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## The Financial Situation.

There has been renewed liquidation in stocks with a nervous alternating trend. The Dow-Jones average of industrial stocks which declined from the February high of 162.31 to 135.20 on March 30, fluctuated rather violently during the past week just above the latter level, a rally on Tuesday carrying the average up 2.37 to 138.90 , with almost a corresponding decline on Wednesday. Again a slight rally on Thursday was followed by an almost equal decline in the late trading yesterday.

Simultaneously, the bond average crept upward during the week, reaching a new high point almost every day, the level being higher than at any time since 1916. Call money, which went over the weekend at $4 \%$, rose on Monday to $51 / 2 \%$, but was again down to $4 \%$ on Wednesday, the decline on that day occurring during a severe drive in stocks. Time money has continued easy, with indications of even greater ease, so much so that there is discussion as to the probability of some rediscount rates being lowered.

The flurry in call money on Monday was probably in part caused by shipment of funds to Cuba, in connection with a short and apparently needless bank run. A deputation of Cuban sugar growers has requested the Cuban Government to enact legislation to curtail the sugar crop by approximately $10 \%$, with a view to strengthening the price of raw sugar, and made the suggestion that if the Government was not willing to make such an arrangement that a moratorium be extended. The use of the word "moratorium" was unfortunate, and was taken up by certain newspapers in an injudicious way. It seems quite possible that the plan will be adopted for curtailing the production by $10 \%$, but, as the President
has announced, a moratorium is quite unjustified and will not be considered. The suggestion, however, started a sequence resulting in a run directed principally toward the Cuban branches of the National City Bank of New York and the Royal Bank of Canada, these two banks having 25 and 65 branches, respectively, in Cuba. Funds were rushed to Cuba from the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta and the run was quickly stopped. The amount of currency shipped was probably not in excess of $\$ 35$,000,000 , although the first report indicated larger amounts. The call money rate was probably more affected by fear of what might happen than what actually did happen. At all events, the call loan rate very quickly eased.

The limiting of production through action by a Government, or through concerted co-operation of those concerned with the industry, is usually unwise, and frequently results in passing over prestige in an industry from those who have taken the restraining action to those who have taken advantage of the situation created by their action; but in this case there is much to say for the proposed curtailment of sugar productoin. Before the war Cuba supplied a very large proportion of the sugar requirements in the Western Hemisphere, but did not supply Europe or the rest of the world. During the war it was necessary for Cuba to expand her production to supply the crippled European markets, but it is normal for Europe to supply her own sugar, and for Cuba to find her market only in the Western Hemisphere. Temporarily at least the capacity is greater than is required by Western Hemisphere needs. The recovery in European production has been more rapid than was anticipated two or three years ago. There is, therefore, much to say in favor of the action proposed by the Cuban planters.

Foreign trade figures for March and the first quarter of 1926 (reviewed further below) have caused a good deal of discussion, with rather widespread suggestions that our trade position is being impaired. Imports in March were approximately $\$ 70,000,000$ in excess of exports, although in 1925 exports exceeded imports by almost a like sum. Monthly figures are subject to rather violent fluctuations for reasons which have little to do with a change in trend. For instance, in this case the Department of Commerce has explained that the socalled adverse trade balance of March was brought about largely by small exports of cotton at comparatively low prices and large imports of rubber at prices materially higher than those of a year ago. It may be that here is an indication of a change in
trend. If this is the case, it is just what economists have been pointing out as bound to occur on account of the change in the position of the United States from a debtor to a creditor nation. It has been habitual for the United States to export more goods to the world than it has imported, utilizing this credit balance on merchandise to pay interest and dividends on European capital loaned over here. Now our capital is loaned abroad in large quantities and it is necessary for Europe to pay interest and dividends to this country. This can be done by a balance of goods which would necessitate our imports exceeding our exports, or it can be done through providing entertainment and recreation for our travelers, or through shipment of gold, or through borrowing additional funds over here.

All of these methods are actually in process at present, excepting the first, for notwithstanding the March indication it is probably true that we still will have an excess of exports over imports for a while, but it is quite possible and logical that eventually imports will exceed exports. This will be a normal development if it comes and should not be attended by distress. It is significant that notwithstanding this very large change in the export trade balance during the past year exports for the nine months to March 31 have fallen off proportionately little-less than $3 \%$. The change has come through increasing imports; in other words, the additional wealth coming to the United States through European settlements is being expended in part in increased purchases of European goods, and no doubt also in part in increased travel abroad, but whatever the items entering into the very intricate balance of international transactions, the final balance is still in favor of the United States as evidenced by recent importations of gold, our gold stock having reached a record figure as of April 1 at \$4,494,851,095, an increase during March of $\$ 50,059,720$, and during the first three months of 1926 of $\$ 86,155,223$.

An interesting situation has arisen in connection with the Joint Stock Land banks. Many of these private banks have become recognized as strong institutions, supplementing the Farm Loan System and affording an excellent medium for investment. The Farm Loan Board has recently ruled that dividends cannot be paid by these banks except as approved by it, and has requested the Joint Stock Land Bank of Southern Minnesota to suspend its $10 \%$ dividend, and another bank to defer a quarterly payment at present and establish its dividend later on a semi-annual basis. Both of these banks wish to pay dividends at $10 \%$, and current earnings are somewhat above this figure. The Board's action in Minnesota is because there have been a number of defaults on interest, and the bank is engaged at present in foreclosing quite a good deal of property. It is thought that these foreclosures will not be attended by greater than nominal losses, if any, as the security is thought to be adequate. In view of the very great importance to the country of having the entire Farm Loan System sound to the core, and in view of the short time in which these Joint Stock Land banks have operated, it seems a wise precaution to withhold the payment of dividends during a period involving these uncertainties. On the other hand, it has been a cause of gratification from the first that the relatively few foreclosures necessary
in the Farm Loan System have involved almost negligible losses to the banks.

The change in the course of the country's foreign trade, noted in January and February, is again in evidence in the return for March. The March statement was published on Wednesday of this week. It shows a condition as to merchandise exports even less satisfactory than for the two preceding months this year, while merchandise imports have mounted still higher and in fact exceed in value those of any month back to August 1920. Furthermore, the balance of the foreign trade of the United States, which for January and February of this year was on the side of the imports, for March is on the same side of the account, and for a considerably larger sum. Merchandise exports last month amounted to only $\$ 375,000,000$, as against $\$ 453,653,000$ for March 1925. In February this year the exports were only $\$ 352$,916,815 , but the increase of $\$ 22,000,000$ for March this year over the February report is changed to a decrease if allowance is made for the fact that February is a short month, while there is a decrease of over $\$ 88,000,000$ in the comparison of March this year with March last year. On the other hand, merchandise imports last month were valued at $\$ 445$,000,000 , as against $\$ 388,503,000$ for February and $\$ 385,279,000$ for March 1925.
The balance on the import side of the account for March the present year is $\$ 70,000,000$. For March 1925 the balance was on the export side in amount of $\$ 68,274,000$. For the first three months of 1926 there is an import balance of $\$ 125,144,000$, against an export balance for the corresponding period a year ago of $\$ 205,841,000$. Merchandise exports for these three months this year are $\$ 145,660,000$ less than for the same period a year ago, while imports show an expansion this year of $\$ 185,325,000$ over the same three months of 1925 . The decrease in exports is largely due to the lower value of raw cotton this year, to a smaller movement of that staple, and to a decline in exports of grain. This has been clearly set forth in our previous discussions of the changed situation as to the foreign trade of the United States. Exports of cotton in March this year were $\$ 41,500$, 000 smaller in value than for March 1925, while grain exports show a decline of $\$ 26,000,000$ in the comparison for the same two months, a total for these two staples of $\$ 67,500,000$. The export cotton price a year ago was 25.2 cents per pound-this year it is about 21 cents. Likewise as to imports, a much higher price for crude rubber this year together with an increase in quantity imported will account for a considerable part of the increase in merchandise imports. During March 1926 the imports of crude rubber set a new record, being 42,677 tons, as against 33,914 tons in March last year and for the three months to March 31 the importations were 115,441 tons, against only 87,330 tons in the same three months of 1925 . The value of imports of rubber in Feb. of this year was $\$ 58,733,000$ in contrast with $\$ 18,532,000$ in February 1925. The average import price of rubber in February of this year was 80 cents per pound; in February of last year the average import price was 33.5 cents. In the closing months of 1925 cotton exports were considerably heavier than for the corresponding months of the preceding year, but there has been a decline in the outward movement of cotton for the present crop year to date.

For nine months of the current fiscal year, or from July 11925 to March 31 this year, there is a decline of $\$ 100,393,000$ in the value of merchandise exports from the United States as compared with the figures for the corresponding period of the preceding fiscal year, practically all of which has been due to the loss in cotton and grain exports. The total value of merchandise exports for the above mentioned period this year was $\$ 3,671,640,242$, against $\$ 3,772,033,611$ for the preceding year. Merchandise imports for the same period of time were valued at $\$ 3,413,089,200$, against $\$ 2,825,302,963$ for the corresponding nine months ending March 31 1925, an increase of $\$ 5587,786,237$. There is an excess of exports during the nine months this year of only $\$ 258,5551$,042 , in contrast with an excess of exports for the same period of $1924-25$ of $\$ 946,730,648$.

Gold imports are again larger in March, the amount being $\$ 43,412, \tilde{5} 76$, against $\$ 25,415,655$ in February and only $\$ 7,337,322$ in March 1925. Gold exports last month were only $\$ 4,224,564$, as against $\$ 25,104,416$ in March a year ago. For nine months of the current fiscal year gold imports amount to $\$ 175,786,101$, against $\$ 109,456,281$ for the same period of the preceding fiscal year, an increase for this year to date of $\$ 66,329,820$, while gold exports for the nine months of $1925-26$ were $\$ 82,866,139$, contrasting with $\$ 207,023,306$ in the same nine months of $1924-25$, a decline this year of $\$ 124,157,167$. There is an excess of gold imports for the latest fiscal year to date of $\$ 92,919,962$, but an excess of gold exports for the same period of the preceding fiscal year amounting to $\$ 97,567,025$. Silver exports last month were $\$ 8,333,081$, and imports $\$ 5,539,071$.

Apparently Benito Mussolini, Premier and Dictator of Italy, had a triumphal entry into Tripoli. Elaborate preparations had been made for the event. The Rome correspondent of the New York "Evening Post," in a wireless dispatch from Tripoli on April 10 referred to "the orders regulating the dazzling program for to-morrow's reception of Premier Mussolini." Mussolini arrived in Tripoli on the morning of April 11. In a special wireless message from that centre later the same day from a representative of the New York "Times," the event was described in part as follows: "As the roaring of the cannon of the old Turkish citadel firing a salute of twenty-one guns reverberated over the blue waters of the baywhere his escort of fifteen fighting craft lay grimly at anchor-and the streets of the romantic Arab seaport hummed with strange voices of the East, Premier Mussolini landed at Tripoli this morning. On the pier stood the stately native Prince, Hushua Pasha, now Mayor of Tripoli, whose house ruled the desert land for hundreds of years, with his arm raised in the Fascist salute. He gravely welcomed the modern Roman ruler. Behind, on the shore, waited a native guard of honor of eight Savaris, clad in rich crimson robes and mounted on the whitest Arabian chargers, typifying the spirit of the desert and the proud past of a conquered ancient people. To the westward, along a beautiful cement promenade built since the Fascisti took over the province, stretched two lines of Italian troops, forming human walls against which pressed thousands of white-robed Arabs. Here and there detachments of native soldiery in colorful costumes broke the monotony of the modern European
khaki."

Evidently the Premier did not allow the attack upon his life the day before he left Rome to make any difference with the carrying out of his part of the reception program. It was further related in the "Times" dispatch that "after greeting the Governor and his staff, Premier Mussolini mounted a brown Arabian horse and led a triumphal procession down the sand-carpeted street-almost 2,000 years after Scipio Africanus led his Roman cohorts on a similar march to celebrate the Roman conquest of North Africa. Both the pageant and the appearance of its leader added a measure of substance to the simile. Seated proudly in the saddle of his beautiful mount, Mussolini looked every inch a prince. A high white plume on his bonnet added an Oriental touch to his smart Fascist uniform. Even his swollen nose, painted with iodine, the mark of the attempt on his life in Rome, failed to detract from the characteristic forcefulness and dignity of his bearing. He looked every inch a Roman ruler as stiffly he aeknowledged the salute of the troops.".

The welcome was described in part as follows: "Arriving at the palace square, Mussolini swung his horse to face a detachment of African ballillos (junior Fascisti), dressed in black shirts and white trousers, and waited while one of the most picturesque military cavalcades imaginable moved by. The writer has seen Trotsky address 15,000 Red troops in the Red Square of Moscow in the shadow of the Kremlin's walls, and he also watched the stirring armistice processions in Paris and London typifying the most impressive of Europe's pageants. He recalls the moving spectacle of New York's millions parading the streets in the spring of 1918. But the scene this morning in the Palace Square, where East and West mingled and one of the Orient's oldest peoples passed in token of submission to the descendants of ancient Rome was unique in many ways."

In an Associated Press dispatch from Rome on April 10 it was made known that before sailing for Tripoli "he left a personally written message with officials of the Foreign Office calculated to reassure foreign Powers his dramatically heralded visit to Africa involves no threat to the interests of other countries." The correspondent said that in the statement Mussolini declared that "my voyage to Libya contains no menace. In spite of the pageant presented by our warships, my voyage is merely a matter of prestige. We wish to concentrate attention on our colonies, to make them better known, better appreciated and better developed. But I refer only to the colonies we possess."

Mussolini appears to have been particularly well pleased and satisfied with his voyage and the reception given him upon his arrival at Tripoli. In an Associated Press dispatch from that centre on April 12 it was stated that "Benito Mussolini's first day on the soil of Tripoli, upon which he landed yesterday from the dreadnought 'Conte di Cavour,' left him filled with joy and enthusiasm. This was, he said, because the found the Italians here worthy the best traditions of Fascism and of Italy's certainty of a triumphant future. 'This is a day,' Mussolini told the correspondent of the Associated Press, 'which will go down in history.'"

In explaining the purpose of his trip to a large crowd that he addressed in the public square of Tripoli, the Associated Press correspondent said
that "the Premier told his hearers that his visit was not an administrative one, but a manifestation of the force which originated in Rome and extended thence to the glorious littoral. 'Rome carries the beacon lamp of strength to the shores of the African Sea,' declared Mussolini, adding: 'No one can stop our inexorable will.' The Premier said he had been charged to bring the felicitations of the King to the people of Tripoli and to inform them that they would be protected always by the King's just decrees. The King and Government of Italy, he added, desired that Tripoli should be rich, prosperous and happy."

It seems that also on April 12 the Premier visited ancient towns outside of Tripoli. A special correspondent of the New York "Times" cabled that, "retracing the route the Roman conquerors' chariots passed 2,000 years ago, Premier Mussolini to-day inspected the ruins of the ancient Roman city of Sabratha, 75 kilometres up the coast from Tripoli. Once one of the most beautiful cities of antiquity, built under Septimus Africanus in the first century of the Christian era, Sabratha lay for hundreds of years covered by shifting sands. Its excavation, begun two years ago, is part of the Government's plan to redeem as far as possible all the landmarks of old Rome. All day long the trip through the possessions continued the standard of the spectacular set by Sunday's ceremonies in Tripoli. Relays of Arab cavalry mounted on the swiftest horses raced alongside the car a large part of the way. Every town gave a conqueror's welcome, the streets were lined with white-robed figures, arms raised in the Fascist salute, voices rose and fell in cadence, 'rai, rai, rai. Mussolini.' Although here and there the chiefs could be seen ordering more cheers it was evident that a certain amount of the demonstration was genuine. However, I saw no signs of suppressed ill-will. He proceeded westward among the more demonstrative Bedouins, many faces openly showing pleasure and enthusiasm. The Premier was treated to some of the desert's most savage rites. The air was filled with the throbs of tom-toms as he entered Zavia. On the return trip of the train all the station platforms were lined with natives. Tripoli is bright to-night with multi-colored electric lights and the streets are thronged. Mussolini is cheered everywhere. Tonight's program includes more Arab 'phantasies' and probably fireworks."

Cable advices continue to come at frequent intervals indicating that there are practically no limits to the power that Mussolini plans to assume. In a special Rome dispatch to the New York "Times" on April 12 it was stated that, "while Premier Mussolini continued his triumphal progress in Tripoli today, announcement was made here that 'Colonial Day, April 21, which is being celebrated as the 'birthday of Rome,' also will mark the official inauguration of the imposing program for the renovation of the Eternal City, as outlined by the Duce last December. Thus Signor Mussolini will stress the present imperial greatness of Italy on his countrymen by beginning the restoration of the ancient glories of Rome and calling attention to the nation's need for colonies on the same day."

Premier Mussolini's overtowering ambition has led him not only to lay plans for the acquisition of additional territorial possessions, but also to rebuild

Rome to some extent and to restore the city to its "Augustan glory." The Rome correspondent of the New York "Times," in a special wireless message on April 13 said that "the full details of the grandiose plan for the beautification and development of Rome, which will be begun on 'Rome's birthday,' April 21, were made public to-day. This work will be undertaken in obedience to the commands of Premier Mussolini, who, in his speech at the inauguration of Senator Cremonesi as the first Governor of Rome, ordered him to make Rome again 'as vast, well-ordered and powerful as in the days of Emperor Augustus.' The State is advancing $90,000,000$ lire to the City Administration for meeting the first expenses of putting the plan into effect. The plan worked out by the City Administration contains much that is highly interesting from an archaeological viewpoint. It includes the demolition of ramshackle houses and huts clustering round the Theatre of Marcellus, the excavation of the Forum Olitorium and the Circus Maximus and the restoration and beautification of the ancient Appian Way."

It was added that "dispatches received here from Tripoli tell how the Premier emphasized there again his plans for colonial expansion and Italian dominance of the Mediterranean amid the enthusiasm of the populace. After visiting the war memorial to-day [April 12] Signor Mus solini went to the Tripoli Town Hall, where the Government Commissioner welcomed him and presented him an album of photographs of Tripoli. Prince Hashua Pasha, the native Mayor of Tripoli, whose house has ruled the land for hundreds of years, then delivered a speech, declaring that the Premier's visit was an inspiration to the whole of Tripoli. He pre sented Signor Mussolini a magnificent gold inkstand and pen and a beautiful Arab sword, remarking that the gifts were symbolic, for few men could combine the gifts of sword and pen as the Duce. More enthusiasm broke out when the Premier visited the headquarters of the city Fascist organization. The Duce told the Black Shirts he would like to see them come to the colony and lend their help, as he wanted to distract them from their pre-occupation with local politics and bring them into contact with realities. Signor Mussolini declared he wanted above all else to make the Italian people wake up to the fact that they had overseas possessions. 'It is not without significance,' he said, 'that I draw an augury from the sea, whose history was so closely associated with that of ancient Rome, and that I am conscious all around me of an Italian race of soldiers, colonists and pioneers. Comrades, let us turn our thoughts to that Italy of the past, from which sprang the strong Italy which is ever spurred on toward sure triumph to-morrow.' In Government circles in Rome the admission is made that an important reason for Premier Mussolini's trip is to see how Tripoli is adapted for Italian immigrants."

That the Italian Premier is regarded as a menace, both by the British Parliament and United States Senators was shown in a cable dispatch from London on April 13 to "The Sun" and in a United Press dispatch from Washington on the same date. In the former message it was stated that, "although the British Parliament, when it reassembles to-day will be confronted by many urgent domestic issues, including the uncertainties of the coal situation, which will make the session a hectic one, its attention will
be called on more than one occasion between the present and the Whitsuntide recess to questions of major importance in the realm of foreign policy. Many members frankly confess to-day that the European horizon has become more heavily clouded since Parliament adjourned for Easter. It is now more debatable than ever whether any tangible results will be achieved at the forthcoming preliminary conference on the limitation of armaments at Geneva. Mussolini's plan to find a more extensive place in the sun for Italy, and the reluctance of the States adjacent to Russia to tackle the problem of disarmament at all seriously so long as Russia holds aloof, are the chief causes of the pessimism felt here concerning the probable outcome of the Geneva conference. In fact, it still remains to be seen whether the conference will be held on the date agreed upon. While Mussolini's flamboyant utterances in Tripoli and the gradual emergence of an aggressive Italian foreign policy have not evoked the same degree of nervousness in London as in Paris, it is not an overstatement of the fact to say that in responsible political quarters here to-day, there is greater concern about the direction which Italy's foreign policy is taking than at any time since the dictator became the arbiter of that nation's destiny. Mussolini's immediate object is to encourage the development of a "colonial sense" among the Italians. But he is also clearly aiming to find support for his plan to extend the sphere of Italy's influence. For the time being this plan is one of the enigmas of the European political situation, for where he will strike out to obtain the territory he covets or what will provide the incitement or excuse for his using the big stick, are both questions that cannot be answered. In guarded words a certain portion of the British press to-day suggests that Mussolini is looking forward to a conquest of Turkish provinces. It is felt in some quarters here that before world peace can be reasonably assured there must now be some kind of a reckoning with Fascismo's ambition. The attitude of the Fascist press toward the Geneva arms parley is one of calculated scorn. Instead of contributing to a better atmosphere in which to hold the discussion, it is now recognized very generally here-and especially among Liberals and Laborites-that the initial postponement of this conference has had the effect of further complicating the situation."

Senator McKellar, Democrat, from Tennessee, made an attack on Mussolini in the United States Senate on April 13, in the course of a discussion of ratification of the Italian debt agreement, which he vigorously opposed. The Senator was quoted as characterizing the Italian Premier as " 'dictatorbandit,' who abolished local self-government in Italy and established a secret police like the Russian Cheka to murder and exile his opponents." Continuing his attack, the Senator was quoted as asserting that "Mussolini is the greatest evil that has befallen the Italian people in one hundred years. If it were to appear that the Government of Italy vouchsafed to her people any real measure of liberty, I might be willing to vote for cancellation of the indebtedness." According to a Washington dispatch to the New York "Times" on April 14 there will be an early vote on the Italian war debt agreement. It was stated that "ratification of the Italian debt agreement next Wednesday was indicated in the Senate to-day when an agreement was reached
to take a vote at that time. Senator Reed, Democrat, of Missouri, one of the opponents, who declared the settlement 'a species of international grand larceny,' said he would not object to the agreement, but would have done so if he had been assured of enough Senators standing with him to force the measure to await consideration until next December. The arrangement for a vote was reached by unanimous consent after a short discussion:"

Evidently Mussolini was determined to learn everything possible in regard to the Italian possessions in the section of Africa of which Tripoli is the centre. In a special wireless message from that point to the New York "Times" on April 13, announcement was made that, "after having spent the day reviving memories of old Rome and receiving tributes from the desert tribesmen, Premier Mussolini to-day turned to the rock-bottom problem of the present and future economic development of the African dominion. Leaving the historie coast, the Premier's automobile caravan headed straight inland 100 kilometres and saw the progress accomplished by the Italian colonists in the last two years, during which the frontier cultivated area was pushed thirty miles to the south. The first halt was to lay the cornerstone of a building of the concessionaire concern which recently obtained 10,000 hectares, which will export olives and grain. Mussolini helped the mason to mix the mortar, smilingly remarking that it was his old trade. The party then raced through the vast terrirtory of new lands which Italy hopes to reclaim from its present aridity and transform to farms in the next ten years. To any one acquainted with the great reclamation projects of America, this Far East region suggests far-reaching possibilities, both for Italy and Europe, in view of the fact that Tripoli contains four times as nuluch arable land as Italy. Parallel to the large areas of Arizona and California, which need only a touch of water to make veritable gardens, the soil is fertile and artesian waters are actually already on the spot here, a reasonable depth under the surface." The "Times" correspondent added that "Mussolini per sonally is in excellent spirits, and his nose is almost healed. He seemed eager to get to the bottom of things in his tour."

Another possible purpose of Premier Mussolini's trip to Tripoli was suggested in a special Paris cs blegram to the New York "Herald Tribune" on April 13. The correspondent reported that "Premier Mussolini of Italy, who now is visiting the Italian protectorate of Tripoli, covets the neighboring French territory of Tunis and probably will bring sufficient diplomatic pressure upon France to place this territory under the Italian flag. This statement sums up the opinion of Jules Sauerwein, foreign editor of 'Le Matin,' and a famous European correspondent, who returned from Italy to-day, after a thorough study of Mussolini's foreign policy. 'In Italy, a country of artistic imagination, the general feeling is that the curtain is about to be raised and the real play will begin,' said M. Sauerwein. 'The Fascist theatrical company is ready. Their act is prepared. In every recent speech Mussolini has advertised coming events. He has proclaimed a fatidic year, and when he sailed for Tripoli he stated that from "this hour Rome is a resurrection of the old Roman Empire" and will rebuild the work of this
empire in the Mediterranean. Tunis is built on the site of the glorious Roman remembrance of Carthage. Mussolini is working to place France in a state of mind where it will be necessary for France, with her preoccupations in Morocco and Syria, to eede Tunis to Italy.' "

Cabling from Tripoli on April 15, the Associated Press correspondent said that "the conquest of the desert sections of Tripoli will be a task which will add a glorious page to the new Italy, Premier Mussolini to-day said as he began his final inspection trip of the agricultural districts near the city of Tripoli. He will sail this evening on his return to Italy after five days of constant receptions and celebrations, in which he was hailed triumphantly." The Italian Premier was quoted as saying that "I am really astounded by the richness and by the possibilities that I have found here. They far exceed my most optimistic expectations. These magnificent things we have seen here represent conquest by the work of men's hands. I am moved to see these glories of work and faith. Step by step Italians will force back the desert, which task will be one of the glorious pages of the new Italy. We shall force the sand dunes to retreat into the depths of the interior, creating gardens and forests in their places." Commenting on one correspondent's opinion that Tripoli might equal California in the richness of its natural resources, the Duce answered: "It is most true. It is a revelation to me also that everything can grow here." Premier Mussolini sailed from Tripoli for home on Thursday night, April 15.

The Fascists are reported to be putting forth vigorous efforts to set up a dictatorship in Czechoslovakia. According to a special Prague dispatch to the New York "Evening Post" on April 15, "Fascist excesses here, following a meeting of the Czech Fascists where Foreign Minister Benesch was violently attacked by speakers, and at which a speaker who sought to defend him was beaten and driven from the hall, are felt to-day to be symptomatic of the underground Fascist movement which has been going on for some time in Czechoslovakia and which lately has been gathering force." It was added that "since the recent Government crisis, which resulted in the formation of a Cabinet of officials instead of the coalition which has served the Czech republic since its formation, there has been a local movement for a dictatorship."

All week there have been definite reports in Paris cable dispatches that peace negotiations between the French Government and Abd-el-Krim, chief of the Rifyian forces, were under way. In a Paris wireless message to the New York "Times" on April 9 it was stated that "direct official peace negotiations with Abd-el-Krim will be opened soon, possibly next week, the War Minister, Paul Painleve, declared to-day after a Cabinet meeting at which the question had been discussed. The conference will be held at Oudjda, between three French representatives, two of whom have already been named, three Spanish representatives and those of Abd-el-Krim, who, M. Painleve said, already had been agreed upon." Continuing his account, the "Times" correspondent said: "To this definite statement Premier Briand added that peace terms are being discussed and that France and Spain are in full agreement, but he refused to give
any direct indication as to just what these terms will be. It is not expected that any armistice will be arranged. The French have not yet abandoned their suspicion that an armistice might too easily serve the Riffian leader as a means of getting his agents passed through the lines into the southern part of the country. The basis of the discussions will be the terms laid down by M. Painleve last July in so far as the French are concerned. They will maintain the frontier line to the north of the River Ouergha, which was established when control of the Riff was ceded to Spain, and France, acting as agent for the Sultan of Morocco, will demand acceptance by Abd-el-Krim and his people of the Sultan's spiritual and temporal authority, in so far as that can be said to exist. Abd-el-Krim has shown himself conciliatory on all discussions regarding the extent of his territory and has abandoned the claim to Tetuan which he advanced last year. Within his own borders the Riffian leader will be sovereign, except for his titular acceptance of the Sultan's authority" The Paris representative of the New York "Herald Tribune" added that "if peace is reached in the Riff it will in reality be a victory for Krim, as he has steadfastly held off the highly organized armies of both France and Spain and inflicted telling defeats on the latter."

What purported to be greater details of the pro posed peace negotiations were outlined in a Paris wireless message to the New York "Times" on April 10. The correspondent said in part that "France's hope for success in the peace negotiations with the Riffians lies in her intention to draw away from Abd-el-Krim the support of the caids and tribesmen who have until now been united under his banner. These negotiations will not be undertaken with Abd-el-Krim as chief of the Riff. His position, as such, is not recognized either by France or Spain. He is the caid of the Beni Ouriaghel tribe and nothing else, and negotiations will be conducted simultaneously with his representative and with those of Djeballa and Beni Zeroual tribes. To these tribes the alternative will be offered of peace, with restoration of their flocks and herds and probably a considerable pension for the caids themselves, or war, if they continue to make common cause with Abd-elKrim." It was further claimed that "at the Quai d'Orsay it is frankly admitted that Abd-el-Krim is not considered the chief of the negotiators. An attempt will be made to make peace with each of the Riff caids separately, and the old tactics of Marshal Lyautey will be followed; for long ago he proved that it is cheaper to purchase than to impose peace in Morocco. In order to improve the chances of success, it is the allies' intention to rush the discussion once it begins, which may be next Thursday. The caids of three tribes have already been well primed with promises. All they have to undertake is a promise to submit to the authority of the Sultan of Morocco, that is to say, to abandon all their claims to the independence of the Riff. They then can expect their depleted flock and herds to be replenished and in future to enjoy the prosperity which has come to other tribes and caids who have learned wisdom in preferring peace with France. In this plan there is no great hope that Abd-el-Krim himself will until the last moment submit. He has promised too much in the way of independence to his people to be easily led to accept less even at personal profit. But if the
other tribes and caids accept the French and Spanish conditions it will be all but impossible for him to continue the war."

Word came from the French capital April 12 that "General Simon, head of the French peace delegation for the discussion of terms with the Riffians, left Paris this evening for Oudja and will be followed to-morrow by the rest of the mission and the Spanish delegates, who are going by way of Madrid. Before General Simon's departure, a final consulta tion was held by Premier Briand and Governor Steeg at the Quai d'Orsay, after which it was announced that there was full agreement between the Spaniards and the French. At this meeting the Spanish delegates insisted strongly that the best assurance of peace would be in the complete disarmament of the Riffians, though it is a well-known feature of the situation that the main supply of arms for Abd-el-Krim's followers have in the past been obtained by purchase and capture from the Spaniards and by purchase from the French before the latter entered the Moroccan war. Further insistence was laid to-day on the fact that these negotiations were not with the Riff as a political entity nor with Abd-el-Krim as its leader, but with the tribes and caids of the Riff district separately, who will receive certain compensation for their abandonment of arms by having their depleted flocks and herds made up to them."

Still a day later (April 13) the Associated Press correspondent in Paris cabled that "the exchange of views going on here looking to a settlement of the hostilities in Morocco are to be continued in Madrid, where Georges Ponsot, the French envoy, and Senor Olivan, the Spanish delegate, will remain for a day or two before rejoining General Simon of the French Moroccan Intelligence Service at Oudjda, on the Morocco-Algerian frontier. General Simon has left for Oudjda by way of Algiers. The peace terms evolved in these exchanges will be as concrete as possible. It is said little opportunity will be left to the Riffian tribesmen for bargaining, the Franco-Spanish peace negotiators being determined to have no Oriental bazaar methods thrust upon them when they meet the Riffians at Oudjda. The terms which the French and Spanish propose as a condition of peace are severe, notably the proposal to treat Abd-el-Krim, the Riffian war lord, as another Abd-elKader and deprive the Riffians of all their arms."

According to an Associated Press dispatch from Madrid last evening, "France and Spain have agreed on the peace terms to be discussed with Riffian emissaries in Morocco, says an official statement. Georges Ponsot, the French envoy, and Julio LopezOlivan, the Spanish peace commissioner, are on their way to Melilla after consulting with the Spanish Government. The statement adds that the peace conference will not be held at Oudjda on the Alge-rian-Moroccan frontier, as previously announced, but at a place nearer to Melilla. This is due to a desire to keep in closer touch with the Spanish authorities in Morocco."

Raoul Peret, French Finance Minister, was reported to have "told a meeting of bankers" in Paris on April 12, and "repeated it before the Senate" the same afternoon that, "with settlement of her debts to the United States and Great Britain expected
soon and her budget for 1926 actually balanced, France may look to the financial future with real confidence." According to a special cable message to the New York "Herald Tribune" on that date, "the Finance Minister said he refused to worry over the present low rate of the franc, which closed to-day at 29.14 , but expressed belief that its fall was due to economic factors in the New York and London markets and was now over. If he had reason for the belief that speculation was playing a part, he said, he would intervene with the funds at his disposal. In any event, the Government intended to remain in the closest touch with the market, M. Peret told the bankers, who assured him of their co-operation."

Continuing, the "Herald Tribune" correspondent said: "One of the happiest auguries for the future, said M. Peret, was the tendency already being shown by the public to offer its confidence through renewed subscription to the national defense bonds, and its willingness to accept them in exchange for shortterm bonds falling due May 20 indicated that the payments which must be met at that time would be made without difficulty. Expenditures now being voted by the Senate, it was announced by the reporter for the Finance Commission, will provide a surplus of $250,000,000$ francs, and the slogan he said should be adopted was 'not another bank note for the needs of the State.' It is hoped the Senate will complete its consideration of the bills by the end of the week and the Chamber, in turn, by the end of the month, and so complete the budget that it may be promulgated without the necessity of provisional credits in May. A measure was introduced to stabil ize the franc on the basis of 100 par francs for 20 of gold or 40 of silver, but it was briefly disposed of when M. Peret pointed out that it would necessitate the issuance of $30,000,000$ kilos of silver, which do not exist in the world."

Even on April 9, according also to Paris cable dispatches to both that newspaper and the New York "Times," the French Finance Minister predicted an early settlement of his Government's war debt to the United States. The "Herald Tribune" correspondent said that "a settlement in principle of the French debt to the United States may be expected within the next eight days, according to a remark dropped by Finance Miniser Peret after a Cabinet meeting to-day. It was said that Ambassador Berenger had so advised the Ministry of Finance here." It was further stated that "M. Peret was asked regarding his plans for a trip to London upon a rather urgent invitation from Winston Churchill, British Chancellor of the Exchequer, for a discussion of the Franco-British debt before the Chancellor presents his budget to the House of Commons. M. Peret said he desired to go to London at the earliest possible time, but that this was dependent upon the results of M. Berenger's negotiations at Washington, which he had every reason to believe would eventuate in some agreement within the next eight days. The Minister declined to comment further, but expressed his intention of going to London before the end of April in any event. M. Peret's only other reference to the debt to the United States since he became Minister of Finance was a statement that France could not consider any settlement which did not take into consideration a safeguarding clause-basing France's obligation to pay only in proportion as she receives reparations payments from Germany under
the Dawes plan." It was indicated in a special Washington dispatch to the New York "Times," also on April 9, that nothing had been made public or available there that would justify the optimistic statements said to have been made by the French Finance Minister.

In spite of previous statements somewhat to the contrary, word came from London on April 14 through a special cable message to the New York "Times" that "Premier Briand, after a conference with the British Ambassador, Lord Crewe, announced that Finance Minister Raoul Peret would go to London in a few days. It is officially announced however, that the trip should be interpreted only as a first move toward the resumption of debt negotiations, and that nothing definite will be settled at present. The French desire to obtain a Washington settlement first is clearly pointed to by this decision."

The foregoing dispatch was supplemented by another to the Associated Press the next day (April 15), in which it was said that'" 'Le Soir' to-day says that Finance Minister Peret will leave in May for Washington, where he hopes to sign a debt agreement with the United States." It was added that "news from Washington continues favorable, the Associated Press learns. M. Peret will go to London before his American trip because the British want to incorporate in their budget the first year's payment by France. When M. Peret returns from London the French Parliament will adjoirn during the General Department Council, and the Finance Minister, those closely in touch with him affirm, will then cross the Atlantic to close negotiations at Washington." The correspondent likewise observed that "the French franc sank to-day to a new low level for all time. The official closing quotation was at 29.61 to the dollar and 143.80 to the pound. The franc reached this new low level despite a fairly favorable weekly statement of the Bank of France, showing the State has repaid $600,000,000$ francs in debts. Financiers are at a loss to explain the phenomenon, since the budget has been balanced."
Judging from an Associated Press dispatch from Paris last evening, the French Government authorities realize the seriousness of its financial situation. It was stated that "the speed with which the Senate is disposing of the budget bill makes it probable M. Peret, Minister of Finance, can begin preliminary debt conver: ations with Winston Spencer Churchill, Chancellor of the British Exchequer, in London, by next Monday. M. Peret can later, if he desires, utilize the parliamentary vacation for a flying trip to the United States, probably in June, on a similar mission. M. Peret is convinced there can be no real stabilization of the franc until the war debt question is in a fair way to solution. He is anxious to supplement his success of finally forcing the Chamber, after various other Finance Ministers had failed, to vote a balanced budget."

It is claimed that Germany is negotiating for closer trade relations with Russia. In a special cablegram from London to the New York "Times" on April 13 it was stated that "Germany is negotiating with Soviet Russia a treaty providing for closer relations between the two countries, according to good sources of information here. The new treaty, it is stated, will be so designed as to adapt
the terms of the treaty concluded between the two countries at Rapallo in 1922 to the terms of the Locarno treaty of last autumn. During the past few days the Governments of Great Britain and France have been informed of the projected treaty, it is declared, Britain through the British Ambassador at Berlin and France through the German Ambassador at Paris. Italy also has been informed. The new treaty is described as a 'reinsurance' treaty. Though it is explicitly declared that the new German-Russian agreement does not conflict in any way with the treaty of Locarno, it must be borne in mind that the Russians have been consistently hostile to the Locarno agreement and anxious to counteract its effects by drawing closer to Germany. Therefore, if the new treaty is concluded it will seem, in Russian eyes, an antidote for Locarno, even though the Germans maintain there is nothing in it detrimental to the Locarno agreement."

On the other hand it was asserted in a special wireless message from Berlin to the New York "Times" on April 13 that "the German Government's Ministerial Commission, charged with studying the application of Chancellor Luther's RussoGerman trade project, has abandoned its task, it was learned to-night, owing to a deadlock having been reached between the Soviet authorities and the German banks." According to that dispatch also, "this, the direct result of the State Department's veto on A. W. Harriman's proposition for financing German exports to Russia, plus many rumors as to America's increasingly adverse attitude toward European credits in general, caused a sharp fall of values on the Berlin Bourse to-day. The point at issue between the Soviet spokesman and the big Berlin bankers is the rate of interest, aggregating nearly $11 \%$, demanded by the latter for guaianteeing the $40 \%$ left uninsured by the Government's project. The banks now allege that the Russian security is not enough and that pledges of a material character must be forthcoming if the interest charges are to be reduced."

On the contrary, the Berlin representative of the New York "Evening Post" cabled on April 15 that, "although the German Government officially denies the conclusion of any new pact with Russia, it is officially admitted that negotiations, which have been going on between the two countries continuously, actually are reaching a condition of mutual understanding which may well form the basis for a new treaty. Such a treaty might take the form of a neutrality agreement with special reference to Paragraph XVI of the League of Nations Covenant, in case Germany enters the League. Whenever it is questioned on its relations with Russia, the German Government is at pains to emphasize that the Locarno Treaty does not in any way change the relations Russia has established under the Rapallo Treaty and since."

Then again, the Berlin correspondent of "The Sun" said on April 15 that "emphatic denials that Germany has turned in petulance from the Geneva fiasco and is secretly negotiating for a new rapprochement with Russia, thereby endangering the Locarno policy, came from all official sources in Berlin to-day. While explanations sound thoroughly logical, there is no doubt that new distrusts have arisen on all sides and recriminations have been passed back and forth since the news of German negotiations with Russia appeared in two leading

London papers several days ago. This indicates clearly that the good feeling of last fall is becoming at least slightly ruffled."

Soviet Russia appears to have taken a particularly obstreperous attitude toward the League of Nations. In a special Geneva cable message to the New York "Times" on April 13 it was said that "M. Tchitcherin, Russian Commissar for Foreign Affairs, has informed the League of Nations that Moscow refuses to participate in the Preparatory Disarmament Conference. He accuses the League of bad faith in inviting Russia to come to the meeting at Geneva, and finally asks the League 'only to trouble to invite the Soviet Government to conferences in which those who direct the League's policy genuinely desire it to take part.' The letter alludes to a remark attributed to the American Ambassador to London, Mr. Houghton, when he was is. Washington recently to report to the President on political conditions in Europe. This allusion follows M. Ttitcherin's charge of insincerity on the part of the European nations in calling the Preparatory Disarmament Conference. He says: 'In other words, as a leading American diplomatist put it, the Preliminary Conference on Disarmament will meet at Geneva, if it ever meets, to examine proposals on which agreement is neither desired nor expected, and which have been put forward for the specific purpose of insuring failure of the enterprise." It is the opinion of the League authorities that M. Tchitcherin's letter will in no manner influence the League Council to change its decision in regard to the time and place of the preliminary conference. However, this is a matter which is strictly in the hands of the Council."
Russia evidently is reaching out for treaties with Powers other than Germany. In a special wireless message to the New York "Times" from Riga on April 9 it was stated that "the Soviet Foreign Commissariat, according to reports from Moscow, has instructed its diplomatic agents in Warsaw, Helsingfors, Reval, Riga and Kovno to reopen negotiations with those respective States to conclude guarantee compacts with Soviet Russia. The Soviet Government seeks three independent accords-one with Poland, one with Finland, and one with the Baltic States, Esthonia, Latvia and Lithuania, together. The official press of Moscow have hitherto emphatically declared it an impossibility to negotiate with any combination of the Baltic States, and that each had to be approached separately. Under the new plan Moscow proposes: To guarantee the existing frontiers mutually; to conclude a mutual non-aggression accord; to agree mutually to maintain neutrality if the otler party is involved in war; to declare that each shall undertake not to participate in any coalition hostile to the other; to establish a peaceful method in the settlement of disputes; to conclude an economic trade agreement." It was added that "Moscow seems especially anxious to attain such an agreement with Poland, and its instructions apparently allow the Warsaw agent great scope. The official Soviet organ, 'Isvestia,' indicates what is in the minds of the Soviet leaders by declaring the Skrynski suffered a defeat in Geneva, and that Poland must change her foreign policy because Germany will soon enter the League and will certainly raise the question of Poland's western frontiers and the Polish Corridor to Dantzig.

Friendship with the Soviet Government, it is added, would then give Poland great weight in the discussion of these and other questions, whereas Poland's western orientation now gives her nothing. There are no signs that the Baltic States have discarded the cautious attitude which they adopted when Kopp made similar proposals in 1923 during his tour of the Baltic capitals in connection with the revolutionary disturbance in Germany."

The British coal labor situation has appeared threatening again all this week. On April 9 it was claimed in a special wireless message from London to the New York "Times" that " a serious deadlock is threatened between the mine owners and the coal miners on the question of wages. In a conference here to-day the miners' delegates from all British coal fields adopted a resolution against the acceptance of wage reductions, the lengthening of hours and the substitution of district for national agreements regarding minimum wages." The correspondent also pointed out that "the acceptance of some of these things was suggested as part of a panacea for Britain's crisis in the recent report of the Coal Commission, but the miners have been careful to state ever since the publication of this report that they have not refused to follow it as a whole in seeking to put an end to the crisis." Discursing the situation further, he said: "Despite this the fact that they disagree with the suggestions of the Coal Commission in such vital matters as those stated above, is reason enough for pessimism as to the feasibility of general settlement of the crisis along the lines laid down in the report. And there are only three weeks left for such a settlement. On May 1 the coal subsidy will be withdrawn and some new way must be found of adjusting the serious differences between the mine owners and the miners. Nevertheless, despite the general gloominess of the ontlook to-day, there is a silver lining to the clond. It was stated after the conference of the miners' delegates that the miners' executive had sent an invitation to the mine owners to meet them again immediately for the purpose of continuing negotiations. Thus the door is not yet shut in the face of an amicable settlement and it must be horne in mind that to-day's conference did not decide anything definite. It simply gave a hint to the miners' leaders in various districts as to what the delegates at to-day's general conference thought the best line to be adopted."

Four days later (April 13) the London representative of the Associated Press cabled that "interest now lies rather outside than inside the House of Commons, which reassembled to-day after Easter, and it already is evident that the Government is faced with an extremely difficult and delicate task in reconciling many conflicting points of view before a solution of the coal problem is possible. The first conference between the coal mine owners and miners' representatives to-day enderl in a deadlock. This leaves no alternative except intervention by the Government, and a Cabinet meeting has been called for to-morrow to consider the situation. At the conference the miners presented their detailed reply to the recommendations of the Roral Coal Commission. The Government had hoped that with the promise of a State loan to tide over the industry during the coming months, the miners, as well as the owners, would be willing to accept the Commission's recommendation. This, however, the miners declined to
do. Briefly, they will consent to no increase in working hours and no reduction of wages, while they insist the minimum wage must be settled nationally and not by districts, as recommended by the Commission. They declare: 'No settlement is acceptable which fails to provide a wage enabling miners to get a decent standard of living.' "

Further developments with respect to the situation were reported as follows in a special London cablegram to the New York "Evening Post" on April 13: "A huge women's demonstration against strikes, including a procession along the Thames Embankment and a mass meeting in Albert Hall which is to take place Saturday and will be attended by thousands of miners' wives, indicates the fear that is entertained throughout England that the final conference between the mine owners and miners to-day will result in a deadlock. The demonstration is being organized by Mrs. Flora Drummond, famous as 'General' Drummond of the militant suffragists and now chief of the Woman's Guild of the Empire. Fearing that the demonstration will weaken their stand against a wage reduction and injure strike sentiment, the executive committee of the Miners' Federation has issued a warning to miners' families against participation. Counter demonstrations are being organized in some mining districts against the women leaving for London. On Friday the owners will post a fortnight's notice of the termination of the present agreement. Unless a new agreement is reached within this fortnight, a national strike appears unavoidable."

Announcement was made in a special London dispatch to the New York "Herald Tribune" on April 14 that "Prime Minister Baldwin and Sir Arthur Steel-Maitland, Minister of Labor, intervened in the labor dispute in the coal mining industry to-night at a meeting of the mine owners and trade union leaders, but they apparently met with little success in their efforts to end the deadlock. The drift toward a national coal strike after April 30 continued, and the mine owners to-day took an ominous step, posting notices that they would terminate contracts with the miners throughout the British coal fields at the end of the month unless terms were agreed upon in the meantime. Mr. Baldwin learned by to-day's interviews that the difference between the two sides is over national versus district determination of what the minimum percentage wage on basic rates shall be. The Prime Minister impressed on the trade union leaders the importance of preserving peace in the industry." Sir William Joynson-Hicks, Home Secretary, was quoted as saying that "I believe without exaggeration that the anxiety of the Cabinet over the disasters of the day is greater than during the war. There is a prospect-I will not say of war,' he continued, 'but of grave differences of opinion in the body politic, and the nation is not united as it was in the war. That is the anxiety before the minds of Ministers day and night. If the cloud bursts-if in the coal trade, and still more in other trades, there should be a difference of opinion leading to commercial strife, no man can prophesy the extent of the damage it will cause to the trade of the country as a whole." He added, however, that, "to avert a catastrophe, the Government will do everything it can to relieve the situation."

According to a special London dispatch to the New York "Herald Tribune" Thursday evening, "the prospect of averting a nation-wide tie-up of coal mining on May 1 improved this afternoon, when it was announced that through Prime Minister Baldwin's intervention a new conference between the mine owners and the workers had been arranged for next week. According to 'The Evening Standard,' this has been brought about by Mr. Baldwin making a concession to the miners and requesting the owners not to begin local negotiations with the miners before a nation-wide settlement was reached."

Perhaps one of the most noteworthy features of the British trade statement for March was that, with the exception of re-exports of foreign goods, all the items showed fairly good-sized increases in comparison with February of this year. The increases ranged from $£ 2,43 \check{5}, 000$ in total exports to $£ 10,015,000$ in imports. The latter item, of course, was unfavorable from the British point of view. The other outstanding feature of the statement, broadly speaking, was that, compared with March of last year, the figures showed decreases in every item. The range was from $£ 696,000$ in re-exports to $£ 6,001$,000 in imports. The statement for March and the first three months of this year compares as follows with the corresponding periods of last year:

|  | 1926-M | arch-1925. | 1926-Jan. 1-1 | Mar.31-1925 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Imports | £106,8e0 000 | £112,861,032 | £321,389, ¢C0 | £351,916,038 |
| Exports, British goods.. | £66,390,000 | 270,303.2791 | £189,80.rno | £208.684,168 |
| Re-exports, forelgn goods | 12,080.000 | 12,776,536 | 37,042,000 | 39,917,796 |
| Total exports | 878.470000 | 283,079,815 | £226,622,000 | ¢248,601,964 |
| Excess of imports | £28,390,000 | £29,781,217 | 194,767,000 | £103,314,0 |

Official bank rates at leading European centres continues to be quoted at $71 / 2 \%$ in Belgium and Austria; $7 \%$ in Berlin and Italy; $6 \%$ in Paris and Norway; $51 / 2 \%$ in Denmark; $5 \%$ in London and Madrid; $41 / 2 \%$ in Sweden and $31 / 2 \%$ in Holland and Switzerland. In London open market discount rates ruled steady at $43 / 8 \%$ for both short bills and three months' bills, in comparison with $41 / 4 @ 43 / 8 \%$ last week. Money on call at the British centre touched $43 / 8 \%$, but finished at $31 / 2 \%$, as against $33 / 8 \%$ the previous week. In Paris and Switzerland open market discounts remain at $41 / 4 \%$ and $2 \%$, respectively.

The Bank of England in its weekly return again lost gold, this week's report indicating a decline of $£ 164,282$, which brings total gold holdings down to $£ 146,490,936$, as compared with $£ 128,720,928$ a year ago (before the transfer to the Bank of England of the $£ 27,000,000$ gold formerly held by the Redemption Account of the Currency Note issued), and $£ 128,112,091$ in 1924. However, there was a contraction in note circulation of $£ 1,175,000$, so that the reserve of gold and notes in the banking department increased $£ 1,011,000$, while the proportion of reserve to liabilities again advanced, this time to $22.27 \%$, the highest level of the year, and comparing with $20.40 \%$ last week, $215 / 8$ a year ago and $185 / 8$ the year before that. Pronounced changes were shown in the deposit and loan items. Public deposits declined $£ 2,211,000$ and "other" deposits decreased $£ 3,353,000$, while contraction appeared in the bank's temporary loans to the Government $(£ 4,930,000)$, and in loans on other securities of $£ 1,628,000$. Reserve now totals $£ 25,521,000$, against $£ 27,108,303$ in 1925 and $£ 22,385,046$ a year earlier. Loans amount
to $£ 66,578,000$, in comparison with $£ 76,415,649$ a year ago and $£ 74,843,131$ in 1924. Note circulation aggregates $£ 140,717,000$. This contrasts with $£ 121$,362,625 the preceding year and $£ 125,477,045$ a year earlier. Clearings through the London banks totaled $£ 778,831,000$, which compares with $£ 636,960$,000 last week and $£ 521,340,000$ a year ago. No change has been made in the Bank's minimum discount rate from $5 \%$. We append herewith comparisons of the different items of the Bank of England return for a series of years:

| $\begin{gathered} 1926 . \\ \text { April } 14 . \\ 亡 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1925 . \\ & \text { April } 15 . \\ & f . \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1924 . \\ \text { April } 16 . \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1923 . \\ \text { April } 18 . \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1922 . \\ \text { April } 19 . \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Circulation.......b140,717,000 | 121,362,625 | 125,477,045 | 122.380,350 | $\stackrel{\text { 21,638,245 }}{ }$ |
| Public deposits. ...- 10,965,000 | 14.780.413 | 18,402,551 | 14,103,368 | 16,834,505 |
| Other deposits . $\ldots$. $103,620,000$ | 110,333,035 | 102,066,466 | 111,815,398 | 117,761.293 |
| Governm't securitles 40,210,000 | 39,292,221 | 40,917,755 | 51,299,100 | 48,454,146 |
| Other securities....- $66,578,000$ | 76,415,649 | 74,843,131 | 67,405,298 | 78,101,751 |
| Reserve notes \& coin $25,521,000$ | 27,108,303 | 22,385,046 | 24,890,609 | 25,688,528 |
| Coin and bullion..a a 146,490,936 | 128,720,928 | 28.112,01 | 27,520,959 | 25,08, 52 |
| Proportion of reserve <br> to Habilltles $\qquad$ $22.27 \%$ | 3\%\% | 185\% | 199\% | , |
| Bank rate.....---.- 5 \% | 5\% | $4 \%$ |  |  |

a Includes, beginning with April 29 1925, $£ 27,000,000$ gold coin and bullion previously held as securlty for currency notes issued and which was transferred to the
Bank of England on the British Governments dit b Beginning with the statement for April 29 1925, includes $£ 27,000,000$ of Bank of England notes Issued in return for the same amount of gold coin and bullion hold up to that time in redemption account of currency note issue.

According to the weekly statement of the Bank of France a favorable change occurred in the note circulation item, namely, a reduction of $407,930,000$ francs. The change is the more significant as it contrasts with large increases the two previous weeks. Total notes in circulation now aggregate $52,443,155$,640 francs. For the corresponding period last year note circulation stood at $42,959,748,000$ francs, and in 1924 at $39,943,151,000$ francs. A further small gain of 13,425 francs was reported in the gold holdings, bringing the total up to $5,548,348,975$ francs, compared with $5,546,207,460$ francs in 1925 and with $5,542,133,860$ francs in 1924 . Changes among the other items were: Silver holdings increased 34,000 francs, bills discounted expanded 137,999,000 francs, and treasury deposits rose $7,035,000$ francs. On the other hand, trade advances fell off $58,595,000$ francs, general deposits dropped $135,201,000$ francs and advances to the State were reduced $600,000,000$ francs. Comparison of the various items in this week's return with the figures of last week and the corresponding dates in both 1925 and 1924 are as follows:

BANK OF FRANCE'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.


The Imperial Bank of Germany's statement, issued under date of April 7, again showed more or less important changes. Chief among these was a decline in note circulation amounting to $98,202,000$ marks, at the same time that other maturing obligations increased $145,313,000$ marks, while other liabilities diminished $7,452,000$ marks. Moderate gains were recorded in the Bank's assets. Holdings of bills of exchange and checks increased 11,792,000 marks. Reserve in foreign currencies rose 233,000 marks and silver and other coins 162,000 marks. In investments an addition of $1,976,000$ marks was re-
ported in other assets ne less than $88,259,000$ marks. As against this, however, advances fell 69,846,000 marks. Another though much smaller increase was shown in gold coin and bullion holdings, namely 33,000 marks, and total gold reserves now aggregate $1,491,132,000$ marks, as compared with 1,003 ,430,000 marks last year and $464,883,000$ marks in 1924. Note circulation outstanding totals 3,061,441,000 marks.

The Federal Reserve Banks' weekly statements, which were issued at the close of business on Thursday, revealed some rather striking changes. Small reductions were reported in gold reserves; substantial expansion in open market operations, both locally and nationally, and an increase in rediscounting of more than $\$ 33,000,000$ by the New York bank. For the System as a whole the figures show that paper secured by Government obligations increased $\$ 44,500,000$, but that rediscounts of "other" bills" fell $\$ 45,800,000$, so that the net result for the week was a decline of $\$ 1,300,000$ in total bills discounted, Holdings of bills purchased in the open market in: creased no less than $\$ 44,300,000$. Total bills and securities (earning assets) rose $\$ 77,900,000$, and deposits $\$ 68,700,000$. Member bank reserve accounts rose $\$ 91,600,000$ and the amount of Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation increased $\$ 28,200,000$. At New York a drop of $\$ 1,400,000$ occurred in gold holdings. Here also rediscounting of Government secured paper increased largely- $\$ 54,200,000$, and rediscounting of "other" bills was reduced, namely, $\$ 20,400,000$; thus total bills discounted for the week gained $\$ 33,800,000$. Bills bought in the open market expanded $\$ 19,300,000$. Total bills and securities increased $\$ 61,100,000$ and deposits $\$ 79,700,000$. Member bank reserve accounts were augmented $\$ 83$,800,000 , but the amount of Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation was smaller, declining $\$ 3,800,000$. The result of losses in gold holdings and greatly enhanced deposits was, of course, to lower the reserve ratio in both statements; that for the banks as a group recorded a drop of $1.6 \%$, to $73.0 \%$, while at New York the decline was $4.7 \%$, to $76.9 \%$.

Last Saturday's statement of New York Clearing House banks and trust companies amply fulfilled expectations in that it revealed restoration of a surplus reserve of well over $\$ 19,000,000$. Heavy paying off of loans was reflected in a reduction of $\$ 119,776$, 000 in the loan account, while net demand deposits were reduced $\$ 180,972,000$, to $\$ 4,290,934,000$, which is exclusive of Government deposits to the amount of $\$ 44,437,000$. Time deposits declined $\$ 2,293,000$, to $\$ 583,109,000$. Other lesser changes included an increase in cash in own vaults of members of the Federal Reserve Bank of $\$ 2,085,000$, to $\$ 46,894,000$; although this is not counted as reserve; and expansion of $\$ 500,000$ and $\$ 62,000$ in the reserves of State banks and trust companies in own vaults and in other depositaries, respectively. Member banks added to their reserves at the Reserve institution the sum of $\$ 29,719,000$. This factor, coupled with the heavy reductions in deposits, was sufficient to bring about an increase in surplus reserve of $\$ 53$,851,200 , which, after wiping out last week's deficit in reserve of $\$ 34,159,500$, left excess reserve of $\$ 19$, 691,700. The above figures for surplus are on the basis of $13 \%$ legal reserve requirements against demand deposits for member banks of the Federal Re-
serve System, but do not include $\$ 46,894,000$ cash in own vaults held by these member banks on Saturday last.

Call money had a flurry early in the week that was attributed almost wholly to the run on branches in Cuba of American and Canadian banks. Something like $\$ 50,000,000$ in currency was said to have been rushed to Havana to relieve the situation throughout the island. Loans were called here on Monday to an estimated extent of $\$ 35,000,000$ and call money advanced to $51 / 2 \%$. The run on the banks in Cuba was soon stopped with the large influx of foreign currency and the rates for call loans in this market gradually receded until the ruling and only quotation on Thursday was $41 / 4 \%$, although it was the day on which large mid-month disbursements were being made. The same prevailed throughout yesterday's session. Throughout the period of the flurry time money remained quiet and largely nominal at about $43 / 8 @ 41 / 2 \%$. With the exception of the Cuban situation there have been no striking changes with respect to the money market, broadly speaking. General business continues to slacken in some lines, according to most reports. There is less activity in the steel trade. Offerings of new securities are only on a moderate scale. Liquidation of stocks is still in progress. Under these conditions it is not easy to see how tightness in the money market is likely to develop in the immediate futue. That loans to brokers and dealers by New York banks have continued to decrease was shown by the statement of the Federal Reserve Board for the week ended April
7. It disclosed a further shrinkage of $\$ 89,398,000$ in the loans of those institutions "for their own account."

Dealing with specific rates for money, call loans this week covered a range of $4 @ 51 / 2 \%$, as against $4 @ 41 / 2 \%$ last week. Monday $51 / 2 \%$ was the maximum, with $4 \%$ low and $4 \%$ the rate for renewals. On Tuesday, although no loans were made above $5 \%$, the renewal basis was advanced to $5 \%$, while the low was $41 / 2 \%$. Increased ease developed on Wednesday and there was a further lowering to $41 / 2 \%$ for renewals; the low was $4 \%$ and the high $41 / \% \%$. During the remainder of the week, that, is on Thursday and Friday, there was no range, all loans on call being negotiated at $41 / 4 \%$, which was the high, the low and the ruling rate on both days.

For fixed date maturities the situation was not essentially altered. Offerings were in good supply and loans were negotiated at $41 / 4 @ 43 / 8 \%$ for sixty and ninety days, with $43 / 8 @ 41 / 2 \%$ for four, five and six months, the same as a week ago. Trading was dull and narrow.

Commercial paper was in fairly good demand, but trading continues to be restricted by lack of offerings. Both local and out-of-town institutions were in the market as buyers. Four to six months' names of choice character continue to be quoted at $41 / 4 \%$, with names not so well known still requiring $41 / 2 \%$. New England mill paper and the shorter choice names were dealt in at $41 / 4 \%$, the same as heretofore.

Banks' and bankers' acceptances ruled quiet but steady at the levels prevailing last week. Conditions surrounding the market remain about the same. The week's turnover was small, with country banks furnishing most of the limited business. For call
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loans against bankers' acceptances the posted rate of the American Acceptance Council is now $33 / 4 \%$. The Acceptance Council makes the discount rate on prime bankers' acceptances eligible for purchase by the Federal Reserve banks $35 / 8$ bid and $31 / 2 \%$ asked for bills running 30 to 90 days, $33 / 4 \%$ bid and $35 / 8 \%$ asked for 120 days and $4 \%$ bid and $37 / 8 \%$ asked for 150 days and 180 days. Open market quotations are as follows:

SPOT DELIVERY. . 3 Days $31 / 2$ 60 Days. 30 Days.
$3 \% / 8$ 오 $31 / 2$
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Ain/ eliglble bills. R DELIVERY WITHIN THIRTY DAYS.
There have been no changes this week in ....31/2 bld Reserve Bow of rates now in effect for the various classes of paper at the different Reserve banks:
discount rates of federal reserve banks in eff APRIL 161926.

| FEDERAL RESERVE BANK. | Paper Maturing- |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Within 90 Days. |  |  |  | $\left\|\begin{array}{c}\text { After } 90 \\ \text { Days, ova } \\ \text { Within } \\ \text { Months }\end{array}\right\|$ |  |
|  | Com'rcial Secur. by <br> Agricul U. S. <br> dLivest'k Gort. <br> Paper. Obliga- <br> n.e.s. tons. |  | Bankers' Acceptances. | Trade Acceptances. |  |  |
| Boston -... |  |  |  |  | 4 | 4 |
| New York.-. | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Cleveland... | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| R1: hmond | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Atlanta... | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| ${ }_{\text {ct }}$. Louls | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Minneapolis. | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Kansas City | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Dan Frandero. | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |

Sterling exchange displayed a slight but persistent disposition to sag and the result of trading operations during the week just closed was a decline to $4859-16$ for demand, or the lowest point in a number of weeks, and comparing with $48515-16$, the closing price quoted at the end of last week. Various reasons were assigned for the softening in rates, after more than a month of almost unvarying stability. Chief among these, perhaps, was the change in the relative position of the New York and London money markets, which has led to a resumption of buying of American securities by British interests. As yet the movement has attained comparatively small proportions; but it was sufficient to bring about a volume of selling more than the present restricted market was able to absorb. Moreover, buying of futures by commercial houses for fall requirements figured in the dealings. Sterling futures ruled for a time as low as 485 , at which levels they were regarded as "cheap." Added to these developments were the unpleasant potentialities of the threatened coal strike in England, as well as the continued drawing of gold from the Bank of England, all of which combined to depress sentiment and cast, as it were, a dampening influence on the market. Speculators, however, showed very little disposition to take advantage of the dip in prices, evidently regarding present uncertainties as affording too great a risk to warrant the taking on of new commitments at this time. As a matter of fact, most of the trading was for London account and local prices were in response to developments at the British centre. According to some authorities the recent difficulties experienced by the Royal Bank of Canada in Cuba has exercised more influence on the
foreign exchange market than was generally supposed.
Referring to the day-to-day rates, sterling excharge on Saturday last was steady and still unchanged, with demand at $48515-16$ (one rate), cable transfers at $4865-16$ and sixty days at $48211-16$; trading was quiet. Monday's market was a shade easier on freer offerings, and the range was lowered to 485 13-16@ $4857 / 8$ for demand, $4863-16 @ 4861 / 4$ for cable transfers and $4829-16 @ 4823 / 8$ for sixty days. Increased ease developed on Tuesday that sent demand rates down to 485 23-32@4 85 13-16, cable transfers to $4863-32 @ 4863-16$ and sixty days to $48215-32$ @ 482 9-16. On Wednesday continued selling was responsible for a further fractional decline to 485 19-32@4855/8 for demand, 485 31-32@4 46 for cable transfers and $48211-32 @ 4823 / 8$ for sixty days; buying of American securities by British interests, also uneasiness over the coal situation, were factors in the weakness. Dulness featured Thursday's trading, though rates were maintained; demand ranged at 4859-16@4853/4, cable transfers at $48515-16 @ 4861 /$, and sixty days at $4825-16 @$ $4821 / 2$. Friday's market was quiet but steadier, with quoted rates at 485 13-16@4 45 27-32 for demand, $4863-16 @ 4867-32$ for cable transfers and 481 9-16@48219-32 for sixty days. Closing quotations were 482 19-32 for sixty days, 485 27-32 for demand and 486 7-32 for cable transfers. Commercial sight bills finished at $48523-32$ and sixty days at $4823-32$; ninety days at $48111-32$, documents for payment (sixty days) at $48211-32$, and sevenday grain bills at 484 19-32. Cotton and grain for payment closed at $48523-32$. The Bank of England is still losing gold in small quantities.

Word was received by New York bankers on April 9 that a $\$ 2,000,000$ shipment of gold would leave Japan on the steamship Kaiyo Maru for the United States on Tuesday, April 13. The shipment is being made for the account of the Japanese Government." According to the advices, also, "This will be the first gold shipment from Japan this fiscal year, in which, it has been said, Japan will send $\$ 36,000,000$ to this country for the payment of Government obligations and for the support of exchange."

A more or less general revival in activity made itself felt in the Continental exchanges and in some currencies trading attained fairly large proportions. This may be said to apply primarily to Spanish and Japanese exchange, which scored substantial advances as a result on the one hand of prospects of an adjustment of the long drawn out and expensive Moroccan military struggle, and on the other of reports of the hastening of the date for the return of Japan to a gold standard. Norwegian kroner also attracted attention by a fresh spurt of activity and strength. In the major European division there was very little to report up till Thursday, when French francs which had received some support earlier in the week, suddenly dropped to another new low record, of 3.36 , while before the close there was a further break to $3.341 / 4$. The market at no time was persistently active, but offerings were large and there appeared to be no support. The collapse, coming as it did in spite of "good news" from Morocco, as well as optimistic utterances on the part of Finance Minister Peret regarding France's debt settlement outlook, aroused considerable uneasiness. Most bankers were of the opinion that the $3,000,000,000$-franc notes maturing in May have already been discounted and no
longer constitute an important market factor; hence it was not easy to explain the weakness. It is true that those of a pessimistic turn of mind point out that France's financial position is unmitigatedly bad, all roseate assurances to the contrary notwithstanding, and that hopes of a settlement with the Riffian chiefs may not be realized. The Riff war has proved an almost intolerable burden to French finances and greatly hampered all efforts at financial reconstruction. Therefore, preliminary announcement of the peace negotiations led to an advance to $3.461 / 2$, although the upward movement was of short duration. Belgian francs fluctuated nervously on desultory attempts to sell on an unresponsive market. Opening quotations were around 3.87 , but later announcement that direct negotiations for the much-needed Belgian stabilization credits had not as yet been begun, had a depressing effect and Antwerp francs dropped to 3.68. Italian lire were quiet, but steady, at close to 4.01 . Greek exchange was heavy, mainly on foreign selling, said to be induced by the prospect of important political changes at Athens, and the quotation broke to 1.26 . German, Austrian and Russian exchanges all remain fixed at previous nominal levels, with no trading to speak of. Of the minor Central European group, the only change of importance was renewed weakness in Polish zloties which fell to 11.00 , or 150 points off, on attempts to sell with no takers.

The London check rate on Paris closed at 144.50, which compares with 141.60 last week. In New York sight bills on the French centre finished at $3.343 / 4$, against $3.41 \frac{1}{2}$; cable transfers at $3.353 / 4$, against $3.421 / 2$; commercial sight at $3.333 / 4$, against $3.401 / 2$, and commercial sixty days at $3.291 / 4$, against 3.36 a week ago. Closing rates on Antwerp francs were $3.681 / 4$ for checks and $3.691 / 4$ for cable transfers, in comparison with 3.76 and 3.77 last week. Reichsmarks have not changed from 23.81 (one rate) for both checks and cable transfers, the same as heretofore. Austrian schillings continue to be quoted at $141 / 8$, unchanged. Lire closed the week at $4.013 / 8$ for bankers' sight bills and $4.023 / 8$ for cable remittances. This compares with $4.013 / 8$ and $4.023 / 8$ the previous week. Exchange on Czechoslovakia finished at $2.963 / 8$ (unchanged); on Bucharest at $0.403 / 4$, against $0.413 / 4$; and on Finland at $2.521 / 4$ unchanged from the previous week. Polish zloties closed at 11.00, in comparison with 12.50 a week earlier. Greek exchange finished the week at 1.26 for checks and $1.261 / 2$ for cable transfers. A week ago the close was $1.301 / 4$ and $1.303 / 4$.

The neutral exchanges, formerly so-called, again came into prominence because of a resumption of strength and activity in Norwegian kroner. After a few weeks of comparative quiet, speculative interests appear to have resumed their operations. The movement apparently met with no serious opposition from the Norges Bank and the quotation promptly rose from 21.45 , the opening price, to $21.741 / 2$; in the latter part of the week realizing sales brought about a partial reaction to $21.601 / 2$, but the close was at a new high of 21.92 . The movement was a disappointment to those business interests who had confidently expected Government intervention to prevent such tacties. Danish and Swedish exchanges were steady but quiet and unchanged. The same is true of Dutch guilders, also Swiss francs. On the other hand, Spanish pesetas
attracted wide attention by an advance of about 24 points, to $14.321 / 4$, the first movement of this kind in a very long period. The advance of course was the direct result of active buying of both foreign and domestic origin which in turn was based on the belief that the latest overtures for an ending of Riffian warfare would result in the restoration of peace and the termination of the enormous drain upon the Spanish Treasury which the struggle has entailed. There were added reports that Spain was in the market for a large foreign loan. Doubts were expressed as to the permanency of the advance, however, as Spain's finances are regarded as in a somewhat precarious condition.

Bankers' sight on Amsterdam finished at $40.093 / 4$, against 40.10; cable transfers at $40.113 / 4$, against 40.12; commercial sight bills at $40.013 / 4$, against 40.02 , and commercial sixty days at $39.653 / 4$, against 39.66 last week. Final quotations on Swiss francs were $19.291 / 2$ for bankers' sight bills and $19.301 / 2$ for cable transfers, in comparison with $19.301 / 2$ and $19.311 / 2$ a week ago. Copenhagen checks closed at 26.16 and cable transfers at 26.20 , against 26.14 and 26.18 . Checks on Sweden finished at 26.75 , and cable transfers at 26.79 , against 26.77 and 26.81 , while checks on Norway closed at 21.92 and cable transfers at 21.96 , against $21.441 / 2$ and $21.481 / 2$ the previous week. Spanish pesetas finished the week.at 14.28 for checks and 14.30 for cable transfers, which compares with $14.121 / 4$ and $14.141 / 4$ a week earlier.
FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES CERTIFIED BY FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS TO TREASURY UNDER TARIFF ACT OF 1922. APRIL 101926 TO APRIL 16 1926, INCLUSIVE.

| Country and Monetary Untt. | Noon Buying Rate for Cable Transfers in New York. Value in United States Money. |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | April 10.April 12. April 13. April 14.4 April $15 . \mid$ April 16. |  |  |  |  |  |
| EUROPE |  | \$ |  | \$ | s |  |
| Austria, shilling | . 14059 | . 14069 | . 14053 | . 14062 | . 14073 | 14067 |
| Belgium, franc | . 03878 | . 03880 | . 03882 | ${ }^{.0376}$ | . 0370 | . 0370 |
| Bulgaria, lev ${ }_{\text {Czechoslovakia, }}$ | $\begin{array}{r} .007242 \\ .029620 \end{array}$ | .007209 .029622 | .007222 .029620 | . 0072595 | . 007211 | .007219 .029617 |
| Denmark, krone...- | $\begin{aligned} & .029620 \\ & .2618 \end{aligned}$ | . 2629620 | ${ }^{.029620}$ | . 2629617 | ${ }^{.029618}$ | ${ }_{.2619}{ }^{029617}$ |
| England, pound ster ling | 4.8628 | 4.8621 | 4.8612 | 4.8596 | 4.8593 | 4.861 |
| Finland, ma | . 025209 | . 025202 | . 025198 | . 025203 | . 025204 | . 025201 |
| France, franc | . 0344 | . 0343 | . 0345 | . 0342 | . 0337 | . 0337 |
| Germany, reichsmark | . 2380 | . 2381 | . 2380 | . 2380 | . 2380 | . 2380 |
| Greece, drachma | . 012968 | . 012927 | . 012721 | . 012769 | . 012791 | . 012638 |
| Holland, guld | . 4012 | . 4012 | . 4010 | . 4010 | . 4010 | . 4011 |
| Hungary, peng | . 1755 | . 1758 | . 1754 | . 1755 | . 1756 | . 1756 |
| traly, ura | . 0402 | . 0402 | . 0402 | . 0402 | . 0402 | . 0402 |
| Norway, | .2149 | 2169 | . 2171 | . 2164 | . 2178 | .2190 |
| Poland, Zloty | . 1193 | 1113 | . 1121 | . 1117 | . 1118 | 1125 |
| Portugal, escu | . 0515 | . 0514 | . 0514 | . 0515 | . 0515 | . 0514 |
| Rumania, leu. | . 004138 | . 004133 | . 004119 | . 004104 | . 004082 | . 004080 |
| Spain, peseta | . 1414 | . 1420 | . 1431 | . 1425 | . 1421 | 1429 |
| Sweden, krona | .2881 | . 2680 | ${ }^{2680}$ | . 2679 | . 2678 | 2678 |
| Switzeriand, fr | ${ }^{.1931}$ | . 19330 | . 1937611 | . 1917609 | . 19330 | ${ }^{1930} 19612$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { ASIA- } \\ & \text { Ohina- } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Hankow ta | . 7341 | . 7350 | . 7334 | 7359 | . 7344 | 7298 |
| Shanghaita | . 7117 | . 7111 | . 7109 | . 7113 | 7090 | 7062 |
| Tlentsin tael | . 7479 | . 7458 | . 7454 | . 7479 | . 7463 | 7423 |
| Hongkong dol | . 5504 | . 5518 | . 5488 | . 5486 | . 5472 | . 5438 |
| Mexican dollar_-. <br> Tientsin or Peiyang .5193 .5083 .5093 .5155 .5148 .5140 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tientsin or Peiyang | . 5175 | . 5158 | . 5129 | . 5167 | . 5158 | . 5125 |
| Yuan dollar | . 5300 | . 5288 | . 5242 | . 5283 | . 5283 | . 5250 |
| Indla, rupee | . 3617 | . 3621 | . 3622 | . 3621 | . 3619 | 3621 |
| Japan, yen | . 4633 | . 4642 | . 4637 | . 4637 | . 4649 | 4663 |
| Singapore' (S.S.) dollar NORTH AMER. | . 5 | . 5663 | . 5658 | . 5658 | . 5658 | 5658 |
| Canada, dollar | 1.000072 | . 999833 | 1.000042 | 1.000793 | 1.001250 | 1.001339 |
| Cuba, peso | . 999375 | . 999469 | . 999094 | . 999281 | . 999425 | . 999363 |
| Mexico, | . 486667 | . 486667 | . 486833 | . 486667 | . 486667 | . 486333 |
| Newfoundland, dollar SOUTH AMER. | . 997781 | . 997656 | . 997938 | . 998375 | . 998656 | . 999531 |
| Argentina, peso (gold) | . 9042 | . 9054 | . 9050 | . 9037 | . 9015 | . 9049 |
| Brazil, milrels | . 1376 | . 1382 | . 1373 | . 1385 | . 1382 | 1384 |
| Chile, peso (pape | 1216 | . 1216 | . 1218 | . 1218 | . 1216 | 1214 |
| Uruguay, peso | . 0229 | 1.0273 | 1.0285 | 1.0307 | 1.0304 | 1.0297 |

South American exchange moved irregularly, although trading was not particularly active. Argentine pesos advanced to 39.86 , reacted and closed at 39.71 for checks and at 39.76 for cable transfers, then rallied and closed at 39.93 and 39.98 , against 39.75 and 39.80 a week ago. Brazilian milreis opened firm but reacted and closed weak, with the final range 13.74 for checks and 13.79 for cable transfers, as compared with 13.81 and 13.86 last week. Chilean exchange was easier at 12.09 , against 12.25 , while

Peru declined to 380 , against 384 the preceding week.
In the Far Eastern exchanges, the feature of the week was renewed strength in Japanese yen, which rose to 47.00 on news that the Yokohama Specie Bank, the official agent of the Japanese Government, which heretofore has discouraged advances in yen, had raised its rate. This was interpreted as meaning that a return to parity was to be permitted without further delay. The belief led to considerable speculative activity. The close was 46.70@47.00, against 461/4@461/2 last week. Other currencies were easier on lower silver prices. Hong Kong finished at $541 / 2 @ 545 / 8$, against $55.60 @ 55.75$; Shanghai, 71 1-16@7111/4, against 71 15-16@721/2; Manila, 491/2 @495/8, against 491/2@493/4; Singapore, $57 @ 571 / 4$ (unchanged); Bombay, $363 / 8 @ 361 / 2$, against 361/4@ $361 / 2$, and Calcutta, $361 / 4 @ 361 / 2$ (unchanged).

The New York Clearing House banks, in their operations with interior banking institutions, have gained $\$ 6,027,166$ net in cash as a result of the currency movements for the week ended April 15. Their receipts from the interior have aggregated $\$ 6,736,966$, while the shipments have reached $\$ 709$, 800, as per the following table:
CURRENCY RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS BY NEW YORK BANKING
INSTITUTIONS.

| Week Ended April 15. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Into } \\ & \text { Banks. } \end{aligned}$ | Out of <br> Barks. | Gain or Loss to Banks. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Banks' interior movement | 88,736,966 | \$709 800 | Gain \$5,027,166 |

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. <br> April 10 | Monday. <br> April 12 | Tuesday, <br> April 13 | April 14 | Thursd <br> April | $\begin{gathered} \text { Frida } \\ \text { Apria } \end{gathered}$ | Agorepate for Week. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
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| Note. -The foregoing heavy credits reflect the huge mass of checks which come to the New York Reserve Bank from all parts of the country in the operation of the Federal Reserve System's par collection scheme. These large credit balances. however, reflect only a part of the Reserve Bank's operations with the Clearing House institutions, as only the items payable in New York City are renresented inthe daily balances. The large volume of checks on institutlons located outside of New York are not accounted for in arriving at these balances, as such checks do not pass through the Clearing House but are deposited with the Federal Reserve Bank for collection for the account of the local Clearing House banks. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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The following table indicates the amount of bullion in the principal European banks:

| Banks of | April 151926. |  |  | April 161925. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Gold | r. | Total. | Gold. | Silter. | Total. |
| England | 146,490,000 | £ | $\stackrel{\sim}{2}$ | $2 \pi 0,928$ | £ |  |
| France a | 147,361,123 | 13,280,000 | $160,641.123$ | 147,275,462 | 12.640 .000 | 128,720,928 |
| Germany - | c56, 776,750 | d994,600 | 57,771,350 | 41,942,950 | d994,000 | 42,937,550 |
| Aus,-Hun. | b2, 2000.000 $101,475.000$ | 26,622,000 | 2.000000 128097,000 | b2,000 000 $101,441.000$ | b 25.980 .000 | b2,000,000 |
| Italy | 35,697,000 | 3,413,000 | 39,110000 | 35,585,000 | $25,980,000$ $3,377,000$ | $127,421,000$ $38,962,000$ |
| Netherl'ds. | 35,745,000 | 2,098,000 | 37,843,000 | 42,041,000 | 1,730,000 | 43,771,000 |
| Nat. Bels- | $10.954,000$ | $3,662.000$ | 14,616,000 | 10,891,000 | 3,017,000 | 13,908,000 |
| Switzerl'd_ | 16,711,000 | 3,673,000 | 20,384.000 | 19,306,000 | 3,566,000 | 22,872,000 |
| Sweden. | $12,757.000$ 11.622000 | 860.000 | $12,757.000$ 12,482000 | $12,985,000$ | -089,000 | 12,985,000 |
| Denmark | 11.622 .000 8.180 .000 | 860.000 | 12.482000 8.180 .000 | $\begin{array}{r} 11,637.000 \\ 8,180,000 \end{array}$ | 989,000 | $12,626.000$ $8,180,000$ |
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| a Gold holdings of the Bank of France this year are exclusive of $£ 74,572,836$ held abroad. b No recent figures. c Gold holdings of the Bank of Germany this year are exclusive of $£ 17,779,350$ held abroad. d As of Oct. 71924. |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## The Meaning of the Illinois Primaries.

The defeat of Senator William B. McKinley of Illinois for renomination at the Republican primaries in that State on Tuesday is a political event of national significance. Senator McKinley is one of the prominent figures of the Republican Party in Congress. Before he entered the Senate, in 1921, he
had served for seven terms as a member of the House of Representatives. His record, if not distinguished, has been one of consistent devotion to the tenets and policies of his party. Among stand-pat Republicans, none was counted more reliable than he. He is not an orator, and on that account, perhaps, he has been less conspicuous in the public view than some of his colleagues, but everybody knew where he stood and how he would vote. If party regularity is a virtue in public life, as to a certain extent it undoubtedly is, then Senator McKinley was in a high degree politically virtuous. Mr. Coolidge, it is said, earnestly desired his renomination, although it does not appear that he exerted himself greatly to bring that result about. Nevertheless, when Senator McKinley this week went before the voters of Illinois as a candidate for re-election, and invited the judgment of the Republicans of the State upon his course as a stalwart supporter of the Administration, he was rejected by a plurality estimated, on the basis of somewhat incomplete returns, at the imposing fig. ure of 150,000 , and his Republican opponent, Frank L. Smith, who is looked upon by his regular party brethren as a good deal of a dissenter and whom Senator McKinley defeated in 1921, was nominated in his place.

Senator McKinley's defeat was undoubtedly due to more than one cause. The Republican Party in lllinois has for some years been torn by factional and personal disputes, and the petty rivalries of the "ins" and the "outs" have not infrequently obscured the more important issues of public policy and real party welfare. With all allowance made, however, for the influence of these internal dissensions, there is no disguising the fact that what contributed most to Senator McKinley's downfall was his support of the World Court. No other issue was given such prominence in the Republican campaign which preceded the primaries, and there appears to have been no doubt that it was upon this issue, practically to the exclusion of any other, that Senator McKinley would stand or fall. That he had not been an ag. gressive champion of the Court was nothing to the point, for he has never been an aggressive champion of anything as far as his public expressions are concerned. What the voters of Illinois took notice of was the fact that he had supported the demand of Mr. Coolidge for American adherence to the Court, notwithstanding the long list of reservations with which adherence had to be guarded, and that he was one of the Senators upon whose affirmative vote Mr. Coolidge knew he could rely. Mr. Smith, who also appealed to the Republicans for support, made his campaign not as an opponent of the Administration in general, but as an opponent of the World Court and of the action of the Senate in regard to it, and it was upon this issue primarily, and not upon any other at all comparable to it , that the voters by a resounding plurality voiced their conclusion that Senator McKinley should return to private life.

If the outcome in Illinois is a surprise to the Administration or the Republican Party, it can only be because of systematic disregard of certain obvious facts, and inattention to some clear signs of the times. As Senator Borah and other opponents of the World Court have never tired of insisting, the Court is a League Court. The time and effort that have been spent in glorifying the Court, explaining its organization and functions, and magnifying the benefits that were to result from its operations, have
not concealed, or even obscured, the fact that the Court owes its existence to the League, that it is without effective sanction or support except such as its connection with the League imparts to it, and that it acts in practice as a virtual agency of the League for the furtherance of League purposes. The people of the United States are emphatically opposed to American membership in the League, and there is no sufficient reason for believing that they favor American participation in a Court which is a creation and agency of the League. Were the question of joining the League submitted to-day to a national referendum, under conditions that would assure a free expression of public opinion, it may well be doubted if a single State in the Union would show a majority in favor of the step. If there be in the country any greater volume of support for the Court than there apparently is for the League, conclusive evidence of its existence has not been forthcoming. It is matter of common knowledge that many, if not most, of those who have been most urgent in calling for American adherence to the Court have looked upon such adherence as a first step toward American membership in the League, and with public opinion opposed to the League, support for a Court which is the League's offspring is not likely to be any more pronounced.
There are several convincing reasons why the people of the United States oppose American entanglement with the League, and why they view with profound apprehension the action of the Senate in voting adherence to the World Court. They do not wish to see the United States mixing in European politics when no right or interest of the United States is in any way involved. They have no confidence in the League either as an impartial assembly or as a guarantee of world peace. They have taken notice of the fact that the Powers which control the League have used it, in the main, either as a means of furthering their own political interests or as a forum for irritating controversy as to what those interests are. They have seen the League openly flouted by Mussolini, without will or power to assert its claims; they have not forgotten the Geneva protocol, with its threat of war disguised as a program of peace, or the settlement of the Mosul controversy; and the unseemly wrangling which only a few weeks ago marked the discussion of Germany's proposed admission to the League is still fresh in mind. They have seen the Locarno treaties, made wholly outside the League, brought into contempt by the revelation of secret understandings and intrigues, and they view with grave concern the progress of plans for the formation of unions and alliances whose only outcome can be the restoration in Europe of the discredited system of balance of power. It is impossible for the American people, with such a record open to public view, to feel confidence in the impartiality of a League Court any more than in the impartiality of the League itself, and the Republicans of Illinois, now that they have had an opportunity to express themselves in the matter, have made it clear that they do not wish longer to be represented in the Senate by a man who voted for the Senate resolution, notwithstanding that in so voting he helped to carry out the policy of the Administration.

To this extent, at least, the defeat of Senator McKinley reacts upon the Administration. Whether or not it is also an indication of general dissatisfaction with Mr. Coolidge's policy as a whole is a ques-
tion which must be held open for later answer. Dissatisfaction with the failure of Congress to enact farm relief legislation, a matter in regard to which Senator McKinley does not appear to have been any more aggies, ive than Mr . Coolidge, is reported to have been a factor in bringing about Senator McKinley's defeat. It is among the possibilities, moreover, that Mr. Smith himself, in spite of his indorsement at the primaries, may meet defeat in November, for his Democratic opponent, in addition to opposing both the League and the World Court, is an avowed "wet," and the prohibition issue is looming large in the campaign. It is a difficult situation for the Administration and the Republican Party. With the result in Illinois to spur them on, the opponents of the World Court may be expected to force the fighting on that issue in the States in which Senators are to be elected, at the same time that the prohibition issue, which has already divided the Republicans, affords useful campaign material for the Democrats. One thing, however, seems clear. If a Republican Senator with as consistent a record of party regularity as Senator McKinley, and with the backing of the Administration, can be overwhelmingly defeated for re-nomination in Illinois on the World Court issue, the outlook for the re-election of other Republican Senators who voted as Senator McKinley voted is in doubt. Their defeat would not necessarily mean a Democratic victory, for other Republicans like Mr. Smith may take their seats, but it would be a rebuke to the Administration at one of the points on which Administration policy has been most pronounced. With economy in public expenditure and a pretentious, but not quite frank, reduction in taxation offset by condemnation of the World Court policy and a growing demand for modified prohibition, Mr. Coolidge has need to look to his defenses.

## The Question of Cloture in the Senate-Its Application.

No doubt when the angel Gabriel sounds the trumpet of doom to call the quick and the dead to a last judgment, a United States Senator will be on hand protesting against this summary suppression of free speech before he has "concluded his remarks." But this does not alter the fact that if action on entrance to the World Court could have been postponed until the quarrel over the admission of States into the Council of the League of Nations developed, we might not now be in the Court, or as far in as we can go without universal permission to enter on our own terms. Even this, however, is an example without point unless we consider unlimited debate in the light of deliberation by a body of law-makers renowned for wisdom and poise. And it may be said that no presiding officer of a parliamentary assembly can seek to impose his own power to terminate its proceedings though he do this by a strenuous advocacy of a change in the rules. He usually has no vote save in case of a tie. He cannot debate a question from the chair and must seek the floor to do so. He is chosen from the body of the "House" to put questions as a presiding officer and is the mere agent and servant necessitated by the nature of things. If, as in the case of a Vice-President elected by the people, he becomes a constitutional President of the Senate, he is less a power than if he had come into his seat by the vote of the membership. Without in any way lessening our high regard for the present
occupant of the chair, we are moved to say that it is not incumbent upon the Vice-President to reconstruct a Senate that existed before he came and will exist after he is gone. Nor is an appeal to the people. in keeping with his prerogatives, if he has any, for the people have no more to do with the rules than has he.
These things have been said many times before. The entrance into a World Court that is a creature of a League of Nations which we have refused to enter is so portentous a matter that it brings into prominence even the modified form on cloture by which undoubtedly our entrance was accelerated. What is it to deliberate? And especially what is it to deliberate in an august law-making body such as is the United States Senate? Certainly it is not to filibuster. To deliberate is to weigh carefully in the scales of reason the subject under consideration. It is not to talk against time. It is not to talk to the galleries. It is not to promulgate politics. Nor is it to talk to "empty benches." But who can say in advance how much time deliberation will take? Who, under our system of government, can say what is politics, what deliberation, in an address or a discussion? And who, in any parliamentary body, can do more than to compel a quorum to be in attendance? There are so many "customs" in the Senate of the United States that have grown into fixtures through long observance, customs that are of highest importance in the dispatch of business, that a cloture rule, admitting its alleged helpfulness, will not by any means transform this body into an expeditious one. And deliberation in its very nature cannot be hurried. Committee rooms, it is said, vie with cloak rooms, or the reverse would be better, when most of the "speeches" are made. And whether a debate is long or short, how can it be deliberative when it is unheard?

Can a wise man argue a question as portentous to a nation as entrance into a World Court with all its implied entanglements in an hour? Allowing that he may have already and at great length spoken his solemn judgment on the main question, can he answer the new points raised by his colleagues on the floor in an hour? And if not in one hour, who can say in how many hours? Do all minds proceed at the same pace? Do all speakers or debaters make equal preparation? Are all men possessed of the same industry, ability and argumentative power? Do all, or can all, speak with the same rapidity? No-the whole question hinges on the manner of deliberation. And just as men cannot be made spiritually temperate by law, so all men cannot be made deliberative in thought and speech by a rule to cut off debate. Suppose all politics (as we have suggested the discrimination cannot be made) could be exorcised from Congressional debate, would there be need of a cloture rule in either House? And just here a word may be said in behalf of the "insurgent." He may be, as we say, "contrary," he may be rebellious, he may be, perhaps, intolerant, but he probably has little political incentive in what he does, for, as matters stand, he has so little strength that he must succumb to majorities in any event. What he cannot have is a powerful political party behind him intent on formulating party issues.

Keeping to our purpose of considering deliberation, is not a cloture rule the seat of power in a steam-roller machine? And is not such a machine always political? What put us into the World

Court, if, perchance, forty-eight nations accept our halting and contemptuous entrance? Two things. First, an administration policy of a party in power. Second, a feeling by a party out of power that thus we are making a belated entrance into a League of Nations, commonly held to be a creation of President Wilson. It will not do to say (this is not quite germane) that the people ordered us to enter the Court by an overwhelming majority because advocacy was in the successful party's platform. It was in the platform, but it was very little, if at all, in the minds of the voters in that election. So that deliberation, the weighing in judgment, the reasoning together, was undeniably incumbent on the Senate. If it took months it was necessary. But for the attitude of President Wilson as to reservations, we would probably have been rushed into the League. As it is we do not have to worry over giving Poland and Spain and Brazil and China, as well as Germany, a seat in the League Council. Deliberation, albeit long drawn out, tinged and tainted with politics, was largely responsible for our staying out. And comparatively few now object.
A filibuster is bad, 'tis said, because it blocks important legislation. But just what is a filibuster? It is commonly defined as "talking a measure to death." But ought not anything that can be killed by talk to die? Of course, reading the Bible, as has been done, is not debate. If in the World Court instance a Senator read Washington's Farewell Address it cannot be said it has no bearing on the case. It is presumed most Senators are familiar with it, but it has a refreshing sound in these halcyon days of "internationalism." It has been printed multi plied times, but there is nothing quite like reading it again and listening to its being read. This is pertinent, however-that such is the nature of parliamentary discussion that holding the floor by legitimate device is not akin to a crime. In entering the World Court it may yet be found that we deliberated in haste only to repent at our leisure. It is a proverb that second thoughts are best. Even a filibuster may reveal a new viewpoint. The motive, not the fact, is the important thing. Hurry is seldom wise -and there are to be other sessions of the Senate. Fewer laws and better has become a slogan. Sometimes the people desire to hear what a Senator has to say. Brevity may be the soul of wit, but it is not argument.
Cloture is a petty thing in itself, but a pebble may change the course of a future river. We submit that in this World Court case cloture has proved itself to be a potential menace. Deliberation is thought rather than action. Deliberation, in a popular assembly charged with voting a predominating conclusion, is thinking aloud in speech that there may be common knowledge and reason as a guide to voting. Hurrying to take the vote is contrary to the "making up of one's mind." Inevitably it becomes a political weapon. It can be used to shut off debate where the object is solely to prevent knowledge and understanding. In this it plays into the hands of dominating majorities. And in this it is recreant to representative government. Where the people cannot be heard their representatives must be. Laws written above the heads of the people that they may not read are parallel to laws passed without debate that men may not know and understand until they are haled into court for breaking them. And in principle, as these discussions are before the people,
there is no point where you can place a limit on debate. A "filibuster" of a kind may flout common sense, there is a point where further debate is useless and will be admitted to be so, but when the weal of a people is at stake, this admission must be voluntary, or tyranny exists somewhere.
Who knows what a man has to say until he speaks? Who knows what argument is germane until delivered? It is a very delicate matter for a presiding officer to call a speaker to order because he is not debating the matter before the meeting. It is seldom done upon a mere shade of thought. He must emphatically and unmistakably be discussing something else before this rule is resorted to. If this be not customarily allowed how much less should a majority be allowed to close debate by cloture? Moving the previous question and then voting upon it is not the same thing as cloture. And in the Senate cloture is stifling the voice of a sovereign State. Contrary to taking the vexed "question to the people," the people should take it to the Senate and demand that the rule of unlimited debate reached in the cause of justice to the State should remain unimpaired. All this talk about "expediting the business of the Senate," as if the business of the Senate was the maximum production of laws at minimum cost of words, is far and away from the grave question involved. And to assume that because Senators debate long, earnestly and tenaciously for their cause they are filibusterers is stretching things. Turning the Senate into a board of corporation directors in a hurry to "do business" that they may hurry to another corporation meeting or to a game of golf is not properly weighing a nation in the balance.

## A Contribution to Intelligent Thinking.

The materialistic conception of the universe is so widely advocated that it seems worth while to call attention to a group of articles not too technical for the general reader, written by men of high authority, stating, each from his own standpoint, the relation of science to the questions that concern the accustomed opinions and daily life of men. The articles are to be found in a readable book, "Science, Religion and Reality," published by Macmillan; and the range is from the familiar views of the 19th century, to Mechanistic Biology, Psychology, Modern Civilization, and Magic. Dean Inge in the closing article says that while the writers have rightly not contented themselves with a colorless presentation, they have had a practical object; their differences are less remarkable than their harmony; and he feels confident a reconciliation is "much nearer than it seemed to be fifty years ago."
This is tribute to the book as being more than a contribution to the strife of words. As for the Dean's individual opinion, he rejects the idea that agreement is useless based on "delimitation" of territory, i. e. fixing boundaries, as in holding that religion and science cannot meet or thinking that fact and value, reality and appearance, the visible and the invisible, prose and poetry never meet. Each needs the other, the religious man needs the scientific, and the scientific needs religion. The religion of Jesus

Christ is one of the permanent achievements of humanity, despite whatever aspects it presents at a particular time. How it is to be interpreted and applied, may be always open to inquiry.

Lord Balfour, who was head of the group that obtained the articles, writes the Introduction. This may be taken as indicating the purpose and character of the book, and we must confine our account of it to a statement of his position.

He begins with calling attention to the completeness with which Draper's "Conflict Between Science and Religion" and the tremendous upheaval of opinion it anticipated have within the half century since it was written passed out of men's thoughts. Religion has not suffered eclipse, though adiscoveries in all directions have been of wider scope and more fundamental than ever before and science has been far from stationary. The most striking fact is that Dr. Draper's book of 1873 has a total want of interest to readers of 1926. The issues and arguments of fifty years ago are irrelevant to-day.

Lord Balfour's Introduction to the book starts with reference to the significant fact set forth by one of the writers, Dr. Malinowski of London University, that in the study of undeveloped races it is found that with their gradually enlarging knowledge of nature the sphere of science has increased, and the sphere officially claimed for religion with them has not correspondingly diminished. There is no substantial evidence that the assumed conflict between science and religion will end with the overthrow of the one or the other. There is no evidence that belief in deities was invented merely to account for particular kinds of experience. Primitive religions were not rooted in a purely scientific desire for causal explanations. That would mean belief in a distinct resident deity in every phase of nature. Religion came to fill a gap left vacant by primitive science. A supernaturil explanation was invoked to supply the want of a natural or obvious one. As knowledge increased the sphere officially claimed for religion was reduced. Here was ground for an eventual conflict between science and religion, though it is not inevitable or an inherent issue. Peace should prevail when the modern man looks to science and not to religion to explain the world that lies about him. If there be no world but this, so much the worse for religion, but science has no ground of complaint. If, on the other hand, there is another world, how is science injured if left to its own territory? Peace on these terms should be easy of attainment. In the past there was little deserving the name of conflict between the two. Science was young, and religion had its own controversies. The Copernican theory of the universe gave a shock to familiar beliefs, but was so slow of acceptance that, at least in Protestant circles, it raised no serious religious difficulties, and when at last its significance was realized adjustment of religious thought occasioned no insuperable difficulty.
Unquestionably to-day there is a conflict, severe and apparently irreconcilable. It turns chiefly upon allegations of fact which science cannot accept, and which Christianity holds essential in its creeds. These opinions, stoutly as they may be held, are capable of revision. All men recognize that we have certain predilections based upon our acceptance of the usual order of events. No one doubts that the world about us moves with a certain order and regularity. When men deal in marvels we frankly dis-
believe. But our conception of what lies beyond the generally known rests on no clear principles; it obviously depends on personal predilections. We are in fact forced to ask whether any event is inherently impossible, or whether any statement not self-contradictory may always be pronounced untrue. Science would insist that every claim to the miraculous is untrue. But this is in fact "loose talk." We fall back on the uniformity of nature, but every phase of nature is unique. Her surprises continually startle us. Why, then, treating nature as a whole, must we desçribe it as uniform? We talk as if we could map out all reality in a scheme of well-defined causes indissolubly connected with definite results in the ever-changing system of the universe; and we justify ourselves in our difficulty in bringing ourselves to accept unexpected reports from the outside world.
In fact, our world is much too complicated for this. Causes are never isolated. Their operation is never unqualified. No two experiments are ever performed under exactly the same conditions. Un-looked-for intrusions frequently occur; and we are moved to reject them because they conflict with our understanding of the close-knit world-process. We have reached very definite and scientific conceptions of the universe. In spite of limitless ignorance of details, we divide one branch of science from another and discern their connection in the cosmic flow of a material universe. All is explainable by the interaction of two very simple kinds of electrical subatoms. But the every simplicity of the conception awakens doubt of its sufficiency. It may do for the inanimate, but it certainly cannot serve to explain mind. No man can think of hinuself as nothing more than a changing group of continual electric discharges. It does not do to say that everything beyond that conception is superstition. Our thought, feeling, decision, action cannot be explained in terms of things which do not think, feel or know, as a product of any conceivable mechanism. Its source lies quite apart; it is an outside or spiritual invasion of the physical world.

In our present state of knowledge we must admit this dualism of matter and spirit. Both, while distinct, belong to the same universe. They influence each other and somewhere and somehow must be in contact along the same frontier. But meanwhile the one furnishes the fundamentals of science; for the other religion is fundamental.

Lord Balfour concludes by saying that if he were a scientist he would press the mechanical theory of the universe to the farthest limit. In the practice of life, on the other hand, as spiritual beings we must take account of spiritual values and should not be limited by mechanical presuppositions. Man's life is something more, and is different in kind. We cannot appraise the source because our knowledge is incomplete and our power of calculation feeble. But the course of human history is inherently incalculable. The repetitions of history are never more than vague resemblances. The science of history is radically different from the science of physics. The two may be intertwined. Occurrences reported may be rare and little understood, but they certainly are not to be rejected because the historian may call them miracles.

The different writers in the book deal with the problems presented in different ways, and this necessarily incomplete sketch of Lord Balfour's Introduction will serve to show to men en-
gaged in the ordinary affairs of business life how little we know about many of our accepted convictions and how inaccurate and consequently misleading our judgments may be. The outstanding event which Easter celebrates proclaims the existence of the two worlds of matter and spirit, and the actual crossing of the boundary between them in the resurrection of Jesus Christ. This event has shaped the Christian centuries and supplied the foundation of our Christian civilization. The vital questions as men may discuss them to-day may be new, but they are also fundamentally old, and were never more real or more important than they are now.

## Stock Exchange Brokers' Loans and What They Signify.

## Editor of The Commercial and Financial Chronicle:

The publication of brokers' loans in the early part of February created quite a furore in financial circles, as the official figures placed them at about $\$ 1,000,000,000$ higher than the unofficial estimates. The sudden crash in stock market values that came a few weeks later led people to forget all about these loans; and those who are now scheming for the recharter of Federal Reserve banks were doubtless much relieved by this diversion. For the fact that these loans had reached the enormous total of $\$ 3,500,000,000$, and that so large a proportion of them were from out-of-town banks, exposes to public view the false argument that helped most to bring these Federal Reserve banks into existence.
Just twenty years ago the New York Chamber of Commerce appointed John Claflin, Frank A. Vanderlip, Dumont Clark, Isidor Straus and Charles A. Conant as a committee to inquire into the causes of financial disturbances and to suggest the proper remedies. The substance of the committee's report was that our financial ills were due mainly to inelastic currency, the concentration of country bank funds at New York, and the recall of such funds to move the crops. This theory asserted that after the crops were moved interior banks had more money than they could find use for at home and so they sent it on to New York to be invested in $2 \%$ call loans on the Stock Exchange. Then in the early fall of the following year several hundred millions of such funds had to be recalled to move the crops again. And it was this sudden recall of these funds which caused high money rates, panics and near-panics.
This theory of the matter was exploited as an argument in favor of the Aldrich-Vreeland Act, the Aldrich Central Bank Plan, and the Owen-Glass Bill. Testifying before the Pujo Committee in 1912 on the concentration of money at New York, George W. Perkins, of J. P. Morgan \& Co., said:
"One thing you could do to stop speculation in New York and prevent conditions which bring on panics, is to prevent the banks of Chicago, St. Louis and Kansas City from sending their money in the summer to New York, loaning it on call at cheap rates, and then suddenly calling it out in the fall to move the crops."
In "Moody's Magazine," October 1913, Senator Owen said:
"It cannot be denied that the general effect of the bill will be to deprive the stock market of the use of a considerable part of the reserves of the country which under this system will be transferred to Government-controlled banks This will be beneficial to the commerce of the country banks. will remove one of the serious elements of instability in our financial system."
But the loudest boasts of the decentralizing effect of the bill were heard just after it became a law. According to Mr. Glass:
"The Act has clogged the channel to Wall Street. It will break the shackles which Wall Street has cast about the commerce of the country by distributing the money power throughout the land."
"It will keep at home the reserves of the country which have heretofore been massed in New York banks, where they have been used for the benefit of Stock Bxchange speculators and gamblers."
The New York "World," Dec. 23 1913, called the bill "an act of financial deliverance which effected the complete separation of the organized banking system of the country
from the New York Stock Exchange and Wall Street gambling."
Nov. 15 1914, the day before the Reserve Act went into effect, the same paper said:
"To-morrow will witness the obsequies of the Money Trust. Wall Street at any rate will cease to dominate the banking policies of the country and its grip on the pursestrings of all the people will be relaxed. It is indeed the dawn of a new freedom.'
Another prophet on the benefits of the new law was W. J. Bryan, who boasted that "the measure would move the financial centre from New York to Washington." And Charles Hamlin, first Governor of the Federal Reserve Board, writing in "Moody's Magazine" November 1914, said:
"The assets of these Federal Reserve banks, and the Government deposits which may be made in them, will be pledged to strictly commercial uses, and cannot be used for speculative purposes."
(Mr. Hamlin didn't tell us that the new law would not prevent Reserve banks from lending their assets to other banks.)

These several boasts and forecasts prove beyond all controversy that the chief argument in favor of the Federal Reserve Act was that it would stop the concentration of country bank funds at New York, and thus lessen the amounts available for speculation in Wall Street. The funds of the Reserve banks were to be used for commercial purposes, not for speculation.
But the publication of these brokers' loans shows that the Federal Reserve Act did not stop the concentration of (alleged) country banks' funds at New York. Neither did it stop the loan of such funds for Wall Street speculation. The boast of Mr. Glass that the Act "had clogged the channel to Wall Street and would keep at home the money that had been used for Stock Exchange speculators," was just a pleasant little pipe dream. Of the total of $\$ 3,535,000,000$ brokers' loans, $\$ 1,280,000,000$ was lent by out-of-town, or country banks, which was $\$ 60,000,000$ more than was loaned by New York banks for their own account. What a commentary on the wisdom of the authors of the Federal Reserve Act! Where did Mr. Charles S. Hamlin get his notion that "the assets of these Reserve banks would be pledged to strictly commercial uses, and cannot be used for speculative purposes"? Does Mr. Hamlin know that in addition to the above showing, from July 11924 to July 1 1925, the total loans of reporting member banks increased $\$ 1,500,000,000$, of which only $\$ 100,000,000$ were commercial loans? And does he know that this took place at a time when country banks were calling loudly for Government aid?

There is much more to be said on this subject, but I don't want to take up too much space. The pregnant fact is that brokers' loans, which were but $\$ 500,000,000$ in 1913 are over seven times as large to-day, and that the greater portion of them is from country banks.
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## The Copper Situation-Demand the Largest in History of the Industry.

New high records in the production and consumption of copper were made in 1925, and this means great progress and vast expansion for the copper industry as a whole. The recent amazing growth of demand is a broad confirmation of the soundness of fundamental conditions. More copper was consumed last year than was produced. Huge supplies of raw material found their way to both domestic and foreign mills to be worked up into various fabricated products too numerous to mention.

Requirements from consuming centres have increased by leaps and bounds, and manufacturing activity is still holding to a very high level, especially in this country. Authoritative statistics recently compiled furnish some very striking facts with regard to the phenomenal utilization of copper in the United States and the important countries of Europe. The figures of consumption are specially significant, and they afford a realizing sense of the probable large scale developments during the next few years.

According to the figures of the American Bureau of Metal Statistics, world movements of copper for the last two years were as follows:
World production_-.---3,175,285,380.
World consumption
,175,285,380
$3,331,150,600$
1924.

3,028,238,560
$3,023,829,360$

Increase.
147,046.820
307,321,240

Total quantity delivered for consumption last year was $155,865,220$ pounds more than the total output for 1925 . The excess shipments were drawn from surplus stocks.
The copper industry makes a great contribution to our national wealth. During the year 1925 the total United States refinery output, including imports, was $2,704,618,000$ pounds. The total value of this huge output, at the average price of the electrolytic grade for that year, was $\$ 382,973$,908. American smelter production last year was $1,894,666$,000 pounds, or over $59 \%$ of the total world output from this source. Refinery output includes foreign material treated here. The total product of the United States refineries from domestic and foreign origin in 1925 amounted to $85 \%$ of the world's production for that year. It is seen, therefore, that this country stands out pre-eminently as the premier factor in the mining and refining of the red metal. This is also true in regard to the consumption of copper and the vast amount of capital invested in the industry.
The outlook for a continued large demand for copper is decidedly encouraging. A great stimulus has been given to consumption in this country, and a heavy potential demand from Europe is expected to gather momentum as foreign conditions improve. Certain anomalous features, however, have been discernible lately in the situation. Despite the remarkable record statistics have made, the market has been characterized by an easier trend compared with conditions a few weeks ago. Although the copper industry is confronted with higher costs of labor and equipment, the price is actually below the average for the ten years before the war. The average price of electrolytic copper for the first quarter of this year is 14.02 cents, compared with an average of 15.36 cents for the ten-year period of 1904 to 1913, inclusive. Some substantial buying was done a few weeks ago, but recently buyers have moved with caution. Following the announcement of a plan for a new Copper Export Association there was considerable animation to the market. Activity broadened at home and abroad on expectation that the new organization would be a distinctly stabilizing influence. Pending completion of arrangements for the new project to function, however, the situation has taken on a. waiting attitude.

The English view of the metal situation is eagerly weighed and measured in trade circles here. Although the copper production of all of Europe forms but a comparatively small percentage of the world output, nevertheless European consumption of copper is on an extensive scale. More than a billion pounds were shipped abroad last year from this country. There is a big, broad and active market for copper in London every business day in the year. Copper is a major staple for trading and speculative operations at that centre. Metal merchants, manufacturers, producers and smelters in every part of the world transact business in heavy volume on the London Metal Exchange.
There is also a large stock of rough copper carried in English warehouses. Recent official returns placed the total tonnage of these supplies at fully 50,000 gross tons. This huge stock of low grade metal has a market value of nearly three millions sterling. But much of this material carries varying quantities of antimony, arsenic and bismuth, the three ingredients which refiners prefer to avoid handling. This form of metal, however, is used extensively as a basis for speculative operations under the Standard eontract at quotations of from $£ 6$ to $£ 7$ per ton below the price of electrolytic, with extra pro rata allowances for "deficient produces" on analysis. It is obvious that the daily movements in the London market exert widespread and positive influence not only in British trade circles, but on the situation in the United States as well. Sales of Standard copper on the London Metal Exchange amounted to over $900,000,000$ pounds last year.

> REFINED COPPER STATISTIOS (IN POUNDS).

| 1926- | Production. | Shipments- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Domestic. | Exports. | Total. |
|  |  | 135,658,000 | 75,082,000 | 210,740,000 |
| February | 221,076,000 | 140,812,000 | 70,928,000 | 211,740.000 |
| March | 243,596,000 | 177,146,000 | 88,746,000 | 265.892.000 |
| Total | -692,620,000 | 453,616,000 | 234,756,000 | 688,372,000 |

Surplus stocks of refined copper on March 31 were 150 ,412,000 pounds, a decrease of $22,296,000$ pounds compared with Feb. 28, and a decrease of $94,284,000$ pounds since March 311925.
Brass and copper mills are operating on high schedules. Shipments of fabricated products have been growing in volume lately, and reports indicate that they have reached
the highest point since the war. The American Brass Co. had the biggest year in the company's history in 1925 in the matter of shipments and orders taken. Shipments to customers during the first quarter of this year were $12 \frac{1}{2} \%$ over those of the same period last year. March was the largest month in shipments in the company's history. The other big brass mills are exceedingly busy shipping out material. Consumption is so great that there is no apparent accumulation of stocks in manufacturers' hands. The market has firmed up within the last few days, with substantial sales at 14 cents delivered to Connecticut points over the next three months. Supplies of marketable copper are down to less than a month's requirements, domestic consumption is forging ahead at a tremendous rate, and latest statistics demonstrate, in concrete manner, the fundamental soundness of the situation.

## Lead-Firmer Market and Improved Demand

The recent downward trend in lead carried the price a shade below the 8 -cent level, with St. Louis basis as low as 7.55 cents. Foreign weakness had a pronounced influence here as the London quotation fell away.

Foreign advices, however, are better lately and the domestic market is firm at 8.00c@8.10c. New York positions and 7.80 c . at St. Louis. Demand has developed in good volume for prompt shipment. Bargain lots have either been taken up or withdrawn. The foreign and domestic markets are in sympathetic touch with each other. Stocks abroad have been ample for some time past, and the situation has caused more or less hesitation among buyers. Producers, however, are fairly well sold up on nearby shipments, and buyers have displayed more confidence lately.

## The Right of an Exchange To Control Its Own Quotations.

[From the "Wall Street Journal" of April 15.]
Refusal to furnish market quotations or ticker service to an individual or association is not a violation of the Federal anti-trust laws. This is a decision of the United States Supreme Court; it is of far-reaching importance to all the Exchanges of the country, whether dealing in securities or commodities. It is important because it establishes their right to take legitimate means, when such action seems necessary, to protect their business.

These are the facts of this case: The Odd Lot Cotton Exchange made application for a ticker service to give it the quotations of the New York Cotton Exchange. The New York Cotton Exchange refused to allow its quotations to be so given, whereupon suit was brought against the New York Cotton Exchange, the Western Union and the Gold \& Stock Telegraph Companies, alleging the maintenance of monopoly, in violation of the Federal anti-trust laws.
The Supreme Court decided what seems obvious, that the wire companies, in transmitting quotations, were simply agents of the Exchange, which is the real principal in these transactions. As to the New York Cotton Exchange itself, the court held that its business and the transactions between its members are local, both in their inception and in their execution.
The New York Cotton Exchange's contract with the wire companies was made for the purpose of protecting its own business. And instead of being to maintain an unlawful monopoly, the court said that it was to protect its business and was "entirely appropriate and legitimate to that end." Had an individual or a partnership conducting a grocery store been in the place of the Exchange, this fact would have been obvious to anybody. People, however, seem slow to grasp the fact that an Exchange has the same right in relation to its own affairs as has the individual.

A ground for the refusal of the quotations was that the Odd Lot Exchange was the successor of another Exchange which had been convicted of bucketing; that the membership of the Odd Lot Exchange included members of the one that had been convicted. It is not necessary to discuss that part of the defense any further. It is sufficient to say that the New York Cotton Exchange refused to permit its quotations to be used for reasons which it deemed sufficient.
That right is now upheld by the court, and this is the important point of the decision. An Exchange can protect its business by refusing to permit the transmittal of its quotations to individuals or concerns that for any reason are unsatisfactory to it.

## Railroad Gross and Net Earnings for February

There is little indication in the returns of railroad earnings of that activity in trade which one sees proclaimed everywhere in the public prints. Car loadings and trade indexes of every kind tell us that business in 1926 is running ahead of any preceding year. If that be so, at least the returns of railroad earnings should give evidence of the fact. But these returns are far from furnishing corroborative evidence of the kind. Instead, the results, taking the roads collectively, betray lack of any marked improvement, though some individual roads and systems have apparently done well and are having a larger traffic movement than a year ago. Our compilations today cover the month of February and, as usual, embrace all the Class I roads in the country, namely those with aggregate gross earnings of a million dollars and over per year. These roads earned altogether $\$ 459,227,310$ gross in February 1926, against $\$ 454,198,055$ in February 1925, or an increase of only $\$ 5,029,255$, or a little more than $1 \%$. This small gain in the gross was attended by an augmentation in expenses in slightly larger amount ( $\$ 5,067,263$, or about $11 / 2 \%$ ), and accordingly, the net earnings are actually a trifle less than in the same month last year, the amount of the net for 1925 (before the deduction of taxes) being $\$ 99,480,650$ and for 1925 $\$ 99,518,658$, as will be seen from the following table:

| Month of Feb. (187 roads)- | 1926. | 1925 | Inc. ( + | (-) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Miles of road.- | 236,839 | 236,529 | 1ne. +310 | $0.13 \%$ |
| Gross earnings. | 3459,227,310 | \$454,198.055 | +\$5,029,255 | 1.11\% |
| Operating expenses..--- Ratlo of expenses to earn | 359,746.660 | $354,679,397$ | +5,067,263 | 1.43\% |
| to earn | 78.34\% | $78.10 \%$ |  |  |
| Net earning | \$99,480,650 | \$99,518,658 | - \$38.008 | 0.04\% |

These rather indifferent results would furnish occasion for little disappointment if they stood by themselves or if comparison was with exceptionally large totals in February 1925. As a matter of fact, comparison is with poor results last year, both the gross earnings and the net earnings at that time having registered a heavy decline from the corresponding amounts in the year preceding. Stated in brief, the loss in the gross in February 1925 was no less than $\$ 24,441,938$, or $5.11 \%$, and even the net earnings then showed a falling off of $\$ 4,981,506$, or not far from $5 \%$. In other words, only $\$ 5,029,255$ out of the $\$ 24,441,938$ loss sustained last year in the gross has been recovered, and no portion of the roughly $\$ 5,000,000$ loss in net.

Of course, as in preceding months, the explanation is found in the circumstance that certain groups of roads had unfavorable conditions to contend with, involving a loss in tonnage, and the shrinkage in the revenues of such groups offset the gains on roads and systems elsewhere in the country. In particular, the losses by the anthracite carriers were again very heavy. An agreement for the termination of the strike in the anthracite regions was reached on Lincoln's Birthday, Friday, Feb. 12, but the agreement had to be ratified by conventions of the miners and it was not until Thursday, Feb. 18, that actual resumption of work at the mines occurred. All the different anthracite roads show heavy losses in gross and net earnings alike. The Delaware \& Hudson reports a loss of $\$ 1,364,356$ in gross and $\$ 756$,017 in net; the Lackawanna a decrease of $\$ 1,252,894$ in gross and $\$ 553,564$ in net; the Lehigh Valley $\$ 1,210,460$ in gross and $\$ 917,308$ in net; the Reading $\$ 718,850$ in gross and $\$ 769,375$ in net; the Central of New Jersey $\$ 659,400$ in gross and $\$ 494,853$ in net;
the Ontario \& Western $\$ 384,854$ in gross and $\$ 171$,213 in net; the Central New England $\$ 243,572$ in gross and $\$ 231,633$ in net; the New York Susquehanna \& Western $\$ 128,030$ in gross and $\$ 113,922$ in net, and the Lehigh \& New England \$173,570 in gross and $\$ 80,412$ in net. As a matter of fact, some of the anthracite carriers failed to earn bare operating expenses in February the present year, not to speak of taxes and fixed charges. Conspicuous instances of this kind are the Delaware \& Hudson, the Ontario \& Western, the Susquehanna \& Western and the Lehigh \& New England. The Erie, a large East and West trunk line, but also a large anthracite carrier, reports for the month $\$ 814,148$ decrease in gross and $\$ 527,746$ decrease in net.

In addition, some of the Western roads, both those in the Northwest and those in the Southwest, suffered a reduction of their revenues because of last year's reduced wheat yield and a diminution in the foreign demand for the same, and also in some instances because of a smaller live stock movement than in the corresponding month last year. In the Southwest decreases in the gross are quite common, the Atchison being conspicuous in that respect with a loss of $\$ 529,019$ in gross and $\$ 333,365$ in net, while the Missouri Kansas \& Texas reports $\$ 365,198$ decrease in gross and $\$ 143,743$ in net. The Rock Island has a small increase in gross, but lost $\$ 240$, 380 in net. The Southern Pacific has fallen $\$ 240,732$ behind in the gross but has $\$ 254,056$ increase in net. The International Great Northern has $\$ 75,428$ decrease in gross and $\$ 100,936$ decrease in the net. Some of the Northwestern roads also suffered a contraction of their revenues. Among such may be mentioned the Great Northern, which reports \$143,160 decrease in gross but $\$ 85,498$ increase in net, and the Milwaukee \& St. Paul, the Chicago St. Paul Minneapolis and Omaha, the Chicago Great Western, the Minneapolis \& St. Louis and the "Soo" road.

The New England roads suffered presumably also by reason of heavy falls of snow. The winter, taking the country as a whole, was unusually mild, but in February there were some big snowstorms in the East, with, however, nothing approaching a blizzard. In other words, there were no big drifts to tie up traffic and interfere seriously with the running of trains. In this city there was no snowfall of any. consequence during the winter until February, but in this last mentioned month there were two very heavy storms, namely one on Feb. 3-4, when 10.3 ins. of snow fell and another on Feb. 9-10, when the snowfall was 11.6 inches. For the whole month of February the snowfall in this city aggregated 25.7 inches, being the heaviest on record for any February since 1899 , when the fall was 27.5 ins., and comparing with only 0.8 inch in February last year (when, however, the fall was extremely heavy in January); and with 11.5 ins. in February 1924 and 17.9 ins. in Feb. 1923. The snowstorms the present year seem to have extended all over New England and through New York State. New England roads virtually all report large losses in gross, as well as in net, and no doubt the explanation is found in the circumstance mentioned and doubtless also these roads had their coal traffic reduced by the anthracite miners' strike. The New York New Haven \& Hartford reports for the month $\$ 314,316$ decrease in gross and $\$ 683,500$
decrease in net; the Boston \& Maine $\$ 382,655$ decrease in gross and $\$ 131,982$ in net; the Maine Central $\$ 137,747$ decrease in gross and $\$ 138,582$ in net and the Bangor \& Aroostook $\$ 156,365$ in gross and $\$ 136,373$ in net.

It was stated above that in February last year our tables had shown $\$ 24,441,938$ decrease in gross and $\$ 4,981,506$ decrease in net, business having failed to revive in the way expected. On the other hand, however, it should be pointed out that comparison then was with strikingly favorable results in 1924, partly due to the extra day contained in the month then, it having been a Leap Year and February therefore having had 29 days. Weather conditions were extremely propitious in February 1924, with virtually no obstructions to railroad operation in any part of the country from snow or ice or extreme cold. Contrariwise, in 1923, the winter was of unusual severity in many parts of the northern half of the United States and the situation then was worse in February than it had been in January, in part because of the cumulative effect of the unfavorable meteorological conditions. In January 1923 the roads in New England and in northern New York suffered from repeated snowstorms and from the depth of the accumulated snowfalls. In February 1923 these sections continued to be afflicted in the same way and the trouble also extended to many other sections of the country-in fact, as we pointed out at the time, to practically all parts of the country outside of the South. And the result was to embarass transportation and to add greatly to the cost of operation, expenses then having increased in all directions. In February 1924, with no such interference by the weather, at least only occasional interference in isolated cases, it was possible to bring expenses down again to somewhere near the normal, and this circumstance, along with the extra day which the month contained, gave us an extremely satisfactory statement of earnings, both gross and net, in the month of that year, our statement for February 1924 having shown $\$ 31,939,712$ increase in gross and $\$ 33,387,370$ in net. These gains, however, in February 1924, came after a poor or indifferent return in February 1923, due to the severe winter weather conditions to which allusion has already been made. It must not be supposed that there was any loss in the gross earnings in February 1923. On the contrary, the falling off was entirely in the net earnings and, as just stated, was due to the severity of the weather. In the gross there was then an increase in amount of $\$ 44,745,531$, but it was attended by an augmentation in expenses of no less than $\$ 50$,988,243 , leaving hence a loss in the net of $\$ 6,242,712$. There were, though, losses in the gross both in 1922 and in 1921, but large gains in the net by reason of sharp cuts in the expenses in these earliers years, cuts which were then an imperative requirement, following the tremendous augmentation in expenses during the period of Government operations of the roads. In February 1922 our compilations showed $\$ 4,772,834$ decrease in the gross, but $\$ 54,882,820$ increase in the net, the result of a reduction in expenses of $\$ 59,655,654$. And this followed $\$ 19,171,075$ decrease in the gross and $\$ 11,536,799$ increase in the net in February 1921. The loss in the gross in 1921 would have been very much larger, as the country at the time was suffering intense prostration of business, except that the roads were still enjoying the benefits accruing from the great advance in rates
authorized by the Commerce Commission at the end of the previous July-an advance which it had been computed would add on the same volume of business $\$ 125,000,000$ a month ( $\$ 1,500,000,000$ per year) to the revenues of the carriers. The reduction in expenses at that time was also smaller than it would have been because of the wage award made by the Railroad Labor Board the preyious July, and which on the volume of traffic then being done it was computed would add an average of $\$ 50,000,000$ a month to the payrolls of the roads. Nevertheless, the decrease in expenses then reached, as we have already seen, $\$ 30,707,874$.

