377,808	8,351,154
Michigan Central	November	7,999,148	5,964,073	75,609,332	67,054,847
Glav C C & St L	December	7,874,097	6,030,609	84,665,690	77,793,503
Pitts & Lake Erie	December	345,621	213,057	3,505,287	3,757,713
N Y Chic & St Louis	December	3,735,190	1,008,146	29,570,683	32,226,059
N Y Connecting	December	3,682,446	2,907,764	39,406,081	36,092,157
N Y N H & Hartf.	December	219,494	139,601	2,922,211	2,942,321
N Y Ont & Western	December	1,081,759	9,899,414	12,346,641	11,640,523
N Y Susq & West.	November	1,005,439	992,837	12,341,912	14,127,867
Norfolk Southern	December	372,697	331,573	3,737,595	3,931,019
Norfolk & Western	December	734,487	680,846	8,412,957	8,056,795
Norfolk Pacific	December	6,960,753	7,218,894	90,314,743	80,760,590
Northwestern Pac.	December	8,342,182	7,500,819	96,076,047	94,538,039
Pennsylv RR & Co.	December	587,302	569,462	8,005,843	8,609,732
Balt Ches & Atl.	December	57,444,552	47,867,940	646,355,108	617,723,905
Long Island	December	100,471	101,513	1,564,866	1,606,419
Delaware & Ches	December	2,378,441	2,009,384	30,951,540	28,720,911
Tol Peor & West.	December	80,453	80,346	1,173,067	1,162,410
W Jersey & Seash	December	143,374	163,434	1,705,418	1,692,410
Pennsylvania System	November	970,794	723,732	14,018,091	12,929,706
Poor & Pekin Un.	November	631,909	559,604	6,354,001	5,883,616
Pere Marquette	December	148,882	148,882	1,679,389	1,547,509
Pierikmen	December	3,390,351	2,647,094	38,397,934	38,303,029
Phila & Reading	December	113,710	109,385	1,293,261	1,285,803
Phila & Western	November	8,858,626	8,825,184	81,934,751	84,924,227
Pitts & Shawmut	November	70,664	60,035	732,596	744,059
Pitts Shaw & North	December	110,469	122,23	1,945,947	1,824,172
Pitts & West Va.	December	149,191	110,179	1,271,751	1,195,797
Port Reading	December	282,465	207,293	2,835,601	2,798,255
Pulman Ry & C C	December	246,627	162,956	1,898,438	2,236,444
Quincy Ont & K C	November	4,877,861	4,421,745	59,291,039	59,291,039
Rich Fred & Potom.	December	114,956	96,388	1,242,291	1,306,818
Rutland	December	1,067,430	871,662	10,975,812	10,002,075

**Latest Gross Earnings by Weeks.**—In the table which follows we sum up separately the earnings for the third week of January. The table covers 17 roads and shows 12.50% increase over the same week last year.

Third Week of January.	1923.	1922.	Increase.	Decrease.
Previously reported (8 roads)---	\$ 7,700,375	\$ 7,093,215	\$ 651,497	\$ 44,337
Ann Arbor	98,636	76,548	22,088	-----
Duluth South Shore & Atlantic	101,308	64,619	36,689	-----
Mineral Range	8,730	3,162	5,568	-----
Minneapolis & St. Louis	396,384	342,196	54,188	-----
Mobile & Ohio R.R. Co.	452,210	313,315	138,895	-----
Nevada California & Oregon	4,881	4,354	527	-----
Southern Railway System	3,471,272	2,884,851	586,421	-----
Texas & Pacific	596,486	613,188	-----	16,702
Western Maryland	378,900	340,286	38,614	-----
Total (17 roads)---	13,209,182	11,735,734	1,534,487	61,039
Net increase (12.50%)---	-----	-----	1,473,448	-----

**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:

	Gross from Railway— 1922. \$	1921. \$	Net from Railway— 1922. \$	1921. \$	Net after Taxes— 1922. \$	1921. \$
Akron Canton & Youngstown—						
December..	198,836	129,574	58,008	24,889	47,007	14,686
From Jan 1	2,209,489	1,658,542	865,091	501,607	742,349	392,604
Alabama & Vicksburg—						
December..	303,506	273,033	59,279	47,940	35,092	27,320
From Jan 1	3,063,635	3,397,144	459,617	461,607	224,148	231,931
American Ry Express—						
October..	13,344,143	14,624,283	255,067	401,615	73,268	201,860
From Jan 1	125,206,735	160,035,162	2,799,410	3,541,733	919,871	1,680,783
Ann Arbor—						
December..	432,983	430,332	24,737	128,143	2,297	90,168
From Jan 1	5,053,161	5,139,215	933,770	920,404	672,719	663,679
Ash Topeka & Santa Fe—						
December..	19,091,741	13,645,282	6,034,900	2,643,518	4,057,437	1,593,847
From Jan 1	191,506,230	189,217,520	51,149,722	58,443,353	34,062,108	44,693,067
Gulf Colorado & Santa Fe—						
December..	2,690,963	1,932,410	1,121,084	104,336	1,028,386	38,019
From Jan 1	24,392,120	29,209,224	5,878,988	7,845,111	4,954,460	6,991,082
Panhandle Santa Fe—						
December..	801,755	681,722	271,255	22,866	202,776	72,505
From Jan 1	8,119,141	9,531,957	992,145	2,533,718	637,974	2,256,787
Atlanta Birmingham & Atlantic—						
December..	391,850	306,200	77,851	116,628	12,715	145,871
From Jan 1	4,017,228	3,201,634	219,906	1,459,030	379,661	1,697,428
Atlantic City—						
December..	259,025	236,747	60,721	28,092	80,858	47,734
From Jan 1	4,626,752	4,615,848	533,399	669,999	292,827	441,176
Atlantic Coast Line—						
December..	7,077,193	6,023,453	2,065,747	1,099,959	1,258,583	838,313
From Jan 1	170,823,346	166,730,768	18,789,898	8,724,935	14,433,025	5,580,285
Baltimore & Ohio—						
December..	20,949,106	15,504,563	5,708,507	2,540,101	5,619,333	2,021,738
From Jan 1	120,843,170	198,622,373	35,821,795	32,165,349	28,966,881	24,886,985
Balt & Ohio Ch Terminal—						
December..	269,316	208,890	13,388	149,546	39,497	194,730
From Jan 1	3,116,202	2,628,783	266,643	239,069	325,855	705,047
Bangor & Aroostook—						
December..	507,674	638,024	10,875	238,648	18,465	194,455
From Jan 1	7,436,968	7,348,709	1,935,291	1,510,257	1,397,596	1,095,782
Belt Ry of Chicago—						
December..	594,121	436,432	180,782	132,014	147,193	98,763
From Jan 1	6,184,668	5,495,789	2,091,413	1,467,029	1,673,817	1,126,708
Bessemer & Lake Erie—						
December..	1,116,657	696,441	272,985	255,443	138,155	239,554
From Jan 1	14,511,803	13,527,593	4,432,208	2,264,350	3,873,122	1,875,097
Boston & Maine—						
December..	6,793,630	6,444,565	903,940	533,902	698,699	572,036
From Jan 1	79,800,123	78,477,418	12,745,726	5,318,533	10,159,955	2,583,028
Brooklyn E D Terminal—						
December..	122,875	107,059	55,673	33,799	20,960	27,505
From Jan 1	1,573,325	1,318,073	656,026	404,862	550,927	325,946
Buffalo Rochester & Pittsburgh—						
December..	2,098,487	1,239,678	257,088	174,368	235,946	176,539
From Jan 1	16,756,681	14,399,526	412,955	482,494	41,692	133,146
Buffalo & Susquehanna—						
December..	240,820	163,822	44,759	5,950	37,987	3,242
From Jan 1	1,675,822	2,052,782	314	299,145	61,669	332,817
Canadian Pacific—						
December..	17,365,639	15,756,924	3,464,805	1,917,781	-----	-----
From Jan 1	186,675,036	193,021,854	36,301,691	34,201,740	-----	-----
Carolina Clinchfield & Ohio—						
December..	648,997	575,054	172,823	178,044	112,823	153,446
From Jan 1	7,608,602	7,464,112	2,592,815	2,143,941	2,027,036	1,702,140
Central of Georgia—						
December..	2,184,168	1,477,813	506,008	20,982	388,538	51,988
From Jan 1	23,263,021	22,057,499	5,321,625	2,036,656	4,084,809	1,090,192
Central New England—						
December..	585,247	629,216	78,418	199,499	36,896	127,888
From Jan 1	6,790,751	8,382,790	1,573,515	2,360,303	1,285,071	2,062,215
Central RR of New Jersey—						
December..	4,585,612	4,136,735	313,784	23,273	180,050	111,732
From Jan 1	49,488,471	52,660,997	7,291,049	19,039,301	3,718,391	6,206,016
Central Vermont—						
December..	758,781	566,253	157,045	98,016	126,830	89,706
From Jan 1	7,626,626	7,135,753	1,106,525	178,806	881,374	414,469
Charleston & West Carolina—						
December..	267,406	254,549	65,538	42,994	54,899	33,884
From Jan 1	3,221,243	3,282,057	760,157	64,389	618,155	165,793
Chicago Burlington & Quincy—						
December..	15,061,251	13,384,310	4,138,445	3,000,000	3,282,712	2,310,055
From Jan 1	164,916,470	168,712,268	38,138,767	40,495,979	27,217,422	30,752,354
Chicago & Eastern Illinois—						
December..	2,523,000	2,020,893	551,172	289,251	115,000	120,000
From Jan 1	24,731,348	27,999,146	3,596,615	3,154,741	2,435,876	1,938,681
Chicago Great Western—						
December..	2,148,750	1,687,405	498,607	135,679	393,053	219,048
From Jan 1	24,224,788	24,273,653	2,950,563	3,283,672	1,961,900	2,382,086
Chicago Milw & St Paul—						
December..	13,966,658	11,347,782	2,186,071	1,206,849	1,390,454	447,252
From Jan 1	156,950,628	146,765,766	27,353,932	18,808,764	17,692,660	9,763,126
Chicago & North Western—						
December..	11,990,925	10,578,608	1,773,720	92,345	1,020,722	488,570
From Jan 1	146,100,437	144,775,476	26,909,303	15,684,048	17,877,373	7,201,883
Chicago River & Indiana—						
December..	589,143	-----	171,596	-----	138,295	-----
From Jan 1	4,299,810	-----	1,577,381	-----	1,267,362	-----
Chicago Rock Isl & Pacific—						
December..	551,133	469,930	90,695	20,615	78,041	20,076
From Jan 1	5,881,674	7,510,255	1,071,545	1,702,975	922,860	1,574,402
Chicago St Paul Minn & Omaha—						
December..	2,375,828	2,106,305	692,861	107,960	615,615	336,354
From Jan 1	27,801,007	28,047,675	5,503,956	3,528,252	3,944,933	2,232,481
Cincinnati Ind & Western—						
December..	406,503	321,534	61,820	19,161	43,087	11,770
From Jan 1	4,363,694	3,716,572	588,998	431,564	390,253	585,920

	—Gross from Railway—		—Net from Railway—		—Net after Taxes—	
	1922.	1921.	1922.	1921.	1922.	1921.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Colorado & Southern—						
December..	1,245,200	1,023,230	144,981	46,625	44,189	43,892
From Jan 1 13,196,236	13,223,220	2,301,571	2,699,330	1,468,057	1,932,715	
Ft Worth & Denver City—						
December..	913,211	828,039	247,962	164,804	218,017	146,099
From Jan 1 9,717,037	11,334,956	2,991,147	3,822,751	2,474,289	3,434,988	
Trinity & Brazos Valley—						
December..	209,371	460,679	58,376	78,202	46,500	75,627
From Jan 1 2,777,179	3,501,011	504,730	711,744	415,183	630,272	
Columbus & Greenville—						
December..	161,742	153,412	54,492	46,381	50,456	11,737
From Jan 1 1,581,751	1,594,294	376,371	43,129	319,669	122,796	
Delaware & Hudson—						
December..	3,432,888	3,740,129	45,214	173,281	123,111	93,781
From Jan 1 37,722,123	45,723,398	2,236,725	7,225,812	1,361,367	6,255,944	
Delaware Lackawanna & Western—						
December..	6,761,151	6,619,954	589,738	906,788	204,290	95,512
From Jan 1 74,873,605	86,243,394	10,727,792	17,865,874	5,797,588	12,516,049	
Denver & Salt Lake—						
December..	172,999	148,192	22,945	49,808	26,769	40,736
From Jan 1 1,580,509	2,879,058	74,408	145,867	177,277	43,589	
Detroit & Mackinac—						
December..	130,192	125,471	4,928	14,733	14,940	3,732
From Jan 1 1,875,664	1,972,441	178,239	206,309	57,599	68,217	
Detroit Toledo & Ironton—						
December..	761,611	337,380	337,449	216,597	313,985	231,300
From Jan 1 9,004,474	6,453,669	1,500,832	1,046,908	1,337,500	888,152	
Duluth & Iron Range—						
December..	146,747	96,507	180,770	240,568	232,176	224,025
From Jan 1 6,818,658	4,972,514	2,169,795	602,969	1,650,869	303,788	
Duluth Missabe & Northern—						
December..	163,270	135,510	378,890	318,784	388,988	433,069
From Jan 1 14,976,811	12,374,949	7,425,327	5,063,338	6,615,360	3,682,576	
East St. Louis Connecting—						
December..	205,700	116,734	117,178	34,368	78,209	1,714
From Jan 1 2,099,554	1,598,645	1,112,123	508,442	960,221	444,569	
Elgin Joliet & Eastern—						
December..	2,161,187	1,591,021	649,659	606,362	459,790	609,674
From Jan 1 21,483,415	19,334,942	7,785,524	5,721,903	6,330,827	4,753,338	
El Paso & Southwestern—						
December..	1,170,017	787,030	470,395	262,213	447,584	164,342
From Jan 1 10,421,837	10,910,087	3,405,249	2,489,414	2,471,652	1,403,140	
Florida East Coast—						
December..	1,274,968	1,220,293	428,330	210,191	381,558	99,303
From Jan 1 13,427,625	13,558,013	3,995,800	2,254,686	3,220,341	1,449,628	
Fort Smith & Western—						
December..	164,921	135,837	32,816	15,716	26,816	8,429
From Jan 1 1,692,267	1,773,094	339,724	70,510	268,312	2,427	
Galveston Wharf—						
December..	135,117	136,622	52,651	231,049	12,570	251,549
From Jan 1 1,597,862	2,608,285	392,724	700,880	141,649	487,663	
Georgia & Florida—						
December..	124,398	115,686	26,725	26,754	20,300	18,714
From Jan 1 1,362,046	1,389,678	245,864	68,380	169,865	147,157	
Great Northern System—						
December..	8,533,565	7,675,481	1,777,935	1,736,171	1,196,075	1,216,730
From Jan 1 103,452,937	101,317,204	23,816,899	20,820,291	15,703,640	12,480,988	
Green Bay & Western—						
December..	105,395	109,876	10,162	75,678	2,063	60,887
From Jan 1 1,349,240	1,395,576	282,355	318,717	185,945	222,498	
Gulf & Ship Island—						
December..	249,625	229,921	693,293	648,949	640,141	647,157
From Jan 1 2,947,651	2,852,960	1,444,478	188,618	1,180,081	404,252	
Illinois Central—						
December..	14,415,811	11,086,427	3,718,211	8,085,865	2,746,683	7,753,300
From Jan 1 154,860,837	141,127,066	35,731,118	31,129,275	-----	-----	-----
Illinois Central System—						
December..	16,488,201	12,857,471	-----	-----	3,464,357	1,398,371
From Jan 1 174,765,348	161,886,474	-----	-----	-----	26,752,377	18,570,261
International Ry in Maine—						
December..	329,086	310,737	77,192	89,545	66,963	63,470
From Jan 1 2,658,610	2,808,902	320,410	209,924	140,181	6,849	
Kansas City Mexico & Orient—						
December..	140,168	113,776	22,752	38,235	27,791	46,778
From Jan 1 1,375,952	1,789,643	67,510	202,539	152,183	299,554	
Kan City Mex & Orient & Texas—						
December..	195,968	165,009	35,382	1,509	29,363	5,456
From Jan 1 1,600,627	2,199,355	69,437	261,220	143,034	332,842	
Kansas City Southern—						
December..	1,747,621	1,419,918	559,829	164,845	481,415	67,937
From Jan 1 18,221,027	19,609,283	4,434,436	5,008,986	3,270,367	4,007,802	
Texarkana & Ft Smith—						
December..	205,994	150,795	35,428	24,465	3,868	47,282
From Jan 1 2,140,153	2,177,755	843,284	774,544	686,153	715,168	
Kansas Oklahoma & Gulf—						
December..	287,555	217,263	70,045	64,478	60,466	52,824
From Jan 1 2,933,928	2,337,527	835,160	218,913	717,677	107,173	
Lake Terminal Ry—						
December..	50,273	92,001	44,692	41,594	51,746	10,427
From Jan 1 1,012,304	1,201,902	183,339	213,908	117,440	114,581	
Lehigh & Hudson River—						
December..	211,189	255,917	51,454	9,308	33,523	2,337
From Jan 1 2,412,760	3,242,288	465,032	812,447	301,700	667,138	
Lehigh & New England—						
December..	547,469	277,757	202,382	46,219	163,215	268,289
From Jan 1 4,597,073	4,775,737	933,034	979,996	713,584	753,559	
Lehigh Valley—						
December..	5,494,765	5,312,289	501,851	921,280	453,071	749,071
From Jan 1 62,418,889	74,997,799	3,394,949	7,759,731	1,408,999	5,692,959	
Louisiana & Arkansas—						
December..	304,352	246,212	100,572	29,348	55,969	1,343
From Jan 1 3,294,233	3,380,794	90,160	651,854	704,255	422,187	
Louisville & Nashville—						
December..	10,370,586	8,405,120	1,714,030	27,168	1,318,110	403,744
From Jan 1 121,140,207	117,149,124	21,540,182	8,192,000	16,840,333	4,616,531	
Maine Central—						
December..	1,636,965	1,517,535	664,391	14,518	576,626	120,859
From Jan 1 20,387,172	20,590,064	3,943,789	1,056,712	2,761,245	2,107,179	
Minneapolis & St. Louis—						
December..	1,274,170	1,171,854	118,541	243,787	191,618	202,873
From Jan 1 15,551,248	16,185,130	2,220,539	1,423,001	1,389,754	621,895	
Mississippi Central—						
December..	132,987	117,469	34,389	151	30,405	3,480
From Jan 1 1,502,610	1,198,143	226,668	-----	2,632	154,946	77,841
Missouri Kansas & Texas—						
December..	3,056,252	2,548,741	1,038,150	264,499	873,876	181,321
From Jan 1 31,991,331	33,488,591	10,591,674	6,724,223	8,467,537	4,891,212	
Mo Kan & Tex Ry of Texas—						
December..	1,946,705	1,792,834	278,056	283,048	200,105	307,655
From Jan 1 21,469,110	26,797,515	4,473,309	5,326,804	3,779,522	4,702,844	
Missouri Kansas & Texas System—						
December..	5,143,443	4,499,438	1,348,113	2,084	1,095,667	100,081
From Jan 1 55,035,702	63,020,975	15,352,001	12,965,191	12,425,624	10,352,728	
Missouri Pacific—						
December..	8,726,795	7,725,256	1,055,406	540,059	997,106	136,361
From Jan 1 99,921,331	109,745,072	15,262,416	17,702,616	11,206,433	13,364,877	
Mobile & Ohio—						
December..	1,585,542	1,505,324	367,544	244,420	291,517	187,632
From Jan 1 17,878,005	18,190,180	4,043,784	2,065,650	3,280,909	1,325,983	
Montour—						
December..	141,415	89,401	1,925	679	10,622	2,623
From Jan 1 1,138,757	1,408,940	167,717	6,798	132,382	32,455	



	Gross from Railway		Net from Railway		Net after Taxes	
	1922.	1921.	1922.	1921.	1922.	1921.
Nashv Chattanooga & St Louis—						
December—	2,000,862	1,542,897	478,496	235,036	443,390	275,252
From Jan 1 22,353,763	20,924,603	3,146,075	11,317,326	2,709,084	758,639	
Nevada Northern—						
December—	44,272	21,120	13,495	1,400	5,990	7,563
From Jan 1—	575,771	345,084	251,425	26,286	172,240	123,323
Newburgh & South Shore—						
December—	183,359	164,041	23,725	76,335	7,815	38,669
From Jan 1—	1,950,343	1,496,821	462,659	343,398	292,925	185,031
New York Central—						
December—	34,979,130	27,458,262	6,782,171	11,898,659		
From Jan 1 1.363122 527	339475 455	53,716,459	59,031,276			
Cleveland & St Louis—						
December—	7,874,097	6,030,609	1,502,166	3,390,037	1,502,902	3,084,830
From Jan 1—	84,665,690	79,793,593	19,807,377	15,387,471	15,569,599	11,398,706
Cincinnati Northern—						
December—	345,621	213,057	82,323	129,974	67,397	42,589
From Jan 1—	3,505,287	3,757,713	807,551	1,115,422	623,084	840,448
Pittsburgh & Lake Erie—						
December—	3,735,190	1,908,146	836,175	1,065,643	844,066	2,278,092
From Jan 1—	29,570,983	23,226,590	4,490,970	2,885,623	3,392,865	1,682,355
N Y Chicago & St Louis—						
December—	3,682,446	2,907,764	734,143	880,886	761,974	601,215
From Jan 1—	39,406,081	36,092,157	8,991,022	7,340,832	6,986,721	4,920,391
New York Connecting—						
December—	219,494	139,604	165,478	46,211	127,605	2,531
From Jan 1—	2,929,211	2,942,321	1,958,429	2,264,841	1,487,490	1,811,399
N Y New Haven & Hartford—						
December—	10,817,569	9,899,414	1,688,969	1,484,519	1,363,803	1,309,129
From Jan 1 1.23,246,641	116,405,233	23,257,785	10,002,938	18,640,902	5,513,942	
N Y Ontario & Western—						
December—	1,005,439	992,836	20,006	93,156	77,989	33,672
From Jan 1 1.12,341,912	147,867	1,356,365	2,060,781	901,080	1,603,349	
Norfolk Southern—						
December—	734,487	680,846	213,519	181,310	152,151	170,632
From Jan 1—	8,412,957	8,056,795	1,817,522	1,304,286	1,413,673	937,852
Norfolk & Western—						
December—	6,960,753	7,218,894	849,907	2,218,174	399,362	1,792,976
From Jan 1 1.90,314,743	80,760,590	22,337,541	16,754,419	16,328,683	11,993,834	
Northern Pacific—						
December—	8,342,182	7,500,813	2,519,173	2,436,245	2,071,033	1,634,776
From Jan 1 1.96,076,067	94,538,059	23,421,357	16,907,192	14,965,791	7,875,176	
Northwestern Pacific—						
December—	587,302	569,462	99,914	42,986	49,031	13,421
From Jan 1—	8,008,843	8,609,732	2,302,909	2,244,268	1,727,218	1,760,435
Pennsylvania RR & Co—						
December—	57,444,562	47,857,940	8,838,512	2,806,182	6,980,207	1,010,188
From Jan 1 1.646,552 108	61,573,905	112,233,424	75,110,492	83,302,998	48,207,493	
Pennsylvania System—						
December—	61,198,185	50,992,145	9,341,946	2,571,884	7,258,879	665,799
From Jan 1 1.696,597,768	662,756,803	122,972,712	82,445,964	90,808,280	52,675,497	
Baltimore Ches & Atl—						
December—	100,471	101,513	20,458	20,266	20,405	20,266
From Jan 1—	1,564,866	1,606,419	33,741	101,878	14,074	55,898
Long Island—						
December—	2,378,441	2,009,384	348,693	70,827	149,256	5,857
From Jan 1 1.30,951,540	28,720,911	7,777,721	5,538,926	5,951,290	3,969,289	
Maryland Del & Virginia—						
December—	89,453	89,386	8,792	22,401	8,825	22,401
From Jan 1—	1,173,967	1,251,171	71,632	33,728	92,008	58,244
Toledo Peoria & Western—						
December—	143,374	163,434	37,291	57,589	52,626	50,047
From Jan 1—	1,705,418	1,692,410	55,035	208,570	191,877	326,227
West Jersey & Seashore—						
December—	970,794	723,732	66,998	186,952	66,998	187,254
From Jan 1—	14,018,091	12,929,706	2,441,679	1,246,058	1,540,574	533,779
Pere Marquette—						
December—	3,390,331	2,647,094	592,655	347,792	421,134	254,036
From Jan 1 1.38,397,934	38,303,029	9,486,670	8,266,729	7,684,739	6,853,562	
Perkiomen—						
December—	113,710	109,385	59,911	54,174	38,285	69,101
From Jan 1—	1,293,261	1,285,803	629,218	619,952	551,822	550,540
Philadelphia & Reading—						
December—	8,858,626	6,825,184	3,055,736	2,255,868	1,901,158	2,612,745
From Jan 1 1.81,934,751	84,924,227	19,879,429	16,562,919	16,622,251	14,820,302	
Pittsburgh Shawmut & Nor—						
December—	149,191	110,179	2,107	207,254	6,688	210,780
From Jan 1—	1,271,751	1,195,797	168,720	470,688	199,376	498,933
Pittsburgh & West Virginia—						
December—	282,465	307,239	49,252	107,639	4,924	144,791
From Jan 1—	2,835,601	2,798,255	598,776	867,390	233,475	1,193,558
Port Reading—						
December—	246,627	162,956	139,851	74,819	129,968	74,379
From Jan 1—	1,898,438	2,236,444	841,086	1,028,385	677,841	875,106
Quincy Omaha & Kansas City—						
December—						
From Jan 1—	1,242,291	1,306,819	52,827	101,528	96,457	141,511
Richmond Fred & Potomac—						
December—	1,067,430	871,662	438,463	187,739	350,019	172,817
From Jan 1 1.10,975,812	10,002,075	3,740,908	2,143,071	3,107,632	1,740,930	
Rutland—						
December—	500,265	437,797	58,563	83,493	36,188	47,994
From Jan 1—	5,803,158	5,811,556	708,337	607,849	445,492	308,914
St Louis San Fran System—						
December—	7,328,001	6,502,767	1,732,089	1,265,496	1,620,009	1,317,772
From Jan 1 1.82,570,845	85,812,595	20,205,008	21,767,222	16,522,855	17,680,986	
St Louis San Francisco—						
December—	7,001,090	6,157,005	1,657,633	1,134,367	1,453,058	950,759
From Jan 1 1.79,170,251	81,851,289	20,026,483	21,674,704	16,357,765	18,078,979	
Ft Worth & Rio Grande—						
December—	144,195	152,372	12,808	47,130	6,085	46,182
From Jan 1—	1,407,622	1,771,261	100,463	23,570	147,938	17,575
St Louis San Fran of Texas—						
December—	157,449	165,717	70,078	75,852	65,911	75,178
From Jan 1—	1,709,052	1,937,908	299,039	133,696	273,279	111,136
St Louis Southwestern—						
December—	1,983,049	1,518,498	806,235	720,360	806,061	633,607
From Jan 1 1.18,548,233	17,366,132	7,159,092	6,738,461	6,246,748	5,905,623	
St Louis South West System—						
December—	2,711,764	2,212,559	737,398	739,580	591,149	628,025
From Jan 1 1.26,159,924	25,140,164	6,155,348	6,050,605	4,921,884	4,927,841	
St Louis Southwest of Texas—						
December—	728,716	694,062	158,836	19,281	214,912	5,581
From Jan 1—	7,761,691	7,774,033	1,003,744	687,855	1,324,865	977,782
St Louis Transfer—						
December—	76,540	81,005	23,406	35,094	29,815	23,792
From Jan 1—	759,648	1,111,430	166,999	504,679	166,388	487,099
San Antonio Uvalde & G—						
December—	70,639	60,879	6,601	2,311	9,861	2,737
From Jan 1—	1,033,309	1,149,443	177,940	215,361	139,682	178,951
Southern Pacific—						
December—	15,780,061	13,247,384	4,709,782	991,636	3,018,263	168,826
From Jan 1 1.183,675,881	189,996,741	55,901,117	48,707,940	40,338,362	35,975,085	
Arizona Eastern—						
December—	297,311	138,653	79,356	29,213	54,305	1,929
From Jan 1—	3,175,311	2,647,503	1,191,365	380,679	899,021	103,311
Atlantic Steamship Lines—						
December—	1,121,883	856,524	154,215	374,144	167,913	387,566
From Jan 1 1.12,030,072	10,656,078	1,635,909	213,537	1,387,706	69,238	
Staten Island Rapid Transit—						
December—	193,649	181,724	17,332	21,358	9,251	39,769
From Jan 1—	2,422,259	2,511,441	154,624	28,756	381,204	225,944

	\$	\$	\$	\$	1922.	1921.
Southern Railway—						
December..	12,224,292	10,504,258	3,472,609	2,884,080	2,957,090	2,406,902
From Jan 1..	128,489,847	128,715,150	31,319,714	22,886,143	25,466,204	18,218,805
Alabama Great Southern—						
December..	867,211	828,932	308,457	353,855	259,926	319,221
From Jan 1..	8,524,804	9,542,224	1,959,044	1,345,906	1,464,596	1,017,483
Cin New Or & Tex Pac—						
December..	1,733,743	1,366,418	580,817	277,898	534,169	204,789
From Jan 1..	16,801,374	17,170,444	3,470,110	2,381,208	2,681,154	1,729,575
Georgia Southern & Florida—						
December..	403,060	464,145	122,201	108,241	120,629	88,890
From Jan 1..	4,518,016	4,586,771	773,805	82,441	568,279	290,366
New Orleans & Northeastern—						
December..	583,296	497,999	153,328	92,146	123,665	41,888
From Jan 1..	5,506,622	6,329,587	510,016	475,121	74,577	107,898
Northern Alabama—						
December..	157,105	98,557	78,458	69,032	78,792	65,545
From Jan 1..	1,443,503	908,334	551,411	207,746	507,464	164,125
Spokane International—						
December..	110,769	96,212	35,021	10,947	27,970	1,801
From Jan 1..	1,229,532	1,300,060	404,450	338,115	335,424	245,728
Spokane Portland & Seattle—						
December..	697,894	684,959	257,185	277,213	195,420	237,162
From Jan 1..	7,364,072	7,980,930	2,648,616	2,848,772	1,752,965	1,826,296
Tennessee Central—						
December..	227,862	168,578	66,342	30,547	38,174	31,812
From Jan 1..	2,518,908	2,338,815	232,872	135,615	175,797	179,533
Term RR Assn of St Louis—						
December..	386,373	370,148	175,362	122,073	73,687	75,285
From Jan 1..	4,498,456	4,627,866	1,460,764	1,294,440	728,907	588,330
St Louis Merch Bridge Ter—						
December..	404,586	291,988	158,656	72,484	79,580	24,231
From Jan 1..	4,118,952	3,658,660	1,289,963	767,461	961,826	531,975
Texas & Pacific—						
December..	3,268,051	3,078,318	885,884	855,991	805,828	960,020
From Jan 1..	31,381,795	35,600,474	5,887,709	5,462,028	4,648,370	4,013,846
Ulster & Delaware—						
December..	116,651	105,746	24,144	178,529	30,147	171,528
From Jan 1..	1,652,803	1,747,687	72,224	367,872	120	285,213
Union Pacific—						
Total System—						
December..	17,138,131	15,142,920	4,379,909	3,525,080	3,701,653	2,876,762
From Jan 1..	192,877,122	200,970,219	49,030,892	52,957,824	35,766,067	40,071,156
Union RR (Penn)—						
December..	844,912	702,817	129,934	122,681	43,689	160,946
From Jan 1..	11,184,664	9,435,212	3,271,759	1,724,417	3,003,391	1,342,040
Utah—						
December..	182,529	97,644	42,011	16,803	36,649	1,095
From Jan 1..	1,769,642	1,213,535	472,259	203,199	397,965	86,665
Wicks Shrevep & Pacific—						
December..	373,655	345,955	117,945	108,418	91,598	88,948
From Jan 1..	3,717,970	4,151,552	701,710	854,296	468,616	642,368
Virginian RR—						
December..	1,489,473	1,165,946	315,122	122,939	170,600	73,562
From Jan 1..	19,009,444	18,024,357	6,570,053	5,618,629	5,040,846	4,575,084
Vabash RR—						
December..	4,835,046	4,447,831	921,050	318,283	731,914	135,266
From Jan 1..	57,662,496	59,217,692	9,621,199	8,711,523	7,334,653	6,846,804
Western Maryland—						
December..	1,805,479	1,403,140	291,469	343,360	235,941	278,028
From Jan 1..	18,575,350	17,619,972	3,845,193	3,799,308	3,239,665	3,020,245
Western Pacific—						
December..	1,021,053	775,210	232,162	231,279	162,743	537,758
From Jan 1..	12,944,040	12,100,611	2,667,326	1,674,942	1,704,319	388,743
Wheeling & Lake Erie—						
December..	1,040,812	938,199	223,688	94,768	140,620	32,028
From Jan 1..	13,153,888	14,770,707	2,007,181	3,104,257	776,591	2,035,748
Wichita Falls & Northwestern—						
December..	140,485	157,864	31,906	20,634	19,657	24,123
From Jan 1..	1,575,260	2,734,870	287,017	914,165	147,210	746,371
Wichita Valley—						
December..	189,900	127,004	98,821	37,861	94,970	33,951
From Jan 1..	1,415,488	1,723,109	936,304	1,097,986	400,344	554,650
Wabash & Mississippi Valley—						
December..	2,072,391	1,771,444	612,565	171,199	548,488	87,168
From Jan 1..	19,904,961	20,759,409	3,060,364	2,231,884	1,696,943	875,325

Name of Road or Company.	Latest Gross Earnings.		Jan. 1 to Latest Date.	
	Week or Month.	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.
Elec Lt & Pow Co of Abington & Rock'd	November	37,152	32,219	*374,705
Erie Ltg Co & Subs.	December	132,167	169,449	1,011,414
Fall River Gas Works	November	88,821	83,810	1,002,139
Federal Lt & Trac Co	November	458,316	437,854	4,517,039
Port Worth Pow & Lt	November	234,815	225,676	*2,504,045
Galv-Hous Elec Co.	November	282,511	278,253	*3,305,202
Gen G & El & Sub Cos	November	1183,891	1013,489	12,276,344
Georgia Ry & Power.	November	1341,989	1330,328	*14817,677
Great West Pow Syst	December	665,395	600,842	7,683,123
Havana El Ry, Lt & Pr	November	1092,363	1142,168	11,784,928
Haverhill Gas Light.	December	49,827	45,620	*542,451
Honolulu Rap Trans.	December	88,324	80,716	973,129
Houghton Co Elec Lt	November	51,436	51,421	*547,391
Hudson & Manhattan	December	983,675	965,416	10,996,713
Hunt'n Dev & Gas.	November	109,486	98,512	*1,191,367
Idaho Power Co.	November	199,406	190,733	*2,432,747
Illinois Traction.	November	2095,594	1951,046	20,433,196
Inter Rapid Transit.	October	4740,651	4607,809	52,373,120
Subway Division.	October	3069,900	2948,699	36,740,359
Elevated Division.	October	1670,750	1659,110	15,632,761
Kansas City Pr & Lt.	November	760,856	681,648	*7,742,801
Keokuk Electric Co.	November	34,648	33,488	*384,978
Kentucky Trac Term	November	129,275	114,381	*1,613,326
Keystone Telep Co.	December	168,833	164,277	*1,703,274
Key West Electric.	November	23,263	22,830	*247,839
Lake Shore Electric.	November	216,884	187,203	*2,284,817
Lexington Util Co & Sub	November	91,704	82,393	*1,112,838
Long Island Electric.	October	30,783	29,990	331,450
Lowell El & Lt Corp.	November	148,900	110,615	*1,320,041
Manhat Bdge 3-C L.	October	24,980	24,569	237,177
Manhattan & Queens.	October	34,957	30,623	321,370
Market Street Ry.	December	838,821	815,276	2,915,842
Metropolitan Edison.	November	311,332	231,408	2,915,842
Millw Elec Ry & Light	November	1782,534	1612,237	*19187968
Miss River Power Co.	November	241,685	233,076	*2,897,887
Munic Serv Co & Subs	November	410,221	214,103	*3,397,539
Nashville Ry & Lt Co	June	325,355	310,854	*3,975,128
Nevada Calif Electric	November	334,683	254,564	*3,447,852
New Bedford G & Lt.	November	218,962	215,185	*3,327,976
New Eng Power Sys.	September	477,737	455,221	*5,596,282
New Jersey Power.	November	71,756	55,682	672,911
Newport News & Hamp	November	165,435	163,561	1,910,213
Ry. Gas & El Co.	December	275,910	344,020	3,825,826
New York Dock Co.	October	831,143	782,497	7,874,615
N Y Railways.	October	106,564	108,066	1,013,239
Elgh Avenue.	October	45,836	48,630	426,665
Ninth Avenue.	October	60,320	115,726	835,716
N Y & Queens (Rec)	October	138,970	137,642	1,285,381
N Y & Harlem (Rec)	October	46,090	51,563	483,468
N Y & Long Island.	October	118,003	104,434	1,233,987
Nor Caro Public Serv	November	820,109	704,940	8,474,839
Nor Ohio Elec Corp.	December	880,126	761,010	9,354,964
Nor Ohio Trac & Lt.	November	814,834	694,002	7,569,543
Nor West Ohio Ry & Pr	November	45,008	36,279	476,342
North Texas Elec Co.	November	256,055	270,870	*3,071,620
Pacific Gas & Elec Co	November	3280,274	3035,040	35,748,172
Pacific Power & Light	November	272,709	258,916	*3,003,039
Paducah Electric.	November	50,265	45,831	*557,145
Palmetto Pow & Lt Co	November	49,033	51,958	*579,689
Penn Central Lt & Power Co & Subs.	December	258,198	207,168	2,494,343
Pennsylvania Edison.	November	263,764	219,743	2,611,769
Phila Co Subs and	December	1417,216	1168,415	13,662,351
Natural Gas Cos.	December	77,343	132,102	1,912,391
Philadelphia Oil Co.	December	72,883	68,181	824,459
Philadelphia & West.	December	3694,545	3487,908	38,647,717
Phila Rapid Transit.	November	71,965	34,467	*832,441
Pine Bluff Co.	November	280,803	261,428	*3,377,108
Portland Gas & Coke.	November	882,197	820,146	*10,084,228
Port Ry & Lt, P.	November	6950,081	6463,674	*78179,368
Puget Sound Pow & Lt	November	927,472	870,781	*10,407,905
Reading Transit & Lt	November	238,725	235,273	2,937,788
Republic Ry & Lt Co	November	770,268	607,171	*7,956,505
Rich L & RR (Rec)	October	64,223	61,409	671,998
Rutland Ry Lt & Pr.	November	46,116	46,289	569,676
St L Rocky Mt & Pac	June	423,634	277,037	1,522,444
Savannah Gas & El.	November	74,130	69,038	763,676
Sandusky Elec & Pow	November	132,969	139,081	*1,605,991
Second Ave (Rec)	December	86,824	85,585	834,816
17th St Incline Plane.	December	2,906	2,832	38,168
Sierra Pacific Electric	November	80,925	40,363	*901,556
Southern Calif Edison	November	1443,498	1397,113	16,754,458
South Canada Power.	November	77,890	73,490	*923,252
Southwestern Pr & Lt	November	925,546	851,392	*9,746,243
Tampa Electric Co.	November	158,742	135,590	*1,795,808
Tennessee El Pr & Lt.	October	706,779		*2,646,659
Texas Electric Ry.	December	247,181	245,941	2,709,393
Texas Power & Light.	November	469,134	414,516	*8,447,066
Third Ave Ry System	December	1202,559	1179,558	*7,257,161
Twin City R Transit.	November	1133,413	1158,652	12,488,623
United Gas & El Corp	November	1233,701	1093,963	*11,648,359
United Lt & Rys & Subs	November	1024,253	961,473	*14,067,983
United Rys & Electric	November	1370,680	1305,093	*14,861,079
Utah Power & Light.	November	666,741	594,029	*7,030,806
Utah Securities Corp.	November	806,937	729,425	*8,748,349
Vermont Hydro-Elec.	November	53,726	52,354	571,925
Virginia Ry & Power.	December	936,449	876,425	9,513,095
West Va Utilities Co.	November	100,105	83,975	891,804
West Union Tel Co.	November	9004,149	8164,997	96,331,336
West Penn Co & Sub.	November	1822,579	1212,882	*16,639,664
Winipeg Elec Ry.	November	489,662	481,818	4,960,389
Yadkin River Pow Co	November	101,869	101,705	*1,219,513

a The Brooklyn City R.R. is no longer part of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit System, the receiver of the Brooklyn Heights R.R. Co. having, with the approval of the Court, declined to continue payment of the rental; therefore since Oct. 18 1919 the Brooklyn City R.R. has been operated by its owners. b The Eighth Avenue and Ninth Avenue R.R. companies were formerly leased to the New York Railways Co., but these leases were terminated on July 11 1919, respectively, since which dates these roads have been operated separately. c Earnings given in milreis. d Subsidiary companies only. e Includes both subway and elevated lines. f Of Abington & Rockland (Mass.). g Given in pesetas. h These were the earnings from operation of the properties of subsidiary companies. i Includes West Penn Co. \* Earnings for 12 months. \* Six months ending Dec. 31. z Earnings for 10 months. y Earnings for 11 months. z Five months end. Nov. 30. s Four months.

**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:

Companies.	Gross Earnings.		Net Earnings.	
	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.
Beaver Valley Tract Co.	Dec 67,727	55,814	*18,557	*16,794
Jan 1 to Dec 31.	642,711	663,431	*152,360	*87,950
Colorado Power Co.	Dec 94,865	90,160	*49,548	*46,049
Jan 1 to Dec 31.	1,028,079	998,844	*472,178	*408,987
Duquesne Lt Co & Subs.	Dec 1,626,691	1,456,882	*589,745	*565,305
Jan 1 to Dec 31.	16,928,746	16,092,270	*6,599,956	*5,762,924
Great Western Pow Syst.	Dec 665,395	600,842	385,960	344,838
Jan 1 to Dec 31.	7,683,123	7,299,701	4,641,998	4,618,847

Companies.	Gross Earnings.		Net Earnings.	
	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.
Honolulu Rap Trans Co.	Dec 88,324	80,715	23,222	26,801
Jan 1 to Dec 31.	973,129	939,624	322,253	303,636
Phila Co and Subs.	Dec 1,417,216	1,168,415	*584,759	*416,224
Jan 1 to Dec 31.	13,662,351	10,209,564	*5,180,190	*2,626,327
Philadelphia Oil Co.	Dec 77,343	132,103	*48,257	*102,173
Jan 1 to Dec 31.	912,391	1,118,169	*629,144	*651,769
17th St Incline Plane Co.	Dec 2,906	2,832	*184	*1,837
Jan 1 to Dec 31.	38,168	44,133	*1,199	*16,124
* Net after taxes.				
Companies.	Gross Earnings.		Net Earnings.	
	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.
Citizens Traction	Dec '22 84,316	38,201	9,824	22,066
Co & Subs	'21 71,051	35,970	9,639	20,369
12 mos end Dec 31	'22 817,343	336,231	81,526	136,483
Erie Lighting Co	Dec '22 132,167	58,946	13,966	44,980
Subsidiaries	'21 109,449	52,564	15,687	36,877
12 mos end Dec 31	'22 1,175,155	482,769	170,343	312,425
North Carolina	Dec '22 118,003	35,067	14,862	20,205
Public Service Co	'21 104,434	27,215	13,995	13,219
12 mos end Dec 31	'22 1,233,987	332,475	173,815	158,669
Northern Ohio	Dec '22 880,125	218,738	165,299	53,439
Electric Corp	'21 761,010	155,179	155,344	29,835
12 mos ending Dec 31	'22 9,354,964	2,457,190	1,974,646	482,544
Penn Central Light	Dec '22 258,198	116,414	30,415	85,998
& Power Co	'21 207,108	98,410	30,359	68,451
12 mos end Dec 31	'22 2,494,343	1,071,710	358,547	718,163
Texas Electric Co	Dec '22 247,181	112,851	39,836	73,015
12 mos end Dec 31	'22 2,709,393	1,057,866	460,857	597,009
Third Ave Ry Sys	Dec '22 1,202,559	663,577	222,989	40,588
6 mos end Dec 31	'22 7,257,161	1,529,710	1,346,185	183,525
United Gas & E Corp	Dec '22 1,233,701	448,014	141,463	305,551
12 mos end Dec 31	'22 12,488,623	4,372,923	1,716,697	2,656,226
	'21 11,448,920	3,775,824	1,699,729	2,076,095

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## American Light &amp; Traction Co.

(Annual Report Year ended Dec. 13 1922.)

President Alanson P. Lathrop Feb. 1 wrote in brief:

**Notes Retired.**—On Nov. 1 1922, \$3,000,000 of the total issue of \$6,000,000 6% gold notes, due May 1 1925, were retired.

**Results.**—Gross income of the operating companies amounted to \$29,015,393, an increase over 1921 of \$1,744,821, or 6.4%.

Of the above, the gas sales produced 73.78%; electric sales produced 18.08%; traction receipts produced 6.54%; miscellaneous income produced 1.60%.

**Gas and Electric Sales.**—Gas sales amounted to 23,902,137,100 cu. ft., an increase over 1921 of 2,761,943,700 cu. ft., or 12.75%. Electric sales amounted to 114,973,674 k. w. hrs., an increase over 1921 of 13,358,453 k. w. hrs., or 13.15%.

**Traction.**—Revenue passengers carried, 25,426,804, a decrease of 1,553,801, or 5.76%.

**Funded Debt, &c.**—Funded debt of operating companies increased \$6,559,000. Floating debt of operating companies decreased \$3,713,200. Funded debt of American Light & Traction Co. decreased \$3,000,000. Expenditures for new construction amounted to \$4,677,330.

**Dividends.**—The directors on Jan. 2 1923 declared the regular quarterly cash dividend of 1½% to holders of Preferred stock; a cash dividend of 1% to holders of Common stock, and a stock dividend to holders of Common stock at the rate of one share of Common stock on every 10 shares of Common stock outstanding; all payable Feb. 1 1923 to holders of record Jan. 12 1923.

## INCOME ACCOUNT 12 MONTHS ENDED DEC. 31.

	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Earns. on stocks of sub. companies owned.....	\$3,636,335	\$2,985,532	\$2,463,565	\$3,355,055
Miscellaneous earnings.....	1,276,201	1,293,345	1,086,713	1,006,490
<b>Gross earnings.....</b>	<b>\$4,912,536</b>	<b>\$4,278,877</b>	<b>\$3,560,278</b>	<b>\$4,361,546</b>
Expenses.....	529,986	407,975	323,746	218,683
Interest on 6% notes.....	330,000	360,000	185,037	-----
<b>Balance, surplus.....</b>	<b>\$4,052,550</b>	<b>\$3,510,902</b>	<b>\$3,051,494</b>	<b>\$4,142,863</b>
Previous surplus.....	9,462,317	9,036,336	10,324,745	11,869,329
<b>Total surplus.....</b>	<b>\$13,514,867</b>	<b>\$12,547,238</b>	<b>\$13,376,239</b>	<b>\$16,012,192</b>
Preferred dividends.....	\$854,172	\$854,172	\$854,172	\$854,172
Common cash divs.....	1,160,884	1,115,374	1,642,543	2,416,638
Stock divs. on Ccm. stk.....	1,160,884	1,115,374	1,843,189	2,416,638
<b>Surplus and reserve.....</b>	<b>\$10,338,927</b>	<b>\$9,462,317</b>	<b>\$9,036,336</b>	<b>\$10,324,745</b>

## BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.

	1922.	1921.		1922.	1921.
<b>Assets—</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>Liabilities—</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Investment acct.....	35,474,003	35,471,459	Preferred stock.....	14,236,200	14,236,200
Temporary invest.....	1,285,978	3,178,287	Common stock.....	29,445,100	28,286,800
Earns., sub. cos.....	10,411,288	9,355,220	5-yr. 6% gold notes.....	3,000,000	6,000,000
Bills receivable.....	5,851,992	9,392,922	Warrants.....	180,718	183,917
Accts. receivable.....	98,900	90,659	Miscellaneous.....	139,215	2,957
Miscellaneous.....	18,079	10,593	Accrued taxes.....	331,911	318,679
Note discount.....	281,426	402,037	Interest accrued on	-----	-----
Int. & divs. rec.....	25,263	56,279	5-Year 6% notes.....	30,000	60,000
Cash & U. S. Treas. certificates.....	4,986,397	1,304,663	Accts. payable.....	-----	4,220
			Divs. accrued.....	731,264	708,098
			Surplus & reserve.....	10,338,927	9,462,317
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$8,433,336</b>	<b>\$9,263,189</b>	<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$8,433,336</b>	<b>\$9,263,189</b>

## Boston Elevated Railway Co.

(Report of Trustees—Year ending Dec. 31 1922.)

The board of trustees, appointed by the Governor pursuant to Chapter 159 of the Special Acts of 1918, report in substance:

**Result of Operation.**—The fourth calendar year of public operation shows a balance remaining after providing for all costs of service, \$1,545,056, after making allowance for delayed charges and credits.

**Reserve Fund Restored—Refund to Towns on Account of Deficit.**—In July the trustees having restored the reserve fund to \$1,000,000, as required by law, paid \$517,196 to the cities and towns on account of their loan to meet the deficit of the first year of public operation. The unpaid balance of that loan is now \$3,462,955. A substantial surplus is expected to be available next July for the second payment to these cities and towns.

**Railway Costs.**—The succession of storms during the past six weeks has already cost more than \$200,000. Change of a dollar in price of a ton of coal makes a difference of \$275,000 in operating expense for the year.

**Fares.**—The 5-cent fare has been extended from time to time under plan adopted for its development. As soon as practicable this service should completely cover transportation between community centres and their adjacent neighborhoods. It must be borne in mind, however, that the 5-cent fare cannot now nor in the future become a general substitute for or an active competitor with the higher basic fare whether that be as at present 10 cents or as it may be later a lower charge. No substantial invasion of net revenue can be allowed until cities and towns have been reimbursed, nor whenever such invasion would unreasonably postpone reduction in the higher fare.

Any substantial reduction in the 10-cent fare must still await repayment of the loan to cities and towns, and legislation that will remove certain burdens that are unjust to the car rider.

**Rolling Stock.**—During the year, with a view to more efficient service, additions have been made to rolling stock. 36 new steel cars for the elevated service have been placed in commission. Additional flat cars and snow sweepers have been purchased. In April, 100 semi-convertible cars of the most modern type were ordered and 71 of them are now in use. These cars may be operated by either one man or by two men, are equipped with the latest safety devices, and as a one-man car are far better adapted to the service than the light weight one truck Birney type, or any of the two-man cars which have been converted for one-man operation.

Recently 100 more of this type of cars have been ordered for early delivery. For train service in the East Boston tunnel 40 steel cars have been ordered. **Track, &c., Improvements.**—During the year approximately 21 miles of track have been rebuilt and 7½ miles improved by substantial repairs. The new elevated car repair shop at Forest Hills is about completed and ready for use. The first unit of the new store-house at George St. in Charlestown for the use of the maintenance department is nearly complete and the construction of the second unit under way.

Though the railway is not yet in the good operating condition, material progress has been steadily made toward the goal. Improvements must be gradual.

**One-Man Cars.**—The trustees believe that where there is no compelling need of the most drastic economy the general substitution of the one-man car is not desirable. They are convinced, however, that the one-man car has its proper place upon this railway, as proper as that of the train or the individual two-man car or the motor omnibus; that its use means more frequent service and often makes possible the development of the 5-cent fare. They do not agree that it is suited to conditions of heavy traffic, for the reason that its use interrupts schedules, causing delays that interfere with convenient and efficient service.

**Power.**—The 35,000 kilowatt generator at South Boston has been reconstructed and again placed in service, and a new boiler house and two boilers are under construction at that station.

**New Shops.**—The first unit of the modern system of repair shops now under construction at Everett will be ready for use before the end of the present year. No want of facilities has been so conspicuous as that of proper equipment for painting, repairing and maintaining cars. When funds from the sale of the Cambridge Subway became available, the work of erecting suitable shops was promptly begun and with the completion of this first unit a long step will have been taken toward removing the waste and ending the evils of attempting to take care of modern rolling stock with obsolete equipment originally designed for horse car operation.

**Rapid Transit Development.**—The changes at the Maverick Square Terminal of the East Boston Tunnel are nearing completion.

At Harvard Square the work of extending platforms is now in progress and should be complete at an early date.

One of the most important railway measures before the Legislature last winter proposed the extension of the rapid transit facilities from Andrew Square to Fields Corner, in connection with the purchase or taking of the Shawmut branch of the New York New Haven & Hartford R.R. A bill to carry out this plan, based upon the previous study and recommendation of the Department of Public Utilities, is before the present Legislature. The trustees have favored this project as the only one that will effectually relieve the congestion at Andrew Square, where in rush hours passengers crowd the cars and the cars crowd the tracks.

**Consolidation of West End with Boston Elevated.**—On June 10 1922 the railway property of the West End Street Ry. which had been operated since Oct. 1897 by the Boston Elevated under lease was consolidated with the Boston Elevated. The consolidation was effected as provided in the statute by an exchange of the outstanding Preferred and Common stock of the West End at par for an equal amount at par of First Preferred and Second Preferred stock of the Boston Elevated (V. 114, p. 2578).

**Future Development.**—At a hearing before the Department of Public Utilities in Sept. the trustees submitted an outline sketch of possible extensions of service, calling attention to the present need of some comprehensive and harmonious plan to which individual extensions of this railway should hereafter conform. One feature of the sketch proposes an independent trunk subway in Huntington Ave. which would provide a future extension to the north of Boston. This would bring additional rapid transit where the need is imperative. It would also provide a permanent improvement in place of makeshift changes at Park St., making the station there less of a terminal station and a more adequate way station. Another feature of the sketch proposes an extension of rapid transit to the north of Boston through use of the Saugus Branch of the Boston & Maine R.R. in connection with the elevated line that now has a temporary terminal in Everett.

## Traffic Statistics—Year ending Dec. 31.

	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Round trips operated.....	6,059,531	5,773,684	5,764,347	6,578,069
Passenger revenue.....	\$31,834,023	\$32,253,630	\$33,108,946	\$28,767,544
Pass. rev. per car mile.....	62.94 cts.	64.89 cts.	64.62 cts.	53.74 cts.
Pass. rev. per car hour.....	\$7.09	\$7.36	\$7.16	\$6.06
Pass. revenue mileage.....	50,575,088	49,706,697	51,237,527	53,533,522
Revenue pass. carried.....	4,487,400	4,381,815	4,627,295	4,749,318
Rev. pass. carr. p. car m.....	356,593,942	337,522,080	335,526,561	324,758,685
Rev. pass. carr. p. car hr.....	7,051	6,785	6,541	6,066
	79.47	76.97	72.51	68.38

## COMPARATIVE DIVISION OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES YEARS ENDING DEC. 31.

	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Total receipts.....	\$32,699,176	\$33,277,026	\$34,031,636	\$29,498,583
Operating exp.—Wages.....	14,772,340	15,553,256	17,216,445	15,539,106
Material & supplies.....	2,903,651	3,093,935	3,310,859	3,640,066
Injuries and damages.....	555,356	518,249	640,165	701,907
Depreciation.....	2,004,000	2,004,000	2,004,000	2,004,000
Fuel.....	1,853,112	1,663,617	2,587,653	1,515,261
Taxes.....	1,587,187	1,546,758	1,142,987	1,045,502
*Rent of leased roads.....	3,727,859	4,203,062	4,102,230	4,002,657
Subway and tunnel rents.....	1,927,151	1,963,738	1,790,432	1,516,047
Int. on borrowed money.....	1,891,316	1,494,258	1,514,964	1,555,790
Miscellaneous items.....	65,016	54,708	59,088	60,347

Total cost of service.....\$31,286,987 \$32,105,581 \$34,378,804 \$31,880,683  
Balance, sur. or def., sur. \$1,412,189 sr \$1,171,445 df \$347,167 df \$2,382,100  
\* Incl. div. rental under Chap. 159, Acts of 1918.—V. 115, p. 2904, 2789.

## Pennsylvania Water &amp; Power Company.

(13th Annual Report—Year ended Dec. 31 1922.)

The report of President C. E. F. Clarke with profit and loss account and bal. sheet will be found on a subsequent page.

## COMPARATIVE INCOME, PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Gross inc. (all sources).....	\$2,003,478	\$1,962,252	\$1,867,869	\$1,823,066
Exp., maint., taxes, &c.....	547,078	595,837	523,910	523,810
<b>Net earnings.....</b>	<b>\$1,456,400</b>	<b>\$1,366,415</b>	<b>\$1,343,959</b>	<b>\$1,299,256</b>
Interest on bonds.....	535,144	524,938	528,550	532,850
Dividends.....	(7%) 594,650	(7.5%) 594,650	(6½%) 552,175	(6.50%) 539,700
<b>Balance, surplus.....</b>	<b>\$326,606</b>	<b>\$246,827</b>	<b>\$263,234</b>	<b>\$256,706</b>
Total all. prev. surplus.....	329,860	248,379	266,551	263,317
<b>Deduct—</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>	<b>-----</b>	<b>\$95,000</b>	<b>\$150,000</b>
Contingent fund.....	-----	-----	-----	-----
Depreciation fund.....	173,210	170,125	170,000	-----
Sinking fund.....	75,000	75,000	-----	75,000
Red Cross & United WW.....	-----	-----	-----	35,000
<b>Surplus Dec. 31.....</b>	<b>\$1,650</b>	<b>\$3,254</b>	<b>\$1,551</b>	<b>\$3,317</b>

## BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.

	1922.	1921.		1922.	1921.
<b>Assets—</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>Liabilities—</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Property account.....	17,916,192	17,830,539	Capital stock.....	8,495,000	8,495,000
Secs. of other cos.....	3,388,034	3,177,434	Int. mtge bonds.....	1,039,000	10,724,000
Loose plant and equipment.....	87,051	92,137	Accounts payable.....	63,464	272,816
Bills receivable.....	25,000	8,000	Contingent fund.....	721,540	1,004,440
Accounts receivable.....	282,119	482,105	Depreciation fund.....	985,104	833,249
Cash.....	265,195	162,018	Tax reserve.....	163,307	-----
Cash for red. fund.....	75,097	75,165	Res. for sink. fund.....	25,000	25,000
Prepaid charges.....	5,378	5,360	Sinking fund.....	550,000	475,000
			Profit and loss.....	1,650	3,254

Total.....22,044,065 21,832,758 Total.....22,044,065 21,832,758  
a First mortgage 5% bonds are, after deducting \$546,000 bonds, redeemed by trustees or canceled for Sinking Fund investment, and \$450,000 held in treasury.—V. 116, p. 187.

## United States Steel Corporation.

(Results for Quarter and 12 Months ending Dec. 31 1922.)

The results of the operations for the quarter ended Dec. 31, as presented to the directors' meeting Jan. 30, compare as follows:

	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Unfilled orders Dec. 31, tons.....	6,745,703	4,268,414	8,148,122	8,265,366
Net earnings (see note).....	\$27,552,392	\$19,612,033	\$43,877,862	\$35,791,302
<b>Deduct—</b>	<b>-----</b>	<b>-----</b>	<b>-----</b>	<b>-----</b>
Sinking fund on bonds of subsidiary cos., depreciation & reserve funds.....	9,833,230	6,031,657	10,016,636	10,729,256
Int. on U. S. Steel Corp. bonds.....	4,764,386	4,878,304	4,986,675	5,090,100
Prem. on bonds redeemed.....	275,079	147,462	200,611	254,879
Sink. fds. U. S. Steel Corp.....	2,349,333	2,258,364	2,158,410	2,021,771
<b>Total deductions.....</b>	<b>\$17,222,028</b>	<b>\$13,315,787</b>	<b>\$17,362,332</b>	<b>\$18,096,006</b>
<b>Balance.....</b>	<b>\$10,330,364</b>	<b>\$6,296,246</b>	<b>\$26,515,530</b>	<b>\$17,695,296</b>
<b>Add—Net bal. of sundry charges and receipts incl. adjust't in acct's inventories, &amp;c.....</b>	<b>952,982</b>	<b>1,081,555</b>	<b>624,618</b>	<b>185,694</b>
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$11,283,346</b>	<b>\$7,377,801</b>	<b>\$27,140,148</b>	<b>\$17,880,990</b>
Preferred divs. (1¼%).....	\$6,304,920	\$6,304,920	\$6,304,920	\$6,304,920
Common dividends.....	6,353,782	6,353,782	6,353,782	6,353,782
Per cent.....	(1¼%)	(1¼%)	(1¼%)	(1¼%)

Balance for quarter def \$1,375,356 df \$5,280,901 \$14,481,446 \$5,222,288  
Note.—The net earnings for the quarter ending Dec. 31 1922 (and also for the 12 months period—see below) shown after deducting all expenses incidental to operation, comprising those for ordinary repairs and main-

tenance of plants, also estimated taxes (including estimate for Federal income taxes), and interest on bonds of the subsidiary companies.

See also footnote following the annual figures below.  
The directors on Tuesday declared the quarterly dividend of 1 1/4% on the Preferred stock, payable Feb. 27 on stock of record Feb. 3, and the regular quarterly dividend of 1 1/4% on the Common stock, payable March 30 to stock of record Feb. 27.