In 1920 and previous years expenses had been running up at a frightful rate. In February 1920 our compilations showed $\$ 16,428,891$ loss in net on $\$ 72$,431,089 gain in gross. In that year (1920) the February expenses were swollen in unusual degree by the adverse conditions under which railroad operations had to be carried on at that time. The winter weather encountered in February 1920 was indeed of exceptional severity and it was all the more noteworthy because in sharp contrast with the extremely mild weather of the year preceding and comparable only with the weather of 1918, when the country was still in the throes of war. Temperatures in 1920 were perhaps not quite so low as in February 1918, but the fall of snow was immensely heavier and the interference with railroad operations correspondingly greater. In February 1919, notwithstanding the winter was extremely mild, as already stated, and comparison was with weather in 1918 of exceptional severity, accompanied by snow blockades, railroad embargoes and freight congestion of great intensity, expenses increased so heavily that a gain of $\$ 61,656,597$ in gross was converted into a loss of $\$ 1,191,014$ in net. In February of the years preceding, results were just as bad. In other words, February 1918 showed $\$ 25,148,451$ gain in gross, but $\$ 28,944,820$ loss in net, while the year before (February 1917) our tables registered an increase of $\$ 2,655,684$ in gross but a contraction of $\$ 21,367,362$ in the net. It was this long continued rise in expenses, with resulting losses in net, that furnished the basis for the subsequent reductions in the expenses. In the following we give the February totals back to 1906. We use for 1911, for 1910 and for 1909 the Inter-State Commerce totals, but for the preceding years we give the results just as registered by our own tables each year-a portion of the railroad mileage of the country being always unrepresented in these earlier years, owing to the refusal of some of the roads in those days to give out monthly fig. ures for publication:


1916, 245,541; in $1917 ; 249,795 ;$ in 1918, 238,$891 ;$ in 1919, 232,957; in 1920, 231,$304 ;$
in $1921,235,633 ;$ in $1922,235,625 ;$ in $1923,235,399 ;$ in 1924, 235,$506 ;$ in 1925, 236,642: in 1926 , 236,839.

With reference to the results for the separate roads or systems, we have already indicated that the anthracite carriers the present year suffered heavy losses in gross and net by reason of the coal strike and that the New England roads likewise fell behind, as also several of the Southwestern roads and a few of those in the Northwest. It only remains to add that Southern roads, are, as heretofore, distinguished for the favorable nature of their results; that the trunk lines between the Eastern seaboard and Chicago and St. Louis have also as a rule done well, while several large Northwestern systems likewise are able to give a very good account of themselves. Among these latter may be mentioned the Burlington \& Quincy, with $\$ 431,711$ gain in gross and $\$ 995,408$ gain in net; the Chicago \& North Western with $\$ 428$,928 gain in gross and $\$ 693,776$ gain in net; the Union Pacific with $\$ 738,062$ gain in gross and $\$ 280,008$ gain in net, and the Northern Pacific with $\$ 206,942$ gain in gross and $\$ 82,873$ gain in net. In the case of the Southern roads, improved results are so general that it would be necessary to name all except four or five roads in that group if we attempted to enumerate all those recording gains.

In the case of the Eastern trunk lines the Pennsylvania Railroad on the lines directly operated, east and west of Pittsburgh, reports $\$ 1,810,055$ increase in gross, but $\$ 363,755$ decrease in net. Last year in February these lines suffered $\$ 2,970,473$ decrease in gross and $\$ 1,597,563$ decrease in net, from which it appears that only a part of the loss in gross has been recovered the present year and none of the loss in net. The New York Central this time reports $\$ 957,300$ increase in gross and $\$ 422,865$ increase in net. This is for the New York Central itself. If we include the various auxiliary and controlled roads, the result is a gain of $\$ 1,494,567$ in gross and of $\$ 558,423$ in net. Last year in February the New York Central Lines reported $\$ 3,898,128$ loss in gross and $\$ 1,228,360$ loss in net. Here, too, therefore, only a part of last year's loss has been recovered. The Baltimore \& Ohio the present year shows $\$ 581,539$ improvement in gross and $\$ 205,571$ improvement in net, as compared with $\$ 1,388,431$ loss in gross and $\$ 236,494$ loss in net last year. In the following we show all changes for the separate roads for amounts in excess of $\$ 100,000$, whether increases or decreases, and in both gross and net:
PRINCIPAL CHANGES IN GROSS EARNINGS FOR FEBRUARY.

$b$ The New York Central proper shows $\$ 957.300$ increase. Including
the various auxiliary and controlled roads, like the Michigan Central, the
 the result is a gain of $\$ 1,494,56$
PRINCIPAL CHANGES IN NET EARNINGS FORIFEBRUARY.

## Chicago Burl. \& \& Quincy- Chicago N North West'n- Chesapeake \& Ohio

Chesapeake \& Ohio
Michigan Central
New York Central
Seaboard Air Line
Norfoark \& Air Line--
Virginian
Western_
Union Pacific (4) Louisvile \& Nashville
Southern Pacific (7) Southern Railway Missouri Paette. Illinois Central.
Denver \& Rio Gr.- West-
Kansas City
Sansas City Southern
Detroit Gr, Hav. \& Milw Ghicago \& Eastern Illinois
Grand Trunk Western




Total (37 roads) _------ $\$ 7,276,384$
$a$ This is the result for the Pennsylvania RR. (including the former
Pennsylvania Company, the Pittsburgh Cincinnati Chicago \& St, Louis and Pennsylvania Company, the Pitts o These figures merely cover the operations of the New York Central
itself. Including the various auxiliary and con itself. Including the various auxiliary and controlled roads, like the Michi-
gan Central, the "Big Four," \&c., the result is an increase of $\$ 558,423$.
Dealing with the roads now by groups or geographical divisions, according to their location, we find just what would be expected from what has been said above. The New England group, the Eastern Middle group (embracing the anthracite carriers) and the Southwestern groups of roads register losses in both gross and net. All the other groups and divisions show gains in gross and net. Our summary by groups is as follows:


NOTE.-Group $I$ incudes all of the New England States.
Group II Includes all of New York and Pennsylvania except that portion west
of Pittsburgh and Buffalo, also al. of New Jersey, De.aware and Mary and, and the extreme northern portion of West Virginia.
Group III inciudes all of Ohio and Indiana, all of Michigan except the northern peninsula,
Pittsburgh.
Groups IV and $V$ combined include the Southern States south of the Ohlo and east of the Mississippl River.
Groups VI and VII combined include the northern peninsula of Michigan, all of
Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa and Illinois, al of South Dakota and North Dakota Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa and Ininois, anl of South Dakota and North Dakota
and Missourl north of St. Louls and Kansas City, also all of Montans Wyoming and Nebraska, together with Colorado north of a ine parallel to the State inge passing through Denver.
Groups VIII and IX combined include all of Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and
Indian Territory, Missouri south of St, Louls and Kansas City, Colcrado south Indian Territory, Missouri south of St, Louis and Kansas City, Colorado south Mexico north of a ine running from the northwest corner of the State through Santa Fe and east of a line running from Santa Fe to El Paso
Group $X$ includes ali of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, California, Nevada, Utah
and Arizona, and the western part of New Mexico.
Western roads as a whole
Western roads as a whole had to contend with a diminished grain movement. The receipts of grain at the Western primary markets for the four weeks ended Feb. 27 reached only $57,109,000$ bushels the present year, as against $60,735,000$ bushels in the corresponding four weeks of 1925, and all the different cereals contributed to the falling off, with the exception of corn. The details of the Western grain movement in our usual form are set out in the table we now present:

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## Indications of Business Activity

THE STATE OF TRADE-COMMERCIAL EPITOME. Friday Night, Apr. 161926. The curious persistence of bad weather has continued to operate against business all over the country. It has also hampered farming. Cold, wet weather has interfered with the seeding of the cotton crop over most of the belt, so that it is now anywhere from two to four weeks late. It has also interfered with the planting of corn in the Southwest. Spring wheat seeding has been delayed by dry weather at the Northwest. It has been somewhat warmer here of late, however, and this may presage the resumption of navigation at a comparatively early date. The weather in the main has been too cold, however. By some freak of nature it has happened that when the temperatures were 32 degrees in Texas it was 51 at the same time in Canada up towards the Arctic Circle. Within a day or two there have been indications of warmer weather in the cotton belt, especially at the Southwest; so much so. that to-day there was a break in the cotton market approximately $\$ 1$ to $\$ 150$ per bale. In the nature of things, the weather must soon become more seasonable all over the $3,000,000$ square miles of Continental United States. The spring wheat acreage may be reduced somewhat. In the main the winter wheat crop is in fair condition; certainly there is less winter killing than usual, particularly in the Southwest. It is, of course, true that growth has been delayed by cool weather in some parts of the belt. For all that, however, the conditions in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas are promising. Wheat has advanced 3 to 7 cents per bushel this week, partly on the dry weather at the Northwest, but also because of a better export demand and disappearing supplies. Some Canadian reports this afternoon said that the export sales had even reached $2,700,000$ bushels within 24 hours. Quite a little American durum wheat has been sold to Europe recently. A small export business has been done in oats, rye and barley,
and now and then some foreign demand has appeared for corn. But in none of these grains has there been any important export buying as yet. It may come later. Wheat has advanced 12 cents compared with the low point of last week. The supply is none too large. It is naturally diminishing steadily at this time of the year.
Retail trade just now is smaller than that of a year ago, largely because of cold weather and bad roads. In fact, these factors have hurt both retail and jobbing trade. The farmer and the merchant have both suffered by such conditions. But if we take the figures for the month of March we find that the retail trade made an excellent showing as compared with the same month last year and also as compared with the total in February. Mail order houses in March made sales to the amount of $\$ 40,262,327$, in contrast with $\$ 35,836,556$ in March last year and $\$ 36,267,277$ in February this year. The March sales of chain stores were $\$ 59$,893,753 , against $\$ 51,202,201$ in the same month last year and $\$ 50,377,706$ in February. Mail order sales in March therefore showed a gain of $11 \%$ over those of February and $12.3 \%$ over those of March last year. Chain store sales in March were close to $19 \%$ larger than in February and $17 \%$ larger than in March last year. For three months of the present year mail order sales show a total of $\$ 114,387,455$, against $\$ 104,338,429$ in the same time last year, an increase this year of $9.5 \%$. The chain store sales for three months this year total $\$ 160,314,230$, against $\$ 139,875,616$ in the same time last year, or an increase this year of $14.6 \%$. The grand total of mail and chain store sales for three months is $\$ 274,701,685$, against $\$ 244,214,045$ in the same time last year, or an increase of $12.4 \%$.
And taking industry as a whole, it is doing a rather larger business than a year ago. Cotton has declined of late because of more promising weather at the Southwest. But the domestic consumption in March, to the surprise of every-
body, turned out to have been 634,600 bales, the largest on record. It seemed to show that reports of extreme depression in the cotton manufacturing business have put too poor a face upon the matter, probably because the buying has been in small lots. It looks as though the cotton acreage will be about the same as that of last year. The cotton belt as a whole has a good store of moisture in the soil. All it wants now is the quickening influence of seasonal warmth of temperature. That would be highly beneficial, especially in Texas. Iron has been dull so far as the American product is concerned, but it appears that some 20,000 tons of foreign iron have been sold at a decline of $\$ 1$ per ton, putting the price some $\$ 3$ below that of the American metal. It seems that efforts are to be made at Washington to have the tariff on pig iron increased. It is now 75 cents per ton. Of course, the usual effect of protective tariffs is to stimulate production and in the end bring down prices. The old vicious circle is familiar to everybody. Steel has been quiet, partly because of the bad weather conditions for some branches of the trade. The tendency of iron and steel prices is apparently downward. That is also the case with coal and coke. Coffee advanced rather sharply, but more because of the technical position, it would seem, than anything else. There has been a tendency to oversell the market. And Brazilian prices of late have risen. The impression is very general that advances in Brazilian markets are largely artificial, from the efforts of the so-called "Defense Committee" to keep up the price. But to-night the news from Brazil is that trade is very dull and cost and freight prices more or less demoralized. Brazil seems to be carrying large stocks of coffee. The only remedy in the long run will be a reduction in the growth. All other remedial measures are mere palliatives. For the moment they may seem to do a certain amount of good to the producer, but in the end they are found to be futile. The law of supply and demand is imperative and in the end dominates. That is the universal experience of mankind in that form of activity which we know by the name of business. Sugar, on the other hand, has advanced because of measures which the Cuban Government has instituted with a view of stemming downward trend of prices due to large supplies in Cuba and elsewhere in the world. An effort will be made to reduce the Cuban output some $10 \%$ and to prevent an extension of the sugar acreage. Just at the moment, too, a strike on the Cuban railroads seems to be playing into the hands of those who would put up prices. Some 60,000 workers were on strike on the railroads of the island at 6 o'clock to-night. Here, again, there is only one fundamental and lasting remedy, and that is to keep production in due relation to the demand for the product. Cuba has overdone sugar planting, as Brazil has overdone coffee planting. The only remedy is to reduce the output. Rubber prices have been declining here and in London as supplies increase, and there is some evidence that consumers are pursuing a dilatory policy in purchasing, as they usually do everywhere when prices show signs of weakening. As to building, the peak seems to have been reached in March 1924 and some now believe that the boom is over, or at any rate has passed the crest. It was noticed that the stock market has declined during the week, although to-day there was something of a rally, with call loans easy at $41 / 4 \%$. But bonds have advanced. It is regrettable that French franes have fallen to a new low level. Of late in London the stock market has been rather quiet, owing to the fact that the Government has to face the knotty question of settling the coal deadlock, which, however, it is belleved can be solved. Settlement day is approaching, however, and naturally this has a tendency to reduce transactions. But it has been noticed that the undercurrent of sentiment in London of late has been in the main hopeful. That is the case also on this side of the water.

At Fall River, Mass., curtailment of machinery devoted to the manufacture of plain goods is increasing, and while as yet no estimate can be given of the amount of curtailment, due to the fact that mills are shutting down plain looms, as the warps run out, it is believed that in the aggregate, it is considerable. New Bedford, Mass., reports between 75 and $85 \%$ of the looms of that city are operating full time, while in some instances the machinery is being run nights. Cotton and silk mills of the city are operating more machinery than for several years. The output of yarn mills is between 60 and $70 \%$ of normal. In Rhode Island overtime schedules continue in textile and silk industries.

In Connecticut practically all industries are operating full time. In Massachusetts some textile mills showed increased employment and have resumed full-time operations. Manchester, N. H., wired that wages in the hosiery mills of George H . Tilton \& Son have been reduced $5 \%$. This concern is the largest manufacturer of hosiery in the State. At Nashua, N. H., mills were active, in some instances operating better than $85 \%$ of capacity. At Suncock, N. H., the Suncock mills are operating much of their loomage five nights a week and are running days better than $85 \%$ of capacity. From present indications the plant will reach $100 \%$ output. At Northfield, N. H., wages in the hosiery mills of George H. Tilton \& Son have been reduced $5 \%$. No trouble resulted from the readjustment. This concern is the largest manufacturer of hosiery in the State, having plants in four different cities.
In North Carolina a slight curtailment in textile industry was reported. Charlotte, N. C., later wired that it was believed that increased curtailment will become effective before the week was over. Spinners were generally opposed to piling up stocks and comment there reflects the opinion that curtailment would have already been heavy had the mills not had a good deal more business on their books than was generally believed. Gaston County mills continue on the part-time basis started several weeks ago and report a very light demand for yarns.
Albert Weisbord, textile strike leader, was held in $\$ 30,000$ bail on three charges at Passaic, N. J., on April 12. The charges were "inciting to riot, introducing Communist matter and inciting against the Government." At Passaic, N. J., Sheriff Charles W. Morgan declared that he believed the mill strike "practically over." At Garfield, N. J., Norman Thomas was arrested on the 14th inst. for making a speech to some of the 14,000 strikers in the Passaic textile mills who have been on strike for 12 weeks. He challenged the legality of the Riot Act proclamation read by the Sheriff of Garfield on the 12 th inst. He was held in $\$ 10,000$ bail. Frequent instances of disorder have been reported since the strike began. The strikers seem to be partly Communists. It is said that they have given the police much trouble picketing the mills, attacking workers and assembling in mobs to the detriment of the public peace.

Three thousand tugboat men comprising the crews of about half the 800 tugs in New York Harbor were ordered by their union on April 15 to strike and not to return until their demand for a 10 -hour day and higher wages were met. The strike will affect almost all the tugs used for docking freight and passenger ships, including those which maneuver to their berths the largest liners which enter the harbor. Bricklayers here are to get $\$ 14$ a day, the highest wage yet; a rate at once grotesque and incredible. It is an increase of $\$ 2$. They wanted $\$ 4$ increase. The contract is for three years.

The weather here has been cool and on the 15 th inst. it rained. The season has been backward. Here on the 14th inst. it was 32 to 51 degrees and on the 15 th 32 to 44 . It has been cold all over the country. Curiously enough, on the 15 th inst., when it was 32 degrees at Dallas, Texas, it was 51 at Edmonton, Canada. For many weeks the South has been cold and rainy, with not infrequent snows in some parts. Frosts prevailed in Texas and Oklahoma on the 15th inst. and minimum temperatures were in the 30 's in some other parts of the Southern States. Over the night of the 14th inst. the change to colder southward to Kentucky, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, New York and northern New England was sharp, and in some sections extreme. Freezing temperatures extended to the Ohio River, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, northern New Jersey and central New England. Temperatures of 12 to 20 degrees were general along the Canadian border. Freezing also extended over western sections to Kansas and Missouri. A rapid change to warmer conditions, however, was in progress over the Northwest and higher temperatures prevailed in the Southeastern sections, along the immediate Atlantic Coast. Light snow covered most sections north of the Ohio River and West Virginia. At Chicago on the 14th inst. it was 28 to 36, at Cincinnati 28 to 70, at Cleveland 14 to 64, at Kansas City 30 to 42, at Milwaukee 26 to 32 and at St. Paul 28 to 38 . On the 15th inst. at Chicago the temperatures were 40 to 46 and at St. Paul 42 to 68. The forecast here to-night was for fair and warmer weather, but fair and colder on Saturday. At Malone, N. Y., this afternoon there was a blizzard with a heavy snowfall. It is general throughout north-
ern New York and northern Vermont to-night and the effect will be felt in a lowering of the temperature here on Saturday. To-day the temperature at 3 p . m. was up to 58 degrees here.

## Preliminary Business Indicators for March as Reported

 to U. S. Department of Commerce.Early reports on business conditions to the Department of Commerce covering the month of March indicate increases over March 1925 in steel-vessel construction, receipts of wool at Boston, shipments and unfilled orders of new locomotives, stocks of corn and wholesale prices of tin and zinc, while the production of pig iron and North Carolina pine lumber, consumption of tin and silk, stocks of wheat and oats, and contracts awarded for concrete pavements declined.
The Department's advices to this effect, made public April 12, also state order houses and and financial items increases occurred in sales by mailreceipts, ordinary receipts and expenses of thearings, postal and customs rates on commercial paper, while the number Government and interest Patent Office and the total, number of number of patents issued by the number of business failures increased over a yerpora while totil of failing firms fell off; the gross debt of the Federal Government showed a further decline from a year ago.
As compared with February, 1926, increases were noted in the production of pig iron and North Carolina pine, steel-vessel construction, consumption of tin, receipts of wool at Boston and concrete-pavement awards, while consumption of silk and shipments of new locomotives declined. Trade and financial items presented increases in bank clearings, mail-order and ten-cent chain sales, customs and postal receipts, receipts and expenses of the Government and interest rates for commercial paper, while the number of new incorporations, prices of railroad and industrial stocks, and the number of new incorporations, prices of railroad and industrial stocks, and
the number of patents issued declined. The number of business failures the number of patents issued declined. The number of business failures
ficreased over February while the amount of defaulted liabilities was lower

BUSINESS INDICATORS.
(Relative Numbers: 1919 Monthly Average $=100$.

|  | 1925 |  | 1926. |  | Inc.(+) or Dec.) $\rightarrow$ ). |  |
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|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb- } \\ & \text { ruary } \end{aligned}$ | Mar. | $\begin{array}{\|c} \text { Feb- } \\ \text { ruary. } \end{array}$ | Mar. | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Mar. } 1926 \\ \text { Febo. } \\ \text { from } \end{array}\right\|$ | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { Mar. } 1926 \\ \text { far. } 1925 \end{array}\right.$ |
| ${ }_{\text {Pig-Iron produ }}^{\text {Postal receipts }}$ | 126 | 140 | 115 | 135 | +17.4\% | -3.6\% |
| ${ }_{50}^{50}$ largestest citles | 140 | 159 |  |  |  |  |
|  | 122 | 130 173 17 | ${ }_{136}^{136}$ | 151 | $+11.0 \%$ | +16.2\% |
| Mailorder sules (2 houses) - | 113 | 120 | 172 | 201 | +16.9\% | +16.2\% |
| Commeral Reserve baper inkerest | 67 | 73 | 76 | 78 | +2.6\% | .8\% |
| Bills discounted. | 22 | 20 | 28 |  | +17.9\% |  |
| Ratio | 138 | 137 | 133 | 133 | $0.0 \%$ | - $2.9 \%$ |
| usiness failures: | 151 | 154 | 147 | 146 | -0.7\% | -5.2 |
| Number of inms | 333 | 346 | 335 | 369 | +10.1\% | +6.6\% |
| Stock prices: |  |  | 302 |  |  |  |
| ${ }_{25}^{25}$ railiustraals | 131 | 129 | 170 | 149 | $-12.4 \%$ | $+15.5 \%$ |

## * 1922 monthly average equals 100 .

## Federal Reserve Bank of New York on Indexes of Business Activity.

The following is from the April 1 Number of the Monthly Review of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.
General business appears to have continued at approximately as high a level in February as in any recent month. Bank debits in 140 centers outside of New York City continued to show more than the normal annual increase over the high level of a year ago. Railway traffic in merchandise
and miscellaneous freight was larger than in February of previous years, and loadings of other commodities continued in approximately normal volume.
Further evidence of active trade appeared in increases over last year in department store, chain store, and mail order house sales, newspaper and magazine advertising, and in the volume of postal receipts. Factory employment showed about the usual seasonal Increase and business failures continued below normal. The following table gives this bank's indexes in percentages of the computed trend, with allowance for seasonal variation and, where necessary, for price changes.


## Industrial Conditions in Illinois During March.

Reuben D. Cahn, Chief of the Bureau of Industrial Accident and Labor Research of the Illinois Department of Labor, reports as follows, under date of April 14 on the industrial situation in Illinois during March.
Just as the budding of Spring is about to bring a revival of activity to the out of door industries which have been dormant through the Winter the increase in factory operations in progress since the opening of the year is spending its force. Reports to the Illinois Department of Labor from
manufacturers in a wide range of industry show that during March the number of workers expanded about that during the month of the gain was $1.6 \%$. Thus, the rate of gain is materially less than it has been, though the size of factory operations remains at a level substantially above a year ago.
It has been said that the building industry is the "staff of life" that has sustained industrial activity in recent years. There appears reasons for trial structure the support which building has given to the general indus work will be partiot shortly to be withdrawn, for building construction show. In Chicago, requests the coming year, projects alroady planee volume. Notwithstanding the fact that the building boom has been in progress for 5 years, new projects numbering 2.422 , a larger total than ever before, were taken out in the City of Chicago in March. These permits called for $\$ 35,866,475$ worth of work-a new high record for a single month and exceeding the entire total for the year 1918. In downstate cities it appears that building work in the main will be sufficient to keep mechanics busy.
The placement record at the free employment offices was high in March in part, this was due to the heavy snow. For a few days, all those who wero $\$ 55$. joeking latso vigorously The most recent figures show the way' clear
at the free employment compared with 170 in a year aso wh 161 . For a year ago was 161. For the same month in 1924 it was 157, while in
1923 it was 96 . Placements for the State bered 13,773, as against 11,461 a year ago; 10,690 in 1924 and 18,373 in 1923.

Industries in the metals and machinery group of industries were the strongest factors in the labor market for March with cars and locomotives firms was nearly the employment expansion. The gain for 13 identical firms in February. It is evident that orders or new equine the part of the railroads are rapidly bringing this industry back to a normal production schedule.
Other industries in the metals group with two exceptions also showed increases. The iron and steel mills took on $2 \%$ more employes, while the machinery industry made a gain of $1.8 \%$ and agricultural implements one of $2 \%$. There was a decine of employment in the tool and cutlery industry which amounted to $5.5 \%$, but the number of workers involved was not large.
ment in the stone and ment in the stone and clay products group made a gain of $1.5 \%$. This was in spile of a slight falling off of employment at the brick kilns and was mainly caused by glass manufacturers who added $2.4 \%$ more names to the payrolls.
The wood products group was another industry to expand in employment increase being $1.6 \%$. Miscellaneos wood prod ints, with a gain of $6.5 \%$. led in the group and was followed by furniture plants whose more workers. Musical instruments had a decline of the same percentage.
The fur and leather goods industries showed an adverse employment trend amounting to $2.6 \%$. The main factor in this was that boot and shoe In March last year, this industry curtailed operations to the extent of laying off $8.4 \%$ of those employed.
The usual March reduction in employment took place in the men's clothing industry. But this year, the decline, $2.4 \%$, was smaller than The decline in or 1925 . A year ago, the reduction amounted to $8.1 \%$.號 $1.8 \%$ there was a gain in employment of $7.1 \%$
The two other groups of manufacturing industries in which fewer workers and food experien, beverages and tobacco. In the former group 4 of the 5 industries tion of $2.6 \%$ in the nent gains, but those were more than offset by a reducloss in the group as a whole was $7-10$ of $1 \%$.
The loss in the foods, beverages and tobacco group was more substantial amounting to $3.3 \%$. 5 of the industries concerned showed gains, but fo Meat important industries, the trend was in the opposite direction. meat packis, both in the extent of the decline in mole. The was slightly less than 3 of the 4 industries in the of the precealng years.
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$r$ shopping, there was an inch required an addition of $4 \%$ to the number emploved store business which mail order houses found it desirable to reduce their . On the other hand Public utilities took on $1.3 \%$ more employees. cerned with the exception of railway car repir in whicustries conan employment decline of $3-10$ of $1 \%$, participated in The operations of reporting coal mines held up very well increase and there were $4 \%$ more miners employed at these mell during March preceding the 15 th of the month than for the same mines during the week Due to bad weather conditions, in spite of a substantial both February and March in the number and estimated cost op ings authorized, construction activities were retarded slightly- $1.3 \%$ fewer building workers being employed.
$\$ 43,562,020$. There were 4,016 verized in 24 Illinois cities was valued at $\$ 43,562,020$. There were 4,016 structures involved compared with 2,427 in February which were valued at $\$ 30,640,780$. For the with cities in March, 1925, the estimated cost of new construction was nearly $\$ 5.000,000$ less than for March this year. An analysis of the figures gathered by the Illinois Department of Labor shows that March authorizations for new residential construction will provide housekeeping dwellinge
for 3,815 families in Chicago and 875 in the other 23 cities.

## Wholesale and Retail Trade in Atlanta Federal Reserve

 District Larger than Year Ago.Wholesale and retail trade continue to exceed figures re ported for the corresponding period last year, says the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, in its March 31 "Monthly Business Review," from which we quote as follows:
Except for the retarding effect continued cold weather has had upon farm work in preparation for the coming season, generally satisfactory conditions are reported from nearly all parts of the Sixth District. Farm work dle of March damaged the peach crop in middle Georgia to some extent where the peach crop was ten days earlier than usual.
Wholesale and retail trade continue to exceed figures reported for the corresponding period last year. The February index number of sales by wholesale firms is the highest for February since 1920, and the index number of retail sales, computed from figures reported by department stores, is higher for February this year than for any other February since this series was started in 1920. Stocks of merchandise reported by department stores at the close of February were $2.3 \%$ larger than a year ago, and the rate of turnover for the first two months of 1926 was slightly better than for the same period last year. Accounts receivable and collections were both reported in larger volume than a year ago.
The volume of building in course of construction and in prospect continues large, as indicated in building permits issued from month to month. In February permits were issued at twenty reporting cities for buildings to be valued at more than 20 millions of dollars, an increase over February 1925 of $53.7 \%$. Prices prevailing on the Savannah Naval Stores market during February receded slightly from those recorded in January, but were higher than for February 1925 .
The volume of debits to indiv
The volume of debits to individual accounts at 24 reporting cities in the sixth district, reflecting the volume of general business transactions settled by check continues to exceed figures for the same week a year ago, in February there was an increase of $13.9 \%$ over February last year. Savings
deposits reported at the clase of February by 91 banks were deposits reported at the clase of February by 91 banks were $13.6 \%$ greater than a year ago, and liabilities of firms failing in February in this dis-
trict were approximately one-half the amount recorded for February year. Discounts by the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta for its member year. Discounts igyer level than a year ago, and weekly reports by banks in selected cities show a larger volume of demand and time deposits.

## Employment Conditions in Federal Reserve District

 of Richmond.Discussing labor conditions in its district, the "Monthly Review," dated March 31, of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond says:
There were no material changes in employment conditions in the Fifth Reserve District between the middle of February and the middle of March. A considerable voiume of new construction work was begun, although the continuation of inclement weather postponed the start on some projects. cite strike ginia were less active during the past month than mines in West VirManufacturing plants continued operations at or near full time, using their customary number of employees. The number of workers and the demand for their services appear to be fairly well balanced throughout the District, with no serious surplus or shortage at any particular point. Agricultural workers continue scarcer than any other class, but farmers have not yet
been able to do much work in preparation for this year's planting and the shortage has therefore not been felt to any material extent. In most of the cities there is a surplus of clerical workers and the by-the-day domestic help, but practically all skilled workers are normally empleyed for this season of the year.

Conditions in Federal Reserve District of St. Louis Total Volume of Business Above That of Last Year.
Reviewing business conditions in its district, the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, under date of March 31, states that "while some slowing down in business as compared with the preceding two or three months was reflected in reports covering activities in this district during the past thirty days, the total volume was above that of the corre sponding period last year." The "Review" goes on to say in part:
The improvement was represented almost exclusively in sales for imme diate delivery, a majority of the lines investigated reporting no betterment whatever in future business. Generally order books contained a smaller past several years. This was true of both manufacturers and wholesalers and to a large extent, the former are making up few roods in excess of what they are able to apply on actual orders. The recent breat in of security markets, and price declines in a number of basic materials the served to accentuate the policy of distributers and ultimate consumers to buy only what they require for immediate needs.
Immediate requirements, however, are unusually large, as indicated by freight movement of the railroads, retail sales statistics, debits to checking accounts, and current changes in commodity stocks. There has been no appreciable contraction in purchasing power in consuming channels, and the employment situation, except in a few localities, continues very satisfactory. As a result of the conservative buying policy, keen competition and efforts to hold up sales volume, there is an increasing number of complaints of narrow profit margins. Filling and shipping numerous small orders and other added service consequent to the changed practice in distribution of merchandise have substantially increased costs. Weather conditions were on the whole unfavorable for the best results in the retail trade, low temperatures extending through the middle of March having a tendency to retard the movement of seasonal merchandise. This handicap, however. was in a measure offset by the early Easter date, and purchasing to fill holiday requirements assisted materially in lifting the total sales volume. Sales in February of the leading department stores in the district were $11.4 \%$ larger than for the same month in 1925, and small gains were recorded by retail shoe, mens furnishing goods stores, and several other
lines. Preliminary work on farms was delayed by the cold weather and
purchasing of groceries, provisions and other supplies in the South was below the usual volume at this time of year.

## Review of Business in Cleveland Federal Reserve

 District-Conditions Fundamentally Sound.According to the "Monthly Business Review" of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, issued under date of April 1, conditions in the district "remain fundamentally sound, but a tendency toward a slowing up has made its appearance." "Whether this is due to the late winter or to other causes," says the "Review," "can probably be more accurately determined with the opening of spring." We also quote the following from the "Review"
As compared with the normal February, the past month may be termed satisfactory from the business viewpoint. The present situation, however, appears to be somewhat mixed. Operations in iron and steel in the first part of March have been at a high level of capacity, and various other lines, such as automobiles, continued at a high rate of activity in February and early March. On the other hand, there has been a steady, though slight, decrease in numerous wholesale prices since September, particularly in farm products. Such a decline suggests a narrowing of profit margins in some lines of manufacture and a loss in returns from farm crops. Building permits for the first time in many months declined in February from the preceding year, although in some quarters this is attributed to the enjoying a normal volume of business, are falling behind the exceptional activity of a year ago.

## General Manufacturing.

No great changes in the various manufacturing industries of the district have taken place since last month. Reports indicate that business in some trades has not as yet developed as expected, whether due to the unusually severe weather of early March or to a general slackening. In other lines, orders are running ahead of last year and prospects are favorable. On the whole, it appears that business is about normal, considering the late winter, but that it is hardly up to last
There is still complaint of the hand-to-mouth buying policy, which prevents manufacturers from accumulating a back-log of orders as was formerly the case.

Lumber Activities Show Increase Over Last Year.
The National Lumber Manufacturers Association on April 15 received telegraphic reports of the status of the lumber industry for the week ended April 10, from 403 of the larger softwood, and 138 of the chief hardwood, mills of the country. The 386 comparably reporting softwood mills showed some increases in production and shipments, and a slight decrease in new business, when compared with reports from 357 mills the previous week. In comparison with reports for the same period a year ago, gratifying increases in all three items were noted. The hardwood operations, making allowances for the fact that fifteen more mills reported this week, were of about the same volume as for the immediately preceding week, except that there was evidently a marked increase in new business.
The unfilled orders of 237 Southern Pine and West Coast mills at the end of last week amounted to $763,160,687$ feet, as against $752,060,956$ feet for 233 mills the previous week. The 126 identical Southern Pine mills in the group showed unfilled orders of $280,034,982$ feet last week, as against $283,603,248$ feet for the week before. For the 111 West Coast mills the unfilled orders were $483,125,705$ feet, as against $468,457,708$ feet for 107 mills a week earlier.
Altogether the 386 comparably reporting softwood mills had shipments $101 \%$, and orders $96 \%$, of actual production For the Southern Pine mills these percentages were respectively 110 and 105 ; and for the West Coast mills 105 and 100.

Of the reporting mills, the 350 with an established normal production for the week of $218,048,350$ feet gave actual production $107 \%$, shipments $111 \%$ and orders $106 \%$ thereof.

The following table compares the national softwood lumber movement as reflected by the reporting mills of eight regional associations for the three weeks indicated:


The Southern Cypress
 above tables because only recently reporting) for the week ended April 13 reported from 17 mills a production of $5,641,150$ feet, shipments $6,220,000$ and orders $4,580,000$. In comparison with reports for the nrevious week, when three fewer mills reported, this Association showed considerable increases in all three factors.

West Coast Movement.
The West Coast Lumbermen's Association wires from Seattle that new business for the 111 mills reporting for the week ended April 10 was equal to production, and shipments were $5 \%$ above production. Of all new business taken during the week $45 \%$ was for future water delivery, amounting to $51,526,142$ feet, of which $31,639,107$ feet was for domestic cargo delivery, and 19,887,035 feet export. New business by rail amounted to Forty-four (approximately $56,490,000$ feet)- $50 \%$ of the week's new business. Forty-four per cent of the week's shipments moved by water, amounting to $53,579,883$ feet, of which $32,848,062$ feet moved coastwise and intercoastal, and $20,731,821$ feet export. Rail shipments totaled 2,031 cars (approximately $60,930,000$ feet)- $51 \%$ of the week's shipments-and local deliveries $5,898,738$ feet. Unshipped domestic cargo orders totaled 157,987,839 feet, foreign 145,077,866 feet and rail trade 6,002 cars. centres to be heavier than has been camps was reported from most hiring centres to be heavier than has been the case for some time, according to
the Four L Employment Service. Log production is holding at about the Four L Employment Service. Log production is holding at about than it was one month ago. Nearly all pine sawmills are gre greater although there are not as yet so many plants running two shifts operating, case last year. Several large concerns will not operate more than was the this season, it is reported, Summer logging is getting under way and is especially active in the st. Maries-Elk River, Idaho, district. 9

## Southern Pine Reports.

The Southern Pine Association reports from New Orleans that for 126 mills reporting, shipments were $9.94 \%$ above production and orders $4.52 \%$ above production and $4.94 \%$ below shipments. New business taken during production $65,755,924$ feet. The normal production of these mills is $75.464,968$ feet. Of the 117 mills reporting running time 73 perated full time, 15 of the latter overtime. Three mills were shut down and the rest operated from one to five and one-half days.

The Western Pine Manufacturers Association of Portland, Oregon, with one more mill reporting, showed production about the same, a slight decrease in shipments and a large decrease in new business.
The California White and Sugar Pine Manufacturers Association of San Francisco, Calif. (six mills closed down), with eight more mills reporting, showed marked increases in all three items.

The California Redwood Association of San Francisco Calif., with one less mill reporting, showed production and shipments about the same, and a heavy decline in new business.
The North Carolina Pine Association of Norfolk, Va., with six more mills reporting, showed large increases in ail three factors.
The Northern Pine Manufacturers Association of Minne apolis, Minn., reported some decrease in production, heavy decreases in shipments, and new business considerably less than that reported the week earlier.
The Northern Hemlock and Hardwood Manufacturers Association of Oshkosh, Wis. (in its softwood production) with two more mills reporting, showed $100 \%$ increase in production, a nominal increase in shipments and new business about the same as that reported for the previous week.
The hardwood mills of the Northern Hemlock and Hardwood Manufacturers Association reported from 19 mills production as 4,819,000 feet, shipments $3,746,000$, and orders $2,902,000$.
The Hardwood Manufacturers Institute of Memphis, Tenn., reports from 119 units, production as $16,665,458$ feet, shipments $18,150,281$, and orders $18,021,691$. The normal production of these units is $21,049,000$ feet.
For the past 14 weeks all hardwood mills reporting to the National Lumber Manufacturers Association gave production $359,240,168$ feet, shipments $347,883,578$, and orders $\overline{357,394,717 \text {. }}$

## 1926 Lumber Cut゙2\% Ahead of 1925.

During the first 12 weeks of 1926 lumber production was $1.8 \%$ more than during corresponding weeks of $1925,1 \%$ more than in 1924 and $10.7 \%$ more than in 1923, according to reports of eight regional associations to the National Lumber Manufacturers Association. In 1925 the cut of the first 12 weeks was $19.2 \%$ of the year's total; in 1924 it was $20.6 \%$; in $1923,17.8 \%$.
Comparison of this period of 1926 with similar weeks of 1923 show decreases of $2.6 \%$ in association reports of Southern pine production, $3.5 \%$ of North Carolina Pine and $14 \%$ of Northern Pine, about the same number of mills reporting for the Southern and Northern pines in the two years. Increase in production is shown in the West over the 1923 period, the West Coast Association cut being $6 \%$ greater despite $25 \%$ fewer mills reporting; the Western pine with similar average number of mills showing increase of $57 \%$ and the California Redwood of $7 \%$. Four times more mills of the California White and Sugar Pine Association reported about four times the 1923 cut.

Cumulative orders received for the first twelve weeks of 1926 were $13.9 \%$ above those of the corresponding weeks of 1925 , and $10.9 \%$ above 1926 production.

West Coast Lumbermen's Association Weekly Review.
One hundred and six mills reporting to West Coast Lumbermen's Association for the week ending April 3 manufactured $110,044,308$ feet of lumber, sold $112,087,342$ feet and shipped $106,809,082$ feet. New business was $2 \%$ above production. Shipments were $3 \%$ under production.

| comparative table showing production, new SHIPMENTS AND UNFILLED ORDERS. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | March 27. | March 20 | March 13. |
| o. of mills report | 107 |  |  |  |
| Production (feet) | 110,044.308 | 113,170,740 | 110.346,886 | 4 |
| New business (feet) | 112,087.342 | 111,025,567 | 115,342,905 | 129,372,967 |
| Shipments (feet). Unshipped Balan | 106,809,082 | 112,215,53 | 105,129,438 | 947 |
| Rail | 181.500.000 | 176,760.00 |  |  |
| Domesti | 151.788.527 | 150.964.688 | 156,115.450 |  |
|  | 35. | 126,188.072 | 133,641,213 | 8 |
| Tot | 468.457,708 | 453.912.760 | 460,388,663 | 63,350,021 |
| First 14 Weeks of- Production (feet) | 19 |  | $\begin{gathered} 1924 . \\ 300,272,632 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1923 . \\ & 1,195,061,439 \end{aligned}$ |
| w business |  |  | ${ }_{1}^{1,357,539,141}$ | 1,413,806,219 |
| ipments (f |  | $1,265,408,912$ | 1,302,245,419 | 1,417, |

Census Report on Cotton Consumed and on Hand in March-Consumption Below a Year Ago.
Under date of April 141926 the Census Bureau issued its report showing cotton consumed, cotton on hand, active cotton spindles and imports and exports of cotton for the month of March 1926 and 1925. Cotton consumed amounted to 634,593 bales of lint and 60,532 bales of linters, compared with 583,407 bales of lint and 58,821 bales of linters in March 1925 and 567,244 bales of lint and 53,978 bales of linters in February 1926. It will be seen that there is an increase over March 1925 in the total lint and linters combined of 52,897 bales, or $8.2 \%$. The statistics of cotton in the report are given in running bales, counting round as half bales, except foreign bales, which are in equivalent 500 -pound bales:
COTTON CONSUMED AND ON HAND IN SPINNING MILLS AND ,IN OTHER ESTABLISHMENTS, AND ACTIVE COTTON SPINDLES.
(inters not included.)

| Localtty. | Year | Cotton Consumed During (Bales) - |  | Cotton on Hand March 31. |  | Cotton Spindlee Active During March (Number). |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | March. | Eight Ending Mar. 31 | In Con- suming Es- tablishm${ }^{\text {ts }}$ (Bales). $\|$ | In Public Storage and at Compresses (Bales). |  |
| Unit | 1926 | $\begin{array}{r} * 634,593 \\ 583,407 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|r} * 4,379008 \\ 4,087,199 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} * 1,767,68 e \\ 1,633,783 \end{array}$ | $\left.\begin{array}{\|r} * 4,162,628 \\ 2,028,331 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | $\begin{aligned} & 33,233,382 \\ & 33,217,162 \end{aligned}$ |
| Cotton growing States. | 926 | 438.396 | 3.030 .290 | 1,068,664 | 3,930.83¢ | 17,266,762 |
|  | 1925 | 392,027 165,541 | $2,796,913$ $1,121.908$ | 948.610 598.806 | 1,708,301 | $16.917,160$ 14.400 .290 |
|  | 1925 | 161.337 | 1,074.17\% | 588.537 | 118,810 | 14,757,816 |
| All othe | $\|1925\|$ | 30.655 30.043 | 226.810 216.110 | $100.21 ¢$ <br> 98.636 | 65,685 201,220 | $1,566,330$ $1,542,180$ |

*Includes 21,770 Egyptian, 7,563 other foreign, 1,003 American-Egyptian and 116 Sea Island consumed, 65,866 Egyptian, 24,272 other forelgn, 5,177 American16,538 other foreign, 8,689 American-Egyptian, and 420 Sea Island in publle storage Eight months consumption, 139,525 Egyptian, 53,145 other forelgn, 6,619 American Egyptian, and 1,863 Sea Island
Linters not included above were 60.532 bales consumed during March in 1926 and 58,821 bales in 1925; 187,298 bales on hand in consuming establishments on March 31 1926, and 158,949 bales in 1925: and 84.658 bales in public storage and at compresses in 1926, and 62.309 bales in 1925. Linters consumed during etght month's ending March 31 amounted to 501.983 bales in 1926 and 414.823 bales in 1925. IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF COTTON AND LINTERS

| Imports of Foreign Cotton (500-lb. Bales). Country of Production- | March. |  | 8Mos.End.Mar. 31. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1926. | 1925. | 1926. | 1925. |
|  | 33,794 | 19,024 | 176,27r | 160,417 |
|  | 1,232 | 7.288 | 13.32 f | 9,878 |
| Mexi | 3,000 5,437 | 7.567 | 20.042 | 18,698 |
| British In | 1,972 | 4,545 | 10,257 | 12,264 |
| All other- | 290 | 313 | 1,893 | 2,421 |
| Total | 45,726 | 33,955 | 244,310 | 246,816 |
| Exports of Domestic Cotton and Linters-Run nino Bales (See Note for Linters). Country to Which Exported- |  |  |  |  |
| United KIngdom.....-- | 137,774 | 181,558 | 1,899,638 | 2,292,444 |
| France | 64,226 | 67,112 | 773,42P | 800,537 |
| Italy. | 58.968 | 61,115 | 528,677 | 566,375 |
| German | 84,816 54,971 | 215,605 | 1,416,37e | 1,577,000 |
|  | 54,971 | 101092 88.300 | 748,582 876.892 | 771.610 |
| All oth | 36.298 | 25,294 | 876,892 262,771 | 764,992 199,142 |
|  | 519.732 | 740.076 | 6.506,3 | 8,972,100 |

Note.-Figures include 7.711 bales of linters exported during March in 1926 and 32,360 bales in 1925 and 67,280 bales for the elght months ending March 31 in 1926 dom, 1,273; Netherlands, 313; France, 1.775; Germany, 2,103: Belgium, 170; Spain, 77; Canada, 1,729; Mexico, 2; British South Africa, 269 WORLD STATISTICS.
The estimated world's production of commerclal cotton, exclusive of linters grown in 1924, as compiled from information secured through the domestio and oreign staff of the Department of Commerce is $23,825,000$ bales of 478 pound lint, while the consumption of cotton (exclusive of linters in the United States) for the year ending July 311925 was approximately $22,640,000$ bales of 478 pounds tht The total number of spinning cotton spindles, both active and idle, is about 162,
000.000 .

## Automobile Prices and New Models.

It was announced on April 12 that effective immediately Wills-Sainte Claire, Inc., would reduce prices $\$ 500$ on sedan and limousine models and $\$ 300$ on traveler and roadster models. Cabriolet and brougham remain unchanged. Factory prices now are: Five-passenger sedan, $\$ 3,150$; limousine, $\$ 3,350$; traveler and roadster, $\$ 2,700$. In connection with this reduction the company says: "Having liquidated the intial expense incidental to the designing and production of the new six, combined with greatly improved manufacturing facilities and the fact that the new prices bring the car within the reach of a far larger field of buyers, make this reduction possible.'

The Reo Motor Car Co. on April 13 announced that it has a new line of $11 / 4$-ton trucks, listed at $\$ 1,090$ for chassis, or $\$ 50$ more than the former line. The new model has a 2 -inch longer chassis, new hood radiator and headlights with a different style of cab.

## Crude Oil and Gasoline Prices Firm.

On April 10 the Magnolia Petroleum Co. advanced the higher grades of crude oil in the Panhandle district 5c. a barrel. On oil below 31 degrees gravity, the price has been reduced 15 c . to $\$ 1$. Prices. which have been advanced 5 c . a barrel include the following: 31 to 33.9 degrees gravity now $\$ 135$ a barrel; 34 to 36.9 degrees, $\$ 155 ; 37$ to 39.9 degrees, $\$ 170$, and 40 degrees and above, $\$ 175$.

A dispatch from Oil City, Pa., on April 9 said that Pensylvania ight stock has been advanced $1 / 2$ e. a gallon by Pennsylvania refineries.

The Standard Oil Co. of Indiana on April 10 virtually increased the spread between tank wagon and service station prices in Kansas to 3 cents from 2 cents by allowing 1 cent discount on lots of 50 gallons or more.

The Standard Oil Co. of Louisiana on April 13 reduced the price of gasoline $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. a gallon in Tennessee.

Effective April 15, United States motor grade gasoline advanced $1 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. a gallonin the wholesale market to $101 / \mathrm{s}$. and $101 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. A similar advance was made in some high test grades. Reports from Tulsa, April 16, say that the gasoline market, especially on United States motor grade, continues to stiffen and though prices are unchanged predictions are made by both marketers and refiners that continuation of present fair weather will cause higher prices by the first of next week.

During the past week there were also announced a few advances in the price of kerosene. The Standard Oil Co. of Indiana on A pril 16 increased the price of kerosene 1 cent throughout its territory. At Chicago on April 16 kerosene, 41@43c., water white advanced $1 / 8$ to $1 / 4$ cent a gallon in the wholesale market, to 7 cents. A similar increase was made in the latter grade on April 9.

Slight Decrease Noted in Crude Oil Output
.- The American Petroleum Institute estimates that the daily average gross crude oil production in the United States for the week ended April 10 was 1,946,200 barrels as compared with $1,947,450$ barrels for the preceding week, a decrease of 1,250 barrels. The daily average production east of California was $1,349,200$ barrels, as compared with $1,344,950$ barrels, an increase of 4,250 barrels. The following are estimates of daily average gross production by districts for the weeks ended as indicated:


The estimated daily average gross production of the MidContinent field, including Oklahoma, Kansas, North, East Central, West Central and Southwest Texas, North Louisiana and Arkansas, for the week ended April 10 was $1,055,900$ barrels as compared with $1,058,450$ barrels for the preceding week, a decrease of 2,550 barrels. The Mid-Continent production, excluding Smackover, Arkansas, heavy oil, was 922,150 barrels, as compared with 924,100 barrels, a decrease of 1,950 barrels.

In Oklahoma production of South Braman is reported at 10,000 barrels against 10,400 barrels; Thomas 5,950 barrels against 6,450 barrels; Tonkawa 38,800 barrels against 40,100 barrels; Garber 37,850 barrels against 47,550 barrels; Burbank 41,650 barrels against 42,250 barrels; Davenport 18,550 barrels against 19,600 barrels; Bristow-Slick 30,100 barrels against 30,450 barrels; Cromwell 18,550 barrels against 18,350 barrels, and Papoose 12,500 barrels against 12,800 barrels.

The Mexia pool, East Central Texas is reported at 13,200 barrels against 12,700 barrels; Corsicana-Powell 31,100 barrels, against 31,400 barrels; Wortham 9,600 barrels against 10,200 barrels; Reagan County, West Central Texas 35,300 barrels against 31,900 barrels; Haynesville, North Louisiana 10,300 barrels against 10,400 barrels; Cotton Valley 8,100 barrels against 8,050 barrels, Urania 9,250 barrels against 6,950 barrels; Smackover, Arkansas, light 17,850 barrels, against 18,150 barrels, heavy 133,750 barrels against 134,350 barrels; and Lisbon 5,750 barrels against 3,950 barrels. In the Gulf Coast field Hull is reported at 18,250 barrels, against 18,400 barrels; West Columbia 9,350 barrels, against 9,400 barrels; Orange County 12,550 barrels against 12,300 barrels; South Liberty 6,100 barrels, no change; Boling 2,150 barrels against 1,750 barrels; and in the Southwest Texas field, Luling is reported at 22,650 barrels against 22,600 barrels, and Lytton Springs 7,300 barrels against 7,700 barrels

In Wyoming, Salt Creek is reported at 52,950 barrels against 52,450 barrels.
In California, Santa Fe Springs is reported at 50,000 barrels, no change; Long Beach 103,000 barrels against 106,500 barrels; Huntington Beach 44,000 barrels against 43,500 barrels; Torrance 29,000 barrels against 30,000 barrels; Dominguez 21,000 barrels against 20,500 barrels; Rosecrans 19,000 barrels against 19,500 barrels; Inglewood 51,000 barrels, against 51,500 barrels, and Midway-Sunset 93,000 barrels, no change.

## Slackening in Steel Demand-Production Has Receded

 After a Record Month Production.New orders for finished steel have slackened in the past week and there is some recession from the high rate of production maintained throughout March, declares the "Iron Age" in its April 15 market review, from which we quote the following:
As against an operation up to full ingot capacity for more than half of last month, the Steel Corporation's rate is now put at somewhat above $95 \%$. In the Pittsburgh and Youngstown districts the average for all producers is slightly under $80 \%$, as against $85 \%$ in the latter part of March. The Steel Corporation's unfilled orders on March 31 and the unprecedented output of steel ingots last month, as reported in the week, both confirmed what has been said lately of the country's high rate of steel consumption.
At $12,450,000$ tons, the country's steel production in the first quarter of the year was 300,000 tons more than in the like period of 1925 . But a year ago there were evidences that consumers' stocks had grown under the heavy shipments of the first three menths, whereas to-day the meagerness of such stocks is a matter of comment.
The falling off of but 236,000 tons in Steel Corporation orders last month in the face of so great a output was faverably construed. There were heavy rollings of rails in March, and sew tonnages to take their place will not come until fall, but on the other hand in the final month of each quarter there are fresh tonnages of sheet bars and a new quota is entered up on such contracts as that of the American Can Co. for tin plate.
Shipments of steel to railroads and the building trades are holding up, but the automobile industry is taking less. Automobile parts makers are slowing down in view of an apparent overproduction at such plants in the past three months.
Automobile body sheets, which have been holding their position while other sheets have weakened, have declined $\$ 2$ a ton in the past week on sales at Detroit. Generally sheet prices show irregularity, more business in blue annealed being done at 2.40 c . than at 2.50 c
but are not exercising options on additional full rate of their contracts, but are not exercising options on additional amounts, in view of the late spring

The weather has not aided construction work and merchant pipe is only moderately active. Oil field work shows more promise, and one pipe line inquiry- 288 miles of 8 -inch pipe for 16 -inch and larger pipe.
On two or three attr bars has been shaded. of passenger equinia RR. has bought 2,000 automobile cars and 234 items Two large systems have taken the additional rails on which their contract. gave them options and in the past week new bookings of 10,000 tons have gone to the Ensley and Chicago mills.
The break of $\$ 150$ in the Pittsburgh pig iron market and the reduction of $\$ 1$ that followed at Chicago and Cleveland have had a mixed effect. At Pittsburgh a large sanitary foundry interest added 7.000 tons to its original purchase. Foundries tributary to Cleveland have taken 20,000 tons at the new prices. Other consumers in the Central West are holding off in the hope of lower terms. At Chicago buyers who have been hesitating are now inquiring for May and June iron.
Chicago reports that the average of foundry operations in that and tributary districts is less than in February and March. Heavy melting scrap is weaker in the eastern Pennsylvania market. At
Pittsburgh, however, two considerable inquiries have appeared after several
weeks of dulness, but an offer of $\$ 1650$, as against a nominal price of $\$ 17$ has been rejected by dealers.
A cast iron pipe company has bought 12,000 tons of foreign iron for its Birmingham plant and about 8,000 tons for Burlington, N. J., the latter
delivery being made at $\$ 1950$, duty paid. The continued firmness of the Birmingham pig iron market influenced the purchase abroad for that plant, although the amount saved by buying foreign iron was not important. On the eve of a Washington hearing on the pig iron tariff, an increase in which is advocated by Eastern pig iron producers, imports took a jump at Philadelphia last week, 12,645 tons arriving, of which England shipped nearly 7,000 tons and Germany 3,500 tons.
Including 5,100 tons for Holyoke, Mass., and 3,500 tons for Norwalk, Conn., French works have just taken municipal contracts covering 9,300 tons of cast iron pipe.

The Iron Age" composite price for pig iron has dropped to $\$ 2046$ per gross ton, or 92c. in two weeks. The composite price for steel remains at 2.439 c . per pound for the third successive week.

Finished Steel April 13 1926, 2.439c. Per Pound.
Based on prices of steel bars, beams, tank $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { One week ago- } \\ \text { plates, plain wire, open-hearth rails, } \\ \text { One month ago }\end{array}\right.$ plates, plain wire, open-hearth rails, $\begin{aligned} & \text { One month ago } \\ & \text { black pipe \& black sheets. These prod- } \\ & \text { One year ago }\end{aligned}$ ucts constitute
finished steel

Pio Iron April 13 1926, \$20.46 Per Gross Ton.
Based on average of basic and foundry $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { One week ago-- } \\ \text { irons, the basic being Valley guotation, }\end{array}\right.$ One month ago irons, the basic being Valley quotation, the foundry an average of
Philadelphia and Birmingham One month ago-.-.-.-.--
One year ago--------
10-year prewar averagePindel Finished Steel-

## $---2.439 \mathrm{c}$ 439 c. .431 c. 531 c.

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 from the regular market, resulting in contracts being defer,
on soft coal were weak with few changes being registered.
The market at Hampton Roads was in stronger position week ago. Supplies in all roades of coal were lower and than was true a better basis. This situation, it was predicted, will probably last a long time.
Central bituminous operators were experiencing the usual dull April and less coal was loaded last week than during the previous one. Many mines were idle and others working on part time. Prices continued at a low level. Some short term contracts were being signed up in the Pittsburgh territory. Prices were soft in spots but slack was strong, especially for the gas grades. Trading in by-product coals was very limited. There was further curtailment in the Connellsville coke production and prices remained pegged at their former low level.
Production in northern West Virginia fell off last week, but prices were on a slightly higher level, indicating a healthy market condition. Industrials and cement mills were still silent regarding contracts and it was rumored that some of the railroad contracts had switched their orders to other fields. Production has been held down for some time in anticipation of limited demand, and this resuled ing the number of no-bins being con siderably reduced. Industrial buying was limited to spot orders for smal tonnages.
Shipme
Shipments from some fields in southern West Virginia were greater than sales. depressing prices. Smokeless shipments were principally to western markets and were a little above normal. High solatie prices were holding well and some railroad contracts were closed. Logan and Kanawha fiennt.
were loading large tonnages but none were being shipped on consignemnt. were loading large fields were unchanged in spite of increased activity at tidewater. There was a surplus in production and prices were unchanged.
Considerable contracting was being done with southeastern textile mills by operators in the Virginia field. Prices were unchanged except for slack. which was strong.

Efforts of the bituminous trade to reach solid ground for business in the new coal year are marked by sharp territorial differences in conditions. These are particularly noticeable in the steam-coal contract situation, reports the "Coal Age" in its April 15 resume of events in the markets. In Illinois and Indiana, for example, industrial consumers have abandoned their attitude of indifference. Many of the agreements now being signed give the shipper the option of supplying non-union coal if union mines are closed down. The Birmingham district also reports activity in contract renewals at higher prices, adds the "Age," giving further details of interest from which we append the following:
Along the Atlantic seaboard, on the other hand, contracting is backward, What business is closed is closed so quietly that it has no effect upon the market. Distress tonnage still blocks the attempts of Eastern producers to persuade buyers to sign up agreements at prices that will not mean a
loss to the shipper. The record in the Southwest and in Rocky Mountain territory is no more encouraging. And railroad renewals are an uncertain quantity in districts.
The situation in the Eastern fields is further complicated by the backwardness in the Lake season. Some tonnage has been loaded at the lower ports, but no vessels have cleared. Congestion between the mines and the docks at Sandusky and Toledo has forced the railroads to embargo further shipments until the blockade has been broken. This means that the great safety valve for the Appalachian Region at this season of the year is somewhat choked.
Under such conditions, and with production still above the seasonal averages for the two preceding years, it is hardly surprising that the downward trend in spot prices continues unchecked. The "Coal Age" index on April 12 stood at 158 and the corresponding price was $\$ 191$. Losses were registored by in some markets, did not wholly escape. The greatest stability in prices was shown in the Middle West.
Notwithstanding the holidays, bituminous production the week ended April 3 was estimated at $9,034,000$ net tons by the Bureau or Mines. This was 592.000 tons less than in the precedin week. Most of this decline was due to the observance or Mitchell Day past performance, output Loadings on Easter Monday were less than $12 \%$ of the preceding week. 29.
under those for March 29.
under those for March
The larger anthracite producers are meeting no difficulty in effecting a prompt disposition of their output of domestic sizes. Retall distributors, however, do not try to conceal their disappointment over the failure of the operators to make the old-time spring reductions. They also find that this failure is bitterly resented by some householders who are now withholding fill-up orders. In some cases the retailers themselves have cut their prices to induce consumer storing.
Independent tonnage at high premiums is finding hard sledding. Not only does the retaller refuse to pay over 50 or 75 c . premium, but he is becoming more discriminating in the sizes he will accept. Chestnut still

## Anthracite Trade is Fair-Bituminous Coal Prices Are a Trifle Stronger in Certain Sections. <br> There was a decline in the Boston smokeless tidewater market last week and prices showed considerable spread.

New business continued light, buyers hoping for still lower prices, declares the "Coal Trade Journal" on April 14. There was not a large spot tonnage at Boston but considerable was reported as being en route. All distress tonnag was cleaned up at Providence and condions there were with quotations nominal. Company anthracite was in good demand. Coke prices were lower, continues the "Journal" in its summary of market conditions, from which we quote:
Last week the New York wholesale trade was less active than during the Last week the New York wholesale trade was less active than during the
week before on account of retailers holding off from further buying awaiting week before on account of retailers holding off from further buying awaiting
receipt of their line shipments. Stove headed the domestic list with egg increasing in popularity at a good rate. Nut was falling off in demand, but pea coal continued strong and scarce. There was a better tone to the steam size market. The soft coal trade was back on a pre strike basis, and no
price changes were noticed. There was little demand for coke and quotaprice changes were noticed. There was little
tions were the same as for the previous week.
With independent prices almost down to the level of the line companies, Philadelphia wholesalers were doing some good business in domestic sizes.
Pea coal was scarce. Steam sizes were the only weak items on the list and pea coal was scarce. Steam sizes were the only weak items on the ist and
even at that buckwheat was moving fairly well. Dealers still have heavy supplies of suckwheat was moving farid and these were moving slowly. supplies of anthracite substictes on hand and these were moving slowy. here we res motations


In spite of the wide spread expectation of an early slackening in the demand for steel, the present situation offers no tangible evidence of a general recession, observes the "Iron rade Review" this week. While inquiry for certain finished steel products has fallen off slightly, activity in other lis has increased so that the total volume of new business in prospect shows no appreciable change. Actual bookings likewise are being maintained in most market centers, in Chicago, where unusually bright conditions have prevailed the first signs of a reaction are appearing in the form of a moderate reduction in the volume of new business, adds summary issued April 14 by the "Review" from which we add the following extracts:
steel works operations show little change from last week. March statistics completed the picture of remarkable record steel production during the Arst quarter. The past month not only estabished the highest mon the to and daily averake in history but hed the tho mose pist 4.491. 689 tons, brought the total for the first three months of the year to $12,449,828$ tons, which was 296.501 tons and $2.4 \%$ in excess of the corresponding period in 1925. On an annual basis, steel ingots were being produced in Marc at the annual rate of $51,800,000$ tons.
The drop in unfilled bookings of the United States Steel Corp. to 4,379,935 In March 1920, the Steel Corporation's unfilled orders totalled almost 10,000.000. Y, he with with production at the highest rate in history, untouched bookings were less than half that amount.
Improved demand for plates has stiffened the price and in districts where 1.80 c . Pittsburgh was made several weeks ago. 1.90 c . is minimum. Chicago Petroleum Corp will 3000 tans ear Chicago, Ind. About 6,000 tons of plates are involved in a San Diego, Calif. pipe line, contract for which just has been awarded. The Baldwin Locomotive Co. has placed 7,000 tons of pates for 175 locomotives. Tne purchading 2,000 freight and 209 passenger cars by the Pennsylvania is ovement is
transaction in railroad equipment. Secondary mail buying movemen developing in Ohicago where 9,000 tons of rails have been placed.
"Iron Trade Review's" composite price on fourteen leading iron and steel products this week is $\$ 5853$. This compares with $\$ 3854$ last week and $\$ 3886$ the week previous.

Unfilled Orders of United States Steel Corp. Decline.
The United States Steel Corp. on Saturday (April 10) issued its regular monthly statement showing unfilled orders on books of the subsidiary corporations as of Mar. 311926 to the amount of $4,379,935$ tons. This compares with $4,616,822$ tons on hand Feb. 28 1926, a loss of 236,887 tons. On Mar. 31 last year the unfilled tonnage stood at 4,863,564 tons and on Mar. 311923 was no less than $7,403,332$ tons. In the following we show figures back to beginning of 1922. Figures for earlier dates may be found in our issue of April 14 1923, page 1617.

| End of Month- | 1926. | 192 | 192 | 1923. | 1922 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| anuar | 4,882,739 | 5,037,323 | 4,798,429 | 6,910.776 |  |
| Februa | ,616,822 | 5,284,771 | 4,912.901 | 7,283,989 | 4,141,069 |
| M | 35 | 4,863,564 | 4,782,807 | 7,403,332 |  |
|  |  | 4,446.568 | 4,208,447 | 7,288.509 | $5.054,228$ |
| May |  | 4,049,800 | 3,628.089 | $6,981.851$ $6,386.261$ | 5,635,531 |
|  |  | 3,710,458 |  | ${ }^{6,3810,263}$ | 5,776,161 |
| July |  | 3,539.467 | 3,187.072 |  | $5,950.105$ |
| Aug |  | $3,512.803$ 3.717 .297 | $3,289,577$ $3,473,780$ | 5. | ${ }_{6,691,607}$ |
| 0 |  | $3,717,297$ $4,109,183$ | ${ }_{3,525,270}^{3,4}$ | 4,672.825 | 6,902,287 |
|  |  | 4,581,780 | 4,031,969 | 4,368,584 | $6.840,242$ |
| December- |  | 5,033,364 | 4,816,676 | 4,445,339 | 6.745,70 |

York, but egg is less popular in Philadelphia. Complaint continues that pea is scarce. The steam sizes are easy and prices are being shaded to move tonnage which cannot be put in storage.

Declines Shown in Production of Bituminous Coal, Anthracite and Coke.
Declines due partly to the observance of religious and trade holidays and partly to the usual seasonal slacking off are shown by the United States Bureau of Mines reports on the output of coal and coke for the week ended April 3, portions of which we append:
Production of soft coal during the week ended April 3 is estimated at $9,034,000$ net tons, a decrease of 592,000 tons from the revised figure for the preceding week. The curtailment was due to the partial observance
of April 1-Mitchell Day-as a holiday.

Estimated Untted States Production of Bituminous Coal (Net Tons)a-Including

|  |  |  | 1925 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Cal. Year |  |  |
|  | Week. <br> . 263.000 | to Date. 131.65200 | Week. | Cal. Year to Date. dit |
| Dasty avera | 1.710.000 | 131.655,000 | ${ }_{1}^{1} 8.3881 .000$ | $115,101,000$ $1,713,000$ |
| Dally averag | 1.604,000 | 141,930,000 | 532.000 | 123,454.000 |
| April 3 d. | 9,034,000 | 150,311.000 | 7 7.547,000 | ${ }^{131,687.000}$ |
|  | 1.593.000 | 1,906,000 | 1,348,000 | 1,662,000 |

a Minginal estimates corrected for usual error, which in past has avers production first week in in the two years. c Revised. d Subject to revision to equalize number of days

The table of daily loadings shows that for the country as a whole, April was equivalent to about seven-tenths of a normal working day. Contrary to preliminary indications, and unlike the performance in the anthracite than on the last two days of the week before. Total production of bitumine week before.
amounts to $150,311,000$ net tons. Figures for similar periods in April 3 years are given below:
1920
1921.-
$141,026,000$ net tons 1923
$101,606.000$ net tons 1924
$131,474,000$ net tons $\qquad$ $145,266.000$ net tons $140,790.000$ net tons
131.001 .000 net tons

## ANTHRACITE.

Production of anthracite during the week ended April 3 is estimated at $1,549,000$ net tons, 442,000 tons less than that in the week of March 27 It was to be expected that there would be a loss in tonnage, because of th general observance of Eight-Hour Day on April 1 and the occurrence o Good Friday. In the first or normal half of the week, however, loading were higher than in that part of the preceding week.
which has been anthracite in the month of March, preliminary estimate for which has been published, is revised to $8,790,000$ tons, and that for th coal year $1925-26$ to $51,527,000$ tons.

Estimated United States Production of Anthracite (Net Tons).

|  | $-1926-\frac{\text { Cal. Year }}{}$ |  | -1925- |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| cek End |  |  |  | Cal. Year |
| March 20 | 1,963,000 | 7.970.000 | 1.513.000 | 年.309,000 |
| arch 27 | ,991,000 | 9,961.000 | 1,640,000 | 20,949.000 |
| Apr | 549,000 | 11,510,000 | 1,438,000 | 22,387,000 |
| a Minus | d,00 | to | umber of | days in the | a Minus one day's production in January to equalize number of days in the two years.

Total production of anthracite during the calendar year 1926 to April 3 amounts to $11,510,000$ net tons. Figures for similar periods in other ecent years are given below:
1922
$-22,174,000$ net tons 1924
--------------23,455.000 net tons BEEHIVE COKE.
It is estimated that 234,000 net tons of beehive coke was produced in It is estimated that 234,000 net tons of beehive coke was produced in
the week ended April 3, a decrease, compared with that in the last week in March, of 16,000 tons, or $6.4 \%$. The loss was practically all in the State March, of 16,000
of Pennsylvania
Cumulative production of beehive during 1926 to date amounts to 4,056 000 tons, as against $3,335,000$ tons in 1925-an increase in 1926 of $21.6 \%$.


## Current Events and Discussions

## The Week with the Federal Reserve Banks

The consolidated condition statement of the Federal Reserve banks on April 14, made public by the Federal Reserve Board, and which deals with the results for the twelve Federal Reserve banks combined, shows increases during the week of $\$ 44,300,000$ in holdings of acceptances purchased in open market, $\$ 35,000,000$ in Government securities, $\$ 28,200,000$ in Federal Reserve note circulation, and $\$ 91,600,000$ in member banks' reserve deposits, with only a nominal change in total holdings of discounted bills.
Discount holdings of the New York Reserve Bank in creased $\$ 33,800,000$ during the week and those of the Cleveland and Richmond banks $\$ 4,600,000$ and $\$ 4,200,000$, respectively, while holdings of the Chicago bank declined $\$ 19,100,000$; of Philadelphia, $\$ 7,600,000$; Atlanta, $\$ 6,700$,000 , and Boston, $\$ 4,300,000$. After noting these facts, the Federal Reserve Board proceeds as follows:
Open market acceptance holdings were larger than a week ago at all of the banks except Cleveland, which shows a small decrease, the principal increases in this item for the week being: New York, $\$ 19,300,000$; Minneapolis, $\$ 11,300,000$, and Boston, $\$ 4,800,000$. All classes of Government Treasury notes by $\$ 8,600$ during the week, U. S. bonds by $\$ 19,100,000$, Relatively little change is shown in Federtificates by $\$ 7,300,000$. except in the case of the Atlanta bank, Federal Reserve note circulation 300,000 , due largely to the shipment of currency to Cuba to meet recent heavy withdrawals of deposits from the local banks.
The statement in full, in comparison with the preceding week and with the corresponding date last year, will be found on subsequent pages-namely, pages 2157 and 2158. A summary of changes in the principal assets and liabilities of the Reserve banks during the week and the year ending April 141926 follows:
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The Week with the Member Banks of the Federal Reserve System.
The Federal Reserve Board's weekly condition statement of 709 reporting member banks in leading cities as of April 7 shows a reduction of $\$ 89,000,000$ in loans and discounts, and an increase of $\$ 36,000,000$ in investments. These changes were accompanied by reductions of $\$ 140,000,000$ in net demand deposits and $\$ 47,000,000$ in borrowings from the Federal Reserve banks. Member banks in New York City reported declines of $\$ 86,000,000$ in loans and discounts and $\$ 151,000,000$ in net demand deposits, and increases of $\$ 19,000,000$ and $\$ 18,000,000$, respectively, in investments and in borrowings from the Federal Reserve Bank. It should be noted that the figures for these member banks are always a week behind those for the Reserve banks themselves.
Loans on stocks and bonds declined $\$ 53,000,000$ at all reporting banks and $\$ 39,000,000$ and $\$ 17,000,000$, respectively, at reporting banks in the New York and Boston districts. "All other" loans and discounts were $\$ 36,000,000$ less than a week ago, declines of $\$ 45,000,000$ in the New York district and $\$ 8,000,000$ in the Atlanta district, being offset in part by increases of $\$ 10,000,000$ in the Boston district and $\$ 6,000,000$ in the Richmond district. Total loans to brokers and dealers, secured by stocks and bonds, made by reporting member banks in New York City declined $\$ 86,000,000$, loans for their own account being $\$ 90,000,000$ less than a week ago, loans for out-of-town banks $\$ 12,000,000$ above, and loans for the account of others $\$ 8,000,000$ below the amount reported the previous week. Further comment regarding the changes shown by these member banks is as follows:
Holdings of U. S. securities were $\$ 43,000,000$ larger than a week ago. the principal changes including increases of $\$ 20,000,000$ at reporting banks in the Chicago district, $\$ 19,000,000$ in the New York district and $\$ 15,000,000$ in the Boston district. Holdings of other bonds, stocks and securities decilined $\$ 7,000,000$, only relatively small changes being reported for any of the Federal Reserve districts.
Net demand deposits were $\$ 140,000,000$ lower than reported for the previous week, reductions of $\$ 179,000,000$ in the New York district and $\$ 11,000,000$ in the San Francisco district being partly offset by increases of $\$ 41,000,000$ and $\$ 11,000,000$ in the Chicago and Boston districts, respectively. Time deposits increased $\$ 38,000,000$, principally in the Cleveland and Chicago districts.
The principal changes in borrowings from the Federal Reserve banks were reductions of $\$ 32,000,000$ and $\$ 7,000,000$ in the Chicago and St. Louis
districts, respectively, and an increase districts,

On a subsequent page-that is, on page 2158-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 ago and with last year:

|  | Increase ( + ) or Decrease $(-)$ |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| During |  |  | Year.

Digest of Cables Received from Foreign Offices of the
Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce.
The summary of foreign cablegrams received by the Department of Commerce at Washington, released for publication to-day (April 17), follows:

FRANCE.
The French budget for the year 1926, with revenues already voted and expenditures now awaiting only final ratification by the whole Senate, shows a surplus of $200,000,000$ francs. Industrial activity is still satisfactory, but manufacturers, except in textile lines, are still reluctant to quote for late Price increases have occurred in nearly all commance and the exchange. Price increases havo occurred in nearly all commodities and rising living costs are necessitating upward salary adjustments, while the volume of have reached record levels and stocks are low. Metallurgical activity is slightly reduced, but the market remains firm. The agricultural situation is unusually favorable.

## GERMANY

There was a distinct improvement in the German industrial situation during the past month. Unemployment figures declined somewhat and the number of bankruptcies was very much lower during the past month than in February. The Government and the Reichstag have agreed upon a program of tax reduction to take effect on April 1, bringing about a total $550,000,000$ originally approximately $360.000,000$ marks as compared with favorable and money is easy and this has led to a reduction on the part of the Reichsbank of its discount rate from 8 to $7 \%$, and it is predicted that conditions are such as to make a further reduction likely in the near future.

## SPAIN.

Moderate dulness in most Spanish industries and a satisfactory situation agriculture, based on high yielas at good prices last season, and favorable prospects for this year's crops, are the leading features of the Spanish situation. Tight money for business purposes makes industrial expansion difficult. Railway earnings continue to increase slightly. Agricultural prospects are regarded in Spain as generally favorable for the coming season. The metallurgical industry is prosperous and there has been some recovery in iron mining. Seasonal slackness continues in automotive sales, but March registrations exceeded those for February.

## POLAND.

Polish finance and business have been depressed by the failure of the negotiations for a loan which has been under discussion recently. The de pression in the metallurgical and metal working industry continues unabatede Operations are being curtailed and workers laid off. The hope for seasongn trade continues operations failed to materialize. The balance of forigued restriction of imports. Continued cold weather has caused some damage to the fall sowings and has retarded spring planting. General prospects, however, are considered in Poland to indicate an average harvest.

JAPAN.
Japan's March foreign trade was influenced by the impending increase in he import tariff and by the fluctuations in foreign exchange. Exports totaled $187,300,000$ yen as against $160,900,000$ yen during January. Imports aggregated $284,400,000$ yen as compared with $243,900,000$ in the previous month. Both imports and exports were affected to some extent by exchange fluctuations and uncertainty as to the future trend. Substantial increases noted in exports of raw silk and cotton textiles. Expected tariff changes reflected

ECUADOR
There was no improvement in the business level in Ecuador during March. Heavy rains in the coastal region have damaged the sugar and cotton crops, while crops of the interior have suffered from drought. A provisional president has been declared by the military_government and ntered upon the duties of his office on April 2.
Exchange is weak and unsteady, opening on March 1 at 4.66 sucres to he dollar and closing March 31 at 4.50. Circular checks of banks and ndividuals that have been used to offset the currency shortage are recalled and their free acceptance as a medium of exchange forbidden.

## BOLIVIA.

Business in general was good in Bolivia during March and collections were fair. There was no noticeable change in the March business level as compared with that of February. Mineral purchases have been quite on for March, with buyiug strong. Exchange averaged 2.91 bolivianos to the dollar.

## Short-Lived Run on Cuban Banks-Shipment of Funds by Canadian and Amèrican Banks-Gov. Strong on Federal Reserve Bank's Shipment. <br> A run experienced by the banks of Havana, Cuba, appears to have spent itself almost as quickly as it developed.

The run, which is said to have resulted from the circulation of false rumors, began (according to Associated Press accounts from Havana) on the 9th inst. on the branch of the Royal Bank of Canada, and spread on the following day to other banks in the city. The same advices stated:
President Machado personally deposited $\$ 100,000$ in the Royal Bank, and addressing several hundred small depositors, assured them the bank was solvent and that the Cuban Treasury had $\$ 40,000,000$ in cash available for loans if any bank lacked cash.
Officials of the Royal Bank announced that they had sufficient funds to meet all demands, and would keep the doors open as long as depositors desired to withdraw their money. Early this evening
depositors had disappeared, and the doors were closed.

The bank run started yesterday afternoon in Mariapao, about ten miles from Havana, and early this morning long lines of depositors were waiting at the several branches of the Royal Bank of Canada. The number of persons in line increased until at 9 o'clock, the opening hour, lines a block or more long were waiting to withdraw their money.
The panic spread to depositors of the National City Bank of New York and other banks in the city.
At about 11 o'clock President Machado, Miguel de Gespedes, Secretary of Public Works, and several friends appeared at the main office of the Royal Bank of Canada. After making deposits aggregating more than $\$ 1,000,000$ the President and Dr. Gespedes spoke to the crowds, answering them that the bank was solvent and able to pay all deposits.
On April 12th the following statement was made at Montreal by officials of the Royal Bank of Canada, relative to the run:
A few days ago a deputation representing the cane growers in certain districts asked the Cuban Government to enact legislation to curtail the sugar crop with a view to strengthening the price of raw sugar, and, tailing this, to grant a moratorium.
The mere suggestion of a moratorium unsettled certain depositors who started to withdraw their funds from the different banks. The situation became quite active on Saturday, but on the definite announcement of the President that a moratorium was quite unjustified and would not be considered, the trouble subsided and the situation has since become
It was also stated in Havana Associated Press advices on the 12th that the National City Bank, which had experienced a slight run on April 10, reported the usual business on Monday April 12, with no abnormal withdrawals. On April 11 it was reported that currency to the amount of $\$ 80,000,000$ was on its way to Cuba from American and Canadian banks to meet the situation. This information was contained in an Associated Press dispatch from Havana which said:
An official Treasury announcement today said $\$ 35,000,000$ would arrive here tonight on board the cruiser Cuba for the Federal Reserve Bank branch, and $\$ 45,000,000$ more by Tuesday morning. Government funds deposited in the Royal Bank of Canada and the National City Bank of New York were transitory, the statement added, and with the arrival of the two shipments the banks would be, in point of actual monetary eserve available, the strongest in the world.
A special train left Havana early this morning for cities east of
Havana with $\$ 18,000,000$ in currency for the Royal Havana with $\$ 18,000,000$ in currency for the Royal Bank of Canada branches in the Republic. The run extended throughout the island, with the Royal Bank of Canada the chief sufferer. Cuban banks reported no unusual activity.
The shipment of funds by the Atlanta Federal Reserve Bank was announced as follows in Associated Press advices from Atlanta, April 11:
The $\$ 27,000,000$ shipped from the 6th (Atlanta) District Federal Reserve Bank here to the branch Federal Reserve Bank at Havana, Cuba, late today was at Key West awaiting transportation to Havana, M. B. Wellborn, governor of the Atlanta bank, said. An additional $\$ 10,000,000$ was en route to Havana from the New Orleans Federal Reserve Bank to stem runs on island banks, Mr. Wellmore added.
Within the last three days the Atlanta bank and the bank at Jacksonville, Fla., have dispatched $\$ 13,000,000$ additional to the Havana bank, which, he said, already has arrived in the Cuban capital. The amount shipped from Jacksonville, Mr. Wellborn, who was at his home, did not recall, but knew that the amounts sent in the two shipments from Atlanta, one from New Orleans and one from Jacksonville totaled
$\$ 50,000,000$ $\$ 50,000,000$.
The two Atlanta shipments and the Jacksonville shipment, he said, went via Key West, while the New Orleans shipment went by direct ship from that port.
An explanation of the shipment of the Federal Reserve Funds was given by Governor Strong of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York at the hearing in Washington this week before the House Banking and Currency Committee on the bill to stabilize commodity prices. On April 12 the New York "Journal of Commerce" reported Governor Strong as saying:
Governor Strong told in detail how between the time of the closing of the banks on Saturday and their reopening today $\$ 27,000,000$ had been rushed to Havana, Cuba, to meet the financial difficulties that swept
ver the island late last week. He stated that three Reserve banks wre interested in the movement of gold; Atlanthat three Reserve banks wre shipped, because that bank maintains a supply of currency on the island; Boston, which maintains a small office in Havana, for the purpose of brying certain bills and effecting telegraphic transfers, and New York, because the currency furnished in Havana is largely for the account of New York institutions.
The witness, who was in Washington, stated that he got in telegraphic communication with these banks and that it was arranged to supply the currency. A special train was chartered in Atlanta and some \$27,000,000 in currency was put on board. It was loaded at Key West on a Cuban gunboat and arrived in Havana at 2 o'clock this morning. He added that the amount actually transferred by telegraph from the Fed-
eral Reserve Bank at New York to the credit of the Atlanta institution

## for the account was $\$ 33,000,000$.

The same paper announced the following from its Wash ington bureau on April 13
Theh shipment of $\$ 33,000,000$ of currency to Cuba to aid the native banks in taking care of the bank run was a mere "bagatelle," Benjamin Strong, governor of the New York Federal Reserve Bank, today told the
House Committee on Banking and Currency House Committee on Banking and Currency.
Asked to explain the report that about $\$ 100,000,000$ of brokers' loans were called in New York yesterday as a result of the transfer of funds
to Cuba, Governor Strong stated that the bank frequently to Cuba, Governor Strong stated that the bank frequently loses as much as $\$ 33,000,000$ out of its reserve in a single day.
The day that the loss of reserves occurred by reason of the shipments to Cuba," he said, "we also lost between $\$ 25,000,000$ and $\$ 30$,
000,000 to the rest of the countro, through the 000,000 to the rest of the countit, through the wire transfers. That,
plus the deficiency in reserves with which our New York banks started plus week made a total deficiency of the New York York banks started That is quite a large deficiency and must be made up of borrow, us and I suppose a lot of money was called. That will straighten itself out right away. We are taking steps to offset that," straighten itself Asked for an explanation of the Cuban situation, expressed the belief that it was occasioned by the Governor Strong under any moratorium that might be proclaimed by the Cuban Govern ment to take care of the unusual financial conditoins, they would not be able to withdraw their savings. A lot of money had been loaned on sugar during the maturing of the crop, he said, and the banks that had to make collections, seeing the low price of Cuban laws, were attempting gestion was made that a general moratorium should be declared. This resulted, the witness indicated, in the withdrawal of funds from the banks to such an extent as to precipitate the run, the depositors fearin that they might be deprived of their money.

In the consolidated statement of condition of the Federal Reserve Banks on April 14, made public by the Federal Reserve Board yesterday, Feb. 15, it is pointed out that "relatively little change is shown in Federal Reserve note circulation except in the case of the Atlanta bank, which reports an increase of $\$ 34,300,000$, due largely to the shipment of currency to Cuba to meet recent heavy withdrawals of deposits from the local banks."
In its advices from Havana, on April 11, the New York "Journal of Commerce" stated in part:
Clearing ofial statement, issued jointly by President Machado and the Clearing House bankers, gives assurance that the banking situation here without found fast days are entirely without foundation
In a separate statement President Machado points out that loans made on sugar have been based on low sugar valuations and that therefore the banks are not affected by the present situation in the sugar fact that more than $\$ 80,000,000$ in currency the ben the public to the from American banks to aid in meeting the withdrawals of depositors.
The statement issued by the Government and Clearing House banker
"The Government, after a careful consultation with the representatives
of the banks of the Clearing House of Havana, confirms its oripinal statement that there is no reason for people to, confirms its original rumors. There is no foundation for reports questioning the solvency of banks. Therefore the Government is ready to vigorously repress any false reports that might impair the credit of the banking institutions,
whose reputation and credit must be protected for the wational econom and credit must be protected for the preservation of the "Fro
From the data that have been examined of their banking and other
operations no difficulties may be expected interests of the depositors and creditors to It is against the proper by conjecture instead of placing all confidence in the banks be influenced name of thesse institutions and will adopt the netack on the good name of these institutions and will a adopt the necessary measures
Therefore Sugar Loans Based on Low Serve business interests."
Sugarm and harm the ger President Machado issued the following statement
"The banks have more loans on sugar this year at very low valuation prices for sugar, as the prices already were low. How low valuation money on business made under those conditions and with the most solid Besides,
reasury there are $\$ 40,000,000$ cannot fear any crisis. In the national in very good condition, but even if the income should decline continue would never face a crisis, asen always the expenses will be less than the the
income. Surne income. Supposing that the income should only amount to sixty, the expenses would never be any over fifty-nine and a a half. to sixty, the
would be the first one to be reduced, and then those would
those of thy first one to be reduced, and then those of the Congressmen, high officials and employes. I assure you that Cuba cannot thail of eco
On April 12 the "Wall Street Journal" referring to the shipment of funds said:
It appears that the amount of money reported as sent to Cuba has cluding credits transfer National City Bank sent about $\$ 5,000,000$. In cluding credits transferred by the Royal Bank of Canada and the Fed-
eral Reserve banks of eral Reserve banks of Atlanta and Boston it is not believed the total The actual over $\$ 35,000,000$.
The actual cash was sent by special train from Atlanta to Key West and thence conveyed by Cuban gunboat to the island.
A troublesome feature of the run was that it started Saturday morning time. Arrangements for the transfer of funds had hour before closing made in haste.
In another item we refer to the proposal to reduce the
sugar output by $10 \%$.

Proposed Cut of $10 \%$ in Cuban Sugar Crop-Decree
by President Machado Prohibiting New Plantings Until June 1927.
Measures for the relief of the Cuban sugar industry have been the subject of consideration by the Cuban Cabinet
this week, and it was announced on April 14 that the Cabinet had accepted the plan of the Association of Sugar Planters to reduce the crop by $10 \%$. It was further stated that the Cabinet had decided to prevent the overproduction of sugar for the next two years, as well as to curtail the present crop. The Associated Press advices from Havana on the 14th also stated:
Congress is to be asked to pass legislation providing for enforcement of these two decisions, and the President will probably issue decrees to prevent further clearing of land for the planting of additional sugar cane for the next two years.
The offer by the cane growers to limit the crop was voluntary. En forcement is to be left largely in the hands of the growers' association
April 1 indicated of Agriculture informed the Cabinet that reports up to April 1 indicated that the crop would fall well below the large estimates made even in was no plan to curtail the crop.
In referring on April 13 to the run which developed during the past week on Cuban banks (to which we refer elsewhere in this issue), the New York "Journal of Commerce" said: the unsatiry one crop country and then of the sugar industry. Cuba's position as a the sugar crop is shown dependence of the economic life of the island upon sugar represents she graphially by the fact that, roughly speaking, During the war when Fuotenns of the country's exports. world supplies thus renderd indill and to fill the gap. Now with Europe's beta, levels and a particularly morled increase rep Cuba is faced with a surplus of her one important the Russian crop, brought prices down below the costs of a large numb The present Cuban crop of 1925-26, which is now near completers
mated at $5,373,000$ gross tons. This compares with an completion, is estitons in 1924-25 and 4,066,000 tons in 1923-24. At the oumput of 5,125,000 crop has been increasing. It has grown from 20.116 .000 we the world $1923-24$ to $23,641,000$ tons in 1924-25 and $24,842,000$ tons in 1925 It is understood that some plans are under discossion no $1925-26$. situation. Whether it will be decided to cease grinding such part of the crop as is as yet uncompleted or to hold off the market some part of the inished crop it is as yet difficult to say.
Regarding a conference between President Machado and his Cabinet on the 14th relative to steps to be taken in behalf of the industry, Havana advices were reported as follows by the New York "Journal of Commerce"
President Machado and the Cabinet gave earnest consideration to Cuba industre porton that lasted several hours. The industithe statement:
statement:
We secretary of Finance read a statement regarding the fin ancing of the the plans for the han Central highway. The Cabinet decided to accept the plans for the highway and to ask immediately for bids on the con"'The meeting
These are:
"1. To accept the offer made by the Association of Sugar Planters and a
great number of mill owners to reduce the sugar grtimates of the output as made recently by the crop by $10 \%$ from the Commerce and Labor. The details of the methods by which the Agriculture, is to be made will be agreed upon later. methods by which the reduction
avoid overproduction of sugar in the next two crops. 3. To issue the necessary decrees to resulate the clearing of land (for
sugar planting and to direct that no mill is to start grinding until the
President so instructs in a public manner the total sugar crop Agriculture presented figures showing the estimate of 5,196888 tons. of which $3,485,350$ tons had been prepared for market, with
$1,711,529$ tons still to be prepared."
Official denial was made of a report that Cuba had requested the United States Government to reduce the tariff on sugar. Dr. Campa, Undersecretary of State, said no such request had been made, but he added that the subject was being given careful study by the Cuban Government.
Additional advices (April 15) from Havana to the same paper had the following to say:
President Machado decided to-day to take immediate and energetic steps to assure a reduction of $10 \%$ in the quantity of Cuban sugar to be put on the market this year.
He prepared to issue decrees by which the clearing of ground for new sugar plantings will be prohibited until June, 1927
A special message will be sent to Congress by the President urging the adoption of legislation to levy a tax on all exports of sugar in excess of $90 \%$ of the crop.
Another decree will regulate the commencement of cane grinding opera-
The effect of the measures to be put in force by the President, it is under stood, will be that there will be no new spring plantings of cane this year and next year, and no new winter plantings this year
A statement given out by Dr. Gutherrez, Secretary of the Presidency. reads thus:
Tathave been authorized by the President to make the following official Congress the necessary legal measures to put ince toward obtaining from Association of Sugar Planters for reducing the crop by 10\%. The necessary degrees win This piblished to-morrow restricting the cutting of woods and
jungles.
June "In this. manner there will be no
year and no new winter plantings this ypring plantings this year and next the commencement of grindihg operations. The President will also send
to-morrow to Congress a message urging adoption of the measures to control future sugar production. Regarding the present crop
he will ask Congress for , law establishing a tax on all exports of sugar in

Associated Press advices from Havana last night (April 16) said:
to Congress requesting quick期 A decree prohibiting
ear will be published Mondearing of new land for cane planting until next decree will set the date for the commencement of cane cutting. Another

At a conference last Saturday (April 10) between President Machado and leading sugar interests proposals for the solution of the sugar problems were discussed as follows, it is learned from the "Journal of Commerce"
Two plans of relief were presented: One provided a $10 \%$ cut in the actual crops, the other withdrawal of 500,000 tons of sugar from the market. Banks interested through loans
estates, the proposal suggested.

From the same source we take the following Havana advices, April 8:
President Machado in his message to Congress to-day declared the sugar situation was critical and that steps must be taken in the direction of relief. situation was critical and inat steps on a single industry, which is sugar " he
"At present the nation is resting on
said. It is selling under what it costs to produce. The situation is critical
 "I have faith in the ability of Cubans and feel confitent that we shall
finaly overcome this difficulty in our econlmic ifife intend it observe
strict economies in manaing public matters in an effort onelp relieve the
critical economic situation due to the sugar problem."

At the Cabinet meeting it was agreed to hold an extraordinary session Monday to discuss the sugar problem further. The official declaration of the Government follows:
'In view of the reports of the Secretary of the Interior regarding the sugar crisis now confronting the Republic, the Council agreed, at the behest
of the President, to call an extraordinary session of the Cabinet for MonTay to definitely study and discuss the persistent fall in the price of sugar. problem and to level costs and regulate production so as to stabilize prices in the markets of the world.

On the other hand, the Association of Sugar Planters held a meeting at which it was decided to submit to President Machado a plan to hold up public works. Planters fear that if the Government agrees in the extraordinary Cabinet meeting to begin public works at once, further shrinkage in sugar production will result, inasmuch
The planters recommended to President Machado to limit the sugar crop to $90 \%$ of the estimated output of each mill. Representative Finales has presented a bill in the House of Representatives limiting production from 100 to 120 days. According to the measure, sugar produced after that date will be taxed $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. per pound.
Late this afternoon men prominent in the industry took steps voluntarily to reduce the crop to $90 \%$ of present estimates.

Banking Aid, Not Tariff Relief, Cuba's Need, View of President Coolidge.
From Washington, April 13, the New York "Journal of Commerce" reported the following:
At the White House to-day it was stated that President Coolidge sees no other avenue for the United States to extend aid to Cuba except through the Federal Reserve System. Nowhere in official circles has the subject of the sugar tariff been mentioned. The known view of the Administration in that regard is that there is no price situation in
Secretary Hoover said that while he could not speak for the Administration in the matter, it was his impression that the attitude of the Government was friendly toward assisting Cuba in her difficulties.

## Senator Smoot Says Lower Sugar Tariff Would Be

 Harmful to Cuba.Discussing Cuban sugar and a report to the effect that appeal had been made to the United States to help Cuba by lightening the tariff on sugar, Senator Smoot is quoted as follows in a Washington dispatch April 13:
The tariff rellief sought by Cuba would benefit only the refiners of sugar in the United States, Senator Smoot of Utah to-day told the Senate in commenting on cable dispatches from Havana carrying an appeal by President Machado to help Cuba out of its present economic crisis "by lightening the tariff on sugar.
The Utah Senator referred to newspaper accounts of a statement of President Ogivie of the Cuba Cane Sugar Corporation at the annual meeting of his stockholders, that profits would be increased $\$ 12,000,000$ a year if they could get the American tariff revised with corresponding profits from any reduction that might be obtained.

## Refining Company Profits.

He also quoted the report of a statement by the executives of the American Sugar Refining Co. of March 18, that the corporation made a profil of nearly $\$ 3,000,000$ on its Cuban investments in the last year. The company's own plantations produced $13 \%$ of its raw sugar recurenits, a 0 percentage is to be increased. The company showed a prone or $34,000,000$ in its refining department, with a total income for the year in excess of
$\$ 7,000,000$. $\$ 7.000,000$.
"The American sugar refiners who control the Cuban crop are never going to allow, unless it becomes absolutely necessary, the price of cane to dvance beyond just what they want it to be," declared Senator Smoot. "In other words, they can make their profits in Cuba, or they can make
them at the refineries in New York.

## Retailing at Five Cents.

To-day there may be seen on the windows of many grocery stores a sing, 'Sugar, 5 c . a pound.' That is the retail price. I wonder if there is any other commodity produced in the United States that is so low in price, even lower than before the war. I know of none, and I want to say now that if it were not for the tarifr sug sugar concern in the United States but would be in the hands of a single su.
"The consumer would never get any relief if the tariff was reduced, but the sugar refiners who control the situation are the ones that would have the benefit," Senator Smoot added, referring to the statements he had read.
"We all know what the trouble is down in Cuba. People there have been investing their money by tens of millions of dollars in buying land with the avowed purpose of controlling the sugar mdustry of the world. Of course, the enormous crop of sugar raised in European countries, y will ultimately over if they can- destroy the sugar industry in the United States. If that ever happens, Gold help the people, for what they will have to pay for their sugar when that shall have been accoplished, no man can tell."

## Silver Price Breaks-Chinese Sell Metal Short and

 Buy Yen.The following is from the New York "Sun" of last night (April 16):

The worst break silver has experienced in a single day in about two years occurred to-day when the price went to a new low at $637 / 8$ cents an ounce. This was a full half cent below the price of yesterday. There was a break in the London price of $1 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$, wh
the loss recorded in New York.
Dealers in bullion here explained that the break was directly due to heavy short selling in China by speculators, who were heavy buyers of Japanese currency, which is expected to go to gold par this year.
This explanation was substantiated by the action of the yen, which, after displaying strength for several weeks, advanced to-day to a new high level since the days of the great earthquake of 1923 . It was that calamity which sent yen substantially below parity. During the past year, however, under the influence of Government support and an increasingly favorable trade balance, the yen has been moving back to the par point.
Knowledge that Japan's aim was to restore the gold standard eventually has led to a gradual accumulation by Chinese of yen exchange. They have been selling at the same time silver currency, causing the latter-taels, Hons Kong dollars, \&c.-to decline in almost direct proportion to the advance in the yen.
India has been virtually the only buyer of silver on the declining market. But India, according to bullion dealers, has been buying the white metal conservatively and on a "scale down" principle, thereby supporting the market only to a limited degree.
Monetary Crisis in Ecuador-Professor Kemmerer to Undertake Study of Finances.
Co-incident with the reports of a monetary crisis in Ecuador it was made known on April 11 that Professor W. E. Kemmerer has been engaged to make a study of the country's finances with a view to recommending changes. Associated Press advices from Guayaquil, Ecuador, April 11, reported as follows in the matter:
A monetary crisis affecting the Banco Commercial y Agricola prevails in this city. Three banks have been closed on orders of the Minister of Finance; their managers were sent to prison, but were released when the Government acceded to the plea of other bankers.

The Chimborazo Banking Society and the Italian Bank have since been permitted to reopen, while mounted police are guarding the closed institution.

The cause of the trouble is a shortage of funds pleaded by these banks, which, the Minister of Finance charges, have refused to honor checks of the Ministry of Finance in favor of army officers. No other banks here were affected.

Telegraphic censorship has been decreed. dorean Government to make a study of the country's financial situation. The Ecuadorean Charge d'Affaires in Washington informed his Government that Professor Kemmerer has signed a contract and would come to Ecuador next October.
On the same date (April 11) Associated Press advices from Washington said:
Professor W. E. Kemmerer, expert financial adviser and head of the department of economics of Princeton University, who recently assisted Chile in adjustment of finances, has signed a contract with the Government of Ecuador to do similar work in Ecuador. He is first going to Poland to advise that country in its financial program and expects to proceed in August to Ecuador to spend three months making a study of the financial situation and recommending changes.

We also quote the following further Associated Press advices from Guayaquil April 12:
General improvement in the monetary crisis confronting the banks in Guayaquil was evident to-day. With the exception of the Banco Comercial y Agricola, closed by order of the Government, all banks are paying depositors on demand. The Bank of Ecuador cashed several che 700,000 sures (normally $\$ 350,000$ ).
A committee of shareholders of the Banco Comercial y Agricola met with Government officials to appoint a committee for the purpose of adjusting the difficulty between the bank and the Ministry of Finance due to the bank's refusal to honor the latter's checks.

## New Loan of City of Tokio.

The Japanese Financial Commission in this city announces the receipt on April 14 of an official cablegram regarding a new loan to be issued by the City of Tokio for the purpose of converting $15,000,000$ yen Electric Enterprise Loan, Second Issue on the following conditions: Interest $6 \%$. Terms 30 years. Issue price 92 . Yield $6.617 \%$. Date of payment April 30 .

## Cotton Textile Tax in Japan Abolished.

The following from Washington, April 13, is reported by the New York "Journal of Commerce":
The Japanese internal revenue taxes of $10 \%$ ad valorem on patent medicines and cotton textiles have been abolished, effective April 1, 1926, according to a cable received at the Department of Commerce.

## Madrid Bond Issue of $400,000,000$ Pesetas Oversubscribed

 20 Times.From the New York "Times" we take the following copyright message from Madrid April 10 :
The Government bond issue of $400,000,000$ pesetas, placed on the market yesterday, was oversubscribed twenty-fold. The City of Bilboa alone subscribed nearly $2,000,000,000$, or five times the entire loan.
With yesterday's issue the amount of Spain's total floating debt reaches $5,175,000,000$ pesetas, with annual interest amounting to 260,
000,000 , and amortization premiums of $51,000,000$. The consolidated
external debt requires an annual interest payment of $630,000,000$ pesetas, or nearly a quarter of the country's budget.

Norway Discourages Foreign Deposits-Banks are Paying Interest Only on Limited Sums to Discourage Speculation in Norwegian Kroner.
The following is from the "Wall Street Journal" of April 14:
Local correspondents of almost all Norwegian banks doing foreign business have recently received notice they will receive no interest on their balance in Norway above certain varying maximums, the maximums usually being between 250,000 and $1,000,000$ kroner and mostly around the former figure.
The step is at once a result and an attempt to curtail foreign speculation in Norwegian kroner. Foreigners, especially a combination of American bankers and foreign exchange brokers, for more than a year have been buying heavily of Norwegian kroner and depositing them in
Norway, in hope that kroner would return to parity. The Norwegian Norway, in hope that kroner would return to parity. The Norwegian
banks cannot use the resultant surplus of money profitably and hence banks cannot use the resultant surplus of money profitably, and hence
do not feel like paying for it. Balances are unwelcome from another do not feel like paying for it. Balances are unwelcome from another
standpoint, for the speculative rise in kroner has injured standpoint, for the speculative rise in kroner has injured Norwegian
business, and is being combatted by the Norges Bank and the govern busine
ment.

Cessation of interest payment encourages the withdrawal of deposits and makes carrying charges on speculative holdings extremely heavy, thus aiding in restricting speculation. Some banks in Norway also are placing a small commission on turnover of foreign balances. It is probable the central bank and the government have encouraged these
steps, though there have been steps, though there have been no official regulations. Maximums vary
with different banks and in accordance with estimated requirements of the depositors.
It is pointed out that if Norwegian finance officials are behind these steps, they are in admirable position to regulate those deposits considered speculative, as a large number of banks are under government supervision as result of the banking crisis during the post-war depression.

## Proposed Peruvian Loan.

Lima (Peru) advices were published as follows in the Wall Street Journal" of April 5
The first issue of the $\$ 30,000,000$ series loan negotiated with White, Weld \& Co. and Blyth, Witter \& Co., of New York, will be for $\$ 14$, , Soveral millions are destined for irrigation works and $\$ 2$-,
000,000 for the Agricultural and the price wlil not be less than 93 . Interest is not to exceed $71 / 2 \%$ Security for the loan is principally the proceeds of inheritance and mining taxes.

The proposed loan was referred to in our issue of April 3 , page 1853.

## Paraguay Abolishes Cotton Export Tax.

According to an Associated Press dispatch from Asun cian, Paraguay, April 15, printed in the New York "Journal of Commerce," Parliament has passed a law abolishing the export tax on cotton.

## U. S. Buyers Await Low Coffee Price-Trading Declines <br> In Rio de Janeiro.

From Rio de Janeiro of April 15 the New York "Journal of Commerce" reports the following Associated Press advices regarding the coffee situation:
Trading in coffee in Brazil's principal shipping ports is slumping badly. The paralysis of the local Coffee Exchange is serious. There cent a pound higher than American buyers are willing price is half a sluggish conditions prevail at Santos, where the daily to pay. Similar the port under the coffee defense scheme, was recently edupped to 36,000 to 26,000 bags in order artificially to was recently reduced from of coffee coming daily by railway from the interior to Santos supply The situation of the Santos market reveals desperate Santos.
vent a further fall in the nation's principal agricultural efforts to preforced the Coffee Institute to reduce by almost one-third the daily which of the world's coffee drinkers.
stream of the product roing abroad many dealers because stopping up the stream of the product going abroad would result in piling up the interior.
To this must be added the general prediction of and the increasing purchase of cencedictions of a heavy oncoming crop traders and Secretary Hoover's Central American coffees by American traders and Secretary Hoover's antagonism against artificial price con-
trol.
The Sao Paulo Coffee Defense Institute, according to the consensus in the Santos market in an effort to check the tumbling coffee buying

## Germany Puts Private Loans Above Reparations-Likely <br> To Meet Business Obligations Before Making Payments

 To Allies.American investors in German industrial or other private securities have a better chance of being paid than have the Allies to whom German reparations are due, says copyright advices, April 13th, the New York "Times" from Berlin, which, continuing, state:
That statement will prove to be true, no matter how much discussion there may be about whether reparations come before private German
commitments abroad or do not. It will prove to be true notwithstanding commitments abroad or do not. It will prove to be true notwithstanding
the provision in the Treaty of Versailles saying reparations represent the provision in the Treaty of Versailles saying reparations represent a
first charge on all German resources. Things will surely turn first charge on all German resources. Things will surely turn out that
way, regardless of the Dawes plan and all its machinery for safety first way, regardless of the Dawes plan and all its machinery for safety first
transfer of mark reparation payments.

Although the public in Europe has not yet realized it, leading bankers Yoxk securities markets as well, know perfectly well it is true.

## Will Pay Charges on Loans First.

Whatever resentment it may bring, whatever criticism it may cause o be leveled against the Americans and British who helped to make the Dawes plan, it remains a fact that practically reparations must wait In other words, if payment their ordinary business obligations abroad. millions Germany pas been borrowing and charges of the hundreds of Stites, Germany has been borrowing abroad, largely in the United France and other Allies will have to wait for reparations, at least for that part they expect to get in cash.
The reason is economic rather than legal. It may well be asked how sending then Transfer Committee for sending abroad the maximum of possible reparation payments the Allies will not be put before American investors whose profits benefit from no such treatment.
German industries borrowing in America must meet their interest obligations to preserve their credit, and to do so will buy foreign ex-
change at the market price, even if they change at the market price, even if they have to pay the price, which
means even if they drive don means even if they drive down and endanger the mark. They must pay
to keep going and to continue to do busienss with the United States Furthermore, they will be buying exchangenss with the United States. chases will naturally largely determine the situation with these pur-
regard to further transfers, for example, those for reparations.
Transfer Agent Restricted.

On the other hand the transfer agent will buy foreign exchange for reparation payment only up to the point where such purchases endanger the standing of the mark. This is quite plainly laid down in the Dawes plan. If at any given time it meant paying a considerable premium in privase gold exchange the transfer agent would not buy, whereas preated a very high level in all probability do so unless the price bad Anyhow the private German borrower abroad would be buying foreign exchange before the transfer agent, and after the transfer agent. It is therefore plain that if private German purchase of foreign exchange ate up Germany's ability to transfer marks abroad at par the transfer agent would be handicapped, if not blocked, in making reparation payments is gold to the Allies. Therefore, reparations will come after private German 0 coumse if $C$ abroad.
Of course if Germany develops ability to make foreign payments which will meet her private obligations and her public or reparation obligations
all will be well. If on the other stage where she can stage where she can pay nothing abroad, all will be bad.
But it is just because her experience
two extremes that the correr experience will lie somewhere between those tions is interesting. If can pay neither, none of her creditors both, everyone gets paid. If she But considering the of her creditors will be paid.
suffer to the advantage of private investmaration claims appear due to There is, of course, an answer to this criticin Germany.
loans are made to Germany for productive criticism. It is this-private loans are made to Germany for productive purposes, and if borrowers loans would not be made. The cost represents strengthening of increases the ability of that of German national economy and thereforeincreases
obligations.
In other words, private borrowers in mitments abroad before the transfer in Germany will pay their comIt may be said that it has to would cease in the And so, however immediately di
of reparations payments may seensagreeable this relegation of the rights comforted by the argument that in the the allied credtiors, they may be their chances of getting paid.

## City of Berne 8s to be Redeemed on May 1 Next.

Speyer \& Co. announce that in accordance with the terms of the City of Berne twenty-five year $8 \%$ municipal external loan of 1920, the City of Berne has elected to redeem on May 1, 1926, all of the above mentioned bonds then outstanding at $107 \%$ and accrued interest to May 1 , 1926, on which date interest on the bonds will cease.

## Rumania Increases Duty on Tariff $800 \%$-Other Tariff

An increase of about $800 \%$ in the Rumanian import duty on raw cotton and increases in the duty rates on automobiles, accessories and a number of other articles, mostly classifiable as luxuries, became effective on April 1 in accordance with the provisions of a royal decree promulgated as of that date, according to a cabled dispatch received at the Department of Commerce, says advices to the New York "Journal of Commerce" from its Washington bureau, March 31, which also contains the following information: 100 Raw cotton duties will be increased from the present 0.17 gold lei per 100 kilos to 1.35 lei per 100 kilos. Import duties on sheetings will be dvanced $30 \%$.
The automobile duty rates will be increased approximately 100 to the rates for motor cycles will be automobiles will be about doubled, and rate applicable to agricultural machinereased $300 \%$. Increases in the Other increases, which are specifically expressed from 33 to $500 \%$. per 100 kilos, are as follows: Typewriters and adding
33.50 to 333 . 33.50 to 333 ; sewing machines, from 3.50 to 33.50 adding machines, from automobiles will be assessed as follows: to 33.50 . The new duties on 1,000 kilos, 27 gold lei per 100 kilos; on those weighineighing less than to 1,700 kilos, 40 lei per 100 kilos; and on weighing from 1,000 kilos Whilos, 67 lei per 100 .
as described is also to an additional $25 \%$ increase on these new dutie that one gold lei will be in the decree in the form of a declaration paper lei, instead of 40 paper lei as has buile for customs purposes, to 30

Gen. Pangalos Modifies Greek Constitution.
Associated Press cablegrams from Athens, Greece, announced on April 6 the issuance of an official decree modifying some of the provisions of the Constitution. The accounts state:

It declares that with the existing form of parliamentism it is becoming difficult to establish stable Governments; therefore, with a view to promoting the return to normal parliamentism capable of governing the country, it is decreed that the Constitution be so modified that the President of the Republic can always dissolve the Chamber before the expiration of this term and that the President of the Republic can always get a vote of confidence in the Government once every session and that if the vote is obtained no motion of want of confidence

The New York "Times" commenting on the above said:
Under the present form of administration in Greece, General Theodorus Pangalos is not only Premier, but dictator. When he took over the office of dictator he made the public announcement that he assumed all responsibility. Presidential elections have been partially carried out. about $90 \%$ of the votes for the office of President.

## Hallgarten Syndicate Awarded Uruguayan Bonds-

 Public Offering Next Week.It was made known on April 12 that, subject to ratification by the National Congress, the National Council of Uruguay has accepted the bid of a syndicate headed by Hallgarten \& Co. and Halsey, Stuart \& Co., for an issue of $\$ 30,000,0006 \%$ gold dollar bonds of the Uruguayan Government. It was reported a week ago that bids were made by several groups. The syndicate which was awarded the bonds includes, besides those indicated above, Lehman Brothers; Cassatt \& Co.; Kissel, Kinnicutt \& Co.; Ames, Emerich \& Co.; National Republic Co., Chicago; Northern Trust Co., Chicago; Guardian Detroit Co., Detroit; Shawmut Corporation, Boston; Anglo London-Paris Co., Bank of Italy, San Francisco; Mississippi Valley Trust Co., St. Louis; Minnesota Loan \& Trust Co., Minneapolis; Northwestern Trust Co., St. Paul. A substantial amount of the issue, it is stated, will be taken in Europe. In the past London has been the chief market for Uruguay's bonds, which command high prices in Europe. The new bonds will be publicly offered next week. It is understood that the Hallgarten bid has already been approved by one Chamber of Congress, and that action by the other was scheduled for yesterday (April 16).

## Offering of $6,000,000$ Bonds of Department of Antioquia (Republic of Colombia). Issue Oversubscribed-

 Books Closed.On April 14 Blair \& Co., Inc., and E. H. Rollins \& Sons offered $\$ 6,000,000$ Department of Antioquia (Republic of Colombia) $7 \%$ 20-year external secured sinking fund gold bonds, Series "B." The bonds were offered at $911 / 2$ and accrued interest, to yield $7.87 \%$ to final maturity. A cumulative sinking fund sufficient to retire the bonds by maturity is provided, payable semi-annually commencing July 1 1926, to call bonds by lot at 100 and accrued interest on the next succeeding interest payment date. They are callable as a whole only, except for the sinking fund, at $1021 / 2$ and accrued interest on July 1, 1935, and on any interest date thereafter. The subscription books to the offering were closed at $9: 30$ a. m . on the 14th, the issue, it is announced, having been heavily oversubscribed. The bonds will be dated July 1 1925 and will mature July 1, 1945. The proceeds of the present issue will be used to provide fus for construction of an addition to the Antioquia Railway of approximately 38 miles extending through the coffee-producing zone, and for additions and betterments to the existing lines of the Antioquia Railway. The bonds are part of a total authorized issue of $\$ 20,000,000$; in addition to the present issue of $\$ 6,000,000$ Series " $B$ " bonds, there are outstanding $\$ 3,000$,000 Series "A." The latter are reserved to retire $\$ 3,000,000$ internal bonds. The present $\$ 6,000,000$ issue will be in coupon form in denominations of $\$ 1,000, \$ 500$ and $\$ 100$ registerable as to principal only. Principal and semi-annual interest (January 1 and July 1) will be payable in U. S. gold at the office of Blair \& Co., New York, Fiscal Agents, free of all taxes, present or future, of the Department of Antioquia and of the Republic of Colombia. Information furnished the offering house by Ricardo Jimenez Jaramillo, Esq., Governor of the Department of Antioquia, follows in part.

The Department of Antioquia, situated in the north-central part of the Republic of Colombia, is the largest of the departments of the Republic, having an area of 25,000 square miles and a population of over 800,000 . Agriculture, stock raising, mining and manufacturing are the principalin-

Antioquia produces approximately one-fourth of the coffee grown in the Republic of Colombia, which is the second largest producer of coffee in the world. There are over $60,000,000$ coffee trees in Antioquia, and the value of the 1925 production of coffee in the Department is calculated at about \$17,000,000.
Security.-These bonds are the direct obligation of the Department of Antioquia. Together with $\$ 3,000,000$ Series "A" bonds, they are to be specifically secured (upon the retirement of Fr. $1,878,000$ bonds, funds for which purpose have been deposited with the Fiscal Agents), by
(1) a first charge and lien on $75 \%$ of the revenues of the Department derived from the tobacco tax, and
(2) a lien, subject to $\$ 3,000,000$ internal bonds, on the properties and earnings of the Antioquia Railway, including all extensions, additions and
improvements constructed or accuired with the proceeds of these bonds improvements constructed or acquired with the proceeds of these bonds $\$ 3,000,000$ face amount of Series " A " bonds are reserved to retire the $\$ 3$, 000,000 internal bonds, whereupon the bonds of this issue wil
first mortgage on all the properties and revenues of the Railway
The Department covenants that it will not issue any of the remaining $\$ 8,000,000$ authorized bonds unless the proceeds of the assigned revenues for the preceding fiscal year or the annual average of the two preceding fiscal years shall be at least equal to twice the annual interest and sinking fund reguirements on the bonds outstanding, including those then to be issued.
Revenues.-For the past three years the proceeds (in Colombian Dollars) of the revenues assigned for the security of these bonds have been as follows:


* Year ended December 31. x Year ended June 30.

The average annual proceeds for the three years 1923-1925, from the revenues assigned for the security of these bonds, as shown above, converted at par of exchange, were equal to approximately 2.90 times the annual interest requirements on the External Gold Bonds to be presenty outstand ing, including this issue, and in none of the three years were such proceeds less than $21 / 2$ times sald annual interest requirements. For the year $31 /$ the proceeds from such revenues, as shown above, were equar to aboces times such charges. On the same basis the average annuan 11 times the these revenues for the three-year period were equivalent to 2.11 external maximum annual interest and sistanding inclyding this issue. It should Gold bonds the ber form above, be noted fiact do not reflect any benefit from the ada
with the proceeds of the present issue.
Finances.-The total debt of the Department of Antioquia as of December 31 1925, exclusive of debt, provision for the retirement of which was made through the issue of Series "A" bonds, amounted to $\$ 6,452,000$. This includes $\$ 3,000,000$ internal bonds secured upon the revenues of the railroad, for the retirement of which a sufficient amount of bonds of Series " A " was reserved. Including the present loan, the total debt of the Dopartment amounts to $\$ 12,452,000$, or about $\$ 16$ (U. S.) per capita.
Since its creation in 1886 the Department has never defaulted in the payment of principal, interest or sinking fund of any of its indebtedness or in the payment of its bonds when due. The revenues of the Department, exclusive of income from and expenditures on the Antioquia Rallway, for each of the three fiscal years ended June 30, 1925 exceeded expenditures.
The banking system of the Republic of Colombia follows that of the United States, the Bank of the Republic being modeled after the Federal Reserve Bank of the United States.
The bonds were ofiered "when, as and if" issued and received and subject to approval of Counsel. Interim Receipts or Temporary Bonds may be delivered in the first instance.

New York Stock Exchange Reminds Members of Ruling Against Speculative Accounts of Employes.
The New York Stock Exchange has taken occasion to remind members of the ruling forbidding the carrying of speculative accounts for employees, its notice being as follows:

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.
Committee on Business Conduct.
New York, March 221926.
To the Members of the Exchange:
The special attention of members is invited to Section 7 of Ohapter XII, of the rules adopted by the Governing Committee pursuant to the Constitution of the Exchange, reading as follows:
"No member shall take or carry a speculative account or make a speculative transaction in which an employee of the Exchange, or of a member of the Exchange, or of a firm registered thereon, or of a bank, trust company, insurance company, or of any corporation, firm or individual enjaged
in the business of dealing, either as broker or as principal, in stocks, in the business of dealing, either as broker or as principal, in stocks,
bonds or other securities, bills of exchange, acceptances or other forms of bonds or other securities, bills of exchange, acceptances or other forms of commercial paper, is directly or indirectly interested, unless the written consent of the employer has first been obtained. An employee of a corporation of which the Exchange owns a majority of the capital stock shall be deemed an employee of the Exchange within the meaning of this resolution."

Very truly yours,
harrison s. Martin, First Assistant Secretary.
New York Stock Exchange Suspends M. G. Morgan and J. B. Morgan, Partners in the Brokerage Firm of Bouvier \& Morgan, for One Year-Dissolution of Firm Announced.
Morgan G. Morgan and John B. Morgan, partners in the firm of Bouvier \& Morgan, at 60 Beaver Street, this city, were each suspended from membership in the New York Stock Exchange for a period of one year from yesterday, April 16. The substance of the charge against the two members, who were specialists in the stock of the Inde-
pendent Oil \& Gas Co., was that they were found guilty on Feb. 251926 of buying stock of the Independent Oil \& Gas Co. "for their own account at the price at which they had agreed to protect the interests of another member during his absence from their post." Later in the day (yesterday) the announcement came that the firm had been dissolved. The remaining member of the firm, John V. Bouvier 3d, was not involved in the charges against the two Morgans and retains his membership in the Exchange. President E. H. H. Simmons of the New York Stock Exchange, announced the suspension of the brokers from the rostrum of the Exchange yesterday morning as follows:
A charge and specification having been preferred under Section 7, Article XVII, of the Constitution against Morgan G. Morgan and John B. Morgan, members of the Exchange, said charge and specification were con-
sidered by the Governing Committee at a meeting held on April 141926 . said Morgan G. Morgan and John B. Morgan being present, and the Governing Committee having determined that said Morgan G. Morgan and John B. Morgan were guilty of the charge and specification, said Morgan G. Morgan and John B. Morgan were each suspended for a period of one year.
Section 7, Article XVII, of the Constitution is as follows:
"Section 7. A member who shall have been adjudged by a majority vote of all the existing members of the Governing Committee gaily of
violation of the Constitution of the Exchange or guilty of a violation a violation of the Constitution of the Exchange or guilty of a violation
of a rule adopted pursuant to the Constitution, or guilty of the violation business of members, or guilty of conduct or proceeding inconsistent with
just and equitable principles of trade, may be suspended or expelled as he said committee may determine, unless the offense is the violation of a case such other penalty may be imposed.

The substance of the charge on which the two members, specialists n the floor of the Exchange, were found guilty declared that on Feb. 25 926 they bought stock for their own account at the price at which they from their post.

Consolidated Stock Exchange Now Asks the State to Modify Certain Terms of its Agreement with the State Attorney-General Recently Sanctioned by the State Supreme Court.
That the Consolidated Stock Exchange was admittedly finding the drastic regulatory provisions of its agreement with Attorney-General Ottinger's Anti-Stock Frauds Bureau (through the sanction of which agreement by Justice Ford of the New York State Supreme Court the Exchange was permitted to resume business on March 30) a burden and had submitted a formal plea to the State Attorney-General for relief through modification of five paragraphs of the agreement, was reported in the New York "Times" of April 14. In this regard, the "Times" said in part:
Deputy Attorney-General Keyes Winter, head of the Anti-Stock Frauds Bureau, produced a letter from Phillip Evans, President of the Consolidated, in which the modification proposals were given in detail. Mr. Winter said that Mr. Evans had also had a long talk with him and that he had been nformed that the Exchange members were of the opinion that it could not ong continue in business unless material relief was obtained.
Although Mr. Winter would not say what action he would take, it is believed by many that he will not consent to alter the agreement.
Mr. Evans, in his letter to Mr. Winter, asked that the paragraph requiring every commission house member of the Exchange to have, at all times, a minimum capital of $\$ 25,000$ be modified by striking out the minimum alogether. In the same paragraph Mr. Evans would change the word "customers" to "non-members" in the following sentence.
"None but commission houses shall buy or sell securities for the public as brokers, or charge commissions as brokers, or receive accounts, money or property of customers.
Mr. Evans would change to $\$ 1,000$ the amount mentioned in Paragraph 11, which reads: "Every member of the Exchange clearing for himself shall keep on deposit at all times with the clearing house a minimum of 83,000."
Mr. Evans asked that the "last eleven words" be stricken from Paragraph 6, which now reads as follows: "Commission houses shall be defined as any member buying or selling securities for the public as brokers and charging commissions as brokers, or dealing with or for any non-members, Mr. Evans more than five members of the Exchange.
Mr. Evans would also extend the time limit of ten minutes granted to Mr. Winter sald he had talked "specialists" altogether and thought an agreement to this effect might be reached. A specialist is a trader who has sole right to sell certain stocks on the floor of the Exchange.
Mr. Winter said he had not answered Mr. Evans's communication and was "not in a hurry" to do so.
Our last reference to the affairs of the Consolidated Stock Exchange appeared in the "Chronic'e" of April 3, page 1959.

Philadelphia Clearing House to Charge for Out-of-Town Service-Daylight Saving Time Effective April 25.
The following is from the Philadelphia "Record" of April 13:
The Clearing House Association yesterday adopted, effective May 1, the system now in vogue in New York and Boston of making a charge for handling collateral loans with out-of-town correspondents. Heretofore the service has been rendered free of charge.
The association approved the appointment of Charles E. Ingersoll, President of the Central National Bank, and M. S. Baker, President of the Penn National Bank, as members of the Clearing House committee. They succeed Joseph Wayne Jr., President of the Philadelphia-Girard National Bank, and J. R. McAllister, Chairman of the Franklin-Fourth Street National Bank, the changes on the committee following the recent bank mergers.

As usual, daylight saving unofficially will become effective for banks and trust companies in Philadelphia on Sunday, April 25, opening and closing being an hour earlier $\qquad$
Petition of Federal Reserve Bank of New York for Reopening of Gold Shipment Case Denied by I.-S.C. C. if The following from Washington appeared in the "Wall Street Journal" of April 14:
The Inter-State Commerce Commission denied petition of the Federal
Reserve Bank of New York, to reopen Reserve Bank of New York, to reopen and reargue before the whole Commission the case involving the charge that rates, rules and practices covering the transportation by express of inter-State shipments of money, coins, bullion, currency, bank notes, bills of exchange and securities, are un reasonable, discriminatory, preferential and prejudicial. Several month ago the comilee dismissed the complat and practices whe acial or otherwise unlawful

## Nebraska State Banks Prohibited from Paying More than $4 \%$ on Deposits.

Lincoln (Neb.) advices in the "Wall Street Journal" of April 5 state:
Beginning April 1, State banks are not permitted to pay more than $4 \%$ interest on deposits, under a law passed a year ago, and only now effective. The payment of more than $4 \%$ or the acceptance of a higher rate is made a felony, punishable by a fine of not less than $\$ 100$ or imprisonment not more than three years, or both. Violation of the law by a depositor results in forfeiture of deposit guaranty fund protection. The rate has been very generally $5 \%$, but as the trend of court decisions was to permit bank fund responsibly to pay the excess above the legal rate and and of liability no matter what ruse or device is employed to provide for a greater payment.

Nebraska State Banks Asked for Assessment-Special Fund Will Be Used to Pay Depositors in Failed Banks.
From the New York "Commercial" we take the following Omaha (Neb.) advices of March 29:
The Nebraska State Bank Guarantee Fund Administrator has just sent out notices to 800 State banks calling for payment of a special assessment of one-fourth of $1 \%$ on their average deposits to aid in paying off certificates issued by the Banking Board to pay depositors in failed banks.
At present there are outstanding certificates of about $\$ 2,250,000$. Early in April certificates of $\$ 1,486,515$ will be paid, leaving a balance of $\$ 850,000$ in certificates to be taken care of
Since its passage, the State bank depositors' guarantee law has refunded to depositors in failed banks about $\$ 13,000,000$. This fund has been collected from solvent banks. Depositors have not lost a dollar since this law has been in effect.

## Listings of Baltimore Stock Exchange Approved under

 West Virginia Securities Law.The Baltimore Stock Exchange has been approved by the Securities Commissioner of the State of West Virginia under the West Virginia Securities Law, which went into effect July 1 1925. The following in the matter is taken from the Baltimore "Sun" of April 13:
The Baltimore Stock Exchange has been officially recognized under the Securities Law of West Virginia as an exchange whose listed securities will not have to be further qualified for sale in that State.
A large volume of investment banking business is done by Baltimore bankers in West Virginia, wichh will be facilitated by the new ruling.