#### NET EARNINGS FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
January	\$4,654,134	\$14,387,474	\$13,503,209	\$12,240,167
February	6,180,685	10,157,896	12,880,910	11,883,027
March	8,565,166	7,741,352	15,704,900	9,390,190
Total (first quarter)	\$19,339,985	\$32,286,722	\$42,089,019	\$33,513,384
April	\$7,750,054	\$7,336,655	\$12,190,446	\$11,027,393
May	8,824,887	7,731,649	15,205,518	10,932,559
June	10,712,004	6,823,712	15,759,741	12,371,349
Total (second quarter)	\$27,286,945	\$21,892,016	\$43,155,705	\$34,331,301
July	\$9,833,664	\$5,157,395	\$16,436,802	\$13,547,100
August	10,615,085	6,502,976	15,440,416	14,444,881
September	7,019,590	7,257,687	16,174,322	12,165,251
Total (third quarter)	\$27,468,339	\$18,918,058	\$48,051,540	\$40,177,232
October	\$8,566,354	\$8,204,358	\$16,775,443	\$11,109,586
November	9,663,351	6,440,438	15,002,919	11,768,914
December	9,322,687	4,967,237	12,099,500	12,912,802
Total (fourth quarter)	\$27,552,392	\$19,612,033	\$43,877,862	\$35,791,302
Total for year	\$101,647,661	\$92,708,829	\$177,174,126	\$143,813,219

Interest charges of subsidiary companies deducted before arriving at aforesaid net earnings above are as follows:

	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
January	\$656,248	\$685,593	\$707,938	\$738,506
February	656,958	684,135	707,065	738,449
March	650,441	685,556	707,998	738,988
April	649,506	674,320	706,005	732,882
May	688,051	672,873	704,048	731,578
June	705,753	672,712	702,793	724,580
July	711,010	667,043	699,918	719,894
August	708,974	665,169	697,968	715,230
September	708,131	666,228	695,875	715,358
October	708,337	660,515	695,093	713,472
November	708,639	660,289	688,467	709,780
December	707,458	666,284	693,857	722,365

#### INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CAL. YEARS (PRELIM. FIGURES FOR 1922.)

	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Net earnings (see above)	101,647,661	92,726,058	176,686,898	143,589,063
Deduct—				
For deprec. & res. funds & sub cos. sink. fund.	33,479,344	27,905,045	38,245,602	37,608,819
Sink. fund on U. S. Steel Corporation bonds	9,305,885	8,863,180	8,438,762	7,937,107
Interest	19,232,304	19,679,582	20,105,560	20,509,321
Prem. on bds. redeemed	875,079	747,462	835,333	933,451
Add—Net bal. of charge including adjustments	952,982	1,086,230	632,586	Cr. 194,219
Total deductions	61,939,630	56,109,039	66,992,671	66,794,419
Balance	39,708,031	36,617,019	109,694,227	76,794,583
Dividends—Pref. (7%)	25,219,677	25,219,677	25,219,677	25,219,677
Common	25,415,125	25,415,125	25,415,125	25,415,125
Per cent.	(5%)	(5%)	(5%)	(5%)
Surplus net income			59,059,426	26,159,781
Less—For expend. on auth. approp. for add'l property & construc'n			30,000,000	
Balance for year	def10,926,771	df14,017,784	29,059,426	26,159,781

Note.—These amounts for the year 1922 "may be changed somewhat upon completion of audit of accounts for the year. The Corporation's fiscal year corresponds with the calendar year, and complete annual report comprising general balance sheet, financial statements, and statistics, etc., will be submitted at the annual meeting in April 1923, or earlier. This applies also to the quarterly income statement given above.—V. 116, p. 306, 189.

#### Pierce-Arrow Motor Car Co.

(Statement Issued in Connection with Proposed New Financing.)

In a letter to the stockholders dated Buffalo, Jan. 27, outlining the proposed financing plan (see under "Industrials" below and advertising pages), Chairman Charles Clifton and President M. E. Forbes state in substance:

Earnings.—From July 1 1911 to Dec. 31 1921 the annual net ear the company and its predecessor company, after deductions for a and State profits taxes but before deduction of interest paid, were as follows:

	Net earnings, after deprec. & amort. of fixed assets.	Average 1 1/2 Years.
1912 a. 2,654,723	409,784	2,244,939
1913 a. 2,199,787	650,284	1,549,503
1914 b. 2,352,034	510,444	1,841,590
1915 c. 4,817,541	352,545	4,464,997
1916 c. 4,505,944	352,545	4,153,399
1917 c. 3,845,766	487,560	3,358,206
1918 c. 4,412,497	1,599,408	2,813,090
1919 c. 3,146,232	501,326	2,644,905
1920 c. 2,575,574	567,677	2,007,897
1921 c. 7,868,589	674,294	48,542,882
1922 c. 1,279,271	707,281	571,991
		Balance..... 2,442,906

a Years ended June 30. b 18 months ended Dec. 31. c Calendar years.  
d Loss, incl. provision of \$4,464,993 (after determination of actual loss in 1922) for losses in connection with inventories, adjustments in respect of obsolete parts and in connection with changes in models. e Company's figures; audit not completed.

Outlook for 1923.—It will be observed that with the exception of the year 1921, when a large loss was incurred, every year shows substantial earnings. Estimates made by President Forbes based upon operations of the last 6 months of 1922 and upon current demand for passenger cars and trucks indicate that for the calendar year 1923 earnings, after deduction for depreciation in accordance with the company's standard practice, will be in excess of 2 1/2 times all interest requirements under the financing proposed, and that the balance available for dividends on the new Prior Preference stock will be in excess of 7 times such dividend requirements. Before such deductions for depreciation earnings so estimated would be in excess of 4 times said interest requirements.

Bank Loans.—Assets.—The loss of 1921 compelled the company to incur bank loans which early in 1922 amounted to \$8,150,000, and which have since been reduced to \$7,150,000. These bank loans will be paid off by the issue of \$3,500,000 1-year 6% secured notes which have been sold and by the proceeds of the present offering of securities to stockholders. After giving effect to the proposed financing, company as of Dec. 31 1922 will have net current assets of \$12,337,274 (whereof \$1,332,846 cash), subject only to the deduction of the 1-year 6% notes, and plant, machinery and equipment of a book value of \$5,568,992. It has always been the company's practice to apply full depreciation rates to its fixed assets, with the result that the book value of plant, machinery and equipment is, without question, exceedingly conservative.

Inventories, &c.—Inventories are now balanced and are carried on the books at or under conservative market values; the volume of sales is showing satisfactory growth; the factory and sales organizations have recently been so well co-ordinated that they are to-day more efficient than ever before in the history of the company. In the judgment of the officers, the prospects for the future are bright.

The company's passenger cars and trucks are admittedly the best that even the Pierce-Arrow Co., with its great reputation, has ever placed on sale.

#### BAL. SHEET AS OF DEC. 31 1922 (After Giving Effect to Proposed Financing)

Assets—	Liabilities—
Property account.....x\$5,568,992	Prior Preference stock.....y\$1,575,000
Pat's, tr.-mks., g'd-will, &c. 5,000,000	Prof. stock (par \$100).....10,000,000
Inv. in adv. to affil., &c., cos. 117,972	Common stock.....1,250,000
Cash in banks and on hand...1,332,846	One-year 6% notes.....3,500,000
Inventories.....10,595,425	20-year 8% debentures.....4,200,000
Notes & accts. rec., less res'v'e 1,813,807	Accts. pay., accr. pay-rolls, &c. 1,358,217
Miscell. invts. and deposits...62,014	Customers' deposits.....108,600
Prepaid insurance, int., &c. 452,845	Reserve for compen. insurance 50,000
	Reserve for contingencies.....75,000
	Surplus.....2,827,084
Total.....\$24,943,901	Total.....\$24,943,901

x After deducting \$3,212,366 depreciation reserve. y 15,750 shares of no par value at the retireable price of \$100 per share. z 250,000 shares (no par value) at declared value of \$5 per share.—V. 116, p. 420.

#### Montgomery Ward & Co., Incorporated.

(Annual Report Year ended Dec. 31 1922.)

President Theodore F. Merseles, Chicago, Jan. 26, wrote in brief:

Results.—After providing for taxes, bad and doubtful accounts and depreciation on capital assets and inventories, company made a net profit of \$4,562,607.

Out of net profits earned in 1922, the company has paid its Preferred dividends for the five quarters ended Dec. 31 1922, and in addition has provided for charter requirements in regard to sinking fund for the years 1921 and 1922 and for surplus for the years 1920, 1921 and 1922, leaving a balance in undivided profits of \$2,717,988.

Sales.—Sales have shown a gratifying increase over last year, the number of orders received being the largest in the history of the company.  
Assets.—At Dec. 31 1922 current assets amounted to \$26,524,220 and current liabilities \$8,195,866, a ratio of 3.24 to 1 as compared with a ratio of 2.75 to 1 at Dec. 31 1921.

Excellent Cash Position.—Company ended the year owing nothing for borrowed money and is in excellent cash position.

#### INCOME ACCOUNT FOR YEARS ENDING DEC. 31.

	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Net sales	\$54,738,826	\$68,523,244	\$101,745,271	\$99,336,053
Net, after deprec'n	a4,562,607	df49887,396	df\$7,855,278	\$5,094,170
Reserve for war taxes				900,000
Preferred dividends	344,619	220,017	546,345	541,794
Class "A" dividends			1,066,035	
Common divs. (\$5)				1,500,000
Bal., sur. or def.	sur\$4,217,988	df\$10107,413	df\$9467,658	sr\$2,152,376
Previous surplus	see note (b)	2,429,772	12,342,932	13,068,404
Total surplus	\$4,217,988	df\$7,677,641	\$2,875,274	\$15,220,780
Deduct—Taxes paid:				
Fed'l tax, adjustment			e445,501	
Taxes paid & accrued				\$2,277,849
Total	c\$4,217,988	bdef\$7677,641	\$2,429,772	\$12,942,931

a After providing for taxes, bad & doubtful accounts and depreciation on capital assets and inventories. b Adjustment of Common stock from no par value to a basis of \$10 par value was made in Feb. 1922, resulting in extinguishment of the deficit of \$7,677,641 at Dec. 31 1921 and creation of the surplus of \$9,189,738 as shown in the balance sheet below (V. 114, p. 635, 859). c Made up of: (1) Reserved for sinking fund for Pref. stock, years 1920, 1921 and 1922, \$600,000; (2) reserved as per charter requirements for surplus for 1920, 1921 and 1922, \$900,000; (3) leaving a balance of undivided profits of \$2,717,988. d Taxes for 1919, \$860,326; additional for 1917, \$478; less adjustment of taxes, 1917 and 1918, \$415,303. e Made up of: (1) Loss for year, \$2,954,370; (2) depreciation and loss in inventory, \$4,725,929; (3) depreciation in factory plant, \$361,000; (4) loss in value of securities held in the treasury, \$562,437; (5) loss on and allowances for accounts receivable, \$890,000; (6) deferred reorganization expenses, \$170,575; (7) miscellaneous adjustments, \$223,086.

Note.—There are arrears of dividend on the Class A stock for the last quarter of 1920, all of 1921 and 1922, amounting to \$3,228,750.

#### BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.

	1922.	1921.	1922.	1921.
Assets—	\$	\$	Liabilities—	\$
Real est., bldgs., plant, &c.	15,374,506	15,614,269	Preferred 7% cum. pref. stock	4,249,800
Sink. fund p. stk.	607,308	200,000	Class "A" stock	5,594,037
Cash	3,897,975	1,497,531	Common stock	z11,412,510
Marketable secur.	308,686	290,904	Accts payable	7,252,371
Accts receivable	3,212,793	3,955,384	Notes payable	2,972,500
Notes receivable	286,741	332,763	Accrued taxes	943,495
Investments	2,417,458	1,843,211	Reserve	2,063,553
Notes rec. sub. cos.	100,000	382,500	Surplus created (see "B" above)	9,189,738
Inventory	18,718,024	16,767,593	Earned surplus	4,217,988
Deficit		7,677,640		
Total	44,923,492	48,561,795	Total	44,923,492

x The stockholders in Feb. 1921 reduced the authorized Pref. stock from \$10,000,000 to \$4,249,800 by the cancellation of the unused \$2,000,000 stock, as well as the \$3,750,200 stock held in the treasury (V. 114, p. 635, 859). y 205,000 shares of no-par-value Class "A" stock (\$7 per share cum.) on liquidation or dissolution receives \$100 per share, subject to rights of prior stock. z Common stock represented by 1,141,251 shares of \$10 each (after all of Class "B" shares have been exchanged for Common stock; there are 120 shares of Class "B" still to be exchanged; see note (b) above).

Note.—Contingent liability in respect to guaranty of mortgage bonds of \$810,000 now outstanding, issued by Montgomery Ward Warehouse Corp., Portland, Ore., and of mortgage bonds of \$335,000 of Eagle Paper Co., Joliet, Ill.—V. 116, p. 83.

#### United Retail Stores Corporation.

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Dec. 31 1922.)

#### INCOME ACCOUNT FOR YEARS ENDING DEC. 30 1922 AND DEC. 31 1921, 11 MOS. TO DEC. 31 1920, AND 6 MOS. ENDING JAN. 31 1920

	12 Mos. to Dec. 30 '22.	12 Mos. to Dec. 31 '21.	11 Mos. to Dec. 31 '20.	6 Mos. to Jan. 31 '20.
Dividends rec. less exp.	\$1,397,729			
Net profits		\$3,534,409	\$5,705,057	\$4,706,332
Reserve for Federal taxes		98,895	920,818	
Balance, surplus	\$1,397,729	\$3,435,515	\$4,784,239	\$4,706,332
Add previous surplus	4,001,516	4,130,352	3,031,285	
Total	\$5,399,244	\$7,565,867	\$7,815,524	\$4,706,332
Common cash divs.	(\$2)1,585,554	(\$4)1,356,435	(10)3685,172	(\$3)1675,047
Candy stores div.	396,389			
Loss on securities sold	1,487,112			
Profit & loss surplus	\$1,930,190	\$4,001,516	\$4,130,352	\$3,031,285

x Dividend of 1/2 share U. R. S. Candy Stores, Inc., founders' stock, on each share of Common stock outstanding paid Dec. 30 1922 (V. 115, p. 2280)

#### BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31.

	1922.	1921.	1922.	1921.
Assets—	\$	\$	Liabilities—	\$
Stocks in other cos.	36,314,029	39,212,040	Preferred stock	1,000
Cash	297,001	544,051	Com. (found. sh.)	800,000
Accounts and bills receivable	543,902	581,006	Com. stk. (Class A)	32,653,973
Furniture, &c.		4,747	Accts. & bills pay.	1,719,114
Unexpired insurance		49	Interest payable	14,881
Organization exp.	63,554		Tax reserve	35,775
			Dividend payable	1,188,312
			Surplus	4,001,516
Total	37,154,932	40,405,447	Total	37,154,932

—V. 115, p. 2280.



### Phillips-Jones Corporation (Shirt, &c., Manufacturers)

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Dec. 31 1922.)

Year End.	Dec. 31 '22.	Years Ended June 30.	1922.	1921.	1920.
Sales	\$11,135,417	\$10,317,396	\$7,258,759	\$7,064,567	\$7,212,132
Prof. bef. Fed. tax	1,067,157	771,240	181,729	850,424	1,172,328
Prof. aft. Fed. tax	932,157	676,240	161,729	660,424	642,328

#### CONSOLIDATED INCOME ACCOUNT FOR STATED PERIODS.

Year End.	Dec. 31 '22.	Years Ended June 30.	1922.	1921.	1920.
Sales	\$11,135,417	\$10,317,396	\$7,258,759	\$7,064,567	\$7,212,132
Cost of sales	6,905,740	6,595,467	5,116,242	5,184,835	
Gross profit	\$4,229,676	\$3,721,930	\$2,142,516	\$1,879,732	
Gen. admin. & sell. exp.	2,812,771	2,619,606	1,830,115	996,336	
Net income	\$1,416,906	\$1,102,324	\$312,401	\$883,396	
Other income	63,347	65,226	39,217	18,994	
Total	\$1,480,253	\$1,167,550	\$351,618	\$902,390	
Interest & discount, net	402,560	386,556	157,716	29,154	
Corporation taxes	10,536	9,754	12,174	22,812	
Fed. inc. & exc. prof. taxes	135,000	95,000	20,000	190,000	
Preferred dividend				146,806	
Balance, surplus	\$932,157	\$676,240	\$161,729	\$513,618	

#### CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET.

Assets—	Dec. 31 '22	June 30 '22	Dec. 31 '22	June 30 '22
Cash	478,721	322,794	7% Cum. P. Stk.	2,350,000
Acc't. rec., cust'rs.	1,575,713	1,975,727	Common stock	2,000,000
Notes receivable	33,830	41,644	Notes payable	2,752,500
Miscell. accounts	45,983	48,009	Trade accept.	79,135
Inventory	5,496,737	5,238,984	Accounts payable	506,796
Insurance	104,850	104,850	Royalties pay & payroll	125,585
Investment x	17,155	40,543	Dividends payable	27,417
Due to officers		16,011	Fed. & exc. taxes pay	193,454
Adv. to salesmen	138,795	89,739	Deposits on leases & rents prepaid	22,057
Deferred assets	357,993	334,432	Deposit accounts	11,253
Real est., bldg., &c	2,068,613	2,126,008	Surplus	2,261,448
Good will, &c.	1	1		1,906,349
Total	\$10,318,391	\$10,338,742	Total	\$10,318,391

\* Includes mortgages receivable, \$15,820; investments in various companies, \$1,335. y Authorized 100,000 shares outstanding, \$5,000 shares without par value.—V. 115, p. 642.

### United Cigar Stores Co. of America.

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Dec. 31 1922.)

[A large majority of Common stock (254,684 shares) is owned by United Retail Stores Corp. See that company above and compare V. 109, p. 807, 279, 585, 1994.]

#### INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

Calendar Years—	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Net profits	\$5,059,806	\$4,901,657	\$6,004,005	\$5,921,368
Federal taxes				584,889
Federal taxes, estimated	700,000	800,000	974,000	900,000
Preferred dividends (7%)	316,890	316,890	316,890	316,890
Common dividends	1,642,836	3,942,426	492,745	2,852,010
Per cent.	(5%)	(12%)	(1½%)	(10½%)
Balance, surplus	\$2,400,080	\$1,567,660	\$4,219,371	\$1,267,579
Previous surplus	4,117,991	4,275,651	5,759,628	5,067,761
Total	\$6,518,072	\$4,117,991	\$9,978,999	\$6,335,340
Stock divs. paid in Com.			(20%) 570,334	
Fed'l taxes, 1918				575,712
Profit & loss, surplus	\$6,518,072	\$4,117,991	\$4,275,651	\$5,759,628

#### CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.

Assets—	1922.	1921.	1922.	1921.
Real est., leasehold	\$5,183,972	4,754,807	Preferred stock	\$4,527,000
Interest, &c.	21,400,000	21,400,000	Common stock	\$32,865,348
Good-will, &c.	550,998	475,067	6% Sinking Fund	6,000,000
Stocks and bonds	550,998	475,067	debentures	6,000,000
Stock for profit-sh.	442,974	671,076	Bills & accts. pay.	4,782,376
Cash	8,288,649	5,008,152	Rents rec. in adv.	792,954
Bills & accts. rec.	2,124,942	2,111,631	Reserved for taxes	832,637
Mdse. & supplies	11,215,468	10,399,188	Prov. surplus res.	3,717,780
Equipment, &c.	4,460,630	4,365,548	Surplus	6,518,072
Imp'ts. to leasehold	4,395,704	4,375,363		
Other deferred	1,486,830	1,245,384	Total (ea. side)	60,036,166

a Authorized capitalization: Preferred, \$5,000,000, par \$100; Common, \$60,000,000, par \$100. b Real estate, leasehold interests, &c., \$6,916,222. less mortgages, \$1,732,250. c Res. for taxes accrued in 1922, incl. Federal taxes (estimated).—V. 115, p. 2696.

### Autosales Corporation.

(Annual Report—Year ended Dec. 31 1922.)

President Ralph G. Coburn, Feb. 8 1923, said in part:

The various candy stores heretofore operated have been discontinued and loss incurred deducted from this year's earnings. The indebtedness was reduced from \$135,000 to \$50,000, after purchasing and paying for in full \$100,000 8% Pref. stock of Peerless Weighing Machine Co. In addition to cash dividends, the Peerless company declared a stock dividend of 12% on their Common stock.

#### INCOME ACCOUNT CALENDAR YEARS

	1922	1921	1920	1920
Earns. after cost of goods	\$1,226,640	\$1,330,700	\$1,547,236	\$1,739,206
Oper. gen. & c. expenses	1,194,292	1,251,505	1,409,340	1,386,454
Net earnings	\$32,348	\$79,196	\$137,896	\$352,751
Other income	47,655	67,838	74,141	28,227
Total income	\$80,003	\$147,034	\$212,037	\$380,978
Federal taxes	4,940	6,635	10,000	50,000
Other charges	40,482	44,088	66,430	22,021
x Preferred dividends		(4%) 110,838	(6) 159,180	(6) 159,180
Balance, surplus	\$34,581	def \$14,527	def \$23,673	\$149,777
Previous surplus	adj 219,810	237,841	264,061	123,964
Profit & loss surplus	\$254,391	\$223,315	\$240,494	\$273,741

x Preferred dividends paid in Pref. stock in 1921, 4%, on full shares and in 1920 paid 1½% in cash, \$39,795, and 4%, \$119,385, in Pref. stock.

#### BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31

Assets—	1922.	1921.	Liabilities—	1922.	1921.
Cash	\$61,393	\$89,444	Pref. 6% non-cum.		
Accts. & notes rec.	58,344	128,703	stock	\$2,886,514	\$2,886,514
Inventory	232,777	285,332	Common stock	\$4,029,570	\$4,029,570
Inv. P'less Weigh'g			Accounts payable	63,972	70,514
Machine Co.	702,886	602,950	Notes payable	50,000	135,000
Miscell. inv.	106	108	Wells & sales co.		
Real est., mach., &c., less deprec.	1,128,044	1,133,326	bonds	87,900	90,400
Pats., leases & contr	5,191,427	5,192,177	Fed. taxes & other		
Deferred charges	7,610	16,929	conting. (est.)	10,240	13,655
Total	\$7,382,587	\$7,448,967	Surplus	254,391	223,315

x Pref. stock authorized 60,000 shares, par value \$50 each, \$3,000,000, less in treasury, \$113,486. y Common stock authorized 90,000 shares, par value \$50 each, \$4,500,000, less in treasury, \$470,430.—V. 116, p. 413.

### American Steel Foundries.

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Dec. 31 1922.)

#### CONSOLIDATED GENERAL PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

	1922.	1921.	1920.
Earnings from oper., after deducting mfg., selling and admin. expenses	\$4,481,840	\$1,428,188	\$6,915,734
Deduct—Depreciation	945,626	512,735	669,238
Net profit from operations	\$3,536,214	\$915,453	\$6,246,496
Miscellaneous income	552,678	325,885	424,498
Total profits	\$4,088,892	\$1,241,339	\$6,670,994
Interest charges	379,026	440,303	924,952
Federal taxes	See *	126,026	1,249,600
Balance, surplus	\$3,709,866	\$675,009	\$4,496,442

\* After deducting manufacturing, selling and administrative expenses and Federal taxes.—V. 115, p. 2689.

### Saks & Company, New York.

(Annual Report—Year ended Dec. 31 1922.)

President Isadore Saks, New York, Jan. 24 1923, reports: All inventories have been priced at cost or market, whichever lower, and ample provision has been made for the depreciation and amortization. Accounts receivable have been shown net of reserve, which reserve includes all doubtful accounts.

Our new building on Fifth Avenue is progressing according to schedule and has been contracted for upon a most favorable basis.

#### Sales for Years Ended December 31.

	1922.	1921.	1920.
1922	\$15,301,250	1917	\$6,715,000
1921	14,922,000	1916	6,163,000
1920	13,486,000	1915	5,443,000
1919	10,886,000	1914	5,134,000
1918	7,147,000	1913	5,244,000

#### INCOME ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED DEC. 31 1922.

Net operating profits, \$1,363,529; interest earned on trust fund, \$103,202; total	\$1,466,731
Bond interest, including amortization of bond discount	203,526
Reserve for Federal income tax (estimated)	143,000
Net profit	\$1,120,205
Previous surplus (adjusted)	3,554,319
Total surplus	\$4,674,524
Adj. to bring value of Govt. securities to market value	6,854
Stock dividend paid (2,000%)	4,000,000
Profit and loss surplus	\$664,670

Note.—The company in November last increased its Common stock from \$200,000 to \$4,200,000 by the payment of a stock dividend of 2,000%.

#### BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.

Assets—	1922.	1921.	Liabilities—	1922.	1921.
Fifth Ave. building under construction	223,723		Preferred stock	300,000	300,000
Autos., fixtures, &c.	120,145	149,225	Common stock	4,200,000	200,000
Cash	1,169,356	1,560,970	Accounts payable	719,125	46,089
U.S. Govt. securities	1,255,375	282,250	Insurance fund	72,850	762,675
Acc'ts rec., net of res.	699,695	609,554	Fed'l taxes (est.)	143,000	300,000
Inventory	2,718,537	2,417,605	7% s. f. mtge. bonds	3,500,000	
Advances against import trading	33,328	82,346	Surplus	664,670	3,584,217
Goods in process	6,772	62,338			
Unexp. insur., &c.	34,353	28,693			
U.S. Govt. securities with trustee	3,000,000				
Cash with trustee	86,798				
Bond discount, to be amortized	251,563				
x U.S. Govt. securities			Total (each side)	9,599,645	5,192,982

and accrued interest.—V. 115, p. 2390.

### Chicago City & Connecting Railways Collateral Trust.

(Report for Fiscal Year Ending Dec. 31 1922.)

	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Dividends received	\$1,215,514	\$1,290,514	\$1,316,514	\$1,170,635
Interest received	42,323	90,007	92,962	96,715
Other income	34,518	38,467	33,027	20,100
Gross income	\$1,292,354	\$1,418,988	\$1,442,503	\$1,287,450
Bond interest	\$1,051,800	\$1,057,050	\$1,062,300	\$1,067,550
Bond redemption	105,000	105,000	105,000	105,000
General expense, &c.	23,696	37,620	48,288	64,132
Interest on bills payable		2,123	19,778	
Taxes	18,657	9,240	12,504	
Balance, surplus	\$93,200	\$207,954	\$194,633	\$50,768

#### STATEMENT OF CURRENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

Assets—	1922.	1921.	Liabilities—	1922.	1921.
Cash	\$486,763	\$350,962	Accrued int. payable	\$262,950	\$264,263
Bills receivable	317,000	267,000	Reserves	6,277	5,302
Other investments (at cost)	203,700	274,183	Excess over current in liabilities	744,190	650,918
Accrued int. receivable	4,705	26,823			
Accounts receivable	249	1,516	Total (each side)	\$1,012,417	\$920,484

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT DECEMBER 31 1922.

Sinking fund 5% gold bonds outstanding, \$21,036,000 (see page 27. "Electric Railway Section"); Preferred Participation shares, 250,000, and Common participation shares, 150,000, having no par value.

Assets (pledged to secure said bds.)—Stocks (par). Of Total Iss. Bonds (par). Chicago City Ry. \$16,971,900 \$18,000,000 x Calumet & South Chicago Ry. 10,000,000 10,000,000 y Southern Street Ry. 2,400,000 2,400,000 Hammond Whiting & East Chic. Ry. 1,000,000 1,000,000 (all) 1,000,000 Chicago & Western 72,000 72,000

x y Outstanding bonds not pledged to secure aforesaid bonds, viz.: "x," \$33,926,000; "y," \$5,393,000.—V. 114, p. 624.

### Detroit Edison Company.

(Annual Report for Fiscal Year ended Dec. 31 1922.)

President Alex Dow, New York, Jan. 15, says in substance: The past year was one of better business, continued during the year, although retarded in the middle 6 months by the national fuel and transportation troubles.

Territory Served.—We did not enlarge our boundaries during the year and we have no present desire to do so. The territory within the present boundaries continues to grow in population, and to change its status in many localities from rural to suburban and from suburban to urban. Our estimate of the population to-day is 1,500,000. The rural extensions are a problem. Company has heretofore been liberal in this matter of rural extensions, but we will presently be either encouraged therein or be checked by the answer which the State must soon give to the economic question.

The growth of business within present territorial limits is well indicated by the increase in the number of electric meters. The number of these meters at the end of 1922 was 336,910. At the end of 1921 it was 307,491. At the end of 1917 it was 200,874 and at the end of 1912 it was 70,763.

Output.—Output for the year reached a total of 1,105,211,100 k.w. hours, of which 1,089,678,800 k.w. hours was produced by steam and the remainder by the Huron River water powers. The corresponding figure for 1921 was 897,980,200 k.w. hours, and for 1920 1,002,306,000 k.w. hours.

Construction.—The most important single item of construction was the Marysville power plant, which went into commission in November with one

10,000 k.w. and one 30,000 k.w. turbine and the necessary boilers. Another 10,000 k.w. turbine which has been in use temporarily at Conners Creek (in place of the 20,000 k.w. turbine being overhauled) will presently be moved to Marysville, completing that installation for the time being.

The net addition to the plant investment account—that is to say, the total construction and reconstruction during the year, less the value of property taken out of service—was \$9,153,549.

We are proceeding with the construction of the Trenton Channel plant. The first two steam turbine units will each be of 45,000 to 50,000 k.w. capacity, and we think we will want the output of one of these within 12 months.

**Capital Increase.**—Capital stock outstanding was increased from \$28,912,700 to \$34,454,900. Of this increase \$1,786,800 results from the conversion of debentures and \$4,655,400 from sales of treasury stock. Of the stock \$1,231,500 was bought in 1922 in small lots, not exceeding 10 shares, by customers and employees.

**No. of Stockholders.**—Total number of stockholders is now 7,953. Of these there are 4,744 resident in our service area—that is to say, they are our customers, and of that number 395 are employees of our company.

**Debentures.**—Outstanding convertible debentures were reduced during the year by \$1,786,800, the amount converted into stock, and were increased by the issue as of Dec. 15 of \$6,550,900 6% series of 1932, authorized by stockholders Nov. 10. (V. 115, p. 2798.) The conversion of the 7% debentures continues steadily. The 8% series of 1931 are now convertible and are also subject to call.

**Outlook.**—We think that the expression with which we closed the 1921 report is once more in order, as follows: We do not think that further progress will be sudden or rapid—we think it will be cautious. On the other hand, we think that it will be sure and we are warranted in expecting and preparing for a healthy growth of our company's business.

#### CONSOL. INCOME ACCOUNT (INCL. ALL CONSTITUENT COS.).

Calendar Years—	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Gross revenue	\$26,408,159	\$23,382,898	\$21,990,351	\$16,498,391
Oper. and non-oper. expenses and taxes	x16,823,614	15,639,063	17,056,658	11,428,073
Depreciation reserve	2,415,000	1,460,000	400,000	860,000
Net income	\$7,169,545	\$6,283,836	\$4,533,693	\$4,210,318
Interest paid & accrued	3,556,381	3,433,665	2,462,757	1,721,583
Dividends (8%)	2,599,278	2,234,339	2,201,627	2,058,531
Balance, surplus	\$1,013,886	\$615,832 def.	\$130,691	\$430,204
Previous surplus	1,965,843	1,653,687	2,659,758	2,401,213
Total	\$2,979,729	\$2,269,519	\$2,529,067	\$2,831,417
Adjustments	Cr.\$9,454	Cr.\$1,185	Cr.\$59,037	\$19,447
Renewals, &c. (add'l)			700,000	
Insurance reserve		32,584		
Extinguishment of disc't on securities, &c.	353,743	272,276	234,415	152,212
Total surplus Dec. 31.	\$2,616,534	\$1,965,843	\$1,653,687	\$2,659,758

\* Statistics furnished to New York Stock Exchange for years ending Nov. 30 1919 and 1920 show that for those years the Federal and other taxes included in operating and non-operating expenses amounted to \$973,850 and \$1,127,350, respectively; for the calendar year 1921, \$1,524,000, and for the 12 months ended Oct. 31 1922, \$1,725,800.

#### CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31.

Assets—	1922.	1921.	Liabilities—	1922.	1921.
Property	\$95,316,391	\$86,162,841	Capital stock	\$234,454,900	\$28,012,700
Investments and special advances	4,916,934	3,595,018	Inst. pd. on cap. stk.	483,342	
Cash	2,469,335	801,700	Funded debt	x69,062,900	64,298,800
Notes & accts. rec.	4,614,687	3,897,368	Inst. pd. on debts.	142,950	
Materials & supp.	2,922,587	4,111,622	Notes, &c., pay.	688,326	2,950,000
Special deposits	78,973	73,742	Dividends payable	1,096,634	560,254
Deferred charges	4,954,896	5,099,613	Accounts payable	2,035,516	1,096,634
Prepaid accounts	586,906	546,251	Accrued liabilities	2,346,844	2,241,329
Insurance investments	437,597	426,650	Perm. & corp. res.	104,163	55,765
			Operating reserve	4,362,831	3,551,997
Total	\$116,298,306	\$104,733,322	Surplus	2,616,534	1,965,843

\* See itemized statement of funded debt on p. 162 of Nov. 1922 issue of "Ry. & Indus. Section." y Includes (a) renewal, replacement and contingent depreciation reserve, \$3,704,068; (b) casualty insurance reserve, \$445,071; (c) other reserves, \$213,691. z Capital stock authorized, \$60,000,000.—V. 116, p. 301, 182.

#### Childs Company, New York.

(Report for Fiscal Year ending Nov. 30 1922.)

#### CONSOLIDATED INCOME ACCOUNT FOR YEARS ENDING NOV. 30

(Including Childs Dining Hall Co. and Childs Company of Providence.)

	1921-22.	1920-21.	1919-20.	1918-19.
Gross profits	\$2,067,648	\$2,139,523	\$2,392,107	\$1,658,005
Dividends, pref. (7%)	311,149	307,091	307,091	307,000
xdo Common—(8%)	319,992	(8)319,992	(8)319,997	(4)159,998
Dividends sub companies		408	655	358
Balance, surplus	\$1,436,507	\$1,512,033	\$1,764,364	\$1,190,559
Previous surplus	3,420,959	2,865,755	2,125,260	1,342,853
Total	\$4,857,466	\$4,377,788	\$3,889,624	\$2,533,412
Reserve account	146,785	180,836	123,112	20,178
Depreciation account	533,200	525,993	400,757	387,973
Reserve for contingencies	250,000	250,000	500,000	
Total surplus	\$3,927,480	\$3,420,959	\$2,865,755	\$2,125,260

x Dividends totaled \$631,142; divided by Editor as shown above.

#### CONSOL. BALANCE SHEET NOV. 30 (INTER-CO. ITEMS ELIMATED).

Assets—	1922.	1921.	Liabilities—	1922.	1921.
Restaurants, plants, leaseholds, &c.	x11,020,401	10,022,547	Common stock	3,999,900	3,999,900
Res. (real estate and cash on dep.)	1,333,165	1,186,379	Prof. (7% cum.) stk	4,613,300	4,387,100
Cash	1,481,595	1,439,421	Common scrip.	100	100
Stocks owned	181,153	181,622	Other capital stock	1,200	1,200
Notes rec. acc. &c.	709,150	408,531	Notes & accts. pay.	1,483,806	1,304,989
Govt., State and Ry. bonds	573,651	1,190,291	Reserve for taxes	602,478	714,017
Mdse. inventory	241,275	227,157	Reserve account	1,333,165	1,186,379
Real est., less mtgs.	1,422,033	1,103,697	Res. for conting.	1,000,000	750,000
			Surplus	3,927,480	3,420,959
Total	\$16,961,428	\$15,764,644	Total	\$16,961,428	\$15,764,644

x After deducting \$4,152,434 depreciation.—V. 115, p. 1637.

## GENERAL INVESTMENT NEWS

### RAILROADS, INCLUDING ELECTRIC ROADS.

The following news in brief form touches the high points in the railroad and electric railway world during the week just past, together with a summary of the items of greatest interest which were published in full detail in last week's "Chronicle" either under "Editorial Comment" or "Current Events and Discussions."

**I-S. C. Commission Gives Permission to Merge Lines.**—New York Chicago & St. Louis RR. and other lines in Middle West to take over control of Chesapeake & Ohio RR. by assuming 7 out of 9 places on board of directors. "Philadelphia News Bureau" Jan. 31, p. 3.

**Rate Reduction.**—Special permission for reduction of rates was granted by I-S. C. Commission to all railroads routing freight via Kansas City Mexico & Orient to and from Southern Texas. "Philadelphia News Bureau" Jan. 26, p. 3.

**U. S. Railroad Labor Board Grants Eight-Hour Day to Signalmen.**—"Times" Feb. 1, p. 28.

**Study of Nation's Transportation Problems.**—U. S. Chamber of Commerce leads in bringing about conference between railroad men and shippers. "Times" Sec. 1, Part 2, p. 7, Jan. 28.

**I-S. C. Commission Orders Restoration of Interchangeable Mileage Books.**—Sale of books for 2,500 miles at 20% reduction of regular rate required on March 15. "Times" Feb. 1, p. 28.

**Western Roads Heard of Consolidation Plan—Proposed Union Pacific-North Western, Southern Pacific-Rock Island and Santa Fe Systems.**—"Railway Age" Jan. 27, p. 269.

**Railroad Committee Opposes Car Pooling Plan—Suggested Ways of Improving Coal Transportation Discussed in Report to U. S. Coal Commission.**—"Railway Age" Jan. 27, p. 293-295.

**Car Surplus.**—Surplus freight cars of all descriptions and in good repair totaled 28,282 cars on Jan. 15, an increase since Jan. 7 of 7,856 cars. Surplus box cars numbered 7,588, an increase within the same period of 897, while there was an increase in the number of surplus coal cars of 665, which brought the total to 6,155. Surplus stock cars increased within a week 2,518, total on Jan. 15 being 6,283.

**Car Shortage.**—The shortage in freight cars of all descriptions amounted to 73,342 on Jan. 15, or 57 cars above that on Jan. 7. The shortage in box cars amounted to 28,283, a decrease within that period of 2,612, while the shortage in coal cars totaled 37,014, or an increase within the same length of time of 2,771. The shortage in stock cars amounted to 2,085, which was an increase of 34 cars over that on Jan. 7, while refrigerator cars declined 139, which brought the total shortage to 1,972 cars.

**Car Repairs.**—On Jan. 15 162,832 freight cars were in need of heavy repairs. This was a reduction since Jan. 1 of 1,209. Due principally to weather conditions, a small increase in the number of freight cars in need of light repairs was reported during the same period. On Jan. 15 54,368 freight cars were in need of such repairs, which was an increase of 2,398 since the first of the year. This makes a total of 217,200 freight cars, or 9.6% of the number on line in need of repair on Jan. 15, compared with 216,011, or 9.5%, on Jan. 1. Cars in need of all kinds of repair on Jan. 15 1922 totaled 319,512, or 13.9%.

**Car Loadings.**—Loading of revenue freight for this time of year is running far ahead of the corresponding period in previous years. The total for the week which ended on Jan. 20 amounted to 875,578 cars. This was an increase of 134,469 cars over the corresponding week last year and an increase of 156,920 cars over the corresponding week in 1921. It was also an increase of 60,712 cars over the same week in 1920.

The total for the week of Jan. 20 this year, however, was a reduction of 7,673 cars compared with the preceding week this year.

More cars were loaded with forest products during the week of Jan. 20 this year than ever before during any one week in history. The total for the week was 70,066 cars, which was an increase of 1,434 cars over the week before and an increase of 20,074 cars over the same week last year.

A new record for this time of year in the number loaded with merchandise and miscellaneous freight, which includes manufactured products, was also established. The total for the week was 495,901 cars, 3,060 cars in excess of the preceding week. Compared with the same week last year, this was an increase of 72,500 cars.

Loading of grain and grain products amounted to 48,280 cars, a decrease under the week before of 2,754 cars and a decrease of 3,935 cars compared with the same week last year.

Live stock loading totaled 36,790 cars. This was a decrease of 3,710 cars compared with the week before, but an increase of 1,980 cars over the same week last year.

Coal loading totaled 192,824 cars, 5,862 cars below the previous week. This was an increase of 30,705 cars over the corresponding week in 1922.

Coke loading amounted to 13,817 cars, 22 cars above the preceding week and 6,548 cars in excess of the same week last year.

Ore loading showed an increase of 137 cars over the preceding week, the total being 10,900 cars. This also exceeded the same week last year by 6,597 cars.

**Matters Covered in "Chronicle" Jan. 27.**—(a) Railway engineers as bankers, p. 335; (b) A new high record for railroad tonnage, p. 353; (c) Large additions to railroad equipment, p. 376. (d) Pooling of freight car equipment invites Government ownership of the railroads, says Donald D. Conn, Manager of the Public Relations Section of the Car Service Division, American Railway Association, p. 376.

#### Alabama Traction Co.—Stock, &c., Authorized.

The Alabama P. S. Commission has authorized the company to sell \$50,000 Common stock and to issue \$150,000 of 20-year 6% 1st Mgt. bonds. The bonds, it is stated, will be used in acquiring the property of the North Alabama Traction Co., under the court's approval.—V. 116, p. 74.

#### American Electric Power Co.—New Name.

See American Rys. Co. below and V. 116, p. 293.

#### American Niagara RR.

A bill which would authorize the company to construct a bridge across the Niagara River has been passed by the Senate and sent to the House.—V. 113, p. 291.

#### American Rys.—Approves Plan.

The stockholders on Feb. 1 changed the name of the company to American Electric Power Co. and approved the financing plan outlined in V. 116, p. 293.

#### Binghamton (N. Y.) Ry.—To Continue 6-Cent Fare.

The Common Council of Binghamton, N. Y., have authorized the company to continue until Jan. 15 1924 the present 6-cent fare.—V. 114, p. 1532.

#### Boston Elevated Ry.—Must Accept Wage Cut.

As a result of a decision of the trustees of the road, employees must accept the 2 cents an hour reduction in their wages, effective Jan. 1. The carmen had petitioned for a deferment of this wage cut on the ground that living costs had gone up since July, when the joint agreement reducing the wages had been entered into. With the cut in effect, the motormen and conductors will receive a wage scale of 61 cents an hour.—V. 115, p. 2904.

#### Boston Revere Beach & Lynn RR.—New Officers.

Karl Adams has been elected President succeeding John A. Fenno, who has been elected Chairman of the board. Charles J. Curtaz, Cashier, succeeds Mr. Adams as Treasurer.—V. 115, p. 1941.

#### Buffalo & Lake Erie Traction Co.—Construction.

The company, it is stated, is preparing plans to build an extension in Erie, Pa., which will provide transportation facilities for the new annexed section southeast of the old city. It is proposed to form a holding company which will install the extension and lease the line to the traction company until the latter can assume title to it.—V. 115, p. 1836.

#### Buffalo Rochester & Pittsburgh Ry.—Regular Dividend Declared.—To Be Paid from Accumulated Surplus.—Will Report Deficit of About \$1,000,000 for 1922.

The directors have declared dividends of \$3 per share on the Preferred stock and \$2 per share on the Common stock, payable Feb. 15 to stockholders of record Feb. 10.

An official statement says: Due to the practical suspension of coal mining in central Pennsylvania for 5 months, combined with the strike of shopmen, the road suffered a serious decline in its tonnage and will report a deficit of about \$1,200,000 for the year. Equipment and other property has been well maintained, however, and during the last quarter of the year the road has been able to handle a maximum volume of tonnage with satisfactory net results. Dividends will be paid out of surplus accumulated in previous years.—V. 115, p. 2793.

#### Carolina & Yadkin River RR.—Sale.

The road will be sold at public auction on Feb. 19 by order of Judge Stack of the Superior Court at Queensboro, No. Caro.—V. 115, p. 2045.

#### Chesapeake & Ohio Ry.—New Control.

Control of the company having been acquired the following new directors have been elected: O. P. Van Sweringen, as Chairman; M. J. Van Sweringen, Otto Miller, J. J. Berner, J. R. Nutt, C. L. Bradley and H. M. Hanna. The first six named directors have been authorized by the I-S. C. Commission to hold the positions of directors of the Chesapeake & Ohio Ry. and of certain of its subsidiaries while continuing to hold positions with the New York, Chicago & St. Louis RR. Co. and other carriers.

The retiring directors are: H. E. Huntington, C. E. Graham, H. O. Ferguson, Robert Gibson, A. C. Rearick, G. B. Wall and H. T. Wickham.—V. 116, p. 175.



**Chicago Aurora & DeKalb Electric Ry.—Sale.**

The road was recently sold to Israel Joseph of Aurora, Ill., at a mortgage foreclosure sale in Geneva for \$90,000. The line is 31 miles long and runs between Aurora and De Kalb.—V. 115, p. 1837.

**Chicago Elevated Rys. Collateral Trust.—Equipment.**

New equipment costing \$3,230,000 will be received by the company between Feb. 1 and April 30. The order for these cars was placed during the latter part of last fall. One hundred new steel motor cars of special design, costing \$22,000 a piece, will be placed in operation in April. See V. 115, p. 1531, 2476, 2577.

**Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul Ry.—New Director.**

John McHugh, President of the Mechanics & Metals National Bank, has been elected a director to fill one of the two vacancies on the board.—V. 116, p. 409, 75.

**Chicago North Shore & Milwaukee RR.—Bus Lines.**

The company has established a feeder bus line from Waukegan, Ill., to Kenosha, Wis., a distance of 16 miles. The railway started a bus service on Aug. 12 between Lake Geneva and Kenosha and the establishment of other feeder lines is under consideration.—V. 115, p. 2904.

**Cincinnati Traction Co.—Tax-Payment Deferred.**

The City Council of Cincinnati, O., on Jan. 10 passed an ordinance deferring for six months payment of the \$350,000 franchise tax provided for in the service-at-cost franchise granted the Cincinnati Traction Co.—V. 115, p. 759.

**Danville (Va.) Traction & Power Co.—Fares.**

A 7-cent cash fare became effective Jan. 1 last and will remain in force for 2½ years. Ticket fares will remain at 6 cents.—V. 95, p. 749.

**Dominion Power & Transmission Co., Ltd.—Ry. Service**

Service on the Hamilton & Dundas Street Ry. was not discontinued on Jan. 31. The Dundas Council on Jan. 29 approved of proposals made by the company and agreed to workmen's single fares being increased from 6¼ to 10 cents for a period of 6 months.—V. 110, p. 764.

**East Jersey Railroad & Terminal Co.—Notes Authorized.**

The I.-S. C. Commission has authorized the company to issue, payable to the order of American Car & Foundry Co., 24 promissory notes not exceeding in the aggregate \$187,938; said notes to be delivered to the American Car & Foundry Co. in procurement of 26 50-ton, 10,000-gallon, type 20, class 3, tank cars; 3 40-ton, 8,000-gallon, 3-compartment, type 20, class 3, tank cars (with steam coils); 36 50-ton, 10,000-gallon, type 20, class 3, tank cars (with steam coils); 25 50-ton, 10,000-gallon, type 20, class 3, tank cars, and 25 50-ton, 10,000-gallon, type 20, class 3, tank cars (with steam coils). The Tide Water Oil Co. owns the East Jersey RR. & Terminal Co.

**Eastern Wisconsin Electric Co.—Bonds Offered.**

Hill, Joiner & Co., Paine, Webber & Co. and Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., are offering at 92½ and int., to yield over 6.65%, \$1,917,000 1st Lien & Ref. M. 6% gold bonds, Series A. (See advertising pages.)

Dated Dec. 1 1922. Due Dec. 1 1942. Int. payable J. & D. in Chicago or New York without deduction of the normal Federal income tax now or hereafter deductible at the source not in excess of 2%. Red., all or part, on or after Dec. 1 1932 and prior to Dec. 1 1937 at 105 and int., and thereafter prior to Dec. 1 1941 at 102½ and int., less ½ of 1% per annum for each year or fraction thereof elapsed after Nov. 30 1938; if redeemed on or after Dec. 1 1941 at 100 and int. Denom. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100 (c\*) Tax refund in Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and Connecticut.

Issuance.—Approved by the Railroad Commission of Wisconsin.

**Data from Letter of Pres. Marshall E. Sampson, Chicago, Jan. 22.**  
Company.—Incorp. in Wisconsin in 1917. Now serves, directly or indirectly, 25 communities, with one or more classes of service, namely, electric light and power, street and interurban railways. Among the more important cities served with one or more classes of service are: Sheboygan, Fond du Lac, Oshkosh and Neenah. Population estimated at 110,000. Company owns and operates interurban electric railways connecting the city of Sheboygan with Elkhart Lake and the city of Fond du Lac with the cities of Oshkosh, Neenah and Omro. Company has two central electric generating stations located at Sheboygan and Fond du Lac, respectively, which are connected by its new 66,000-volt, double circuit, high tension, transmission line. Company's gas plant at Fond du Lac is of modern and recent construction, especially designed for economical and efficient operation. This plant has a rated capacity of 600,000 cubic feet of gas per day.

**Capitalization After This Financing—**

	Authorized.	Outstand'g.
Preferred 7% stock	\$5,000,000	\$1,340,000
Common stock	2,000,000	700,000
Underlying bonds		b3,847,000
1st Lien & Ref. M., Series A (this issue)		1,917,000

a Company has recently been authorized by the Wisconsin RR. Comm. to issue and sell, at par for cash, \$300,000 additional Common stock. b Of this amount \$1,182,000 East. Wis. Ry. & Lt. 5s, due Oct. 1 1923, will be retired on or before that date through further issuance of Series A bonds already authorized by the RR. Comm. for that purpose.

**Purpose.**—Proceeds will be used to retire the 3-Year 7% Gen. M. gold notes, due March 1 1923, to retire certain of the underlying bonds, and to reimburse company for additions and betterments heretofore made.

**Security.**—A direct lien on all of the property, rights and franchises of the company now or hereafter owned subject to \$3,847,000 underlying bonds. Further secured by the deposit with the trustee of \$1,852,000 1st & Ref. M. 5s, due 1947. 1st & Ref. M. will on Oct. 1 1923 become a first mortgage on all of the property owned, except the Sheboygan properties and the interurban line from Sheboygan to Elkhart Lake, formerly owned by the Sheboygan Electric Co.

**Maintenance & Renewal Fund.**—Mortgage provides that during each calendar year, beginning 1923, company shall expend an amount equal to not less than 10% of the gross earnings from operation of the mortgaged properties, to (a) the making of repairs, renewals and replacements; (b) the making of extensions, or the acquisition of properties on account of which the company would otherwise be entitled to receive additional banks; or (c) the redemption and cancellation of any bonds issued under and secured by this mortgage.

**Earnings for the Twelve Months ended Nov. 30 1922.**

Gross earnings, including other income	\$1,533,949
Operating expenses, including maintenance and all taxes	995,768
Net earnings	\$538,181

Annual interest on all bonds outstanding in the hands of the public, including this issue, requires \$307,370

**Franchises.**—Operates in Wisconsin under indeterminate permits created by the statutes of the State. Under the Wisconsin law company is assured necessary rights to do business without competition at rates which shall be fixed to earn a fair return on the capital invested so long as its service conforms to the reasonable requirements of the RR. Commission.

**Management.**—Is now controlled by the Middle West Utilities Co.—V. 116, p. 410.

**Erie RR.—To Extend Bonds.**

The company has applied to the I.-S. C. Commission for authority to extend for ten years from March 1 1923, the payment of \$4,617,000 New York & Erie RR. 3d Mtge. Extended 4½% bonds.

Drexel & Co. announce they are prepared to deliver 5% Equipment Trust certificates, Series "H H," in definitive form in exchange for their interim certificates. (For offering of aforesaid certificates see V. 114, p. 2378.)—V. 115, p. 2793.

**Escanaba & Lake Superior RR.—Notes.**

The I.-S. C. Commission Jan. 23 authorized the company to issue \$355,000 5-Year 6% promissory notes; said notes to be exchanged at par for certain maturing notes or sold at par and the proceeds used in retiring maturing notes.—V. 114, p. 2823.

**Fort Smith & Western RR.—Receiver Discharged.**

This road sold at public auction Jan. 16 for approximately \$900,000 to A. C. Dustin of Cleveland, former President of the road, as a representative of his own interests and the bondholders has been discharged from receivership.—V. 116, p. 295.

**Georgia Railway & Power Co.—Initial Dividend.**

An initial dividend of 1% has been declared on the Common stock, payable March 1. An initial dividend of 4% on the 2d Pref. stock has also been declared, payable in quarterly installments of 1% each, beginning March 1.—V. 115, p. 2905.

**Green Bay & Western RR.—Annual Dividends.**

The directors have declared dividends of 5% each, payable on the Class "A" debentures and capital stock and ¼ of 1% on Class "B" debentures, all payable Feb. 10 to holders of record Feb. 9. In 1922 an annual dividend of ½ of 1% was paid on the Class "B" debentures.—V. 115, p. 1631.

**Hartford & Springfield St. Ry.—To Continue Operations.**

Harrison B. Freeman, as receiver, has been directed to continue operations for another four months from Dec. 19 1922.—V. 115, p. 183.

**Helena (Mont.) Light & Ry. Co.—To Abandon Service.**

The company recently applied to the Montana P. S. Commission for authority to abandon service on its Kenwood and State St. trolley lines.—V. 113, p. 2311.

**Hocking Valley Ry.—New Control.**

O. P. Van Sweringen, as Chairman; M. J. Van Sweringen, J. R. Nutt Otto Miller, C. L. Bradley, J. J. Bernet and W. A. Colson. The I.-S. C. Commission has approved the application of the new directors for authority to hold such positions while also holding similar positions with the New York, Chicago & St. Louis.

The retiring directors are: H. E. Huntington, C. E. Graham, H. L. Ferguson, Robert Gibson, A. C. Rearick, G. B. Wall and H. T. Wickham.—V. 115, p. 1428.

**Indiana Columbus & Eastern Traction Co.—Interest.**

The May 1 1922 coupons pertaining to the Dayton Springfield & Urbana Ry. Co. 1st Mtge. 5% 30-Year gold bonds due Nov. 1 1928 are being paid at their face amount, together with 6% interest thereon, viz., \$1 13 per coupon, upon presentation thereof at the New York Trust Co., 100 Broadway, N. Y. City.—V. 116, p. 76.

**Indianapolis Union Ry.—Bonds Authorized.**

The I.-S. C. Commission has authorized the company to issue \$4,000,000 Gen. & Ref. Mtge. bonds, Series "B," to be sold at not less than 96½ and int. and the proceeds used to retire \$4,000,000 6% notes maturing Feb. 1 1923. The Commission also authorized Pittsburgh Cincinnati Chicago & St. Louis Ry. to guaranty the bonds.—V. 116, p. 295.

**Interborough Rapid Transit Co.—Report for Dec. and 3 Months ended Dec. 31 1922—Suit by Manhattan Stockholders.**

	Month of December.	Three Mos. ended Dec. 31.
Total revenues	\$4,959,770	\$14,539,959
Operating expenses, taxes, &c.	3,402,784	10,158,491
Balance	\$1,556,986	\$4,381,468
Interest charges	1,010,799	3,033,418
Miscellaneous deductions	51,940	151,600
Dividends on Manhattan stock	150,000	450,000
Balance	\$344,247	\$746,450

An official statement says:

"Total accrued preferential up to Jan. 1 1923 was \$9,536,069, which the Interborough failed to earn and must be paid before any money goes to N. Y. City. The preferential for the month of Dec. 1922 was earned and amounted to \$48,837 and would have applied to the city if everything was on an even keel, but for the three months ended Dec. 31 1922 the Interborough failed to earn the preferential by \$117,188, as compared with an earned preferential of \$13,931 for the same period 1921.

"The increase in the operating expenses, taxes and rentals paid the city was largely attributed to the higher price of coal. Coal was obtainable during the quarter ended Dec. 31 1921 at \$6 25 per ton and for the same period of 1922 \$7 50 was paid. As the Interborough uses approximately 70,000 tons a month, the total amounted to \$892,500 for the last quarter of 1921, compared with \$1,575,000 for the same period of 1922, an increase of \$672,500.

"The net corporate income, as reported to Transit Commission for three months ending Dec. 21 1922, was \$216,555, as compared with a deficit of \$194,603 for the last quarter of 1922."

See also Manhattan Ry. below.  
The company has filed a judgment for \$6,935,467 against the New York & Queens County Ry. Co. for material supplied and labor and maintenance. The claim is based upon a series of promissory notes some of which date back to 1909.—V. 116, p. 410, 295.

**International Ry., Buffalo.—Adopts Mitten Plan.**

The company has adopted and will operate under the Mitten Co-operative Plan.

In accordance with decision of the general committees, which are composed of 50% employer and 50% employee, the basic maximum wage of 55c. per hour has been set for one year from Dec. 31 1922. Thereafter the basic hourly maximum wage paid trainmen, with corresponding adjustments in the wages of employees in other departments, will be determined by the general committees, with due consideration of the rate of wage paid in similar cities, changes in the cost of living, and the ability of the company to pay.—V. 115, p. 2267.

**Inter-State Public Service Co.—Bond Application, &c.**

The company has applied to the Indiana P. S. Commission for authority to issue at not less than \$9 97,192,000 6% 25-year 1st & Ref. Mtge. bonds to be dated Feb. 1 1923, to be used in retiring \$4,048,000 of bonds issued by the company, and to retire \$3,144,000 of outstanding bonds of underlying issues on properties bought by the company. It is understood that Halsey, Stuart & Co. may offer the bonds if approved.

The underlying issues assumed by the company, which it now wishes to retire are as follows:

Bedford Light, Heat & Power Co., 1st & Ref. 5%, due Jan. 1 1933, \$39,000.  
Northern Public Service Co. of Indiana; 1st & Ref. 6%, due Dec. 1 1933, \$20,000.  
Lebanon Heating Co., 1st Mtge. 6%, due July 1 1932, \$28,000.  
Citizens' Electric Light & Power Co., 1st & Ref. 6%, due Oct. 1 1925, \$33,000.  
Newcastle Light, Heat & Power Co., 1st Mtge. 5%, due Jan. 1 1929, \$328,800.  
Seymour Public Service Co., 1st Mtge. 6%, due Dec. 1 1928, \$163,700.  
Louisville & Southern Indiana Traction Co., 1st Mtge. 5%, due Sept. 15 1923, \$999,000.  
New Albany Water Works, 1st Mtge. 5%, due Jan. 1 1925, \$150,000.  
New Albany Water Works, 1st Mtge. Consolidated Mtge. 5%, due April 1 1924, \$356,000.  
Southern Indiana Power Co., 1st Mtge. 6%, due Jan. 1 1931, \$553,000.  
Hawks Electric Co., 1st Mtge. 6%, due Oct. 1 1935, \$200,000.  
Hawks Electric Co., Gen. & Ref. 6%, due April 1 1929, \$117,500.  
Winona Electric Light & Power Co., 1st Mtge. 5s, due Sept. 1 1933, \$156,000.

The Commission authorized the company to merge the following subsidiary companies: Southern Indiana Power Co., Hydro-Electric Light & Power Co., Hawks Electric Co., Winona Electric Light & Water Co., Middlebury Electric Co. and the Electric Transmission Co. of Northern Indiana.—V. 115, p. 2684.

**Johnstown (Pa.) Traction Co.—Operates Bus Lines.**

The company through its subsidiary, the Traction Bus Co., on Jan. 21 placed the second trolley feeder bus line in operation in Cambria County, Pa. A 5-cent fare is charged. A few weeks ago the traction company opened the first bus line.—V. 115, p. 543.

**Kansas City Mexico & Orient RR.—State Ownership.**

A memorial from the Texas State Legislature, requesting the Federal Government to relinquish its lien on the Orient, so that Texas may take over and rehabilitate it, was presented to the House of Representatives Jan. 27 by Representative Hudspeth. Under the plan the State would be permitted to specify rates on the road at a level which would "save it from the scrap pile."

The memorial set forth a plan of Lieut.-Gov. Lynch Davidson of Texas for saving the railroad from abandonment under which Federal and State



laws would be relaxed, 50% of the net profits would go to repay money due the State and 50% to reimburse the Federal Government for any funds advanced. A pioneer section of Texas is traversed by the road, the memorial says, and discontinuance of operations would be disastrous. The memorial continues:

"Proper maintenance can come only through united action of the Federal Congress and the I.-S. C. Commission permitting the road to be taken over and operated under such conditions as will permit it to continue as a factor in development of that section through which it has been constructed."—V. 115, p. 2905.

#### Lafayette (Ind.) Street Ry., Inc.—Stocks-Bonds.—

The Indiana P. S. Commission has authorized the company to increase its authorized Common stock from \$125,000 to \$200,000 and to issue \$200,000 of 20-year 7% bonds. The corporation will cancel its \$125,000 of Pref. stock, which was authorized but never issued.—V. 115, p. 1321.

#### Lehigh Valley Transit Co.—Sued for Dividends.—

A dispatch from Norristown, Pa., says a suit has been filed there to require the company to declare a 5% dividend on its Preferred stock. A dividend of 1 1/4% was paid on this issue in Feb. 1918; none since.—V. 114, p. 1765.

#### Manhattan Ry.—Stockholders Bring Suits.—

Two suits by stockholders to compel the Interborough Rapid Transit Co. to pay dividends suspended in Oct. 1921 were filed in the New York Supreme Court Jan. 29. Stephen Peabody, owner of 1,100 shares, demands \$11,550 as the sum due in quarterly dividends since that time, and Nina H. Peabody asks \$1,417. The complaint in each case alleges that when the Interborough leased the elevated lines from the Manhattan Ry. in 1903, it agreed to pay not less than 6% nor more than 7% dividends, but has refused to pay since Oct. 1921.—V. 116, p. 296, 176.

#### Minneapolis St. Paul & Saulte Ste. Marie Ry.—Equip.

The I.-S. C. Commission has authorized the company to issue \$2,360,000 Equip. Trust certificates, dated March 1 1923, to be issued by Pennsylvania Co. for Insurance on Live & Granting Annuities, Philadelphia. The certificates are to be sold at not less than 97.9% and proceeds used for the purchase of certain equipment.—V. 115, p. 2905.

#### Morris County (N. J.) Traction Co.—Bonds Authorized.

The New Jersey P. U. Commission recently authorized the company to execute a \$5,000,000 mortgage and issue \$1,600,000 of the bonds. The mortgage is dated July 15 1922 to the Peoples Savings & Trust Co., Pittsburgh, trustee.—V. 115, p. 74.

#### New Orleans Ry. & Light Co.—Further Time for Deposits

The committee for the \$5,020,000 Ref. & Gen. Lien 5% gold bonds (George K. Relly, Chairman), in a notice to the holders of these bonds and depositors under bondholders' agreement dated Jan. 21 1919, states that over 94% of the bonds have been deposited under the plan and agreement for reorganization (see plan in V. 114, p. 2823). A further extension of time within which to make deposits will be granted to and including March 19 1923, after which date no deposits will be received. The notice further states: Non-depositing bondholders will receive no benefits from or distribution of securities or cash under the reorganization plan, and, as holders of such non-deposited bonds, eventually will receive only a small cash distribution from certain moneys held by the trustee under the mortgage securing said bonds and certain moneys held by the court from the proceeds of the purchase by the committee under the foreclosure proceedings of \$958,000 Gen. M. 4 1/2% gold bonds of the railway company theretofore held by the trustee as security for the said bonds. This sum, in the case of non-deposited Series A bonds, will amount approximately to \$129.50 per bond of \$1,000, and in the case of non-deposited Series B bonds will amount approximately to \$6.10 per bond of the principal amount of 516 francs. These estimated sums are subject to change, as court charges and costs have not yet been determined. Accordingly, bondholders who have not yet deposited their bonds are urged promptly to do so.—V. 115, p. 1632.

#### New York & Queens County Ry.—President Resigns.—

William O. Wood has resigned as President and General Manager. Lincoln C. Andrews was recently appointed receiver and E. A. Roberts as general manager to the receiver.—V. 116, p. 296.

#### Northern Massachusetts St. Ry.—Receivers' Certifis.—

The company has been authorized to dispose of \$25,000 of receiver's certificates.—V. 115, p. 1321.

#### Northern Pacific Ry.—Bonds Authorized.—

The I.-S. C. Commission has authorized the company to issue not exceeding \$17,859,000 Ref. & Impt. Mtge. 5% bonds, \$10,000,000 of which to be sold at not less than 96 1/4% and int. and \$7,859,000 to be placed in the company's treasury. See offering of \$10,000,000 of bonds in V. 116, p. 410.

#### Peninsular Ry., Calif.—Abandonment.—

The California RR. Commission has authorized the company to abandon its franchise and remove its equipment in Bird Ave., Coe Ave. and Lincoln Ave. between the intersection of Lincoln Ave. & Willow St. and to operate its cars between San Jose and Los Catos by way of Campbell over Willow St. and Delmas Ave. The order requires that the consent of the local authorities must be obtained for the relinquishment of the street railway franchise.—V. 114, p. 2241.

#### Peoria & Eastern Ry.—Proxies Asked.—

Brown & Coombe, 100 Broadway, are asking stockholders for proxies in the names of Thomas Denny, W. A. Carnegie Ewen and H. Bernard Coombe for the purpose of voting at annual meeting. In a circular the firm says that differences have arisen as to the management of the company by the Big Four, especially in the disposition of a cash fund now of about \$500,000 belonging to the Peoria & Eastern and held by the Big Four for depreciation and retirement of the Peoria & Eastern equipment.—V. 114, p. 2470.

#### Public Service Corp., New Jersey.—Gets Back Taxes.—

Officials of the company have announced the receipt of a check for \$265,997 from the Treasurer of the United States, reimbursing the company for taxes illegally levied and collected by the Government. The taxes were assessed for the years 1909 to 1912 inclusive, as Federal excise imposts on certain leased utility companies which were not actually operating companies.—V. 116, p. 411, 296.

#### Public Service Ry. (N. J.).—Fare Appeal Delayed.—

The U. S. Supreme Court recently granted an indefinite delay for the argument of the appeal of the New Jersey P. U. Commission against the 8-cent fare order made over a year ago by the special Federal tribunal sitting at Trenton, N. J. The appeal was to have been argued Jan. 10, but by agreement of counsel for the State and counsel for the Public Service Ry. Co. it was put over to a date undetermined.

Concluding argument will be held Feb. 6 in Newark, N. J., in the proceedings before Special Master Thomas G. Haight, on appeal of the trolley company to determine if the rate of 7 cents with 2 cents for transfer, fixed by the Utilities Board, is confiscatory.—V. 115, p. 437.

**Reading Co.—Second Modified Segregation Plan Filed with Court—Divides Liability of Gen. Mtge. 2-3 to Reading Co. and 1-3 to Coal Company—Iron Company to Go to Coal Company—Phila. & Reading Ry. to Merge with Reading Co.—Stockholders' Right to Purchase New Coal Co.'s Stock of No Par Value, at \$4 per Share, One Share for Each Two Shares of Reading Co. Held—Gen. Mtge. Bondholders Offered Right to Exchange Bonds for New Bonds and Cash.**—The company on Jan. 30 filed a second modified segregation plan with the U. S. District Court at Phila. for the carrying out of the decision of the U. S. Supreme Court rendered last June.

The plan contemplates dividing the liabilities of the Reading Co. (with which will be merged the Philadelphia & Reading Ry.) and the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Co., on the \$94,627,000 (joint) General Mtge. as outstanding, in the proportion of two-thirds to the Reading Co. and one-third to the Coal Co. In pursuance of an intimation contained in the decision of the U. S. Supreme Court the plan further contemplates the transfer of the equity in the stock of the Reading Iron Co., subject to the General Mortgage, from the Reading Co. to the Philadelphia & Reading Coal &

Iron Co. for the sum of \$8,000,000 to be paid by the latter to the former, the Iron Co. having first paid a dividend of \$6,000,000 out of the surplus earnings to the Reading Co.

The plan now submitted does not differ in any other material respect from that which was approved by the U. S. District Court in June 1921 (V. 112, p. 745, 306). The rights of both the Preferred and Common stockholders of the Reading Co. to purchase certificates of interest in 1,400,000 shares of no par stock of the new coal company are unchanged. Such 1,400,000 shares will be sold to the Reading stockholders for \$4 a share. As there are 2,800,000 shares of Reading stock, this means the payment of \$2 a share on Reading stock outstanding.

A supplement to the plan offers the holders of the General Mtge. bonds the privilege of receiving in exchange for each \$1,000 of bonds surrendered as follows: \$100 cash, \$600 4% 74-Year General (or, if and when practicable, First) & Ref. Mtge. gold bonds, Series A, of the Reading Co. and \$300 4 1/2% 50-Year Ref. Mtge. Sinking Fund gold bonds of the Coal company, total \$1,000. This offer is conditional upon the acceptance by the holders of at least 75% of the amount of the bonds.

The full text of the modified segregation plan is given under "Current Events" on a preceding page.—V. 116, p. 177, 70.

#### Richmond Fredericksburg & Potomac R.R.—Div., &c.

The stockholders will vote Feb. 5 (1) on acting upon the recommendation of the directors with respect to the proposed issuance of dividend obligations to the extent of 100% of the amount held by each holder of the guaranteed stock, the Common voting stock and dividend obligations, and (2) on increasing the authorized Capital stock to \$15,000,000.—V. 116, p. 296.

#### St. Joseph (Mo.), Ry., Lt., Ht. & Pow. Co.—Wages.—

The company has reduced the wages of its railway employees 3, 4 and 5 cents an hour, effective Jan. 1 1923.—V. 116, p. 78.

#### St. Louis-San Francisco Ry.—Certificates Soon Ready.—

The Series "AA" Equipment Trust certificates dated Sept. 1 1922 will be ready in definite form for delivery in exchange for outstanding temporary certificates at the Guaranty Trust Co., 140 Broadway, N. Y. City, on and after Feb. 5. (See offering in V. 114, p. 1211.)—V. 116, p. 78.

#### Salt Lake & Utah R.R.—To Sell Preferred Stock.—

The Utah Securities Commission has granted the company a license to sell \$50,000 7% Cumul. Pref. stock, par \$100, at a discount of \$5 a share.—V. 115, p. 2581.

#### San Francisco-Oakland Terminal Rys.—Bonds Auth.—

The California RR. Commission has authorized the company to issue \$175,000 10-Year 7% Serial Equipment Trust notes at not less than 99 and interest. The proceeds are to be used to pay in part the cost of 15 new cars.—V. 115, p. 1839.

#### South Carolina Gas & Electric Co.—Railway Lines.—

The South Carolina RR. Commission has taken over the company's railway lines at Spartanburg, S. C., for operation. The city has been without railway service for several weeks. The Commission plans to supervise operation of the railway system temporarily to learn whether the road should be kept in full operation. See also V. 116, p. 177, 78.

#### Southern Indiana Gas & Electric Co.—Bonds Offered.—

National City Co., New York, is offering at 92 and int. \$1,000,000 1st Lien & Ref. Mtge. gold bonds, Series "B," 6%, due 1947. A circular shows:

Dated Oct. 1 1922. Due Oct. 1 1947. Interest payable A. & O. in New York without deduction of the normal Federal income tax up to 2%. Pennsylvania and Connecticut State taxes refunded. Denom. \$100, \$500 and \$1,000 (C\* and \*), \$1,000 and \$5,000. Redeemable on an interest date on 60 days' notice at 105 during first 5 years, the premium decreasing 1% each 5 years thereafter. National City Bank, New York, trustee.

**Issuance.**—Subject to authorization by Indiana P. S. Commission. **Company.**—Owns and operates without competition the electric light and power, gas, street railway and steam heating properties in Evansville, Ind., and conducts the electric light and power business in nearby communities. Business of the company is well diversified and has grown steadily. Both the sales and the number of customers of the electric department have more than tripled in the past 9 years.

#### Earnings—Years ended Dec. 31.

	1919.	1920.	1921.	1922.
Gross earnings.....	\$1,881,708	\$2,283,157	\$2,278,684	\$2,337,741
Net earnings.....	668,651	621,511	772,994	785,855
Mortgage bond interest.....	297,966	300,333	328,290	342,280

#### Capitalization Outstanding (Upon Completion of Present Financing).

	Common stock.....	1st Lien & Ref. Series "B"
Pref., paying 6% divs.....	\$3,000,000	6s (this issue).....\$1,000,000
do paying 7% divs.....	2,208,700	1st & Ref. 6s, 1929.....2,838,400
6% Debentures, 1942.....	576,000	Evansville Gas & El. Lt.
1st Lien & Ref. 7 1/2s, 1941.....	335,000	1st & Ref. 5s.....1,150,000
	1,169,500	

x Does not include \$1,260,900 pledged under 1st Lien & Ref. Mtge., which amount will be increased to at least \$2,169,500 upon the authentication of this issue; in addition, \$94,700 are held in general reserve fund of 1st & Ref. Mortgage.

**Purpose.**—Proceeds will provide for refunding underlying bonds and for partially reimbursing the company for property expenditures heretofore unfunded, including new 10,000 h. p. steam turbine generating unit, recently installed.

**Sinking Fund, &c.**—In addition to a strong sinking fund, the mortgage provides for a general reserve fund for the primary purpose of adequately maintaining the company's property, the value of which is substantially in excess of the mortgage debt.—V. 114, p. 2580.

#### Southern Pacific Co.—New Equipment.—

The executive committee has approved plans for the construction of new freight and passenger train equipment to cost approximately \$12,000,000.—V. 115, p. 2794.

#### Springfield (O.) Terminal Ry. & Power Co.—

Efforts made to purchase the line between Christiansburg and Troy, and keep it in operation, have been abandoned by the Christiansburg, Troy and Casstown committees, the latter two failing to raise their quotas. The \$30,000 option expired at midnight Jan. 19 without action being taken.—V. 115, p. 2268.

#### Springfield (O.) & Washington Ry.—Dismantling.—

Work of dismantling the line between Springfield and South Charleston, O., was started Jan. 2. The order permitting the company to discontinue service on the line Dec. 31 was issued by the Ohio P. U. Commission. All of the material with the exception of 3 miles of track will be sold as junk. These 3 miles of track will be used by the Baker Wood Preserving Co. to provide switching facilities.—V. 115, p. 74.

#### Terre Haute Indianapolis & Eastern Traction Co.—

The Indiana P. S. Commission has granted a certificate of convenience and necessity to this company, which has made plans for an expenditure of between \$6,000,000 and \$7,000,000 in the development of the West Tenth St. power plant in Indianapolis and in the construction of transmission and distribution lines, in and out of Indianapolis.—V. 115, p. 760.

#### Tiffin & Fostoria Ry.—Property Transfer Made.—

See Toledo Fostoria & Eastern Electric Ry.—V. 115, p. 1322.

#### Tiffin Fostoria & Eastern Elec. Ry.—Transfer.—

The company on Jan. 8 transferred its property to the Tiffin & Fostoria Ry., which was organized in June 1922 to take over the line. C. F. M. Niles, Toledo, O., is President of the new company and Samuel B. Sneath, Tiffin, O., is Secretary. The consideration was \$75,000.—V. 115, p. 74.

#### Toronto Railway.—Price Fixed.—

The Board of Arbitrators has fixed on \$11,188,500 as the price the city of Toronto, is to pay for the properties of Toronto Railway Co. system. The city offered \$4,000,000 and the company fixed the valuation at \$22,000,000.—V. 115, p. 2159.



**United Power & Transportation Co.—Dividend.**

A dividend of \$1.94 per share was payable Jan. 31 to holders of record Jan. 16. In Jan. 1922 the company paid \$1.85 per share.—V. 114, p. 411.

**Waterloo Cedar Falls & Northern Ry.—Bus Service.**

The company has taken over the Johnson bus line, doing business between Waterloo and Cedar Falls, Iowa, and will go into the motor bus transportation business, operating busses in connection with its regular service. It will continue to maintain its electric interurban service between the two cities. Transfers will be issued without charge to and from these busses.—V. 115, p. 2794.

**Wisconsin Public Service Corp.—Sub. Company.**

The Oconto Service Co. and the Peshtigo Electric Co., both Wisconsin corporations, have been merged in the Northeastern Power Co., a subsidiary of the Wisconsin Public Service Corp.—V. 115, p. 1634.

**Worcester Consolidated Street Ry.—Bonds Paid.**

The \$80,000 5% bonds of the Uxbridge & Blackstone Street Ry., due Feb. 2 1923, are being paid off at Old Colony Trust Co., Boston. In connection with this payment the company will issue no new securities.—V. 115, p. 2795, 1101.

**York (Pa.) Railways.—New Directors.**

George E. Baker, Gordon Campbell, L. B. Harvey and Joseph W. Swa have been elected directors.—V. 116, p. 297.

**INDUSTRIAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.**

The following brief items touch the most important developments in the industrial world during the past week, together with a summary of similar news published in full detail in last week's "Chronicle" either under "Editorial Comment" or "Current Events and Discussions."

**Steel and Iron Production, Prices, &c.**

The "Iron Age" Feb. 1 said in brief: **Operations.**—In the Pittsburgh and adjacent districts the steel industry as a whole is still averaging an 80 to 85% operation, while the average for the plants of the Steel Corporation in all districts exceeds the latter figure. With works under such strain to meet the domestic demand, steel producers can make little response to the flood of offers of export business that have come in upon them in the past week. Germany has long been in default on deliveries of steel to various countries, and the further shortages that will result from the siege in the Ruhr have caused many buyers to turn to this country and to England.

"Under present conditions the leading steel export companies are having difficulty in taking care of their regular foreign customers, even at the low rate of shipments in recent months. Japan and South American countries have been most active in seeking steel in this market, and Chinese inquiry has been larger than in many months. There have been European inquiries also, one from Denmark being for 3,000 tons of wire rods.

"With the shutdown of Lorraine and Luxembourg iron and steel works, added to the throttling of German production, British steel has been in great demand. Holland wants 10,000 tons of ship plates, but British plate and sheet mills are filled up for three months."

**Prices.**—Increased fuel costs in Great Britain have put up pig iron and steel prices. At the same time owners of idle plants are chary of starting up under present chaotic conditions.

"The feature of the domestic pig iron market this week is the sale of 20,000 tons of Nova Scotia basic pig iron in Philadelphia territory at several dollars a ton below the price of Pennsylvania iron. This competition comes just as the invasion of British and Continental irons, which was so marked last year, was considered to be over.

"A northern Ohio steel company has bought a round tonnage of basic. In foundry iron, sales have been of only moderate size. Chicago prices on foundry and basic irons have advanced 50c. and in the South an advance of \$1 is being asked for delivery after the first quarter. Accumulations of foreign pig iron, estimated at from 20,000 to 30,000 tons, have not yet been moved from Boston on account of the crippled condition of the railroads."

**Orders.**—"Following purchases of 60 locomotives and 500 cars a week ago, the Illinois Central has bought 3,625 motor cars. Other car orders total 1,200, and fresh car inquiries call for 1,950. In locomotives 43 were ordered and the Great Northern has entered the market for 50.

"A new Equitable Building, 18,000 tons, and the Roosevelt Hotel, 11,000 tons, in New York account for three-fourths of the fabricated steel work closed in the week, the other jobs coming to light averaging 640 tons apiece.

"Firmness is more marked in sheets and prices tend upward. Some advances have been made in blue annealed sheets. A shortage in automobile body sheets has led the leading builder to seek second quarter reservations subject to the prices that are established. January specifications for sheets and tin plates were much in excess of shipments.

"The week has brought a considerable tightening in the supply of semi-finished steel and a number of producers are holding for higher prices. "Owing to their inability to buy steel from mills for prompt shipment, consumers are depending more on warehouse stocks and jobbers' sales in January show a large increase over the average for recent months."

**Coal Production, Prices, &c.**

The U. S. Geological Survey Jan. 27 1923 estimated average production as follows:

"For the third week in succession the production of soft coal remained stationary at about 11,000,000 tons. Revised estimates for the week of Jan. 20 place the total at 10,868,000 net tons. This figure includes all soft coal mined—mine fuel, coal coked at the mine and local sales in addition to shipments.

"Preliminary reports for the present week, Jan. 22-27, indicate that loadings on Monday were less than on Monday of the week before. The rate of decline from day to day, however, was less than in that week and total loadings for the first four days showed a slight increase. The indications are that total output will again be in neighborhood of 11,000,000 tons.

"Production of bituminous coal during the first 248 working days of the past 6 coal years has been as follows, in net tons (coal year begins April 1):

1922-1923.	1921-1922.	1920-1921.	1919-1920.	1918-19.
313,662,000	330,026,000	448,395,000	381,067,000	472,392,000

"Thus it is seen that the coal year 1922-1923 stands considerably behind the four preceding coal years, being even 5% behind 1921-1922, a year of acute business depression.

"The production of anthracite in the week ended Jan. 20 is estimated at 2,010,000 net tons, including mine fuel, local sales and washery and dredge output. This estimate is based on reports from the nine principal carriers, showing a total of 38,429 cars loaded. This is a decrease of 5% as compared with the week preceding.

"Preliminary reports for the first half of the present week indicate a slight increase over last week and that the total production for the week will be about 2,100,000 tons.

**Estimated United States Production in Net Tons.**

Bituminous		Week—1923—Cal. Yr. to Date.		Week—1922—Cal. Yr. to Date	
Jan. 6	10,993,000	10,993,000	7,476,000	7,476,000	
Jan. 13	11,217,000	11,217,000	7,476,000	7,476,000	
Jan. 20	10,868,000	22,219,000	8,302,000	15,778,000	
Anthracite		33,078,000		8,782,000	
Jan. 6	1,725,000	1,725,000	1,242,000	1,242,000	
Jan. 13	2,113,000	3,838,000	1,643,000	2,885,000	
Jan. 20	2,010,000	5,848,000	1,443,000	4,328,000	
Beehive Coke					
Jan. 6	309,000	309,000	108,000	108,000	
Jan. 13	323,000	632,000	119,000	227,000	
Jan. 20	328,000	960,000	115,000	342,000	

The "Coal Trade Journal" reviews market conditions as follows: "Reports from all sections of the country show that plans for building up storage reserves have been abandoned as the result of the tri-State wage agreement that was signed up in New York last week, and that industrial buying has reverted to the hand-to-mouth basis.

"Spot prices continue to decline, but the recessions fail to bring the averages within calling distance of those prevailing at this time last year. Compared with the preceding week, spot quotations for the week ended last Saturday showed changes in 60.5% of the figures. Of these changes 87.6% were reductions ranging from 10 cents to \$1 and averaging 31.3 cents per ton. The advances ranged between 10 and 50 cents and averaged 28

cents per ton. The average minimum spot price on the coals listed below was \$3.29 last week, a drop of 40 cents; the average maximum, \$4.15, was 14 cents under the maximum for the preceding week. For the week ended Jan. 28 1922 the average minimum was \$1.96 and the average maximum \$2.30 per ton.

"In spite of the growing coyness of the larger buyers, transportation difficulties still continue to take the greatest toll upon production east of the Mississippi River. West of that stream the market has been steadily weakening and the "no market" losses increasing. Labor losses are a minor factor, the highest for any district being less than 10%.

"Anthracite production declined about 5% during the third week in January, when a strike tied up one of the major operations. The output for the week, however, was above the 2,000,000-ton mark. Demand for domestic sizes reveals no let-up in so far as company sales are concerned, but the disinclination to pay top premium prices, noted in the preceding issue, is gaining ground. No. 1 buckwheat is also in strong demand as a domestic fuel."

**Oil Production, Prices, &c.**

The American Petroleum Institute estimates the daily average gross crude oil production in the United States for the week ended Jan. 27 as follows:

(In Barrels)	Jan. 27 '23.	Jan. 20 '23.	Jan. 13 '23.	Jan. 28 '22.
Oklahoma	405,950	407,850	401,950	325,350
Kansas	81,800	83,200	84,150	83,100
North Texas	53,900	57,400	58,550	60,350
Central Texas	125,800	127,700	128,800	216,350
North Louisiana	73,000	72,000	75,100	92,450
Arkansas	109,550	118,000	121,150	36,700
Gulf Coast	126,250	123,700	125,800	107,450
Eastern	114,000	114,000	113,500	115,800
Wyoming & Montana	115,050	103,050	117,350	53,400
California	550,000	530,000	525,000	325,000
Total	1,755,300	1,736,900	1,751,350	1,415,950

**Crude Oil Price Advances.**—The following companies have announced advances: Prairie Oil & Gas Co., 10c. per bbl. (Boston "Financial News") Jan. 27, p. 5. Texas Co., 10c. per bbl. ("Financial America" Jan. 27, p. 4). Standard Oil Co. of Louisiana, 10c. per bbl. (Philadelphia "News Bureau" Jan. 27, p. 2). Tide Water Oil Co., 20c. per bbl. ("Wall Street Journal" Jan. 27, p. 1). Magnolia Petroleum, 10c. per bbl. ("Financial America" Feb. 3).

Sinclair Crude Oil Purchasing Co. met advance with 10c. per bbl. increase ("Sun" Jan. 29, p. 22). Joseph Seep Purchasing Agency, 10c. per bbl. ("Sun" Jan. 29, p. 22). Midwest Refining and Ohio Oil companies have increased price 10c. per bbl. (Boston "Financial News" Jan. 30, p. 7). Cat Creek advanced 10c. to \$1.80 per bbl. and Corning 15c. to \$2.15 per bbl. ("Financial America" Jan. 31, p. 2). Standard Oil Co. of Louisiana again advanced 10c. per bbl. ("Financial America" Jan. 31, p. 2). Magnolia Petroleum posts prices ranging from 70c. to \$2.30, according to gravity ("Financial America" Jan. 31, p. 2).

**Canadian Crude Oil Price.**—Advance of 10c. posted. Now \$2.68 per bbl. ("Financial America" Feb. 1, p. 1).

**Gasoline Prices.**—Standard Oil Co. of N. J. advanced tank wagon price in North and South Carolina. The price varies from 19 to 22c. per gal. ("Philadelphia News Bureau" Jan. 30, p. 3).

**Bunker Fuel Oil Price Advanced.**—Standard Oil Co. of N. J. advanced price 10c. to 1.66½ in N. Y. Harbor. "Wall St. Journal" Feb. 1, p. 5.

**Pennsylvania Crude Oil Price.**—Advanced to \$3.80. Hereafter quotations will be given under name of pipe line company serving each district. New prices are: New York Transit Co. and Bedford district, \$3.80 a bbl., an advance of 25c. National Transit Co., Southwest Penn Pipe Line Co., Eureka Pipe Line Co., Buckeye Pipe Line Co., \$3.65, an advance of 10c. Cabell, \$2.51; Somerset, \$2.30; Somerset light, \$2.55, an advance of 10c. There was no change in Corning or Ragland. "Eve. Post" Feb. 1, p. 12.

**Standard Oil Employees Win Wage Increase.**—Adjustments made. Increases will cost company \$100,000 for employees at Bayonne (N. J.) refinery. No decreases made. "Times" Jan. 31, p. 31.

**Prices, Wages and Other Trade Matters.**

**Refined Sugar Prices.**—On Jan. 27 the following companies reduced price 20 points to 6.50c. a pound: American, National, Warner Sugar Refining companies and Arbuckle Bros. Pennsylvania Sugar Co. announced that while no change was made in list price of 6.70c., orders for immediate shipment would be filled at 6.50c. per pound. The Revere Sugar Refinery and Edgar Sugar Co. also reduced price 20 points to 6.50c. a pound.

On Jan. 30 the following companies increased price 10 points to 6.60c. a pound: American, Arbuckle Bros., National, Warner, Revere and Pennsylvania companies. The American Sugar Refining and Pennsylvania Sugar companies made a further advance of 10 points to 6.70c. a pound.

Further advances were made as follows: Federal Sugar Refining Co., 20 points, and Revere Sugar Refinery 10 points to 6.70c. a pound.

Also American Sugar Refining, 10 points; Arbuckle Bros., 20 points; Franklin, McCahan, National, Pennsylvania, Federal and Warner, 10 points, all to 6.80c. a pound.

**Sugar Equalization Board to Pay Losses Incurred During Shortage.**—House of Representatives directs \$1,700,000 be paid de Ronde & Co., and \$2,250,000 to American Trading Co. and B. H. Howell Son & Co. for losses sustained by importing Argentine sugar in 1920 at instance of Government to break apparent sugar shortage. "Boston News Bureau" Feb. 1, p. 3.

**Copper Price.**—Advanced to 15c. per pound. "Engineering & Mining Journal" Feb. 3, p. 250. Sales of copper were made at 15½c. per pound. "Financial America" Feb. 2, p. 2.

**Automobile Price Advanced.**—Locomobile Co. of America announces increase of about \$2,000 on each model, owing to rising production costs. "Financial America" Jan. 30, p. 7.

**Blanket Prices Advance.**—Amory, Brown & Co., open fall lines at prices about 5% higher. "Boston Financial News" Jan. 30, p. 3.

**Price of Paper Increases.**—High grade bond and linen papers marked up 1 to 2c. per pound, owing to rising costs. "Financial America" Jan. 31, p. 10.

**Carpet Employees Receive Bonus.**—Alexander Smith & Sons Carpet Co. distributes semi-annual bonus of about \$400,000 to 6,000 employees. "Boston News Bureau" Feb. 1, p. 3.

**Tug-Boat Men Win Wage Increase.**—Independent tugboat owners meet demands for \$15 per month increase, six-day week, ten-hour day and 85c. allowance for meals. "Financial America" Feb. 3.

**Shoe Industry.**—At Haverhill, Mass., two unions vote against plan of two-year agreement proposed by manufacturers. "Boston Financial News" Jan. 30, p. 3.

At Lynn, Mass., labor troubles no longer threaten and production is nearing 100%. "Boston News Bureau" Feb. 2, p. 1.

**Textile Situation.**—Naumkeag Steam Cotton Co. workers in Salem, Mass., strike for one day because of employment of non-union frame fixer who refused to join the union. "Boston News Bureau" Feb. 1, p. 10.

**Matters Covered in "Chronicle" Jan. 27.**—(a) "Does this close the Herrin incident?", p. 337. (b) New capital flotations during December and the 12 months, p. 343-348. (c) Corporation bonds in 1922, p. 351. (d) Heavy gasoline output, p. 353. (e) Advances in fall fabric lines of American Woolen Co., p. 354.

(f) Newspaper paper review for December and the 12 months, p. 354. (g) Output of copper increases in 1922, p. 355. (h) Iron ore output in 1922, p. 355. (i) Milk price cut 1c. by Dairymen's League, p. 356. (j) Sheffield Farms also cuts milk price, p. 356.

(k) Benjamin Schlesinger resigns as President of International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, p. 356.

(l) Associated Dress Industries make David N. Mosesohn dictator p. 356. (m) First conference held in Paterson (N. J.) on conditions in silk industry, p. 356. (n) Fall River Cotton mills reject workers' demands for wage advance, p. 357.

(o) Offering of \$1,000,000 Midwest Joint Stock Land Bank bonds, p. 363. (p) Senate passes bill providing for taxation by States of national banks, p. 367.

(q) Secretary of Treasury Mellon in reply to Senate resolution regarding taxation of stock dividends, p. 368. (r) Stock dividends of over two billion dollars declared in 1922—Senate resolution regarding taxation of stock dividends, p. 368. (s) Allotments of U. S. Treasury notes, p. 374. (t) House of Representatives passes Representative Green's resolution to restrict tax-exempt issues, p. 374.

(u) Bituminous miners and operators reach agreement in New York conference—renew wage contract for another year, p. 375.

**Alabama Power Co.—Bonds Offered.**—Harris, Forbes & Co. and Coffin & Burr, Inc., are offering at 89½ and int., to yield about 5¾%, \$4,700,000 1st Mtge. Lien & Ref. Gold bonds, 5% Series, due 1951.



Dated Dec. 1 1922, due June 1 1951. Int. payable J. & D. in New York without deduction for any normal Federal income tax not exceeding 2%. Callable all or part on any int. date on 30 days' notice at 105 and int. to and incl. June 1 1932, and thereafter at a premium reducing 3/4% per annum. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500 c&rs\*, \$1,000 and multiples. U. S. Mortgage & Trust Co., New York, trustee.

Issuance.—Subject to the approval of Alabama P. S. Commission, for such bonds not already so approved.

**Data from Letter of Pres. Thos. W. Martin, Birmingham, Jan. 30.**

**Company.**—Serves directly and indirectly over 80% of the urban population and practically all of the large industrial power requirements of the State of Alabama outside of the city of Mobile. Does, directly, all the electric light and power business in some 40 cities and towns, all the street railway business in Anniston, Gadsden and Huntsville, and the gas business in Anniston, Selma, Decatur and Albany. Furnishes under contract all the current used by the Birmingham Ry., Light & Power Co. in greater Birmingham and Bessemer and all the current used by the local public service companies in Tuscaloosa, Alexander City, Tuskegee and Cordova, and by the municipalities of Opelika, Sylacauga, La Fayette and Piedmont. Also serves under contract a number of large industrial power consumers.

**Recent Acquisitions.**—Company recently contracted to purchase the electric lighting, power, street railway and gas systems serving the district of Montgomery.

**Capitalization after this financing.**—  

Common stock (all owned by Ala. Tr. Lt. & P. Co.)	\$40,000,000	\$18,751,000
xPreferred stock	10,000,000	4,881,000
Income debenture certificates		y12,170,000
1st Mtge. Lien & Ref. 6s. 1951	a	\$9,000,000
do 5% Series, due 1951 (this issue)		4,700,000
1st Mtge. 5s. due 1946	b	b10,221,000
Outstdg. bonds on prop. owned or being acquired. (Closed)		2,443,600

x Partly represented by no par value shares. y These debentures are a non-foreclosable security having a contingent interest in the balance available after the payment of Pref. stock dividends. They represent part of the original investment in the property over and above that represented by the outstanding bonded debt.

a Limited only by the conservative restrictions of the indenture. b \$12,000,000 additional will be pledged under the indenture securing the 1st Mtge. Lien & Ref. bonds. No additional 1st Mtge. 5% bonds may be issued except for pledge hereunder.

**Earnings Years ended Dec. 31—**  

	1922.	1921.
Gross earnings	\$7,118,199	\$4,542,357
Net, after operating expenses & taxes	3,137,880	2,379,885
Annual int. on fund. debt with public (incl. this iss.)	1,411,730	

Balance \$1,728,150  
 x Includes earnings of the utility properties in Montgomery, which company has contracted to purchase.

**Physical Property.**—Company owns the "Lock 12" hydro-electric development on the Coosa River, 45 miles southeast of Birmingham. Installed capacity of plant, recently completed by the installation of the 6 and final unit, 110,000 h.p. Company also owns a steam turbine station of 15,000 h.p. capacity located at Gadsden, 60 miles northeast of Birmingham, and a second steam turbine station located 25 miles northwest of Birmingham on the Black Warrior River. This second steam station has been operated up to its present capacity of 35,000 h.p. for about 3 years.

Company recently constructed a complete 45,000 h.p. addition to the Warrior Reserve Steam Plant, under a plan of financing arranged with the U. S. Govt. during the war. In addition, company owns the hydro-electric development of 2,000 h.p. capacity at Jackson Shoals, about 40 miles east of Birmingham. These stations are connected with each other and with Birmingham and other markets by a comprehensive system of steel-tower transmission lines, the transmission lines now in operation aggregating about 1,500 miles in length.

Company completed construction in 1921 of a transmission line connecting its system with that of the Georgia Ry. & Power Co., and the latter company is connected by means of transmission lines with the systems of all the major power companies in the States of Georgia, Tennessee, North and South Carolina. Company in 1922 leased from the U. S. Govt. for a period of one year, subject to termination, its 60,000 k.w. steam plant constructed during the war at Sheffield in connection with Nitrate Plant No. 2. It is anticipated that the new Mitchell Dam power plant will be ready for service in the early part of this year.

Company will shortly complete the construction of a second large hydro-electric development to be known as the Mitchell power plant, which will have an initial generating capacity of 72,000 h.p. and an ultimate capacity of 120,000 h.p. This addition will increase the present hydro-electric capacity by over half and will increase the total installed generating capacity to 242,000 h.p., of which over 75% will be hydro-electric.—V. 115, p. 2796; V. 116, p. 178.

**Aluminum Manufactures, Inc.—Stock Decreased.**—  
 The stockholders on Jan. 31 voted to decrease the authorized and issued Capital stock to \$4,000,000. Pref. stock and 325,860 shares of Common stock, no par value, by retiring shares now owned by the corporation.—V. 116, p. 298.

**American Cyanamid Co.—Shipments, Sales, &c.**—  
 Net value of shipments of the various products for November 1922 totaled \$729,072. Sales of the various products for November represented a value of approximately \$556,000.  
 The company has in hand as of Nov. 30 1922 contracts for various products for delivery prior to June 30 1923 of a sales value of approximately \$3,920,000.—Compare V. 116, p. 179; V. 115, p. 1944.

**American Gas & Electric Co.—To Change Par Value.**—  
 The stockholders will vote Feb. 20 on changing the par of the Common stock from \$50 to no par. It is proposed to issue 5 shares of no par Common stock from \$50 to no par. It is proposed to issue 5 shares of no par Common stock for each share of old Common stock now held.—V. 115, p. 2796.

**American Ice Co.—To Receive Dividend in Stock.**—  
 The Boston Ice Co. has filed a certificate with the Massachusetts Commissioner of Corporations showing an increase in Capital stock from \$500,000 (all outstanding and all owned by American Ice Co.) to \$1,500,000, par \$100, by the issuance of 10,000 additional shares, to be distributed as a 200% stock dividend to holders of record Jan. 16.—V. 116, p. 179.

**American International Corp.—New President &c.**—  
 Matthew C. Brush, Senior Vice-President, has been elected President and Chairman of the Executive Committee. Charles A. Stone has resigned as President and Frank A. Vanderlip has resigned as Chairman of the Board. Gordon H. Balch has been elected Vice-President.  
 Reports state that the corporation has sold 20% or more of its holdings of International Mercantile Marine Co. Preferred stock. The company owned at the close of 1921 a total of 105,000 shares.—V. 115, p. 2382.

**American Locomotive Co.—Locomotive Orders.**—  
 The company last week received orders for 30 locomotives from the following companies: Central of Georgia Ry., 5 Mountain type; Chicago & Eastern Illinois RR., 10 Mikado type, and Illinois Central RR., 15 Mountain type. See also V. 116, p. 413.

**American Pneumatic Service Co.—Resumes 2d Pf. Divs.**—  
 The directors have declared a dividend of 1% on the 2d Pf. stock, par \$50, payable June 30 to holders of record June 9. This is the first dividend declared on the 2d Pf. stock since March 1918, when a distribution of 1 1/2% was made.  
 The regular quarterly dividend of \$1.75 per share on the first Pf. stock has also been declared payable March 30 to holders of record March 10.—V. 115, p. 1734.

**American Public Utilities Co.—Plan to Exchange Present 6% Pref. Stock for New Preferred in Order to Resume Dividends.**  
 In order to provide for the resuming of dividends from current earnings and to make it possible to obtain additional capital as needed, the directors recommend that the following plan be adopted by the shareholders:  
 Two new classes of Pref. stock, viz.: Prior Pref. stock and Participating Pref. stock shall be created into which the present 6% Pref. stock shall, be converted as follows:  
 For each share, par \$100, of 6% Pref. stock with (22 3/4%) accum. divs and \$7 50 par value of div. scrip or div. notes, or \$7 50 in cash, there will be

delivered three-tenths of a share, par \$100, (30%) of Prior Pref. stock and eight-tenths of a share par \$100 (80%) in Participating Pref. stock, or a total of one and one-tenth shares (par \$110) of Prior Lien & Participating Preferred stock.

Where the holders of the present issue of 6% Pref. stock are not now the owners of the scrip notes issued for dividends, amounting in all to \$7 50 per share, maturing April 1 1923, and thereafter, they shall pay \$7 50 in cash, in lieu of the scrip or notes.

The present financial condition of the company is such that when the new stock is issued and the exchanges made, the payment of dividends on the new issues will be resumed.

The Prior Pref. stock shall be entitled, from its issuance as of April 1 1923 to cumulative dividends, payable Q.-J., of 7% per annum.

The Participating Pref. stock shall be entitled to cumulative dividends of 4% for the first year, following its date of issuance, April 1 1923; 5% for the second year, 6% for the third year and 7% for the fourth and each subsequent year, payable Q.-J. It shall also be entitled to an additional 1% in any calendar year wherein the total cash dividend paid on the Com. stock shall exceed \$6 per share.

The existing 6% Pref. stock shall be subordinate to the rights of the Prior Pref. stock and the Participating Pref. stock, and shall be entitled to dividends, cumulative, from April 1 1923, at the rate of 6%, payable quarterly, after payment of dividends on the Prior Pref. stock and the Participating Pref. stock.

The company controls through Common stock ownership, Wisconsin-Minnesota Light & Power Co., Central Indiana Power Co., Utah Gas & Coke Co., of Salt Lake City, Elkhart (Ind.) Gas & Fuel Co., Jackson (Miss.) Public Service Co., Albion (Mich.) Gas Light Co., Holland (Mich.) Gas Works and Boise (Idaho) Gas Light & Coke Co. These utilities operate in 7 States and serve populations exceeding 1,500,000.

**Capitalization When Exchanges Under This Plan Are Completed.**  

7% Pref. stock	\$1,340,000	Common stock	\$2,995,000
Participating Pref. stock	3,570,000	20-Year 6% bonds	1,707,000
6% (present) Pref. stock		30-Year 5% bonds	456,300

**Earnings for 12 Months Ended Nov. 30 1922.**  

Gross earnings from operations	\$9,708,769
Operating expenses, including Federal taxes	6,051,488

x Interest on bonds & other obligations of sub. cos., incl. divs. on Preferred stock 2,724,757  
 Int. on Amer. Public Utilities Co. Coll. Tr. bonds outstdg. Nov. 30 1922 125,235  
 Miscell. requirements, Amer. Pub. Utilities Co. for 1923 (est.) 100,000

y Remainder for depreciation and dividends \$707,289  
 Annual requirements for Pref. stock divs. under plan proposed for 7% Prior Pref. stock, \$93,800; for Particip. Pref. stock, first year, \$142,800 236,600  
 Balance \$470,689

x Includes one year's interest on bonds of Central Indiana Power Co. recently issued and outstanding Nov. 30 1922, and actual interest paid by other subsidiaries. y In arriving at amount available for depreciation and dividends 1922 net earnings have been used and no consideration given to possible increases due to increased business in 1923.—V. 115, p. 1431.

**American Republics Corp.—Definitive Bonds Ready.**—  
 The Guaranty Trust Co. of N. Y. will be prepared commencing Feb. 7 to deliver definitive 15-Year 6% gold debenture bonds, due 1937, in exchange for outstanding temporary bonds. See V. 115, p. 547.

**American Smelting & Refining Co.—Replies to Senator Pittman.**—

The company made public Jan. 31 an abstract from a letter written to Senator Pittman by V. Pres. Francis H. Brownell, in reply to the Senator's recent allegation that smelting companies are not directly interested in the price of silver and have given no aid toward the formation of a silver selling and credit organization.—V. 116, p. 413, 298.

**American Tobacco Co.—New Treasurer.**—  
 John R. Taylor has been elected Treasurer, succeeding J. M. W. Hicks. Mr. Taylor has also been elected a director.—V. 115, p. 1841.

**Anaconda Copper Mining Co.—Injunction.**—  
 Federal Judge Bourquin at Butte, Mont., recently granted an injunction restraining Davis-Daly Copper Co. and Anaconda Co. from abstracting ore in the disputed territory until the case is settled. Both sides may conduct work in this territory for litigation purposes. The hearing before Federal Judge Bourquin on the application of Anaconda Co. for an injunction to restrain Davis-Daly from mining any more ore from the disputed Original No. 2 vein resulted in the filing of a large number of affidavits from geologists and other mining experts representing both sides.—V. 116, p. 406.

**Anglo-American Oil Co., Ltd.—Notes Called.**—  
 Certain 5-Year 7 1/4% Sinking Fund gold notes, dated April 1 1920, aggregating \$1,228,000, have been called for payment April 1 at 103 and int. at J. P. Morgan & Co., sinking fund trustees, 23 Wall St., N. Y. City. Certain of the above notes, aggregating \$247,000, previously drawn for payment are still unredeemed.—V. 115, p. 2796.

**Assets Realization Co.—Meeting Postponed.**—  
 The postponed meeting has been deferred indefinitely.—V. 115, p. 1841.

**Barnsdall Corp.—International Barnsdall Corp.**—  
 In reference to the recent increase in the capital stock of the International Barnsdall Corp., Mason Day, President of that corporation, says in part: "The Barnsdall Corp., has retained a substantial interest in the stock of the International Barnsdall Corp. and has disposed of a block of stock to a group which has agreed to finance the initial undertakings of the International Barnsdall Corp. to carry out its contracts with the Russian Soviet Government for the drilling and operating of certain territory in the Baku oil fields."—V. 116, p. 413.

**Bayuk Bros., Inc., Philadelphia.—To Create Issue of 7% Preferred Stock—Present 8% Holders to Be Given Opportunity to Exchange.**—

The stockholders will vote Feb. 13 on creating an authorized issue of \$10,000,000 7% First Pref. (a. & d.) stock. The directors have decided to redeem the present outstanding 8% Pref. stock on April 15 at 110. The holders of the 8% stock may convert their stock at any time up to ten days before the redemption date into the common stock at the rate of two common shares for one share of 8% Pref. The holders of the 8% Pref. stock will be given an opportunity to acquire the 7% stock by exchanging their holdings in the ratio of 10 shares of 8% Pref. stock for 11 shares of 7% Pref. stock.—V. 115, p. 2796.

**Bell Telephone Co. of Pennsylvania.—Bonds Called.**—  
 All of the outstanding 1st & Ref. Mtge. 25-Year 7% Sinking Fund gold bonds, Series "A," dated Oct. 1 1920, have been called for redemption April 1 at 107 1/2 and int. at the Bankers Trust Co., 10 Wall St., N. Y. City. See V. 116, p. 180.

**Bethlehem Steel Corp.—Federal Trade Commission Files Complaint Against Merger—Statement by President Grace—To Proceed with Midvale Merger—Bonds Sold.**—

The Federal Trade Commission issued a challenge Jan. 25 against the Bethlehem-Lackawanna-Midvale steel merger and drew up a complaint alleging that such a combination would stifle competition in the steel industry in that section of the country north of the Potomac and east of Johnstown, Pa., and Buffalo. The Commission allows 30 days to the cited corporations to file an answer, following which a date for a hearing will be set.

In formulating this new complaint against the independent steel companies the Commission dismissed without prejudice an earlier complaint it had made last year against the Bethlehem-Lackawanna merger. This steel merger was investigated last summer by Attorney-General Daugherty, who, after no one appeared to oppose the combination at Department of Justice hearings, informed the Senate that the merger was within the provisions of the law.

The Trade Commission's new complaint alleges that the merger is in violation both of the Clayton Act and the Federal Trade Commission Act. It specifically cites the following corporations: The Bethlehem Steel Corp.,



Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem Steel Bridge Corp., Lackawanna Steel Co., Lackawanna Bridge Works Corp., Midvale Steel & Ordnance Co. and Cambria Steel Co.

The Bethlehem-Lackawanna-Midvale merger involves an aggregate of 46 companies comprising these three groups, divided as follows: Bethlehem group, 11 companies; Lackawanna group, 13 companies; Midvale group, 22 companies.

Each of these three groups is described in the complaint as forming an integrated concern, each having subsidiary companies engaged in mining coal, iron ore and limestone and in transporting and assembling these raw materials. It declares that each of these three groups thus owns and controls all stages of the production of iron and steel products in a competitive field embracing that territory north of the Potomac River and east of a line drawn north and south through Buffalo, N. Y., and Johnstown, Pa.

**Statement by President E. G. Grace, of Bethlehem Steel Corporation.** The complaint of the Federal Trade Commission was expected and the news is no surprise to us. It will be remembered that when the Bethlehem-Lackawanna merger and the proposed Midvale-Republic-Inland merger were announced two investigations were instituted at the request of the U. S. Senate, one by the Department of Justice and the other by the Federal Trade Commission. The Department of Justice in their report to the Senate declared both transactions to be free from any taint of illegality. The Federal Trade Commission, however, felt bound to institute a formal proceeding to test the legality of the two mergers and filed complaints against each.

Bethlehem proceeded with the acquisition of the Lackawanna properties relying upon the report of the Attorney-General and the advice of its counsel that the transaction was entirely legal. Before the public announcement of Bethlehem's proposed acquisition of the Midvale property advance information was given, as courtesy required, both to the Department of Justice and to the Federal Trade Commission. The Federal Trade Commission, as was expected, advised us that, pursuant to the policy they had adopted, they would in due course amend the proceeding already pending to test the legality of the Bethlehem-Lackawanna merger so as to include Bethlehem's acquisition of the Midvale properties. The complaint now announced was accordingly fully expected.

Bethlehem is proceeding with the acquisition of the Midvale property just as it did with the acquisition of the Lackawanna property, relying upon the report of the Department of Justice and the advice of its counsel, confident that the legality of both transactions will be sustained.

[The \$25,000,000 Consol. Mtge. 20-Year S. F. 5½% bonds, Series B, have been admitted to trading on the New York Stock Exchange on a when-issued basis.]

Guaranty Co. of New York and Bankers Trust Co. announce that the issue of \$25,000,000 Consol. M. 30-Year Sinking Fund 5½% gold bonds, Series "B," has been oversubscribed. [See offering in V. 116, p. 413, 408.]

**Borg & Beck Co. of Illinois.—Stock Offered.**—John Burnham & Co., Chicago, have sold at \$24 per share 60,000 shares Common stock (no par value). A circular shows:

**Listing.**—Listed on Chicago Stock Exchange.  
**Capital.**—Common stock (no par value), 100,000 shares. Company has no preferred stock or bonds. George W. Borg, Pres., will retain 40,000 shares of the total of 100,000 shares for himself and associates.  
**Company.**—Organized in 1913. Is engaged in the manufacture and sale of friction clutches for gasoline engines, and supplies over 90% of the requirements of those companies which do not make their own clutches. Customers include Chandler, Cleveland, Franklin, Moon, Nash, Oldsmobile, Stutz, Willys Overland passenger cars; Federal, Indiana, Service, Stewart trucks; Cleveland and J. I. Case tractors, &c., &c.  
**Dividends.**—Directors have designated their intention of immediately placing this stock on an annual dividend basis of \$2 per share in quarterly payments beginning April 1 1923.

**No. of Clutches Sold and Net Earnings after Deprec. & Federal Taxes.**

Calendar Years—	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
No. clutches sold—	226,728	128,395	337,108	243,329	106,656
Net earnings—	\$485,480	\$102,769	\$592,545	\$499,907	\$256,366

**Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1922 (After New Financing).**

Assets—		Liabilities—	
Cash—	\$43,273	Accounts payable & accrued expenses—	\$93,380
U. S. Govt. securities—	350,663	Income & profits taxes (reserve)—	140,000
Notes & accts. receivable—	187,274	Cap. stk., represented by 100,000 shs., no par val.—	1,755,674
Inventories—	494,555		
Prepaid expenses—	13,426		
Investments—	119,792		
Physical properties—	773,546		
Patents—	36,523		
		Total (each side)—	\$1,989,054

**(Daniel) Boone Woolen Mills, Inc.—Increase, &c.**—The stockholders on Jan. 25 increased the authorized capital stock from 49,000 to 125,000 shares, par \$25. It is proposed to distribute part of the increase as a 25% stock dividend and to offer new stock pro rata to stockholders at \$40 per share.—V. 115, p. 1945.

**(J. G.) Brill Co., Philadelphia.—Equipment Order.**—The company has received an order from the Philadelphia (Pa.) Rapid Transit Co. for 576 new cars, to cost approximately \$6,500,000. Of the order, 520 cars will be of the regular passenger type, 34 snow plows and sweepers, 20 construction and supply cars, one crane car for subway (elevated operation) and one crane car for surface operation. The J. G. Brill Co. will commence delivery at the rate of three a day on June 1 next.—V. 116, p. 299.

**Brooklyn Edison Co.—Earnings.**

Calendar Years—	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Total revenue—	\$19,326,489	\$16,515,098	\$13,308,868	\$10,850,114
Expenses, taxes, &c.—	13,097,326	11,689,762	10,225,919	7,499,102
Gross income—	\$6,229,163	\$4,825,336	\$3,082,949	\$3,351,012
Interest and discount—	2,123,755	2,052,915	1,420,333	1,088,448
Dividends—	1,805,831	1,389,702	1,387,366	1,381,650
Balance, surplus—	\$2,299,595	\$1,382,719	\$275,250	\$880,914

—V. 116, p. 300.

**Brooklyn Union Gas Co.—Annual Report.**

Calendar Years—	1922.	1921.	1920.
Operating revenue—	\$20,259,802	\$14,109,663	\$15,894,532
Operating expenses, taxes, &c.—	15,743,150	17,841,158	17,341,773
Net operating surplus—	\$4,516,652	\$3,731,495	\$1,447,241
Other income—	Cr. 637,214	Cr. 462,465	Cr. 380,785
Balance, surpl.—	\$5,153,866	\$3,269,030	\$1,066,456
Interest on funded debt, &c.—	(1,300,997)	(1,074,504)	(236,976)
Reserve for renewals & replacements—	1,493,235	208,133	
Balance, surplus or deficit—	\$3,660,631	\$4,778,160	\$2,377,936

a Does not include \$5,730,458 (approximate) excess collections above 80-cent rate collected during 1921 by parent company.—V. 115, p. 2584.

**(P.) Burns & Co., Calgary, Ont.—Bonds Sold.**—Dominion Securities Corp., Ltd., Montreal, has sold \$3,500,000 6½% 1st Mtge. 20-Year Full Sinking Fund gold bonds. A circular shows:

Dated Jan. 1 1923. Due Jan. 1 1943. Interest payable J. & J. in Toronto, Montreal, Winnipeg, New York and London, Eng., at par of exchange. Denom. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100 (\*). National Trust Co., Ltd., Toronto, trustee.

**Capitalization (When Present Financial Plans Completed).**

Capital stock—\$5,500,000  
Bonds (authorized \$5,000,000), outstanding (this issue)—3,500,000  
The remaining \$1,500,000 of bonds can only be issued against 60% of cost of additions to property and plant.  
Sinking Fund.—An annual sinking fund has been provided, beginning one year from the date of issue, which will redeem the full amount of outstanding bonds by maturity. The bonds will be purchased in the open market if obtainable at or below the call prices; if not, they will be called at the following prices: \$104 and int. from 1924 to 1928 incl.;

103 and int. from 1929 to 1933 incl.; 102 and int. from 1934 to maturity. Bonds are callable either for sinking fund purposes or as a whole at the above prices.

**Company.**—Had its inception at Calgary in 1890. Owns valuable properties at Calgary, Edmonton, Vancouver, Prince Albert, Regina, Lethbridge and Vernon, at which points it operates abattoirs, packing houses, yards, &c., for the manufacture and distribution of its products. Owns approximately 20,000 acres of ranch and farm lands, mostly in Alberta, which are used for farming and as pasturage and feeding camps. Also operates 94 retail stores in important centres in Alberta and British Columbia.

**Purpose.**—To redeem existing securities amounting to approximately \$930,000 and to practically retire existing bank loans.

**Earnings.**—Net earnings available for bond interest after giving effect to the new financing, and after paying all operating expenses including repairs and replacements, and interest on bank loans, but before depreciation and Federal taxes, are as follows: Year ending June 30 1922, \$703,151; average annual earnings, 5 years and 9 months, \$609,161; average annual earnings, 10 years, 9 months, \$663,861.

Earnings for 4 months from June 30 to Oct. 31 1922, \$325,000.

Annual interest charge on \$3,500,000 bonds at 6½% requires \$227,500.

**Balance Sheet Oct. 31 1922 (After New Financing).**

Assets—		Liabilities—	
Fixed assets—	\$7,252,867	Capital stock—	\$5,500,000
Current assets—	5,803,488	6½% 1st Mtge. bonds—	3,500,000
Inv. in sub. companies—	717,700	Current liabilities—	1,561,692
Deferred charges—	570,684	Deferred liabilities—	94,953
		Reserved for depreciation—	1,996,829
Total (each side)—	\$14,344,739	Surplus—	1,691,235

—V. 92, p. 958.

**Butler Brothers, Chicago.—Report.**

The report for the year ended Dec. 31 1922 shows net earnings of \$2,715,684, contrasted with a loss of \$3,605,207 in 1921.—V. 114, p. 742, 732.

**Butte Copper & Zinc Co.—Resumes Dividends.**

A dividend of 50 cents per share has been declared on the stock, payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 15. An initial dividend of like amount was paid in July 1918; none since.—V. 115, p. 2689.

**California Petroleum Corp.—Resumes Common Dividend.**

A quarterly dividend of 1¼% has been declared on the outstanding \$14,877,005 Common stock, par \$100, payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 20. Dividends of 1¼% each were paid on the Common stock on Jan. 1, April 1 and July 1913; none since.—V. 115, p. 2689.

**Calumet & Arizona Mining Co.—Obituary.**

Peter Ruppe, Treasurer and director of this company and the New Cornelia Copper Co., died at Calumet, Mich., on Jan. 26.—V. 116, p. 300.

**Campbell Soup Co.—Initial Preferred Dividend.**

The directors have declared a quarterly dividend of 1¼% on the Pref. stock, payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 15. See offering in V. 115, p. 2481.

**Canadian Car & Foundry Co.—Orders—New Director.**

President W. W. Butler announced on Jan. 25 that the company had orders amounting to \$10,364,614, compared with \$818,745 a year ago. For the first three months of the current year \$3,000,000 business had been handled, and even if no more orders were received the company, it is stated, would do a business in excess of \$13,000,000 this year. Other substantial orders, however, are in prospect.

Colonel O. F. Harvey has been elected a director to represent the American Car & Foundry interests, the latter company holding more than 30,000 shares of 125,000 shares outstanding in Canadian Co.—V. 116, p. 415.

**Chicoutimi (Quebec) Pulp Co.—Award.**

A board of arbitrators named to determine the value of 28,130 tons of pulp belonging to the company destroyed by fire at Port Alfred on July 8 has awarded the company \$61,500. The company filed a claim against 31 insurance companies for \$1,020,800, basing the value of the destroyed pulp at \$37 a ton, but the board found that there was 27,227 tons of pulp destroyed and that it had an average value of \$23.93 per ton.—V. 105, p. 2332

**Cities Service Co.—New Director.**

John Gribbel of Philadelphia has been elected a director.—V. 116, p. 300.

**Citizens Gas Co. of Indianapolis.—Tenders.**

The Bankers Trust Co., primary trustee, 10 Wall St., N. Y. City, will, until Feb. 21, receive bids for the sale to it of 1st & Ref. Mtge. Sinking Fund gold bonds dated July 1 1912 to an amount sufficient to exhaust \$24,425 at a price not exceeding 108 and interest.—V. 115, p. 441.

**Connecticut Light & Power Co.—Pref. Stock Offered.**

Estabrook & Co., New York; Charles W. Scranton & Co., New Haven; Hincks Bros. & Co., Bridgeport, and Putnam & Co., Hartford, are offering at 100 and divs. \$4,500,000 Cumul. 7% Pref. (a. & d.) stock. (See advertising pages). Dividends payable Q-J. Redeemable all or part at 120 and dividends.

**Data from Letter of V.-Pres. Irvin W. Day, Waterbury, Jan. 31.**

**Capitalization To Be Outstanding Upon Completion of the Present Financing.**

1st & Ref. 7s. series "A"—	\$6,500,000	Pref. stock, 8% Cumul.—	\$4,500,000
New Milford Pr. Co. 1st		2d Pref. stock 8% Cumul.—	2,500,000
Mtge. 5s.—	1,000,000	Common stock—	8,486,000
Pref. stock, 8% Cumul.—	4,500,000		

**Company.**—Supplies electric light and power to a population of about 300,000 in an important industrial section of Connecticut, including the cities of Waterbury, New Britain and Norwalk, and the Naugatuck Valley district. Owns and operates 2 hydro-electric properties, aggregate capacity 34,600 h. p., 86 miles of high-tension transmission lines and various important substations. In addition operates on a 999-year lease a steam electric generating station at Waterbury of 33,000 h. p. capacity and 34 miles of transmission lines. A new tide-water steam electric generating station is being constructed at Devon, Conn., which is now planned will have an initial installation of 3 units, having an aggregate capacity of 100,000 h. p., thus more than doubling present plant capacity. The construction program includes also 75 miles of high-tension steel-tower transmission lines as well as the necessary substations to connect the new Devon power station with the company's distribution systems. The company has already contracted for the sale and delivery of a large amount of the power which will be available upon the completion of the Devon station.

**Purpose.**—The present issue of \$4,500,000 7% Pref. stock and \$2,500,000 2d Pref. stock is for the purpose of retiring floating debt and carrying on the construction program. The 2d Pref. stock will be paid for in cash at par, thus providing substantial additional equity behind the present Preferred stock.

**Earnings 12 Months ended Oct. 31—**

	1922.	1921.
Gross operating revenue—	\$4,293,856	\$3,965,799
Net after operating expenses—	1,746,233	1,672,955
Non-operating income—	137,917	57,251

**Gross income—**

	1922.	1921.
Present annual fixed charges—	\$1,884,150	\$1,730,206
Annual dividends 8% Preferred stock—	907,354	907,354
do do 7% Preferred stock—	320,000	320,000
	315,000	

Balance—\$341,796 \$502,852

**Balance Sheet as of Oct. 31 1922 (After Present Financing).**

Assets—		Liabilities—	
Plant & property owned—	\$12,936,767	Pref. stock, 7% cumul.—	\$4,500,000
Plant & property leased—	6,530,243	do 8% Cumul.—	4,000,000
Miscellaneous investm'ts—	53,663	2d Pref. stock 8% cumul.—	2,500,000
Cash—	6,833,073	Common stock—	8,486,000
U. S. Treas. certificates—	585,000	Funded debt—	7,500,000
Accts. & notes rec.—	663,792	Accounts payable—	1,024,312
Materials & supplies—	525,311	Accrued liabilities—	395,241
Prepaid accounts—	47,206	Reserve accounts—	76,810
Unamort. disc., &c.—	741,177	Profit & loss—	508,870
Bond sinking fund—	75,000		
Total—	\$28,991,234	Total—	\$28,991,234

—V. 115, p. 1637.



**Columbia Graphophone Mfg. Co.—Sells Dictaphone Dept.**  
See Dictaphone Company below.—V. 115, p. 2690.

**Columbia Textile Co., Lowell, Mass.—Registrar.**  
The New York Trust Co. has been appointed registrar of \$2,000,000 8% Cumulative Preferred stock.—V. 115, p. 2797.

**Consolidated Gas Co., New York.—Further Data from Annual Report.**—The annual report for 1922, published in "Chronicle" Jan. 27, also contains the following in regard to gas standard and rates:

**Adoption of a Thermal Standard for Gas.**—Hearings were continued before the Commission during 1922 on the subject of adopting, for New York City, a modern thermal unit standard for measuring the quality of gas, in place of the obsolete and costly 22-candlepower standard.

On Aug. 30 1922 the Commission adopted and order based upon the testimony in the hearings held before it, which prescribed for gas companies operating in the City of New York a monthly average standard of not less than 537 British thermal units per cu. ft. of gas, with a prohibition against a daily average of less than 525 British thermal units for any three consecutive days in any calendar month. This order became effective on Oct. 1 1922.

The results from the change of standard thus far have undoubtedly been a more economical and efficient use of gas throughout the territory of this company and its affiliated gas companies. At the same time, every consumer has been given the full benefit of the resultant economies in the cost of manufacturing gas, through a reduction in rate, on this account alone, of 5 cents per 1,000 cu. ft. of gas used.

**Reductions Aggregating \$3,177,727.30 in Gas Rates.**—The investigation instituted by the P. S. Commission in 1921, as to the rates charged for gas by this company and its affiliated gas companies within the City of New York, continued during the first 7 months of 1922. Numerous hearings were held as to the rates of each of the companies, and a great quantity of statistical data relating to the operating costs and properties of the respective companies and of the system as a whole were submitted.

When the work of checking and verification of this data neared completion, the Commission notified the companies and the representatives of the City that it had reached the conclusion that a great deal of time and expense might be obviated if an effort were made to deal with the matter through informal public conferences, at which representatives of the companies and of the municipalities could be present and give aid to the Commission in developing the pertinent facts.

When the conference called by the Commission was convened, the representatives of the City of New York refused to take part in anything which promised so quickly to bring about a termination of the matter through reductions in rates. The conferences nevertheless proceeded, but soon developed the fact that the Commission sought a reduction in the rates below the point permitted by operating costs at that time and a continuance of the rate of return upon investment which has been held by the courts to be the constitutional right of the company.

On Aug. 30 1922 the Commission unanimously adopted an opinion and a series of orders which prescribed rates to be charged for gas for a period of one year, generally dating from Oct. 1 1922, for every gas company in N. Y. City. As to this company and its affiliated gas companies, the rates prescribed by these orders were in every instance a reduction (see V. 115, p. 1104).

The opinion of the Commission also gave frank recognition to the right of the companies to have their rates such as to yield a return upon at least the amount of the actual investment in their useful gas properties, and the Commission determined this investment as of July 31 1922 to be the following sums:

Consolidated Gas Co. of New York	\$56,597,758
Astoria Light, Heat & Power Co.	28,763,682
New Amsterdam Gas Co. (incl. East River Gas Co. of L. I. City)	27,032,854
Central Union Gas Co.	11,319,495
Northern Union Gas Co.	5,305,115
Standard Gas Light Co.	14,748,192
New York Mutual Gas Light Co.	11,057,916
Total	\$154,825,011

The figure of \$154,825,011 does not include the New York & Queens Gas Co. or Bronx Gas & Electric Co. The investment of these two companies were determined by the courts in recent litigation. Nor does this figure include the investment in gas properties in Westchester County or the investment, as of that date, of the Westchester Lighting Co. in gas property within N. Y. City. There is likewise excluded in the case of the Consolidated Co., land and plant not claimed to be presently used in its gas business (including the 44th St. plant taken by the city in condemnation proceedings) representing an investment of approximately \$3,452,000.

As to the action of the Commission, it may be stated that the revenues of this company and its affiliated gas companies, under the reduced rates fixed by these orders, will be at least \$3,177,727 less than they would have been, during the prescribed period, if the same quantity of gas sold had been billed at the rates in force at the time the Commission's order was made.

#### Stock Allotments to Pref. Stock Subscribers.

The company has made its definite allotment of shares of its 6% Cum. Pref. stock to 57,283 individual subscribers to the shares. There were 33,377 who subscribed for from one to six shares and to those has been allotted the full amount subscribed for; 682 subscribed for 7 to 9 shares, to these have been allotted 6 shares; 9,192 subscribed for 10 to 15 shares, to each of which was allotted 7 shares; 5,730 asked for 16 to 20 shares and the allotment to this class is 8 shares. Those who subscribed for from 21 to 30 shares numbered 1,805, each of whom will receive 9 shares, and 10 shares have been allotted to each of those 1,355 subscribers who asked for from 31 to 40 shares. To the 1,893 who subscribed for 41 to 50 shares, 11 shares each have been allotted. The 2,364 persons who subscribed for 51 to 100 shares will each receive 14 shares. Subscriptions for from 101 to 200 shares were made by 611, to each of whom will be allotted 16 shares. 106 subscribed for from 201 to 300 shares and to each of these have been allotted 18 shares. 20 shares, the maximum number, were allotted to 169 who subscribed for 300 shares and upward.

While the Pref. stock issue represented only \$15,000,000, the subscriptions totaled \$48,477,800.—V. 116, p. 405, 415.