> Had Excluded Local Listings.

The so-called Securities Law had been in effect since the 1st of last July, and in the meantime had excluded all locally listed stocks and bonds from sale in West Virginia unless the specified issue was registered at the office f the Commissioner of Securities.
The only other exchanges whose listings had previously been exempted from the registration provisions of the law were those at New York, Chicago and Boston. The fact, however, that securities listed on these exchanges had been especially exempted had worked hardships on the members of the Balt:m)re Stock Exchange.

> Local Funds Invested in State.

A considerable amount of local capital is invested in West Virginia and is constantly increasing. This is made evident from the number of West Virginia industries which already have their securities listed here, including Consolidation Coal, Elk Horn Coal, Monongahela Valley Traction and West Penn Traction.
Similar recognition of the Baltimore Stock Exchange also has recently been granted by the Georgia Securities Commission, by which locally listed securities can be sold in Georgia without being further qualified or registered.

## New York State Bankers Association Endorses Action

 of Gov. Smith in Signing Bill Changing Method of Bank Taxation.Through its President, William S. Irish, the New York State Bankers' Association issues the following under date of April 13, regarding the Robinson bank tax law:
The action of Governor Smith in signing the Robinson Bank Tax B 11 and his memorandum of approval of the bill, are most gratifying:
The passage of the bill was made possible through the enactment by Congress recently of an admendment to Section 5219 . This was brought about through the efforts of a Committee of the American Bankers Association, of which President Stephen Baker of the Bank of the Manhattan Company was the New York member under the leadership of Gener Counsel Thomas B. Paton assisted by the State Tax Commissions of Ne York, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania. The bill, in principle, had bee before the legislature for several years, but until this sesslon, it had been impossible to get it reported out of Committee.
This year, under the enthusiastic and effective leadership of Mr, M. H Cahill, President of the Utica National Bank and Trust Co., and Chairma
of,our Committee on State Legislation, we succeeded in getting the bill passed, for which credit is due Mr. Cahill and his associates for the spelnd d work they have done in this connection.
The signing of the bill by Governor Smith was noted in these columns last week, page 1997.

Governor Smith Signs Bill Increasing the Limit of
Deposits in New York Savings Banks to $\$ 7,500$.
The amount which may be deposited in savings banks in New York State by an individual, corporation or society, which had heretofore been limited to $\$ 5,000$, has been increased under a bill signed last week by Governor Smiththe bill raising the limit to $\$ 7,500$.

Governor Smith of New York Signs Bill Affecting Investment by Trust Companies in Foreign Corporations.
A bill signed by Governor Smith permits trust companies to invest up to $10 \%$ of their capital and surplus in capital stock of money corporations incorporated under the laws of a foreign country, according to the "Wall Street Journal" of April 8 .

New York Assembly Passes Bill Amending Law Governing Investment Companies.
From the "Wall Street Journal" it is learned that the New York State Assembly has passed the bill introduced by Assemblyman Davis, amending the banking law to permit investment companies to buy, hold and sell stocks of any corporation engaged in a like business as its own, to an amount not in excess of $10 \%$ of capital and surplus of such investment company, with total investments in all such companies not to exceed $30 \%$. The bill passed the Assembly Apwil 8 .
ext of Bill to Stabilize Prices Through Discount Rat of Federal Reserve Banks-Senator Strong's Explanation of Bill
While we are referring elsewhere in this issue of our paper to the views of Governor Strong of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, and others, on the bill proposing to stabilize price levels through the discount rates of the Federal Reserve Banks, we are giving here the text of the bill as introduced by its author, Representative Strong, of Kansas, on January 18, and the statement in explanation of the bill, made in the House by Representative Strong on Feb. 20. The text of the bill follows.

A BILL to amend paragraph (d) of Section 14 of the Federal Reserve Act, as amended, to provide for the stabilization of the price level for commodities in general.
Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That paragraph (d) of Section 14
ederal Reserve Act, as amended, is amended to read as follows:
(d) To establish from time to time. subject to review and determination by such bank for each class of paper, which shall be made with a view to accommodating commerce and promoting a stable price level for commodiies in general. All of the powers of the Federal Reserve System shall be used for promoting stability in the price level.

With reference to the purpose of the proposed legislation, Representative Strong, in addressing the House on Feb. 20, said:
I wish to call the attention of Members of Congress to House bill 78951 which I have introduced, proposing a brief amendment to the Federa reserve act, but an amendment which, if adopted, may have a far-reaching effect, namely, the stabilization of the price level of commodities in general This amendment is to section 14 of the Federal reserve act, paragraph (d). This section and paragraph provide that-

Every Federal Reserve bank shall have power * * * (d) to establish
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Reserve Board, rates of discount to be charged by the Federal Reserve bank or each class of paper, which shall be fixed with a view of accommodating
ommerce and business-
The amendment strikes out the words "and business" and addsand promoting a stable price level for commodities in general-
And further adds-
All the powers of the Federal Reserve System shall be used for promoting stability in the price level.
The meaning of price level is the average of prices for commodities in eneral at wholesale. This average of prices is indicated by an index number, so that as the measurement takes place month after month the cbanges in the index number describe the changes in the height of the price level. I have here a chart showing the price level for this country since 1909. Notice how this price level went up like a skyrocket during the World War and later came down even more rapidly, since which time it has been fluctuating up and down between 140 and 165. At the right-hand side of the chart is shown the even condition of the general price level that would result from the stabilization of the general price level.
This chart is constructed from data supplied by the United States Department of Labor, which measures the price level for the use of mankind; and so does "Dun's Review," and "Bradstreet's Weekly," and Prof. Irving Fisher, of Yale University.
This chart presents the changes in the price level-the changes in the average of the prices for commodities in general at wholesale, in this Nation. Stated in another form, this chart pictures the changes in the purch

Congre ess is empowered $\qquad$ to coin money and regulate the value Now the proposal is that Congress shall instruct the members of the Government commission, the Federal Reserve Board, to use the powers of the Federal Reserve System for promoting stability in the value of money-stability in the price level for commodities in general. Our yardstick has a stable number of inches and our money should be stabilized in its purchasing power. Stable money is the ideal gold standard.
This price level now stands at about 160, a drop from 251, and my bill instructs the officials in the Federal Reserve System to use the powers of the System "for promoting stability in the price level." In other words in place of the existing discretionary power in a majority of the eight commissioners on the Federal Reserve Board to bring on falling prices, they should be obliged by law to hereafter operate the great Federal Reserve System to maintain stability in the index number of general prices-the price level.
I am speaking of the average of prices, the price level. This average of "prices for commodities at wholesale is represented by what is termed an "Index number," which accurately shows the height of the price level month after month and year after year. The chart which I am showing has for its index number a measurement each month by the Department of Labor in its Bureau of Statistics, using the wholesale prices of about 300 commodities and striking an average, which is represented by the index number. These commodities fluctuate in price among themselves according to the
changes in supply and demand, and at the same time another deflation would again lower the prices of practically all products at wholesale.
Furthermore, all the countries of the earth would be injuriously affected, along with the evil effects in this Nation. That is, each nation throughout the world is endeavoring to maintain a stable par of exchange in its transactions of business with other peoples, and gold prices are the standard, actually dominated by the Federal Reserve Board in this country.

My bill when adopted will promote stability in the price level. The time has come, in my judgment, when the Congress of the United States, to whom is confided the exercise of the power "to coin money" and to "regulate the value thereof," should declare for stability. Now is the opportune time in the world's history when the needed stability can be attained. We have nearly two-thirds of the world's gold and so can safely instruct for stability in the gold standard of prices.

In 1913 the Federal Reserve bill of Senator Owen actually had in it a provision instructing the Federal Reserve System to be so operated by its officials as to "promote stability in the price level." Furthermore, I am informed that this was written in the bill after it had been agreed to by the President and his financial advisers, but the World War was about to be fought and the time had not yet arrived for this great advance in the industrial and business world; but now the conditions are completely ripe in all directions. In addition to the essential factors for the maintaining of stability in the price level which I have mentioned are the additional elements:

First. The maintenance of the existing price level will be the most nearly just, as between debtors and creditors, taking into account the conditions as a whole.
Second. A further lowering of gold prices in this country will injure every human being in this world who is not a creditor in considerable degree; and even those large creditors are where they do not need more wealth, and they are vitally concerned in making world conditions safe from the revolutionary radicalism when
unemployment increases.
Thlrd. For now the sixth year a crisis has existed for th farming population, and on of the remedies is for Congress to instruct the Federal Reserve officials to promote stability

Why should we not seek to stabilize the general price level for the good of all, business, agriculture, and industry? Is it not time to take the money question out of politics or any special class? And at the same time develop the prosperity of all of our citizens and assist the world at large, for our Federal Reserve Board is controlling the gold price level of the entire world. Should not this gold standard of prices be a stable standard, to result in stable money and no longer be a standard that acts like a jumping jack as is shown n the price level?

I ask the serious consideration of Members of the House to this proposition. I have asked the chairman of my Committee on Banking and Cur rency for a hearing on the bill I have irtroduced, and I have been assured that such opportunity will be given. If there is any objection to such legisla ion, I hope the Members wils seven years a member of the Committoe on Banking and Curren bond have been trying to build up and strengthe on Banking and Currency and have been trying to build up and strengthen our fo not want to do anybing to weaken or impair them, but if we can, by such an amendment stabilize the price level of commodities in ceneral why should we not do so?

Governors Strong and Norris, of New York and Philadelphia Reserve Banks on Bill to Stabilize Prices Through Discount Rates-Credit to Bank of England-Brokers Loans.
Governor Benjamin Strong of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, has continued this week to present his views to the House Banking and Currency Committee on the bill of Representatives. Strong designed to stabilize commodity prices through Federal Reserve discount rates. What Governor Strong had to say regarding the bill when he appeared before the committee on April 8, was indicated in these columns last week, page 1993. Both he and Governor George W. Norris of the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, as well as Prof. Sprague of Harvard University were heard by the Committee on April 9, and on Monday and Tuesday of this week (April 12 and 13) Governor Strong further indicated his views on the bill, the interrogations leading to the discussion of foreign transactions by the Federal Reserve Banks and the credit to the Bank of England. The subject of foreign credit, it has developed, was also brought into the hearing accorded Governor Seay of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, last week, and to which we are referring in another item in this issue. On April 13 Governor Strong outlined possibilities that would tend to counteract any good that might come from
the enactment of so-called stabilization legislation. The account of the hearing in the New York "Journal of Commerce" on that day in indicating this said:
These possibilities included giving the right to country banks to consider checks in the process of collection as a part of their reserves, the payment of $2 \%$ interest by Reserve banks on the reserves of mem-
ber banks held by the former as contemplated in legistation pending ber banks held by the former as contemplated in legislation pending
in Congress, heavy borrowings by the Government from the Reserve systems in the quest of cheap money and maladministration in the Reserve system or the Treasury of the United States.

Settled Policy Needed.
Governor Strong discussed with the committee the effect expected from the adoption of the bill introduced by Representative James G. Strong of Kansas.
Mr. Strong stated it was his desire in proposing this legislation to have Congress and the Government adopt a settled policy that its financial agencies-the Federal Reserve System-should be directed to use its efforts along lines that would avoid inflation and deflation. He told Governor Strong that he understood the latter's idea to be that the adoption of the bill would give the public the idea that the Reserve system could under all circumstances bring about stability in prices. He assured the banker that the experts who previously had appeared before the committee had shown that this mandate would be effective in ordinary periods to keep prices stable and declared that it was manifestly in the interest of the farmers and the great bulk of consumers that stability of prices be maintained.
Governor Strong was invited to present a plan to the committee
whereby the manifest ill-effects whereby the manifest ill-effects of great inflation and deflation migh be obviated. He had charged that the proposed legislation neither gave
to the board any additional powers nor withdrew any of its prerogatives.

## Some 400 Commodities.

The New York banker had stated that stabilization of prices over the some 400 commodities that are considered in arriving at what the experts call the price level, would be highly desirable, since it would remove much of the uncertainty that occurs in commerce. He explained, however, that activities of the Federal Reserve Board in endeavoring to bring about stabilization, under the express mandate of Congress under the proposed legislation could easily be negatived by Congress itself, or by improper administration in the Federal Reserve Board or in the Treasury of the United States,
Mismanagement of the Federal Reserve system, due either to lack of intelligence, capacity or integrity, or possibly by having in the future men without a proper knowledge of the problems to be solved or actuated by overexpansion of credit, would dispe, he sald, all the benefits that new legislation of this character might bring. He stressed the difficulty already experience in getting men capable of filling the various positions in the Federal Reserve system. The only thing in the financial apology is needed, he said, is the salary of the employes.

The second possible cause of an inflation might come where, in the administration of the Treasury, the Government might, regardless of consequences, in order to borrow cheap money or for other purposes, obtain large sums from the system.

## Danger of Legislation.

Congress, he said, could bring about like results if it should some ime in the future enact legislation returning to member banks a part of the reserves that they now carry with the Federal Reserve banks, or in interpreting that checks in the process of collection may be considered as reserves against which the out-of-town banks could draw immediately upon depositing them in the mails. These amounts to be between $\$ 600,000,000$ and $\$ 800,000,000$. The payment of $2 \%$ interest on the $\$ 2,200,000,000$ of reserves held in the Reserve banks, as contemplated under the provisions of bills introduced in Congress would necessitate the Reserve banks endeavoring to do a greater amount of open market business and would bring them in greater competition with the commercial banks. That would also bring about inflation, he added, because between $\$ 40,000,000$ to $\$ 50,000,000$ would flow to the member banks.
Members of the committee brought to the attention of the witness the fact that a number of banks are complaining that they are forced to maintain reserves from which they derive no financial benefit. Governor Strong stated that if interest had to be paid it would be hecessary for the Reserve banks to make loans which would aggregate $\$ 1,100,000,000$ and "that would give us the dandiest inflation we could imagine."

## Competition for Loans.

It would bring with it a great deal of additional competition for the member and non-member banks to meet, he explained, adding that here was no way in which to raise the forty to fifty million dollars hecessary for the purpoes. Cutting overhead would not do it, he told Representative Wingo of Arkansas, because the total overhead is only $\$ 27,000,000$.
The witness declared that the Reserve system would not hesitate to oppose any legislation that would bring about any of the results above
Chairman McFadden, of the committee, in answer to a question by Mr. Wingo, said there was little likelihood of any move being made at this session of Congress to bring about the legislation of the type contemplated in the Strong bill.
The subject was so broad, he pointed out, that much additional study would have to be given to it before any definite recommendations were given to the House.
Chairman McFadden also called attention to the statement that the Reserve banks take the cream of the securities from a bank that has failed, to the detriment of the depositors.
"I would rather see the Fedearl Reserve Bank lose in the transaction Strong.
The $\$ 300,000,000$ credit arranged last year in behalf of the Bank of England was brought into the hearing on April 12, at which time the "Journal of Commerce" gave the following report of the proceedings before the committee:
He (Governor Strong) defended the system's existence, justified the continuance of the so-called war powers, and told the committee that
not only has the system the right to engage in certain foreign transac tions to which reference had been made, but that it was good policy to do so. In this way, also, he justified the granting of the $\$ 200,000,000$ credit to the Bank of England, of which, he said, nothing has thus far been actually advanced.

## War Powers in Question.

The matter came before the committee when its chairman, Repre sentative McFadden, quoting magazine articles, stated it was indicated that there was considerable sentiment against the retention of the war powers of the system. Governor Strong promised to furnish the committee with a carefully prepared statement answering the questions brought up in this connection.
At today's session of the committee there seemed to be much of a feeling of pessimism, reference being made by Representative Luce of Massachusetts, to statements that have appeared in the financial press that there are grave indications of serious reaction this summer or fall. Mr. Luce was inclined to criticise the officers of the Federal Reserve system for withholding from the public during the 1920 deflation period that it was acting as a regulator. With depression coming again," he said, it is almost certain that this will be one of the big issues, coupled with which there will be the proposal to renew the charters of the Reserve banks, and, he added, there are a few persons in the country ready to renew the Jackson episode which so distracted and disturbed the country"
"Would it not be better for us to take the bull by the horns and say it is best in our judgment to have a regulator and not merely a fly-wheel?" he inquired of Governor Strong.

## What to Regulate.

The witness was inclined to agree with the Massachusetts Congressman, adding that the difficulty would be what "we wish to regulate." He said if any declarant purpose is to be made in the there should be some disclaimers in addition. He added that the Federal Reserve
write prosperity

A reference here to assistance rendered by the Reserve Banks to the Havana banks last week is incorporated in our item relative to the latter on another page in this issue.-ED.]

## Lesson of 1921.

"The collapse that took place in 1921 permitted a contraction of our loans and note issue and the reserve deposits of the member banks until they came down to $\$ 800,000,000$ in loans and investments and the present $\$ 850,000,000$ of currency," he said in discussing the trend since the war. "This imposed a hardship on the country, but on the other hand now that it has occurred and reasonable adjustments so far as any adjustment is possible has taken place at this present price level and present volume of business should we not endeavor to have the people avoid any future depression and further hardships?
The amount of business conducted in this country today requires substantially the amount of credit that is now being employed so long
as prices are about at their present level," he continued. "That credit is expressed in bank deposits and currency in circulation and is called into being and requires for its being to be sustained at that level, about $\$ 1,000,000,000$ of credit from the Reserve system. If the business fabric of the country could not be sure of credit being sustained at about this level or some act or some effort made to retire that $\$ 1,000$, 000,000 of Federal Reserve credit we might have a recurrence of another period of contraction, some reduction in price, some unemployment, until another readjustment was forced on this country. That is one reason why I think these criticisms of the system are fuat He declared the forced tetirement of this credit would be a grave thing for the country and that it is not at all desirable.

## For the Bank of England.

The Bank of England has not actually availed itself of the $\$ 200,000$, 000 credit which is to be at its disposal for two years from May, 1925, the witness said. He explained that in the New York Federal Reserve Bank there is a credit to provide or furnish the Bank of England if desired, not to exceed this amount in gold. Under the terms of the credit, the Bank of England cotild withdraw gold for export, could have it earmarked in the New York bank's vaults, or order the latter institution to make payments with it in New York. No charge is to be made for the service other than on actual operations under the credit.
He justified the making of this contract by pointing out that under Section 4 of the Federal Reserve Act, the bank has authority to make contracts, and under Section 14, to buy and sell bills of exchange at home or abroad. He also claimed authority to open accounts with foreign banks and vice versa, and to deal in gold coin or bullion at home or abroad. This agreement, he held, is nothing but a contract under Section 4 to sell gold under the terms of Section 14 to one of our correspondents abroad. Clearly, he said, every step in the contract is especially authorized and resort is not had to any implied powers.

## Why System Was Created.

Governor Strong declared that the system was not created to aid any one industry or class, but to help all alike and he included in his list of general beneficiaries the producers and consumers, the importers and the exporters. He added that one of the biggest things the system can do is safeguard our markets abroad by the granting of credits with which our foreign customers can buy American surpluses.
Great Britain, he pointed out, is a large buyer of our exports, particularly of cotton, adding that there is no better way for us ot maintain our foreign markets than to stabilize the exchange so that the American seller will know the value of the exchange in which he is being paid, and the way also opened for the sale of his products.
This credit to the Bank of England is not to be taken exactly as a precedent, Governor Strong informed Chairman McFadden in response to questions; no such agreement would be entered into unless it were deemed both wise and safe.
On April 9, when Governors Strong and Norris were both heard, Governor Strong was asked by the Committee to voice his opinion of the effect of the publicity given the amount of outstanding brokers loans; the "Journal of Commerce" in indicating this, goes on to say:
"There had been a feeling expressed to me by members of the board or some time that information in regard to the volume of credit inrolved in speculative loans was inadequate," he said.

## Publicity Desirable.

"I had felt that it would be desirable to enlighten the country on that subject but not in such way as would make it appear that responsibility would be assumed by the system. My attitude was that we should try to get the members of the Stock Exchange to do this them"I should was done
F sive a little check to speculation. I anticpiate that there was con-
siderable reduction since the figures were published reduction due to natural causes or to the fact that this information was being made public, causing some tightening of the situation because of possible alarm. Other influences have had a bearing upon the course of stock prices in recent months. One of them originated possibly with the evident intention of the Reserve system to somewhat increase the discount rate.

## As to the Discount Rate.

"The effect of these things upon the mood or temper of the public is cumulative; it is not due to one thing. Influences occur and change the attitude on speculation. I think another influence has been, to som extent, that we have had a course of rising interest rates for quite a period."
Governor Strong added that it was not altogether the advance in the discount rate, for during the period in question there were sold $\$ 290$,00,000 of the system's holdings of Government security that had been purchased through the open market committee. That, he thought, had in stocks had gone through a course which the fact that speculation a natural crisis, with a little overextension, he suggested; also one or two developments that were not "quite to the appetite of the speculative community" had had an influence on sentiment.
There was, too, the effect of the decision of the Interstate Commerce Commission in the Nickel Plate case. It is technically possible, he said that the speculator would hold that the sale of speculative stocks accumulated by him at lower prices depended on the public taking them off his hands. These things have resulted in liquidation of Stock Exchange loans somewhere in the neighborhood of $\$ 600,000,000$.

## Effect Not Very Great.

"The effect of that on the reserve position of the Federal Reserve system has not been very great," he explained. "I doubt if it resutled in the reduction of reserve requirements of member banks of an amount sufficient to liquidate more than $\$ 50,000,000$ of their borrowings from the Reserve banks.'
Chairman McFadden inquired as to the effect of pyramiding of balances. Pyramiding, he said, seems to him to be uneconomic and perhaps tending to force money into the open market, available for speculative purposes, because of the need to make the interest payments. The pyramiding situation, the witness declared, can never be met under a banking system such as prevails in the United States. Governor Strong explained to the committee how a Reserve bank arrives at a need for revision of the discount rate. Officials of the bank are kept supplied with charts with indices of money rates, bank deposits, production and prices. In addition there is information and statistics as to retail sales, car loadings, electric energy consumption, crops, foreign trade reports, stocks of goods, speculation, bank holdings and bank reports showing deposit and loan changes, all to indicate the soundness of the credit structure, not to fix prices of anything.

## Prof. Sprague's Views.

Prof. Oliver M. Sprague, of the Department of Banking and Finance, Harvard University, told the committee that he did not know of a case where a period of inflation had righted itself without a collapse. He doubted if the Reserve system could have done anything in 1920-21 to make the deflation less precipitous. He thought that the sytsem hould have a more careful regard for the rights of depositors and ey apcrutinize the reports of the brorowing banks so that when they approach
could be made.

## Goveronr Norris' Views

Gov. George W. Norris, of the Philadelphia Reserve Bank, joined Governor Strong in expressing to the committee the belief that the Governor Strong in expressing to the committee the belief that the
pending proposals for the stabilization of the dollar cannot successfully pending proposals for the stabilization of the d
be worked out in the Federal Reserve system.
Governor Norris expressed the belief that the producers of surplus products in this country might not look kindly on a move to stabilize the price level at a figure which prevented their doing an export business.
"I regard the stabilization of the price level as a desirable thing," said the witness, adding that under such conditions it would be possible to proceed more smoothly and comfortably than if prices were fluctuating wildly. "But when we are considering the enormous number of elements that enter into the price of a single commodity or the price index, is it wise, is it safe, to undertake to stabilize the existing
price level?

## Foreign Prices a Factor.

"Suppose, for example, we are to undertake to stabilize the price level at the present figure, and that the tendency in England and Germany seems to be toward getting lower costs and the price level in those countries declined so far below our price level that we would be completely excluded from competing in competitive markets and our exports to all such markets cut off. Under those circumstances what would be the attitude of the producers of surpluses to a system which had stabilized the price level at a figure which prevented their doing an export business?"
He pointed out also that there would always be a conflict between producers and consumers, their interests being opposed. He explained that the Federal Reserve system has primarily to do with credit and currency and has not the close knowledge of the currents that are in operation that anyone should have to undertake the task of stabilization.
Representative Williamson of South Dakota asked Governor Norris whether an order had been issued by the Federal Reserve Board in 1920 or 1921 to member banks to reduce their loans approximately $40 \%$. Governor Norris said that no such order had ever reached the Philadelphia bank.

The Position in 1920.
"In the extended conditions that the Reserve banks found themselves in in 1920, when they were within a fraction of their minimum reserves, there was, of course, a strong feeling from top to bottom that credit was overextended," he said. "We felt that we were in a very ex-
tended condition and that everybody should do what was possible to get back to normal and to a saner and safer condition.
Members of the committee were much interested in his statement to the effect that the fifteen-day limit on borrowing is not effective, that the notes are renewed by the Philadelphia Reserve Bank. He stated that the bank never says to a borrower "you must pay off," and it never, when it is over-supplied with money, seeks business. He ex plained that inflation never begins with the Reserve banks and that it is difficult to influence a situation with a change in discount rates, The member banks institute inflation by loaning large amounts and then they go to the Reserve banks for loans themselves. "When a movement in prices is under way," he added, "it would be dangerous for an outside agency to interfere with or attempt to alter that current."

At the hearing on April 13, Gov. Strong, according to the Stable Money Association said that the 12 Federal Reserve districts are in effect 12 separate gold standard countries. They are a good exhibition of how the gold standard works. It may be possible in the future to use a gold-settlement fund internationally through the League of Nations in much the same way that the 12 reserve banks now use the gold-settlement fund at Washington.

If the system has an abundance of earning assets which it can sell in order to withdraw currency and credit from the market it can control a runaway inflation of prices, but when we get up against a long, slow decline of prices, due to the psychology of the people or some other cause, what can the Federal Reserve system do then? Congressman Goldsborough, of Maryland, pointed out to him that this legislation was in the nature of a direction of the mental operations of the Federal Reserve authorities, a direction not to indulge in excesses of either inflation or deflation. This legislation would not interfere with the present efforts to control and prevent inflation and deflation, only the possibilities of misunderstanding are infinite. It is in the nature of direction to future managements. Any legislation which will introduce sound doctrine into the minds of the system will be constructive, said Governor Strong. The Stable Money Associations account of the procedings goes on to say:
He specified four possible situations which might result in an era of inflation in this country, as follows:
(1) The intelligence or integrity of the managers of the system might deteriorate, or they might be actuated by improper motives in overextending credit. In this connection he pointed out that commercial bankers have no comprehension of the problems of the Reserve banks, sut the that commercial banks are operated in order to make money, (2) Some future anks are opertaed to render service to all the people. of national future administrator of the Treasury may for some reason under this would cause an increase in the General Price Level and all of the hardships that that inevitably brings.
(3) Congress might enact some legislation which would have the result of lowering the reserve provisions, such as making checks in process of collection count as a part of the bank's reserve; or they might require the Reserve banks to pay interest on deposit balances, thus forcing the Reserve banks to go into the open market in competition with their members in order to earn the mony to pay this interest and requiring them to put out from a billion to a billion and a half dollars of credit, which would bring disastrous inflation and increase the Genral Price Level.
(4) There might be an unavoidable import of gold at a time when the Reserve system had no earning assets to sell to absorb the gold, and the pending legislation does not give any additional powers to enable the Reserve system to handle this situation and prevent inflation and
increase of prices.

Carl Snyder, General Statistician of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York was accorded a hearing by the Committee on April 14, and reference to what he had to say is indicated elsewhere in this issue. Besides our item of last week, the hearings on the bill have been referred to in these columns, March 27, page 1707, and April 3, page 1863. On another page this week we are giving the text of the bill and the statement on it made by Representative Strong in February. After the Committee hearing on April 14, an adjournment for about a week was taken, to give the members of the Federal Reserve Board an opportunity to review the testimony presented. They will then be permitted to appear before the Committee to make any statement desired.

## Governor Seay of Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond

 at Hearing on Bill To Stabilize Prices Gives Views on Foreign FinancingWhile it appears that George J. Seay, Governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richlieu and was present last week before the committee which is holding hearings on the Strong bill to stabilize prices through discount rates, information regarding his testimony has only become available the present week. The questions put to him concerned the credit arranged for the account of the Bank of England and foreign financing generally. Stating that members
oflthe House Banking and currency Committee had indicated aIdesire to question Governor Strong on this policy with a view to securing information upon which to determine whether or not the Federal Reserve system exceeded the authority of law in the $\$ 200,000,000$ British loan agreement, the New York "Journal of Commerce" in its advices from Washington, April 11 reported as follows regarding Governor Seay's testimony.

## Executive Session Offered.

F Representative Louis T. McFadden, chairman of the Banking and Curency Committee, stated to Governor Strong last week that he would ike to have himgo in to make it inadvisable to discuss the matter in public hearings an executive session of the committee would be held to get his views. Recently the committee interrogated Governor George Seay, of the Richmond Federal Reserve Bank on this subject, but failed to get from him, apparently, the information desired.
"There have been at least three versions of this transaction," said Mr. McFadden today when asked to explain the desires of the committee for information on the subject.
"When critics of the administration of the Federal Reserve system became aware of this established credit, they pointed out that apparently there was no authority in law which would permit this, and that clearly it was not the intent of the framers of the act that the sa
of the system should be loaned outside the United States.

## Frozen Assets Possible

It has been pointed out that in an emergency it might mean that the assets which would otherwise be available to the Federal Reserve member banks might become frozen assets and not available for the use of those
banks. Apparently, while not attempting or desiring to criticise the banks. Apparently, while not attempting or desiring to criticise the
worthiness, or perhaps the justification for the granting of a loan or credit of this character to Great Britain, to assist in restablishing the gold standard in that country, the methods by which this loan was granted were questioned. Should the Federal Reserve banking system be used for this purpose, instead of arranging a loan along lines similar to the credit established
through J. P. Morgan \& Co . through J. P. Morgan \& Co.
Some critics pointed out the fact that the Government of the United States itself was holding a large amount of British securities, as well as the securities of other foreign nations, and there is a large amount of private loans to Great Britain outstanding in the United States at this time. They transaction of this character, if it was of supreme intereste system in a transaction of this character, if it was of supreme interest to the United
States that assistance be rendered Great Britain to re-establish herself on a gold basis, that should be a matter of negotiations for the Government. with the approval of the State Department, or an arrangement, with the approval of the State Department, through private banking channels.

## To Take the Lead

"There is a desire for information as to whether or not the Reserve system is to be used, and necessarily used as a stabilizer in taking the lead in a world-wide establishment of the financial systems on a gold basis." arranged this matter and that his bank on the basis of its capitalization, etc., would have apportioned to it between $41 / 2$ and 5 per cent of the proposition. He agreed with Representative Wingo per cent of the promember of the committee, that all that was done was to give to the Bank of England assurances that, pending operations, we would continue for the period of the agreement to invest wherever necessary and pay gold therefor to the extent at least of $\$ 200,000,000$. The policy of the last two years would be continued for three years more or less.
Governor Seay stated that the Federal Reserve system about 1920 or 1921 had about $\$ 600,000,000$ invested in acceptances; at the time he was speaking, the amount was about $\$ 400,000,000$. There was some criticism of the fact that the capital of the system is $\$ 120,000,000$ and the surplus $\$ 220,000,000$, while the investments in question are so much larger.

## Where Loans Are Made.

Are you of the opinion that it is a good plan to loan to foreign Government reserves or make commitments which might absorb the legal reserves of the Federal Reserve system?" Inquired McFadden.
"I do not think we are loaning to a foreign Government," replied Governor Seay.
"But you are buying notes or bills?" Insisted Mr. McFadden. Government."
You are buying them. How?"
"That would be such bills as we might deal in the Bank of England." Are they obligations which would be readily marketable in case of a "I soutbreak or war?" Mr. McFadden asked.
into the open the war broke out. The British Treasury undertook the guaranty of these bills, but so far as those bills are concerned they might be bills of this country we are authorized to purchase."

## The Spirit of the Law

Are you of the opinion that it is the spirit of the Federal Reserve Act that there might be invested these legal reserve deposits or the capital of the system, $\$ 200,000,000$ in foreign securities such as provided in this agreement?" continued Mr. McFadden.
Beyond question," the witness declared. "We have that right to deal Theme or abroad, and no limit placed on that,"
The question has been raised in the minds of a great many people as to the to the authority just what the comme just what the commitment was, explained Mr. McFadden.
credit of this kind $?$ "' he inquired, adding: "I do not invested in a foreign one way or the other, but I want to me. It at at you to answer that question that have been put to you here," that statement, in view of the
"In the first place," replied the witness
anything wrong about this transaction; nothing to to say that there is not fectly welcome, and I am witholding nothing whatever," ectly welcome, and 1 am witholding nothing whatever.'
He was assured by Chairman McFadden
He was assured by Chairman McFadden that it was not the intention of cause him any embarrassment, but that he was the first Federal Reserve governor to come before the committee since the matter first came to its attention, and that it is amatter in which the committee is extremely interested and concerning which they desire all possible facts.

Carl Snyder of Federal Reserve Bank of New York As Hearing on Bill to Stabilize Prices on Demand For Gold in India.
The demand of the Farmers and merchants of India, who make their investments in gold, which they store away against the coming of hard times or in the accumulation of their fortunes, saved the United States from an orgy of raising prices, it was stated before the House Committee on Banking and Currency on April 14, during the hearing on the Strong bill to stabilize commodity prices through numerous discount rates. Carl Snyder of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, in giving his views on the subject is reported to the following effect in the New York "Journal of Commerce.'
The successful planting and harvesting seasons in India, coupled with favorable prices for crops, enabled the people of that country to take $\$ 1,500,-$ York Federal Reserve Bank, declared to-day. With the United States in commanding position with respect to the world's gold, had not this taken place there would have been a period of financial inflation, coupled with rising prices of general commodities, that would have brought about much dissatisfaction among the working people of America.
With so much gold gravitating toward the United States to become a part of the bank reserves, increased loans could be made to industry because of the accompanying low interest rates, with a superfuity of loanable money. That would have permitted of industrial expansion and the procuction of greater surpluses in all lines, upsetting the general stability that efforts

American Bankers Association Urges Adoption
of
McFadden Branch Banking Bill as Passed By
House With Hull Amendments-Opposed to Senate Changes.
Bankers throughout the country have been asked by the American Bankers Association to urge their Senators to support the adoption by the United States Senate of the McFadden bill to amend the Federal Reserve Act as passed by the House without the changes made in it as subsequently reported to the Senate, it was announced by Thomas B. Paton, General Counsel of the Association on April 12. Senate changes include the addition of a rider providing for indeterminate charters for the Federal Reserve banks and the omission of two provisions in the House bill, known as the Hull amendments, aiming to prevent the further spread of branch banking and also to create equitable rights between State and national banks as to branch banking privileges in places where this type of banking now exists. It is the position of the officers of the association, Mr. Paton says, that the bill as passed by the House represents the formally avowed policy of the organization expressed in general convention, whereas the Senate changes are counter to this policy. His communication to association members is in part as follows :
The Senate Committee added the rider for the indeterminate charter of Federal Reserve banks. Our association is on record in favor of such recharter, but as an independent proposition, not coupled with other amendments to the Federal Reserve Act. There is fear on the part of many
bankers that the rider will inject into the discussion controversial questions which will prove fatal to the bill and render fruitless all the tremendous efforts which have been expended in its behalf. The policy of our association, therefore, is to urge upon Senators that the rider be omitted and not considered in connection with the McFadden bill, leaving the recharter provision to be urged as an independent proposition when the McFadden bill is out of the way.
We urge retention of the Hull amendments for two reasons. First, these amendments, which deny city branches or any branches whatever to national banks and State bank members of the Federal Reserve System in banking even though branch banking may hereafter be permitted by the State, were the compromise upon which our members were brought to support the bill.
Second, the best opinion obtainable is that the bill will not be accepted by the House without the Hull amendments. Therefore, aside from urging the Hull amendments as a matter of association policy, they should be urged upon the Senate to insure the success of the bill, for if the Senate rejects them, there is danger that the entire bill will fail.
Some Senators reason that these amendments would give to national banks in 22 States the privilege of city branches which would be denied to national banks in 26 States which might hereafter adopt branch banking, but there is as good reason for these amendments as there is to allow existing members to retain their State-wide branches while denying the privilege of State-wide branches to all in the future. They are therefore consistent with the other provisions of the bill. The underlying purpose of the Hull amendments is to stop branch banking where it is now and check its further growth and if the Hull amendments become law, there is little chance that any present non-branch banking State will hereafter adopt
branch banking, because national and State bank members avould necessarily branch banking, becaus
be arrayed against it.
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Furthermore, the Senate Committee has inserted a provision, not in the House bill, that if a national bank has one or more city branches in a State
which prohibits branches, any other national bank in the city can have the which prohibits branches, any other national bank in the city can have the or two cities in which there is a national bank having one or more branches riginally established under state law not now in force and that it is proposed to permit any other national bank in such a city to establich not more than the maximum number of branches possessed by such other national than
bank.
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However, in Milwaukee, one of such cities, the practical effect would be
ing three whose branches existed before the law was changed in Wisconsin and the eight national banks in the city would be privileged to have a total the State banks of those cities and adds a further complication to the bill, which should be eliminated.
Again, the bill as reported to the Senate provides that "a national bank may maintain and operatu such branch or branches as it may have in operation at the date of the approval of this Act." It appears that there is a situation in Minneapolis where certain national banks established branches
or additional offices at a time when the State law was silent on the subject of branch banking, following which the State law prohibited branch banking. There is a question, we understand, as to the legality of these
branches, but it is feared that the above provision and also the provision branches, but it is feared that the above provision and also the provision
previously referred to, that where a national bank has city branches in a State which prohibits branches any other national bank in the city can have the same number of branches, would permit all the national banks in Min-
neapolis to have city branches which would be denied State banks. The intention, we are advised from Washington, was simply to permit this privilege where national banks had "legal" city branches.

The complications and uncertainties which would follow these Senate amendments afford additional reason why our members should urge upon
their respective Senators that the Senate should reject all these amendments and enact the branch bank provisions as contained in the House bill We are anxious that the McFadden bill should pass this Congress in order that national banks may have needed relief and the branch bank problem be settled in accordance with the plan worked out and agreed upon at the Chicago convention.

## Annual Report of Federal Reserve Board-Reserve Credit Policy-Earnings of Reserve BanksRelations With Foreign Central Banks.

The annual report of the Federal Reserve Board, made public on April 12, states that the outstanding financial developments in 1925 were "the large volume of production and frade financed by the banks of the country and the progress made in the restoration of monetary. stability throughout the world." The report, among other things discusses the Federal Reserve Credit Policy, and the factors which served to delay the raising of the discount rate of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York to $4 \%$, several months after that rate had been adopted in the case of the other Reserve banks. The arrangements to sell gold on credit to the Bank of England, entered into by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, with the participation of the other Reserve banks, is also dealt with in the report, and the relation of the Federal Reserve System to the New York money market is also among the matters which the report treats of. With reference to the earnings and expenses, the report states that gross earnings of the Federal Reserve banks increased $\$ 3,460,000$ during the year, the 1925 earnings at $\$ 41,800,000$ comparing with $\$ 38,340,000$ in 1924. Earnings on discounted bills, the report shows, increased by $\$ 1,737,000$, to $\$ 17,680,000$, and on bills bought in open market by $\$ 3,394,000$, to $\$ 9,104,000$. The current net earnings of the Reserve banks aggregated $\$ 14,273,000$ in 1925, as compared with $\$ 9,909,000$ in 1924 . The Atlanta par clearance case, and the par clearance proceedings against the Federal Reserve banks of Cleveland and San Francisco are also referred to in the report, which we give herewith in full:

Washington, March 221926. Sir: In the year 1925 the outstanding financial developments were the large volume of production and trade financed by the banks of the country and the progress made in the restoration of monetary stability throughout abroad, afforded a broader scope for the operation of the Reserve banks or shown more lfuly the strength nad usefulness of the Reserve System than during the year covered in this, the Board's twelfth annual report.

## Federal Reserve Banks in 1925.

Reserve bank credit outstanding increased in 1925 to meet an export demand for gold amounting to $\$ 135,000,000$, a growth in the domestic curIt is at times when demands of this character arising both at home and from abroad are made that the elasticity and the reserve strength of a banking system is tested. In the absence of provisions for an elastic currency or of ample gold reserves the combined demand during 1925 for currency and for gold would have imposed a serious strain on the credit structure of the country and would have made it necessary for banks to reduce their loans to borrowers. Under the Federal Reserve System, however, the Reserve banks in 1925 were able to make available to member banks the additional credit needed to meet domestic financial requirements, and at the same time to pay out reserves in meeting the demand for gold for export. Through borrowing at the Reserve banks the member banks were able to meet the demand for currency, which at the end of the year brought the volume of money in circulation in this country to the largest total in more than four years, and also to meet the demand for gold from abroad without being under the necessity of restricting credits extended to customers and with a much more moderate increase in the cost of credit than would have occurred in the absence of the facilities furnished by the Reserve banks. Restoration of Gold Standard.
In the international field the event of greatest importance during 1925 was the restoration of the gold standard by the chief trading countries of the world, and the most distinctive achievement of the year in Federal banks for the Bank of England in connection with the re-establishment of a free gold market in London. In giving approval to this arrangement, the details of which are described later in this report, the Federal Reserve Board expressed the belief that such an arrangement would be an effective id to the general resumption of pold payments Later developments have justified this belief. The return of Great Britain to the gold standard was
accompanied and followed by similar action in other countries, with the result that over a wide area gold once more has become the basis of values and the major part of the world's commerce and finance has been relieved of the risks and uncertainties that rise from widely fluctuating exchange
rates. The countries that have resumed gold payments include the largest pates. The countries that have resumed gold payments include the largest products can now be conducted and financed with greater confidence and on a more secure basis.
From the viewpoint of the banking situation in the United States the restoration of the gold standard abroad has the additional significance that to the forces which before more normal and will respond more promptly in trade and credit conditions at home and abroad. The inflow of gold to this country during the period since the Reserve System was organized has been on an unprecedented scale, and has made the problem of credit tive international gold standard the movements of gold between countries will again exercise the corrective influences that experience has shown to be safeguards against unsound credit developments.

## Business Conditions in 1925.

Business and credit conditions in the United States during 1925 are chiefly of interest in this report because of the bearing they have had upon the credit policies pursued by the Federal Reserve System. In its official
monthly publication the Board has discussed currently the business developments of the year and hard pas attention to the increase in industrial activity, the full volume of employment, the large foreign demand for American products, and the relation of this demand to the absorption by American investors of a large volume of foreign securities. The Board has also commented upon the growth in the buying power of industrial workers and farmers, the promptness with which the large volume of production during 1925 has moved through the channels of distribution without an excessive accumulation in the inventories of raw materials or finished prod-
ucts, and the relative stability of the price level. Banking developments and the movement of money rates have also been reviewed currently, with a discussion of the growth of member bank credit in relation to Reserve bank credit, of changes during the year in the volume and character of Reserve bank credit outstanding, and the employment by member banks of their surplus funds either by making loans in the New York money market or in the purchase of investments. No brief summary of the year's business developments in a country where economic conditions are so varied as in the United States can set forth in sufficient detail the particular conditions which have prevailed in different parts of the country and in various lines of industry and trade. For a fuller discussion of business trends in 1925, together with comprehensive business statistics for the year, reference is made to current issues of the "Federal Reserve Bulletin," the Board's monthly medium of communication with member banks.
Looking back upon the business developments in 1925, perhaps the most notable fact has been the conservative attitude generally maintained by the business community at a time when the activity of business was large
 business has so large a growth in industrial activity occurred without giving rise to marked speculative tendencles. During the year there was a growth of speculative activity in the securty market and in some localities markets. 1925 has tended at other times to result in the development of sellers' mar1925 has tewwh fors ors anders, a rise of commodity prices, and an mulation of inventories. In 1925 earnings of business concerns have, in general, been satisfactory, but profits have usually resulted from a larger volume of business rather than from a wider margin between costs and selling prices. Proof of the efficiency of present-day production and transportation and of the character of business sentiment is that in those lines of industry where the growth of activity has been most marked, as in building and in automobiles, prices of materials and of products have either remained constant or declined during the year.
A factor of increasing importance in its influence upon the course of business has been the greater efforts of business concerns to adjust their programs of production to the current changes in the demand for their products. The broader factual basis furnished by current statistics has made it possible for business men to take into account not merely the conditions in their own particular industries, but also the general trend of business. This development of business policies on the basis of the broader information now being made available by Governmental and other agencies carries with it a promise of narrowing the fluctuations in business activity. The number of unknown factors continues to be large and the changes from time to time in the mood and temper of the business community are such that industrial activity cannot be expected to pursue an entirely regular course, but to the extent that those engaged in various ines of industry of business, the alternating periods of boom and depression will become less of business,

## Federal Reserve Credit Policy.

Federal Reserve policies in 1925 were based both upon the statistical indications as to developments in business and credit and upon a judgment as to the prevailing attitude among business men and bankers-the borrowers and lenders of credit. The increase in the use of credit for commercial purposes, taking the year as a whole, was moderate in extent, and the growth in the volume of Reserve bank credit during the year reflects largely an increase in the demand for loans on securities. During the first half of the year this demand was met by the use of funds released through the decline of loans for commercial purposes, while in the latter hall of the year, when the volume of commercial borrowing increased in response to seasonal demands for trade and crop-moving purposes, the continued growth in the demand for com of in the volume of bank credit and in the open market. Board Board aith wefere to dis deciof the year member banks, particularly in New pork. In the first part as a yesult of the dmands made upon the meeting this demand they increased their borrowings at Regerve band in reduced the volume of their own loans and investments. In the banks and of the year with a large seasonal increase in the di. In the latter part member banks for commercial purposes and with a continued demand for loans on securities, the volume of borrowing, particularly by demand for in the larger cities, increased rapidly at certain of the Reserve bants Prob lems of Federal Reserve policy arising durine the year, therefore, may be divided into these two periods, and the considerations which influence the Board in its action in the early part of the year and near the close will be discussed separately
Early in 1925 the two most important influences affecting the money market were the seasonal return flow of currency and the withdrawal of
gold for export. The return of currency to the Reserve banks is usually
in large volume during the opening month of the year, and in January 1925
it amounted to approximately $\$ 200,000,000$ and was accompanied usual seasonal flow of funds from the interior to New York. The return of currency from domestic circulation during January was in larger volume than gold exports and there was consequently a rapid decline in discount ticularly at the New York Reserve Bank, increased she of discounts, par of further withdrawal of gold for export, which continued after the seasonal return of currency ceased, and because of a sale by Reserve banks of about $\$ 200,000,000$ of securities. The volume of discounts at the banks of banks at the end of February was larger than at any time since the midde of 1924. The larger demand for credit and the increased volume the middle edness of member banks at Reserve banks resulted in a somewhat higher level of money rates in the open market, and on Feb. 27 the New York Federal Reserve Bank increased its discount rate from $3 \%$, the rate established during the exceptionally low level of money rates in the summer of 1924, to $31 / 2 \%$. Thus during the first two months of the year the System's credit policy was expressed both in an advance in the discount rate at the New York bank and in a reduction in its holdings of United States Government securities.
During the remainder of the year the open market policy of the Reserve System was to maintain its holdings of Government securities at a practically constant level, with the consequence that the seasonal growth in the demand for Reserve bank credit in the second half of the year was met through increased discounting and through larger sales of bankers' acceptbank credit between midsummer and the end of the year volume of Reserve $\$ 500,000,000$, an amount that corresponded roughly to the increase during he same period in 1924, and reflected in large part the seasonal growth in the demand for currency. The growth of $\$ 175,000,000$ in acceptance holdings of Reserve banks during this period, which brought them to about the same level as at the close of 1924, was in accordance with the usual dedrawn to finance agricultural year when a large volume of acceptances is drawn to finance agricultural exports. The increase in the volume of acceptances outstanding, together with the rise in the open market rates for money, were factors influencing the volume of acceptances offered for sale acceptances the buying rates on bills growth in the System's holdings of acceptances the buying rates on bills were advanced. The growth in the volume of than the increase in accentance at the Reserve banks was larger, counts was particularly outside of New York. During thi member banks in the financial centres be used in carrying securities thas period the larger demand for credit to rate, and there was a large flow reflected in an advance in the call loan market to be employed in making loans ont-of-town funds to the New York however, during this period were not increasingties. The New York banks, ter. The rapid growth in security loans by bank their loans of this characwas accompanied, furthermore, by an by banks outside of New York City than seasonal in character, which resulted in a more volume of commercial loans than had occurred during this advance in the of the two preceding years, and was reflected during this period in either for commercial paper in the open market.ected in an increase in the rates rates, and of the growth both in member bank and in Reserve in money particularly outside of New York, a series of advances in dise bank credit, made in November. On Nov. 10 the rate at the Bost discount rates was from $31 / 2$ to $4 \%$, and this was followed by similar advances ink was raised Cleveland, Philadelphia and San Francisco, so that by the end the rates at discount rates at all the Reserve banks, except that of New York the month $4 \%$. The rate of the New York bank, however, which had been advanced from 3 to $31 / 2 \%$ in February, remained at that level until been advanced of the year. In the decision not to advance the rate at the New York bank at the time that the other rate advances were made the Federal Reserve Bank of New York and the Federal Reserve Board took into consideration the fact that member banks in New York City up to November had shown but little growth in their loans on securities and in their borrowings at the Reserve bank. It was also recognized that the discount rate at the the York bank, because of its close relation to the central market, exercises arger influence upon prevailing rates for commercial borrowing than do absence of evidence of a pecufative attitude among the commercial users of credit, the Reserve Sysem was unwiling, for the purpose of exercising a measure of restraint raise these who were borrowing in order to carry or deal in securities, to direction dustry dustry at the time of the seasonal peak in the volume of commercial borof agricultural products有
The New York money market, furthermore, is the point of contact with foreign central money markets, and changes in money rates in New York autumn mothe whe international movement of funds and of gold. In the imports, there was a seasonal trade movements tend to bring about gold view of the in was a net movement of gold to the United States, and, in in this country, the desira gold imports have upon the banking situation was a factor in the desirability of not adding further to the gold inflow York bank in we deciscount rate at the New credit demands and of the passing of the seasonal United States, the rate $4 \%$, the level prevailing at the $31 / 2$ to

In contrast to the banks.
open market transactions were an important phase tharing 1923-24, when policy, the year 1925 was one during which changes in theserve credit holdings of the Federal Reserve banks after the opening in the open market were relatively small. Purchases and sales in the open market during the market at the time chiefly in connection with developments in the money of December, whe of the quarterly tax payment periods and near the end quarterly tax payment holiday demand for currency was at a peak. At Treasury, through the periods the large operations of the United States a temporary influence of the Federal Reserve banks money market, and it has been the policy holdings in such a way as to diminish the disturbancest their open market would otherwise result from the Thish the disturbances in the market which 1925 the Federal Reserve banks, throury's operations. Also at the end of United States securities in the open market, purchase of $\$ 50,000,000$ of reducing the temporary pressure on the seasonal peak of the currency demand. The action of the time of the in buying or selling securities at these times tends to reserve banks market short-time disturbances that would otherwise however, regards these minor operations in the open occurket The Board, to the general and primary purpose of open market policy incidental with refer the Reserve banks' holdings of Government securities and major with reference to general credit conditions and in accordance with the
principles more fully described in the tenth annual report of the Federal
Reserve Board.
Purchases Federal Reserve Banks and the Acceptance Mar'
Purchases of acceptances by the Reserve banks in the open market are and in the influencest character from dealings in Government securities, similar to discount securities, where the operations. In contrast to operations in Government banks, sales of acceptances to the Surchase or sale is taken by the Reserve of member banks and dealers the system are made largely on the initiative cceptance has a the financing of foreign trade trument of prime security furnishes employment for short time bankinfunds. Prior to the establishment of the Reserve System, the absence of such a market for bills in the United States was a factor in hensing a large part of American foreign trade to be financed in London, where there was a well-organized bill market. In order to encourage the use of the aceept ance in this country, provision was made in the Reserve Act giving member banks authority to accept bills of exchange and to deal in giving member giving the Reserve banks authority to discount and to purchase acceptances. It has been one of the functions of the Reserve System, therefore, to assist in development of a national discount market, to encourage the use of dollar credits in our foreign trade, and to promote the growth in the volume of short-term paper based on commercial transactions available to banks for In employment of liquid funds.
In pursuance of their policy of encouraging the acceptance market, the Reserve banks have stood ready at all times to purchase such eligible billes ecause of this policy of the Restrve bank by the Reserve banks. It is rates all offerings of ligible bills that banks to purchase at their buying heir effect upon the credit situation are similar bank holdings of bills in ince they represent for the mition are Reserve bank funds. It is, furthermore, the plication of member banks for ever to sell purchased acceptances, but to practice of the Reserve banks paper, to maturity. This is in contrast to carry them, like rediscounted tates securities, which are undertaken the initiative of sales of United in the light of the meneral credit situation a The extent of the devei lishment of the System is indicated by the patace tanding at the end of 1995 ated the fact that the acceptance has found an ince approximately $\$ 75,00,000$. In general, and the volume of bills season and from of bills outstanding generally fluctuates from season to of the accetances purb whanges in trade resented imports, $31 \%$ exports, shipment or starage of anancing the domests The extent to whe good
rade of the United States is brought is now used in financing the foreign more important commodities underlying aceepance, whe several of the serve banks during 1925 are compared with the total movemen the commodities in our import and export trade during that year. The fisure represent only such acceptances as were purchased outright by the Reserve anks and constituted only a part of the total volume of aceptance drawn
 right by the Reserve obanks during the year, $78 \%$ or $\$ 410,000,000$, repre ented exports of cotton, grain, copper and lard and meat. This sum was , the total exports of these commodities during the year. Of the $\$ 631,000,000$ of purchased bills based on imports, $60 \%$, or $\$ 376,000$ 000 , covered imports of silk, coffee, sugar, and wool, a sum equal to $32 \%$ of the total imports of those four commodities into the United States dur ing the year. Detailed figures on commodities underlying bills purchased by the Reserve banks will be given in the complete report. The followin table presents a summary of these figures and compares them with the ex port and import of certain commodities:
CCEPTANCES PURCHASED BY RESERVEFBANKS BASED ON CERTAI ${ }^{1 \times 123}$

| Commodity. | Bills Bought Outright by the Federal Reserve Banks Based on EachCommodity | Forelgn Trade in Each Commodity. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cotton |  | Exports. <br> \$1,059.751,000 |
| Grains | 58,215,000 | $81,059,751,000$ $245,456,000$ |
| Copper | 34,669,000 | 160,933,000 |
| Lard an | 17,164,000 | 236,351.000 |
| Total for four export commodities | \$409,691,000 | \$1,702,491,000 |
| Sink | \$136,886,000 | Imports. |
| Coffee | 115,100,000 | 8486,212,000 |
| Suga | 84,517,000 | 246,008,000 |
|  | 39,563,000 | 215,886,000 |
| Total for four import commodities. | \$376,066,000 | 51,193,211,000 |

Corresponding to our increased foreign trade, the total volume of accept ances drawn and outstanding during 1925 was larger than in 1924, and the Mropber banks in the finanered to the Reserve banks was also greater. ances outstanding are of Reserve bank ace cara, whan during the in need of a larger volume a portion of this rowing. The level of money rates in the system in preference to direct borcrease the volume of accentances offered to open market also tended to inother forms of investment yielded more to the Reserve banks, both becanse tending to increase the dealers, portfolios ind because the 1024, thu acceptances on borrowed money at prevailing relative the carrying of profitable than a year ago
Legal provisions and Board
ceptances by the Reserve banks regulations relating to the purchase of ac have authority to buy indorsed bills arising out of import Reserve banks actions, and out of the domestic shipment or storage of readily mort trans staple commodities, and also to buy bills created for the purpotable nishing dollar exchange abroad. In maturity, bills to be eligible for chase by the Reserve banks must have not more than 90 days to for purless they arise out of the marketing of agricultural products or out uneign trade, in which case the limit of maturity is six months. The total volume of acceptances purchased by the Reserve system during 1925 was $\$ 2,961,000,000$, as compared with $\$ 2,172,000,000$ in 1924 , and the daily average of acceptance holdings was $\$ 287,000,000$, falling seasonally r $868,000,000,000$ in January to $\$ 200,000,000$ in August and rising to $\$ 368,000,000$ in December. The large volume of acceptances bought during
the year in comparison with the much smaller total of average holdings
illustrates the highly liquid character of these bills and their rapid turnover. Of the total bills purchased by the System during 1925, $28 \%$ were bought outright from member banks, $29 \%$ represented outright purchases from dealers and others, and $43 \%$ purchases from dealers with agreement to resell at the expiration of not more than fifteen days. Reserve bank opera-
tions in acceptances, therefore, enable the System to maintain direct contions in acceptances, therefore, enable the System to maintain direct con-
tact with portions of the market other than member banks. Through its tact with portions of the market other than member banks. Through its
readiness to take all bills offered at its buying rate, the System has given readiness to take all bils offered at itts buying rate, the System has
those who use acceptances to finance their operations and investors in these acceptances a steady market for their bills at a fairly constant rate in case they wish to dispose of them prior to maturity. The development of the bill market and the freedom of the market from rapid fluctuations in rates, to which the policy of the Reserve banks in regard to the purchase of ac-
ceptances has contributed in an important way, have resulted in making funds for the financing of agricultural and other exports available at the funds for the financing of agriculurat
lowest and steadiest rate in the market.

During recent years, and particularly in 1925, many foreign countries in re-establishing a stable relationship between their currencies and gold have adopted the policy of holding a portion of their reserves as balances or in The central banks of those countries, which have contral money markion ships with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, have held a part of their foreign funds on deposit with that bank and have from time to time instructed it to invest these funds on their account in prime commercial bills in the New York market. The volume of such purchases of acceptances by in 1925 than in previous years, owing to the growth in the number of countries maintaining exchange stability. Bills held by the Reserve banks on account of foreign correspondents at the close of 1925 were $\$ 65,000,000$, of 1923.

Relation Between Reserve Banks and Foreign Central Banks.
In addition to purchasing acceptances for the account of foreign central banks, the Federal Reserve banks have other transactions with these banks of a character that is customary between central banks of different coun-
tries. A considerable number of foreign central banks have established correspondent relationships with the Federal Reserve banks, and among the various types of transactions which have been carried out by the Reserve banks for account of their foreign correspondents have been the carrying of deposits, the earmarking, purchase and sale of gold and the making ar
loans upon gold as security. The Federal Reserve Act, in giving the Fedloans upon gold as security. The Federal Raserve Act, in giving the Fedconduct banking operations abroad, provides that, with the consent and cable transfers, bankers' acceptances, and bills of exchange, may deal in gold coin or bullion at home or abroad, make loans on gold, open and ish asencies in such countries for the purpose of buying and selling bills of exchange and open and maintain banking accounts for foreign correspondents. During the first ten years of operation of the Federal Reserve System its activities in the foreign field were in relatively small volume, largely because of the disturbed monetary conditions abroad. Correspondent relationships with certain of the principal foreign central banks, however, issue were added to the list of the System's foreign correspondents. In the early years the transactions with these foreign correspondents were largely for purposes related to the war, but more recently they have been chient
the outcome of operations in connection with programs adopted by the various foreign countries in the re-establishment of gold as a basis of their monetary systems. In this connection, loans secured by gold were made by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, with participation of all the other Reserve banks, to the Bank of Poland and to the banking office of the Ministry of Finance of Czechoslovailia, and arrangements were made to buy prime commercial bills from the Bank of Belgium, when and if desired any foreign central bank, however, was that made with the Bank of England during 1925.
On April 281925 the British Chancellor of the Exchequer announced that the law of 1920 prohibiting gold exports for a period of five years, except under special license, would be permitted ank of England would be given a general license to export gold. Control of gold exports in Great Britain, which from the outbreak of the war until the legal prohibition in 1920 had been by informal methods, applied after that time to exports of all gold with the exception of newly-mined gold produced in the British Dominions and imported into England. In removing restrictions upon gold exports the British Government considered it essential to obtain the assurance of foreign credits upon which England could draw during the transition period in case its ability to maintain a free gold market was threatened
by heavy withdrawals of gold. In these circumstances the Bank of Engby heavy withdrawals of gold. In these circumstances the Bank of Eng-
land applied to the Federal Reserve System for the right to draw upon the land applied to the Federal Reserve System for the right to draw upon the
Reserve banks for gold up to an amount of $\$ 200,000,000$, if required, over Reserve banks for gold up to an amount of $\$ 200,000,000$, if required, oved a period of two years. At the same time the British Government of bankers
for an additional credit of $\$ 100,000,000$ with a private group of in this country. In approving the arrangement entered into with the Bank of England, the Board acted on the conviction that the re-estabishment of the gold standard would be an important step in the direction of the restoration of monetary stability throughout the stability stabinty. American exporters business had been exposed for a decade to the hazard alues would by the ing with countries having currencies with unstable values would, by the re-establishment of the be onger be disturbed by the continuous and uncontrollable inflow of gold which had been for more than years the principal cause of a rapid growth in bank credit. With the principal money markets of the world once more free gold markets and the exchanges between them stable, the flow of funds between make to freely to differences in money rates and credit conditions. Thus the resumption of gold payments by the chief trading countries of the world would furnish a basis for the functioning of those forces which before the maintain a close contact those forces which before the war had op
between the money markets of the world

Moved by these considerations the Federal Reserve Board approved the rrangement entered into by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, with the participation of the other Reserve banks, with the Bank of England. Under this arrangement the Federal Reserve Bank of New York undertook to sell gold on credit to the Bank of England from time to time during the sellowing two years, but not to exceed $\$ 200,000,000$ outstanding at any orie time. The credit was to bear interest to the extent that it was actually used at a rate of $1 \%$ above the New York Reserve Bank's discount rate, ally used at a rate $4 \%$ and a maximum of $6 \%$, or, if the Federal Reserve
discount rate exceeds $6 \%$, then at the discount rate of the bank. The rate of interest to be paid by the British Government on the credit which it estabhisied with private bankers was to be determind a ald place man. ner. Upon the purchase of gold the Bank of England would place on its deposs to the creart of the Fedras rese fit deposit in pounds sterling. This deposit might be used from time to time by arrangement with the Bank oill be guaranteed by the Bank of England, and in that a discount earned on the bills would be applied to the paymer interest or principal of this credit outstanding at the end of two years was guaranteed by the British Treasury The System's arrancement, however, was strictly a banking transaction with the Bank of England and not in any sense an agreement with the British Government. Since the restoration of the gold standard in Great Britain, banking developments in that country have been such that no necessity ha
Reserve banks
The arrangements entered into between the Bank of England and the Federal Reserve Bank of New. York involved no commitment as to the policies to be pursued by either bank in dealing with domestic credit con
ditions or with changes in discount rates. The lower level of discount rates, which has prevailed in the United States compared with England throughout 1925 , has reflected differences in the credit conditions in the two countries. In the United States bank funds have been abundant as the result both of the large growth in the country's gold reserves during the preceding four years and of the continuous creation of additional wealth on the other hand, has been obliged to adapt its credit policy to the protection of its gold reserves, exposed for the first time in a decade to withdrawal at the option of the public, and in addition to so manage the funds available in the market, which since the autumn of the year has been expansion of bank credit.
It has been the policy of the Federal Reserve Board to make public full statements of any arrangements entered into with foreign banks. The character of these transactions, particularly as affecting the monetary and banking position of other countries, makes it impossible to issue statements advance of the completion of the arrangements. Whenever arrange-
ments have been completed, however, the Board statements of all essential facts. This was done in regard to the arrangement with the Bank of England in the "Federal Reserve Bulletin" for June, immediately following the final completion of the arrangement and the approval by the Federal Reserve Board. Full details concerning the current position of the foreign accounts of the Federal Reserve banks are published in the regular weekly condition statement of these banks.
This statement shows the amounts due to and due from foreign banks, the This statement shows the amounts due to and due from foreign banks, the volume of outstanding foreign loans on gold, and the Reserve banks' con-
tingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents. In this tingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents. In this respect the System has pursued its general policy of full publicity for all its operations in so far as is consistent with the confidential relat
isting between any bank and its customers and correspondents.
isting between any bank and its customers and correspondent.
In the System's dealings with foreign central banks the immediate operating relations and the correspondence are conducted by the New York Reserve Bank, which is located in the country's central money market and at the point of contact whe centralicipy markets on foresn ess in the System's eign operations and the conduct of these operations is under the general eign operations, ane the has authority to ity to approve or to require the estabishment or foreig through the actual practice in administration, the point of view of the Reserve System as a whole is maintained in connection with policies pursued in the
Relation of Federal Reserve System to the New York Money Market. In addition to the dealings with foreign central banks there are other operations of the Reserve System that whole rather than with reference to to credit condions the las purely Regore with representatives of the various seccreated the Felers to deal with questions of System policy, to have gentions of the cold the Reserve banks, and to establish rules and regulaeral supervision of the business. Among the operations of the Re tions serve banks the sales and for this renson the banks open market, and romittee of operating officers of the Reserve banks, which carried a coltions to the Federal Reserve Board and to the directors of the Reserve banks. While purchases and sales of securities in the open of the under this arrancement, considered from a System point of view and with reference to business and credit conditions throughout the country.
The New York money market is national in scope, and the member banks in New York City, because of the system of correspondent relationship which characterizes American banking, carry balances for interior banks, both members of the Federal Reserve System and non-members, and lend funds received from out-of-town banks in the money market. It is in the New York money market that sales and purchases of securties for account large issues ants of the United States are largely made, It is to New York houses that issue and distribute securities that investors in all parts of the country turn to purchase stocks and bonds. Thus the sources of the funds that flow into the New York money market are country-wide, and the uses to which these funds are put also represent demands that arise in all parts of the country, particularly in connection with the purchase, sale and carrying of securities. Changes in the condition of the New York money market, therefore, which are reflected in the changes in the volume of funds in New York and in changes in money rates in that market, are and banking conditions in all parts of the country.
In 1925, with a relatively small growth in the local demand for credit for financing current industrial and trade operations, there was a continued and large flow of funds from out-of-town banks to the New York money market. In the preceding year, with the exceptionally low level of cal loan rates, these out-of-town funds were maintained as bankers' balances with the New York member banks, and were used by those banks in making loans on securities. During 1925, however, as call loan rates advanced above the level of interest paid upon bankers' balances, interior banks converted portions of their balances with New York banks into direct loans upon securities for their own account, with the consequence that without
any resulting change in the volume of any resulting change in the volume of funds available in New York there was a large decrease in bankers' balances and a large growth in loans on stocks and bonds for account of banks outside New York City. The growth
in loans on securities in 1925, particularly by member banks outside New

York City, followed upon a rapid increase in the volume of these loans in
1924 and carried the total at the end of the year to a higher level than at 1924 and carried the total at the end of the year to a higher level than at
any previous time. The larger use of bank credit in carrying securities during the past two years has reflected the demand for credit to securities distribution of the excentionally large volume of new issues that were pe the upon the market, together with the increased credit requirements due to the rising level of security prices.
Throughout the latter part of 1925 the level of call loan rates was conexperience has shown that in general it is not necessary to Bank. Recent
naintain count rate above the prevailing level of call loan rates in order to prevent member banks from borrowing at the Reserve banks for the purpose o increasing their loans on securities. Member banks generally recognize that the proper occasion for borrowing at the Reserve bank is for the purpose funds available out of the member banks' own resources; borrowing fro the Reserve bank for the purpose of enlarging their own operations is not considered a proper use of Reserve bank credit either by the member bank sible to determine to what use a member bank puts the credit obtaine from the Reserve bank. Member banks generally borrow to make up de ficiencies in their reserve balances incurred as the net result of all of thei-
operations, and it is seldom possible to trace the connection between rowings of a member bank at the Reserve bank and the specific transac tions that gave rise to the necessity for borrowing. In the infrequent in stances where there has been evidence that member banks have borrowed at the Reserve banks and at the came time have been increasing their loans that it was possible for them to adjust their Reserve position to them changes in their short-time loan accounts rather than by recourse to the Reserve banks.
the hile the uses to which individual banks put the credit obtained from the Reserve banks are almost impossible of determination, the Federal Reserve System is in a position to observe changes in the total volume of Reserve bank credit and of member bank credit not only for the country as general character of the growth in member bank can furthermore note the the demand for Reserve bonk relit. Under loans and the elements in vailed in the autumn of 1925, when the growth in member largely in loans on securities, and when the growth in Reserve bank credit was larger than the seasonal demand for zurrency, it was evident that a purpose of building up their reserve purpose or considerably in the later reserve requirements which occasioned the additional The increase in turn due in part to the growth in deposit liabilities arising from the increased volume of security loans. Considerations of this character were among the factors taken into account in November 1925, when the series of put into effect.
In view of the importance and the magnitude of the market for call and time loans on the New York Stock Exchange, and of the position this market occupies in the financial organization of the country, and particularly in the relation between member banks in New York City and their out-of-town correspondents to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, the Board deaded at the end of 1925 to extend its reporting System by undertaking the weekly publish current information on the volume of loans made by ers in securities. and dealers by the reporting banks on their own account, on to broker out-of-town banks, and on account of others. The publication of these fig ondition will be given out currently as part of the weekly statement of ments in the money market and will put the lending banks, the mollowe and the investing public in a better position to form a sound judgment the credit situation. These reports will also furnish to the Reserve System fuller information concerning the relation between changes in loans made by member banks to inance security transactions and the borrowings by these banks at the Federal Reserve banks.

Credit Problems of Reserve Banks Outside of Financial Centres,
The relationship between the Reserve banks and member banks at financial centres, which has been briefly discussed, is difierent from the rela markets and where rates charged to customers by mem organized money slowly and are at all times considerably above the Reserve bank dise rate. At the Reserve banks located in the larger money markets memb banks use a relatively large proportion of their funds in loans on securiti and in the purchase of commercial paper or acceptances all of securitie rates fixed in the open market and subject to relatively wide and capy changes. At Reserve banks in such districts the discount rate is more fective in influencing the demand for Reserve bank credit than banks in districts where the bulk of member bank funds is used in makin loans to regular customers at rates that respond but slowly to changes in he general credit situation.
In addition to changes in the discount rate as a means of influencing the volume of borrowing by member banks, the Federal Reserve Act and the rules and regulations of the Board establish rules of eligibility for paper that member banks may rediscount or may use as collateral in borrowing at the Reserve banks. These requirements as to eligibility were intended not only to safeguard the liquidity and soundness of the assets of the Reserve banks, but also to act as limitations on the extent of borrowings by member banks. In view of the large volume of United States Government securities owned by member banks and available as collateral for advances at the Reserve banks, however, the limitations on eligibility of paper for discount, though they may in some cases be an influence on the volume of borrowing by an individual member bank, are not a considerable factor limiting the borrowing capacity of member banks as a whole. The Reserve banks in the districts outside of the financial centres, therefore, in passing upon the loan applications of member banks consider not only the legal eligibility and sonndness from the credit point of view of the paper preented for rediscount or as collateral for an advance, but also the general position of the borrowing bank, the volume and character of its outstand ing loans and investments, and to some extent the character of its mannered by the consideration enced by the consideration that funds obtained from the Reserve bank on the best possible security may be utized by the borrowing member bank would bave under these of rduce the ability of the borrowing member a preser to The Reserve banks further realize that while protecting the depositors ofs. The rer bank by refusing to assist it in extending unafe lopss they a also protecting the bank's borrowers from incurring obligations which they
may not be able to repay. A bank loan obtained under such circumstances is in most cases of no real assistance to the borrower, but on the contrary dition. Tu fundamental interit for him to regain a sound financial conand of the community, which suffers in case of the bank's failu a bank best served by the maintenance by the bank of a sound and cautious lending policy. In encouraging the borrowing bank of a sound and cautious lending cy the Reserve banks act in accordance with the law creating them, which had as one of its purposes the establishment of a more effective supervision of banking in the United States.

Operations of the Federal Reserve System.
In the preceding pages there has been presented, as a background for the discussion of the Reserve System's activities, a brief survey of business and banking developments in 1925. The following sections of this report will ral Reserve banks and of member banks, and will condition of the Fedperations of the Federal Remerve banks, and will give an account of the tive matters with which the Federal Reserve Board has dealt during 1925.

## ondition of the Federal Reserve Banks.

During the year 1925 the volume of Reserve bank eredit outstanding increased by about $\$ 250,000,000$ to the largest total since the close of 1921. This increase in the demand for Reserve bank credit was due to the extent of about $\$ 135,000,000$ to an export demand for gold, which member banks obtained from the Reserve banks; to the extent of about $\$ 50,000,000$ it was, due to a growth in deposits, consisting chiefly of member bank bal ances and made necessary by an increase in the member banks' deposit lia bilities, and to the extent of about $\$ 65,000,000$ to an increase in the demand upon the Reserve banks for currency. Nis growth in the currency demands upon the Reserve system reflected only to a minor extent (about $\$ 15,000,000$ ) a growth in the volume of money in circalation, while for the most part it was due to the withdrawal from circulation by the Treas ury of about $\$ 50,000,000$ of national bank notes, with a consequent need by the public of a corresponding amount of other currency to be supplied In Reserve bank.
In an analysis of the factors explaining the increase in the volume of Re serve bank credit outstanding at the end of 1925 as compared with the end of the preceding year, it appears, therefore, that gold exports account for more than one-half of the total, and that in circulation were a relatively mor factor. In the flactuations of the
 the principal influence. This is Resers blit as lue Reorv Reservs of bills and in circulation, the figure used being the averag of the thene ning and at the end of the month Seasonal peaks in the demand for cur ning and at in then volume of Peserve bank predit is also in the it is at that time that the volume of Reserv with the return flow demand for Reserve bank credit declines, and both money in circnlation and Reserve bank credit senerally deach a low point in mid in circulation currency demand for crop moving and autumn trade begins followed by th Christmas holiday demand, which carries the volume of currency and of Reserve bank credit to the highest level at the close of the year
The position of the Reserve banks, as indicated by the principal items in the condition statement for Dec. 311924 and Dec. 301925 is shown below

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Bills discounted $-\ldots . . . . . . . . .-~$
United States Govern't securities
Other securities
Foreign loand on gold
Due from foreign bank
Total deposits.

bank reserve account | $\$ 3,047,054,000$ | $82,822,133,00$ |
| ---: | ---: |
| $1.249,438,000$ | $1,500,827,00$ |
| $314,128,000$ | $749,672,00$ |
| $387,100,000$ | $362,818,00$ |
| $540,160,000$ | $377,032,00$ |
| $2,050,000$ | $3,205,00$ |
| $6,000,000$ | $8,100,00$ |
| 641,000 | 642,00 |
| $1,862,062,000$ | $1,835,010,00$ |
| $2,310,668,000$ | $2,357,141,00$ |
| $2,220,436,000$ | $2,308,614,00$ |
| $73 . \%$ |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  | Ratio of reserves to deposits \& notes

Continge
Contingent liability on bills pur-
chased for foreign correspondents
s42,683,000 change was an increase from $\$ 314,000,000$ during the year the important member banks, and a decrease from $\$ 540,000,000$ to $\$ 377,000,000$ in hold ings of United States securities. Deposits of the Reserve banks increased by about $\$ 46,000,000$, while Federal Reserve notes in circulation decrease by $\$ 27,000,000$. Cash reserves of the Reserve banks declined by $\$ 225$, 000,000 , partly as the result of gold exports and partly in consequence of the contimued policy of some of the Reserve banks of paying gold certifi$67.3 \%$, the lowest ratio in nearly five years
Contingent liability of the Reserve banks on bills purchased for foreig end of December to more than $\$ 65,000,000$

## ondition of Member Banks

The large volume of business and financial activity during 1925 was reflected in a growth of member bank credit that carried loans and invest ments of member banks at the end of the year to over $\$ 31,000,000,000$, a larger total that at any previous time. The increase for the year was about $\$ 2,173,000,000$, nearly all of which represented an increase in the member stant luring as the volume of their investrments remained relatively conlargely in the form of loans on securities is indicated by figures for report ing member banks in leading cities, which showed for the year 1925 increase of nearly $\$ 1,200,000,000$ in total loans and of about $\$ 1,100,000,000$ in loans on securities. Among the factors accounting for the rapid gowth in member bank loans on securities have been the exceptionally heavy volume of domestic and foreign securities floated during the year, and the rise in security values, which made necessary a larger volume of credit for financing transactions in securities. The relatively small growth of loans for commercial and industrial purposes during a year of active business was due in part to the cautious attitude of business in reference to-inventories, to an increase in the rapidity of merchandise turnover, to a great improvement in the efficiency of the transportation system, to a continued repayment of frozen loans, and to the poincy of many corporations to fund their bank loans through the issue of long-term securities. Demand deposit of member banks increased by $\$ 1,284,000,000$ during the year and time dine chined by $\$ 327,000,000$, the decrease taking place in the early part of th correspondents into loans on securities on their own account. Bankers'
balances had increased very rapidly in 1924, when money rates were excepfor country banks to employ them in making collateral loans rather than to keep them as balances with banks in financial centres. The increase for the year in total deposits of member banks was about $\$ 1,867,000,000$,
compared with a growth in loans and investments of $\$ 2,173,000,000$. The excess of the growth in loans and investments over the increase in deposits has been accompanied by an increase of $\$ 355,000,000$ in the member banks' borrowings. In the following table are shown the principal items in the condition statement of member banks at the end of 1924 and of 1925, together with changes for the year:

|  | Dec. 311924. | Dec. 311925. | Inc. or Dec. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of bank | 9,587 | 9,489 | 98 |
| Loans | \$20,181,309,000 | 822,275,285,000 | + \$2,093,976,000 |
| Investments | 8,845,279.000 | 8,924,231,000 | +78.952,000 |
| Loans and investments Demand deposits * | $\begin{array}{r}29,026,588,000 \\ 17 \\ \hline 766.469 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $31,199,516,000$ <br> 19.050 <br> 160 | +2,172,928.000 |
| Time deposits | 9,804,738,000 | 10,653,028,000 | $+1,283,991,000$ $+848,209,000$ |
| United States deposits | 242,482,000 | 304,131,000 | +61,649,000 |
| Due to banks | 4,547,963,000 | 4,220,582,000 | -327,381,000 |
| Total deposits -...........-- | 32,361,652,000 | $34.228,201,000$ | $\begin{array}{r} +1,866,549,000 \end{array}$ |
| Bllls payable7and ${ }^{\text {reediscounts... }}$ | 656,743,000 | 1.011,812.000 | $\begin{array}{r} +355.069 .000 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |

Operating Functions of the Federal Reserve Banks.
In considering the relations between member banks and the Reserve banks, emphasis is generally placed on the amount of accommodation extended by these banks to individual member banks or to all member banks combined. From the point of view of the service rendered by the System to its members, however, interest attaches to the number of member bank ber use the discount facilicies of the Reserve bank. During 1925 the num 5,183 , indicating that in the course of the year discount of paper was member banks received Changes from month do Changes from month to month and from year to year in the number of changes in the amount of perve bank erelit required by the member banks. Thus in November 1925 the total volume of paper the member the Reserve banks was $\$ 2,538,000,000$, compared with $\$ 3,331,000,000$ in October, while the number of banks accommodated increased from 2,796 to 2,876 ; and for the year 1925 the number of member banks discounting one or more times at the Reserve banks was 5,183 , compared with 6,941 in 1920, when the demand for Reserve bank credit was at the peak, and 1925 it was $\$ 32563,000$ for the entire year was $\$ 85,321,000,000$, while in much assistance to member banks at certain times as larger discounts are at other times, and the extent to which member banks use the discounting facilities of the Reserve banks is reflected in the number of banks that apply for accommodation, a number which even at times of a relatively small demand for Reserve bank credit includes in the course of a year a majority of the member banks.
In addition to discounting and open market operations, which affect the total volume of Reserve bank credit in use and are the principal channels through which the System expresses its credit policy, the Federal Reserve banks continuously render a large number of other services to member and nou-member banks. These other services include the handling of member bank reserves, the supplying of currency, the collection and clearance of transfer of funds by wire, and the safekeeping of and coupons), the banks. In addition to these services rendered directly to banks are those rendered by the Reserve banks functioning as fiscal agents and depositaries af the Federal Government.
During 1925 the total volume of checks cleared through the Reserve System aggregated more than $\$ 250,000,000,000$, and since the bulk of these checks were deposited by member banks this indicates that the members to the averare tions from day to transac their accounts. It is accounts and make payments to be charged against these ances with the Reserve banks, th which po interest is paid, are idle assets available for no purpose other than to meet lemal requirements. On the contrary, in addition to their use as reserves, member bank balances are available as clearing accounts through which member banks can make continuous settlements with other banks in the most expeditious and economical manner. In their clearing operations, the twelve Reserve banks handled during the year a total of $779,000,000$ items.

In 1925 the Reserve banks collected practically free of cost to member $\$ 7,000,000,000$ items (drafts, notes and coupons) aggregating nearly Government coupons in the aggregate amount of $\$ 681,000,000$, and the handling of over $5,000,000$ of other non-cash items in the aggregate amount of $\$ 6,116,000,000$. In this year, also, the banks made $1,566,000$ transfers of funds by wire over the telegraph wires of the Federal Reserve System or an aggregate amount of approximately $\$ 110,000,000,000$.
In supplying currency and coin to member banks and for their account aiso to non-members the Reserve banks pay out, receive, count and ship to and from out-of-town banks notes and coin, and also redeem and replace unfit notes turned in from circulation. Currency and coin received and counted during the past year exceeded $\$ 12,000,000,000$, or more than double the total amount of money in circulation
The fiscal agency operations of the Reserve banks include the sale and delivery of Government securities newly issued, the redemption of securities called for payment or matured, denominational exchanges, interchanges of coupon and registered bonds, transfers of ownership, purchases of securi-
 ment deposit accounts which designated depositaries, and the custody of Covernment securities. Acting as depositaries for the Treasury, the Reserve anks pay Government checks, warrants and coupons, collect checks and osits from depositary banks, of the Treasury, withdraw Government deices formely ices ing, exchange and rimporion the oin. Dxpenses incurred by the Reserve Unk states paper currency and the issue of new securities are reimbursed by the Treasury but all other he iseses incurred in the discharge of their fiseal ageney functions are aborbed in the operating costs of the Reserve banks
Earnings and Expenses and Volume of Work of the Federal Reserve Banks. Gross earnings of the Federal Reserve banks during 1925 aggregated $\$ 41,800,000$, an increase of $\$ 3,460,000$ over the $\$ 38,340,000$ reported for

1924, and comparable with gross earnings of about $\$ 50,000,000$ in 1922 and 1923. The larger earnings during 1925, notwithstanding a lower aver in ave of about $20 \%$ counted and purchased bills were States securities considerably result that earnings on United States securities decreased by $\$ 1,930,000$ to $\$ 12,783,000$, while earnings on discounted bills increased by $\$ 1,737,000$ to $\$ 17,680,000$, and on bills bought in open market by $\$ 3,394,000$ to $\$ 9,104$ 000 . The average rate of return on total bill and security holdings of the Federal Reserve banks in 1925 was $3.51 \%$, compared with $3.83 \%$ the yen before, and the average rate on discounted bills was $3.67 \%$; as compared with $4.25 \%$ in 1924. Slightly lower average rates of earnings prevailed also for the other classes of bills and securities. Average daily holdings of each class of bills and securities, earnings therefrom, and annual rates of earnings are shown in the following table:
HOLDINGS OF BILLS AND SECURITIES, AND EARNINGS THEREFROM.

|  | Bulls Discounted. | Bills Bought in the Open Market. | United States Governmen Securities. | All Other Bills and Securities. | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Daily average holdings: | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| 1923.... | 738.114.000 | 226,548,000 | 185,823,000 | 85.000 | 1,150,570,000 |
| 1924. | 374,834,000 | 172,428,000 | 401,365,000 | 1,690,000 | 1950,317,000 |
| 1925 | 481,515,000 | 287,329,000 | 358,962,000 |  | 1,139,507,000 |
| Average rates of earnings (\%) |  |  |  | , | ,139, |
| 1923 | 4.46\% | 4.14\% | $4.01 \%$ | $4.50 \%$ | 4.33\% |
| 1924. | 4.25\% | 3.31\% | 3.67\% | 3.61\% | 3.83\% |
| Earnings: | - ${ }^{3.67 \%}$ | 8.17\% | 3.56\% | 8.59\% | 3.51\% |
| 1923 | 32,956,000 | 9,371,000 | 7,444,000 | 4,000 | 49,775,000 |
| 1924 | 15,943,000 | 5,710,000 | 14,712,000 | 61,000 | 36,426,000 |
| 1925. | 17,680,000 | 9,104,000 | 12,783,000 | 419,000 | 39,986,000 |

Current operating expenses of the Federal Reserve banks, exclusive of the by the Federal Reserve currency and of fiscal agency expenses reimbursed compared with $\$ 26$ Tes Treasury, aggregated $\$ 25,725,000$ during 1925 , as compared with $\$ 26,098,000$ during 1924 , a decrease for the year of $\$ 1,273$,
000 . This decrease was due principally to the reduction in salaries paid to the clerical staff of the banks, which totaled $\$ 12,090,000$ in 1925, compared with $\$ 13,289,000$ in 1924 . Salarie paided $\$ 12,090,000$ clined by $\$ 142,000$, while salaries paid non-clerical pmployees, including special officers and watchmen, guards, janitors, cleaners, other building employees, etc., increased by $\$ 80,000$. This increase resulted from the fact that more of the Reserve banks were occupying their own buildings in 1925 than in 1924, thus necessitating a larger force of building employees than was the case when they were occupying rented quarters. As a result of the completion of new buildings the taxes on bank premises increased from $\$ 841,000$ in 1924 to $\$ 1,293,000$ in 1925.
The decrease noted above in salaries paid to the clerical staff was due in no small part to the fact that the Reserve banks, after having been established in their own buildings, were able to operate under more favorable working conditions than when they were occupying rented quarters where their operations were, in some cases, carried on in more than one building. The reduction in salary payments is especially noteworthy in view of the fact that the volume of work in the principal departments of the banks hows a substantial increase over the volume handled during the preceding year, the currency received and counted having increased from $1,838,000,000$ in 1924 to $1,947,000,000$ in 1925, the number of coins received and counted from $2,187,000,000$ to $2,329,000,000$ and the number of checks handled from $743,000,000$ in 1924 to about $779,000,000$ sonnel of the Fede cepar onnel of the Federa during the dint and in the fiscal agency departments showed some falling off and the number of transfers made for the purchased in the open market ereased Ther member banks inDec. 31 1025, exeluding those of the fiscal ageney Dec. 3 with 9,486 , compared with 9,964 at the end of 1924
the Treasury, the cost decrease in the volume of new securities placed by which they asked the Treasury work at the Federal Reserve banks for 1925, compared with $\$ 444,067$ in 1924. The number of employees in fiscal agency departments, including those whose salaries are absorbed by the ederal Reserve banks as well as those engaged in work for which reimbursement is received from the T
The volume of operations in the principal departments at the Federal Reserve banks during the past three years is shown in the following table: VOLUME OF OPERATIONS IN PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENTS.

|  | 1925 | 1924. | 1923. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| umber of Pieces Hand discounted: |  |  |  |
| Applications. |  |  |  |
| Notes discounted......-.-. |  | 0 | $\begin{array}{r} 168,000 \\ 782,000 \end{array}$ |
| Bills purchased in open market for |  |  |  |
| Currency received and counted. | 1,947,419,000 | 1,838,279,000 | $\begin{array}{r}179,000 \\ \hline 877,000\end{array}$ |
| Coin received and counted | 2,329,014,000 | 2,186,737,000 | $1,722,877,000$ $2,076,075,000$ |
| Checks handled. $\qquad$ | 778,686,000 | 742,878,000 | 697,502,000 |
| Collection items handled: <br> United States Government cou- |  |  |  |
| All other | 5,467,000 | 6,113,000 | $64,662,000$ $5,732,000$ |
| United States securities-issues, redemptions, and exchanges by |  |  |  |
| Transfers of fund | 1. | 16,097,000 | 114,409,000 |
|  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 1,413,000 \\ 44,932,000 \end{array}$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| Bills purchased in open market for own account |  | -15,410,155.000 |  |
|  | 2,961,170,000 | 2,172,142,000 | 2,547,010,000 |
| Currency received and cou | $11,556,980,000$ 467 | 10,777,306,000 | 10,306,411,000 |
|  |  |  |  |
| Collection items handled: <br> United States Government cou--${ }^{258,611,276,000}\|219,832,179,000\| 207,719,529,000$ |  |  |  |
| United States Government coupons paid. <br> All other. | 80, |  |  |
|  | 6,116,958,000 | 5,509,093,000 | 761,731,000 |
| United States securities-issues, redemptions, and exchanges by fiscal agency department. |  |  |  |
|  | 5,578,995,000 | 6,708,272,000 |  |
| Transfer | 109,430,683,000 | 98,359,028,000 | 78,867,108,000 |

## 1923.

As a result of larger gross earnings and smaller current expenses, the
current net earnings of the Federal Reserve banks aggregated $\$ 14,273,000$
in 1925, as compared with $\$ 9,909,000$ in 1924. Charges against current net earnings, authorized by the Board, included $\$ 2,297,000$ for depreciation on bank premises, $\$ 706,000$ for furniture and equipment purchased during the year, $\$ 1,750,000$ for reserves for probable losses on paper of failed banks, and $\$ 307,000$ for reserves for self-insurance. Other deductions amounting to $\$ 242,000$ were more than offset by credits to current net earnings aggregating $\$ 479,000$. After making these deductions, there remained $\$ 9,448$
Ehise taxes.
Earnings at the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis were $\$ 93,540$ less than current expenses, depreciation and other charges, with the result that that bank had to charge this deficit, together with dividends amounting to $\$ 306,753$, to its surplus account. Net earnings of the Federal Reserve Bank part of the dividend payments not covered by net earnings, $\$ 250,297$, being part of the dividend payments not covered by net earnings, $\$ 250,297$, being
charged to the bank's surplus account. All the other Federal Reserve banks had sufficient net earnings to pay all accrued dividends. Of the banks had sufficient net earnings to pay all accrued dividends. Of the banks
whose earnings were in excess of dividend requirements, Boston, New York Philadelphia, Cleveland, Richmond, Chicago and Dallas transferred to surplus account, as authorized by law, the entire balance of net earnings replus account, as authorized by law, the entire balance of net earnings re-
maining after the payment of dividends, as their surplus accounts are less than their subscribed capital, while the Minneapolis and Kansas City banke, whose surplus accounts are in excess of subseribed capital, transferred $10 \%$, of their net earnings remaining after the payment of dividends, or $\$ 6,589$, to surplus account, and paid the balance, $\$ 59,300$, to the United States Government as a franchise tax, the amount of the tax paid by Minneapolis being $\$ 37,255$, and by Kansas City, $\$ 22,045$. Total dividend payments by all Federal Reserve banks during the year amounted to $\$ 6,916,000$ and the net increase in their surplus accounts to $\$ 2,474,000$. Gross and net earnings of each Federal Reserve bank during the year, dividends paid to member banks, amounts transferred to or withdrawn from surplus account, and amounts paid to the Government as a franchise tax are shown in the following table:
FINANCIAL RESULTS OF OPERATION OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE
BANKS DURING 1925 .

| Federal Reserve Bank- | Gross Earnings. | Net Earnings Available for Dividends. Surplus de Franchise тах. | Dioidends Paid. | Surplus Account. |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Fran- } \\ & \text { chise Tax } \\ & \text { Paid } \\ & \text { United } \\ & \text { States. } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Transfers } \\ & \text { to- } \end{aligned}$ | With- dravals from- |  |
| Boston | \$3,288,546 | \$1,140,581 | \$502,648 | \$637,933 |  |  |
| New York | 10,217,174 | 31,103,298 | 1,888,196 | 1,215,102 |  |  |
| Philadelph | $3,135,550$ <br> 4.013 | 1,078,120 | 673,212 | 404,908 |  |  |
| Cleveland | $4.013,456$ $2,182,460$ | 1,210,576 | 778.811 | 431.765 |  |  |
| Atlanta | 2,072,378 | 576,110 26,191 | 276,488 | 217,948 | \$250,297 |  |
| ricago | 5,424,663 | 1,121,273 | 934,016 | 187,257 | 250,297 |  |
| St. Louis | $2,055,637$ $1,438,341$ | *93,540 | 306,753 |  | 400,293 |  |
| Kansas Clt | 2,309,985 | 282,921 | ${ }_{258,426}^{193,560}$ | 4,139 2 |  | \$37, |
| Dallas. | 1,813,626 | 278.135 | 255,239 |  |  |  |
| San Franclsco | 3,848,890 | 490.447 | 490,447 |  |  |  |
| To | \$41,800,706 | 89,449,066 | \$6,915,95 | \$3,124,398 |  | 59.30 |

* Deficit in earnings before payment of dividends.

Building Operations of Federal Reserve Banks.
Completion of the bank building at St. Louis, which was occupied by the Federal Reserve bank in June, brings to a close the construction of permanent quarters for the Federal Reserve banks. Buildings to house the Little Rock, Denver and Omaha branches were also completed in 1925, as well as an addition to the building occupied by the Louisville branch. Construction of an annex to the Philadelphia building was begun during the year, and remodeling of the annex building at New York, which was undertaken on completion of the bank's main building with a view to adapting it for rental purposes, was practically completed. Construction of buildings on
the sites owned at Birmingham and Salt Lake City has been authorized, and arrangements Birmingham and Salt Lake City has been authorized, and arrangements have been made to provide space for the Cincinnati branch in the building to be constructed by the Chamber of Commerce on
the site owned by the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, which has been he site owned by the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, which has been
leased to the Chamber of Commerce for a period of 99 years with an option leased to the
All of the Federal Reserve banks and thirteen of the Federal Reserve branch banks are now housed in their own buildings. No buildings or building sites have been acquired for the branches at Buffalo, Memphis,
 in the coppleter mest be found

Branches and Agencies of the Federal Reserve Banks.
No additional branches or agencies of Federal Reserve banks were authorized during the year and no changes have been made in the character of business transacted by the existing branches and agencies. The directors of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond were given a hearing in the early part of 1925, on their request, submitted in the latter
part of 1924 , for authority to establish a branch of the Federal Reserve part of 1924, for authority to establish a branch of the Federal Reserve
bank to serve the southwestern portion of the Fifth Federal Reserve Disbank to serve the southwestern portion of the Fifth Federal Reserve Dis-
trict. Upon the disapproval of the request by the Federal Reserve Board, formal application was made by the directors of the Richmond bank forda formal application was made by the directors of the Richmond
rehearing, which was granted by the Board on Jan, 151926.
The volume of work handled by the branches and agencies in their prinipal operating departments has continued to increase, as may be seen from the following comparison for 1023, 1924 and 1925

|  | 1923. | 1924. | 1925. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Checks handled: |  |  |  |
| Number of items Amount.-.--- | 207,187,000 | 222,622,000 | 230,685,000 |
| Currency recelved and counted: |  |  | 000 |
| Is Number of pleces .-.-. | 397.973,000 | 433,582,000 | 451,132,000 |
| Amount- Coin recelved and counted: | \$2,415,356,000 | \$2,468,886,000 | \$2,621,983,000 |
| Number of pleces | 353,158,000 | 387,200,000 | 393,994,000 |
| Amount | \$55,633,000 | \$60,199,000 | \$63,619,000 |

Current expenses of the 23 branches and 3 agencies during 1925 were $\$ 5,343,000$, as compared with $\$ 5,747,000$ in the preceding year.

Changes in Membership.
On Dec. 3119259,489 banks with resources of $\$ 41,425,295,000$ were members of the Federal Reserve System; of this number 8,048 with resources of $\$ 25,839,450,000$ were national banks and 1,441 with resources of $\$ 15,585,845,000$ were State banks and trust companies. During the year 1925 the number of national banks increased by 5 and the number of State bank and trust company members declined by 103, with a consequent net
reduction of 98 in the number of member banks. Notwithstanding the
decline in the number of member banks, total resources showed an increase during the year of $\$ 2,438,428,000$, of which $\$ 1,470,459,000$ was in member banks.
The decline in the number of member banks during the year is accounted for largely by decreases incidental to mergers, suspensions, and voluntary liquidations which terminated the existence of member banks, as is shown in the following table:
CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP IN THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM,
Active member banks Dec. 311924
Number of Banks.
Banks joining the system
Banks withdrawing from $\underset{101}{{ }_{10}^{236}}$

Net increase from banks joining and withdrawing.
Banks lost to membership through mers
sions, \&c............................................................................................ 135

Net decrease for the year
ctive member banks Dec.
1925
${ }_{.489}^{98}$ * Includes 42 withdrawals whteh were incldental to the absorption of member
banks by non-member banks. In
In 1925, 236 banks joined the Federal Reserve System and 101 banks withdrew from membership. Thus there was a net addition of 135 to the
membership of the System through the exercise of the banks' regard to the assumption or relinquishment of membership. option with voluntary accession to membership there was a decrease of a in member ship resulting from mergers between member banks, from bank memberand from other causes not related to the bank's choice in the matter of membership. Of the 236 banks that joined the System, in the matter of organized national banks, 69 were non-member banks that were enverted into national banks, 40 were non-member banks that were admitted to membership as State institutions, and 7 were banks previously closed which resumed operations during the year. Of the banks that withdrew from the System, 37 were member State banks that withdrew as such after advance notice to the Federal Reserve Board, and 64 were member banks that dropped out of the system because they were absorbed or succeeded by nonmember banks; the latter include 42 withdrawals incidental to the absorp. tion of member by non-member banks, which in many instances did not represent the exercise of the banks option regarding membership in the system. The other decreases in membership were the consequnce of 71 mergers between member banks, 13 voluntary liquidations terminating the banks operations, 147 suspensions and insolvencies, and 2 compulsory withdrawals
In the following table changes in membership are shown in detail, by class of bank, for the year 1925:
CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP IN THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM
DURING 1925, BY CLASS OF BANK.
 Net change-
$a$ Changes not affecting total number of member banks,
$b$ Changes not affecting total resources of member banks
n addition to changes enumerated.
Banks on Par List.
The number of non-member banks on the par list, i. e., non-member banks which have agreed to pay without deductions for so-called exchange Reserve banks, end of 1925 , while the number of banks not on the par list increased trom 3,647 at the end of 1924 to 3,970 at the end of 1925 . The principal increases in the number of banks not on the par list took place in the Minneapolis, St. Louis and Chicago districts. The following table shows the number of member banks at the end of 1925, all of which are on the par list, and the number of non-member banks on the par list and not on the par list at the end of 1924 and 1925:
NUMBER OF MEMBER BANKS AT THE END OF 1925 AND NUMBER OF ANKS ON PAR LIST AND NOT
THE END OF 1925 AND 1925.

| Federal Reserve District. | Member Banks. |  |  | Non-Member Banks. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total. Nat'l. State. |  |  | On Par List. |  | Not on Par List* |  |
|  |  | 1925. |  | 1925. | 1924. | 1925. | 1924. |
| Boston_ | 420 | 3821 | 38 | 246 | 234 |  |  |
| New York Philadelphia | 880 753 | 734 <br> 671 | $\begin{array}{r}146 \\ 82 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | ${ }_{513} 51$ | 381 519 |  |  |
| Cleveland. | 863 | 747 | 116 | 1,073 | 1,075 | 0 | 10 |
| Richmond | 604 | 548 | 56 | 712 | 1.073 | 108 | 715 |
| Atlanta | 495 | 379 | 116 | 366 | 383 | 1,102 | 1, 715 |
| Chicago | 1,398 | 1.051 | 347 | 3.808 | 3,927 | 1,102 | 1,105 |
| St. Louis |  |  | 130 | 2,111 | 2,225 | 401 | 332 |
| Minneapolis | 829 1,027 | 744 994 | 85 33 | $\underset{2,667}{1,185}$ | 1,498 2,747 | 1,062 | 853 |
| Dallas.. | -852 | 725 | 127 | 2,667 768 | $\begin{array}{r}2,747 \\ 862 \\ \hline 85\end{array}$ | 182 | 204 |
| San Fra | 740 | 575 | 165 | 803 | 851 | 61 | $\begin{array}{r}153 \\ 57 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| System............... | 9,489 | 8,048 | 1,441 | 14,643 | 15.445 | 3.970 | 3,647 |

* Incorporated banks other than mutual savings banks.

Bank Suspensions
survey of bank suspensions in 1924 and 1925 , made during the past year, shows that in 1925612 banks with deposits of $\$ 172,900,000$ suss pended operations, as against 777 banks with deposits of $\$ 213,444,000$ in
1924. Of the banks suspended in 1925, 146 with deposits of $\$ 67,264,000$ 1924. Of the banks suspended in 1925,146 with deposits of $\$ 67,264,000$
were member banks and 466 with deposits of $\$ 105,636,000$ were non-member banks. The Board's reports on bank suspensions cover all banks in the country, whether incorporated or unincorporated, which were declared insolvent or were closed to the public by order of supervisory authoritues,
and it is not known how many of the institutions thus reported may ultiand it is not known how many of the institutions thus reported may ultipensions during 1924 and 1925 is summarized, by class of banks, in the following table

|  | Number. |  | Capital. |  | Total Depostts. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1925. | 1924. | 1925. | 1924. | 1925. | 1924. |
| 1 bank | 612 | 777 | \$24,441,000 | \$28,373,000 | \$172,900,000 | \$213,444,000 |
| Member banks, total. | 146 | 159 | 9,920,000 | 10,305,000 | 67,264,000 | 74,469,000 |
| National. | 118 | 122 | 7,970,000 | 7,660,000 | 58,537,000 | $60,889,000$ $13.580,000$ |
| State_.-....-. | 28 466 | 37 <br> 618 | $1,950,000$ $14,521,000$ | $2,645,000$ $18,068,000$ | $8,727,000$ $105,636,000$ | $\begin{array}{r}138,5875,000 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |

Most of the suspended banks in both years were small institutions and most of them were located in small centres. In both years about $40 \%$ of cos capital of less than $\$ 25,000$ and about $70 \%$ had capthe closed banks had capital of less than $\$ 50,000$. The average amount of deposits per bank for ital of less than $\$ 50,000$, The average amount of deposits per $n$ non-member banks suspended in 1925 was about one-fourth the average non-member of deposits per bank for all non-member banks, and the average amount of deposits of suspended member banks was about one-seventh of the average amount of deposits for all member banks. A classification of the suspended banks, by size of the centres in which the banks were located, shows that, of the banks suspended in 1923, $37 \%$ were located in towns with a population of less than $500 ; 78 \%$ were in towns with a population of less than 2,500 , and $96 \%$ were in towns and cities of less than 25,000 population. In the following table bank suspensions for 1925 are classified for the major geographic divisions of the country, by size of the centres in which the banks were located. The distribution of suspensions, by size of towns in 1924 was similar to that in 1925.
BANK SUSPENSIONS DURING 1925, BY SIZE OF TOWN OR CITY.


Total Unlted States Per cent of total number
Cumulative per cent total number
from the Federal Reserve bank of the amounts of exchange charg
interest of which the plaintiff alleged it had been illegally deprived.
interest of which the plaintiff alleged it had been illegally deprive liminary injunction and dismissed the Federal Reserve Board from the suit on the ground that under the terms of Section 51 of the Judicial Code it could not be sued in the Northern District of Georgia without its consent. On Dec 15 the case was argued in the District Court on its merits and on Dec. 291924 the court rendered a decision dismissing the bill and holding in effect that:
(1) The Federal Reserve banks are not required to give depositing member banks immediate credit and availability for checks and drafts drawn on other member banks in the Atlanta district and are justified in refusing to permit the amount of said checks to be counted as reserves or to be withdrawn by check or otherwise until they actually have been collected.
(2) Under the terms of the so-called "Hardwick amendment" to Section 13 of the Federal Reserve Act, member banks have not the right to make an "exchange charge" for remitting payment to a Federal Reserve bank for checks drawn on themselves, although such checks are not the roperty of the Federal Reserve bank, but are handled for collection
(3) That, under the terms of Section 13 of the Federal Reserve Act, the authority of a Federal Reserve bank to collect.checks is not checks sent to it by its own members and checks payable within the district of such Federal Reserve bank; and, therefore, a Federal Reserve bank may collect checks on its own member banks a clearing banks which come to it from other distris, able on presentation sent to $1 t$ by its mewn district or not; and
(4) That the provision in the "Hardwick amendment," which has the ffect of drawn on the countr when of checks on their deposits elsewhere law and, therefore, is not contrary to the fifth amendment to the Constiution.
The plaintifis immediately appealed the case direct to the supreme Court of the United States on the ground that it involved a constitutional questhe case to thev. 301925 the Supreme Court issued an order or the ground that the constitutional question raised by the plaintiff was not sufficiently substantial to support the court's jurisdicion on a direct appeal and, that, therefore, the case should have been appealed to the Circuit Court of Appeals instead of the Supreme Court. This was tantamount to a holding by the Supreme Court that the provision of Section 13 of the Federal Reserve Act which forbids Federal Reserve banks to pay exchange charges on checks and forbids member banks to impose such charges on checks collected through Federal Reserve banks is constitutional.
The case was argued before the Circuit Court of Appeals on Jan. 20 and 211926 and that court rendered a decision on Feb. 111926 affirming the decision of the District Court on all points. Judge Foster, however, rendered a dissenting opinion.
The opinion of the Circuit Court of Appeals and also the dissenting opinion of Judge Foster will be published in the complete report.
Cleveland and San Francisco Par Clearance Cases.-In former annual reports the Board has discussed the par clearance suits which have been pending for several y
and San Francisco. The Brookings State Bank, of Brookings, Ore, which had originally brought an injunction suit against the Federal Reserve Bank oit for losses cisco, followed this with an action for damages to compensate ity alleged to have been caused by the collection methods employed by the Reserve bank. This action for damages came to trial during the past year and on Jud $\$ 17500$ punitive damages. Judgment was ren$\$ 1$ actual damages and $\$ 17,500$ punitive from this judgment to the Circuit Core pending.
The Farmers and Merchants Bank of Catlettsburg, Ky., also followed its inunction suit against the Federal Reserve Bank of Oleveland by bringing in an law in the Federal district courts, both in Kentucky and in Ohio for compensatory and punitive damages. During 1925 these cases forether with the injunction suit, were settled out of court by the parties involved.

Trust Powers of National Banks.
During the year 1925 the Board has granted 178 original and 13 supplemental applications by national banks for permission to exercise trust powers in accordance with the provisions of Section 11 ( $k$ ) of the Federing Reserve Act. An ise trust powers was 1,951 , a list of which, with the powers granted, will be published in the complete report.

## Administration of the Clayton Act.

In each of its annual reports beginning with 1921 the Board has pointed out certain difficulties in admimistering the Kern amendment to the Clayton Act and certain illogical and inequitable situations created by the uncientific modus operandi of that provision and has recommended the enactment of an amendment to remedy the situation. Bills to this effect were introduced during the 68th Congress, both in the Senate and in the House, but no action was taken with respect thereto. The Board wishes again to renew ts recommendation that an amd to the Clayton Act in substantially the same form as that suggest be enacted for the reasons stated
In the year 1925 the Board received and considered 295 applications for permission to serve in interlocking bank directorates. The Comptroller of the Currency reported 45 alleged violations of Section 8 of the Olayton Act ; these the Board investigated and, whe wher
directors involved to comply with the "aw wherever it was being violated. Corporations or Firms.
The Board wishes to call attention to numerous complaints which it has received during a number of years past about the use of the words "Federal" or "Reserve" or a combination of the two as part of the title of banks, corporations or firms other than Federal Reserve banks. In most of the instances called to the Board's attention it is obviouis that these words have been employed in an attempt to take advantage of the prestige njoyed by the Federal Reserve banks and to arrogate to the firms or corporations using such words a part of the benefits accruing from this prestige, and the Board has felt not only that this purpose is in itself objectionable but also that such use of these words is likely to mislead the public and to cause confusion. Indeed, in several instances it has been found that the ase of these words by firms or corporations, other than Federal Reserve barks or other Federal corporations, actually has led to confusion. The Board has always opposed such use of these words and feels that there is a necessity for legislation which would prevent abuses of this character.

## Meetings of Federal Advisory Council.

Four meetings of the Federal Advisory Council were held in Washington during 1925 on the following dates: Feb. 16, May 22, Sept. 21 and Dec. 1. The Federal Reserve Board, as usual, conferred with the The Federal Reserve Board, as usual, conferred with the Federal Ad visory Council on the occasion of each of its meetings during the year. The Governors of the Federal Reserve banks met in Washington on April 6.8 and the Governors of the Federal Reserve banks and Federal
Reserve agents conferred, separately and jointly, on Oct. 28-Nov. 5. At Reserve agents conferred, separately and jointly, on Oct. 28 -Nov. 5. At
both conferences special sessions were held at which the Board was in both conice.

## Organization Staff and Expenditures.

Hon. D. R. Crissinger, whose term as Governor of the Federal Reserve Board expired on April 30 1925, and Hon. Edmund Platt, whose term as Vice-Governor expired on Aug. 10 1925, were redesignated by the Presi-
dent. Mr. W. W. Stewart, who had been Director of the Division of Redent. Mr. W. W. Stewart, who had been Director of the Division of Reeffective Jan. 311926.
The total cost of conducting the work of the Board during the year 1925 was $\$ 691,05607$. To meet these expenses the Board levied two assessments against the Federal Reserve banks aggregating $\$ 709,49919$, or approximately one-fifth of $1 \%$ of their average paid-in capital and surplus for the year.

By direction of the Federal Reserve Board.
The Speaker of the House of Representatives.
Governor Smith of New York Signs Bill Which Makes
Unnecessary Filing of Income Tax Returns Where Net Income Is Below Exemption.
A special dispatch to the New York "Evening Post" from Albany, April 8, said:

Governor Smith to-day signed the Mastick bill removing the necessity of filing income tax returns where

Under the provisions of the new law it is unnecessary to file a return if net income is less than $\$ 3,500$, if the head of a family, or $\$ 1,500$ if however, whether the net income is under $\$ 3,500$ or not.

## United States Senate Unseats Senator W. Brookhart of

 Iowa-D. F. Steck, Who Contested Seat, Sworn in.The question as to whether Smith W. Brookhart (Repub lican) was entitled to retain his seat as Senator from Iowa, or should be displaced in favor of Daniel F. Steck, his Democratic opponent at the polls in 1924, was decided by the United States Senate on April 12, when, by a vote of 45 to 41, the following resolution declaring Mr. Steck elected, was adopted:

Resolved, That Daniel F. Steck is hereby declared to be a duly elected Senator of the United States from the State of Iowa for the term of six sears, commencing on the 4th day of March 1925, and is entitled to be
seated as such.

A sub-committee of the Senate which had investigated the Senatorial contest was unanimous in its conclusions, reported to the full committee on March 15 that Mr. Steck had received a plurality of votes over Senator Brookhart, and should be seated. At that time the Associated Press accounts stated:

The sub-committee was unanimous in its conclusions that Steck had received a plurality, but Senator George (Democrat), Georgia, differed with the other members on some details.

The report held that Steck had a plurality of 1,420 votes under the committee rule that the "intent of the voters" should be the deciding factor in election contests, and that, regardless of the intent of the voters, Steck
still would have a plurality of 76 ballots, still would have a plurality of 76 ballots,

On March 25 the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections voted 10 to 1 to unseat Senator Brookhart in favor of Mr. Steck. The majority and minority reports of the committee were filed in the Senate on March 29 , at which time Associated Press advices said:
Seeking to give only the intent of the voter and sweeping aside all technicalities and irregularities, the majority held that Daniel F. Steck, the Democratic candidate, received a plurality of 1,420 votes.
On the other hand, the minority report contended that Senator Brookhart had a plurality of 1,131 on "a proper count of the ballots before the com. mittee, in the light of the law of Iowa."
The majority report was filed by Senator Caraway, Democrat, Arkansas, on behalf of himself and nine other members of the elections committee, while the minority report was filed by Senator Stephens, Democrat, Mississippi, on behalf of himself.

On April 9 a unanimous consent agreement was reached in the Senate to act on the dispute on April 12, the agreement calling for the limitation of debate after $3 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. on the 12 th , to 15 minutes for each speaker and a roll call at $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. In stating this the Associated Press dispatches from Washington added:
The outcome will have an important bearing on the political situation in Iowa, as Senator Brookhart has indicated he will become a candidate in the primary against Senator Cummins, Republican, who is running for wage a bitter fight against the Republican nominee in the hope of getting another Democratic Senator from Iowa, which has not had two Democratic Senators since Statehood.
As the Senate was reaching an agreement for a vote Monday the White House sought to quiet rumors that President Coolidge had expressed a preference for Steek over Brookhart by denying that the President had any opinion on the case.
The President was represented as having no official information on the points at issue or any choice between the two contestants. He takes the
position that since the Constitution delegates the Senate as sole judge of its membership, the Executive has no authority in such matters.
The 45 votes recorded in the Senate on April 12 in favor of the unseating of Senator Brookhart were cast by 29 Democrats and 16 Republicans; the 41 votes in the negative were those of 33 Republicans, 7 Democrats and one FarmerLabor Senator. Mr. Brookhart had been, a member of the Senate since 1922, and at the 1924 election he was a candidate for re-election.

## Senator Cummins Bill For Consolidation of Railway

 Properties Reported to Senate.The bill of Senator Cummins, providing for the consolidation of the railroad systems of the country, was favorably reported to the Senate on April 13 by the Senate Committee on Inter-State Commerce. The bill was introduced by Senator Cummins on December 21 last, and was at that time referred to the Committee. A reference to the bill appeared in these columns Dec. 26, page 3082. The bill provides for the voluntary consolidation of roads, subject to the approval of the Inter-State Commerce Commission; where a consolidation has not been voluntarily effected within five years' the Commission would be authorized to proceed to unify the roads into a limited number of systems. The committee report on the bill said:
It is submitted as an inevitable conclusion that if a process of wise consoldation is not soon entered upon and rapidly carried forward, not less than 60,000 miles of our rail transporation system must be either abandoned or. at the best, will be rendering the most unsatisfactory and inefficient service. $5300,000,000$ to $5500,000,000$ annully could be saved, all of which could be utilized in a reduction of freight and passenger rates

## Reappointments By President Coolidge to Railroad Labor Board.

On April 14 President Coolidge sent the Senate the nominations of the following as reappointed members of the Railroad Labor Board:
Management group, Samuel Higgins, of New York; Public Group, Ben. W. Hooper, of Tennessee; Labor Group, Walter L. McMenimen, of Massachusetts all are reappointed for a period of five years.

## R. C. Dunlap Appointed Treasurer United States

 Railroad Administration.Effective April 1 1926, R. C. Dunlap was appointed Treasurer of the United States Railroad Administration in place of C. L. Stryker, Treasurer, resigned.

ITEMS ABOUT BANKS, TRUST COMPANIES, \&C.
The New York Stock Exchange membership of Theodore A. Lightner was reported posted for transfer this week to George N. Richard, the consideration being stated as $\$ 133,000$. This is the same price as the last preceding sale.

The New York Coffee and Sugar Exchange membership of William May Wright was reported sold this week to Farr \& Co. for another, the consideration being stated as \$17,000.

Mayor Walker was the guest of honor at the annual meeting of the Association of Stock Exchange Firms last night (Friday, April 16) at the Hotel Astor. The speakers were United States Senator Lenroot, Attorney-General Ottinger of New York and former United States Senator Calder. A short business session for the election of officers preceded the speakers. Secretary of the Association Frederick F. Lyden, in charge of the arrangements, made preparation for 1,000 members and guests, who included representatives of every Stock Exchange house and financial institution in Wall Street. Out-of-town Stock Exchange houses in every large ctiy in the United States were also represented. Col. Henry Rogers Winthrop presided.

John J. Mackall, Chairman of State Roads Commission of Maryland, was the principal speaker at the regular meeting of the Bankers' Forum of the American Institute of Banking on April 14 at the Building Trades' Club. Mr. Mackall discussed "Some of the Economics of the Highway Situation."

The consolidation of the Chase National Bank and the Mechanics \& Metals National Bank under the name of the Chase National Bank of the City of New York was carried into effect on Monday of this week, April 12. The consolidated bank has a capital of $\$ 40,000,000$, which with the $\$ 10,000,000$ eapital of the Chase Securities Corporation and the combined surplus and profits will give the bank a capital
structure of more than $\$ 90,000,000$. The union of the Chase National Bank and the Mechanics \& Metals National Bank has been prompted by the opinion of the directors of both institutions that the consolidated bank, with so much greater capital than either of the separate institutions as well as with the combined personnel, will be able to serve the public in a more efficient and adequate manner.

The April letter of the Mechanics \& Metals National Bank says in regard to the consolidation:
There still is need for the neighborhood and community bank, and in the United States there always will be that need. But the functions and prodoans services of large inancial institutions, their capacity to undertake foreign fields and their capacity to drust and foriciency in and their capacity to develop advantages of economy and constructive factor in the financial affairs of corporations, firms, busine:s partnerships and individuals as well.
The principal offices of both banks are retained at 57 Broadway and 20 Nassau Street. The former is the main office, and the latter becomes the Mechanics \& Metals branch of the consolidated Chase National Bank. The local and foreign branch offices of the consolidation will be as follows:
Mechanics \& Metals branch, 20 Nassau St.; Metropolitan branch, Fourth Ave. at 23 d St. ; Shoe \& Leather branch, 320 Broadway; Maiden Lane branch, 75 Maiden Lane; Prince Street branch, 565 Broadway; Seventh Avenue branch, Seventh Ave. at 36th St. ; Forty-fifth Street branch, Madson Ave. at 41st St.; Hamilton Trust branch, 91 Montague St., Brook 25 Broadway; Worth Street branch, Broadway at Worth St. Stuyvesant Square branch, Second Ave. at 14th St.; Fifth Avenue branch, 204 Fifth Ave.; Fifty-Seventh Street branch, 143 West 57th St.; Seventy-second Street branch, Broadway at 72d St.; Eighty-sixth Street branch, Broadway t 86th St. ; Columbus Avenue branch, Columbus Ave. at 93d St. ; Harlem Yarket branch, 2011 First Ave. ; Harlem branch, Third Ave. at 116th St. ; Manhattanville office, 422 West 125th St. ; Havana branch, Havana, Cuba; ristobal branch, Canal Zone and Panama City branch, Republic of Panama.
Coincident with the consolidation of the Chase National Bank and the Mechanics \& Metals National Bank, the new Park Avenue Branch of the Chase National Bank was formally opened for business on April 12. This new branch is located at 510 Park Avenue, at the corner of 60th Street. The advisory committee of the new Park Avenue Branch is as follows: A. J. Drexel Biddle Jr., Mrs. Jonathan Bulkley, Edward L. Burrill Jr., Middleton S. Burrill, Harry C. Cushing 3d, V. Everit Macy, Mrs. Charles E. F. McCann, Miss Anne Morgan, Mrs. John T. Pratt, Noah C. Rogers, Miss Mary Vail Andress, Robert L. Clarkson, Gates W. McGarrah, John McHugh, Reeve Schley, Carl J. Schmidlapp, Albert H. Wiggin. The new branch is equipped with a women's department under the direction of a trained woman banker. With the opening of this branch the business conducted by the Mechanics \& Metals National Bank at Madison Avenue and 60 th Street is consolidated with the Park Avenue Branch of the Chase National Bank, and the entire staff of the Mechanics \& Metals National Bank, Madison Avenue Branch, will be housed there. This is the only branch of the Mechanics \& Metals National Bank which moves its location in connection with the merger.

By acquiring thirteen additional branches through its consolidation with the Mechanics \& Metals National Bank, the Chase National Bank of New York has now one of the largest branch banking systems in the city, with a total of 20 branches in New York and Brooklyn. Until the year 1921 the Chase National Bank had achieved its rapid development without mergers or the addition of branch banking facilities. In that year a merger was completed with the Metropolitan Bank and the Chase acquired seven branches, six in New York and one in Brooklyn. This greatly ex tended the scope of the organization and increased its deposits $\$ 56,000,000$ to a total of $\$ 443,000,000$. In 1924 three foreign branches were acquired in Cuba and on the Isthmus of Panama. The consolidation with the Mechanics \& Metals Bank added 13 more local branches, making a total of 23 in this city and outside the United States. Previous accounts of the proceedings leading to the present consolidation have appeared in our issues of Feb. 13, page 845; Feb. 20, page 966; March 6, page 1265; March 20, page 1563, and April 3, page 1997.

Mr . Oscar E. Dooly, who served as a Vice-President of The Mechanics \& Metals National Bank of this city for several years, has chosen the present time as an opportune one to retire and realize a long-cherished wish-namely, to return to his home in Habersham County, Georgia. Mr. Dooly carries with him the cordial good will and best wishes of the bank's entire official staff.
Edward Townsend, who holds the unusual record of serving one institution for sixty years, announces his retirement from the office of Chairman of the Advisory Committee of the Importers \& Traders office of the Equitable Trust

Company of New York. Mr. Townsend's career commenced in 1866, when he entered the employ of the Importers \& Traders Bank as junior clerk. A year later he was made correspondence clerk and in 1873 he was appointed Assistant Cashier; seven years later he became Cashier. Mr. Townsend held this position until 1902, when he was chosen President of the bank. In 1916, on the fiftieth anniversary of his services with the bank, he was made Chairman of the Board. In 1923, when the bank was merged with the Equitable Trust Company, he was appointed Chairman of the Advisory Committee of the branch of Importers \& Traders of the Equitable Trust Company.
The Equitable Trust Company of New York announces the addition of Frederick W. Wilison to its staff of New Business men. In addition to several years' association with industrial firms in New York City, Mr. Wilson has had active banking experience as New Business Manager of the Empire Trust Company

William E. Ford has resigned as Manager of the Credit Department of the New York Trust Co. and has been elected Assistant Vice-President of the Guardian Trust Co. of New Jersey, which will open for business in Newark on Aug. 2. Mr . Ford will take up his new duties immediately to assist in the organization of the new bank.

The Bank of Athens Trust Co., organized under the laws of the State of New York with a capital of $\$ 500,000$ and a surplus of $\$ 500,000$, began business in New York City on April 1. The trust company has been formed by interests in the New York Agency of the Bank of Athens at 25 Pine Street. The trust company, however, is an institution entirely independent of the Bank's New York Agency, which will continue to do business at the same address. The offices of the trust company are as follows: J. Plastropoulos, President; J. Lippuner, Vice-President, and M. Cavalla, Secretary.

On April 14 Nelson A. Mersereau was made an Assistant Secretary of the American Trust Co. at a meeting of the board of directors held in the company's main office, 135 Broadway. Mr. Mersereau and W. F. Mulledy, Assistant Secretary, will be associated in the management of the American Trust Co.'s new Staten Island office. The American Trust Co. and the New York Title \& Mortgage Co. are to have a new banking and business building at 30 Bay Street. Property has been acquired and work will begin soon. In the meantime, temporary quarters have been secured at 57 Bay Street, in the space now occupied by the Staten Island Edison Co. Mr. Mersereau has been in charge of the New York Title \& Mortgage Co.'s Staten Island office since it was first opened.
Two branches of the International Banking Corporation have been taken over by the National City Bank of New York. One branch is in the city of Panama and the other in Colon.

The Fulton Trust Co. of New York announces the election of Russell E. Burke as director. Mr. Burke's father was also one of the directors of the Fulton Trust, and one of the founders, having served on the board of directors from 1890 until his death in 1924. Russell E. Burke is a lawyer and a member of the firm of Burke \& Kirk, this city; he is also a trustee of the Chesebrough Manufacturing Co., Cons.
The National Bank of Commerce in New York announces that C. Alison Scully, heretofore Second Vice-President and Trust Officer, has been appointed Vice-President and Trust Officer. James S. Rogan and Henry T. Skelding have been appointed Assistant Cashiers.

The American Union Bank announces the removal of its 22nd Street office to new and enlarged quarters at 21st Street and Broadway on Monday April 12 . The bank also has offices at Eighth Avenue at 37th Street, and 1597 Second Avenue.

The Brooklyn "Eagle" announced yesterday that George W. Chauncey Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Mechanics Bank, Vice-President of the Dime Savings Bank, and a foremost figure in the real estate field in Brooklyn, died at one o'clock yesterday morning in his appartment in the Hotel Bossert, where he had been ill for two weeks with double pneumonia. He would have been 79 years old to-day.

At a meeting of the directors of the Home National Bank of Meriden, Conn., on April 13, Charles Smith Perkins, formerly Casier of the bank, was elected President to succeed thellate Edgar J. Doolittle, and George J. Sokel, heretofore Assistant Cashier, was promoted to Cashier to succeed Mr. Perkins, according to a special dispatch from Meriden on that date to the Hartford "Courant." The dispatch further stated that Herbert W. Perkins, who some time ago was elected an Assistant Cashier, would assume Mr. Sokel's former ${ }^{\mp}$ duties. In regard to the new President's banking career the dispatch said:
Mr. Perkins was born in New Haven May 111854 and entered the employ of the Home National Bank here in 1870. He remained for 29 consecutive years and in 1899 was appointed National Bank Examiner by the United States Treasury Department for Connecticut and Rhode Island to succeed Michael Dooley of Hartford. Mr. Perkins was a National Bank Examiner or 14 years and then returned to the local bank in an advisory capacity. He was made Cashier in 1915 following the death of Louis Fiske.

A charter was issued on March 6 to the National Bank of Ridgewood in New York, N. Y., by the Comptroller of the Currency. The new institution has a capital of $\$ 200,000$ and surplus of $\$ 50,000$. It will begin business on April 19 1926. The officers are John F. Pitz, President; Charles H. Schroeder, Vice-President, and Charles W. O'Reilly, Cashier. The stock was placed at $\$ 125$ per $\$ 100$ share.

On April 6, William S. Williams, heretofore Assistant Treasurer of the Oneida County Trust Co. of Utica, N. Y. was made Treasurer of the institution to fill the vacancy caused by the recent death of James W. Lamb. In regard to Mr. Williams' banking career the Utica "Press" of April 7 said:
Mr. Williams is a graduate of the Utica Free Academy, and in March of 1910 entered the employ of the Second National Bank. He continued there through the organization of the Oneida County Trust Co., advancing through various positions to the one to which he was chosen Tuesday.
He has served as President of the Utica Chapter, American Institute of Banking, and also as a member of the National Committee of Public Speaking and Debate for the Institute last year.

Richard McAllister, President of the Marine Trust Co. of Atlantic City, New Jersey, died on April 5. Mr. McAllister had been the founder of the McAllister Coal Co. of Philadelphia, Camden and this city, and a director of several banks. He was a director of the Philadelphia \& Reading RR. for more than twenty years. Mr. McAllister was seventy years of age.

A plan which has been under consideration for several weeks to merge the Fidelity Trust Co. of Philadelphia and the Philadelphia Trust Co., two of the leading State-chartered institutions in that city, was approved on Monday of this week (April 12) by the respective directors of the institutions and the plan has been submitted to counsel for review. Following the report of the latter, it is said, the stockholders of the banks will be called in special meeting to ratify the proposed consolidation. The resulting institution will be known as the Fidelity-Philadelphia Trust Co., and, according to the Philadelphia "Ledger" of April 13, will be the largest State-chartered bank in Philadelphia. When measured by capital, surplus and undivided profits, it is said, it will be exceeded only in the State of Pennsylvania by the Union Trust Co. of Pittsburgh. The Girard Trust Co. of Philadelphia, the "Ledger" states, will exceed it from a corporate trust point. The combined capital, surplus and undivided profits of the new bank, according to the latest reports of the two institutions to the State Secretary of Banking, will be $\$ 30,433,268$, with deposits of more than $\$ 79,000,000$. Total resources will amount to $\$ 113,452,201$. Under the merger plan, it is said, each holder of Philadelphia Trust Co. stock will receive one and one-half shares of stock in the new company for each share now held. The latest auction sale price of Fidelity Trust Co. stock this week was at $\$ 662$ a share, while Philadelphia Trust Co. shares sold at $\$ 926$ each. The par value of both stocks is $\$ 100$. William P. Gest, President of the Fidelity Trust Co., will be Chairman of the board of directors of the consolidated bank, while Henry G. Brengle, President of the Philadelphia Trust Co., will be Chief Executive. The Fidelity Trust Co. at present has a building program for a 23 -story building to be erected at Broad and Walnut streets, and the ground floor of this building, it is said, is to be the main office of the new bank when completed-possibly late in 1928. The present office of the Fidelity Trust Co. is in Chestnut Street east of Fourth Street, while that of the Philadelphia Trust Co. is in Chestnut Street west of Fourth Street. The former was founded in 1866 and the latter in 1869.

The Pennsylvania Trust Co. of Pittsburgh, continuing its program of advertising Pittsburgh products, is showing some interesting displays of the various glass companies. In one window, the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co. has a display, showing twenty-two different materials, weighing 230 pounds, which are required to make one upper windshield for an automobile. This window also contains samples of the various kinds of other products. In another window the Macbeth-Evans Glass Co. has a display. The Standard Plate Glass Co. is displaying samples of their mirrors, their various paints and white leads, and the United States Glass Co. has a display of many of their kinds of glassware.

Announcement has been made by the officers and directors of the Boatmen's Bank, St. Louis, of the conversion of the institution into a national bank under the title of the Boatmen's National Bank of St. Louis. The new bank is capitalized at $\$ 2,000,000$ with surplus of $\$ 750,000$. Its officers are as follows: Julius W. Reinholdt, President; Aaron Waldheim, B. F. Bush, Edgar L. Taylor, Vice-Presidents; Leroy C. Bryan, Vice-President and Cashier, and Albert Wagenfuehr, C. C. Hammerstein, R. Felsch and H. A. Bridges, Assistant Cashiers. The institution dates back to 1847. The announcement said in part:
As a national bank with membership in the Federal Reserve System and trust powers permitting us to act as executor, administrator, trustee, paying agent of bonds and coupons, registrar and transfer agent for corporations and in all other trust capaciti. and comprehensive banking and trust service.

Cable advices received on April 15 at the New York office of Barclay's Bank Limited of London report that the Genoa branch of Barclay's Bank S. A. I., the Italian affiliate of Barclay's, will open for business on April 19. The address of the branch is 1 Piazza Competto.

## COURSE OF BANK CLEARINGS.

Bank clearings the present week will again show an increase as compared with the corresponding week last year but this time the ratio of gain is more moderate. 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, April 17) bank exchanges for all the cities of the United States from which it is possible to obtain weekly returns will aggregate $4.5 \%$ more than in the corresponding week last year. The total stands at $\$ 10,383,834,056$, against $\$ 9,932,864,266$ for the same week in 1925 . At this centre there is an increase for the five days of $6.6 \%$. Our comparative summary for the week is as follows:


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 previous week-the week ended April 10. For that week there is an increase of $20.7 \%$, the 1926 aggregate of the clearings being $\$ 9,769,252,708$ and the 1925 aggregate $\$ 8,093,716,996$. This large gain is due in part to the fact that Good Friday fell in this week last year, while the present year it came a week earlier. Outside of New York City there is an increase of $12.9 \%$, the bank exchanges at this centre recording a gain of $27.5 \%$. We group the cities now according to the Federal Reserve districts in which they are located, and from this it appears that in the Boston Reserve District there is an expansion of $29.3 \%$, in the New York Reserve District (including this city) of $27.2 \%$ and in the Philadelphia Reserve District of $27.8 \%$. In the Cleveland

Reserve District the totals are larger by $12.9 \%$, in the Richmond Reserve District by $18.4 \%$ and in the Atlanta Reserve District by $23.1 \%$. The Chicago Reserve District has a gain of $1.4 \%$, the St. Louis Reserve District of $6.8 \%$ and the Minneapolis Reserve District of $22.3 \%$. In the Dallas Reserve District the increase is only $0.9 \%$ and in the Kansas City Reserve District there is a trifling loss, namely $0.8 \%$. The San Francisco Reserve District has a gain of $6.6 \%$
In the "following we furnish a summary by Federal Reserve districts:

| Week Ended April 12. | 1926. | 1925. | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Inc.or } \\ \text { Dec. } \end{gathered}\right.$ | 1924. | 1923. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - Federal Reserve Districts. |  | 20,494 | $\%$ |  |  |
| 1st) Boston_----.---11 cities | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} 543,843,917 \\ 5,645,163,568 \end{array}\right\|$ | $420,494,443$ $4,438,957,183$ | +29.3 +27.2 | 428,952,771 | $\begin{array}{r} 433,645,807 \\ 4,241,302,911 \end{array}$ |
| 2nd New York......- 11 | $\underset{632,417,416}{5}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c} 4,438,957,183 \\ \hline 495,015,314 \end{array}$ | +27.2 <br> +27.8 | 4,554,009,641 | $\begin{array}{\|r\|} 4,241,302.911 \\ 519,909,999 \end{array}$ |
| ${ }_{\text {eth }}{ }^{\text {8rd }}$ Philadeland | 632,417,416 $404.087,742$ | 357,847,223 | +27.8 | 362,968,603 | 392,114.239 |
| 6th Richmond .-...-. 6 | 215.797.412 | 182,225,299 | +18.4 | 182,220,62 | 176,968,992 |
| 8th Atlanta -------- 13 | 255.869,076 | 207,819,712 | +23.1 | 198,039,567 | 177,784,987 |
| 7th Chlcago .-........ 20 | 906,932,559 | 893.898.975 | +1.4 | 807, 142,770 | 868,672,666 |
| 8th St. Louls --....-- 8 | 220,242,058 | 206,265,189 | +6.8 | 192, 217,973 | 75,753,405 |
| Dth Minneapolis --... 7 | 132,939,883 | 108,502,492 | +22.3 | 107,333,593 | 121,094,910 |
| 10th Kansas Clty-..-. 12 | 234,529,192 | 236,339.383 | -0.8 | 206,895,470 | 249,561.165 |
| 11th Dallas --...-.-. 5 | 68,385,372 | 67,773,561 | +0.9 | 61,065,845 | 54.840,061 |
| 12th San Franclsco ..- 17 | 509,044,513 | 478,578,112 | $+$ | 453,708,451 | 460,287,909 |
| arand total $\qquad$ 129 cities |  |  | +20.7 | 8,015,809,8 | 7,771,937,052 |
| utalde New York City | 4,249,495,482 | 3,764,094,593 | +12.9 | 3,585,799,89 | 3,647,902,019 |
| đa_------------29 29 | 346, | 307,28 | +12.7 | 278,251,654 | 304,770,2 |

We now add our detailed statement, showing last week's figures for each city separately, for the four years:

| Clearings at | Week Ended April 10. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1926. | 1925. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Inc.or } \\ \text { Dec. } \end{gathered}$ | 1924. | 1923. |
|  |  |  | \% | \$ | \$ |
| First Federal Maine-Bangor | $\begin{array}{r}\text { erve Dist } \\ 797,387 \\ \hline \text { 703 }\end{array}$ | 859,118 | -8.2 | 791.012 | 777.491 |
| Portland | 3,303,738 | 370,094,054 | +6.8 +31.6 | $\begin{array}{r}2,866,869 \\ 378,000 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 2,916,740 |
| Mass, - Boston | $487,000,000$ $2,115,125$ | $370,000,000$ $2,559,801$ | +31.6 -17.4 | $378,000,000$ $2,225,787$ | $382,000,000$ $2,994,551$ |
| Holyoke.- | ${ }_{\text {a }}$ | 2,500,80 |  |  |  |
| Lowell. | 1,146,640 | 1,086.796 | +5.5 | 1,153,258 | 1,351,238 |
| Lynn New - | 1,363,635 | 1,614,028 | -15.5 | 1,452,797 | 1,70 |
| Springield. | 5,967,317 | 5,961,827 | +0.1 | 6,190,365 | 5,395,692 |
| Worcester. | 3,482,691 | 3,766,462 | 7.5 | 4,306,810 | 3,856,000 |
| Conn,-Hartford. | 18,717,406 | 11,564,971 | +61.8 | 13,030,519 | 11,088.441 |
| New Haven... | 7,437,464 | 5,788,268 | +28 | 6,671.825 | 6,474,203 |
| N. H.-M'chester <br> Total (12 cities) | 11,781,900 | 13.442,000 | -12.4 -3.5 | 11.458 .000 805,529 | $14,175,800$ 926,323 |
|  | 543,843,917 | 3 | +29.3 | 428,952,771 | 433,645,807 |
| Second Feder | al Reserve D | istrict-New | York+27.4 |  |  |
| N. Y.-Albany -- |  |  |  |  | 4,934,906 |
| Bunghamton | 52,426,604 | 1,247,500 | $\begin{array}{r} +1.8 \\ -4.8 \end{array}$ |  | 46,413,265 |
| Elmira_ |  | 1,064,277 | $\begin{array}{\|} -10.1 \\ +17.7 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 843,697 \\ 1,306,446 \end{array}$ | 751,291 |
| Jamestown | 1,956,947 | 1,662,369 |  |  | 1,266,615 |
| New York | 5,519,737,226 | 4,329,622,403 | $\begin{array}{r} +17.7 \\ +27.5 \end{array}$ | $1,306,446$ $4,430,009,938$ | 4,124,035,033 |
| Rocheste | 12,702,824 | 9,358,429 | +17.7+35+4.3 | 12,118,616 | 11,563,394 |
| Syracuse | 5,888,103 | 5,644,946 |  | 5,360,428 | 4,503,184 |
| Conn.-Stamford | 3,370,856 | 3,422,228 |  | $3,110,832$ | 3,053,078 |
| N. J.-Montclair | $\begin{array}{r} 831,461 \\ 38,723,216 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 452,935 \\ 26,124,561 \end{array}$ | +83.6 | $\begin{array}{r} 464,856 \\ 29,483,678 \end{array}$ | 431,496 43.037 .649 |
|  | 5,645,163,568 | 4,438,957,183 | $+27.2$ | 4,534,009,641 | 4241,302,911 |
| Thi | Reserve Dist | rict-Philad | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { e1phia } \\ +41.8 \end{gathered}\right.$ | - 1,476,803 |  |
| a.-Altoons | $4,389,607$ | $4,182,112$1,16163 | +5.0+30 |  | 1,523,182 |
| Bethl |  |  |  | 4,450,462 $1,231,217$ | 1,388,368 |
| Chester | $\begin{aligned} & 1,514,455 \\ & 3.775,335 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,161,663 \\ 3,225,319 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & +17.0 \\ & +28.2 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 3,901,905 \\ 449,000,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 4,144,974 \\ 490,000.000 \end{array}$ |
| Philadelph | $596,000,000$$5,229,145$ |  |  |  |  |
| Reading. |  | $\begin{array}{r} 465,000,000 \\ 3,524,003 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} +28.2 \\ -48.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 449,000,000 \\ 3,862,333 \end{array}$ |  |
| Scranton | 6,786,688 | 5,548,824 +22 |  | 5.904,159 | $5,333,768$ |
| Wilkes-Bar | $4,459,693$ $2,420,259$ | $4,257,308$ $2,106,124$ | +4.7 +14.9 | $3,788,858$ $1.970,489$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1,642,653 \\ & 4,390,998 \\ & \mathbf{a} \end{aligned}$ |
| N.J.-Trent | 6,063,458 | $\underset{\mathbf{a}}{4,756,818}$ | $+\underset{\mathbf{a}}{27.5}$ | $\underset{\mathbf{a}}{5,668,300}$ |  |
| Del.-Wilming'n. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total (10 citles) | (032,417,416 | 495,015,314 | +27.8 | 481,254,526 | 519,909,999 |
| Fourth Feder | al Reserve D | istrict- Cle | veland |  | $\begin{aligned} & 5,638,000 \\ & 5,428,415 \end{aligned}$ |
| hio-Akron | $5,995,000$ $4,284,656$ | $\begin{aligned} & 4,899,000 \\ & 4,063,502 \end{aligned}$ | +22.4 | $7,902,006$ <br> 4,902 |  |
| Canton- | $4,284,656$ $74,276,298$ | 67,524,071 | +10.0+3.6 | $\begin{array}{r} 63,235,733 \\ 111,514,029 \end{array}$ | 69,737,012 |
| Cincinnat | $74,276,298$ $110,219,683$ | 106,331,390 |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 116,722,709 \end{array}$ |
| Columbus | 20,165,500 | 16.438,100 | +22.7 | 15,714,200 |  |
| Dayton |  |  |  |  | $22,973,400$ |
| Lima. | $\stackrel{\text { a }}{2,005,448}$ | $\stackrel{\text { a }}{\text { 1,781,903 }}$ | + ${ }_{\text {a }}$ | $\stackrel{\text { a }}{1}{ }_{1}^{\text {a }}$, 346 | 1,805 |
| Mansfield |  |  |  | 1,819,346 |  |
| Springfiel |  | 1,781,003 |  |  |  |
| Toledo. Youngst | $\stackrel{\text { a }}{\text { a }}$ | $\stackrel{\text { a }}{\text { 6,550,941 }}$ | +133.0 |  |  |
| Pa.-Erle. |  |  |  |  | $\stackrel{a}{164,469,954}$ |
| - | 171,878,621 | 0,258,326 |  |  |  |
| Total (8 cities)- | ,742 | 357,847,233 | +12.9 | 362,968,603 | 392,114,239 |
| Fifth Federal | Reserve Dist | rict - Rich | mond | 2,093,752 | 2,137,207 |
| W.Va, - Hunt'g'n | $8,172,863$$51.035,000$ | 1,589,763 | - +9.6 |  |  |
| Va.-Norionk |  | 48,427,000 | +5.4 | 49,970,000 | 48,295,658 |
| s. C. - Charleston | *3,600,000 | $3,411,676$$94,853,068$ | +5.5+29.8+7.8 | 2,636,387 | $\begin{aligned} & 2,649,564 \\ & 94,091,132 \\ & 22,799,313 \end{aligned}$ |
| di.-Baltimore | 123,150,166 |  |  |  |  |
| D.C.-Washing' | 28,306,387 | 26,443,370 | +7.0 | 22,816,000 |  |
| Total (6 citles)- | 215,797,412 | 182,225,299 | +18.4 | 182,220 | 176,968,992 |
| Sixth Federal | Reserve Distd7,220,807 | rict-Atlan | ta- |  |  |
| enn.-Chatt'ga. |  |  | +12.1 |  | 6,136,497 |
| Knoxville | 3,473,809 | 2,651,258 | $+31.0$ | 4,375,495 | 21,385,419 |
| Nashville-.-.- | $24,316,844$ <br> 64,927 | 62,392,537 | +4.1 <br> -1.8 | 54,571,429 |  |
| Georgia-Atlanta |  |  |  | $1,641,849$$1,258,154$ | 52,690,765 |
| Macon. | 2,150,595 | $2,056,616$ <br> $1,583,168$ | +35.8 |  | 1,516,902 |
| Savann: |  | $\xrightarrow{\text { 23,731,900 }}$ |  | 16,098,901 | ${ }_{14,830,158}^{\text {a }}$ |
| a.-Jack'nville | $\begin{aligned} & 34,448,651 \\ & 22,440,799 \end{aligned}$ |  | +45.1 |  |  |
| Miami --...- |  | 13,131,577 | +70.8 +3.8 | 28,824,322 | 24.691, 527 |
| Ala.- Birming'm. | $26.076,002$ $2,140.646$ | $2,149,028$$1,299,513$ | -0.4 | *2,000,000 | 2,437,565 |
| Jackso | 1,770,000 |  | +36.2 | 1,081,062 | 992,261 |
| Vicksburg | 433,015 | 391,352 | +10.6 | 409,934 | 386,557 |
| La.-NewOrleans | 64,450,187 | ,915,814 | +43.5 | 60,592,404 | 7,792,734 |
| Total (12 etties) | 255.869,076 | 207.819,712 | +23.1 | 198.039.567 | 177.784.987 |


| arings at |  | WWeek Ended April 10.5 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 192 | 1925. |  | 1924. | 1923. |
| Seventh Feder | al Reserve D |  | \% ${ }_{\text {\% }}$ |  | 8 |
|  |  | 265,868993,205$128,658,853$ | ${ }_{\text {cabo }}^{+2.8}$ | ${ }^{287}$, 863 | 27 |
| ${ }_{\text {Detroit }}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 273,280 \\ 1,105,681 \\ 149,645,805 \end{array}$ |  | ${ }_{+16.3}^{+1.3}$ | ( $\begin{array}{r}842,630 \\ 12597,122\end{array}$ | ${ }_{1}^{123.015 .727}$ 668.727 |
| Grand Rap |  |  |  | 122,695; 529 |  |
| $\xrightarrow[\text { Ind.--Ft. }]{\text { Lansing }}$ | $2,737.898$$21,461.000$ | ${ }_{2}^{2,772.095}$ | +11.5 | ( $\begin{gathered}2,535,854 \\ 12.267,802 \\ 1\end{gathered}$ | 2,$\left.\begin{array}{r}2,354,843 \\ 20,878,000 \\ \hline\end{array}\right)$ |
| Indianapo |  |  | +31.2 | 17.9988 .000 <br> $2,317,700$ |  |
| ith Bend | 21,461,000 | $2,737,000$$5,464,96$ | +18.2 |  |  |
| Terre Haute | ${ }^{5,443,545}$ |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 2,317,700 \\ 5,42,341 \\ \hline 0,220,420 \end{array}$ |  |
| Wis.-Milwaukee | 39,394,529 |  |  | $38,642,438$ |  |
| Iowa-Ced. Rap. | -2.628 .5878 <br> 11.024 .195 |  | $\begin{array}{r} +3.4 \\ +\quad 2.6 \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{r} 38,410,364 \\ 2,438.613 \end{array}$ |
| Ses Moine | 11,024,1954 |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 10,810,286 \\ 6,717,112 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2,438,612 \\ 11,968,18 \\ 7 \end{array}$ |
| Waterloo |  |  | -16.1. +13.7 |  | $\begin{aligned} & 7,172,725 \\ & 1,291,151 \end{aligned}$ |
| IIl.-Bloom | $\begin{array}{r} 2,185,560 \\ 636,359,405 \end{array}$ | ${ }_{649,502,431}^{1,92,834}$ | +13. <br> -8.0 | 572,539,394 | 628,433,822 |
| Danville | a | ${ }_{\text {a }}^{\text {a }}$, | ${ }_{-1}^{\text {a }}$ | ${ }^{\text {a }}$, 2204 |  |
| Peoria | $4,383.495$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 19.1 \\ & -12.9 \\ & +15.1 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & , 394,33 \\ & , 524,91 \end{aligned}$,058,61 |
| Rockio |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 906,932,559 |  | uis-1.4 | 807,142,770 | $868,672,666$$5,982.049$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ind.-Ev | (141, 5 | tris-St. 6 c, 148 | -9.4 | $\begin{array}{r} 5,072,973 \\ 124,900,000 \end{array}$ |  |
| Lout | $\begin{array}{r} 141,197,427 \\ 33,194,187 \\ 394 \end{array}$ |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 31,909,273 \\ 478,717 \end{array}$ |
| ensb |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 28,884,837 \\ 466,738 \end{array}$ |  |
| Tenn. M | 23,999,642 |  |  | 19,515,992 | 22, ${ }_{13,448,291}$ |
| Ark.-L | $\begin{array}{r} 13,678,284 \\ 363,662 \end{array}$ | $17,029,713$ <br> $13.243,207$ | +40.9 +3.3 | $11,726,162$ <br> 313 <br> 13,361 |  |
| Ill-Jacksonville |  | 1,83 |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 240,291 \\ 334,660 \\ , 561,227 \end{array}$ |
| (cities) | 220,242,058 | 206,265,189 | $+6.8$ | ${ }^{142,217,9}$ |  |
| nth |  |  |  | 6,483,417 |  |
| Minn,-Dul |  |  |  |  |  | $6,428,768$ |
| ${ }_{\text {anneap }}$ | 34,704,136 | ${ }_{26,083,320}$ | $\begin{array}{r} +23.6 \\ +33.0 \end{array}$ | ${ }_{32} \mathbf{6}, 749,406$ |  |
|  |  |  |  | 1.11.128 |  |
| D | $2,030,000$ $1,644,148$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1,763,000 \\ & 1,387,943 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} +2.1 \\ +18.4 \end{array}$ |  | ,235,260 |
| Hele | 2,658,395 | 2,448,026 | +8.6 | 2,313,545 |  |
|  |  |  | ${ }_{\text {+ }}^{+22.3}$ | 107,333,593 | 121,094,910 |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { erve vis } \\ 445,100 \\ 718,489 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |
| - |  |  | as City |  | $\begin{array}{r} 460,147 \\ 572,392 \\ 4,524,216 \end{array}$ |
| sting |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} +12.2 \\ +5.7 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 481,473 \\ 3,791,899 \end{array}$ |  |
| aha | $5,142,756$ <br> $40,368,133$ |  | +2.2-16.1 |  |  |
|  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 39,492,240 \\ 4,585,217 \\ 7,363,035 \end{array}$ |  |  | $\begin{array}{r\|r} 54 & 4,176,430 \\ 74 & 10,405,679 \\ \hline 48 & 107,422,083 \end{array}$ |
|  |  |  | - 4.5 | 108,890,048 |  |
| -K | $\begin{array}{r} 119,252,565 \\ 6,653,551 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 124,909,556 \\ 7,440,766 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |
| 1a.-M |  |  | a+15.4+ | - | $\begin{array}{r} 137,422,083 \\ \ldots \end{array}$ |
| Orio | ${ }_{27,486,153}^{\text {a }}$ | 23,811,544 |  |  | , 720,167 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 20,679,489 \\ & \text { e1,400,067 } \end{aligned}$ | 1,2 | + | 1,163,433 |  |
| Total (12 citles) | 234 529.192 | , 3303 |  | 206,895,4 | 249,561,165 |
| exa |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dallas. | 40,68 | 42,65 |  | 38,5 |  |
|  | 11,660 |  |  |  |  |
| Galv | 8,702,000 | 7,52 |  | 6,391,101 | 8 |
| Houstrove | 5,670 | 4,31 | +31 | 5,543,674 | ¢, ${ }_{\text {a }}^{\text {a }}$, 150,200 |
| Twelfth | 38, |  |  |  | 840,061 |
| wh.lfth | Reserve |  |  |  |  |
| Spokane | 10,972,000 | 10,198,00 | +7.6 | 12,50 |  |
| Tacoma |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yakir | 1,809,460 | ,470 | +23.0 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tan- |  |  |  |  |  |
| vada-Re |  |  |  |  |  |
| Calif,-Fresn |  |  |  | 3,39 |  |
|  | 7.4 | 145 | + | 33 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| an Diego | 6,021, | 5,174 |  | 4,492, |  |
| anc | 178,838 | 159,642 | 12 | 52,200 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | +20.7 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1926 |  | Inc. or Dec. | 924. |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $108,35$ | $\begin{aligned} & 96,529,056 \\ & 87,420.142 \end{aligned}$ | $52.2$ | $\begin{aligned} & 89,3 \\ & 86 \end{aligned}$ | $94,$ |
| Toronto | 133,508,366 | 53,068,956 |  | 32,506, | 40,829, |
| Vanc | 14,529,1 | 14,552 | -0.2 | 14,753,41 | 14,530,8 |
| Ottaw | 6, | 6.4 |  | 6.71 | 6,445,788 |
| ebe |  |  |  |  |  |
| ralifa |  |  | -16.9 | 721 | 2,957,723 |
| Hamilt | \% | , |  | 6,21 |  |
| Calga | 8,2 | 2,4 | , |  |  |
| Victoria | 1,834,2 | 1,88 | -2. | 1,922 | 1,970,960 |
| Lo | 2,53 | 2,752 |  | 2,88 | 2,880,949 |
| Edmo | 4 |  | -21.6 |  |  |
| Regin |  |  |  |  |  |
| Brandon |  |  | $-13.3$ |  |  |
| Saskatoon |  |  |  |  |  |
| Moose Jaw | 1,042 |  |  |  |  |
| Brantford. |  | 1,014,98 |  |  |  |
| $t$ Will |  | 580 | +11 |  |  |
| New westm |  | 31 |  | 306 |  |
| did | 649 |  | -30.3 | 729 |  |
| Sherb |  | 879.66 |  |  |  |
| Kitchener- | 1,18 | ${ }^{1}, 0,593$ | $\pm$ | ${ }_{2}^{1.080}$ | 8 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Kingston | 295 | ,433 | -4.1 | 647,921 |  |
| otal (29 eitles) | 346,455 | 7,281,95 | +12.7 | 8,251,6 | 304,770,228 |

## THE CURB MARKET.

Dealings in the Curb Market were again subjectlto selling pressure in the early part of the week, which brought about a generally lower range of values. Later prices moved about irregularly with narrow fluctuations. The volume of business was the smallest in some time. Baking stocks were again the most active of the industrials. Continental Baking Class A dropped from 91 to 82 , recovered to $851 / 2$ and closed to-day at $841 / 4$. Class B stock was off from 15 to $121 / 4$, sold back to 14 and at $131 / 8$ finally. General Baking Class A sold down from $521 / 2$ to $441 / 2$, back to $521 / 4$ and ends the week at $497 / 8$. Ford Motor of Canada was conspicuous for a drop from 580 to 470 , the final transaction to-day being at 475 . Auburn Automobile com. declined from $515 / 8$ to 44 . Electric Refrigeration lost over five points to $581 / 4$, the final transaction to-day being at $595 / 8$. Business in public utilities was the smallest in some time with prices lower, though changes were small. Amer. Gas \& Elec. after early loss from $743 / 8$ to $695 / 8$, recovered to $721 / 2$ and sold finally at $703 / 8$. Amer. Power \& Light com. weakened from 53 to 50 and finished to-day at $513 / 8$. Commonwealth Power lost $41 / 2$ points to 32 and ends the week at $321 / 2$. Northern States Power com. declined from $1031 / 2$ to $991 / 2$ and sold at 101 finally. United Light \& Power Class A fell from $711 / 4$ to 68 . Oils were very quiet with few changes of importance. Humble Oil \& Ref. was off from $573 / 4$ to $541 / 2$ and sold finally at $551 / 2$. Prairie Oil \& Gas lost three points to 51 and closed to-day at 52 .

A complete record of Curb Market transactions for the week will be found on page 2174.

| Week Ended Aprl 18 | STOCKS (No. Shates). |  |  | BONDS (Par Value). |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Ind.\&M ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | Of. | Mtntng. | Domestic. | For'n Gort. |
| Saturday | 71,940 | 62,900 | 26,000 | \$1,479,000 | \$170,000 |
| Monday | 199.615 137250 | ${ }_{98,050}^{92.370}$ | ${ }_{43,700}$ | ${ }_{\text {1,456.000 }}$ | 184,000 |
| Wednesda | ${ }^{261.095}$ | 62,675 | 42,230 | 1,046,000 | 225,000 |
| ${ }_{\text {Thursday }}$ | 305.500 201,300 | 47,400 57,300 | 37,100 31,400 | 1,141,000 | 265,000 201,300 |
| Tot | 1,176,700 | 430.695 | 213,840 | 87,893,000 | \$1,251,300 |

## THE WEEK ON THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

Except for one or two brief periods of recovery, the stock market has gradually drifted toward lower levels during most of the present week. Prices have been unsettled, particularly in the motor stocks and industrial issues, which suffered sharp losses. Aside from the interest manifested in local traction stocks, the market has been without notable features. Price movements were more or less unsettled during the half-day session on Saturday, many issues slipping back from 1 to 4 points. The United States Steel Corporation tonnage report, made public shortly after the close of the session, indicated a reduction of 236,887 tons in unfilled orders for the month ending March 31, the present total being the smallest since Oct. 31 1925. Motor shares were weak, Hudson Motors yielding 4 points to below 71, followed by Jordan Motors, which registered a new low at 37. The motor stocks were again the weak feature of the market on Monday, the severe break in this group having an unsettling effect on the general list, with the result that many speculative favorites yielded from 1 to 12 points. Aside from the motors, the railroad shares felt the recessions most keenly, including such representative roads as Missouri Pacific, St. Louis Southwestern, Union Pacific, Atlantic Coast Line, Southern Pacific and Seaboard Air Line. The trend of the market was almost completely reversed on Tuesday, many issues forging ahead from 1 to 6 points. Interest centred largely in local traction stocks, Interborough Rapid Transit moving forward over 5 points for the day, followed by Third Avenue and Brooklyn-Manhattan with substantial gains. Stocks were particularly strong in the final hour. On Wednesday heavy selling from professional sources again had a weakening effect on the market and the brisk rally that developed in the final hour on the preceding day was not maintained. Sharp declines were registered by many of the stocks that had moved strongly upward on Tuesday and recessions of from 1 to 20 points were numerous among the more active stocks. The weak stocks included many prominent issues, notably General Electric, American Locomotive, United States Rubber, Woolworth, National Biscuit and several of the motor stocks. United States Steel common maintained a firm tone in the forenoon, but in the last hour slumped below its previous low at $1175 / 8$. Railroad stocks were particularly heavy, Ches. \& Ohio dropping over 2 points, Atlantic Coast Line 4 points, and New York Central 1 point. A brief rally oc-
curred near the close of the session, but had little effect on the general list. The large volume of selling orders that poured into the stock market on Thursday morning depressed prices all along the line, particularly the industrial and motor stocks. New minimum figures were recorded by United States Steel com., Hudson Motors and a dozen of the more or less active and prominent issues. In the final hour the market improved and a sharp rally carried many issues from 2 to 4 points above the low levels of the morning. Railroad stocks were weak and oil shares were quiet. Local traction stocks continued in strong demand, Interborough Rapid Transit moving up 2 points and crossing 40 . Under the leadership of United States Steel com., the market moved forward for a brief period on Friday, the early advances including United States Cast Iron Pipe \& Foundry, General Electric, General Motors and Hudson Motors, together with numerous issues in the general list. As the day advanced motor shares turned downward and prices gave way ali along the line. The final tone was weak.
transactions at the new york stock exchange: dailiy. weekly and yearly.

| Week Ended April 16. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Stocks. } \\ & \text { Number of } \\ & \text { Shares. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Rallifoad, } \\ & \text { Bonds. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { State } \\ \text { Mundipal de } \\ \text { Forefon Bonds. } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Untited } \\ & \text { States } \\ & \text { Bonds. } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Saturday | 520,697 | \$6,175,000 | \$1,208,500 | ${ }^{\$ 608,000}$ |
| Monday, | ${ }_{1}^{1,3855,563}$ | ${ }_{6,412,000}^{8.821,00}$ | 2,039,500 | 1,096,500 |
| Wednesday | 1,337,726 | 8,171,500 | 1,959,500 | $1,370,250$ 1,54 1 |
| Thursday | - $1,055,000$ | 7,963,500 | 1,436,000 | 1,119,000 |
| Total | 7,302,545 | \$45,858,500 | \$10.266,500 | \$6,741,000 |


| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sales at } \\ & \text { Noto York Stock } \\ & \text { Exchange. } \end{aligned}$ | Week Ended April 16 |  | Jan. 1 to Apra 16. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1926. | 1925 | 1926. | 1925. |
| Stocks-No, shares | 7,302,545 | 6,232, | 142,666,033 | 126,563,242 |
| vernment ${ }_{\text {Bonds }}$ bonds. |  | \$8.041 | \$88,670,100 | \$130,039,850 |
| State \& forelgn bonds Rallroad \& misc. bonds | $10,266,500$ $45,858,500$ | $15,489,000$ $46,448,000$ | $\begin{aligned} & 181,701,350 \\ & 668,836,950 \end{aligned}$ | $845,482,500$ |
| Total bon | \$26,866,000 | \$69,978,000 | 5939,208,400 | \$1,168,026,950 |

DAILY TRANSACTIONS AT THE BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA AND BALTIMORE EXCHANGES.

| Week Ended <br> April | Boston. |  | Phradelpha. |  | Ilsmore. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Shares. | Bond Sates | Shares. | Bond Sales | Shares. | Bond Sal |
| Saturd | 8,715 | \$2,500 | 19.044 |  |  | 0 |
|  | 21, ${ }_{2 \text { 214 }}$ | ${ }_{12}^{20}$ | ${ }_{44,852}$ | 27, | ${ }_{2,247}^{3,58}$ | 16,000 |
| Wedne | 20,610 | 15.500 | 41,265 | 17.800 | 1,915 | ${ }^{22,000}$ |
| Thur | (10.593 | 37,000 27,000 | 40,619 <br> 14,069 | 37.700 6.000 | 1,325 | 8,000 |
|  | 107,596 | 3114,5 | 209,637 | \$101,50 | ,2 | \$102,000 |
| ev. we | 135,401 | s98.80 | 182,642 | \$225,350 | 9,097 | \$129,300 |

THE ENGLISH GOLD AND SILVER MARKETS.
We reprint the following from the weekly eircular of Samuel Montagu \& Co. of London, written under date of March 31 1926:

## GOLD.

The Bank of England gold reserve against notes on the 24th Inst. amounted to $£ 145,366.305$ as compared with $£ 144,169,645$ on the previous Wednesday. Only a trifling amount of gold was on offer this week in the open marke and was mostly taken for the trade. The following movements of gole to and from the Bank of England have been announced since our last letter March $25 \ldots$ Received. Withdrawn.
 Received. Withdrawn.
nil
7.000 The destinations of the $£ 20,000$ soverelgns withdrawn were announced The destinations of the $£ 20,00$ Ceylon, $£ 5,000$. During the week under as follows: India, $\$ 15,000$, and Ceylon, $£ 5,000$. During tank, reducing
review $£ 38.000$ on balance has been withdrawn from the bank, review 138.000 on balance 1926 to $£ 2,194.000$ and increasing the net influx the net inces sing in effective gold standard to $£ 9,401,000$. United Kinglom imports and exports of gold during the week ending the 24th Kingdom
inst. were:
British South Amports.
Other countries

The Southern Rhodesian gold output for February 1926 amounted to 46,026 ounces, as compared with 48,967 ounces for January 1926 and 48,284 ounces for February 1925.

SILVER.
Some purchases have been made for India and for China, but the latter has also sold, and the general inquiry has been insufficient to impar strength to the market. which still remains inclined to be dull. Th Continent is inactive and America has worked both ways. A fortnigh ago the average offtake in Bombay was 301 bars a cayy, according to "Times of India." This represents roughly two milion ounces a week, that is to say about $40 \%$ or that Indicates that at the present time is absorbing is unusually good and insicates not required in the West for the purpose the lion's share of che su future of the market, failing any other important of trade. The sem to depend very much upon the ability of the Indian factor, Bazars to maintain consumption on this substantial scale

United Kingdom imports and exports of silver during the week ending 24th inst. were:

$\qquad$ $\begin{array}{r}25,183 \\ \hline \mathbf{1 2 1 2 , 4 9 4}\end{array} \begin{aligned} & \text { British India-- } \\ & \text { Other countries. }\end{aligned}$ $\overline{£ 212,494}$

IND
(In Lacs of Rupees) Notes in circulation. Silver coin and bullion in India Silver coin and bullion out of India Gold coin and bullion in IndiaSecurities (British Government) runs


Nollver coinage was reported during the week ending 22nd 289 stock in Shanghai on the 27th inst, consisted ef about 56,600 inst. The in sycee, $71,900,000$ dollars and 8,730 silver bars, as compared with about the 20 th inst. Statistics for $71,300,000$ dollars and 7,840 silvers bar on Highest price-
Lowest price-

bot oud phe
 s.s.
The silver quotations to-day for eath two months' delivery
each 3-16d. below those fixed a week ago.

## ENGLISH FINANCIAL MARKETS-PER CABLE.

The daily closing quotations for securities, \&c., at London as reported by cable, have been as follows the past week: Week ended April 16. Sat., Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri.,
 $\begin{array}{lllllllll}\text { Gold, per fine ounce.......... } 84.111 / 2 & 84.111 / 2 & 84.111 / 2 & 84.11 / 1 / 2 & 84.111 / 2 & 84.111 / 2\end{array}$

 $\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { French Rentes (in Paris) _-_fr_ _-..- } & 47.35 & 47.75 & 47.05 & 46.55 & 46.50\end{array}$
French War Loan (in
Paris)
The price of silver in New Yerlllllll $\begin{array}{llll}57.65 & 57.95 & 57.40 & 57.10 \\ 56.90\end{array}$ suver in N. Y., per oz. (cts.):
Forelgn.-

Seb of United. States-Completed Returns Showing Net Debt as of Jan. 311926.
The statement of the public debt and Treasury cash holdings of the United States as officially issued Jan. 31 1926, delayed in publication, has now been received, and as interest attaches to the details of available cash and the gross and net debt on that date, we append a summary thereof, making comparisons with the same date in 1925.
cash avalable to pay maturing obligations

Deduct outstanding obllgations:
Treasury warrants


| Jan. 311926. | Jan. 31 |
| :---: | :---: |
| $8318,178,262$ | S286,900,302 |

$\begin{array}{rr}+2,031,331 & +1,652,258\end{array}$
$\$ 320,209,593-\$ 28,552,560$ $\$ 320,209,593 \quad \$ 288,552,560$


Total
Batance, defleft ( - ) or surplus ( + ) ... INTEREST-BEARING


## Government Revenue and Expenditures.

Through the courtesy of the Secretary of the Treasury we are enabled to place before our readers to-day the details of Government receipts and disbursements for March 1926 and 1925 and the nine months of the fiscal years 1925-1926 and 1924-1925.
 $\begin{array}{rlllll}\text { Income and profits tax-... } & 499,628,780 & 441,492,270 & 1,427,118,714 & 1,296,172,246 \\ \text { Miso. internal revenue.-. } & 74,136,097 & 61,432,783 & 684,439,090 & 638,093,693\end{array}$ Miscellaneous recelpts:
Proceeds Govt.-owned se
eurities
Foregn obligations-
Principipal_............
Interest
Interest._
Railroad securities.... Trust fund recelpts (re-appropriated for investm't) Proceeds sale of surplus
Property --.-..........Receipts from misc. sources
credited direct to appro priations.-..................
Other miscellaneous. $\begin{array}{lrrr}1,010,735 & 16,569,423 & 124,523,604 & 130,228,183\end{array}$ Excess of ord. recelpts over total exps. chargeable agst.
ordinary receipts
 ble agst, ord. receipts over Expenditures
Ordinary (checks and war-

Ganks paid, \&c.)-
General expenditures..Int, on public debt $a$.
Refunds of receipts: Customs.

## Postarnal reficenenue

 Panama Canal.......................Railroads spectalace ts:
War Finance
War Finance Corporation. Alien property funds Adjusted service ctf. fund
Investment of trust funds:
Govt. life insurance.
Civil Service Retirement
Dist. of Col. Teachers' tirement For. Service -............. For. Service Retirement--
Gen. Railroad Contingent
Total ordinary .-

## Pub. debt retirements charg

able agst. ord. recelpts:
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Purchases from forelgn } & \text { 148, 122,950 } & 100,000,000 & 311,797,250 & 218,374,000\end{array}$ payments forelgn r
Received from for. gov'ts
under debt settlements under debt settlements_-_
Received for estate taxes_$\begin{array}{r}145,361,772151,605,36 \\ 82,650 \\ \hline\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}82,650,398 & 98,713,909 & 1,381,349,035 & 1,398,298,857 \\ 574,035,146\end{array}$ Purchases and retirements
(Fed. Res. \& Fed. Inter
mediate credit banks)
Forfeitures, gifts, \&o

|  | 180,900 |  | 389,500 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 92,310,000 | $\begin{array}{r} 90,950,000 \\ 47,550 \end{array}$ |

$-\quad 8,5 \overline{5} 0 \quad-\quad-1,000$

567,900
49,400
 Total_.......- $\overline{148,131,500} \overline{100,184,900} \overline{404,724,551} \overline{310,743,114}$ Total exps. chargeableagainst
ordinary receipts
Receipts and exp


Receipts and expenditures for June reaching the Treasury in July are included $a$ The figures for the month include $\$ 888,48949$ and for the fiscal year 1926 to
date $\$ 4,188,80137$ acerued discount and for the corresponding periods last year the figures include $\$ 1,687,83506$ and
$\$ 7,897,70476$, respectively. $87,897,70476$, respectlvely.
$b$ Excess of
$b$ Excess of credits (deduct)
$c$ Investments made Jan. 11925 for account of the fund were $\$ 100,000,000$ face
amount of adjusted service series amount of adjusted service series obligations, of which $\$ 4,600,000$ were redeemed to
June 301925 , to provide funds for authorized payments to that date. Investments made Jan. 11926 and Mar. 51926 in similar obligations were $\$ 120,000,000$ face amount from the appropriations available on those dates and $\$ 3,500.000$ face amount from annual interest payments on investments. $\$ 38,200,000$ face amount of one-
year Treasury certificates of indebtedness held in the fund matured Jan. 1 1926, and after redemption the proceeds of prinelpal were reinvested in like obligations maturing Jan, 11927 . See items of adjusted service series under public debt receipts and expenditures above for issues and redemptions since June 301925 . The differment is due to working balance required for use of Veterans' Bureau in making authorized payments from the fund.

## Treasury Money Holdings.

The following compilation made up from the daily Government statements shows the money holdings of the Treasury at the beginning of business on the first of January, February, March and April 1926:

| Holdsnos in U. S. Treasury. | Jan. ${ }_{\text {S }} 1926$. | Feb. ${ }_{\text {S }} 1926$. | Mar. ${ }_{\text {¢ }} 1926$ | $\text { April }{ }_{\$}^{1} 1926 .$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net gold coln and buillon- | 332,922,543 | 320,372,442 | 361,280,015 | 38 |
| Net silver coln and bullion | 21,263,843 | 20,828,656 | 19,725,905 | 21,499,426 |
| Net Uniter States notes.- | 4,385,075 | 4,286,386 | 4,302,174 | 4,800,032 |
| Net matlon I bank notes.- | 14,953,851 | 20,064,163 | 13,955,357 | 15,528,789 |
| Net Fed, Reserve notes-- | 1,543,974 | 1,069,927 | 1,319,176 | 894,248 |
| Net Fed'i Res. bank notes | 183,885 | 212,507 | 160,856 | ${ }_{1} 140,325$ |
| Net subsldary silver. | 5,531,639 | 5,871,619 | 5,829,537 | 6,010,534 |
| Minor coln | 2,969,547 | 3,664,597 | 3,949,018 | ${ }_{3,947,762}^{6,01}$ |
| Total cash in TreasuryCess gold reserve fund.-. | $\begin{aligned} & 383,754,357 \\ & 153,620,986 \end{aligned}$ | 376,370,297 <br> 154,188,886 | $410.522,038$ | *395,541,054 |
| Cash balance in Treasury - | 230,133,371 | 222,181,411 |  |  |
| ep.in spec'1 depositori |  |  |  | 1,352,16 |
| Acct. ctfs, of indebt.--- Dep. in Fed'1 Res, banks | 290,398,000 | 257,688,000 | 257,532,000 | 369,783,000 |
| Dep. in Fedi Res. banks- | $38,073,652$ $7,497,562$ | $47,594,165$ $7,482,279$ | 51,011,966 | 97,992,165 |
| To credit Treas. U. S.- |  | 7,482,279 | 6,866,181 | 7,655,788 |
| To credit disb, officers-- | $21,645,172$ $1,080,934$ | 20,912,887 | 21,000,354 | 21,283,567 |
| Deposits in forelgn depts. |  | 929,421 <br> 362,437 | 1,224,957 | 819,132 |
| Ded. In Fed'l Land banks- |  |  | 312,483 | 241,852 |
| Net cash in Treasury and in banks. | 589,277,970 |  |  |  |
| Deduct current liabilitles. | 260,570,037 | $238,972,333$ | $\begin{aligned} & 594,281,093 \\ & 253,449,686 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 739,127,672 \\ & 252,185.825 \end{aligned}$ |
| Avallable cash balance_ | 328,707.933 | 318,178,262 | 340,831,407 | 86,941 |

## Preliminary Debt Statement of United States March 311926.

The preliminary statement of the public debt of the United States March 31 1926, as made upon the basis of the daily Treasury statements, is as follows:

$\$ 765,860,17000$
$13,946,242,50000$
$2,305,933,90000$
$\$ 17,018,036,57000$

Note.- The amount to the credit of disbursing officers and agencles Mernments are
$\$ 390,886,17185$. Book credits for which oblligations of foreign Governm
held by the United States amount to $\$ 33,236,62905$. Under the Acts of July 141890 and Dec. 231913 , deposits of lawful money for the retirement of outstanding national bank and Federal Reserve bank notes are pald into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts, and these obligations are made under
the Acts mentioned a part of the public debt. The amount of such obligations March 31 was $\$ 50,086,337$. $\$ 697,702$ in Federal Reserve notes and $\$ 15,433,070$ in national bank notes are in the Treasury in process of red

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FOREIGN TRADE OF NEW YORK-MONTHLY
STATEMENT.

| Month. | Merchandise Movement at Neto York. |  |  |  | Customs Recetpts at New York. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Imports. |  | Exports. |  |  |  |
|  | 1925-26. | 1924-25. | 1925-26. | 1924-25. | 1925-26. | 1924-25. |
|  | $\stackrel{\text { 154,206,974 }}{\text { S }}$ | $\stackrel{\$}{\$}$ | $\stackrel{8}{8}$ | $\stackrel{\mathcal{S}}{113,857,700}$ | $\underset{\substack{24,327,008}}{\mathbf{s}}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { 25,426.495 } \end{gathered}$ |
| August, | 166,853,232 | 111,756,587 | 168,713.039 | 139,802,244 | $26,235,015$ $30,186,355$ | ${ }_{28,765,865}$ |
| September | $166.212,020$ 192.479 .742 | 131.786, 636 | 126,701,020 | 168,984,882 | 29,389,797 | 28,358,873 |
| October--- | 192,527,068 | 140,605,417 | 136,152,139 | 138,892,978 | 29,333,221 | 23,732,263 |
| Necember. | 221.274,002 | (152.980,564, | $172.257,373$ $153,410,759$ | $127,785.237$ $156,313,003$ | $26,729,182$ $26,628,880$ | $23,451,575$ <br> $17,121,252$ |
| January Total. | $\frac{215,137,735}{1312690 ~ 773}$ | $\frac{156,923,263}{980,122,743}$ | $\frac{1030483700}{}$ | 987,480,448 | 192,829,456 | 171,421,643 |

## Movement of gold and silver for the seven months:

| Month | old Movement at Neto Yor |  |  |  |  |  | Silver-Neto York. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Imports. |  |  |  | Exports. |  | mpors. | Exports. |
|  |  |  | 1924-25 |  | 1925.26. | 1924-25 | 1925-26. | 1925-26. |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} S \\ 6,489,017 \\ 759.804 \\ 672.610 \\ 42.379 .042 \\ 3,867.632 \\ 947.408 \\ 705,698 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $5,821.2117^{70,256,428}{ }^{20,086,716115,364,}$ |  |  |  |  |  | 1,248,654 |  |
| BANK NOTES-CHANGES IN TOTALS OF, AND IN DEPOSITED BONDS, \&c.-We give below tables which show all the monthly changes in national bank notes and in bonds and legal tenders on deposit therefor: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Amt. Bds. on Depostt to Secure Crctlatson for- |  |  |  |  | National Bank Clrculatson Afloat on- |  |  |
|  | Natsonal Bank Notes. |  |  | Fed. Res. Bant Notes |  | Bonds. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Leval } \\ \text { Tenders. } \end{gathered}$ | Total |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 5 | $\stackrel{\text { s }}{\text { s }}$ |  |
|  |  | - |  |  | 44,211,31945.059 .7245.050 .979 | $\begin{aligned} & 705,227,789 \\ & 706,303,719 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 704,596.427 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | $666,298,23$ $6532 \times 23$ 6622,888 |  |  |  |
| Nov. 311925 |  | ----- |  | $666,538.483$ $661.380,320$ | - |  |  |
| Sept. 301925 - <br> Auf. $311925-$ |  | 665.542 .630665.810 .130 |  |  |  | $661,380,320$$662,186.083$$660,341,413$ | $61,4766.914$ $66,214,271$ | $723.662,997$ $726,555,684$ |
|  |  | 666.227 .130$665.061,330$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | $660,341,413$ 660.501333 6612233,895 |  |  |  |  |
| May 311925 |  |  |  | $6655.502,880$$666,010,330$ |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 661,293,895 \\ & 661,397,558 \end{aligned}$ $66161.28$ |  | $739.566,469$ 7474258.819 $755,210.687$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | $661,613,281$ <br> 63634 |  | $755.210,687$ 76357.877 769840.402 |
|  |  | 666,943,330725171780731.7137 |  |  |  |  | 47,748,139 $\begin{aligned} & \text { 44,871,176 }\end{aligned}$ |  |
|  |  |  |  | $40,152,976$$38,679,189$ |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | ${ }_{7}^{737,635,790}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 727,175,641 \\ & 73,99,581 \\ & 735,602,435 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 774,184,557 \\ & 774,281,624 \end{aligned}$ $\begin{aligned} & 775,828,844 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| Sept. 30 1924.- |  | $739,842,890$74123989$742,482,390$ |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 735,60,435 \\ & 736,576,660 \\ & 7 \end{aligned}$ | $39,269,184$ 40 | - $775.828,884$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 737,141,058 \\ & 740.549 .740 \\ & 744,953,710 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 40.052,136 \\ & 36.537 .849 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |
| Aug. 301924 1924-: |  | $\begin{aligned} & 750,113,430 \\ & 750,676,680 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 32,460,609 \\ & 31.611,339 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| May 301924 |  |  |  |  |  | 745.029 .518 745.795 .653 |  |  |

Aprll $\mathbf{5}, 983,378$ Federal Reserve bank notes outstanding Mar. 311926 secured by | $\$ 5,983,378$ Federal Reserve bank notes outsta |
| :--- |

The following shows the amount of each class of United State bonds and certificates on deposit to secure Federal Reserve bank notes and national bank notes on Mar. 31:

| Bonds on Deposit March 311926. | U. S. Bonds Held March 31 to Secure- |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Total } \\ & \text { Held } \end{aligned}$ |
| 2s. U. S. Consols of | 591,256,400 | $\stackrel{\S}{591,256,400}$ |
| 4s, U. S. Loan of 1925 |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| The following shows the amount of national bank notes |  |  |
| afloat and the amount of legal tender deposits Mar. 1 |  |  |
| 1926 and Apr. 11926 and their increase or decrease during |  |  |
| the month of March: |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| Amount of bank notes afloat April 1 1926 .-................................-8705,227,789 Legal-Tender Notes- |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| Amount on deposit to redeem national bank notes April 1 1926 ....- \$44,211,319 |  |  |
| Breadstuffs figures brought from page 2241.-The statements below are prepared by us from figures collected by |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| the New York Produce Exchange. The receipts at Western |  |  |
| lake and river ports for the week ending last Saturday and |  |  |
| nce Aug. 1 for each of the last three years have been: |  |  | since Aug. 1 for each of the last three years have been:


| cetits or | mowr. | neat. | Corn. | oast. | Barter |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Chle | 245000 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Toteromo |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| cter | 107\%.000 |  |  |  | -.000 | 1010.000 |
| Kanase ciliz- |  |  |  |  | ${ }^{32,000}$ |  |
| chiole |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\underbrace{\substack{438.000}}_{\substack{413.00}}$ | (1,271,000 | 年, |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Total receipts of flour and grain at the seaboard ports for the week ended Saturday, April 10, follow:

| Recetpts at- | Flour. | Wheat. | Corn. | Oats. | Barley. | Rye. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| New York | Barrels. 205,000 | Bushets. 1,001000 | Bushels. | Bushel | Bushels | ushels. |
| Phlladelphta- | 34,000 | 1,085,000 | 20,000 10,000 | 912,000 281,000 |  | 21,000 16000 |
| ${ }^{\text {Baltimore }}$ | 21,000 1 | 259,000 | 58,000 | 102,000 | 55,000 |  |
| New Orleans* | 41,000 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Galveston_.-- |  | 11,000 | 69,000 | 15,000 |  |  |
| Montreal | 55,000 | 65,000 | 21,000 | 162,000 | 34,000 |  |
|  | . 000 | 22,000 |  | 187,000 | 298,000 |  |
| ek '26 Since Jan. 1'26 | 6,924,000 | 1,649,000 | 178,000 | 1,659,00¢ | 588,000 |  |
|  |  | 38,009,000 | 6,056,000 | 9,946,00¢ | 7,565,00¢ | 1,846,000 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Week } 1925 \text { - } \\ & \text { since Jan. } 1^{\prime} 25 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 619.000 \\ 8,738.000 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 2,826,000 | 80,000 | 635,000 |  |  |
|  |  | 47.543.000 | 2,040,000 | 8,108.00才 | 7,001.00d | $1,703,000$ <br> $8,632,000$ |

on through bllis of lading.
The exports from the several seaboard ports for the week ending Saturday, April 10 1926, are shown in the annexed statement:

| Exports from- | Wheat. | Corn. | Flour. | Oats. | Rye. | Bar ey. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| New Yor Boston | Bushels <br> 1,721,420 | Bushets. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Barrels. } \\ 77,820 \end{gathered}$ | Bushels. $618,825$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Bushels. } \\ 295,915 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Bushels. } \\ & 103,797 \end{aligned}$ |
| ${ }^{\text {Poston }}$ Phlatelphi | 24,000 204,000 | 77,000 | 2,000 8,000 |  |  |  |
| Baltimore Norfolk | 81,000 | 146,000 | 88.000 | 88,000 | 9,000 | 17,000 |
| New Or | ,000 | 136.000 | 1,000 19,000 |  |  |  |
| Galveston | ,000 | 136.000 | 19,000 5,000 | 2,000 |  |  |
| St. | 400,000 |  | 33,000 | 189,000 |  | 8,000 |
| Total week 1926 Same week 1925 | $\begin{aligned} & 2,440,420 \\ & 4,845,709 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 359,000 \\ 46.000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 153,820 \\ & 508.705 \end{aligned}$ | 897.825 356.853 | $\begin{aligned} & 304,915 \\ & .503,448 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 128,797 \\ & 378040 \end{aligned}$ |

The destination of these exports for the week and since July 11925 is as below:

| Esports for Week and Since July 1 to- | Flour. |  | Wheat. |  | Corn. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{array}{\|c} \text { Week } \\ \text { Apr. } 10 \\ 1926 . \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Since } \\ & \text { July } 1 \\ & 1925 . \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Week } \\ A p r .10 \\ 1926 . \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Since } \\ & \text { July } 1 \\ & 1925 . \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Week } \\ A p r .10 \\ 1926 . \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Since } \\ & \text { July } 1 \\ & 1925 . \end{aligned}$ |
| United Kingdom-Continent.----- | Ba | Barre | 685 | Bushe | Bushels. 34,000 |  |
|  | 93,345 | 4,363,200 | 685,852 | 73,801,654 |  |  |
| Bo. \& Cent. Amer.West Indies....-Oner | 5,000 | -285,467 | 9,000 | 2,913,595 | 256,000 | $1,984,204$ <br> $5,410,674$ |
|  | 10,000 | 616,529 | 1,000 | 2,913,595 | 21,000 48 | 2,166,000 |
| Other countries... | 2,000 | 763.389 | 41.000 | 1,688,234 | 48,000 | $1,442,355$ 2,300 |
| tal 1926-2 | 153.820 | 8,826,564 | 2,440,420 | 177,938,379 |  |  |
| $11925-$ | 508.705 | 4,413.598 | 4,845,709 | 248.856.595 | $\begin{array}{r} 559,000 \\ 46.000 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 11,006,133 \\ 2.470 .501 \end{array}$ |

The world's shipments of wheat and corn, as furnished by Broomhall to the New York Produce Exchange, for the week ending Friday, A pril 9, and since July 11925 and 1924, are shown in the following:

|  | Wheat. |  |  | Corn. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1925-26. |  | 1924-25. | 1925-26. |  | 1924-25. |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Week } \\ \text { April } 9 . \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Stnce } \\ & \text { Suly } 1 . \end{aligned}$ | Since July 1. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Week } \\ \text { April } 9 . \end{gathered}$ | Since July 1. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Since } \\ & \text { Suly } 1 . \end{aligned}$ |
| North Amer. Black Sea Argentina | Bushels. <br> 6.887.000 <br> 704,000 <br> 3,467,000 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Bushels. } \\ 304,204,000 \\ 21,496,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Bushels. } \\ 358,984,000 \\ 3,280,000 \end{array}$ | Bushets. <br> 441,000 <br> 570,000 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Bushels. } \\ 9,488,000 \\ 22,555,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Bushels. } \\ & 11,016,000 \\ & 26,296,000 \end{aligned}$ |
| Argentina ${ }^{\text {Austil }}$ | $3,467,000$ $1,120,000$ | 68,537,000 | $111,512,000$ $85,996,000$ | 1,280,000 | 112,788,000 | 141,014,000 |
| India_....--' |  | 5,768,000 | 85,996,000 $34,976,000$ |  |  |  |
| Oth. countr's |  | 1,040,000 |  |  | 33,850,000 | 1,438,000 |
| Total | 12,178,0c0 | 460,396,000 | 594,748,000 | 2,291,000 | 178,681,000 | 169,764.000 |

National Banks.-The following information regarding national banks is from the office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Treasury Department:

> APPLICATIONS TO ORGANIZE RECEIVED.

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April 7-The First National Bank of Dunsmuir, Calif
April 7-The First National Bank of Ardsley, Nunsur, Yalif.
April 7-The Front National Abert Wank ofter, Ardsiey, N. Yedey, South Dakota
April 8-The Farmers \& \& Merchants Nat. Nadley, So. Dank of Roseville, III.
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April 10-The Seaford National Bank, Seaford, N. Y
april 10-The Woodside Nrank N. Raynor, Seaford, N. Y.-.- 25,000
Lorrespondent, R. Liland Leslity, S. Y. Smith, 209 Steinway Ave.,
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Capital.
$\$ 50,000$
$\$ 50,000$
25,000
25,000 25,000
50,000 200,000
25,000
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April 7-The Clitications To ORGANIZE APPROVED. Capital. April 8 Correspondent, L. H. Rooney, Muskogee, Okla.

The Prospect National Bank of Trenton, N. Ja.
Correspondent, Geo. H. Royle, Pennington Ave. and
P. \& R. RR., Trenton, N. J. OHARTERS ISSUED.
April 6-12910-The Altadena National Bank, Altadena, Calif April 7-12911-The First National Bank of Newfoundland, Pa-
President, Harry R. Megargel; Cashler, Roger G.
Fahringer. April 8-12912-First National Bank in Derry, Pa April 8-12913-The Commercial National Bank of Santa Maria.
President, A. B. Bigler; Cashier, L. R. Peck,
April 8 12914-First National Bank in Tuckerman, Ark
President, James Graham; Cashier, Chas. E. Smith.
Succeeds Citizens Bank of Tuckerman Ark. April $9-12915-$ The First National Bank of Pickton, Texas....
Succeeds the First State Bank of Pickton, Texas. President, G. A. Brown; Cashier, D. F. Jackson,
April $9-12916$ The Boatmen's National Bank of St. Louis, Moo-2
Conversion of the Boatmen's Bank of St. Louis, Conversion of the Boatmen's Bank of St. Louis, Mo.
President, Julius W, Reinholdt: Cashier, L. C. Bryan.
April 9 12917-The National Bank of Mantua, N. J. President, Julius W. Reinholdt: Cashier, L. C. Bryan
12917-The National Bank of Mantua, N. J.
President, Edward C. Geehr; Cashier, Alvin I. Haines. CHANGE OF TITLE.
April 5-4668-The Old National Bank of Spokane, Wash., to
"The Old National Bank \& Union Trust Company
of Spokane." VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATIONS
April 6-10092-The Placentia National Bank, Placentia, CalifRandall, Los Angeles, Calif. Absorbed by the Bank April 8-11611-The First National Bank Effective March 261926 . Liquidating Lake, Minn M. Wenzel, Big Lake, Minn. Absorbed by Big Lake April 10-2014-The National Bank of D. O. Mills \& Co., Sacra Effective April 10 1926. Liquidating Agent, A. I.
Diepenbrock, Sacramento, Calif. Absorbed by the
California National California National Bank, Calif. Absorbed by the
Nacramento, No. 8504 . April 10-4663-The American National Bank of Pomona, Calif.
Effective March 25 1926. Liquidating Agent, Jay $\mathbf{E}$.
Randall, care Bank of America, Los Angeles, Calif.

April 10-The Chase Nationsidations.
(No. 2370), capital Bank of the City of New York, N. Y $\mathbf{Y}$. capital $\$ 10,000,000$. Consolidated York, N. Y. (No. 1250), 1918, under the charter and corporate title of "The Chase National Bank of the City of New York, No. 2370 , with
capital stock of $\$ 40,000,000$, and with nineteen branches, all
located in the April 10 located in the City of New York

National Bank of Charlottesville, Va. (No. 10618), capital
$\$ 400.000$ and the Farmers \& Merchants National Bank of
Charlottesville Va Charlottesville, Va. (No. 11517). capital $\$ 100,000$. Consoli-
dated under the Act of Nov corporate title of "The National Bank of Charlottesville," No. 10618, with capital stock of $\$ 500.000$.

[^0] ${ }_{50}$ Supply Co., com, par Railroad sten ${ }^{50}$ Ruallroad-Steamsitip Sanitary 50 Imperial Valley Farms Co., par
sion 800 Peerliess Mining Co.....ar si-
1 Brighton Bch. Boat Club 1 Brighton Bch. Boat Club, par ${ }^{6} 5$
1 pref. share the Amer. Perch. Reg Istry Assm. La Grange. Cog-
Co., 1 Ll , membership ctf., par sio
By Wise, Hobbs, \& Arnold, Boston:

| Shares. Stocks. | Shares. Stocks. <br> \$ per sh. |
| :---: | :---: |
| 21 Atlantic |  |
| 5 Indlan Head National Bank, | 3 Mass. Ltg. Co., $8 \%$ pref._115 ex-div. |
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| 10 Canad. Conn, Cotton Mills, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  |
| 46 Naumkeag Steam Cotton Co-.-1571/5 | 10 State Theatre Co. com., par \$10. $61 /$ |
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| 3-5 Amer Plano Co, com-1.-.-. 13/8 | 3 Mass. Ltg. Cos. $8 \%$ pt ilis ex-div. |
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${ }^{7}$ Converse Rubber Shoe Co., pret. $78 \%$ 20 Converse Rubber Shoe Co... pref.
20 North Bosto Ltg. Prop., com
50 Montpelier \& Barre Lt. © Pr. Pr. Co, pref -
10 Rockland (N. Y . Lt. \& Pr. Co., 2 common, par $\$ 50$...........

## By Barnes \& Lofland,

Shares. Stocks.
10 Corn Exange Nat. Bank...
 ${ }_{24}^{25}$ Phliladelphasa-Girard Nat. Bank ${ }_{5}^{525}$ 24 Southwark Nat. Bank
 10 Thlrd Nat. Bank of Philadelphia322
10 Nat. Bk. of No. Philadelphla 220 10 Nat. Bk. of No. Philladelphla- -220
 3 Rrepubident Trust Co. 17 Fidelity Trust C

10 Industrial 5 Guarantee Tr. \& Sate Deposit Con 25 Mutual Trust Co.., par $550 \ldots-118$ 10 Bk. of No. Amer. \& Tr. Co-...
2 Northeastern Title \& Trust Co., ${ }_{20}{ }^{\text {Dar Frrst }} \$ 50$ Nat. State Bk. of Camden,


## By A. J. Wright \& Co., Buffalo


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## DIVIDENDS

Dividends are grouped in two separate tables. In the first we bring together all the dividends announced the current reek. 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

| ny. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Per } \\ & \text { Cent. } \end{aligned}$ | When Payable | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Books } \\ & \text { ays In } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Railroads (Steam) <br> Georgia Southern \& Fla., 1st \& 2d pref Internat. Rys, of Cent. Am., pref. (qu.) |  | May 27May 15 | Holders of rec. May 13 Holders of rec Apr. 30 |
| Public Utillites. |  |  |  |
|  | [ $\begin{gathered}75 \mathrm{c} . \\ 1354 \\ * 50 \mathrm{c} .\end{gathered}$ | Apr. | Holders of rec. Apr. $15 a$ |
| ererred |  |  | Holders of rec. Mar. ${ }^{\text {Hen }}$ Hoders of rec. Apr. 23 |
| American Sup |  | May 15. |  |
| \% first preterred | $130 c$.13131313 | Ma | Holders of re |
| Broad River Power, |  |  | Holders of rec. Apr. ${ }^{15}$ |
| Central Power \& Ligh | \$1.75 |  | Holders of rec. Apr. 15 |
| Preferred \& prior lien sto |  |  | ${ }^{\text {H }}$ Holders of rec. |
| Consumers Powe | $11 / 6$ |  | Holders of rec. June 15 Holders of rec. June 15 Holders of rec. June 1 |
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|  | 50c.500 c50. |  |  |
| preferred ${ }^{\text {prefered }}$ (mont |  |  | Holders of rec. May 15 |
| preferred (month | 50c.50.55 c. |  |  |
| 6.6\% preterred (m |  | May | Holders of rec |
| preterred (n | ${ }^{555}$ 55. |  | Holders of rec. May 15 |
| ic Investors, |  |  | Hels ${ }^{\text {Holders }}$ of rec. Apr ${ }^{\text {Holders of rec. Apr. } 15}$ |
|  | \$1.50 |  |  |
| Worth |  |  | Holders of rec. Apr. 15 |
| Kıano | 1\% 14 |  | Holders of rec. Apr. 20 |
| Long Island Llghting |  |  |  |
| tional Power \& |  |  | *Holders of rec. May 12 |
| thwes |  |  |  |
|  | 50. | May 15 | *Holders of rec. Apr. 30 |
| S |  |  |  |
| Standa | $\begin{gathered} \$ 1.75 \\ 13 \\ 1 \% \end{gathered}$ |  | *Hoders or rec. Apr. ${ }^{\text {Hen }}$ |
| West Penn Electric Co |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{gathered} 2 \\ 2 \\ \$ 6.85 \end{gathered}$ |  | Holders of rec. Ap |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | of rec. ADr .19 |
|  |  | May |  |
| Trust Com Farmers Loan \& Trust | *4 |  |  |
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| erad |  |  |  |
|  |  | JulyOctOct1 |  |
| Preferred | 113 |  |  |
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| Preterred (quar | *1蓡 |  |  |
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| Archer-Dantels-Mida | $1{ }^{1 / 5}$ |  |  |
|  |  | May ${ }_{\text {May }}$ |  |
| Second preterred (quar.) --....-..... |  |  | 1 H |
| Metals Con |  | Apr. 30 AprMay |  |
| enesch (tsaac) \& Soons, Inc., com., A (qui.) |  |  | 10 |
|  | 500. | ${ }_{\text {Apr. }}$ |  |

## Name of Company.

 Miscellaneous (Conclndec).Burns Bros., com., class A (quar) Burns Bros., com., cless A A (quar.)
Common, Class B
 Clinchrifeld Coal, preferred (quar.) -
Cincinnati Tobacco Warehouse (quar.) Cleveland-Cliffs Iron (quar.) .......... Conley Tank Car, com. (in com. stik).
Consolidated Laundries Corp. (No. 1)
. Consolidated Royalty Oil (quar.), Dominion Bridge, Ltd. (quar.)
Electrio Refrigeration (quar.) (N) Exchange Buffet (quar) Franklin (H. H.) MIfg., pref. (quar.).
Genera Trre \& Ruber com. (quar.)
Gillette Safety Razor (Guar). Gilette sarety Razor (quar.)--...-
Extra
Globe Automatic Sprinkier, pref. $\operatorname{Gossard}(\mathrm{H} . \mathrm{W}$.) Coo, preterred (quar.)
Grand (F \& W.) $5-10-25-$ cts. St., pr(qu Hecla Mining (quar.) $\begin{aligned} & \text { Hollander \& Sons (Inc.). common (qui) }\end{aligned}$ Hollander \& Sons (Inc.), ommon (au).
Holly Suarar Corp
preferred (quar.)
 Internat. Harvester, preferre
Ipswich Mills, pret. (quar.).
Jewel Tea, preferred (quar) Pret. (account accumulated dividends Keiner-Williams Stamping (quar.)
Knox Hat, Inc., 2 d preferred
 Mcrorry stores, common (quar).
Merantile Stores. Inc. common Prefrered (quar.).-...-.
Metropol. Chain Stores, 1st 2 a p. (qu Morris Plan Bank (Cleveland) (quar.)
Natlonal Biscuit. common (quar.).-. Preferred (quar)..... (quar) National Lead, preterrea (quar.,
New Cornella Copper Co (uar,)
N. Y. \& Honduras Rosario MIning N. Y. \& Honduras Rosario Mining.-. North Amer. Cement. $7 \%$ pref. (quar.)
North Central Texas oll, Inc. (quar.). Oppenheim, Collins \& Co., common (qu
Pacific Coast Co., ist pret. (quar.) Second preferred (quar.). - pref. A- (au.).
Plek (Albert), Barth \& Co. Plant (Thomas
Postum Cereal Postum Cereal, common Pyrene Manutacturing, common (quar. St. Lawrence Flour Mills, pret. (quar.)
St Mary's Mineral Land Scott Paper pret (guar)
 Securitles CorD., no par com. (No. 1).
Sinclair Consol. Oil, preferred (quar.) Skelly oll (quar.) -..................

 Vlek Chemlcal (quar) -...-
Waltham Watch, prior pref. Wasshburn-Crosby Co., pret. (quar.)
Weber \&Hellbroner. preferred (quar.) Weber \& Hellbroner, preferred (quar.)
Woolworth (F. W.) Co., common (qu


Below we give the dividends announced in previous weeks and not yet paid. This list does not include dividends an-

| Name of Company. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Per } \\ & \text { Cent. } \end{aligned}$ | When Paycble Payable | Books Closea Days Inclustoe. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Railroads (Steam). |  | June 1 | Holders of rec. Apr. ${ }^{\text {coa }}$ |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Holders of rec. A |
| Preferred (quar.) Chesapeake \& Ohio, preferred |  |  | Holders of rec. |
|  |  |  |  |
| Chesapeake \& Ohio, preferred...... |  | Ma | , |
| Cincinnati Sandusky \& Cleveland, pref - |  | Apr | Holders of rec. |
| Cleve. Cin. Chic. \& St. L., com. (qu.) -- <br> Preferred (quar.) |  |  |  |
| Delaware Lackawanna \& West. (quar.)Hocking Valley Railway |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Hudson «\% Manhatian RR., common--: |  |  | H |
| Louisville \& Nashville.......-.....-. |  |  | Helders of rec. July ${ }^{\text {Hoders }}$ |
|  |  |  | Holder |
| Missouri-Kansas-Texas, pref. A (quar.)- |  |  | Holders of rec. Mar. 26 |
| New York Centrar RR. (quar.) ${ }^{\text {Nortole } \& \text { Western, adj. }}$ pret. (quar.) |  | ay | Holders of rec. Apr. 30 a |
|  |  |  | Holders of rec. Mar. 18 |
|  |  | Ma |  |
|  |  |  | Hold |
| Five per cent breferred (quar).Pitts. \& W, Va., com. (qu.) (No. 1 ) |  |  | Holders of rec. Apr. 15 L |
|  |  |  |  |
| Common (quar.) |  |  | Ho |
| Common (quar.) | $11 / 2$ |  | Holde |
|  |  |  |  |
| Reading Company, common (quar.) ${ }_{\text {St }}$ St. |  |  | Holders of rec. Apr. 10 a |
|  |  |  | Holders of rec. Ju |
| Southern Ry., common (quar. Wabseh, preferred A (quar) |  |  | Holders of rec |
|  | 11/4 | May | Holders of rec. ADr |
| Plectric Pow |  |  |  |
| erican Electric Po | 1\% | $\begin{aligned} & \text { May } \\ & \text { aug. } \end{aligned}$ | Holders of rec. July $22 a$ |
| merican Gas \& Elec |  |  |  |
| Unstamped n |  |  |  |
| Common (extra) |  |  | Apr. 17 to Apr. 29 |
| Preterred |  |  |  |
| asoclated Gas \& Ele |  |  |  |
| 俍 ${ }^{\text {Bangor Hydro }}$ Brazilan Tr., |  | June | Holders of rec. |
| pe Breton El | 65 | M | ders of rec. Appr. $16 a$ |
| Chicago Rapld |  |  | Holders of rec. M |
| Cleveland Elec. Illum |  | June | ders of rec. May $15 a$ |
| columbus Ry. ${ }^{\text {P }}$ |  |  |  |
| nwealth Power, common |  |  |  |
| Com. (stk. div, 1-4 | 1/2 |  | ders of rec. Apr. $12 a$ ders of rec. ADr. $12 a$ |



| Name of Company. | Per Cent. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Whe } \\ & \text { Payab } \end{aligned}$ | Days |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *50c. June 1 *Hclders of rec. May 1 | $\begin{array}{r} * 50 \mathrm{c} . \\ { }^{550 \mathrm{c}} . \\ { }^{5} 50 \mathrm{c} \\ 50 \\ 13 \\ 13 \\ 13 \end{array}$ |  | *Hclders of rec. May |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Holders of rec. Apr. $20 a$ |
| Preferred (quar Preferred (quar |  |  | Ho |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | or |
|  | 13/4 |  |  |
| Mid-Continent Petrol., pref. (quar.) Miller Rubber, common. | 130.4. | 25 | Holders of |
| Miller Rubber, common. $\qquad$ <br> Moon Motor Car, common (quar.) <br> Moore Drop Forging, Class A (quar.)... |  |  | Holders of re |
|  |  |  | Ho |
| Moore Drop Forging, Class A (quar.) vMotor Prod. Corp., com. (qu.) (No.1). |  |  |  |
| vMotor Prod. Corp., com. (qu.) (No. 1)oPreferred (quar.) Mullins Body Corp pref (quar) |  |  |  |
| Mullins Body Corp., pref. (quar.) National Carbon, pref. (quar.) National Casket, common |  |  | Holders of re |
|  |  |  |  |
| National Casket, common <br> Nat. Dept. Stores, 1st pref. (quar.) <br> $2 d$ preferred (quar.) |  |  | Holders of rec. Apras ${ }^{\text {Holders of }}$ rec. May $15 a$ |
| Nat. Food Products, class A (quar.) |  |  |  |
| $\xrightarrow[\text { National }]{\text { Preferred }}$ |  |  | June 20 to June 29 |
|  |  |  |  |
| National Supply, con |  |  | of |
| National Tea, pref. (quar.) <br> New Jersey Zinc (quar.) |  |  | Holders of re |
|  |  |  | Holders of rec. Apr. $20 a$ |
| New York Air Brake, com. (quar.) Class A (quar.) |  |  |  |
| New York Merchandise Co., pref. (qu.)- |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Holders of rec. Mar. 314 |
| On Wenl Supply, pref. (quar) ---------- |  |  |  |
| Orpheum Circuit, common (monthy)Common (----------- |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Holders of rec. May $20 a$ |
| Common (monthly |  |  | H0 |
| Preferred (quar.) Outlet Company, com |  |  | H0 |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Holders of rec. Apr. $20 a$ |
| 1st preferred (quar.) <br> 2d preferred (quar.) |  |  |  |
| Overman Cushion Tire, pref. (quar Packard Motor Car com (quar) |  |  |  |
| Packard Motor Car, com. (quar.) Pan Am.Pet.\&Transp.,com.\&com.B |  |  |  |
| Pathe Exchange, Inc., com. A\&B (quar.) Com. A \& B (pay. in new cl. A stock) |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Penmans, Ltd., com. (quar.) Preferred (quar.) |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Phillips-Jones Corp., pref. (quar.) Plymouth Cordage (quar.) |  |  | Holders of rec. Apr. $20 a$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| Plymouth oll | \$1.10 |  |  |
| Postum Cereal (quar.) Prairie Pipa Line (quar.) |  |  |  |
| Pro-phy-lac-tic Brush, prer- (quar.)-----Quaker Oats, preferred ( |  |  | H |
|  |  |  |  |
| Ray Consolidated Copper Co-.-------1 |  |  | Holders of rec. Adr. 20 a |
| Reed (C. A.) Co.. Class A (quar.) |  |  |  |
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| Exarr |  |  |  |
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| Extra |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Salt Creek Producers Assoc. (quar ).--Extra |  |  |  |
| Savage Arms Corp., preferred (quar.) Savannah Sugar Retg. Corp., com. (qu.) Preferred (quar.) |  | May |  |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Holders of rec. Apr. ${ }^{15}$ |
| Schulte Retail Stores, common (quar.) -Preferred (quar) |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Sears,Roebuck\&Co.,new com.(qu.) (No.1) <br> Silver (Isaae) \& Bros. Co., pref. (qu.) -- | 62 |  | - |
|  |  | Ma | ders of re |
| Simmons Company, pref. (quar.)....-. |  |  |  |
| Smith (A. O.) Corp., common (quar.)-Common (extra) |  |  |  |
| Preferred (quar.) |  |  | Holders of rec. May 1 |
| Smith (Howard) Paper Mills (quar. Southern Dairies, Class A (quar.) |  |  | Hotder |
|  | 81 |  | Hciders of rec. Apr. $15 a$ |
| Spalding (A. G.) \& Bros., 1st pf. (qu.) -Second preferred (quar.) |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Standard Oil (Neb.) stock dividend....Standard Publishing, Class A (quar.). |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| steel Company of Canada, ord. (quar.) Preference (quar.) |  |  |  |
| Telautograph Co., common Texon Oil \& Land (quar.) |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Holders of rec. Apr. 14 |
|  | *1 |  | Holders of r |
| Chompson (J.R.) Co., com. (monthly) | - |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Tlde-Water Oil, pref. (qu) |  |  | Holders of rec. Apr. 30 a |
|  |  | Apr. | Apr. 1 to ADr. 7 |
| Union Oll of California |  | May |  |
|  |  | May |  |
| United Drug, com (quar.)First preferred (quar.) |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | d |
| United Profit Sharing, preferred-.-.-.-) |  |  | H |
|  |  |  | iders of re |
| U.S. Cast Iron Pipe \& Fdy., com. (qu.) |  |  | 析 |
|  |  |  | Holde |
| Common (quar. |  |  | Holde |
|  |  |  | Holders of rec. June 1 a |
| Preferred (quar. |  |  | Holders of rec. Sept. $1 a$ |
| U.S. Rubber, 1st pret. (quar.) --. | 194 |  | Holders of ree. Dec. $1 a$ |
|  |  |  | Holders of |
| Universal Pipe \& Radiator, pref. (qu.) Van Camp Packing Co., preferred. |  | May | Holders of $r$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| Vivaudou (V.), Ine., pref. (quar.).-...Preferred (quar.) |  |  |  |
| Preferred (quar.) |  |  | Holders of re |
| Vulean Detinning pref. \& pref. A (qu.) Preferred (account accum dividends) |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Preferred (account accum. dividends) <br> Warner (Chas.) Co of Del. <br> First \& second preferred (quar.) |  |  |  |
| Washington |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Waverly Oil Works, Class A (No. 1) <br> Weber \& Hellbroner, common (quar.) Westinghouse Air Brake (quar.) |  | June | Holders of rec. June 16a |
|  |  |  |  |
| Westinghouse Air Brake (quar.) Extra |  |  |  |
| Westinghouse Elec. \& Mfg., com.(quar.) <br> White Eagle Oil \& Ref. (quar.) - <br> White Sewing Mach. (quar.) (No. 1) <br> Whlcox (H. F.) Oil \& Gas (quar.) <br> Wrigley (Wm.) Jr. \& Co. (monthly) <br> Monthly $\qquad$ |  | Apr . | Holders of rec. Mar. 3 |
|  |  | ${ }^{\text {Apr. }}$ | Holders of rec. Mar. 3 |
|  |  |  | Holders of rec. A |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |

* From unofflial sources. †The New York Stock Exchange has ruled that atock
will not be quoted ex-dividend on this date and not until further notice. $\ddagger$ The New York Curb Market Association has ruled that stock will not be quoted ex dividend on this date and not until further notice.
$a$ Transfer books not closed for this dividend. $d$ Correction. $e$ Payable in stock
Payable in common stock. $g$ Payable in scrip. $f$ Payable in comman stock. $q$ Payable in scrip. $h$ On account of accu
dividends. $m$ Payable in preferred stock. $n$ Payable in Canadian funds. $s$ At option of holder dividend payable elther in cash or stock at rate of one-
fortleth of a share of Class A stock. fortleth of a share of Class A stock.
$u$ Dividends are five-fortieths of a share of new class A common for old class A \& B
common and one-fortieth of a share for new class A \& B common common and one-fortieth of a share for new class A \& B common.
o Company has been enjoined from paying more than $4 \%$ on pref. stock, and no
to Dividend is 45 c . In eash or in Class A stock at rate of one-fiftleth of a share.

Weekly Returns 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 Apr. 10. 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.

| Week Ending April 101926. <br> (000 omitted.) | $\|$New <br> Capital <br> Nat'l, <br> State, <br> Tr.Cos. | Proftts. <br> Dec. 31 <br> Mar. 25 <br> Mar, 25 | Loans, Discount, Investments. \&c. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Cash } \\ \text { in } \\ \text { Vault. } \end{gathered}$ |  | Net Demand Deposits. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Tyme } \\ \text { De- } \\ \text { Doste. } \end{gathered}$ | Band CYrcw-baHO2. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Members of Fed | d. | Bank. | Average. | Average | Average | Average. | rage | $A 0^{\prime} 09$ |
| Bank of N. Y. \& |  |  | 77,526 | ${ }_{480}$ | \% ${ }_{\text {\% }}$ 870 | 58,442 | 8,345 |  |
| Bk of Manhat'n | 10,000 | 14,965 | 162,024 | 3,216 | 18,382 | 134,414 | 25,463 |  |
| Mech\&MetNat | 10,000 | 16,134 | 173,361 | 2,585 | 21,466 | 162,183 | 10,528 | 547 |
| Bank of America | 6,500 | 5,258 | 78,129 | 1,839 | 11,769 | *67,654 | -5,830 | 80 |
| National City- | 50,000 | 65,032 | 588,190 132,808 | 5,272 | 61,034 | *621,860 | 3,249 | 347 |
| Chemical Nat. | 4,500 | 18,050 | 132,808 150,888 | ${ }_{2,095}^{1,283}$ | 15,387 | 1137,184 | 10,222 | 4,945 |
| Am Ex-Pac Nat Nat Bk of Com- | 7,500 25,000 | 40,935 | 335,165 | 2,718 | 37,520 | 285,522 | 11,947 |  |
| Chat Ph NB\&T | 13,500 | 12,571 | 216.094 | 2,549 | 23,599 | 167,291 | 40,945 | 5,875 |
| Hanover Nat- | 5,000 | 25,505 | 124,799 | 6,997 | +14,638 | 177,687 | 31,779 |  |
| Corn Exchange- | 10,000 10,000 | 14,799 23,843 | 205,107 <br> 162,279 | 6,997 | 17,141 | 130,827 | 8,237 | 3,479 |
| National Park- | 3,000 | 3,071 | 51,589 | 1,494 | 5,147 | 35,567 | 15,642 |  |
| First National. | 10,000 | 73,804 | 307,916 | 596 | 24,088 | 182,842 | 10,966 | 4,862 |
| Irving Bk-ColTr | 17,500 | 14,017 | 290,262 | 2,731 | 35,279 1 1030 | 264,368 6.862 | 28,845 |  |
| Continental. | 1,000 | 27,184 | 399,728 | 4,560 | 48,186 | *378,410 | 22,564 | $\stackrel{787}{ }$ |
| Chase National. | 20,500 | - 3 ,031 | 25,371 | 787 | 3,430 | 25,794 |  |  |
| Commonwealth. | 00 | 1,320 | 15,091 | 518 | 1,568 | 10,799 | 5,116 |  |
| Garfleld Nat'l. | 1,000 | 1,731 | 16,789 |  | 2,593 | 115,910 |  | 48 |
| Seaboard Nat'l | 6,000 | 9,764 | 119,689 | 1.104 | ${ }_{37,795}^{15,219}$ | *310,742 | 51,169 |  |
| ${ }^{\text {Bankers }}$ Trust- | 20,000 3 | 31,707 4,915 | 353,081 67,248 | 773 | 7,981 | 61,698 | 5,794 |  |
| U S Maranty Trust | 25,000 | 22,588 | 407,421 | 1,324 | 45,437 | *386,743 | 55,499 |  |
| Fldelity-Inter $\operatorname{Tr}$ | 4,000 | 174 | 42,554 |  | 5,149 | 38,061 | 2,948 |  |
| New York Tru | 10,000 | 20,312 | 184,700 | 466 | 20,851 | *107,924 | $\stackrel{24,611}{24}$ |  |
| Farmers L \& Tr Equitable Trust | 10,000 23,000 | 18,963 14,439 | 148,198 269,390 | 1,706 | 28,553 | *276,594 | 29,361 |  |
| Total of avera | 0 | 513,774 | 5,113,547 | 47,129 | 567 | 103 | 2,6 | 2,162 |
| Totals, actual con | ndition | Apr. 10 | 5,071,318 | 46,8 | 576 | c4,170,520 |  | 22,183 |
| Totals, actual con | ndition | Apr | 5,191,235 | 44,809 46204 | 546,706 | 4,352,129 | 515,161 |  |
| Totals, actual con | ndition | Mar. 27 | f Fed'1 | Res' |  |  |  |  |
| State Banks Greenwich Bank | ,000 | 600 | 23,349 | 2,147 | 1,962 | 22,376 | 2,013 |  |
| State Bank. | 5,000 | 5,324 | 107,273 | 4,917 | 2,242 |  | 64,757 |  |
| Total of averajes | 6,000 | 7.925 | 130,622 | 7,064 | 4,204 | 081 | 66,77 |  |
| Totals, actual co | ndition | Apr. 10 | 130,747 | 7,014 | 4,415 | 61,373 |  |  |
| Totals, actual co | ndition | Apr. | 130,817 | 6,662 | ${ }_{4}^{4,463}$ | 61,045 62 62 | 66,866 66,551 |  |
| Totals, actual co | ndition | Ma | 132,182 | ${ }^{\text {, }}$ +6e |  |  |  |  |
| Trust CompanTrtle Guar \& Tr.Lawzers Trust. |  |  | . 093 | 1Re847 | 4,134 | 39,051 | 2,271 |  |
|  | . $\begin{array}{r}10,000 \\ 3,000\end{array}$ | 18,231 | 24,558 | 1918 | 2,171 | 20,150 | 1,155 |  |
| Total of averages | 13,000 | 21,336 | 7,652 | 2,66 | 6,305 | 59,201 | 3,42 |  |
| otals, actual co | ndition | Apr. 10 | 87,176 | 2,59 |  | 59,041 |  |  |
| Totals, actual con | ndition | Apr. | 85,965 | 2,50 | 6,594 <br> 6,524 | 58,732 59,683 | 3,375 3,400 |  |
| Totals, actual co | - | Mar. 27 | 88,564 |  | 6,524 |  | 3,40 |  |
| Gr'daggr., aver- | 329,800 | 543,037 | 5,331,821 |  |  | 4,342,385 | 2, | 162 |
| Comparison wit | - |  | 39,394 | +2,396 | 31 |  |  |  |
| Gr'd aggr., act'l cond'n Comparison with prev. |  | Apr. 10 | 5,289,241 | ,501 |  | 4,290,934 | , | 8 |
|  |  | Apre | -119,776 | +2,585 | +297 | -180,972 | , |  |
| Gr'd aggr., act'l cond'n |  | Apr | 5,409,017 | 53,916 | 557,763 | 4,471,906 | 585,402 | 2,116 |
|  |  | Mar. 27 | ,317,240 | 55,355 | 558,559 | 4,334,419 | 581,931 | 12,296 |
|  |  | Mar. 20 | 5,314,812 | 56,800 | 588,312 | $4,363,020$ | 566,361 | 122,267 |
| Gr'd agrr., act'l cond'n |  | Mar. | ,328,039 | 58,421 | 1507,326 | 4,408,815 | 560,439 | 22,324 |
| Gr'd aggr., act'l cond'nGr'd aggr., actlicond'n |  | Mar | 5,398,595 | 57. | 592,8 | 4,448,2 | , | 522,3 |

Note.-U. S. deposits deducted from net demand deposits in the general totals
above were as follows: Average total Apr. 10, $\$ 44,445,000$. Actual totals Apr. 10, and
$\$ 44,437,000 ; \mathrm{Apr} .3$, $\$ 44,441,000$ Mar. $27, \$ 44,447,000 ; \mathrm{Mar}$, $20, \$ 57,424,000 ;$
Mar, $13, \$ 44,537,000$. Bill payable, rediscounts, acceptances and other liabilitles Mar. $13, \$ 4,537,000$. Bills payable, redscounts, acceptances ar. $27, \$ 638,117,000 ;$
average for week Apr. $10, \$ 645,113,000 ;$ Apr. $3, \$ 633,909,000$ Mar
Mar. $20, \$ 615,595,000 ;$ Mar. $13, \$ 634,677,000$. Actual totals Apr. $10, \$ 656,998,000 ;$ Mar. $30, \$ 587,074,000$; Mar. $27, \$ 656,190,000$; Mar. 20, $\$ 650,916,000$; Mar. 13 , \$656,899,000

* Includes deposits in foreign branches not included in total footings as follows
National City Bank, $\$ 161,837,000$; Chase National Bank, $\$ 11,763,000$; Bankers Trust Co, $\$ 32,681,000$; Guaranty Trust Co., $\$ 63,020,000$; Farmers, Loan \& Trust
Co., $\$ 4,563,000$; Equitable Trust Co., $\$ 63,102,000$. Balances carried in banks in Co., $\$ 4,563,000$; Equitable Trust Co., $\$ 63,102,000$. Balances carried in banks in
foreign countries as reserve for such deposits were: National City Bank, $\$ 20,268,000$ : foreign countries as reserve for such deposirs Trust Co., $\$ 1,089,000$; Guaranty Trust
Chase National Bank, $\$ 1,929,000 ;$ Banker Co.. $\$ 1,535$,
$\$ 6,758,000$
c Deposits in foreign branches not included.
The reserve position of the different groups of institutions on the basis of both the averages for the week and the actual condition at the end of the week is shown in the following two tables:
STATEMENT OF RESERVE POSITION OF CLEARING HOUSE BANK AND TRUST COMPANIES.

|  | Averages. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cash Reserve in Vault. | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \text { Reserve } \\ \text { in } \\ \text { Depostaries } \end{array}$ | Total Reserve. | $\begin{gathered} \mathbf{b} \\ \text { Reserve } \\ \text { Required. } \end{gathered}$ | Surplwe Reserve. |
| Members Federal Reserve Bank. | \$ | $\stackrel{9}{\mathbf{S}} \underset{567,948,000}{ }$ | $\stackrel{\$}{5}$ | \$ ${ }^{\text {S64,252,260 }}$ | $\stackrel{\$}{3} 69,740$ |
| State Banks_-_-.--- Trust Companies* | $7,064,000$ $2,665,000$ | $4,204,000$ $6,305,000$ | $11,268,000$ $8,970,000$ | $\begin{array}{r}10,9 ¢ 4,580 \\ 8,880,150 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}273,420 \\ 89,850 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| Otal April 1 | 9,729,000 | 578,457,000 | 588,186,000 | 584,126,990 | 4,059,010 |
| Total April 3 | 9,230,000 | 609.580,000 | 618,810,000 | 595,661,040 | 23,148,960 |
| Total Mar. 27 | 9,218.000 | 582,462,000 | 591,680,000 | 585,053,850 | 8,626,150 |
| Total Mar. 20.. | 9,112,000 | 594,626,000 | 603,738,000 | 595,005,720 | 8,732,280 |

## * Not members of Federal Reserve Bank.

b This is the reserve required on the net demand deposits in the case of State banks
and trust companles, but in the case of members of the Federal Reserve Bank Includes also amount in reserve required on net time deposits, whilch was as followan $\mathrm{Apr} .10, \$ 15,378,870 ;$ Apr.
810 ; Mar. $13, \$ 14,816,130$.

|  | Actual Figures. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Cash } \\ \text { Resesrve } \\ \text { in Vault. } \end{gathered}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Reserve } \\ \text { Depostuartes } \end{gathered}\right.$ | Total Reserce. | a Reserve Required. | Surptus |
| Members Federal Reserve Bank | s | 76,425, |  |  |  |
| State Banks*-... | 7.014 .000 | 4,415,000 | 11,429,000 | 11,047,140 | 381,860 |
| Trust Companies* | 2,593,000 | 6.704,000 | 9,297,000 | 8,856,150 |  |
| Total April 10 | ${ }^{9,607,000}$ | 587,544,000 | 597,151,000 | 577,459,300 | 19.69 |
| Total Mar. 27 | 9,107,000 | 589,559, | 66,870 | ${ }^{601.02}$ | 34, |
| Total Mar. $20 . \ldots$ | ${ }_{9,212,000}$ | 588,312.000 | 597,524,000 | 586,389,320 | 11,134,68 |
| * Not members of Federal Reserve Bank. <br> a Thls 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: Apr, $10, \$ 15,388,410 ;$ Apr. $3, \$ 15,454,830 ;$ Mar. $27, \$ 15,360,000 ;$ Mar. $20, \$ 14,897$, 760; Mar. 13, $\$ 15,122,550$. |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |

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. (Ftoures Furnished by State Bankting Department.)
Loans and investments

 $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Deposits with Federal Reserve Bank of New York- } & 101,365,400 & \text { Dec. } 6,233,000 \\ \text { Tme deposits }\end{array}$ Deposits elliminating amounts ude fom reserve de
positaries and from other banks and trust compa-
 Percentage of reserve, $20.6 \%$.
 Total. $\qquad$ ${ }^{*}$. Inclu $\overline{-51,144,900} \overline{21.97 \%} \quad \overline{\$ 126,190,700} \overline{20.14 \%}$

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

|  | Loans and Investments. | Demand Depostts. | *Total Cash in Vautis. | Reserve in Depositarles. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Weeek Ended- | 6,408,683,600 |  |  |  |
| Dee. 19 | 6,498,683,600 | 5,602,113,700 | ${ }_{98.884,300}^{91.125,200}$ | $732,709,200$ $746,673,400$ |
| Dee. 26 | 6,584,447,000 | 5,619,923,800 | 105,692,300 | 734,118,200 |
| Jan. 2 | 6.688.745.000 | 5,70,772,300 | ${ }^{99,811.300}$ | 764,938.500 |
| ${ }^{\text {Jan. }} 18$ | 6.614,199.500 | 5.771,092.600 | 95,988,600 | 764,899.000 |
| Jan. 23 | 6,557.007,300 | 5.657,830.000 | 87.033,900 | 746,110,700 |
| Feb. 6 | 6.53,928,200 | 5,628,105.200 | - 87.174 .800 | $732,989.600$ 740.77500 |
| ${ }_{\text {Feb. }}{ }^{13}$ | 6,551.072,500 | 5,617.024,100 | 89.198.200 | 732,243.100 |
| Feb. 27 | 6.538.928,200 | ${ }^{5,572,396,500}$ | $85,608,600$ $87,174,800$ | ${ }_{732.989}^{732.600}$ |
| Mar. ${ }^{\text {Mar, }}$ | - 8.574 .532 .600 | 5.621.468.900 | 84,322,400 | 744,749,500 |
| Mar. 20 | 6.559.263,300 | 5,624,406,300 | ${ }_{83,752,000}$ | 737.864.500 |
| Mar. 27 | 6.528.460.200 | 5.539.714.200 | 82,310.600 | 726.143,200 |
| ${ }_{\text {Apr. }}$ Apr. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 6.582, 817.200 $6.551,614,500$ | 5.616.040, 800 5.532 .064 .000 | 79.710 .300 87.360 | 765,192.600 |

New York City Non-Member Banks and Trust Com-panies.-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:
aETURN OF NON-MEMBER INSTITUTIONS OF NEW YORK CLEARING HoUse.

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline CLLEARING Week Ending A Dril 101926. \& Capual. \& $$
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\text { Profite. }
\end{gathered}
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\end{gathered}
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\begin{gathered}
\text { Net } \\
\text { Demand } \\
\text { Depostre. }
\end{gathered}
$$ \& $$
\begin{gathered}
\text { Net } \\
\text { TYme } \\
\text { Deposts. }
\end{gathered}
$$ <br>
\hline $$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { Members of } \\
& \text { ged'1 Res've Bank. } \\
& \text { Graco Nat Bank.... }
\end{aligned}
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\begin{aligned}
& 5 \\
& 1,000
\end{aligned}
$$ \& $$
\begin{aligned}
& 8 \\
& 1,866 \\
& \hline
\end{aligned}
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\begin{array}{|c|}
\hline \text { Aterage. } \\
12,597
\end{array}
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\begin{array}{|c}
\hline \text { Aterage } \\
3 \\
\\
44
\end{array}
$$ \& $$
\begin{array}{|c|}
\hline \text { Anerage. } \\
8997 \\
\hline 9 .
\end{array}
$$ \& $$
\begin{array}{|c|}
\hline \text { Average } \\
\vdots \\
6,468
\end{array}
$$ \& $$
\begin{gathered}
\overline{\text { Average }} \\
\mathbf{3} \\
3,821
\end{gathered}
$$ <br>
\hline Total State Banks. Not Members of the Bank of Wash. Hts. Colonlal Bank \& $$
\begin{array}{r}
1.000 \\
200 \\
1.200 \\
\hline
\end{array}
$$ \& $$
\begin{array}{r}
1,856 \\
\\
616 \\
2,967 \\
\hline
\end{array}
$$ \& $$
\begin{array}{r}
12,597 \\
\\
9,293 \\
31,200 \\
\hline
\end{array}
$$ \& 44

777

3,100 \& $$
\begin{array}{r}
997 \\
\\
377 \\
2,116
\end{array}
$$ \& \[

$$
\begin{array}{r}
6,468 \\
\\
6,268 \\
25,790
\end{array}
$$

\] \& \[

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 3,821 \\
& \\
& 2,694 \\
& 5,050
\end{aligned}
$$
\] <br>

\hline \multirow[t]{2}{*}{Total $\qquad$ Wot Member of the Federal Reservo Bank Mech Tr, Bayonne. Total $\qquad$} \& 1,400 \& 3,583 \& 40,493 \& $$
\begin{gathered}
3,877 \\
385
\end{gathered}
$$ \& 2,493 \& 32,058 \& 7,744 <br>

\hline \& 500 \& 589 \& 9,207 \& 385 \& 176 \& 3,528 \& 6,046 <br>

\hline Grand aggregato - . Comparison with or \& $$
\begin{aligned}
& 2,900 \\
& . \text { week }
\end{aligned}
$$ \& 6,029 \& \[

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\begin{array}{r}
62,297 \\
-237
\end{array}
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\begin{aligned}
& 4,306 \\
& +75
\end{aligned}
$$

\] \& \[

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 3,666 \\
& +640
\end{aligned}
$$

\] \& \[

$$
\begin{array}{r}
\mathbf{a} 42,054 \\
-341
\end{array}
$$
\] \& $\begin{array}{r}17,611 \\ -53 \\ \hline\end{array}$ <br>

\hline Gr'd aggr., Apr. ${ }^{3}$ Gr'd askr.: Mar. 20 \& \[
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\begin{aligned}
& 2,900 \\
& 2,900 \\
& 2,900
\end{aligned}
$$

\] \& \[

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 5,838 \\
& 5,838 \\
& 5,830
\end{aligned}
$$

\] \& \[

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\begin{aligned}
& 62,534 \\
& 64,581
\end{aligned}
$$

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\begin{aligned}
& 4,231 \\
& 4,388 \\
& 4,338
\end{aligned}
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\begin{aligned}
& 3,026 \\
& 3,090
\end{aligned}
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\begin{aligned}
& \mathbf{a} 42,395 \\
& \mathbf{a} 42,861
\end{aligned}
$$
\] \& 17,664

17.713
17 <br>
\hline Gr'd aggr., Mar. 13 \& 2,900 \& 5,838 \& ${ }_{62,478}$ \& 4,502 \& ${ }_{3,346}{ }^{3,192}$ \& ${ }_{\text {a }}{ }^{\text {a43,639 }}$ \& 17,861 <br>
\hline
\end{tabular}

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.

|  |  | Chanoes from previous week. | $\begin{gathered} A_{1926}{ }_{1926} . \end{gathered}$ | Mar.31 1926. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Capital | ${ }_{68,500.000}$ | ${ }_{\text {Unchanged }}^{\text {8 }}$ | 68,500,000 | 68.000,000 |
| Surplus and proitit-....-.--- | 9,551.000 | Inc. 857.000 | 89,694,000 | 89,058.000 |
| Individual deposits........- | 675,278,000 | Inc. $4.120,000$ | 10341031000 | ${ }^{1031479000}$ |
| Due to banks | 142,657.000 | Dec. 5,784,000 | 148,441,000 | 135.323,000 |
| TMme deposits- | 218,916,000 | Inc. In,977,000 | 215,939,000 | 214,873,000 |
| United States deposits --.i.- | - $\begin{aligned} & 46.895 .000 \\ & 32.161 .000\end{aligned}$ | ${ }^{\text {Dec. }}$ Dec. 7.949 .0000 | 46,902.000 | ${ }^{46,900.000}$ |
| Due from other bankg.....-- | 83,467,000 | Inc. 1,275,000 | 82,192,000 | 76,760,000 |
| Reserve in legal depositaries. | 79,284,000 | Inc. $\quad 285.000$ | 78,999,000 | 76,947,000 |
| Reserve excess in F.r. Bk.--- | 10165000 435 | Dec.  <br> Dec. 19828.000 | 10,366,000 | $10.031,000$ 481,000 |

-Philadelphia Banks.-The Philadelphia Clearing House return for the week ending Apr. 10, 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 reserve. For trust companies not members of the Federal Reserve System the reserve required is $10 \%$ on demand deposits and includes "Reserve with legal depositaries" and "Cash in vaults."

| Ttoo Ctphers (00) omitted. | Week Ended April 101926. |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { April } 3 \\ 1926 . \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mar. } 27 \\ 1926 . \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\left\|\begin{array}{l} \text { Members of } \\ \text { F.R.System } \end{array}\right\|$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Trust } \\ \text { Compantes } \end{array}\right\|$ | $\begin{gathered} 1926 \\ \text { Total. } \end{gathered}$ |  |  |
| Capltal | \$44,275,0 | \$5,000,0 | \$49,275,0 | \$49,275,0 | \$47,275,0 |
| Surplus and profits | 132,146,0 | 17,137,0 | 149,283.0 | 149,283,0 | 146,573,0 |
| Loans, disc'ts \& Investm'ts | 853,500,0 | 50,706,0 | 904,206,0 | 902,779,0 | 910,568,0 |
| Exchanges for Clear.House | 38,952,0 | 431,0 | 39,383.0 | 50,969,0 | 35,854,0 |
| Due from banks | 115,176,0 | 820.0 | $115,196,0$ <br> 141 | $120,888,0$ <br> 140 | 107,000,0 |
| Individual deposits | 140,945,0 | 32,312,0 | $141,756,0$ 620.459 .0 | 140,953,0 | 136,281,0 |
| Tlme deposits. | \$128,591,0 | 2,129,0 | 130,720,0 | 129,988,0 | 125,447,0 |
| Total deposits | 857,663,0 | 35,272.0 | 892,935.0 | 905,383,0 | 877.235,0 |
| Res've with legal depos. |  | 4,863,0 |  | 6,224,0 | 4,324,0 |
| Reserve with F. R. Bank-- | 64,045,0 |  | 64,045.0 | 63,897,0 | 62,631,0 |
| Total reserve \& cash helda-- | 10,209,0 | $1,483,0$ $6,346,0$ | $11,692,0$ $80,600,0$ | $11,718.0$ $81,839,0$ | $11,512,0$ $78,467,0$ |
| Reserve required | $64,070,0$ | 5,009,0 | 69,079,0 | 69,835,0 | $78,467,0$ $68,445,0$ |
| Excess res. \& cash in vault. | 10.184.0 | 1,337,0 | 11,521.0 | 12.004.0 | 10,022,0 |

* 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 Apr. 141926 in comparison with the previous week and the corresponding date last year:
Resources- $\qquad$ Aprll 14 1926. Apr. 7 1926. April 151925.
Gold with Federal Reserve Agent_-
Gold redemp. fund with U. S. Treas
가. $\quad 28$

| 34, |
| :--- |
| $\mathbf{8}$ |
| $0.020,0$ |

$\begin{gathered}\text { Gold held excluslvely agst. F. R. notee- } \\ \text { Gold settlement fund with F. R. Board }\end{gathered} \frac{302,529,000}{} \quad 353,988,000 \quad 344,010,000$ $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Gold settlement fund with } \mathbf{F} . \text { R. Board. } & 296,155.000 & 253,954,000 & 324,018,000 \\ \text { Gold and gold certficates held by bank_-- } & 358,103,000 & 351,112,000 & \mathbf{3 2 2}, 754,000\end{array}$
Total gold reserves-
Reserves other than go




## Lsabruties-

| Fed'l Reserve notes in actual circulation. | 366,065,000 | 0 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Deposits-Member bank, reserve accot.- | 922,827,000 | ${ }_{839,003,000}$ | 812,900,000 |
| Government | 6,098,000 | 8,082,000 |  |
| Foreign bank | 660,000 | 2,652,000 |  |
| Other depost | 6,687,000 | 6,859,000 | $\begin{array}{r} 4,319,000 \\ 12,207,000 \end{array}$ |
| forred aval | 936,272,000 | 856,596.000 |  |
| Deferred availabilit | 157,345,000 |  | $836,993,000$ $164,397,000$ |
| Capital pald | 34,242,000 | 33,922,000 | 164,373,000 |
| Surplus | 59,964,000 | 59,964,000 | 58,749,000 |
|  | 3,126,000 | 2,951,000 | 3,375,000 |
| 114ab | 7,014,00 | 1,448,905,000 | 436,927,000 |
| Ratio of total reserves to deposit and |  |  |  |
| Fed'l Res've note llabilities comblned. | 76.9\% | 81.6\% |  |
| Contingent liability on bills purchased |  | 81.6\% | 78.2\% |
| for foreign correspondent | 18,697,000 | 17,962,000 | 12,037,000 |
| NOTE.-Beginning with the statement of Oct. 7 twe new items were added in order to show separately the amount of balances held abroad |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| curitles." The latter term has been adoted assets to "Total blls and so- |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| total of the discounts, acceptances and securitles acquired under the provisions of |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |

## Weekly Return of the Federal Reserve Board.

The following is the return issued by the Federal Reserve Board Thursday afternoon, April 15, 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 preaty for each of the twelve banks. The Federal Reserve Agents rue second table shows the resources and liabilities ans Comptroller and Accounts (third table following) gives details regarding transactions. The Reserve Board's comment upon the returns for the Reserve Agents and between the latter and Federal in our department of "Current Events and Discussions.

|  | 26. $A$ | Aprll 7 1926. $M$ | Mar. 31 1926. ${ }^{\text {M }}$ | Mar. 241926. M | Mar. 17 | Mar. 10 1926. M | Mar. 3 1926. Fe. | Peb. $241926 . \Delta$ | rill 1519 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gold with Federal Reserv. Gold with Federal Reserve agents._.Gold redemption fund with U. S. Treas- | ,430,000 1 | $\left.\begin{array}{r} 384,531,000 \\ 47,741,000 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | $\begin{array}{\|} 1,361,723,000 \\ 48,754,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 404,307,000 \\ 58,086,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,432,402,000 \\ 58.431,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 08,708,000 \\ & 50,406,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 383.1 \\ 50.1 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 406,149,000 \\ 46,334,000 \end{gathered}$ | $54,419,000$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gold held exclusively agst. F. R. notes Gold settlement fund with F. R. Board-Gold and gold certificates held by banks- |  | $1,432$ | 75 | $1,462$ |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 715 <br> 627. | $730,247,000$ $620,827,000$ | 704 | 71 | 631,833,000 | 647,047,000 | 642 | 640,048,000 |  |
| Total gold reserves Reserves other than gold. $\qquad$ |  | 2,783,346,000 ${ }^{2}$, | 152.973.000 |  |  | $2.799,158,000$ 151,682,000 | $2,764,784,000$ <br> $148,754,000$ | 2,766,603.000 149,907,000 |  |
|  |  | 150,305,000 | 152,973,000 |  | $153,2$ |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\overline{2,938,805,000}{ }^{22,838,000}{ }^{2,}$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{r} 2,933.651,000 \\ 61,484,000 \end{array}\right\|$ | $\underbrace{2}_{\substack{2,919,846,000 \\ 62,078,000}}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|c\|} \hline 2,949,776.000 \\ 66,102,000 \\ 2, \end{array}$ | $\left.\begin{array}{\|c} 2,964,657,000 \\ 66,786,000 \end{array}\right\|^{2}$ | $\begin{array}{\|r\|} 2,950,840,000 \\ 68,998.000 \end{array}$ | $2$ |  | $\begin{array}{r} 2,985,527,000 \\ 56,630,000 \end{array}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 206,132,000 \\ & 189,170,000 \end{aligned}$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { 3ill dise dise } \\ & \text { secured } \\ & \text { Other } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 342,549,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 290,169.000 \\ & 288,383,000 \end{aligned}$ | $311,487,000$ $320,904,000$ | $\begin{aligned} & 340,564,000 \\ & 276,983.000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 260,479,000 \\ & 220,136,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 263,904,000 \\ 238,521,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 319,423,000 \\ & 263,791,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 311,570,000 \\ & 228,513,000 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |
|  | $1,289$ | $\begin{aligned} & 578,552,0 \\ & 229,773,0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 632,391,000 \\ & 249,63,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 617,547,000 \\ & 252,228,000 \end{aligned}$ | 480.615, | $\begin{gathered} 2,425,520,000 \\ 34,520 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|c\|c\|c\|c\|c\|} \hline 6,607,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 40,083,000 \\ & 04,128,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 39,302,000 \\ & 774,058,000 \\ & 770 \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| U. S. | $\begin{array}{r} 94,136,000 \\ 143,455,000 \\ 139,415,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 74,997,000 \\ 134.897,000 \\ 132,135,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 70,054,000 \\ 131,644,000 \\ 128,139,000 \end{array}$ | $63,877,000$ $123,308,000$$123,016,000$ 23,016.0 | $\begin{array}{r} 63,831,000 \\ 75.418,000 \\ 213,328,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 60,437,000 \\ 187,355,000 \\ 111,894,000 \end{array}$ | $60,285,000$$171,432,000$ 94,041,000 | $\begin{array}{r} 60.213 .000 \\ 174.954,000 \\ 95,418,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 84,896,000 \\ 244,780,00 \\ 28,156,000 \end{array}$ |
| Treasury |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{array}{\|r\|} 329,837,000 \\ 5,185,000 \\ 8,491,000 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r\|r\|r} 0 & 38,201.000 \\ 0 & 3.810 .000 \\ 0 & 8.010,000 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 352,577,000 \\ 3.610,000 \\ 7,700,000 \end{array}$ | 3,150,000 8,798.000 | $\begin{array}{r} 325,758.000 \\ 3,150.000 \\ 8,700,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 330,585,000 \\ 3,150.000 \\ \mathbf{7 , 1 0 0 , 0 0 0} \end{array}$ | 1,652,000 |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} 377,016,000 \\ 5,185,000 \\ 8,700,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 342,029,000 \\ 5.85,000 \\ 8,800,000 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Forelgr |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} 1,242,243,000 \\ 768.243,000 \\ 59.48 .000 \\ 16,201,000 \\ 16,000 \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{\|c} 1,225,537.000 \\ 643,000 \\ 620,294,000 \\ 59,441,000 \\ 14,759,000 \end{array}$ | 1,189,796.000 | $\overline{1,101,640,000}$ |  |  |  | 1,039,344,000 |
| Duetr |  |  |  | 59.406,000 <br> $14,732,000$ | $831,669,000$59.406 .000 14.134.000 | $\begin{array}{r} 628,454,000 \\ 59,406.000 \\ 17,775,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 711,125,000 \\ 59,368,000 \\ 16,918,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} * 897,429,000 \\ 59,368,000 \\ 17,008,000 \end{array}$ | 786,206,000 $59,241,000$ <br> 21,618,000 |
| , |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All other |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 5,088,459,000 4 | 4.869,782,000 | 4,902,598, | 4,916,312,000 |  | 4,884,769,000 | 4,974,423,000$1,675,354,000$ | *4942439,000 | , |
|  | 1,681,096.000 |  |  | 1,658,996,000 | 1,659,210,000 | 1,671,754,000 |  |  |  |
| Deposits- |  | $\begin{array}{r} 2,191,635.000 \\ 60.580 .000 \\ 7,954.000 \\ 18,298,000 \end{array}$ |  |  | $2,230.282,000$ <br> $7.089,000$ <br> $51.971,000$ <br> $21,305,000$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2,209,698,000 \\ 48,554,000 \\ 4,784,000 \\ 18,253,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2,224,329,000 \\ 52,772,000 \\ 6,160,000 \\ 19,322,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2,202,879,000 \\ 36,670,000 \\ 5.450 .000 \\ 17.232,000 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $2,141,443,000$ <br> $37,027,000$ <br> $5,905,000$ <br> $23,571,000$ |
| Member | $\begin{array}{r} 2,283,2,22,000 \\ 43,280,000 \\ 4,576,00 \\ 16,074,000 \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{r} 2,215,243,000 \\ 85.813,000 \\ 5,399.000 \\ 16,897,000 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | $2,278,467.000$ <br> $583,779,000$ <br> $120,55,000$ <br> $22,310,000$ <br> $14,893,000$ | $2,323.352,000$ <br> 57.879 .000 <br> 120.427 .000 <br> $220.310,000$ <br> $14,148,000$ | $\begin{array}{\|r\|} \hline 2,313,632,000 \\ 588.910,000 \\ 120,404,000 \\ 220,410.000 \\ 14,060,000 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 0.264,647,000 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{\|r\|r\|} \hline 2,281,289,000 \\ 0 & 57,943,000 \\ 0 & 19,993.000 \\ 0 & 220,310.000 \\ 0 & 13,480,000 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $2,302.283,000$ <br> $644,103,000$ <br> $119,721,000$ <br> 220.310 .000 <br> $12,652,000$ | $\begin{gathered} 2,262,231,000 \\ \hline 64.257 .000 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $2,207,946,000$ <br> $698,694,000$ <br> $114,586,000$ <br> $217,837,900$ <br> $12,052,000$ |
| ererre |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Capital |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (rplus |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 5,088,459,000 | 4,869,782,000 | 4,902,598,000 | 4,916,312,000 | 5,039,004,000 | 4,884,769,000 | 4,974,42 | *4942439, | 4,949,205,000 |
| Ratio of gold reserves to deposits and |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 69.5 \% \\ 73.2 \% \\ 82,408,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|r} 70.1 \% \\ 74.0 \% \\ 82,188,000 \end{array}$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| R. notellabilitles |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| nting for for | 68,202,000 | , 1 | , 161,000 | 71,016,00 | 78,975,0 | 83,009,000 |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{array}{\|c\|c\|} \hline 132,730.000 \\ 436,193,000 \\ 13,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|r\|r\|} \hline \\ 0 & 97,817,000 \\ \hline & 430,712.000 \\ \hline & 36,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 117.659,000 \\ 473,600.000 \\ 10,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\stackrel{\stackrel{5}{\text { S }}}{110,540,000}$ <br> 486,050,000 <br> 2,884,000 | $96,085,000$$364,185,000$ $39,013,000$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathbf{1 1 1 , 4 7 4 , 0 0 0} \\ 390,088,000 \\ 48,000 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} 8 \\ \hline 122,574,000 \\ 440,813,000 \\ 74,000 \end{gathered}$ |  |
| 5 day |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 days U . s . certif. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5 da | $\begin{array}{r} 57,559,000 \\ 33,897,000 \\ 200,000 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 52,615,000 \\ & 34,987,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 52,635,000 \\ 37,181,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 61,546,000 \\ & 31,386000 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 70,533,000 \\ 30,957,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 66,139,000 \\ & 29,551,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} , 568,000 \\ , 597,000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 59,878,000 \\ & 25,324,000 \end{aligned}$$\begin{array}{r} 20,024,000 \\ 1,505,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 58,633,000 \\ & 26,847,000 \end{aligned}$ |
| do days |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 30 days U. S. certif. of |  |  |  |  |  | $72,552.000$ 43,601,000 | $\begin{aligned} & 84.840 .000 \\ & 47.586,000 \end{aligned}$ | $87,880,000$$42,022,000$ | $\begin{aligned} & 86,606,000 \\ & 35,439,000 \end{aligned}$ |
| 81-60 days bills bought in ope | $54,633,000$ 56,491,00 | $\begin{aligned} & 51,824,000 \\ & 59,119,000 \end{aligned}$ | $52,287,000$ <br> $65,230,000$ | $\begin{aligned} & 52,619,000 \\ & 51,259,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 57,847,000 \\ & 43,340,000 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{31-60}$ days bills discounted. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }_{60}$ days municlpal warrant | 24,268.000 | $24,807,000$  <br>  27 <br> $72,70.000$ | $\begin{array}{ll} 0 & 23,32,00 \\ 0 & 41.319,000 \\ 0 & 59,418,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 22,744,000 \\ & 35,345,000 \\ & 25,203,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{c\|c}  & 28,577,00 \\ 0 & 29,589,000 \\ 00 & 24,988,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 29,571,000 \\ 27,087,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 31,508,000 \\ & 30,700,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 29,952,000 \\ & 22,463,000 \end{aligned}$ | (1) $\begin{aligned} & 41,184,000 \\ & 21,294,000\end{aligned}$ |
| ght in o |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }_{61-90}$ days $\mathrm{U} . \mathrm{S}$. certit. of in | $\begin{aligned} & 33,156,000 \\ & 66,863,000 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 3,725,000 \\ 15,055,000 \\ 68,711,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{cc} 0 & -7,79,000 \\ 0 & 13,5707,000 \\ 0 & 94,929,000 \end{array}$ | 4,099,000 89,327,000 89,327,000 | $\begin{array}{r} 4,784,000 \\ 11,098.000 \\ 11,846.000 \end{array}$ |  | 3.844,000 9,461,00 93,839,00 | $7,20,000$  <br> 0 $16,880,000$ <br> $26,817,000$  |
| Over 90 days bills discounted |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 72,339,000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 2,802,474,000 \\ & 843,261,000 \end{aligned}$ | 2,809,809,000 $\begin{array}{r} 443,106,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l\|l\|l\|} \hline 0,807,701,000 \\ \hline & 82,637,000 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l\|l\|} \hline 00819,409,000 \\ \hline 0 & 829,901,000 \end{array}$ | 825,142,0 | 833,374,000 |  |  |
| Issued to Federal Reser | 2,002,154,000 | 1,959,213,000 | 1,966,703 | 1,980,064, | 1,989,508,00 | 0,9 | 2,008.093,000 | 2,011,369,00 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| did fund-F |  | 9777,026,000 | ${ }_{838,769,00}^{945,}$ | 827,811,000 | 704,667 | $4,218,0$ | 5, | 802,364,00 | 641,013,000 |
|  |  |  |  |  | 2,137,069,0 | 2,92 | 8.2 | 208,513, | 95,0 |

NOTE.-Beginning with the statement of Oct. 71925 two new items were added in order to show separately the amount of balances held abroad and amounts due to forelgn correspondenta. In additton, the captlon, "All other earning assets", now made up of Federal Intermediate Credit Bank debentures, has been changed t of the discounts, acceptances and securities acquitred under the provisions of Sectlons 13 and 14 of the Federal Reserve Act, which are the only items included thereln.
WEEKLY STATEMENT OF RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF EAGH OF THE 12 FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS APR. 14,1926

| Two elphers (00) Federal Reserve Ba | Boston. | New York. | PMal. | Cleveland. | Rtchmona | Allantc | Chicago. | St. Lousts. | Minneap. | Kan. Csty | Dallas. | San Pran | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RESOURCES. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gold with Federal Reserve Agents | 120,497 6,733 | 288,898 | $122,427,0$ $9,256,0$ | $172,192,0$ $1,492,0$ | 50,531,0 | $\begin{array}{r} 175,68 \\ 3,16 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 28 | 184,310 |  |
|  | 42 | 2 | 62,300 |  | 19,970,0 | 21,274,0 | 125,374,0 | 11,228,0 | 15,618,0 | 25,906, | 12,699,0 | 26,570, | 715,880,0 |
| Gold and gold certifleates.......- | 36,891,0 | 358,103,0 | 20,873,0 | 48,477,0 | 6,274,0 | 3,621,0 | 72,327,0 | 18,100,0 | 7,094,0 | 6,100,0 | 10,450,0 | 39,353,0 | 627,663,0 |
|  | 20 | 956,787,0 | 214,856,0 | 278,8 | 78,840,0 | 20 | 33 | 47,044,0 | 76.0 | 83,2 4,9 | 51,546,0 | 250 |  |
| Reserves other than | 20,6 | 45,073,0 | 4,459,0 | 7,0 | 8,501,0 | 9,1 | 19. | 20. |  |  |  | 8 |  |
|  |  |  | 21 |  |  | 212,936,0 | 353,860 | 67.2 | 79,2 | 88,2 | 57,3 | 258,688,0 | 2,938,805,0 |
| -reserve cash |  | 21,095,0 | 2,05 | 3,3 | 4,634,0 | 4,270 | , | ,75 | 1,238 | 2,65 | 3,01 | ,60 |  |
| Bils discounted: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 11, |  |  | 1,190,0 | 23,553,0 |  |
| Sec. by U. S. Govt, obilgations Other bills discounted | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 13,977, } \\ & 17,126, \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 160,62 \\ 28,34 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 28,088,0 \\ & 19,199,0 \end{aligned}$ | 19,889,0 | 131,296,0 | 32,164 | 41,55 | 13,634,0 | 4,452,0 | 12,102 | 4,595,0 | 18,192,0 |  |
| Total bills disco | 31,10 | 188.9 | 47,287 | 64,38 | 44,709,0 | 40,86 | 65 | 25,0 | 4,8 |  |  | 41, |  |
| Blis bought in ope | 45,332,0 | 63,437 | 11,142, | 21,076,0 | 10,636 | 10,886 | 35,17 |  |  |  | 10,747,0 | 24,6 | 274,0 |
| U. 8 . |  |  | 2,752 | 11,122,0 | 2,948,0 | 2,944 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Treasu | 2,224, | 32 | 2,124,0 | 16,675,0 | $3,347,0$ | 7,83 | 15,195,0 | 10,335,0 | , 252 | 13,263,0 | 12,919,0 | 21,7 |  |
| Certificate | 6.321, | 23,922,0 | 17,939,0 | 8,178,0 | 2,367 | 8,673,0 | 11,326 |  |  |  | 9,595,0 | 23,099 | 139,415,0 |
| S. Govt | 11.016,0 | 65,975, | 22,815,0 | 35,975,0 | 8,662, | 19,451. | 51,112. | 25.742.0 | 19.260.0 | 35.753 .0 | 32.478 .0 | 48.777 | 77 |


| RESOURCAS (Concluded)- <br> Two Clphers (00) omitted. | Boston. | New York. | Phila. | Cleveland. | Richmond | Allanta. | Chicajo. | St. Louts. | Minneap. | Kan. Clty | Dallas. | San Fran. | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 5 | \$ |  | \$ | \$ |  | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | 5 | 5 |  |
| Foretgn 1 | 661,0 | 2,384,0 | 827,0 | 931,0 | 461.0 | 348,0 | 1,192,0 | 374,0 | 278,0 | 339, | 305,0 | 600,0 | $5,185,0$ $8,700,0$ |
| Total b | 88,112,0 | 320,765,0 | 86,696,0 | 122,366,0 | 64,468,0 | 72,109,0 | 152,533,0 | 57,833,0 | 44,906.0 | 67,327,0 | 49,315.0 | 115,813,0 | 1,242,243,0 |
| Uue from foreign | 73,546,0 | 191,595,0 | 70,796,0 | 73,196,0 | 65,642,0 | 35,821,0 | 91,897.0 | 38,281,0 | 14,844,0 | 41,855,0 | 27,491,0 | 43.284,0 | 643,0 $768,248,0$ |
| Bank premises. | 4,068.0 | 16,701,0 | 1,532,0 | 7,409,0 | 2,364,0 | 2,774,0 | 7,933,0 | 4,111,0 | 2,943,0 | 4,636,0 | 1,793,0 | 3,217,0 | $768,248,0$ $59,481,0$ |
| All other resour | 88,0 | 4,355,0 | 419.0 | 907,0 | ${ }^{343,0}$ | 1,014,0 | 1,918,0 | +524,0 | 2,276,0 | 620,0 | 1411,0 | 3,326,0 | 16,201,0 |
| Total resources_ LIABILITIES | 397,241,0 | 1,557,014,0 | $380,811,0$ | 493,121,0 | 224,792,0 | 328,924,0 | 616,718,0 | 171,764,0 | 145,436,0 | 205,302,0 | 139,399,0 | 427,937,0 | 5,088,459,0 |
| F, R, notes in actual circulation. | 145,858,0 | 366,065,0 | 143,568,0 | 201,678,0 | 74,028,0 | 197,358,0 | 167,020,0 | 37,068,0 | 63,643,0 | 62,870,0 | 36,163,0 | 185,777,0 | 1,681,096,0 |
| Member bank-reserve acc't | 144,903,0 | 922,827.0 | 135,444,0 | 180,482,0 | 66,84 | 77.318 | 314.085,0 | 78,123,0 | 52,624,0 | 87,008,0 | 58,784,0 | 4,7 | 283,222,0 |
| Government | 7,451,0 | 6,098,0 | 3,391,0 | 3,251.0 | 3,038,0 | 6,812.0 | 1,631,0 | 1,908,0 | 3,462,0 | 2,596,0 | 1,624,0 | 2,018,0 | $283,222,0$ $43,280,0$ |
| Forelgn bank | 410.0 | 660.0 | 512.0 | 577,0 | 286.0 | 216,0 | 739.0 | 232,0 | 173.0 | 210,0 | 189,0 | -372,0 | 4,576,0 |
| Other depos | 101,0 | 6,687,0 | 179,0 | 1,022,0 | 68.0 | 103,0 | 1,048,0 | 270.0 | 246,0 | 133,0 | 48.0 | 6,169.0 | 16,074,0 |
| Total deposts. | 152,865,0 | 936,272,0 | 139,526,0 | 185,332,0 | 70,234,0 | 84,449,0 | 317,503,0 | 80,533,0 | 56,505,0 | 89,947,0 | 60,645,0 | 173.341 .0 | 2,347,152,0 |
| Deferred avallabilit | 71,935,0 | 157.345.0 |  | 68,327,0 | 61,664,0 | 32.708 .0 | 82,996.0 | 38,470,0 | 13.362.0 | 38,540.0 | 30.039.0 | 43.509.0 | 703,600,0 |
| Capttal D | $8,772,0$ 17,020 | $34,242,0$ 59,964 | $11,949,0$ $20,464,0$ | 13,475.0 | $5,983,0$ 11,919 | 4,938,0 | 16,288,0 | 5.246 .0 | 3,142.0 | ${ }^{4.242 .0}$ | ${ }^{4}, 336.0$ | 8.285,0 | 120,898,0 |
| All other il | 791,0 | 3,126.0 | 599.0 | $22,894,0$ $1,415,0$ | 11.964,0 | 8771.0 | $30,613,0$ <br> $2,298,0$ | 9,570,0 | $7.501,0$ $1,283,0$ | $8,979,0$ 724.0 | 7.615 .0 6010 | $15,071.0$ $1,954,0$ | $220,310,0$ $15,403,0$ |
| Total Habilitles... Memorand | 397,241,0 | 1,557,014,0 | 380,811,0 | 493,121,0 | 224,792,0 | 328,924,0 | 616,718.0 | 171,764,0 | 145,436,0 | 205,302,0 | 139,399,0 | 427,937,0 | 5,088,459,0 |
| Reserve ratlo (per cent) | 75.9 | 76.9 | 77.5 | 73.9 | 60.5 | 75.6 | 73.0 | 57.2 | 65.9 | 7.7 | 9.3 |  | 3.0 |
| Contingent llability on bills purchased for forelgn correspond'ts | 5,182,0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 68.2020 |
| F. R. notes on hand (notes rec'd from F. R. Agent less notes in | 5,182,0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |  | 68,202,0 |
|  | 16,626.0 | 14 | 30,359,0 | 15,47 | 18,527,0 | 28.018,0 | 18,263,0 | 4,330,0 | 3,139,0 | 6,192,0 | 5,057,0 | 33,413,0 | 321,058,0 | FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE AGCOUNTS OF FEDERAL RESERVE AGENTS AT GLOSE OF BUSINESS APRIL 141926.


| Federal Reserve Agent at- | Boston. | New York. | Phila. | Cleveland. | Richmond | Alanta. | Chicajo. | St. Louss. | Minneap. | Kan. Clty | Dallas. | San Pran. | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (Two Ciphers (00) Omitted.) F.R.notes rec'd from Comptroller | 213,184,0 | $740,564,0$ | 211.447.0 | $273,803.0$ | 119,095,0 | 258,891,0 | 407.520.0 | $\stackrel{\stackrel{S}{6}}{65,538,0}$ | 86,310,0 | 116,212.0 | 57.057 .0 | 282,590,0 | $\$ 8,832,211,0$ |
| F.R.R.notes held by F. R. Agent.- | $213,700,0$ <br> 50,700 | $232,840,0$ | 37,520,0 | $\begin{array}{r} 273,8050 \\ 56,650 \end{array}$ | 26,540,0 | 33,515,0 | 222,237,0 | $24,140,0$ | 19,528,0 | 47,150,0 | 15,837,0 | 63,400.0 | 830,057,0 |
| F.R.notes lssued to F.R. Bank Collateral held as securlty for F. R. notes issued to F. R. Bk.: | 162,484,0 | 507.724,0 | 173,927,0 | 217,153,0 | 92,555,0 | 225,376,0 | 185,283,0 | 41,398,0 | 66,782,0 | 69,062,0 | 41,220,0 | 219,190,0 | 2,002,154,0 |
| Gold and gold certificates.-- | 35.300 .0 | 186,698,0 | 800.0 | 8,780,0 | 25,655,0 | 13,237.0 |  | 8,745,0 | 13,212,0 |  | 17,226,0 |  | 309,653,0 |
| Gold redemption fund. | 17,197.0 | 26,200,0 | 12.030,0 | 13,412,0 | 4,376,0 | 7,452.0 | 3,686,0 | 1,593,0 | 757,0 | 3,775,0 | 3.132,0 | 16,847,0 | 110,457,0 |
| Gold fund-F. R. Board Ellglble paper | 68,000,0 | $76,000,0$ $240,539,0$ | $109,597,0$ <br> $52,501,0$ | $150,000,0$ $82,994,0$ | 20.500 .0 $51,377,0$ | $155,000,0$ $59,584,0$ | $125,844,0$ 100.060 .0 | 6.500 .0 $30,643,0$ | $38,000.0$ $25,204,0$ | $43,860,0$ $30.925,0$ | 7.000 .0 $16.174,0$ | $165.219,0$ 65.370 .0 | $965,320,0$ $822,806,0$ |
| Total collateral. | 196.932,0 | 529,437,0 | 174,928,0 | 255,186,0 | 101,908,0 | 226,273,0 | 229,390,0 | 47,481,0 | 77.173,0 | 78,560,0 | 43.532.0 | 247.436.0 | 2,208,236,0 |

## 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 iiabilities of the 709 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 Dec. 12 1917, published in the "Chronicle" of Dee. 29 1917, page 2523. The comment of the Reserve Board upon the figures for the latest week appears in our Department of "Current Events and Discussions," on page 2127.

| Federal Reserve | Boston. | ork | Phtla. | Cleevand. | Ruchmond | Allana. | Chtcaoo. | St. Louts. | Minneap. | Kan. Ctty | Dallas. | San Pran. | Total. |
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| N |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 24 |  |  |  |  |
| b | 10.263 |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }_{21,313}$ | 46 | 11 |  | ${ }_{3.068}$ | ${ }_{0}^{8}$ |  |
| All other loans and discount | 661,038 | $2,336,065$ $2,661,679$ |  | 539.009 <br> 774,06 | $\begin{aligned} & { }_{375.784}^{1385} \end{aligned}$ | ${ }_{412,832}^{104,905}$ | 1,251,341 | 202,429 316.616 | 62.555 172.753 | 320,013 | 225,042 |  | 8,448,024 |
| Total loans and discounts | 98 | 5,053,385 | 780,099 | 1,333,978 | 519,26 | 525,789 | 2,066,88 | 530,391 | 237,8 | 425,80 | 312,908 |  |  |
| vestme |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| U. S. Government securttles-ili- Other bonds, stocks and securites | $\begin{gathered} 167,938 \\ 225,791 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{\|} 982,898 \\ 1,164,105 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 107,707 \\ & 28 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 289,485 \\ 344,273 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 71,644 \\ & 60,958 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 52.143 \\ & 53.754 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 292,238 \\ & 451,505 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 58.416 \\ 105.404 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 72.093 \\ & { }_{2} 2,528 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 111,876 \\ 82,011 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 56,695 \\ & 22,432 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 260.076 \\ & 207,638 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2,523.209 \\ & 3,07,245 \end{aligned}$ |
| Total Investments. | 393,729 | 2,147,003 | 354,55 | 633,7 | 132,6 | 5,8 | 743,7 | 63,8 | 114,6 | 193.8 | 79,12 | 467.714 | 5,530,454 |
| Tota | 1,375,0 | 7,200,388 | 1,134,652 | 1,967 |  | 631. | ,810 | 694,211 |  | 619 | 392,035 | 1,662 | 19,492 |
| seh in vault...- | 91,843 21.359 | 740,064 | ${ }_{16}^{82}$ | ${ }_{32}^{119.9}$ | 43, | ${ }_{11,257}^{41.696}$ | ${ }_{48}^{240}$ | 48,491 7 7 | 6,34 |  | ${ }^{29,7} 1$ | ${ }^{104 .}$ | ${ }_{1}^{1.621 .929}$ |
| Net demand deposits | 875.495 | 5,563,786 | 749,886 | 1,005,932 | 367,56 | 349.919 | 1.719.3 | ${ }^{405.075}$ | ${ }^{218.920}$ | ${ }^{479.6}$ | 275.376 | 749.772 | 12,760.754 |
| Time depositg | 400.479 | 1,249.873 | 223,898 | 787.0 | 209.428 | 218.483 | 1,021,112 | 216,839 | 110,252 | 177,5 | 99.788 | 830.517 | 5,515.274 |
| Government deposi | 47 |  | 35,718 | 36,006 | 11,397 | 14,456 | 26,402 | 9,922 | 5.142 | 10,08 | 8,824 | 30,336 | 293,427 |
| Secured by U.S.G |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All other..- | 12,560 | 37,692 | 9,617 | 12,681 | 12,32 | 24,037 | 28,32 | 9,973 | 1,25 | 6,2 | 1,362 | 14,422 | 170. |
| Tot | 15,308 | 125,69 | 19,2 | 40,3 | 15,901 | 33,108 | 56,6 | 14,9 | 2,89 | 11,0 | 2,3 | 35,7 | 373,359 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ber banks in F . |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Due from banks... | 45,11 | 104,748 | 70,505 | 28,431 | 15,565 | 12,524 | 144,540 | 27,881 | 21,422 | 39,057 | ${ }_{22,901}$ | ${ }_{48,841}$ | 581,5 |


|  | Banks. |  |  | Reporting Member Banks in N. Y. Cuty. |  |  | Reporting Member Banks in Chicago. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Apr. 71926. | Mar. 311926. | Apr. 81925. | Apr. 7192 | Mar. 31192 | Apr. 81925 | Apr. 71926. | Mar. 311926. | Apr. 819 |
| Number of reporting banks Loans and discounts, gross: Secured by stoeks and bonds. All other loan, and discounts. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 164,102,000 | $\stackrel{\text { 164,338,0 }}{\text { ¢ }}$ | 197,554,000 | 50,804,000 | 51,304,000 | 71,819,000 | 14,767,000 | 11,840,000 | $\stackrel{\text { 23,352,000 }}{\text { 8 }}$ |
|  | 5,349,972,000 | , 403 | 725,112,000 | 2,054.696,0 | 9,750,000 |  | 588.197 .000 | 599,040,00 | 8,045,000 |
|  | 8,448,024,000 | *8,483,960 | 214,618,000 | 2,338,76 | 2,379.578,000 | 2.2 | 695,167,000 | 687,450,0 | 692,019,000 |
| Total loans and discounts <br> Investments: $\qquad$ <br> U.S. Gov't securities_ <br> Other bonds, stocks and seeurities. <br> Total Investments $\qquad$ | 13,962,098,000 | 14,051,567,000 | 13,137,284,000 | 4,4 | 4,530,632,000 | 4,194,452,000 | 1,298,131,000 | 1,292,238,0 | 1,233,416,000 |
|  | ${ }_{3}^{2,523,209,000}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2,480,163,000 \\ & 3,014,540,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2,606,402,000 \\ & 2,877,614,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 870,248,000 \\ & 864,625,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 850,924,000 \\ & 864,440,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 927,302,000 \\ & 846,077,000 \end{aligned}$ | $148,244,000$ $213,679,000$ | $130,763,000$ 218,758,000 | 190,761,000 |
|  | 5,530,454,000 | 5,494,703,000 | 5,484,016,000 | 1,734,873,000 | 1,715,364,000 | 1.773,379,000 | 361,923,000 | 349,521,00 | 9,991,000 |
| Total loans and Investments Reserve balances with F. R. Banks. Cash in vault Net demand deposits Time deposits | 19,492,552,000 | 19,546,270,000 | 18,621,300,000 | 6.179,136.000 | ,245,996.000 | 5,987,831,000 | 1,660,054.000 | 1,641.759.000 |  |
|  | 1,621,929,000 | 1,655,265,000 | 1,609,198,000 | $682,867,000$ $66,417,000$ | $743,016.000$ $62,203,000$ | $697,204,000$ <br> $65,189,000$ | $163,549,000$ $21,144,000$ | 152,364,000 | 154,024,000 |
|  | 12,760,754,000 | 12,901,244,000 | 12,635,199\%000 | 4,999,087,000 | 5,150,463,000 | 4,946,408.000 | 1,130,666,000 | , $0200,346,000$ | $26,601,000$ $108,372,000$ |
|  | 5,515.274.000 | 5,476,941,000 | 057,000 | 91 | 835,248,000 | - | 495,874,00 | 480.485. |  |
| Bills payable and rediscounts with | 427,000 | 295,809,000 | ,00 | 52,067,000 | 52,067,000 |  | 11,362,000 | 11,362,00 | 24,418,000 |
| Federal Reserve Banks: secured iy U. S. Govt. obllgatlons All other. $\qquad$ | 202,877,000 | 214,496,000 | 3,018,000 | 74,012,000 | 57,332,000 | 47,500,000 |  |  |  |
|  | 170,482,000 | 205,606,000 | 0 | 32,684,000 | 30,985,000 | 32,499,000 | 10,896,000 | 32,964,000 | 4,185,000 |
| Total borrowings from F. R. bks_- | 373,359,000 | 420,102,000 | 215,145,000 | 106,696,000 | 88,317,000 | 79,999,000 | 21,291,000 | 44,558,000 | 9,103,000 |
| Loans to brokers and dealers (secured by stocks and bonds) made by 61 reporting member banks In New York Clty: <br>  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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Wall Street, Friday Night, A pril 161926 Railroad and Miscellaneous Stocks.-The review of the Stock Market is given this week on page 2149.