#### Consolidated Steel & Iron Corp.—Status—Directors, &c.

This company, incorporated in Delaware in 1921, owns in fee the Hoosier Rolling Mill Co., Terre Haute, Ind., Missouri Iron & Steel Corp., St. Louis Iron & Steel Co., Terre Haute Auto Spring Co., Jefferson Iron Co., Carson Iron Mine Co. and Kingsbury Mining Co. Company manufactures pig iron, iron and steel products. Properties located at Brandsville, Mo.; Mointain Home, Ark.; Chapin, Mo.; Williamsville, Mo. Plants located at Terre Haute, Ind.; Steelton, Ind.; Stuart, Mo.; Carson, Mo.

Company has an authorized capital of \$2,000,000 8% Cumul. Preferred stock, par \$100, and 600,000 shares of Common stock of no par value, of which \$1,123,300 Pref. and 317,968 shares of Common outstanding. The Preferred stock is redeemable at any time at 103 and dividends.

**Directors:** F. J. Stuart, Walter R. Mayne, Thos. Pechan, St. Louis, Mo.; J. R. Finkelstein, H. A. Breton, S. C. McKeen, Terre Haute, Ind.; E. J. Schroeder, Breese, Ill.; A. T. Hollenbeck, Jefferson City, Mo.; F. F. Rimsa, Belleville, Ill.; James B. Pitcher, F. C. Pitcher, New York; A. B. Fraser, Cleveland, Ohio; H. A. Sicker, West Lafayette, Ohio; Aug. Borchelt, St. Peter, Ill.; and E. E. Gates, Indianapolis, Ind.

**Officers:** F. J. Stuart, Chairman; J. R. Finkelstein, Pres.; E. J. Schroeder, V.-Pres.; F. J. Buckley, Treas. (N. Y.); M. C. Walsh, Sec.; F. F. Rimsa, Asst. Treas. Executive office, St. Louis, Mo. Fiscal office, 62 Cedar St., N. Y. City. Pitcher & Co., New York, are company's bankers.—V. 113, p. 1578.

#### Consolidation Coal Co.—Lease of Coal Properties.

The company has leased to J. A. Paisley and associates of Cleveland, O., approximately 12,000 acres of coal land in Marion and Monongalia Counties, W. Va., on which are two operating mines which develops approximately 400 acres of the tract. The remaining acreage is undeveloped coal land. The royalty rentals will amount to approximately \$14,000,000 to be paid in quarterly installments over a period of 40 years.

The entire issue of Conv. 6% Secured gold bonds, due Feb. 1 1923, are now being paid off at the Equitable Trust Co., trustee, 39 Wall St., N. Y. City.—V. 114, p. 1657.

#### Consumers Gas Co., Toronto.—Rights.

The shareholders of record Feb. 3 are given the right to subscribe on or before March 21 at \$135 per share for \$2,000,000 new stock in the ratio of one new share for every three shares held. Present paid-up capital stock

is \$6,000,000 (par \$100). Proceeds will be used to provide for necessary extensions and to meet company's debt. Payments may be made in four installments as follows: Four payments of \$33.75 each on April 2, July 3, Oct. 1 1923 and Jan. 2 1924. Shareholders may pay for stock in full on any of the dates mentioned. Shareholders will be entitled to dividends on the amount paid in, beginning April 2. Any portions of stock not accepted by shareholders on or before March 21 1923 will be offered to the public.—V. 115, p. 2476.

#### Craddock-Terry Co., Lynchburg, Va.—Production.

In 1922 the company produced about 6,000,000 pairs of shoes, an increase of about 1,711,070 pairs, over 1921. Shipments totaled about \$19,000,000, an increase of about \$2,000,000 over 1921.

John W. Craddock, who has been elected Chairman, has been succeeded as President by Charles G. Craddock. Dexter Otis and C. O. Chapline have been elected Vice-Presidents.—V. 114, p. 2822.

#### Cushman's Sons, Inc., N. Y.—To Issue New Stock.

The stockholders on Jan. 29 approved the authorization and issue of 40,000 shares of \$8 cumulative dividend Pref. stock, no par value, and 200,000 shares of Common stock, no par value. Of this new stock respectively 22,560 shares Pref. and 90,240 shares Common shall be issued in place of the outstanding 30,080 shares of Common stock, par \$100, in the ratio of  $\frac{3}{4}$  of 1 share of the new Pref. and 3 shares of new Common for each share of outstanding Common stock, par \$100.

Holders of the new \$8 Pref. shall be entitled to voting power whenever any quarterly dividend upon that stock shall have been in default for a period of 6 months.—V. 116, p. 415.

#### Davis Coal & Coke Co.—Guaranty, &c.

See Orenda Smokeless Coal Co. below.—V. 105, p. 1423.

#### Davis-Daly Copper Co.—Injunction.

See Anaconda Copper Mining Co. above.—V. 116, p. 182.

#### Depew & Lancaster Light Power & Conduit Co.—Bonds.

Arthur Perry & Co., Boston, recently recommended this company's 1st (Closed) Mtge. 5% 40-Year gold bonds of 1914 due Aug. 1 1954 at 94 and int. A circular shows:

**Company.**—Does practically all the retail electric light and power business in Erie County (outside Buffalo) and in three townships in Wyoming County, N. Y. Population, 76,000. Company's transmission and distribution lines serve a territory including 18 townships and 30 villages and hamlets, and covering a total area of 622 sq. miles. Electrical energy from Niagara Falls is purchased from the Niagara, Lockport & Ontario Power Co. and is distributed through 4 substations located at Lancaster, Gardenville, Hamburg and East Aurora, having a combined transformer capacity of 6,000 h. p.

**Earnings & Expenses—12 Months ended Oct. 31 1922.**

[Including East Aurora Elec. Lt. Co., merged as of Jan. 1 1923.]	
Gross earnings	\$392,489
Operating expenses and taxes	211,530
Net earnings	\$180,959
Annual interest requirements on \$1,020,500 bonds	\$51,175
Capitalization Jan. 1 1923—	
Common stock (paying 8%)	\$300,000
Preferred stock (7% Cumulative)	3,000,000
1st Mtge. 5s, 1954 (incl. \$41,900 in sinking fund)	x1,000,000
Inter-Village Elec. Corp. 1st 5s, due April 1 1933	(Closed) 5,500
East Aurora Elec. Lt. Co. 1st 6s, due Sept. 1 1925	(Closed) 15,000

xIncludes \$41,900 non-negotiable bonds held in the sinking fund drawing interest.

The authorized capital stock was increased as of Jan. 1 1923 from \$250,000 Common and \$1,000,000 Pref. to \$500,000 Common and \$3,000,000 Pref.—V. 116, p. 81.

#### Detroit Edison Co.—New General Manager.

Alex Dow, President and Gen. Mgr., has resigned as Gen. Mgr. of the concern. Alfred C. Marshall, V.-Pres., will succeed him as Gen. Mgr., while Mr. Dow will continue as President.—V. 116, p. 301, 182.

#### Detroit Pressed Steel Co.—Merger Rumors.

According to reports in the financial district negotiations are under way for the merging of Parish & Bingham Co., Detroit Pressed Steel Co. and Hydraulic Steel Co. The companies are credited with being large producers of frames, while also manufacturing other products used in the motor-car industry. Combined assets of the three companies are approximately \$40,000,000. Economy of operation is said to be the object sought.—V. 113, p. 75.

#### Dictaphone Co., N. Y.—Takes Over Columbia Graphophone's Dictaphone Department.

This company, recently incorporated in New York with an authorized capital of \$2,000,000 8% Preferred stock, of which \$1,400,000 is outstanding, and 150,000 shares of Common stock, no par value, of which 93,333 shares are outstanding, has taken over the dictaphone business of the Columbia Graphophone Mfg. Co., recently purchased through Swartwout & Appenzeller, New York, for more than \$1,000,000.

The directors of the Dictaphone Corporation are: Richard H. Swartwout, Chairman; C. K. Woodbridge, President; George A. Ball, Marsden J. Perry, R. J. Scoles, Paul Appenzeller, H. R. Swartz, J. Russell Clarke, and Albert C. Andrews, Vice-President.

L. C. Stowell is Secretary and Morgan L. Mercer, Treasurer. The new corporation will manufacture and sell dictaphones had dictaphone supplies from their offices in the U. S. and Canada, as heretofore.

#### Edison Electric Illuminating Co. of Boston.—Listing.

The Boston Stock Exchange has authorized for the list 54,067 additional shares of capital stock, par \$100.—V. 115, p. 2799.

#### Electric Steel & Forge Co., Cleveland.—Acquired.

The plant of the company has been acquired by interests that formerly controlled the Atlas Crucible Steel Co., and the name has been changed to the Hunter Crucible Steel Co. Arthur H. Hunter, formerly President of Atlas Co., has been elected President and Gen. Mgr. F. D. Lounsberry, V.-Pres. & Works Mgr.; L. H. Vinnedge, Sec., and A. B. Smythe, Treas. W. D. Wells, formerly V.-Pres. & Mgr. of the Electric Steel & Forge Co., is 2d V.-Pres. & Asst. Treas., and Fred Beebe is Asst. Sec. The new company will manufacture a complete line of tool and alloy steels. It is now placing its plant in operation and expects to have all departments in full operation by March 1. The company formerly known as the Crucible Steel Forge Co., was absorbed by the Electric Steel & Forge Co. in 1918. ("Iron Age").—V. 109, p. 2360.

#### Eureka Pipe Line Co.—Report for Calendar Years.

	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Profits for year	\$632,603	\$426,339	\$543,218	\$362,334
Dividends paid	x(10%)400,001	(10)500,001	(13)650,001	(17)849,999
Balance	sur.\$232,602	def.\$73,662	def.\$106,783	def.\$487,665

xAccording to U. S. Treasury ruling of \$166,783 of these dividends are from 1921 earnings.

#### Balance Sheet Dec. 31.

	1922.	1921.	1922.	1921.
Assets—			Liabilities—	
Plant	10,813,420	10,792,496	Capital stock	5,000,000
Other invest.	1,895,160	1,167,610	Depreciation	4,322,616
Accts. receiv.	251,302	260,240	Accts. payable	395,150
Oil pur. & sale			Profit and loss	3,778,971
conting clies	190,243	99,854		3,546,369
Cash	346,612	591,205	Tot., eachside	13,496,737
				12,911,407

—V. 116, p. 416, 82.

#### Elizabethtown Consolidated Gas Co.—Consolidation.

The New Jersey P. U. Commission recently approved the merger of the Rahway Gas Light Co., the Metuchen Gas Light Co., the Cranford Gas Light Co. and the Elizabethtown Gas Light Co. into a company of the above name. The Commission also authorized the new company to issue capital stock of \$3,875,000.



The value of the property of the four gas companies as of Oct. 31 last is placed at \$4,783,498.91, subject to liabilities amounting to \$557,739.72, including current liabilities of \$357,739.72 and \$200,000 funded debt.

#### Elizabethtown Gas Light Co.—Merger.—

See Elizabethtown Consolidated Gas Co. above—V. 111, p. 2428.

#### Federal Sugar Refining Co.—Yonkers Plant Reopens.—

The company resumed operations at its plant in Yonkers on Jan. 27 after a 3 months shut-down. At the same time the company announced a price of 6.50 for refined sugar, prompt delivery and without guarantee of any kind.

In making this announcement President Pierre J. Smith, Jan. 27, said: "Our reason for closing the Yonkers plant last October was the conviction that the price of raw sugar was artificially high, and the light demand for refined sugar prevailing at that time did not warrant the risk involved. Until now we have noted no new factor in the situation that would have justified reopening the plant. The recent break in raw sugar price, however, marks a turn in the right direction and the company is again in the market, and to-day (Jan. 27) we are offering refined sugar for prompt delivery at 6.50 without guarantees. While competitors prices are nominally 6.70 it is understood that lower prices are being made privately, and buyers are guaranteed against any decline."—V. 116, p. 183.

**Fisher Body Corp.—Notes Sold.—**Bankers Trust Co., Guaranty Co. of New York, Union Trust Co., Pittsburgh, and Hallgarten & Co., New York, have sold \$20,000,000 6% Serial gold notes dated Feb. 1 1923 at the following prices: \$2,500,000 due Feb. 1 1924, at 100.48 and int., to yield about 5½%; \$2,500,000 due Feb. 1 1925, at 100.47 and int., to yield about 5¾%; \$2,500,000 due Feb. 1 1926, at 100 and int., to yield about 6%; \$2,500,000 due Feb. 1 1927, at 99.56 and int., to yield about 6¼%; \$10,000,000 due Feb. 1 1928, at 98.94 and int., to yield about 6¼%. (See advertising pages.)

Interest payable F. & A. at Bankers Trust Co., New York, without deduction for normal Federal income tax up to 2%. Denom. \$1,000 (c\*). Redeemable as a whole only on Feb. 1 1924, or any interest date thereafter on 30 days' notice at the following prices and interest: 102 for notes then having 3 years or more to run; 101½ for notes then having 2 years or more but less than 3 years to run; 101 for notes then having 1 year but less than 2 years to run; 100½ for notes then having less than 1 year to run, except that notes then having less than 6 months to run shall be paid without premium. Bankers Trust Co., trustee.

#### Data from Letter of Pres. F. J. Fisher, Detroit, Jan. 27 1923.

**Company.**—Incorporated in New York Aug. 21 1916 to acquire the assets and business of Fisher Body Co. (incorporated 1908) and Fisher Closed Body Co. (incorporated 1911), and the entire capitalization (except directors' qualifying shares) of Fisher Body Co. of Canada, Ltd. (organized 1912). Has since acquired additional body building capacity through ownership of the entire outstanding stock (except directors' shares) of the Fisher Body St. Louis Co. (incorporated 1922) and O. J. Beaudette Co. (incorporated 1903). Also owns a majority of the Common stock of Fisher Body Ohio Co. Controls through entire stock ownership (except directors' shares) the following three companies, which manufacture plate glass, metal stampings and automobile hardware: Ternstedt Mfg. Co. (incorporated 1917); Shepard Art Metal Co. (incorporated 1919); National Plate Glass Co. (incorporated 1920).

**Corporation** is the largest manufacturer of automobile bodies in the world. Plants of the above companies are located in Detroit, Flint, Lansing, Pontiac and Saginaw, Mich.; St. Louis, Mo.; Cleveland and Cincinnati, Ohio; Buffalo, N. Y.; Oakland, Calif.; Blairsville, Pa.; Ottawa, Ill.; Janesville, Wis., and Walkerville, Can. The present management has directed its affairs continuously since 1908. General Motors Corp. owns an interest of 60% in the Common stock.

**Purpose.**—(1) To retire all outstanding funded debt and Preferred stock as follows: (a) \$3,000,000 6% serial gold notes dated Aug. 1 1919 and (b) \$2,653,800 7% Preferred stock of Fisher Body Corp.; (c) \$3,050,000 National Plate Glass Co. 6% serial gold notes; (d) \$750,000 Federal Plate Glass Co. (subsidiary of National Plate Glass Co.) 7% Mgt. bonds. (2) To pay bank debt and (3) to provide additional working capital.

**Stock Issue.**—In addition, corporation has arranged to issue and sell an additional 100,000 shares of no par value Common stock for cash at \$75 per share, to provide additional manufacturing facilities.

#### Capitalization (After Proposed Financing)—Authorized and Outstanding.

6% serial gold notes (this issue) \$20,000,000

Com. stk. of no par (60% owned by General Motors Corp.) 600,000 shs.

**Earnings.**—Earnings of the corporation and the enterprises controlled by it through entire stock ownership (except directors' qualifying shares) applicable to interest, after depreciation and amortization of existing debt, but before U. S. and Canadian Government taxes (years ended April 30) have been as follows:

1918	\$4,352,078	1921	\$7,373,541
1919	3,534,853	1922	8,306,974
1920	6,484,867	1923 (8 mos. to Dec. 31 '22)	8,532,160

Corporation owns 97% of the outstanding Common stock of Fisher Body Ohio Co., earnings of which are not included above. Estimated earnings of Fisher Body Ohio Co. for year to end April 30 1923, after Federal taxes and provision for \$800,000 current Preferred dividends, are approximately \$2,000,000.

#### Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1922 (After Proposed Financing).

[Fisher Body Corp. and Fisher Body Co. of Can., Fisher Body St. Louis Co., O. J. Beaudette Co., Ternstedt Mfg. Co., Shepard Art Metal Co. and National Plate Glass Co.]

Assets—		Liabilities—	
Property accounts.....	x\$25,897,400	Common stock (no par)	
Goodwill.....	y2,589,884	500,000 shares.....	\$29,711,325
Patents.....	143,997	do 100,000 shs., add'l	do \$75.....
Inv. in & adv. to affil.		6% serial notes.....	7,500,000
companies, &c.....	3,206,106	Accts. pay., accr. int., &c	20,000,000
Inventories.....	15,240,372	Prov. for Federal & Can.	6,442,906
Note receiv., Chevrolet		taxes, accrued & due.....	585,525
Motor Co.....	1,000,000	do accrued in current	
Customers' acc'ts., notes		fiscal period.....	1,015,899
receivable, &c.....	10,951,767	Res. for red. of inventory	506,271
Cash for add'l work, cap.	z7,500,000	Reserve for repairs.....	145,883
U. S. Treas. cts. of ind.	100,000	Reserve for contingencies	1,097,598
Cash in banks & on hand	8,883,113	Surplus.....	10,038,585
Deferred charges.....	1,511,351		
Total.....	\$77,023,991	Total.....	\$77,023,991

x Land, buildings, machinery, tools, dies, patterns & other equipment, \$33,024,227; less reserve for depreciation & amortization, \$7,126,826.  
y Going values of subsidiary companies purchased for cash, z To be received through issuance of an additional 100,000 shares of Common stock (to be expended for additional manufacturing facilities).

[W. C. Durant, President of Durant Motors, Inc., on Jan. 26 issued a circular to purchasers of Fisher Body Corp. units at \$40 per unit, in which he states: "If any purchaser of Fisher Body Corp. units at \$40 per unit is at all concerned about the future and stability of the investment, the Durant Corp. will, upon the endorsement and surrender of the contract, return all money paid on same, plus \$3 per unit—equivalent to \$215 per share for Fisher Body Corp. stock. This offer is good for 90 days from this date."—V. 116, p. 416.]

#### General American Tank Car Corp.—Orders.—

The company has received the following orders: 750 50-ton composite gondola cars for the Illinois Central RR. and 100 express refrigerator cars for the Pacific Fruit Express Co.—V. 116, p. 183.

#### General Fire Extinguisher Co. (N. Y.).—To Re-Incorporate.

The stockholders will vote Feb. 7 on transferring all of the assets to the General Fire Extinguisher Co. of Delaware, upon the offer or consideration of the Delaware corporation to pay to the New York company its entire outstanding capitalization of \$9,000,000 Common stock and \$1,000,000 Debenture stock, and the Delaware corporation to assume all the liabilities.—V. 115, p. 2691.

#### General Motors Corp.—New Sub. Co. Officer.—

Fred W. Ayers has been made Vice-President of the Klaxon Co.—V. 116, p. 417, 183.

#### General Petroleum Corp., San Francisco.—Earnings.

[Including General Pipe Line Co. of California.]

Earnings 6 Months ended Dec. 31—		1922.	1921.
Gross earnings—oil & transportation.....		\$8,352,123	\$4,483,997
Depletion of oil lands.....		294,794	404,161
Depreciation of equipment.....		1,006,117	865,182
Selling and marketing expenses.....		279,966	180,922
General expenses.....		805,471	507,431
Taxes (except Federal income tax).....		271,282	206,102

Net profits.....	\$5,694,494	\$2,320,199
Other income.....	269,598	153,499

Gross income.....	\$5,964,032	\$2,473,698
Deduct—Bond interest.....	\$382,487	\$346,852
Other interest.....	17,781	16,428
Abandoned leases.....	65,364	22,864
Unproductive drilling.....	72,234	12,570
Drilling labor—new wells.....	1,141,153	372,477
Other deductions.....	36,869	48,831

Net income before deducting Federal taxes..... \$4,248,145 \$1,653,676

The consolidated balance sheet Dec. 31 1922 shows total assets of \$83,301,338. This includes plant property & equip., \$64,263,931; sinking funds, \$2,625; current assets, \$18,203,789, and deferred debit items, \$830,992. Offsets include Preferred stock, \$3,212,200; Common stock, \$22,723,471; 10-Year 7% gold notes of 1931, \$9,215,500; 5-Year 6% Conv. notes of 1927, \$4,993,300; notes called for redemption, \$2,500; current liabilities, \$4,076,146; deferred credit items, \$3,498,869; reserve for depreciation, \$7,036,077, and a surplus of \$28,543,773.—V. 115, p. 2911.

#### General Railway Signal Co., Rochester, N. Y.—Report.

Calendar Years—		1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Net earnings.....	*\$340,379	\$146,575	\$748,358	\$658,438	
Preferred divs. (6%).....	120,000	120,000	120,000	120,000	
Common divs. (6%).....			180,000	180,000	
Inventory adjust., &c.....	43,922	89,505	95,182	44,114	
Federal taxes paid.....		43,427	48,016	52,127	
Other taxes.....	28,358	22,571	42,104	—	
Int. paid & accrued.....	79,386	99,102	75,177	9,454	
Bd. disc. & tax chgd. off.	12,628	12,628	—	—	
Reserve.....	38,806	168,904	160,152	222,252	
Miscellaneous.....	2,078	11,493	1,820	—	

Balance, surplus.....	\$15,202	def.\$421,055	\$25,907	\$30,491
Total surplus.....	\$569,831	\$554,629	\$975,684	\$949,777

—V. 115, p. 651.

#### Genesee Lt. & Pow. Co., Batavia, N. Y.—Acquisition.—

The company has acquired all of the outstanding stock of the Le Roy (N. Y.) Hydraulic Electric & Gas Co. The latter company is now being operated by the Genesee Co.—V. 115, p. 2163.

#### Giant Portland Cement Co.—Earnings.—

Calendar Years—		1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Gross receipts.....	\$2,471,431	\$2,070,673	\$2,865,943	\$2,010,487	
Operating revenue.....	x190,952	287,452	312,516	459,665	
Bond interest.....	24,750	27,750	30,750	33,750	
Deprec., tax, &c., res'v'e	141,936	110,337	135,753	152,790	
y Preferred dividend.....	(2%)37,600	(4%)75,200	—	(3½)65,800	
Adjust. Gov't claim.....	—	Cr73,831	—	—	
Inventory adjustments.....	—	104,873	—	—	

Balance, surplus..... def.\$13,334 \$43,123 \$146,013 \$207,325

x After deducting manufacturing and operating expenses, taxes, &c.  
y Dividends on Pref. stock outstanding at Jan. 15 1923 are in arrears to the extent of 36%.

The balance sheet of Dec. 31 1922 shows total assets of \$4,631,436 (against \$4,177,500 in 1921). This includes property account, \$3,320,747; current assets, notably cash, \$126,722, and inventories, \$363,944. Offsets include with other items: (a) Current liabilities, \$112,488; accounts payable, \$88,069 (against \$40,912 on Dec. 31 1921), and outstanding securities, viz.: (b) 1st Mgt. bonds, \$400,000; (c) Pref. stock, \$1,880,000; (d) Common stock, \$1,110,000; and also (e) profit and loss surplus, \$464,234 (against \$477,568 on Dec. 31 1921).—V. 115, p. 2911.

#### Glidden Co., Cleveland, O.—Earnings. 10 Mos. ended

Oct. 31 1922.—

Net sales.....	\$14,113,494	Int. on bonds, money.....	\$626,182
Gross profit.....	4,291,399	Prov. for depreciation.....	251,823
Profit before int. depr. & other deductions.....	1,070,730	Net profit.....	192,725

The balance sheet as of Oct. 31 1922 shows total assets of \$18,385,769. This includes property account, \$7,771,062 and goodwill, &c., \$438,711; accounts rec., \$2,919,731; cash, \$561,512, and inventories, \$4,938,831. Offsets include with other items, accounts payable, \$744,420; notes payable, \$3,093,000; 1st Mgt. bonds, \$3,349,500; Preferred stock, \$6,804,500; Common stock (represented by 322,973 shares, no par value), \$1,614,865, and also p. & l. surplus, \$2,063,504.—V. 115, p. 1327.

#### Great Northern Paper Co.—1% Cash Dividend.—

A dividend of 1% was payable Feb. 1 last on the outstanding capital stock, par \$100. The company on Dec. 4 last paid a 200% stock dividend.—V. 115, p. 2273.

#### Hibbard, Spencer, Bartlett & Co., Chicago.—Report.—

President J. J. Charles says: "Our earnings for 1922 will enable us to pay a cash dividend of \$4.20 a share from the profits of 1922 to shareholders of record on dates previous to which our books close each month for payment of each dividend. Directors recently voted that a div of 35c per share should be paid on Jan. 30, for which div the books will close on Jan. 20. It was also voted that 35c. per share should be paid on the last Friday of each succeeding month during 1923, for which divs. the books will close on the previous Friday. We have considered it advisable to follow the plan of monthly dividends, which has been our practice since our first incorporation in 1881."

Calendar Years—		1922.	1921.
Gross profits.....		\$3,876,150	\$3,364,153
Other income.....		220,529	185,785
Total income.....		\$4,096,679	\$3,549,938
Expenses and local taxes.....		\$2,813,384	\$2,655,553
Federal taxes.....		134,581	39,347
Other charges.....		149,021	93,536
Net profit to surplus.....		\$999,692	\$761,499

#### Balance Sheet as of Dec. 30 1922.

Assets.		Liabilities.	
Real est., bldgs. & equip.....	\$3,866,188	Capital stock.....	\$5,000,000
U. S. Govt. securities.....	350,875	Accts. pay. & accr. exps.....	572,990
Notes & acc'ts receivable.....	2,996,379	Accr. taxes, local & Fed.....	254,179
Inventories.....	3,324,913	Reserve for depreciation.....	531,188
Prepaid expenses.....	9,230	Other reserves.....	177,464
Office-rs' and employees' notes receivable.....	603,578	Surplus.....	5,019,451
Stocks of affiliated cos.....	58,500	Total (each side).....	\$11,555,272

Officers are: Pres., J. J. Charles; First V.-Pres., F. L. Macomber; V.-Presidents, Frank Hibbard, Pritchard Stewart, H. B. Lyford, C. J. Whipple; Sec., E. A. Burke; Treas., F. D. Hoag.—V. 116, p. 417.

#### Hamilton Woolen Co., Boston.—To Increase Capital.—

The stockholders will vote Feb. 7 on increasing the authorized capital stock from \$2,500,000 to \$3,000,000, par \$100. If the increase is authorized it is the intention to declare a 10% stock dividend on the outstanding \$2,350,000 stock.



## Balance Sheet Nov. 30.

Assets—	1922.	1921.	Liabilities—	1922.	1921.
Plant.....	\$2,845,288	\$2,652,597	Capital stock.....	\$2,350,000	\$2,350,000
Mails & supplies.....	1,857,212	1,916,664	Notes & accts. pay.....	1,788,920	1,984,830
Cash & accts. rec.....	1,822,618	1,542,009	Div. pay Jan. 10.....	70,500	70,500
Prepaid items.....	54,472	54,344	Res. for deprec.....	499,767	381,167
			Res. for taxes.....	96,778	
Tot. (each side).....	\$6,579,390	\$6,165,614	Surplus.....	1,773,425	1,370,117
—V. 115, p. 188.					

**Hunter Crucible Steel Co., Cleveland.—Acquisition.**—See Electric Steel & Forge Co. above

**Hupp Motor Car Corp.—To Increase Common Stock—Stock Dividend of 10% Proposed.**—

The stockholders will vote Feb. 12 on increasing the authorized capital stock of \$6,100,000, consisting of 9,079 shares of Preferred stock, par \$100 each, and 519,210 shares of Common stock, par \$10 each, to \$10,907,900, consisting of 9,079 shares of Preferred stock, par \$100 each, and 1,000,000 shares of Common stock, par \$10 each.

Pres. Chas. D. Hastings says: "In view of the present prosperous condition of the company, and the increase of its assets, the directors have deemed it advisable to increase the authorized capital stock. The directors contemplate that out of the new stock authorized there shall be declared a stock dividend of 10%. The remaining stock is reserved for any proper corporate purposes.—V. 116, p. 302.

**Hydraulic Steel Co.—Merger Rumors.**—

See Detroit Pressed Steel Co. above.—V. 115, p. 1939.

**Idaho Power Co.—Valuation of Property.**—

The Idaho P. U. Commission, for rate-making purposes, has placed a value of \$11,638,495 upon the property. The original valuation arrived at by the company was \$22,567,890.—V. 112, p. 657.

**Inland Steel Co., Chicago.—Earnings.**—

Calendar Years—	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
*Net income.....	\$2,434,023	\$1,728,031	\$6,066,560	\$6,830,146
Depreciation, &c.....	1,004,336	911,993	1,634,388	1,424,052
Bond interest.....	288,510	305,310	325,110	340,981
Dividends.....	1,014,009	1,013,964	2,763,905	2,001,560

Balance, surplus..... \$127,168 def. \$503,236 \$1,343,156 \$3,063,553

\* After reserve for Federal and other taxes.—V. 116, p. 82.

**International Lamp Corp.—Stock Offered.**—Fred C. Bristol & Co., Chicago, are offering at \$28 per share \$1,500,000 capital stock (par \$25). A circular shows:

Capitalization (No Bonds)—	Authorized.	Outstanding.
Capital stock, par value \$25.....	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000

**Company.**—Has been incorporated in Illinois to acquire the assets, business and good-will of the International Lamp Mfg. Co., Superior Furniture Mfg. Co., Standard Lamp Mfg. Co. and the Garden City Upholstering Co. Company manufactures furniture, all kinds of floor, table and other ornamental lamps, lamp shades, mirrors and other articles of glass and wooden construction. Maintains 5 factories located in Chicago, which, with the additional plants being equipped with the proceeds of this financing, will give them a combined floor space of approximately 7 acres.

**Purpose.**—Additional working capital and the equipping of additional plants to be installed at Jackson, Mich., and in Central Mfg. Dist., Chicago.

**Sales and Earnings.**—It is estimated that sales for 1923 will be in excess of \$3,000,000, which will show a net profit of more than \$6 per share on the entire outstanding capital stock. Consolidated net sales for the 12 months ended Dec. 15 1922 were in excess of \$900,000, with a net profit of \$122,043. Net sales for 1921 were in excess of \$800,000, with a net profit of \$93,972.

**Dividends.**—Stock is on a dividend basis of \$3 per share per year, payable 25 cents monthly.

## Balance Sheet Dec. 15 1922 (After Present Financing).

Assets—	1922.	Liabilities—	1922.
Cash.....	\$912,574	Capital stock.....	\$2,000,000
Accounts & notes receiv.....	664,360	Accounts payable.....	123,337
Inventories.....	705,610	Accrued expenses.....	603
Prepaid expenses.....	6,528	Special reserves.....	18,671
Machinery & equipment.....	99,441	Surplus.....	245,903
Total.....	\$2,388,515	Total.....	\$2,388,515

**Directors.**—D. W. Baird, Pres.; Wm. J. Casey, V.-Pres.; O. A. Christensen, Treas.; Nathan Manilow, Sec.; Oscar Gumbinsky, Chairman; Charles Mitchell, Michael Rosenberg, M. Kraus, D. Stone.

**Iroquois Gas Corporation.—New Name.**—

See Iroquois Natural Gas Co. below.

**Iroquois Natural Gas Co.—Changes Name.**—

The company has changed its name to Iroquois Gas Corp.—V. 116, p. 82.

**Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp.—Earnings.**—

Net earnings for the year ended Jan. 1 1923 are reported as \$10,580,983 after taxes. Interest charges amounted to \$1,140,611; depreciation and depletion charges, \$4,026,469, leaving a surplus of \$5,413,903.—V. 116, p. 184.

**Kansas City Power & Light Co.—Permanent Certificates.**—

Permanent engraved certificates of the 1st Pref. Series "A" stock are now ready for delivery at the company's office, Kansas City, Mo., the Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, or at the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York.—V. 116, p. 418.

**(S. S.) Kresge Co.—33 1-3% Stock Dividend—Dividend on Common Stock Declared at Rate of 8% per Annum—Lease.**—

The directors on Jan. 30 declared a 33 1-3% stock dividend on the outstanding \$18,228,200 Common stock, par \$100, payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 15.

A quarterly cash dividend of 2% has also been declared on the Common stock.

On July 1 and Dec. 30 last semi-annual cash dividends of 3½% each were paid on the Common stock. On Dec. 31 1921 the company paid a semi-annual cash dividend of 3% and a 54% stock div. on the Common. The company has leased the southwest corner of 63d and Halsted Sts., Chicago, for 99 years at an annual rental of \$35,000 for the first 5 years, \$40,000 for the second 5 years, \$45,000 for the third 5 years and \$50,000 for the remaining 84 years. The lease commencing Feb. 1 1923, provides for the purchase of the present improvements for \$70,000 and for the erection of a new building within a specified time at a cost of not less than \$200,000.

## Results for Years ended December 31.

	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Stores.....	213	200	188	176
Sales.....	\$65,191,452	\$55,859,011	\$51,245,311	\$42,668,061
Net income x.....	6,616,417	3,402,033	2,753,506	2,280,201
Pref. dividends (7%).....	141,445	141,445	140,000	140,000
Common divs., cash. (7%).....	1,168,557	(6)600,590	(6)600,000	(6)600,000
Balance, surplus.....	\$5,306,415	\$2,653,997	\$2,013,506	\$1,540,201

x After providing for Federal taxes & contingencies.—V. 116, p. 184.

**Lehigh & Wilkes-Barre Coal Co.—Attorney-General Asks Court to Review Reported Sale to the Reynolds Syndicate.**—

A petition by Attorney-General Daugherty was filed in the U. S. District Court at Philadelphia Jan. 31 raising the question whether the reported sale of the Lehigh & Wilkes-Barre Coal Co. to the Reynolds syndicate of New York was made in good faith and in accordance with the decree of the court in the Reading dissolution case. The Attorney-General asks the court to hear all the evidence bearing upon the matter.

There is no definite date fixed for the hearing, but it is understood it will take place some time about the middle of February. The Attorney-General states that, from information received by the Department of Justice from various sources, the question whether the sale was made in good faith has been raised. V. 116, p. 303, 83.

**Lincoln Motor Car Co.—Tax Litigation is Settled.**—

An agreement was reached Jan. 29 between Federal Judge Tuttle and officials representing the United States Attorney-General, fixing the amount that the Detroit Trust Co. as receiver for the company will pay the Government to close its claim for \$9,188,561, the amount the War Department stated was owing for alleged overpayments on war contracts.

It is stated that the settlement of the Government's claim at \$1,550,000 will permit a payment of 47 cents on the dollar to the several hundred creditors of the company.—V. 116, p. 184.

**McIntyre Porcupine Mines, Ltd.—Earnings.**—

	6 mos. end.	1922.	1921.	1920.
x Income.....	Dec. 31 '22.	\$1,215,386	\$2,103,897	\$2,177,278
Costs.....		653,773	1,242,537	1,088,764
Reserves & approp.....		33,864	308,614	272,984
Net profit.....		\$527,748	\$552,747	\$815,530

x Includes non-operating revenue.—V. 115, p. 1949.

**Magor Car Corp.—Equipment.**—

The company has received orders for 133 flat cars as follows: 100 of 20 tons' capacity for the United Fruit Co. and 35 of 33 tons' capacity for the Ulen Contracting Co.—V. 111, p. 2430.

**Mason Tire & Rubber Co., Akron, Ohio.—Earnings.**—

The company reports sales for 1922 of \$10,500,000 and net profits before taxes of about \$1,200,000. In 1921 sales were \$8,586,167 and net profits \$437,350.—V. 115, p. 1540.

**Massachusetts Cities Realty Co.—Bonds Offered.**—

C. D. Parker & Co., Inc., Boston, are offering at 100 and int., \$500,000 30-Year 1st & Ref. Mtge. Sinking Fund 7% Series "A" gold bonds.

Dated Jan. 2 1923. Due Jan. 1 1953. Callable as a whole only on any interest date upon 60 days' notice at 105 and interest. Interest payable J. & J. at Old Colony Trust Co., Boston, trustee. Denom. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100 (c\*). Free from Massachusetts income tax. Company agrees to pay the normal Federal income tax not in excess of 2%. Authorized issue, \$4,000,000, of which \$550,000, designated Series "A." The deed of trust will provide that the company shall make to the trustees annual sinking fund payments (payable monthly in advance) of the following percentages of the greatest amount of bonds that shall have been issued: 1% for 9 years beginning Jan. 2 1923 and 1½% thereafter is to be used solely to buy bonds of this issue, if such bonds can be bought in the open market at 105 and interest or less; otherwise the funds are to be invested in securities legal for savings banks in Massachusetts having one year or less to run and approved by the trustee, or in the bonds of this issue, whichever may yield a higher return to the company.

**Company.**—Was incorporated in September 1922 in Massachusetts. Owns 367,354 sq. ft. of land with 15 buildings thereon, 10 of which are of modern reinforced concrete and brick fireproof construction and 5 are of brick or concrete modern mill construction. These buildings contain 1,353,614 sq. ft. (over 31 acres) of floor space. Three buildings are situated in Boston, 3 in Haverhill, 1 in Lowell, 5 in Springfield and 3 in Worcester. The company receives its income from the rental of floor space and from the sale of power, light and heat, and other services. Its 69 tenants are engaged in widely diversified lines of retail, wholesale, industrial and warehouse activities.

**Purpose.**—Application will be made to list bonds on Boston Stock Exchange. To retire all current obligations, to make necessary improvements to the property and to provide working capital.

## Balance Sheet as of Sept. 18 1922 (After this Financing).

Assets—	1922.	Liabilities—	1922.
Land, bldgs. & equip.....	\$3,387,650	13,275 shs. Pref. stk (no par value)	63,756
Impmt. fund (cash).....	36,000	13,274 shs. Com. stk. (no par value)	35,000
Accts. & notes receivable.....	40,314	1st & Ref. 7s.....	2,186,000
Sinking fund.....	155,782	1st Mortgage 5.....	2,860,000
Ins. fund & securities.....	3,695	Reserve for contingencies.....	107,500
Prepaid expenses.....	100,589	Surplus.....	994,266
Total.....	\$3,787,766	Total.....	\$3,787,766

Note.—The company has 13,375 shares of Preferred stock of no par value and 13,274 shares of Common stock of no par value outstanding.

**May Department Stores Co.—Dividend Increased.**—

The directors have declared a regular quarterly dividend of 2½% on the Common stock, payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 15. This is in accordance with a resolution of the board adopted on Nov. 8 increasing the rate on the issue from 8 to 10% per ann. (V. 115, p. 2165.) A stock dividend of 30% was distributed on the Common stock on Dec. 20 last. See also V. 115, p. 2165, 2589, 2693.

**Metropolitan 5-50c. Stores, Inc.—Gross Sales.**—

1922.—Dec.	1921.	Increase.	1922.—Year.	1921.	Increase.
\$1,208,667	\$1,101,449	\$107,218	\$6,234,201	\$5,392,939	\$841,262

—V. 115, p. 2276.

**Middlesex Water Co., Elizabeth, N. J.—Bds. Approved.**—

The New Jersey P. U. Commission has authorized the company to issue \$200,000 of Consol. Mtge. bonds, proceeds to be used to pay for extensions and improvements already made.—V. 105, p. 185.

**Midwest Refining Co.—To Build New Gas Plant.**—

The company has awarded contracts for the construction of the third unit of its natural gas plant in the Salt Creek field of Wyoming. With this addition, it is stated, the plant will have a capacity of 30,000,000 cu. ft. of natural gas a day, and will produce 99,000 gallons of gasoline daily.—V. 115, p. 2387.

**Minneapolis Gas Light Co.—Valuation.—Rates.**—

The U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals on Jan. 9 handed down a decision fixing the value of the company at \$9,255,216, and ordering the price of gas to be fixed to yield 7.5% annually on this amount. This will result in a slight increase in the price of gas in Minneapolis, it was said. The decision was written by District Judge Munger of Nebraska, and concurred in by Circuit Judge Stone. Presiding Judge Sanborn dissented, saying he did not believe the valuation should be fixed above \$8,500,000.—V. 116, p. 185.

**Minnesota Gas & Electric Co.—Successor Company.**—

See Southern Minnesota Gas & Electric Co. below.—V. 107, p. 1842.

**Montgomery Ward & Co.—Annual Report—Sales.**—

Month of January—	1923.	1922.	1921.
Sales.....	\$8,477,239	\$5,594,153	\$5,721,486

—V. 116, p. 83.

**Montreal Lt. Heat & Power Consolidated.—Ann. Rept.**—

Years ended—	Dec. 31 '22.	Dec. 31 '21.	Dec. 31 '20.	Apr. 30 '19.
Gross revenue.....	\$14,431,323	\$13,289,965	\$12,748,410	\$10,939,272
Expenses and taxes.....	6,504,717	6,549,933	6,810,287	5,357,493
Deprec. & renewal res.....	1,443,132	1,328,996	1,055,167	943,927
Fixed charges.....	1,214,786	1,188,293	1,078,450	1,032,670
Net earnings.....	\$5,268,688	\$4,222,742	\$3,804,506	\$3,605,182
Dividends.....	(5%)3,336,467	(5)3,227,689	(5)3,220,739	(4)2,562,291
Pension fund.....	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000

Balance, surplus, subj-  
ject to income tax.. \$1,912,221 \$975,053 \$563,767 \$1,022,891  
The company recently announced a reduction of 11 2-5% in electric lighting rates to become effective immediately.—V. 116, p. 419; V. 115, p. 867; V. 111, p. 2144.

**Montreal Insurance Exchange Building.—Bonds Offered.**—S. W. Straus & Co., Inc., are offering at par and int.



**\$2,200,000 1st Mtge. 6½% serial coupon bonds dated Jan. 23 1923. Due serially. Safeguarded under the Straus plan.**

The bonds are a first mortgage on the land, building and equipment located at Montreal and a first lien on the net annual earnings estimated at \$290,300.

**(William F.) Mosser Co.—Notes Called.—**

Seven hundred fifty-one 8% 10-Year Sinking Fund gold notes dated Oct. 1 1920, of \$1,000 each, 490 notes of \$500 each and 455 of \$100 each (total \$1,041,500) have been called for redemption April 1 at 107 and int. at the Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank, trustee, 208 South La Salle St., Chicago, Ill.—V. 111, p. 1284.

**Mutual Oil Co.—Dividend to be Paid March 1.—**

Through an inadvertence, the circular letter of Jan. 13 1923 (V. 116, p. 304) to the stockholders of the Merritt Oil Corp. containing the offer of this company to exchange Merritt Oil stock for stock trust certificates representing stock of Mutual Oil Co. erroneously stated that the next quarterly dividend of this company will be payable to stockholders of record Feb. 1. Merritt Oil stockholders were requested to deposit their Merritt Oil stock certificates on or before Jan. 31. The company desires to correct this error.

The next quarterly dividend of this company will be payable to stockholders of record March 1 and the New York Trust Co., 100 Broadway, N. Y. City, has been instructed to accept Merritt Oil stock for exchange on or before Feb. 28 1923. For terms of exchange, &c., see V. 116, p. 304.

The company has extended time for conversion of stock of Merritt Oil Corp. into voting trust certificates of Mutual Oil to Feb. 28. Merritt Oil stock so exchanged will participate in the regular quarterly dividend of Mutual Oil Co., payable March 15 to holders of record March 1. See V. 116, p. 304, 185.

**National Cloak & Suit Co.—Report.—**

The company reports for the year ended Dec. 28 1922 net sales of \$45,357,566. Net profits for the year after deducting bonuses to officers and employees were \$1,790,000. Total surplus amounted to \$3,007,521.—V. 116, p. 83.

**National Coal Corp., N. Y.—Incorporated.—**

This company was incorp. in New Jersey Jan. 26 1923 with an authorized capital stock of 500,000 shares of Common stock of no par value and \$10,000,000 8% Preferred stock, par \$100. The company, it is said, will become the parent organization to Burns Bros., the Consumers' Coal Co. of Chicago and the Metropolitan Co. of Boston. The necessary financing has been practically completed, it is understood. Plans for the exchange of stock are being worked out and may be announced shortly.

Proposals, it is said, have been made for the retirement of both Burns Bros. Preferred issues and an arrangement whereby Class "A" Common stockholders would be given the right to subscribe to the Preferred stock of the new company. Class "B" stockholders, under the plan, it is stated, will be allowed to subscribe to the Common stock of the National Coal Corp.

**National Department Stores, Inc., New York.—Pref. Stock Sold.**—Blair & Co., Inc., have sold at 100 and div., \$5,000,000 7% Cum. 1st Pref. (a. & d.) stock. (See advertising pages.)

Dividends payable Q-F. Red. at \$115 and div. A cumulative sinking fund for the purchase or redemption of 1st Pref. stock at not exceeding \$115 and divs. is to be created by setting aside semi-annually from profits on Feb. 1 and Aug. 1, commencing with Feb. 1 1924, a sum equal to 1½% of the greatest amount of 1st Pref. stock theretofore issued—that is, at the rate of 3% per annum.

**Data from Letter of President Victor W. Sincere, New York, Jan. 31.**

Capitalization—	Authorized.	Outstanding.
1st Pref. stock 7% Cum. (par \$100).....	\$10,000,000	\$5,000,000
2d Pref. stock 7% Cum. (par \$100).....	7,500,000	3,300,000
Common stock (no par value).....	725,000 shs.	300,000 shs.

x Convert. into Common stk. at \$100 per share on or before Jan. 1 1929.

**Company.**—Will acquire the assets and business of the following old-established concerns, operating modern department stores: Bailey Co. (Cleveland), Rosenbaum Co. (Pittsburgh), B. Nugent & Bros. Dry Goods Co. (St. Louis), Geo. E. Stifel Co. (Wheeling) and Geo. R. Taylor Co. (Wheeling). Business of these concerns was established at various dates back to 1847, and they now rank among the leading department stores in their communities, with combined sales for the 12 months ended Jan. 31 1923 (one month estimated) of over \$33,000,000.

**Combined Sales and Net Profits of the Above Mentioned Companies.**

Yrs. end.	x Dec. 31 '22.	Jan. 31 '22.	Jan. 31 '21.	Jan. 31 '20.	Jan. 31 '19.
Sales.....	\$30,484,532	\$32,663,263	\$39,981,093	\$29,243,950	\$20,899,145
Net profits 1,935,560	934,467	1,181,987	2,152,543	1,288,141	

x 11 months. y Net profits after deducting Federal taxes computed at 1922 rates.

Net profits for 5 years and 11 mos. ended Dec. 31 1922 averaged \$1,445,211 per ann., or 4.12 times annual div. requirements on 1st Pref. stock outstanding, and for the 11 mos. ended Dec. 31 1922 were at the annual rate of \$2,111,520, or more than 6 times such annual div. requirements.

**Assets.**—Combined total net assets of the constituent units on Dec. 31 1922 (exclusive of good-will, trade-marks and leaseholds), based on recent appraisal, aggregate \$13,339,000, or the equivalent of \$266 per share on the 1st Pref. stock. Combined net quick assets alone on that date amounted to \$6,374,204.

**Listing.**—It is expected that application will be made to list stocks on New York Stock Exchange.

**National Grocer Co.—Resumes Common Dividend.—**

The company has declared a cash dividend of 3% on the Common stock, payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 17. The last dividend was 2% paid March 16 1922.—V. 114, p. 635.

**National Licorice Co.—Balance Sheet Dec. 31.—**

Assets—	1922.	1921.	Liabilities—	1922.	1921.
Plant investments.....	x323,986	338,209	Preferred stock.....	\$500,000	\$500,000
Trade marks, good-will, &c.....	y954,125	1,204,124	Common stock.....	1,000,000	1,000,000
Cash.....	137,934	160,399	Current liabilities.....	1,688	811
U. S. and Canadian Govt. bonds.....	200,135	127,245	Div. payable Jan. 9.....	125,000	25,000
Accts. receivable.....	55,539	40,242	Bad debts reserve.....	3,765	4,167
Inventories.....	150,889	163,421	Taxes (incl. est. Federal taxes).....	67,828	64,842
Deferred charges.....	7,721	9,295	Surplus.....	2132,047	448,115
Total.....	\$1,830,328	\$2,042,935	Total.....	\$1,830,328	\$2,042,935

x Plant investments at book values, \$482,020, less depreciation reserves, \$158,035. y Trade marks, good-will, &c., at book values, \$1,204,125, less amount transferred from surplus, \$250,000. z Surplus, \$507,047; less dividend payable Jan. 9 1923, \$125,000, and also amount transferred and deducted from trade marks, good-will, &c., \$250,000.—V. 115, p. 2802.

**National Supply Co. of Delaware.—Initial Dividend.—**

An initial quarterly dividend of 1½% has been declared on the outstanding \$12,125,000 Common stock, par \$50, payable Feb. 15 to holders of record Feb. 5.—See also V. 116, p. 304.

**National Surety Co.—Stock Certificates Ready.—**

Certificates covering the stock dividend to stockholders of record Dec. 29 are now ready for distribution.—V. 115, p. 2912.

**New Cornelia Copper Co.—Obituary.—**

See Calumet & Arizona Mining Co.—V. 116, p. 84.

**New England Oil Corp.—Preliminary Readjustment Plan.**

The protective committee for the 8% Convertible gold notes, Francis R. Hart, Chairman, has approved a preliminary plan of readjustment for the New England Oil Corp. and its subsidiary, the New England Oil Refining Co. Under the plan the Oil corporation will be eliminated entirely

and the security holders thereof will receive new securities of the Refining company as outlined below. A statement by the committee says:

A syndicate has been formed for the purchase of \$5,000,000 of the Gen. Mtge. bonds and 560,000 Common shares (no par value) of the New England Oil Refining Co., for the price of \$850 and interest for each \$1,000 bond, and 112 shares of Common stock. Malcolm G. Chace, Francis R. Hart and Daniel G. Wing are syndicate managers. The syndicate has been completed and all of the bonds and shares subscribed.

The committee by arrangement with the syndicate managers has obtained for each holder of 5-Year 8% Conv. gold notes of the New England Oil Corp. who has or shall deposit his notes with Old Colony Trust Co., depository, the right to participate in this syndicate upon the same basis as the original syndicate subscribers. The syndicate managers and the committee reserve the right to reduce any application and allot a lesser participation for an amount not less than 25% of the principal amount of 5-Year 8% Conv. gold notes held by the applicant and deposited with the committee. Those desiring to participate in the syndicate should forward applications to S. Parkman Shaw Jr., Sec., 17 Court St., Boston, Mass., on or before Feb. 5 1923.

**Present Debt of New England Oil Corp. as of Aug. 31 1922; Total \$11,593,112.**

(1) New England Oil Corp. 5-Yr. 8% Conv. gold notes: outstanding, \$5,762,000; held by New England Oil Ref. Co., \$322,000.....	\$5,440,000
(2) New England Oil Refining Co.: (a) 5-Yr. 8% Conv. gold notes, \$322,000; (b) demand note secured or partially secured, \$1,250,328; (c) unsecured account, \$3,225,372.....	4,797,700
(3) Note payable to France & Canada Oil Transport Co.: face amount, \$200,000; credit, say \$15,000.....	185,000
(4) Judgment in favor of Island Oil Marketing Corp. (subject to adjudication).....	1,161,000
Miscellaneous direct liabilities (other than accrued int. and excl. of about \$5,000 of items incurred by receivers).....	9,412

x The security for this demand note consists of all the stock and a \$344,377 note of New England Oil Corp., Ltd.

In addition to the foregoing the New England Oil Corp. is indebted for large amounts as guarantor of obligation of, or as joint obligor with, the New England Oil Refining Co. and is also liable as guarantor of notes for \$517,000 of New England Oil Corp., Ltd., of Canada. The Oil corporation is also subject to a claim by the Sun Oil Co. on account of alleged breach of contract.

**Present Outstanding Stock of New England Oil Corp.**

Preferred stock (par \$100).....	\$1,949,700
Common stock (no par value).....	540,000 shs.
<b>Assets of New England Oil Corp.</b> —In addition to the stock of the Refining company, the only important asset of the Oil corporation consists of all the stock and certain debt of the Canadian company, as follows: (1) stock of Canadian company, \$10,000; increase arising through appraisal, \$1,525,844; total stock, \$1,535,844; (2) indebtedness for advances, \$557,361 total, \$2,093,205.	

Of this item, all the stock and \$344,377 of the debt is pledged to the Refining company, \$168,615 of the debt is pledged to secure the \$517,000 notes above mentioned, \$44,369 of the debt is unpledged.

**Proposed Capitalization of New England Oil Refining Co.**

1st Mtge. bonds—closed issue—now outstanding.....	\$4,715,000
Gen. Mtge. 8% Sinking Fund gold bonds, to be presently issued.....	5,000,000
7% Pref. stock to be presently issued.....	10,000,000
Comm. on stock to be presently issued.....	1,500,000 shs

**Description of New Securities.**

(1) **Gen. Mtge. Bonds.**—The initial issue of \$5,000,000 will be dated Jan. 1 1923, payable Jan. 1 1943; red. on any int. day on 90 days' notice at 105 and int. Int. payable without deduction for Federal taxes up to 2% at Old Colony Trust Co., Boston, trustee, and Continental & Commercial National Bank, Chicago. Pennsylvania 4-mill tax refunded.

Each \$1,000 of the initial issue will be accompanied by stock warrants evidencing the right of the holder at any time up to Jan. 1 1933, to buy 100 shares of the Common stock of the Refining company at \$10 per share. Authorized issue of Gen. Mtge. bonds, \$20,000,000.

**Security.**—Covers all real estate now or hereafter owned by the Refining company within Massachusetts, subject to the first mortgage. Company will subject to the lien of the general mortgage, as additional security, its present and future property to such extent as may be permitted by law and by the provisions of the first mortgage.

The stock of and all claims against the Canadian company held by the Oil corporation (except in so far as such claims shall be discharged), the other assets of the Oil corporation (except in so far as disposed of with the approval of noteholders' committee) and a site of approximately 497 acres on the Taunton River, will be subjected to the lien of the general mortgage as a first lien; and such stock, other assets and site will thereafter, and subject to such lien, be transferred to the Refining company.

**Other Provisions of Mortgage.**—The general mortgage will provide that 20% of the net earnings of the Refining company (as defined) available for dividends in 1923 and each calendar year thereafter will, not later than May 1 of the next following year be applied to the purchase or redemption of bonds of this issue. The Refining company will not pay any dividends which would leave net quick assets at less than \$5,000,000 or make any plant investment which would leave net quick assets at less than \$3,000,000. These minimum standards are to be increased by the amount of any bonds issued for additional working capital. The mortgage will also permit the release of the stock of the Canadian company for \$2,500,000 cash to be applied to the purchase or redemption of these bonds, or on any other terms as shall be approved.

Of the authorized issue \$4,715,000 are to be available for issue par for par to refund the 1st Mtge. bonds, and the balance of \$10,285,000 are to be available for issue for working capital, &c., as defined in the indenture.

(2) **7% Pref. (a. & d.) stock** (par \$100) authorized \$10,000,000, cumulative from Jan. 1 1926. Red. on 30 days' notice at any time at 102½ and dividends. Company in each calendar year shall set aside as a sinking fund to be applied to the purchase or redemption of the Pref. stock a sum equal to 10% of the aggregate amount of the dividends paid upon the Common stock during the preceding year.

(3) **Common stock**, authorized 1,500,000 shares (no par value). Of this amount 500,000 shares will be reserved for issue against the stock warrants above mentioned; 560,000 shares will be sold with the initial issue of the Gen. Mtge. bonds; 250,000 shares will be reserved for the corporate purposes, including issue to officers and employees of the refining company upon such basis as shall be approved by the noteholders, committee, and the balance may be issued so far as required to make provisions for existing debt and stock of the oil corporation.

**Terms of Exchange of Old for New Securities.**

Existing Securities—	Outstanding.	Will Receive	Com. Shs.
New England Oil Conv. notes.....	\$5,440,000	\$5,440,000	54,400 shs.
Each \$1,000.....		10 shs.	10 shs.
Fr. & Can Oil Tr. Co. notes pay.....	185,000	185,000	1,850 shs.
Each \$1,000.....		10 shs.	10 shs.
Island Oil Mkt. Corp. judgm't.....	1,161,000	x1,161,000	x11,610 shs.
Each \$1,000.....		10 shs.	10 shs.
Other direct creditors of oil corp.....	(?)	(?)	(?)
Each \$100.....		1 sh.	1 sh.
Contingent creditors of oil corp.....	(?)	(?)	(?)
Each \$100.....		1 sh.	1 sh.
Pref. stk. holders of oil corp.....	y1,949,700		19,497 shs.
Each \$100.....			1 sh.
Com. stkholders of oil corp.....	z540,000 shs.		54,000 shs.
Each 10 shares.....			1 shs.

x This stock of the Refining company to be placed in escrow with the transfer agent of the Refining company, and when by final judgment is settled and the amount, if any, due the Island Oil Marketing Corp. is finally determined, the shares to be delivered to the Island Oil Marketing Corp., or to whoever shall be entitled to receive the same. Any stock not so delivered to revert to the Refining company.

y Preferred stockholders to have the further right in respect of each share of Preferred stock to purchase one share of Preferred stock and one share of Common stock of the Refining company for \$80.

z Common stockholders to have the further right in respect of each 10 shares of Common stock to purchase one share of Preferred stock and one share of the Common stock of the Refining company for \$80.



If the rights of purchase shall be exercised by the Preferred and Common stockholders to such an extent that the Refining company shall be called upon to deliver more than \$7,000,000 of Preferred stock, including all amounts presently to be issued under the plan, or more than 701,350 shares of Common stock presently to be issued under the plan, the noteholders' committee either may require the Refining company to issue an additional amount of Preferred stock and to increase the authorized amount of Common stock, or may itself furnish all or any part of the excess amounts of Preferred and Common stock necessary to meet the subscriptions to purchase at and for the respective prices above fixed.

**Note.**—In consideration of the other advantages to be derived by the Refining company under the plan no provision is made for the debt of the Oil corporation held by the Refining company and the Refining company will dispose of such debt as the noteholders' committee may direct to facilitate the consummation of the plan.

**Management.**—All the Common shares of the Refining company shall be held by certain trustees for five years, until Dec. 31 1927, and for a further period of five years if the said trustees shall so decide. The original trustees are to be Malcolm G. Chace, Francis R. Hart, Bradley W. Palmer, Alexander Smith and Daniel G. Wing.—V. 116, p. 419.

#### New England Oil Refining Co.—Reorganization Plan.—

See New England Oil Corp. above and V. 116, p. 419.

#### New England Tel. & Tel. Co.—Annual Report.—

Calendar Years—	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Oper. & non-oper. rev.	\$42,320,746	\$37,312,788	\$34,273,897	\$13,589,903
Operating expenses	30,671,126	27,320,288	25,151,030	9,397,457
Operating revenue	\$11,649,620	\$9,992,500	\$9,122,867	\$4,192,446
U. S. Govt. compen.				Cr2,835,125
Taxes & uncollectibles	3,110,274	2,613,397	2,066,884	919,299
Interest	1,959,448	1,012,449	588,535	563,078
Rent, &c. accts.	386,730	380,259	329,902	120,260
Misc. deductions	4,561	143,054	43,460	Cr47,933
Dividends	5,317,886	5,317,816	4,984,208	4,651,927

Balance, surplus, \$870,720 \$522,524 \$1,109,878 \$820,940  
The balance sheet as of Dec. 31 1922 shows total assets of \$161,090,028 (against \$13,500,256 in 1921). This includes property account, \$144,361,835; cash, \$915,101, and inventories, \$1,982,208. Offsets include with other items, accounts payable, \$2,391,901; 1st Mtge. bonds, \$35,000,000; debenture notes, \$11,000,000; capital stock, \$66,476,200; P. & L. surplus, \$6,780,716 (against \$6,809,995 on Dec. 31 1921).—V. 115, p. 2485.

#### New Jersey Zinc Co.—Earnings.—

Results for 3 months and 12 months ending Dec. 31.	1922—3 Mos.	1921—12 Mos.	1922—12 Mos.	1921—12 Mos.
x Income	\$1,678,835	\$705,374	\$6,214,648	\$2,390,628
Int. on 1st M. bonds	40,000	40,000	160,000	160,000
Empl. profit sharing	360,000		360,000	
Accr. int. on stk. subser.	2,839	10,677	34,354	50,791
Dividends	y(4%) 1,929,412	(2)909,328	(10)4768,152	(4)1,818,656
Balance	def\$653,415	def\$254,631	sur\$892,112	sur\$361,182

x Income (incl. divs. from sub. cos.) after deductions for expenses, taxes, maint., repairs and renewals, betterments, depreciation & contingencies. y Includes extra dividend of 2% payable Jan. 10 1923 and 2% payable Feb. 10 1923.

1922 Quarters ending—	Mar. 31.	June 30.	Sept. 30.	Dec. 31.
Net income	\$1,086,080	\$1,597,161	\$1,732,571	\$1,638,835

—V. 115, p. 2912.

#### Newmarket Mfg. Co.—Dividend of 2%.—

The company has declared a quarterly dividend of 2% on the capital stock, payable Feb. 15 to holders of record Feb. 1. This is the first dividend since the payment of the 50% stock dividend, which increased the capital stock from \$1,200,000 to \$1,800,000, par \$100. The rate on the old stock was 10%.—V. 116, p. 85.

#### Newport News Shipbuilding & Dry Dock Co.—Bonds.

The \$2,000,000 First Mtge. 5% bonds, due April 15 1930, were stricken from the list of the New York Stock Exchange on Jan. 24 last. The aforesaid bonds, it is stated, have been exchanged for new First Mtge. 6% bonds.—V. 109, p. 1798.

#### New River Co.—Production.

The company in December last produced 130,000 tons of coal, as compared with 111,000 tons in November last and 118,000 tons in October.—V. 116, p. 419.

#### New York Telephone Co.—Telephone Rates Revised.—

The New York P. S. Commission has handed down its final order revising rates and charges of telephone service throughout New York State, effective March 1. The order provides for the revision of all rate schedules in New York City. This affects decreases estimated at \$250,000 for small users, increases rates for large users amounting to about \$2,500,000, decreases flat rates in effect in Brooklyn by about \$75,000, increases the long-haul inter-zone toll rates in Greater New York to equalize disparities in existing rates, and makes a decrease in toll rates to suburban areas adjoining Greater New York, with consequent elimination of the Federal tax on such messages, estimated to be about \$300,000. Message rates in New York City and in the rest of the State are put on a monthly basis of settlement.

Revision of the rate schedules for exchange areas in the State, outside of New York City is made, with decreases affecting business and residence service. In other zone toll rates similar to those put in effect in and around New York City, between various up-State cities and adjoining communities, are directed.

The company is allowed a 7% return on the value of its property, which is placed at \$167,153,634 in New York City and \$68,531,357 in the rest of the State.

J. S. McCulloch, Commercial Vice-President, has issued a statement expressing the company's disagreement with the findings made by the New York P. S. Commission. The company declares that the valuation of its property as fixed by the Commission at \$246,182,491 is \$53,000,000 below that stated by the Federal Court in its opinion last year. Since then improvements costing more than \$50,000,000 have been added to the system.—V. 116, p. 185.

#### North American Oil Co.—New Officers, &c.—

Lawrence Chamberlain of Lawrence Chamberlain, Inc., has been elected Chairman of the board, succeeding Clay J. Webster. M. J. Beatty, former Vice-President of Union Oil Co. of Delaware, has been elected President, succeeding C. F. Golcord, who still remains a director. G. H. Hutchins, formerly Treasurer of American Linsed Co., has been elected Treasurer. Messrs. Chamberlain, Beatty and Hutchins have been elected directors. Directors retiring are C. J. Webster, M. H. Warren, Wm. Pohlman and D. I. Johnston, leaving one vacancy on the board.—V. 116, p. 305.

#### Northern New York Telephone Corp.—Capital Increase

The company, formerly the Mountain Home Telephone Co., has increased its authorized capital stock from \$1,000,000 to \$3,000,000, par \$100.—V. 115, p. 2803.

#### Ohio Body & Blower Co.—Sells Plant.—

The Orville, O., plant has been taken over by Swartwout Co. of Cleveland, which recently was organized by D. K. Swartwout, former President, and W. E. Clement, former Secretary of the Ohio Body & Blower Co. In addition the Swartwout Co. has acquired the metal stamping business of the Blower company and has established a plant in the building formerly occupied by the Cleveland Milling Machine Co. in Cleveland. The Swartwout company has a capital stock of \$500,000 8% Prof. stock and 50,000 shares of no par Common. The Blower company, it is said, will continue the manufacture of automobile bodies while the Swartwout Co. will make ventilators, core ovens, enameling ovens, metal buildings, steam specialties, exhaust heads, steam and oil separators, steam traps and feed water heaters.—V. 115, p. 1950.

#### Ohio Oil Co.—Quarterly Dividend of 3%.—

The company has declared a dividend of 3% on the outstanding \$60,000,000 capital stock, par \$25, payable March 31 to holders of record Feb. 24. In Dec. last the company paid a 300% stock dividend. Regular quarterly

dividends of 5% each, together with extras, have been paid since 1915. For complete dividend record (since 1915) see V. 115, p. 2486.—V. 116, p. 186.

#### Ohio State Power Co.—Bonds Offered.—Bonbright & Co., Inc., are offering at 97½ and int. \$290,000 1st Mtge. 6% gold bonds of 1915, due June 1 1935. A circular shows:

**Issuance.**—Authorized by the Ohio Public Utilities Commission. **Company.**—Owns and operates a 15,000 k.w. steam-electric power station and a 3,000 k.w. hydro-electric power station, both located on the Sandusky River near Fremont, O. Entire output of plants has been sold under a contract running until 1957, to Ohio Power Co., a subsidiary of American Gas & Electric Co., and Lake Shore Electric Ry.

Capitalization—	Authorized.	Outstanding.
First Mortgage 6% gold bonds	\$3,000,000	\$964,000
Preferred stock, 6% Cumulative	400,000	x400,000
Common stock	600,000	x600,000
x Owned by Ohio Power Co. and Lake Shore Electric Ry.		
Earnings 12 Months ended Nov. 30—	1921.	1922.
Gross earnings	\$678,016	\$651,282
Net, after expenses, maintenance and taxes	120,638	121,548
Annual interest on First Mtge. 6% gold bonds		57,846

—V. 101, p. 2076.

**Orenda Smokeless Coal Co.—Bonds Sold.**—Brinkman & Co., Inc., Union Trust Co., Baltimore, and J. H. Holmes & Co., Pittsburgh, have sold at 97½ and int., to yield about 5.85%, \$1,378,000 Purchase Money Mortgage 5½% Sinking Fund gold bonds of 1918. Due April 1 1933 and guaranteed principal and interest by Davis Coal & Coke Co. A circular shows:

**Tax-free in Penna.** Union Trust Co., Pittsburgh, trustee. Denom. \$1,000 (c\*). Callable all or part on any int. date on 30 days' notice at 102½ and int. Int. payable A. & O. Originally issued, 1918, \$1,500,000; retired by sinking fund to date, \$122,000; at present outstanding, \$1,378,000. **Orenda Smokeless Coal Co.**—Located at Boswell, Somerset County, Pa. Consists of approximately 2,800 acres of unmined coal of the "C" prime seam, and 1,000 acres of the "E" seam, containing a total of about 32,500,000 tons; 665 acres of surface land; steel tipple, mine buildings, plant equipment, &c. Since property was purchased by Davis Coal & Coke Co. in 1918 over \$500,000 has been spent in improvements and betterments, as provided in the mortgage.

**Sinking Fund.**—Provides payment of 12 cents per gross ton monthly on all coal mined and shipped, minimum amount being \$30,000 each for first five years and \$45,000 each year thereafter, whether there is any coal mined or not.

**Earnings.**—Earnings of Davis Coal & Coke Co. average \$809,177 for past five years, which is over 10½ times the interest charges on the outstanding bonds of this issue. The net tangible assets of the Davis company are \$13,442,194, or equal to approximately 9¾ times the amount of outstanding bonds of this issue.

**Listing.**—Application will be made to list bonds on Baltimore Stock Exchange.

#### Owens Bottle Co., Toledo, O.—Extra Dividend.—

An extra dividend of 1% has been declared on the outstanding \$16,537,975 Common stock, par \$25, in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 2%, both payable April 1 to holders of record March 16.—V. 115, p. 2055.

#### Parish & Bingham Co.—Merger Rumors.—

See Detroit Pressed Steel Co. above.—V. 116, p. 84; V. 115, p. 82.

#### Pennsylvania Water & Power Co.—New Director.—

Howard Murray of Montreal has been elected a director.—V. 116, p. 187.

#### Peoples Gas Light & Coke Co.—Annual Report.—

Calendar Years—	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Gross earnings	\$29,645,778	\$31,927,064	\$31,236,335	\$24,543,798
Operating expenses	19,890,396	21,488,548	26,081,384	20,253,356
Depreciation	1,155,332	1,117,187		
Uncollectible opr. rev.	218,187	330,204	2,409,879	1,859,085
Taxes assn. to oper.	2,001,895	1,649,462		
Net operating income	\$6,379,968	\$7,341,663	\$2,745,073	\$2,431,357
Other income	918,027	992,947		
Total	\$7,297,995	\$8,334,610	\$2,745,073	\$2,431,357
Deductions	1,678,148	1,490,062		
Interest	2,357,850	2,360,538	2,364,321	2,366,150
Dividends paid (6%)	1,924,980			
Net income	\$1,337,017	\$4,484,009	\$380,752	\$65,207

—V. 116, p. 84.

#### Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Co.—Bonds.—

The Philadelphia Stock Exchange on Jan. 22 reduced the amount of Gen. Mtge. 4% bonds, due Jan. 1 1937, on the regular list from \$94,236,000 to \$93,875,000—\$361,000 reported purchased and cancelled on Jan. 10 1923 for account of the sinking fund.—V. 115, p. 2803.

#### Phillips Petroleum Co.—Financing Unnecessary.—

Official announcement is made by the company that no financing of any kind is contemplated by the management of the corporation, which is contrary to reports that have been circulated in the financial district for some weeks past. The official statement says: "The company is not anticipating financing of any kind. It has at this time in permanent storage, which was accumulated at lower prices, sufficient high-grade oil and gasoline to more than liquidate obligations maturing this year. This oil, against which the company has no commitments or obligations, will probably be marketed during the year, and it is anticipated that all current liabilities and bank loans will be made as they mature.—V. 116, p. 84.

#### Phoenix Silk Manufacturing Co., Inc., New York.—

**Bonds Sold.**—J. & W. Seligman & Co. and Hemphill, Noyes & Co., New York, have sold at 99½ and int. \$1,500,000 1st Mtge. 20-Year 7% Sinking Fund gold bonds.

Dated Feb. 1 1923. Due Feb. 1 1943. Int. payable F. & A. without deduction for Federal income taxes not exceeding 2%. Penna. and Conn. 4-mills taxes and Maryland securities tax not in excess of 4½ mills, and Mass. income tax on int. not in excess of 6% per annum, refunded. Chemical National Bank, New York, trustee. Red. all or part at any time upon 30 days' notice at 110 and int. if called on or before Feb. 1 1928; at 107½ and int. if called thereafter and on or before Feb. 1 1933; at 105 and int. if called thereafter and on or before Feb. 1 1938; at 102½ and int. if called thereafter. Denom. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100 (c\*).

#### Data from Letter of President Benjamin B. Tilt, New York, Jan. 23.

**Company.**—Business originally established in 1824 as a cotton spinning mill. Now operates 2 silk weaving mills at Allentown, Pa., for broad silks and ribbons, a throwing and weaving mill at Pottsville, Pa., and a finishing plant and testing laboratory in N. Y. City, having an annual capacity of 6,000,000 yards of finished product. Company's mills are located on a total area of about 9 acres, with actual floor space of over 425,000 sq. ft. The machinery installed includes approximately 1,740 broad looms, 140 ribbon looms and 69,000 throwing spindles.

Company manufactures and sells a variety of broad silks, including crepe de chine, medium priced dress silks, tailors' linings, the silks and ribbons. Its output is divided approximately as follows: Skein dyed dress silks, 35%; crepes, 35%; tailors' linings, 12%; ribbons, 10%; tie silks, 8%.

Capitalization After This Financing—		Authorized.	Outstanding.
1st Mtge. 20-Year 7s (this issue)		\$1,750,000	\$1,500,000
Preferred stock, par \$100		800,000	800,000
Common stock (no par value)		40,000 sh.	40,000 sh.
Net Profits Applicable to Interest, Federal Taxes, Deprec., &c., Cal. Years.			
1916	\$759,310	1920	\$355,161
1917	501,807	1921	332,557
1918	522,680	1922 (9 months)	91,044
1919	1,353,851		

It is estimated that earnings for the full year 1923 will be in excess of \$500,000.



**Purpose.**—Proceeds will be used to liquidate completely the company's debt to Greiff & Co., for many years the company's factors, to retire a small issue of first mortgage bonds and to provide additional working capital.

**Sinking Fund.**—A sinking fund of \$84,000 per annum, commencing Mar. 1 1923 and operating monthly, will be used to purchase bonds at not exceeding the current redemption price, or, if not so obtainable, to call bonds at that price.

#### Balance Sheet Nov. 30 1922 (After This Financing).

Assets.	Liabilities.
Real estate, buildings, &c., \$3,214,490	7% preferred stock..... \$800,000
Investments..... 69,500	Common stocks (40,000 shares no par value)..... 2,610,204
Inventories..... 2,385,323	First Mortgage 7s..... 1,500,000
Notes & accounts receivable..... 31,840	Deposit on real estate..... 1,000
Adv. to officers & empl..... 21,821	Notes & acceptances pay..... 989,907
U. S. Liberty bonds..... 2,800	Accounts payable..... 307,163
Cash..... 303,283	Total (each side)..... \$6,208,275
Deferred charges..... 179,217	

**Pierce-Arrow Motor Car Co.—Financing Plan.**—The stockholders will vote Feb. 19 on approving the proposed financing, adopted by the directors. Reference to the proposed plan was made in V. 116, p. 420. (See also the advertising pages in this issue.)

A circular letter to the stockholders dated Buffalo, Jan. 27, and signed by Chairman C. Clifton, and Pres. M. E. Forbes states in substance:

#### New Securities To Be Authorized—To Increase Common Stock.

(1) Company is to create an issue of \$6,000,000 1st Mtge. gold bonds to bear interest at such rate and contain such provisions as to sinking fund, maturity, call prices, &c., as directors may determine. They will be secured by a first mortgage on the entire plant and fixed assets. None of these bonds shall be sold at the present time, but \$4,200,000, bearing 7% interest, are to be pledged to secure \$3,500,000 1-Year 6% notes.

(2) Company is to create an issue of \$4,200,000 8% Debentures, dated March 1 1923, due March 1 1943. Interest payable M. & S. without deduction for Federal income tax not exceeding 2% per annum. Penna. and Conn. 4-mill taxes, Maryland 4½-mill securities tax and the Mass. 6% income tax refunded. A sinking fund to retire by purchase or redemption \$250,000 of debentures annually will be provided, first payment into sinking fund will be on April 1 1926, in respect of year 1925 and annually on April 1 thereafter for the year ending the preceding Dec. 31. Sinking fund installments shall be payable only out of net earnings of the previous year, but payments shall be mandatory to the extent to which earned and any amount not paid in any year must be paid up before divs. can be paid on any class of stock. Callable on any interest date on 30 days' notice, all or part, or for the sinking fund at 110 and interest. Company may tender debentures to sinking fund at par in lieu of cash. No divs. may be declared that will reduce net current assets below twice the face amount of debentures then outstanding, and no dividends may be declared except from earnings after Jan. 1 1923. No mortgage or other lien (except purchase money mortgages on property that may hereafter be acquired and the above mentioned first mortgage) may be placed upon any fixed property unless the debentures are equally secured thereby.

(3) Company is to create an issue of 15,750 shares of Prior Preference stock of no par value, which shall be preferred both as to assets and dividends to the Preferred stock and the Common stock, and which shall be repayable in liquidation at \$100 per share and dividends. It shall bear dividends at rate of \$8 per share per annum, payable quarterly, which shall be cumulative from April 1 1923. Shall be convertible at any time up to date of redemption into Common stock of no par value, at the rate of 5 shares of Common stock for one share of Prior Preference stock. Callable all or part at \$100 per share and dividends on 60 days' notice.

(4) Company is to authorize 78,750 shares of additional Common stock to be used for the purpose of the above described conversion privilege.

**Retirement of Bank Loans.**—The \$4,200,000 debentures, together with the 15,750 shares of Prior Preference stock are to be sold for \$4,200,000 cash plus interest on the debentures. Of the proceeds, \$3,650,000 are to be applied to the payment of bank loans, the remaining \$3,500,000 of bank loans being met by the sale of \$3,500,000 1-Year 6% notes.

#### Rights To Subscribe to \$4,200,000 of 8% Debentures—Underwritten.

Holders of the existing 100,000 shares of Preferred stock and of the existing 250,000 shares of Common stock will be given the right to subscribe to their pro rata share of the \$4,200,000 debentures and the 15,750 shares of Prior Preference stock for the sum of \$4,200,000 cash and accrued interest on the debentures, and will also be given the privilege of subscribing for such further amounts of the securities as they may desire to the extent that such securities are not taken by stockholders under their initial rights, as follows:

Holders of Preferred or Common stock of record Feb. 23 will be entitled to subscribe for debentures and Prior Preference stock at the following rate, per 100 shares of Preferred or of Common stock: \$1,200 debentures and 4½ shares Conv. Prior Preference stock for \$1,200 cash, plus accrued interest on the debentures from March 1 1923.

Checks covering the first payment of 25% of the amount of the subscriptions or payment in full must be made to Chase National Bank, 57 Broadway, New York, on or before March 12. The balance of 75% of the purchase price will be payable in three installments amounting per \$1,000 debenture to \$250 each on March 30 and April 20, and \$250 on May 14, which includes accrued interest on the installments from March 1 1923.

The above offer to stockholders has been underwritten by J. & W. Seligman & Co., Hayden, Stone & Co., Chase Securities Corp., O'Brien, Potter & Co. and associates. Directors of the company are interested as underwriters.

**Fixed Charges.**—Under this plan, the fixed charges of the company will be as follows: 6% interest on \$3,500,000 1-Year notes, \$210,000; 8% interest on \$4,200,000 debentures, \$336,000; total, \$546,000. The sinking fund on the debentures will require not to exceed \$275,000 additional, and the dividends on the Prior Preference stock \$126,000 additional, making the requirements as above to and including the dividends on the Prior Preference stock, \$947,000, whereof \$275,000 will be for debenture redemption.

**Listing.**—Application will be made to list the new debentures and Prior Preference stock on the New York Stock Exchange.

Compare also statement of earnings for 11½ years ended Dec. 31 1922 and projected balance sheet as of Dec. 31 1922 under "Annual Reports" above.—V. 116, p. 420.

#### Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.—30% Stock Dividend, &c.—

The stockholders on Jan. 29 increased the authorized capital stock from \$37,500,000 to \$50,000,000, par \$100, and authorized the payment of a 30% stock dividend on Jan. 31 to holders of record Jan. 29. [For dividend record on Common stock (since 1899) see V. 115, p. 2486.]—V. 116, p. 420.

#### Pittsfield Electric Co.—Stock Application.—

The company has petitioned the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities for authority to issue 1,250 additional shares of capital stock, par \$100. The stock is to be offered to stockholders at \$115 a share, increasing capital from \$875,000 to \$1,000,000. The proceeds will apply to payments for new construction now in process and any balance to the reduction of obligations incurred subsequent to Nov. 30 1921 for additions to plant.—V. 112, p. 1747.

#### Price Bros. & Co., Ltd.—Bonds Called.—

All of the outstanding 1st Mtge. 5% bonds, dated Nov. 1 1910, have been called for redemption May 1 at 102½ and int. at the Montreal Trust Co. or the Bank of Montreal, both of Montreal, Canada, or at the agency of the Bank of Montreal, N. Y. City, or at Parr's Bank, Ltd., London, England.—V. 114, p. 2023.

#### Producers & Refiners Corp.—To Offer Common Stock.—

The corporation will offer to stockholders 150,000 shares of Common stock at par, \$50. The offering has been underwritten by Blair & Co., Inc., C. D. Barney & Co., F. S. Smithers & Co., Dominick & Dominick, and Otis & Co. Proceeds will be used for additions and improvements to plants. See also V. 116, p. 305, 187.

#### Public Service Co. of Northern Illinois.—Notes Paid.

The \$1,750,000 6% notes due Feb. 1 were paid off at office of Illinois Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago.

The company has applied to the Illinois Commerce Commission for authority to issue \$5,000,000 5½% First Lien & Ref. bonds, proceeds to be used to retire \$1,750,000 collateral notes due Feb. 1 and to provide funds for additional construction.

The stockholders will vote Feb. 26 on increasing the authorized capital by the addition of 100,000 shares of no-par Common stock and \$5,000,000 of additional 6% Preferred stock. If the increase is authorized the company will later ask permission for the issuance of 52,980 of the additional no-par stock, which it is expected will be offered to Common and Preferred stockholders.

Gross revenues were approximately \$14,000,000 in 1922. Since 1914 gross revenues have increased more than 125%.—V. 115, p. 1641.

#### Pure Oil Co.—Changes in Distributing Organization.—

N. H. Weber, formerly Vice-President in charge of refineries, has been made Vice-President in charge of the distributing business.

President B. G. Dawes announces: "The motor oil division, instead of being operating division, has been consolidated with the distributing division. The San Francisco, Kansas City and Chicago districts will operate under the direct supervision of the northwestern division, with headquarters at Minneapolis; the Atlanta district will be under the Central division, with headquarters at Cincinnati, and the Philadelphia and Boston districts will be under the Eastern division, with headquarters at New York."—V. 116, p. 306.

#### Ranger Refining & Pipe Line Co.—

In a schedule of its property filed at Abilene, Tex., by this bankrupt company, liabilities are given at \$1,757,624 and assets at \$3,959,240.—V. 112, p. 2544.

#### Republic Iron & Steel Corp.—Listing.—

The New York Stock Exchange has admitted to trading \$10,000,000 Ref. & Gen. Mtge. Sinking Fund 30-Year 5½s, Series "A," due Jan. 1 1953, "when issued." See offering in V. 116, p. 421.

#### Reynolds Spring Co.—Additional Stock.—

The stockholders will vote Feb. 14 on authorizing the issuance and sale of 73,500 shares of the Common stock (no par value) at \$12 per share, in order to provide funds for further buildings, equipment, machinery and working capital. The stockholders of record Mar. 1 will have the right to purchase one share of the additional issue for every share of Common stock held, to be paid for at \$12 per share on or before Mar. 16 1923 at the American Trust Co., 135 Broadway, New York. The issue has been underwritten.—V. 116, p. 421, 306.

#### St. Mary's Mineral Land Co.—Larger Dividend.—

The directors have declared a dividend of \$3 a share, payable March 5 to holders of record Feb. 6. The last previous disbursement was \$2 a share on April 27 1922.—V. 116, p. 306.

#### St. Maurice Power Co., Ltd.—Stock Distribution.—

It is announced that 10,000 fully paid Common stock, par \$100, will be distributed to shareholders of the Shawinigan Water & Power Co. on the basis of one share of the new company's stock for every 20 shares of Shawinigan held. The St. Maurice Power shares, or certificates covering fractions thereof, will be deliverable on March 1 to Shawinigan shareholders of record Feb. 20. It is provided that all fractional shares of the St. Maurice Co. must be adjusted by the purchase or sale of other fractional shares on or before May 31 and fractional certificates aggregating one or more complete shares must be surrendered to the Montreal Trust Co. on or before May 31 1923, to be exchanged for certificates covering one or more complete shares.

The capital stock of the new company issued is \$7,200,000, of which Shawinigan holds over half in its treasury. A large amount of the balance of this stock, after the distribution of \$1,000,000 to Shawinigan shareholders, goes to the International Paper Co., which owned part of the water powers which are being developed and which was one of the reasons why a new company had to be formed.—V. 116, p. 421.

#### Sagamore Manufacturing Co.—Balance Sheet Dec. 30.—

Assets.	1922.	1921.	Liabilities.	1922.	1921.
Real est. & mach.	\$2,628,958	\$2,478,851	Capital stock.....	\$3,000,000	\$1,800,000
Cash rec. & invent.	783,728	1,014,381	Surplus & reserves	1,936,991	2,997,392
U. S. Govt. secur.	1,524,305	1,304,160	Total (each side)	\$4,936,991	\$4,797,392

—V. 116, p. 421.

**Sears, Roebuck & Co., Chicago.—Sales.**

Month of January—	1923.	1922.
Sales.....	\$18,930,082	\$14,188,422
		\$15,597,766

—V. 116, p. 408.

#### Shattuck-Arizona Copper Co.—Obituary.—

President Thomas Bardon died Feb. 2.—V. 114, p. 1543.

#### Shawinigan Water & Power Co.—Stock Distribution.—

See St. Maurice Power Co., Ltd., above.—V. 115, p. 2390.

#### Sinclair Consolidated Oil Corp.—Soviet Concession.—

The corporation has received the following cable from the Russian Government announcing the signing of the concession for oil development in the northern half of the Island of Saghalin: "Agreement between former Far Eastern Republic and your company concerning Saghalin exploration signed Jan. 7 1921, as well as supplementary agreement same date, ratified by Government of the Russian Federative Republic, Jan. 23. Deposit according to Clause 36 should be paid Lloyd's Bank, London account of Russian State Bank. (Signed) Acting Commissar Foreign Affairs, Litvinoff."—V. 115, p. 2914.

#### Sinclair Crude Oil Producing Co.—New Tanks.—

The company has placed an order with the Chicago Bridge & Iron Works for 30 additional 80,000-barrel oil storage tanks to be erected at Clayton, Wyo.—V. 116, p. 421.

#### Southern Minnesota Gas & Electric Co.—Bonds Offered.—

A. C. Allyn & Co., New York, and Chicago, are offering at 98½ and int., \$1,275,000 1st Lien & Ref. Mtge. gold bonds, series "A," 6½% Sinking Fund.

**Listing.**—Bonds listed on the Chicago Stock Exchange. Dated Dec. 1 1922. Due Dec. 1 1942. Int. payable J. & D. at National City Bank of Chicago, trustee, or Equitable Trust Co., New York, without deduction for normal Federal income tax not in excess of 2%. Pennsylvania and Connecticut 4 mills tax Massachusetts income tax not in excess of 6% on income derived from the bonds, and Maryland securities tax refunded. Denom. \$1,000. \$500 and \$100 (c\*). Redeemable all or part on any interest date upon 30 days' notice at 107½ and interest to and incl. Dec. 1 1922; thereafter at 105 and interest to and incl. Dec. 1 1932, this premium of 5% decreasing ½ of 1% on each June 1 thereafter.

#### Data from Letter of Pres. A. W. Higgins, Albert Lea, Minn., Jan. 24

**Company.**—Will own and operate gas and electric properties located in southern Minnesota and north central Iowa. Company furnishes without competition gas, electric and central-station heating service to Albert Lea and Owatonna, gas service to Rochester and electric service to more than 40 other cities and villages in southern Minnesota and northern Iowa. Population, about 85,000.

Company was organized in Delaware in 1919 to take over the properties previously owned and operated by Minnesota Gas & Electric Co. of Minn. (V. 107, p. 1842), which had succeeded Albert Lea Light & Power Co., incorporated in 1902, and Albert Lea Electric Co., incorporated in 1893.

Owens two modern, completely equipped electric power plants located at Albert Lea and Owatonna, Minn., and gas plants in Albert Lea, Owatonna and Rochester. Owns and operates over 400 miles of 33,000 and 13,000-volt transmission lines, 35 substations, and local distributing and municipal lighting systems in practically all of towns served with electricity.

**Security.**—Secured by a direct mortgage on all property now or hereafter owned, subject to the line of certain underlying and divisional mortgage bonds. Further secured by deposit of \$558,300 underlying bonds.

**Sinking Fund.**—Company covenants to pay each year in cash as a sinking fund beginning with June 1 1924, an amount equal to 2% of the amount of bonds of this series then outstanding, to be payable 1% on June 1 and Dec. 1 of each year and to be applied only to the purchase or redemption and cancellation of bonds of this series.

**Purpose.**—To retire certain 7%, 7½% and 8% bonds now outstanding, and to reimburse company in part for the cost of its new properties.



Capitalization after Present Financing—	Authorized.	Outstanding.
Common stock (no par value).....	11,000 shs.	11,000 shs.
7% Cumul. Preferred stock.....	\$1,500,000	\$540,000
7% Convertible gold notes.....	600,000	500,000
1st Lien & Ref. series "A" 6½s.....	3,800,000	1,275,000
Divisional & Underlying bonds.....		1,525,800

x Issuance of further bonds limited by restrictions of trust indenture.  
y Total authorized issue of divisional and underlying bonds originally \$3,800,000. \$65,900 of bonds originally issued have been retired; \$558,300 are pledged to secure 1st Lien & Ref. Mtge. bonds. No additional bonds can be issued unless such bonds are likewise pledged as collateral security for the 1st Lien & Ref. Mtge. bonds.

#### Earnings—Year ended Aug. 31 1922.

Gross earnings.....	\$851,253
Net after operating expenses (incl. maintenance and taxes).....	332,646
Int. on underlying bonds, \$91,548; int. on 1st Lien & Ref. Mtge. bonds, \$82,875.....	174,423

Balance for depreciation, dividends, &c.....\$158,223

#### Southern Pipe Line Co.—Dividend Increased—Report.—

A quarterly dividend of 4% has been declared on the outstanding \$10,000,000 capital stock, par \$100, payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 15. This compares with 2% paid quarterly from Sept. 1921 to Dec. 1922 inclusive.

#### Results for Calendar Years.

Calendar Years—	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Profits for year.....	\$982,239	\$1,090,997	\$1,315,181	\$1,685,995
Dividends paid.....	(8%) 799,999	(10) 1,000,002	(17) 1,699,999	(20) 1,999,999

Balance, sur. or def. sur.\$182,240 sur.\$90,997 def.\$384,818 def.\$314,004

#### Balance Sheet December 31.

	1922.	1921.		1922.	1921.
<b>Assets—</b>			<b>Liabilities—</b>		
Plant.....	5,966,988	5,974,155	Capital stock.....	10,000,000	10,000,000
Other investments.....	7,771,217	7,441,671	Deprec'n reserve.....	2,162,946	1,990,669
Accts. receivable.....	297,069	222,342	Accts. payable.....	43,302	238,386
Cash.....	340,079	577,753	Profit and loss.....	2,169,105	1,986,866
Total.....	14,375,353	14,215,921	Total.....	14,375,353	14,215,921

—V. 116, p. 421.

#### Southern States Oil Corp.—Cons. Bal. Sheet Dec. 31 1922.

Assets—Cash, \$820,132; acc'ts. rec., \$830,172; notes rec., \$191,910; oil uncollected and in storage, \$152,454.....\$1,994,668  
Furniture, fixtures and lease equipment.....120,545  
Developed and producing leases, \$5,374,521; non-productive or undeveloped leases, \$1.....5,374,522

Total assets.....	\$7,489,733
Liabilities—Capital stock auth., \$20,000,000; issued & outst'g.....	\$2,246,400
Reserve for depletion.....	391,179
Surplus.....	4,852,154

Total liabilities.....\$7,489,733  
—V. 116, p. 85.

#### South West Pennsylvania Pipe Lines.—Report Dec. 31.

Calendar Years—	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.
Profits for year.....	\$315,871	\$161,970	\$356,149	\$250,312
Dividends.....	(7%) 245,000	(6) 210,001	(8) 279,999	(12) 419,999

Balance, sur. or def. sur.\$70,870 def.\$48,031 sur.\$76,150 def.\$169,687

#### Balance Sheet December 31.

	1922.	1921.		1922.	1921.
<b>Assets—</b>			<b>Liabilities—</b>		
Plant.....	\$4,140,779	\$4,142,682	Capital stock.....	\$3,500,000	\$3,500,000
Other investm'ts.....	1,338,391	1,236,891	Depreciation.....	1,385,603	1,285,755
Accts. receivable.....	298,211	296,446	Accts. payable.....	223,064	214,587
Oil purchased & sale cont'g.....	9,986		Oil purchased & sale cont'g.....	2,267	
Cash.....	94,213	28,633	Profit and loss.....	772,914	702,043
Total.....	\$5,881,581	\$4,704,654	Total.....	\$5,881,581	\$5,704,654

—V. 116, p. 422.

#### Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.—Notes Called.—

All of the outstanding 5-year 7% Convertible Gold notes, dated April 1 1920, have been called for redemption April 1 at 102 and int. at the Guaranty Trust Co., trustee, 140 Broadway, N. Y. City.—V. 115, p. 769.

#### Sperry Flour Co.—To Increase Preferred.—

The company proposes to call a special stockholders' meeting to ask approval to increase the new Preferred stock from \$3,000,000 to \$3,600,000 with the object of converting the Portland Flour Mills 8% bonds and the old Sperry Flour \$600,000 Preferred outstanding.—V. 115, p. 2592.

#### Standard Bolt Corp., Columbus, O.—Bonds Called.—

All of the outstanding \$575,000 1st Mtge. 8% Serial gold bonds dated Oct. 1 1921 have been called for payment April 1 at 107½ and int. at the Ohio National Bank of Columbus, O. Holders have the option of presenting bonds for payment any date prior to April 1 and will receive 107½ and interest to date of presentation.—V. 113, p. 1897, 2512.

#### Standard Oil Co. of N. Y.—Dividend of 35 Cents.—

A quarterly dividend of 35 cents per share has been declared on the outstanding \$225,000,000 capital stock, par \$25, payable March 15 to holders of record Feb. 23. This is equivalent to \$16.80 a share per annum on the old \$75,000,000 capital stock, par \$100, compared with \$16 paid last year. The capital stock was recently increased from \$75,000,000 to \$225,000,000 by the payment of a 200% stock dividend. The par value was also reduced from \$100 to \$25 per sh. Compare V. 115, p. 2057, 2168, 2391, 2488.

#### Standard Sanitary Mfg. Co.—Extra Dividend.—

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 3% on the Common stock in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 2%, both payable Feb. 15 to holders of record Feb. 7.

On Nov. 15 1922 the company paid on the Common stock a 40% stock dividend and an extra of 3%, in addition to the regular quarterly 2% div. For complete div. record on Common stock see V. 115, p. 2057, 2168.

#### Steel & Tube Co. of America.—Directors Approve Sale to Youngstown—Pref. Stock to Be Retired at 110.—

The stockholders will vote Feb. 28 to ratify the contract of sale to the Youngstown Steel & Tube Co. already approved by the directors. President H. H. Springfield in a letter to shareholders says in part:

"The contract provides for the assumption and payment by the purchaser of all the debts, obligations and liabilities of the company and, in addition, the payment in cash of a sum equal to \$110 and accrued dividends for each share of Preferred stock outstanding in the hands of the public (being full amount to which Preferred stockholders would be entitled if the Preferred stock were called for redemption), and \$14,509,953, being equal to \$15 a share, of Common stock of your company outstanding.

"By the terms of the charter, Preferred holders must be paid the full amount of the above redemption price and accrued dividends before any distribution can be made to Common stockholders.

"Your board is of the opinion that the price to be received on the sale is a fair one and that the carrying out of the contract is in best interests of corporation and its stockholders. The board consequently recommends the transaction to the approval of the stockholders."—V. 116, p. 422, 188.

#### Studebaker Corp. of America.—2½% Common Div.—

The regular quarterly dividend of 2½% has been declared on the outstanding \$75,000,000 Common stock, par \$100, payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 10. In Dec. last a like amount was paid on the then outstanding \$60,000,000 Common stock. A 25% stock distribution was made Dec. 29 1922. In Sept. last the company paid an extra of 1½% in addition to its regular of 2½%. (For company's dividend record to and including Sept. 1 1922, see V. 115, p. 642).—V. 116, p. 306.

#### Swartwout Co., Cleveland.—Organized.—

See Ohio Body & Blower Co. above.

#### (John R.) Thompson Co., Chicago.—Earnings.—

The company reports for the year ended Dec. 31 1922 net earnings after taxes of \$1,303,972, compared with \$1,291,121 in 1921.—V. 116, p. 86.

#### Transcontinental Oil Co.—Acquisition.—

The company has acquired the holdings of the Rockwell Oil Co., consisting of 54 oil wells in Beggs pool, Okmulgee County, Okla., together with gasoline plants, pipe lines and 8,000 acres of leases scattered in Okmulgee, Creek, Hughes, Okfuskee, Tulsa, Wagoner, Payne and Muskegon counties.—V. 115, p. 2696.

#### United Alloy Steel Corp.—New Director.—

David B. Day has been elected a director, succeeding Harry Ross Jones.—V. 115, p. 656.

#### United Electric Light & Power Co.—New Director.—

Percy A. Rockefeller has been elected a director to succeed the late W. G. Rockefeller.—V. 116, p. 306.

#### United Fuel Gas Co.—Bond Redemption.—

The Secured 7½% gold bonds called for redemption Feb. 15 may be presented at the Guaranty Trust Co. of N. Y. any time before Feb. 15 or payment at 107½ and int. to date of presentation.—V. 115, p. 2805.

#### United Oil Producers' Corp.—Tenders.—

The Coal & Iron National Bank, trustee of the 8% Guaranteed and Participating Production bonds, will until March 1 receive bids for the sale to it of sufficient bonds for cancellation as will exhaust \$50,090 now in the sinking fund.—V. 116, p. 306.

#### United States Glass Co.—Rights.—

The stockholders of record Jan. 26 have the right to subscribe at par (\$25) on or before Feb. 26 for 40,000 shares of new stock.—V. 116, p. 189.

#### U. S. Hoffman Machinery Corp.—Earnings.—

Earnings for the 11 months ended Nov. 30 1922 aggregated \$801,000 after depreciation and Federal taxes and profits for the entire year, it is announced, will approximate \$6 per share on the outstanding 150,000 shares of Common stock, of no par value.—V. 115, p. 2391.

#### United States Lumber Co.—100% Stock Dividend, &c.—

The company has declared a 100% stock dividend, payable March 1 to holders of record Feb. 1. The stockholders on Jan. 26 increased the authorized capital stock from \$7,000,000 (\$6,000,000 outstanding) to \$12,000,000, par \$100.—V. 116, p. 86; V. 106, p. 1809.

#### United States Radiator Corp.—Status—Outlook.—

President Henry T. Cole, in a statement Jan. 23, says: "For the year ending Jan. 31 the corporation figures will show an increase in gross sales and production of approximately 50%, with better than a proportionate increase in net earnings. The corporation is still from 30 to 60 days behind in delivery of radiator orders entered for immediate shipment. The tremendous building expansion throughout the country during the past year produced requirements for heating equipment beyond the existing capacity of boiler and radiator manufacturers, the shortage of foundry labor being the principal limiting factor permitting operation of properties not to exceed 80%.

"The building program for 1923 indicates a total demand for heating apparatus equal to or greater than during 1922, with labor supply still inadequate. Nevertheless the corporation is now making additions to three plants for increased manufacture of radiators, with further additions to its Geneva, N. Y., plant for the manufacture of additional round boilers of which there was a shortage in supply during 1922.

"Net earnings for the year just closing will show an amount the total of which will be from 3 to 4 times the annual dividend requirements on its present \$4,000,000 Preferred stock. With the volume of business indicated for 1923 earnings for the coming year should be equally good or better, if operating conditions get no worse and the volume of prospective building materializes."—V. 115, p. 2696.

#### Valparaiso Lighting Co.—Bonds Called.—

All of the outstanding 1st Consol. & Gen. Mtge. 5% gold bonds dated Oct. 1 1905 have been called for redemption April 1 at 103 and int. at the Central Trust Co. of Ill.—V. 115, p. 2280.

#### Wells, Fargo & Co.—Approve Plan.—

The stockholders on Feb. 1 decided to accept the provisions of the Colorado general laws by incorporating in that State, thus clearing the way for the declaration of a \$50 a share liquidation dividend on Feb. 6. Such a distribution will amount to \$12,000,000.—V. 115, p. 2806, 2915.

#### Western Electric Co.—Sales in 1922, &c.—

President Charles G. DuBois says in substance: "The sales for 1922 were approximately \$210,900,000. This is an increase of \$4,800,000 over the former record year of 1920 and is \$21,100,000 larger than sales for 1921. "Orders received during the last 3 months of 1922 aggregated \$63,000,000 or \$5,000,000 more than same period of 1921. At the close of 1922 orders on hand totaled approximately \$62,000,000. The outlook for 1923 is for a larger volume of business than in 1922.

On Dec. 31 1922 number of employees on company's payroll was 51,162, compared with 45,243 end of 1921 and 39,650 end of 1920."—V. 116, p. 190.

#### Westinghouse Electric & Mfg. Co.—Bookings, &c.—

Billings for the nine months ended Dec. 31 1922 totaled about \$88,000,000 and bookings about \$105,000,000.

Three Months ending—	Dec. 31 '22.	Sept. 30 '22.	June 30 '22.
Bookings.....	(est.) \$35,000,000	\$37,353,000	\$32,118,924
Billings.....	(est.) 32,000,000	30,637,548	25,713,707

Bookings in the quarter ended Sept. 30 1922 showed an increase over 1921 of \$18,542,107, while billings increased \$3,496,001.

The full year's requirements of approximately \$6,000,000 was earned in the first six months of the present fiscal year, which ends March 31 1923.

—V. 116, p. 307.

#### Westinghouse Traction Brake Co., N. J.—New Officer.—

S. G. Down has been elected Vice-President in general charge of sales, &c.—V. 112, p. 478.

#### White Eagle Oil & Refining Co.—Earnings.—

The preliminary report for the fourth quarter of 1922 shows earnings of approximately \$740,000 as compared with \$533,580 for the fourth quarter of 1921. Earnings for the year 1922 were approximately \$3,400,000 as compared with \$1,528,417 in 1921. These results are before depreciation, depletion and Federal income taxes and book adjustments. Profits for 1922 were therefore about \$8.50 per share as compared with \$3.82 per share in 1921, based on 400,000 shares of no par value capital stock now outstanding. Total sales for the year amounted to 137,321,358 gallons, having a value of \$13,834,818, as compared with 119,110,711 gallons in 1921, having a value of \$9,251,382.—V. 116, p. 307, 190.

#### White Motor Co., Cleveland, O.—New Officers.—

Robert W. Woodruff has been elected Vice-President in charge of distribution and Chairman of the sales committee. With him in Cleveland as a member of that committee will be Vice-President George F. Russell.—V. 115, p. 1544.

#### (C. H.) Wills & Co., Marysville, Mich.—Resignation.—

John R. Lee has resigned as Vice-President and director. This action, it is stated, is one step in the reorganization of the company, which now is in receivership.—V. 115, p. 2489.

#### Willys-Overland Co.—Sale of Property.—

The company has sold to the Studebaker Sales Co., for \$275,000 cash, the entire block facing Federal St., between 24th and 25th Sts., Chicago. The property, with a frontage of 600 ft., is improved with a 4-story brick service station containing 120,000 sq. ft.—V. 116, p. 86.

#### Yadkin River Power Co.—Bonds Sold.—

Bonbright & Co., Inc., W. C. Langley & Co. and Spencer Trask & Co., New York, have sold at 89 and int., to yield over 6%, \$4,000,000 1st Mtge. 30-Year 5% gold bonds of 1911, due April 1 1941 (see advertising pages).



Int. payable A. & O. at office or agency of company in Boston without deduction for any Federal income tax to be deducted at the source up to 2%. Penna. 4-mills tax refunded. Old Colony Trust Co., Boston, trustee. Denom. \$1,000, c\* & r\* \$5,000 and multiples thereof. Red. all or part out of improvement fund moneys on any int. date on 4 weeks' notice at 105 and int.

**Data from Letter of Vice-President Wm. Darbee, New York, Jan. 25.**

**Company.**—Incorp. March 1911 in North Carolina. Is about to acquire the electric power and light properties of Palmetto Power & Light Co., which company it has controlled through stock ownership. These combined properties, now physically inter-connected, constitute an extensive hydro-electric generating and transmission system serving an active and growing industrial section of North and South Carolina.

With the acquisition of the latter company will own and operate the electric power and light systems in Rockingham, Hamlet and Wadesboro, N. C.; Cheraw, Florence, Marion, Darlington, Bishopville, Mullins, Harts-ville, McColl and Timmonsville, S. C., and electric power systems in Lumberton and Lilesville, N. C., and Camden, S. C. It will also supply under contract the entire requirements of the privately owned electric power and light systems in Maxton, Laurel Hill and Laurinburg, N. C., and of the municipal lighting systems in Lumberton and Lilesville. The properties of the company are located in the Carolina industrial field. A large part of the electric energy sold by the company, other than that sold to the Carolina Power & Light Co., is supplied to cotton mills, cotton gins, cottonseed oil mills, fertilizer works, brick plants and other manufacturing establishments.

**Capitalization After This Financing.**—  
First Mortgage 30-Year 5% gold bonds, due 1941—\$15,000,000 \$7,500,000  
7% Cumulative Preferred Stock—2,000,000 1,555,800  
Common stock (owned by Caro. Lt. & Pow. Co.)—4,000,000 3,835,000

**Purpose.**—Proceeds will be applied to the purchase of properties of Palmetto Power & Light Co. and to the retirement of the \$3,000,000 Carolina Power & Light Co.—Yadkin River Power Co.—Palmetto Power & Light Co. 1st & Joint Mtge. 6s (called for payment Feb. 26 at 100 and int. at Bankers Trust Co., New York.)

**Earnings Years Ended Dec. 31—**

	1920.	1921.	1922.
Gross earnings	\$1,265,504	\$1,465,651	\$1,601,936
Oper. exps., maintenance and taxes	636,505	757,530	819,905

Net earnings—\$628,999 \$708,121 \$782,031  
Annual interest on First Mortgage 5% gold bonds—\$375,000

**Improvement Fund.**—Indenture provides for an improvement fund which requires company to pay to the trustee on Aug. 1 of each year sums equivalent to the following percentages of the aggregate amount of all outstanding 1st Mtge. 5s and any outstanding bonds of corporations two-thirds of whose outstanding capital stock is at the time owned and pledged: 1% in each of the years 1921 to 1925, incl.; 1½% in each of the years 1926 to 1930, incl.; 2% in each of the years 1931 to 1940, incl.

The indenture provides that this improvement fund shall be used for improvements and betterments to the property or for the redemption at that price.

**Property.**—Owns and operates the Blewett Falls hydro-electric development, located on the Yadkin River near Rockingham, N. C., which has a present installed capacity of 24,000 k. w. Steam electric stations of 1,950 k. w. capacity are owned by the Palmetto Power & Light Co. and operated as reserve stations. Combined companies own and operate 360 miles of high-voltage transmission lines (of which 235 miles are erected on steel towers), located on private right-of-way, and 195 miles of electric distributing lines.

The Yadkin company has a contract, extending until 1949, with the Wateree Power Co. for the purchase by the Yadkin of 14,000 k. w. of hydro-electric energy from the 70,000 k. w. hydro-electric plant of the Wateree company located about 8 miles northwest of Camden, S. C. The transmission lines of the Yadkin company and the Carolina Power & Light Co. are inter-connected and this system is connected with the plant of the Wateree Power Co. This service gives the Yadkin and Carolina companies, together with their own installed generating capacities, a present aggregate available power supply of 47,425 k. w., of which 85% is hydro-electric. The transmission lines of the Yadkin and Southern Power companies are also inter-connected.

The Yadkin and the Carolina companies, it is expected, will obtain an additional 10,000 k. w. of electrical energy when there is completed a 62-mile 110,000-volt steel-tower transmission line, not owned by the Carolina company, but connecting its transmission system through that of the Yadkin company with the hydro-electric plant of the Tallahassee Power Co. at Badin, N. C. This transmission line will be completed and in operation shortly. The transmission systems of the Yadkin, the Palmetto and the Carolina companies, together, now have a total of 627 miles of lines.

**Control.**—Yadkin River Power Co. is controlled through stock ownership by the Carolina Power & Light Co. and is operated directly under the supervision of that company and the Electric Bond & Share Co.—V. 116, p. 423; V. 106, p. 819.

## CURRENT NOTICES.

—C. E. F. Hetrick, President of the New Jersey League of Municipalities, Mayor of Asbury Park and President of Asbury Park Chamber of Commerce is a guest of A. E. Fitkin for the ten-day trip of inspection which the latter is making with a party of bankers in his private car to the properties of the Tide Water Power Co., Wilmington, No. Caro., St. Petersburg (Fla.) Lighting Co. and other public utilities belonging to the group for which A. E. Fitkin & Co. are bankers. The party includes C. E. Gardner, Hemphill, Noyes & Co.; F. A. Yard, P. W. Chapman & Co.; H. P. Pennell, Coffin & Burr; S. W. Noyes, Vice-President New York Trust Co.; W. P. Fairman, Fairman & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.; B. T. Clarke, R. E. Wilsey & Co., Chicago; T. R. Crumley, President General Engineering & Management Corporation, New York, and W. C. Hart, F. H. Richmond, J. W. Carpenter and A. E. Fitkin of the Fitkin organization. The boards of trade and chambers of commerce in several Southern cities have arranged to entertain the visitors en route.

—Answers to many problems which may vex the individual and business concerns in making up the annual income tax returns this year are furnished by the 1923 edition of "Practical Questions and Answers on the Federal Tax Laws," just issued by the Irving Bank, New York. The book, which has been published as an annual for several years, has an unusual value because of amendments and provisions in the Federal Income Tax Law which became effective first on incomes in 1922. The book consists of 144 pages, divided into three parts. The first section includes a review of changes affecting returns for the first time this year. The second section covers in question and answer form a wide range of knotty problems. In the third section is printed the complete text of the law with amendments. The book has been prepared by experts on income tax laws.

—"Investments" is the title of a new monthly publication issued by Nesbitt, Thomson & Co., 145 St. James St., Montreal, Canada. The first number, dated January, 1923, is devoted chiefly to brief discussions of Canadian public utility companies and also contains a concise and easily read tabulation of the range of bond prices both in 1921 and 1922. Separate tables are furnished for War Loans, Victory bonds, public utility and industrial bonds, giving maturity date, interest rate, yield, high and low and the net change during 1922. All of the articles and tables are designed to be of real value to investors. Copies of the new publication will be sent free on request.

—"Premium Bonds" published by Hamilton A. Gill & Co., 7 Wall St., New York, is a brief consideration of some of the advantages and disadvantages of securities of this description as compared with bonds selling at a discount. Bond holders will find food for thought in this circular, which will be sent free on request. In writing for copies reference should be made to circular T-4 to insure delivery of data above described.

—Under date of Jan. 29th, Edmund D. Fisher, President of the Hamilton National Bank, 130 W. 42nd St., New York City, announces that W. W.

Townsend, formerly sales manager for Blair & Co., Inc., and recently manager of the bond department for Edward B. Smith & Co., has become associated with the Hamilton Corporations and has been chosen a Vice-President of the Hamilton National Bank of New York.

—The investment business heretofore conducted under the name of the Youngstown Securities Co., is being continued as a partnership under the firm name of Wick & Co., with offices in the Wick Building, Youngstown, Ohio. The partners are Philip Wick, E. E. Swartsweiler, who is a member of the New York Stock Exchange; Philip H. Schaff and Robert Wadworth.

—The Seaboard National Bank has been appointed transfer agent for the 8% cumulative preferred stock of J. E. Curran Corporation, and registrar for Guaranty Trust Company's certificates of deposit for first preferred, second preferred and common stock of the New York Chicago & St. Louis RR. Co. and for preferred and common stock of the Toledo St. Louis & Western RR. Co.

—Hodgson, Benjamin & Healey, 135 Broadway, New York, have issued a 16-page booklet entitled "Should French and Belgian Bonds be Bought or Sold?" Information is given concerning these bonds. The financial resources of their respective Governments, and the probable market position of the bonds. Copies of this booklet will be sent to investors on request.

—Charles H. Gilman & Co., 186 Middle St., Portland, Me., are distributing "Selected Investments," a booklet containing brief descriptions of fourteen bonds which are offered subject to sale and change in price. Eight odd lots of bonds are also listed, together with a list of bonds recently called for payment. Copies of this booklet will be sent free on request.

—Mr. Edward Stotesbury Lewis has been admitted to partnership in the firm of Paul & Co., Investment Bankers, Morris Building, Philadelphia. Mr. Lewis was recently Secretary & Treasurer of the N. & G. Taylor Co. and formerly cashier of the Farmers' & Mechanics' National Bank.

—Roosevelt & Son, 30 Pine St., announce that P. E. Grannis, for many years a specialist in bank stocks, has become associated with them and will have charge of their department dealing in the stocks of the highest grade banks and insurance companies.

—After twelve years with Lee, Higginson & Co., Philip W. Hobart has become connected with Brown Brothers & Co., as a salesman in Boston.

—Prince & Whitely announce that John H. Baker has been appointed sales manager, effective Feb. 1.

—Prince & Whitely, members of the New York Stock Exchange, and nounce that from Feb. 1 their uptown office will be at 5 E. 44th St., under the direction of James R. Branch of their firm, with whom are associated Thomas D. Hooper and Nicholas Engalitcheff.

—The firm of Myron S. Hall & Co., members of the New York Stock Exchange, has been organized as of Feb. 1, with offices at 100 Broadway, to conduct a general investment and commission business. The partnership comprises Myron S. Hall, Frank I. Tomlins, La Motte T. Cohu, board members, and Henry Wallace Cohu.

—Guaranty Trust Company of New York, has been appointed transfer agent for the stock of the Peer Oil Corp., consisting of 1,000,000 shares of Common stock without nominal or par value and 50,000 shares of Preferred stock, par value \$100.

—George B. Robinson, formerly General Sales Manager of Henry L. Doherty & Co., is organizing a business in high-grade securities to be conducted under the name of George B. Robinson & Co., at 67 Wall St., New York.

—Clark, Dodge & Co. have issued a special circular describing various investment securities, including railroad, equipment, public utility and industrial bonds, and preferred stocks of important public utility and industrial companies.

—Arthur C. Keck Co. have opened an office at 50 Broad St., New York, to transact a business in investment securities, specializing in all issues listed on the London and Paris Stock Exchanges.

—Alfred Codman, formerly associated with Mann, Pell & Peake, has assumed charge of the investment department of J. P. Benkard & Co. members, N. Y. Stock Exchange, 61 Broadway, N. Y.

—Maxwell B. Smith, formerly of Smith & Ruth, has opened an office at 74 Broadway, N. Y., and is trading, through Secor, Reynolds & Co., in bonds and unlisted stocks.

—Vilas & Hickey, members, New York Stock Exchange, announce that C. F. Anderson has become associated with them as manager of their public utility bond department.

—C. E. Danforth & Co., members of the New York Stock Exchange, announce that James G. Marshall has been admitted to general partnership in their firm.

—Redmond & Co. announce that Herbert G. Wellington, who has been associated with them for the past ten years, has been admitted to partnership.

—The Mechanics' & Metals National Bank of the City of New York, has been appointed transfer agent for the Preferred and Common stock of the Dictophone Corporation.

—Phillips B. Sawyer has formed an organization under the name of Philip B. Sawyer & Co., at 24 Milk St., Boston, Mass., to deal in bonds and Preferred stocks.

—Daniel J. Haggerty, for the past ten years connected with the bond department of Solomon Bros. & Hutzler, has become associated with the bonds department of Pask & Walbridge.

—J. Raymond Jones, formerly with F. B. Keech & Co., is now associated with Charles D. Robbins & Co., 120 Broadway, New York, in their bond department.

—Gilbert Elliott & Co., members New York Stock Exchange, announce that Mr. E. Allan Reinhardt has been admitted to partnership in their firm.

—Brown & Coombe, Members, New York Stock Exchange, 100 Broadway, New York, state that Clem B. Mears has become a partner in their firm.

—Cnester H. Pease has opened offices at 97 Exchange St., Portland, Me., to conduct a general bond business.

—Miller & Company announce the removal of their branch office from 212 Fifth Ave., to 234 Fifth Ave., corner of 27th Street.

—James J. Mahony, formerly with Wm. West & Co., has joined the sales organization of the Royal Securities Corporation.

—Kent S. McKinley, formerly with Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., has become associated with the bond department of Lansburgh Brothers.

—Tobey & Kirk announce that Oliver P. Cooke has become associated with the stock department of the firm.

—Columbia Trust Co., has been appointed transfer agent of the Class "A" and Class "B" Common and Preferred stock of the Ascher Theatres Corp.

—W. W. Walton, formerly with Goodbody & Co., has become associated with Sutro Bros. & Co. and will have charge of their Canadian Department.

## Reports and Documents.

### PENNSYLVANIA WATER & POWER COMPANY

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR 1922, SUBMITTED TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF COMPANY AT THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 13 1923.

The Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Water & Power Company have pleasure in submitting to the Stockholders a statement of the Company for the fiscal year ending Dec. 31 1922.

The total revenue for the year from all sources amounts to \$2,003,478 33. After making provision for interest charges, taxes, operation and maintenance, there remains a surplus of 924,509 96 which has been disposed of as follows:

Dividend of 1 3/4 % for quarter ending March 31st	148,662 50
Dividend of 1 3/4 % for quarter ending June 30th	148,662 50
Dividend of 1 3/4 % for quarter ending September 30th	148,662 50
Dividend of 1 3/4 % for quarter ending December 31st	148,662 50
Transferred to Depreciation Reserve	173,210 10
Transferred to Reserve for Sinking Fund	75,000 00
Transferred to Contingent Fund	80,000 00
Balance carried to Profit and Loss	1,649 86

A comparison of the gross income for 1922 with 1921 shows a gain of \$41,225.99; a like comparison of net revenue shows a gain of \$79,779.15.

Your Company's reserves (exclusive of \$550,000 in Sinking Fund) show an increase over 1921 of \$32,262.56 and now total \$1,894,951.12.

#### GROWTH OF CUSTOMERS' LOAD.

When your Company went into operation in the Fall of 1910, the Consolidated Gas Electric Light & Power Company of Baltimore had a load of 19,000 kilowatts, and the Edison Company of Lancaster had a load of 6,000 kilowatts; to-day the peak loads of these two Companies are respectively 101,000 kilowatts and 21,000 kilowatts.

#### DEMAND FOR HYDRO ENERGY.

The load of the Public Utility Companies in Baltimore and Lancaster, to whom your Company wholesales energy, has now increased to such an extent that there is a demand for energy far exceeding the amount which can be produced by water power from the machinery at present installed in the hydroelectric development at Holtwood. The balance of the energy is being produced by steam.

As a result of the scarcity in the supply of hydro energy, and as a consequence of the continued high price of coal, the output of your plant is much sought after; nevertheless, your Company is maintaining its policy of keeping its power rates well under the cost of generating steam. The beneficial result of this policy has been clearly exhibited from its effect in encouraging the use of hydro energy by your Company's customers in the past, even during the then prevailing periods of industrial depression. In this present period of business recovery the demand for hydro energy has been intensified. In addition, there are many cities lying within easy transmission distance of your hydroelectric plant, certain of which cities would welcome hydroelectric service from your development.

#### EXTENSIONS.

So great has the demand for energy become that your Company, which has made no major additions to its generating capacity since 1914, now feels it expedient to consider the advisability of installing two additional generating units at Holtwood and is also looking into the question of building a steam plant at Holtwood for use during the periods of low river flow, availing itself of the exceptional opportunity of utilizing the great amounts of river coal which have accumulated in the basin formed by the dam.

This river coal is at present being hauled to nearby cities to be burned under boilers for power generating purposes. However, at Holtwood it would seem possible to accumulate and store on the property of the Company, a stock of such coal that might, by being burned under boilers at Holtwood, prove of benefit in the event of coal strikes or railroad transportation difficulties, in which case, energy generated from this coal might be transmitted to the cities nearby over the transmission lines of your Company. It would seem such stock of reserve coal might easily be accumulated during normal times by a short rail haul of only five miles along the lake created by the dam, provision being made for barging the coal down the lake, if, and when railroad transportation proved insufficient.

A chart is shown indicating the location of cities within reasonable transmission distance of your hydroelectric plant, some of which cities are negotiating in connection with obtaining a portion of the hydroelectric energy supply of your Company. Your Company is adhering to its principle of avoiding going into the distribution business and contents itself with selling energy in bulk to Public Utility Companies, depending upon the quality of its service and the value of its product to establish a permanent market for its energy, and so it avoids the difficulties incident to retail selling. Instead of competing in territories where Public Utility Companies are already established, it seeks to bring to such Companies an important supply of energy, and endeavors to be of assistance to them in the industrial development of their territory.

#### RIVER COAL.

During the past year the dredging concern with which your Company made arrangements for the delivery of river

coal, has made available over 50,000 tons of anthracite coal, which, after removal from the river bed was cleaned, prepared and shipped to a number of cities.

#### OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE.

Your Company has been giving its usual care to the operation and maintenance of its property and continues to spend generously to maintain its quality of service and keep its equipment up to the highest standard of condition which it has set in previous years.

#### INCREASING NUMBER OF STOCKHOLDERS.

It is gratifying to record the widening distribution of the shares of your Company. Your stockholders' lists now shows nineteen hundred and twenty-six stockholders, residing in twenty-five different States of the United States and in eight foreign countries.

#### RIVER FLOW.

The past year has been one of extremely low river flow, lasting for a number of months. The results of this merely emphasize the wisdom of the policy which your Company has been pursuing for many years past, i. e., that of mathematically determining from the records of river flow gaugings extending over a long period, a practical and adequate equalization plan, to the end that a very ample contingent fund might be set up to which is credited the sales of the overplus of energy during the years when the river flow is in excess of normal and from which withdrawal can be made during the years when lower flow than normal necessitates additional steam generation. Therefore, during this year of low flow, your Company is in position to withdraw from this fund the sum of \$362,900.00 with the assurance that in the long run the earnings from the periods of low flow will be balanced by the earnings during the periods of excess flow.

Your Directors are pleased to express their appreciation of the loyalty, zeal and efficiency of the employees of the company.

CHAS. E. F. CLARKE,  
President.

#### STATEMENT OF CONDITION DECEMBER 31 1922.

ASSETS.	
Plant, Property and Power Development	\$17,916,192 05
Securities in other Companies	3,388,033 55
Loose Plant and Stores	87,050 78
Prepaid Charges	5,378 30
Accounts Receivable	282,119 05
Bills Receivable	25,000 00
Cash in Hands of Trustees for Bond Redemption	75,096 57
Cash in Banks and with Agents	265,194 86
	\$22,044,065 16
LIABILITIES.	
Capital Stock	\$8,495,000 00
First Mortgage 5% Bonds	\$12,035,000 00
Less held in Treasury	\$450,000 00
Less Bonds Redeemed by Trustees or Cancelled for Sinking Fund Investment	546,000 00
	996,000 00
Accounts Payable	11,039,000 00
Sinking Fund	63,464 18
Reserve for Sinking Fund	550,000 00
Reserve for Taxes	25,000 00
Depreciation Reserve	163,307 37
Contingent Fund	985,104 20
Profit and Loss Account	721,539 55
	1,649 86
	\$22,044,065 16

Certified correct,  
JAS. L. RINTOUL, Treasurer.

Audited,  
SHARPE, MILNE & COMPANY,  
Chartered Accountants,  
January 12 1923.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.	
By Income from all sources	\$2,003,478 33
To Operating Expenses	\$136,980 71
To General Expenses	138,094 84
To Taxes	125,000 00
To Maintenance	147,002 30
	547,077 85
By Balance Brought Down	\$1,456,400 48
To Interest on First Mortgage Bonds	535,144 46
Net Revenue	921,256 02
Balance from 1921	3,253 94
Total	\$924,509 96

Distributed as follows:	
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Dividend 1 3/4 % for quarter ending June 30th	148,662 50
Dividend 1 3/4 % for quarter ending Sept. 30th	148,662 50
Dividend 1 3/4 % for quarter ending December 31st	148,662 50
To Depreciation Reserve	173,210 10
To Reserve for Sinking Fund	75,000 00
To Contingent Fund	80,000 00
Profit and Loss Account	1,649 86
	\$924,509 96

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# The Commercial Times.

## COMMERCIAL EPITOME

[The introductory remarks usually appearing here will be found to-day in an earlier part of the paper, immediately following the editorial matter, in a new department headed "INDICATIONS OF BUSINESS ACTIVITY."]

**COFFEE** on the spot has been firmer with more snap in the demand. No. 7 Rio, 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ @12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; No. 4 Santos, 15 $\frac{3}{4}$ @16c.; fair to good Cucuta, 16 $\frac{3}{4}$ @17 $\frac{1}{4}$ c. Futures have advanced sharply. The spot market has been rising. Brazilian quotations have advanced. Cost and freight prices advanced. And the technical position here was evidently better. The short interest was large. Too many had evidently assumed that there was only one side to the market, and that the selling side. In one day nearly 30,000 bags were switched from March to May at 45 points premium on March. Prices reached a new "high." Large local operators, it is said, took a big block of March. Rio continued to rise. Coffee has attracted more attention. Only the scarcity of soft Santos and No. 7 Rio checked business in Brazilian coffee here on the spot. Mild coffee was also in fair demand. On Tuesday the trading here in futures was estimated at 75,000 bags. Shorts covered freely. March was strong on the small stocks of contract grades. Some sold March and bought May. Attention is being drawn to the tight situation in the near months, owing to a large short interest and the scarcity of available coffee on the spot for exchange delivery. Besides, Brazilian markets are strong. The market here looks to many to be sold out and oversold. On Feb. 1 prices again moved up 5 to 22 points to a new "high" on this month. The supply of spot Rio coffee is said to have almost disappeared with only 80,000 bags of Rio and 4,000 Victoria afloat for New York. Santos was 125 reis lower to 25 higher, but Rio made a clean rise of 125 to 150 reis. To-day prices moved up to a new "high" and then became somewhat irregular. But the spot situation is strong, and it was said that No. 7 Rio has sold ex-ship at 12 $\frac{3}{4}$  to 12 $\frac{5}{8}$ c. One estimate of the world's visible supply is 7,660,000 bags against 7,877,000 on Jan. 1, and 9,293,000 a year ago. The ending here was at an advance for the week of 32 to 47 points, the latter on March.