The following are sales made at the Stock Exchange this week of shares not represented in our detailed list on the pages which follow:

| k Ended April 16. | $\left.\begin{gathered} \text { sales } \\ \text { for } \\ \text { Week. } \end{gathered} \right\rvert\,$ | Ranoe for Weel |  | Since |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Ighest. |  | t. Highes |  |
|  |  | \$ per share. | \$ per share. |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} 100 \\ 1,127^{2} \\ 1,10]^{2} \\ 1312 \\ 7,40 \\ 1,40 \\ 200 \end{array}$ | $27 / 3 / 2 \mathrm{Apr} 14$ | $271 / 2 \mathrm{Apr} 14$ |  |  |  |
|  |  | $22^{1 / 2}$ Appr 12 | 880 Apr 15 |  |  |  |
|  |  | ${ }^{45} 53 / 4 \mathrm{Apr}$ |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Industrial \& Misc Abraham \& Straus Preferred Prerada Corp $\qquad$ |  |  | $44 \quad$ Apr 12 |  | Mar 50 |  |
|  | $\left[\begin{array}{c} 200 \\ 100 \\ 5.500 \\ 100 \\ 200 \\ 100 \\ 2,300 \\ \hline, 300 \end{array}\right.$ | ${ }^{4063} \mathrm{Appr} 12$ | $44 \mathrm{Apr} 12$ |  |  |  |
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| erican Snutf pret. 100 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Whole |  | 981/4 AD | 984 A |  |  |  |
| adler-C |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 2,30 \\ & 4,200 \\ & 100 \end{aligned}$ | ${ }_{94}^{137}$ |  |  |  |  |
|  | ${ }^{200} 10$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| m Inv Tr |  |  |  | 9042$1047 / 8$ |  |  |
|  |  |  | 431 $1081 / 2$ |  | Apr 43 |  |
| Deere \& Co pref...- 100 | 2,1003003 | $\begin{aligned} & 42 \\ & 0107 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 12,3914 \\ & 64, \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |
| ric |  | ${ }_{98}^{43 / 4}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Rub |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| e save |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| nd |  | ADP | $1031 / 2 \mathrm{AD}$ |  |  |  |
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| Miller Rub |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Preferred |  | ${ }_{9}^{1}$ | 90\% A |  |  |  |
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| drom | $\begin{aligned} & 7,200 \\ & 2.600 \\ & 6 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | ${ }_{97}^{443 / 4}$ |  |  |  |  |
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| SFargo \& Co |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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New York City Banks and Trust Companies.

| Banks-N. ${ }^{\text {P }}$ | Bid. | Ask. | Banks. | Bid. | As | Trust | Bid | 48k. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| America* | 313 | 320 | Hamilt | 180 | 19 | New York. |  |  |
| Amer Ex Pac | 410 | 418 | Hanover | 1015 | 1040 | American |  |  |
| Amer Unlon* | 200 | 215 | Harriman | 555 | 570 | Bank of N Y |  |  |
| BoweryEast R | 365 | 380 | Manhattan* | 218 | 223 | \& Trust Co | 595 | 605 |
| Broadway Cen | 325 | 375 | Mutual* | 500 |  | Bankers Trust | 605 | 61 |
| Bronx Boro*- | 1300 | 1400 | Nat American | 180 | 200 | Bronx Co Tr- | 300 |  |
| Bronx Nat. | 400 | 450 | National Clty | 602 | 607 | Central Union | 840 | 847 |
| Bryant Park* | 210 | 230 | New Neth*-- | 270 | 285 | Empire- | 345 | 353 |
| Butch \& Drov | 170 | 180 | Park | 492 | 497 | Equitable Tr | 263 | 266 |
| Capitol Nat.- | 210 | 225 | Penn Exch | 124 | 134 | Farm L \& Tr- | 502 | ${ }_{207}^{507}$ |
| Cent Mercan. | 280 | 290 | Port Morrls | 215 | 540 | Fidelity Trust | 2750 | 290 400 |
| Chase $\qquad$ | 426 | 430 | Public | ${ }_{600}^{535}$ | 540 610 | Guaranty ${ }^{\text {Fra- }}$ | 350 | 400 352 |
| Nat Bk\& Tr | 348 | 353 | Sevent | 180 | 190 | Irving Bank- |  |  |
| Chelsea Exch* | 210 | 220 | Standa | 600 | 650 | Columbla Tr | 311 | 31 |
| Chemica | 750 | 760 | State* | 585 | 600 | Lawyers Tr-- |  |  |
| Colonial | 550 |  | Trade* | 157 | 162 | Manufacturer | 496 | 501 |
| Commerve. | 365 | 369 | United. | 215 | 230 | Mutual(West- |  |  |
| Com'nwealth* | 285 | 300 | UnitedStates* | 297 | 305 | chester) |  | 200 |
| Continen | 575 | 560 | Wash'n Hts ${ }_{\text {Brookly }}$ - | 700 |  | $\stackrel{\text { N Y Tile Gust- }}{ }$ | 615 | 520 642 |
| Corsmon'tan*- | 210 | 560 240 | Coney Island* |  | 300 | U S Mtg \& Tr | 390 | 400 |
| Fifth Avenue* | 2050 | 2200 | Ftrst-.-.--- | 548 | 558 | United States | 670 | 0 |
| First | 2610 | 2640 | Mechantcs'*- | 275 | 285 | Westches Tr |  |  |
| Frank | 180 | 200 | Montauk* | $t 305$ |  | Brooklyn. |  |  |
| Garfleld | 350 | 375 | Munlelpal* | 280 | 290 | Brooklyn ---- |  | 718 |
| Globe Exch-* | 220 | 240 | Nassau | 355 | 365 | Kings County | 1900 |  |
| Grace-.--- | 325 500 | 535 | People's.---- | 580 175 |  | Midwoo | $t 260$ | 275 |
| * Banks marked (*) are State banks 4 Ex-rights |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## New York City Realty and Surety Companies.

|  | t473. | Ask |  | ${ }_{\text {Bra }}^{\text {Bra }}$ | 5 |  | *id |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Amer surety. |  | 172 | Mtge Bond.- | ${ }_{204}^{138}$ | ${ }_{209}^{145}$ | Y Assoc, |  |  |
| Bond \& M G- | 307 | 312 | N Y Title |  |  | 1 1st pret | 5 |  |
| Lawyers Mtge | 255 | 259 | Mortga | 455 375 | 462 400 | 2 d pref | 85 | 90 |
| Lawyers Tatle | 285 | 292 | - | 375 <br> 305 | 400 310 | chester | 5 |  |

Quotations for U. S. Treas. Ctfs. of Indebtedness, \&c.


[^2]| Daily Record of U. S. Bond Prices. | Apr. 10 | Apr. 12 | Apr. 13 | Apr. 14 | Apr. 15 | Apr. 16 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| First Liberty Loan \{High | $100^{21}{ }^{2}$ | $100^{12}{ }^{22}$ | $100^{28_{32}}$ | $100{ }^{23}{ }^{2}$ | $100{ }^{20_{32}}$ | $100{ }^{2}{ }_{31}$ |
| 31/2\% bonds of 1932-47-- Low | $100{ }^{2832}$ | $100^{312}$ | $100^{2532}$ | $100{ }^{2772}$ | $100{ }^{25} 3$ | $100{ }^{23_{31}}$ |
| (First 31/5s) Total sales in $\$ 1,000$ units Close | $100^{31}{ }_{32}$ 12 | $\begin{array}{ll} 100^{31} 1_{32} \\ 12 \end{array}$ | $10028_{32}$ 26 |  | $10023_{32}$ 57 | $\begin{array}{r} 100^{24_{31}} \\ 120 \end{array}$ |
| Converted 4\% bonds of (High |  | $99^{31_{32}}$ |  |  |  |  |
| 1932-47 (First 4s) .-.- Low- $^{\text {a }}$ |  | $99^{3{ }^{132}}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Close |  | $99^{31_{12}}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Converted 41/\% bonds / High | $1022^{14_{32}}$ | $102{ }^{14}{ }_{3}$ | $102{ }^{13_{32}}$ | $1021 z^{2}$ | 102173 | $1022^{203}$ |
| of 1932-47 (First 41/3) \{ Low- | $1022^{11_{32}}$ | $1022^{13^{22}}$ | $102{ }^{11_{32}}$ | $102{ }^{12} 32$ | $102{ }^{13_{32}}$ | $102^{13_{31}}$ |
| Total sates in $\$ 1,000$ units | $102^{12} 32$ 27 | $1022^{14} 32$ 10 | $102{ }^{12_{32}}$ | $102^{11^{2}}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 102^{1732} 3 \\ \hline 34 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 102^{1 t_{32}} \end{array}$ |
| Second Converted 41/\% $/ \mathrm{Hig}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| bonds of 1932-47 (First Low |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| cond 41/8.-.-.-..-- ${ }^{\text {clo }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total sales in \$1.000 unts |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Second Liberty Loan \{High | 100.00 | $100{ }^{11_{32}}$ |  |  |  |  |
| 4\% bonds of 1927-42 ---- Low | 100.00 | $100^{10_{32}}$ |  |  |  |  |
| (Second 48) --...- Close | 100.00 | $100{ }^{11_{32}}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Total sales in \$1,000 units. | $10027{ }^{23}$ | ${ }_{100^{29}{ }^{15} 5}$ |  |  |  | $100{ }^{2881}$ |
| of 1927-42 (Second | 1002532 | 1002732 | $1005^{22}$ | 1002682 | $1002{ }^{32}$ | ${ }_{1000} 100^{29}$ |
|  | $100^{27}{ }_{\text {23 }}$ | $100^{27} 32$ | $100{ }^{26_{32}}$ | $100^{729}$ | $100^{28}{ }^{2}$ | $100{ }^{27} 7_{32}$ |
| Total sales in \$1,000 untts |  | 518 | 197 | 190 | 27 | 113 |
| Third Liberty Loan (High | $101^{10_{32}}$ | $1011_{32}$ | $1011_{32}$ | 101123 | $101{ }^{13} 32$ | 10113 ${ }^{13}$ |
| 41/4\% bonds of 1928..-- Low $^{\text {- }}$ | $101^{92}$ | 101932 | $101{ }^{3}$ ? | $101^{10^{22}}$ | $101{ }^{1{ }_{32}}$ | $101{ }^{1031}$ |
| (Third 41/8) --.---.- Close | $101^{92}$ | $101{ }^{10} 32$ | $101^{10} 32$ | $101^{10} 32$ | $101^{13} 32$ | $101{ }^{1039}$ |
| Total sales in 51,000 units | 263 | 235 | 148 | 191 | 187 |  |
| Fourth Liberty Loan (High | $100^{22_{32}}$ | $102^{23} 32$ | $102^{28} 3^{2}$ | $102^{24} 3$ | $102{ }^{26}{ }_{32}$ | $102^{283}$ |
| 41/6\% bonds of 1933-38-- Low- | $100{ }^{2032}$ | $102^{21_{32}}$ | $102^{21_{32}}$ | $1000^{222}$ | $1022^{23} 3$ | $102^{2653}$ |
| (Fourth 41/8) -..... ${ }^{\text {cose }}$ | $102^{223} 3$ | $102^{22_{32}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 102^{24}{ }_{152} \\ & { }_{15} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1022_{32} \\ & 78 \end{aligned}$ | $102^{26_{37}}$ 306 | $\begin{array}{r} 102_{43}^{28828} \\ 432 \end{array}$ |
|  | ${ }_{107^{11_{32}}}^{234}$ | ${ }_{107}^{153}$ | ${ }_{107} 156$ | ${ }^{1078}$ | 306 <br> 108.00 | 108.00 |
| Treasury $41 / \mathrm{s}, 1947-52 . . .-. . . .--~$ | $107^{3152}$ | $10729^{22}$ | $107^{282}$ | $107{ }^{292}$ | $1072{ }^{2}$ | $107^{11_{32}}$ |
|  | $107^{31_{32}}$ | $107^{29^{22}}$ | $107^{25_{32}} 1$ | $\begin{aligned} 107_{32} 1_{32} \\ 126 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} 107^{2020} 32 \\ 203 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 107^{11_{32}} \\ 16 \end{array}$ |
| 48,1944 -1954......-.- ${ }^{\text {Hig }}$ | $103^{30_{32}}$ | $103^{11_{52}}$ | $103{ }^{13}{ }_{32}$ | $103^{311_{22}}$ | $104^{5}{ }^{5}$ | $10413{ }^{18}$ |
| L | 1032732 | $103{ }^{27} 7^{22}$ | $103{ }^{31}$ | $103^{26}{ }^{22}$ | $103^{31}$ | $103^{33_{32}}$ |
| Clo | 1032732 | $1033^{30_{32}}$ | 10 | $103^{2832}$ | $104^{3}{ }^{32}$ | $103{ }^{203}$ |
| Total sales in \$1,000 untts |  |  |  |  | 128 |  |
| (3) High |  | $100^{19}$ | $100{ }^{19^{22}}$ | $100^{23} 32$ | $100{ }^{22} 32$ | ${ }_{100} 100^{27_{32}}$ |
| 31/4, |  | 100 |  |  | 1002232 | $100^{2731}$ |
| Total sales in \$1,000 units |  | 46 | 111 | 1 | 36 | 159 |

Note. The above table includes only sales of coupon
bonds. Transactions in registered bonds were: bonds. Transactions in registered bonds were:

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Foreign Exchange.-Sterling Exchange was easier and declined about $1 / 2$ cent on foreign selling, although trading was at no time more than moderately active. In the Continentals, the noteworthy features were strength and activity
in Spanish, Japanese and Norwegian exchanges, and a fresh collapse in French franc quotations

| To-day's (Friday's) actual rates for sterling exchanges were 4829-16@ |
| :--- |
| $48219-32$ for sixty days, $48513-16 @ 485$ |
| 27-32 for checks and $4863-16$ | @4867-32 for cables. Commercial on banks, sight. 485 11-16@4 $48523-32$;

 @4 $48523-32$ (Friday's) actual rates for Paris bankers' francs were $3.283 /$ @ 3.31 for 1ong and $3.331 / @ 3.351 / 2$ for short. German bankers' marks are
not yet quoted for long and short bills. Amsterdam bankers' guilders were 39.65@39.6534 for long and $40.01 @ 40.0134$ for short.
Exchange at Paris on London, 144.50 fr.

Exchange at Paris on London, 144.50 ir .
The range for foreign exchange for the week follows:

| Sterling ActualHigh for the week |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | High for the week. |  |  |
| Paris Bankers |  |  |  |
| High for the week |  | 3.46 |  |
| Low for the week---------3.283/4 |  |  |  |
| High for the week--.--------- .----- |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Domestic Exchange.-Ohicago, par. St. Louis, 15@25c. per \$1,000 discount. Boston, par. San Francisco, par. Montreal, $\$ 1.5625$ per |  |  |  |

The Curb Market.-The review of the Curb Market is given this week on page 2149.
A complete record of Curb Market transactions for the week will be found on page 2174

## CURRENT NOTICES

-Lewis \& Snyder, announce that the co-partnership under the above name has been dissolved by mutual consent as of the close of business April 141926.
-George D. Lewis, announces the opening of offices for the transaction of a general investment business under the
offices at 1427 Walnut Street, Philadelphia
-R. Maurice Snyder, announces the opening of offices at 1520 Locust Street, Philadelphia, for the transaction of a general investment business, under the name of R. M. Snyder \& Co.
-L. S. Ordan, formerly with Steiner, Rouse \& Stroock, announces the formation of L. S. Ordan \& Co , with offices at 165 Broadway, New York, to act as financial advisors to banks, corporations and investors. from 1429 Walnut Street to 1500 Chestnut Street
-Nixon \& Co.. Incorporated, dealers in investment securities, announce the removal of their offices to the Land Title Building, Philadelphia.
-J. S. Bache \& Co., Chicago, announce the removal of their office to 231 S. La Salle St. Telephone, Dearborn 9000
-Wm. L. Ross \& Co., Inc., Chicago, have removed their offices to 231 S. La Salle St.
-E. H. Rollins \& Sons, Chicago, announce the appointment of John H. Morris as assistant sales manager
-Frazier Jelke \& Co., Chicago, announce that George L. Brannen, formerly with Babcock, Rushton \& Co., is now associated with them.
-F. E. Warner \& Co., investment dealers, announce the removal of their offices to larger quarters in the Lafayette Building, Philadelphia.
-Maynard, Oakley \& Lawrence announce that Roger S. Palmer formerly with Dillon, Read \& Co. has become associated with their concern.
-Schuleter \& Co. of 61 Broadway, New York, dealers in investment
securities, announce that T. M. Byer, has become associated with the firm.
Bdd and asked priees.




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| HIGH AI | LOW | RICES | PER SHA | $E$, NOT $P$ | CENT. | Sates | STOCKS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Saturday, <br> April 10. | Monday, <br> April 12. | Tuesday. A pril 13. | Wednesday, A pril 14. | Thursday, April 15. | Friday, $\text { Aprill } 16 .$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { the } \\ & \text { Week. } \end{aligned}$ | NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE |


| $\begin{array}{\|l\|l\|} \text { Range SRR SHARE SHE Jan. } 11 & 1926 . \\ \text { On Dasts of } 100-\text { share lots } \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: |




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| Lowest | Hionest |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { \$ per shar } \\ & 425 \mathrm{M} 9 \mathrm{l} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{s}_{4 \mathrm{per}} \mathrm{sha} \mathrm{Jaz} \\ & 485 \mathrm{Jan} \end{aligned}$ |


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| Ranoe for Preol |
| Year 1925. |
| Loweest High |



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$a$ Due Jan. $\delta$ Due Feb. e Due May. o Due Oct. $\boldsymbol{p}$ Due Dec. $s$ Option sale

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Quotations of Sundry Securities



## Outside Stock Exchanges

Boston Bond Record.-Transactions in bonds at Boston Stock Exchange April 10 to April 16, both inclusive:

| nds | $\begin{array}{\|c} \text { Priday } \\ \text { Sast } \\ \text { Sale } \\ \text { Price. } \end{array}$ | Week's Range of Prices.Loro. Hioh. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sales } \\ \text { for } \\ \text { Week. } \end{gathered}$ | ange Stace Jan. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Low. |  | Hioh. |  |
| Amer Tel \& Tel 48---1929 |  | 97\%/ | 318,0 |  |  |  |  |
| Chic Jet Ry \& U S Y 41 |  | $673 / 48$ <br> 87 <br> 87 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 58 $\qquad$ 1940 |  | $\begin{array}{cc}87 & 87\end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Current River 5s, ${ }^{\text {cose }} 1927$ |  |  | 2,000 |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }_{6} 8$ Serles |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 58 Serles B |  | ${ }^{7} 4$ | 9,50 | 65 |  | 70 |  |
| 6 Serrie |  | 74 10458 184 10476 | 10,00 |  |  |  |  |
| Pow Sec Corp $61 / 1 / 81955$ |  | $91 / 4$ |  |  |  | $933 /$ |  |
|  | 13 | $1011 / 101$ 100 102 102 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Miss River Power 5s.. 1951 |  | 991/2100 | 7.0 |  |  | 100 |  |
| ${ }^{\text {E }}$ |  |  | 12.0 |  |  | 101\% |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| it \& |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| estern Tel \& |  | 100 | 18. | 5 |  | 1011/2 |  |

Pittsburgh Stock Exchange.-Record of transactions inclusive, compiled from officials sales lists:

| Stocks- | $\begin{gathered} \text { Priday } \\ \text { Laste } \\ \text { Sale } \\ \text { Price. } \end{gathered}$ |  | $\left\{\begin{array}{c} \text { Sales } \\ \text { for } \\ \text { Wharek. } \end{array}\right.$ | Range Since Jan. 1. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Loro. |  | Hioh. |  |
| Am Vitrified Prod com- 50 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Preferre | 57/8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Arkers (A M) C |  |  |  |  | ${ }_{\text {Jan }}$ | 100 |  |
| rnesie M |  | $17 \quad 173$ |  | 16 | an |  |  |
| vonian |  |  | 105 |  | Mar |  |  |
| duquesne L | $51 / 2$ |  | 3,750 | 1/5 |  |  | Feb |
| ${ }_{\text {dep }}$ Brewing |  | 51 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Preterred | 115 | $114{ }^{115}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| ne Star Ga | 32 |  | 1,378 | 30 |  |  |  |
| Pretrepro |  | ${ }_{35}^{13}$ | $170$ | 13 | Apr |  |  |
| Preererred | 34 | 337/6341/4 | 2,90 | ${ }_{33}^{34}$ | Febr |  |  |
| clahoma N |  | 293/40 | 68 | 28 | Mar |  | an |
| ${ }_{\text {Pltssburgh }}^{\text {Preterred }}$ |  |  |  | ${ }_{11}^{3}$ |  |  |  |
| Pittsburgh Coal pref-.-100 |  |  |  | 71 | Apr | 831/2 |  |
| Pittsburgh Pla | 280 | $280 \quad 285$ |  | 273 | Mar |  |  |
| tts Steel For |  | 74 75 <br>   <br>   | 85 | 74 | Apr | 761/2 |  |
| ${ }^{\text {ts }}$ T Trerm |  |  | 100 |  |  |  |  |
| Stand Sanit MIg com-.- 25 | 105 | $101 / 310$ |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | $173 / 418$ |  |  |  |  |  |

* No par value

Note. Sold last week and not reported: 50 Blaw-Knox Co., com.. at 491/2; 130
St. Louis Stock Exchange.-Record of transactions at St: Louis Stock Exchange April 10 to April 16, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:


Cincinnati Stock Exchange.-Record of transactions at Cincinnati Stock Exchange April 10 to April 16, both inclusive, compiled from official lists:

| Stocks- | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Friday } \\ \text { Last } \\ \text { Sale } \\ \text { Price. } \end{array}$ | Week's Range of Prices. Low. High. | SalesforWeek.Shares. | Ranpe Since Jan. 1. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Low. |  | Hioh. |  |
| St |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Am Laundry Mach com. 25 | 1147/8 | 112117 | 374 | 108 |  | 59 |  |
| Amer Rolling Mill com_ 25 |  | 49 511/4 | 1.876 | 47\% | Mar |  | Feb |
| Preferred.-.-.----- 100 | $1091 / 2$ | $108381091 / 2$ | 198 | 108\% | Jan | 111 |  |
| mn Pr | 2434 | 2438 | 543 | $241 / 2$ | ${ }_{\text {Apr }}$ | $271 / 4$ | Mar |
| Amn Therm | 19 | $153 / 419$ | 360 | $151 / 2$ | ${ }_{\text {Apr }}$ | 20 | Mar |
| Preferred. | 42 | 42.421 | 341 | 41\% | Apr | 44 |  |
| Baldwin new pref | 1051/2 | $1051 / 21053$ |  | 104 | Feb | 10614 | , |
| Buckeye Incubator--- 10 | 32 | 313/6 321/4 | 355 | 30 | Jan | 33\% | Feb |
| Carey (Phillp) pref.---100 | 113 | 113113 | 32 | 110 | Feb | 115 | Mar |
| Champ Coated Pap com100 | 180 | 180180 | 10 | 180 | Apr | 153 |  |
| Champ Fibre prep.-.--100 | 1033/2 | $1031 / 21031 / 2$ |  | 103 | Feb | $1051 / 2$ | Jan |
| Churngold Corp |  | $521 / 4{ }^{54}$ | 245 | $531 / 2$ | Apr |  | Feb |
| City Ice \& Fue | 24112 | 241/4 241/2 | 54 | 24988 | Apr | $251 / 2$ | Jan |
| Cooper Corp (new) .-. 100 | 1031/2 | 103105 | 43 | 100 | Mar | 108 |  |
| Dalton Add Mach com. 100 |  | 6364 | 12 | 62 | Apr |  |  |
| Eagle-Ptcher Lead com_. 20 | 28 | 283/2 29384 | 725 | $261 / 2$ | Mar | $331 / 2$ | Feb |
| Early \& Daniel com. | 423/4 | 423/4 $423 / 4$ | 75 | $37 \%$ | Mar | 42\% | Apr |
| Fay \& Egan pref.....-100 | 70 | $70 \quad 70$ |  | 60 | Feb | 80 | Jan |
| French Bros.-Bauer com-* | 15 | $15.151 /$ | 65 | 15 | Apr | 16 | Mar |
| GIbson Art com. | 38 | 37\% $381 /$ | 342 | $363 / 2$ | Feb | 40 | Mar |
| Globe Wernicke pref...-100 | 89 | 8989 | 10 |  | Apr | 89 |  |
| Gruen Watch com | 40 | $40 \quad 40$ |  | $361 / 2$ | Jan | 41 | Mar |
| Preferred_-...-.-.-100 | 1055/8 | $1051 / 21051 / 8$ | 10 | 1031/2 | Feb | $1051 / 2$ |  |
| Hatfield-Reliance pret 100 | 102 | 102102 | 10 | 102 | Apr |  | Jan |
| Kahn's Kemp-Thom pf 100 | ${ }_{61}^{423 / 4}$ | ${ }_{61}^{423} 4614$ |  | 613/4 | Apr Apr | 42\%/4 | Apr |
| Com. <br> odel Radio pref | 61 21 | $\begin{array}{ll}61 & 61 \\ 21 & 21\end{array}$ | $10$ | 61 20 | Apr | 65 |  |
| Kroger com .----------10 | 118 | 1141/2118 | 625 | 104\% | Mar | 13014 | Jan |
| New preferred.-.-.- 100 | $1121 / 2$ | $1121 / 21121 / 2$ |  | 100 | Feb | $1121 / 2$ | Apr |
| Paragon Refining com_- 25 | 75 | $731 / 2{ }^{71 / 2}$ | 50 |  | Mar |  | Feb |
| Preferred_--7.-.- 100 | 65 | $65 \quad 65$ | - |  | Apr | 65 | Feb |
| Procter \& Gamble com _ 20 | $1493 / 4$ | 14734150 | 650 | 1397/ | Jan | 研 |  |
| 6\% Preferred------ 100 | 113 | $1121 / 21131 /$ | 1 | 1101/2 | Feb | 1161/2 | Ap |
| ure Oll $6 \%$ pref.-.-- 100 | 93 | 921/2 931 | 380 | 85 16 | Jan | 933/8 |  |
| 8\% preferred.-.-.-. 100 | 1061 | $1061 / 21061 / 2$ |  | 1053 | Apr | 1101/2 | Feb |
| U S Can, com.-.--.---** | 46 | 46 491/4 | 212 | 47 | Apr |  |  |
| Preferred-------- 100 | 101 | 100101 | 28 | 9 | Mar | 103 |  |
| U S Playing Card.-..- 20 | $1391 / 2$ | 1391/2/ 140 | 19 | 139 | Jan | 145 | Feb |
| U S Print \& Litho, com_100 | 88 | 8889 | 20 | 81 | Jan | 943 | Feb |
| Preferred.-.-.---- 100 | 99 | $99 \quad 99$ |  | 92 | Jan | 100 | Feb |
| U S Sho | 28 | 28.28 | 210 | 28 | Apr |  | Feb |
| Western Pape | 28 | 28.28 |  | 28 | Apr | 313 | Jan |
| Wurlitzer, $7 \%$ pref...-100 | 110 | 110110 | 22 | 107 | an | 110 | Ap |
| 8\% preferred.-.-..- 100 | 106 | 106106 | 30 | 105 | Mar | 106 | Ap |
| $\underset{\text { First National......... } 100}{\text { Banks }}$ | 335 | 35 | 10 | 825 | Mar | 35 | Apr |
| Public UtilitiesCincinnati \& Sub Tel... 50 | 82 | ${ }^{82}$ | 42 | 81 | Apr |  |  |
| Cincinnati Gas \& Elec_-100 | 89 | $897 / 3$ 9013 | 142 |  | Mar |  | Mar |
| C N \& C Lt \& Tr, com. 100 |  |  | 47 | 811 | Jan | 9 | Mar |
| Preferred.--------100 | $641 / 2$ | $641 / 26$ | 252 | 64 | Apr | 66 | Jan |
| Ohio Bell Tel, pret .... 100 | 1091/4 | 1091/4 1091/4 | 143 | 1091/ | Jan | $1103 / 2$ | Feb |
| TractionsCincinnati Street Ry.... 50 |  | 331/4 $341 / 2$ | 207 |  |  |  |  |
| Colum Ry, P \& L, B ... 100 | 951/8 | 957/8 $971 / 4$ | 140 | 94 | Feb |  |  |
| Ohio Traction, pref...- 100 | 74 |  | 15 |  | $\mathrm{A}^{\text {pre }}$ |  | Apr |
| $\xrightarrow{\text { Railroads- }}$ | 272 | $270 \quad 280$ | 14 | 270 | Apr |  |  |

Baltimore Stock Exchange.-Record of transactions at Baltimore Stock Exchange April 10 to April 16, both inclusive, compiled from official lists:

| Stocks- | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Friddy } \\ \text { Sast } \\ \text { Sale } \\ \text { Price. } \end{array}$ | Week's Range of Prices. Low. High | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sales } \\ \text { Sor } \\ \text { Wherk. } \\ \text { Shares. } \end{gathered}$ | Range Sunce Jan. 1. |  |  |  |
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| ees \& Po Tel |  | 1125/412\% | 16 | ${ }_{110}^{155}$ | nr |  |  |
| Commerce Trust --1--100 |  | 59 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Commer |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| (ererered | 94 |  | 10 |  |  |  |  |
| nsol Gas H |  | $48 \quad 491 / 4$ | 16 | 45 |  |  |  |
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| \% pre |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \% pret | 127 | 126\%/8128 |  | 124 | ${ }_{\text {Jan }}$ | $128 \%$ |  |
| nsolid | 37 |  | 535 |  | Mar |  |  |
| eter |  |  |  | 934 |  |  |  |
| sit Roll M | 72 |  | 25 |  |  | 48 |  |
| quitable Trust |  | 1181/2 $1191 / 2$ | 157 | 117\% | Man | ${ }^{75}$ |  |
| Finance Service |  | 20.2014 | 14 |  |  |  |  |
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| dinston |  | 82 | 75 | 82 |  |  |  |
| Marutacturers |  | ${ }_{59}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 1st pre |  | 201/2 $211 / 5$ | 166 | 201/2 | AD |  |  |
|  |  | ${ }^{23}$ | 157 |  | ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  |  |
| ${ }_{\text {arysian }}^{\text {Trust }}$ | ${ }_{97}$ | ${ }_{97 / 8}{ }^{20} 88$ |  |  |  |  |  |
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| ortgage \& |  | 131/2 133 | 350 |  |  |  | Jan |
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| ${ }_{\text {ca }}$ |  | 161/2 |  | 13 |  |  | n |
| andard Gas Equip.... 100 | 99 | ${ }^{99} \quad 99$ |  | ${ }^{99}$ |  | 100 |  |
| Unton Truy |  | $220181 / 220$ | 48 | ${ }_{17}^{220}$ |  |  |  |
| Fldelit | 199 |  |  | 187 | Mar |  |  |
| Wash Batt \& Annap.... 50 |  |  | 18 |  | Mar |  |  |
| ${ }_{\text {Prest Md Diary }}$ Inc int. 50 | $521 / 2$ | $\begin{array}{lll}231 / 2 & 523\end{array}$ | 163 |  |  |  |  |
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| rnhelmer-I |  | 10031100 |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{\text {mmmerctal }}$ Cred |  |  | ${ }_{2}^{1,00}$ |  |  | 1001/2 |  |
| Consol Gas gen 413s. 1954 |  | $95 / 3 / 29$ | 15.00 |  |  |  |  |
| sol Coal |  | 93.93 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Danville Trac \& P. 58.1941 | 100 | 65 100 100 | 1,00 |  |  |  |  |
| if \& Clarks Trac 5s. 1938 |  | 929 | 2,000 |  |  | ${ }_{92}^{100}$ |  |


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|  |  |  |  | Lowo. |  | Hioh. |  |
| Georgia \& Ala cons 5s_1945 | 973/3 | $973 / 8{ }^{973 / 8}$ | 3,000 | $961 / 2$ | Jan | 973/8 | Apr |
| Ga Car \& Nor 1st 5s_-1929 |  | $1001 / 81001 / 8$ | 2,000 |  | Jan |  | Apr |
| Md Electric Ry 1st 5s_ 1931 |  | $95{ }^{1 / 2} \quad 951 / 2$ | 3,000 | 943 | Jan | 971/3 | Mar |
| 61/28.-....-....-1952 |  |  | 1,000 | 913 | Apr | $971 / 2$ | Mar |
| Monon Valley Trac 5s_1942 |  | $921 / 81821 / 4$ | 3,000 | 871/2 | Jan |  | Mar |
| Stand Gas Equip 1st 6s1929 |  | $1001 / 21001 / 2$ | 1,000 | 1001/2 | Mar | 1001/2 | Mar |
| United Ry \& E 4s... 1949 |  | 7036 | 20,000 | 69 | Mar | 711/3 | Mar |
| Income 4s..----- 1949 | 493/4 | 49314 $501 / 8$ | 19,000 |  | Mar | 501/2 | Mar |
| Funding 5s...-.-.-.- 1936 | 71 | $701 / 27$ | 8,000 | 6712 | Jan | $711 / 2$ |  |
| 68, when issued.-- 1949 | 947/3 | 9434 | 4,000 | $911 / 2$ | Jan |  |  |
| Wil \& Weldon 5s..... 1996 | 10234 | 1021/2 102\%/ | 1,000 | 1011/2 | Jan | 1023/4 | Apr |

Philadelphia Stock Exchange.-Record of transactions at Philadelphia Stock Exchange, April 10 to April 16, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:


Chicago Stock Exchange.-Record of transactions at Chicago Stock Exchange April 10 to April 16, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

| Stocks- | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Friday } \\ \text { Last } \\ \text { Sale } \\ \text { Price. } \end{gathered}\right.$ | Week's Rangeof Prices.Low. High. | SalesforWeek.Shares. | Range Since Jan. 1. |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  | Low |  | Hig |  |
| Adams Royalty Co com | 30 | $29301 / 4$ | 3,555 | $271 / 2$ | Jan | 3714 |  |
| All American Radio cl A.-5 |  | 9 $9097 / 8$ | 790 | 9 | Apr | 191/2 | Jan |
| American Shipbuilding_100 | 71 | 71 73 | 92 | 71 | $\mathrm{Apr}^{\text {Apr }}$ | 957/8 | Jan |
| Preferred Amer States Secur Corp A | $1031 / 8$ | 10310310318 | 85 5,612 | 103 | Apr | 1033/3 | Apr |
| Amer States Secur Corp A Class B | 23/8 | $\begin{array}{ll}21 / 2 & 23 / 8 \\ 15 / 8 & 2\end{array}$ | 5,612 3,565 | ${ }^{21 / 8}$ | Mar | 5318 | Feb |
| Warrants.....-.-.........- |  | 18 | 3,306 |  | Mar |  | Feb |
| Armour \& Co (Del) perf 100 | 95 | $95{ }^{9} \quad 951 / 2$ | 276 |  | Apr |  | Mar |
| Armour \& Co pref ..... 100 | $895 / 8$ | $891 / 2901 / 4$ | 742 | 89 | Mar | $927 / 8$ | Meb |
| Common cl A vtc.-.. 25 | 2014 | $201 / 8 \quad 221 / 2$ | 5,881 | $201 / 3$ | Apr | 25818 | Feb |
| Commonel Bvtc_...25 | $91 / 2$ | $91 / 2 \quad 101 / 2$ | 1,025 | ${ }_{4}^{91 / 2}$ | Mar |  | Feb Feb |
| Armour Leather .-...-- 15 | 4 | $4{ }_{4} 415$ | 110 | $361 / 2$ | ${ }_{\text {Apr }}$ | ${ }^{61 / 5}$ | Feb |
| Assoc Invest Co |  | $361 / 2363 / 4$ | 73.6 | $361 / 2$ $401 / 2$ | Apr | ${ }^{37278}$ | Mar |
| Auburn Auto Co com.-. 25 | 451/3 | $445 / 8491 /$ | 13,650 1 | $44^{1 / 2}$ | Mar | $727 / 3$ | Mar |
| Balaban \& Katz v t |  | $671 / 4681 / 2$ | 1,100 |  | Mar |  |  |
| Bendix Corp cl A .-...-- 10 | $271 / 4$ | $261 / 2{ }^{271 / 4}$ | 2600 | $261 / 8$ | Mar | 31718 |  |
| Borg \& Beck com....-10 | 293/4 | $29 \quad 30$ | 2,005 | 28 | Man | $371 / 8$ | Feb |
| Brach \& Sons (E J) com_- ${ }^{*}$ Bunte Bros |  | 36 | 10 | $351 / 2$ | Mar | 371/3 | Feb |
| Bunte Bros-1 Central Ill Pub Serv pref_* |  | $\begin{array}{ll}14 & 141 / 8 \\ 88 & 891 / 8\end{array}$ | 174 |  | Apr Jan | ${ }_{91}{ }^{16 / 8}$ |  |
| Central III Pub Serv pref-* | 89 | $\begin{array}{ll}88 & 891 / 4 \\ 891 / 4 & 893\end{array}$ | 174 | $881 / 2$ | Mar | ${ }_{93}^{91}$ | Jan |
| Central Ind Power pref 100 <br> Central S W 7\% pref...... | 94 | $\begin{array}{ll}891 / 4 & 893 / 4 \\ 94 & \\ \end{array}$ | 1,245 | $8881 / 2$ | Mar | ${ }_{95}^{93}$ | Apr |
| Prior lien pref--.-------* | 971/2 | $961 / 2971 / 2$ | 375 | $951 / 4$ | Mar | 100 | Feb |
| Warrants | 161/2 |  | 866 | 101/2 | Jan | 221/8 | Feb |
| Chic Clity \& Con Ry pt sh* |  |  | 425 | 1/8 | Mar |  | Jan |
| Preferred |  | $31 / 243$ | 500 | $31 / 2$ | Apr |  | Jan |
| Chicago Nipple Mig el A 50 |  | $421 / 2 \quad 423 / 4$ | 360 |  | Mar | $423 / 4$ | Apr |
| Chic N S Milw com.-. 100 |  | 4434 | 960 | $443 \%$ | ${ }_{\text {Apr }}$ | $611 / 2$ | Feb |
| Prior lien pref.....-- 100 | 100 | $991 / 2100$ | 164 | 991/2 | Jan | 101 | Mar |
| Preferre |  | 76,76 | 70 | 76 | Mar |  | Jan |
| Chic Rys part ctis ser 2.1 Chicago Title \& Trust- 100 | 00 | ${ }_{545}{ }^{1} \begin{array}{r}1 \\ 545\end{array}$ | 100 |  | Jan | $585{ }^{11 / 2}$ | Jan |
| Commonwealth Edison 100 | 1391/8 | $\begin{array}{llll}545 & 545 \\ 1374 & 141\end{array}$ | 1,548 | $1373 / 4$ | Apr | 144 | Jan |
| Consumers Co new..... 5 |  | $71 / 8 \quad 77 / 8$ | 940 | 534 | Jan | 101/4 | Feb |
| Preferred-...-...- 100 | 77 | $77 \quad 77$ | 50 |  | Mar |  | Feb |
| Continental Motors |  | $101 / 2$ 103/4 | 360 | $101 / 4$ | Mar | $131 / 4$ | Jan |
| Crane Co--.-------- 25 | 55 | ${ }^{55} \quad 55$ | ${ }_{212}$ |  |  |  | Jan |
| Preferred --..-.-. 100 Cuneo Press A |  | $\begin{array}{lll}115 & 1161 / 2 \\ 471 / 2 & 48\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}23 \\ 185 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $1781{ }^{1 / 2}$ | $\underset{\mathrm{Jan}}{\mathrm{Mar}}$ | ${ }^{1171 / 2}$ | Jan |
| Cuneo Press A_- 50 | $471 / 2$ | $\begin{array}{cc} 471 / 2 & 48 \\ 3 / 6 & 3 / 4 \end{array}$ | 185 185 | 471/2 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Jan} \\ & \mathrm{Apr} \end{aligned}$ | $50$ | Feb |


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|  |  |  |  | Loto. |  | High. |  |
| Decker (Alf) \& Cohn, Inc_* | 291/8 | 291/3 291/8 | 80 | 28 | Jan | 31 | Feb |
| Deere \& Co pref......- 100 |  | 108109 | 320 | 106 | Feb | 1091/2 | Feb |
| Diamond Match .-... 100 |  | 123124 | 140 | 116 | Mar | 1293/4 | Feb |
| Eddy Paper Corp (The) --* |  | 1820 | 599 | 18 | Apr | 25 | Jan |
| E1 Household Util Corp. 10 | 184 | 181/4 20 | 800 | 161/2 | Mar | 25 | Jan |
| Elec Research Lab |  | 181/2 197/8 | 350 | 181/2 | Apr | $321 / 2$ | Jan |
| Empire G \& F 7\% pid 100 |  | $91 \quad 92$ | 204 | 91 | Apr |  | Jan |
| 8\% preferred...--- 100 |  | $96 \quad 96$ | 50 | 96 | Apr | 97 | Apr |
| Evans \& Co Inc cl A ...-5 |  | 253/4 $261 / 2$ | 603 |  | Mar | $301 / 2$ | Feb |
| Fair Co (The) --........-* | 297/8 | $291 / 230$ | 341 | $271 / 2$ | Mar | $331 / 2$ | Jan |
| Fitz Simons \& Con D \& D- |  | 27.27 | 25 |  | Jan | 301/8 | Feb |
| Foote Bros (G \& M) Co.-* | 111/2 | 111/2 12 | 110 | 11 | Mar | 151/6 | Jan |
| Godchaux Sugar |  | 3 | 40 | 3 | Mar |  | Feb |
| Gossard Co (H W) | 33\% | $327 / 8333 / 8$ | 635 | 313/4 |  | 39 |  |
| Great Lakes D \& D | 130 | $129 \quad 134$ | 1,715 | 122 | Mar | 171 | Jan |
| Greif Bros Coop'ge A com * |  | 381/2 $381 / 2$ | 50 | 38 | Feb | 401/4 | Feb |
| Hart,Schaffner \& Marx 100 |  | 112115 | 119 | 112 | Apr |  | Jan |
| Hibbard,Spencer,Bartlett25 |  | $791 / 2791 / 2$ | 25 | 76 | Jan | $791 / 2$ | Apr |
| Hupp Motor-.-.------ 10 |  | 195/8 20 | 1,613 | 19 | Mar |  | Jan |
| Illinois Brick....-.-. 25 | $431 / 2$ | 421/2 44 | 625 | 37 | Jan | $441 / 2$ | Feb |
| Illinois Nor Utilities pf. 100 | 91 | 9191 | 35 | $901 / 4$ | Feb |  | Mar |
| Jaeger Machine Co com |  | $25 \quad 25$ | 220 | 25 | Mar | 291 | Feb |
| Kellogg Switchboard.-. 25 |  | $31 \quad 32$ | 247 | 31 | Mar |  | Jan |
| Ky Hydro-Elec pfd.... 100 | $931 / 2$ | $92 \quad 933 / 4$ | 155 | $911 / 2$ | Apr | 95 | Jan |
| Ky Utilities Co pref.... 50 | 51 | 5151 | 228 | 49 | Mar | 51 | Mar |
| Kraft Cheese Co-_-...- 25 | 62 | $601 / 2671 / 2$ | 2,351 | $601 / 2$ | Apr | $901 / 4$ | Jan |
| La Salle Ext Univ (IIl) --10 | 10 | $91 / 210$ | 678 |  | Mar | 147/8 | Jan |
| Libby, McN \& Libby, new 10 | $83 / 8$ | $81 / 2$ | 650 | 714 | Mar |  | Feb |
| Lindsay Light ....-. - 10 |  | $21 / 4 \quad 21 / 4$ | 50 |  | Jan |  | Feb |
| MeCord Radiator M1g A.* |  | $38 \quad 38$ | 150 | $361 / 2$ | Apr | 42 | Jan |
| McQuay-Norris Mfg |  | $161 / 2161 / 2$ | 50 | 16 | Mar | 191/2 | Feb |
| Maytag Co |  | $201 / 2201$ | 50 | 20 | Mar |  | Feb |
| MIddle West Uti | 1131/2 | $1121 / 21151 / 4$ | 3,628 | 109 | Mar | 1341/2 | Jan |
| Preferred_-------100 | 1067/8 | 1061/2108 | 787 |  | Jan | 1111/2 | Feb |
| Prior lien preferred_ 100 | 116 | 115 1163/4 | 1,001 | 106\%/3 | Jan | $1231 / 2$ | Feb |
| 10 Rights | 21/4 | $21 / 3 \quad 25 / 8$ | 36,887 | 21/2 | Apr | $25 / 8$ | Apr |
| Midland Steel Products. | 44 | $431 / 44$ | 105 | 41 | Mar | 491/2 | Feb |
| Midland Util prior llen_100 | 981/2 | $981 / 2981 / 8$ | 456 | 98 | Mar | 100 | ${ }^{\text {Jan }}$ |
| Preferred A .-. - .- - 100 |  | $96 \quad 96$ | 81 |  | Jan | 98 | Mar |
| Morgan Lithograph Co--* | $551 / 2$ | $551 / 256$ | 760 | $521 / 2$ | Mar | 65 | Feb |
| Nat Elec Power A w 1 | $211 / 2$ | 20.22 | 810 | 1915 | Mar | 26 | Jan |
| National Leather ......-10 | $31 /$ | $31 / 2371 / 8$ | 726 | $27 / 8$ | Apr | 41/2 | Jan |
| National Standard com.-* | 27 | $261 / 3$ 271 | 1,425 | 261/8 | Apr | 217/8 | Apr |
| North American Car el A.* |  | $27 \quad 285 / 8$ | 500 | 26 | Mar | 32 | Jan |
| Nor West Util pr in pref 100 | 96 | $951 / 896$ | 125 | 93 | Jan | 99 | Jan |
| 7\% preferred-..--- 100 | 94 | $931 / 294$ | 40 | 93 | Apr | 96 | Mar |
| Omnibus pref A w i...-100 |  | 92.92 | 25 | 91 | Apr |  | Feb |
| Voting trust ctis w 1 a-* | 17 | 153/4 $171 / 2$ | 712 | 141/2 | Mar | $213 / 8$ | Feb |
| Orpheum Circuit, Inc.-. 1 |  | $291 / 2 \quad 291 / 2$ | 50 |  | Mar | $24^{1 / 2}$ |  |
| Penn Gas \& Elec w $1 . . .-{ }^{*}$ | 197/8 | 191/8 $197 / 8$ | 262 210 | 191/2 | $\xrightarrow{\text { Mar }}$ |  | Feb |
| Pick Barth \& Co pre | 29 | ${ }_{35}^{195 / 8} \quad 20$ | - 21.310 | 191/4 | Mar Mar | 223/4 | Feb |
| Pines Wintertront | $361 / 2$ | 35 $\quad 371 / 4$ | 1,310 90 |  | Mar | 137 | Jan |
| Pub Serv of Nor IIL.....-** |  | $1311311 / 2$ | 110 |  | Jan |  | Jan |
| Pub Serv of Nor Ill ..-- 100 | 129 | $\begin{array}{ll}129 & 131 \\ 102 & 103\end{array}$ | 110 | 129 | ${ }_{\text {Apr }}$ | 103 ${ }^{131 / 8}$ | Mar |
| Preferred ...-.-.-.-. 100 | 114 | $\begin{array}{lll}102 & 103 \\ 114 & 116\end{array}$ | 40 | 112 | Jan | 116\%/3 | Mar |
| Quaker Oats Co | 1317/8 | 1283/4 $1317 / 8$ | 198 | 128 | Jan | 136 | Mar |
| Preferred.-.-.-. - - 100 | 1061/2 | $1061061 / 2$ | 236 | 105 | Feb | 107 | Feb |
| Real Silk Hosiery Mills_10 | 423/4 | 42 441/ | 5.105 | 4034 | Mar | 581/2 | Jan |
| Reo Motor .-...-....- 10 |  | 201/4 $21 / 1 / 2$ | 275 | 193/4 | Mar | $251 / 2$ | Jan |
| So Colo Pr Elec A com_ 25 |  | $22 \quad 221 / 2$ | 300 | 22 | Apr | $253 /$ | Jan |
| Southw Gas \& E17\% pf 100 | 96 | 9396 | 355 | 93 | Apr | 98 | Mar |
| Stewart-Warner Speecom * | 733/4 | 73 765\% | 24,215 | $711 / 8$ | Mar | 93 | Jan |
| Swift \& Company ....-100 | 1131/2 | 112 113\% | 1,837 | 112 | Mar |  | Feb |
| Swift International_...--15 | 16\% | 16 171/2 | 9,493 | 16 | Apr | 225\% | ${ }_{\text {Jan }}$ |
| Term Prod Corp, |  | 113/4 11364 | 100 | 113/4 | Apr | 151/4 | Mar |
| Thompson ( J ) $\ldots \ldots . . .{ }^{\text {a }} 25$ | 421/2 | 4244 | 1,845 |  | Apr |  | Feb |
| Union Carbide \& Carbon_* | 80 | 793/482 | 4,780 | 72 | Jan | 861/4 | Mar |
| United Biscuit class A ....-* | 421/4 | 42 437/8 | 1,215 |  | Mar | 581/2 | Jan |
| United Light \& Powe |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Preferred el Aw ${ }^{\text {Prem }}$ | $861 / 2$ | $\begin{array}{ll} 86 & 87 \\ 45 & 453 \end{array}$ | 481 | $813 / 4$ | $\underset{\mathrm{Mar}}{\mathrm{Mar}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 92 \\ & 51 \end{aligned}$ | $\underset{\text { Feb }}{\text { Mar }}$ |
| United Paper Board....100 |  | 251/2 $261 / 2$ | 450 | 22 | Mar | 38 | Mar |
| U S Gypsum ..------- 20 | 138 | 1331/4 1391/2 | 1,387 | 125 | Mar | 1611/2 | Jan |
| Preferred-.--.-. -- 100 | 1131/4 | $1131 / 4131 / 4$ | 20 | 1131/4 | Apr |  | Mar |
| Wahl Co. |  | 11 111/2 | 150 |  | Jan | 141/4 | Feb |
| Ward (Montgomery) \&Co10 |  |  |  |  | Jan |  |  |
| Preferred.-------- 100 |  | 116 | 200 | 1109 | Jan | 1121 | Mar |
| Williams Oil O Mat com.* |  | 177\%8 20 | 4,600 | 163/4 | Jan | $231 / 4$ | Feb |
| Wrigley Jr-.....-.....--* | 503 | 497\% 503 | 844 | 49 | Apr | $551 / 2$ | Jan |
| Yates Machines part pid.* | 273 | 2734 | 1,430 | 26 | Mar | 32 | Feb |
| Yellow Tr\&CoachMig B 10 | 241 | $231 / 2{ }^{251 / 4}$ | 653 | $231 / 2$ | Mar | 33 | Feb |
| Preferred...---100 | 911 | $91 \quad 93$ | 61 |  | Apr | 96 | Jan |
| Yellow Cab Co Inc (Chic) * | 45\% | $45 \quad 46$ | 958 | 42\% | Mar | 50\% | Feb |
| Bonds- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Chicago City Ry 5s..-1927 | 71 | 71 711/2 | \$6,000 |  | Mar | $791 /$ | Jan |
| Chic City \& Con Rys 5 ' 27 | 50 | 50 501/3 | 21,000 | 471/4 | Mar | $563 / 4$ | Jan |
| Chicago Rallways 5s_-1927 |  | $701 / 2{ }^{101 / 2}$ | 1.000 | 67 | Mar |  | Jan |
| 5s, Series A.-..-.- 1927 |  | 48 481/4 | 12,000 | 45 | Mar | 563/4 | Jan |
| 4s, Series B...-.--1927 |  | $321 / 233$ | 9,000 | 30 | Mar | 40 | Jan |
| Adjust income 4s.-1927 |  | 15 | 1,000 |  | Apr | 18 | Feb |
| Hous G G Cos ¢ 6 61/5 1931 | 97\% | $961 / 4$ | 38,000 | $951 / 2$ | Apr | 99 | Feb |
| Swift \& Co 1st s fg 5s_1944 |  | $1001 / 21001 / 2$ | 4,000 | 997/8 | Jan | 1003/4 | Jan | $\frac{\text { Swift \& Co 1sts } \mathrm{fg}}{\text { * No par value. }}$

New York Curb Market.-Below is a record of the transactions in the New York Curb Market from April 10 to April 16, both inclusive, as compiled from the official lists.


| Stocks (Coneinued) Par | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Friday } \\ \text { Sast } \\ \text { Sale } \\ \text { Price. } \end{array}\right\|$ | Week's Range <br> of Prices. <br> Low. High. | SalesforWheek.Shares $\|$ | Stnce Jan. 1. |  |  | Stocks (Concluded) Par. | $\begin{array}{\|c} \text { Fridar } \\ \text { Sast } \\ \text { Sale } \\ \text { Price. } \end{array}$ | Week's Ranoe of Prices.Low. Hioh | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sales } \\ \text { Sor } \\ \text { Soek. } \\ \text { Shares. } \end{gathered}$ | Range Stince Jan. 1. |  |  |  |
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| Blackstone Val G\&E com50 | 921/8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $3 / 4$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| ss |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| oomin |  |  | 1,5 | 28\% Appr | 32\% | Apr Mar |  |  |  |  | 25 |  |  |  |
| Preter | 1031/8 | 1031/3 10 |  | 103 | 104\% |  |  | 1135/6 | 112 | - |  |  |  |  |
|  | 85 c |  |  |  |  | ${ }_{\text {Jan }}^{\text {Jan }}$ |  | 11 |  | 30 |  |  |  |  |
| didg |  | 8 | 1,900 | $73 / 2 \mathrm{Mar}$ | $153 /$ | Jan | M |  |  | 0 |  | Kar |  |  |
| ${ }_{\text {Brill }} \mathrm{C}$ |  |  |  | ${ }_{19}^{371 / 3} \mathrm{Apr}$ |  | ${ }_{\text {Jan }}^{\text {Jan }}$ |  | 241 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Brillo Manufactur |  |  |  |  |  | Apr |  | ${ }_{33}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| It-Amer |  | $20 / 82$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | 637 |  | 61 |  |  |  |
| St-Amer | 271/8 | $26 \%$ 27 |  | Feb |  | Apr |  | 127 | $\begin{array}{ll}23 \\ 123 & 127 / 8\end{array}$ |  | 121/2 |  |  |  |
| -ocl |  | 251/3 |  |  |  | Mar |  |  | 10 c 31 c | 10,00 |  |  |  |  |
| cyrus Co. com. |  | 195 |  |  | 335 |  | Nat El | 21 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| fir Nlag \& E Po | 251/ | 251 | 1,800 | 231/4 |  | Feb | Nation |  | $301 / 233$ | 1,20 |  | Mar |  |  |
|  |  |  | 100 |  |  | Apr |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| der |  | ${ }_{15}^{39}$ |  | 15 |  |  | Tampa |  |  |  | 2503 | ar |  |  |
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## Stock of Money in the Country.

The Treasury Department at Washington issued its customary monthly statement showing the stock of money in the country and the amount in circulation after deducting the moneys held in the United States Treasury and by Federal Reserve banks and agents. The figures this time are for April 1. They show that the money in circulation at that date (including, of course, what is held in bank vaults of the member banks of the Federal Reserve System) was $\$ 4,805,884,836$, as against $\$ 4,814,217,046$ March 11926 and $\$ 4,776,167,142$ April 1 1925, and comparing with $\$ 5,028$,427,732 on Nov. 1 1920. Just before the outbreak of the European war, that is, on July 1 1914, the total was only $\$ 3,402,015,427$. The following is the statement:

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b\{Does not include gold bullion or foreign coin outside of vaults of the Treasury, Federal Reserve banks, and Federal Reserve agents
6. $c$ These amounts are not includedin the total since the money held in trust against gold and siliver certificates and ${ }^{2}$ Treasury notes of 1890 is Included under gold coin and bullion and standard silver dollars, respectively.
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$e$ This total includes $\$ 16,130,772$ of notes in process of redemption, $\$ 153,535,648$ of gold deposited for redemption of Federal Reserve notes, $\$ 12,893,767$ deposited for redemption of national bank notes, $\$ 4,365$ deposited for retirement of additional clrculation (act of May 30 1908), and $\$ 6,586,790$ deposited as a reserve against
postal savings deposits. postal savings deposits.
fIncludes money held by the Cuban agencles of the Federal Reserve banks of
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Note.-Gold certificates are secured dollar for dollar by gold held in the Treasury for their redemption; silver certificates are secured dollar for dollar by standard silver dollars held in the Treasury for their redemption; United states notes are secured by a gold reserve of $\$ 154,188,886$ held in the Treasury. This reserve fund may also be used for the redemption of Treasury notes of 1890, which are also secured. dollar for dollar, by standard silver dollars, held in the Treasury. Federal Reserve notes are obligations of the United States and a first lien on all the assets of the lssuing Federal Reserve bank. Federal Reserve notes are secured by the deposit with Federal Reserve agents of a Hke amount of gold or of gold and such discounted or purchased paper as is ellgible under the terms of the Federal Reserve Act. Federal Reserve banks must maintain a gold reserve of at least $40 \%$, including
 against Federal Reserve iol Lawlul mas been de posited with the Treasurer of the United states ior retirement of all outstanding bonds excent whe lawtul money has been deposited with the Treasure of the Uonited States for thetr retirement. $45 \%$ fund is also maintained in lawful mone with the Treasurer of the United States for the redemptlon of national bank notes secured by Government bonds.

## CURRENT NOTICES.

-Stone \& Webster, Inc., have purchased the Massachusetts Trust Building at Franklin, Federal and Devonshire streets, Boston. The property is located in the centre of the investment banking district, sharing a block with the First National Bank of Boston, and having such neighbors as Lee, Higginson \& Co., Harris, Forbes \& Co., E. H. Rollins \& Son, Federal Reserve Bank, Boston Chamber of Commerce, \&c. The building is 10 stories high and covers a lot of about 23,000 square feet. About $60 \%$ of it will be occupied within a year by Stone \& Webster so that plenty of space is available for expansion of the organization, which has been record in the last few years. Starting in 1889 as the first purely electrical engineers fowth so that to day it manages companies throughout the daited States, earries on an of public utiliby ment banking business and is rated as one of the largest engineering and ment bation companies in the country. Charles A. Stone is Chairm and the board of directors; Edwin S. Webster, the other original member of the firm, is President.
-"The Stock Exchange Official Intelligence" for 1926 (Vol. 44) has just been received. This volume, containing 1,966 pages, is a carefully revised compendium of information regarding British, Indian, Colonial, American and foreign securities. Vol. 44 contains particulars of 450 additional companies, and also of 52 British, Colonial and Foreign loans which have been raised in London since publication or the 1925 volume. Vol. 44 also contains special articles on Indian finance and company law finance, and British and foreign finance; a list of brokers who are members finance, and British and foreign finance; a list or brokers who are members of the London Stock Exchange; also information as to stamp duties, trusteo investments, the public trustee, income tax, company registrations, ©c.., mittee of the London Stock Exchange, by Spottiswoode, Ballantyne \& Co., Ltd., 1 New Street-Square, E. C. 4.
-The First Illinois Company, underwriters and participating distributors of investment securities, has opened an office in The First Wisconsin National Bank Building, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, with Grinnell Wylie in charge. The Company was founded in Aurora, llinois, in 1920 and now has offices in Chicago, Springfield and Aurora, Illinois, St. Louis, Missour and Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Officers of the Company are: President, Herbert P. Heiss; Vice-Presidents, William C. Heiss, George B. Marx; Vice-President and Secretary. Malcolm C. Woodward; Treasurer, George L. Hilt.
-Effingham Lawrence who joined the New York Stock Exchange in 1903 when he organized the brokerage firm of Effingham Lawrence \& Co.. since dissolved, has become a general partner in the New York Stock Exchange firm of Buell \& Co., 7 Wall St., New York. The dissolution of Effingham Lawrence \& Co., which for years was one of the prominent houses on the Exchange, took place in 1920, wealth. He rejoined the Exchange in 1924 as a floor trader.
-Guaranty Trust Company of New York has been appointed Trustee, Paying Agent and Rezistrar under an Indenture of the Burda Holding Corporar winity Court Building-Burda Holding Corporation First Mortpar value Trich Cent. Gold Bond Certificates dated March 11926 and due serially from Sept. 11929 to March 11941.
-Smith, Graham \& Rockwell, members New York Stock Exchange, 52 Broadway, New York, announce that C. Buchanan Stuart has become associated with them.
-Clark Childs \& Co., Members of the New York Stock Exchange, announce the removal of their Offices to 120 Broadway, New York.
-National Bank of Commerce in New York has been appointed Transfer. Agent of the Preferred and Common Stock of Bloomingdale Bros., Inc.
-The Seaboard National Bank of the City of New York has been appointed Registrar of the Seven Per Cent. Cumulative Preferred and the Common Stocks of Albany Perforated Wrapping Paper Co
-Taylor. Thorne \& Co. announce that they have admitted to partnership George E. Brown, formerly with the Aluminum Co. of America. -Robert L. McClure has been appointed Manager of the New Business Department of J. G. White \& Co., Inc.


In the following we show the weekly earnings for a number of weeks past:


We also give the following comparisons of the monthly totals of railroad earnings, both gross and net (the net before the deduction of taxes), these being very comprehensive. They include all the Class A roads in the country, with a total mileage each month as stated in the footnote to the table

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|  | $485,498.143$ | 504,362,976 | -18,864,833 | 109,230,086 | 114,677,751 | $\stackrel{\$}{\$}$ |
| $\mathrm{Mar}_{\text {Apri- }}$ | $\begin{array}{\|} 485,498,143 \\ 472,591,665 \end{array}$ | 574,287,788 | -18,864,833 | 102,2361,475 | 114,677,751 | $\begin{array}{r} 5,447,665 \\ +5,389,790 \end{array}$ |
| May - | 487,664,385 | 476,549,801 | $+11,114,584$ | 112,859.524 | 96,054,494 | +16.805.030 |
| June - | 506,002,036 | $464,774.329$ $480,943,003$ | $+41,227.707$ $+40,595.601$ | $130.837,324$ 139.606 .752 | 101,487,318 | +29,350,006 |
| Aug | 554,559,318 | 507,537,554 | +47,021,764 | ${ }_{168,558,666}^{139}$ | 134,737,211 | + $+27,819,865$ |
| Sept- | 564,443,591 | 540,083,587 | +24.381,004 | 177,242,895 | 159,216,004 | +18,026,891 |
| Oct | 590,161,046 | 571,576,038 | +18.585,008 | 180.695.428 | 168,640,671 | +12,054,757 |
| Nov. | 531.742,071 | 504,781,775 | $+26,960,296$ | 148,157,616 | 131,381,847 | +16,775,769 |
| De | 523,041,764 | 504,450,580 | +18,591,184 | 134,445,634 | 124,090,958 | +10,354,676 |
|  | $\begin{gathered} 1026 . \\ 480,062,657 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1925 . \\ 484,022,695 \end{gathered}$ | -3,960,038 | $\begin{gathered} 1926 . \\ 102,270,877 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1925 . \\ 101,323,883 \end{gathered}$ |  |
|  | 459,227,310 | 454,198,055 | +5,029,255 | 99,480,650 | 99,518,658 | +38,008 |

Note.-Percentage of increase or decrease in net for above months has been:
March. $4.74 \%$ dec.: April. $5.53 \%$ inc.: May, $17.49 \%$ inc.; June, $18.91 \%$ ine.: July, $24.88 \%$ Inc.; Aug., $23.26 \%$ Inc.: Sept., $11.32 \%$ inc.: Oct., $7.14 \%$ inc.: Nov $12.77 \%$ inc.; Dee.. $3.69 \%$ inc.; Jan. 1926, $0.93 \%$ inc.; Feb., $0.04 \%$ dec.
In March the length of road covered was 236.559 miles in 1925 , agalnst 236,048 mlles in 1924, in Appil, 236,664 miles against 236,045 miles; in May,
against 236,098 miles: in June, 236,779 miles, agalnst 236,357 miles; in July, 236,762 against 236,098 miles; in June, 236,779 miles, agatnst 236,357 miles; In July, 236,762
miles, against 236,525 miles; in August, 236,750 miles, against 236,546 milies; in 236,564 miles; in November, 236,726 miles, against 235,917 miles; in December, 236,564 miles; in November, 236,726 miles, against 235,917 miles; in December;
236,959 miles against 236,057 milles; in January, $1926,236,944$ miles, against 236,599
miles in 1925; in February, 236.839 miles, against 236,529 miles.

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:


\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline \& \[
\begin{gathered}
\text { Gross } \\
\text { Earnings. } \\
\$
\end{gathered}
\] \& Net after Taxes. \& \[
\begin{gathered}
\text { Fixed } \\
\text { Charges. } \\
\mathbb{S}
\end{gathered}
\] \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Balance, \\
Surplus. \\
\(\$\)
\end{tabular} \\
\hline \(\begin{array}{cr}\text { Kansas Gas \& } \& \text { Feb '26 } \\ \text { Electric Co }\end{array}\) \& 385,544 540,248 \& \({ }_{*}^{*}{ }^{*} 1688.1781\) \& \[
90,266
\] \& 98.035 \\
\hline 12 mos end Feb \(28.2{ }_{2}^{26}\) \& 4,851,678 \& *2.143,696 \& 1,143.645 \& \(1,000,051\)
906,902 \\
\hline Market St Ry Co \& \& \& \& 95.961 \\
\hline ar \(31 \cdot 25\) \& \& \& \& 106, \\
\hline Mar \(31 \quad 26\) \& 2,394,047 \& \({ }^{*} 5067,028\) \& 241,424 \& 265,604 \\
\hline Mass. Ltg. Co Mar '26 \& 308,306 \& c58,471 \& 12,353 \& \\
\hline 3 mos end Mar \(31 \cdot 25\) \& - 2795.15 \& cri.

$c$ \& \& <br>
\hline \& 921,199 \& c224,402 \& 40 \& 185,962 <br>
\hline Nebraska Pow Co Feb '26 \& 379 \& 218.062 \& 69.595 \& 148.467 <br>
\hline 12 mos end Feb 28 '26 \& 4.189.616 \& 2,194,977 \& 828,670 \& 1,366,307 <br>
\hline \& 3,974,852 \& 2,036,149 \& 697.135 \& 1,339,014 <br>
\hline ower \& Feb ${ }^{26}$ \& 297,772 \& *137,409 \& 66.016 \& 71.383 <br>
\hline 12 mos end Feb 28.25 \& 3.61 \& *1.61 \& \& 825,480 <br>
\hline -b 28 ,26 \& 3,193,228 \& *1,429, \& 743,638 \& 685,966 <br>
\hline Portland Gas \& Feb '26 \& 361,470 \& *136,080 \& \& <br>
\hline 12 mos end Feb $28{ }^{\text {a }}$ \& \& ${ }^{* 108}$ \& \& <br>
\hline \& 4.071,658 \& ${ }_{* 1,372,0}^{*}$ \& 575.465
470,735 \& 901,332 <br>
\hline Texas Power \& \& 63 \& \& \& <br>
\hline ight Co \& 59, \& \& \& <br>
\hline 12 mos end Feb $28: 26$ \& 6,961, \& \& 9998,410 \& 2.003.4 <br>
\hline tah \& \& \& \& <br>

\hline  \&  \& $$
\begin{array}{r}
* 526,492 \\
* * 501,654
\end{array}
$$ \&  \&  <br>

\hline end Jan 31.25 \& 9,363,694 \& *5,055,948 \& 2,134,895 \& 2,921,053 <br>

\hline West Penn Electric Co and subsidiaries Feb '26 12 mos ended Feb 28 ' 26 \& 1,864,342 \& $$
\begin{array}{r}
1,425,059 \\
14,090,715
\end{array}
$$ \& \[

$$
\begin{array}{r}
705.983 \\
7,985,481
\end{array}
$$

\] \& \[

$$
\begin{array}{r}
719,076 \\
6,105,234
\end{array}
$$
\] <br>

\hline *Includes other income. b \& \& Is. c After \& \& <br>
\hline
\end{tabular}

## FINANCIAL REPORTS.

Financial Reports.-An index to annual reports of steam railroads, street railway and miscellaneous companies which have been published during the preceding month will be given on the last Saturday of each month. This index will not include reports in the issue of the "Chronicle" in which it is published. The latest index will be found in the issue of March 27. The next will appear in that of April 24.

## Atchison Topzi.a \& Santa Fe Railway Co.

(31st Annual Report-Year Ended Dec. 31 1925.)
The remarks of President W. B. Storey, together with the income account for 1925, will be found under "Reports and Documents" on subsequent pages.
traffic statistics for calendar years



 $x$ Number of tons of freight carried one mile shown above includes water
ton miles. San Francisco and Galveston bays.

> INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

| es- | $1925 .$ | $1924 .$ | $\underset{5}{1923 .}$ | 1922. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Freisht---.------174, -168,231 168,101,036 166,332,196 158 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 19,155 | 19,432,970 | 48,644,529 |
| Hire of equip.-credit baidr | 1,328,693 |  | 1,760,908 | ,453,745 |
| Joint facility rent income | 716,673 | 677.704 | 618,732 | 596,363 |

ar rent income

## $\overline{236,330,509}$


 Miscellaneous operations General expenses- Transp. for invest' Cr .
Total expenses-…-163,511,728
 Uncesilectibie railway rev
Joint facility rents....-
Net railway oper. inc. $\overline{53,666,693}$

$33,621,546$
$57,605,367$
$4,216,341$
$73,590,674$
77,472 $36,183,241$
$51,069,933$ Non-Operating Income-
Income from lease of road Income from lease of roa
Miscell rent income Miscell. rent income--.
Misc. non-op.phys.prop.
Dividend income. Dividiend income-.....
Inc. from funded securs Inc. from frunded securs
Income from unfunded Income from unfunded
secuities \& accounts
Income from sinking Income from sinking and
other reserve funds. Misc. income credits.-. Gross income Deductions-
Rent for leased roads... Rent for leased roads.-
Miscellaneous rents
Misc. Misce. tax acceruals.
Intebi-
Interest on funded debt Interest on funded debt.
Int. on unfunded debt.
Misc. income debits. Mref. income dividebits. Common dividends-.....
Approp. for fuel res. fund
Calif. S. Finking fund B. J. Ry, Co. Balance, surplus..... $\overline{23,632,593}$ $\overline{21,372,359}$


## Southern Pacific Company.

(42nd Annual Report-Year Ending Dec. 31 1925.)
On subsequent pages of this issue will be found extended extracts from the report of Henry W. De Forest, Chairman of the Executive Committee, together with the income account and the balance sheet as of Dec. 311925.


 Av. rec. .er pass. per m- 2.882 cts . 2.931 cts. $\quad 3.046$ cts. 3.106 cts.
Freight Traficio.

 INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARRS.
[Southern Pacific Co. and Proprietary Companies.]

Operating Income
Freight_-
Passenger Freight
Passenger
Mail
Express Incidental
Joint facily-Credit....
Joint facility-Debt...
Total railway op. revs
Railuay Oper.
Oxp. Rainvany oper Exp.
Maint oo way \& struc

Traffic or equan........
Transportation
Miscellaneous operations
General


Net railway oper. inc-
Non-Operating Income-
Inc. from lease of road.
Standard return tandard return
Miscell. rent income....
Misc. non-op. phys. prop Misc. . non-op.phys.prop-erties
$-211,314,582$
$-111,054,123$
-1103




## 58 34 19 .54 607 204 4,999 4

99,591.
1922. $\$$
$180,438,95$
$59,003,550$ $\begin{array}{r}59,003,550 \\ 3,581,755 \\ 7,653,473 \\ 5,797,645 \\ 5,878,419 \\ 216,139 \\ 50,763 \\ \hline\end{array}$ $\longdiv { 2 6 2 , 5 1 9 , 1 7 0 }$


127,593
$3,815,727$
Cr170.810 $\overline{46,222,846}$ $\begin{array}{r}159,053 \\ 1,587 \\ 883,317 \\ \hline\end{array}$ 30,510
$3,174,044$ 875,035 848,925
86,396 55,815,379 238,399
656,088
$21,202,234$
107,103
$\begin{array}{r}87,419 \\ 23,390 \\ \hline\end{array}$
Misc. income charges ${ }^{\text {n }}$ -
Total deductions. IInc.Disposition of to sink-
Ing, \&c., funds
Income appropriated for
Income appropriat. in phys. prop-
Balance $\begin{array}{r}126,66 \\ 22,342,85 \\ \hline 11,955,1\end{array}$

BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31 SOUTHERN PACIFIC CO. AND TRANS
PORTATION SYSTEM COMPANIES COMBINED.

V. 122, p. $203 \overline{3}, 478$

Union Pacific Railroad.
(29th Annual Report - Year Ended Dec. 31 1925)
The text of the report, signed by Chairman Robert S Lovett, together with comparative income accounts, com parative balance sheet as of Dec. 31 and other statistical tables, will be found on subsequent pages of this issue. V. 122, p. 1307, 346

## Chicago Rock Island \& Pacific Railway Co.

(46th Annual Report - Year Ended Dec. 31 1925.)
The joint remarks of Pres. J. E. Gorman and Chairman Charles Hayden, together with the comparative balance sheet and income account, will be found under "Reports and Documents" on subsequent pages. Our usual comparative tables were published in V. 122, p. 1017.

GENERAL STATISTICS FOR CALENDAR YEARS

 $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Av. rate per ton per mille. } & 1.2 \text { tes. } & 1.21 \text { cts. } & 1.25 \text { cts. } & 1.32 \text { cts. } \\ \text { Avge. load in tonsp. mile } & 457.08 & 444.59 & 412.76 & 402.12\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { No. of passengers carried } & 14,722,916 & 16,284,874 & 17,190,914 & 17,662,942 \\ \text { Rev. for pass. carried... } \$ 24,356,632 & \$ 25,886,047 \\ \$ 27,458,813 & \$ 27,650,134\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Arge. rate p. m. per pass } \\ \text {-V. } 122.99 \text { pts. } 1914,1017 . & 2.09 \mathrm{cts} . & 3.09 \mathrm{cts} . \\ 3.17 \mathrm{cts} .\end{array}$

## Delaware Lackawanna \& Western RR.

(Annual Report - Year Ended Dec. 311925. )
The remarks of President J. M. Davis, together with comparative income account and balance sheet for 1925, will be found under "Reports and Documents" on subsequent pages. Our usual comparative tables were given in V. 122, p. $1160 .-$ V. 122 , p. $1165,1160$.

## Central of Georgia Railway.

(31st Annual Report-Year Ended Dec. 311925. )
The remarks of Chairman Charles H. Markham, together with the income account for 1925 and 1924 and comparative balance sheet as at Dec. 31 1925, will be found under "Reports and Documents" on a subsequent page. A comparative income account was published in V. 122, p. 2030.


## Southern Railway Company.

(32d Annual Report-Year Ended Dec. 31 1925.) The remarks of President Fairfax Harrison, together with a comparative income account, profit and loss account and comparative balance sheets for two years past, will be found under "Reports and Documents" on subsequent pages. operating statistics for calendar years.
 xEmanipmen

 Operations Operations carried.
Passengers
Passengers carr' 11 mile

 $10,509,6699$
$01,910,077$
90




Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co., Milwaukee, Wis.
13th Annual Report-Year Ended Dec. 311925
The remarks of President Otto H. Falk, together with comparative income account and comparative balance sheet as of Dec. 31 1925, will be found under "Reports and Documents" on subsequent pages.
income account for calendar years.
Sales billed $\qquad$ 1925.
$\$ 28,921,357$
$\$ 27,855,524$
1924.
$\$ 25,612,709$
$\$ 20,794,046$ vel, selling, publicity
\& adm. exp.). Factory profit $\qquad$
 Net profit-.- Foler $\begin{array}{llll} & 3,368 & \$ 3,736,101 & \$ 3,234,636\end{array} \$ 2,508,550$
 Balance, surplus
$-\mathrm{V} .122, \mathrm{p} .885,484$.
$\$ 716,315$ $1,035,46$
$\$ 517,996$
$\begin{array}{r}1,154,811 \\ 4) \\ 1,030,830 \\ \hline 22, .908\end{array}$

Missouri Pacific Railroad Company.
9th Annual Report-Year Ended Dec. 311925.
Comparative income account for calend ar years.

Average mileage operat Operating
Freisitit.-1
Pasenger
Mail xiscesllaneous ncidental
Total ry. oper. revs Maint. of way \& struc.-Traffic-artat'n-Rail line
Transportan Transpor
Miscell
General ransp. for inv.-Credit Total ry. oper. expens.
Net rev. from ry. oper.Railway tax accruals.-.
Uncollect. railway revs

Total oper. income-Non-Oper. Income
Rent from locomotives Rent from floating equi Rent from work equip. t. facility rent income
nc. from lease of road nc. from lease of road Misc. non-op. phys. prop ividend income nc. from funded securs Inc. from unfund. secur-.
Inc. from sinking, \&c.. reserve funds-.-.-.-

Gross income-....... Hire of fgt. cars-deb.bal Rent for pass. train cars. Rent for floating ecuip Joint facility rents... Rent for leased roadsTiscell taxeous rents-.iscell. tax accruals.-Int. on funded debt Miscell. income charges

Total deductions from Net income-10.-....


130,831,66


| $102,276,50$ |
| :--- |
| $28,555,16$ |


| $5,266,43$ |
| :---: |
| 35,48 |





## 123

$\qquad$$\overline{99,921,331}$$17,282,957$
$20,996,699$
$\begin{array}{r}532.17 \\ 3,085.979 \\ \hline 232,797 \\ \hline\end{array}$
$98,466,365$

$25,181,358$ $\begin{array}{r}97,939,966 \\ 16,667,982 \\ \hline\end{array}$ ..... | $84,658,915$ |
| :--- |
| $15,262,416$ |40,665



\section*{| 382 |
| :--- |
| 805 |}


so recognized, to more than normal traffic, reduced cost of fuel and some
supplies, and the absence of any unusual difficulties affecting transportation or industry , through the completion of the smaller improvements that have been unhrough the completion of the smaller improvements that have been the condition and capacity of the physical property ranks better than at
any time heretofore. This is reflected by the high character of service Rates. In the 1924 annual statement reference was made to two pending
proceedings affecting the revenues of the company. These were: (1) Decision of the I.-S. C. Commission ordering an interchangeable scrip coupon
book which it was estimated would entail a loss of not less than $\$ 2,500,000$ per year in the company's revenues; (2) increase in commutation and trip
ticket rates in New York to bring such rates up to the same levels as elseWhere on the System. able scrip a fter the injumction against it was affirmed by the U. St. Supreme
Court. The case was reopened for further hearings upon applicaton of the National Council of Traveding Salesmen's Association. On April 13 . standard or basic rate of fare for one way passenger tickets, which has no The proposed increases in commutatio City and points in New York and Connecticut, which were under suspension Commission, were found to be justified in the decisions of the Commiscions. which were handed down in July, and were allowed to go into effect on
Aug. 1,1925 As a result of these decisions the commutation fares to and on other parts of the sen placed on the same basis as commutation fares
A renearing of the proceedings before the New York Commission has
muters and is now pendins.
Interest Rate on Gor't. Loans.- Reference was also made in the statement
for 1924 to the bill advocated by Seantor George P. McLean and by the Secretary of the Treasury, reducing the rate of interest on government loans
to railroads. The bill was favorabtly reported last year but failed because of the congestion of business at the close of the short term on March 4th.
A bill was introduced this year in the House by Hon Schuyler Merritt of Comnecticut and an identical bill was introduced in the Senate by Senator sion. The bill gives discretion to the secretary of the Treasury to permit reduction in the rate of interest on railroad indebtedness provided that the railroad will agree to pay off the entire debt in not more than 40 years. It
is our hope that the bill as finally passed will enable us to obtain a reduction in our interest rate to $4 \%$ with the agreement that the company will con-
tinue to pay $6 \%$, the difference of $2 \%$ being applied on the principal, which would entirely pay off the debt within 30 years.
decreasing, the thing less than $33 \%$. Your Company, prior to its property being taken over under Federal Control. had been paying an average rate of interest or
$4.44 \%$; during and since Federal Control it was required to at the rate of $6 \%$ per annum to the Government, duelargely to the depletion of its earning capacity during Federal Control. The excess of interest already paid to the Government over the average rate is $88,700,000$. In for the future to make a profit out of an indebtedness incurred to it during Government control, and that the stockholders ought no longer to be penalized.
Federal Decree Modifiedi-In Nov., 1925, the Federal decree was so
modified that all the remaining properties taken away from the company in 1914 were returned to it. Company has resumed control of The Connecticut Co., and negotiations have been entered into with the cities of Springfield and Worcester, Mass. Iooking to the rethabilitation of the trolley lines in those cities from
its large investments.
Boston \& Maine RR.- Company has an investment in the stock and
securities of the Boston \& Maine RR. through the medium of the Boston Railroad Holding $\mathbf{C o}$.. amounting to $\$ 28,988,519$. Through this medium company owns and votes upon 229.883 shares of Boston \& Maine RR. stock out of a total of 814,728 , substantially $28.3 \%$. The holdings of this stock
are as follows: Common, 219,189; Preferred, 6.543; First Preferred. 4. In the statement of the affairs of the company for 1924 stockholder were advised that a committee had been appointed to consider the future Haveng of the Boston \& Maine RR., and that two directors of the New company's interest in the Boston \& Maine. The committee to unanimosesty reported a plan for the reorganization of the Boston \& Maine, as modiffed on sept. 1,1925 , requiring the holders of each class of stock either to subholdings. Under the plan holders of common stock are required to their chase $\$ 20$ of prior preference stock at par for each share of stock held, or
to surrender $32 \%$ of their holdings. Holders of preferred stoct to purchase $\$ 15$ of prior preference stock at par for each share of stoct or to surrender $12 \%$. Holders of first preferred stock are required to pur-
chase $\$ 12$ of prior preference stock at par for each share of stock held or chase s12 of prior preference stock at par for each share of stock held, or
to surrender rrom $61 / 2$ to to $12 \%$ of their holdings, depending upon which
class of first preferred stock is held. The importance to the public of New England of adequate transportation good service, and rehabilitated credit of its carriers is so obvious, and these
accomplishments are so that there has been and will be to an eventual resumption of dividends committee of the Boston \& Maine in making effective its plan for the finan Uill be waived and part of the accumulated dividends on the preferred stock half of any excess for dividends that may remain after dividends of 6 . have been paid on the common stock of which the holdings of company
through the Boston Railroad Ho through the Boston Railroad Holding Co. princiapuly consist. It will be
from the resumpion of dividends on the Boston \& Maine common stock
that return from your company's investment in the Botol that return from your company's investment Un most largely cerived.
Maine readjustment committee, company decided to subscribe for its allot 45.317 .37 shares of the $7 \%$ prior preference stock of the Boston \& Mat The first allotment being $25 \%$ of the total. In view of the fact that the $7 \%$, prior preference stock when, as and if issued, has been selling close to par, the co-operation of your company has
been not only helpful to the Boston \& Maine but moreover the subscription been not only helpful to the Boston
will not cost your company any substantial sum.
Acquires Entire Stock of Central New England Ry. To Combine Latter and
Harlem River \& Port Chester with New Haven.-During the past few months every outstanding share of stock in the Central New England Ry. has been acquired. For some years past every share of stock of the Harlem River
\& Port Chester RR. has been owned by Company-the latter is the line running from New Rochelle junction to Harlem River and includes com-
pany's freight terminals in N . Y. City. Application will be made for authority to combine these two properties with your company. This will
not resuit in any change of status because the obligations of these companies have either been assumed or guaranteed by your company for many year past. It will, however, do away with two corporate organizations and
consolidate the properties. Bus Siluation properties
Bus Situation,--Owing to the improvement of highways and the increasing
use of motor coaches and privately owned automobiles for passenger transportation, Company has been faced for some time with a serious problem. ways, causing a constantly travel had left the rails and gone to the highevident that uniess woren ave to be surrendered to were adopted, consid-
erable rail service would havent of our
revenues, the public convenience and necessity.
Modern type gasoline rail busses are in use on a number of light branch
nos with pood results in service rendered and economy in operating costs On some lines, however, traffic was so light that even gas car operation was not justified and there were other situations where supplementary service over the highway was required in addition to that performed by the
rails. rails.
In.
In order to meet this situation a subsidiary company, The New Enpland adequate passenger service over. the highways to meet the public demands, under the following policy:
(a) As an extension of and in connection with rall service, making con-
(b) Parallel with and as feeders to rail service, thus enabling the rail
ervice to be scheduled more rapidly, and in consequence to become more service to be scheduled more rapidly, and in consequence to become more
attractive to the public;
(c) For the filling of rail schedule intermissions where highway operation is justified, but where passenger traffic is too light or freight switching too
heavy to justify gas rail cars, and where through the operation of the highchedule can be filled;
ticable, between certain populous centers where the rails handle passence travel, but between which the construction of new or the improvement in old highways has now created a situation in which the operation or the motor
coach offers the only means of regaining former revenues now lost, and of more directly combining the two forms of transportation. 95 motor coaches are at present in operation over 30 different routes,
totaling 775 miles. Additional routes will be opened up from time to time as may be deemed advisable, with due regard to the company's policy of the as may be deeme
the highways. Change in Accounting for Payments of Dividends and Interest.-Effective
 Mortgage Gold Bonds of the New York, Westchester © Boston Railway dated July 1,1911, and $4 \%$ dvia held by the public, which while reducing the fined charges to income by $\$ 976,000$ per annum, will result in a corre-
sponding charge to profit \& loss with no net effect on the final profit \& loss
balanee. Herefore the above payments made under company's guarantees have been charged through income account, and the change in the method of
accounting is made at the direction of the 1.-S. C. Commission to correspond more correctly with their income classification
support of its claim that the 1 I-S. C. Commission's tentative valuation of the physical property is greatly understated, and hearings before the comreply brier to the reas heen presented in full to the Commission for consideration, and decision. Request has been made for oral argument of
Company's claim before the full Commission, which argument it is expected Company's ceaim before the full commission, which argument it is expected tion of the property may be expected.
The tentative valuation of the Central New England Railway and the Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad was decided by the Commis-
sion on June 26, 1925, to be the final valuation, and there is no further protest which company can make before the Commission
While no definite comparison can be made between the capitalization and the valuation or has been found, it seems certain that ther properties owned by compan the stock and indebtedness of the New Haven Company are more than supported by the physical property embraced in the New Haven Syste
the value of the other securities which it carries in its investments.

> OPERATING AND TRAFFIC STATISTICS, CALENDAR YEARS.

Tons of rev. frelght carried Tons of rev. frelyht carried Tons of rev. .reight carried
1 mile per mile or road.
Av.no.of tons of revenue freight per rev.trevenue
Av.no.of tons all frelght Av.no.or tons all freight
per rev train mile........
Total freight revenue. Total frel. rit revenue-... of freight on per mile--
Av. rev. .erer tor per mile or road. No. of interine revenue No. of local revenue pass No. or commutation pass.
cartied

Total no. of revenue passengers carried.....
Total no. of rev. pass.
carricd No. or rev. Dass, car. one
malle eper mlle or road.
Total passenger revenue. Total Dassenger revenue-
Average amount received from each passenger.
Av. rev. per pass. per mile Av. rev. per pass. Der mile
Total passenger service
traln revenur traln revenue


# $1,598,306$ 

$567,983,308$
560
56
. 82.403
2.180 cts.
$\begin{array}{llll}1,976,454 & 2,030,418 & 2,190,285 & 2,010,64\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllr}20,640,066 & 22,424,132 & 24,284,226 & 24,295,902\end{array}$

| $47,553,188$ |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | $52,025,825$ | $58,246,812$ | $59,550,906$ |

$\begin{array}{llll}70,169,708 & 76,480,375 & 84,721,323 & 85,857,452\end{array}$ 806,456,451 1,826,282,461 1,909,397,649 1,850,961,160
 $\begin{array}{lll}70.88 & \mathrm{cts} & 64.95 \mathrm{cts} . \\ 2.00 .62 \mathrm{cts} . & 57.33 \mathrm{cts} .\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}\$ 58,196,937 & \$ 57,635,968 & \$ 59,464,396 & \$ 56,752,664\end{array}$
 mulk handled on freligt

## income account for calendar years.

## Average miles operated Operating RevenuesFreerating Pasight.ent Pasil <br> Mail express, \&o Incidental Joint facility

## Total

Operatino Expenses
Maintenance of was \& structu
Maintenance of equipment

Geneerananeous operations........
Transportation for Investment.

Operating income
Hire of fielght cars... Hire of fo elght cars.
Rent for equipment

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1925. 

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s
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$-89.735,504$

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| :--- |
| $49,735.504$ |
| $9,439,33$ | $132,266,422$ 132,



133,940,586

Net rallway operating in
Non-Operating IncomeDividend income Income from funded securities. Income from unfunded securities Income irom lease of road.
Miscellaneous rent income Miscellaneous.

Total non-operating income. Deductions-
Rent for leased roads
Interest on ded debt. N. Y. W. B. Ry guar. (bond int.)

Miscellaneous
Net income

 XThe figures shown against this item cover laplover items audited during the | $6,369,249$ | $7,192,233$ | $\begin{array}{rrr}6,324,906 \\ 26,156,528 & & 20,469,961 \\ & 18,399,067\end{array}$ |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | 5,915,414 $\begin{array}{r}5,84 \\ 15,49 \\ \hline\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{r}5,853,452 \\ 15,148,69 \\ \hline\end{array}$ $15.148,699$ 649,118

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682.734
$\qquad$
$\begin{array}{r}4,910,936 \\ \mathbf{x 4 5 . 1 6 8} \\ \hline\end{array}$
es 16,992

27,629 $\begin{array}{ll}6,992,836 & 1 \\ 7.629,520 & 27\end{array}$ | $7,629,520$ |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| 906,114 | 27 |
| 20 |  | $27,539.8$

$47,941,9$

7, | $3,519,907$ |
| :---: |
| $C r 50$ |




#### Abstract

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| 32,217, |
| 71 |
| 53,037 |
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$\begin{array}{ll}\begin{array}{ll}1,886,747 \\ 3,369.118 \\ C T .21,300\end{array} & 3 .\end{array}$

## $97,480,3$ $29,733,3$ 48 <br> $97,780,3$, $29,833,3$ $4,807,9$

$29,611,84$
$n 71.805 .53$


\section*{e. $23,324,79$} 4,904, 976 | $4,9344.004$ |
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| 94,929 | ${ }^{2,003}$ | $59,931,677$ |
| :--- |
| 49.217795 |
| $8,648,266$ | 4.431.069

1, 17 $\frac{1,017,843}{23,246,641}$ 16.488.932 ${ }_{26}^{26,444,3,32} 6$
 $\begin{array}{r}51,082,709 \\ 1.952509 \\ 3,405,297 \\ \hline\end{array}$

$\qquad$ | $23,257,785$ |
| :---: |
| 4556,324 |
| 9,988 | $\begin{array}{r}4,586,324 \\ 30,558 \\ \hline\end{array}$



 $1,262,900$

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| $1,301,6$ |
| $1,378,7$ |
| $1,172,3$ |
| 127,5 | $2,505,506$

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$1,219.624$
$1,197.513$
$1,0955.872$

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 Road \& equip't. $287,869,430$ 287,629,289
Impts.on leased
rallwe $\begin{array}{lrr}\text { rallway prop. } & 11,939,923 & 11,484,408 \\ \text { Sinking funds. } & 36,852 & 35,320\end{array}$ Sinking funds.
Depos. In liuer or
mtged. prop'y Misc.phys......-
Inv. in brop. G. C. Term'1,
N. City-1.
Stock in hand
of trus hats Stocks pledged 67 Unpledyed--
Bons pledged.
Unpled Unpledged Notes pledged. Advs. unpledged
Cash-1.-...- \&
Demand ins. \&
denosits Time crastrsisde
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$\underset{1}{\text { Spe }}$ Yron agents \&
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Loans $\&$ bils
Rents receiviva Oth. crect assets
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| 8.520 |
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## $\begin{array}{lll}\text { advance } & 2,479,931 & 2,060,388\end{array}$

-Vrand total-. $\overline{5422, \text { p. 1907. } 308,559} \xlongequal[538,421,820]{ }$

## Grand total

Chicago Great Western Railroad Co.
(16th Annual Report-Year Ended Dec. 311925.
President Samuel M. Felton, Chicago, April 6, wrote in substance: of $\$ 223,917$ compared with 1924. After deducting operating expenses,
 necessary additions and betterments to the property. more than in 1924 .
Taxes.-Taxes this year were $\$ 54.329$. or $5.74 \%$.
Ther paid during the first year of the present company's operation in 1910, when they were $\$ 392,383$. Changes in Scurites. - The terms of the agreement with the committee
Che representing the holders of Mason city\& Fort Dodge bonds, were odge ist
throughout the year 1925. when additional Mason City \& Fort Dodge
mtge. bonds, with past-due interest coupons, were presented. The ex-

Mason City \& Fort Dodge 1st mtge.
bonds surrendered......
$\begin{array}{ll}\$ 11,158,000 & \$ 33,000 \\ 892,640 & 2,640\end{array}$ Value of past-due coupons surrendered Issued in Exchange:
1st mold
Istre, 50 year, $4 \%$ gond
Preferred stock (new stock) Preferred stock (new stock)--1.-. $2,171,300$
Perered stock (treasury stock)
The total amount of Mason City \& Fort Dodge bonds outstanding at the time the agreement with the boncholders commites was mad been $\$ 12.000,000$. And Directors, believing that a sufficient time had been given surrendered and rest of these bonds to accept the terms of the agreement.
the holders
decided that, effective at the close of business Jan. 301926 , the corporation would not accept for exchange on the terms of such agreement. any more decision and prior to Jan. 30 1926, $\$ 681,000$ of Mason City \& Fort Dodg bocisis were surrendered and Chicago Great Western securities issued on
the same terms as those made with the bondholders' committee. This now the same terms as those mady \& Fort Dodge bonds outstanding.
leaves $\$ 128,000$ Mason City
leaves surities Acquired.-During the year company accepted and placed in its treasury $\$ 10,756$ of St. Joseph, Missouri. Park Fund certificates in
partial payment of the amount awarded as damages and compensation for partial payment of the amount awarded as damages an
condemnation of portions of its land at St . Joseph. Mo
 the first mortgage bonds issued by this company became due May 1925 . Payment of the principal and interest being guaranteed by
Western RR . the latter paid this installment, amounting to $\$ 40,000$. making a total of $\$ 80.000$ of these bonds now paid by this corporation. Retirement of Equipment-Trust Obligations.- Existing equipment-trust
obligations were reduced by the sum of $\$ 192.862$. obligations were reduced by the sum of $\$ 192.862$.
a Rate Increases.- Early in 1925. the carriers in the Western District filed a petition wates, praying for an advance ins freitght rates. The Commission had previously undertaken to make an investigation of the genergress. Hearings in compliance with a resolution adopted by the 68th Congress. Hearings
were held in Chicago commencing Sept. 8 1925, and afterwards at many important cities in the west. A vast amount of evidence was taken and the case is now under consideration by the Commistion. The evidence fully demonstrates the needs of
level of their freight rates.
level of their freight rates.
During the progress of the hearings for rate increases. the carriers in
Western Trunk Line Territory filed a supplemental petition with the Western Trunk Line Territory filed a supplemental petition with the
I.-S. C. Commission setting forth the purposes of a plan for a general revision of class rates. The carriers are still at work on the details of this
plan which is one that will materially increase the revenues of the company. if adopted. Divisions. of Through Rates. - Hearings on the investigation initiated by
the I.-S. C. Commission on Oct. 8 1923, in the matter of divisions of the I.-S. C. Commission on Oct. 8 1923, in the matter of divisions
freight rates in Western and Mountain Pacific Territaries, were started at Chicago, Feb. 16 1925. Evidence was taken dealing with the division of joint rates to and from Trans-Continental Territory. The first hearing was
concluded March 6 and a second hearing was held at Chicago May 4 to 21 conctued Following the conclusion of the second hearing, a settlement was
1925.
reached whereby, effective July 11925 , the divisions of the lines east of the reached Whereb, crossings and south and east of Minnesota Transfer were
Missouri River
increased increased on traffic originating or termminating in the Transimatelinental and
other territories west of the Missouri River by approx
these other terrisins were made applicable on North Pacific coast umber upon
these divisions
which divisions were formerly on a different basis The same increases were allowed by some of the roads operating in Okahoma. It is estimated company approximately $\$ 235,000$ per annum. involves the division of joint
This investigation by the Commission also rates to and from points in the Southwest. Hearings with respect to these Feb. 3 to 11 1926. A further hearing is to be had at Chicago in the near future. This company enjoys a substantial traffic moving to and from points
in the southwest and an increase in these divisions would add materially to its freight revenues
Industrial. -The industrial activity in the territory served by the oadr durins 1925 consisted principally of the construction of facilities for the
handling and distribution of commodities for local use or consumption

Bulk oil storage facilities were provided at a number of stations and dealers
in coal. lumber and other building materials established yards at a number of points on property served by the rails of this compan higher than in 1924, due, t.
by the U. S . Labor Board.
A comparison for a mario

Cal. YearsGal
1918
19.
1920
1922
1922
1925
10 Tracks Leased for Passenger-Train Seriche:015.00 7,597 1, 1,631.80 apossengertrain service Southern Ry. service. - bracing the year, the Mine-
 company receives $\$ 1,192$ annually. On Jan. 181925 ., passenger-train
service was discontinued by company over these portions of its line and also
between Northfield and Faribault, Northfield \& Southern Ry, had trackage rights by virtue of a contract
executed in July, 1921 . The average miles of road train service during the year diminished from $1,496.06$ miles to $1,430.44$
miles as a result thereof. Valuation.-During the past year numerous conferences with representa-
fives of Bureau of Valuation of the I.-S. C. Commission were held with reference to the tentative valuations heretofore served upon the company. Flood Damage. -In June, 1925 , rainfall of unprecedented intensity
occurred in the territory served by the line, particularly on Division, causing heavy washout damage and interruption of traffic for nearly two weeks. The most severe destruction occurred west of Dubuque. $\$ 314.893$ and it is expected that approximately $\$ 50.000$ additional will be disaster is estimated at no less then loss in revenue in consequence of this has authorized the company to distribute the cost of this extraordinary food damage in equal proportions for 36 months, beginning July, 1925. about $\$ 33,333,000$ in new capital improvements; about $\$ 15.500,000$ being was from proceeds from the sale $\$ 18,000,000$ for equipment. Of this, $\$ 13.729,019$ the U. S. Government on notes, the first of which matures in 1930: $\$ 1,351$.over a period of years; $\$ 6,476,649$ was from proceeds from the sales and
retirements the wise, of road property and equipment; and $\$ 8,508$ from surplus and other sources.
facilities, to install larger and more powerful equipment and enlarge its chinery and to otherwise improve the property. Because of these expendcures, the company has been able to increase its train loading $86.16 \%$
compared with 1910 , the first full year of organized, In that year the average revenue tons per train mile were
330.72 thin and in 1925 they were 615.67 tons. Although the revere mileage increased from $1,247.441 .861$ ton-miles in 1910 to 1.966 .893 .541 in in 1910 to $3,194,713$, or $1530 \%$, in 1925 . return upon the value of the carriers' property, as fixed by the Commission.
Although this law has been in effect ton-mile of freight traffic hauled by company the average revenue per than the year previous, due to constant demands for rate reductions under
the level established by the Commission in 1920 . It that, If the company had received in 1925 the same average leven estimated mile that it did in 1921 , revenues would have been average revenue per tonthan they were. This would fully pay the dividend of $4 \%$ on the preferred The fact that the company has spent at the requirements.
improvements, and that the book value of the equipment alone in $\$ 12.521$ per mile, or $48.93 \%$ of the total long term debt, make it readily apparent TRAFFIC STATISTICS CALENDAR YEARS.

| Miles of road operated.- | 1925. | 1,496 | 1924. |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |





Total ry. per. rev..-
Operating
Expenses
S02,760
$\$ 24,726,678$
$\$ 25,723,706$
$\$ 24,224,789$ $\begin{array}{lrrrrr}\text { Maint. of way \& struck_- } & \$ 3,442,378 & \$ 3,682,233 & \$ 3,791,296 & \$ 3,640,961 \\ \text { Maine. of equipment_-. } & 4,849,979 & 4,726,280 & 5,238,113 & 5,705,835\end{array}$ Traffic. -- Rail line Transp. -Rail line-.--
Miscellaneous operations
General Transp. for invest .-C $r_{-}$
Totaloper, expenses Total oper. expenses
Net rev.from ry. ope

Railway oper. income_- $\overline{\$ 3,685,931} \overline{\$ 3,538,480} \overline{\$ 3,433,216} \overline{\$ 1,961,900}$
$\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { Non -Operating Income- }\end{array}\right]$ Hire of equipment Misc, non-oper rent inc Miscall. rent income prop. Dividend income Inc. from funded secur--
Inc. from unfunded secs \& accounts ............
$\qquad$ $\$ 2,009,729 \quad \$ 2,360,451$ $\$ 1,507.816$ Miscellaneous income-.-


$\qquad$ | Interest on funded debt_ |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Int. on unfunded debt. | $\mathbf{1}, 709,840$ | $\$ 1,483$ | $\$ 14.325$ | $\$ 1,674,019$ | (int. on funded debts Mason: rent acct. for leasesM.C.\&Ft.D.RR.)

Hire of equipment.
Joint facility rents....--
Rent for leased roads.-.
Miscellaneous rents.-.
Miscell. tax accruals...
$\qquad$
Miscell. income charges.
Net income. \$628,920 $\begin{array}{r}2,438,46 \\ 990,69 \\ 45,0 \\ 9,6 \\ 1,8 \\ 13,8 \\ 18, \\ \hline \$ 628 \\ \hline\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { a Amount stated under } 1922 \text { includes } \$ 1,738,400 & \$ 570,766 & \$ 432,770\end{array}$ for allowances by U. S. Government under guaranty $\mathbf{~ b}$ Retirement of as of Dec. 11922 , interest on the former bonds is here charged in 1922 for
$11-12$ the of the year.
,


Surplus Account. -The profit and loss account as of Dec. 311925 shows $\$ 628,920.1$ less sundry adjustments. net, $\$ 10.115$ : leaving balance carried to
balance sheet Dec. 31 1925, $\$ 8,470,340$.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31


Northern Pacific Ry.
Annual Report - Year Ended Dec. 311925.
PASSENGER AND FREIGHT STATISTICS.
No. of pass. carried
No. pass. carried 1
1 mile
1925.
$3,151,767$
$3,514.855$
3.095 cts.
$22,407.726$
6751142456
1924.
$3,607,9$
$413,116,9$
3.187
$23,991,5$
65486711 1923.
47.706 .528
$479.515,131$ Av. rate per pass. per m
No. tons rev. frit carried
do do Average receipts per ton
per mile, rev. freight. per mile, rev. freight-
Revenue per mile of road 1.130 cts. 1.121 cts . 34.220 cts

6854336779 $\begin{array}{lr}181 & \\ 173 \\ 01 & 2 \\ 79 & 6 \\ 7 & \end{array}$ 1922. | .440 |
| :--- |
| cts. |
| .028 | Revenue per mile of road

(average mileage)
R UTS FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

$\qquad$
Total operating revs.-
Operating ExpensesWay and structures Way and st
Equipment
Trance
Misspell. operation
Transp. for investment
Total oper. expenses--
Net operating revenues $\qquad$ Ry. over. income
Equipment rents, ne $\qquad$ $\$ 70,533,064$
$\$ 24,759,340$
$8,563,154$ $\$ 8$ $\begin{array}{r}80,364,8 \\ 21,637,2 \\ 8,482,3 \\ \hline\end{array}$ , Taxes \& uncollec. revs Equipment rents, net.
Joint facility rents, net.$\begin{array}{r}\$ 16,196,18 \\ \$ 2,130,76 \\ 1,534,12 \\ \hline\end{array}$



 Other deduce. fr. income $\begin{array}{r}14,783,165 \\ -\quad 579,031 \\ \hline\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{r}14,767,61 \\ 606,645 \\ \hline\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{r}14,707,679 \\ 593,127 \\ \hline\end{array}$ $14,992,473$

672,841 | Net income_- |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Div. approp'ns $(5 \%)$ |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\$ 17,944,288$ | $\$ 15,970,244$ |  |  |
| $\$ 12,400,000$ | $12,400,000$ |  | $12,400,000$ | $12,400,000$ |
| $12,056,930$ |  |  |  |  |

 $\begin{array}{ccc} & \text { GENERAL BALANCE SHEET DEC. } 31 \\ \text { Assets- } & 1925 . & 1924 .\end{array}$

## 

 Inv. In atrip copStocks.

Sot es. | Bonds_-....... | $144,085,285$ | $144,085,286$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Notes | $30,202,648$ | $30,202,648$ | $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { Advances..... } & 2,262,789 & 2,379,399 \\ \text { Other invest'ts: } & 3,895,221 & 3,146,344\end{array}$


notes
Advance
Cont of land greet
lands...... Cash_-......... Lis \& bills re Trap. \& car ser
bails. recely rents res, and
rest
W kg. fund assets
Ot.
Oth, def'd assets
Other
Other unadjust.
debits........
8,368,408

-V .122, p. 1165,1160

## Ann Arbor Railroad Company

(27th Annual Report -Year Ended Dec. 31 1925.)
Pres. J. E. Taussig reports in brief:
in Feb new car ferry which was contracted for in 1924 and placed in service in Feb. 125, has resulted in improved and continuous service between cars in 1924 , , to 80,272 the increase in 19 .
The ratio of operating expenses to
as compared with 77.56 for the year 1924 , a decrease of 1.4925 was i75.64 During the year 31 locomotives received heavy classified $r$
locomotives for the year decreased $6 \% \%$. The cost of maintenance per
unit of freight train car decreased $13.4 \%$. In accordance with the action taken by all other class one railroads, the
present contract with the American Railway Express Co. covering the present contract with the American Railway Express Co. covering the
operation of express business over this company's lines was extended for one year or until Feb. 281929 .
In the latter part of this year the Wabash Railway was authorized by the purchase of its capital stock. At the close of the
the Wabash of this company's stock were $66.9393 \%$.
operating statistics for Calendar years.
Passengers carried-
Pass. carried 1 mile


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Freightcid v
Cash
Gish

 10.000 0,000 1.454.700 $\underset{\substack{1,454,700 \\ 160,614}}{\substack{10}}$ 259,270

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1,301,094
$$

$\qquad$

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\begin{array}{r}
\$ 792,884 \\
46,179
\end{array}
$$

$$
{ }_{259,270}
$$

$$
\begin{gathered}
1,301,094 \\
57.455 \\
39.650 \\
39.624
\end{gathered}
$$

$$
\begin{gathered}
75.450 \\
39,624 \\
\hline, 64
\end{gathered}
$$


Total operating revs Maint. of way and st Traffic expenses. Transportation ex

Total open. expenses
Net operating revenue
Operating income
Other income
Gross income-
Interest on funded debt:
Int. on unfunded debt_-
Total deductions.
 Misc. phys. equip,
Inv. in aril. cos.-stocks.-....-
special deposits. Tratici \& carr serve ARts. E record. bale$\frac{\text { Ats. } \mathrm{A} \text { conc. bali }}{\text { MIsc. acts. recede }}$ Materiacts supp plies Other eur assets. Work. fund dadsprep and d. debs.
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| 8810,8 |
| :--- |
| 4596 |

COMPARATIVE GENERAL BALANCE SHEET DEC.