Spot, unofficial c. 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ @12|May.....c.10.84@10.84|Sept.....c. 9.57@ 9.51  
March.....11.46@11.47|July.....10.26@10.28|December.....9.15@ 9.16

**SUGAR.**—Spots raws advanced on a larger demand. Refined, too, was steadier at 6.50c., though some refiners raised their price to 6.60c. Prompt Porto Rico sold at 5.21c. c. i. f., or about 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. c. i. f. for Cuba. Two cargoes of San Domingoes have been sold to Canadian refiners at 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ c., c. i. f. There are 161 Centrals grinding in Cuba or about 98% of the total. Later Cuban raw was in demand at 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. and 3 $\frac{3}{8}$ c. asked. February shipment sold 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. first half. Some refiners advanced their price on granulated at 6.70c. to 6.80c. Spot Cuban raws were held to-day at 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ c., with 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. bid. Porto Rico, 5.52c. One refinery advanced its price to-day 20 points, making it 6.80c. Another quoted 6.70c. Futures to-day advanced 12 to 13 points. And it was stated that operators and refiners paid 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. for 175,000 bags for February shipment. Europe was reported as a heavy buyer. It was said, too, that 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. was paid here for Cuba to-day, the big sales mentioned above having taken place late on Thursday. Prices show a rise for the week on futures of 21 to 22 points. A bullish factor was the persistent reports of big buying by Europe.

Spot, unofficial, c. 5.40|May.....c.3.77@3.78|September.....c.3.96@3.97  
March.....3.69@3.70|July.....3.88@3.89|December.....

**LARD.**—Spot lower and rather quiet; prime Western 11.85@11.95c.; middle Western, 11.70@11.80c. Refined to the Continent, 12.75c.; South America, 13c.; Brazil, 14c. Futures rallied, owing to higher prices for hogs and grain, and good clearances. On Jan. 30 they were 5,132,000 pounds. Eastern interests and packers, however, sold, and prices reacted later. Chicago's stock of lard is 8,190,000 pounds, a decrease in January of 24,000 pounds. It is, however, 10,751,000 pounds smaller than a year ago. To-day prices reacted and they closed at a net decline for the week of about 20 points.

**DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF LARD FUTURES IN CHICAGO.**

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
January delivery.....cts.	11.25	11.25	11.30	11.30		
May delivery.....	11.40	11.40	11.45	11.45	11.37	11.30
July delivery.....	11.50	11.50	11.55	11.55	11.50	11.40

**PORK** quiet; mess, \$27@28; family, \$30@32; short clear, \$27@28 50. Beef quiet but firm; mess, \$16 50@17; packer, \$17@17 50; family, \$19@20 50; No. 1 canned roast beef, \$3 25; No. 2, \$2 35; 6 lbs., \$15; sweet pickled

tongues, \$55@65 nom. per bbl. Cut meats quiet. The Chicago stock increased sharply in January. The total of cut meats on Feb. 1 was 102,181,000 lbs., against 83,368,000 lbs. on Jan. 1 and 71,346,000 lbs. on Feb. 1 1922. Of dry salted meats the stock in Chicago on Feb. 1 was 33,424,000 lbs., against 32,370,000 lbs. at the same date last year and of pickled meats 68,757,000 lbs., against 38,976,000 lbs. last year. Evidently there is no lack of supplies. Pickled hams, 16 $\frac{3}{4}$ @18 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; pickled bellies, 15 to 16c. for 6 to 12 lbs. Butter, 44 $\frac{1}{2}$ @48c. Cheese, flats, 26 $\frac{1}{2}$ @29 $\frac{1}{4}$ c. Eggs, fresh seconds to extra, 33 to 40c.

**OILS.**—Linseed quiet. Foreign offerings small. Spot, carloads, 90@93c.; tanks, 89c.; less than carloads, 93@96c.; less than 5 bbls., 96@99c. Coconut oil, Ceylon, bbls., 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; Cochin, 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ @10 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; corn, crude, 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ @10c.; refined, 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ @13c.; olive, \$1 15@\$1 17. Lard, strained, 14c.; extra, 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. Cod, domestic, 58c., nominal; Newfoundland, 63c., nominal. Spirits of turpentine, \$1 43@\$1 46; rosin, \$5 85@\$8. Cottonseed oil sales to-day, 9,400 bbls., including switchers. Crude, S. E., 10c. Prices closed as follows:

March.....10.93@10.94|June.....11.20@11.30|August.....11.30@11.31  
April.....11.00@11.08|July.....11.31@11.33|September.....11.25@11.28  
May.....11.17@11.18

**PETROLEUM.**—Attention has been riveted on crude oil, which has been advancing. A sale of a cargo of 50,000 barrels was reported, of new navy gasoline to go to England. The output of crude oil is larger but this fact is offset by a good demand. It is of interest to notice, however, that the official figures just published for November show that there was an excess of domestic production and imports over the indicated domestic consumption, including exports in November, of 2,502,033 barrels, or at a yearly rate of 30,441,365 barrels. In October the excess of output over consumption was only 478,340 barrels. For the week ending Jan. 27, the daily gross production of crude oil of 1,755,300 barrels, against 1,736,900 barrels in the preceding week, an increase of 18,400 barrels. In the week ending Jan. 28 1922, the average daily output was only 1,415,000 barrels. These figures bear striking testimony to the growth of the industry. The increasing consumption of late is probably due in part at least to the scarcity and dearness of coal. Of course there is also a growing tendency to use oil as fuel on ships. Kerosene has been firm with a rather better demand for export. Oil City, Pa., wired: "In January 1878 oil wells were completed in the fields east of the Rocky Mountains, a gain of 297 over December, according to the 'Oil City Derrick.' Initial production was 770,274 barrels; increase, 46,355. Of completions 241 were gas wells and 507 dry holes. There were 3,358 rigs and drilling wells on Jan. 31, a gain of 19." New York prices: Gasoline, cases, cargo lots, 26.75c.; U. S. Navy specifications, bulk, 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; export naphtha, cargo lots, 18.00c.; 63-66-deg., 21.00c.; 66-68-deg., 22.00c. Kerosene, cases, cargo lots, 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; motor gasoline, garages (steel barrels), 22c.

Pennsylvania.....\$3 80	Ragland.....\$1 00	Illinois.....\$2 07
Corning.....2 00	Wooster.....2 20	Clifton.....1 45
Cabell.....2 51	Lima.....2 28	Currie.....2 30
Somerset.....2 30	Indiana.....2 07	Pl-mouth.....1 45
Somerset, light.....2 55	Princeton.....2 07	Mexia.....1 90

**RUBBER,** after a 1c. rise on Monday, declined on Tuesday with London decidedly lower on that day. Trade here has been less active. Manufacturers as usual in a falling market have withdrawn. Prices on Jan. 30 were 35 $\frac{1}{4}$ c. for spot and February, 35 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. for March, 36 $\frac{1}{4}$ c. for April-June, 37c. for July-September and 37 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. for July-December. Later there was a drop to 34 $\frac{3}{4}$ @34 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. for spot and February, 34 $\frac{3}{4}$ @34 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. for March, 35 $\frac{1}{2}$ @35 $\frac{1}{4}$ c. for April-June, 36 $\frac{1}{4}$ c. for July-September and 37c. for July-December. At these prices the tone became steadier with London also steady in the main, though somewhat irregular; 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. was paid there. London cabled early in the week that rubber was again active at rising prices, i. e., 17 $\frac{3}{4}$ d. for plantation standards on the spot, but later 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. was paid. The London stock is 73,402 tons, an increase of 403 tons for the week, and compares with 67,375 tons a year ago and 56,277 tons two years ago at the corresponding time. It is said that there is much alarm among the small holders of rubber lands in the Federated Malay States in connection with the working of the Rubber Restriction Enactment. If the rules are enforced, they declare, it will mean ruin to them. The quantity of rubber they are allowed to sell, they claim, will not enable them to live and their holdings will be seized by the money lenders. It is declared that the Duncan scale of yields per acre should be revised; also the exportable quantity allowed as to a small acreage. The British accuse the American trade of mere selfishness in desiring a larger production. As it is, some planters are said to be evading the restriction plan.

Rubber production in the Dutch East Indies is making strides year by year. Cut o a total world's output in 1914 of 71,380 tons of plantation rubber, 10,286 tons were produced in the Dutch East Indies. In 1920 it was 90,201 tons out of a total for the world of 304,816 tons.

HIDES early in the week were in rather better demand and steady. The River Plate reported 5,000 frigorifico cows sold at 16½c. cost and freight. Here city packer hides were quiet, yet a car of branded steers sold, it is said, at 18½c. for butt brands and 17½c. for Colorados. Country hides were quiet but steady. Buyers think they are too high. Dry hides were firm and in moderate demand; Bogota, 19½ to 20½c. Later Chicago reported a good demand and prices firm. January all-weight cows and steers there sold at 15c., it was stated; country all weights at 12½c.; low-grade patent leather at 28 to 33c. per foot. Here Orinocos sold at 19c. Puerto Cabello at 18½c., and at the River Plate 21,000 frigorifico steers sold to the U. S. at \$57, it is stated, or 23½c. c. & f. Brooklyn butts, 16c.

OCEAN FREIGHTS have been in moderate demand with grain rates steady. Some look for a good supply of British tonnage in the Eastbound coal trade and are holding aloof.

Charters included: Grain, North Atlantic range, 19c.; Greece, February. Grain, Atlantic range, 19c.; Adriatic, prompt (London). Grain, Atlantic range, 4s. Greece, February (London); time charter, West Indies trade, 90c. one round trip, prompt delivery; time charter, West Indies trade, 95c. one round trip, prompt delivery. Coal, Hampton Roads, \$1 45. Havana, prompt; Oilcake, Gulf, \$6 25 one, \$6 50 two ports; Denmark, Feb. 10 cancelling. Steamer, 2,189 tons net, grain, Atlantic range, 19½c. one, 20½c. two ports, Greece, February. Steamer, 2,473 tons net, grain, Atlantic range, 19½c. one, 20½c. two ports, Greece, February. Steamer, 3,550 tons net, grain, Philadelphia, 19c.; Atlantic range, 19½c. basis, Greece, February. Steamer, 826 tons net, time charter, West Indies trade, \$1 40 one round trip, prompt. Steamer, 1,929 tons net, time charter, trans-Atlantic trade, \$1 15 trip across, February delivery at Charleston. Steamer, 2,792 tons net, sugar, Cuba, 19s., United Kingdom, early Feb. Steamer, Manchester Civilian, 2,927 tons net, sugar, Cuba, 19s., United Kingdom, early Feb. Steamer, 3,379 tons net, lumber, Gulf, 165s.; River Plate, March (London). Steamer, 2,159 tons net, linseed, Rosario, \$6 25, New York, Feb. 10-March 10 (London). Steamer, 3,530 tons net, time charter, three ports United Kingdom or Continent, lump sum, \$20,000. San Francisco or San Pedro, loaded and discharged free (London). Grain, Atlantic range, 11c.; Rotterdam, prompt. Time charter, inter-coastal trade, \$1 50 one round trip, early February delivery in the Gulf. Time charter, West Indies trade, \$1 25, 6 weeks period, prompt delivery. Grain, Atlantic range, 19½c.; Greece, early February. Grain, West St. John, 19c. west coast of Italy prompt. Sugar, Cuba, 19s. 3d., United Kingdom (London). Ore, west coast of South America, \$5 60, New York, March-April. Time charter, West Indies trade, \$1 50 4 months' period, February delivery. Time charter, trans-Atlantic trade, at or about 4s. 6d., trip across, January delivery at Savannah.

TOBACCO has been in fair demand and steady, with supplies not at all burdensome. Quite the contrary. It is intimated that more Wisconsin tobacco could have been sold, had supplies been larger. Not a few dealers report their stocks of tobacco as only moderate, if not small. Naturally, this tends to brace prices, while it quite as clearly tends to keep business within rather restricted limits. Meanwhile, the weather has been in the main favorable, so that some look for a somewhat larger crop next time than that of 1922.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Stocks of leaf tobacco held by manufacturers and dealers on Jan. 1 were smaller than a year ago, the total quantity being 1,491,300,988 pounds, compared with 1,561,848,372 a year ago, and 1,547,439,314 on Oct. 1 last. Chewing, smoking, snuff and exports types totaled 1,068,041,784 pounds, compared with 1,174,807,983 a year ago. Cigar types totaled 346,603,961 pounds, compared with 313,315,823 a year ago. Imported types totaled 76,655,243 pounds, compared with 73,724,566 a year ago.

STEEL has been stronger and the demand outruns the production. The British trade is very active because of the shutdown in Lorraine and Luxemburg. The U. S. Steel Corporation is said to be working at 90% of capacity. Others, 85%. Some Pittsburgh mills seem none too anxious for new business. There is a big demand there for steel pipe. At Youngstown one independent pipe maker has withdrawn from the market. Philadelphia reports trade very active. One maker there of sheets and plates has withdrawn. Also there is a steady export demand. Germany has long been much in arrears on its deliveries. That is well known. Europe is turning to England and the United States. It is not easy to meet foreign demand from new sources. Japan and South American want a good deal of American steel. Even the Chinese demand here is better than for a long time. Denmark wants American wire rods. Of course it is all traceable to the trouble in the Ruhr. Meanwhile, a Youngstown maker has stopped work at eight sheet mills and another at a bar mill. Others may do the same. The shortage of common labor interferes with production. Yet mills at Pittsburgh and other centres have imported large numbers of negroes from the South in a determined effort to overcome this difficulty. Some producers, however, have withdrawn from the market because of uncertainty about new business for the second quarter of the year. British steel markets are rising.

PIG IRON has been firmer and, so far as basic is concerned, active. Sales have been reported of 12,500 tons, partly at \$27 75. 20,000 tons of Nova Scotia pig iron at a cut under American prices of about \$6 a ton delivered in Philadelphia. In the New England field the sales of iron have latterly, it is said, reached 10,000 tons. The freight embargo of the Maine Central R.R. on the Boston & Maine freight hits Maine foundries pretty hard. The Ruhr struggle is, of course, sharply watched. It is telling on both the German and the French iron interests, but on the German the most, as Germany's output has fallen off, it is said, 40% on coal, 30% on pig iron and 25% on steel, as compared with the totals before the French invasion. One estimate is that it cuts down German and French output of pig iron in all some 200,000 tons monthly. Germany, it is reported, has bought 100,000 tons of coal within a week from England. Meanwhile, foreign pig iron is scarcer in

this country owing to the French occupation of the Ruhr Valley. Imports from the Continent seem to be out of the question. This includes Belgium. Chicago has advanced prices 50c. Foundry there is \$29 50 to \$30. Philadelphia reports a good demand. All over Europe there has been a marked advance in prices of iron and steel.

COAL prices weakened early in the week as supplies increased. Cars were more plentiful. And there is to be no strike. That fact also counted. Prices went back to last fall's level. Pool 2 quality was \$7 75 f.o.b. piers, which some asserted was below the equivalent of the mine prices for the same grade at West Virginia producing points. London cabled on Jan. 29 that coal was active especially in east coast centres, on German, French and Belgian demand. A sharp rise in prices was reported in Northumberland, Durham and Yorkshire coals. They were up 1s. 6d. to 2s. per ton. Coke was quoted at 1 to 10s. a ton higher than last week. Later coal contract prices dropped below \$4 00 on best grades of soft.

COPPER has been in fair demand and firm after the recent big business and electrolytic has been at 15c., with rumored sales now and then at 15½c. There is a steady demand from the electrical, automobile and building trades, all of which are remarkably active. A large business has been done in copper wire. With one company all brass products have risen ¼c., except tubing. The talk in the copper trade is that the tendency of prices is upward with iron and steel.

TIN, after falling here and in London, has latterly been firm at 40½c. here for Straits on the spot and 38½c. for nearby futures. The tone was strengthened late in the week by a rise in sterling exchange. The deliveries of tin in January were 6,625 tons, an unusually large total. Of this 6,500 tons were at Atlantic ports and 125 tons at Pacific. London has latterly declined sharply, i. e., £2 or more, and at one time Straits here was 40c.

LEAD has been firm but quiet, though London prices have dropped noticeably. On Jan. 31 prices there fell 12s. 6d. New York and East St. Louis prices have been held in check by the fact that 5,000 tons of Mexican lead have come into the New York field. East St. Louis dealers, on the other hand, however, are carrying but small stocks. New York, 8.25c.; East St. Louis, 8.10@8.15c. The consumption is naturally large, with so much activity in the industries.

ZINC at one time was 7.10c. prompt, though London advanced 12s. 6d. Later London dropped 7s. 6d. Later there was a drop to 7.05c., with London still weak, though some continued to quote 7.10c.

WOOL has remained firm with a fair amount of business. Naturally, American markets have been braced by the rising prices in England and Australia. The Boston "Commercial Bulletin," in its issue of Feb. 3, will say of the wool market:

The wool market has shown increased momentum during the past week and the market is continuing to strengthen. There has been an especial tendency on the part of the low-grade wools, both scoured and greasy, to appreciate, and the market tendency beyond any question is upward all along the line, reflecting a healthy tone in the market for goods and a general belief that the position of raw materials must force prices higher.

The wool consumption in December decreased, according to the Census Bureau, the total being 50,754,888 lbs., against 55,316,531 in November, but only 42,164,000 lbs. in Dec. 1921. In Adelaide, South Australia on Jan. 26, 25,000 bales were offered and practically all sold. Compared with the December sale at Adelaide merinos advanced 10% and crossbreds 10 to 15%. The highest price for fleece was 30¾d. The next sale at Perth, Australia, will take place on Feb. 6, when 20,000 bales will be offered. In London on Jan. 26 joint offerings totaled 12,900 bales. Demand brisk, mostly from British and American operators. Prices stronger. Sydney—4,006 bales, chiefly greasy merinos, 23 to 32d. Queensland—975 bales; scoured merino, 43 to 55d.; pieces, 38½d. Victoria—2,304 bales; greasy crossbred, 7½ to 19d.; scoured merino, 34½ to 53d. Adelaide—335 bales; greasy merino, 20½ to 27d. New Zealand—4,407 bales; crossbreds, greasy, 8 to 20½d.; slipe, 10½ to 27½d. Cape—530 bales; mostly withdrawn owing to firm limits.

At Invercargill, N. Z., on Jan. 27 16,500 bales were offered and practically all sold. The merino selection was poor. Merino, half bred, 50-56s. good to super, 22@26d., low to medium, 17@21d.; cross breds, fine, good to super 46-48s, 16½@18d.; low to medium, 14@16d.; 44-46s. good to super, 14@15½d.; low to medium, 11@13½d.; 40-44s. good to super, 11@12½d.; low to medium, 9@10½d.; 36-40s. good to super, 10@11½d.; low to medium, 8¾@9½d. In London on Jan. 29 offerings were 13,900 bales. Less activity. Continental operators bought less. Numerous withdrawals of medium and inferior merinos. Prices were irregular but the best merinos and crossbreds sold quickly at about steady prices. Sydney, 601 bales; greasy merino, 18d. to 28½d. Queensland, 600 bales; greasy merino, 18d. to 27½d.; scoured, 48 to 52d. Victoria, 2,643 bales; greasy merino, 26½ to 33d.; crossbreds, 9d to 21½d.; come-back, 18 to 31d. Adelaide, 1,200 bales; scoured merino, 21½ to 45d.; pieces, 14½ to 36d. West Australia, 2,389 bales; greasy merino, 17½ to 25d. New Zealand, 5,748 bales; crossbreds in demand with active buying by America; best greasy, 24d.; slipe, 27d.; scoured, 37d.



In London on Jan. 30 joint offerings were 12,700 bales. Selection good. The better grades of merino and all crossbreds were in demand from British and American buyers at full opening prices. The Continent bought the other qualities of merinos at irregular prices; now and then 5% easier. Sydney, 1,599 bales; greasy merino, 21½d. to 28d.; scoured, 22½d. to 41d. Queensland, 2,399 bales; greasy merino, 24½d. to 32d.; scoured, 30½d. to 52½d. Victoria, 2,057 bales; chiefly greasy crossbreds, best 21d. New Zealand, 3,616 bales; greasy crossbreds, best 24d. West Australia, 2,725 bales; greasy merino, 19½d. to 26d.; scoured, 31d. to 45d. In London on Jan. 31 13,350 bales were offered. Greasy and scoured merinos plentiful. The best in good demand from home and American operators at full recent prices. The Continent bought cautiously, owing to the political situation. Merino irregular; many withdrawals. Crossbreds firm. Sydney, 2,657 bales; merinos, greasy, 23d. to 30d. Queensland, 3,762 bales; 21½d. to 31½d. for greasy merinos; scoured, 42d. to 53½d. Victoria, 2,911 bales; greasy merinos, 19½d. to 31d.; scoured, 33½d. to 50d. New Zealand, 3,044 bales; crossbreds, bulk to Yorkshire, all suitable lots to America; best greasy, 23d.; slipe, 28½d. In London on Feb. 1 14,000 bales were offered. Full attendance. Withdrawals numerous, due chiefly to the high limits. British demand good. America bought freely. The Continent bought on a larger scale. Prices firm except on inferior merinos. They were lower. Sydney, 5,192 bales; greasy merinos, 19½d. to 31d. Queensland, 1,806 bales; greasy merinos, 15d. to 28½d. Victoria, 1,800 bales; greasy merino, 25½d. to 32d.; scoured, 39d. to 52d. New Zealand, 4,794 bales; crossbreds, best greasy, 24d.; slipe, 27d. Puntas, 1,490 bales; crossbreds, best, 19d.; slipe, 23d.; showing a rise compared with December of 10% and 20%, respectively.

## COTTON.

Friday Night, Feb. 2 1923.

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 135,820 bales, against 101,479 bales last week and 92,238 bales the previous week, making the total receipts since the 1st of August 1922, 4,510,748 bales, against 3,872,584 bales for the same period of 1921-22, showing an increase since Aug. 1 1922 of 638,164 bales.

Receipts at—	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Total.
Galveston	6,747	8,239	14,918	6,864	6,365	3,988	47,121
Texas City	—	—	—	—	—	10	10
Houston	9,132	8,721	—	12,612	—	—	30,465
New Orleans	4,932	6,615	4,768	14,649	605	4,004	35,573
Mobile	—	840	238	79	—	2	1,159
Jacksonville	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Savannah	761	670	1,897	1,388	837	346	5,899
Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	850	850
Charleston	921	620	412	960	300	556	3,769
Wilmington	48	133	96	252	20	45	594
Norfolk	481	1,061	959	1,857	1,238	1,559	7,155
New York	—	—	30	—	—	—	30
Boston	696	178	580	1,092	—	38	2,584
Baltimore	—	—	—	—	210	—	210
Philadelphia	75	75	—	200	50	—	400
Totals this week	23,793	27,152	23,898	39,953	9,625	11,399	135,820

The following table shows the week's total receipts, the total since Aug. 1 1922 and stocks to-night, compared with the last year:

Receipts to Feb. 2.	1922-23.		1921-22.		Stock.	
	This Week.	Since Aug 1 1922.	This Week.	Since Aug 1 1921.	1923.	1922.
Galveston	47,121	2,035,438	32,880	1,784,716	336,873	315,084
Texas City	10	68,275	203	18,184	15,998	12,722
Houston	30,465	605,184	—	266,674	—	—
Port Arthur, &c.	—	2,000	—	10,305	—	—
New Orleans	35,573	963,349	16,092	740,651	207,606	291,849
Gulfport	—	1,184	3,834	8,123	—	—
Mobile	1,159	72,005	1,184	90,021	10,002	19,024
Pensacola	—	7,873	—	500	—	—
Jacksonville	—	8,949	—	1,885	7,284	1,648
Savannah	5,899	288,880	6,967	469,040	59,855	152,432
Brunswick	850	27,298	200	15,951	2,211	1,742
Charleston	3,769	77,684	665	53,796	68,249	91,169
Georgetown	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wilmington	594	74,484	309	70,925	19,247	27,675
Norfolk	7,155	228,451	2,101	243,847	99,129	138,380
N'port News, &c.	—	—	—	583	70,269	72,933
New York	30	4,621	767	9,172	9,057	6,328
Boston	2,584	29,259	427	19,444	1,957	1,666
Baltimore	210	12,682	397	42,686	—	—
Philadelphia	400	4,316	527	26,081	5,284	6,360
Totals	135,820	4,510,748	66,553	3,872,584	913,015	1,139,012

In order that comparison may be made with other years, we give below the totals at leading ports for six seasons:

Receipts at—	1923.	1922.	1921.	1920.	1919.	1918.
Galveston	47,121	32,850	68,500	71,699	39,618	26,500
Houston, &c.	37,465	203	18,085	10,091	5,550	3,226
New Orleans	35,573	16,092	35,017	39,006	34,670	45,464
Mobile	1,159	1,184	2,717	5,049	2,110	3,270
Savannah	5,899	6,967	8,142	30,603	13,827	14,991
Brunswick	850	200	100	4,000	—	1,500
Charleston	3,769	665	2,558	3,056	2,281	2,345
Wilmington	594	309	593	1,040	1,243	392
Norfolk	7,155	2,101	5,249	8,006	7,455	4,931
N'port N., &c.	—	—	48	302	—	264
All others	3,255	5,952	8,428	6,763	817	11,021
Total this wk.	135,820	66,553	149,437	179,885	107,571	113,914
Since Aug. 1	4,510,748	3,872,584	4,100,172	4,824,870	3,453,021	4,200,482

The exports for the week ending this evening reach a total of 132,322 bales, of which 73,475 were to Great Britain, 9,147 to France and 49,700 to other destinations. Below are the exports for the week and since Aug. 1 1922.

Exports from—	Week ending Feb. 2 1923.				From Aug. 1 1922 to Feb. 2 1923.			
	Great Britain.	France.	Other.	Total.	Great Britain.	France.	Other.	Total.
Galveston	12,436	3,870	15,656	31,962	375,210	257,509	772,137	1,404,856
Houston	17,453	5,077	7,935	30,465	218,789	128,016	256,067	602,872
Texas City	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,415	1,415
New Orleans	14,569	—	19,672	34,241	142,867	49,230	314,238	506,335
Mobile	1,523	—	—	1,523	22,115	4,645	20,107	46,867
Jacksonville	—	—	—	—	75	—	575	650
Pensacola	—	—	—	—	7,163	—	710	7,873
Savannah	2,850	—	2,287	5,137	116,499	4,269	56,092	176,860
Brunswick	—	—	—	—	18,968	—	6,650	25,618
Charleston	6,001	—	—	6,001	22,271	1,094	10,227	33,592
Wilmington	—	—	—	—	11,600	—	49,800	61,400
Norfolk	11,450	—	1,600	13,050	77,054	623	19,492	97,169
New York	6,193	200	1,119	7,512	46,260	31,395	119,384	197,039
Boston	500	—	—	500	2,258	—	1,826	4,084
Baltimore	—	—	—	—	479	—	167	646
Philadelphia	—	—	—	—	—	—	291	291
Los Angeles	500	—	—	500	7,741	1,200	1,225	10,666
San Fran.	—	—	900	900	—	—	64,577	64,577
Seattle	—	—	531	531	—	—	7,377	7,377
Total	73,475	9,147	49,700	132,322	1,069,349	477,981	1,702,857	3,250,187
Total '21-22	45,579	9,391	74,320	129,290	946,283	428,952	2,079,379	3,454,614
Total '20-21	63,581	13,397	123,574	200,552	1,116,083	392,296	1,554,224	3,062,603

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.

Feb. 2 at—	On Shipboard, Not Cleared for—						Leaving Stock.
	Great Britain.	France.	Germany.	Other Cont't.	Coast-wise.	Total.	
Galveston	4,660	2,000	5,000	33,583	8,000	53,243	283,630
New Orleans	4,703	3,115	4,474	14,916	8,973	36,181	171,419
Savannah	—	—	—	—	500	500	59,355
Charleston	—	—	—	—	—	—	68,249
Mobile	436	—	—	5,398	64	5,898	4,104
Norfolk	—	—	—	—	850	850	98,279
Other ports	3,400	500	3,000	3,600	500	11,000	120,307
Total 1923	13,199	5,615	12,474	57,497	18,887	107,672	805,343
Total 1922	20,624	14,659	14,779	45,518	4,585	100,165	1,038,847
Total 1921	19,475	3,630	16,652	46,265	8,405	94,427	1,317,867

\* Estimated.

Speculation in cotton for future delivery has latterly been less active and prices have drifted downward under the pressure of steady liquidation. Also, there has been more or less pressure of short selling. It has dislodged a good many old long accounts. In the parlance of the trade they are called "stale" accounts. And they were quite numerous, far more so, indeed, than the generality of people had suspected. But after a bull campaign lasting six or seven months it ought not to surprise anybody that the long account should have reached very large proportions. And latterly a number of things have conspired to give bull speculation in cotton a check. The Ruhr question was one of them. Nobody knows how the French occupation of the Ruhr Valley will turn out, or in other words, just what the consequences, political and economic, will be to Europe and the rest of the world. Moreover, there is the Turkish question. At times it has seemed to threaten war between England and Turkey, though at other times the outlook has apparently cleared up somewhat. But the Ruhr and Mosul questions are, after all, still unsettled. It is said that war risks on shipping bound for German ports have latterly risen 5 to 25 cents per hundred. Also, turning to the cotton trade itself, Liverpool has latterly been less active and more or less depressed. It has been affected by the agitated state of Continental politics and also by the Turkish question. Moreover, at times sterling exchange has declined. Francs have reached a new "low." Marks have dropped. The spot trade in Liverpool has become less active. For some days in succession the spot sales there were only 6,000 bales, as against 10,000 recently. Liverpool reported that Southern selling there was rather free and suspected that it meant Southern farm bureaus were selling their holdings and that the buyers were hedging in Liverpool rather than in New York. And in Manchester the situation has clouded over. Whereas recently it was doing a good business with India and the Continent and some other parts of the world its trade has suddenly fallen off. On this side of the water Fall River has been handling a smaller business. Worth Street has shown less snap. Spot markets at the South have been quiet and more or less depressed when it came to active business. Daily sales have at times been only 5,000 to 7,000 bales, whereas recently they were twice or three times as much. Another factor inimical to prices was better weather at the South. That is to say, rains fell in Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas, not to mention the eastern Gulf States and the Atlantic region. The rains in Texas, where they were particularly wanted, naturally increased the store of sub-soil moisture. In other words, they tend to put a good "season" in the ground. It is well known, of course, that the crop in Texas depends largely on the rains of the previous winter. That State is apt to have rather protracted spells of hot dry

weather in the summer. It is important, therefore, that it should have a good supply of sub-soil moisture to fortify it against drouths. One trouble last summer was the hot dry weather in Texas and elsewhere west of the Mississippi River. But not only have there been good rains of late west of the river, but numerous reports are to the effect that the South will make every effort to plant a big acreage and raise a big crop. It certainly has every incentive to do so. Some Texas reports say that the acreage will be greatly increased in Western Texas and Eastern New Mexico. They even take the ground that the weevil is going east and that Texas has a greater future than ever before for the raising of cotton. It seems to be a fact beyond question that the Texas growers have learned to fight the weevil better than some of the farmers east of the Mississippi to whom the pest is very much of a new experience. Not only will there be a large acreage planted, but it will be heavily fertilized as one means, perhaps, of fighting the weevil. And every effort will be made to secure an ample supply of calcium arsenate with which to fight the pest. The Government has other experiments in view, one of which has to do with poison gas. Just what it will amount to remains to be seen. But one thing is clear. The need of a remedy, at once effective and cheap, is so imperative that efforts will be persistent to find it and perhaps before long successful. Meanwhile there is steady liquidation of long holdings here. The South is a daily seller. The West and Wall Street have been persistent sellers. Lately Liverpool has sold to a certain extent. A good deal of selling has been done on stop orders, and this has had a telling effect from time to time.

On the other hand the statistics remain strong. That is indisputable. Stocks are dwindling, consumption is liberal, foreign mill stocks are to all appearance small, Manchester has resumed full time and the Liverpool stock the other day was reduced 40,092 bales by a revision, so that it stood some 225,000 bales less than at the same time last year. Spinners' takings are on a large scale. The fear is very general that there will be an acute situation as regards supplies later in the season unless there is a marked falling off in the demand. Some indications have been reported now and then of the resistance of buyers to current high prices, but in the main they have been accepted. There is nothing like a buyers' strike. In a word, the point has not yet been reached where a check is imposed on consumption by the high price. For that matter wool, too, has been rising. Employment is general throughout the country. The buying capacity of a large section of the population is good, especially the artisan population, which is receiving very high wages. Also, the trade is a steady buyer of cotton. Japanese interests have been buying. The yarn trade in Japan has improved. Japanese takings of American cotton thus far this season show a large deficit. It is possible that this gap may be in a measure closed up during the next few months. The decrease thus far, as compared with a year ago, is about 300,000 bales. And spot holders at the South declare that they will not accept prices commensurate with the recent decline in futures. They still have their eyes fixed on 30 cents and even higher as the ultimate goal. To-day prices advanced on scarcity of contracts, a better demand from shorts, trade demand, strong spot markets, and more favorable political news and rumors from the Ruhr and the Near East. The Japanese were said to be trying to buy heavily in Galveston and New Orleans. Spinners' takings showed some decrease, but this attracted little attention. More notice was taken of a rise in stocks in New York and London, an advance in French bonds and francs and higher rates for other Continental currencies. In spite of the rise to-day, however, prices show a decline for the week of 6 to 25 points. Spot cotton closed at 27.75c. for middling, a decline compared with last Friday of 10 points.

Washington wired on Jan. 29 that the boll weevil fight is to be taken up by the Chemical Warfare Service of the War Department, if Congress sustains the recommendation of the Senate Appropriations Committee. It added \$50,000 to the 1924 appropriation bill to permit the military arm to undertake experiments to see if gas can be used to exterminate the cotton destroyer in the Southern States. Announcement was made by the Southern Senators that the War Department had decided to postpone until Feb. 20 the sale of the 28,000 tons of surplus sodium nitrate which had been scheduled for January in New York. The nitrate is to be offered in 20-ton lots in order to permit the farmers to purchase it for use in fertilizing their fields.

The following averages of the differences between grades, as figured from the Feb. 1, 1923 quotations of the ten markets designated by the Secretary of Agriculture, are the differences from middling established for deliveries in the New York market on Feb. 8, 1923.

Middling fair.....	.09 on	*Middling "yellow" tinged.....	1.15 off
Strict good middling.....	.75 on	*Strict low mid. "yellow" tinged.....	1.63 off
Good middling.....	.51 on	*Low middling "yellow" tinged.....	.71 off
Strict middling.....	.28 on	Good middling "yellow" stained.....	.23 off
Strict low middling.....	.35 off	*Strict mid. "yellow" stained.....	1.43 off
Low middling.....	.74 off	*Middling "yellow" stained.....	1.95 off
*Strict good ordinary.....	1.26 off	*Good middling "blue" stained.....	1.00 off
*Good ordinary.....	1.84 off	*Strict middling "blue" stained.....	1.45 off
*Strict good mid. "yellow" tinged.....	.38 on	*Middling "blue" stained.....	1.90 off
Good middling "yellow" tinged.....	.03 off	* These ten grades are not deliverable	
Strict middling "yellow" tinged.....	.40 off	upon future contracts.	

The official quotation for middling upland cotton in the New York market each day for the past week has been:

Jan. 27 to Feb. 2—	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Middling uplands.....	27.80	28.00	28.10	27.50	27.40	27.75

## 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. dec.	Steady.....	-----	-----	-----
Monday.....	Steady, 30 pts. adv.	Steady.....	7,200	7,200	7,200
Tuesday.....	Steady, 10 pts. adv.	Steady.....	1,000	1,000	1,000
Wednesday.....	Quiet, 60 pts. dec.	Easy.....	1,900	1,900	1,900
Thursday.....	Quiet, 10 pts. dec.	Steady.....	300	300	300
Friday.....	Steady, 35 pts. adv.	Steady.....	-----	-----	-----
Total.....			10,400	10,400	10,400

FUTURES.—The highest, lowest and closing prices at New York for the past week have been as follows:

	Saturday, Jan. 27	Monday, Jan. 29	Tuesday, Jan. 30	Wed'day, Jan. 31	Thurs'day, Feb. 1	Friday, Feb. 2	Week.
February—							
Range.....	27.53 — 27.80	27.85 — 27.29	27.17 — 27.54	-----	-----	-----	-----
Closing.....	27.53	27.80	27.85	27.29	27.17	27.54	-----
March—							
Range.....	27.55-90 27.19-100	27.65-109 27.39-77	26.93-157 27.15-65	26.93-109 27.15-65	26.93-109 27.15-65	26.93-109 27.15-65	26.93-109 27.15-65
Closing.....	27.63-68 27.90-91	27.95-101 27.39-41	27.27-29 27.64-65	-----	-----	-----	-----
April—							
Range.....	27.74 — 28.00	28.05 — 27.49	27.40 — 27.77	-----	-----	-----	-----
Closing.....	27.74	28.00	28.05	27.49	27.40	27.77	-----
May—							
Range.....	27.75-109 27.45-122	27.80-129 27.58-100	27.22-78 27.46-95	27.22-78 27.46-95	27.22-78 27.46-95	27.22-78 27.46-95	27.22-78 27.46-95
Closing.....	27.88-105 28.11-114	28.15-18 27.58-63	27.52-58 27.90-92	-----	-----	-----	-----
June—							
Range.....	27.73 — 27.87	27.96 — 27.38	27.31 — 27.66	-----	-----	-----	-----
Closing.....	27.73	27.87	27.96	27.38	27.31	27.66	-----
July—							
Range.....	27.45-79 27.10-90	27.51-94 27.18-60	26.77-136 27.02-48	26.77-136 27.02-48	26.77-136 27.02-48	26.77-136 27.02-48	26.77-136 27.02-48
Closing.....	27.57-81 27.70-74	27.77-83 27.18-23	27.08-12 27.42-43	-----	-----	-----	-----
August—							
Range.....	26.95 — 27.19	27.27 — 26.52	26.56 — 26.50	26.56 — 26.50	26.56 — 26.50	26.56 — 26.50	26.56 — 26.50
Closing.....	27.07	27.19	27.27	26.52	26.40	26.72	-----
September—							
Range.....	26.60 — 25.70	25.88 — 25.50	25.40 — 25.57	-----	-----	-----	-----
Closing.....	26.60	25.70	25.88	25.50	25.40	25.57	-----
October—							
Range.....	25.10-52 24.80-149	25.00-60 24.95-136	24.74-119 24.85-117	24.74-119 24.85-117	24.74-119 24.85-117	24.74-119 24.85-117	24.74-119 24.85-117
Closing.....	25.15-18 25.25-30	25.43-47 25.00-01	24.90-98 25.07-07	-----	-----	-----	-----
November—							
Range.....	24.99 — 24.62	25.25 — 24.84	24.80 — 24.90	24.80 — 24.90	24.80 — 24.90	24.80 — 24.90	24.80 — 24.90
Closing.....	24.99	25.07	25.25	24.84	24.80	24.90	-----
December—							
Range.....	24.88-120 24.52-113	24.68-129 24.67-107	24.50-85 24.55-80	24.50-85 24.55-80	24.50-85 24.55-80	24.50-85 24.55-80	24.50-85 24.55-80
Closing.....	24.88-90 24.90 bid	25.08 — 24.63	24.68-75 24.72-07	-----	-----	-----	-----
January—							
Range.....	24.50 — 24.50	24.51 — 24.50	24.50 — 24.50	24.51 — 24.50	24.50 — 24.50	24.50 — 24.50	24.50 — 24.50
Closing.....	24.50	24.50	24.51	24.50	24.50	24.50	-----

28.00c. 125.00c. 127.00c.

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.

Feb. 2	1923.	1922.	1921.	1920.
Stock at Liverpool.....	bales. 812,000	1,002,000	1,024,000	1,067,000
Stock at London.....	6,000	2,000	5,000	10,000
Stock at Manchester.....	69,000	71,000	88,000	180,000
Total Great Britain.....	887,000	1,075,000	1,117,000	1,257,000
Stock at Hamburg.....	2,000	35,000	-----	-----
Stock at Bremen.....	117,000	287,000	152,000	-----
Stock at Havre.....	196,000	180,000	197,000	231,000
Stock at Rotterdam.....	9,000	6,000	13,000	-----
Stock at Barcelona.....	107,000	146,000	87,000	90,000
Stock at Genoa.....	44,000	39,000	46,000	147,000
Stock at Antwerp.....	2,000	-----	-----	-----
Stock at Ghent.....	3,000	16,000	29,000	-----
Total Continental stocks.....	473,000	709,000	524,000	468,000
Total European stocks.....	1,360,000	1,784,000	1,641,000	1,725,000
India cotton afloat for Europe.....	165,000	67,000	66,000	57,000
American cotton afloat for Europe.....	352,000	321,000	433,377	699,339
Egypt, Brazil, &c. afloat for Eur.....	99,000	105,000	67,000	99,000
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt.....	307,000	332,000	218,000	224,000
Stock in Bombay, India.....	598,000	1,118,000	973,000	750,000
Stock in U. S. ports.....	913,015	1,139,012	1,412,294	1,404,240
Stock in U. S. interior towns.....	1,150,906	1,488,284	1,738,118	1,264,216
U. S. exports to-day.....	2,200	7,148	30,700	20,179
Total visible supply.....	4,947,121	6,361,444	6,579,489	6,243,514

Of the above, totals of American and other descriptions are as follows:

American—	1923.	1922.	1921.	1920.
Liverpool stock.....	bales. 469,000	591,000	648,000	859,000
Manchester stock.....	46,000	53,000	78,000	136,000
Continental stock.....	428,000	603,000	459,000	398,000
American afloat for Europe.....	352,000	321,000	433,377	699,339
U. S. port stocks.....	913,015	1,139,012	1,412,294	1,404,240
U. S. interior stocks.....	1,150,906	1,488,284	1,738,118	1,264,216
U. S. exports to-day.....	2,200	7,148	30,700	20,179
Total American.....	3,359,121	4,202,444	4,799,489	4,781,514
East Indian, Brazil, &c.—				
Liverpool stock.....	343,000	411,000	376,000	208,000
London stock.....	6,000	2,000	5,000	10,000
Manchester stock.....	23,000	18,000	10,000	44,000
Continental stock.....	47,000	106,000	65,000	70,000
India afloat for Europe.....	165,000	67,000	66,000	57,000
Egypt, Brazil, &c. afloat.....	99,000	105,000	67,000	99,000
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt.....	307,000	332,000	218,000	224,000
Stock in Bombay, India.....	598,000	1,118,000	973,000	750,000
Total East India, &c.....	1,588,000	2,159,000	1,780,000	1,462,000
Total American.....	3,359,121	4,202,444	4,799,489	4,781,514

Total visible supply.....	1923.	1922.	1921.	1920.
Middling uplands, Liverpool.....	15,284	9,354	8,354	27,724
Middling uplands, New York.....	27,756	17,206	13,856	37,806
Egypt, good saki, Liverpool.....	19,154	19,254	20,004	83,504
Peruvian, rough good, Liverpool.....	18,504	13,004	16,004	46,504
Broach fine, Liverpool.....	13,154	8,704	8,504	24,354
Tinnevely, good, Liverpool.....	14,904	9,704	8,904	24,604

Continental imports for past week have been 70,000 bales. The above figures for 1922 show a decrease from last week of 144,336 bales, a loss of 1,414,323 bales from 1922, a decline of 1,632,368 bales from 1921 and a decrease of 1,296,393 bales over 1920.



## NEW YORK QUOTATIONS FOR 32 YEARS.

The quotations for middling upland at New York on Feb. 2 for each of the past 32 years have been as follows:

1923	27.75c.	1915	8.60c.	1907	10.00c.	1899	6.38c.
1922	17.75c.	1914	12.75c.	1906	11.45c.	1898	5.94c.
1921	14.15c.	1913	12.95c.	1905	7.45c.	1897	7.25c.
1920	39.15c.	1912	10.00c.	1904	16.75c.	1896	8.25c.
1919	27.85c.	1911	14.85c.	1903	9.05c.	1895	5.62c.
1918	31.50c.	1910	14.80c.	1902	8.25c.	1894	7.94c.
1917	14.30c.	1909	9.90c.	1901	10.00c.	1893	9.44c.
1916	11.90c.	1908	11.65c.	1900	8.25c.	1892	7.44c.

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 Feb. 2 1923.				Movement to Feb. 3 1922.			
	Receipts.		Shipments.	Stocks Feb. 2.	Receipts.		Shipments.	Stocks Feb. 3.
	Week.	Season.			Week.	Season.		
Ala., Birmingham	284	35,529	509	7,258	346	23,904	594	12,526
Eufaula	85	8,337	100	4,700	50	5,248	100	3,750
Montgomery	95	53,489	302	16,713	95	43,404	331	29,939
Selma	138	52,278	123	5,446	138	37,050	430	14,016
Ark., Helena	101	32,536	817	14,572	75	30,030	547	15,043
Little Rock	1,307	162,553	2,373	53,022	2,437	140,654	5,288	62,003
Pine Bluff	1,011	114,388	2,153	57,619	1,324	102,997	1,661	61,817
Ga., Albany	12	6,218	230	2,615	8	5,852	157	3,940
Athens	1,029	36,085	2,467	25,666	582	78,450	1,220	47,489
Atlanta	6,067	229,390	8,254	79,491	2,334	172,717	7,009	50,679
Augusta	5,481	218,307	6,478	63,063	3,942	246,858	6,952	132,144
Columbus	2,295	102,464	2,184	13,212	296	41,355	677	26,271
Macon	257	35,928	811	15,117	284	27,437	439	14,121
Rome	890	36,428	1,800	6,739	103	27,392	261	11,255
La., Shreveport	100	70,300	800	11,800	100	53,913	1,700	44,700
Miss., Columbus	235	23,056	829	4,560	451	17,121	463	5,346
Clarksdale	48	123,816	2,812	54,649	1,167	124,307	2,279	68,394
Greenwood	644	104,032	3,011	48,944	314	85,904	3,050	45,638
Meridian	120	31,456	460	7,720	216	27,965	221	17,434
Natchez	180	31,020	1,672	8,804	56	28,428	477	12,203
Vicksburg	194	22,160	663	7,529	86	24,924	484	12,379
Yazoo City	59	27,772	503	19,493	159	29,508	810	17,185
Mo., St. Louis	14,970	522,835	14,751	19,720	19,767	588,066	19,226	29,401
N.C., Grnsboro	1,849	78,894	2,333	33,759	1,828	38,066	1,198	23,640
Raleigh	268	9,554	250	323	8	7,303		307
Okla., Altus	620	59,038	1,932	18,319	1,117	73,958	2,828	16,930
Chickasha	365	79,979	954	8,299	761	52,647	1,183	9,128
Oklahoma	246	76,024	1,637	15,104	917	54,195	1,638	22,564
S. C., Greenville	4,254	111,227	7,120	50,360	2,180	111,777	5,278	39,707
Greenwood		7,692		10,218	108	11,625	2,160	9,247
Tenn., Memphis	6,468	860,387	25,730	143,446	9,879	659,026	19,205	234,203
Nashville		242		86		308		830
Texas, Abilene	251	44,213	521	1,252	1,004	75,287	1,452	1,076
Brenham	202	18,892	129	4,284	100	11,098	100	4,479
Austin		34,932	109	951		25,358		903
Dallas	472	55,287	1,993	16,041	1,750	147,336	3,616	53,618
Honey Grove				110		19,700		11,403
Houston	33,768	2,480,275	68,056	285,985	41,429	1,983,296	29,560	298,900
Paris	274	71,115	1,060	4,482	184	45,805	250	10,598
San Antonio	700	57,189	700	1,600				
Fort Worth	301	58,799	659	7,935	256	52,732	884	14,048
Total: 41 towns	99,561	6,184,116	167,335	1,509,061	95,346	5,333,032	123,818	1,488,284

The above total shows that the interior stocks have decreased during the week 73,153 bales and are to-night 337,378 bales less than at the same time last year. The receipts at all towns have been 4,215 bales more than the same week last year.

OVERLAND MOVEMENT FOR THE WEEK AND SINCE AUG. 1.—We give below a statement showing the overland movement for the week and since Aug. 1, as made up from telegraphic reports Friday night. The results for the week and since Aug. 1 in the last two years are as follows:

Feb. 2— Shipped—	—1922-23—		—1921-22—	
	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.
Via St. Louis	14,751	523,596	19,226	467,419
Via Mounds, &c.	2,880	195,568	7,872	254,287
Via Rock Island	50	6,834	310	7,527
Via Louisville	1,366	46,983	1,973	49,110
Via Virginia points	3,684	101,662	3,924	146,551
Via other routes, &c.	12,463	257,208	10,782	251,271
Total gross overland	35,194	1,131,851	44,087	1,276,165
Deduct Shipments				
Overland to N. Y., Boston, &c.	3,224	50,778	2,118	102,383
Between interior towns	671	15,681	649	15,968
Inland, &c., from South	15,302	299,686	8,405	252,406
Total to be deducted	19,197	366,145	11,172	370,757
Leaving total net overland †	15,977	765,706	32,915	905,408

† Including movement by rail to Canada.

The foregoing shows the week's net overland movement has been 15,997 bales, against 32,915 bales for the week last year, and that for the season to date the aggregate net overland exhibits a decrease from a year ago of 139,702 bales.

In Sight and Spinners' Takings.	—1922-23—		—1921-22—	
	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.
Receipts at ports to Feb. 2	135,820	4,510,748	66,553	3,872,584
Net overland to Feb. 2	15,997	765,706	32,915	905,408
Southern consumption to Feb. 2	83,000	2,222,000	78,000	1,923,000
Total marketed	234,817	7,498,454	177,468	6,700,992
Interior stocks in excess	173,153	634,915	128,472	371,046
Came into sight during week	161,664		148,996	
Total in sight Feb. 2		8,133,369		7,072,038
Nor. spinners' takings to Feb. 2	53,878	1,536,653	58,229	1,499,592

† Decrease during week. a These figures are consumption; takings not available.

Movement into sight in previous years:					
Week—		Bales.	Since Aug. 1—		Bales.
1921—Feb. 4	-----	221,000	1920—21—Feb. 4	-----	7,197,981
1920—Feb. 6	-----	278,947	1919—20—Feb. 6	-----	8,107,167
1919—Feb. 7	-----	217,112	1918—19—Feb. 7	-----	7,314,910

QUOTATIONS FOR MIDDLING COTTON AT OTHER MARKETS.—Below are the closing quotations for middling cotton at Southern and other principal cotton markets for each day of the week:

Week ending Feb. 2.	Closing Quotations for Middling Cotton on—					
	Saturday, Jan. 27.	Monday, Jan. 29.	Tuesday, Jan. 30.	Wednesday, Jan. 31.	Thursday, Feb. 1.	Friday, Feb. 2.
Galveston	27.85	28.10	28.20	27.60	27.50	27.85
New Orleans	28.00	27.88	27.88	28.00	27.62	27.62
Mobile	27.50	27.50	27.75	27.50	27.50	27.50
Savannah	27.88	28.00	28.10	27.50	27.38	27.72
Norfolk	28.00	28.00	28.13	27.63	27.63	27.88
Baltimore	27.88	28.50	28.50	28.50	28.25	28.25
Augusta	27.88	28.00	28.00	27.63	27.56	27.88
Memphis	28.25	28.25	28.25	28.25	27.88	28.13
Houston	27.75	28.00	28.00	27.50	27.50	27.65
Little Rock	27.50	27.50	27.75	27.50	27.25	27.50
Dallas	26.80	27.10	27.10	26.60	26.50	26.85
Fort Worth		27.15	27.15	27.65	26.55	26.85

NEW ORLEANS CONTRACT MARKET.—The closing quotations for leading contracts in the New Orleans cotton markets for the past week have been as follows:

	Saturday, Jan. 27.	Monday, Jan. 29.	Tuesday, Jan. 30.	Wednesday, Jan. 31.	Thursday, Feb. 1.	Friday, Feb. 2.
January	27.37	27.50	27.60	24.17 bid		27.27
February	27.40-27.44	27.57-27.58	27.65-27.68	27.07-27.15	27.08-27.10	27.37-27.39
March	27.41-27.44	27.60-27.62	27.63-27.67	27.05-27.16	27.60-27.08	27.35-26.38
May	27.25-27.28	27.41-27.42	27.46-27.49	26.88-26.92	26.80-26.83	27.11-27.14
July	24.78-24.80	24.86-24.90	25.04-25.08	24.58-24.60	24.59-24.61	24.71-24.73
October	24.53 bid	24.61 bid	24.83 bid	24.37 bid	24.35 bid	24.45 bid
December				24.18 bid	24.26 bid	
Options.	Dull	Quiet	Quiet	Steady	Steady	Steady
	Steady	Very st'dy	Barely st'y	Irregular	Steady	Steady

WEATHER REPORTS BY TELEGRAPH.—Reports to us by telegraph from the South this evening indicate that as a rule milder weather than usual for the season still prevails. Rainfall has been scattered and precipitation light.

	Rain.	Rainfall.	Thermometer
Galveston, Texas	1 day	0.01 in.	high 72 low 62 mean 67
Abilene	5 days	2.68 in.	high 74 low 36 mean 55
Brownsville	1 day	0.02 in.	high 80 low 66 mean 73
Corpus Christi	1 day	0.02 in.	high 78 low 64 mean 71
Dallas	4 days	0.26 in.	high 76 low 42 mean 59
Del Rio	1 day	0.74 in.	high 76 low 58 mean 66
Palestine	4 days	0.59 in.	high 76 low 52 mean 64
San Antonio	3 days	0.13 in.	high 82 low 56 mean 59
Taylor	1 day	0.02 in.	high 76 low 55 mean 61
Shreveport	2 days	0.46 in.	high 80 low 41 mean 61
Mobile, Ala.		dry	high 76 low 43 mean 63
Savannah, Ga.	2 days	0.00 in.	high 77 low 35 mean 58
Charleston, S. C.		dry	high 77 low 41 mean 59
			high 75 low 39 mean 57

The following statement we have also received by telegraph, showing the height of rivers at the points named at 8 a. m. of the dates given:

	Feb. 2 1923.	Feb. 3 1922.
New Orleans	Above zero of gauge.	5.4
Memphis	Above zero of gauge.	10.4
Nashville	Above zero of gauge.	29.6
Shreveport	Above zero of gauge.	10.9
Vicksburg	Above zero of gauge.	8.2
		25.7

WORLD'S SUPPLY AND TAKINGS OF COTTON.—The following brief but comprehensive statement indicates at a glance the world's supply of cotton for the week and since Aug. 1 for the last two seasons, from all sources from which statistics are obtainable; also the takings, or amounts gone out of sight, for the like period.

Cotton Takings. Week and Season.	1922-23.		1921-22.	
	Week.	Season.	Week.	Season.
Visible supply Jan. 26	5,091,457		6,448,285	
Visible supply Aug. 1		3,760,450		6,111,250
American in sight to Feb. 2	161,664	8,133,369	148,996	7,072,038
Bombay receipts to Feb. 1	157,000	1,457,000	157,000	1,697,000
Other India shipments to Feb. 1	11,000	182,550	1,000	85,000
Alexandria receipts to Jan. 31	31,000	1,034,800	12,000	502,750
Other supply to Jan. 31	10,000	143,000	14,000	162,000
Total supply	5,462,121	14,711,169	6,781,281	15,630,038
Deduct				
Visible supply Feb. 2	4,947,121	4,947,121	6,361,444	6,361,444
Total takings to Feb. 2	515,000	9,764,048	419,837	9,268,594
Of which American	256,000	6,738,498	268,837	6,947,824
Of which other	259,000	3,025,550	151,000	2,320,770

† Embraces receipts in Europe from Brazil, Smyrna, West Indies, &c.  
a This total embraces since Aug. 1 the total estimated consumption by the spinning mills, 2,222,000 bales in 1922-23 and 1,923,000 bales in 1921-22; takings not being available—and the aggregate amounts taken by Northern and foreign spinners, 7,542,048 bales in 1922-23 and 7,345,594 bales in 1921-22, of which 4,516,498 bales and 5,024,824 bales American.  
b Estimated.

RECEIPTS FROM THE PLANTATIONS.—The following table indicates the actual movement each week from the plantations. The figures do not include overland receipts nor Southern consumption; they are simply a statement of the weekly movement from the plantations of that part of the crop which finally reaches the market through the exports.

Week ending	Receipts at Ports.			Stocks at Interior Towns.			Receipts from Plantations		
	1922-23	1921-22	1920-21	1922-23	1921-22	1920-21	1922-23	1921-22	1920-

in 1922 were 4,272,102 bales, and in 1921 were 4,978,349 bales. (2) That although the receipts at the outports the past week were 138,820 bales, the actual movement from plantations was 65,667 bales, stocks at interior towns having decreased 73,153 bales during the week. Last year receipts from the plantations were 38,081 bales and for 1921 they were 133,645 bales.

#### INDIA COTTON MOVEMENT FROM ALL PORTS.

Feb. 2. Receipts at—	1922-23.				1921-22.		1920-21.	
	Week.		Since Aug. 1.		Week.		Since Aug. 1.	
Bombay	157,000	1,357,000	157,000	1,697,000	100,000		981,000	
Exports.	For the Week.				Since August 1.			
	Great Britain.	Conti- nent.	Japan & China.	Total.	Great Britain.	Conti- nent.	Japan & China.	Total.
Bombay								
1922-23.		6,000	120,000	126,000	59,000	291,500	776,500	1,127,000
1921-22.	2,000	14,000	26,000	42,000	12,000	222,000	808,000	1,042,000
1920-21.		---	72,000	72,000	15,000	305,000	286,000	606,000
Other India								
1922-23.	4,000	7,000	---	11,000	25,000	134,550	---	159,550
1921-22.		1,000	---	1,000	4,000	73,000	8,000	85,000
1920-21.		8,000	---	8,000	13,000	118,000	26,000	157,000
Total all—								
1922-23.	4,000	13,000	120,000	137,000	84,000	426,050	776,500	1,286,550
1921-22.	2,000	15,000	26,000	43,000	16,000	295,000	816,000	1,127,000
1920-21.		8,000	72,000	80,000	28,000	423,000	312,000	763,000

According to the foregoing, exports from all India ports record an increase of 94,000 bales during the week, and since Aug. 1 show an increase of 159,550 bales.

#### ALEXANDRIA RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS.

<i>Alexandria, Egypt, February 1.</i>	1922-23.	1921-22.	1920-21.			
<i>Receipts (cantars)—</i>						
This week	155,000	100,000	135,000			
Since Aug. 1	5,745,649	3,876,363	2,730,081			
<i>Exports (bales)—</i>	<i>Week.</i>	<i>Since Aug. 1.</i>	<i>Week.</i>	<i>Since Aug. 1.</i>	<i>Week.</i>	<i>Since Aug. 1.</i>
To Liverpool	---	144,437	8,000	105,397	7,250	62,197
To Manchester, &c.	---	97,862	---	80,414	4,750	50,777
To Continent and India	8,000	178,144	1,200	118,484	2,900	66,361
To America	---	156,192	8,750	114,897	4,750	22,800
Total exports	8,000	576,635	17,950	419,192	19,650	202,135

Note.—A cantar is 99 lbs. Egyptian bales weigh about 750 lbs. This statement shows that the receipts for the week ending Feb. 1 were 155,000 cantars and the foreign shipments 8,000 bales.

MANCHESTER MARKET.—Our report received by cable to-night from Manchester states that the market for both cloth and yarns is easy, in consequence of Liverpool news. We give prices to-day below and leave those for previous weeks of this and last year for comparison.

Dec.	1922-23.			1921-22.		
	32s Cop Twist.	8 1/2 lbs. Shirts Common to Finest.	Cot'n Mid. Upl's	32s Cop Twist.	8 1/2 lbs. Shirts Common to Finest.	Cot'n Mid. Upl's
1	21	16 2	16 2	14 7/8	16 2	16 2
2	20	16 1	16 1	14 3/4	16 1	16 1
3	20 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	14 5/8	16 1/2	16 1/2
4	20 1/4	16 1/4	16 1/4	14 5/16	16 1/4	16 1/4
5	20 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	14 5/8	16 1/2	16 1/2
6	20 1/4	16 1/4	16 1/4	14 5/16	16 1/4	16 1/4
7	20 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	14 5/8	16 1/2	16 1/2
8	20 1/4	16 1/4	16 1/4	14 5/16	16 1/4	16 1/4
9	20 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	14 5/8	16 1/2	16 1/2
10	20 1/4	16 1/4	16 1/4	14 5/16	16 1/4	16 1/4
11	20 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	14 5/8	16 1/2	16 1/2
12	20 1/4	16 1/4	16 1/4	14 5/16	16 1/4	16 1/4
13	20 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	14 5/8	16 1/2	16 1/2
14	20 1/4	16 1/4	16 1/4	14 5/16	16 1/4	16 1/4
15	20 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	14 5/8	16 1/2	16 1/2
16	20 1/4	16 1/4	16 1/4	14 5/16	16 1/4	16 1/4
17	20 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	14 5/8	16 1/2	16 1/2
18	20 1/4	16 1/4	16 1/4	14 5/16	16 1/4	16 1/4
19	20 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	14 5/8	16 1/2	16 1/2
20	20 1/4	16 1/4	16 1/4	14 5/16	16 1/4	16 1/4
21	20 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	14 5/8	16 1/2	16 1/2
22	20 1/4	16 1/4	16 1/4	14 5/16	16 1/4	16 1/4
23	20 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	14 5/8	16 1/2	16 1/2
24	20 1/4	16 1/4	16 1/4	14 5/16	16 1/4	16 1/4
25	20 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	14 5/8	16 1/2	16 1/2
26	20 1/4	16 1/4	16 1/4	14 5/16	16 1/4	16 1/4
27	20 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	14 5/8	16 1/2	16 1/2
28	20 1/4	16 1/4	16 1/4	14 5/16	16 1/4	16 1/4
29	20 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	14 5/8	16 1/2	16 1/2
30	20 1/4	16 1/4	16 1/4	14 5/16	16 1/4	16 1/4
31	20 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	14 5/8	16 1/2	16 1/2

SHIPPING NEWS.—As shown on a previous page, the exports of cotton from the United States the past week have reached 132,322 bales. The shipments in detail, as made up from mail and telegraphic returns, are as follows:

		Bates.	
NEW YORK	To Liverpool—Jan. 24—Madras City, 2,227		4,095
	Jan. 26—Celtic, 1,868		2,098
	To Manchester—Jan. 26—Archimede, 2,098		100
	To Antwerp—Jan. 24—Huronian, 100		419
	To Genoa—Jan. 26—Giuseppe Verdi, 219	Jan. 30—Lupalie, 200	500
			100
	To Dunkirk—Jan. 30—Vincent, 100		1,745
	To Danzig—Jan. 30—Orbita, 500		4,000
	To Havre—Jan. 31—Chicago, 100		6,415
	To Bremen—Jan. 31—York, 100		12,925
NEW ORLEANS	To Genoa—Jan. 26—Mar Caribe, 5,315		1,644
	To Barcelona—Jan. 27—West Chatala, 100		7,815
	To Vera Cruz—Jan. 26—Svartfond, 200	Jan. 31—Helgay, 100	697
		Feb. 1—Yucatan, 1,445	887
	To Japan—Jan. 29—Selma City, 650	Jan. 30—Tacoma, Maru, 875; Victorious, 2,475	100
NEW ORLEANS	To Liverpool—Jan. 30—Nubian, 6,415		3,770
	Jan. 31—Eldena, 6,510		125
	To Manchester—Jan. 30—Nubian, 335	Jan. 31—Eldena, 1,309	2,000
	To Bremen—Jan. 30—Evanger, 5,878	Jan. 31—West Ivar, 1,937	11,148
	To Rotterdam—Jan. 31—Nobles, 697		1,288
GALVESTON	To Genoa—Jan. 26—Calamiris, 887		3,870
	To Lisbon—Jan. 26—Dio, 100		620
	To Oporto—Jan. 26—Dio, 3,770		450
	To Bilbao—Jan. 26—Dio, 125		6,454
	To Rotterdam—Jan. 27—Federal, 1,000	Jan. 31—West Norranus, 5,249	1,250
		Jan. 31—Glücksburg, 1,205	1,737
	To Liverpool—Jan. 31—Median, 5,524; Steadfast, 5,624		2,850
	To Manchester—Jan. 31—Steadfast, 1,288		300
	To Havre—Jan. 31—Hegira, 3,870		500
	To Ghent—Jan. 31—Heriga, 620		2,500
	To Antwerp—Jan. 31—Hegira, 450		6,001
GALVESTON	To Bremen—Jan. 31—West Norranus, 5,249		1,523
	Jan. 31—Glücksburg, 1,205		
	To Hamburg—Jan. 31—Glücksburg, 1,250		
SAVANNAH	To Genoa—Jan. 29—Collingsworth, 1,737		
	To Rotterdam—Jan. 31—Mamgeric, 2,850		
	To Rotterdam—Feb. 1—Taurus, 300		
	To Bremen—Feb. 1—Taurus, 250		
BOSTON	To Liverpool—Jan. 18—Bolivian, 500		
CHARLESTON	To Liverpool—Jan. 30—Tulsa, 6,001		
MOBILE	To Liverpool—Jan. 25—Clavarrack, 1,523		



bushels. And export demand lagged. Foreign competition in the European market cannot be ignored. The domestic cash demand, too, has been small. Rains have fallen in the Southwestern drouth area. Berlin cabled: "Russia and Argentina offering cheaper." Liverpool cabled on Jan. 31: "Wheat declined in anticipation of large Argentine shipments." On the 31st inst. wheat declined in spite of a momentary advance in Liverpool. That market, by the way, declined later  $\frac{3}{4}$ d. to  $1\frac{1}{4}$ d. per cental and Buenos Aires  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{3}{4}$ c. Further rains in the Southwest offset decreased receipts. The Near Eastern news, too, seemed more pacific. More rain or snow is needed west of the Mississippi River, but with Liverpool weak, export demand disappointing and more rain in parts, at least, of the Southwest, the tone was weaker. On Feb. 1 prices advanced after some early decline due to big exports from Argentina—5,500,000 bushels for the week it was estimated—rains there, and a decline in Buenos Aires and Liverpool. Shorts grew nervous later when selling died down and the technical position looked better and there were reported sales to Greece of 925,000 bushels. To-day prices declined at one time and then rallied, owing to the fear of a cold wave in the Southwest and the firmness of corn. Last prices show a rise for the week of 1 to  $1\frac{1}{2}$ c. The receipts to-day were smaller, and this factor was not without its effect. Also, Liverpool and Buenos Aires were somewhat higher.

## DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT IN NEW YORK.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
No. 2 red.....	130½	129½	130½	130½	131½	131½

## DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
May delivery in elevator.....	116½	116½	117½	116½	118	118½
July delivery in elevator.....	111½	111½	112½	111½	112½	112½
September delivery in elevator.....	109	109½	110	109½	109½	110½

Indian corn has fluctuated within very narrow bounds, ending higher, however. Yet there has been much of the time a lack of incentive to trade aggressively either way. Demand has, in a word, been lacking. This has offset the smallness of the country offerings. Export business has been poor. On the 29th inst. 160,000 bushels were taken for Europe. Needless to say, it evoked no comment. The visible supply in the United States increased last week 400,000 bushels, as against 656,000 in the same week last year, and the total is still only 20,594,000 bushels as against 26,730,000 at this time in 1922. But this had no effect one way or the other. Nothing, indeed, seemed to rouse the market from its lethargy. Not even a sharp advance on the 30th inst. at Buenos Aires had much if any effect. Yet it seemed to indicate a continuance of hot dry weather in Argentina, which must, if it had persisted much longer, have had a more or less serious effect on the corn crop of that country. Liverpool on Jan. 31 advanced  $\frac{3}{4}$ d. per cental. Primary receipts in this country were small, or at best but moderate. Farmers evidently balk at the ruling prices. And the feeding demand at the West, where the number of hogs is far larger than a year ago, has been fair. But nothing had the effect of really lifting the market out of the rut into which it had fallen. Later Argentine prices fell without reported change, however, in the crop outlook there. About 100,000 bushels were sold here for export. On Feb. 1 prices weakened early on a decline of 1 to 2c. in Buenos Aires, rains in Argentina and liquidation. But later corn rallied with wheat, accompanied by covering of shorts, with primary receipts small. To-day prices advanced, but the rise was checked, for the time being at least, by a decline of 1c. at Buenos Aires. Yet the last prices, after all, show a rise for the week in Chicago of about  $1\frac{1}{2}$ c. Offerings have latterly been more readily taken.

## DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN IN NEW YORK.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
No. 2 yellow.....	90	88½	89½	89½	90	90½

## DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
May delivery in elevator.....	72½	72½	72½	73½	73½	74½
July delivery in elevator.....	72½	72½	73	73½	73½	74½
September delivery in elevator.....	72½	72½	73	73½	73½	74½

Oats have also moved within a narrow groove for lack of factors to set a quicker pace and make a broader market. New features, new incentives, have been lacking. The receipts have been moderate and cash markets have shown a certain steadiness. Oats have been influenced more by wheat and corn than by anything affecting its own situation. Under the circumstances it has been almost entirely a trading, or what is termed a professional, affair. The visible supply in the United States increased last week only 99,000 bushels, against an increase in the same week last year of 346,000 bushels. That still leaves the total only 31,000,000 bushels, or less than half what it was a year ago, when the total was 67,423,000 bushels. But this passed almost unnoticed. The market has become accustomed to such statistics; has seemingly discounted them; certainly pays no attention to them. In other words, it has been, on the whole, a dull, listless and uninteresting affair. Later the receipts increased somewhat. Cash markets weakened with rather more pressure to sell. To-day prices felt the strength in other grain and advanced somewhat after a slight early decline. The ending is at a net rise for the week of  $\frac{3}{4}$  to  $\frac{5}{8}$ c.

## DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS IN NEW YORK.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
No. 2 white.....	52½	55	55	55	55	55½

## DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
May delivery in elevator.....	44½	43½	44½	44½	44½	44½
July delivery in elevator.....	42	41½	42½	42½	42½	42½
September delivery in elevator.....	40½	40½	41½	41½	41½	41½

Rye declined for a time with other grain. The fact that rumors of export business were not fully confirmed was not without its effect, although it is true that on the 29th inst. 240,000 bushels appear to have been taken. The visible supply in the United States, however, increased last week 245,000 bushels, though it is true that the increase in the same week last year was larger, or 352,000. But the total is now up to 11,116,000 bushels, against 7,266,000 a year ago. Trade and speculation have been in the main slow. Later in the week 100,000 bushels were taken, it was said, for Norway. Germany was reported to have bought 800,000 bushels in Russia. To-day rye advanced slightly, partly owing to the firmness of other grain. No striking features of any kind were reported. Final prices show a rise for the week of  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{3}{8}$ c.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF RYE FUTURES IN CHICAGO.						
May delivery in elevator.....	86½	86½	86½	86½	87½	88½
July delivery in elevator.....	83½	83				83½

The following are closing quotations:

GRAIN		FLOUR	
Wheat—		Barley goods—	
No. 2 red.....	\$1 31½	No. 1.....	\$5 75
No. 2 hard winter.....	1 29½	Nos. 2, 3 and 4 pearl.....	6 50
Corn—		Nos. 2-0 and 3-0.....	5 75 @ 5 90
No. 2 yellow.....	90½	Nos. 4-0 and 5-0.....	6 00
Rye—No. 2.....	\$1 00	Oats goods—carload.....	2 85 @ 2 92½
		Spot delivery.....	
Spring patents.....	\$6 35 @ \$6 75		
Winter straights, soft.....	5 90 @ 6 25		
Hard winter straights.....	6 00 @ 6 40		
First spring clears.....	5 50 @ 6 00		
Rye flour.....	490 @ 5 50		
Corn goods, 100 lbs.....	1 90 @ 2 05		
Yellow meal.....	1 90 @ 2 05		
Corn flour.....	1 90 @ 2 05		

The statements of the movements of breadstuffs to market indicated below are prepared by us from figures collected by the New York Produce Exchange. The receipts at Western lake and river ports for the week ending last Saturday and since Aug. 1 for each of the last three years have been:

Receipts at—	Flour.	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Barley.	Rye.
Chicago.....	254,000	480,000	2,472,000	126,000	182,000	242,000
Minneapolis.....	—	3,274,000	276,000	527,000	357,000	528,000
Duluth.....	—	900,000	6,000	5,000	8,000	507,000
Milwaukee.....	6,000	78,000	482,000	441,000	218,000	117,000
Toledo.....	—	38,000	93,000	18,000	—	5,000
Detroit.....	—	39,000	50,000	82,000	—	—
Indianapolis.....	—	105,000	579,000	336,000	—	—
St. Louis.....	82,000	717,000	967,000	966,000	24,000	11,000
Peoria.....	45,000	18,000	763,000	364,000	10,000	22,000
Kansas City.....	—	1,354,000	508,000	279,000	—	—
Omaha.....	—	434,000	1,003,000	286,000	—	—
St. Joseph.....	—	149,000	333,000	58,000	—	—
Tot. wk. '23.....	387,000	7,586,000	7,532,000	4,627,000	799,000	1,432,000
Same week '22.....	380,000	5,060,000	14,535,000	4,213,000	639,000	234,000
Same week '21.....	366,000	6,722,000	11,722,000	4,487,000	936,000	533,000
Since Aug. 1—						
1922-23.....	13,444,000	290,965,000	179,603,000	132,305,000	24,508,000	32,009,000
1921-22.....	11,391,000	235,712,000	204,880,000	116,538,000	16,324,000	11,448,000
1920-21.....	7,110,000	216,739,000	108,814,000	153,849,000	26,879,000	25,538,000

Total receipts of flour and grain at the seaboard ports for the week ended Saturday Jan. 27 1923 follow:

Receipts at—	Flour.	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Barley.	Rye.
New York.....	160,000	1,193,000	728,000	148,000	61,000	17,5000
Portland, Me.....	43,000	1,460,000	10,000	130,000	—	26,000
Philadelphia.....	57,000	842,000	418,000	46,000	—	212,000
Baltimore.....	13,000	949,000	475,000	28,000	2,000	903,000
Newport News.....	2,000	—	—	—	—	—
New Orleans*.....	75,000	240,000	549,000	96,000	—	—
Galveston.....	—	237,000	—	—	—	—
Montreal.....	55,000	344,000	10,000	99,000	21,000	—
St. John.....	75,000	315,000	56,000	221,000	67,000	262,000
Boston.....	25,000	182,000	1,000	28,000	2,000	7,000
Tot. wk. '23.....	505,000	5,762,000	2,747,000	796,000	153,000	1,585,000
Since Jan. 1 '23.....	2,253,000	26,609,000	8,249,000	3,112,000	822,000	5,786,000
Same week '22.....	334,000	3,691,000	4,861,000	772,000	139,000	298,000
Since Jan. 1 '22.....	1,713,000	16,517,000	15,732,000	2,449,000	622,000	1,014,000

\* Receipts do not include grain passing through New Orleans for foreign ports on through bills of lading.

The exports from the several seaboard ports for the week ending Saturday, Jan. 27 1923, are shown in the annexed statement:

Exports from—	Wheat.	Corn.	Flour.	Oats.	Rye.	Barley.	Peps.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Barrels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
New York.....	805,905	312,565	152,205	446,740	589,416	26,330	—
Portland, Me.....	1,460,000	10,000	43,000	130,000	26,000	—	—
Boston.....	582,000	—	1,000	—	—	21,000	—
Philadelphia.....	1,455,000	291,000	8,000	—	94,000	23,000	—
Baltimore.....	44,000	528,000	11,000	—	1,630,000	—	—
Newport News.....	—	—	2,000	—	—	—	—
New Orleans.....	101,000	235,000	14,000	4,000	51,000	—	—
Galveston.....	984,000	—	—	—	—	—	—
St. John, N. B.....	315,000	56,000	75,000	221,000	262,000	67,000	—
Total week 1923.....	5,746,705	1,432,565	306,205	801,740	2,652,416	137,330	—
Same week 1922.....	3,057,561	5,515,603	242,509	511,109	89,000	204,188	—

The destination of these exports for the week and since Jan. 27 1923 is as below:

Exports for Week and Since Jan. 1 to—	Flour.		Wheat.		Corn.	
	Week Jan. 27 1923.	Since July 1 1922.	Week Jan. 27 1923.	Since July 1 1922.	Week Jan. 27 1923.	Since July 1 1922.
United Kingdom.....	137,170	3,377,583	1,372,851	66,210,748	529,000	20,786,877
Continent.....	153,885	3,899,642	4,135,854	154,580,719	896,565	37,644,416
So. & Cent. Amer.....	2,000	301,332	—	145,000	—	34,000
West Indies.....	11,000	743,800	3,000	31,000	7,000	972,700
Brit. No. Am. Cols.....	—	2,000	—	—	—	3,700
Other Countries.....	2,150	472,605	235,000	1,293,705	—	13,500
Total 1923.....	306,205	8,796,962	5,746,705	222,261,072	1,432,565	59,455,193
Total 1922.....	243,509	8,255,091	3,057,561	197,733,805	5,515,603	70,351,000







# State and City Department

## NEWS ITEMS

**Alabama.**—*Governor's Messages.*—Since the Legislature convened on Jan. 9 (V. 116, p. 315) the retiring Governor, Thos. E. Kilby, and his successor, Wm. W. Brandon, have sent messages to the law makers.

Most important of Governor Kilby's recommendations was the one suggesting that Section 214 of the Constitution be amended so as to limit the tax rate that may be levied by the State to 0.65% of the taxable property, except as to payment of debts outstanding. As it now stands, Section 214 limits the rate to 0.65%, this including all purposes. Speaking of the State colleges and their need of funds, he mentioned that a bond issue has been suggested, but offered his own suggestion that a millage tax would be a better solution. He recommended that a tax on gasoline be levied for the purpose of maintaining the roads constructed under the program approved by the people last January in the form of an amendment to the Constitution authorizing \$25,000,000 bonds for roads and bridges. The Governor said that the Constitution of the State is out of date and not fitted for the conditions now existing, acting to prevent much needed legislation and making necessary the submission of constitutional amendments at almost every general election. He suggested that the remedy might be found in a convention at which a new constitution would be drafted. He also endorsed the recommendation of the Tax Commission that the Constitution be amended so as to allow a system of graduated taxes on incomes to take the place of the income tax provided for by the 1919 Legislature, but which was declared unconstitutional by the courts.

Governor Brandon, in his inaugural address and the message to the Legislature, concurred in his predecessor's recommendation of a tax on gasoline for highway maintenance, and in addition urged taxation of property now exempted by special laws, and an increase in the taxation of mortgages. The new executive was unreserved in his recommendation that the schools of the State be improved and asked for a three-mill tax and a poll tax for their support.

**Schuylkill County, Pa.**—*Court Sustains Increase in Assessment of Coal Lands.*—The County Commissioners were justified in increasing the assessed valuation of the county's coal lands from \$85,900,000 to nearly \$500,000,000 was the decision of the State Supreme Court in an opinion handed down on Jan. 29. The suit had been brought in the Schuylkill County Court by the coal land owners against the Commissioners to prevent the latter from revising the assessors' figures, which placed the valuation at \$85,900,000. The County Court denied the application for an injunction and the complainants then carried their petition to the State Supreme Court. That Court has now concurred in the action of the lower one, maintaining that in an Act of 1842, relating to assessments, no particular method is outlined for revising, raising or equalizing property valuations. We quote the Philadelphia "Ledger" of Jan. 30 as follows:

An increase of nearly \$500,000,000 in the assessed valuation of Schuylkill County coal lands is sustained by the State Supreme Court in an opinion handed down yesterday by Justice Alexander Simpson, Jr.

Schuylkill County, one of the leading anthracite producing regions in the State, will receive millions in additional taxes by virtue of the decision. Philadelphia capitalists own most of the coal tracts in the county, the assessment of which was increased from \$85,900,000 to nearly \$500,000,000, the biggest ever attempted in the anthracite region.

Joseph Davenport, W. R. Adamson and Peter Cuff, Schuylkill County Commissioners, with their counsel, Charles A. Snyder, State Treasurer, ex-Judge A. L. Shay and Captain E. D. Smith, were exultant over the action of the Supreme Court.

"It means millions in additional taxes to this county," they declared. "It means public improvements long contemplated, but which could never be realized because of inadequate taxes on coal lands, the chief source of wealth in this region."

"It means public parks and playgrounds and, in general, the making of the coal region a more desirable place in which to live."

The issue before the Supreme Court was raised by Calvin Pardee and about 40 other big coal land owners in Schuylkill County. They previously applied in the court house at Pottsville for an injunction restraining the county and the County Commissioners from sitting as a board to "revise, raise and equalize the valuation of property," after the valuation had been fixed by the tax assessors. The Schuylkill County Court dismissed the application for an injunction. The coal land owners then appealed to the Supreme Court.

Back of all the litigation was the action of the assessors who were alleged to have grossly undervalued the taxable value of the coal lands. Instead of basing their valuation estimated on the price at which the coal lands could be sold after full public notice, as the law provides, the assessors, it was alleged, valued the lands at from only 15 to 50% of their real valuation.

The County Commissioners, in revising the assessors' figures, adopted a valuation fixed by experts. The use of experts was declared by the coal land owners to have been "unconstitutional, irregular, illegal and void." They contended the Commissioners either should have compelled the local assessors to value property, if the latter had disobeyed statutory requirements, or else should have sat to hear complaints against any assessments deemed too small.

Justice Simpson, in his opinion, said the question raised "is a public one, of great future importance, alike to the various counties and the taxpayers. We are clear," he continued, "the Commissioners sitting as a board of revision had a right to pursue the course they did."

Justice Simpson then referred to the Act of 1842, which, he said, did not indicate any particular method to be used by the Commissioners in revising, raising or equalizing assessments or were they required to have personal knowledge of the subject.

"It necessarily follows," he continued, "that they are vested with a reasonable discretion in adopting such necessary and appropriate methods as will enable them to perform the duty imposed upon them, being responsible, of course, for any abuse of the powers. It is clear that it cannot be said, as a matter of law, that the employment of those who know what the property would bring separately, after full public notice at a public sale, is not a reasonable method of obtaining the necessary information."

Justice Simpson said further that, "if the local assessors are intentionally disobeying the law, in not making the assessments at the actual value of the properties, they can be and probably should be indicted under Section 3, of the Act of May 16 1841, but this wrongdoing on their part furnishes no reasons for preventing the Commissioners from obeying the statute, even

though, as averred, it has for many years been the custom of assessors in the County of Schuylkill to value real estate for assessment and taxation with little or no regard to the requirements of the law."

**Tennessee.**—*Governor's Message to Legislature.*—On Jan. 17 the new Governor, Austin Peay, sent a message to the Legislature. He pointed out that on Dec. 1 1922 a deficit of \$2,586,596 69 existed, and warned that the State was getting deeper in debt at the rate of \$1,000,000 annually. Referring to the propaganda for a road bond issue circulating throughout the State, he made known his opposition to the issue and also declared he would not approve any bill for bonds unless provision was made for a referendum. Reduction of land taxes, adoption of a gasoline tax, an excise tax on corporations and a tax on incomes were also advocated by Governor Peay.

## BOND PROPOSALS AND NEGOTIATIONS

this week have been as follows:

**ALMONT, Lapeer County, Mich.**—*BOND SALE.*—The \$25,000 5% gold coupon sewer bonds offered on Jan. 23—V. 116, p. 317—were awarded it is reported, to Joel L. Stockard & Co. for \$25,080 60, equal to 100.3464, a basis of about 4.91%. Date Feb. 1 1923. Due \$5,000 yearly on Feb. 1 from 1925 to 1929, incl.

**ANDREW-NODAWAY DRAINAGE DISTRICT, Nodaway and Andrew Counties (P. O. Guilford), Mo.**—*BONDS AWARDED IN PART.*—Of the \$200,000 drainage bonds offered on Jan. 24—V. 116, p. 201—\$197,000 were awarded as 5s to Ford & Porter of St. Joseph, at 98.28. Denom. \$500 and \$1,000. Date Feb. 1 1923. Int. F. & A. Due serially 1 to 20 years; \$27,000 being optional Feb. 1 1925.

**ANNISTON, Morgan County, Ala.**—*BOND SALE.*—Ward, Sterne & Co., of Birmingham, have purchased \$56,000 6% storm and sanitary sewer bonds at 102.50. Denom. \$500 and \$1,000. Date Oct. 1 1922. Int. A. & O. Due Oct. 1 1932; callable 1-10th yearly.

**ARLINGTON COUNTY (P. O. Roslyn), Va.**—*BOND SALE.*—Bumpus, Hull & Co. of Detroit, have purchased \$275,000 4½% school bonds at par, plus a premium of \$2,550, equal to 100.92. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 26 1923. Int. M. & S. Due in 30 years, optional in 6 to 30 yrs.

**ASHEBORO, Randolph County, No. Caro.**—*BOND SALE.*—The \$7,500 5% coupon (with privilege of registration) sewer bonds of 1920 offered on Dec. 19 (V. 115, p. 2710), were awarded at par to W. J. Armfield and J. S. Lewis, of Asheboro. Date Dec. 1 1922. Due \$250 yearly on Dec. 1 from 1923 to 1952, inclusive.

**ATHENS, Limestone County, Ala.**—*BOND SALE.*—Caldwell & Co. of Nashville, have purchased \$20,000 5% school bldg. erection bonds at 91, a basis of about 5.62%. Denom. \$500. Date Jan. 1 1923. Int. J. & J. Due Jan. 1 1953.

**ATLANTA, Fulton County, Ga.**—*BOND SALE.*—The following 5% coupon or registered bonds aggregating \$75,000 offered on Jan. 18 (V. 116, p. 317) were awarded to the Citizens' & Southern Co. of Atlanta, at a premium of \$2,113 35, equal to 102.79:

\$5,000 Barnett St. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 on Jan. 1 in each of the years 1926, 1927, 1929, 1930 and 1932.  
1,500 De Leon St. bonds. Denom. \$500. Due \$500 on Jan. 1 in each of the years 1927, 1930 and 1932.  
3,000 Virginia Circle bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 on Jan. 1 in each of the years 1926, 1929 and 1932.  
4,000 Clermont Drive bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 on Jan. 1 in each of the years 1927, 1929, 1930 and 1932.  
2,000 Greencove St. bonds. Denom. \$500. Due \$500 on Jan. 1 in each of the years 1928, 1930, 1931 and 1932.  
1,500 East Pavilion St. bonds. Denom. \$500. Due \$500 on Jan. 1 in each of the years 1928, 1930, 1931 and 1932.  
3,000 Battlefield Ave. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 on Jan. 1 in each of the years 1928, 1930 and 1932.  
2,500 Walthall St. bonds. Denom. \$500. Due \$500 on Jan. 1 in each of the years 1927, 1929, 1930, 1931 and 1932.  
3,000 Angier Ave. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 on Jan. 1 in each of the years 1926, 1929 and 1932.  
9,000 South Ave. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due on Jan. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1927; \$2,000, 1928; \$1,000, 1929; \$2,000, 1930; \$1,000, 1931, and \$2,000, 1932.  
2,000 Sidney St. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 on Jan. 1 in 1929 and 1932.  
24,000 South Gordon St. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$3,000 on Jan. 1 from 1925 to 1932, inclusive.  
10,000 McPherson Ave. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due on Jan. 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1927; \$1,000, 1928; \$2,000, 1929; \$1,000, 1930, and \$2,000, 1931 and 1932.  
5,000 Fitzgerald St. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 on Jan. 1 in each of the years 1927, 1928, 1930, 1931 and 1932.  
Date Jan. 1 1923.

**ATLANTIC COUNTY (P. O. Atlantic City), N. J.**—*BOND OFFERING.*—Sealed proposals will be received until 3 p. m. Feb. 10 by Enoch L. Johnson, County Treasurer, for the purchase of \$50,000 4½% coupon (with privilege of registration) temporary road impt. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 30 1922. Int. semi-annually. Due Dec. 30 1926. Certified check on an incorporated bank or trust company for \$1,000, payable to the above official, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest. Legality approved by Clay & Dillon of New York.

**ATTLEBORO, Bristol County, Mass.**—*TEMPORARY LOAN.*—On Feb. 1 a temporary loan of \$50,000 was awarded to the First National Bank of Attleboro on a 4% discount basis plus \$2 premium. Date Feb. 2, 1923. Due Nov. 2 1923.

**AUBURN, Cayuga County, N. Y.**—*BOND OFFERING.*—Until 12 m. Feb. 5 A. D. Stout, City Comptroller, will receive sealed proposals for \$276,140 68 4/10 public impt. bonds. Denom. \$1,000, except first bond. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (F. & A.) payable at the U. S. Mtge. & Trust Co., N. Y. Due approximately one-tenth yearly from 1924 to 1933, incl. Bonds may be registered. Legality approved by Reed, Dougherty & Hoyt of New York. Bonds prepared by Chemical Bank Note Co.

**AUDUBON COUNTY (P. O. Audubon), Iowa.**—*BOND SALE.*—Geo. M. Bechtel & Co. of Davenport, have purchased \$19,800 5½% Drainage District No. 3 bonds at a premium of \$255, equal to 101.28. Denom. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100. Date Feb. 1 1923. Int. J. - J. Due on Feb. 1 as follows: \$1,800 1927 and \$3,000 1928 to 1933, inclusive, optional serially.

**AUGUSTA, Richmond County, Ga.**—*BOND ELECTION.*—The "Manufacturers' Record" of Jan. 27 reports that an election will be held on Feb. 8 to vote on issuing \$98,000 refunding bonds.

**AUDUBON, Audubon County, Iowa.**—*BONDS VOTED.*—A proposition to issue \$50,000 community Memorial hall building bonds was sanctioned by the voters at a recent election.

**BARNEY, Brooks County, Ga.**—*BOND SALE.*—The "Manufacturers' Record" of Feb. 1 reports the sale of \$20,000 school bonds to the Hanchett Bond Co. of Chicago at par and accrued interest.

**BASIN, Big Horn County, Wyo.**—*BOND OFFERING.*—Our Western representative advises us in a special telegram that bids will be received until Feb. 17 for \$150,000 refunding bonds.

**BELL SCHOOL DISTRICT, Los Angeles County, Calif.**—*BOND OFFERING.*—Sealed proposals will be received by L. E. Lampton, County Clerk and ex-officio Clerk, Board of Supervisors, (P. O. Los Angeles), until 11 a. m. Feb. 5 for \$52,000 5% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Feb. 1 1923. Prin. and annual int. payable at the County Treasury, in lawful money of the United States. Due \$2,000 yearly on Feb. 1 from 1924 to 1949, incl. A cert. check or cashier's check for 3% of issue, payable to the Chairman, Board of Supervisors, required. The assessed valuation of the taxable property in this School District for the year 1922 was



\$2,093,385, and the amount of bonds previously issued and now outstanding is \$52,000.

**BENTON HEIGHTS SCHOOL DISTRICT, Union County, No. Caro.—BOND SALE.**—The \$25,000 6% coupon (with privilege of registration as to principal and interest) school bonds offered on Jan. 25 (V. 115, p. 2928) were awarded to W. L. Slayton & Co., of Toledo, at 105, a basis of about 5.50%. Date Jan. 1 1923. Due \$1,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1926 to 1950, inclusive.

**BLACKWELL, Kay County, Okla.—BONDS VOTED.**—An issue of \$50,000 park bonds has been voted.

**BRADLEY BEACH, Monmouth County, N. J.—BOND SALE.**—On Jan. 30 the Union National Corp. of New York was the successful bidder for the \$55,000 5% funding and improvement bonds offered on that date—V. 116, p. 317—at 100.50, a basis of about 4.94%. Date Feb. 1 1923. Due yearly on Feb. 1 as follows: \$3,000, 1925 to 1941 inclusive, and \$4,000, 1942.

**BRAWLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOLDISTRICT, Imperial County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed proposals will be received until 2 p. m. Feb. 5 by C. G. Mousseau, Clerk Board of County Supervisors (P. O. El Centro), for \$39,000 5% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 20 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int., payable in lawful money of the United States at the County Treasury. Due on Oct. 1 as follows: \$1,000 1924 and \$2,000 1925 to 1943, incl. A certified or cashier's check for 5% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the Chairman Board of Supervisors, required.

**BRISTOL COUNTY (P. O. Taunton), Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.**—A temporary loan of \$150,000 dated Jan. 31 1923 and maturing Nov. 1 1923 offered on Jan. 30 (V. 116, p. 433) was awarded to S. N. Bond & Co. of Boston, on a 4% discount basis plus \$2 premium.

**BROCK, Nemaha County, Nebr.—BONDS VOTED.**—At the election held on Dec. 18 (V. 115, p. 2603) the proposition to issue \$6,000 electric distributing bonds carried by a vote of 65 to 37.

**BROUSSARD, Vermilion Parish, La.—BOND DESCRIPTION.**—The \$30,000 6% refunding bonds awarded, as stated in V. 115, p. 2928, are described as follows: Denom. \$500. Date Jan. 1 1923. Principal and semi-annual interest (J. & J.) payable at the Continental & Commercial National Bank, Chicago. Due on Jan. 1 as follows: \$500, 1925 to 1927, inclusive; \$1,000, 1932 to 1937, inclusive; \$1,500, 1938 to 1942, inclusive; \$5,000, 1943; \$2,000, 1944, and \$1,500, 1945.

**BRYAN VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Bryan), Williams County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—The \$25,000 5½% coupon refunding bonds offered on Dec. 22—V. 115, p. 2711—have been awarded to W. L. Slayton & Co. of Toledo for \$25,773 50 (103.09), a basis of about 5.07%. Date Dec. 10 1922. Due yearly on Sept. 10 as follows: \$1,500, 1924 to 1929, incl., and \$2,000, 1930 to 1937, incl.

**BUFFALO, Converse County, Wyo.—BOND SALE.**—The International Trust Co. and the Bankers Trust Co., both of Denver, jointly purchased \$48,000 5½% 10-30-year (opt.) refunding bonds at par.

**BURLINGTON, Des Moines County, Iowa.—BOND OFFERING.**—J. H. Johnson, City Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 11 a. m. Feb. 5 for \$129,000 city hall bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 1 1922. Interest rate not to exceed 4½%. Due on Dec. 1 as follows: \$20,000, 1927; \$5,000, 1928; \$6,000, 1929; \$5,000, 1930; \$6,000, 1931 and 1932; \$7,000, 1933 to 1935, inclusive; \$8,000, 1936 to 1938, inclusive; \$9,000, 1939 and 1940; \$10,000, 1941, and \$8,000, 1942. A certified check for \$150 required. Legality approved by Chapman, Cutler & Parker, of Chicago.

**BUTTE, Boyd County, Nebr.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until 8 p. m. Feb. 5 by C. J. Tomak, Village Clerk, for \$1,675 6% coupon interest paying bonds. Date Jan. 1 1923. Int. annually, payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due Jan. 1 1943. A cert. check for \$10, payable to the above official, required.

**CAMPBELL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 12 (P. O. Adon), Wyo.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received until 3 p. m. Feb. 10 by C. K. Christenson, Clerk of the School Board, for \$5,000 6% negotiable coupon school bonds. Date Dec. 15 1922. Due Dec. 15 1932. Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the County Treasurer's office. A cert. check for \$300, required. Denom. \$1,000.

**CANASTOTA, Madison County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.**—E. B. Roberts, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. Feb. 6 for the purchase of \$12,500 registered fire apparatus bonds, at not to exceed 6% interest. Denom. \$500. Date March 1 1923. Int. M. & S. Due yearly on Aug. 1 as follows: \$3,000, 1923 to 1925, incl., and \$3,500, 1926. Certified check for 5%, payable to Fannie Cowan, Village Treasurer, required.

**CARQUINEZ SCHOOL DISTRICT, Contra Costa County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received until 11 a. m. Feb. 19 by J. H. Wells, Clerk, Board of County Supervisors, (P. O. Martinez) for \$240,000 5% school bldg. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Mar. 1 1923. Int. M. & S. Due on Mar. 1 as follows: \$10,000, 1924 and 1925; \$11,000, 1926; \$12,000, 1927, 1928 and 1929; \$13,000, 1930; \$14,000, 1931 and 1932; \$15,000, 1933; \$16,000, 1934 and 1935; \$17,000, 1936; \$18,000, 1937; \$15,000, 1938 to 1940, incl., and \$5,000, 1941. A cert. check for 5% of amount of bonds bid for, required. The legal opinion of Goodfellow, Moore, Ellis & Orrick of San Francisco, as to the validity of said bonds will be delivered to the bidder free of charge. The official circular offering these bonds state that there is no controversy or litigation pending or threatened affecting the corporate existence of the boundaries of the school district or validity of these bonds, and no previous issue of bonds has ever been contested. Prin. and int. on all bonds previously issued have been paid promptly at maturity.

**CHARLOTTE, Mecklenburg County, No. Caro.—BOND SALE.**—The two issues of registered improvement bonds offered on Feb. 1—V. 116, p. 433—were awarded to Geo. B. Gibbons & Co., Inc., of New York, as follows:

\$700,000 street impt. bonds awarded as 4½% at 100.41, a basis of about 4.72%. Due on Feb. 1 as follows: \$50,000 1925 to 1934, incl., \$22,000 1935 to 1942, incl., and \$24,000 1943.  
100,000 sewerage bonds awarded as 4½% at 100.03, a basis of about 4.49%. Due on Feb. 1 as follows: \$2,000 1926 to 1945, incl.; \$3,000 1946 to 1957, incl., and \$4,000 1958 to 1963, incl.  
Date Feb. 1 1923.

**CHENANGO COUNTY (P. O. Norwich), N. Y.—BOND SALE.**—The \$100,000 4½% coupon (with privilege of registration) bonds which were offered on Jan. 27 (V. 116, p. 317) have been sold to Wm. R. Compton Co. of New York at 103.81 and int., a basis of about 4.035%. Date Feb. 1 1923. Due \$20,000 yearly from 1931 to 1935 inclusive.

**CHIPPEWA COUNTY (P. O. Sault Sainte Marie), Mich.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until 4 p. m. March 14 by the County Clerk for the purchase of \$100,000 4½% or 5% coupon memorial hospital bonds, issued under Act No. 350, P. A. 1913, amended by Act 231, P. A. 1919. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 10 1923. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the County Treasurer's office. Due in 1 to 15 years from date. Bonded debt (including this issue), \$507,500; sinking fund \$238,072. Assessed valuation, \$27,752,377. Population, 1920 (Census), 24,818; present population (est.), 30,000.

**CHIPPEWA TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Doylestown), Wayne County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received until 1 p. m. Feb. 2 for the purchase of \$60,000 5% coupon building bonds. Auth. Sec. 7630-1 of General Code of Ohio. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Feb. 15 1923. Int. payable semi-annually (M. & S.). Due \$300 yearly on Sept. 15 from 1924 to 1943 incl. A certified check for 2% of amount bid for is required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

**CHISAGO COUNTY (P. O. Center City), Minn.—BOND SALE.**—The \$65,907 67½% bonds offered on Jan. 30 (V. 116, p. 318) were awarded to the Wells-Dickey Co., of Minneapolis, as 4½%, at a premium of \$1,160, equal to 101.76. Date Feb. 1 1923. Due on Feb. 1 from 1933 to 1942, incl.

**CLINTON, Vermilion County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—David R. Lewis, City Clerk, will receive bids until 7 p. m. Feb. 21 for \$37,500 5% coupon refunding bonds. Denom. 70 for \$500 each, and 10 for \$250 each. Date Feb. 21 1923. Int. F. & A. 21. Due \$3,750 yearly on Feb. 21 from 1924 to 1933. Bonds will not be sold at less than par.

**COLUMBIANA, Columbiana County, Ohio.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.**—No bids were received for the 2 issues of 5% street improvement bonds, aggregating \$32,889 35, which were offered for sale on Jan. 19—V. 116, p. 98

**COLUMBUS CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Columbus), Franklin County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—The \$400,000 5% coupon school building bonds offered on Feb. 1 (V. 116, p. 262) were awarded to Barr Bros & Co., Inc., of New York, at 105.7836, a basis of about 4.44%. Date Feb. 1 1923. Due yearly on Feb. 1 as follows: \$16,000 1925 to 1940, incl., and \$18,000 1941 to 1948, inclusive.

**CONCORD, Merrimack County, N. H.—LOAN OFFERING.**—Bids will be received by the Town Treasurer until 12 m. Feb. 3 for the purchase at discount of a temporary loan of \$75,000, dated Feb. 6 and maturing Aug. 15 1923.

**CORNWALL, Orange County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.**—The \$22,000 5% coupon bonds which were offered for sale on Jan. 30—V. 116, p. 433—were awarded to D. T. Moore & Co. of New York at 102.78 and int., a basis of about 4.45%. Date Feb. 1 1923. Due \$2,000 yearly on Feb. 1 from 1924 to 1934 inclusive.

**COVINGTON, Kenton County, Ky.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed proposals will be received until 9 a. m. Feb. 8 by Geo. F. Frecking, City Recorder, at the office of the Commissioner of Finance, for \$100,000 refunding bonds. A certified check for \$500, payable to the City of Covington, required. Date March 1 1923. Interest rate not to exceed 5%. Interest semi-annual. Legality to be approved by John C. Thomson, New York City.

**CROWN POINT, Lake County, Ind.—BOND SALE.**—The Harris Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago was the successful bidder on Jan. 27 for the \$15,000 water works and \$10,000 funding 5% bonds, offered on that date—V. 116, p. 318—for \$25,945, equal to 103.78. Date Aug. 21 1922. Due in 10 years.

**CUYAHOCA COUNTY (P. O. Cleveland), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—A. J. Hieber, Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, will receive bids until 11 a. m. Feb. 14 for the purchase at not less than par and int. of the following coupon special assessment bonds, issued under Sec. 6602-20: \$60,000 4½% County Sewer District No. 1 Water Supply Impt. No. 23 bonds. Date April 1 1923. Due \$3,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1924 to 1943, inclusive.  
100,000 5% County Sewer District No. 1, Water Supply Impt. No. 16 bonds. Date Mar. 1 1923. Due \$5,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1924 to 1943, inclusive.

Denom. \$1,000. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.), payable at the County Treasurer's office. Cert. check on some solvent bank other than the one making the bid, for 1% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the County Treasurer, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for within 10 days from date of award, at the County Treasurer's office. County will furnish the bond forms.

**DE BEQUE, Mesa County, Colo.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received until Feb. 6 for \$35,000 6% water extension bonds by C. S. Odere, Town Clerk. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1923. Int. semi-ann. Bonds are payable at Kountze Bros., N. Y. City. The official circular states that there is no litigation concerning the validity of these bonds and no previous issue has ever been contested, also int. on all bonds previously issued has been promptly paid.

**DENVER (CITY AND COUNTY OF) SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1, Colo.—BONDS TO BE OFFERED ABOUT APRIL 1.**—A special wire from our western correspondent advises us that bids will be called for about April 1 for the \$2,000,000 4½% school bonds. Notice that bids would be called for as soon as the approving opinion of Wood & Oakley of Chicago had been obtained was given in V. 115, p. 2820.

**DIXON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 70 (P. O. Allen), Nebr.—BOND SALE.**—The Peters Trust Co. of Omaha has purchased \$23,600 5½% school bonds at 100.21, a basis of about 5.48%. Denom. \$600 and \$1,000. Int. M. & S. Date Mar. 1 1923. Due Mar. 1 1943. Notice of this sale was given in V. 116, p. 318; it is given again as additional data have come to hand.

**DOUGLAS COUNTY (P. O. Rosenberg), Ore.—BIDS REJECTED.**—All bids received for the \$35,000 4½% road bonds on Jan. 20 (V. 116, p. 203) were rejected.

**DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 33 (P. O. Valley), Neb.—BOND ELECTION.**—An election will be held on Feb. 5 to vote on the question of issuing \$85,000 school bldg. bonds. Anthony Parsons, Director.

**DRESDEN (P. O. Clemens), Washington County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.**—The \$7,500 6% bridge bonds which were offered for sale on Feb. 1—V. 116, p. 434—were awarded to the Merchants National Bank of Whitehall at 101.50, a basis of about 5.75%. Date Feb. 15 1923. Denom. \$500. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (F. & A.) payable at National Bank of Whitehall. Due \$500 yearly on Feb. 5 from 1924 to 1938 inclusive.

**DU BOIS COUNTY (P. O. Jasper), Ind.—BOND SALE.**—The \$15,000 4½% M. D. Lemond et al. Patoka Township road improvement bonds offered on Jan. 27—V. 116, p. 203—were awarded to the Huntington Bank of Huntington at par. Date Feb. 1 1923. Due \$750 each six months from May 15 1924 to Nov. 15 1933 inclusive.

**DURANT, Bryan County, Okla.—BONDS VOTED.**—At the special election held on Jan. 23—V. 116, p. 318—the proposition to issue \$125,000 auditorium construction bonds carried by a vote of 44 "for" to 26 "against."

**EAGLE PASS, Maverick County, Texas.—BOND SALE.**—We are informed by J. L. Arlitt of Austin that he has purchased the following two issues of 6% funding bonds:

\$14,971 54 bonds. Denom. \$1,000 and 1 for \$971 54. Due on Dec. 1 as follows: \$1,000 1923 to 1936 incl., and \$971 54 1937.  
14,922 91 bonds. Denom. \$1,000 and 1 for \$922 91. Due on Dec. 1 as follows: \$1,000 1923 to 1936 incl., and \$922 91 1937.  
Date Dec. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & D.) payable at the National Park Bank, New York City.

**EAST CLEVELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. East Cleveland), Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND ELECTION.**—A special election will be held on Feb. 27 to vote on the question of issuing \$875,000 school building bonds.

**EAST HAMPTON UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. East Hampton), N. Y.—BOND SALE.**—Rutter & Co. of New York purchased the following two issues of 4½% coupon bonds at 102.42, a basis of about 4.25%, on Feb. 1:

\$190,000 bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date July 1 1922. Due \$10,000 on Feb. 1 from 1924 to 1942, incl.  
50,000 bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Jan. 1 1923. Due \$500 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1924 to 1943, incl., and \$4,000 on Jan. 1 from 1943 to 1953, incl.

Prin. and semi-ann. int. payable at the East Hampton National Bank. The bonds are now being offered to investors at prices to yield 4.05% and 4.10%.

**EAST OMAHA DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 21 (P. O. Council Bluffs), Pottawatomie County, Iowa.—BOND OFFERING.**—Geo. Sparks, County Auditor, will sell at public auction at 2 p. m. Feb. 7 approximately \$44,000 6% bonds. Denom. to suit purchaser. A cert. check for 5% of amount bid required.

**ELECTRA, Wichita County, Texas.—BONDS REGISTERED.**—The State Comptroller of Texas registered \$7,500 6% serial incinerator bonds on Jan. 26.

**ELMWOOD VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Cincinnati), Hamilton County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until 12 m. Feb. 23 by W. L. Morton, Clerk of the Board of Education, for the purchase of \$10,500 5% heating and ventilation bonds. Auth. Secs. 7629-7630 of the General Code. Denom. 15 for \$500 and 15 for \$200. Due \$700 yearly from March 1 1925 to 1940. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & S.) payable at the First National Bank of Elmwood Place. A certified check for \$500, payable to Board of Education, required. Bonds will not be sold at less than par and interest.

**EL PASO, El Paso County, Texas.—CORRECTION.**—In our issue of Jan. 27, page 434, we stated that R. M. Grant & Co. of Chicago had purchased \$90,000 5% refunding bonds. We now learn that this is incorrect, the real purchaser of the bonds having been W. M. Grant & Co. of Fort Worth. The bonds are described as follows: Denom. \$1,000. Date Feb. 1 1923. Int. F. & A. Due serially.



The following is a complete list of the bids received:

Bidder—	Premium.	Bidder—	Premium.
W. M. Grant & Co., Ft. W.	\$3,753 00	Stern Bros. & Co., K. C.	\$2,106 00
Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., Ch.	3,744 00	Hanchett Bond Co., Chic.	2,065 00
Prov. S. B. & Tr. Co., Cincin.	3,249 00	J. S. Curtiss, El Paso	2,052 10
Well, Roth & Irving, Cincin	3,033 00	Sidlo, Simons, Fels & Co., Den.	2,043 00
R. M. Grant & Co., Chic.	2,866 00	Hall & Hall, Temple	1,912 50
Seasongood & Mayer, Cin.	2,711 00	Crosby, McConnell & Co.	
G. L. Simpson & Co., Dallas	2,628 00	and A. C. Allyn & Co.	1,870 00
Harris Tr. & Sav. Bk., Chi.	2,511 00	Craven, Dardens & Robins	1,863 00
Brag, Garrett & Co., Dallas	2,360 00	H. L. Allen & Co., N. Y.	1,467 00
Kauffman, Smith, Emert &		Nat. Bank of Comm., St. L.	1,301 00
Co., Inc., St. Louis	2,340 00	H. C. Burt & Co., Austin	301 00
Mortgage Inv. Co., Denver	2,250 00	Bonbright & Co., Inc.	
Bankers' Trust Co., Denver	2,124 90	N. Y. C.	*797 60

\* Discount bid for 4½% bonds.

**ENGLEWOOD, Arapahoe County, Colo.—BONDS DEFEATED.**—A special telegraphic dispatch from our western representative advises us that a proposition to issue \$250,000 water bonds failed to carry when submitted to a vote of the people.

**ESSEX COUNTY (P. O. Salem), Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.**—The following is the complete list of bidders for the 3 temporary loans aggregating \$730,000 awarded as reported in V. 116, p. 434:

\$100,000 Gloucester-Rockport Highway Temporary Loan Renewal:	
*Gloucester National Bank, Gloucester	3.96 discount
Merchants' National Bank, Salem	4.12 discount
Warren National Bank, Peabody	4.12 discount
Salem Trust Co., Salem	3.98 discount and \$1 25
Naumkeag Trust Co., Salem	4.05 discount
Beverly National Bank, Beverly	3.98 discount
Commonwealth Trust Co., Boston	4.06 discount
Security Trust Co., Lynn	4.25 discount
Gloucester S. D. & Trust Co., Gloucester	4.05 discount
Haverhill National Bank, Haverhill	4.04 discount
Cape Ann National Bank, Gloucester	4.12 discount

\$20,000 Gloucester-Rockport Highway Temporary Loan:	
*Manchester Trust Co., Manchester	3.90 discount and \$1 00
Merchants' National Bank, Salem	4.12 discount
Warren National Bank, Peabody	4.12 discount
Salem Trust Co., Salem	3.98 discount and \$1 25
Naumkeag Trust Co., Salem	4.05 discount
Gloucester National Bank, Gloucester	3.96 discount
Beverly National Bank, Beverly	3.97 discount
Commonwealth Trust Co., Boston	4.06 discount
Security Trust Co., Lynn	4.25 discount
Gloucester S. D. & Trust Co., Gloucester	4.05 discount
Haverhill National Bank, Haverhill	4.04 discount
Cape Ann National Bank, Gloucester	4.12 discount

\$10,000 Industrial Farm Loan:	
*Sagamore Trust Co., Lynn	4.10 discount
Merchants' National Bank, Salem	4.10 discount (if Cert.)
Warren National Bank, Peabody	4.10 discount
Naumkeag Trust Co., Salem	4.29 discount
Security Trust Co., Lynn	4.25 discount
Manchester Trust Co., Manchester	4.18 discount

\* Successful bidders.

**EVANGELINE PARISH (P. O. Ville Platte), La.—BONDS VOTED.**—A special wire from our Western representative advises us that the proposition to issue \$800,000 road bonds carried at the election held on Jan. 25. —V. 116, p. 318.

**FAIRFAX SCHOOL DISTRICT, Marin County, Calif.—BOND SALE.**—On Jan. 9 an issue of \$10,000 6% school bonds was awarded to Wm. Cavalier & Co. of San Francisco at a premium of \$410, equal to \$104.10. Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 1 1922. Int. J. & D. Due 1932.

**FLOYD COUNTY (P. O. New Albany), Ind.—BOND SALE.**—On Jan. 17 the issue of \$22,360 4½% road bonds offered on that date—V. 116, p. 203—was awarded to Peoples' State Bank of Detroit, for \$22,695 (101.005) and int., a basis of about 4.64%. Date Nov. 15 1922. Due \$559 each 6 months from May 15 1924 to Nov. 15 1943, inclusive.

**BOND SALE.**—The \$26,920 4½% Mount Taber Free Gravel bonds of New Albany Township offered on Dec. 20 (V. 115, p. 2604), were sold to the People's State Bank of Indianapolis. Date Nov. 15 1922. Due \$673 each six months from May 15 1923 to Nov. 15 1942, inclusive.

**FORT EDWARD, Washington County, New York.—BOND SALE.**—An issue of \$8,000 5% paving bonds, which was offered on Jan. 15, has been purchased by the Fort Edward National Bank at par. Date Jan. 1 1923. Due 1924 to 1927, inclusive.

**FOUNTAIN, El Paso County, Colo.—BOND SALE.**—Keeler Bros. & Co. of Denver have purchased \$55,000 5½% serial refunding water bonds at 98.10.

**FOWLER, Clinton County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received by William R. Bolder, Town Clerk, until 1:30 p. m. Feb. 3 for the purchase \$6,500 5% refunding bonds. Date Nov. 17 1922. Due Nov. 17 1932. Int. payable semi-annually.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY (P. O. Columbus), Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—The following two issues of 5% bonds, aggregating \$16,100, which were offered on Jan. 29—V. 116, p. 203—were awarded to the Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co. of Cincinnati, for \$16,230 (100.807) and interest, a basis of about 4.84%:

\$8,600 sewer bonds. Denoms. \$1,000 and \$600. Due \$600 Dec. 1 1924, and \$1,000 yearly on Dec. 1 from 1925 to 1932, inclusive.  
7,500 water main bonds. Denoms. \$1,000 and \$500. Due \$500 Dec. 1 1924, and \$1,000 yearly on Dec. 1 from 1925 to 1931, inclusive.  
Date Dec. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & D.), payable at the County Treasurer's office.

Other bidders were:

Well, Roth & Irving, Cincin. \$16,102 | Ohio Nat. Bank, Columbus. \$16,130

**FULLERTON, Orange County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until 7:30 p. m. Feb. 6 by F. C. Heymalhalch, City Clerk and ex-official Clerk of Board of Trustees, for \$175,000 outfall sewer bonds not to exceed 5% interest. Denom. \$1,000. Date March 1 1923. Prin. and semi-ann. int., payable in lawful money of the United States at the City Treasurer's office. Due \$7,000 yearly on March 1 from 1924 to 1948, incl. A certified check for 5% of issue, payable to the City Treasurer, required.

**FULTON COUNTY (P. O. Rochester), Ind.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.**—No bids were received for the \$12,200 4½% road bonds offered on Jan. 25 (V. 116, p. 318).

**GARDEN GROVE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Los Angeles County, Calif.—BOND SALE.**—Bond & Goodwin & Tucker, Inc. and Blyth, Witter & Co., both of San Francisco, jointly purchased \$95,000 5% school bonds at a premium of \$4,012, equal to 100.01.

**GARY SCHOOL CITY (P. O. Gary), Lake County, Ind.—BOND SALE.**—Stacy & Braun of Toledo have purchased an issue of \$150,000 4½% school bonds at par plus a premium of \$2,655, equal to 101.77, a basis of about 4.28%. Date Feb. 1 1923. Due Feb. 1 1943.

**GIBSON COUNTY (P. O. Princeton), Ind.—BOND SALE.**—The \$7,600 5% Willard Kalb road bonds offered on Jan. 25 (V. 116, p. 318) have been purchased by the Farmers' National Bank of Princeton, at a premium of \$100 (101.31) and int., a basis of about 4.745%. Date Jan. 15 1923. Due \$380 each 6 months from May. 15 1924 to Nov. 15 1933, incl. The following bids were also received:

Premium Offered.	Premium Offered.
City Trust Co., Indianapolis. \$117 00	Thos. Emerson, Princeton. \$104 50
Thos. D. Sheerin & Co., Ind. \$92 00	Peoples' Am. Nat. Bk., Prin. \$75 00

\* And accrued interest.

**GILLIAM COUNTY (P. O. Conlon), Ore.—BOND OFFERING.**—J. C. Sturgiel, County Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. Feb. 10 for \$125,000 5½% road bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1923. Int. J. & J. Due Jan. 1 1943. A certified check for 5% required.

**GLOUCESTER COUNTY (P. O. Woodbury), N. J.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received until 10 a. m. Feb. 13 by Chester N. Steelman, Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, for the purchase of an issue of

4½% coupon road bonds, not to exceed \$475,000, no more bonds to be awarded than will produce a premium of \$1,000 over \$475,000. Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 15 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & D.), payable at the Farmers & Mechanics National Bank of Woodbury. Due \$31,000 yearly on Dec. 15 from 1923 to 1927, incl., and \$32,000 yearly on Dec. 15 from 1928 to 1937, incl. Certified check on an incorporated bank or trust company for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the County of Gloucester, required.

**GONZALES, Gonzales County, Tex.—BOND ELECTION.**—An election will be held on Feb. 20 to vote on the question of issuing \$25,000 funding street improvement bonds. These bonds were voted on Dec. 5 but the election was declared invalid (V. 116, p. 319), necessitating a new election.

**GRAFTON SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Grafton), Walsh County, No. Dak.—BOND AND WARRANT SALE.**—The \$15,000 funding bonds and \$25,000 warrants recently voted (V. 116, p. 319) have been sold.

**GREELEY, Wild County, Col.—BOND ELECTION.**—A proposition to issue \$201,300 sewer bonds will be submitted to a vote of the people on April 2. C. D. Todd, Mayor.

**GREENFIELD TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2, Wayne County, Mich.—BOND SALE.**—The \$40,000 bonds offered on Jan. 20—V. 116, p. 319—were awarded, according to reports, to the First National Co. of Detroit, on a bid of \$42,113, equal to 105.2825, for 4½%, which is on a basis of about 4.42%. Date Aug. 15 1922. Due Aug. 15 1952.

**GREENLAND TOWNSHIP CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 47 (P. O. Marion), No. Dak.—BOND ELECTION.**—A special election will be held to-day (Feb. 3) to vote on the question of issuing \$11,000 5¼% 20-year refunding bonds.

**HAMILTON, Butler County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—The \$650,000 5% coupon electric light works improvement bonds, which were offered for sale on Nov. 1—V. 115, p. 1655—have been sold to Stacy & Braun and Sidney Spitzer & Co., who are now offering the bonds to investors at prices to yield 4.50% and 4.40%. Date April 1 1920. Due \$32,500 yearly on April 1 from 1925 to 1944, inclusive.

**HAMILTON COUNTY (P. O. Noblesville), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received by A. G. Finley, County Treasurer, until 10 a. m. Feb. 10 for the purchase of \$10,000 4½% John Rupe road, White River Township, bonds. Date Feb. 10 1923. Due each six months, beginning May 15 1924. Int. payable semi-annually (M. & N. 15).

**HARRISONVILLE, Cass County, Mo.—BOND SALE.**—The \$60,000 5% negotiable coupon sewer bonds offered on Jan. 31—V. 116, p. 435—were awarded to the Brown-Crummer Co. of Wichita at par plus a premium of \$162 30, equal to 100.17, a basis of about 4.98%. Date Feb. 1 1923. Due on Feb. 1 as follows: \$15,000, 1928, and \$3,000, 1929 to 1943, incl.

**HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 25, Nassau County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed proposals will be received until 8:15 p. m. Feb. 15 by Wm. S. Christy, District Clerk (P. O. Merrick), for the purchase at not less than par and accrued interest of \$175,000 4½% coupon (with privilege of registration as to principal only, or as to both principal and interest) school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date March 1 1923. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & S.) payable in lawful money of the United States of America at the Central Union Trust Co., N. Y. Due yearly on March 1 as follows: \$5,000, 1927 to 1951, incl., and \$10,000, 1952 to 1956, incl. Certified check on an incorporated bank or trust company for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for, payable to the District Treasurer, required. Legal opinion of Hawkins, Delafield & Longfellow of New York City will be furnished the successful bidder. Bonds will be prepared under the supervision of the Central Union Trust Co., N. Y., which will certify as to the genuineness of the signatures of the officials and the seal impressed thereon. Total bonded debt (including this issue), \$176,500; total assessed valuation, \$1,538,622; tax rate (per \$1,000), 1922, \$7 70.

**HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY SPECIAL TAX SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4 (P. O. Tampa), Fla.—BOND SALE.**—On Jan. 23 an issue of \$10,000 6% school bonds was disposed of at 104. Denom. \$400. Date Jan. 1 1923. Interest J. & J.

**HOMER TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Medina), Medina County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—The \$8,000 5½% school bonds which were offered on Jan. 24 (V. 116, p. 203) have been sold to W. L. Slattery & Co. of Toledo at about 5.46%. Date Jan. 1 1923. Due \$1,000 on Oct. 1 1930 and 1937 and \$500 on Oct. 1 in each of the other years from 1924 to 1936 incl.

**HOMESTEAD, Allegheny County, Pa.—BOND SALE.**—The \$285,000 4½% municipal coupon bonds which were offered for sale on Jan. 29—V. 116, p. 203—have been purchased by the Mellon National Bank of Pittsburgh, for \$302,166 66, equal to 106.023, a basis of about 3.97%. Date Feb. 1 1923. Due Feb. 1 1953.

**HUBBARD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 83 (P. O. Park Rapids), Minn.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received by Carl Schafe, District Clerk, until 10 p. m. Feb. 5 for \$4,500 7% school bonds. Denom. \$500. Date Jan. 1 1923. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & S.) payable at the Northwestern Trust Co., St. Paul. Due Jan. 1 1933. A certified check for 2% of amount bid, payable to the District Treasurer, required.

**HUNT COUNTY COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3, Texas.—BONDS REGISTERED.**—On Jan. 24 the State Comptroller of Texas registered \$1,500 5% serial bonds.

**INDIANAPOLIS SANITARY DISTRICT (P. O. Indianapolis), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Proposals will be received until 12 m. Feb. 20 by Jos. L. Hogue, City Controller, for the purchase of all or any part, at not less than par and int., of \$375,000 4½% coupon bonds, second issue of 1923. Denom. \$500. Date Feb. 15 1923. Int. semi-ann. (J. & J.). Due \$7,500 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1925 to 1974, incl. If bonds are not sold on Feb. 20 the offering will be continued from day to day until the entire issue is disposed of. Bonds shall be negotiable as inland bills of exchange and shall be payable at the office of the County Treasurer or one of the authorized depositories of the city.

**INDIANAPOLIS SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Indianapolis), Marion County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until 10 a. m. Feb. 20 by Walter J. Twinn, Business Director, for \$110,000 4½% coupon school building bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Feb. 20 1923. Prin. and semi-ann. int., payable at the Treasury of the School Board, Indianapolis. Due yearly on June 20 as follows: \$5,000 1924 to 1938, incl., and \$7,000 1939 to 1943, incl. Certified check on a responsible bank or trust company in Indianapolis for at least 3% of the face value of the bonds bid for, payable to the Board of School Commissioners required.

**INGHAM COUNTY (P. O. Mason), Mich.—BOND ELECTION.**—On April 2 an election will be held to vote on \$50,000 tuberculosis hospital bonds. Interest rate not to exceed 6%. Due not later than 10 years.

**ISLE, Mille Lacs County, Minn.—BOND ELECTION.**—A proposition to issue \$17,000 negotiable coupon electric lighting system bonds, bearing interest at a rate not to exceed 6% will be submitted to a vote of the people at a special election to be held on Feb. 13. Wm. Corner, Village Clerk.

**ITASCA COUNTY (P. O. Grand Rapids), Minn.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received by Thomas Erskine, County Auditor, until 10 a. m. Feb. 6 for \$38,000 5% road bonds. Date Oct. 1 1922. Denom. \$1,000. Int. semi-ann. Due on Oct. 1 as follows: \$10,000, 1932 to 1934, incl., and \$8,000, 1935. A cert. check for 5% of issue, payable to the County Treasurer, required.

**JACKSON, Breathitt County, Ky.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until 7 p. m. Feb. 5 by Price Sewell, City Clerk, for \$25,000 6% gold water works bonds. Date Jan. 1 1923. Due in 20 years, optional after 5 years. A certified check for \$500 required.

**KILLBUCK SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Killbuck), Holmes County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—The \$90,000 5% 1-24-year school bonds offered on Jan. 27—V. 116, p. 204—have been purchased by A. T. Bell & Co. of Toledo for \$91,221 30, equal to 101.357. Date March 1 1923. Last bond matures Sept. 1 1946.

**KIMBALL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Kimball), Brule County, So. Dak.—BONDS VOTED.**—An issue of \$90,000 school building bonds has been voted.



**KIRKWOOD, Saint Louis County, Mo.—BOND ELECTION.**—A special wire from our Western representative advises us that an election will be held on Feb. 10 to vote on issuing \$105,000 water bonds.

**LA CROSSE, La Crosse County, Wis.—NO BIDS RECEIVED.**—PORTION OF BONDS AWARDED SINKING FUND.—The following three issues of 4% coupon bonds offered on Jan. 26—V. 116, p. 435—were not sold as no bids were received. M. R. Birnbaum, City Clerk, says: "No bids received, a portion of bonds awarded to the Sinking Fund of the City of La Crosse."

**LAKE CORMORANT DRAINAGE DISTRICT, De Soto and Tunica Counties, Miss.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received until 11 a. m. Feb. 15 by L. A. Gerard, Secretary of District (P. O. Hernando) for 6% drainage bonds amounting to from \$110,000 to \$150,000. A certified check for \$2,000 required.

**LEES SUMMIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 79 (P. O. Lees Summit), Jackson County, Mo.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until 8 p. m. Feb. 15 by W. R. Duncan, Secretary Board of Education, for \$95,000 4½% coupon high school building bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1923. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & D.) payable in St. Louis. Due April 1 1943; optional any interest paying date after 5 years from date of issue. A certified or cashier's check (or cash) for \$1,000 required.