$\qquad$

| 33,566 |
| :---: |
| sin |
| 434,665 |

$\underset{\substack{43+6.655 \\ 56,924}}{\substack{4.65}}$

| 188.355 |
| :--- |
| 22,071 |

${ }_{22,071}^{250,759}$


| 515.831 |
| :---: |
| 48,000 |
| 1,370 |
| $\substack{250}$ |

$\begin{array}{r}1,37 \\ 85,52 \\ \hline\end{array}$
${ }_{338,420}^{85}$



 through income
 Total...
....... -... $25,427,769 \frac{1,89}{24,649,096}$ -20,427,76:
Denver \& Rio Grand Western Railroad Co. (Annual Report-Year Ended Dec. 31 1925.) RESULTS FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

## Operatic Freight

Passenger-
Mail, exp
Total over. revenues_- $\$ 33,629,463-\frac{42,024}{\$ 33,011,558} \frac{35,600}{\$ 34,587,496} \frac{44,926}{\$ 33,350,593}$ Maint.on waydensesc....
Manta of equipment.-.
Traffic. Trance -
Miscellaneous operations

Total over. expenses - $\$ \overline{824.794 .249}$ Tax gcerrais - Tron over-:

Total over. income --- $\$ 6,511,738$ Hironoperating Income-
 Miscall. rent income.... Misc. non-op. phys. prop
income from unfunded securities \& accounts Miscellaneous income...



Pal non-oper, incan Deductions-----
Hire of freight cars-
 Rent facility rents.--
Rent for leased roads.
Int. on dds., ctff. \& mugs int, on unfunded debt.Misc. income charges-.
income applic. to sk. fd.
Balance, sur. transf.
V. 122, p. 2036, 1915. $\$ 2,562,986$ di $\$ 4,167,784$ dr $\$ 3,356,410$ def $\$ 629,428$
to credit of OPERATE
Miles of road over
No. tons ma se. gEt.

## Erie Railroad Company

31st Annual Report-Year Ended Dec. 311925.
operating statistics for calend ar years.
 $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { No. tons coal \& cole car- } & 16,74,4,495 & 19,020,258 & 24,149,762 & 14,661,415 \\ \text { Tot.No.tons all ft.car- } & 42,894,577 & 43,104,928 & 50,437,718 & 36,301,364\end{array}$

 Freight rev. per trim mi $\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { Av.No.tons } \\ \text { No. of pass. carried.- } & 842.47 & 850.93 & 875.44 & 772.88\end{array}$


INCOME STATEMENT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.
Operating Revenues- 1925.


Gross oper.revs.....
$\begin{array}{r}21,353,924 \\ 13.872 .168 \\ 8,456,729 \\ \hline 106,874,103\end{array}$
Mint. of way \& struc

 | $12,699.503$ |
| :--- |
| $32,712,642$ |

| Traffic |
| :--- |
| Transp |

Transportation General Net operating rexenenue Rain way tax accruals-
Uncoil ry. revenue

Cr118,259
Texas \& Pacific Railway.
OPED AmIN - Yean Ended Dec. 31 1925.) Operating
Preston
Passing er
Mail


$\qquad$
 Operating income $-\overline{\$ 20,509,435} \lll 18,698,549$
$\$ 20,539,117$
$\$ 2,860,993$
 Net ry, per. income $\$ 17,530,619 \$ 17,072,177$ \$18,320,413 \$644,910 $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Dividend income Inc.-- } & 3,177,537 & 7,002,537 & 6,027,537 & 11,095,150 \\ \text { Dr aim under Govt. guar }\end{array}$ Claim under Govt. guarMiscell. rent income..--
Inc. from funded recur Inc. from funded secur-\& accounts_-
Inc. from lease of road.-
Miscellaneous income.-. 457,929
164,657 $\begin{array}{rrr}7,025,537 & 6,027,537 & 11 \\ 471,957 & \text { Dr 2,107,386 } & \text { Dr } 10\end{array}$ $, 095,150$
$1,245,953$
506,081

379,918 | 210,346 | 205,965 | 216,071 | 325,339 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 59,579 | 75,783 | 75,781 | Dr 51,829 |
| 97,750 | 27,119 | 15,117 | 200,828 |

 Gross income
Deductions

## Rent for leased roads.-- Miscellaneous rents

Rent rellaneous rents...-
Miscell. tax accruals...-
Miscell, tax accruals.---
Amortization of discount
 - B. 122, p. 2036,1605 .

## Standard Oil Company (California).

## (Annual Report -Year Ended Dec. 311925.

President K. R. Kingsbury, April 8, says in substance: Results.- The net profit for 1925 was $\$ 30,953,485$, an incresae of $\$ 4,351,-$
971 or $16.36 \%$ over 1924. This is a profit of $9.29 \%$ on the combined issued capital and book surplus of Dec. 31, 1925, and is equivalent to $\$ 3.25$ per share on the outstanding capital stock of that date, as compared to $\$ 2.83$ per share for 1924
Pacific Coast during 1925 were good. Company did the largest business in its history, but price conditions reflected the continued over-production of crude oil. Company added to its inventories of oil during the year
$11,781,263$ bbls. at a cost of $\$ 14,305,568$. Notwithstanding these conditions the financial condition of the company at the end of the year was very satisfactory Company retired during the year $\$ 2,500,000$ gold
notes and had on hand on Dec. 31 over $\$ 44,000,000$ in cash and securities. Oil Prices.-There was a continued demand from European and eastern markets for California petroleum products. Reflecting a declining pro-
duction in California and higher prices for crude oil in the Mid-continent, prices of California crude oil advanced in February, 1925, together with prices of refinery products such as gasoline and fuel oil. Due to large
flush production in Inglewood field (reaching a peak in August of 104,000
barrels per day), together with inc easing stocks of heavy crude and fuel
oil. prices of crude oil declined in September and again in October. The
decline decline in prices of crude oil was reflected principaly in a decline in the price
 offered price for a given rravity or oil was the same for all fields.
Surp 1 ,
 employees, stock investment and savings plan, and sundry stodustmerts of
$\$ 166,086$. To appreciated surplus a account there was added 23.595 representing the value of oil discoveries set up on the was added $\$ 23,595,269$ and there was deducted as depletevion from apponeciated suoks of the company. $817,724,691$.
Finances.- Totalicapital stock outstanding on Dec. 311925 amounted to 9.516 .434 shares. There were issued during the year for the account of
the emploves, stock investment and sinns pan 107.296 shares, at
approximately the market price at time of issue. (Averaze price for the
 Company redeemed on August 1 . 1925 , $\$ 2,500,000$ of its $50 \%$ Serial
Gold Notes issue, leaving $\$ 20.000 .000$ outtanding
Plant Investments.-Expenditures for plant investment during 1925 were $\$ 12.757,166$.
Dividends.
Dividends.- Cash dividends were paidtat a rate of 50 cents per share
quartery. This represents $8 \%$ on the par value of the stock.


 company's wells was 35, The production of crude oil during 1925 . from the


 wells were abandony completed during the year 150 producing wells, and 24


 by pipe line to the Midway field system.
Retineries. A Average daily runs of crude oil to the stills at the refineries
were 173.798 barrels, as ayainst 144.075 barrels in 1924. Three fuel oil reservoirs, each with a capacity of $3,100,000$ bbbls, were completed dur-
ing the year. Thes are the ingest oil reservoirs of this type in the world.
Sales.-Following a suggestion from the War Department the compa extended to the various Government departurents in wastment thine company its co
operation in the marking of various airways on the Pacific Const arranged to paint the names of towns on the roors of the company's buaridings
in several hundred citites and towns in California, Oregon, Washington,
Idaho Nevad

 ity, was purchased and renamed J. . Fitzsimmons" in honor of the
Company
Motor Vehicrmer General Sales Manager. The s. S. Atlas was sold. pieces of motor equipment, an of the the year company was operating 4,535 Thmployes.-On Dec. 31 employees of the company numbered 18,367 . per ponth per employee. Payments covering pensions, ilfe ins insurance.
and sickness disability benefits amounted to $\$ 1,067,681$ and average of
$\$ 55,17$ pers
 tion of the Standard and Pacific Oil Companies, it was found necessary to
suspend the stock Investment and Savings Plan as of Jan. 11926 . 1 On
that that date the Plan had been in operation 4 years and 7 months, and there
were 12,508 employees participating. There were in the hands of the
 $85.77 \%$ are subscribers under the plan. Their average monthly subscrip-
tion is $\$ 33.30$, or $87.70 \%$ of the maximum to which they are entitled under the phan. ${ }^{\text {The }} 49,516$ shares held by the trustees on Dec. 311925 constituted May 11 . 1926, and the distribution to employees will take place as soon after Stocholders.- Stockholders of record Dec. 31, 1925, numbered 19,691.
an increase of 304 , or $1.57 \%$ during the year. Of this total, $40.40 \%$ are women of the stockholders, 91\% held 500 shares or tesss; $70.3 \%$ held 100 shares or less and $43.8 \%$ held 25 shares or less. or the stockholders,
$98.92 \%$ live in the United States, and own $99.25 \%$ of the outssanding capital, stock. $37.37 \%$ of the stockholders are residents of the Pacific
Coast, the number of these having increased during the year from 7,172 to
Consolidation of the Standard Oil Company and the
Pacific Oil Company

During the fiscal year coverea by the foregotng annual statement, nego ties of the Pacific Oil Co., resulting on Dec. 30, 1925, in a contract pro viding for consolidation of the two companies. The consolidation was effected on March 29, 1926, and as future reports of the operation of the
properties will be made by the new Company-the Standard Oil Co. of properties wil be made by the new Company-the standard on Co. of The Pacific Oil Co. Wes formed in 1920 to take over and operate the
producing and prospective oil lands of the Southern Pacific Co., and its business has been the production of crude oil, which it normally exchanged
for fuel oil, selling the fuel oil in turn to the Southern Pacific Co. The Pacific Oil Co. operated no refineries or marketing stations, and handled no refined products. For many years, even prior to the formation of the in exchange for fuel oil, a very large percentage of the refinable crude oil production. Immediately following the creation of the Pacific Oil Co. your Company acquired a large stock ownership which was later sligh On Dec 301925 your co
Oil Co., under the terms of which all of the producing properties and lands owned by the Pacific Oil Co.. together with other incidental assets,
were to be consolidated with all of the assets of your Co. There were were to be consolidated with all of the assets of your Co There were
excluced from the consolidation all liabilities of the Pacific oii co to together
with certain assets not related to its producing properties, but ali liabilities of your company are assumed by the new company. it was proposed to effect this consolidation through the transfer of the above mentioned assets to a new Corporation-the Standard Oil Co. of California (a Delaware corporation), having an authorized capital of
$15,000,000$ shares of stock without nominal or par value, to be issued to the stockholders of each company of record March 29 1926. share for share. $9,516.434$ shares, and of the Pacific Oil CO. 3,500.000 shares. Feb. 101926 at which over $80 \%$ of the outstanding stock approved of the conson. $\begin{aligned} & \text { Jation. The consolidation took place March } 29 \text { 1926, effective as }\end{aligned}$ The daily production of the Pacific Oil Co.'s properties so consolidated
was 58,700 barrels as of Jan. $1,1926,3,700$ bbls. of which were shut in. fornia owned in fee conditions indicating that a material part of the balance of this acreage is prospective oil land
The net earnings for 1925 of the properties of the Pacific Oil Co. ac-
quired by the Standard Oil Co. of Calif.. after deducting for Federal taxes are estimated at $\$ 12,800,000$.

As a stockholder of the Paciffic Oil Co. the Standard Oil Co. of California Wr the Entindard Oil Ceive 414,000 shares of its own stock. The directors
of Califormia have decided that these 414,000
shares will not be issued but will shares will not be issued but will remain unissued stock. The outstanding ${ }_{\text {of }} 12,602,434$ shares, instead of the combined present outstanding number of capital shares of the Standard Oil Co. and the Pacific Oil Co. amounting The average cost of the 414,000 shares of Pacific Oil Co. stock pur
 The 165,600 shares of the stock of the Associated Oil Co. distributed to
the Standard oil Co. as a stockholder of the Pacific Oil Co. have been sold Company, with service credit given to all employees alike for the the new dompany, with service credit given to ali employeers alike for the purpose of
determing their standing under the various beverit plans. such as Pensions,
Sickness, Accident, and Insurance. The directors of the new company are the same as of your Company
The s20.000, 000 or $5 \%$ Sorial Gold Notes outstanding at the time of the
consolidation must under the terms of the deed of trust be called for redemption on August 1, 1926, at the premiums provided for in the deed of
trust. It is anticipated that the cash requirements of this transaction will be taken care of without any new financing. has operated as Standard OOIICy. Coses the 25 -year period during which it
been ste growth over this time has
boteady and its capital and surplus have 1901 steady and its capital and surplus have increased from $\$ 775,000$ in
1901 to $\$ 333,000.00$ in 1925 . Its progress has been achieved without
detriment to public pany enjoys in gratifying measure. Its success is due largely to the fact
that its employees have served the Company ably and with spirit of fine While the activities of your company have ceased with the transfer of its
assets to the Standard Oil Co. of Calif. its business will be carried forward
 RESULTS FOR CALENDAR YEARS
Earning after operating
\& marketing expenses. $\$ 47,779,878$
$\$ 44,354,798$
$\$ 38,330,936$
$\$ 42,822,82$






 Total_...... 373,722,627 352,804,872 $\overline{373,722,627} 352,804,872$ Total.. …-....373,722,627 350 , 804, 872 a Investment in securities are at cost (substantially less than the mar-
set value). V. 122 p. 1624 . The Willys-Overland Co. and Subsidiary Companies. (14th Annual Report-Year Ended Dec. 31 1925.) President John N. Willys, Toledo, March 30, reports in substance:
Record Year.- In many respects the year was the best in the experience
of the company. Volume of sales in doilars and in units, for both domestic and export account, was the largest on record. tions, and the net profit-after charges designed to eliminate in its entirety from the balance sheet the item of engineering and development expenses
in connection with new nodels-is a very gratifying return. The net income from operations for the year 1925, atter interest, local taxes, regular and special depreciations in full amounts, is $\$ 16,936,186$.
From the 1925 total has been deducted $\$ 3,773,408$, representing all previously deferred and current charges incorred in the develoment of of new
models, instead of leaving any part of it to be charged off in 1926 or adding modes, nstead otheaving any, part or it to be charged off in 1926. or adding
any amounts to the company's highly valuable good-will and patent rights account which it continues to carry at the nominal value of $\$ 1$.
The net profit, after Federal income tax and all other charges, was $\$ 11,422,777$. equivalent-after preferred dividends-to $\$ 436$ a share on Accumulated Pres. Dividend Liquidated. - The achievements of the year
made it possible subsequently to extinter made it possible subsequently to extinguish all obligations pertaining to the
pref. tspock . The 82975 in accrued dividends on pref. stock covering the per share-resulting in the issue of 262,389 additional shares of common stock since the close of the year. Feb. 31926 directors authorized the ex-
Pre. Stock Sinking Fund. On Ser
Ongul tinguishment of all sinking fund accumulations on the pref. stock, and this
resulted in the retirement of 39,238 shares of pref. stock, leaving the total of 181,257 shares of pref. stock outstanding as of that date. company's capital structure.
Bonds.-In addition to the regular annual sinking fund payment of $\$ 1$,-
000,000 July 11925 on the $61 / 2 \% 1$ st mtge, sinking fund 000,000 July 11925 on the $61 / 2 \% 1$ st mtge. sinking fund gold bonds, there 555,000 , which, after giving the effect of retirement, would reduce the issue of the original amount of $810,000,000$ to $\$ 7,475,000$.
year approximating $\$ 180,000,000$, our working capital was adeguate for all needs, permitting continued freedom from bank credit. of 810 ratio of quick assets and liablities at the year end
Production.-Car sales for 1925 stand at 214,460 , as compared with New Models.- The list of models for the coming year offers our distribut-
ing organizations superior market coverage. especially designed in quality and price. with 6 -cylinder and willys-Knight motors predominating, to attract a outlook.-The outlook is very encouraging, and while competition will probably be keener than in 1925. the company has never been better forti-
fied from a producing, distributing and financial standpoint INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS


 | Net profit-_-_- |
| :--- |
| Common stock adjust.. |
| $\$ 16,936,186$ | Adjustments Eng. \& develop. exp

Estimated Federal taxes Dr 3. 3,519
$3,77.49$
$1,740.000$
1 Pref. divs paid (7\%) .543,465 Pref. divs. paid (7
Previous surplus $\qquad$ 13.002.418 def 43231.300 def7 $, 924,015$ Profit \& loss surplus $\$ 25,819,582$ depreciation and other operating expenses and net profits from branches and subsidiary companies. y Selling, advertising, administrative and zeneral expense. $\$ 6.678 .606$; bond discount, $\$ 102,424$ a adjustments and other
items, $\$ 1.104,069$ : equip. expenses and miscell. provisions, $\$ 1167$, 721 .


Total oper. revenues $-\overline{\$ 69,910,301} \overline{\$ 65,780,929} \overline{\$ 66,617,636} \overline{\$ 57,662,496}$ | Expenses- |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Maint. of way struct -- |  |  |  |  |
| Maint. of equipment_-- | $12,311,985$ | $\$ 9,913,565$ | $\$ 9,501,515$ | $\$ 8,270,927$ | raffic_---.-.-.Miscellaneous operations Transp. for inv.

$\begin{array}{rllll}\text { Total oper. expenses_- } \$ 51,080,424 & \$ 50,298,418 & \$ 52,033,494 & \$ 48,041,297 \\ \text { Net rev. from ry. oper_- } & 18,829,877 & 15,482,512 & 14,584,141 & 9,621,199\end{array}$ | Net rev. from ry.oper_- | $18,829,877$ | $15,482,512$ | $14,584,141$ | $9,621,199$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Tax accruals_-_-..... | $3,287,580$ | $3,036,367$ | $2,470,800$ | $2,262,675$ |
| Uncollectibles_--....- | 7,069 | 14,182 | 16,384 | 23,871 |



 Hire of freight cars Rent for leased roads Interest on funded debt_-
Rent of equipment..... Miscellaneous

Total deductions
 accordance with order of I.-S. C. Commission dated Dec. 15 1921.-

Chicago St. Paul Minneapolis \& Omaha Ry. Co (44th Annual Report-Year Ended Dec. 31 1925.)
The remarks of President Fred W. Sargent, will be given fully another week.
 PassengerIther transportation.

Total oper revenues
Operating Expenses
Maint. of way \& struc.-

| T |
| :---: |
| Transportation. |
| Miscellaneous opera |
| General |

Transp'n for investment


Net railway oper. inc-
Non-0perating Income
Rental income...-
Dividend income-.-.....-
Inc. from funded securs
Securities and accounts

## Gross income-

 DeductionsRental payments Rental payments
Interest on funded debt
Int. on unfunded debt Other deductions -- -2 Divs. on pref. stockBalance, loss for
-V .122, p. 1758.
$\qquad$ $\begin{array}{r}\$ 3,604.526 \\ 4,981,283 \\ 409,927 \\ 11,472,135 \\ 155,020 \\ 960,318 \\ C r .48,500 \\ \$ 21,480,708 \\ \$ 5,369.42 \\ 1,553,00 \\ 18,32 \\ \hline\end{array}$


## $\$ 22,189,824$ $\$ 5,725,913$ $1,61,040$

\$4,096,901
Dr.687,912 Dr.207.466 $\frac{\$ 3.221 .610}{}$
$\$ 57,884$
23,069
8,326 $\begin{array}{r}28,998 \\ 70,053 \\ \hline\end{array}$ $\$ 3,409,94$
$\$ 93$ 3,062
38,148
$5 \%) 562,965$
$\$ 250,200$

## Colorado Fuel \& Iron Co.

(34th Annual Report-Year Ended Dec. 31 1925.)
Pres. J. F. Welborn Denver, Colo., Feb. 24, wrote in substance:
Results.-Gross receipts from sales were $\$ 34,537,135$, compared with were $\$ 29,166,542$ compared with $\$ 28,810,286$, an increase of $\$ 356,255$, or $1.2 \%$ Net earnings from operations were $\$ 5,370,593$, compared with \$4, 15i,
interest and exchange amounted to $\$ 498,944$, making total net income
\$5.869.536. Deductions for bond interest, real estate sinking funds, fire Insurance rund, general taxes, and operating losses of subsialar amounted tosi Charges for depreciation on buildings and equipment were $\$ 1,048,476$ leaving a balance of $\$ 1,887,428$, compared with $\$ 520,285$ in the previous year. From the net income of $\$ 1,887,428$ there has been deducted $\$ 135,000$ as reserve for income taxes. the balance of $\$ 1,592,428$ carried to the credit of profit and loss. Expendilures and work done on the power plant which will be completed and in operation the middle of this year. Additional improvements, including a 24 inch merchant mill, large capacity ladies for carrying hot metal from blas furnaces, scrap handling facilities for serving open hearth furnaces hav been authorized by the directors. The 24 inch merchant mill, which wil cost approximately $\$ 1,500,000$, will provide facilities for the rolling of structural shapes and semi-finished steel that cannot be produced on ou
existing mills of smaller capacity. It will also relieve those smaller mills of tie plates and certain other material that can be more economically produced on the larger mill. These additional improvements and the unexpended for completion in 1926, call for expenditures of approximately $\$ 5,500,000$ It is planned to meet these without increasing capital liabilities. operations.-The coal market was badly depressed for several monthe year. Commercial sales of coal and coke increased about $9 \%$ over the preceding year. At the present time operations at the steel plant are on a working tory basis, with open hearth furnaces and most of the finishing mills at this time last year. at the beginning of this year were materially less than in the correspondin period last year. How this line prectsear ano spring and sur cor this line are better than they were a year ago.
The usual comparative income account was published in V. 122 , p. 1616.

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.

| Assets | $1925 .$ | $1924 .$ | Liabilities- | $1925 .$ | $1924 .$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Real est., less res__ 2 | 3,735,847 | 23,024,317 | Common stock.- | 35,500 | 34,235,500 |
| Equin., less res... 3 | 0,547,873 | 30,629,122 | Preferred stock | 2,000,000 | 2,000,000 |
| Subsidiary cos. | 1,287,727 | 11,577,408 | Col. F \& I. gen. 5 s | 5,319,000 | 5,344,000 |
| Cash on hand | 1,158,120 | 1,025,877 | Col. Ind. Co. 1st 5 s 3 | 1,430,000 | $31,568.000$ |
| Government secur. | 1,567,859 | 1,567,859 | Accts. \& bills pay. | 3,224,749 | 2,347,502 |
| Acets. \& bills rec.- | 4,759,263 | 2,908,369 | Accr. int. not due- | 745,914 | 749.426 |
| Adv, to sub. cos.- | 976,496 | 874,831 | Pref. div. unpaid. | 40.000 | 40,000 |
| Res've fund-taxes | 206,622 | 222,582 | Tax fund. | 946,871 | 435,768 |
| Mfd.stks, \& supp. | 5,964,105 | 6,582,448 | Fire insurance fund | 221,568 | 218,654 |
| Divs. \& int. accr | 137,823 | 232,391 | Personal injury fd. |  | 12.201 |
| Bonds for sink. fd. | 721,155 | 605,019 | Contingencies | 266,100 | 529,841 |
| Workmen's comp. reserve (U, S. \& |  |  | Relining \& rebuilding furnaces. | 588.387 | ${ }_{*}^{751,061}$ |
| Colo. bonds) -- | 360,000 | 360,000 | Sunrise Ore devel. | 192,234 | *11,289 |
| Royalties paid in advance | 57,872 | 72,107 | Profit \& loss, surp. | 2,292,989 | 1,461,841 |
| Cash with trustees |  | 75 |  |  |  |
| Prepaid taxes, insurance, \&c...- | 22.489 |  |  |  |  |
| al |  | , | Total | 13 | 82 |

${ }^{*}$ *otal -..........81,503,313 79,682,505, Total -...
$\overline{81,503,313} \overline{79,682,505}$
Eastman Kodak Company \& Subsidiaries.
(Annual Report-Year Ended Dec. 31 1925.)

|  | Net Profits. | Preferred Dividends. \$ | Common Dividends. \$ | Reserve Fund. $\$$ | Surplus. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $1902,6 \mathrm{mos}$. | 1,488,295 | 162,366 | 856,930 |  | 468,999 |
| 1904-...-- | 3,339,148 | 360,347 | 1,921,019 |  | 1,057,781 |
| 1906 | 5,415,700 | 369,942 | 3,418.260 | 500,000 | 1,127,498 |
| 1908 | 8,475,177 | 369,942 | 7,806,390 |  | ,798,845 |
| 1912 | 13,999,047 | 369,942 | 7.807,957 | 500.000 | 5,321,148 |
| 1914 | 11,313,012 | 369,942 | 5,859,840 |  | 5,083,230 |
| 1916 | 17,289,206 | 369.942 | 13,674,635 |  | 3,244,629 |
| 1918 | 14,051,969 | 369,942 | 7,819,110 |  | 10.137,136 |
| 1919 | 18.566.211 | 369,942 | 7,865,840 |  | 10,330,429 |
| 1921 | 14.105.861 | 369,942 | 7,953,215 |  | 5.782.704 |
| 1922 | 17.952,555 | 369.942 | 12,574,962 |  | 5,007.650 |
| 192 | 17,877,229 | 369,942 369,942 | 15,6787,437 |  | 2,828,950 |
| 19 | 18,467,114 | 369,942 | 16,231,640 | $11 \overline{3}, 800$ | 1,751,732 | $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Totals } \\ (151 / 2 & \mathrm{yrs}) & 284,683,399 & 8,654,829 & 186,591,843 \\ 5,363,800 & 84,072,927\end{array}$ Deduct-Reserve required in adche book value of good-will \& pats_

appropriations to offset entire \$68,274,845
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31 (INCLUDING SUB. COS.).
 ings, \&c.....-
Accounts \& bills
recelv. (net)..
Call loans.....
Call loans.-....
Bonds \& stocks.
U. S. obligations
Cash.............
Prepd.items,

$\begin{array}{ll}7,096,854 & 37,142,102 \\ 6,654,352 & 25,542,590\end{array}$ | $9,274,517$ | $8,305,222$ | $\begin{array}{c}\text { Ace ts pay. incl. } \\ \text { provision for }\end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Federal taxes |  |  |


a Includes ren $116,166.692 \quad 113,428,516$ Total_-..----116,166,692 113,428,516 a coscludes real estate, buildings, plant, machinery and capital investments
at ized, 11,100 shares of no par value issued in 1924 for cash at $\$ 10$ per share, $\$ 10$ per share. Of the foregoing shares of common stock 28,450 are claimed

by the Alien Property Custodian and the issue thereof is in litigation; there remains to be issued 11,370 shares of common stock or no par value | under plan for sale to en |
| :--- |
| $1920 .-\mathrm{V} .122, ~ p . ~$ |

Associated Oil Co. and Proprietary and Affiliated Cos.
(24th Annual Report-Year Ended Dec. 31 1925.)
CONSOLIDATED INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.
$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Calendar Years- } & \text { x1925. } & \mathbf{x 1 9 2 4} & \mathbf{x 1 9 2 3 .} & 1922 . \\ \text { Operating income_-_- } & \$ 78,022.133 & \$ 69,859,166 & \$ 66,093.690 & \$ 36,776,769 \\ \text { Divs., int., \&c., received } & 1,651,111 & 1,670,291 & 1,173,302 & 1,086,520\end{array}$ Total receipts_-..... $\overline{\$ 79,673,244} \overline{\$ 71,529,457} \overline{\$ 67.266,992} \overline{\$ 37,863,290}$ $\begin{array}{lrrrrr}\begin{array}{l}\text { Deductions- } \\ \text { Operating expenses_...- } \\ \text { Taxes }\end{array} & 61,163,525 & 57,159,952 & 53,973,561 & 29,405,712\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lrrrr}\text { Taxes_-_-_- } & 1,854.779 & 1.511,647 & 1,038,287 & 877,968 \\ \text { Interest on funded debt_ } & 1.435,488 & 1,440,000 & 613,276 & 340,394 \\ \text { Miscellaneous interest__ } & -\ldots--- & 179,266 & 923,655 & 142,973\end{array}$ Other items interest

 Surplus for year- $\$ 6,265,250$
$\mathbf{v}$ Exclusive of Amalgamated Oil Co.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31. (Associated oil Co. \& Proprietary Cos.)
1925.
1924.


 Sinkrng finestr ts.
Res. for demp
Red






| 688,058 | 750,000 |
| ---: | ---: |
| 512,572 | $2,429,904$ |
| $6,980,230$ | $5,216,884$ |
| $1,899,250$ | $1,033,500$ |
| $1,628,596$ | $1,345,836$ |
| 730,800 | $-238,880$ |
| 241,593 | 238,380 |
| $3,219,477$ | $1,241,742$ |
| 951,491 | See |
| $28,259,398$ | $24,679,768$ |


| Total__....-124,857,467 116,936,014 Total_-_-..-124,857,467 |
| :--- | :--- |
| 116,936,014 | estate, \&c.". and "Improvements, development, \&cc.", and which totals

$\$ 109.848,288$, is before deducting reser
 "other investments" (shown above), and which totals affil. cos,", and
before deducting reserve for deprecian of $\$ 24.383,325$, is
depletion of $\$ 14.954,120$.-V. 122 , p. 1767,1614 , reserve for

## GENERAL INVESTMENT NEWS.

## STEAM RAILROADS.

Rail Unifving Bill Put Before Senate.-A 5-year extension of time for at the end of that period to adopda a plan for unifying such roadss sas requir nod
have combined voluntarily, was proposed in a bill reported April 13 by the Senator Cummins of Iownerce Committee. sphere of doubt within the commissonen as to how extensive its powers are
with rem Long Island RR. Lo Reneov Fare Rise Fight May 1 . - Company on May 1
will actively reopen it fight for and school tickets. That date has been fixed by the Transit Commission for the beginning of hearings on the road's application, which has been in More Rail Wor mors to Ask Rise in Wapes.- Brotherhoo 15 .
Engineers and Firemen to follow trainmen and conductors in petitioning for
 Aproil 16 and Trainmens Group-si to $\$ 1.63$ a day rise asked. Res
Cuban Railroad Strike. - Strike on the Cuban RR. begun April 14. Reports from Havana April 16 state strike is taking in all railway lines in Cuba
About 60.000 men would be affected by general strike. Surplus Freight Cars.- Class Irailroads on March 31 had 246,549 surplus
freight cars in pood repair and immediately available for servie ing to reports filiod April 9 by the carriers with the Car Service Division of over the number reported on March. This was an incr Surplus coal cars in good repair on March 31 totaled 104,280 , an increase otaled 95,478 , an increase of 7,298 during the same period. Reports aported on March 22 , while surplus refrigerator cars totaled 12,516 , an Crease of 315 cars compared with the same previous period.
Car Shortage.- Practically no car shortage is being reported.
Atlanta Birmingham \& Atlantic Ry.-Stockholders' Committee to Oppose Terms of Sale of Road to Atlantic Coast Line RR.
Charles E. Cottrell. an attorney of Atlanta, Ga.., has announced that a stockholders' committee is being formed to contest before the courts subsidiary of the Atlantlic Coast Line RR. © Mr. Cotreill a newly formed I.-S. C. Commission of the committee's purpose, and has asked that body that the whole matter be gone into thoroughly. He indicated the principal action of the committee would be directed against effrorts of bondholders
to "freeze out" stockholders through sale of the road to bondholders at an inadequate price.
60 cents on the dollar of the outstanding first mortgage and ine payment of 60 cents on the dollar or the outstanding first morttgage and income bonds.
This offer makes the stock worthless and the stockholders believe it should
chare in the sale. Ghare in the sale.-V. 122 , p. 1164 .

Atlanta Birmingham \& Coast Ry.-Application. applied to the I. s . C . Commission for authority to issue $\$ 5.180,344$ preferred stock and 150,00 shares of common stock (vithout pai value.). The purposes ard uses of the proposed issue are to acquire lines of A. B.
Th A. of the line by the Atlantic Coast Line Ry. Which company will pay in cash all claims having priority over the mortyages, loans for which bonds
have been pledged, equipments, obligations, etc. (be application stated have been pledged, equipments, obligations, etc. (be application stated
that numerous efforts have been made to dispose of the property to otne interests but no proposition has been made that seemed as satisfactory a that made by the A. C. L. Application will be filed by the Atlantic Coast
Line for authority to guarante tne preferred stock issue and to acquire the Line for author ity to guarante the preferred stock issue and to acquire the
150,000 snares of common stock.
Atlantic \& Yadkin Ry.-Report.
to Dec. 31 1925, filed in the office of the clerk of Fedate of receivership at Greensboro, N. C., shows: Operating revenue...........

Net railway incom
-V. 122. p. 1914.
$\begin{array}{r}\$ 2,341,475 \\ 2,143,234 \\ \hline\end{array}$
$\qquad$
Bellingham \& Northern Ry.-Tentative Valuation.on the property of the company, as of June 30, 1918.-V. $95, \mathrm{p} .1121 .00$

Belt Railway of Chicago.-Annual Report.-


## Boston \& Albany RR.-Resignation.-

Reginal D. Foster, vice president of the New England Mutual Life Insurance Co., recently elected a director of the Boston \& Maine RR., has
resigned as a director of the Boston \& Albany RR., as under Massachu-
setts law he could not hold directorships in two competing roads.-V 121,
p. 1565 .
Boston \& Maine RR.-New Directors.-
At the annual stockholders' meeting on April 14 Louis M. Atherton, of
Swampcott, Mass. and William Dexter, of Boston, were elected to the board. Reginald Foster and Roger Pierce, who were recently put on the
board to take the places of Edward Lovering and Harry G. Stodord, were
also elected also elected. Other members of the existing board were re elected,
The board as now constituted comprises: Louis M. Aterton, SWampscoth Mass, Walter C. Baylies, Taunton, Mass:; Charles. . Werton, Bosworthampscoth
field, Mass.; Frank P Carpenter, Mancing
Ma Hanchaster, Mass,; Waillam Dexterter, Boston, N. H.;.;. T. Hefferson Coolidge
Monary H. Dudley
Concord, N. H.: Reginald Foster, Manchester, Mass.; Hrest Martin Hop
 N. H.: W. Rodman Peabody, Milton, Mass.; Thomas Nelson Perkins,
Westwood. Mass.; William B. Skelton, Leevison, Me., Frank D. True,
Portland, Me. Jame Duncan Upham, Claremont, N. H.; William D.
Woolson, Sprin The stocknholders voted to authorize the directors to make amendatory
contracts with the Vermont Valley RR. to permit consolidation of earnings contracts with the Vermont Valley RR. to permit consolidation of earnings
of Sullivan County and Vermont Valley railroads directly into the earnings
of the Boston \& Maine RR. Meeting Postponed.
The meeting of the stockholders to act on the proposed capital read-
justment plan has been further postponed to May 4. The stockholders voted to provide means for meeting the conversion
priviege which attaches to the bonds extended under the plan when that
time arrives.-V. 122 , p. 0 隹

Brownwood North \& South Ry.-Abandonment of Line. The I.-S. C. Commission on March 25 issued a certificate authorizing the abandonment, as to interstate and foreign commerce, of a line of railroad
extending from Brownwoo North \& South Junction northwesterly to May.
a distance of 17.65 miles, all in Brown County, Tex.
Central New England Ry.-Annual Report.-
Operating Yeveñ-
Operating expenses





Net income (deficit) $\quad \$ 83,954$ sur $\$ 588,122$
eThis item covers ap-overitems andited during the year applying to the
Federal control or guaranty periods-V. 121, D. 1674.
Chicago \& North Western Ry.- Stock Certificates Ready. tificates for fractional sharse are now ready for whole shares and scrip cer-
 At the annual meeting of the stocicholders April 13, Ray Vandoren was elected a director for two years and John D. Caldwell for one
succeed Charles Frick and W. H. Finley.-V. 122, p. 1758.

Chicago Rock Island \& Pacific Ry.-Election of 'Frisco. Directors to Board May Presage Unification of Both Systems. The I.-S. C. Commission has approved the applications of J. M. Kurn, President, E. N. Brown, Chairman, and J. Hirschman, directors of the St. Louis-San Francisco, to serve also as directors of Chicago Rock Island \& Pacific. This action, it is generally understood, is preliminary to the filing of' an application by the 'Frisco for authority to acquire control of the Rock Island. Commissioner Eastman dissented from the majority.
Commenting on the action of the Commission, the "Wall Street News" says:
The approval by the Commission of the application for three directors
of the St. Louis-San Francisco Ry. to go on the board of the Rock Island marks the first official step by that bo bo on the board of the Rock Island
mormer company to a cquire control of the Roct to the plans of the former company to acquire control ood the with ressect to the pland board, and conse
quently to unify the two properties. quently to unify the two properties.
It is understood that the next step that will be taken in connection with
the Whole mater will be the election of E. N. Brown as Chairman of the
Rock Island Exeentive Come Rock Island Executive Committee at a meeting of the board on Anril the Mr. Brown is a member of the proxy committee of the Rock Isprand for
its annual stockholders meeting that will be held on May 6 . The other
member Its annual stockholders meeting that wil be he on May 6 . The other
members or the committee are Charles Hayden Chairman or the Board,
and J. E. Gorman, Prest of the Rock Island. Whether the 'Frisco will seelk to elect additional, directors in the Rock Island at that meeting apparently has not been fully determined.
Now that the Commission

- Frisco directors to to join the Rock Island board. and after Mr Brown assumes the duties of Chairman of the Esland bocutive Committee, it would be safe to assume that the . Frisco interests will take an active part in the manage-
ment of Rock Island affairs. There is no reason for expecting, however, that Mr. Brown will make
radical changes in the Rock Island official personnel. On the contrary may be expected to proceed conservatively and diplomatically, although aggressively. Those who know him best are confident that he will direct his attention specialy to different ways of doing things than now in effect
on the Rock Iland, but using pretty much the same men as at present to accomplish his purposes
It it ittogether ilkely
It is altogether nkely that the 'Frisco interests in the Rock Island will
give their attention also to the formulation of at least give thifir atten of the two the formulation of at least a tentative plan for
the thification of the and will submit it to the Commission at the earliest possible edate. In the meantime therere is on stopecontemmission
by the Firso with respect to the Rock Island that will require the approval
of
of the Commission. "Times" had the following comment on the action of the Commission:
The chief rival ofthe Frisco-Rock Island alliance in the competition for consist of the St. Louis Southwestern, the Missouri-Kansas-Texas and to Kanses City southern. Both systems are desirous of reaching the Com-
Kassion mission as son as possible with a consolidation proposal, and raliroad men
believe it will be nip-and-tuck race to see which gets there first. The
Loree tion comprising three roads. compared with the 'Frisco'st tho disadvantage of lings are being heard in the financial district of opposition by minority
stockholders to both plans. The Commission's rejection of the Nickel Plate application is no indication. in the opinion of railroad men, that the 'Frisco proposal will meet a
similar fate.
On the contrary, the Commission is believed to be m receptive mood for railroad mergers which meet all requirements of the public
As the 'Frisco's holdings of Rock Island stock are less than $20 \%$, it is not
believed likely that control will be sought in the Loree has obtained by the purchase of large blocks of Cotton Belt and Competition in the southwest is keen among the railroads serving that
territory to gain oil and fresh vegetable traffic. Both these commodities
can be carried profitably when an individual company receives a large part
of the business; otherwise profits are meagre. of the business; otherwise profits are meagre.
The proposal to merge the 'Frisco and Rock Island came out as a defensive
measure against the strengthening of the Missouri Pacific System and the measure against the strengthening of the Missouri Pacific System and the
formation of the Loree group. The two railroads Were operated jointly in the early 1900 's by the Reid-Moore-Yoakum or "tin plate crowd," but
disconnected when the union was found unprofitable. V .122, p. 1914, 1017.

Chicago \& Western Indiana RR.-Annual Report.$\begin{array}{lc}\text { Calendar Years- } & 1925 . \\ \text { Railway oper. revenues_ } & \$ 376,381 \\ \text { Railway oper. expenses_ } & 416,805\end{array}$
 Balance, surplus.... $\$ 558,470 \quad \$ 44,182 \quad \$ 103,825$
-V .122, p. 880.
Denver \& Rio Grande Western RR.-Equipment Trusts. Denver \& Rio Grande Western RR.-Equipment Trusts.
The I.-S.C. Oommission on April 3 authorized the company to assume obigation and
to be issued by the Bank of North America \& Trust Co. under an agreement
to be dated March 11926, and to be sold to Kuhn, Loeb \& Co. at not
less than $991 /$ and divs. in connection with the procurement of certain
equipment.- V .122 , p. 2036,1915 .

## Denver \& Salt Lake RR.-Tentative Valuation.

The I.S. C. Commission has placed a tentative Valuation or si, $, 996,000$
on the property of the company as of June 30.1919.-V. 121, p. 2517.
George \& Florida Ry.-Report.
In his report to security holocers dated Apriil 1925 (referred to in V . 122 ,








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wood.
 follows:


Int. on receiver's certifi-
cates, U. S. loan, Div- $13,116 \quad 126 \quad 13,257$
isional bonds, \&c.--- show the operating results of the railway for the
The following figures show month of March 1926. (last week in March approximated) as compared with the same month last year; also for the 9 months ending March 31
1926 for the 12 months ending March 311926 , and also the average results
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Mileage ---
Gross oper. rev.
Oper. expenses.
1926.
--- $\$ 191$ $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Net oper. rev...... } \$ 66,000 & \$ 21,426 & \$ 522,984 & \$ 622.636 & \$ 493,787 \\ \text { Ratio exp. to earn.-. } & 65.4 \% & 67.7 \% & 69 \% & 73.3 \% \\ \text { Net bef. int. \& car hire } \\ \$ 59,000 & \$ 21,907 & \$ 466,309 & \$ 545,501 & \$ 422,842\end{array}$ Int, on receiver's cer-
tificates, U.S. Loan,
$\begin{array}{lrrrrr}\text { old divis. bonds, \&c. } & 13,300 & 32 & 119,424 & 159.284 & 151,634 \\ \text { *Last week in March, 1926, approximated. } & & & & \end{array}$ The charges for car hire (which it is proposed to cut out in the reorgani-
zation by buying additional freight cars, cost of which is to be provided for zation by buying additional freight cars, cost of which is to be provided for
in reorganization) were for the above periods, as follows: March, 1926 (approx.), $\$ 20,000 ; 9$ months ending March $311926, \$ 171,213 ; 12$ months
ending March $311926, \$ 219,544$; Average for three years ending March 31
$1926, \$ 151,634$. 1926, \$151,634.
The most urgen
tion of its proposed extension railway at this time is the prompt construc56 miles. In their report upon the property, Coverdale \& Colpitts strongly recommended the prompt construction of this extension, and they presented estimates as to what the gross and net earnings of the railway would probably
be for the three years following the completion of the new line to Greenwood and also an estimate as to the increase in earnings which might be expected, on the existing lines, in the next three years. The business of the road since its present lines. of the past 10 months, and the present outlook, to submit a supplementary estimate as to the earnings which this railway can be expected to show a report under date of March 17 1926, revising and increasing their estimates In a letter to the receiver Feb. 27 1926, Mr. Coverdale, in referring to the large increases in earnings which the road has been showing for some to the past, remarked that "If this good showing
There is also submitted is a summary of a copy of a letter which the receiver received from General Manager Purvis and Auditor Lanigan which embodies the revised estimates of earnings submitted by Coverdale \& Colpitts, together with the General Manager's comments upon the new figures, In the opinion of the receiver the estimates of the General Manager and Auditor as to the results which can be reasonably expected to follow the completion of the Greenwood line are well founded.
The latest estimate of Coverdale \& Colpitts is based upon the earnings
of the present Georgia \& Florida Railway, including the Statesboro Branch, plus earnings of the proposed Greenwood extension of 56 miles, making a total of 500 miles, and covers the first three years beginning not less than
6 months after completion of the Greenwood line, and is as follows: Estimated operating revenues_ Second Year
$\$ 3,441,000$
$2,615,000$ $83,613,000$
$2,710,000$ $\begin{array}{crrr}\text { Estimated net revenue_-.-.-.-. } & \$ 754,000 & \$ 826,000 & \$ 903,000 \\ \text { Estimated railway tax accruals, \&c.- } & 120,000 & 125,000 & 130,000\end{array}$ Net inc. avail. for int. \& car hire_- $\$ 634,000 \quad \$ 701,000 \quad \$ 773,000$ nd have also studied them in connection with the earnings of other indeand have also studied them in connection with the earnings of other inde-
less similar to those which affect the Georgia \& Florida Ry. In his opinion
the earnings of the road following the completion of its Greenwood extension the earnings of the road following the completion of its Greenwood extension
are likely. under normal ondions and without a material reduction in the
fabric of freight rates, to greatly exceed the gross earnings estimated by the In Coverdale \& Colpitts' estimate, the earnings for first year are placed
at only $\$ 6.554$ per mile; for the second year, $\$ 6.882$ per mile, and for the third year at $\$ 7,226$ per mile. The average earnings per mile for ten roads in 1925 was, $\$ 13,963$ per mile.
In his opinion, the gross earnings of the Georgia \& Florida Ry. a few years after reaching Greenwood should certainly amount to not less than $80 \%$
of the average of these 10 roads, and when these figures are reached, its gross earnings on its 500 miles of line will be, $\$ 11,171$ per mile.
The net operating results of the Georgia \& Florida for the first 3 years after reaching Greenwood if the gross earnings of the road should only amount to the very conservative estimate of Coverdale \& Colpitts, are set forth by General Manager Purvis, as follows:
This railway, in 1925 with gross earnings of only $\$ 4,688$ per mile, was
operated and maintained in good condition at an operating ratio of only $70.87 \%$. ${ }^{\text {in three or four months of the year } 1925 \text {, when the earnings were larger. }}$
the operating ratio was less than $66 \%$. In one month. Aug the the operating ratio was less than $66 \%$. In one month, Aug., the ratio got Following the completion of the Greenwod line, and with the larger
earnings, it is probable that we will increase our rates of pay in certion departments, but making allowance for such increases in the rates of pay in pay
as may as may seem to be proper and in order, with larger earnings, it is my con-
fident belief that wo twill, under the conditions above set out, be able to
operate and maintain the property in good condition at a ratio considerably Inent belier that We wil, under the conditions above set out, be able to
operate and maintain the property in good condition at a ratioconsiderably
lower than estimated by Coverdale and Colpitts for these tree years.
In my In my judgment the road can and should be operated the first year arter the completion of the Greenwood line with the earnings, as estimated by
Coverdale $\delta$ Colpitts, at not exceding 720 . Which wold
operating revenue for that year of not less than $\$ 917.560$. The second year after reaching Greenwood, with the gross earnings as estimated by Coverdale \& Colpitts, the operating ratio should not exceed
717 , which would result in net operating revenue of S897 890 and and for the
third year after reaching Greenwood, based on Coverdale \& Colp third year after reaching Greenwood, based on Coverdale \& Colpitts'
estimate of tross earnings, the operating
wratio should not exceed $70 \%$, which 900 - $y$ estimate of the probable operating ratio of the Georgia \& Florida Ry for the first three years after reaching Greenwood in based, as stated, on the
Coverdale \& Colpitts forecast of the rross earnings for these years, and
upon my actual experience in the operation of this railway for the past Our taxes at the present time, on 444 miles of road, including the States-
boro branch, amount to about $\$ 85.000$ per annum. In our increase in milieage of, say 56 miles, or $11 \%$, should not increase our taxes more than $\$ 20,000$ to cover the Greenwood extension and any additional
taxes imposed on the present road, thus making the total taxes for the first year after reaching Greenwood say, 105,000 The second year taxes can,
I think, be reasonably estimated at not exceeding $\$ 110,000$ and for the third year our taxes should not exceed $\$ 115,000$.
Based upon the foregoing estimate of the operating ratio for the years mentioned, and the above estimates of taxes. the net income of this railway,
before interest and car the the several years. assuming that the
gross earnings do not exceed the Coverdale \& Colpitts estimates, should be as follows:

| First year after completion of Greenwood extension.-.......... |
| :--- | :--- |
| Second year after completion of Greenwood extension |
| $\$ 812.560$ |
| 887 | Third year after completion of Greenwood extension--i- 968.900

It is also my opinion that with an addition of 500 to 600 new freight car our present car hire charge, which for the calendar year 1925 amounted to I have no misgivings whatsoever as to the future growth and prosperity
of the Georgia and Florida Railway, provided the Greenwood extension is
promptly built and the Railway is reoraize
of the When this railway a atter compation to Gren to Greenwod, shall shown gross
earnings per mile equal to only $80 \%$ of the average gross per mile for 1925 earnings per mile equal to only $80 \%$ of the average ergoss per mile for 1925
of the ten independently operated railroads in the South mentioned abo or say about $\$ 11,000$, these gross earnings on its 500 miles will be,
or. say or, say, ab
$\$ 5.500 .000$.
With that volume of business the road should be operated at the ratio of expenses and taxes to earnings of not over $72 \%$ arrived at by allowing $69 \%$
for operations and $3 \%$ for taxes), which would leave a net income before If the road should own enoush cars to eliminate car income of $\$ 1,540,000$ would leave a surplus of $\$ 1,143,000$ after payment of paying $6 \%$ interest on $\$ 1,500,000$ of income bonds. $\$ 30,000$, and atter This surplus would enable the road to pay $6 \%$ dividends on $\$ 9,000,000$
of preferred stock, and $6 \%$ on $86.000,000$ of common stock and leave a

The receiver also submits for the further information of the security holders a letter received from General Manager Purvis under date of March 1 1926, giving his views from an operating standpoint as to the pending tentative plan of reorganization which, subject to its being satisfactorily financed, has already been passed upon and approved by the special committee to which was entrusted the task of formulating it. In the opinion of the General Manager, this plan, if definitely adopted will not only provide adequately for all financial requirements of the present and immediate future but that the net income of the reorganized road after the completion of the Greenwood line will be several times the amount required to meet all fixed interest charges, with good prospects for dividends in the near future on the preferred prospects for dividends in the near future on the preferred
and later on the common shares which it is proposed shall be issued in the reorganization to the holders of the old 1st mtge. bonds.-V. 122, p. 2036.

Hocking Valley Ry.-Director Approved.-
The I.--s. $\mathbf{O}$. Commission has approved the application of Edward O.
Michigan Central RR.-New Director.-
Jackson E . Reynolds has been elected a director to succeed the late
Minneapolis \& St. Louis RR.-Receiver's Certificates.The receivers have applied to the 1 . C. Commission for authority to
isse $\$ 1.700007 \%$ receiver's certificates in renewal oo a like amount of issue $\$ 1.750 .0007 \%$ receiver's certificates in renewal of a like amour
certificates due in April and May of this year.-V. 122, p. 606,477 .

Minneapolis St. Paul \& Sault Ste. Marie Ry.-Equip't. The company has applied to the 1 .-St . . Commission for authority to
issue $\$ 1,020,000$. $41 / 2 \%$ equip trust certificates which it proposes to sell to
Pen Pulman Car \& Manufacurng Co. at 97.7946 and use the proceeds in the
acquisition of 500 box cars. 100 gondolas and 2 cafe parlor cars, costing acquisisition of 50 ono cars.
$\$ 1,372,518$. V .122, p. 880 .

Missouri Kansas-Texas RR. - New Directors.
Five new directors were elected at the annual meeting held April 9 . They are Harry S. Black (Chairman or the United States Realty \& Im-
provement $C$.. C . N . Whitehead President-elect of the road, who will assume his duties on May 1), James I. Bush (of the Equitabie Trust Co., Hunter Cary of Kansas City and A. W. Thompson of Pittsburgh.
They succeed W. Frank Carter of St. Louis, Richard H. S wartwout of New York, A. F. Adams and A. O. Rearick. It is expected that Mr.
Black will be made Chairman of the M.-K.-T, to succeed Henry Ruh-
lander.-V. 122, p. 1913, 1916.

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New York Central RR.-Asks Dismissal of Complaint. Dismissal of the complaint of the Sprague Safety Control \& Signal Corp. Which alleged violation of the Clayton law is asked by the New York Central
In a brief filed with the I.-s, o. Commission April 7 , following extensive
hearings several weeks ago on the complaint. The complaint charged hearings several weeks ago on the complaint. The complaint charged
hat the automatic train control device being installed by the Jerk
that ter that there was an interlocking oral Railway Signal Co.-V. V. 22, p. 1446 .
Northern Pacific Ry. -Construction\& Operation of Line. Company to commission on April 3 issued the certificate authorizing the Company to construct and operate a line of railroad extending from a conat or near Headquarters in the southeast quarter of section 15, township 38 miles. The application, in so far as it seeks authority for the Oregon-Washington Mine proposed to be constructed and of an existing line oo the Northern
Pacific Ry. extending from Joseph to Stiles, Idaho, 56 miles was denied

Pennsylvania RR. -Equip. Trusts Sold.-Kuhn, Loeb \& Co. have sold at prices ranging from 98.13 and div. to 99.72 and div., to yield from $4.60 \%$ to $4.70 \%$ according to maturity or an average price of $983 / 4 \%$ being an average yield of over $4.67 \%, \$ 17,030,000$ general equipment trust $41 / 2 \%$ certifipates, Series D.
Maturing in equal amounts of $\$ 1,310,000$ in annual installments from
May 151929 to May 15 1941, both inclusive. Denom. $\$ 1.000 c^{*}$. Devidents payable M. \& N. Fidelity Trust Co. of Philadelphia, trustee. Both principal and dividends will be payable at the office of the trustee in
Philadelphia, or at its agency in New York in Philadelphia, or at its agency in New York, in U. S. gold coin or equal
to the present standard of weight and fineness, and without deduction for
any tax assessment any tax, assessment or other governmental charge (other than Federal
income taxes), which company or the trustee may be required to pay or to retain therefrom under any present or future law of the U. U . S. or of Penna. Issuance and sale of these certificates are subject to the approval of the Inter-State Commerce Commission.
These certificates are to be issued b
under an equipment trust agreement fidelity Trust Co. of Phila. as trustee unustea title to to new equipment costing approximately $\$ 24,400$, 000 , including the following: 200 heavy locomotives for both passenger and freight service; 2,000 all-steel automobile box cars ( 100,000 lbs. capacity); 74 all-steel pas-
singer cars: 7 all-steel combination passenger and baggage cars: 125 all steel baggage express cars (40,000 1 bs. capacity); 8 all-steel combination
passenger and cafe cars, and 20 all-steel electric passenger cars (multiple passenger
unit type)
Pending the delivery of the equipment, cash equal to the principal amount to be certificates is to be deposited under the equipment trust agreement, of not more than $70 \%$ of the cost thereof. All the said equipment is to be copal of the certificates and the dividend warrants as they mature. The payment of the principal of the certificates and the dividends thereon will be unconditio
At the annual meeting held in Philadelphia April 13, a stockholder pro sented a resolution requesting the board of directors to advertise for sealed ifficates. The resolution was referred to the board for action trust cor A. J. County, Vice-Pres, in charge of finances, presented a petroving the acquisition through lease of the Pennsylvania, Ohio \& submitted for approval at the election of four directors scheduled for April Percival Roberts, Jr., has been elected a director to succeed the late
Clement B. Newbold.-V.
Pennsylvania \& Atlantic RR. -Abandonment of Br . Line. The I.-S. C. Commission on March 29 denied the company's application for authority to ammindon its branch line of railroad extending prom a con-
nection with its main line at Pine Beach to Island Heights, a distance of 1.2 miles, in Ocean County, N. J.-V. 121, p. 1457

Reading \& Columbia RR. (Pa.).-Tentative Valuation.The I.-S. O. Commission has placed a tentative valuation of $\$ 2,071,083$
on the owned and used properties of the company, as of June 301917 .

Pere Marquette Ry. -Annual Report.-

 Equipment rents, net-
$\qquad$
 Bal. before deduction of interest Interest on bonds
Interest on equipment notes.
Miscellaneous interest_.....
Surplus. Dividends on Prior Preference stop Dividends on Prior Preference stock
Dividends on Preferred stock
Dive....
-B .122 , p. $1606,1452$.
1452.

St. Louis-San Francisco Ry. -Sues for Dividends.Missouri to couple the company action in the Federal Court for Eastern is due holders of the company's $\$ 4,557,500$. $6 \%$ preferred stock. The action is based on the same contentions as were used by preferred stockholders
in the original Southern Ry. case, when they sought 829.000 .000 back in the original Southern Ry case, when they sought $\$ 29.000,000$ back
dividends. It is contended in the Missouri action that the $\$ 3.045 .372$ has been earned and is available for dividends.
James M. Turn, according to a St. Louis despatch of April 14 , said that
not until reading a newspaper did he become aware of the suit brought not until reading a newspaper did he become aware of the suit brought
against the Frisco system. The suit alleges that the railroad, while failing to pay accummulated preferred stock dividends, has resumed the payment of common stock dividends in violation of an agreement with the preferred stockholders at the time of the reorganization in 1916 . W . We can see no grounds whatsoever for the filing of such a suit," Mr Kurn said. "In the first place, the reorganization plan and arrcement
left it to the discretion of the board or directors as to when dividends should be declared on both the preferred and common stock. cumulative and that since declaration of dividends on the preferred as at cumulative and that since declaration of dividends on the preferred as of
Oct. 1.1924, the preferred stockholders has received his dividends quarterly.

Construction of Branch Line. -
The 1.-S. C. Commission on March 30 denied the company's application for authority to construct an industrial spur track or branch line of railroad extending from a connection with its railroad at a point 1.6 miles west of
Covington northeasterly to a point in the Garber oil field, a distance of Covington northeasterly to a point in th
5.42 miles, all in Garfield County, Okla.

New Directors.-
H. P. Wright, of Kansas City, has been elected a director to succeed
he late Sam Lazarus: and R. E.' Lee Wilson, of Wilson, Ark., has beau the hate Sam Lazarus: and R. E. Lee Wilson, of
elected a director to succeed the late A. G. Becker

Election of Three Directors to Rock Island Board Presages Unification of Both Systems.-See Chicago Rock Island \& Pacific Ry, above .-V. 122, p. 1916, 1307.
San Joaquin \& Eastern RR. - Final Valuation.
The I.-.S. O. Commission has placed a final valuation of $\$ 1.14,000$ on Santa Fe Rato \& Eastern RR. -Final Valuation. The I.-S. O. Commission has placed a final valuation of $\$ 201,227$ on
the property of the company, as of June $0,1916 .-\mathrm{V} .118, \mathrm{p} .1013$. Seaboard Air Line Ry. -To Lease Two Georgia Lines.Seaboard has entered into a a tentative agreement for the leasing of the South Georgia Ry. and the Georgia Northern Ry. The tentative agreesubject to purchase. The South Georgia extends from Adele, Ga., to Greenville. Springs, Fla, 81 miles, and connects with the 671/4 miles, connecting with the Columbus-Albany branch of the Seaboard
at Albany
Spokane \& British Columbia Ry. -Final Valuation.The I.-S. O. Commission has placed a final valuation of $\$ 772,243$ on the
owned and used property of the comapny, as of June 30,1915 .-V. 112,
p. 1618 .
Texas \& Pacific Ry.-Listing.
The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of $\$ 38,755,110$
common stock, par $\$ 100$.-V. 121, p. 3129.
Union Pacific RR. -New Director:-
been elected a director of Union Pacific RR. Oregon of the company, has俍
the Orecon-Washington RR. \&Navigation Co., succeeding Marvin Hughitt,
Jr., resigned.-V.

West Jersey \& Seashore RR.-New Directors.
Richard D. Wood and Isaac W. Roberts have been elected directors:
succeeding George Wood and Clement B. Newbold, both deceased.-V. 122:
Wichita Falls Ranger \& Fort Worth RR. -To Be Sold. It is reported that this road which was in receivership for five years,
reverting to the orginal owners April 1, will be sold to the Missouri. Kansas \& Texas system. The stock it is said will be bought by the National City
Bank New York and will then be transferred to the "Katy."-V. 122, p Bank
1916.

PUBLIC UTILITIES.
American Telephone \& Telegraph Co.-Earnings.Dividos.Ends.
Interest
Telephone
Telephone over.-- rev-


| 40,66 |
| :--- |
| $.192,70$ |
| .85 .107 |
| 103,612 |

Exp, incl. prov. for Fed
\$48,127,985 \$43,067,366 \$36,790,564 \$33,583,088
Net earnings..
Deduct interest-

$\begin{array}{llll}14,842,126 & 11,869,923 & 11,156,791 & 10,298,788\end{array}$ | Deduct dividends......-- | $20,767,104$ | $19,065,675$ | $4,8,754,947$ | $15,096,787$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

 President Walter S. Gifford says: "The volume of telephone business during the first quarter of 1926 has shown substantial increase over the
same period last year. The toll and long distance business has kept at a same period last year. The toll and long distance business sase $k$.
high level, thus reflecting the generally good business conditions. , Stockholders will be interested to know that on March 7 tests of twoway telephone communications with London were made with successful
results. While in the development of two-way trans-Atlantic telephony there are many problems yet to be solved before anything approaching for any telepponone user in the United States to converse with any telephone user in England or on the continent as far as telephone service exists there. of These tests involved the transmission of speech from the headquarters ore Radio Corp of America on Long Island and thence by wireless across the ocean; and the receipt of speech by a wireless station in northeastern
Maine, to which were connected land lines terminating in our New York
亚 headquarters. A corresponding arrangement was made in England and in
all cases the connection between wires and wireless was automatic, so that speech was carried through without interruption.
policy of the company to provide for the Bell system tony are in line with policy of the company to provide for the Bell system any improvement to
telephony that will increase the range and usefulness of telephone communi-

Berkshire Street Ry. -Annual Report.

 | Net operating revenue | $\$ 109,228$ | $\$ 154,509$ | $\$ 108,982$ | $\$ 230,505$ |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Tax accruals.......... | 20,144 | 39,139 | 49,460 | 48,150 |





Boston Consolidated Gas Co.-Annual Report.Calendar YearsGross earnings.-...Soberest dividends-
Undivided earnings
V. 122 , p. 212 .
$\square$
1925.
.383 .
. 1924.
$\$ 10.45,196$
8,740 val Report
1923.
$\$ 11,269.8$

9.417 | 1922. |
| ---: |
| 10,7196 |
| $8,830,2$ |

$\$ 11,186 \overline{\text { def } \$ 39,957}$
$\$ 120,839$ $\$ 235,632$
Central Gas \& Electric Co., Chicago.-Bonds Sold. -H. M. Byllesby \& Co., Inc.; Federal Securities Corp.; West \& Co.; Pearsons-Taft Co., and Thompson Ross \& Co Inc., have sold at $981 / 2$ and int., to yield $6.15 \%, \$ 6,500$,000 1st lien coll. trust sinking fund gold bonds
Dated March ${ }^{1} 1926$, due March 11946 . Interest payable M . \& S . calendar month after 60 days notice at 105 through March 11931 and thereafter decreasing $1 /$ of $1 \%$ each 12 months, and int. Principal and
int. payable at Central Trust Co. of Illinois, trustee. Chicago. Int. also
payable at Chase National Bank
 Conn. 4 mills taxes, Maryland $41 / 2$ mills tax, District of Columbia. and Mich. 5 mills exemption tax and the exceeding in the aggregate 5 mills,
Sing
income tax Sinking Fund.- Indenture will provide for a sinking fund (to be applied
semi-annually) equal to $1 \%$ per annum of the highest principal amount of
bonds of the $6 \%$ series of 1926 theretofore issued, to be applied to the purchase of such bonds at not exceeding the call price at and to the extent not so applied thereafter usable, as a basis for issue of properties not theretofore used or thereatter usa ond not reissued. Company.-A A Delaware corporation. Name recently changed from Wisconsin Public Utility Co
of Hlinompany wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana. New York, Maine and New of Hinnois, Wisconsin, Midation brings 9 companties under one one and Anation. The individual properties in each State are now in process of consoidation
into single units so that the properties in each State, with few exceptions into single e nits so thal the properties in each state, with few exceptions.
will comprise individual operating units. The properties being consolidated
ind wre (1) Hlinois Public Utility Co. (V.. 22 , p. p. 88), supplying electric light
and power to Lincoln and a territory between Danville and Springfield,
and and power to Lincoln and a territony between Danvin Utility Co, supplying elec tricity to dairy and manufacturing districts northwest of Milwaukee (3) Lower Peninsula Power Co, supplying electricity in suburban sections
of Grand Rapids, Mich.; (4) Boosier Public Utility Co. (V. 122, p. 480 ) of Grand Rapids, Mich.; (4) Hoosier Public Utility In. (1). 122, D. A80),
supplying electricity in and around Greensburgh, Ind.; (5) Vincennes Gas
 supplying gas in Princeton, Ind.; (7) Consolidated Water Co. of Suburban
New York (V, 112, p. 582 ), supplying water along the east side of the tricity in northwestern Maine and adjoining territory in New Brunswick and (9) the Howghton Country Electric Light Co., supplying all the light
and part of the power in Houghton and Keweenaw' County of Michigan. and part of the power in Houghton and Keweenaw are reported as follows: Electric light and power $67.5 \%$; gas, $17.5 \%$ \% water, $11.5 \%$; railway and heat, Maine and New Brunswick are hydro-electric. The present capacity the electric stations equals 26,629 h.p., of which 12.213 h.p. is hydro electric. Connected to thsee stations are 1,036 miles of transmission and
distribution lines. The gas plants have a rated capacity of $3,030,000 \mathrm{cu}$. ft . of gas per day and the gas distribution systems total 173 miles of mains.
Manufacturing and distribution equipment is of good design, enabling the Manuracturing and ainstribution equapme to maintain efficient operations.
apitatizalion Oustanaing on Compleion of Present Financing Fst. Lien coll. trust gold bonds, $6 \%$ Series of 1926 (this issue) Year $6 \%$ Gold Notes Pref. stock no pars7 dividend Series 500.000 shis.
Sec. Pree. stock no par $\$ 7$ dividend ( 20,000 shs.)

源 $87,0005 \%$ Bonds Security.- Bonds will constitute, in the opinion of counsel, a first lien
on the constituent properties through deposit with the truste tanding bonds and stocks of the operating properties, excepting $\$ 562.000$ $\%$ bonds of the Freeport Gas Co., due 1932 and $\$ 787,0005 \%$ bonds of which a like amount of additional bonds will be reserved. No securities may be issued on any constit
$\times$ Consolidated Earnings 12 Months Gross earnings.-. .
 Net earnings $\qquad$ $\begin{array}{r}1,040,337 \\ 457,450 \\ \hline\end{array}$
 are included for the 12 months ended Sept. 301925.
Purpose.- Proceeds from the sale of these bonds and other securities will
provide funds to retire present outstanding securities, for the acguisition of property, and for other corporate purposes.
Management. All of the common and second preferred stock of Central Gas \& Electric Co. will be owned, directly or indirectly, by Central Public
Central Indiana Gas Co.-Earnings for 1925. Gross earnings- 017,745 ; fixed charges, $\$ 139,679 ;$ total.-
Oper. exps., $\$ 1,01$,
Surplus........ 2271 .
Central Iowa Power \& Light Co.-Earnings.Calendar Years-
Gross earnings.-.
Operating expenses
Fixed charges....
Balance, surplus

| $\$ 1,355,658$ |
| :--- |
| $1,157,424$ |

## Central States Electric Corp.-Debentures Ready.-

D10 10 Ren, Read \& O. announce that temporary debentures for the issue or ble stock purchase warrants) will be exchangeable for definitive debenture on and after April 19 at the office of the Central Union Trust Co., 80 Broad
way, N. Y. City. (For offering see V. 121 , p. 2271.).-V. 122, p. 1308.
Cities Service Co.-Earnings.
Period- $\quad$-Month of February- 12 Mos, to Feb. 28 Gross earnings Expenses

| Net to stock \& res'ves_ |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Divs. on pref. stock--- | $\$ 1,530,536$ |  |  |  |
| 472,648 | $\$ 1,334,942$ | $\$ 29,862$ | $\$ 17,068,360$ | $5,316,340$ |
| $150,028,919$ | $5,132,917$ |  |  |  | Net to com. stk. \& res

-V .122, p. 1761, 1607.
$\$ 1,057,888$
$\$ 905,080$
$\$ 11,752,020$
$\$ 9,896,002$ Citizens Gas Co. of Indianapolis.-Earnings.Total endarn Years
Net earnings Net earningss
Taxes.
Depreciation

Balance, surplus...............-. $\$ 826,402 \quad \$ 458,973 \quad \$ 750.195$
Citizens Gas Light Co., Quincy, Mass.-Earnings.Gross earnin Years Expss earnings....-Interest
Undivided earnings.- $\$ 6,330$
V. 120, p. 2145.

## Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co.-Acquisitions.-

 This company subsidiary of the North American Co., has announced the ment program of the Lake Erie torritory adiacent to and including develop-The new properties include the Grand River Electric Light \& Power Co., the Suburban Utilities Co., the Northeastern Ohio Power \& Light Co., Since March 15 , the Cleveland company of Conneaut, eastern outskirts of Cleveland to the Pennsylvania State line. The company, including recent acquisitions now serves over 260,000 customers and has over 50 miles of distribution lines. Considerable service in addition to scheduled for 1926, both in transmission and generating facilities.- V .122 p. 747 .

Cleveland Southwestern Ry. \& Light Co.--Earninas.-
Clats.
1924.
 Net operating revenue
Other income. $\begin{array}{r}\$ 266.779 \\ 27,787 \\ \hline\end{array}$ $\$ 253,395$
12,419 Gross income (inci. in $1925, \$ 64,210$ for taxes)
Income charges $\$ 294,566$
321.026 $\$ 265,814$
296,873 Net deficit
Coast Valleys Gas \& Electric Co.-Earnings Catendar Years - $\quad 1925$. Gross earnings.-.-.-.-
oper. taxes-........................
$\begin{aligned} & \text { Interest } \\ & \text { Preferred dividends. }\end{aligned}$.

| $\begin{aligned} & 676,476 \\ & 101,334 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 593.173 \\ & 95.223 \\ & 9.527 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 500,768 \\ & 85,784 \\ & 87 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{array}{r} 101,334 \\ 52,715 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 90,523 \\ & 30,53 \end{aligned}$ |  |

${ }_{8668.245}^{1922}$
$\underset{\sim}{\mathrm{x}}$ Balance-.....-

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \$ 227,400 \\
& \text { s, common dividends, amortization a } \\
& \$ 166,571
\end{aligned}
$$

$\begin{array}{r}472,854 \\ 85.226 \\ 25,888 \\ \hline\end{array}$
V. 121, p. 216

Cohoes (N. Y.) Power Li Catendar Years Gross earnings.
Operating exp.

Fixed charges. $\qquad$ ${ }_{1925}$ Corp.-Earnings. -192 Bal 3 329. $\$ 335,040-\frac{254,476}{\$ 316,459}$ | 19,356 |
| :--- |
| 15454 |
| 54,004 |

Columbus, Delaware \& Marion Elec. Co.-Inc. Act.Years end.
Dec. $31 .-$
10. $\begin{array}{llll}\text { profit © } E \text { 15ss..... } & 158,164 & 157.250\end{array}$

Columbia Gas \& Electric Co.-Stock Increased The stockholders on April 13 increased the authorized common stock from 1,500,000 shares (all outstanding) to $2,000,000$ shares, no par value.
No action was taken on the disposition of the additional stock. (See also V. 122, p. 1308.)-V. 122, p. 1761.

Columbus Ry. Power \& Light Co.-Pref. Stock Offered.Otis \& Co. and Bonbright \& Co., Inc., are offering at $961 / 2$ and div., to yield about $6.73 \%, \$ 1,350,00061 / 2 \%$ cumul. Series B preferred stock (par \$100). This offering consists of stock already outstanding and does not involve any financing by the company.
Preferred as to assets and dividends over common stock. Dividends
payable $Q$.-F. Lyle Babbitt, Secretary of Company, transfer agent. payable Q.-Fi Lyle Babbitt, Secretary or Company, transfer agent. on any div, date upon 30 days' noticice at $\$ 110$ and div. Dividends exempt
from the present normal Federal income tax. Exempt from the general from the present normal Federal income tax. Exempt from the general property tax under the existing laws ourne state to us in a letter from Mr. C. C. Slater. Vice-President and General Manager of the Company; Columbus. bus with lines extending into neighboring territory
Authorized
Capitalization.
Funded debt-...
$6 \%$ Pref. stock - -
$\begin{array}{cr}\text { a } & \text { Outstanding } \\ \text { a } \$ 25,000,000 & \$ 17,574.000 \\ 5,030,000 & 4,620,400\end{array}$
 Common stock (no par value)
a Issue of additional bonds restricted. ${ }^{300,000 ~ s h a r e s}{ }^{3}$ I Issuance restricted. Earnings, 12 Months Ended February 28, 1926.

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\$8,799,244

## \$2,021,617

 B Stock, $\$ 325,956$
Balance $\$ 1.418,437$ majority of its cony is controlled through ownership or a subscal which is in turn controlled by the United Light \& Power Co.-V. 121 .

C
Connecticut Company.-Annual Report.-

 | Net operating revenue | $\$ 2,936,989$ | $\$ 2,784,102$ | $\$ 3,043,779$ | $\$ 3,300,017$ |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Tax accruals --.-.-- | 630,328 | 588,456 | 576,672 | 558,808 | Operating income-

$-$| $\$ 2,306.662$ |
| :---: |
| 50,759 |


| $\$ 2,195,646$ |
| :---: |
| 50,434 |

$\$ 2,741,209$
44,831
Gross income $\ldots-\ldots \overline{\$ 2,357,420} \overline{\$ 2,246,080} \overline{\$ 2,529,725} \overline{\$ 2,786,040}$ Deductions from gross
income 1.491,946
$\begin{array}{rr}1,543,611 & 1,504,478\end{array}$
1,475,625
Net income-
$-\mathrm{V} .121, \mathrm{p} .3003$.
Consolidated Water Co. of Suburban N. Y.-Merger.
See Central Gas \& Electric Co. above.-V. 112, p. 85

Net after taxes and

Consolidated Water Co. of Utica, N. Y.-Earnings.Catendar Years-
Operating revenue._
Operating expense. Operating revenue.
Taxes Miscellaneous income Deductions from income
Net corporate income


## Dubuque El

Grass earnings


## $\$ 251,146$ <br> $\$ 190,010$

 V. 122, p. 212.$\$ 228,060 \quad \$ 265,625$

$\qquad$ | 1925.48 |
| :---: |
| 1.25 .486 |
| 503.840 | 1924.

$\$ 1,255.5$
406.08

Eighth Avenue RR.-Results for Year 1925.Gross
Expenses, $, 1,1,15,125 ;$ Nonoreperating incom
Interest deductions

## -V . $122, \mathrm{p}, 347$.

Engineers Public Service Co.-Plan for Acquisition of Savannah Electric \& Power Co. Effective.-
Pressdent . W. Kellogz announces that there has been deposited under
the sian and arreement for the acquisition by the company
the

 Fall River Electric 12, p. 2040, 1608.

Calendar Years
Sales from Yighting Sales from lighting...
Sales from power.
Miscellan Total oper. revenue_
Expenses-Operating_-
Taxes

Net operating income_
Non-oper. income
Other Total income_-......
Deductions-Interest...
Miscellaneous
Dividend, $8 \%$
Res. for renew. \& replace
Surplus for 12 mos.-
Surplus forward
Total surplus
Fayette Coun
$\qquad$


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 \$106,120 $n$ of erof Great Northern Power Corp., Ltd.-To Acquire Assets Sed Great Northern Power Co.. Ltd., above. Northern Canada Power. Hackensack (N. J.) Water Co.-
Calendar Years.Calendar Years
Gross earnings.
Operating exp Other income.
taxes and depreciation.

Total income
Bond interest
Bond interest
Other interest

-V. 122, p. 1609 .
Harrisburg (Pa.) Rys.-Earninqs.--
Calendar Years--

 Hartford City Gas Light Con
 ty Gas Co., Pittsburgh.-Offer Made to The Ohio Fuel Corp. in a letter to the stockholders of the Fayette County Co. orfers for each shate of stock of Fayette County Gas Ca. of the par value
of sioo 4 shares of stock or the Ohio Fuel Corp. of the par value of $\$ 25$.
The offer expires May The offer expires May. 1 1926. Stock Fuel Cortirp. of the par value of $\$ 25$.
Shourd be deposited with George W. Ratcliffe, Treasurer of the ohompany
Cuel Corp 2017 Farmers Bank Bldy., Pittsburgh, Pa. Pa.
This orfer of exchange is ocnditioned upon the acceptance by at least $75 \%$
of the stockholders of Fayette company, L. B. Denning. Vice-President of the. Fayette County Gas Co., says in lts organization, which is the same dividend rate now been $2 \%$ quarterly since
County Gas Co. The stockholders of the Faid by Fayette the dividend payable April 20 direct. of the Fayetere company will receive company. if earned and delared, will be paid quarterly instead of monthly
as heretofore."
Fulton County Gas \& Electric Co.-Increase.The company has filled a certificate at Albany, N. Y. changing its
authorized cantal stock from 31.576 shares, par $\$ 100$, to 100,000 shares

Great Northern Power Co., Ltd.-Plan of Reorganization A plan of rorganization, dated Dec. 30 1925, has been approved by hold-
ers of $7 \%$ 15-year first mortgage gold bonds. The plan involves the sale of
the
 made by the company in payment of the interest mtge. 7 s . Default was 1925 and all subsequent coupons. On May15 1925 an a ction was com 1 -
menced in the supreme Court of Ontario by Montreal Trust Co, as trustee for bondholders, against the company to enforce the trusts of the mor mortgage and manager of the property of the company, and on Nov. 111925 judgment
was delivered directing that there should be Was delivered directing that there should be an immediate sale of the Supreme Court of Ontatio. Pursuant to this direction, Montreal Trust Co, as recelver, with the approval of the Master c. called for tend tru to
purchase the mortgaged premises, and the Master directed that the time or tendering scommittee pron. 14 1926. the principal amount of the outstanding bonds.
New Company. - At the instance of the commit
be incorporated under the Ontario Companies -Ge incorp Northern Power Corp., Ltd., with an authorized canithe name of shares capital stock without par value. The new company will authorize an issue of $\$ 1.500,00$ first motge. 20- year bonds, bearing interest at $6 \%$
per annum from Nov. 1926 , of which $\$ 1.030$ athorize per annum from Nov. 1 1926, of which $\$ 1,030,000$ weil be presently issued. taking of the company, paying therefor as follows:
(a) In assets and under-
In coupons due May 11925. the bonds of the company now outstanding, together with interest at $6 \%$ from May 11925 to Nov. 11926 . 1 . 4.250 shares of common stock without par value.
The bonds and stock will be distributed ratably among the present As a further consideration for the sale, the new company will assume payment or the costs and renmeration, ir any, of the bondholders' protective committee and of the depositary, the costs of the bondholders action
and of the sale, and the secured claims and other claims necsan preserve the company's assets amounting approximately to $\$ 50,000$. In order to provide for the aforesaid cash payments to bondholders and gencies, the new company arranged for the sale, subject to other contingences,
tions. of $\$ 103,500$ of its bonds and 2,000 shares of its common stock without nominal or par value, for the sum of s103.500. annum from Nov. 1 1926, payable May will bear interest at $6 \%$ per May 1 1927, redeemable on any interest date at 1021 , and interest.
Lease of Property -Arrangements have been made for the leasing of the Lease of Property- Arrangements have been made for the leasing of the
assets and undertaking of the newv company to Northern Canada Power,
Ltd. for a period of 20 years company to pay all operating expenses of the new en terms requiring that the properties of the new company in good working order, to assume the existing power contracts of the company, and to pay to the new company
all gross revenues in excess of $\$ 20,000$ per annum up to a maximum of $\$ 100,000$ per annum received from the present customers of Greax Northern
Power Co, Ltd. and from two new power Power Co., Ltd., a and from two new power costracts or which have been
recently entered into by Northern Con recently entered into by Northern Canada Power, Ltd., with CastleAs additional consideration of its entering into such lease, Northern
Canada Power, Ltd., is to receive 6.250 fully paid shares of the common stock of the new company without nominal or par value revenue of not less than $\$ 75,000$ per annum, which is nearly lease a net excess of the interest requirements or the bond issue of the new company. Distribution of Securities.- Under the plan the bonds and stock of the
new company will be distributed as follows: (a) First mtge. $6 \%$ \% 20 -year bonds: (1) To Great Northern (b) Sold to underwriters to provide cash-1.................- $\$ 926,500$ first mortgage bondholders...................................... 4.250 shs (2) To underwriters of new bonds. $\stackrel{\text { (3) To Northern C. }}{ }=\mathrm{V}$. 121 , p. 3130 .

## s7923. 18 $1,175.169$ $1,1,329$ <br> | $\$ 1,949,717$ |
| :---: |
| $1,111,267$ |
| 212,685 | <br> 

Helena Light \& Railway Co.-Earnings.-


## Hoosier Public Utility Co.-Merger.- See Central Gas \& Electric Co. above.-V. 122, p. 480

Huntington (L. I.) Water Works Co.-Initial Div A stock, no par value 1.75 per share was paid April 1 last on the class gross for the same period last year.-V. $\mathbf{V}$. $122, \mathrm{p}$. 213 , $15 \%$ higher than the

Inter
City
Gas
Heat.
Ice, water and miscelianeous.
Inter-company items. $\qquad$

$\qquad$
Local taxes.-
$\qquad$


Net earnings
Other income.

Total incomeBond aiscount amortized---1.-......

Appropriation for depreciation, retire | $\$ 10.812,785$ |
| :---: |
| $5,352,717$ |
| 257 | ments, replacements, \&c.-...... Balance---

Surplus Jan. $\qquad$ 2,133,779
$\underset{\substack{\$ 9.107 .380 \\ 500.586}}{ }$ $\begin{array}{r}\$ 9,607.966 \\ 4,975.923 \\ \hline 207\end{array}$ $\$ 9,119.048$
$4,135.582$
$1,320.714$
$1,358,330$ Surplus Jan. 1 $\$ 1,055,901$
$1,252,139$ Dividends paid on common stockSurplus per balance sheet

$-\mathrm{V} .122, p, 1309,1169$. | $\mathbf{r}$ |
| ---: | ---: |
| $-(\$ 2) 800,0000$ | $2,000,000$ - \$1,508,040

## Illinois Public Utility Co.-Merger.-

See Central Gas \& Electric Co. above.-V. 122 , p. 882
Indianapolis Crawfordsville \& Danville Electric Ry. Results for Calendar Years-
Total operating income Operating expenses and ta
Deduction from income-
Sinkint fund........ Balance, deficit
 Indianapolis Light \& Heat Co.-Earnings.Catendar Years-
 Interest charges.-.......................... taxes

$\qquad$ 1924.
$\$ 4.717,396$

## Indianapolis \& Northwestern Traction Co.-Report Results for Calendar Years-


 Balance, deficit

- V. 122, p. 748 .
$\$ 95,275$ $\$ 5,377$
Interborough Rapid Transit Company.-Court A wards $\$ 975,438$ for $42 d$ Street Spur.-Claim Was for $\$ 4,200,000$ Manhattan RR. April 10 awarded to the company and the Manhattan RR. April 10 in their claims against the city for the condemnation of the 42d Street elevated spur. The Supreme Cor for $\$ 4,200,000$. The award was made by a jury Court Justice O'Malley, who heard the case without In h.
tions his opinion Justice O'Malley pointed out that the quesborough's borough's damage claims for the removal of the Sixth Ave. elevated spur from 53d St. to 59th St. was pending before
him. The probability that all elevated lines might some time be condemned was also considered. The New York "Times" further states:
The opinion ruled against the contention of the city that although the spur was condemned by the city the transit companies suffered no damage
because the property was operated at a loss. It also dismissed the claim of Dte railroads that they were entititled to compensation ofr a right to the bed
of the street. granted by the city when the franchise was awarded. of the street, granted by the ecity when the franchise was awarded.
The largest award $\$ 750.00-$ Was for the asements on light, in and ac-
and cess surrendered by the companies, although ene the claim in this phase of the
proceeding was for $\$ 3,600,000$. The companies held that the franchise was wrocth $\$ 100.000$ and they got only $\$ 25,000$. They sought $\$ 95,000$ for the
cost of remodeling the Third Avenue elevated station at 42 d Street and received $\$ 89.000$. The value of the easement in the bed of the street, which the Court decided amounted to nothing, except as it was considered in fixing the value or the rranchise, was asserted by the claimants to be $\$ 300,000$ claim for $\$ 185.513$.
The claimants in the suit were the Interborough, the Manhattan RR. from which the Interborough leased the property, and the Central Union
and Equitable Trust companies, as holders of the first and second mortgazes on the Manhattan RR. property. Malley said that the particularly novel feature of the claims was the value of the private easements of light air and access which the owner of the railroad property had accuired pre-
viously from the abuting owners, as distinguished from the claim to the public easement in the street.
This question, Justice
hic Malley said, had never before been presented in a condeno of possibility that' eventually elevated lines in the city will have to
bounds
be taken in condemaation, this proceeding may obviously become the forebe taken in condemnation, this proceeding may obviously become the fore-
runner of numerous casses., The Court said that the trial of the claim for Court of Appeals could pass on the present rulinvs
In connection with the question of the evtruaue ors. the private easements of
light, air and access restored to abutting property, the railroad contended light, air and access restored to abutting property, the railo ead contended
that the easements were acquired at great expense that the structure was removed asainst the will of the railroad, and that the easements restored to
the abutting property were greatly enhanced in value. They argued that they were entitled to the present value of these easements as a property right, in addition to the sums for past damazes. The city argued that the railroad did not secure title to the easements in a strict legal senss, but acquired them for railroad purposes only, and
when the city removed the riiroad the right in the easements disappeared. in the railroad franchise, for which it had been taxed, and for which it was entitled to compensation. The opinion on this point, which is the main
phase of the proceeding upon which the higher Courts will be required to pass. said:
to the purpose indicated, it does not follow that it is withony was limited to the purpose indicated to the maintenance and operation of the company's quired to tear down its structure and go out of business. As already appears. its original cost was several hundred thousands of dollars, the first few years of the company's franchise. instead of at this late time, could it recently had cost its stockholders a large sum. I am unable to conceive
why the claimants should be in any more unfavorable position with respect why the claimants should be in any more unfavorable position with respect
to this right and its value at one time than another, except in so far as the to this right and its value at one time than another, except in so far as the
reasonable market value thereof might vary with time and change of conditions. The claimants offered evidence tending to show that if this right were to be acquired on the date when title vested in the city it would have cost
$\$ 3.600,000$. The city did not attempt to controvert this proof by testimony of other experts, presumably in view of the conceded increase in the structure, and in view of the fact that the city will later be called upon to the value given by the claimants' experts was excessive. In fairness to the
city, however, it should be noted that its counsel at ail times disregarded city, however, it should be noted that its counsel at ail times disregarded
the claimants' theory and that adopted by me, and for this reason refrained from calling experts on this phase of the case
both of which are proper elements to be considered in arriving at the visition, of the property, and all evidence before me. I am of the opinion that the anir market value to the claimants of the right in perpetuity to the maintotherewith, the easements of the abutting property owners. is the sum of
$\$ 750,000$. In reaching this conclusion I have given more weight to the original cost than the reproonction cost for the reason that, in my judgment, property. . - $V$. $122, p .1762,1309$.

Interstate Power Co., Wisconsin.-Earns. for 1925.-

Net earnings, before depreciation.
$\mathbf{V} .122$, p. 348 . \$1,177,913
Jersey Central Power \& Light Co.-Bonds Sold.E. H. Rollins \& Sons; Blyth, Witter \& Co.; Eastman, Dillon \& Co.; Federal Securities Corp., and H. M. Byllesby \& Co., Inc., have sold at $971 / 2$ and int., to yield over $5.70 \%$, $\$ 1,000,000$ 1st mtge. \& ref. 20-year $51 / 2 \%$ sinking fund gold bonds, series A, dated Feb. 2 1925, due Feb. 11945 (see description in V. 120, p. 1458).
utility opany was formed in New Jersey by the merger of several public oastern New Jersey. And subsidiary tompany sumpities in onorthern and Lakewood and vicinity, The electric system neludes steam electric generating stations with a total installed capacity of 31,500 h.p. and 231
milles of high tension transmission lines with distributing systems aggregat-
ing 2.238 miles of tine serving in
 19 miles of gas mains serving 25.944 customers. During the year ended
Jan. $31196,65,851.651 \mathrm{kw} . \mathrm{h}$. of electric energy and $903,217,000 \mathrm{cu} . \mathrm{ft}$. of gas were generated.
Capitalization Outstanding Upon Completion of Present Financing. Divisional $5 \%$ bonds (closed for issuance to the public) st mige. © rer.

this issue) | Cumulative preferred stock (allowned by Nat. P. S. Corp) |
| :--- |
| Com stock of no par value, (allo |
| $53,400,000$ | Security,-Secured by a direct first mortgage on electric power and light and gas properties with a depreciated valuation of $\$ 10,350,967$, and properties with a depreciated valuation of 89.478 .882 and on in addition are

secured by the deposit with the trustee of all the bonds and stock vood Water Co. with a valuation of $\$ 1,187,452$. These bonds and underying bonds, aggregating $\$ 16,706,500$, therefore represent less than $80 \%$ Gross earning Earnings 12 Months Ended Dec. 311925.


95 and int., to yield over $5.40 \%, \$ 1,416,000$ 1st mtge. gold bonds $5 \%$, Series due 1946 .
${ }^{\text {Dated }}$ Deb. 1 1926: due Feb. 1 1946. Red. all or part on any date upon 60 days notice, at 103 to and incl. Feb. 11931; therearter at $1021 / 2$ to and
incl. Feb. 1 1936; thereafter at 102 to and incl. Feb. 11941 ; thereafter at 101 to and incl. Feb. 11945 ; and thereafter at 100 ; plus int. in each case.
Prin. and int. (F. \&. A.) payable at National City Bank, New York, and Commerce Trust Co., Kansas City, Mo., trustee. Denoms. $\$ 500$ and tax not in excesso of 2\% $\%$ Perenn. 4 -mill tax, Calif. tax up to 4 mills and Mass.
income tax on int. thereon un to $6 \%$ of income tax on int thereon un to $6 \%$ of such int. refundable.
Issuance. Subject to authorization by Missouri P. S. Com
Data from Letter of George E. Nicholson, President of Company. Company.-Does entire gas business, without competition, in Kansas ation for over 60 years. It supplies Kansas City, Mo, with natural gas which is obtained from production and transportation companies operating four billion cubic reeí or gas to more than 83,000 customers. Security. This issue of bonds, $5 \%$ Series due 1946, together with $\$ 2,415$,
500 of गst M . gold bonds, Series $\mathrm{A} .6 \%$ due 1942 , will be secured by a direct first smortgage upon the entire rixed property. Aorth in the mortmay be issued uncer the conservative restrictions set forth tin the mortaage.
The value of the physical properties of the company allowed by the P. S.
Commission as of Jan. 1 1924, plus expenditures made by the compeny Commission as of Jan. 1 1924, plus expenditures made by the company on debt outstanding in the hands of the public, including this issue. Purpose.- Proceeds will be used to reimburse the company in part for
extensions, betterments and imporvements made to the property of the company, and for other corporate purposes
First mortgage gold bonas $5 \% \%$ Series due 1946 (this issue) ....... $\$ 1,416.000$ First pref, stock, cumulative (paying $6 \%$ dividends) Second prererred stock (paymsidend)
Common stock (paying $8 \%$ dividends) Purchase or Sinking Fund.- Mortgage provides for a purchase or sinking funual requiring cash payments to the New York trustee semi-annually of the company then outstanding in the hands of the public. Such shall be applied, first, to the purchase of 1st mtge. bonds of any series, at or below certain specified purchase prices, which, in the case of the $\delta \%$
Series due 1946 will be the same as the then current redemption prices and second, to the reaemption of 1st mitge. . bonds of such series as are sub-
ject to redemption on the next succeeding interest date. In the event that no st mtge. bonds are on such interest date redeemable, and the sinking fund moneys are not exhausted by the purchase of bonds within the price
limits specifiea, the balance of any such moneys remaining unexpended shall revert to the company.

Earnings for the 12 Monthe Ended June 301925.
Gross earnings

| $\$ 3,888.422$ |
| :--- |
| $2,995,975$ |

Net (a arailable for int., deprec. and Federal taxes) ......... $\$ 892,447$
Annual int. on total funded debt. incl. this issue, recuires.....
215730 Management. A majority of the common stock is owned by Cities Ser-
vice Power \& Light Co., a subsidiary of Cities Service Co.-V. 119, p. 586 .

Balance, surplus
-V .121, p. 3131.
Lowell Electric Light Corp.-To Issue Stock.The stockholders will vote April 27 on approving the issuance of 17.175
dditional shares of capitat stock, which it is proposed to offer stockholders at $\$ 4750$ a share in the proportion of one new share for each nine
Manchester Traction, Light \& Power Co. \& Sub. Cos.
 Operatest charges
Interreciation
Den


Balance for depreciation reserve \& dividends \$732.341 $\$ 506.805$
 Total V . $121, \mathrm{p} .1908$.
Manhattan (Elevated) Ry.-Court Awards $\$ 975,438$ for $42 d$ Street Spur.-

See Interborough Rapid Transit Co. above.-V. 122, p. 1310.
Manila Electric Co.-Tenders.-
Tre Equitable Trust Co., trustee, 37 Wall St.. New York City, will until April
series, due 1942 , to an amount sufficient to absorb $\$ 35,000$, at a price not exceeding 115 and interest.-V. 122, D. 2041.

## Massachusetts Gas Companies.-Annual Report.-

| Massachusetts | s Co | nie |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Calendar Years- | ${ }_{\text {\$125 }} 19202$ | 1924. S124.84, | ${ }_{\text {1 }}^{1923.00}$ |  |
| Int. on bonds, notes, \&c Int.on Dividends received. | 3,207,579 | 3,018,24 | 3,417,778 | 2,9 |
| inc | \$3,352,781 | \$3,143,097 | \$3,438,782 | \$2,9 |
| uct | ${ }_{658,271}^{208}$ | 206.638 |  |  |
| Bond, \&c. interest | ${ }^{6588} 8349$ | 561.142 | 432.896 | 465, |
| Common dividends | 1,250,000 | 1,250,000 | 2,250,000 | $\begin{aligned} & 1,00,000 \\ & 1,250,000 \end{aligned}$ |
| Balanc | \$236,161 | \$125,317 | \$570,31 | 856 |

Mobile Gas Co.-Results for Calendar Year 1925.-
 Surplus . 2038.
Montreal Tramways Co.-Listinq.
The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of $\$ 2,500.000$ Series B Een. \& reef. mtge. sinking fund gold donds, , due April 1 1955, making
the total amount applied for $\$ 20,326,500$, being $\$ 17,826,500$ of Series A the total amount apphed for $\$ 20,326,500,000$ of Series B. V . 122, p. 2041.
Municipal Service Co.-Notes Called. All of the cutstanding $31 / 5$ year $6 \%$ gold notes. due Nov. 11928 , have
been called for payment May 1 at $101 / 2$ and int at the Guaranty Trust Co., beenteal 140 Broadway, N. Y. City.
trust The company announces that it will purchase before May 11926 any or all of the notes presented at the trust pompany on a $41 / 2 \%$ true discount
basis figured to May 1 1926.-V. 122 , p. 1610.

Nevada-California Electric Corp.-Stock Increased.The stockholders on April 13 increased the authorized capital stock from
$\$ 10,000,000$ preferred and $\$ 20,000,000$ common, par $\$ 100$, to $\$ 25,000,000$ preferred and $\$ 25,000,000$ common stock, par $\$ 10$. The company has outstanding $\$ 9,449,400$ preferred and $\$ 8,588,300$ common stock. It is
announced that the increased stock will not be issued from some time. Consolidated Income Account for Calendar Years, Including Subsidiary Cos.
Inter-company transactions eliminated]. Gross operating earnings
Operating \& general exp_ Taxes -
 \(\begin{gathered}Avail. surplus for year <br>

Total surplus Jan. 1 plus\end{gathered}\) |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | appr, during curr, year $\begin{array}{ccccc}\begin{array}{c}\text { for bond redemptions_- }\end{array} & 2,832.967 & 2,933,327 & 4,721,290 & 4,153,974 \\ \text { Def. of Holt. I.-U. Ry_- } & \ldots--- & \text { der97.542 } & & \end{array}$

 Sur. transf. to cap. acct.
Adj. of losses of H. Pwr.
Co. \& Ry............
61.685

Tot.P.\& L.sur.Dec. $31 \$ 2,484,639 \quad \$ 2,522,663 \quad \$ 2,721,4166$ \$4,468,595 Note. The corporation has an interest in profits of other companies
not included in above statement. In 1924 the operations resulted in a loss and a consequent reduction in the combined surplus of those companies, while in 1925 there was neither a profit nor loss. The corporation's pro-
portion of this loss in 1924 amounted to $\$ 106$ - V. 122, p. 1762 .

New England Fuel \& Transportation Co.-Earnings.$\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Calendar Years- } & 1925 . & 1924 . & 1923 . & 1922 . \\ \text { Gross earnings....... } & 10,274,546 & \$ 8,140,011 & \$ 14,220,379 & \$ 10,340,417 \\ \text { Expenses \& reserves...- } & 8,614,473 & 6,706,207 & 12,387,917 & 9,022,297\end{array}$
 Undivided earnings -- $\$ 22,831-\$ 45,329-\$ 82,016-\$ 28,255$
-V. 122, p. 94.

## New Haven Gas Light Co.-Annual Report.-

 New Haven Water Co.-Earninas.-
Calendar Years-


 Operatingrevenues.
Net, after taxes, Net, after taxes, \&c-
Other income-.-.-.
Total
Balance, surplus $\ldots$
-V .121, p. 979.


Revenue from Income Stantatement Eight Monlhs Ended Feb. 281926. Revenue from transportation

Other operating revenues | $84,682,704$ |
| :--- |
| 350,007 | Total operating revenues

Operating expenses $\overline{85.032 .712}$
 $\begin{array}{r}85,032,712 \\ 3,780,330 \\ \hline\end{array}$

Operating income.-

Non-operating income. | \$887. 207 |
| :---: |
| 68.943 |

Gross income
Deductions from $\$ 956,150$
650,937
$\stackrel{\text { Net income }}{-\mathrm{V} .122, \text { p. }} \overline{4} \overline{8}$.
$\$ 305,212$
New York Westchester \& Boston Ry.-Annual Report. Calendar Years-
Operating revenues.
Operating expenses Net oper. revenue.
Tax accruals
Operating income
Non-oper. income


 pany.-V. 122, p. 1918.
Niagara Falls Power Co.-Earnings.

$\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Operating revenues_-..- } & \$ 2,401,940 & \$ 1925 . & 1924 . & 1923 . \\ \text { Oper. exps. and taxes.-- } & 1,039,662 & 920.793 & \$ 2,006.539 & \$ 1,734.564 \\ \text { O } & 805.332 & 686,718\end{array}$

 Net income
-V. 122, p. 1610, 612.
$\$ 721,594$
$\$ 708,152$
$\$ 723,323$ Ninth Avenue RR.-Results for Year 1925.-

Interest revenues .. Cr. 47,920

## Net corporate deficit

 \$177,011North American Co.-Electric Output.-
Ametal electric output of all subsidiaries now comprising The North months of this year. or $289,155,385 \mathrm{k}$. w. h. more than for the first two
months of 1925 . Of thist two months of 192. Of this additional output in 1926, about two-thirds
represents output of the California and Mississippi River properties ac-
quired late in 1925 , quired late in 1925 , and one-third represents a $14 \%$ increase in output of the
previously owned subsidiaries. previousty owned subsidiaries.
Preliminary figures indicate
Preliminary figures indicate that output for the month of March 1926
will show about the same rate of increase over March of last year. - V . 122 , p. 1918 .

Northern Canada Power, Ltd.-Lerse, \&cc.-
See Great Northern Power Co., Ltd., above.-V. 122 , p. 2041
Northern New York Utilities, Inc.-Earnings.-
Calendar YearsCalendar Years-
Oper. exp., maintenance and taxes
Int., amortization, Fed. taxes, \&c-


Northern Ohio Power \& Light Co.-Annual Report.-



 $\begin{array}{cc}\text { City } & \text { Interurban } \\ \text { Systems. } & \text { Systems. } \\ 47,799,437 & 16,820.442 \\ 50,632,248 & 17,117,064 \\ 54,112,423 & 16,784,535 \\ 48,563,053 & 14,478,984 \\ 51,352,849 & 14,266,754\end{array}$ |  | 1924. | 1923. | 1922, |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gross earnings-Electric | $\$ 5,322.156$ | $\$ 4,716.808$ | $\$ 4,255.247$ | $\$ 3,623,020$ |
| Transportation_...-- | $6,177,541$ | $5.364,189$ | $5,849,877$ | $5,640,132$ | $\begin{array}{rrrrrr}\text { Total_----------- } \$ 11,499.698 & \$ 10,080,997 & \$ 10,105,124 & \$ 9,263,152 \\ \text { Operating expenses_---- } & 7,618,402 & 7,161,533 & 6,986,196 & 6,168,531\end{array}$ Taxes Int. \& other fixed chige

Balance_-....-.
V. 122, p. 1763.
$\$ 1,064,120$
$\$ 303,846$
$\$ 616,635$$\frac{\$ 7,592}{\$ 695,790}$
Ohio Bell Telephone Co.-To Refund Bonds.
The company has applied to the Ohio P. U. Commission for authority phone \& Telegraph Co. The proceeds will be used to refund Cuyahoga Telephone Co. 7s (formerly 5s) extended to 1941 and $\$ 2,155,000$ United States Telephone Co. $7 \%$ bonds (formerly 5 s ) extended to 1941.
Both issues may be called after July 11926 at $1031 / 2$ and int.-V. 122, p. 1611

Ohio Fuel Corp.-Seeks to Acquire Control of Fayette County Gas Co.-
See Fayette County Gas Co. above.-V. 122, p. 2042.
Oswego River Power Corp.- Capital Increased, dec.The company has filed a certificate at Albany, N . Y.. increasing its
authorized capital stock from 20,000 shares to 110,000 shares of no par value.

Pacific Telephone \& Telegraph Co.-Earnings.-
The company reports for the quarter ended Mar. 311926 net earnings of
People's Gas \& Electric Co., Oswego, N. Y.
The New York P. S. Commission has approved the purchase of the cal.stock of the comp any by the Oswego River Power Corp. As the price
paid was in excess of the book talne of the paid was in excess of the book value of the company, the Commission's
order directs that the Oswego corporation shall not set up on its books a order directs that the Oswego corporation shall not set up on its books a
value for the Peoples company greater than the sum of its capital stock and
surplus. surplus. According to the finding of the Commission this amounted to
$\$ 6222$ per share on the common stock and $\$ 50$ per share on the preferred as of Dec. 311925 . The Oswego company, however, paid on the preferred as
the common stock and $\$ 55$ per share for the preferred stock.-V. 121, p. 2876

Philadelphia Co.-Chairman of the Board.-
Moritz Rosenthal, of Ladenburg, Thalmann \& Co., has been elected
Chairman of the board of directors of both the Philadelphia Co. and the Chairman of the board of directors, of b
Duquesne Light Co.-V. 122, p. 2042 .

Philadelphia Electric Co.-Annual Report.-
 per. exp.. incl. current
maint., taxes and res
$\begin{array}{lllll}\begin{array}{l}\text { maint., taxes and res. } \\ \text { for renewals \& replace. }\end{array} \text { 20,522,903 } & 19,212,490 & 17,612,529 & 15,477,396 \\ & & \end{array}$

Gross income- $\overline{\$ 13,004,082} \overline{\$ 11,083,627} \overline{\$ 10,409,484} \overline{\$ 8,330,350}$ $\begin{gathered}\text { Int. charges and amort. } \\ \text { of debt disc. \& exps-- }\end{gathered} 4,890,541 \quad 3,845,356 \quad 3,604,225 \quad 3,050,442$ Net debt-


do Commonstk-- ( $8 \%$ ) 4,938,219 (8) 4,265,106 (8)3,182,263(73/)2325759

Philadelphia Suburban Gas \& Elec. Co.-Earnings.-
 Gross earninsses, maint. and taxes.--
Oper ex eharges
$-\mathrm{V} .122, \mathrm{p} .8 \overline{8} \overline{4}$.
---------------- $\overline{\$ 1,523,262} \overline{\$ 1,132,075} \overline{\$ 1,136,404}$
Philadelphia \& West Chester Trac. Co.-Earnings.Calendar Years-
Gross earnings Grots earnings.--


Surplus for year-....-
-V .119, p. 580.
$\$ 50,750$
$\$ 79,702$
$\$ 109,615$
$\$ 113,387$
Philadelphia \& Western Ry.-Annual Report.$\begin{gathered}\text { Calendar Years- } \\ \text { operating revenue }\end{gathered}$ Operating expenses
Int. and tax accruals Int, and tax accruals
Federal taxes
Pref. divide

Balance, surplus $-\$ 138.334$


Pittsburgh Rys. Co.-To Retire Glenwood Highway
Bridge Co. Bonds.
President A. W. Thompson, in a letter to the holders of Glenwood HighWay Bridge Co.i. $6 \%$ bonds, due Dec. 1 1924. says: "You have been
informed from time to time of the probability of the County of Allegheny purchasing the bridge of the Glenwood Highway Bridge Co., which would provide funds for redeemign the outstanding bonds.
take over this structure and provision has been made to redeem the bonds at par and interest to date of presentation up to May 1 1926. upon which Pittsburg Trust Co., trustee, 323 mourth Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa."-V. 122,
p. 1905 . p. 1905 .

Pittsburgh Utilities Corp.-Earnings.-
Income for the 3 Months Ended March 311926.
Dividends on stocks owned, $\$ 641,500$; interest, $\$ 1,014$; total
Expenses, $\$ 5.405 ;$ bond interest, $\$ 122,800 ;$ total

Poughkeepsie \& Wappingers Falls Ry-_Earnings.-
 xNet earnings
x Available for deprec. \& dividends.-V. $\$ 319$, p. 2412.979
Public Service Corp. of New Jersey.-New Directors.Thomas s. Gates, of Drexel \& Co, of Philadelphia, has been elected a
director for one year in place or Randall Morgan, who died recently. Paul
Thompson, a Vice-President of the United Gas Thompson, a vice-President of the United Gas Improvement Co. of Philadelphia, has been elected a director for three years, Lewis Lillie having
retired from active connection with the corporation.-V. 122, p. 1918, 1764 .

Railway \& Light Securities Co.-To Change St ck.stock wiockholders will vote April 22 on a proposal to authorize common
par value and exchange the present 10,000 shares of $\$ 100$ par value for 50.000 new shares without par value. and on increasing the authorized amount to 80,000 shares. They also wiil be asked to authorize
the board to sell all or any part of the additional 30,000 shares of common slock. If stockholders approve the recommendation, it is the present intention of the directors to raise approximately $\$ 1,000,000$ by the sale of the addi-
tional common shares.
St. Louis County Gas Co.-Earnings.-
Calendar Years-





| Bal. for depr.divs \&sur- $\overline{\$ 299,080} \overline{\$ 293,417} \overline{\$ 235.053}-122$, p. 95. |
| :--- |
| $\$ 191,676$ |

## San Diego Electric Ry.-Earnings.-


Other income
Deduction.--
Balance, deficit.....-
-V. 120, p. 2402.

-V. 120, p. $\mathbf{3} \overline{1} 1 \overline{6}$.

## $\underset{\text { Calendar Years- }}{\text { Shamokin }}$ \& Mt. Carmel Transit Co.-Earnings.-



Southern Cities Utilities Co. \& Subs.-Earnings.-
Calendar YearsCatendar Years
Gross earnings. Gross arnings--.............
Operating expenses and taxes
Interest $\qquad$an 1924.
$\$ 2,763,901$
$1,821,184$

 Preerrirs \& Lupton Supply Co West Virginia Utilitios Co--
Southern Cities Utilities Co_

Balance for com. stock \& reserve $-\frac{157,548}{\$ 305,392} \quad$| 153,672 |
| :--- |
| 299.225 | \(\begin{array}{r}67,724 <br>

\hline\end{array}\) charges from 1923 and 1924 is due to relinquishing control of the City \& Suburban Gas Co. and City Ry. Co.-V. 121, p. 2404
Southwestern Gas \& Electric Co.-Earnings. Cate Oper., maint. \& taxes---


 | 1922. |
| :---: |
| $\$ 2.535 .34$ |
| 1.89 .751 |
| 354.734 | \$287.489 1925. and on the common stock at the rate of $6 \%$ per annum.-V. 122 S

Spring Valley Water Co.-Report.
 rentals
Taxes
 Interest on $6 \%$ notes.-.Int. charged to construcDeprec. \& obsolescence-
Amortization Uncoll. bills \& accts.rec
Miscelianeous Miscellaneous
Balance, surplus
$-\mathrm{V} .121, \mathrm{p} .1570$.

| 1,100,000 |
| :---: |
| Cr. ${ }^{215.58 .385}$ |
| 300.000 |
| 188,376 |
| $\begin{array}{r} 9,328 \\ 9,174 \\ 1,680,000 \end{array}$ |
|  |  |


| $8 \overline{55,118}$ | $\bigcirc 0 \overline{3}, \overline{2} \overline{2} \overline{3}$ | 830,738 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1,100,000 | 1,050.491 |  |
| 1617,114 | 134,381 | 150 |
| Cr.40,548 | Cr. 24,210 | Cr.6,2 |
| 300.000 | 300.000 | 300.000 |
|  |  | 131.010 |
| 5,762 | 5.060 |  |
| 1,680,000 | 1,470,000 | 1. |
| 227,197 | 3537,4 |  |

Stark Electric RR.-Earnings-Personnel.-
 $\qquad$
Balance, surplus
The board of directors consists of Wm.
$\$ 2,915$
$\$ 29,665$
defs31,025 (Vice P) O K yers (Sec) E. W. Sweezy (Treas.). H. G. Gill (Vice-. Chittenden, James Beriram, L. W. Popp, Alex. Robertson and C. L.
W. Sebring.-V. 121, p. 2523.
Terre Haute Traction \& Light Co.-Annual Statement, Total operating revenvearsOperating expenses and taxes. Deductions fro
Sinking fund.
Balance - $-\mathrm{V} .122 . \mathrm{p} .75 \mathrm{~F}$.
Texas Electric Ry.-Annual Report. -

| $\mathrm{O}_{1}$ |  | $\begin{array}{r} 1924.36 \\ \$ 2,794.636 \\ 1,691,415 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1923 . \\ \$ 2 ., 800.475 \\ 1.7477 .501 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 1922. <br> $\$ 2.706,995$ <br> $1,651,527$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $7.499$ | \$1,103,221 | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 1,232,975 \\ 1,629 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 55,467 \\ 2,397 \end{array}$ |
| Total net earnings | \$838,085 | \$1,104,06 | 23 | \$1,057,865 |
| Deauct-l | 426,322 | 8.169 |  |  |
| Sundry i |  |  |  |  |
| Divs. on $7 \% \%$ 2d pi |  | 210,0 | , |  |
| Common dividen | 120.00 |  | 240,000 |  |
| Res. for renewals, | 100,00 | 100,000 25,000 | 100,000 | 00 |
| Tax refunds, etc....--- | Cr. ${ }^{-17,625}$ |  |  |  |
|  | \$90, | \$8,8 | 158,1 |  |

Balance, deficit
\$90,247
-Earnings
Third Ave. Ry., N
Transpo
Rents
Other
Total oper. revenue--
Operating Expenses-
Mantcnance of way Operating Expenses-
Maintcnance of way--
Maintenance of equip-: Depreciation
Power supply--.........
Operation of cars.-...
Total oper. expenses
$\begin{array}{lr}\text { Net operating revenue-_ } & \left.\begin{array}{r}5,552,889 \\ 1,834,935 \\ \text { Taxes_-...-.......... } \\ 515,513 \\ \hline\end{array}\right)\end{array}$
Operating income.
Interest revenue.
Gross income-......-
Int. on 1st mtge. bonds.
Int. on 1st mtge. bonds.
Int. on 1st ref. mtge. bds
Int. on adj. mtye. bids int. on 1st ref. mtge. bds
Int. on adj. mtte. bonds
Int.on series ob bonds.
Amort ses Amort., debt diss. \& exp
Sinking fund accruals. Sinking rund accruals.-
Miscellaneous.

 Gross revenue


Ujigawa Electric Power Co., Ltd.-Earnings.
 $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Net earnings, before int_ } & 3,936,576 & 3,176,581 & 3,079,143 & 2,497,103\end{array}$
United Gas Improvement Co.-New Directors.soy has been elected a director to succeed the late Randal Morgan.-V. 1224
p. 1765 .

United Elec. Light Co., Springfield, Mass.-Earnings.

 Fixed charges in Fixed charges Depreciation

- Vurplus. 121, p. 1910 .Calendar Years-
Rev. from transport'n_-
Rev. from other ry. oper.



Gross inc. (less oper. expenses \& taxes)$\$ 2,685.247$
$2,892,515$ \(\begin{array}{ll}\$ 2,937,816 <br>

2,907,939 \&\)| $\$ 3,723,360$ |
| :--- |
| $2,933,615$ |$|\end{array}$ Surplus_-.-.-....-def\$207,268

## United Rys. \& Electric Co. of Baltimore.-Report.-






United Railways Investment Co.-Earnings. Earnings for Three Months Ended March 311926. Income from dividends, $\$ 436,700$; interest received, $\$ 7,144$; Expenses_-.....-.
Net income-
-V. 122, p. 2045

Unita Towns Electic Co., J. A. W. Igle and int. $\$ 250,000$ 1st mtge. 20 -year $6 \%$ sinking fund gold bonds, series A.
Dated April 1 1925; due April 1 1945. Interest payable A. \& O. and Bank of Commerce, or its successor, in the cities of St. John's. Newfound-
 on 30 days notice at 105. Montreal Trust Co.. Montreal, trustee.
 to carry on business as a iight and power company in the Conception Bay merritory adjoining st. John s. Newfoundland. Company is engaged in the
 which it operates were granted by the Legisture and are perpetual. These
franchises are exclusive as to both light and power except in three smali comchises are exclusive as to both light and power except in three sman
com to mities. where they are exclusive as to light. Company serves over
40 towns and communities in the most prosperous part of Newfoundland adjacent to the City of St. Johnts. having provererous pant or customers and serving a population in excess of 40.000 . It also furnishes, under contract, to the
Newfoundland Light \& Power Co., power for distribution in St. John' and tus serves indirectly an additionaw population of 36.000. Under the
terms of this contract the minimum return to the company is more than sufficient to poy the interest charges on this entire issue of bonds
now or hereafter owned. Property physical property. rights and franchises now or herearter owned. Property pledged under mortgage was valued at
$\$ 660.000$ as of Jan. 1 1925, against which there are outstanding only
$\$ 50.000$ bonds. Earnings-
 Annual int.on fund. debt
Preferred dividends have been paid without interruption since inception of company 23 years ago. of the outstanding funded debt and for additions
Purpose.- To retire all of to the property.
Utah-Idaho Central RR.-Earnings.-


## Utilities Coal Corp.-Annual Report.

In 1925 the mines of the corporation produced and sold 531,045 tons of
coal, as compared with 463,274 tons in 1924. There was also purchased
 while property retired from service aggregated $\$ 11,0.06$.
Income Account for Calendar Years. Gross earnings
Oper. exps. and Gross income-
Int. other ined charges


Westchester Street RR.-A nnual Report.-
[Road in hands of receiver from Feb. 29 1920-receiver's acc [Road in hands of receiver from Feb. 29 1920-receiver's account included.]
Calendar Years.
1925.

1922.
$\$ 230.833$
2020

| Tax accruals.-.... | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 29,634 \\ & 11,301 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 6.893 \\ & 12.659 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 6.497 \\ & 12.403 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 28.605 \\ & 11.972 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |




 Western Ohio Ry.-Earnings.-
Results for 12 Months ended Dec. 31 -
Results for 12 Months ended Dec. 31-
Operating revenue.
operating revenue-
Operating expenses and taxes
Net operating income 1925. 887.86


## Balance -- V . $118, \mathrm{p} \overline{8} \overline{2} \overline{5}$.

$\$ 9.588$
Western Union Telegraph Co.-Stock Increased The stockholders on April 14 increased the authorized capital stock from
$\$ 100,000,000$ to $\$ 105,000,000$, par $\$ 100$, the additional $\$ 5,000,000$ of stock Under the plan stock will be a subscription plan. year or more of continuous service rifer to employees who have had one received starting May 15, for 60 days, when the offer will expire. Stock for which subscriptions are not received is to be held in the treasury and disapprove. Employees may subscribe for one share of stock for each $\$ 500$ or rraction thereof of annual subary in effect April 20 of stock for eacs eniptions will be
imited to 50 shares or limited to 50 shares, or to about $20 \%$ of annual salary. Payment for the deck must be made in 24 monthy instalments and the stock will not be
deiver before the lapse of this two year period. Interest at the rate of
$6 \%$ aear compounded $6 \%$ a year compounded quarterly will be paid on sums deposited in payment. Delivery of the stock will be made in time for participation in tne dividend Results for Thes
Results for Three Months Ended March 31 (March 1926 Estimated).
Gross revenue, incl. divi- $1926 . \quad 1925 . \quad 1924$.
1923.
Gross revenue, incl. divi-
dends and interest
Maint., repairs \& reserve \$32,557,494 $\$ 29,057,903 \$ 27,453,384 \$ 27,783,508$ $\begin{array}{lllll}\begin{array}{lllll}\text { for , depreciation } \\ \text { Oth. op. exp. inc. rent }\end{array} & 5,061,222 & 4,861,634 & 4,707,813 & 4,382,265\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lrrrr}\text { Of leased lines \& taxes- } & 23.498 .390 & 20,370.298 & 19,263.121 & 19,295.118 \\ \text { Int. on bonded debt_--- } & 584.463 & 583,159 & 578.025 & 576.712\end{array}$ - Net income Wilkes-Barre \& Hazelton RR.-Exchange Offer. trust matge. 50 -year gold bonds accented the com of the holders of 1 st collat. cumul. pref. stock at par indexchange for unpaid interest coupons May 15
1915 to Nov. 151916 ancl. 1915 to Nov. 151916 . incl. At Dec 31 last there was outstanding $\$ 450,440$
of $6 \%$ preferred stock.-V. 116. p. 2258.
Wisconsin Public Utility Co.-Changes Name.-
The company has changed its name to Central Gas \& Electric Co. to 620.000 shares of no per value, divided into 500.000 shares of preferred stock, issuabale in Series 20,000 shares of 2 nd preferred stock and preferred
shares of common stock. (See Central Gas \& El. Co. above.) Wisconsin Valley Electric Co.-Earnin -
Calendar years-
Total oper. revenues; other rev... $\$ 41,026$; total_-- $\$ 1,122,561$
Oper. Oper. exp.; \$4.35, 296; taxes, $\$ 128,770 ;$ deprec.
Sivid.943; int., $\$ 128,349$;other exp., $\$ 3,900$ totai

| 842,258 | 773.259 |
| :--- | :--- |
| 207,332 | 202,152 | Balance, surplus

-V .121, p. 1349.
$\$ 634,926 \quad \$ 571,107$

## INDUSTRIAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.

Refined Sugar Prices.-Following the announcement April 15 that the
Cuban Government officials will limit production of sugar $10 \%$ for the present crop in the next two years the refined sugar market responded with advances. Federal advanced price 25 pts. to 5.25 cents a pound, Revere,
100 pts. to 5.25 . This was followed by advance on 15 pors
Arbuckle, American. Franklin, Atkins and National, while Warner 5.40 by
 . 5.60 cents. British refiners were reported up 6 d their prices 15 points
to Goodyearts. Reduces Golf Barl Prices.-Goodyear Tir
reduce price of Goodyear golf ball to 75 cents and the Rubber Go. has
cents, a cut of 25 conts each. "Wall street ball to 50 cents, a cut of 25 cents each. "Wall street Journal" April 12. ball to 50
Mines Open on Lower Wage Scale.-Resumption nar Morganstown, W. Va.o. Scalope. - Resumption of 4 former union mines
Clevis by Pursglove interests of
Cleveland is planned for next week. Mines will py Cleveland is planed for next week. Mines will pay wages $30 \%$ less than
Jacksonville wage scale. Boston "News Bureau" April 10 .
Metal Craflsmen Strike. Metal Crafismen Strike.-Strike called of members of the Architectural
 pay. "Times" April 16 . Men demand 10 -hour day and advance in Fails to End Strike of Steam Fitters.- Peace negotiation looking toward
termination of strike which began March 29 fails. termina $i$ on or strike which began March 29 fails. "Times" April 11.
New Jersey Corporations May Meet Outside State. -Under provis measure sponsored by Senator Harrison of Essex governing thovision of a
corporation stock and bonds and for dissolutionce of corporation stock and bonds and for dissolution of coverning which has been
signed by Governor Moore corporations are empowered to signded
holders' meetings outside of New Jersey. Previously corporations chartered in New Jersey were required to hold such meetings at the principal offices in that state.
Matters
Matters Covered in "Chronicle" April 10: (a) Survey of New Jersey Labor Declines to recognize ${ }^{\text {. }}$ United Front Committee ${ }^{\text {Un }}$. Federation of bord-Efforts to end strike.-p. 1981 ; (b) Ward Food Products Corp.
dissolved by consent decree, p. 1994.
Adams Royalty Co., Chicago.-Notes Offered.-Stevenson, Perry, Stacy \& Co., Chicago, are offering at prices ranging from 100.80 and int. to 101.29 and int., to yield from $51 / 2 \%$ to $61 / 4 \%$, according to maturity, $\$ 1,000,00061 / 2 \%$ serial gold notes. This issue does not represent new financing, the notes having been purchased from private interests.

 $61 / 2 \%$ serial gold n
Com, stock, no par value (auth. and to be presently outstanding) $\$ 1,000,000$
Complat branch of tie oil business. Since its incorporation it has acquired valuable
royalty holdings of a large and successful company and it now has under
contract the acquisition of all the shares of the Northern Royalty Trust contract the acquisition of all the shares of the Northern Royalty Trust
which was organized and owned by interests affiliated with the Marland
Oil Co. ${ }^{\mathrm{Co}}$. holdings of the company consist of royalty interests in approximately 85.000 acres in the Mid-Continent field, the leases being held principally by
the Texas, Carter, Humble, Prairie, Phillips, Sinclair. Roxana, Marland, the lexas, Garter, Humpon, Ar The present daily settied production is in
Skelly and Gypy companies. The
excess of 1.50 barrels of hish gravity oil derived from 460 wells in 20 different fieldis and is is anticiciated that this output will prensentiy be
considerably increased as the company's producing properties have not been fully exploited.
Earnings.- Earnings of the predecessor companies for 1925 were in excess
of those for 1924 . The average earnings for these two years, before taxes and depletion, amounting to $\$ 1,228,000$ are in excess of 18 times maximum annual interest requirements on these notes. Cur rent earnings are at a
rate substantially in excess of this average.-V. 122, p. 1314, 1172.
Alameda Farms Co., San Francisco.-Bonds Offered.Freeman, Smith \& Camp Co., San Francisco, are offering at 100 and int. $\$ 400,000$ collateral trust convertible $7 \%$ secured gold bonds.
Dated Jan. 1 1926; due Jan. 1 1936. Principal and int. (J. \& J.) payable
at Wells Fargo Bank \& Union Trust Co., San Francisco, trustee, without int normal Federal income tax not in excess of $2 \%$. Callable at any int date upon 40 days' notice at 105 up to Jan. 1 , 1929. thereafter at
cou un to Jan. 1932 and theteafter to matuity at 101 , with int. in each
case. Exempt from personal property tax in Calif. Denom. $\$ 1,000$ and $\$ 500$. Data From Letter of P. C. Drescher, Pres. of Company.
Security.-Secured by a direct closed mortgage, subject to $\$ 913.000$ first
closed mortgage sinking fund $6 \%$ bonds now outstanding ( $\$ 58,000$ reserved for sinking fund and to the equities of purchasers under land sales con-
tracts, upon 10,438 acres of productive river bottom land on Sacramento tracts, upon 10,438 acres of productive river bottom land on sacramento
River, 14 miles west of Marysville, and by the deposit with the trustee as collateral security of the entire capital stock of the company, with the
exception of directors' qualifying shares. The property has been well exception of directors' qualifying shares. The property has been well protected and improved and under cultivation for over 20 years.
Independent appraisals of these lands were made in 193 at $\$ 250$ per
acre, or $\$ 2,675,000$, and B . A. Etcheverry and Fe C. Herrmann have acre, or $\$ 2,675,00$, and B . A. Etcheverry and Fe C. Herrmann have
averaised the These lands have been subdivided into 10 to 50 acre farms. Up to Dec. 31 1925, a total of 5,839 acres had been sold at an average selling price of of deferred payments $\$ 1.507,489$, and there remained 4.599 acres unsold. nstalment payments on land contracts, amounting Dec. 31 1925, to
$\$ 1,453,781$ and pioceeds from the future sale of unsold lands must be used to retire the company's first mortgage $6 \%$ bonds, and thereupon to the
retirement of this issue. Annual payments accruing on existing land sales retirement of this issue. Annual payments accruing on existing land sales
contracts are sufficient to retire about $\$ 160,000$ of the $6 \%$ bonds annualy. Title to lands sold on contract does not pass from the company to the purchaser untit the sale price is fully paid.
Conversion Privilege.- These bonds are convertible at the option of the
holder into the common capital stock as follows: Each $\$ 1,000$ bond is holder into the common capital stock as follows: Each $\$ 1,000$ bond is
convertible into 25 shares of $\$ 100$ par value up to and incl. Jan. 1 1929: cherater into 20 shares of $\$ 100$ par value up to and incl. Jan. 11932 and
thereatter into 16 shares of $\$ 100$ par value up to and incl. Jan. 1934 . thereafter into 16 shares of $\$ 100$ par value up to and incl. Jan. 1934 . 19 . 1 Earings. -The earnings of the company, consisting of interest on the unpaid balance of land sales contracts and upon the net profits of agri-
cultural operations upon its unsold lands, total considerably in excess of the nterest requirements on the company's entire funded indebtedness.-
All American Radio Corp.-Defers Dividend.-
The a share on the class " A " derer action on the quarterly dividend of 50. a share on the class "A" cumulative stock due to be paid May 1 .
Dividends at this rate had been paid from May 1, 1925 to Feb. 1 1926,
incl.-V, 121, p. 333. Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co.- Earnings.-
Net profit after depreciation and taxes for the two months ended Feb. 28
1926 was $\$ 03,307$.-V. 122, p. 885 .
Amerada Corp.-Initial Div. on New Shares.
The directors have declared a dividend of 40c. a share on the outstanding
713,300 shares of capital stock, no par value, payable April 30 to holders of record April 22 capital stock, no par value, payable Aprile 30 to holders
or whares with the folowing dividends which
were paid on the oid $\$ 10$ par value stock (now replaced by a like number Were opaid on the oid \$10 par values stock (now repplaced by a a like number
of shares without par value): 1922, $\$ 1.50 ; 1923, \$ 1 ; 1924, \$ 1.50 ; 1925$, Als, and in Jan. 1926, \$1. Aifred Jacobsen, former managing director of the Mexican Eagle Oin Co.,
has been elected aVice-President of the Amerada Corp Erest B. Tracy,
Dean Mathey, Jonn H. Hillman Jr. and John M. Lovejoy have been elected directors.-V. 122, p. 1458. .

## American Chain Co., Inc.-Annual Report.

Consolidated Statement of Earnings for 1225 . Months Ended Dec. Income from operations (net) Deprec.
Income tax - Federal and foreign-...
Dinidends on new class A stock
Dividends on commons stock
Divs. on stock redeemed April $2 \overline{19} \overline{2} \overline{3} \overline{-1}$

\$1,201,376
$\$ 553,765 \$ 2,036,153$



## V. $122, \mathrm{p}$

 Catendar Years-
Gross oper. revenue
xOperating expenses.
Net operating income_ $\begin{aligned} & \$ 1,437.394 \\ & \text { Inc. from divs. \& int...- } \\ & 112,893\end{aligned}$
$\begin{array}{r}\$ 1,364,319 \\ 97,707 \\ \hline\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{r}4,767, \\ \hline \begin{array}{r}\$ 1,409, \\ 80\end{array},\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{r}4,475,230 \\ \hline\end{array}$
$\underset{\text { Tnt. on }}{\text { Total }}$


| Balance, surplus...... |
| :---: |
| Previous surplus. |
| $\left.\begin{array}{c}\text { S1,547,269 } \\ 5,209,398 \\ \hline\end{array}\right)$ |


Divs. on old stock--r-
Divs. on new common
Approp. for red. of pref-
Profit and loss surplus $\overline{\$ 5,719,314} \overline{\$ 5,209,398} \xlongequal{\$ 4,449,374} \xlongequal{\$ 3,709,403}$ x Including repairs, reserved for depreciation,
taxes, miscellaneous interest.-V. 121, p. 1910 .
American International Corp.-Capital Decreased.The stockholders on April 7 voted to decrease the authorized capital
tock by $\$ 900,000$ preferred stock which was retired during 1925. President Matthew. Brush stated that the corporation's holdings in
Ulen \& Co. were $37.95 \%$ of the stock outstanding but that the corporation Was committed to take additional stock up to a total of $42.5 \%$. H He said nothing, but that it had a substantial value, as the company was doing satisfactorily.-V. 122, p. 2046.

American Ice Co.-Financial Report.-Period-
Gross receipts Yr. End 14 Mos. End.-Years Ended Oct. 31-
Dec. 31.25 . Dec. 31 . $24.1922-23$. 1921 -22. Income from investm'ts,
interest, discount, \&c. Dec. 31 '25. Dec. 31'24.
$\$ 18,718,610$
$\$ 17,325,303$
$\$ 16,121,366$
$\$ 16,000,404$ Tess cost of merchandise $\overline{\$ 19,141,965} \frac{365,858}{\$ 17,691,161} \frac{331,070}{\$ 16,452,436} \frac{346,577}{\$ 16,346,981}$



 Balance, surplus.---- $\$ 1,534,098 \quad \$ 327,152 \quad \$ 413,718 \quad \$ 861,878$ 1925. $\qquad$



 Prep dins.prem.\&c
Inventory of mer$\begin{array}{ll}\begin{array}{ll}808,367 \\ 515,360\end{array} & 1,20,00,045 \\ 506,425\end{array}$
Fund investments.

American Linseed Co.-Preferred Dividends for Year.The directors have declared four regular quarterly dividends of $13 \% \%$ and April 1 1927, to holders' of lecord June 18, Sept. 17 and Dec. 171926.

Interest dividends...
Net profit.
previous sur
Profit on sale of invest
$\begin{array}{r}3294.046 \\ 5.750 .438 \\ \hline----\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lll}\$ 1,237,947 \\ 4.697 .045 \\ \text { def. } 8837,572 \\ 5,654,617 & \$ 791,119 \\ 4,863,498\end{array}$ Extracrdinary charges. $\qquad$ Dr. 145.728
Dr.289.18 Dr. $\overline{120} 0,0 \overline{0} \overline{1}$ $\qquad$

American Solvents \& Chemical Corp.-Trustee.-
The Chase National Bank has been appointed trustee for an issue of
American Stores Co., Phila.-Expansion.-
The company has opened 73 new stores since Jan. 11926 . Of these
new stores 29 had been opened in January, 21 in February and 23 in March news stores an had
In addition company acquired early last month the 46 stores of the
Fred P. Bell Stores Co. in Philadelphia.
American Type Founders Co.-Earnings.-

American Zinc, Lead \& Smelting Co.-Annual Report.


 Total surplus Dec. $31 \overline{\$ 1,914,415} \overline{\$ 1,926,655} \overline{\$ 1,991,808} \overline{\$ 2,032,035}$
Armour \& Co. (Ill.).-Attorney-General Seeks to Have Packers' Consent Decree Restored. -
The Department of Justice, according to Washington dispatches, is plan-
ning to begin Court proceedings to have restored the packers consent decree of 1920 , which restrained the large packing concerns from engaging in related industries. The decree was suspended by the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia about a year ago. Frank $K$. Nebeker has been appointed
special assistant to the Attorney-General to handle the case.-V. 122, p. special assist
2046,1602 .
Auburn (Ind.) Automobile Co.-Sales.-
At the close of the first quarter, President E. L. Cord reports sales of of $306 \%$ over the same period of last year, when 839 cars were sold January, with 838 cars, was the largest month in the history of the com-
pany. pany. The next largest month was June of last year with 824 cars. In March sales amounted to 1,492 cars, 1 represent less than 15 days business Many dealers have more retail orders on hand than the total cars in stock. The export business for March amounted to 152 cars as compared
to 42 cars for the same period last year. The first
waaretr export business
was 268 cars as compared to 84 cars in. 1925 .-f. 122 , p. 1459 .

Autocar Co., Ardmore, Pa.-New Directors.-
Four new directors were elected to the board at the annual meeting of the stockholderts on Apreil 9. They are L. L. L. Wood ward, who merecently
became President of the company. H. Arthur Smith, Herbert Sinclair and W. W. Battles. The company did over $\$ 18,000,00$ gross business in 19
$\$ 396,000$ net profits, it is stated. See also V. 122, p. 2046 .
Automobile Finance Co.-Listing.-
The Pittsburgh Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 22,000
shares (par 825 ) value) common stock. Company was originally organized in 1917 as the Automobile Finance Co
of Pittsburgh with a capital of $\$ 20.000$ which was subsequently increased to $\$ 1,000,000$. In Feb. 1922, the company was incorp. under title of Automobile Finance Co., at which time, stockholders received one share of
preferred stock and 2 shares of common stock for each share held. Company confines its operations to the discounting of automobile paper only 1 It
purchases the accounts receivable on time sales contracts from the distri butors and dealers in the automobile business, paying the dealer or distributor in full for the amount they sell the automooile for and collecting from wholesales cars for distributors or dealers, i.e., when a dealer desires to place cars in his show room but does not have the money to pay the manufacturer in full, the company advances him $80 \%$ or the cost, taking in return a lease on the automobile together with bild of sale and storage receipt; the
company protecting its interest by fire and theft insurance until the car is sold by the dealer.
$7 \%$ cumulative preferred stock
 Cash dividends have been regularly paid on the pleferred 10,500 shs date of issue. On the common stock, cash dividends have been paid semi-
annually on April and Oct. 1, beginning Oct. 1 1922, at the following
amounts per annum: 1922, $\$ 1 ; 1923, \$ 2 ; 1924, \$ 4 ; 1925, \$ 1$.

Expenses --.

Baush Machine Tool Co,-To Issue Stock.- $\qquad$ 312,37 The stockholders have voted to issue 40,000 additional shares of no-par
common stock to Richard F . Hoyt at $\$ 17.50$ per share during the year conmmon star 1 , 1927 and at $\$ 25$ per share, du ing the year ending March
endin
11928 . If the stock is not taken by Mr. Hoyt by that time it shall be
tssued as the stockholders may hereinafter deter Issued as the stockholders may hereinafter determine
The companay has also mamended its charter extending the scope of its
business.-V. 122, p. 174. business.-V. 122, p. 1174.
Bethlehem Steel Corp.-Definitive Stock Certificates.It is announced that interim receipts in respect of $7 \%$ cumul. pref.
stock may be surrenderedo on or after Prili 14 at the Guaranty Trust Co.
140 Broadway N. Y. City, to be exchanged for certificates of stock may be surrendered on or arexchanged for certificates of $7 \%$, cumui.
140 Bradway. N. Y. City, to be exter
pref. stock of the corporation, (see also V .122 , p. 1174).-V. Bing \& Bing, Inc.- Earnings.-
Earnings from management, construction, \&c. \$403,209; net
Ent
 Expenses, $\$ 90,705$; res. for deprec. \& amort., $\$ 105,823$; total - Net income 122 , p. 485,351 .

Bloor-St. George Realty, Ltd., Toronto.-Bonds of-fered.-Gairdner \& Co., Ltd., and Stewart, Scully \& Co., (closed) mtge. 20-year sinking fund gold bonds. \& Dated Feb. 15 1926; maturing Feb. 15 1946. Principal and int. (Feb. Montreal, Ottawa, Hamilton and London, Ont. Denom. $\$ 1.000, \$ 500$
 for each year but in no case lowe
Executor Co. Toronto trustee.
Property.-A block of land at the Southeast corner of Bloor and St. George
Sts. Tronto, having a frontage of about 198 feet on Bloor St., by about
18,
 apartment house containing approximately 79 suites comprising 300 rooms. Rental. Estimate. Gibson Bros. realtors, Toronto, managers of "The St
George, estimate that the net revenue from rentals, atter providing for George, estimate that the net revenue from rentals, atter providing f
foll peprating charges and deducting 10\% for vacancies, wil be $\$ 71,8$
or twice interest requirements (of $\$ 35,700$ on the first mortgage bonds.
Bush Terminal Co. - New Directors.
G. Dominickent to the moard of the election of Harirectors.-V. 122, p. 2047 . Dillon and Gayer

By-Products Coke Corp.-Earnings.Pet earns. before deprec.

Canadian Consolidated Rubber Co., Ltd.-Report.-
 Balance, surplus.....
$-\mathrm{V} .120, \mathrm{p} .2273$.
$\$ 133,871$
$\$ 530,456$
$\$ 696,044$
der $. \$ 781,876$
Carter's Ink Co., Boston.-Stock Dividend.-
The company has issued 5.500 additional shares of common A stock per consists of 4334 shares of preferred, 11,500 shares of common A and 1136
shares common ${ }^{\text {. }}$." -V. 112, p. 655.
Case-Fowler Lumber Co., Macon, Ga.-Bonds Offered. -Courts \& Co., Atlanta, Ga., are offering at 100 and int. $\$ 500,000$ 1st (closed) mtge. $7 \%$ sinking fund gold bonds.
Dated April 1 1926; Due April 1.1936 . Principal and int. (A. \& O.)
payable at Bank of America, N. Y. City. or Fourth National Bank, Atlanta,
 1934, and thereafter at 100 and int . 1 ith an original capital of $\$ 28,000$, and
Company, -Organized in 1910 . with an with the exception of an additional \$30.000 later put in the business. the present capital has been built up entrely out of earnings. Principal plant
pocated in Macon. Ga.. covering beres on the main line of the Central
of Georgia Ry. Company manufactures hardwood lumber, which is sold of Georgia Ry. Company manuractured interior trim and moldings. The
rough and manuactura imto hardwood states to factory consumers and retaill lumber yards. Company does a large export business through brokers in Liverpool,
London, Glasgow, Hamburg, Copenhagen and Genoa.
Earnings.- Net earnings before depreciation and Federal taxes have averaed $\$ 23$ - 1,297 per year for the past 8 years, or 6.6 times the maximum interest charges on these bonds, and for the year 1925 earnings were $\$ 304,466$
or 87 times interest equirements on bands.
pernings
are atter paying interest on current incebted after present financing. Purpoose. -Proceeds are to be used to complete the purchase of land upon
which the plants are located, to liquidate current indebtedness, and to which the plants are located, to liquidate current indebtedness, and to
provide additional working capital. $\$ 25,000$ bonds each year in semi-annual amounts, and in addition an amount equal to $15 \%$ of the net profits of the company is to be paid into
the sinking fund at the end of each fiscal year, the total annual sinking fund the sinking fund at the end of each fiscal year, the total annual sinking fund
not to exceed an amount sufficient to retire $\$ 50.000$ face value of bonds. not sinking fund is to be used to purchase bonds in the open market, or to Tall bonds by lot at the current call price.
Listing. Application will be made to list
tock Exchange.
Central Plaza Apartments, Chicago.-Bonds Offered.Standard Trust \& Savings Bank, Chicago, are offering at par and int. $\$ 325,00061 / 2 \%$ 1st mtge. real estate gold bonds. Dated Jan. 25 1926; due semi-annually Aug. 1927-Feb. 1933. Interest
payable F. Aed. at $1021 /$ and int. In reverse or their numerical order
upon any int. date, on 30 days ' notice. Borrower agrees to pay the normal upon any int. date, on 30 days' notice. Borrower agrees to pay the normal
Federal incoe tax, not exceding $4 \%$. in fee and the trstory and basement fireproof building now being erected at 313 to 325 inclusive, North Central Avenue, Chicago. The mortgage
is also a first lien on the earnings to be derived from the building. The is also a frrst lien on the earnings to be derived from the builing.
building will contain 25 apartments of 2 rooms, kitchenette, bedroom and buth, and 58 one room kitchenette and bath each, all completely furnished including in-a-dor beds and kitchenette equipment of standard type,
with mechanical refrigeration. There will also be 4 shops and a large with mechanical refrigeration.
Earnings.-Entimated gross income is approximately $\$ 114,000$. After
deducting operating expenses, taxes and allowing for vacancies that may occur, net annual income should be approximately $31 / 2$ timestes the greatest may annual interest charge on this loan and greatly
sufficient to meet all serial payment requirements.

Chicago Post Office Service Station (Chicago Post Office Service Building Corp.).-Bonds Offered.-G. L Ohrstrom Co., Inc., New York, are offering at $983 / 4 /$ and int. to yield over $5.65 \%, \$ 850,000$ 1st (closed) mtge. $51 / 2 \%$ sink
Dated May 1 1926: due Nor. A. 1936 . Principal payable at Chicago
Titie \& Trust Co. Chicago, trustee. Int. (M. \&N.) payable at New York Trust Co., New York. Denom. $\$ 500$ and $\$ 1.000 \mathrm{c}^{*}$. Red all or part, for
sinking fund purposes, on any int. date upon 30 days' notice to
 deduction of that portion of any Federal income tax not in oxcess of $11 / / 2 \%$
Refund of the Penn. and Conn. 4-mills tax, Maryland $41 / 2$-mills tax and
Mass. income tax not to exceed 6 . Location.-The Chicago Post Office Service station, designed to meet the requirements or the between Morgan and Aberdeen Sts. This location was
gress St. in Chicago, bet
selected by the United States Post Office Department and is an average solected by the United States Post Orfice Department and is an average
distance of 8 blocks from the Van Buren and Quincy Street Station post
officil offices, from which $75 \%$ of all the parcel post mail of Chicago is handled.
Building. Whill consist of 3 sories and a large basement and will be of
modern fireproof. concrete, beam and girder construction. It will have unusually heavy floor capacity, 60 foot spans, and will be equipped with of the building and in the rear. The building will be used for storage
the motor and servicing of motor venicles of the Post Ofrice Department of the City
of Chicago and will be the largest building or its type in the country occupied
oef Security. - These bonds will be secured by a closed first mortgage on the land and building owned in fee
An issue of series B bonds aggregating $\$ 150,000$ and subordinate in lien
to the $\$ 850.000$ series A bonds (this issue) will be issued and secured by the trust deed of this issue.
Earnings.-The U. S. Government has contracted for the lease of the
ant bire building for a period extending beyond the maturity of these bonds, this issue is $\$ 46,750$. The Gover The maximum annual interest charge of maintenance or equinment at its own expense, recucing the operating
expenses of this building to the minimum. The contract with the U. S . ortion to purchase at the end of fine years for $\$ 925,0.00$, at that the the ond or three years for $\$ 965$ years for $\$ 815,0000$
at which time there will be outstanding bonds of this series in an amount at which time ther
less than $\$ 600,000$
City Investing Co.-Listing.-
The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of $\$ 6,000,000$ Consolidated Income Account Years Ended April
Net
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Incer
V. 116 , p. 1182 .

Congress Cigar Co., Inc.-Listing.-
The New York Stock Exchange has aut
shares of capital stock without par value.
Statement of Earninos-Catendar Years.

Conley Tank \& Car Co.- $200 \%$ Stock Dividend.
A dispatch from Pittsburgh states that a $200 \%$ stock dividend is being
paid as of Aprii 16 on the common stock. It is the intention of the director paid ase the new stock on a dividend basis of $\$ 2$ per share onnuealiry which
to place
corresponds to the rate heretofore paid on the old stock.-V. 122, p. 1616

- Consolidated Distributors, Inc.-Listing.-

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing on or after
April 15 of 150,000 additional shares of common stock without par value, on official notice of issuance and payment in full, making the total amount stock were offered pro rata to stockholders of record March 26 of common tion at $\$ 375$ per share in the proportion of one such share for each two
shares held. Rights expired April $15 .-\mathrm{V}$. 122, p. 1769, 1032 .

## Consolidated Laundries Corp. (of Md.).-Initial Div.

 The directors have declared an initial quarterly dividend of 50 cents per record April 15 (see also offering of stock pay vable April 30 to holders orp. 1616 . 121 , p. 3008 ).-V. 122
Consolidated Sand Co., Ltd., Montreal.-Pref. Stock Offered.-Equitable Securities Corp., Ltd., and Johnston \& Ward, Montreal, are offering $\$ 415,0007 \%$ cumul. redeemable sinking fund 1st pref. stock at par ( $\$ 100$ ) and div., with bonus of $1 / 4$ share of no par value common stock with every share of preferred.
Dividends accrue from April 1 1926, and are payable Q.-J. in Canadian able all or part, at $\$ 110$ and div., upon 30 days' notice. Transfer agents,
and Montreal T
Capitaliza
$7 \%$ cumul.
 Common stock (no par value)
Company.-Controls practicaliy all the avaliable washed san 5.000 shs. mercial quantities within 150 miles of Montreal and handles about $75 \%$
of this sand used for building purposes in Montreal and the vicinity.
Com-
pany represents a growth of 15 years and is a consolidation of the three
leading sand companies in Montreal. Through ownership in fee simple and long term leases rom the Quebec. Govt. of 693 acres of the bed of the Lake or wo Mountains, and 127 acres at the mouth or to company control. what is to intents and purposes an inexhaustible
Ruppry of the finest grade of river sand. In addition the company has a fleet of 28 tugs, barges, scows, floating
cranes and pump scows. and 2 large discharging and distributing plants at cranes and pump scows, and 2 large discharging and distributing plants at
Wellington St. and Ottawa st. on the Lachine Canal with all the necessary equipment for handling and distributing the sand as it is brought from
the Lake of Two Mountains and Three Rivers. Earnings.- Average net operating profit for the 3 years and 8 months
ended Dec. 311925 , after operating expenses, including maintenance, repairs and depreciation amounted to $\$ 60,735$ annually. This is equal to ontstanding common stock, atter requiding for sor sink sing fund reauirements
on the preferred shares. The sales of sand and earnings for 1925 were largest in the history of the company, and net operating profits amounted thare on the common stock, after allowing for the sinking funds, and $\$ 7$ a Sinking Fund.- Charter provides for an annual sinking fund of $10 \%$ of the net earnings, after payment of dividends on the 1st pref. stock. This
fund will be used for the purchase in the open market or by lot at prices not exceeding the redemption
purchased shall be cancelled.

Consolidated Mining \& Smelting Co. of Can., Ltd.Income Account-Calendar Years.

Total-...............
Ore, previous year-
Custom ore-......
General expenses-...--
Deveropment
Deprectionion.
Den
Directors' fees
Written off-
Bond interest-...
Government taxes.-
Balance-..............
Profitand loss balan
Consumers Rock \& Gravel Co., Los Angeles.-Bonds.Dean, Witter \& Co., San Francisco, and Bank of Italy, Los Angeles, are offering at prices to yield from 6\% to 7\%, according to maturity, $\$ 500,000$ 1st (closed) mtge. $7 \%$ serial gold bonds
Dated Mar. 1 1926; due serially Sept. 1 1927-38, incl. Callable all or Y/ of $1 \%$ for each year or fraction thereof of unexpired. life, said red. price not to exceed $103 \%$ of the par value plus int. Denom. $\$ 1,000$ and $\$ 500$ o ${ }^{*}$. forniast Normal Federal income tax up to $2 \%$ paid at the source. Bank
of Itaiy, trustee
of Itaiy, trustee. Company.-Incorp. in 1912 and came under the control of the present stockholders and management in the latter part of 1913 . Company owns
in fee over 14 acres of land situated at the corner of 26 th and South Alamed Streets, Los Angeles, which is splendidly adapted to its needs, and which is also exceedingly valuable for industrial purposes. Four plants in the San
Fernando Valley, together with 120 acres of 1 and Fernando Valley, together with 120 acres of land owned in fee and a lease company intends to use approximately $\$ 350$ appraised at $\$ 1.034$ of the proceeds of this bond issue for the construction of a new plant with a yearly capacity of $1,000,000$ tons of material and for improvements and bettorments to existing plants. to approximately $\$ 2.110 .627$, or more than 4 times the amount of this first closed mortgage bond issue.
taxes and all other charges for the depreciation, depletion. Federal and local aged more than 3 times the maximum annual interest charges have averand more than 5 times average annual interest charges. This is without Giving effect to the operations of 2 plants in the San Fernando Valley which
have recently been acquired. The management anticipates that additions and improvements to be made from the proceeds of this issue will materially increase net earnings.
Sinking Fund. $A$ sinking fund based on material sold will be provided which mu operate monthy, commencing May 1 1926, to retire bonds Capital Stock.-Authorized and outstanding, $\$ 300,000$ (par $\$ 1$ ).
Continental Can Co.-Usual Dividend.-
per share on the common stock, no par value, payable May 15 of $\$ 125$ of record May 5 . On Feb. 15 last, an extra dividend of Si per share was
paid on thisis issue in addition to a regular quarterly dividend of $\$ 125$

Continental Gin Co., Inc., Birmingham, Ala.-Pref. Stock Sold.-Trust Co. of Georgia, Atlanta, has sold at 100 and div., $\$ 3,000,0007 \%$ cum. conv. pref. (a. \& d.) stock, being the unsold portion of the issue presently outstanding. The $\$ 3,000,000$ of stock disposed of was taken by interests ong associated with the company. [The offering does not involve new financing in behalf of the company. See under
'Purposes of Issue."]
Dividends, payable quarterly from Apr. 1 1926. red. all or part at 105
nd divs, at any time, upon 60 days notice. Trust Co, of Ger and divs. at any time. upon 60 days notice. Trust Co. of Georgia, A tlanta,
and Chase National Bank, Nev York, transfer agents. Atlanta \& Lowry
 Listing. Application will be made to tist both the preferred and common
stocks on the New York Stock Exchange.

Data from Letter of Thomes Elio
Company. - A Delaware corporation: business if Prent of Company.
100 years old, the company having been organized Dec. 11899 with a capital of $\$ 2,000,000$ as a consolidation of five concerns, the oldest of
which was organized in 1833 , and the next oldest in 1836 . All of the properties merged were successfully operated prior to the organization
 and the world production was nearly $28,000,000$ bases. $5,103,586$ of wales whics, is
astimated $10,000,000$ bales passed through machinery manufactured by this company. eying machisery and all appliances necessary for the ginning and handling of cotton; also steam and internal combustion engines. Company's prodncts the company manufactures more than $51 \%$ of all the cotton gins sold hroughout the worla
Plants are located in Atlanta, Ga., Birmingham, Ala.. Dallas, Texas,
Prattville, Ala., and Memphis, Tenn., the Birmingham plant having been Prattrille, Ala, completed in 1925 at a co, of of more than $\$ 2,000,000$.ing been
designed and
Sinking Fund.-Beginning Oct. 11927 , company agrees to retire not less than 1,000 shares of the preferred stock, each 6 monythtees this rinire not less is cumulativeck which is retired each year. The sinking fund is casing the amount of stock which is retrea each year. Pre sinking fund is calculated
to retire all of the preferred stock to be presently outstanding, within a
veriod of aporoximately 18 years.

Purpose of Issue.- This preferred stock is issued in pursuance of a change
in the financial structure of the company and does not involve the payment of any funds to or the withdrawal of any moneys from the company's treasury. The financial plan was formulated for the purpose of makikg available to the company securities which may be sold from time to time
for such further development of its business as may, in the opinion of the


 of company is Earrincs. The average net earnings for the last three years after Federal
taxes and depreciation were $\$ 1,205,539$ or nearly 3 times the avera
 after Federal taxes and depreciation were $\$ 1,681,915$, or more than 4 times dividend requirements on this preferred stock, and nearly $2 \% / 4$ times com-
bined dividend and sinking fund requirements. Consolidated Balance Sheet, November 301925.


$\overline{810,423,214}$
Dayton Rubber Manufacturing Co.-Bonds Offered.The Union Trust Co., Chicago, is offering at prices to yield from $5 \%$ to $6 \%$, according to maturity, $\$ 750,0006 \%$ serial gold notes.
Date April 1 1926; due in annual payments of $\$ 150,000$ beginning in 1927 Company enjoys, a national reputation in its field, and its products are standard equipment on more than 25 different makes of automobiles.
For the year 1926 the net earnings were over ten times the largest annual interest requirements of this issue of notes. interest requirements ond sheet as of Dec. 31 . 1925 , after . giving effect to the
Company's balace
sale of these notes, shows current assets of $\$ 2,807,924$, as compared with sale of these notes, shows current assets of $\$ 2.807,924$, as compared with
$\$ 531,178$ current liabilities, a ratio of over $51 / 4$ to $1 .-\mathrm{V}$. 117 , p. 1132 .

Dodge Bros., Inc.-Changes in Personnel-To Acquire Complete Control of Graham Brothers.-
Edwin G. Wilmer, formerly Chairman of the Board, has been elected President, succeeding Frederick Jil Haynes, who becomes Chairman.
It is announced that Mr. Wilmer wil resign his position as Charman of the Board of the Goodyear Tire The directors announced April 14 that the company had decided to exercise its option to acquire the remaining $49 \%$ of the common stocl
of Graham Brothers. manufacturers of trucks and buse thus or Graham Brothers, manufacturers of trucks and buses, thus giving
Dodge $100 \%$ ownership in this company. As a result, Ray A. Graham Dodge
Robert Cow Granam and Josenh B. G. Graham are resit, Ray A. Graham,
positions held by them in Dodge Brothers since the latter the executive positions held by them in Dodge Brothers since the latter comp.
acquired a stock interest in Graham Brothers.-V. 122 , p. 2048.
Durant Motors, Inc.- Sale of "Star" Cars.-
Factory sales of star cars in the first quarter of 1926 were 31,695 against
20,197 in the same period of 1925 January sales were 8,405 cars; Feb10,392 cars and March 12,898 cars.-V. 122 , p. 487 .
(T. L.) Durocher Co.-Bonds Offered.-Benjamin Dansard \& Co., Livingston \& Co., Detroit, and First National Bank, Negaunee, Mich., are offering at prices to yield from $6 \%$ to $61 / 2 \%$, according to maturity, $\$ 250,000$ (closed) 1st mtge. $61 / 2 \%$ serial gold bonds.
Dated Mar. 15 1926; due serially 1926-1936. Denom. $\$ 1,000$, $\$ 500$ and
$\$ 100$ c*. Interest payable either at the office of the Union Trust Co Detroit trustee, or First National Bank, Negaunee, Mich. Principal payable at the office of the trustee. Red., all or part, on any int. date on 60 Company is one of the iarrest enaneral mararine contrax up to to $2 \%$ paid. Lakes engaged in harbor, breakwater, wrecking and general marine con
struction. At the present time the company is constructing on Fryin Island in the St. Mary's River a modern coaling dock to be used for fueling lake steamers, and which it will operate under a coal handling agreement
with the Valley Camp Coal Co. of Cleveland Ohio. with the Valley Camp Coal Co. of Cleveland, Ohio.
These bonds are the direct obligation of the company and are secured by first mortgage on their entire holdings of land, buildings, vessels docks and
the coaling dock now being completed. The trustee will hold in escrow
from the poeds from the proceeds of the bonds a sum sufficient to insure the completion
of the coal dock. Appraisal of these properties by
 Federal taxes for the 3 -year period ending Dec, 31 , 1925 , were $\$ 46,883$. Valley Camp Coal Co. contract calls for a minimum payment to the estimated at $\$ 6.000$ a year. leaving a net minimum income from this source of $\$ 14,000$ per annum. The total minimum earnings, therefor, are esti-
mated at over $\$ 60,000$ per year, or four times the annual interest charges on this issue
Proceeds from the sale of these bonds will be used to complete the new coaling dock and for other corporate purposes.

Eaton Axle \& Spring Co.-Shipments.-
 p. 2048.

Electric Refrigeration Corp.-Initial Dividends.50 cents per share April 13 declared an initial quarteriy cash dividend of 50 cents per share and a $1 / 4$ stock dividend on the outstanding, 57,250
sharer of eapital stock, no par value, both payable May 1 to holders of
record April 19. record April 19.
Net profit for
Net profit for the quarter ended March 31 1926, was $\$ 969,885$ before
taxes compared with consolidated profit of Kelvinator, Nizer and Grand Rapids Refrigerating companies of $\$ 664,193$ in the corresponding quarter
of $1925 .-\mathrm{V} .122, \mathrm{p} .1460$. of 1925.- 122, p. 1460.
Electric Storage Battery Co.-Listing.-
The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 25,000 addi-
tional shares of common stock without par value, on official notice of issutione, making the total amount applied for 824,173 shares.
anctice of issuThe purpose or this issue will be to carry out contracts with the company's
employees for the purchase of stock on an installment basis under the company's plan to aid employees to become stockholders. The proceeds com-
the sale will be used for general corporate purposes.-V. 122 , p. 1616 .

European Mortgage \& Investment Corp.-Bds. Ready. Permanent 1 st lien gold farm sinking fund bonds, series "A" $71 / 2 \%$, are
now ready to be issued in exchange for outttanding interior certificates now reayy to be iscued in exchange for outstanding interior certificates
at the offices of Lee, Higginson \&
offering of bonds, see V . 122, p.

European Shares, Inc.-Acquires Equity in 17 German Corporations.-
Announcement was made this week that the corporation has accuired an
quity ownership in 17 different German banking, utility and industrial corporations.
"While European Shares, Inc. is in no way obligated to restrict its buying
the announcement said, "the most attractive opportunities so far available have been in Germany, altho mougst atituataction in
osperal several other European states have been carefully studided and investigated. The securities purchased are largely payers, and at recent date there had
been a substantial appreciation in the market value of these securities over their cost price. In one or two instances small amounts of stock have been sold at substantial profits. The income return on the securities held by European shares is naturally 2 to $3 \%$ greater than would be realized from
American stocks of corresponding investment standing."-V. 122, p. 219

Elk Horn Coal Corp.-Listing.-
The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of $\$ 1,500,000$ 6 -year $7 \%$ coupon debenture notes, due Dec. Dithed 1931
 Notes recelvable Interest_-Stks. of oth. cos.
Assets in hands of sinking funds... sinking funds
Unamort. bd. dis. $\&$ expenses. Unexpired insur--
Sundry debits \& unadjust. items. $x$ Including surplus,

Equitable Office Building Corp.-Listing.- $\$ 4,968,000$ $7 \%$ convertible cumulative pref. stock (par $\$ 100$ ).

|  | Earnings. | Depreciat'n. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1921 | Earnings. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Depreciat' } n . \\ & \$ 39,696 \end{aligned}$ | Prov.forFed.Tax. <br> \$9,074 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NetProfit. } \\ & \$ 247,365 \end{aligned}$ |
| 1922 | *1,182,533 | 394,980 | 142,448 | 645,105 |
| 1923 | *1,227,403 | 394,622 | 82,623 | 750,157 |
| 1924 | *1,318,363 | 394,536 | 100.484 | 823,345 |
| 192 | *1,462,492 | 394,469 | 135,137 | 932,885 |
|  | 1,051,603 | 179,517 | 91,168 | 780,916 |

*After eliminating income on securities assigned in plan of
April 1925. x 8 months ended Dec. 31. $V .121$, p. 3010 .
Fageol Motors Co., Oakland, Calif.-Annual Report. President L. H. Bill, Feb. 19, says in part:
On Dec. ${ }^{1}$ 1925, this company made a new contract with the Fageol Co. of Ohio is granted the right to use the name Fageol, also the name Safety Coach and any patents or desigss, in fact the right to duplicate our
product in all territory East of the Rocky product in all territory East of the Rocky Mountains in the United States,
also Canada, Cuba, Europe and the East coast of South America. For this grant the Ohio company is to pay to this company, annually, a mini-
mum rovalty of $\$ 75,000$ and a maximum of $\$ 300.000$ until such time as mum royalty of $\$ 7,0000$ and a maximum of $\$ 300.000$ until such, time as
 Chassis phant at Kent. including inventory. It It also provinvestment in
California company can have a supply of Hall-Scott motors at that the tame
It California company can have a supply of Hall-scatt motors at the same
price at which the Hall-scott company sell the ohio company, these prices
to be established Janury For the past 8 montos negotiations have been under way with the principals who have formed the American Car \& Foundry Motors Co., a Delaware corporation controlled by the American Car \& Foundry Co. and J. G.
Brill Co., The American Car \& Foundry Motors Co. have acquired 100\% of the stock of the Fageol Motors Co. of Ohio and $70 \%$ of the entire capital stock of the Hall-scott Motor Car Co. and the overtures made to this company contemplated the exchange of the securities of the Fageol Motors Co. There was no cash to be paid in this contemplated merger. On or about Dec. 7 we received a written offer from the American Car \& Foundry
Motors Co. offering an exchange of securities. It was in such form, howMotors Co. offering an exchange of securities. It was in such form, how-
ever, and so indefinite that when this proposal was placed before the direcorm presented it was not acceptable and was not deemed advisable or practical to submit to the stockholders. has been effective. Under this arrangement our volume of business must necessarily be reduced because the Fageeol Motors Co. of Ohio will not only
build bodies but will also build the chassis and the loss of this chassis busigess will reduce our gross volume. Our relations with the Fageol Motors with them but also with the Hall-scott Motor Car Co. and the American Car \& Foundry Motors Co. in close cooperafion.
Income Account for Year Ended Dec. 311925 and Recapitulation of


Reserve for Weights and measures, $\$ 34,000$; for worthless accts.,

$5,345,688$
546,214

Balance surplus for year ended Dec. 311925
111,989
58,252
65,848

Total profit and loss surplus.
 $\$ 481,742$
Final surplus


| Balance Sheet Dec. 31. |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Assets- | 1925. | 1924. | Liabilties- | 1925. | 1924. |
| Real estate, plant |  |  | Preferred stock. | \$840,000 | \$831,220 |
| and equipment. | \$295,363 | \$321,154 | Com. stock \& surp. | x511,142 | 201,018 |
| Current assets. | 1,912,399 | 1,356,160 | Current llabilities. | 695,586 | 417,363 |
| Deferred charges.. | 37,955 | 15,652 | Deferred liabilitles | 50,143 | 13,292 |
|  |  |  | Reserves (including | 148,845 | 130,072 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |


Fanny Farmer Candy Shops, Inc.-Sales.-
Period end. Mar. 3
Sales.
V. $122, \mathrm{p} .1924$.
Federal Finance Corp., Indianapolis.-To Change Name.-
The stockholders will vote May 3 on changing the name of the corpora
tion to Federal Prucchase Cor
Federal Home Mortgage Co.-Bonds Offered.-R. W. Evans \& Co., Inc., New York, are offering at 100 and int. $\$ 1,000,000$ guaranteed $6 \%$ 1st mtge. coll. trust gold bonds, Series A, maturing Feb. 1 1931-1941, inclusive.
Denominations s. 8100, , 8500 and 81,000 . Callable at any time up to
Feb. 1931 at 102 plus int. after 1931 at 100 .
Interest payable semi-annu-

pays the interest without deduction of the normal Federal income tax up
to $2 \%$. Security.- Bonds are secured by first mortgages on fee simple real estate,
 ar not greater than $60 \%$ of the independent appriased value by independent
appraisers satisfactory and approved by the guaranteeing companies, but in actual practice the mortgages which have been approved for this series do not a verage in excess of $50 \%$ of this independent appraised v
average loan at this time for this series will not exceed $\$ 4,000$. These bonds are the direct obligation of the Federal Home Mortgaco which company has been approved by the National Surety Co. In addition to the prime obligations of the borrower and the direct obligation of the company, the National surety Co guarantee the payment of these bonds Diversification.-Unusual diversification is secured by selecting first mortgages from widely separated, prosperous localities, and the mortgages

Feltman \& Curme Shoe Stores Co., Chicago.-Pref. Stock Sold.-Merrill, Lynch \& Co. have sold \$1,500,000 $7 \%$ cumul. pref. (a. \& d.) stock at $\$ 110$ per share and div., including warrant to purchase one share of Class B common stock at $\$ 35$ per share at any time not later than Sept. 1 1930. For further data see V. 122, p. 1771

Fifth Avenue \& 28th Street Realty Co., Inc.-Certfs.oan are ready for delivery at the United States Mortgage \& Trust Co. of New York, upon surrender of the outstanding temporary certificates. For ofrering, see V. 121, p. 2757, 2645.
First National Stores, Inc.-Sales.-

Increase.
$\$ 604,423$ Income Account for Year ended Dec. So 31925.
Uncluding earnings and surpluses of John T. O'Knor Co., O'Keefe's, Inc., and inter Co., Operating, seling, general and administrative expenses..
Operating profit
Other income
$\begin{array}{r}\text { 811,483,428 } \\ 9,207,294 \\ \hline\end{array}$

Total income
Deprect $\$ 320$, provision for Fed. taxes, $\$ 2 \overline{2} \overline{6}, 289$; total.
Dividends $\$ 2,337,150$
$1,076,499$
1.00,110

Total surplus

| $\$ 1,991,431$ |
| :---: |
| 168,149 |

raxes, \&c., applic. to prior years, and var. provisions \& reserves
$\overline{\$ 1,253,751}$
122, p. 1461, 1318
Fisk Rubber Co.-Complaint Dismissed.-
The Federal Trade Commission has dismissed its complaint against the
company, tire manufacturers of Chicopee Falls. Mass. The complaint charged the respondent with substantially lessening competition between itseif and the Federal Rubber Mfg. Co., of Cudahy. Wisc., in the sale and tion of approximately $51 \%$ of the stock or share capital of the Federal Rub-

Fleischmann Co.-Sales-Earnings
President Joseph Wilshire says in part: Sales for the first quarter or 1926 compared with the first quarter of 1925 show increases in various
products of from $20 \%$ to $40 \%$. Earnings for the first quarter of 1926 will show an approximate increase of $40 \%$ to $45 \%$ compared with the same period in 1925 . The volume of business done in the first quarter of any
year in this industry is invariably lower than that done in succeeding In view of the increases shown above, the outlook for 1926 is exceedingly good. It should be borne in mind that the Fleischmann products. are of a nature not affected by general business depression; also that the
entire efort of the Fleischamn entire effort of the Fleischamnn organization has been directed solely
to manufacturing and selling Fleischmanm products. to manuracturing and seling fleischmann products. The company has
never been conected directly or indirecty with any , bakery or bakery
combination, rumors to the contrary notwithstanding., "-V. 122 , p. 1302 .
(H. D.) Foss \& Co., Inc.-Plan A pproved.the plan of reorganization as outlined in $V$, 22 new preferred, approved the plan of reorganization as outlined in $V .122$, p. ${ }^{1924 .}$ The holders of
the new preferred stock were granted until April 22 to further consider he pla
Free \& Accepted Masons of Washington. - Notes Of -fered.-Ferris \& Hardgrove, Spokane, Wash., are offering at 100 and int. $\$ 300,000$ Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Washington $5 \%$ serial gold notes.
Dated April 1 1926, due serially April 11927 to 1932, incl. Principal
and interest (A. \& O.) payable at Dexter Horton National Bank The borrowers assume the normal Federal income tax up to Bank, Seattle $\$ 1,000$ and $\$ 500$ Callable April 11927 or any interest date theereatter
on 30 days' notice at 100 and int. in inverse numerical order. Eligible for investment by banks and trust companies in the State of Washington. of the Most Worshinful Grand Lodge of Free and An scole indebtednes Washington. The Grand Lodge embraces all the Blue Lodges in the State of Washington and has a membership of over 44.500 , which is increas-
ing at the present rate of about 2,000 per annum. In the contract under which these notes are to be issued the Grand Lodge covenants to pledge certain fixed revenues. Such funds are to be deposited with the Dexter Horton National Bank at least 20 days prior to maturity dates of interest and principal. The Grand Lodge further covenants not to mortgage or
in any way encumber the new home for the aged for which the proceeds
of this note issue will provide in part of this note issue will provide in part.
The proceeds of this issue will defray
The proceeds of this issue will defray in part the cost of constructing a
home for distressed Master Masons, their widows and orphans
Wash., at a cost of home a a a cost of over $\$ 750,000$. The building when completed will
free and clear of all encumbran been provided without borrowing. Ame Ample ince of the funds havince will be carried at at all
French National Mail Steamship Lines (Societe des Services Contractuels des Messageries Maritimes). Listing.-
7 The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of $\$ 10,000,000$
(Chas.) Freshman Co., Inc.-Annual Report.-


Gross sales
Co. Proper.

| $\$ 2,149,324$ |
| :--- |
| $1,415,144$ |



Net to surplus.
$\overline{\$ 1,153,938}$
 Note.-Contingent liabilities at Dec. 311925 on discounted drafts and
as guarantor of a note payable were all subsequently paid.-V. $121, \mathrm{p} .1107$

## G-B Theatres Corp.-Lalest Earnings.

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Jan:
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General Baking Corp.-Stock Deal Changed-Demand \$8,547,935 Back from Ward-Committee Asks Stockholders for Support in Investigation of Some Alleged Acts of Management. $\Rightarrow$ Stockholders of the corporation received April 12 notice that a committee of stockholders has been formed consisting of William Deininger, Louis J. Kolb and John U. Weber, asking that the stockholders act in concert and give the meeting of the corporation within 6 at any extraordinary calling of or call a meeting of stockholders for any purpose deomed advisable by the committee; to oppose any action by the corporation, its directors, officers or agents; to request
and procure any information from the books or records of and procure any information from the books or records of the company; to bring, prosecute, appear in, intervene in,
control and discontinue any judicial proceedings which to the committee may appear necessary or advisable to the interests of stockholders.
This request for power is prefaced by a statement that a it becomes advisable for stockholders to act in concert and is accompanied by a letter signed by the members of the committee, which says in part:
 Ward Securities Corp.



 a refund of $\$ 26,21910$ and 106,900 shares of your corporation's own A stock.
'On Feb, 9 to 15 , there were additional payments of $\$ 889,650$ from the corporation's funds for 13,000 more shares of its A stock, at least 10,000
shares of which were acquired the until April 6, when a resolution to ratify them action by the board of directors cash by result of these transactions for the corporation was to deplete its tion to liquidate what they had left from their dealings in personal corporaBaking Corp., at an average left from their dealings in A stock of General
Bownward course in the marker which the stock resumed its "The legality of these transet, now, selling around 50 . sponsibility for them and the steps to be taken by the stockholders, are
being investigated by counsel for the committee. exceeding $\$ 9,000,000$. William Deininger was President of General families, directors of the General Baking Corp, until wis chairman of the board of Louis $J$. Kolb was a director and a member of resignation on March 23 .
General Baking Co. until General Bating General Baking Co. until General Baking Corp. was formed, is Vice-
President of the Pennsylvania Suar Cone Trust Co. and Guarantee Trust Co. of Philadelphia. John Un Real Estate
was a director of the General Baking Co. is President of the Co. of Newark and Vice-President of American National Bank and City
Ralph S. Kent, Counsel for W. B. Ward, gave out the following statement, April 13:
Baking Corp. under date of April 12 to the stockholders of the General self-appcinted committee of stockholders and asking for be signed by a and innuendo a false impression among tefinite design to create by inference of directors at the time the trane of the signers, was chairman of the board of directors at the time the transactions took place, and I am safe in saying
that he knew all about it and gave his consent to it. I know there was no profit in it.
here to-morrow and will is on his way to New York City and will arrive for a long time the stockholders should sit tight, because J. Fred Frazier man of the board and this effort of Mr. Deininger appears to be only an William B Ward isury.
William B. Ward issued the following statement, April 14, with regard to charges brought by the stockholders' protective committee headed by William Deininger:
100,000 shares of its own A stock by General Baking Corp. It saved General Baking stockholders $\$ 600,000$ a year in dividends. Mr. Mt saved we before a share of stock was delivered, as my records show. He only

Wanted my assurance that I was not making any profit on the transaction. received from the brokers. The stock had all been bought ane vouchers market. General Baking Corp. paid only the actual cost of the stock and neither ward securities Corp. nor myself made a cent on the transaction. that the stock was selling and continued to sell at 74 or better, several points above the average price paid by the corporation, until the Govern$\$ 600,000$ a year in dividends by the purchase, which nets General Baking Corp. better than $7 \%$ on its money.
"Later Mr. Deininger and all the directors gave Ward Securities 70,000 the Ward Securities owned or controlled. Mr. Deininger says nothing of the later transaction, and I understand he approved it wholeheartedly. In fact he was very anxious to pay $\$ 5,000,000$ in cash for the stock. transactions and have rav or ruin the company. The legality of action is unquestioned. Its fairness is equally clear and Mr. Deininger Frederic N. Frazier, the new chairman of the board of General Baking Corp., issued the following statement:
"Reports that the directors of General Baking Corp, are contemplating Earnings in 1925 were well in excess of dividend requirements. Earnings. in 1926 are exceeding those of 1925 and will be sufficient to meet the $\$ 5$ rate and leave a surplus adequate for the corporation's policy of steady conservative expansion. Properties are in excellent condition. The cor-
poration is strong in cash, owes no money and sales are high and steadily growing. A statement to the stockholders is being prepared by the new
board of directors and will reach stockholders within a few days."-V. 122 p. 2049; 1924.

General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y.-Ord. Rec'd


## General Motors Corp.-Retail Sales Increase.

Retail sales of the corporation in March established a high record exceed-
ing any previous month, according to President Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., who further states: were 106,051 , against 70,594 a year ago, a gain of $50 \%$. This establishes a new high record in General Motors history. Its importance may be of March is less than April on account of the seasonal trend. The previous record was April 1923 with retail sales of 105,778 cars.
"For the first quarter retail sales were 224,720 compared with 135,766 a yearsales to dealers for March were 113,341, compared with 75,527 a gain of $50 \%$ over the corresponding month a year ago. Sales to dealers for the
first quarter were 280,906 , compared with 155,315 , a gain of $81 \%$. Dealers
sales Chevrolet division introducing a new model in Jan 1925, limiting its ability to build up production.
end of March was well in line with spring requirements, there beinges at the ly no excess. As a matter of fith spring requirements, there being absolute sufficien lose sales on account of insufficient stocks and inability to move sufficient
Retail $S$
January
February
March.
April
Sales to

| $\mathbf{9 7 , 2 4 2}$ | 57,205 | 74,632 | 30.391 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 9,583 | 105,778 | 48,203 |  |

Fanuary-.-



sold in United States, Canada and overseas.-V. 122, p. 2049.
General Petroleum Corp.-Stockholders to Vote May 17 Sh Merger W ith Standard Oil Co. of New York-to Receive 2 Shares of Standard for Each Share Held.-See Standard Oil Co. of N. Y. below.-V. 122, p. 1772, 1617.
Gibson Island Co., Baltimore, Md.-Bonds Offered.Equitable Trust Co., Baltimore, are offering at 100 and int. $\$ 500,000$ 1st mtge. 10-year $6 \%$ gold bonds, guaranteed principal and interest by endorsement of the United States Fidelity \& Guaranty Co.
Dated March 1 1926; due March 1 1936. Equitable Trust Co., trustee,
Denom. $\$ 1,000$ and $\$ 500$. Interest payable M \& $\$$ without dediction any tax, assessment or other governmental charge, except succession and
inheritance taxes and Federal income taxes in excess of $2 \%$ per annum and upon proper application the company will refund the Marvland securities able all or part upon not less than 30 days notice at 102115 ndils. Call before March 1 1931 and thereafter on like notice at t te following amounts,
together with int.: After March 1 1931, to and incl. March 1932 , at 102 together with int.: After March 11931 , to and incl. March 11932 , at 102
after March 1932 to and incl. March 1933 , at 101 14 after March
1933, to and incl. March 11934 at 101 and thereafter until maturity at
property. - Gibson Island contains about, 943 acres, of which approxi-
mately 88 acres have been sold for $\$ 414,625$, 1 enving 55 . company. The property is located about 20 miles from Baltimore and is
surrounded by the Chesin surrounded by the Chesapeake Bay and the Magothy River. A narrow
strip of land connects the Island with the mainland. The property owned strip of land connects the Island with the mainland. The property owned
by the company and to be leased to the Gibson Island Club, includes an owns the golf course, containing 164 acres, and the The company also systems. The proceeds from the sale of the above bonds will provide the company with runds to iquidate all of its indebtedness, and to proceed with
Gilchrist Company, Boston.-Annual Statement.-
Total sales Income Account for Year Ending Jan. 311926.
Total sales
Expsenses.
Net profit subject to Federal income tax
Balance Sheet, January 311926.
Merchandise

| $\$ 907,682$ | A |
| ---: | ---: |
| 325,444 | N |
| 753,586 | Fe |
| 170,830 | R |
| 14,664 | Re |
| 367,252 | Ca |
|  |  |


ccounts payable

Investre receivable.
$\begin{array}{r}367,252 \\ 44,457 \\ 54,941 \\ \hline\end{array}$

## Deferred charges


$\$ 2,598,856$
Gillette Safety Razor Co.-Exlra Dividend of 25 c.
o a regular quarterly div. of 75 c . per share on the outstanding $2.000,000$ shares of capital stock, no par value, payable June 11 to holders of record
May 1 . Like amounts were paid Sept, 1 and Dec. 11925 and Mar 1 lart On Mar. 2 and June 11925 the company paid extras of $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. each in addi-
tion to quarterly dividends of $621 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ per share.- $\mathrm{V} .122, \mathrm{p} .1018,877$.

Gilman Fanfold Corp., Ltd.-Financial Statement.Earnings from the Commencement of Business April 11925 to Dec. 311925. Provision for depreciation of plants. Provision for Federal taxes.
Provision for Federal taxes
Dividends on preference stock ( $5 \%$ )
Dividends on common stock $(4 \%)$

## Surplus carried forward -V .120, p. 2408 .

Glass Mobile Corp., Detroit.-Stock Offered.-Hayden Van Atter \& Co., Detroit, are offering at $\$ 20$ per share (carrying stock purchase warrants) 20,000 shares Class A common stock (participating preferred, full voting power). Class A stock is entitled to receive preferential non-cumulative divs. of
$\$ 2$ per share annually, before any divs. are payable on Class $B$ stock, and
 the Class B stock, share for share. Class A stock has full voting powers
and is entitled to preference as to assets of $\$ 25$ per share in case of liquida

 detachable subscription warrant entitine of the holdeer to purchase carry one the
 1931, \$20 per share; and thereafter the warrants will be void. Authorized. Outstanding.
Capitalization Class A stock-
Class B stock
on

* 20,000
${ }_{46,596}^{20,00}$
Data From Letter of Pres. W. Carl Loud, Detroit, Mich. Company,-A Michigan corporation, located in Detroit. Manufactures which are either being used or have been nationally recommended by most of the important automobile companies. The curtains are made of plate glass, rust proof steel and heavy top fabric, destined to completely repace
old fashioned celluloid curtains because of their superiority in design, vision. fitting qualities, ease of mounting and demounting. and appearance

(B. F.) Goodrich Co.-To Reduce Pref. Stock.-

The stockholders will vote April 21 on decreasing the authorized preferred
Goodyear Tire \& Rubber Co. of Calif. \& Subs.-Earns


 Federal taxes --T- 1 res $\quad 598,082$ Special raw mi ter
Factory exp. written off 500,000
4) $1,119, \overline{3} \overline{9} \overline{8}$
$130,17 \overline{7}$

### 329.698 24.249



## Gosnold Mills of New Bedford.-Balance Sheet Dec. 31.-


 Cash and debts re
 Inventory.-......
erchandise agst. Total (each side)
(W. T.) Grant Co. (Mass.).-March Sales.-
 -V. 122, p. 1462, 891
Hartman Corporation, Chicago.-Earnings.
 $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Interest charges.-.-- } \$ 2.50) 984.037(\$ 1) 1574,460 & \text { (a) } 870,000\end{array}$ 1922.
$\$ 1.670 .448$ Balance, surplus
 and collection and other expenses. a $\$ 7.25$.-V. 121, p. 1684 .

Hilltop Manor Apartments, Washington, D. C.Bonds Offered -F. H. Smith Co, are offering at par and int. $\$ 1,400,000$ 1st mtge. $63 / 4 \%$ coupon gold bonds. Dated April 1 1926. due serially from 1928 to 1936. Int. payable A. \& O . Aprill 1929 at 102 thereafter at 101 and int. Bonds and coupons payable
at office of F. H. Smith Co. Washingto at office of F. H. Smith Co., Washington, D. C. . . . and building, which in
secured by a closed first mortgage on the land addition is a first lien in effect on the earnings, of the Hilltop Manor Apartments, Fourteenth, Oak, Ogden and Otis streets, Washington, D.


Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Conven-tion.-Bonds Offered.-Bell, Speas \& Co., Inc., Atlanta, and Caldwell \& Co., Nashville, are offering $\$ 400,000$ 1st mtge. $6 \%$ serial counon gold bonds at 100 and int.
(J. \& J.t. Jan. 11926 , due serially Jan. 11928 -1941. Principal and interest (J. \& J. payable at Citizens \& Southern Bank, Atlanta, Gaa trustee, or
at the National Bank of Commerce. New York. Cailable aii or part on
any any interest date at 102 and interest. Denom. $\$ 1,000$ and $\$ 500$ c*.
The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention was organized in 1845 and chartered in 1883 in Georgision work, its present theld of operations being in the Steates covered by the Southern Baptivs
Convention and Cuba and the Canal Zone Panama. The Home Mission Convention and Cuba and the Canal Zone, Panama. The Home Mission Board is composed of members from every state in the south, and one each
from Illinois, Oklahoma. New Mexico, Missouri and the District of Columbia The Southern Baptist Convention annually elects the members of the Home Mission Board.
These bonds are a direct and general credit obligation of the Home on April 301925 of $\$ 2,452,752$. These bonds will be further secured by a closed first mortgage on two pleces of property located in the city. of
Havana. Cuba, known as the Jane Building and "Front of Chaple Hill."

The former is centrally located at the corner of Dragones and Zulueta
streets, and has a ground area of 1,417 square meters, on which is located the building, which is used as headquarters of the work of the Home Mission 679.7 square meters, and has been purchased as the site for a college. These 679.7 square meters, and has been purchased as the site ior a coll
properties have been appraised at 8812.818.
The gros revenues and receits of the Home Mission Board for the past
6 vears has
 \$i, $2,1,81,81$, whereas the averagen annual
ness during this period have been $\$ 64,101$.

Hudson Navigation Co.- Successor Company.-
Hudson River Navigation Corp.-Bonds Offered.-F. J. Lisman \& Co. are offering at 100, to yield over $6.70 \%$, $\$ 3,000,00061 / 2 \%$ convertible (closed) ist mtge. 25-year sinking fund gold bonds.
Dated May 1926 ; due May 11951 , Convertible at the option of the mon stock represented by voting trust certificates, and basis. Bonds called for redemption before expiration of the conversion privilege may be converted up to 10 days before the date of such redemption. Which will redeem the entire issue before maturity, operative by purchase by lot at 105 . Drawn bonds become payable on the next ate at 105 and int. Callable as a whole or in part at 105 and int. for pay*.
 Company agrees to pay interest free of the normal Federal income tax not
exceeding $2 \%$. Penn., Conn., Maryland, Mass. and Kentucky present personal property or income tax refunded.
$61 / 2 \%$ gold bonds (this issue) - $\$ 1000$ ): auth., $\$ 1,000,000$; issued $\$ 3,000,000$ and utstending stock (par ock (no par value): auth., 60,000 shares; issued and 30,000 shs. Purpose. - To provide funds for the finail payment for purchase of the property and adequate working en forming the property formerly controlled by the Hudson Navigation Co. (sold at forectosure). The freight and passenger service of this line, and its predecessors, be-
tween New York nat he ctities of Albany and Troy has existed for more than 60 years. The line provides an essential transportation service on New York State's great water highway. Its tratric consisting of passengers and package freight, and not of bulk cargo, is of a high class and not subject to violent chanyes. It can and does compors successfualy with the late after-
located on either side of the Hudson River. Goods loaded in noon reach their destination the first thing the following morning. This ine really provides for its patrons an express service at reight the railroads only furnish a slow freight service. Property and equipment consists of ( 1) Pier No. 32 , North River, located
Property
 ranged from $\$ 2,500,000$ to $\$ 3,150,000 ;(2)$ real estate at Athens, Kingston, \&c, of a ralue of $\$ 7.5 .000$ : ( () equipment, including the following, essels of
 reasonable value of these vessels was given as $\$ 2,776,800$, or reproduction cost new of $\$ 4,600.000$.

## Earnings Years Ended Dec. 31.

 a Applicable to interest and sinking fund bepare appreciation ${ }^{\text {J }}$. Monroe
Directors.-Clifford s. Sims Pres. . Major Wlihu Church, Holland, John W. Mckinnon, F. J. Lisman, Mitchell May, John De La Valette, New York, Nathan Hatch, Peter G. Ten Eyck, Chas. L. A. WhitTroy, N . Y.
In order to make certain the continuity of the above mentioned directorships and management, the common stock of the company will be held in a
votiog trust up to and including May 11931 .
Independent Oil \& Gas Co.-Earnings.-
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { Quarters ended March } \\ \text { Net prorit after int, taxes, deprec., depl., \&c..... } & \$ 121,796 & 1925 . \\ \$ 362,032\end{array}$ , p. 2050, 1618.
Indian Refining Co.-Sells Tennessee Properties.A recent despatch from Chicago states that the company has sold its
remanining Tennessee distributing properties to the Producers \& Refiners
Rer Corp. of Tennessee, a subsidary
same time the Indian Refining Co is concentrating on efforts in its chosen
marketing Kentucky. In that territory its gasoline sales so far this year are 32\% Kented of those in the same period in 1924. It has more than offset by new recent sale of the Chicago properties to the Sun Oill Co. It is also reported that the Indian Refining Co. is continuing rapidly with
refinery expansion at Lawrenceville, III.-V. 121, p. 2759 .

Inland Steel Co.-Definitive Bonds Ready-Listing.Definitive 20 -year $51 / 2$, debenture gold bonds, dated Nov. 1925 , are Natonal Bank of Commerce in New York or at the office of the First
Trust \& Savings Bank, 76 West Monroe St., Chicago.-(For offering, Trust \& Savings. Bank, 16 Nest Monroe 20 -year $51 / 2 \%$ debenture gold bonds, due Nov. 11945 .-V. 122, p. 1925,619 .
Inspiration Consolidated Copper Co.-Listinq.- -1
The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of $\$ 6,000,000$

 Sales of copper Min. exp. (incl. devel.).
Reduction expenses (incl. reansp. or ore) transp. or ore). ex (incl.
Ref. \&ent.
transp. of met. Admin. exp. \& Fed Fed. Taxes Copper on hand Dec. $31-\mathrm{Cr} 2$
Depreciation Depreciation
Interest paid

$\begin{array}{ll}3,672,292 & 4,132,872\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{ll}1,738,543 & 1,771,350 \\ 258,446 & 267.188\end{array}$ | 368,749 | 408,748 |
| ---: | ---: |
| 16.787 |  |



 Balance, surplus $\ldots .$.
$-V .122$, p 1320
$\$ 43,851$
$\$ 1,703,593$
def $\$ 279,922$$\frac{229,081}{\$ 26,166}$
International Securities Trust of America.-Bonds Offered.-A American Founders Trust (fiscal agent) is offering
$\$ 5,000,0005 \%$ secured serial gold bonds, dated June 11923 .

Due series D, June 1 1933; series E, June 1 1943. Series D bonds are offered at 97 and int. to yield about $5.50 \%$, and series E bonds at $931 / 2$ and int. to yield about $5.60 \%$.
Denom. $\$ 500$ and $\$ 1,000 \mathrm{c}^{*}$. Principal and interest (J. \& D.) payable date, all or part, on 60 days' notice, at $1071 / 2$ and interest. The trust
agrees to pay the normal Federal income tax to the extent of $2 \%$ and to refund the Penna., Conn, and Dist. of Col. personal property taxes, not exceediň 4 mills per dollar per annum the Maryland security tax not ex-
ceeding 41 mill per dollar per annum, and the Mass. income tax not ex-
ceeding $6 \%$ on income derived from bonds.
ceeding $6 \%$ on income derived from bonds.
Data from Letter of William R. Bull, Chairman Board of Trustees
History and Business. - International Securities Trust of America was
History and Business.- International Securities Trust of America was
organized in April 1921 as a voluntary trust under the laws of Massachusetts. Business is confined solely to the investment ano re-investment of its re-
sources in seasoned, marketable securities, foreign and domestic. The primar y purpose of the trust is to affr rd safety of investment by means of bred by a abed bestment Regulations. Scurities ownes shall be diversified as foilows
(1) Funds shall be distributed among at least 400 seasoned, marketable securities. (2) Not more than $35 \%$ of the resources of the trust may be (3) Not more than 10\% of the assets of the trust truay be invested in
securities representing any distinct class of industry. (4) Not more than securities representing any distinct class of industry. (4) Not more than
$1 \% \%$ of the assets of the trust may be invested in any one security other than Governmental securities. (5) No bonds or slocks of any railroad, public utility or industrial enterprise are eligible for purchase unless the business has been established for
at least four years. (6) Railroad, industrial and public utility bonds are at east fiur years. (6ase Ralless the net assets (at book value) back of such not eligible tor purchase of the purchase price.
bonds are at least $200 \%$ of the
(7) Preferred and common, shares of railroad, industrial and public Operation for neariy five years under these regulations, together with Operation ror nearty five years under these regulations, together with
those additional restrctions containea in the rules and regulations, overning
the trustees, has resulted in acquiring 500 or more different securities, earnthe trustees, has resulted in acquiring 500 or more different securities, earn-
ings on which average considerably more than $50 \%$ in excess of the interest and dividends actually paid thereon. Collateral Securily.- Bonds are issued under an agreement dated June 1
1923 , which provices that the collateral pledged with and hela by the trustee, as security on these bonds, exclusive of the bond interest reserve
fund, shall at all times have a market value equal to at least $115 \%$ of the principal amount of all secured bonds issued and outstanding.
The trustee determines the market value of the securities held by it under the terms of this agreement, using such methods as it may deem proper and
adequate. The market value as determined by the trustee is conclusive and binding upon the Trust
Issuance Resirictions.- Under the terms of the agreement, secured serial
gold bonds may be authenticated and issued only when, at the time of issuance, total assets, taken at net cost price, after deducting all indebtedness, except that represented by the secured serial gold bonds and the bond
interest reserve fund are equal to at least $180 \%$ of the par value of the bonds outstaliong and those to be issued. April 1, 1926, a total of $\$ 6,000$.000 par value of secured serial gold bonds, $\$ 3,425,000$ cumulative preferred shares (par $\$ 100$ value) and 43, 893 common shares (no par value).
Bond Interest Reserve Fund.
The agreement provices that after bond inthe remaining net earnings shall be set aside semi-annually and deposited with the trustee, as a bond interest reserve fund. This reserve must
accumulate until it equals 5 times the annual bond interest requirements and must thereafter, in like manner, be so maintained.
Earnings.
From incention to Nov. 30, 1923... From inception to Nov. 30,
Year ended Nov. 0,1924
Year ended Nov. 30,1925 .

 Bond interest has been earned at average of more than $31 / \frac{1}{2}$ times since
organization. Since bonds are issued continuously throuchout the year earnings, as above indicated, are properly to be compared with bond interest
requirements.-V. 122, p. 1773 .

International Paper Co. (\& Sub. Cos).-Ann. Report.

 | Red. of conting. res....cr. $1,000,000$ |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Preferred dividends...... $1,979,020$ | $1,500,000$ | $1,5000,000$ | $1,500,000$ | Balance surplus.

Paid in surplus Paid in surplus.-.......
Surplus Jan.
Inventory adjustment.-


Intertype Corp., Brooklyn, N. Y.-Earnings.-

 | $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { selling axp bensesch office } \\ \text { Dereciation } & 179,797 & 163.502 & 168,003 & 155.464\end{array}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | Depreciation --

Net to surplus

- V. 122, D. $1179,-\ldots 58$
$\$ 185,769$
$\$ 185,118$
$\$ 207,058$
$\$ 203,389$
Island Refining Corp.-Status, \&c.-
Acommunication to the bondholders under date of April 6 says:
"The corporation defaulted on the interest apyment due Oct. 151922 .
1923 the bondholders n 1923 the bondholders' protective committee obtained possession of the
 ondholders of a reorganization plan, which is described briefly as being upon which a mortgage of $\$ 3,000.000$ was placed. The stock of the Guip ommittee, were transferred to the Gulf States Oil \& Refining Corp., and of the Gulf States Oil \& Refining Co., and the guaranty of the s3. 000.000
nortgage as to principal and interest by the Middle States Oil Co. and Southern States Oil Co. jointly and severally Shortly after this occurred the Middle States and panies passed into receivership and the committee foreclosed the $\$ 3,000,000$ mortgage on April 28 1925, thus placing thee ownership of the $\$ 3$, plant at
mew Orleans again in the hands of the bondholders' protective committee advertised for non-payment of taxes seen paid and the property will be parties have signer itheir interest in purchasing the property but will
not make an offer without exining the property and they do not desire to examine the property without the assurance that it satisfied the property the committee to name. In addition to the plant, the bondholders have an interest in a part of the stock of the Gulf States Oil \& Refining Co., under the committees Middle States and Southern states Oil companies in consideration of their guaranty of the principal and interest of the $\$ 3.000,000$ mortgage men-
tioned above. In the assets of the Guir states Oil \& Refining Co. Was a is now in suit by the Gulf states oil \& Refining against the Island Oil \& Transport Corp. Bondholders also have an interest in the claim against
the Middle States and Southern States Corp. on account of their guaranty of $\$ 3.000 .000$ principal and interest, as well as a certain bloc of stock of
the Gulf States Oil \& Refining Corp.

In view of these facts it was decided that the delay suffered by the bond
holders of the Island Refining Corp. has been continued for sufficient holders of the Island Refining Corp. has been continued for sufficient the affairs, and therefore a special committee of three was a-pointed for
 conclusion of the business entrusted to the present bondholders' protective
committee, before the assets and claims have been absorbed by the expenses. Committee.-H. W. Taylor, Wm. F. Fischer, W. A. Colescott, E. H. Philadelphia.-V. 122, p. 1773
Jewel Tea Co., Inc.- $\$ 2.25$ Div. on Acct. of Arrearages on Pref. Stock-Capitalization Decreased-New Director.The directors on April 12 declared a dividend of $\$ 4$ a share on the pref
stock, payable July 1 to holders of record June 17 . Of the total dividend $\$ 225$ will be credited to accumulated dividends due on this issue and payment of the above, a total of $\$ 2525$ a share in back dividends wil
still be due on the prep. stock. Dividends were resumed on this issue on April 11925 by the payment, of a dividend of $\$ 425$ a share; this was followed on July 1 by the payment of $\$ 175$ a share and by the distribution
of $\$$ a a share on Oct. 11925 and on Jan. 2 and April 1 last. The stockholders voted to reduce the authorized pref. stock from \$3,640,000 to $\$ 3.000,000$ by the retirement of 6,400 shares held in the treasury.
John C . Regan, Vice-President of the company, has been elected a John C. Regan, Vice-President of the company, has
director, succeeding Cary N. Weisiger.-V. 122, p. 1774.

Jordan Motor Car Co.-Earnings.
Sales 41926



Kellogg Switchboard \& Supply Co.- New Ctfs.Dividends on the new stock are payable July 311926 . 19 issued to cover
Non-dividend bearing fractional share scrip will fractional shares arising in the exchange of the old stock for the new. Seymour Guthrie, Assistant secretary says: "If the stockholder so de
sires the company will accumulate fractional share scrip into whole shares surh whole shares to be sold by the company on the open, market and the
proceeds distributed pro rata among the stockholders." See also V . proceeds dist
122, p. 1925.

Kelly-Springfield Tire Co.-To Retire Notes.- 1921 , aggre Certain 10 -year $\%$ sinking fund gold notes, dated May 151921 aggre
gating $\$ 500$, ool have been called for redemption May 15 at 110 and interest at the central $-\mathrm{V} .122, \mathrm{p} .1018$.
(I. B.) Kleinert Rubber Co.-Definitive Notes.The Chase National Bank is now prepared to exce enge temporary $6 \%$
serial gold notes at present outstanding for the definitive notes. See also
V. 122 , p. 358 .
Knox Hat Co., Inc.-Dividends
The directors have declared the follows dividends all payable May 1 to $\$ 1$ per share on the common stock and a semi-annual dividend of $\$ 3.50$ per
Lago Petroleum Corp.-Production.-
Procuction in March totaled 537,000 barrels, average of 17,322 barrels
daily. Shipments totaled 523,000 barrels, averase of 16,871 daily.V. 122, p. 490

Landers, Frary \& Clark, New Britian, Conn.-Report. Catendar Years
xNet earnings.


$\qquad$ $\begin{array}{r}1924.3 \\ \$ 2.166 . \\ 3.18 .5 \\ \text { Cr } 97,6 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\$ 2.023,96$ |
| :--- |
| $5.518,97$ |
| C. 140,27 |
| $7.728,51$ | 1922.

$\$ 958.581$
5.166 .989 Surplus on Jan
Adjustments.

Total idends
vioends $\$ 6,098,643$
$1,680,000$
$\$ 5,442,562$
$1,260,000$ $\begin{array}{r}\$ 7,728,516 \\ 1,050,000 \\ 3,500,000 \\ \hline\end{array}$ $\$ 6,568,278$
$1,050,000$
 p. 1774 .

Landay Bros., Inc., New York.-EAarnings.- -

Lawndale Business Block and Theatre, Chicago. Bonds Offered.-Garard \& Co., Chicago, are offering at par and int. $\$ 400,000$ 1st mtge. $61 / 2 \%$ gold bonds.
Dated Feb. 15 1926; due serially semi-annually Feb. 15 1928-1936. Int. Co. Chicago, trustee. Callable in inverse order by number on any int.
date after two years, upon 30 days' notice. at 102. Denom. $\$ 1.000$ and
$\$ 500 \mathrm{c}^{*}$. Int. payable without deduction for normal Federal income tax up to $2 \%$. . structure on land 116 feet on Roosevelt Road, extending 214 feet on Ko-
mensky Ave. Four large stores on the first floor, 122 -room kitchenette mensky Ave. Four large stores on the first floor, 12 2-room kitchenette
apartments on the second and third floors, a theatre seating 2,200 and club rooms furnish four distinct sources of income.
These bonds are issued to provide funds to complete the Lawndale Busibeing constructed by the Lawndale Theatre Corp., headed by Reubin and nearby cities.

Leader Building Co., St. Louis, Mo.-Bonds Offered.Francis, Bro. \& Co., St. Louis are offering at 100 and int $\$ 1,825,0005 \%$ 1st mtge. fee and leasehold real estate serial notes.

 not exceeding $2 \%$ paid when exemption is not claimed by the noteholder. simple titie to a l lot of ground at the southeast ocrner of ofth ont. and Lucas
Ave., St. Louis, together with the 11-story Class A modern fireproof de-
de ${ }^{\text {partment }} 31$ store building thereon erectec. (2) A 99-year lease, ending Jan. ton Ave., St. Louis, together with the modern fireproof 11 -story depart-
ment store build ding erected thereon, which conforms. with the building first described. (3) A 99 -year lease ending Jan. 312008 on a lot of ground in
St. Louis. Erected on this property and covering the entire lot is a modern 8 -story and high basement fireproof department store building of steen brick and stone construction. (4) A 99-vear lease, ending Jang. 31 . 20008 ,
on a lot of ground in St. Louis, together with the 2 -story brick powerhouse on a lot of ground in St. Louis, together with the 2 -story brick powerhouse
buiding with deep basement erected thereon. The fee property and the
lone $\$ 4,900.000$
Lease, Tenant and Rental.- The entire property covered by the deed of
trust is under lease for a term of 20 years beginining on A pril 1 in trust is under lease for a term of 20 years begrinning on A pril 11926 and end-
ing on Mar. 311946 to the Stix, Baer \& Fuller Co.., a corporation which conducts the Grand-Leader Department Store. The lease is irrevocable and calls for a direct rental of $\$ 200,000$ per annum to the Leader Building
Co. Besides this rental, Stix, Baer \& Fuller Co. agree to pay the ground Co. Besides this rental, Stix, Baer \& Fuller Co. agree to pay the ground
rental under the 99 -year leases and all charges of every kind and descrip-
tion that may be levied against the property-ground or buildings, in the
way of taxes, city, State and Federal. They also agree to pay all premiums for insurance and any other charges whatsoever, so that the annual
rental of $\$ 200,000$ is net to the Leader Building Co.

 Balance, surplus....
-V. 121, p. 2760.
S1,775,415
$\$ 1,433,828$
$\$ 947,769$
$\$ 182,868$

Loew's, Inc.-Debentures Sold.-Dillon, Read \& Co and the National City Co., have sold at $991 / 2$ and int. to yield about $6.05 \%, \$ 15,000,00015$-year $6 \%$ sinking fund gold debentures (with stock purchase warrants). deduction for normal Federal income tax not exceeding $2 \%$ per annum $6 \%$ per ammum refunded. Principal and int. payable in N. Y. City at
office of Dillon, Read \& Co. Denom. $\$ 1,000$ and $\$ 500 \mathrm{c}^{*}$. In addition on any int. date on 30 days, the detice at 105 and are int., on or ber before Apy lot
Anril 1
1931 , with successive reductions in the redemption price each semi-annual int payment date thereafter until maturity. National
City Bank, Noul Yori, trustee.
Stock Purchase Warrants. upon original issue ranants. - Each debenture will have attached thereto,
Oct. 11926 evidence Warrant detachable on and after shares of the conpany, in the ratio holder thereor to purchase (common) 5 shares for each $\$ 1.000$ princinal
amount of debentures, at the price of $\$ 55$ per before April 1 1931. A minimum sinking fund of $\$ 500,000$ per annum payable semi-annually, will be provided, first parment on or before Oct. 1
1926 to purhcase debentures at not exceeding 101 and int., or, if not so obtainable, to redeem debentures by lot at 101 and int., The sinking
fund will be increased, up to a maximum sinking fund of $\$ 1,000,000$ paid in any fiscal year, by an amount equal to one half the total cash dividends In excess of $\$ 3.47,430$ or such part thereor as winpany be equivalent to $\$ 3$ per
share on the (common) shares now outstanding, plus shares issued on

Data from Letter of Marcus Loew, President of Loew's, Inc. of the motion picture indurstry namely name production, tistribution and
exhibition of films. It is the outgrowth of the amusement enterprises which had been owned and successfully operated by Marcus Loew and associates since 1905. The present holding company, formed in 1919
has shown substantial net profits in each year since organization. Through subsidiary companies, Loew's Inc. owns, leases or directs a 1925 was $75.570,840$. The company's policy of theatre operation has centrally lonatued in the princcipal cities of the United States. owned by Loew's, Inc., enjoys a leading position among the world's motion popularity and artistry of its productions. Its high reputation for the
to the public as Metro-Goldws are known to the public as Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer productions, the most outstanding
of the current pictures being "The Big Parade," "Ben Hur." "La Boheme" and "The Merry Widow ". Meroc-Goldwyn's productions are distributed by its own organization in practically every part of the United States
and in many foriza countries. The cost of each film is written off at
a rate which fore absorbs over $87 \%$ of the cost in one year from date of its general release
Purpose.-Proceeds from the sale of these debentures will be used as made in consideration of a contract for the distribution. A. or Germany Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer films in Germany: $\$ 3.000 .000$ to increase vorling capital through liquidation or total outstanding bank loans; the balance
for investment in new theatre enterprises and for other corporate purposes. Income--For the three years ended Aug. 311925 and the current fiscal owned subsidiaries, plus dividends received from other subsidiaries and affiliated companies, have been as rollows: Years Ended Aug. 31

Net income applicable
 income taxes, and extraordinary charges of $\$ 1,062,515$ to profit Fand loss. Such net income applicable ot other interest for the fiscal year ended
Aug. 311925 was 5.9 times maximum annual interest charges of $\$ 900.000$ on the debentures, and for the total period shown above the avera $\$ 900,000$ rate of such net income was more than 4.6 times such charges. The above statement does not give effect to benefits expected to result from Ase or additional capital net income apolicable financing
above, all other interest charges and Federal income taxes at the shown $131, \% \%$ (but without allowing for interest on the debentures), the re maining amount applicable to the company's shares was $\$ 4.537,669$ for Jan. 171926 . Such amount was equal to $\$ 427$ per (common) share now outstanding, for the fiscal year ended Aug. 311925 and was at the annual
rate of more than $\$ 5$ per share, for the 20 weeks ended Jan. 171926 . and sinking fund, by M-G-MCo. Tnc. (a;corporation to be formed under und the foregoing or some other name, to which all of the common stockf of
Metro-Goldwyn Pictures Corp. will be transferred by Loew's. Inc.) and (or) by Metro-Goldwyn Pictures Corp., subject to any rights of, the pref. stock common stock of Metro-Goldwyn Pictures Corp., or the proceeds thereof, shall continue to be directly or indirectly behind the debentures. Loew's, o distribute the shares of M-G-M Co . Inc., to the stockholders of Ioew', nc. The equity represented by the common stock of Metro-Goldwyn Picures Corp. is included in the consolidated balance sheet or Loew's, Inc., and te "net above, for the period from Sept. 11922 to Jan. 17 1926, about "income" $38 \%$ was ontributed by Metro-Goldwyn Pictures Corp.
Equity. The equity for the debentur
Equity. - The equity for the debentures is represented by $1,060,780$ exchange of approximately $\$ 36$ per share, or a total of over $\$ 38,000,000$. During 1925 the shares sold as high as $\$ 4475$ per share.
Listing.-Company has agreed to make application in due course to list
Magma Copper Co.-Income Acct.(incl.Mag. Ariz. RR.)
 General, selling, admin. $\begin{array}{llllll}\begin{array}{l}\text { expenses, taxes. \&c.-. }\end{array} & 111,046 & 105,843 & 102,796 & 161,545\end{array}$ nterest \& other income-

Surplus for years....- $\quad \$ 38,299 \quad \$ 544,298 \overline{\text { def } \$ 514,480} \overline{\text { def } \$ 701,762}$ Earnings for Quarters Ended March 31.

Daring the quarter there were produced $, 115,386$ ibs. of refined copper
at a cost of 7.8 cc . per pound atter deducting gold and silver values.
v. 121 , p. 2048 .

McCrory Stores Corp.- 1 \% Stock Dividend.ayable June 1 to holders of record May 10 . On March 1 last, a cash pavabend of 10 c . a share of record May 10. On March one issue, while previoust a cash
divid stock
distributions of i\% each were made quarterly.-V. 122, p. 2052 .

McIntyre Porcupine Mines Ltd.-
 $\begin{array}{lllll}\begin{array}{l}\text { Pet earns. after exp. \& } \\ \text { taxes but ber. deppec. } \\ \text {-V. } 122 \text {, p. } 490 \text {. }\end{array} & 443,837 & 404,336 & 1,234,043 & 1,254,345\end{array}$

Manhattan Electrical Supply Co.-Sale of Battery BusiSee National Carbon Co. below.-V. 122, p. 1926.
Mason Tire \& Rubber Co., Kent, Ohio.-Report.Cratendar Gross sales-

Returns and | $9,841.136$ |
| :---: |
| 404.568 | Cost of sales, including depreciation

 $9,436,567$
7
7.319 .345
1

1 | $\$ 9,211,953$ |
| :--- |
| $7,138.465$ |
| $1,78.48$ | Other income. Interest and discount, and miscell

Deduct-Int. \& disct, price decline adjust. \& miscell $\qquad$ Net income--Cumulative preferred dividends are in arrears for the period from July 11923 to Dec. 31 1925.-V. 121 , p. 2530.

May Dept. Stores Co. (\& Subs.).-Bal. Sheet Jan. 31.| 1926. | 1925. | 8 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 8 | 7 |






 $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Allow. for Fed. tax. } \\ \text { \& contingencles. } & \text { 2,204,094 } & 1,939,207 \\ \text { Surplus_-....... } 22,574,903 & 18,794,161\end{array}$
 The income account was published in V. 122, p. 1775

Medical Arts Building (Medical Building Co., Inc.), Atlanta, Ga.-Bonds Offered.-Adair Realty \& Trust Co. are offering at prices to yield from $61 / 4 \%$ to $61 / 2 \%$, according to maturity, $\$ 625,000$ 1st mtge. $61 / 2 \%$ guaranteed serial gold bonds.
Dated March 15. 1926; due serially March 1928-1938. Int. payable Realty \& Trust Co \& Mortgage Co., N. Y. City. Bonds payable at Adair Realty \& Trust Co.. Atlanta. Ga. Callable at 102 and int, on any int
date upon 30 cays' notice. Adair Realt \& Trust Co, trustee. Federai
income tax up to $2 \%$; personal property tax; Penna., Conn., Maryland, Dist. or Ool. Mass. income tax up to $6 \%$, refunced.
The building will be located on the west side of Peachtree St. near Forrest Ave., Atlanta, Ga. The lot will have a frontage on three strreets. The value of this land has been appraised by the Atlanta Real Estate Board
at $\$ 121,000$. The Medical Arts Bldg. will be of steel construction, strictly modern and fireproof throughout, and will have 12 stories and basement. reinforced concrete fireproof construction, will be erected, having a storage
capacity of 120 automobiles. The cost of the Medical Bldg. and garage capacity of 120 automobiles. The cost of the Medical Bldg. and garage
has been estimated at $\$ 836,405$, making the total appraised value of the After making the proper allowances for vacancies, the annual gross inCome for this building has been estimated at $\$ 149,222$; the yearly expenses 60 , leaving an estimated

Mengel Co. \& Subs., Louisville, Ky.-Annual Report.-
 sell., adm, de-., exp--
Depreciation Depreciation
Interest (net) Mederat taxes (iest.).
Miscell. deductions.

Net profit Previous surpins-
Adjustments, $C r_{\text {r }}$


apprec. of perm. asse
at Dec. 31 .
 Profitand loss, surplus $\$ 1,454,570 \quad \$ 1,118,275 \quad \$ 1,170,150 \quad \$ 394,319$

Merchant \& Miners Transportation Co.-Listing.The Baltimore Stock Exchan
capital stock.
Earnings, Calendar Years-


Minnesota \& Ontario Paper Co.-Bonds Sold.-Halsey, Stuart \& Co., Inc., the Minnesota Loan \& Trust Co., First Trust \& Savings Bank, Illinois Merchants Trust Co., Brown Brothers \& Co., Continental and Commercial Trust \& Savings Bank, Bond \& Goodwin, Inc., and Old Colony Corp. have sold at $991 / 2$ and int. $\$ 4,000,000$ 1st mtge. sinking fund $6 \%$ gold bonds, Series B
Dated Jan. 1 1926; due Jan. 11948 . Interest payable J. \& J. without deduction for Federal income taxes not in excess of $2 \%$. Principai and int.
(J. \& D.) payable either in U. S. gold coin at office of Minnesota Loan

 prices and int.: 105 to Jan. 11 1936: $1021 /$ on Jan. 11936 and thereafter to Con. 4 mills and Maryland 41 , m mills taxes, Dist. of Col. personal property
taxes not exceeding 5 mills per dollar per annum, and Mass. income tax on the int. on these bonds not exceeding $6 \%$ of sum, int. per annum, refund od. Data from Letter of E. W. Backus, Pres., Minneapolis, April 14.
Company.-Incorp. in 1908 in Maine. Company is with its subsidiaries


Purpose. Proceeds will be used to reimburse the company in part for xpenditures made and to be made for additions to physical properties, national Falls, the extension of the groundwood pulp and nowsprint mills
at Fort Frances, and a hydro-electric development of $27,000 \mathrm{~h}$. p. adjacent hereto
Earnings.-Although reflecting no return on over $\$ 13,000,000$ expended dated net earnings after depletion, local taxes and liberal charges for maintenance and repairs. but before providing for interest, depreciation and
income taxes, as certified by independent auditors, are given below for the three periods: 13 months ended Dec. 311925
11 months ended Nov. 301924
12 months ended Dec. 311923 $\begin{array}{r}\$ 3,800,225 \\ 2,296.213 \\ 3,624,574 \\ \hline\end{array}$
Annual average- interest charges on 1st mtge. sinking fund
goximum annual bonds require gold bonds requir
V. 121, p. 1685 .

1,240,337
Montague City (Mass.) Rod Co.-Stocks Offered.William C. Simons, Inc., Springfield, Mass., are offering 6,000 shares $\$ 7$ participating preferred (a. \& d.) stock at (par) $\$ 100$ per share and div. The same bankers are offering 6,000 shares (no par) common stock at $\$ 32$ per share. Preferred stock preferred over common stock as to assets up to $\$ 110$ a
share and divs. Preferred as to cumulative divs. up to $\$ 7$ per share per
annum. Non-voting excent in the event of a default of 6 consecutive annum. Non-voting except in the event of a default of 6 consecutive
quarterly dividends. Callable on 30 days notice. all or part, by lot, on
any div. date at 120 and divs. Cumulative preferred payable any div. date at 120 and divs. Cumulative preferred payable Q.-M.. and mon stock in excess of $\$ 3$ per share per annum until $\$ 10$ has been paid on the
preferred stock. Transfer agent, Springfield Safe Deposit \& Trust Co.,
Springfield, Mass. Capitalization-
Participating preferred (par \$100)
COmmon stock (no par value) Authorized. Outstanding.
6.000 shs. 6.000 shs. Common stock (no par value) of split bamboo fishing rods. Owns and operates prants in Montanue
City Mass., Pelham, Mass., Post Mills, Vt., and operates a reel plant in Broiklyn, N. Y. The product of the company is sold to all principal whole-one-half of the finer fishing rods in the world.
Sinking Fund.-Payable annually at the rate of at least $10 \%$ of net income
for preceding year, beginning with the fiscal year ending July 31 1927, an for preceding year, beginning with the fiscal year ending July 311927 , an
thereafter, after deducting preferred dividends, to be used for the retire ment of participating preferred stock if purchasable up to $\$ 110$ per share, and if not so purchasable to revert to the corporation.
Purpose of Issue.-Proceeds will be used for financing the acquisition of the original stock from the founders and their associates. the time of its incorporation in 1887. It has paid liberal cash dividends from and one of $662-3 \%$. non-recurring charges, equals $\$ 130,642$, which is more than 3 times preferred stock requirements.
Moon Motor Car Co.-Net Sales.-
President Stewart McDonald announces that net sales for the first quarter shipping orders on file for the second of the same quarter of 1925 and that Mount Vistory of the company.-V. 122, p. 1926.
Mount Vernon-Woodberry Mills, Inc.-Report.-
Net profit from operations, \&c.
Gross incom

Interest $\&$ expe |  |  |
| :---: | ---: |
| $\$ 1925$. |  |
| $\$ 110.873$ | $\$ 200.870$ |
| 130.940 | 83.460 |





Surplus, Dec. 31----- $\quad$ Subject to accumulated dividends on preferred stock, when declared, of $\$ 27.50$ per share. General Balance Sheet, Dec. 31

(The) Monterey (Broadway-94th St. Realty Co., Inc.)
N. Y. City.-Bonds Offered.-S. W. Straus \& Co., Inc., are offering at prices to yield from $5 \frac{1}{2} \%$ to $6 \%$, according to maturity, $\$ 850,000$ 1st mtge. fee and leasehold $6 \%$ serial gold bonds.
Due serially, March 151927 to March 15 1936. Int. payable M. \& S .
without deduction for Federal income tax up to $2 \%$. Denom. $\$ 1,000$,
$\$ 500$ and $\$ 100 \mathrm{c}^{*}$. Callable at $1021 \frac{1}{2}$ and int.

Security.-Secured by a direct closed first mortgage on the Monterey,
completed and successful apartment hotel, together with land owned in fee and leasehold estate thereunder. The entire property fronts 75 ft .
$61 / 2$
in. on Broadway and 173 ft . on W. 94 th St. Approximately two-thirds $61 / 2 \mathrm{in}$. on Broadway and 173 ft . on W, 94 th St. Approximately two-thitis
of this property, including the corner, is owned in fee. The only portion held on leasehold is the plot 33 ft . 6 in. north of 94 th St . and fronting
42 ft .6 in . on Broadway, running to an average depth of 139 ft . Land The building comprises two buits joined together and operated as $\$ 1,000$. The original building occupying the corner property, was erected in 1914 fireproof construction containing 351 suites, with a bath for each bedroom. sotres fronting on 94 th St., all of which are under lease iast five years and after deducting all taxes, operating and maintenance charges and insurance greatest combined annual interest and principal requirements on this greatest co
bond issue.

Mountain \& Gulf Oil Co.-Annual Report. dedue net operating profit for the year of 1925 was $\$ 1,361,623$ before declared its initial dividend on March 201925 , of $2 \%$ regular and $1 \%$ extra peing paid Jan. 151926 . Dividends paid amounted to $\$ 444,624$.
During the past year the company drilled and equipped 14 wells at a cost its Salt Creek acreage, of the above wells 11 are now shut in for repairs ond cleaning. From 78 wells present production is approximately 3,500 barrels Balance Sheet Dec. 31 . 1925
AssetsField inv. \& equip. Cash...
Bonds..
Notes receivableAcc'ts recelvable--
Invests.in other cos
Deferred assets Tota1 -...- ${ }^{-1621}$

Mountain View Apartments, Ltd., Hamilton, Ont. Bonds Offered.-Dickson, Jolliffe \& Co., and Stewart, Scully Co., Ltd., Toronto, are offering at 100 and int. $\$ 300,0007 \%$ 1st mtge. (closed) sinking fund gold bonds.
Dated. Feb. 1 1926, maturing Feb. 1 1946. Principal and interest
(F. \& A.) payable at chief offices of the Canadian Bank of Commerce at Toronto and Hamilton. Denom. $\$ 1,000$, $\$ 500$, $\$ 100$ c*. Red. all or naturity. Chartered Trust 11941 an at trustee. St. South, of approximately 232 ft ., and on Freeman Place. Hamilton, of 275 ft, on which there is now being erected a modern, high elass 5 -story a heated fireproof garage, with space for 40 cars. Valuation, $\$ 586,200$. The net revenue from rentals after providing full operating charges and
deducting $10 \%$ for vacancies are estimated at $\$ 56,656$, or more than $21 / 2$ dimes the 1
Music Master Corp.-Receivers.-
Federal Judge Thompson at Philadelphia has appointed Melville G. assets, at present estimates, are valued at about $\$ 350,000$ while liabilities,

Mystic Steamship Co.-Annual Report.-
Calendar Years-
Gross earnings...
Gxpenses and reserves.
Interest on bonds and notes
Undivided earnings
$-\mathrm{V} .121, \mathrm{p} .1577$. $\begin{array}{rr}1925 . & 1924 . \\ \$ 2,961,554 & \$ 2,544,208 \\ 2,578,725 & 2,1266,727 \\ 117,865 & 940,561 \\ 250,000 & 250,000 \\ & \$ 14,964 \\ & \$ 72,920\end{array}$

National Biscuit Co.-Larger Common Dividend.-The directors on April 13 declared a quarterly dividend of $4 \%$ on the outstanding $\$ 51,163,000$ common stock, par $\$ 25$, payable July 15 to holders of record June 30. From Jan. 15 1923 to April 15 1926, inclusive, the company paid quarterly dividends of $3 \%$ each and in addition extras of $4 \%$ each were paid on Nov. 151924 and Nov. 141925.


National Carbon Co. (Inc.).-Buys Battery Business of Manhattan Electrical Supply Co.-
The sale of the battery business of the Manhattan Electrical Supply Co. to the National
following announcement:
.wT. The Manhattan Electrical Supply Co. has arranged to sell ittice batery plants located at Jersey City and at Ravenna, O. together with all trade marks, patents and other assets pertaining to its
dry battery business, to the National Carbon Co., Inc. Dry cells heretofore sid by Manhattan Electrical supply Co. under the trade mark "Red Seal
will after conser will, after consummation of the sale, be manufacture, and sold by the Na-
tional Carbon Co., Inc, under the same trade mark.
The National Carbon Co. is a subsidiary of the Union Carblde \& Carbon
Co.-V. 121, p. 848.

## National Cash Register Co., Dayton.-Proceedings

 Opened.-The Federal Trade Commission has opened proceedings in Dayton, $O$.
against the company. The testimony of J . H . Barringer and W . C. Steffey will be taken. Evidence has been gathered by the Trade Commission since 1925 of the alleged unfair practices of the company under the decree issued by Judge Hollister in case brought by the Unite.
Cash Register Co. in 1916.-V. 122, p. 2053 .
National Cloak \& Suit Co.-Sales.-

National Dairy Products Corp.-Capital Increase, \&c. The stockholders on April 14 approved an amendment to the certificate increase is for the purpose of acquiring the Breyer Corp., the Breyer Ice and New York the Breyer Ice Cream Co.. Inc., of Philadelpha and New provides that $\$ 5$, ,.000.000 of National Dairy Products Corp. preferred whicch
be given to the owners of the Breyer companies in partial consideration for路 assets. See also V. 122, p. 1776, 2053.
National Food Products Corp. - Initial Dividend.nitial guartectrry dividend of $621 / \mathrm{c}$. per share on the cherp. have declared an
May 15 to holders of record May . See also V. 122 , p. 760 stock, payable

National Tea Co., Chicago.-March Sales.-
 New Cornelia Copper Co.-Dividend Increased.The directors have deociared a quarterly divididend of ofoc per share, was paid on Feb. 23 last, and in preceding quarters dividends at per the rate
of 25 c . quarterly
New England Coal \& Coke Co.-Earnings.Colestadar Yesa
Gxpenses innd
ET Erxpenses an
Interses

nividend | Undivided earnings.- |
| :--- |
| -V. |
| $122, \mathrm{p} .101$. | $\$ 11,662$

## Newsprint Investment Corp.-To Dissolve.-

 The stockholders on March 29 approved the acceptance of an offer pro-viding for the sale of a portion of the assets of this corporation the redemp tion of its bonds the partion of the assets or this corporation. the recempup of the corporation
The entire ansetso of the corporation consist of 76.000 shares of common
stock of the st. Maurice Valley Corp.; the latter has 150,000 shares of
 Common stock outstanding, The liabilities of the Newsprint Investment Corp 7 consist of binds.
The directors bonds.
The directors banave arranged to sell 45.474 of the St. Maurice Valley Corp. shares at a a price surficient to retire the outstanding $\$ 2,500.000$ of
$7 \% \%$ is-year bonds.
Of the remaining shares of st. Marrice Valley Corp. common stock, one share will be issued in exchange for every two shares

## New York Air Brake Co.-Plan A pproved.

of the ctockholdars on Aprill 14 approved the plan calling for the retirement mon stock, already and thorizsa, maksing the total capatalization 300.000 shares of common etock. The
share. -V . 122 , p. 1604,1621 .
N. Y. \& Honduras Rosario Mining Co.-Extra Dividend. The edirectors have declared a quarterly dividend of $21 / \% \%$ and an extra
dividend of $2 \%$ \% on the capital stock. payable A April 24 to holders of record
 Nuart Y. $122, \mathrm{p} .360$.
New York Merchandise Co., Inc.- Retires Pref. Stock.The company announces the retirement of 2.000 shares of $7 \%$ preferred
stock of its si. 0 . nounced that they do not propose to retire 2 d pref. stock, althouph the company has the right to retire
Nipissing Mines Co., Ltd.-Production.Prouaction
${ }_{3360,886}^{1925}$

## . 122, p. 1464.

## North American Cement Corporation.-Earnings.-

 The company reports for the quarter ended March 31 1926 a net income of sio5.479. arter depreciation and depletion, avallable for interest andamortization, Federal taxes and dividends.-V. 122 , p. 1464, 894.
Oak Park (IIl.) Arms (Bldg. Corp.).-Bonds Offered.S. W. Straus \& Co., Inc., are offering at prices to yield from $51 / 2 \%$ to $61 / \%$, according to maturity, $\$ 600,000$ 1st mtge.
$61 / 4 \%$ serial . . . . bonds.



 ocupied and in successful operation.
Net earnings.
available Net earninss, acailabile ofor dopreciation and interst charges for the
years 1924 and 1925 , averaged $\$ 96,163$.
Orpheum Circuit, Inc.-To Redeem Bonds.-
 The orisinal issue of these benuss, which were issued in connection with this. building of the Hennepin-Orpheum Theatre in 1920 , was $\$ 450,000$, of which
$\$ 90.000$ was retired. It is stated that the redemption of other bond issues $\$ 90,000$ was retired. It is stated that the redemption of other bond issues
during 1926 will follow.-V. 122 , p. 1181 .

## Otis Steel Co.-Earnings.-

 depreciation
The output of finished steel in the first quarter totaled 136,107 tons.
$\$ 888,619$, a new record and representing a gain of $24 \%$ over the first quarter of
1025 . Pig iron output was 97,482 tons, against 94,125 tons in 1925 period. Pres. Kulas states.: "The second quarter is getting under way in a
most satisfactory manner. Present indications are that the volume will remain on a substantial level over the next few months."- V .122 , p .
2054,1926 .

Ovington Bro's. Co.-Earnings.-

## Year Ended- Dec. 311924 Jan. 311926 - $\mathrm{V} .122, \mathrm{p} .225$.

Pan American Petroleum \& Transport Co.-Report.Pan American Petroleum \& Transport Co.-Report.-
Calendar Years
Profit from operation_- $\$ 1925,1923,196$
Int. \& amort. chgs. (net)
Int.
I Int. \& amort. chgs. (net) Pederal taxes
Appl. to min. interests-

Net income revious surplu

_----- $\$ 27,335,995$ | $15,185,072$ |
| :--- |
| $8,276,917$ |
| $\$ 20,352.387$ |
| $\$ 31,530,575,937$ |
| 20,457 | Total surplus $\qquad$ Prop. aband. unamort.

discount \& premium Common divs..........
 Profit \& loss surplus
-V. 122 , p. $1181,102$.

Pan American Western Petroleum Co. (\& Gross sales
Operating and
,168,600 \$23.461,990 \$51,182,510 \$57,033,360

$\qquad$ Profit from operations
Deprec. and depl., $\$ 2,940,675$ aband. of props., $\$ 648,370 ;$ total
Gen. and adm. exp., $\$ 700,047$; int., $\$ 528,125 ;$ prov. for Fed tax, Deprec. and depl., $\$ 2,940,675$ a aband. of props., $\$ 648,370$; total
Gen. and adm. exp., $\$ 700,047$; int., $\$ 528,125$; prov. for Fed tax,
$\$ 382,924$; total.... Net profit $\overline{\text { V. }} 121$, p. 3015. $\frac{1,611,096}{\$ 4,232,609}$

Pacific Finance Corp.-Definitive Notes Ready.Definitive 5 I/2\% gold notes, series $A$ to $J$, are now ready for delivery in
schange for outstanding interim receipts at the National Oity Bank or exchange for outstanding interim receipts at
New York. For offering, see V. 122, p. 1465.
Panhandle Producing \&
Subay, -

Gross earnings.
Operating profits
Other income

Producing \&

| \& Refining |
| :--- |
| 1925,131 |
| $-\quad \$ 5,139,181$ |
| $4,848,889$ | $\qquad$

Net operating income-
Depreciation, depletion, \&
Depreciation, deple
Preferred dividends
$\underset{\text { Dreficit }}{\text { Devious }}$
 for sinking fund reserve.-. Cost of preferred stock retired
Appreciation of properties...
Miscellaneous profit and loss.

| \$5,139,131 | $\$ 4,665,167$ $4,124,029$ | $\begin{array}{r}\text { 8, } \\ \text { 2,929,607 } \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{array}{r} \$ 290,242 \\ 30,248 \end{array}$ | $\$ 541,138$ 40,403 | $\$ 531,692$ 10,038 |
| \$320,490 | \$581,541 | \$541,730 |
| 73,921 | 76,290 | 55,068 |
| 139,698 | deb97,013 | deb186,844 |
| 14.459 |  | ------ |
| \$400,726 | \$408,238 | \$299,818 |
| 589,248 | 785,080 | 593,462 |
| x215,316 | x228,816 | y234,816 |
| \$403,838 | \$605,658 | \$528.460 |
| 773,121 | 1,452,067 | 2,516,382 | $1,150,000$

64,421
$1,308,068$ Depletion charges against discovery values, \&c Adj. of materials \& supplies Bad and doubtful accounts. Miscellaneous profit \& loss.

| 5idik |
| :---: | Approp. to sk. fā. for pfd. stk retire't

9,156
300,000

Parker Mills, Fall River, Mass.-Reorganization.-Treasurer Leonard S. Chace in a letter to stockholders says that as a result of the long period of depression in the cotton cloth industry, corporation is lacking in sufficient working capital and has been compelled to borrow money to the extent of its credit. Recapitalization is obviously necessary. Creditors are ready to assist, and with the co-operation of stock-
holders it is believed a reorganization may be effected which will be beneficial to stockholders and satisfactory to creditors. He further states:
Is nder the proposed reorganization plan provision has been made for an to 20 and to present preferred stockholders in tae ratio of 1 share to 2 . Four shares of common stock are given with each share of new preferred
stock subscribed for to be paid in cash, but not with the preferred stock stock subscribed for to
distributed to creditors
of the provisions regarding common stock were made with the approval an interest in the property, which shoula be of value to the. if if reorgantzation be effected and normal business conditions ensue. According to the common stock would appear to be $\$ 56$ per share. Nevertheless, stockholders entitled to fractions of shares may obtain whole shares by paying for the balance at the rate of $\$ 1$ per fraction or $\$ 20$ per share, and may
further maintain their present interest by purchasing preferred stock with the accompanying 4 shares of common stock. Subscriptions for this pre-
ferred stock by present stockholders will be given priority in the event of ferred stock by pre
The stockholders will vote April 29 on approving the necessary changes in Plan of Financial Reorganization Dated April 61926.
Plan.-A plan for refinancing the business follows. Two methods are
provided for. One is by reorganization; the other by sale to a new corporation. but in either event the result to stockholders and creditors is icientical, as follows:
There will be 21,000 shares of preferred stock and 28,000 shares of common Subiscriptions, \&ic. to New Stock.-Approximately 16,000 shares of the
preferred stock will be offered to creditors in settlement of equivalent amount of present indebtedness incurred prior to June 1925, and interest thereon, and tne balance offered to subscribers for cash to pay claims 589 shares of the common stock will be distributed to present common stockholders; 6,250 shares to present preferred stockholders: and so much of the b lance as may be required will be issued as a bonus in the ratio of
4 shares of common stock for every share of preferred stock purchased 4 shares
for cash.
Present preferred and common stock will be cancelled.
The preferred stock will be entitled to $7 \%$ dividends cumulative after April 301928 , and retirable at $\$ 105$ and will have voting power. The
common stock will be of no par value, with voting power but subject to certain conditions.
Existing Obligations.-There are certain obligations which, because of
their nature, cannot be asked to accept preferred stock in settlement. These will be arranged for as follows: $\$ 983,500$ outstanding $5 \%$ mortgage bonds to remain undisturbed. $\$ 370$,-
000 loaned by banks under special provisions to enable the company to continue in operation to be refunded by other obligations. Other notes, acceptances, and accounts payable incurred under similar special provisions, approximately $\$ 568,600$, to be rexarded as current liabilities, for which
provision is made by the sale of preferred stock.

Balance Sheet, as of Date of Reorganization.
Cash on hand
Liabilittes-
$\left.\begin{array}{ll}\text { Cash on hand--.-.--....... } & \$ 20,000 \\ \text { Cash from preferred stock.... } & 500,000\end{array} \right\rvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { R } \\ & \text { Accounts recelvable }\end{aligned}$ dccounts payable--
Renewed obligation $\qquad$ 5568,600
378,000


Total_-.... $8,704,760$
a Represented by 28,000 shares no
Total..........704,700
a Represented by 28,000 shares no Total. . $85,704,760$

## The company has 231,000 spindles and 5,400 looms, producing fine and

 Upon completion of refinancing, the company will have no debt on itsplant, its credit position will be restored, and given a demand for its product, it should meet competition at a profit. and given a demand for its product. proportion of its production is sold ahead. Fapacity, and a substantial
inancing would financing would cause the company to cease operations, to lose its favorable position in tne cloth market, and to sell its plant. In such event creditors and stockholders would be sacrificed

Subscription for Preferred Stock.
It is proposed to reorganize the finances of the company by reduction of
its capital stock to 6.848 shares of common stitution of present preferred and common stock, and by an increase of capital to be represented by 21,000 shares of preferred stock and 28.000 shares of common stock, including the 6,848 shares above referred to; or
by a sale of the property to a new corporation capitalized on the same basis as above described.
In either event, the two classes of stock shall be entitled to privileges and
subject to limitations and restrictions as described on subject to limitations and restrictions as described on the reverse hereof.
The subscriber will be entitled to 4 shares of common stock for each share The subscriber will
of preferred stock.

In consideration of the above present stockholders may subscribe for new preferred stock, at $\$ 100$ per share therefor, in the following manner: $50 \%$ of
the purchase price 10 days after date of call therefor: $25 \%$ July 101926, with intat at the rate of $6 \%$ per annum from June 1 to date of payment $25 \%$ Aug. 101926 , with interest at the rate of $6 \%$ per annum from June 1
to date of payment. Interest at the rate of $6 \%$ per annum will be charged to date of payment. In
(David) Pender Grocery Co.- Net Sales.-


(Albert) Pick, Bart \& Co., Inc.-Initial Dividend.The directors have declared an initial quarterly dividend of 43 3 c c . per
share on the Class A pref. stock, payable May 15 to holders of record April 23
Postum Cereal Co., Inc.-Listing-Earnings.The New York ontock Exchange without par value, on official notice of issu-
tional shares of co for the stocire wutstanding Class $B$ common stock of Igleance in exchange for the entire outrtanding $\begin{aligned} & \text { heothers, Inc., with authority to add } 5,000 \text { shares common stock }\end{aligned}$ on official notice of issuance to employees, making the total amount applied
for $1,475,000$ shares. for $1,475,000$ shares. March 29 authorized the issuance of 95.000 shares of
The directors on Me commonstock for the purpose of acquiring as of March 311926 the entire value, of IIlleheart Brothers, Inc. (Del.), which has an anthor anized capital shares of Class B common stock, without par value. This corporation will on March 31 1226 , through the issue of all of its Class A stock and $\$ 559 ., 000$
in cash, succeed to the business and assets of Igleheart Brothers, an Indiana
 orporation is to be dissolved. 595,000 , paya The firm of Igleheart Brothers was founded in 1856 . In 1892 a partner-
ship business was incorporated as Igleheart Brothers, with an authorized capital stock of 560,000 . From a comparatively small plant and small
initial investment the business has grown until now it is a well-known manufacturer and distributor of packace pastry flour. Improvements and addient plant occupies approximately 76,000 sq. ft. (including floor space of concrete and steel grain tanks). The main site consists of approximately 12 acres, on which there are 12 buildings and a battery of 61 tanks. The
wheat storage capacity is now approximately $1,000,000$ bushels, consisting of steel and concrete tanks or elevators. In Aly. 1919 company acquired 16 country elevators ( 9 on leased ground and 7 on owned real estate) and operates 21 others, having an average capacity of between 15,000 and 20,000 owned and operated are used for the storage of wheat purchased from farmers in their respective localities and all are adjacent to railroad sidings.


Consolidated Income Account (Postum Cereal Co. \& Subs.) Quarter Ended
March 311926 [Not Including 1gleheart Bros.]. Sales Income Account (Postum Cereal Co. \& Subs.) Q
March 311926 [Not Including 1gleheart Bros.]. Iotal expenses, less misceilaneous income $\$ 11,451,888$
$7,860,028$
 this compares with $\$ 2,775,644$ equivalent to $\$ 202$ per share earned in the
first quarter of 1925 .-V. 122, p. 162 .

Price Bros. \& Co., Ltd.-New Directors.-
G. G. Allan, of New York, and A. J. Brown, K.C., V. M. Drury, and
H. B. MacDougall, all of Montreal, have been elected directors.-V. 121 , p. 2050 .



Reading Hardware Corp.-Registrar.The Central Union Trust Co. has been appointed registrar for 100,000
participating preference shares of the above corporation.-V. 122, p. 2054.

Remington-Noiseless Typewriter Corp.-First Annual Report.
The company shows in 1925 a profit, after providing for depreciation of plants and Federal taxes, of $\$ 89,168$. Regular quarterly dividends on
the preferred stock, amounting to $\$ 8,500$, have been paid, leaving the net amount carried to surplus or Balance Sheet Dec. 31.

 x Authorized: Class A, 75,000 shares; Class B, 77,500 shares. ${ }^{\text {Is }}$ Issued
and to be issuud. Class A. 50,000 shares: Olass B, 77,500 shares. shares on the Class $\mathbf{B}$ shares are deposited in escrow for release to the
Remington Typewriter Co., holder of Class $\mathbf{B}$ stock, if and when the Preferred stock is converted into Class A common stock, on the basis of
Rutley's, Inc.-New Interests Acquire Control.Clark Williams \& Co. have purchased the entire interest of Arthur David
nd associated in Rutley's, Inc. Edwin H. Barker, of Clark Williams \& and associated in Rutey's, Inc. Edwwin H. Barker, of Clark williams \&
Co.. has been elected President, succeeding Arthur David, resigned.-

St. Lawrence Paper Mills, Ltd.-Debentures Offered.Nesbitt, Thomson \& Co. and Dominion Securities Corp., Ltd., recently offered at 100 and int. $\$ 2,000,00061 / 2 \% 10-\mathrm{yr}$. sinking fund mtge. debentures (with stock purchase warrants).
Dated Jan. $21926 ;$ due Jan. 2 1936. Principal and int. (J. \& J.) payable or Three Tivers in Canada or in U. S. Gold Coin of the present standard of welght and fineness, at the Agency of the said Bank in N. Y Yity, or in
Sterling at the Bank of M Montreal, London, Eng.. at the erixed rrate of $\$ 4.862-3$ to the $\mathcal{E}$ Stering. Red. all or part on any int. date at 102 and
int. on 60 days notice. Denom. $\$ 1,000$ c*. Royal Trust Co., Montreal, trustee.
Purpo
Purpose-- Proceeds will be used to provide funds for additions to the pro-
perties of the pertiec ority. Dobentures will be secured by a direct mortgage and charge
(subject to the mortgage and charge securing the first mortgage sinking (subject to the mortgage and charge securing the first mortgage sinking gold bonds) on all the company's assets, present and future, specific as at ixed assets, and also as to shares, bonds, mortgages and debentures of any
subsidiary company; and by way of a floating charge as to all other assets,
Earnings. -Net earnings available for bond and debenture interest after Earnings. - Net earnings available for bond and debenture interest after
deducting operating charges, maintenance and repairs, but before
depreciation and federal taxes have been as follows:
Year ending June 301924
$\$ 825,846$
868,469

868,469
494815
109,760
Sinking Fund.-Company covenants that it will create and maintain a
sinking fund sufficient to retire at maturity this whole issue of mortgage debentures by payment to the trustee on Jan. 2 of each year commencing
1928 up to and includins the year 1934 , the sum of $\$ 200.000$, and on Jan 192 up to and including the year 1934 the sum of $\$ 300,000$, This on Jan. fund will be applied to the redemption of mortgage debentures by purchase In the open market at or below the redemption price end if net so obtainable
within 60 days to the redemption of mortgage debentures by lot at 102 and accrued interest. Stack Purchase Warrants.-These mortgage debentures will carry stock purchase warrants, non-detachable before March
to purchase at $\$ 50$ per share up to and incl. Aug. 31 .entiget 3 shares of the
common stock for each $\$ 1.000$ mortane debenture held.
Further details
regarding history property, capitalization, \&c., in V. 122, p. 1466 . regarding history, property, capitalization, \&c.., in V. 122, p. 1466.
St. Mary's Mineral Land Co.-Dividend of $\$ 2$.The directors have declared a dividend of $\$ 2$ per share, payable May 18
to holders or record Apil 17 . Distribution of $\$ 3$ p per share were made on
May 201924 and May 20 1925.-V. 122, p. 1183.

## St. Maurice Valley Sales Corp.-Organized.-

Announcement has been made by the St. Mayrice Valley Oorp. of the
formation of the St. Maurice Valley sles Corp., which will take over the business of the St. Maurice Sales Co. and the Belgo Export Co St. Maurice Sales Co. has handied the output of the St. Maurice Division
 Oo. is the sales agency for the Belgo Canadian Paper Couid Ltd The The
new corporation will also be the sales agency for the Port Aifred Pulp \& Paper Corp.
of is understood that Thomas P. Waller will be appointed Vice-Pres.
of the St. Maurice Valley Corp., and that he will be in direct charge of the sales corporation in the capacity of Vice-Pres.
The operating of the two sales agencies as a unit should result in a sub stantial reduction in overhead expenses, and should therefore add to the economy being effected by the St. Maurice Valley Oorp., through its
consolidation of the Belgo Canadian Paper Co., Ltd., and the St. Maurice Paper Co. understood that the St. Maurice Valley Sales Corp. Will centre its
activities in Montreal, with branches in New York and other important publishing centres.
Security Bond \& Mortgage Co. (Fla.)-Bonds Offered J. A. W. Iglehart \& Co., Bodell \& Co., Harrison, Smith \& Co., and Smith, Hull \& Co. are offering at par and int. $\$ 500,000$ 1st mtge. $6 \%$ collateral trust gold bonds, series C. Dated May 11926 . maturities from one to five years. Principal and int.
payable at the Maryland Trust Co.. Baltimore. Md. Without deduction for the normal Federal income tax of $2 \%$, and with a refund of any state, county or municipal tax up to 5 mills.
The mortgages securing the bonds are guaranteed unconditionally as to
principal and interest by the Maryland Casualty Co. and deposited with the principal and interest by the Maryland Casualty Co. and deposited with the
Maryland Trust Co. as Trustee.-V. 122, p. 763.
(Frank G.) Shattuck Co.-Expansion.
This company, which has under way an extensive program of expansion,
opened a new store at 31 Broad way, N. Y. City, last week. This is the first of the company's new Schrafft's stores to be opened in accordance with its 1926 program and it increases to 27 the chain of Schrafft's stores now in
operation. It is further announced that within the next few weeks additional units will be opened by the company at 41 Maiden Lane and at 1424 Broadopened in early summer and in June the compan's new 15 story, factory
ot 43 West 22 d St., N. Y., will be placed in operation.-V. 121, p. 2169 .
Southern Coal \& Iron Corp.-Receiver.-
Harry A. Mackey, City Treasurer of Philadelphia was appointed receiver in equity April 8 by Federal Judge Dickinson under a bill filled by William
A. Behan, Sec.-Treas. of the corporation--V. 121, p. 989 .
Spicer Manufacturing Corp.-Annual Report.Calendar Years-
$\begin{array}{l}\text { Cet sales } \\ \text { Cost of sales.-........--- }\end{array}$ 1925. $\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { 192 } \\ \text { Not operated. }\end{array}\right]$

## Cost of sales_--.......--

Gross profit-...
Other income..
Gross income-
Adm.-. gen. \& sil. exp.
Interest discount.
Prov. for Fed. taxes...
Net profit-1......
Surplus Jan.
Sundry adjustment.
Sundry adjustment--.-.-
Loss on sale of cap.assets
Loss on sale of cap.asse
Divs. paid on pt. stk
Total P. \& L. sur. Dec. $31 \overline{\$ 3,278,890} \overline{\text { Balance Sheet Dec. 31. }} \overline{\$ 2,549.077} \overline{\$ 1,820,241} \overline{\$ 1,017,863}$

| Balance Sheet Dec. 31. |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $1925 .$ | $1924 .$ | Llablities- |  |  |
|  |  |  | \% pret.stock |  |  |
| chin'y \& equip... | ,827,534 | 3,550,293 | Common stock |  | 7,375,000 |
|  | 479,2 | ${ }_{976.590}^{651.041}$ | Fund. \& oth. | 300,000 | 680,000 |
| Inventories......- | .669,925 | 2,898,040 | Deferred purchase |  |  |
| Miscell. invest'ts. | 9,005 | 56,317 | money obiligan | ${ }_{695}^{104,300}$ |  |
|  | 4,122 | 2,474,459 | Res. for Fed taxes | 256,358 | 246,259 |
| G'd-will ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | 5,455,456 | 4,586,718 |  |  |  |
|  | 90,459 | 195,616 | Surplus. | 3,278,890 | 2,549,077 |

 a After $\$ 2,646,258$ depreciation.
no par value.-V. 121, p. 2169 .
Standard Oil Co. of Indiana. - Stock for Employees.-
On or about May 20 the company will distribute among 15,300 em-
ployees 390,000 shares of capital stock which were subscribed for under the first employees' stock purchase plan.
The stockholders on March 4 approved a second employees' stock purchasing plan to be put in operation for a period of three years from March 31
1926. V. 122 , p. 1624 .

Standard Oil Co. (Kentucky).-Bal. Sheet, Dec. 31.-

 Merchandise -...-


Standard Oil Co. of Nebraska.-Par Changed.The stockholders on April 12 voted to change the par value of the capital
stock from $\$ 100$ to $\$ 25$ per share, four new shares to be issued for each
share held. A $50 \%$ stock dividend was recently announced, payabie on
May 6 to holders of record April 6 . The company has an authorized capital stock of $\$ 5,000,000$ of whilh there is at oresent outstanding approxi-
mately 30,204 shares, par $\$ 100$.-V. 122, p. mately 30,204 shares, par $\$ 100 .-\mathrm{V} .122$, p. 2056, 1928.

Standard Oil Co. of New York.-To Increase Stock to Provide for Merger of General Petroleum Corp.-The stockholders will vote may 17 on increasing the authorized capital stock from $15,000,000$ shares (par $\$ 25$ ) to $17,500,000$ shares (par \$25), and on approving the acquisition by the company of the assets of the General Petroleum Corp. of California. There will be presented at the meeting for the approval of the stockholders a contract between these companies providing for this acquisition, entered into subject to the approval stockholders of the Genecal Petroleum Corporations. Will vote the same date on approving the merger. Herbert L. Pratt, President, in a letter to stockholders says
leume Corp. provides in substance that the General Petroleum Petrowim coorp. provides in substance that the General Petroleum Corp.
wits properties and assets, except the am unt necessary to
retire its outstanding preared stock, pay its regular dividend of June 15
1926 and meet thing epsered 1926 and meet the necessary expense of liquidation, to Standard Oil Co of
New York and that
Vilititandard oo ©il Co. will assume all obligations and liabilities of the General Petroleum Corp. and will Isue for distribution to
the holders of the common stock of General Petroleum Corp. then out-
 Corp. then outstanding, the number of shares of stock of this company so
to be issued being approximately $2,355,000$. Neither company sill declare any dividend other than its regilar dividends or make any distribution to
its sharenolders or orfer its stock for subscription prior to the consumma-
tion of the plan. tion of the plan. This in the opinion of of yor bourd prior till be a a naturammand and
advantageous development from the character of the business done by each of these companiec.
Standard Oin Co.
Co. have created intensive distributing facilities throughout Netroleum and the New EEgland states Texas Oklahomaties Arkanshout New Yorts of New
Mexico, Kansas and Louisiana. They have in thesal localities Mexico, Kansas and Louisiana. They have in these localities an established good will and a reputation for their brands which is a business asset
of great value and have built up theso physical distributing facilities at
large ast.
 and the Near. East which represent a large investment with a demand for
its products in these thickly pepulated areas which promises rapid increase.
While the company has created and operates this extensive marketing organization and has the majeot pant ord its inveratestment in thensive marketing
distribution it has neither sufficlent crude production to capacity to furnish the petroleum products which it markets. Further it has no crude production or refining capacity whatever on the Pacficic Coast
which is its natural source of supply for the extensive territories in the Far fically dependent on purchases from other companies As a risult it it is prac ticay distriburingent facilitiles in Eurchases from other
Gentern Asia.
Geeneral Petroleum Corp. on the other hand, has extensive producing mately $10.000,000$ barruls of crude oll what also purcha produced approximaxi
$15.000,000$ barrels from wells in these fields served by its pipe lines. 1 It
1020
 at Los Angeles which handled in 1925 a total of approximately 18.000 finies barrles of crude oil. It has marketing facilities for refined products in Caliexcept those on the Pacific Coast. not in foreign countries or in any States The business of the two companies is therefore complementary. The
acauisition of the properties of the General Petroleum Corp.. with their substantial crude production, referning capacity petroum terminal ' facilitities at ments available and heir surplus over and above Pacific Coast require the widespread distributing faclitities of this company and the supply of crude and refined products produced by it. General Petroleum Corp. has a of producing and refining conditions in the important fields of the Pacific Coast and the intricate technical problems there existing. It is the plan of from General Petroleum Cors This is regarded by the properties acquired mportant elements of value which this company will receive as a result of his transaction.
In short, your board believes that the accuisition of these properties will e advantageus it therefore mitted to them.-V. 122, p. 1779 .
Sterling Products, Inc.-Dividend Rate Increased.share on the capital stock, no par value, payable May 1 to holders of竍 1924 and $1925 .-\mathrm{V} .122$, p. 494.
Stutz Motor Car Co.-Orders-Shipments.-
The company at the end of March had on hand unfilled orders for 2.414
During March the company shipped 527 cars, breaking all records. Shipments this year to date exceeded 1,000
Submarine Boat Corp. - Name Changed, \&c.to Transmarine stock from 800,000 shares to 191,730 shares of no par value, by issuing one new share for every four shares now outstanding. At present there are
issued 711.720 shares of no par value. See also v. 122, p. 1928 .
(The) Surf Shore Apartments, Chicago.-Bonds Offered. -Lockner, Butz \& Co., Chicago, are offering at par and int. $\$ 575,00061 / 2 \%$ 1st mtge. real estate gold bonds.
Dated March 1 1926: due semi-annually from March 11928 to March 1
1936. Callable at 103. Interest payable M. \& security.-Secured by a at 426 Surf St., Chiccago. The lot. 75 by 197 ft.. is now being improved 2 with an apartment building. The building's 122 apartments of 4,3 and apartments and 20 divided as follows: 43 2-room apartments. 4 -room apartments, 593 -room
apere will be eseveral shops on
the first flo the first floor. The buildingss will be served by two elevators.
income.-The gross annual income that these 122 moderately-priced Income.- The gross annual income that these 122 moderately-priced
apartments will procuce is conservatively estimated at $\$ 136,500$ Operating expenses, , taxes and an allowance for possible vacancies will amount to
and expenses, eaxes and an allowance for possible vacanc
approximately $\$ \$ 000$. laving a net income of $\$ 106,5$
the greatest annual interest charge on the bond issue.
Texas Pacific Coal \& Oil Co.-Annual Report.-
Catendar YearsCatendar Yearf-
Gross earnings




Balance, surplus
$\times$ Includes
50\%
of net income of Homestake Exploration Corp. for the
$\underset{\text { Transmarine \& }}{\text { Tr }}$ Terminal Co., Inc.-New Name.-
(John R.) Thompson Co.-Earnings.-
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { Ouar. end. Mar. } 31-1926 . & 1925 . & 1924 .\end{array}$
. 122, p. 2056, 1625.- $\$ 390,420 \quad \$ 336,631 \quad \$ 394,357 \quad \$ 340,804$
Times Square Auto Supply Co.-Stock Increase.The company has filed a certificate at Albany, N. Y. increasing its
authorized common stock from 300,000 shares to 450,000 shares of no par
value.