**LIBERTY COUNTY (P. O. Liberty), Texas.—ADDITIONAL DATA.**—We are now advised that the Stifel-Nicolaus Investment Co. and Stix & Co., both of St. Louis, were in joint account with Caldwell & Co. in the purchase of the \$500,000 5½% road bonds on Jan. 9—V. 116, p. 320. The bonds are described as follows: Denom. \$1,000. Date Feb. 15 1923. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (April 15 and Oct. 15) payable at the Chase National Park Bank, N. Y. City. Due yearly on Feb. 15 from 1924 to 1962 inclusive.

**LINCOLN COUNTY (P. O. Ivanhoe), Minn.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received until 10 a. m. Feb. 5 by Al. Swenson, County Auditor, for \$16,155 public drainage ditch bonds. A certified check for 5% of amount of bid, payable to the County Treasurer, required.

**LINDENHURST FIRE DISTRICT (P. O. Lindenhurst), Suffolk County, N. Y.—BIDS REJECTED.**—All bids received for an issue of \$35,000 5½% fire house bonds offered on Jan. 30 were rejected. Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 1 1922. Due \$5,000 yearly on April 1 from 1926 to 1932, incl.

**LOCKPORT, Niagara County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sherwood & Merrifield of New York, have purchased \$21,980 39 6% paving bonds. Denom. \$2,442 26, and one for \$2,441 31. Date Jan. 30 1923. Prin. and annual int. (Jan. 1), payable at the City Treasurer's office. Due yearly on Jan. 30 from 1924 to 1931, inclusive.

**LOS ANGELES, Los Angeles County, Calif.—BOND SALE.**—The First Securities Co. of Los Angeles has purchased \$96,000 5% city improvement district bonds at a premium of \$1,410, equal to 101.67.

**BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until 10.30 a. m. Feb. 13 by Robert Dominguez, City Clerk, for \$2,000,000 water works bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1923. Interest rate not to exceed 4½%. Prin. and int. payable at the City Treasurer's office or at the Guaranty Trust Co., N. Y. City. Legality approved by Jno C. Thomson, N. Y. City. A certified check for 2% of amount of bonds, payable to the City Treasurer, required. Apparently these bonds are part of the \$5,000,000 water department bonds voted at the election held on Nov. 7—V. 115, p. 2404.

**BOND OFFERING.**—A special wire from our western representative advises us that bids are now being received for \$1,000,000 fire bonds.

**LOS ANGELES CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Los Angeles County, Calif.—BIDS.**—The following is a list of the bids received for the \$2,500,000 4½% school building bonds on Jan. 8:

Guaranty Co. of N.Y., et al.	\$77,925	Citizens National Bank of Los Angeles, et al.	\$65,925
Harris Trust & Savings Bank, et al.	70,107	Anglo-Calif. Trust Co., et al.	57,031
Drake, Riley & Thomas, et al.	66,425	Eldredge & Co., et al.	48,351

\* Successful bid; for previous reference see V. 116, p. 204.

**LOS ANGELES CITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, Los Angeles County, Calif.—BIDS.**—The following bids were received for the \$2,000,000 4½% school building bonds on Jan. 8:

Guaranty Co. of N.Y., et al.	\$62,340	Citizens National Bank of Los Angeles, et al.	\$52,740
Harris Trust & Savings Bank, et al.	55,540	Anglo-Calif. Trust Co., et al.	45,631
Drake, Riley & Thomas, et al.	53,140	Eldredge & Co., et al.	39,081

\* Successful bid; for previous reference to same see V. 116, p. 204.

**LUCAS COUNTY (P. O. Toledo), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Adelaide E. Schmitt, Clerk Board of County Commissioners, will receive sealed bids until 10.30 a. m. (Eastern Time) Feb. 19 for the following seven issues of 5% bonds:

\$30,769 22 Washington Township Stone Road Improvement No. 194 bonds. Denom. \$1,000, except 1 for \$769 22. Due yearly on Sept. 1 as follows: \$2,769 22, 1924; \$3,000, 1925 to 1928 inclusive, and \$4,000, 1929 to 1932 inclusive.

7,179 48 Washington Township Stone Road Improvement No. 197 bonds. Denom. \$1,000, except 1 for \$1,179 48. Due yearly on Sept. 1 as follows: \$1,179 48, 1924; \$1,000, 1925 to 1928 inclusive, and \$2,000, 1929.

20,717 93 Maumee Village Stone Road Improvement No. 198 bonds. Denom. \$1,000, except 1 for \$717 93. Due yearly on Sept. 1 as follows: \$1,717 93, 1924; \$2,000, 1925 to 1929 inclusive, and \$3,000, 1930 to 1932 inclusive.

20,512 81 Washington Township Stone Road Improvement No. 199 bonds. Denom. \$1,000, except 1 for \$512 81. Due yearly on Sept. 1 as follows: \$1,512 81, 1924; \$2,000, 1925 to 1929 inclusive, and \$3,000, 1930 to 1932 inclusive.

17,230 76 Washington Township Stone Road Improvement No. 202 bonds. Denom. \$1,000, except 1 for \$1,230 76. Due yearly on Sept. 1 as follows: \$1,230 76, 1924; \$2,000, 1925 to 1929 inclusive, and \$3,000, 1930 and 1931.

\*49,876 17 bonds to provide a fund for the purchase and acquisition of Water Supply Line No. 67, in Lucas County, Main Sewer District No. 7. Denom. \$1,000, except 1 for \$876 17. Due yearly on Sept. 1 as follows: \$4,876 17, 1924, and \$5,000, 1925 to 1933, incl.

6,769 22 Washington Township Stone Road Improvement No. 196 bonds. Denom. \$1,000, except one for \$769 22. Due yearly on Sept. 1 as follows: \$769 22, 1924; \$1,000, 1925 to 1928, inclusive, and \$2,000, 1929.

Date March 1 1923. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & S.) payable at the office of the County Treasurer. All of the above bonds, with the exception of those marked (\*) are issued under authority of Section 6929 of the General Code. The bonds marked with an asterisk are issued under authority of Section 6902-32 of the General Code, as found in Vol. 108, Ohio Laws, Part 1, at pages 378 and 379. Certified check (or cash) on a bank doing a regular banking business in city of Toledo, for \$500, required, with each issue. Bonds will be delivered at the Court House in Toledo on March 1 1923. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

**LUDLAW, Kenton County, Ky.—BOND SALE.**—The \$40,000 5% fire department and city building bonds offered on Jan. 25 (V. 116, p. 320) were awarded to the Ludlaw Savings Bank, Ludlaw, at a premium of \$405, equal to 101.01, a basis of about 4.80%. Denom. \$500. Date Feb. 1 1923. Int. F. & A. Due \$4,000 yearly on Feb. 1 from 1924 to 1933 incl.

**McKINNEY, Collin County, Tex.—BONDS VOTED.**—At the election held on Jan. 20—V. 115, p. 2821—the proposition to issue \$100,000 junior high school building bonds carried.

**MADISON, Morris County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.**—Until 7.30 p. m. Feb. 12, J. H. Talmadge, Borough Clerk, will receive sealed proposals for the purchase at not less than par and accrued interest of an issue of 4½% coupon (with privilege of registration as to principal only, or as to both principal and interest) grade crossing and improvement bonds not to exceed \$47,000, no more bonds to be awarded than will produce a premium of \$1,000 over \$47,000. Denom. \$1,000. Date Sept. 1 1917. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & S.), payable at the Madison Trust Co., Madison. Due yearly on Sept. 1 as follows: \$2,000 1943, \$5,000 1944, \$6,000 1945 to 1950, incl., and \$4,000 1951. Certified check on an incorporated bank or trust company for 2% of the amount bid for, payable to the borough of Madison, required. Legality to be approved by Hawkins, Delafield &

Longfellow of N. Y. Bonds have been prepared under the supervision of the U. S. Mtge. & Trust Co., N. Y., which certify as to the genuineness of the signatures of the officials and the seal impressed thereon. The bonds for sale are part of a larger issue; the earlier maturities have been sold previously.

**MARTIN COUNTY (P. O. Shoals), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received by William Dustin, County Treasurer, until 1.30 p. m. Feb. 19 for the purchase of \$75,000 4½% coupon highway construction bonds. Date Feb. 10 1923. Due in 20 equal payments.

**MATAGORDA COUNTY ROAD DISTRICT NO. 8, Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.**—The State Comptroller of Texas registered \$110,000 5½% serial bonds on Jan. 23.

**MIAMI, Dade County, Fla.—BOND ELECTION.**—According to the "Manufacturers Record" of Jan. 27, an election will be held on Mar. 20 to vote on the question of issuing \$2,730,000 improvement bonds.

**MIAMI COUNTY (P. O. Peru), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received by C. E. Reyburn, County Treasurer, until 11 a. m. Feb. 15 for the purchase of \$4,100 4½% road bonds. Denom. \$205. Date Jan. 15 1923. Due \$205 May 15 1924 and \$205 each six months thereafter. Int. payable semi-ann. (M. & N.). Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

**MIAMI SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Miami), Ottawa County, Okla.—BOND SALE.**—The First National Bank of Miami has purchased \$100,000 school-building bonds.

**MICHIGAN (State of).—BOND OFFERING.**—Frank F. Rogers, State Highway Commissioner, is receiving bids until 1.30 p. m. Feb. 8 for the following three issues of road assessment district bonds, issued under the Covert Act:

\$20,000 Assessment District No. 326, Branch County, bonds.  
21,000 Assessment District No. 283, Hillsdale and Branch counties, bonds.  
23,000 Assessment District No. 384, Calhoun and Branch counties, bonds.  
Int. M. & N. Due serially in from two to five years. Bidders to name rate of interest, not to exceed 6%. Certified check for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the State Highway Commissioner, required.

**MIDDLEBURGH, Schoharie County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.**—The \$12,000 5% high school bonds offered on Jan. 27—V. 116, p. 320—have been purchased by the First National Bank of Middleburgh at a premium of \$275 (102.19) and interest, a basis of about 4.60%. Date Feb. 1 1923. Due \$1,000 yearly on Feb. 1 from 1924 to 1935 incl. The following bids were also received:

D. T. Moore & Co., N. Y.	\$12,240 00	Stephens & Co.	\$12,066 84
Farson, Son & Co., N. Y.	12,123 60	Schoharie Co. Bk., Schoh.	12,250 00
Union Nat'l Corp., N. Y.	12,148 00	Sherwood & Merrifield, N. Y.	12,280 00

**MIDDLETOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Middletown), Butler County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—On Feb. 1 N. S. Hill & Co. of Cincinnati were awarded the \$210,000 5% coupon high school building bonds, offered on that date—V. 116, p. 99—for \$216,588, equal to 103.13, a basis of about 4.63%. Date Feb. 1 1923. Due yearly on Sept. 1 as follows: \$11,000, 1924 to 1933 inclusive, and \$10,000, 1934 to 1943 inclusive.

**MILBANK, Grant County, So. Dak.—BOND ELECTION.**—Our Western representative advises us by wire that an election will be held on Feb. 27 to vote on the question of issuing \$100,000 school bonds.

**MILBANK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Milbank), Grant County, So. Dak.—BOND ELECTION.**—A special election will be held on Feb. 27 to vote on the question of issuing school bonds in an amount not to exceed \$70,000. A. R. Allen, Clerk.

**MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—BOND OFFERING.**—J. A. Ridgway, Secretary of Board of Park Commissioners, will receive sealed bids until 3 p. m. Feb. 14 for the following two issues of park bonds:

\$100,000 5% bonds. Date May 1 1922. Int. M. & N. Due \$10,000 yearly on May 2 from 1922 to 1931, incl. Although the first maturity date seems to be in error it was taken from an official notice.

285,000 4½% bonds. Date Oct. 1 1922. Int. A. & O. Due \$28,500 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1923 to 1932, incl.

Prin. and int. payable at the fiscal agency of the City of Minneapolis in N. Y. City or at the City Treasurer's office, at option of holder. A certified check for 2% of amount bid for, payable to C. A. Bloomquist, City Treasurer, required.

**MOBILE COUNTY (P. O. Mobile), Ala.—BONDS VOTED.**—The "Manufacturers Record" of Jan. 29 reports that Mobile County has voted \$1,051,000 bonds, including \$350,000 for warrant and \$700,000 for school purposes.

**MONESSEN SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Monessen), Westmoreland County, Pa.—BOND SALE.**—The \$150,000 4½% bonds offered on Dec. 12—V. 115, p. 2404—have been purchased by the Bank of Charleroi & Trust Co., of Charleroi, at 102.65, a basis of about 4.29%. Date Dec. 1 1922. Due on Dec. 1 as follows: \$5,000, 1924; \$10,000, 1927, 1930 and 1933; \$15,000, 1936 and 1939; \$20,000, 1942 and 1945; \$25,000, 1948, and \$20,000, 1951.

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY (P. O. Dayton), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received by F. G. Kilmar, Clerk, Board of County Commissioners, until 10 a. m. Feb. 13 for the purchase of the following coupon bonds:

\$138,090 5½% Lakeside water system impt. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$6,000 on Feb. 1 1935 and 1945, and \$7,000 in each of the other years from Feb. 1 1926 to 1945, incl. A cert. check for \$6,000 is required.

260,000 5½% Westwood water supply impt. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$13,000 yearly on Feb. 1 1926 to 1945, incl. A cert. check for \$10,000 is required.

2,000 5% Manor Place water supply impt. bonds. Denom. \$100. Due \$100 yearly from Feb. 1 1923 to 1944, incl. A cert. check for \$50 is required.

40,000 5½% Westwood Sewer District No. 1 bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$2,000 Feb. 1 1927 and 1939, and \$3,000 in each of the other years from Feb. 1 1925 to 1938, incl. Cert. check for \$1,000, required.

Date Feb. 1 1923. Int. payable semi-ann. (F. & A.). Purchaser to pay accrued int. Checks must be on a solvent bank or trust company, and be made payable to the County Treasurer.

**MONTICITO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT, Santa Barbara County, Calif.—BOND ELECTION.**—An election will be held on Feb. 27 to vote on the question of issuing \$850,000 water bonds.

**MULTNOMAH COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Portland), Ore.—BIDS REJECTED.**—LUMBERMENS' TRUST COMPANY OF PORTLAND, GETS CONTRACT TO SELL BONDS.—All bids received for the \$1,000,000 school bonds offered for sale on Jan. 24 (V. 116, p. 436) were rejected. The "Oregonian" of Jan. 25 had the following to say regarding the rejection of all bids and the letting of a contract to the Lumbermens Trust Co. of Portland, to sell the bonds:

"At the close of a debate peppered with decimals and percentage symbols, and further enlivened by semi-personalities, the District school board last night confirmed its contract with the Lumbermens Trust Company as fiscal agents for the sale of bonds, and rejected all bids upon the first \$1,000,000 of the \$3,000,000 issue.

"The gathering was almost entirely a financial one. Grouped before the board were representatives of all Portland bond houses, varying somewhat in their individual tenders but of one mind in their attitude toward the appointment of an agency for the retelling of the securities.

"The expressed opinion of the majority of the board was that the fiscal agency could obtain a better price than that offered, and that in the event it did not do so its services would be dispensed with. Under the terms of the agreement the Lumbermens Trust Co., represented at the session by Robert E. Smith, President, must secure sales at not less than par, and at not more than 4½% interest, over and above the ½% commission to be paid the fiscal agent.

"In communication to the directorate, the Lumbermens Trust Co. set forth its estimate of the market and the value of the securities. On a basis of 4.40%, which would yield to the District \$100 89, the estimate declared that the bonds should net the District \$100 39 at 4½% interest, after the ½% commission had been paid to the fiscal agent."

**MUSKEGON HEIGHTS, Muskegon County, Mich.—BOND SALE.**—A block of \$25,000 6% 5-year Jefferson Street improvement bonds has been sold over the counter to local investors.

**BOND ELECTION.**—On Mar. 7 an election will be held to vote on the question of issuing \$35,000 5% sewer bonds.



**NACOGDOCHES, Nacogdoches County, Tex.—BOND SALE.**—The \$225,000 5% 40-year serial street impt. bonds offered on Jan. 26 (V. 116, p. 436) were awarded to the Stone Fort National Bank and the Commercial Guaranty State Bank, both of Nacogdoches, at a premium of \$1,000, equal to 100.44. Due serially for 40 years, optional after 10 years from date. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 30 1923 Int. J. & J.

**NAVAJO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6 (P. O. Taylor), Ariz.—BONDS VOTED.**—At the election held on Jan. 6 (V. 115, p. 2741) the question of issuing \$14,500 6% 20-year school building bonds carried by a vote of 30 to 3.

**NEOSHO, Newton County, Mo.—BOND SALE.**—According to the "Manufacturers' Record" of Jan. 31 Breg. Garrett & Co. of Dallas have purchased \$65,000 5% sewer construction bonds. These bonds were offered for sale on Jan. 20—V. 116, p. 436.

**NEW ALBANY SCHOOL CITY (P. O. New Albany), Floyd County, Ind.—BONDS RE-OFFERED.**—Due to an error in the advertisement of the offering on Jan. 3 of \$25,000 4½% school bonds—V. 115, p. 2930—the bonds are being re-offered on Feb. 9 at 1:30 p. m. Denom. \$500. Date Feb. 9 1923. Int. F. & A. 9. Due \$5,000 yearly on Feb. 9 from 1933 to 1937, incl.

**NEWAYGO COUNTY (P. O. White Cloud), Mich.—BOND ELECTION.**—On April 1 an election will be held to vote on the proposition of issuing \$15,000 jail bonds.

**NEW BOSTON, Portsmouth County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received by Russell Middaugh, Village Clerk, until 12 m. Feb. 3 for the purchase at not less than par and interest of \$55,000 5½% street improvement assessment bonds issued under authority of the Gen. Code. Prin. and semi-annual int., payable at the Portsmouth Banking Co. of Portsmouth. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$6,000 yearly on Feb. 1 from 1925 to 1932, incl., and \$7,000 Feb. 1 1933. A certified check for 2% of the amount bid for, payable to the village required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for at New Boston.

**NEW CASTLE COUNTY (P. O. Wilmington), Del.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received by H. Stewart, Chairman of the Finance Committee, until 12 m. Feb. 20 for the purchase of all or any part of \$50,000 4½% coupon highway improvement bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date June 1 1923. Prin. and semi-annual int. (J. & D.) payable at the Farmers' Bank at Wilmington. Due \$5,000 on June 1 1936, \$15,000 on June 1 1937, \$25,000 on June 1 1938, and \$5,000 on June 1 1939. A certified check for 2% of the amount bid for, payable to the Treasurer of New Castle County, required. The legality of this issue will be examined by Caldwell & Raymond of New York, whose favorable opinion will be furnished to the purchaser. The bonds will be prepared under the supervision of the United States Mortgage & Trust Co., New York, which will certify as to the genuineness of the signatures of the county officials and the seal impressed thereon. Bids are desired on forms which will be furnished by the U. S. Mgt. & Trust Co. or by the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

**Assessed valuation of taxable property**.....\$169,052,082  
**Bonded debt, exclusive of this issue**.....4,224,000  
**Population, Census of 1920**.....148,239.

**NEWMAN GROVE, Madison County, Nebr.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received by F. H. Price, City Clerk, until Feb. 9 for the purchase of an issue of paving bonds amounting to from \$60,000 to \$70,000. Probable rate of interest 5%.

**NEWTON COUNTY (P. O. Kentland), Ind.—BOND SALE.**—The \$24,000 5% Jackson Twp bonds which were offered for sale on Jan. 25 (V. 116, p. 204) have been sold to A. P. Flynn of Logansport at a premium of \$345 (101.44) and interest, a basis of about 4.74%. Date Dec. 15 1922. Due \$1,200 each six months from May 15 1924 to Nov. 15 1933, inclusive. The following bids were also received:

<b>Premium.</b>	<b>Premium.</b>
J. P. Wild, Indianapolis.....\$336 00	Bankers Trust & Sav., Ind.....\$343 00
Sherwin & Co., Indianapolis.....302 50	Meyer-Kiser Co., Indianapolis.....343 00
Fletcher Trust Co., Indianapolis.....303 20	Fletcher-American Co., Ind.....316 00
N. P. Flynn, Logansport.....345 00	

**NEW YORK CITY, N. Y.—TEMPORARY LOANS.**—During the month of January the city issued \$43,325,000 short-term securities, consisting of revenue bills and bonds, assessment bonds and corporate stock notes:

Revenue Bills of 1923.				Corporate Stock Notes.			
Amount.	Rate.	Maturity.	Date Sold.	Amount.	Rate.	Maturity.	Date Sold.
\$5,000,000	4½%	July 27 1923	Jan. 2	Various Municipal Purposes.			
3,500,000	4½%	Aug. 1 1923	Jan. 2	\$1,000,000	4½%	Mar. 16 1923	Jan. 5
3,500,000	4½%	July 2 1923	Jan. 2	1,850,000	4½%	Aug. 8 1923	Jan. 5
6,000,000	4½%	July 13 1923	Jan. 5	2,350,000	4½%	Sept. 28 1923	Jan. 9
1,000,000	4½%	Aug. 9 1923	Jan. 5	500,000	4½%	Aug. 1 1923	Jan. 10
1,000,000	4½%	June 14 1923	Jan. 9	500,000	4½%	Dec. 14 1923	Jan. 19
75,000	4½%	Apr. 12 1923	Jan. 9	250,000	4½%	(On or before) Jan. 31	Jan. 31
75,000	4½%	Aug. 10 1923	Jan. 9				
50,000	4½%	June 15 1923	Jan. 9	<b>Water Supply.</b>			
1,800,000	4½%	Aug. 1 1923	Jan. 9	\$500,000	4½%	Aug. 8 1923	Jan. 5
2,000,000	4½%	July 13 1923	Jan. 10	1,000,000	4½%	Aug. 30 1923	Jan. 10
2,000,000	4½%	Aug. 1 1923	Jan. 10	<b>Rapid Transit.</b>			
2,500,000	4½%	July 21 1923	Jan. 10	\$25,000	4½%	*Jan. 20 1924	Jan. 20
1,000,000	4½%	Aug. 30 1923	Jan. 10	275,000	4½%	*Jan. 26 1924	Jan. 26
<b>Special Revenue Bills of 1923.</b>				225,000	4½%	*Jan. 26 1924	Jan. 26
\$1,500,000	4½%	Jan. 10 1924	Jan. 10	<b>Dock Purposes.</b>			
\$1,000,000	4%	(On or before) Jan. 29	Jan. 29	\$150,000	4½%	Sept. 28 1923	Jan. 9
		(Dec. 31 1924)		200,000	4½%	*Jan. 26 1924	Jan. 26
				<b>Assessment Bonds.</b>			
				\$2,500,000	4%	*Jan. 2 1924	Jan. 31

\*Due on or before said dates.

**NILES, Trumbull County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received by Homer Thomas, City Auditor, for the purchase of \$14,000 5½% municipal water-works bonds. Dated Oct. 1 1922. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 yearly Oct. 1 1924 to Oct. 1 1937, inclusive. Interest payable semi-annually. Auth., Sec. 3939-3942, General Code of Ohio. A certified check for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for, payable to the City Auditor, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

**NOBLES COUNTY (P. O. Worthington), Minn.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received until 10 a. m. Feb. 15 by C. J. Kall, County Auditor for the following two issues of bonds:  
 \$8,000 Judicial Ditch No. 45 bonds. Due on Feb. 1 as follows: \$500, 1929 to 1942, inclusive, and \$1,000, 1943.  
 43,000 Judicial Ditch No. 26 bonds. Due on Feb. 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1929 and 1930 and \$3,000, 1931 to 1943, inclusive.

Date Feb. 1 1923. Interest rate not to exceed 5%. Principal and interest payable at some bank in Minneapolis, Chicago or St. Paul. A certified check for 5% of the par value of each issue, payable to the County Treasurer, required.

**NORTH BEND SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. North Bend), Hamilton County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—The \$2,500 6% bonds offered on March 30 (V. 114, p. 1332) have been sold to the National Bank of Cleves at par. Date Jan. 2 1922. Due \$250 yearly on Jan. 2 from 1923 to 1932, inclusive.

**NORTH DAKOTA (State of).—BOND SALE.**—C. W. Whitis & Co. and Clark Williams & Co., both of New York, have purchased and are now offering to investors at prices to yield 4.50% \$1,650,000 5½% coupon (or reg.) gold real estate Series "C" bonds (part of a total of \$2,000,000). Denom. \$1,000. Date Nov. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & D.) payable in New York or Bismarck. Due on Jan. 1 as follows: \$650,000, 1945, and \$1,000,000, 1948.

**NORTH VERNON, Jennings County, Ind.—BOND SALE.**—The \$20,000 4½% refunding bonds which were offered on Jan. 26, were purchased by several citizens of said city at par and accrued interest. Date Jan. 1 1923. Due \$100,000 Jan. 1 1928 and \$10,000 Jan. 1 1933.

**ONAMIA, Mille Lacs County, Minn.—BOND ELECTION.**—A special election will be held on Feb. 13 to vote on the question of issuing \$18,000 negotiable coupon bonds bearing interest at a rate not to exceed 6%. Pearl E. Gravel, Village Clerk.

**ORANGE CITY, Sioux County, Iowa.—BOND OFFERING.**—F. J. Lohr, Town Clerk, will sell at public auction, on Feb. 9, \$45,000 electric light bonds. Interest rate not to exceed 5½%. A good faith deposit of \$1,000 required.

**OREGON (State of).—BOND SALE.**—A syndicate composed of the Bankers Trust Co., E. H. Rollins & Sons, Ames, Emerich & Co., and Marshall Field, Gore, War, & Co., all of New York; John E. Price & Co. and Carstens & Barles, Inc., of Seattle, and the Ladd & Tilton Bank of

Portland, has purchased the \$5,000,000 gold coupon (with privilege of registration) Oregon Veterans' State Aid bonds offered on Jan. 31—V. 116, p. 100—at 100.02, taking \$4,000,000 as 4½% and \$1,000,000 as 4%, equal to a basis of about 4.24%. Date March 1 1923. Due \$125,000 on April 1 and Oct. 1 from 1933 to 1952 incl. The syndicate is now offering the bonds to investors as follows: 4% bonds to yield 4.15%, 4½% bonds to yield 4.30%.

**PACHECO SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Hollister), San Benito County, Calif.—BOND SALE.**—The \$20,000 6% school bonds offered on Dec. 4—V. 115, p. 2404—were purchased by C. F. Overfelt, of San Jose at a premium of \$700, equal to 103.50. Due \$1,000 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1924 to 1943 inclusive.

**PALESTINE, Anderson County, Texas.—BONDS DEFEATED.**—At the election held on Jan. 20—V. 115, p. 2930—the proposition to issue \$78,000 paving and \$22,000 park bonds failed to carry.

**PALO ALTO, Santa Clara County, Calif.—BOND ELECTION.**—An election will be held on Feb. 9 to vote on the question of issuing \$160,000 serial water and sewer extension bonds.

**PARKER (P. O. Parker's Landing), Armstrong County, Pa.—BOND SALE.**—The \$19,000 4½% coupon (with privilege of registration) tax-free bonds offered on Oct. 5—V. 115, p. 1454—have been sold to Redmond & Co. of Pittsburgh for \$19,025, equal to 100.13, a basis of about 4.49%. Date Oct. 10 1922. Due on Oct. 10 as follows: \$4,000, 1927; \$5,000, 1932, 1937 and 1942.

**PARMA, Monroe County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.**—An issue of \$24,000 5% bonds has been purchased by Myron W. Greene of Rochester. Due \$2,000 annually April 1 1925 to 1936 inclusive.

**PARSHALL, Mountrail County, No. Dak.—BOND SALE.**—Kalman, Wood & Co. of Minneapolis have been awarded an issue of \$30,000 6% 20-year bonds at \$31,330, equal to 104.43.

**PAULDING COUNTY (P. O. Paulding), Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—The \$67,600 5% road improvement bonds which were offered for sale on Jan. 29—V. 116, p. 436—have been purchased by the Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co. of Cincinnati for \$67,843 36, equal to 101.258, a basis of about 4.71%. Date Feb. 1 1923. Due yearly on Feb. 1 as follows: \$7,600, 1925, and \$10,000, 1926 to 1931, incl. The following also submitted bids: W. L. Slayton & Co., Toledo; Weil, Roth & Co., Cincinnati; A. T. Bell & Co., Toledo, and Citizens Trust & Savings Bank, Columbus.

**PEMISCOT COUNTY (P. O. Caruthersville), Mo.—BONDS NOT TO BE SOLD.**—In answer to our inquiry regarding the result of the offering of the \$150,000 5% court house bonds on Jan. 24 (V. 116, p. 100), A. A. Correll, County Treasurer, says: "The new County Court that came into power the first of the year cancelled the order to sell the court house bonds and we will not sell them."

**PERRY COUNTY (P. O. Cannelton), Ind.—BOND SALE.**—The \$35,000 5% road bonds which were offered for sale on Jan. 26 (V. 116, p. 321) have been sold to the City Trust Co. of Indianapolis at a premium of \$27 (101.50) and int., a basis of about 4.69%. Date Jan. 15 1923. Due \$1,750 each 6 months from May 15 1924 to Nov. 15 1933 incl. The following also submitted bids: J. W. Wild & Co., State Bank, Meyer-Kiser Bank and Fletcher-American Company.

**PISGAH, Harrison County, Iowa.—BONDS DEFEATED.**—At a recent election a proposition to issue \$12,500 electric light bonds failed to carry by a vote of 61 to 64.

**PLAQUEMINE, Iberville Parish, La.—BOND OFFERING.**—According to the "Manufacturers' Record" of Jan. 29 bids will be received until Feb. 20 by Fritz P. Wilbert, Mayor, for \$150,000 6% public utility bonds. Denom. \$1,000.

**PLEASANTVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Pleasantville), Fairfield County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—An issue of \$100,000 5% school bonds was purchased by the State Industrial Commission of Ohio at par on Dec. 12. Due Dec. 12 1944.

**POMPTON LAKES, Passaic County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.**—J. Frank Cornelius, Borough Clerk, will receive sealed proposals until 8 p. m. Feb. 15 for the purchase at not less than par and accrued interest of an issue of 5% coupon (with privilege of registration as to principal only or as to both principal and interest) water main bonds not to exceed \$25,000 no more bonds to be awarded than will produce a premium of \$500 over \$25,000. Denom. \$500. Date Dec. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & D.) payable at the First National Bank, Pompton Lakes. Due \$2,000 Dec. 1 1923 and Dec. 1 1924 and \$1,500 yearly on Dec. 1 from 1925 to 1938 incl. Cert. check on an incorporated bank or trust company for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for, payable to the Borough of Pompton Lakes, required.

**PORT HURON, Huron County, Mich.—BOND OFFERING.**—Clinton J. Rathfon, Commissioner of Finance, will receive sealed bids until 11 a. m. Feb. 13 for the purchase of the following 5% public improvement bonds:

\$5,100 street bonds. Denoms. 3 for \$1,000 and 3 for \$700. Due \$1,700 yearly on Feb. 1 from 1924 to 1926, inclusive.  
 484 sewer bonds. Denom. \$44. Due \$44 yearly on Feb. 1 from 1924 to 1934, inclusive.  
 116,600 paving bonds. Denom. 110 for \$1,000 and 11 for \$600. Due \$1,060 yearly on Feb. 1 from 1924 to 1934, inclusive.  
 5,490 curbing bonds. Denom. 3 for \$1,000 and 3 for \$830. Due \$1,830 yearly on Feb. 1 from 1924 to 1926, inclusive.  
 14,980 sewer bonds. Denom. 14 for \$1,000 and 7 for \$140. Due \$2,140 yearly on Feb. 1 from 1924 to 1930, inclusive.  
 Date Feb. 1 1923. Prin. and semi-ann. int., payable at the City Treasurer's office.

**BOND OFFERING.**—The above official will also receive sealed bids until 11 a. m. Feb. 13 for \$1,200 serial public improvement drainage bonds. Prin. and int., payable at the City Treasurer's office.

**PORTLAND, Ionia County, Mich.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received by Chas. F. Gilder, Village Clerk, until 7:30 p. m. Feb. 14 for the \$12,500 5% coupon oil-burning engine purchase bonds recently voted (V. 115, p. 2930). Denom. \$500 each. Dated Mar. 1 1923. Prin. and annual int. (Oct. 1) payable at the Weber State Savings Bank of Portland. Due serially. A certified check of 2%, payable to Chas. F. Gilder, Village Clerk, is required.

**PORTSMOUTH, Rockingham County, N. H.—TEMPORARY LOAN.**—The Shawmut Corp. of Boston has been awarded a temporary loan of \$100,000, dated Jan. 30 1923 and maturing July 31 1923, on a 4.09% discount basis.

**RAMAPO UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7 (P. O. Spring Valley), Rockland County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.**—The \$290,500 4½% coupon (with privilege of registration) school bonds which were offered on Jan. 30—V. 116, p. 321—were awarded to Rutter & Co. of N. Y. at 103.083 and int., a basis of about 4.23%. Date Feb. 1 1923. Denom. \$1,000, except 1 for \$500. Due yearly on Feb. 1 as follows: \$7,500, 1924; \$8,000, 1925 to 1929 incl.; \$10,000, 1930 to 1950 incl., and \$11,000, 1951 to 1953 incl.

These bonds are being re-offered to investors at prices to yield 4.10%.

**RANDOLPH TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Dover R. F. D.), Morris County, N. J.—BONDS TO BE RE-OFFERED.**—The \$30,000 school bonds for which no bids were received when offered on Jan. 20 as 4½s—V. 116, p. 436—are to be re-offered in the near future as 6s.

**READING, Berks County, Pa.—BOND SALE.**—The \$300,000 4½% school bonds offered on Jan. 25 (V. 116, p. 205) have been purchased by the Reading National Bank of Reading at a premium of \$4,908 (102.67) and interest, a basis of about 3.12%. Date Jan. 1 1923. Due yearly on Jan. 1 as follows: \$10,000 from 1924 to 1926, \$15,000 from 1927 to 1930, \$20,000 from 1931 to 1934, \$25,000 from 1935 to 1939, \$9,000, 1940. The following bids were also received:

Biddle & Henry.....	\$304,047 00	Reilly, Brock & Co.....	\$302,022
Battles & Co.....	302,012 77	Lewis & Snyder.....	302,820
Guaranty Trust Co., N.Y.....	302,121 00	Robt. Glendinning.....	303,051
Frazier & Co., Inc.....	303,330 00		

**RICHLAND COUNTY (P. O. Mansfield), Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—The \$226,000 5½% Richland County bonds which were offered for sale on Jan. 8 (V. 115, p. 2930), have been sold to Prudden & Co., of Toledo, and Seagood & Mayer, of Cincinnati, at 102 7/8 and interest, a basis of about 5.08%. Date Dec. 1 1922. Due \$26,000 Oct. 1 1924 and \$25,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1925 to 1932, inclusive.



**ROCHELLE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Rochelle), Wicox County, Ga.—BOND SALE.**—An issue of \$60,000 school bonds has been disposed of.

**ROCK VALLEY, Sioux County, Iowa.—BONDS VOTED.**—By a vote of 160 "for" to 95 "against" a proposition to issue \$60,000 electric light plant bonds carried at a recent election. This proposition was defeated at an election held during the latter part of September last.

**ST. IGNACE, Mackinac County, Mich.—BONDS VOTED.**—On Jan. 23 an issue of \$27,500 city electric light plant bonds was voted. The vote stood 456 "for" and 55 "against."

**ST. THOMAS SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. St. Thomas), Pembina County, No. Dak.—BONDS OFFERED.**—Sealed bids were received by Thos. Whalen, Jr., Secretary Board of Education, until 1 p. m. Jan. 31 for \$50,000 5% school house erection bonds. Denom. \$1,000.

**SAFETY HARBOR, Pinellas County, Fla.—BOND SALE.**—J. L. Arlitt of Austin informs us that he recently purchased an issue of \$35,000 6% paving bonds. Denom. \$500. Date May 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & J.) payable at the Mechanics & Metals National Bank, N. Y. City. Due Jan. 1 1947.

**SALEM, Essex County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.**—The Merchants National Bank of Salem has been awarded a temporary loan of \$150,000 maturing Nov. 5 1923 on a 3.96% discount basis, plus a prem. of \$260.

**SAN DIEGO, San Diego County, Calif.—BOND ELECTION.**—An election will be held on March 20 to vote on the question of issuing the following bonds, aggregating \$1,570,500:

\$495,500 pier bonds	\$100,000 new paving
\$325,000 water main extensions	400,000 Otay pipe line
250,000 library enlargement	

**SAN DIEGO COUNTY (P. O. San Diego), Calif.—BONDS VOTED.**—Our Western representative advises us in a special telegraphic dispatch that at the election held on Jan. 26—V. 116, p. 100—the \$1,000,000 paving bonds were voted.

**SANDUSKY COUNTY (P. O. Fremont), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received until 12 m. Feb. 10 for the purchase of \$72,000 5% I. C. H. No. 22, Sec. 8-2 road impt. bonds issued under auth. of Section 1223, of the General Code of Ohio. Denom. \$1,000. Date April 1 1923. Due yearly \$8,000, 1924 to 1932, incl. Int. payable semi-ann. A. & O. A cert. check for \$2,000, required. Bonds to be delivered and paid for within 30 days from date of award at the County Auditor's office. Purchaser shall pay accrued interest.

**SAVANNAH-CLEAR CREEK RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Savannah), Ashland County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—The \$65,000 5 1/4% school building bonds offered on Jan. 27 (V. 116, p. 100) have been purchased by Bumpus, Hull & Co. of Detroit for \$67,179.50, equal to 101.814, a basis of about 4.84%. Date Jan. 1 1923. Due yearly on Sept. 1 as follows: \$2,600 1924 to 1927 incl. and \$3,000 1928 to 1946 incl.

**SHERMAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 82 (P. O. Loup City), Neb.—BOND ELECTION.**—An election will be held on Feb. 5 to vote on the question of issuing \$2,000 school building bonds. Oaka H. Clark, Director.

**SIoux FALLS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Sioux Falls), Minnehaha County, So. Dak.—BOND SALE.**—The \$300,000 5% coupon school bonds offered on Jan. 26—V. 116, p. 322—were awarded to A. C. Allyn & Co. of Chicago at par plus a premium of \$19,081, equal to 106.36. Due in 20 years. The following is a complete list of bids received:

A. C. Allyn & Co., Chicago	\$19,081	Hanchett Bond Co., Chic.	\$16,836
Bolger, Mosser & Willaman, Chicago	16,650	William R. Compton Co., Chic.	10,833
N. W. Trust Co. St. Paul	11,451	Minton, Lampert & Co., Chic.	14,015
Stacy & Braun, St. Paul	14,758	N. S. Hill & Co., Cincinnati	7,401
Wells-Dickey Co., Minneap.	17,885	A. G. Becker & Co., Chicago	14,401
McNear, Heeter & Co., Mpls.	15,333	Continental & Commercial Trust & Savgs. Bk., Chic.	13,680
S. F. Trust & Savings Bank, Sioux Falls	14,011	Eldredge & Co., Boston	14,580
Northern Trust Co., Chicago	16,890	Omaha Trust Co., Omaha	6,010
Prudden & Co., Toledo	16,683	Bonbright & Co., Chicago	10,265

All of the above bids included accrued interest.

**SPARTA, Monroe County, Wisc.—BOND OFFERING.**—L. R. Moore, Chairman of the Finance Committee, will offer for sale at 2 p. m. Feb. 8 \$14,000 5% impt. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Oct. 2 1922. Int. M.-S.

**STANTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Stanton), Martin County, Texas.—BOND SALE.**—The \$40,000 school building bonds recently voted (V. 116, p. 322) were purchased by J. L. Arlitt of Austin.

**STATESVILLE, Iredell County, No. Caro.—BOND SALE.**—The following two issues of 5 1/4% bonds offered on Jan. 23—V. 116, p. 206—were awarded to N. S. Hill & Co. of Cincinnati at a premium of \$2,550.55, equal to 103.267, a basis of about 5.11%.

\$50,000 local impt. bonds. Due on Jan. 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1926 to 1933, incl.; \$3,000, 1934 to 1939, incl., and \$4,000, 1940 to 1943, incl.

25,000 assessment bonds. Due \$2,500 yearly on Jan. 1 from 1926 to 1935, incl.

Date Jan. 1 1923.

**STEPHENS COUNTY (P. O. Duncan), Okla.—BONDS OFFERED BY BANKERS.**—Kauffman-Smith-Emert & Co., Inc., of St. Louis, are offering to investors at prices to yield 4.70%. \$200,000 5% road bonds (part of an \$800,000 issue voted on Oct. 20—V. 115, p. 2076). Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 1 1922. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. & D.), payable at the fiscal agency of the State of Oklahoma in N. Y. City. Due \$40,000 on Oct. 1 in each of the years 1927, 1932, 1937, 1942 and 1947.

**STEBEN COUNTY (P. O. Bath), N. Y.—BOND DESCRIPTION.**—The \$300,000 4 1/4% highway bonds awarded to Remick, Hodges & Co. and Roosevelt & Sons, both of New York, at 103.157, as stated in V. 116, p. 437, are described as follows: Denom. \$1,000. Date Feb. 1 1923. Int. F. & A. Due \$30,000 yearly on Feb. 1 from 1923 to 1937, incl.

**STEWART, McLeod County, Minn.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received by Emil Leistico, Village Clerk, until 8:30 p. m. Feb. 6 for \$5,000 5 1/4% village hall bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date Jan. 1 1923. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J.-J.), payable at the First National Bank, Minneapolis. Due Jan. 1 1943. A cert. check for 10% of amount bid, payable to the Village Clerk, required.

**STOCKTON, San Joaquin County, Calif.—NO BIDS RECEIVED—BONDS TURNED OVER TO CONTRACTOR.**—The \$54,665 4 1/4% improvement bonds offered on Jan. 30—V. 116, p. 437—were not sold at the time of offering, as no bids were received. The bonds were later turned over to the contractor at par.

**SUMMIT COUNTY (P. O. Akron), Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—On Jan. 30 the \$26,000 5% coupon Sanitary Impt. No. 14, Contract No. 2 Main Sewer District No. 4-A bonds offered on that date (V. 116, p. 206) were awarded to W. L. Slayton & Co. of Toledo, for \$26,408.20, equal to 101.57, a basis of about 4.75%. Date Jan. 1 1923. Due \$2,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1924 to 1936, incl. The following are the bids received:

W. L. Slayton & Co., Toledo	Premium offered.	\$408.20
Well, Roth & Co., Cincinnati		345.00
Richards, Parish & Lamson, Cleveland		308.00
Tucker, Robison & Co., Toledo		205.40
Co-operative National Bank, Cleveland		325.00
The Lewis S. Rosenstiel Co., Cincinnati		366.60
The Ohio State Bank & Trust Co., Akron		130.00
Seasongood & Mayer, Cincinnati		245.00
The Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co., Cincinnati		397.80
Sidney Spitzer & Co., Toledo		286.00
A. T. Bell & Co., Toledo		293.80
N. S. Hill & Co., Cincinnati		351.00

**SUNNYSIDE VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT, Wash.—BOND SALE.**—The Yakima Trust Co. of Yakima purchased \$195,000 6% refunding bonds at 98 on Nov. 14. Denom. \$500. Date Jan. 1 1923. Int. J. & J. Due on Jan. 1 from 1927 to 1943.

**SWAMPSCOTT, Essex County, Mass.—NOTES SOLD.**—An issue of \$40,000 notes has been awarded. It is reported, to the Manufacturers National Bank of Lynn, on a 3.99% discount basis. Due Nov. 10 1923.

**TALLADEGA, Talladega County, Ala.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until 12 m. Feb. 20 by M. R. Joiner, Presiding Com-

missioner and ex-official Mayor, for \$239,000 5% water works bonds. Date July 1 1917. Int. semi-ann. Due July 1 1947. A certified check, or cash, on some reputable bank in Alabama for 1/4 of 1% of the amount of bonds bid for, provided that in no event shall there be required to be deposited more than \$1,000, payable to the City of Talladega, required.

**TALLAHASSEE, Leon County, Fla.—BOND OFFERING.**—B. H. Bridges, City Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. March 6 for the following 5% coupon bonds:

\$125,000 street paving bonds. Due on Feb. 1 as follows: \$5,000, 1928 to 1937 inclusive; \$7,000, 1938 to 1942 inclusive, and \$8,000 1943 to 1947 inclusive.

12,000 sewer system extension bonds. Due Feb. 1 1938.

8,000 septic tank bonds. Due Feb. 1 1938.

Denom. \$1,000. Date Feb. 1 1923. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (F. & A.) payable at the Chemical National Bank, N. Y. City. A certified check for 2% of amount bid for, required. Separate bids for all or any of said issues will be entertained.

**TIMBER LAKE, Dewey County, So. Dak.—BOND OFFERING.**—Sealed bids will be received until 8 p. m. Feb. 5 by Geo. H. Puder, City Auditor, for \$16,000 6% sewer bonds. Denom. \$500. Due serially from 1 to 9 years. Bonds will be sold subject to the legal opinion of G. N. Williamson of Aberdeen. Bids for less than par and accrued int will not be considered. A cert. check for 2% of amount bid, required.

**TULARE, Tulare County, Calif.—BONDS VOTED.**—By a vote of 669 "for" to 79 "against" an issue of \$50,000 fire department and city hall improvement bonds was sanctioned by the voters.

**TUSCUMBIA, Colbert County, Ala.—BOND ELECTION.**—The "Manufacturers' Record" of Jan. 27 reports that an election will be held on Feb. 27 to vote on the question of issuing \$25,000 paving, \$125,000 school and \$50,000 indebtedness bonds.

**TWIN FALLS, Twin Falls County, Idaho.—BID REJECTED.**—Our Western correspondent in a special telegraphic dispatch to us says: "Twin Falls City rejected Drake-Ballard Company's bid of 101.15 for approximately \$70,000 5% 10-20 year refunding bonds."

**UPPER ARLINGTON, Franklin County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—The following 2 issues of 5 1/4% coupon special assessment sewer bonds, offered on Dec. 12 (V. 115, p. 2296) were awarded to the Citizens' Trust & Saving Bank of Columbus, for \$92,450, equal to 100.48, a basis of about 5.385%:

\$10,000 bonds. Due \$1,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1923 to 1932, inclusive.

\$2,000 bonds. Due yearly on Oct. 1 as follows: \$8,000, 1923 to 1926, incl.; \$9,000, 1927; \$8,000, 1928 to 1931, incl., and \$9,000, 1932. Date Oct. 2 1922.

**VAN METER CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Van Meter), Dallas County, Iowa.—BOND SALE HELD UP.**—Regarding the sale of the \$126,000 5% school bldg. bonds on Jan. 26—V. 116, p. 322—A. M. Compton, Secretary, Board of Education says: "Sale of school bonds held up on account of injunction filed by individual on afternoon of sale."

**VENICE, Los Angeles County, Calif.—CITY TO VOTE ON AN-NEXTION TO LOS ANGELES.**—An election will be held on Feb. 20 to vote on the question of whether or not the City of Venice shall become a part of the City of Los Angeles.

**WALTHAM, Middlesex County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.**—The Old Colony Trust Co. of Boston, has been awarded a temporary loan of \$250,000 maturing July 1 1923 on a 4.02% discount basis plus \$1.25 prem.

**WAPAKONETA, Auglaize County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received by F. W. Nester, City Auditor, until 12 m. Feb. 15 for the following 5 1/4% bonds:

\$9,000 special assessment South Willipie St. pavement bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 yearly Oct. 1 1924 to Oct. 1 1932 inclusive.

10,800 (city's portion) South Willipie St. pavement bonds. Denom. 9 for \$1,000 each and 9 for \$200 each. Due \$1,200 yearly Oct. 1 1924 to Oct. 1 1932 inclusive.

14,400 (special assessment) North Wood St. pavement bonds. Denom. 9 for \$1,000 each; 9 for \$500 each, and 9 for \$100 each. Due \$1,600 yearly Oct. 1 1924 to Oct. 1 1932, inclusive.

7,700 (city's portion) North Wood St. pavement bonds. Denom. 8 for \$900 each, and 1 for \$500. Due yearly \$900 Oct. 1 1924 to 1932, incl., and \$500 yearly Oct. 1 1924 to 1932, inclusive.

Dated Nov. 1 1922. Int. semi-ann. Cert. check for 10% of amount bid for, payable to the City Treasurer is required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest.

**WARREN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Midland), Midland County, Mich.—BOND SALE.**—An issue of \$30,000 5 1/4% school bonds offered on July 26 has been purchased by Hanchett Bond Co. of Chicago at a premium of 750 (102.50), a basis of about 5.13%. Date Dec. 1 1922. Due 1939.

**WARREN WATER DISTRICT (P. O. Warren), Mass.—BOND SALE.**—The \$175,000 4 1/4% coupon bonds offered for sale on Jan. 26—V. 116, p. 322—have been purchased by R. L. Day & Co. of Boston at \$103.20 and int., a basis of about 4.22%. Date Feb. 1 1923. Due yearly on Feb. 1 as follows: \$7,000, 1926 to 1932, incl., and \$6,000, 1933 to 1953, incl. The following bids were also received:

R. M. Grant & Co., Boston	103.02	E. H. Rollins & Sons, Boston	102.11
Grafton & Co., Boston	102.68	Curtis & Sanger, Boston	101.52
F. S. Moseley & Co., Boston	102.50	Harris, Forbes & Co., Boston	101.10
Eldredge & Co., Boston	102.26	Merrill, Oldham & Co., Bost.	100.67
Blake Bros. & Co., Boston	102.20		

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP RURAL DISTRICT (P. O. Centerville), Montgomery County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—The \$35,000 5 1/4% school bldg. bonds which were offered for sale on Jan. 22—V. 116, p. 207—have been sold to the Detroit Trust Co. of Detroit, at a premium of \$1,561 (104.46) and int., a basis of about 4.73%. Date Jan. 2 1923. Due \$2,000 yearly on Oct. 1 from 1924 to 1940, incl., and \$1,000, 1941. The following bids were also received:

Stacy & Brown	\$1,503.00	Richard, Parish & Lamson	\$1,136.10
Seasongood & Mayer	1,410.00	Grau Todd & Co.	980.00
Sidney Spitzer & Co.	1,267.00	Well, Roth & Irving Co.	906.50
W. L. Slayton	1,239.50		

**WATERTOWN, Middlesex County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.**—The temporary loan of \$200,000, dated Jan. 31 1923 and maturing Nov. 28 1923, offered on Jan. 30 (V. 116, p. 438), was awarded to the Union Market National Bank of Watertown on a 4% discount basis plus \$5.75 premium.

**WEBB, Tallahatchie County, Miss.—PRICE-DESCRIPTION.**—The price paid by the Commercial Bank & Trust Co. of Atlanta for the \$40,000 school bonds awarded to it, as stated in V. 115, p. 2931, was par plus a premium of \$150, equal to 100.375. Interest rate 6%. Int. payable J. & J. Due from 1924 to 1949.

**WEST VIRGINIA (State of).—BOND OFFERING.**—Wm. S. Johnson, State Treasurer (P. O. Charleston) will receive sealed bids until to-day (Feb. 3) for \$5,000,000 coupon or registered road bonds. Denom. coupon bonds \$1,000, registered bonds \$20,000, \$10,000, \$5,000 or \$1,000. Date April 1 1923. Interest rate not to exceed 4 1/4%. Due on April 1 from 1929 to 1948. Legality to be approved by Jno. C. Thomson, N. Y. City.

**WHITE TOWNSHIP (P. O. Indiana R. D.), Pa.—BOND OFFERING.**—J. M. Brown, Secretary Board of Directors, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m. Feb. 26 for \$65,000 4 1/4% coupon or registered highway bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Date March 1 1923. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. & S.) payable in Indiana, Pa. Due \$5,000 yearly on March 1 from 1926 to 1938 inclusive. Certified check for \$3,000 required.

**WOOD COUNTY (P. O. Bowling Green), Ohio.—BOND SALE.**—The \$37,000 5% road and bridge bonds which were offered on Jan. 29 (V. 116, p. 438) have been purchased by the Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co. of Cincinnati for \$37,066.60, equal to 100.17, a basis of about 4.97%. Date Mar. 1 1923. Due yearly as follows: \$9,000 Sept. 1 1924 and \$7,000 Sept. 1 1925 to 1928 incl.

**WORCESTER, Worcester County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.**—A temporary loan of \$500,000 on Feb. 1 was awarded to the First National Bank of Boston on a 3.93% discount basis plus \$12 premium. Date Feb. 2 1923. Due Nov. 1 1923.

**YONKERS, Westchester County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.**—Robert D. Ferguson, City Comptroller, will receive proposals until 12 m. Feb. 15 for the purchase of the following coupon (with privilege of registration as to principal and interest) bonds:



\$280,000 4½% water bonds. Due \$7,000 yearly on March 1 from 1924 to 1963 inclusive.

316,000 4½% refunding bonds. Due yearly on March 1 as follows: \$16,000, 1924 to 1939 incl., and \$15,000, 1940 to 1943 incl.

195,000 4½% refunding bonds. Due \$13,000 yearly on March 1 from 1924 to 1938 inclusive.

230,000 4½% assessment bonds. Due \$23,000 yearly on March 1 from 1924 to 1933 inclusive.

27,000 4½% Fire Bureau equipment bonds. Due \$3,000 yearly on March 1 from 1924 to 1932 inclusive.

30,000 4½% Dept. of Public Works equipment bonds. Due \$5,000 yearly on March 1 from 1924 to 1929 inclusive.

180,000 4½% local improvement bonds. Due \$30,000 yearly on March 1 from 1924 to 1929 inclusive.

Denom. \$1,000. Date March 1 1923. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. & O.) payable at the City Treasurer's office in U. S. gold coin of the present standard of weight and fineness, or in N. Y. Exchange, at holder's option. Certified check on a solvent bank or trust company for 2% of amount of bonds bid for, payable to the City Comptroller, required. Purchaser to pay accrued interest. Legality to be approved by Hawkins, Delafield & Longfellow, New York.

## CANADA, its Provinces and Municipalities.

**ALBERTA SCHOOL DISTRICTS, Alta.—DEBENTURE SALES.**—On Jan. 19 the Deputy Minister of Finance offered for sale the following nine issues of 8% installment debentures:

Rural—15 Years—Amt. of Issue.	Rural—10 Years—Amt. of Issue.
Antelope S. D. No. 4076—\$1,400	Little Prairie S. D. No. 3790—\$1,000
Evansburg S. D. No. 2902—7,000	Lambert S. D. No. 3932—2,000
Limeson S. D. No. 4083—1,500	Delayed S. D. No. 3764—2,200
Venice S. D. No. 4102—750	Darwell S. D. No. 3987—500
	Rural—5 Years—
	Fairmount S. D. No. 1651—\$500

Of these the Evansburg, Limeson, Venice, Darwell and Fairmount District debentures were sold, there being no bidders for the others. In the following table we list the bids received, the successful tenders being given in bold face:

Name of Bidder—	Evansburg, 2902.	Limeson, 4083.	Venice, 4102.	Darwell, 3987.	Fairm't, 1651.
G. D. Rutherford, Castor					100.25
Rumlands, Rouse & Co., Edmonton	101.24				99.10
L. Creighton, Stettler		Par	Par	Par	Par
J. W. Caswell, Veteran					7¼%

**BURNABY, B. C.—BONDS VOTED.**—At the election held on Jan. 13 the issue of \$70,000 5½% sidewalk bonds was voted. The result was 1,066 "for" to 590 "against." Due Dec. 31 1937. Bids for the above bonds will be invited at an early date.

**DRUMMONDVILLE, Que.—BOND SALE.**—A block of \$30,000 5½% 30-year bonds has been purchased by the Municipal Debenture Corp. at 95.92, a basis of about 5.79%. The following bids were also received: L. G. Beaubien & Co. 94.45; A. E. Ames & Co. 94.07; Dominion Securities Corp. 94.27; McLeod, Young, Weir & Co. 93.83.

**EAST KILDONAN, Manitoba.—BOND SALE.**—It is reported that an issue of \$46,000 6% bonds has been purchased by Wood, Gundy & Co. of Toronto at 99.31, a basis of about 6.07%. Due Dec. 15 1942. The following bids were also received: Imperial Bank 98.50; Bond & Debentures Corp. 98.276; Bell, Gouinlock & Co. 98.50; A. E. Ames & Co. 97.29.

**EASTVIEW, Ont.—BOND SALE.**—An issue of \$90,000 5½% 20-annual installment bonds has been awarded, according to reports, to Bell, Gouinlock & Co. of Toronto at 97.50, a basis of about 5.81%.

**GRIMSBY, Ont.—DEBENTURE SALE.**—On Jan. 25 a block of \$30,000 6% 15-year installment water works debentures was awarded to C. H. Burgess & Co. of Toronto at 101. Int. annually in January.

**LONDON, Ont.—BOND SALE.**—An issue of \$673,000 5% 1-year bonds has been purchased by Wood, Gundy & Co. of Toronto at 99.81, a basis of about 5.20%.

The same company has also purchased \$170,000 5½% 1, 2 and 3 year bonds at 100.10.

**MANITOBA (Province of).—BIDS REJECTED.**—We are unofficially informed that all bids received on Jan. 31 for an issue of \$2,000,000 5% 25-year bonds were declined.

**MONTREAL, Que.—CITY REJECTS BIDS FOR \$16,000,000 LOAN.**—The city on Jan. 30 rejected all bids tendered for the purchase of the \$16,000,000 5% gold bonds offered on that date—V. 116, p. 438. According to newspaper reports, there were only two bids received. The higher was 94.117 from a syndicate composed of Hanson Bros., Rene T. Leclerc, Inc., L. G. Beaubien, Nesbitt, Thompson & Co., R. A. Daly & Co., W. A. Mackenzie & Co., all of Montreal, and E. H. Rollins & Sons, the Equitable Trust Co., W. R. Compton Co., Kountze Bros., W. A. Harriman & Co.

and Blyth, Witter & Co., all of New York. The other bid was 93.727 from a syndicate composed of Wood, Gundy & Co., Harris, Forbes & Co., the National City Co., A. E. Ames & Co., the Dominion Securities Corp., the Guaranty Trust Co., the Bankers Trust Co., Dillon, Read & Co. and the Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank.

**MONTREAL ROMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL COMMISSION (P. O. Montreal).—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received until 12 m. Feb. 8 for the purchase of \$2,000,000 5% or 5½% bonds. Dated Feb. 1 1923. Payable in Montreal. Ayme Lafontaine, Secretary. Due in 20 years.

**NORTH VANCOUVER DIST., B. C.—BOND SALE.**—An issue of \$50,000 6% 20-year installment bonds has been purchased by Gairdner Clarke & Co. of Toronto, at 96.861, a basis of about 6.29%.

**NORTH YORK TOWNSHIP, Ont.—BONDS VOTED—NOT TO BE ISSUED NOW.**—An issue of \$125,000 water works bonds was voted on Jan. 1. They will not be issued until next fall, after the work is completed, according to H. D. Goode, Township Clerk.

**ONTARIO (Province of).—TOTAL ISSUE \$20,000,000.**—The total amount of bonds issued by the Province during December of last year was \$20,000,000, or \$15,000,000 over the \$5,000,000 for which bids were asked. The entire block of bonds bears 5% interest and matures in 20 years, payable in gold, and was taken by Wood, Gundy & Co., A. E. Ames & Co. and Aemilius Jarvis & Co. syndicate at the price of 99.59 bid for the original \$5,000,000 offering.

The sale of the additional \$15,000,000 bonds without call for tenders has caused considerable criticism, according to the Montreal "Gazette," which on Jan. 26 published the following as a statement taken from the Toronto "Evening Telegram":

"The latest financial venture of Hon. Peter Smith, Provincial Treasurer, has excited a good deal of comment and resulted in the placing of questions on the Legislature's order paper by representatives of the Liberal Party. On Dec. 6 last advertisements were published advertising for sale a \$5,000,000 5½% 20-year gold bonds issue. In spite of a rising market this issue was extended to \$20,000,000, the additional \$15,000,000 having been sold without a call for tenders, and without notification to the public that such an issue was to be made. The \$15,000,000 worth of additional bonds were taken up by the same brokers who bought the advertised issue of \$5,000,000. The whole \$20,000,000 was bought at 99.959 and inside of three weeks commanded a price of 102.37. That increase in the final selling price of the bonds to the public meant a loss of half a million dollars to the Province of Ontario."

**QUEBEC, Que.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received until Feb. 15 for the purchase of \$1,800,000 5% bonds.

**RADISON, Sask.—DEBENTURE SALE.**—An issue of \$3,000 7% 1-5 installment debentures has been sold locally.

**ST. BONIFACE, Manitoba.—BOND SALE.**—An issue of \$200,000 6% 20-year bonds has been purchased by the Bond & Debenture Corp.

**ST. CATHARINES, Ont.—BOND SALE.**—An issue of \$480,000 5½% 30-year serial bonds has been awarded to the Imperial Bank of St. Catharines at 101.58, a basis of about 5.34%. Other bids, according to the Toronto "Globe," were: Dominion Securities Corp., Ltd. 101.19; A. Jarvis & Co., 101.17; Nesbitt, Thomson & Co., 100.57; Bell, Gouinlock & Co., 100.56; United Financial Corp., 100.54; Macneill, Graham & Co., 100.53; Murray & Co. and Aird, McLeod & Co., 100.527; R. C. Matthews & Co., 100.50; Gairdner, Clarke & Co. and McLeod, Young, Weir & Co., 100.45; National City Co. and Housser, Wood & Co., 100.415; Wood, Gundy & Co., 100.288; A. E. Ames & Co., 100; and Stewart, Scully & Co., 99.96.

**SASKATCHEWAN SCHOOL DISTRICTS, Sask.—DEBENTURE SALES.**—The following, reports the "Monetary Times," is a list of debentures sold by the Local Government Board from Dec. 30 1922 to Jan. 13 1923: School Districts: Ifield, \$1,500, 6½%, 10 years, locally; Crooked River, \$1,500, 7¼%, 10 years, to Regina Brokerage & Investment Co.; Utopia, \$3,800, 7½%, 15 years, to Waterman-Waterbury Co.; Bresaylor, \$800, 7¼%, 10 years, to Regina Brokerage & Investment Co.; Dysart, \$1,800, 7¼%, 10 years, to Regina Brokerage & Investment Co.

**SHAWINIGAN FALLS, Que.—BOND SALE.**—An issue of \$28,300 5½% 14-year school bonds has been purchased by L. G. Beaubien & Co. of Montreal, at 97.11, a basis of about 5.80%.

**SIOUX LOOKOUT, Ont.—BONDS VOTED.**—On Jan. 1 an issue of \$5,000 6% hospital debentures was voted. The vote stood 85 "for" to 33 "against."

**TRAIL, B. C.—BOND OFFERING.**—Bids will be received by W. E. B. Money Penny, City Clerk, until 5 p. m. Feb. 19 for the purchase of \$11,980 6% local impt. bonds. Due in 20 years.

**WELLINGTON, Ont.—BOND SALE.**—The \$12,000 5½% 30-year installment consolidated school bonds, which were offered for sale on Jan. 29—V. 116, p. 438—have been purchased, it is reported, by R. C. Matthews & Co. of Toronto at 99.55, a basis of about 5.52%. The following bids were also received: A. E. Ames & Co. 99.99; McLeod, Young, Weir & Co. 96.23; C. H. Burgess & Co. 98.66.

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