Transcontinental Oil Co. (\& Subs.).-Earnings.Gross earnings from all sources-...-.
Material cost and operating expenses.
Admerating income-
Interest
Depreciation, depletion,
Cost of drilling
Copst of driling depletion, \&on- weils during 1924-
Cost of sundry leases and wells abandoned.

| $\begin{array}{r} 1925 \\ -\quad \$ 19.004,630 \\ -15.523,293 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1924 . \\ & \$ 14,100.722 \\ & 12,210,972 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| \$3,781.337 | \$1,8899.750 |
| 614,897 | 801,988 |
| , 604 | ${ }^{1422.010} 0$ |

Net profit-
$-\mathrm{V} .121, \mathrm{p} .2 \overline{1} \overline{8}$.
$\$ 792,580$ def\$621,765
Trumbull Steel Co.-Earnings.-
The company reports for the auarter ended March 311926 , net profits
of $\$ 553,520$ after charges, but before Federal taxes.-V. 122, p. 1185, 896.
244 East Pearson St. (Apartment Bldg.), Chicago.Bonds Offered.-Greenebaum Sons Securities Corp. recently offered $\$ 1,350,000$ 1st mtge. $61 / 2 \%$ serial gold bonds at par and int. for all maturities, 6 to 12 years, and for the maturiDated April 1 1926: due semi-annually $21 / 2$ to 12 years. Prin. and int. (A. \& O.. payable at offices of Greenebaum sons Investment Co, with-
out deduction for Federal normal income tax up to $\% \%$ and any State taxes
of Penn. Mass
 feet, owned in fee, and 18 -story and basement building of tireproof cotrucIndependent appraisal of the property, when completed, places the total Net yearly income from the building when completed estimated con-
servatively at $\$ 244.800$ which is more than $23 / 4$ times the greatest annual
interest charges on the entire bond ist The bonds are a direct obligation of the 244 East Pearson Street Building Corp., which is headed by Timothy A. Ryan and Thomas L. Ryan,
building and paring contractors, and Philip M. Gordon, owner of other
valuable real estate.

Union Oil Co. of Calif.-Approximate Earnings.-
 $\begin{array}{crrrr}\begin{array}{c}\text { Labor a nd incidental cost } \\ \text { of new drilling } \\ \text { He-..--- }\end{array} & 1,000,000 & 1,250,000 & 850,000 & 1,800,000\end{array}$
 interest charges and provident fumd.
Production of crude oil by company and controlled companies for the 3 months approximates $3,550,000 \mathrm{Omphany}$ and controlled companies for the 3
pared with the same Sales for the 3 months approximate $\$ 17,370.000$, an increase in value
 treasury certificates, accounts and bills receivabie, oil inventories and ma-
 and refined products in storage at March 311926 approximates $26.633,000$
bbls. Cash resources approximate $\$ 13,089,000$ Current Hiabilitites at


 to 6 reservoirs and a number of steel tanks. On April 8 lightning struek
and set fire to 2 reservoirs 230 mile from San Luis Obispo The fires are still burning. While the loss will be very large, the amount thereof cannot of course be determined
at this time, but is largely covered by insurance with underwriters. This oil represents part of company's reserves above ground and the destruction
thereof will not affect company's current operations.-V.122, p.1450,896.

Union \& United Tobacco Corp.-Registrar.-
The Chase National Bank has been appointed registrar for an authorized
United Alloy Steel Corp. - New Control -
Oyrus S. Eaton, of Otis \& Co., and assoclates, have acquired control of the corporation of Canton, O, a according to E. A. Langenbach, Chairman
of the board. Mr. Langenbach stated that he had sold a substantial part of his holdings to the Cleveland group and would retire as chairman of the
board at the annual meeting, April 20.- $V$. 122, p. 764 .

United Fruit Co.-Listing.-
The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 2,500.000 shares of capital stock without par value, upon official notice of issuance,
in exchange at the rate of $21 / 2$ shares of capital stock without par value for present outstanding $1,000,000$ shares of capital stock of the par value of
$\$ 100$ per share.-V. 122, p. 2070. 1780 .

United Oil Co. (\& Sub. Co.).-Report.-
Sales of oil and products (net)
Sales of oil and products (net)
Cost of sales, including operating expenses.-.
Gross profits from operations
Profit from operations.
Other income credits_


| 319,271,532 |
| :--- |
| $13,948,683$ |

Gross income-
Depletion and dort. of bond disc. \& exp., uncoll. accts., \&c-
Provision for 1925 Federal taxes

- Net income- -122, p. 1625.
\$1,651,900
United States Dairy Products Corp.-Tenders.-
The American Trust Co., trustee, 135 Broadway, N. Y. City, will until
 not exceeding 107 and int. for the A bonds, 109 and
and 110 and int. for the C bonds.-V. 122 , p. 625 .
United States Steel Corp.-Unfilled Orders.See under '.
122, p. 1755 .
Waltham Watch Co.-Initial Prior Preferred Dividend. the $7 \%$ curum. prior pref, stock, payable May 1 to holders on orecord April 17 . This stock was offered for subscription early in 1923 to preferred stock-
holders of the old Waltham Watch Co. (see V.116, p. 189).-V.120, p.1894.

For other Investment News, see page 2226.

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## SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY

## REPORT OF THE BO ARD OF DIRECTORS.

New York, N. Y., April 81926.
To the Stockholders of the Southern Pacific Company:
Your Board of Directors submits this report of the operations and affairs of the Southern Pacific Lines and Affiliated Companies for the fiscal year ended December 311925. INCOME ACCOUNT.
The following statements of income and of surplus show the income for the year and the accumulated surplus to the close of the year, accruing to Southern Pacific Company stock from the Transportation System and from all separately operated Solely Controlled Affiliated Companies, combined:
NET INCOME OF THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC LINES AND SOLELY
CONTROLLED AFFILIATED COMPANIES, COMBINED,
FOR THE YEAR 1925 COMPARED WITH THE
YEAR 1924.
$\begin{array}{cc}\text { Year Ended } \\ \text { Dec. } 31 \text { 1925. } & \text { + Increase } \\ \text { Decrease. } & \text { Per } \\ \text { Cent }\end{array}$
Net income of Transportation System
et income of Affiliated Com-
Net income of Transportation
System and of all separately operated Solely Controlled Affiliated Companies, com-bined-------------------*37,916,316.92 —\$2,574,611.73 6.36
4. Per Cent earned on average
amount of capital stock of
outstanding during the year:
(a) From operations of T ans-

| portation System.------ | 9.57 | $-.58$ | 5.71 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (b) From operations of Affili- |  |  |  |
| ated Companies. | . 61 | -. 84 | 57.93 |
| (c) Tota | 10.18 | $-1.42$ |  |



* Excludes all inter-company dividends. x Inter-company interest on open accounts was discontinued as of December 31 1924. To obtain proper comparison of 1925 with 1924, all inter-company interest on open accounts and inter-company dividends included in income account for the year 1924 have been eliminated in arriving at figures representing increases and decreases.
SURPLUS TO DECEMBER 311925 OF THE SOUTHERN PACIFIO LINES AND SOLELY CONTROLLED AFFILIATED COMPANIES, COMBINED


## Debit. Credit

1. Total corporate surplus at Dec. 311924
2. Oredit balance transferred from income: Transportation System $\$ 34,297,965.10$ Affiliated Companies_-_ 2,232,030.84
3. Dividends paid:
-.-.-.-.-.-6, $629,995.943$
n capital stock of Southern Pacific Co
11/2\% paid April 1 1925 - $\$ 5,585,713.58$ $11 / 2 \%$ paid July 1 1925_ 5,585,713.58 $11 / 2 \%$ paid Oct. 1 1925 - 5,585,713.58 11/2\% payable Jan. 2 ' 26 5,585,713.58

Total Southern Pa-
fic Company _...- $\$ 22,342,854.32$
On capital stocks of
tem Companies held
by the public.....
266,795.00
Miscellaneous adjustments during the year.

22,609,649.32
379,276,769.84
3,537,522.03
$\overline{\$ 401,886,419.16} \overline{\$ 401,886,419.16}$

* Includes adjustment on account of cancellation of inter-company interest carried in suspense by Transportation System; also on account of corporate surplus of companies taken into the System during 1925.

The Southern Pacific Company, from time to time in the past, as necessity required or as opportunity offered, has acquired sole control through stock ownership of certain separately operated companies, such as steam and electric railways, coal companies, oil companies, land companies, and other enterprises which are collateral to, but are not a part of, its Transportation System. The acquisition of these companies has been gradual, and while their affairs have been separately reported in the annual report, the income arising from their operation has been included in the income account of the Transportation System only as it has been transferred to your Company from time to time as interest and dividends. At December 31 1925, however, there were thirty-five of such separately operated Solely Controlled

Affiliated Companies (practically all of whose capital stocks are owned within the Southern Pacific System), the book value of the property investments of which aggregated $\$ 326$,341,03117. Because of the magnitude of these investments it is considered important to give the results of the operations of the Transportation System (known as "Southern Pacific Lines") and of the separately operated Solely Con-* trolled Affiliated Companies, combined, in order to show the total income accruing to Southern Pacific Company stock from the operation of all solely controlled companies. Statements showing the results of such operations are set forth above. It is considered desirable, however, to maintain the Income Account and Balance Sheet of the Transportation System (Southern Pacific Lines) so as to continue to show separately the net income from the operation of the Transportation System, its investments, and the capital employed by it. These statements, in the form heretofore reported, as well as condensed statements giving the Balance Sheet and the Income Account of all separately operated Solely Controlled Affiliated Companies, combined, are included in the report.

In the past the Southern Pacific Company has followed the practice of computing and setting up in the accounts, interest on open accounts with its Transportation System Companies and with its separately operated Solely Controlled Affiliated Companies. So far as the accounts between the Southern Pacific Company and the Transportation system Companies are concerned, such interest has been taken into the income accounts as it accrued, but always has been offset and eliminated in preparing the Combined Income Account and the Combined Balance Sheet of the Transportation System. As indicated above, however, the affairs of the separately operated Solely Controlled Affiliated Companies have not been included either in the Combined Income Account or in the Combined Balance Sheet, and while the interest on open accounts with the said Affiliated Companies has been charged against the income of such companies as it accrued, only so much of such interest as has been earned by such Affiliated Companies has been taken into the income account of the Southern Pacific Company, the unearned portion thereof being held in suspense by Southern Pacific Company and dealt with in the Combined Balance Sheet as "Other Unadjusted Credits." (See last paragraph but one on page 13 of 1924 annual report and footnote (e), page 19 of such report.) This practice of setting up inter-company interest on open accounts is no longer considered necessary or desirable, and as of the close of business December 31 1924, the practice was discontinued, and the unearned interest theretofore accruing, which was held in suspense at said date, has been canceled and eliminated from the accounts

Because of the outside interests involved in the case of Jointly Controlled Affiliated Companies, interest on open accounts with such companies will be set up as it accrues, as in the past. No portion of the operations of Jointly Controlled Affiliated Companies (other than interest and dividends received from such companies) is included in Southern Pacific's income.

## INCOME ACCOUNT OF SOUTHERN PACIFIC LINES.

The income account of the Transportation System (South ern Pacific Company and Transportation System Companies, combined, excluding offsetting accounts and inter-company dividends) for the year 1925, compared with the year 1924 was as follows, viz:


a Excludes all inter-company dividends. * Includes $\$ 1,955,396.59$, representing entire net income from the operation of the property of the Houston \& Texas Central RR. Co. for the year 1925, during which period about $24 \%$ of the capital stock of said company was held by the public. since the close of the year such stock has been purchased by Southern Pacific Company. x Inter-company interest on open accounts was discontinued as of December 31 1924. To obtain proper comparison of 1925 with 1924, all inter-company interest on open accounts and inter-company dividends included in income account for the year 1924 have been eliminated in arriving at figures representing increases and decreases.

The causes of the principal increases and decreases in the income account of the Transportation System are explained below, viz:

## NON-OPERATING INCOME

The increase of $\$ 383,49750$ in the account Miscellaneous Rent Income is due, principally, to rent received from prop erty, formerly belonging to Los Angeles Public Market Company, taken over during the year by the Southern Pacific Company; and to increase in ground rent received from industrial concerns.

The decrease of $\$ 1,229,73650$ in the account Income from Funded Securities-Bonds and Notes, is due, principally to decrease in interest received on United States Treasury Notes and other securities, previously held as investments, which were sold during the year.

The increase of $\$ 555,65823$ in the account Income from Funded Securities-Investment Advances, represents, principally, interest accruing prior to January 1 1925, taken into account during the current year.

Of the increase in the account Income from Unfunded Securities and Accounts, the sum of $\$ 470,000$ is due to an increase in interest received on demand loans, and the remainder is due, principally, to an increase in interest on company's own funds used for construction.

The increase in the account Miscellaneous Income is due, principally, to royalties received on oil and gas taken from lands owned at Wortham, Texas.

DEDUCTIONS FROM GROSS INCOME.
The increase in the account Miscellaneous Tax Accruals is the result, principally, of including in that account last year a credit adjustment on account of taxes for prior years, which under the regulations of the Interstate Commerce Commission, are properly includable in Railway Tax Accruals.

The increase of $\$ 3,314,40226$ in the account Interest on Funded Debt-Bonds and Notes, is made up, principally, as follows: Of $\$ 1,526,350$, representing the difference between a full year's interest this year and the amount of interest accrusing in 1924 on the $\$ 29,400,000$ of Southern Pacific Com-

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pany, Twenty-year Five Per Cent bonds and on Southern Pacific Equipment Trust Certificates-Series G, issued last year; of $\$ 979,180$, representing interest accruing this year on $\$ 40,000,000$ Central Pacific Railway Company Thirty five year Five Per Cent Guaranteed Gold Bonds and on $\$ 10$, 491,000 of Southern Pacific Equipment Trust Certificates Series H, issued this year; of $\$ 392,000$, representing differ ence of a full year's interest this year and the interest ac cruing subsequent to November 11924 on outstanding bonds of El Paso \& Southwestern, taken into the System Novem ber 1 1924, and of $\$ 368,107$, representing interest accruing from May 11925 to December 311925 on outstanding bonds of San Antonio \& Aransas Pass Railway Company, taken into the System May 11925.
The decrease of $\$ 176,59984$ in the account Interest on Unfunded Debt, is the result, principally, of a charge to that account last year, representing the interest on deferred pay ments for terminal property, the principal of which was paid off last year.
The dividends paid for 1925 were appropriated from the profit and loss surplus and, therefore, do not appear in the income account. Payments for 1925 amounted to $\$ 22,609$, 64932 , compared with $\$ 20,943,09432$, for 1924 . The increase of $\$ 1,666,55500$ is made up of $\$ 1,400,000$, representing the difference between a full year's dividend on the $\$ 28,000,000$ of capital stock issued November 1 1924, in connection with the acquisition of the El Paso and Southwestern Lines, and the amount of dividend on such stock paid during 1924, and of $\$ 266,555$, representing dividends paid during the year on $\$ 2,423,200$ of capital stock of Houston and Texas Central Railroad Company held by the public. The figures for both this year and last year include $\$ 240$, representing dividends on stocks of other Transportation System Companies, held by the public.

## TRANSPORTATION OPERATIONS-SOUTHERN PACIFIC LINES.

The following table shows the Net Railway Operating In come and Traffic Statistics of the Transportation System for the year 1925 compared with those for the year 1924:

Year Ended
Dec. 31 1925. 土 Increase. $\begin{gathered}\text { Per } \\ \text { Decrease. } \\ \text { Cent. }\end{gathered}$
1 Average miles of road operated
12,950.25
$+60.34$
Net Railway Operating Income Railway Operating Revenues-



9 Total railway operating revs $-\frac{531,477.92}{-456,531.8} \frac{-6}{293,074,553.47} \frac{1,347,533.09}{}$
Railway Operating Expenses-
10 Maint. of way and structures _... $40,110,806.20-2,136,021.54$


19 Net revenue from $r y$. operations
20 Railway tax accruals
22 Railway operating income ${ }_{24}^{23} \mathrm{~J}$

25

Net rallway operating income- \begin{tabular}{l}
50,313,759.22 <br>

| +423,695.79 |
| :--- | 161,727.06 <br>

\hline
\end{tabular} Traffic Statistics (Steam Ra

ight Traffic-


The following tabu'ation gives the transportation onerations for the years 1922, 1923, 1924 and 1025, compared with the year 1917, the last year prior to Federal control, and with 1921, the first complete year subsequent to Federal control, the figures being given in round thousand dollars: $\begin{array}{lllllll} & 1925 . & 1924 . & 1923 . & 1922 . & 1921 . & 1917 . \\ \text { Operating revs. } \\ \$ 293.074 & \$ 291.727 & \$ 287.205 & \$ 262.519 & \$ 269,494 & \$ 193.971\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { Per cent of } 1917 & 151.09 & 150.40 & 148.07 & 135.34 & \ldots-\ldots-1 & \ldots-1\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Per cent of } 1921 & 108.75 & 108.25 & 106.57 & 97.41\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{ccccccc}\text { Operating expen. } \$ 215.609 & \$ 214.812 & \$ 207.167 & \$ 193.664 & \$ 212.572 & \$ 120.601 \\ \text { Per cent of } 11917 & 178.78 & 178.12 & 171.78 & 160.58 & \ldots-\ldots & -\ldots\end{array}$

| Per cent of 1917 | 17 | 178.1 | 171.78 | 16 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 101.43 | 10 | 97.46 | 91.11 |  |  |
| ing rat | 73.57 | 73.6 | 72.1 | 73.77 | 78.88 |  | Operating ratio-

$\begin{array}{lllllll}\begin{array}{l}\text { Net revenue from } \\ \text { ry. operations. }\end{array} & \$ 77.465 & \$ 76.915 & \$ 80.038 & \$ 68.855 & \$ 56.922 & \$ 73.37\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{crrrrrr}\text { ry. operations. } & \mathbf{\$ 7 7 . 4 6 5} & \$ 76.915 & \$ 80.038 & \$ 68.855 & \$ 56,922 & \$ 73.370 \\ \text { Per cent of } 1917 & 10 \div .58 & 104.83 & 109.09 & 93.85 & \ldots \ldots . . & \ldots\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llllr}\text { Per cent of } 1917 & 10.58 & 104.83 & 109.09 & 93.85 \\ \text { Per cent of } 1921 & 136.09 & 135.12 & 140.61 & 120.96\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Py. tax accruals. } & \$ 21.275 & \$ 20.909 & \$ 20.365 & \$ 18.859 & \$ 15.539\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{ccrrrrr}\text { Ry. tax accrualss } & \$ 21.275 & \$ 20.909 & \$ 20.365 & \$ 18.859 & \$ 15.539 & \$ 13.792 \\ \text { Per cont of } 1917 & 154.26 & 151.60 & 147.66 & 136.74 & -\ldots . .- & -\ldots- \\ \text { Per cent of } 1921 & 136.91 & 134.56 & 131.06 & 121.37 & - & \end{array}$ Per cent of 1921
Net railway oper-


Traffic units (ton
miles plus three
times passen
gor miless-
$\begin{array}{ccccccc}\text { thousands.-.7 } & 22.475 & 21.929 & 21.044 & 18.012 & 17.451 & 20,877 \\ \text { Per cent of } 1917 & 107.65 & 105.04 & 100.80 & 86.28 & \ldots-\ldots-- & -\ldots . .\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Per cent of } 1921 & 128.79 & 125.66 & 120.59 & 103.21 & -\cdots\end{array}$
The Transportation Act of 1920 provides that the railways should receive a fair return unon the aggregate value of railway property held and used for the service of transportation, such fair return being $5 \% \%$, as last fixed by the Interstate Commerce Commission under authority of the Act. Despite the movement of a record volume of traffic and continued gains in efficiency of operation, the existing rate structure, during each year since enactment of the Transportation Act, has failed to give your Company the fair return contemplated by the Act. The relationship of net railway operating income to the book value of road and equipment of lines constituting your Transportation System, has been as follows:


Total Railway Onerating Revenues for 1925, which amounted to $\$ 293,074,55347$, were the largest in the history of your Company. This was the result of the large volume of freight traffic moved over your lines, the revenue ton mileage exceed ng the previous peak year of 1917 by $8.66 \%$, notwithstanding a drought which extended over about 2,000 miles of your lines in Texas, and which materially affected the traffic moved by those lines.

Although Railway Onerating Revenues showed an increase, compared with 1924 , of $\$ 1,3+7,533$, this increase was more than offset by an increase of $\$ 793,854$ in operating expenses, an increase of $\$ 366,237$ in taxes and an increase of $\$ 423,695$ in equipment rents, the result being a decrease in Net Railway Operating Income of $\$ 161,727$. This result was materially affected by the following items of expenses, viz:


Less
\$2,947,000
Back pay to employees included in last year's

Decreases in prices of materials other than fuel ---- 498,000
Net increase in wages and in prices of materials...........Increase in cnarges for depreciation and retirement of equip-
ment, the result, principally, of equipment additions at market prices far higher than those of former years........

Total$1,168,000$

Uninfluenced by these uncontrollable items Net Railway Operating Income would have shown an increase over 1924 of about $\$ 3,000,000$.

Freight revenue for the year increased $\$ 4,952,234$, a decrease on the Texas and Louisiana Lines being more than overcome by an increase on the Pacific Lines.

The decrease in freight traffic on the Texas and Louisiana Lines was due, principally, to the severe and unprecedented drought which extended over about 2,000 miles of the Texas Lines, curtailing the production of cotton and its by-products, and of corn, wheat, oats and other agricultural products. it is estimated that the loss in freight revenue from this cause was about $\$ 3,500,000$.

On the Pacific Lines, a decrease in shipments of citrus fruit in the first part of the year, due to frosts in the winter
of $1924-5$, was overcome by increased revenues from automobiles, lumber and mineral oils. and by the summer and fall movement of products, such as grapes, lettuce, dec:duous fruits and vegetables, moving to Eastern markets in refrigerator cars, the result being an increase in freight revenue, compared with 1924 , of $\$ 7,238,820$. Much of this traffic moved in a few peak months of the vear, severely taxing our facilities. Notwithstanding this condition, it is gratifying that, by intensive use of a a a ilable rolling stock, we were able to handle the traffic without serious car shortage, and with the usual disnatch. With the exception of the decrease noted in the movement of citrus fruit, freight traffic generally showed a gratifying improvement. which, from present indications, will continue through 1926.
I'assenger revenue decreased $\$ 2.717,315$. On the Texas and Louisiana Lines the decrease amounted to about $\$ 1,000$,000 , all of which represents a loss in local traffic, due to reduction in travel resulting from the unfavorable crop and business conditions caused by the drought in Texas hereinbefore mentioned, and to increased automobile competition. On the Pacific Lines, a decrease of approximately $\$ 2,800$,000 , due to increased use of automobiles (both commercial and private) and to an unusual winter travel to Florida, temporarily diverting business wh ch otherwise would have gone to California, was partially offset by an increase of about $\$ 1,000,000$, due to an increase in summer excursion travel and increased travel to conventions and local celebrations.
The decrease of $\$ 1,183,621$ in Mail and Express Revenues is all in Express earnings, and is the result, principally, of the $10 \%$ reduction in rates made by the Interstate Commerce Commission in June 1924 and to an adjustment of class rates made by the Commission, effective May 1 1025, both of which affected particularly the Inter-mountain and Pacific Coast territories.

Maintenance of Way and Structures decreased $\$ 2,136,021$ or $5.06 \%$. The property, however, was ma ntained quite up to your Company's usual high standard, as will be seen by reference to the following table giving the principal items of material used in repairs and renewals during the past four years:

MATERIAL USED IN REPAIRS AND RENEWALS.
New steel rail, track miles
Ties, number-1.-.
Ties. number per mile-....
Tieplates Tie-plates, number.Piling, , ineal feet.
Lumber, feet b.

53,426.468 25.339,077 21,417.664 22,958,492 $2.09 \%$.
Transportation expenses increased $\$ 3,151,742$, or $3.04 \%$. Of this increase, higher wage rates accounted for an increase of $\$ 1,434,336$, and higher prices of fuel for an increase of $\$ 1,331,820$, a total of $\$ 2,766,156$. Excent for these two uncontrollable items, transportation expenses would have shown an increase of only $\$ 385,586$, or $0.37 \%$, notwithstanding the necessary increase in train and locomotive mileage required to handle an increase of about $4.38 \%$ in the ton mileage of all freight moved by your lines.

The increased price of fuel oil gave added importance to economy in the use of fuel. The constant campaign carried on for years to reduce fuel consumption in locomotives has been reflected by a gradual but large reduction in the amount of fuel used in proportion to ton mileage moved. The reduction in pounds of fuel used per 1,000 gross ton miles in 1925, under 1924, amounted to $5.00 \%$ in passenger service, and $2.18 \%$ in freight service. The value of the economy realized in 1925 compared with 1924 amounted to $\$ 725,480$, and in 1925 compared with 1913 to $\$ 11,479,446$. The following table shows results obtained in fuel economy in 1925 compared with the preceding two years, and with the year 1913:
Locomotive Fuel -Comparison 1925 WithPerformance. 1925. 1924. 1923. 1913. 1924. 1923. 1913. Pounds fuel per
1,000 gross
ton miles: $\begin{array}{rlllll}\text { Pass. service_141.84 } & 149.30 & 162.34 & 206.67 & -5.00 \% & -12.63 \% \\ \text { Fr't service_-129.23 } & 132.11 & 142.56 & 192.83 & -2.18 \% & -9.35 \%-32.98 \% \\ \text { Value of fuel saved in: }\end{array}$ Value of fuel saved in:
1925 over 1924

Miscellaneous Operations increased $\$ 503,190$, or $11.97 \%$, principally in dining car and buffet service, and is largely offset by increased revenues from such service.

General Expenses increased $\$ 507,696$, or $5.07 \%$, the principal items being an increase of $\$ 197,000$ in pensions and an increase of $\$ 260,000$ in expenses in connection with the
group life insurance plan put into effect January 11924 , for the year consumed $27.5 \%$ of the Net Revenue from The latter increase is due, mainly, to the fact that 1924 expenses included a credit on account of a dividend received from the Insurance Company, no dividend being received in 1925.
Railway Tax Accruals for the year amounted to \$21,275, 282 , an increase over 1924 of $\$ 366,237$, or $1.75 \%$. The taxes Railway Operations, and almost equal the total dividends paid to stockholders.
Expenses incurred during the year on account of the Federal valuation of railways, amounted to $\$ 220,60888$, making the total disbursements on this account from the time the work began to the close of the present year, $\$ 6,406,10933$.

BALANCE SHEET OF SOUTHERN PACIFIC LINES-SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY AND TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM COM-
panies, combined, excluding offsetting accounts.


Grad
(a) Excluded from total assets, and a corresponding amount excluded from outstanding funded debt, in accordance with regulations of the Inter925 with 1924 there have been eliminer-company interest on open accounts was discontinued as or oec. 31 - 1924 . To obtain proper comparison or gg during 1924, and all unearned inter-company interest on bonds and open accounts, accruing up to Dec. 31 1923, in arriving at increases and de reases shown in above statement

ROAD AND EQUIPMENT-SOUTHERN PACIFIC LINES.
The increase during the year in Investment in Road and Equipment of the Transportation System, as shown in the balance sheet amounted to $\$ 83,033,76381$ as follows

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Expenditures for Other Additions and Better-
Total Expenditure
Investment in road and equipment of the
ollowing lines taken into the Transporta-
ion System during the year, viz:
taken into the Aransas Pass Ry. Co.
trayk $1925,46,59611$
Franklin \& Abbevile Ry. Co. not heretofore dealt with as a Transportation

355,886 21 20,802,182 32

Property retired, equipment vacated, \& other adjustments $1,939,42842$ Net increase in Investment in Road and Equipment. $883,033,76381$

The following table shows the number of units of each class of roling stock owned at December 311925 and at

December 311924 and the number of units of each class added and retired during year :

| Class. | Owned <br> Dec. 311925. | Owned <br> Dec. 311924 | Changes During the Year. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | *Added. | Retired. |
| Locomotives_-.-.- | 2,440 2.927 | 2,346 2,933 | 140 | 46 |
| Freight-train cars_ | 79,170 | 73,463 | 9,104 | 3,397 |
| Work equipment.- | 5,883 | 5,569 | 669 | 355 |

* Includes 91 locomotives, 84 passenger-train cars, 2,219 freight-train cars, and 197 units of company service equipment acquired with San Antonio \& Aransas Pass Railway and Franklin \& Abbeville Railway taken into System during the year.

To adequately handle the heavy traffic expected, and to avoid the contingency of loss to shippers by possible car shortage during the peak months, the Pacific Fruit Express Company (owned one-half by your Company and one-half by Union Pacific Railroad Company) has purchased 5,000 refrigerator cars at an approximate cost of $\$ 16,000,000$, which will be available for the peak traffic next Fall. Your Company is also adding to its own equipment, by construction at Company shops, or by purchase from outside build ers, rolling stock as follows :


The estimated cost of this equipment is $\$ 12,500,000$.
Including the Southern Pacific's one-half of the Pacific Fruit Express equipment, the total estimated cost of rolling stock, in addition to that completed and placed in service during the year 1925 , amounts to $\$ 20,500,000$.

The new ocean-going freight steamship, the "El Oceano," mentioned in last year's report, was placed in service in May 1925. The ocean-going passenger and freight steamship, the "Bienville," which was partially destroyed by fire, as mentioned in last year's report, was converted into a freight steamship, rechristened the "El Coston," and placed in service in August 1925.
INVESTMENT ASSETS-SOUTHERN PACIFIC LINES.
The following is a brief description of the investment assets of the Transportation System as shown in the balance sheet, viz:
Investment in Transportation Property
$-81,341,531,78012$ carried on the bestment in transportation property
cat the companies comprising the Transpr rtation System. consistinnors comprisining the first main track, 894 miles of aditinnal main tracks,
5.407 miles of yard tracks and sidin ss the Comple

 gervice cars. 23 ocran sttamships, 4 river steamships,
23 ferry and cai transfor boats, 11 tugs. 73 barges. and 18 other vessels, the whote forminu a transcontentin-
 Orleans and Galveston to San Francisco, California,
and Portland Oregon with a line
Ogden. Utah, to Sanding from Ogden, Utah, to San Francisco, California.
Sinking funds.
Sink
Binking funds fr the redomption of itstanding funded
debt. consistine principally of $\$ 17,029,000$, par value, debt. consisting pronctpany of $\$ 17,029,000$, par value,
bondis of Trasportation SSstem Companies, $\$ 1.885$,Oon, par value., bonds of other companies, and $\$ 230$.-
763 cash in hands of Trustees. 76364 cash in hands of Trustees.
Miscellanenus Physical Property
Book value of terminal and other real estate acquired in
antilpation anticlpation of future use.
Investments in Afflliated Companies
Investments in securitles of Transp ritation System
Companies, which are included in the outstanding obligations as shown by the balance sheet, but which
are owned within the system:
Investments in securities of, and ad trilled Afriliated Companies and Jointly Contron Con-
Affilitated Comple Arfilld ated Companies collateral to, but not a part of the Transportation system, representing, principally, nrestments as follows:
Electric Railways
ship), operated mileage mileage -... (full ownership), operated 899.09 Steam Railways (half ownership), operated 422.25
 Total operated mileage of railways
collateral to. but not a part of, the
Transportation system Transportation System --............062.54
Lumber Compantes (fullownership). owning 23.567
acres of timber lands, 42.225 acres of acres of timber lands, 42,925 acres of other lands,
and 2 saw mills, \&ct. Average annual production
 and of railroad ties 7.000 .000 feet B.M. Lacres of ands (rul ownership), owning 9.957 .545
Souther Partous states traversed by the acres or ands in various states traversed by the
Southern Pacific Liness and 4.153 town lots of
which 2.986 are lo which 2,986 are located in various cities and towns In the state of Texas, and 1,167 in Los Angeles
and vicinity, in Southern California:
Coal Coal Compantes (full ownership), owni acres of coal lands in Oregon and Colorad 22.688 Oil Companies (full o oruerghili), owning 15.207
acres, and holding under lease 13,092 acres, acres and holding under lease 13,092 acres, of
producing and prospective il
Luisiand and in Texas and near Louisiana, and near Tampico, Mexico, together with ownership of mineral rights in $74,43 \mathrm{ac}$ acres of prospective oil land in Texas. Number of
producing wells, 144 . Annual production, about
$2.200,000$ barrels. Terminal Companiles (full ownership), owning 58
acres of land in the City acres of land in the City of Los Angeles, Calif.,
with improvements, including three two market buildings. and one seven-story, two six-
story, and one story, and one tour-story warehouse buildings
situated on line of outhern Pacific in heart of
Los Anseles wholes Rockawny Pacific Corporation owning about 564 acrporation (full ownership),
near Brooklyn, land on Jamaica Bay, Southern Pacific Building Co (full ous. owning a nine story office building at Houston, Associated Pipe Line Co. (one-third ownership),
owning 561 miles of oil pipe line serving California, oll fieds
acific Fruit Express Co. (half ownership) Pacific Fruit
operating
33.613
Express
refrigerator
Cor (half ownership),
 Pacific lines; and
stock interest, as indicated, in following companies operating railroad terminal facilities:
EIPaso TTexas) Union Passenger Depot

 Ogden (Ut
Union Ter
18.746.876 67

Capital stocks of Transportation System Com-
panies acquired from the public during the
year
 public on Mayp 111925 , when such com-

Decrease in capital stocks held by the public.....
FUNDED DEBT-SOUTHERN PACIFIC LINES.
The increase during the year in funded debt of Southern Pacific Company and Transportation System Companies held by the public amounted to $\$ 66,985,21731$, as follows:
Central Pacific Railway Company Thirty-Five
provide for the construction of new lines
and for additions and betterments to exist-

provide ertincates, Series $H$, issu d io
tion of new rolling stock
$10,491,00000$
Los Angeles Public Market Company First
Mertgage and Collateral Trust $6 \%$ Bonds, which are a li in on the property of the Los Angeles Public Market Company taken
over by Southern Pacific Company during the year Pacific Railroad Company First Refunding Mortgage 4\% Bonds owned oy public during the year to reimburse the
treasury. in part, for funds previ, usly used
for the construction of new lines, and for
an Antrnio \& Aransas Pass Railway Com-
pany First Mortgage $4 \%$ Bonds in the hands pany First Mortgage $4 \%$ Bonds in the hands company was taken into the system....- 13.379 .00000 Less Funded debt held by the public, retired $\begin{aligned} & \$ 71,085.000 \\ & \text { during the year....... } 00\end{aligned}{ }_{4} 099.78269$

789,50000
$6,425,50000$
4.099.782 69

Increase in funded debt held by the public.....
BALANCE SHEET AND INCOME ACCOUNT OF SOLELY CONTROLLED AFFILIATED COMPANIES.
Below will be found a condensed balance sheet as of De cember 311925 and a condensed income account for the year 1925, of all separately operated Solely Controlled Affiliated Companies, combined:
balanoe sheet.

45. Income balance transferred to credit of profit and loss_ $\$ 2,232,03084$

* Of the amount of outstanding capital stock shown above, is * Of the amount of outstanding capital stock shown above, all but $\$ 54,200$


## CLAIM FOR OLOSING COLORADO RIVER BREAK.

By sanction of Act of Congress, your Company has brought suit in the Court of Claims, Washington, D. C., to enforce its claim against the Government of the United

States for $\$ 1.113,67742$ for expenditures incurred during the twelve months beginning December 11006 in accomplishing. at the instance of President Roosevelt. the closing of the break in the Colorado River, which, if not closed, would have resulted in permanent disaster by floods to the property and people of the Imperial Valley.
The Act authorizing the Court of Cla:ms to ascertain the costs. cites that
"At the request of President Roosevelt. and under the stress of great emergency, from December 11906 to November 301907 the Southern Pacific Company closed and controlled the break in the Colorado River and thereby prevented the overflow and destruction of 1.214 .000 acres of frrigable land in the Imperial Valley in Southern California, and saved to the Government the Laguna Dam and the Yuma reclamation project connected therewith in Arizona, as well as thousands of acres of other Government land along the Colorado River."
It is hoped that trial and decision upon the merits of the case will not be long delayed.

## PURCHASE OF MINORITY INTEREST IN HOUSTON \& TEXAS CENTRAL RAILROAD COMPANY <br> CAPITAL STOCK.

On page 26 of last year's annual report mention was made of the delivery by your Company to the plaintiffs in the "Bogert Suit," pursuant to final decree of the Court, entered December 20 1924, of 24,219 shares of the Capital Stock of the Houston \& Texas Central Railroad Company. Subsequently, negotiations were entered into between the Comm ttee of Minority Stockholders and your Company which resulted in the purchase of said 24,219 shares by your Company on January 201926.

## CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL MAIN LINE IN ARIZONA.

On page 25 of last year's annual report, mention was made of certain new lines to be constructed by the Arizona Eastern Railroad Company which, together with the lines of the El Paso \& Southwestern, will serve the purpose of a second track between Dome, Arizona, and El Paso, Texas. Of the lines mentioned, the line from Picacho to Chandler. Arizona, has all been completed excent the bridge over the Gila River, which is rapidly nearing completion, and the branch line to Florence, Arizona, was opened for operation December 1 1925. On the line from Hassayampa west to Welton, Arizona, all but 20 miles of the grading has been completed and 19.7 miles of track has been laid, and of 18.01 miles of second track to be constructed by the Southern Pacific between Welton and Dome, 10.13 miles have been completed and the grading for the remainder is about completed. It is expected that this work, including the rehabilitation of the existing line between Chandler and Hassayampa, will be completed and in operation early in July 1926.

## DOUBLE TRACKING CENTRAL PACIFIC OGDEN

 ROUTE.Work during the year on double tracking the Central Pacif.c was confined to the completion of a gap of $17.7 \pm$ miles between Emigrant Gap and Andover, California, in the line over the Sierra Nevada Mountains where, because of frequent train movements, the benefit of double track will be greatest. This work, which was completed during the year, includes the new Summit tunnel, 10,320 feet in length, which is the longest tunnel on Southern Pacific Lines.

The completion of this work gives us continuous double track from San Francisco over the Sierra Nevada Mountains to Vista, Nevada, a distance of about 250 miles. East of Vista, including the Southern Pacific-Western Pacific joint track between Alazon and Weso, Nevada, there is in operation about 290 miles of double track, which includes all the heavy grades and congested points between Vista and Ogden, so that we now have in operation an aggregate of about 540 miles of double track between San Francisco and Ogden, or for about $70 \%$ of the distance between those points.

## NATRON CUT-OFF.

Completion of the 108 -mile gap in the Natron Cut-Off, referred to on page 24 of the 1923 annual report, is expected in the summer of 1926 . Including 47.35 miles of the line completed during the year there had been completed up to the close of the year 69.55 miles, from Kirk north to Abernethy (which is three miles north of the summit of the Cascade Range), of which 66.37 miles are in operation; also 22.86 miles from near Oakridge south to near Fields, of which 6.07 miles are in operation. The distance between the two ends of the completed track is 15.37 miles.
The southerly portion of this line between Grass Lake and Weed, California, which is the junction with the present

Portland route, was a logging road when acquired 20 years ago and is constructed with $3.75 \%$ maximum grades and 15 degrees maximum curvature. As such a line would interfere with the safe and economical oneration of the Cut-Off, permission was received October 71925 from the Interstate Commerce Comm'ssion to renlace this part of the route by constructing a line with reasonable gradients and curvature. Construction of this line change was commenced October 20 1925 and is expected to be completed by the time the remainder of the route is ready for through traffic. This line change will be 23.76 miles in length, will save 4.73 miles in distance over the present 1 ne. and will have $1.4 \%$ maximum grades. It will also have 3,540 degrees less curvature, will substitute maximum curve of 8 degrees for the present maximum of 15 degrees, and will have 713 feet less vertical rise and fall. The cost is estimated at $\$ 3,656,000$.

## PROPOSED NEW LINES IN SOUTHERN OREGON AND

 NORTHERN CALIFORNiA.The completion of the Natron Cut-Off will consummate the Company's plan of long standing for a new low grade through route between San Francisco and Portland. For the further development of the country lying generally to the east of the Cut-Off, including a large acreage of valuable timber in Southern Oregon and Northeastern California, and to provide a new through route between the Willamette Valley, in Oregon, and points east of Ogden, Utah, application has been made to the Interstate Commerce Commission for authority to construct and/or acquire new lines as follows, viz:

1. Acquisition of joint stock interest in the Oregon California \& Eastern Railway Company. This company has in operation a line 40 miles in length, extending from Klamath Falls to Sprague River, Oregon, and proposes With the concurrence of your Company. to co..struct such extensions may be necessary to serve timber properties lying to the east of its presene terminus at Sprague River.
2. Acquisition of the outstanding securities of tne Nevada-Callfornia Uregon Railway Company, which owns a narrow gauge line 154 miles in
length, extending from Wendel. Californla, length, extending from Wendel. California, on the Fernley Branch of your Company's salt Lake Division, in a general northerly direction through this line and thus make it more valuable as a feeder to the main line through the free interchange of standard zauge ant 3. Construction of standard zauge equipment.
foruia, 36 miles in length to serve arricut Falls. Oregon, to Cornell. Calstary to the Natron Cut-Off: and a further exteasion of this line from Corne to Alturas, California, about 63 miles, where a connection will be made with the Nevada-California-Oregon Railway.
At the present time traffic between Oregon and Nevada must pass through California over the heavy grades of the Siskiyou and S erra Nevada Mountains. The opening of the Natron Cut-Off, the acquisition of the Nevada-CaliforniaOregon Railway, and the construction of the line from Klamath Falls, Oregon, to Alturas, California, will provide a new through route which will a void these mountain ranges and shorten the distance between the Willamette Valley and Ogden gateway by about 236 miles. The carrying out of this plan, which it is estimated will involve the expenditure of about $\$ 15,000,000$, will yield a substantial and increasingly large return to your company from the development of new traffic; and will be further justified by economies in operation made possible by a saving of over two hundred miles in distance for through traffic between Oregon and points east of Ogden. It will also defer for many years the neces sity of double-tracking the single track line south of Weed, California, which involves difficult construction around Mount Shasta and through the Sacramento River Canyon.

The Interstate Commerce Commission now has our application under consideration, but the situation has been complicated by an application of the Oregon Trunk Railway Company for authority to extend its line from Bend, Oregon, south to Klamath Falls, a distance of 174 miles, to serve territory that would be adequately and more efficiently served by the plan of your Company.
ACQUISITION OF CONTROL OF THE SAN ANTONIO \& ARANSAS PASS RAILWAY COMPANY.
On December 61924 the Southern Pacific Company and the Galveston, Harrisburg \& San Antonio Railway Company (a solely controlled subsidiary of the Southern Pacific Company) filed a joint application with the Interstate Commerce Commission for authority to acquire control (the former by stock ownership and the latter by lease) of the San Antonio \& Aransas Pass Railway Company owning 725 miles of line in the State of Texas, extending from Waco on the north, Kerrville on the west, and Houston on the east, to Falfurrias and Corpus Christi on the south. The Commission, by an order dated March 25 1925, approved such application, and accordingly the Southern Pacific Company, on

April 8 1925, acquired control of the capital stock of the San Antonio \& Aransas Pass Railway Company, and the Galveston, Harrisburg \& San Antonio Railway Company, on May 1 1925, acquired control of the property of said company by lease.

Prior to 1903 your Company had acquired control of the capital stock of the San Antonio \& Aransas Pass Railway Company and had guaranteed the principal and interest of $\$ 17,544,000$ of the latter's First Mortgage Four Per Cent Bonds. By a decree of Court entered December 141903 your company was compelled to divest itself of its stock control, but its liability under its guaranty of the principal and interest of the bonds has continued, and at the time of making the application to the Commission there was due to your company the sum of $\$ 9,263,01175$ for interest paid under the guaranty, plus interest thereon amounting to $\$ 4,823$, 77116 , or a total of $\$ 14,086,78291$.

It is expected that the annual saving in administration and operating expenses, and other economies which will result from the oneration of the San Antonio \& Aransas Pass as a part of the Southern Pacific Transportation System, will about equal the annual interest payable under the guaranty; that the use of Southern Pacific equipment and other facilities will improve the service rendered to the patrons of the line; and that the greater development of the territory tributary to the line, which wil? result from the unification, will furnish your Company with profitable traffic.

## PROPOSED EXTENSION OF SAN ANTONIO \& ARANSAS PASS INTO RIo grande valley

Since the acquisition of control by the Southern Pacific Company, the San Antonio \& Aransas Pass has applied to the Interstate Commerce Commission for authority to construct an extension, about 85 miles in length, beginning at the present terminus of the Falfurrias Branch and extending in a general southerly direction to the international boundary I.ne between the United States and Mexico; also a branch line beginning at the City of Edinburg, Texas, on sach proposed extension, and extending thence in a general southeasterly direction to Harlingen, Texas, a distance of about 35 miles. The Commission has not yet rendered its decision.

## ACQUISITION OF OTHER LINES.

With the approval of the Interstate Commerce Commission your Company, as of June 301925 , acquired the capital stock of the Holton Interurban Railway Company which owns a line in the Imperial Valley extending from El Centro, California, on the line of the Southern Pacific, to Holtville, California, a distance of 11 miles; and on October 16 1925 leased, for a term of 99 years, the line of the Lake Tahoe Railway \& Transportation Company, extending from Truckee, California, to the pleasure resort at Lake Tahoe, a distance of 16.5 miles. It is expected that these lines will yield a substantial and justifying amount of profitable traffic.

## OREGON \& CALIFORNIA RAILROAD LAND GRANT

## CONTROVERSY.

The United States District Court for Oregon has rendered a decision in the accounting suit brought in 1917 by the United States, seek.ng to offset against the compensation of $\$ 250$ per acre due the Company for unsold lands, moneys received by the Company in excess of $\$ 250$ per acre from past sales, leases, and otherwise, as well as taxes levied since the forfeiture decision in 1913 and voluntarily paid by the Federal Government to the State of Oregon.
On November 101925 the Court approved of a form of decree to be entered in the case under which the Oregon \& California Railroad Company will recover approximately $\$ 3,819,71786$, of which $\$ 1,723,47056$ will be paid to the Railroad Company and the remaining $\$ 2,096,24730$ paid to the Central Union Trust Company of New York, Trustee, under Oregon \& California Railroad Company's First Mortgage of July 11887 ; such recovery, however, to be subject to certain adjustments mentioned in the proposed form of decree. The decree has not yet been entered pending application to be made by the Railroad Company for the inclusion in the amount to be recovered by it under said decree, of certain items not now included therein.

## SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY OF

 MEXICO.On the 102.78 -mile gap in the main line between Tepic and La Quemada, construction work has proceeded diligently, there having been completed during the year 64.73 miles of track, making a total of 81.81 miles of track completed to

December 31 1925. Of the 20.97 miles remaining to be completed at the close of the year 6.96 miles of grad.ng had been completed ready for ties and rail, and the grading of 9.47 additional miles was in progress. Unexpected formation encountered in tunnel excavation has made it necessary to increase the amount of concrete tunnel lining, and this, together with slides which occurred during the tropical rainy weather, has delayed the work. It is now expected, however, to have the line completed and ballasted by January 1927.

## CHANGE IN ORGANIZATION.

Mr. Julius Kruttschnitt, on April 9 1925, after forty-seven years of continuous service with the Southern Pacific Lines, during the last twelve years of which he was Chairman of the Executive Committee of your Company, having reached the age of retirement under the Company's rules, announced his intention to retire from active service on May 311925. The undersigned was selected to succeed Mr. Kruttschnitt as Chairman of the Executive Committee, and thereafter the Board of Directors in accordance with a plan worked the Board Directors, in accordmen the By out by the Executive Committee, amended the By-La
the Company, effective June 11925 , so as to provide:

1. That the Chairman of the Executive Committee shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors and of the Executive Committee, and shall have general control of the Company's business and the management of its financial affairs.
2. That the authority of the President shall be extended so that, under the control of the Executive Committee, he shall have direct charge of all the properties of your Company other than the Texas and Louis ana Lines which, as heretofore, shall continue their onerations under their separate organization as an integral part of the transportation system of your Company. The President's headquarters to continue as at present in San Francisco. California.
3. That there shall be created the office of Vice-Chairman. and that the occumant thereof, under the direction of the Chairman, shall have charge of the general off ce of the Company in New York City; shall be the medium of communication between the President and the Executive Committee; and, in the absence of the Chairman. shall exercise the powers and perform the duties of the Chairman.
4. That there shall be created the office of Executive VicePresident, with headquarters in San Francisco, California, and that the occupant thereof, under the direction of the President, shall have immediate charge of the management, operation and traffic of the lines west of Ogden. Utah and Tucumcari, New Mexico; and, in the absence of the Prestdent. may exercise the powers and perform the duties of the President.
5. That there shall be created the office of Vice-Pres'dent in Charge of Traffic, with headquarters in Chicago, Illinois, and that the occupant thereof. under the direction of the President. shall have charge of the solicitation and development of traffic interchanged with other companies, of the rates and divisions concerning such traffic, the agencies established off the lines of the Company for such purposes, and the relations with other lines incident thereto.
6. That there shall be created the office of Executive Officer. with headquarters in New York. and that the oceupant thereof, under the direction of the President. shall have immediate charge of the management. operation and traffle of the Southern Pac fic Steamshin Lines, and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to him.

## GENERAL.

The dividends for the year on the capital stocks of the Southern Pacific Company and its Transportation System Companies held by the public amounted to $\$ 22,609,64932$, as follows:


Total Southern Paciffe Company
 Total dividend payments for the year...... $\qquad$ $\$ 22.609 .64932$

The total taxes for the year am
Under the pension system put into effect January 1 1903, there were carried on the pension rolls at the end of the year 1,712 employees. The payments to pensioners for the year amounted to $\$ 95803556$, equivalent to $6 \%$ per annum on an investment of $\$ 15.967,25933$.

It is with nrofound sorrow that the Board announces the death in New York on June 151925 of Mr. Julius Kruttschnitt who, as stated on page 24 hereof [pamphlet report], had retired from the chairmanship of the Executire Committee of your Company on May 31 1925. Mr. Kruttschnitt was in the service of your lines for forty-seven years, practically the entire period of his business career, and his name is inseparably connected with your Company.
The Board gratefully acknowledges its appreciation of the loyal and efficient services rendered by officers and employees during the year.

By order of the Board of Directors,
HENRY W. de FOREST,
Chairman of the Exeoutive Committee,

## UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY

## TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT-YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 311925.

To the Stockholders of Union Pacific Railroad Company:
New York, N. Y., A pril 81926.
The Board of Directors submits the following report of the operations and affairs of the Union Pacific Railroad Company for the calendar year ended December 31 1925, including the Oregon Short Line Railroad Company, whose entire Capital Stock is owned by the Union Pacific Railroad Company, the Oregon-Washington Railroad \& Navigation Company whose entire Capital Stock (except fifteen qualifying shares held by Directors) is owned by the Oregon Short Line Railroad Company, and the Los Angeles \& Salt Lake Railroad Company, whose entire Capital Stock is owned, one half each, by the Union Pacific Railroad Company and the Oregon Short Line Railrnad Company. For convenience, the four companies are designated by the term "UNION PACIFIC SYSTEM."

MILEAGE AND INCOME.
The operated mileage at close of year and income for the calendar year 1925, compared with 1924, after excluding all offsetting accounts between the Union Pacific Railroad Co., Oregon Short Line Railroad Co., Oregon-Washington Railroad \& Navigation Co., and Los Angeles \& Salt Lake Railroad Company, were as follows:


The increase of $\$ 1,772,73578$, or $1.2 \%$, in "Freight Revenue," was due to increase of $4.7 \%$ in net ton miles of revenue freight carried (including freight carried by one System company for another on which freight charges must be assessed under the Interstate Commerce Law) offset in part by a decrease of $3.6 \%$ in average revenue per ton mile occasioned by fluctuations in the kinds of commodities hauled and reduction in rates on bituminous coal from Colorado and Wyoming fields to the East, effective August 4 1925. With the exception of California citrus fruit and apples, which were damaged by freeze in December 1924, the yields of
fruits (particularly California grapes), vegetables, grains and other agricultural products, in the States west of the Rocky Mountains, were larger than in the previous year, with consequent heavier movement. The larger crops in that territory and the generally improved business conditions over the country stimulated purchasing and building activities with the result that substantial increases occurred in the movement of lumber, agricultural implements, automobiles, etc. There was also a marked improvement in the mining industry and a continued increase in the oil industry in Union Pacific territory with resultant increases in

the transportation of ores, metals, petroleum and petroleum products, the latter occasioned by the opening of new oil fields near Paradise and Russell, Kansas, by the greater demand for gasoline for automobiles, and by the increased use of fuel oil for domestic and agricultural purposes. There was a very substantial decrease in the movement of grains and mill products from Kansas and Nebraska, because of the short 1925 wheat crop in those States and the small hold-over of 1924 corn crop for movement in 1925. Also, the movement of live stock was below normal because drought conditions in 1924 depleted the herds and flocks and made fewer marketable animals available for shipping.
The decrease of $\$ 1,542,84610$, or $4.7 \%$, in "Passenger Revenue" was due to decrease of $4.2 \%$ in average revenue per passenger mile and to decrease of $.7 \%$ in revenue passengers carried one mile. The decrease in average revenue per passenger mile was due partly to decrease in certain fares on the Los Angeles \& Salt Lake Railroad ordered by the Interstate Commerce Commission effective March 1 1924, and partly to popular low-rate excursions conducted in 1925. The decrease in revenue passengers carried was due principally to decline in travel in the first half of 1925 occasioned by sub-normal crops generally in 1924 in territory served by our lines, and to the continued diversion of local short-haul business to motor vehicles.
The decrease of $\$ 201,70160$, or $4.4 \%$, in "Mail Revenue," was due to publishers and others changing from storage mail to manifest freight for shipping magazines, etc., because of increase in postal rates effective April 15 1925, and to reduction in rates on competitive mails for Northwest district to equalize with land grant rates prevailing on competing lines.

The decrease of $\$ 1,184,70059$, or $25.3 \%$, in "Express Revenue," was due to reduction in express rates effective March 1 1925 to the diversion of express traffic, carloads and less, to movement by freight on account of improved freight ser-
vice, and to the handling of milk, cream and newspapers in baggage service in 1925 instead of by express as was done in 1924.
The increase of $\$ 166,25312$, or $4.4 \%$, in "Other Passenger Train Revenue" was due principally to the handling of milk, cream and newspapers in baggage service in 1925, which business in 1924 was handled by the express company and our proportion of the earnings therefrom credited to "Express Revenue."
The decrease of $\$ 1.640,59213$, or $5.5 \%$, in "Maintenance of Way and Structure Expenses" was due principally to less necessity for repairs and renewals of buildings, signals and bridges, and to decrease in prices of materials used in repairs, principally ties. The properties were fully maintained.

The principal track materials used during the year in making renewals were as follows:

| New steel rails | 329.90 track miles |
| :---: | :---: |
| Second-hand steel rails. | 126.43 " " |


excluding yard tracks and sidings, equivalent to $4.5 \%$ of the track miles in main track at the beginning of the year. Ties $3,002,493$ ( $98.4 \%$ treated), equivalent to $8 \%$ of all ties in track at the beginning of the year. Tie plates $2,180,233$ and continuous rail joints 196,142 .

The decrease of $\$ 461,75064$, or $1.2 \%$, in "Maintenance of Equipment Expenses" was due to a reduction in labor costs made possible by greater effectiveness. Practically the same amount of material was used in repairs and the equipment was fully maintained.

The increase of $\$ 216,69574$, or $5.6 \%$, in "Traffic Expenses" was principally due to increase in expenditures for advertising and solicitation.

The decrease of $\$ 1,020,22402$, or $1.7 \%$, in "Transportation Expenses-Rail Line" was principally due to a further increase in average freight train load hauled and to decrease

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET-ASSETS.
(Excluding all offsetting securities and accounts between the Union Pacific Railroad Co., Oregon Short Line Railroad Co., OregonWashington Railroad \& Navigation Co., and Los Angcles \& Salt Lake Railroad Co.)


In payments for loss, damage and casualties. There were increases of $4 \%$ in tons of revenue freight hauled and $5.4 \%$ in freight gross ton miles, but because of an increase of $6.8 \%$ in average freight train loading the tonnage was moved with $1.3 \%$ less freight train miles. Notwithstanding an increase of $.1 \%$ in total transportation locomotive miles, there was a decrease of $5 \%$ in tons of fuel consumed by locomotives which expressed in money amounted to approximately $\$ 700,000$. There were increases in payments of approximately $\$ 550,000$ resulting from higher wage schedules and $\$ 500,000$ resulting from advance in price of locomotive fuel consumed.

The increase of $\$ 100,68023$, or $2.5 \%$, in "Miscellaneous Operations Expenses" was due principally to increase in dining car and hotel operations.

The increase of $\$ 534,55327$, or $12.5 \%$, in "Equipment Rents (Debit)" was principally due to increase in mileage payments on refrigerator and private line tank cars because of the increase in number of carloads of perishable commodities and oil and oil products handled.

The increase in "Investment in Road and Equipment" is made up as follows:

 Total Increase From which there was dec ucted:
$\overline{\$ 13,229,03023}$ Cost of propery retired fon
placed, chargu (iess sal. ag to lorvice and not to be re
formity wilh regulations of the Inter-state Commerce Com-
mission
Cost of real estate retired-.......................-- $\$ 168.2924542$
Cost of equipment retired from service.----- $2,382,01679$
Total Deductions.
3,172,854 72
Net increase in "Investment in Road and Equipment".-. $\overline{\mathbf{\$ 1 0 , 0 5 6 , 1 7 5} 51}$
In November 1925 construction was started on an extension of the North Platte Branch from Cottier, Wyoming, to extend northeasterly a distance of approximately 4 miles.

The territory adjacent to this extension is adapted to the raising of sugar beets. The Holly Wyoming Sugar Company has contracted for the building of a 150,000 -tons annual capacity beet sugar factory at the terminus.

Construction work was continued on the branch line from Rogerson, Idaho, to Wells, Nevada. The extension from Orchard to Boise, Idaho, was completed and placed in operation April 161925.

## CHICAGO \& ALTON.

On page 16 of the report for 1922 advice was given that, Receivers having been appointed for the property of The Chicago \& Alton Railroad Company on August 30 1922, upon careful consideration of the conditions and prospects of that property, the Board of Directors of the Union Pacific Rail road Company had approved writing out of the investment account as a loss the entire cost, $\$ 8946,78150$, of the preferred stock and $\$ 6,312,750$ of the cost of the $\$ 8,417,000$ face value of General Mortgage Twenty-Year Six Per Cent Bonds of the Chicago \& Alton owned by the Union Pacific. An active and broad market for the Chicago \& Alton preferred stock develoned in 1924 and it was decided to sell the stock owned by the Union Pacific. 12,500 shares were sold in that year and the remainder, 90,931 shares, was sold during the year 1925 . The proceeds from the sale of this stock, $\$ 1,557$, 35330 , were credited to the corporate surplus account "Re serve for Depreciation of Securities," to which account the entire cost was charged in 1922 when written off as a loss
The Edward H. Harriman Memorial gold medal presented annually by Mrs. E. H. Harriman was awarded on November 141925 by the American Museum of Safety to the Union Pacific System "For the utmost progress in safety and aceldent prevention during the year 1924."

Excluding all offsetting securities and accounts between the Union Pacific Railroad Co., Oregon Short Line Railroad Co., Oregon-
Washington Railroad \& Navigation Co., and Los Angeles \& Salt Lake Railroad Co.)

|  | Dec. 311925. | Dec. 311924. | Increase. | Decrease. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 751. Capital StockPreferred stock | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 222.293 .10000 \\ 99.543,500 \\ \hline 00 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 222.293,10000 \\ 99,543,500 \\ \hline 00 \end{array}$ |  |  |
| Total Capital Stock <br> 755. Funded Debt | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 321,836,60000 \\ & 414,893,320 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 321,836,60000 \\ & 415,732,45000 \end{aligned}$ | ------------ | \$839,130 00 |
| Total | \$736,729,920 00 | \$737.569,050 00 | ------------. | \$839,130 00 |
| 754. Grants in Aid of Construction | \$300.777 47 | \$152,820 53 | x\$147,956 94 |  |
| Current Liabilities <br> 759 . Traffic and car service balances payable |  |  |  |  |
| 759. Traffic and car service balances payable <br> 760. Audited accounts and wages payable.- | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 1,839.80688 \\ & 12,378,039 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 1,295.560 \\ & 11,292,833 \\ & 26 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 54.24640 \\ 1.085 .20580 \end{array}$ |  |
| 761. Miscellaneous accounts payable: | 10,161.116 56 | $9,652,81399$ 201167 83 | 508.302 77720 59 |  |
| 762. Interest matured unpaid:--- |  |  |  |  |
| Coupons matured, but not presented.-.-. Coupons, and interest on registered bonds, due first proximo. | 153,82135 $5,081.87490$ | $\begin{array}{r} 161,33835 \\ 5,082,08378 \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{r}\$ 7.517 \\ 20888 \\ \hline 8\end{array}$ |
| 763. Dividends matured unpaid: <br> Dividends due but uncalied for <br> Extra dividend on common stock declared January 8 in 1914 , payabie | $115,38050$ | 116,115 50 |  | $73500$ |
| to stockholders of record March 21924 , unpaid <br> Dividend on common stock payable firxt proximo | 171,34328 | 183.54833 |  | 12,205 05 |
| 764. Funded debt matured unpaid | 5000 | 5.00000 |  | 8 |
| 767. Unmatured rents accrued | 1.688.660 480.218 | 1,693.446 4278 | $52.3917 \overline{7} 6$ | 4,785 98 |
| 768. Other current liabilities. | 185.27133 | 166.170 66 | 19,100 67 |  |
| Total Current Liabilit | \$38.096.711 27 | \$35.835.195 39 | \$2,261.515 88 |  |
| erred Liabilities |  |  |  |  |
| 770. Other Deferred Liabilities: Principal of deferred payments on land contracts, as per contra |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\$ 121.833$ <br> 1.660 .000 <br> 00 | $\begin{array}{r}\$ 128,35847 \\ 1.660 .000 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |  | \$6.524 72 |
| 771. Tax Liscellaneous items....... | 7.723.795 71 | 7.853 .46550 |  | 129.66979 |
| 771. Tax Liability | 7.360.376 12 | 9,368,8,36 03 | ................. | 2.008,459 91 |
| Total Deferred Liabilitie | \$16.866.005 58 | \$19.010,660 00 | -----....- .... | \$2.144,654 42 |
| djusted Credit |  |  |  |  |
| 773. Insurance Reserve $\begin{aligned} & \text { Reserve for fire insuran }\end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |
| 776. Reserve for depreciation-5 | 55.010 .98281 | 50,874,366 88 | 4,136,615 93 |  |
| Continsent interest.... Miscellaneous items | $\begin{array}{r} 848.44600 \\ 3.673 .01327 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 707.94384 \\ 3.356 .55452 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 140.502 \quad 16 \\ & 316.45875 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| Total Unadjusted Cred | \$61.560.702 40 | \$56.560,690 92 | \$5.000.011 48 |  |
| Total Liabilities | \$853,554,116 72 | \$849,128,416 84 | \$4,425,699 88 |  |
| Appropriated for additions and betterments |  |  |  |  |
| Reserved for depreciation of securities. <br> Funded debt retired through income and surplus <br> Sinking fund reserves. | $\$ 30.093 .99080$ 34.972 .57088 5.36 .82866 193 193.38, 66 193,38.3 |  |  |  |
| Total Appropriated Surpl <br> 784. Profit and Loss-Credit Balance | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 65.796 .77357 \\ & 188.583 .273 \quad 82 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 65.176,48959 \\ & \mathbf{1 7 6 , 6 7 1 , 0 7 8} \mathbf{5 1} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 620.283 \\ 11,912,195 \end{array}$ |  |
| Total Surpl | \$254,380,047 39 | \$241.84756800 | \$12,532,479 39 |  |
| As this consolidated balance shent excludes all inter-company items. securities of the Los Angeles \& salt Lake Railroad Company owned by other and face value of such securities as carried on the books of the L s Angeles \& Salt Lake (less unextinkuished discount on the bonds and discount charged to Profit and Loss but added back in consolidating the accounts and the amounts at which the securities are carried on the books of the owning system companies is set up here to balance. | \$31.673,367 91 | \$31,673,367 91 |  |  |
| Grand Total.- | \$1,139, U7 53202 | \$1,122,649,352 75 | \$16,958,179 27 |  |

$\mathbf{x}$ These amounts respectively represent donations made during the year by counties and municipalities and by individuals and companies in par ${ }^{3}$ ayment for mprovements, such as road crossings, arainabe projects, and industry spur tracks, the cost of which was charged to "Investment in Road and Equipment.

## SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY

THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT-FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 311925.

## Richmond, Va., March 131926.

To the stockholders of Southern Railway Company:
The Board of Directors subm ts the following report of the affairs of the Company for the year ended December 31 1025 :

## THE INCOME ACCOUNT.

The year was one of sound prosperity for the entire South, a prosperity contributed to and shared by Southern Railway Company. The balance of the Company's income over fixed charges amounted to $\$ 22,579.172$, equivalent to $16.31 \%$ on the common stock after providing for the dividend on the preferred stock, compared with $\$ 17,769,140$, equivalent, after preferred dividend, to $12.30 \%$ on the common stock, in the preceding year. The gross onerating revenue amounted to $\$ 149,313,892$ in 1925 , compared with $\$ 142,486,514$ in 1924 , an increase of $\$ 6,827,378$, or $4.79 \%$. Operating expenses increased $\$ 1,137,277$, or $1.11 \%$. The ratio of operating expenses to gross revenue was $63.53 \%$, compared with $72.06 \%$ in the preceding year. The net income from operation remaining after the payment of operating expenses, taxes and equipment and joint facility rentals was $\$ 35,086,021$, or $15.25 \%$ in excess of the corresponding figure for 1924
Dividends were paid during the year at the rate of $5 \%$ on both classes of stock. On December 101925 the dividend rate on the common stock was raised to $7 \%$ through the declaration of a quarterly dividend of $13 / 4 \%$ payable on February 11926.

## THE BALANCE SHEET.

The balance sheet (Table 3 ) is wholesome. The current assets, consisting of cash, United States Government securities, accounts receivable and materials, on December 31 1925 , were $\$ 9,964,836$ in excess of the year before, while current liabilities were $\$ 1,682,063$ less, result $n g$ in a net increase of $\$ 11,646,899$ in working capital. Again, without increasing the outstanding capital securities, there was a substantial increase in the investment account, while capital 1 abilities declined $\$ 3,646,200$ by reason of the retirement of equipment trust obligations.

## OPERATING REVENUE. <br> Freight.

The gross revenue on freight traffic in 1925 amounted to $\$ 106.776,762$, compared with $\$ 99,8+2,143$ in $\cdot 1924$, an increase of $\$ 6,934,619$, or $6.95 \%$.
The volume of revenue freight traffic was the heaviest in the Company's history, being the equivalent of moving 8,274 million tons a distance of one mile, compared with 7,585 million tons in 1924 and the previous record of 8,230 million tons attained in 1920.

The average revenue per ton per mile in 1925 was 1.291 c., compared with 1.316 c . in 1924. A comparison with the corresponding figure of 1921 provides a measure of the reductions in freight charges which have accrued to shippers since the post Federal control high level. The average
revenue per ton per mile on the Southern in that year was 1.531c. Last year's average of 1.291c. is a reduction of $15.68 \%$. While this average ton mile revenue is influenced by character of traffic and distance hauled as well as by changes in rates, nevertheless it is a substantially accurate unit of comparison, and in this case indicates that the total freight charges paid to the Southern for carrying the 1925 traffic were nearly twenty million dollars less than they would have been had the average ton mile charge of 1921 obtained in 1925.

## Passenger.

The gross revenue on passenger traffic in 1925 amounted to $\$ 30,951,806$, compared with $\$ 31,083,146$ in 1924 , a decrease of $\$ 131,340$, or less than one-half of one per cent. The comparative improvement in passenger business was progressive through the year, the revenue from this source during the first eight months having been below the 1924 level but above that level during the remaining four months. The tendency toward expansion of long distance travel and contraction of local travel continued, the division in this respect of passenger revenue being shown in the following figures: Revenue from through traf- 1925. 1924. Increase. Decrease. fic ----------.---------\$15.518.351 \$13.631.225 \$1,887.126 Revenue from local traffic_ $15,433,455 \quad 17,451,921 \quad$......- $\$ 2,018,466$

## OPERATING EXPENSES.

In its earlier days the Southern was unable to reap the full benefits of high tide business. Traffic expansion meant overtaxed facilities, high operating costs and poor net results. By the persistent investment of accumulated income and of such new capital as could be secured, the physical plant has been steadily improved until the Southern has to-day a transportation machine which, while still far from complete, is capable of being operated to serve the South efficiently, at fair rates, and with net results which promise to assure a fair return to the stockholders. The following statistics have been selected to illustrate the current progress in these respects, the comparison being with 1923, a year of gross revenues substantially equal to 1925:
The net charge against the Southern for hire of equipment in 1925 was $\$ 151,461$, compared with $\$ 2,042,237$ in 1023 , a decrease of $93 \%$.
The transportation expense per dollar of revenue in 1925 was 33.38 c ., compared with 36.32 c . in 1923 , a decrease of $8 \%$.

The average weight of freight trains in 1925 was 1,237 tons, compared with 1,138 tons in 1923, an increase of $9 \%$.

The number of gross ton miles per freight train hour in 1925 was 16,310 , compared with 14,050 in 1923 , an increase of $16 \%$.

Freight train transportation expense per thousand gross ton miles in 1925 was 65.08 c ., compared with 83.17 c . in 1923, a decrease of $22 \%$.
The number of pounds of coal consumed in freight train locomotives per thousand gross ton miles in 1925 was 190 , compared with 229 in 1923, a decrease of $17 \%$.
The number of pounds of coal consumed in passenger train locomotives per passenger car mile in 1925 was 17.2 , compared with 20.2 in 1923, a decrease of $15 \%$.
The average cost of repairs to locomotives per mile run in 1925 was 22.77 c., compared with 26.50 c. in 1923 , a decrease of $14 \%$. The average cost of repairing a freight car in 1925 per freight car mile was 1.23c., compared with 1.62c. in 1923, a reduction of $24 \%$. The average cost of repairs to passenger train cars in 1925 per passenger car mile was 1.55 c ., compared with 1.88 c . in 1923 , a reduction of $18 \%$.
Had these average unit costs of repairing equipment been as high in 1925 as they were in 1923 the expense account of 1925 would have been charged with $\$ 4,660,000$ more than the sum with which it actually was charged for this purpose. The proportion of "bad order" cars and locomotives to the total number owned was substantially the same at the end of 1925 as at the end of 1923.
With all appreciation of the high morale of the organization, rank and file, these results could not have been secured without improvement of the plant.

## Taxes.

The tax bill of the Southern for 1925 was $\$ 9,441,565$, an increase of $\$ 1,738,866$, or $22.57 \%$, over 1924 . Federal and State income taxes accounted for $\$ 3,148,764$ of the total and for $\$ 1,152,435$ of the increase, while property assessments accounted for $\$ 6,292,801$ of the total and for $\$ 586,431$ of the increase. The following figures illustrate the cumulative tendency of this account:


## ADDITIONS TO THE PROPERTY.

## Road and Structures.

Among the important new facilities completed and placed in operation during the year the following are worthy of special mention:
The seventeen-mile low-grade cut-off line between Bulls Gap and Leadvale, Tenn., over which coal from the Virginia fields is moving toward the Asheville gateway in trains carrying twice the tonnage which could be moved over the old nine-mile longer route through Morristown.
The John Sevier yard five miles east of Knoxville, Tenn., with 46 miles of tracks and a present capacity of 2,929 cars, together with modern engine terminal and package freight transfer facilities.
The Knoxville cut-off line connecting the Harriman Junction and Middlesboro lines north and west of Knoxville with the John Sevier yard, saving 7.72 miles of haul on through freight traffic to and from the Middlesboro line, 2.78 miles on through freight traffic to and from the Chattanooga line and .40 of a mile on through freight to and from the Harriman Junction line. This traffic now moves around the City of Knoxville instead of through the congested city district as formerly.
The Spartanburg belt line which permits the movement around the City of Spartanburg, S. C., of through freight traffic which formerly had to cross busy city streets.
A new locomotive repair shop, engine terminal and coach yard at Atlanta, Ga.
A substantial expansion of the yard and engine terminal facilities at Asheville, N. C.

## Rolling Stocle.

Sixty-one new locomotives, 2,750 new freight cars and fifty new passenger train cars have been contracted for since the beginning of 1926 . The cost of this equipment was $\$ 8,622,000$, which will be paid partly from current treasury funds and the remainder from the proceeds of sale of $\$ 6,900,000$ Series "AA" $41 / 2 \%$ equipment trust certificates dated April 1 1926, payable in thirty equal semi-annual installments.

INDUSTRIAL AND AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT.
Two hundred and sixty new traffic producing industries were established last year on Southern Railway System lines. Two hundred and thirty additional industrial establishments were enlarged. The outlook is favorable for a continuation of this expansion during the coming year. Many important projects are under way or in contemplation, among which may be mentioned plans for a substantial increase in the steel making capacity of the furnaces in the Birmingham district, and the production on a large scale of rayon, which is now used extensively in the South's textile factories.
The growth in manufacturing activities in the South has not been at the expense of agricultural progress. That field and orchard have kept abreast of the increasing demands of both home and distant markets may be seen from the following comparison of the volume handled by the Southern of certain commodities which reflect the activities of the farm:



Attention is invited to the chart accompanying this report, upon which are indicated the central power plants, both hydro-electric and steam, the transmission lines, the coal areas, and the power using textile machinery, in the territory served by the Southern. With this chart may be read profitably the following stimulating but just portrayal of economic conditions in the South to-day, which we have permission to quote from the February 1926, business review of The American Exchange-Pacific National Bank, New York:
"The magic wand of hard work is rapidly building an empire within an empire in the South. Industry is taking its place alongside agriculture, thus rounding out an economic structure that has few equals in the world. To the visitor
able to look at the new South against the background of the old, the changes that have taken place seem actually to have been wrought by magic. But the magic has been the magic of hard work applied to natural resources such as are vouchsafed to few peoples. There is hardly an enterprise known to modern industry that is not represented in the great workshop of the new South. The growth of the textile industry in the cotton States has been well advertised, but there are iron and steel mills, chemical plants, machine shops, furniture factories; there is mining, copper, iron, coal, phosphate, aluminum; there are oil wells, building stone and marble quarries; there are shipyards, lumbering, automobile and clothing factories; in fact, there is hardly a known product that is not to be had straight from the mill at some place in the South. But, with all this industrial development, the South is still predominantly agricultural. Its cotton fields, its peanuts, its potatoes, its fruits, its wheat and corn, its cattle and its forage make the South the land of the truly blessed. . Water power development has reached an advanced stage, many of the huge industries in Tennessee, the Carolinas, Georgia and Alabama being driven by power developed on the mountain streams which tumble over the Appalachians and the Cumberlands. Superpower is an old story in the South. For several years leading cities have drawn their light and power from systems which connect them all in a single chain. Cheap power, ample resources and an abundance of enterprise and muscular energy are the factors that are rejuvenating the South, bringing it back to the place of dominance which it once occupied. . . . Real wealth consists of natural resources and the tools for utilizing them The South has this kind of wealth and it is evident to the observer that its development has just begun."
To all officers and employees who have faithfully and efficiently performed their duties the thanks of the Board of Directors again are tendered
Respectfully submitted, by order of the Board,
FAIRFAX HARRISON, President
TABLE 1.-INCOME STATEMENT.

## Operatin Freight Passeng Miscella Passenge Miscellan Mail Express Other Tr Express Other Tra Incidental <br> Other Trans Incidental Joint Facilit <br> Total Operating Revenues <br> Operating Expenses <br> Mraffic.................. <br> Transportation <br> Miscellaneous Operations Taxes Uncollectible Revenues <br> Hire of Equipment.- Joint Facility Rents.

Maintenance of Way and Structures.
Maintenance of Equipment


$\begin{array}{r}1924, \\ \$ 99,842.14347 \\ 31.083 .14648 \\ 1,139.97774 \\ 3.361 .07045 \\ 2,616.73050 \\ 1.355 .96541 \\ 2,239,47733 \\ 848.00301 \\ \hline \$ 142,486,51439 \\ \hline\end{array}$

- $\$ 149.313 .89192$
$\$ 20,437,94953$
$25,02,133$
2
2
$\square$ $25,702,13358$
$2,907.51117$
$49,848,79612$ $\$ 19.556,82606$
$25,511,59111$

2 \$103,811,951 88 \$102,674,67442 Net Revenue from Operations.................. $\$ 45,501,94004 \quad \$ 39.811,83997$ $\begin{array}{rr}\$ 9,441,56498 & \$ 7,702,69901 \\ 48,67939 & 49.40559\end{array}$ | 48,67939 | 49.40559 |
| ---: | ---: |
| 151,46437 | 748.54246 |
| 774.20990 | 868.47309 |

Total Other Expenses.
Operating Income. $\qquad$
Non-Operating Income-
Income from Lease of Road-
 Income from Funded Securities counts. Unfunded Securities and Ac-

Total Non-Operating Income.


## 

Total Deductions of This Class


Interest on Funded Debt
Interest on Equipment Obligations............... Ohio Stock Trust Certificates.-......

Total Deductions of This Class.-
Balance of Income Over Charges
Reserve for Dividends on Preferre
Rerver Divida on Prered sto
Balance Carried to Credit of Profit and $\$ 10,415,91864 \$ 9,369,12015$ $\xlongequal{\$ 35,086,02140} \xlongequal{\$ 30,442,71982}$ $\$ 64,60774$
279,31155 864.00333
282.75397 157.69121
$2.143,27700$
$1.84,10201$

Taxaxay

## \$5,273,998 11

$1,269,02319$
6,59274

## \$4,842,661 35

 $\$ 35,285,381 \quad 17$ $\begin{array}{rr}\$ 2,786,20277 & \$ 2,775,40311 \\ 31,31422 & 31,53364 \\ 41236\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{r}41,93642 \\ 189,94616 \\ \hline\end{array}$\$3,049,399 57 $\$ 37,310,6199$
$\$ 12,740,8522$
$1,764,587$ 226,00800 \$22,579,1 \$19,579,172 13 \$14,769.140 08
TABLE 2.-PROFIT AND LOSS
Ored
Add:
Credit Balance of Income for the Year Deduct: $\quad \overline{\$ 92,410,37168}$
Deduct: Dividend of $51 / 2 \%$ on Common Stock...... $\$ 6,600,00000$


table 3.-GENERAL balance sheet. ASSETS.
Investments:
Dec. 31 1925. Dec. 311924.

 | $\$ 377,375,960$ | 10 |
| :---: | :---: |
| $125,138,853$ | $5666 ; 491,874$ |
| $118,511,949$ | 50 |


Funds Appropriated for Construction-
Proceeds from sale of Mortgaged Prop
\$7,592,968 75
erty, held by Trustees for Reinvest

| Miscellaneous Physical Property----- | $\$ 886,622$ | 45 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| $1,035,873$ | $\$ 3$ | $\$ 1,002,70438$ | Miscellaneous Physical Property-----

Investments in Affiliated Companies: | Stocks |
| :--- |
| Bonds | $\begin{array}{r}\$ 34,910,55073 \\ 24,033,970 \\ \hline\end{array}$ sstripeno Bonds.

Notes.
Advances $\begin{array}{r}24,033,97019 \\ 3,981,11794 \\ 2,605,05755 \\ \hline\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{r}24,710,97019 \\ 4,585,11677 \\ 3,153,9371 \\ \hline\end{array}$
Total Investments in Affiliated Companies
 Other Investments:
 Advances for Purchase of Additional
Equipment.

| Total Other Investmen | \$2,486,566 \$9 | \$8,776,309 00 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total Investments | \$572,454,573 34 | \$569,960,006 66 |

## urrent Assets-

Cash_- Sited States Government Securities
Special Deposits
 Traffic and Car Service Balances Re-
 tors Miscellaneous Accounts Recelvable Materials and Supplies (Table 11). Interest and Dividends Receivable-

Total Current Assets


| $1,789,50206$ | $1,531,01043$ |
| ---: | ---: |
| 26,94730 | 54,75399 |
| 40.966 .42500 | $6,181,07004$ |
| $10,771,54301$ | $11,379,18929$ |
| 892,54569 | 787,79786 |
| 215,25822 | 245,99635 |
| $\$ 59,739,50387$ | $\$ 49,774,66760$ |

## Deferred Assets:

Working Fund Advances,-_-
Cash and Securities in Insurance Fund
Cash Deposited under North Carolina
Railroad Lease.............................. Railroad Lease-...-
857.22079
1.377 .23998 $\$ 105,71528$
$1.020,37331$

Total Deferred Assets. | 175.000 |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| $433: 580$ |  |
| 51 | 175.000 on |
|  | 212,416 | Unadjusted Debits:

Inadjusted Debits:
Advance Premiums and Rents paid in
Additions and Betterments Expenditures: Freight Claims; Foreign Mileage and
Sundry Items in Suspense.-........

Total Unadjusted Debits_
s.........
$\$ 22,97388$ $\$ 1.513 .50532$
\$2,043.041 28
$\$ 2,41062$
4.118 .08286
$4.218,13299$
$\$ 4,141,05674 \quad \$ 4,220,54361$
Securities of the Company held by it:

Grand Totals............................ $\$ 638,378,1 7 5 2 3 \longdiv { \$ 6 2 5 , 4 6 8 , 7 2 3 1 9 }$ LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock: Dec. 31 1925. Dec. 311924.
Common. $\begin{array}{r}\$ 120.000,00000 \\ 60.000,00000 \\ \$ 120.000,000 \\ 60,000,000 \\ \hline\end{array}$
Total Southern Railway Company
Stock Southern Ry.-Mobile \& Ohio Stock Trust
Certificates.-----------$180,000,00000 \$ 180.00000000$ $\$ 5.650,20000 \quad \$ 5,650,20000$ Long Term Debs.

Total Long Term Debt..........-\$292,095.500 $00 \$ \$ 295,741,70000$

Total Capital Liabilities_......-. | \$477.745,700 00 |
| :--- |
| $\$ 481,391,90000$ | Governmental Grants:

Grants since July 11914 in aid of Con-
Grants since July 11914 in aid of Con-
struction.-......--


## Corporate Surplus:

Apecial Appropriations for Additions to
Profit and Loss-Balance..................
Grand Totals............................ $\$ 638,378,17523 \quad \overline{\$ 625,468,72319}$

# THE CHICAGO, ROCK ISLAND AND PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY and subsidiar y companies 

FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT-FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 311925.

To the Stockholders:
The net result of the 1925 operations, after the payment of all fixed charges and dividends on the preferred stocks, was a surplus of $\$ 454$ per share on the common stock, as compared with $\$ 436$ in 1924.

There was a slight decrease in gross revenue, and an increase of some $\$ 860,000$ in maintenance expenses; but these items were more than offset by a decrease in the transportation expenses, so that the net result showed the improvement referred to.

The net operating income, however, was only $4.18 \%$ on the Company's investment, instead of the $53 / 4 \%$ which is contemplated by the Inter-State Commerce Commission's grouping under the Transportation Act. If freight rates had been so adjusted that we could have earned the $53 / 4 \%$ prescribed by the Commission as a proper return, our income would have been $\$ 6,720,000$ more. We have joined the other roads in our territory in applying to the Inter-State Commerce Commission for an increase in freight rates. A large amount of evidence has been taken upon our application, and the matter is now pending before the Commission for decision.

One of the outstanding features of the report submitted herewith is the continued decline in passenger business, which is due almost entirely to the competition of the motor vehicle. We are carrying fewer passengers now than we carried in 1911, or in any year since, and, as you will see from the income account on page 13 [pamphlet repori], the passenger revenue in 1925 was less by $\$ 1,529,41497$ than in the year preceding. We recognize that this situation is a result of new conditions in transportation, and we are devoting our efforts to developing that phase of passenger business with which the motor bus cannot compete, namely, the long-haul traffic. The improved California service, to which we referred in last year's report, has been very successful. The new Golden State Limited is earning a very substantial amount over the direct cost of operation; and the favorable comment of thousands of pleased travelers convinces us that its service is a great asset to the Company. We are curtailing the local passenger train service to meet the new conditions; but, since there a limit below which passenger train mileage cannot be reduced, we are trying out the motor car as a substitute for the passenger train, and believe that in the rear future a type of motor rail car will be developed which will enable the railoads to compete with the motor bus for short-haul traffic.

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES.
In addition to maintaining the road and equipment in excellent condition, as is apparent from the increase of $\$ 860,000$ in maintenarce expenses, we spent approximately $\$ 5,000,000$ in additions and ketterments to roadway and structures, and $\$ 4,700,000$ for new equirment

We purchased and put into service during the year the following new equipment, costing $\$ 4,729,53640$ :
10 switching locomotives.
5 baggage and mail cars.
1,200 box cars,
400 coal cars,
2 buffet-baggage cars,
2 Mark motor cars.
1 locomotive wrecking crane,
We also rebuilt 1,000 refrigerator cars, at a cost (including the appraised value of the old material) of $\$ 2,565,000$; or a total investment in equipment for the year of $\$ 7,294,53640$, which was financed through the issue of $\$ 5,400,000$ equipment trust certificates.

No new construction of magnitude was undertaken, the largest item being the continuation of the double track work on the Kansas Division. The road and equipment, however, were kept up to a standard entirely adequate for the efficient and economical handling of the traffic offered.

With the consent of the Inter-State Commerce Commission, two more branch lines were abandoned; one from Preemption to Cable, Illinois, 5.29 miles, and the other from West Davenport to Stockton, lowa, 16.28 miles. We also abandoned $91 / 2$ miles of line in Winnfield Parish, Louisiana, and entered into a long-time contract for the use of the Louisiana \& Arkansas Railway Company's track which lay adjacent thereto for the entire distance abandoned. While these abandonments necessitate a charge to profit and loss, they relieve the Company of a substantial drain on operating expenses.

With the approval of the Inter-State Commerce Commission, we are proceeding with the construction of a line from Billings, Oklahoma, into Ponca City, about 30 miles. This line should develop considerable traffic.

The most important project which we have in immediate contemplation is the construction of a low grade line from Trenton, Missouri, to a connection with the Chicago Milwaukee \& St. Paul Railway Company's line at Braymer, 33 miles. This will avoid some very heavy grades and curvature in the line now used between Trenton and Kansas City, and will give the Company a very much better entrance into Kansas City from the east. It is part of a plan for straightening the Missouri Division, which has been under consideration for a number of years. The route chosen by our engineers will result in a ruling grade of $0.3 \%$, instead of a maximum grade on the present line in excess of $1 \%$.

The saving in transportation cost resulting from the construction of this line will fully justify the outlay of capital involved.

ST. LOUIS SOUTHWESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY STOCK.
As you were advised last year, we acquired a minority interest in the stock of St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company, which we regarded as a desirable purchase at the price paid for it. While our ownership of this interest was still under consideration by the Inter-State Commerce Commission, a favorable opportunity arose to sell our holdings, and we disposed of them to the Kansas City Southern Railway Company, at a net profit for our stockholders of approximately $\$ 2,467,000$.
 . This profit is not included in the above-mentioned earnings for the year 1925, but is in addition thereto, and will be credited directly to the surplus account in 1926.

TAXES.
Taxes continue to increase. State and local taxes have gone up from $\$ 5,478,969$ in 1920 to $\$ 6,196,663$ in 1925, and our total expenditure for taxes has increased from $\$ 5,894,857$ in 1920 to $\$ 7,100,142$ in 1925 . During the year just past we pard out for taxes $\$ 535$ out of every $\$ 100$ taken in, while only $\$ 269$ went to the stockholders for dividends.

GENERAL.
It is a pleasure to record the fine relations existing between the Company and its employees. While there are now pending requests of trainmen and switchmen for increases in compensation on all Western railroads, these requests are being discussed in the most friendly spirit by representatives of the Railway Companies and the Employees' Organızations.

We have submitted in previous years a comparison of certain selected statistics, and, for your information, we add the 1925 figures:

Total tons carried (thousands)
Average miles hauled per ton
Tons hauled per mile of road
Ereight Service:
Cars per train
Cars
Gross tons per
Net tons per train.-.
Net tons per loaded car
Net tons per loaded car--
Net tons per mile of road p
Per cent loadel
Per cent loaded of total car miles
Per cent east-bound of total loaded car miles
Car miles per car day
Passenger train cars per train.
Ratio of passenger train to freight trai
Number revenue passengers per train........
Number revenue passengers per passenger car-

* Based on year ended June 301912.

25.8
840
348
18.6
2,016
72
46
48
24
$* 286$
5.4

109.51 | 109.51 |
| :--- |
| ${ }^{51.2}$ |
|  |
|  |

1923. 

29.669 1922.
25,939
256.39
819.416
1.



These figures indicate that the Rock Island System as a transportation machine is continually improving in efficiency, and we feel that we are beginning to realize the results of our careful management since Federal control.

The outstanding need of the property is an increase in freight rates, and this matter is in the hands of the Inter-State Commerce Commission.

With deep regret announcement is made of the death of two of the Company's most valued officers:
Stanley H. Johnson, Vice-President and Freight Traffic Manager, died February 15, 1926, after a continuous service with the Company since June 11902.
W. J. Tollerton, General Superintendent Motive Power, died March 3 1926, after a continuous service with the Company since July 11906.

Each of these men was recognized as a leader in his field, and enjoyed to an unusual degree the confidence and respect of his associates and of the transportation world

We cheerfully acknowledge the faithful and loyal service of the officers and employees; and again urge you as stockholders to take an active interest in the affairs of the Company and in matters pertaining to railroads in general. We emphasize especially the importance of your continued interest in governmental activities which affect your properties. As we pointed out in the beginning, if rates could be so adjusted that we could realize the $53 / 4 \%$ which the law contemplates, your property would pay substantial dividends.

By order of the Board of Directors.
Respectfully submitted.
J. E. GORMAN, President.

## CHARLES HAYDEN, Chairman of the Board.



## AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

We have audited the books and accounts of The Chicago Rock Island and Pacific Railway Company and Subsidiary Companies for the year ended December 31 1925, and certify that the annexed balance sheet and relative income and profit and loss accounts are in accordance therewith and exhibit, in our opinion, a true and correct view of the financial position of the Company at the date stated and of the operations of the System for the year then ended.

TOUCHE, NIVEN \& CO., Public Accountants.

ROCK ISLAND LINES
1-INCOME ACCOUNT
year ended december 311925 Compared with previous year.

|  | 1925. | 1924. | Increase. |  | Decrease. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Amount. | $\stackrel{\text { Per }}{\text { Cent. }}$ | Amount. | $\xrightarrow{\text { Per }}$ Cent. |
| Operating Revenues: <br> Freight revenue <br> Passenger revenue <br> Express revenue <br> Other transportation revenue <br> Dining and buffet car revenue <br> Miscellaneous revenue. <br> Total railway operating revenue <br> Operating expensos: <br> Maintenance of way and structures <br> Maintenance of equipment <br> Traffic <br> Transportation <br> Miscellaneous operations <br> Transportation for investment-Cr | \$95,923,397 91 | \$95.185.730 29 | \$737.66762 | . 77 |  |  |
|  | 24,356,631 ${ }^{2}$ | $\begin{array}{r}25,856,640 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 24059776 | 7.06 | \$1,50,93186 | 2.36 |
|  | 3,649,875 18 1.786 .40610 | 3,409.277 42 | ${ }_{29}^{24.677} 93$ | 1.69 |  |  |
|  |  | $\begin{array}{r}1,707.012 \\ 1,359 \\ \hline 14 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 110,812 <br> 274 <br> 27824 | 15.67 20.19 |  |  |
|  | $\frac{1,6383}{\$ 130,68,24615}$ | \$130,880,512 13 |  |  | 8197,265 98 | . 15 |
|  | 83530 | \$15,086,588 64 | \$536,246 66 | 3.55 |  |  |
|  | 28,271,704 58 | $27,937.079$ $2,629,300$ 49 | ${ }_{311,931} 42$ | 11.86 |  |  |
|  | 49,868,630 22 | 51,781.161 ${ }_{943}$ | 209.02928 | 22.16 | \$1,912,53171 | 3.69 |
|  |  | 3,601,70126 | 153,079 32 | 4.25 |  |  |
|  | 8.841,988.50 | 772,548.60 |  |  | 69,439 90 | 8.99 |
|  | \$100,769,485 94 | \$101,206,546 28 |  | ------ | \$437,060 34 | 43 |
| Net revenue from railway operations Railway tax accruals. Uncollectible railway revenue. <br> Total railway operating income | \$29,913,760 ${ }^{21}$ | \$29,673,965 6 671,087 | \$239,794 ${ }^{466} \mathbf{6 8} \mathbf{6 8}$ | 7.10 |  |  |
|  | $\begin{array}{r}7.037,044 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 6,571,722 20 | 19,32206 | 34.06 |  |  |
|  | \$22,799,945 15 | \$23,046,156 49 | ---------- | ------ | \$246.211 34 | 1.07 |
| Other Income: <br> Rent from equipment (other than freight cars) Joint facility rent incomeMiscellaneous rent income Miscellaneous income. | \$296.393.51 | \$305,949.37 |  |  | \$9,555.86 | 3.12 6.82 |
|  | $\begin{array}{r}\text { 548.817.12 } \\ 196.052 .27 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $588,957.81$ 192,011 | \$4,040.57 | 2.10 |  |  |
|  | $34,763.61$ $1,001916.31$ | $34,392.82$ $365,161.23$ | 636,755.08 | 174.38 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | ------- |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Deductions from income (excepting interest): <br> Hire of freight cars-debit balance <br> Rent for equipment (other than freight <br> Joint facility rents. <br> Miscellaneous rents. <br> Other income charges | $\begin{array}{r} \$, 328,42295 \\ 404,79444 \\ 1,985,554.29 \\ 4 ., 210.73 \\ 1724,733.94 \\ 154,832.99 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 3,758,49170 \\ 564,58053 \\ 1,904,401.48 \\ 4,015.34 \\ 265,830.99 \\ 169,292.75 \end{array}$ | --81.1952.81 | -4.8 <br> 4.87 | 8130.06875159,78609 | 11.4428.30 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | $93,097 \overline{0} \overline{5}$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 14,459.76 | 8.54 |
| Total | \$6,050,549.34 | \$6,666,612.79 | ----------- |  | \$616,063.45 | 9.24 |
| Balance before deduction of inte | 818,827,338.63 | 817,866,016.63 | \$961,322.00 | 5.38 | ------------- | --.-- |
| Interestion bonds and long term notes | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 10,220,618.14 \\ 1,009,294.93 \\ 626,293.37 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|r\|r} \hline 4 & \$ 9,959,767.39 \\ 3 & 860,312.58 \\ 7 & 210,715.69 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 265.850 .75 \\ 148.98 .75 \\ 415,577.68 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|c\|} \hline & 2.67 \\ 5 & 17.32 \\ 8 & 197.22 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | ------------ |  |
| Interest on equipment notes --..- |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total interest | \$11,861,206.44 | \$11,030,795.66 | \$830,410.78 | 7.53 | -------7.---- | ------ |
| Balance of income (available for | \$6,966,132.19 | \$6,835,220.97 | \$130,911.22 | 1.92 | ------------ | ------ |
|  | \$2,059,547.00 | $\begin{array}{r\|r} \hline 00 & \$ 2,059,547.00 \\ \hline & 1,507,638.00 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | --.---.-.-.----- | -...-- | -..-.-.........- |  |
|  | 1,507,638.00 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total dividends | \$3,567,185.00 | \$3,567,185.00 | ------------ | ------ | ------------ |  |
| Balance surplus (carrled to profit and loss) Per cent on common stock. | \$3,398,947.19 4 | $83,268,035.97$ <br> 4.36 | \$130,911.22 | 4.48 |  |  |

Oredit balance, December 311924 -
Surplus, after dividends for year ended December $\overline{1} 1$ 1o 25
Profit and loss on property and securities Surplus, after dividends for year ended December 31 1o25
Profit and loss on property and securities sold.
Sundry credit adjustments, etc., not affecting current fiscal year Less:

## Depreciation on:

 Tracks removedroperty abant sold, dismantled and destroye
Property abandoned-Da venport-Stockton and Winnfield-Packton Lines
Expenses in connection with issuance of funded securities
Galveston Terminal Ry. Advances and taxes
Galveston Terminal Ry. Advances and taxes
Kankakee \& Seneca Ry:-Deficit from operation, ete., since $1912-\cdots$
Pueblo Union Depot \& RR. Co.-Relinquishment of proprietary interest
Oredit balance, December 311925

## -PROFIT AND LOSS

PROFIT AND LOSS


## $\$ 3,398.947 .19{ }^{-19} 833,795.70$ 81.834 .94 52.591 .00 <br> \$3,533,373.13



$1,612.53$
1.750 .47
440.00
ROCK ISLAND LINES
3-CONDENSED GENERAL BALANCE SHEET.
DECEMBER 311925 AND COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEAR.


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# THE DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA AND WESTERN RAILROAD COMPANY 

ANNUAL REPORT-FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 311925.

## New York, March 1st 1926.

To the Stockholders of The Delaware Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company:
The volume of freight traffic handled by the railroads of the country during the year 1925 exceeded that of any previous year in the history of the business.

While your company shared in the general railroad prosperity, as evidenced by its gross earnings from all classes of traffic other than anthracite coal, its annual revenues from the latter source were seriously depleted by the cessation of anthracite mining operations, commencing September 1st and continuing throughout the remaining four months of the year.

## TRANSPORTATION REVENUES.

No important transportation rate changes were made during the year 1925, and, although certain reductions in freight rates have recently been ordered by the Inter-State Commerce Commission, but not yet put into effect, the roads affected by these decisions have applied for a re-opening of the cases, and until the proposed changes are further developed, their effect on the future revenues of your company cannot be definitely determined.

Revenues from anthracite coal shipments were $\$ 5,818,872$ less than those of the previous year and the decrease is wholly attributable to the suspension of mining in the anthracite district during the last four months of the year.

Revenues from other freight increased $\$ 2,216,186$, over the year 1924, due, in a large measure, to the great industrial activity that prevailed throughout the year, but an important feature in the excellent showing in this class of revenue is the success that attended special efforts made to secure other freight traffic to fill in the gap caused by the loss of the anthracite coal traffic. Over one-half of the total increase in other freight traffic for the year was earned in the last four months thereof.

The revenue from the transportation of passengers was practically the same as in the preceding year, and, while a satisfactory and encouraging increase in through passenger traffic was realized, local passenger revenue continued to decline due to the increasing competition of paralleling bus lines and the use of private automobiles.

Revenue from the transportation of United States mail increased $\$ 44,322$ over the previous year.

Revenue from express shipments increased $\$ 340,969$ over the previous year. The recovery in this class of transportation is particularly gratifying.

The revenues from other transportation and incidental sources were satisfactory and indicate a steady growth.

## OPERATING EXPENSES.

As shown in the detailed statement on pages 17 to 20 [pamphlet report], the total cost of maintenance and operation of your railroad property for the year 1925 amounted to $\$ 62,390,610$, a decrease, compared with the previous year, of $\$ 2,095,299$.

A general statement of the causes for the important increases and decreases is as follows:

## MAINTENANCE OF WAY AND STRUCTURES.

The maintenance of fixed property during the year 1925 amounted to $\$ 8,331,770$, an excess over similar costs in the previous year of $\$ 586,050$.

The maintenance costs in 1925 included unusually heavy charges for retirement of property, replaced by new and improved facilities, such as relocation of main and yard tracks incident to the construction of additional tracks, the replacement of bridges and stations, and the elimination of grade crossings at various points. The charges of the character mentioned were materially greater than in the previous year.

The cost of maintaining signals and interlockers was unusually heavy during the year 1925, owing to large amounts expended for repairs and renewals of underground cables at various points on the system.

Another item that contributed largely to the increased maintenance cost was the removal of snow and ice from roadway and station grounds during the winter of 1925, due to the unfavorable weather conditions of that season.

## MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT.

The total cost of maintaining the company's railroad and floating equipment during the year 1925 was $\$ 17,262,144$, being $\$ 1,437,487$, or $7.7 \%$, less than in the preceding year, and $\$ 3,976,931$, or $18.7 \%$, less than similar costs in the year 1923.

In the latter part of 1924, your company acquired, jointly with the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, a marine repair yard property, located at West New Brighton, Staten Island, consisting of three dry docks, with machine shops and other facilities necessary to carry on a floating equipment repair operation.
The use of this jointly owned plant was commenced Sejptember 1st 1924, and continued throughout the year 1925, with the result that a very substantial part of the repairs to the floating equipment of both companies was made there at costs materially less than would have been otherwise incurred.

A considerable part of the reduction for the year 1925, of $32 \%$ in the cost of floating equipment repairs, may be properly attributed to the success of this operation.

Additions and Betterments to the plant have been made, or were in process at the end of the year, including the installation of a new dry dock of the latest design and capable of accommodating the larger units of equipment of the two interested companies. This added facility will be ready for operation early in 1926.

## TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES.

The total cost of transportation operations in the year 1925 amounted to $\$ 32,707,387$, a decrease compared with the previous year, of $\$ 1,384,430$.
The performance as a whole, as measured by engine and train mileage statistics, did not differ materially from that of the year 1924, but there was a decided difference in the classes of freight traffic handled, owing to the substitution of general merchandise commodities for anthracite coal shipments, of which latter practically no tonnage was available during the last four months of the year.

This change in class of traffic handled, to a considerable extent, disturbed comparisons of average train and car ladings, percentage of empty to loaded car'mileage and other units of measurement of like character.

A notable feature in the comparison of transportation costs is a substantial reduction in the cost of fuel used for motive power purposes in road and yard service, and harbor terminal operations, aggregating $\$ 1,315,840$, or $16.3 \%$, less than in 1924. While the greater part of this saving resulted from the reduced average prices at which fuel was purchased during the year, a very gratifying saving in quantities of coal used in all classes of service was realized through the adoption and putting into practice of methods by engine crews and locomotive shop employes, designed to effect economies in the use of fuel.

It is believed that approximately $\$ 250,000$ was saved through the special efforts in this direction, and as motive power fuel is by far the largest item, after wages, in transportation costs, the results obtained in the past year have been so encouraging that further organized efforts to promote fuel economy are actively under way.
The reduction of over $22 \%$ in the amount paid shippers for loss and damage to freight in transit indicates the progress that has been made through co-operative efforts on the part of the shippers and the railroad company to reduce these losses by more skillful refrigeration, careful packing, loading, routing and handling of perishable and breakable commodities.
The increase in cost of injuries to persons is entirely due to the most regrettable but unavoidable passenger train derailment that occurred at Rockport, N. J., June 16, 1925. Had it not been for this unfortunate accident there would have been a material reduction in this class of expense.

TAXES
The aggregate assessments levied by Local, State and Federal taxing authorities on your company for the year 1925 , amounted to $\$ 6,832,653$, equivalent to 8.17 cents of each dollar of gross transportation receipts, or 32.16 cents
of each dollar of revenue remaining after payment of operating expenses.
The constantly increasing burden of railway taxation and the consequent depletion of the amount available for return on invested capital is an expense that cannot be controlled by the individual managements of the carriers, but it is a matter of grave concern, not only to those responsible for the management of railroad property, but particularly to holders of railroad securities.
It would seem that some concerted action should be taken by the bondholders and stockholders of the carriers to stem the rising tide of railroad taxes which, if continued, will most seriously affect the credit of the carriers and the value of railroad securities.

The increase in tax assessments during the past eleven years, is indicated by the following:

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Calendar } \\ & \text { Years } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total } \\ \text { Tax } \\ \text { Assessments. } \end{gathered}$ | Taxes per Dollar of Gross Revenue. | Taxes per Dollar of Revenue After Operating Expenses. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1915 | 2,115,333.84 | Cents. | Cents. <br> 12.42 |
| 1916 | 2.517,882.68 | 4.88 | 12.82 |
| 1917 | 3.584.917.49 | 6.27 | 18.35 |
| 1919 | 3.922,872.54 | 5.71 | 20.85 |
| 1920 | 4.539,785.14 | 7.45 | 32.74 47 |
| 1921 | 4.979,439.57 | 5.80 | 28.01 |
| 1922 | 4.894.466.10 | 6.56 | 44.72 |
| 1923 | 5.995.697.51 | 6.80 | 32.02 |
| 1925 | 6,832,652.72 | 7.96 8.17 | 31.02 32.16 |

## ADDITIONS AND BETTERMENTS.

The charges for additions and betterments to the road and equipment of your company and its leased lines, less credits for property retired during the year 1925 , were $\$ 11,973,-$ 150.22 , a classified statement of which appears on page 22. [Pamphlet Report.]

Some of the principal projects that were either completed or upon which substantial expenditures were made during the year, are as follows:

## ROAD.

1. The construction of a new office building at Hoboken, N. J., for accommodation of the Pullman Company, and the Yard Office forces at that point, and a general rearrangement of passenger yard tracks to make space for and provide additional train sheds and tracks at the approach to the passenger terminal.
2. Additional lands acquired at Jersey City, N. J., for enlargement of freight and passenger yards.
3. Construction of new team delivery yard at Grove and 18th Streets, Jersey City, N. J.
4. Construction of a cut-off line, Kingsland, N. J. to Harrison, N. J:, a distance of approximately seven miles, to facilitate and expedite freight movements between the Morristown and Boonton branches, and relieve existing congestion at the present junction located at the west end of the Bergen tunnel. (Seventy per cent completed.)
5. New freight station and additional yard facilities at Passaic, N. J., made necessary by the growth of traffic at that point and the consequent inadequacy of the previously existing facilities. (Eighty per cent completed.)
6. The addition of third and fourth tracks to the previously existing two-track system, from Lincoln Park, N. J. to Boonton, N. J., involving the construction of two new bridges for the elimination of two grade crossings, the rebuilding of three bridges and a new shelter house at Towaco; also extension of station platforms at Towaco, Lincoln Park and Montville, and various track changes and relocations in connecting the new tracks with industrial sidings, etc.
7. The addition of third and fourth tracks to the previously existing two-track system between Lyndhurst, N. J., and Paterson Junction, N. J., involving the reconstruction of three bridges with new eastbound set out track and new freight tracks in Athenia Freight Yard; also track changes and relocations incident to connecting the new tracks with various industrial sidings.
8. The elimination of a grade crossing at Delawanna Avenue, Delawanna, N. J., at which point there were built a new five-track reinforced concrete bridge; new passenger station and shelter house and platforms, and a new freight house and platforms, including the necessary track changes.
9. Additional yard and terminal facilities, including new enginehouse, etc., at East Birmingham, N. Y., to facilitate the classification and movement of freight at this point, traffic having outgrown present terminal yard and enginehouse.
10. Construction of new bridge at Buffalo, N. Y., over the relocation channel of the Buffalo River, consisting of one Bascule span, 125 feet center to center of bearings, one
span, 40 feet center to center, and one deck plate gird span, 116 feet 6 inches over all, on cylindrical concrete pier This project was made necessary on account of the rel cating and deepening of the channel of the Buffalo River an involves the abandonment of the three-span bridge over th old channel at that point. (Seventy per cent completed 11. Elimination of grade crossing at Clinton Stree tracks, sidings and interchange tracks in connection thers with; also the construction of an additional interchang track with the Pennsylvania Railroad, and the rearrangin of industrial and other tracks located at that point. Th cost of this elimination is to be borne jointly with your com pany by the Pennsylvania Railroad Co., the Lehigh Valle Railroad Co., and the City of Buffalo. (Eighty percen completed.)
11. The construction of a new car repair shed at Eas Buffalo, N. Y., 105 feet by 690 feet, on concrete foundations with steel columns and roof trusses, corrugated sidings an cement tile roof; mastic floor with concrete runways, build ing to be equipped with acetylene and oxygen lines; also a and fire lines. The need for this car shed has been keenl felt for some time, as the facilities located at that point fo making light repairs to freight equipment had becom inadequate, and did not afford proper protection to th employes against adverse weather conditions.
12. The installation of automatic train control, fro miles , N. Y. to East Buffalo, N. Y., a distance of 14 miles, made in compliance with Inters ate Commerce Com mission or C m mission Order No. 13413.

In connection with the above installation and in accord ance with the same order, sixty-nine of the company's engine were equipped with automatic train control appliances.
14. In connection with the elimination of what is know as Gardiner's grade crossing, west of Conklin, N. Y., a nev overhead bridge was constructed, consisting of concret necessary earth through truss superstructure and th necessary earth approaches. Approximately one-half o
the cost of this improvement will be borne by the Stat of New York
15. The installation of a new dry dock at the West Ner Brighton Marine Repair Yard, the cost of which is shared i by the Lehigh Valley Railroad. (Ninety-five per cen completed.)

## EQUIPMENT.

New equipment acquired and installed during the yea
1925 , further details of which will be found on 1925, further details of which will be found on page 21 lpamphlet report] is as follows:

5 3-Cylinder Mountain Type
50 All-steel Suburban Coaches.
10 All-steel Combination Cars.
30 All-steel Express Cars.
40 Steel Underframe Milk Cars.
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40
$1,000 \mathrm{~S}$
300
000 Steel Underframe Milk Cars. 55 -ton Box Cars Steel Underframe Refriterators. Steel Underframe 8-wheel Caboose Cars. Steel Underframe Locomotive Crane Stock Cars. 1 Steel Underframe Locomotive Crane- $1201 / 2$-tons capacity. ${ }_{2}$ New Sar Floats. (Delivered in January 1926.)

## AUTOMATIC TRAIN CONTROL.

Under the provisions of Section twenty-six, of the Inter state Commerce Act, and in compliance with Interstat Commerce Commission Order No. 13413, automatic trair control has been installed from Elmira to East Buffalo, N Y., a distance of 141 miles of road (double track). Th system used is that known as the two-speed continuou inductive type, costing to December $311925, \$ 556,028$, o which $\$ 330,938$ was expended in 1925 , and $\$ 225,090$ in 1924
As a result of suggestions made by the Commission' engineers following a preliminary inspection of the installa tion from Elmira to Bath, certain control features, not ori ginally considered necessary, are now being added.
A further order on your company has been issued by th Commission, requiring it to install automatic train contro on a second full engine division. For this proposed extension, the division from Scranton to Elmira, a distance of approximately 116 miles of road (double track), has been selected. In connection with the foregoing order a petition will be filed requesting relief from compliance with the provisions of the second order until a sufficien time has elapsed to afford a thorough try out, under opera tion, of the effectiveness of the present installation.

## FINANCIAL.

Refunding First Mortgage Bonds were authorized and issued, during the year 1925, by certain of the leased lines as follows:
Oswego \& Syracuse RR. Co. 1st and Refunding 5\% Gold Mortgage Bonds of 1974.
Greene RR. Co. 1st and Refunding $5 \%$ Gold Mortgage Bonds Valley RR . Co. Ist and Refunding $5 \%$ Gold Mortgage Bonds

The foregoing bonds were issued to refund past due
issues purchased at maturity and held in the Treasury issues purchased at maturity and held in the Treasury of your company and in reimbursement of expenditures for additions and betterments to the property of the above mentioned lessor companies.
The Morris \& Essex RR. Co., another of your company's leased lines, authorized and executed a construction mortgage for 35 million dollars, due 1954 to 1987 , to provide for the financing of expenditures for additions and better-
ments to its property, made prior to the date of the "authorialso for future anticipated expenditures of a Under thister.
Under this construction mortgage there were issued and delivered to your company, $\$ 11,582,000$, in par value of $5 \%$ bonds in partial payment of amounts due it for additions and betterments expenditures to date of issue.
All of the above mentioned securities are in the treasury of your company

In connection with the liquidation of the Moore Timber Company, a subsidiary of your company, there were rereceived in United States Government securities, cash and other assets, amounting to $\$ 2,292,924$, of which $\$ 1,300,000$ was applied to the liquidation of its capital stock, held in the treasury of your company, and the balance was credited to dividend income.

The Moore Timber Company was incorporated March 11 1911 in the State of Florida, for the purpose of operating a yellow pine timber tract, and it continued its operations until Oct. 10 1919, at which time it disposed of its tangible property by sale. During the period of operation it produced yellow pine lumber, which was practically all utilized in the railroad and mining operations of your company. Having transferred all its assets to your company, legal action is now in process to terminate its corporate existence

With the exception of a temporary loan of $\$ 3,000,000$, the additions and betterments expenditures made by your company during the year were all paid for out of cash and liquid treasury assets.

## VALUATION.

The Inter-State Commerce Commission has not yet served on your company the tentative valuation of your property, as contemplated by Section 19-A of the InterState Commerce Act, but it has served, informally, upon the officers of your company, copies of its tentative Engineering, Land and Accounting reports, which have been carefully analyzed and statements of the objections thereto filed with the Commission's Bureau of Valuation. It is expected that informal conferences will be held with the peresentatives of the Bureau relative to the objections that have been filed, at an early date. All necessary records for perpetuating the valuation from date of inventory are being currently compiled in accordance with the various orders of the Inter-State Commerce Commission relating thereto.
The Management desires to record its appreciation of the loyal and efficient service rendered to the company by its officers and employees during the past year.

Respectfully submitted by order of the Board of Managers.
J. M. DAVIS, President.

ANALYSIS OF INCOME ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31 st 1925.


Expenses-
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For General Expenses For General Expenses- Transportation for Invest-
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$1+88.926$ Total Expenses_-.-74.60\% $\overline{62,390,609.66}$ $\qquad$ $+28,705.46$
-2.095 Net Revenue from
$\begin{array}{cccc}\text { Operation } \\ \text { Less Railway Tax Accruals.-. } & 21,244,446.79 & 6,832,652.72 & 2,241,275.12 \\ 6,900,101.85\end{array}$ Less Uncollectible Railway

 $\begin{array}{r}15,328.662 .86 \\ 451.76 .90 \\ 145.591 .99 \\ \hline\end{array}$ Net Railway Oper. Income- $14,933,998.36$
Non-operating Income
Income from Lease of Road_ Miscellaneous Rent Income..Miscellaneous Non-operating Physical Property
Dividend Income Income from Funded s̄ecurities ties and Accounts_-a
Income from Sinking and other Income from Sinking and Other
Reserve Funds.......-Reserve Funds. Total Non-operating Inco Total Non-op Deductions from Gross Income
Rent for Leased Roads Interest on Funded Debt- -Interest on Unfunded Debt---
Miscellaneous Income Charges
Total Deductions from
Gross Income.
Net Income

## Net Income

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Disposition of Net Incomenvestm t in Physical Property $\quad 914.876 .42$| $1,869.808 .15$ |
| :---: |
| 15 | Total Appropriations- - - $-12,736,630.42 \quad 12,391,562.15$ Surpus for year carried to

Profit and Loss_........ 5.389 .10
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$\qquad$ $-991,963.39$ -55.875 .86
$+26,825.33$ Profit and Loss-_-----.---1,693,564.12 $2,277,305.78$ $+1,003,096.23$ OPERATING RESULTS AND STATISTICS FO
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Train

$\begin{array}{ll}1925 . & 1924 . \\ 6,686.109 & 6,653,343 \\ 7,123,937 & 7,061,078\end{array}$
Increase ( + ) or Per
Decrease

- . Cent.
$\begin{array}{lll}7,123,937 & 7,061,078 & +32,766 \\ & 7,82,859\end{array}$

$\begin{array}{llll}8,836,013 & 8,989,001 & -152,988 & 1.7\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}9,439,228 & 9,572,905 & -133,677 & 1.4\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}207,248,842 & 205.991,178 & +1,257,664 & .6 \\ 305,097,647 & 308,178,955 & { }_{3}, 081,308 & 1.0\end{array}$ $26,397,447 \quad 28,139,260 \quad-1,741,813 \quad 6.2$ $\begin{array}{lll}3,189,137 & 2,964,740 & +224,397 \\ 7.6\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}4,587,676,567 & 4,809,172,405-221,495,838 & 4.6\end{array}$ | $425,074,131$ |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $5,012,750,698$ | $5,138,944,175$ | $+126,193,477$ | 28.5 |


| 11,440,614,171 | 11,483,470.105 | $-42,855,934$ | . 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1.30 | 1.32 | -. 02 | 1.5 |
| 173.79 | 170.91 | +2.88 | 1.7 |
| 686.15 | 722.82 | $-36.67$ | 5.1 |
| 8.95 | 9.54 | -. 59 | 6.2 |
| 1,294.77 | 1,277.50 | +17.27 | 1.4 |
| 1,711.10 | 1,725.97 | -14.87 | . 9 |
| 749.73 | 772.39 | -22.66 | 2.9 |
| 24.19 | 24.95 | -. 76 | 3.0 |
| 67.93 | 66.84 | +1.09 | 1.6 |
| 5,054,250 | 5,018,679 | +35,571 | 7 |
| 862,243 | 854,171 | +8,072 | . 9 |
| 5,916,493 | 5,872,850 | +43,643 | 7 |
| 6,356,309 | 6,321,670 | +34,639 | . 5 |
| 24,778,933 | 24,186,811 | +592,122 | , 2.4 |
| $45,726,969$ 29,237,690 | 44,135,881 28,918,623 | $\begin{array}{r} +1,591.088 \\ +319.067 \end{array}$ | 3.6 1.1 |
| 670,929,835 | 660,825,635 | +10,104,200 | 1.5 |
| 2.03 | 2.06 | -. 03 | 1.5 |
| 22.95 | 22.85 | +. 10 | . 4 |
| 2.70 | 2.71 | -. 01 | 4 |
| 3.21 | 3.17 | +. 04 | 1.3 |
| 8 | 8 | .-- | --- |
| 133 | 132 | +1 |  |
| 27 | 27 | -..- |  |

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31st 1925 AND 1924


Figures in italics indicate decrease.
dividend, and $\$ 10,000,000$ additional capital stock, on official notice of
issuance and payment, making the total amount $\$ 40,000,000$. common stock, to be issued on directors declared a dividend of $20 \%$ payable in common stock, to be issued on or about April 15 to stockholders of record
March 25 . The additional $\$ 10,000,000$ capital stock was cffered at par ( $\$ 50$ ) to stockholders of record March 251926 . The Committee on Securities of the New York Stock Exchange on
April 13 ruled that the capital stock of the company be quoted ex the p. 1801, 1755.

White Rock Mineral Springs Co.-Earnings.-
Quarters ended March 31$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Quarters ended March } 31 \text { - } \\ \text { Net profits after deprec., Federal taxes, \&c.-.-.-- } & \$ 175,644\end{array}$ Net profits after deprec., ${ }^{\text {F }}$

Wood Brothers Th Offered. - Cowa Des Moines, Ia.-Bonds Offered.-Iowa National Bank, Des Moines, are offering at prices to yield from $51 / 4 \%$ to $6 \%$, according to maturity, $\$ 300,000$ ist mtge. $6 \%$ serial gold bonds.
Dated March 15 1926, due serially March 151927 to 1936. Interest payable M. \& 10 . at Des Moines Savings Bank \& Trust Co., Des Moines notice at a premium of $1 / 20$ of $1 \%$ for each year, or fraction on 60 days bonds have to run to their fixed maturity. Des Moines Savings Bank \& Data From
Data From Letter of R. L. Wood, Secretary \& Treasurer of Company Company-In 1899 Wood Brothers Steel Self-Feeder Co. was incorp
and in 1911 was re-incorp. as Wood Brothers Thresher the manufacture of small individual threshers for sale to individual farmers and groups of farmers. Its products are sold in 19 central and western States of the United States and in all the Canadian prairie provinces tains branches in 8 central and western cities Moines, Iowa., and it mainThe output of the company has increased from 33 threshers in 1911 to
1,750 in 1925, and it is planned to produce 2,500 machines in 1926. The present plant of the company consists of a complete fabricating and as sembling plant covering over 2 acres of ground owned in fee in northeast Des Moines. Company has purchased a new site immediately adjoining
Des Moines, consisting of 160 acres, less railway rights-of-way, on which it will erect a modern fireproof factory building covering an area of approximately 5 acres. When completed this will be one of the most modern
threshing machine factories in the United States. It will have an annual threshing machine factories in the United States. It will have an annual capacity of 4.000 threshers.
tion, a vailable for interest and Federal taxes, for the including deprecia311925 , averaged 4.93 times maximum interest charges on this issue of bonds; for the 4 years ended Dec. 311925 averaged 9.25 times interest or more than 19.6 times such interest charges. or more than 19.6 times such interest charges. construction of the new plant mentioned above. part, funds for the
(F. W.) Woolworth Co.-Regular Quarterly Dividend.The directors have declared a quarterly dividend of \$1 per share on the common stock, par $\$ 25$, payable June 1 to holders of record May 1. On Jan. 13 last the company declared an extra dividend of $\$ 1$ per share and
increased the annual dividend rate on the common stock from $\$ 3$ to $\$ 4$ per Seymour H. Knox of Buffalo, N. Y., has been elected a director, succeed-
Sngum.

## CENTRAL OF GEORGIA RAILWAY COMPANY

## THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT-FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 311925.

Savannah, Georgia, March 101926.

## To the Stockholders:

The Board of Directors herewith submits the following report for the year ended December 311925 :

INCOME.
A comparative condensed summary of the income account
is stated below. Details are shown in Table 2:

| - | $\begin{aligned} & 25.50 .38 \\ & 920 \end{aligned}$ | $0.64$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { +Invrease. } \\ & \text { Decrease }^{\text {In }} 26 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Operating revenues_-.-.....--30,229.408 $41 \quad 27,173,209.38+3,056,199.03$ |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Excess of revenues |  |  |  |
| Taxes-- ${ }^{\text {Uncollectible }}$ railway revenue | 9,363.31 | 20,542.48 | -11,179.17 |
| T | 1.349,284.47 | 1,365,045.92 | -15.761.45 |
|  | 142,642.33 | 4,737,112.70 | +1,405,529.63 |
| Equipment rents-Net debit. | $2,052.03$ | 128,8 |  |
| Joint facility rents-Net debit- | 92,846.31 | 52,462. | +40.383.74 |
|  | 674,898.34 | 181,310.1 | +493.588.19 |
| et rail | 5,467 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| ductions from gross income. | $\begin{aligned} & 6.589,823.12 \\ & 3.484 .709 .74 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 5.593,837.88 | + |
|  |  |  |  |

## TRANSPORTATION OPERATIONS.

The following statement shows increases and decreases in operating revenues and expenses, and other items affecting "Net Railway Operating Income." Details are shown in Table 2:


Total railway oper revenues
Railway Operating Expenses Maintenance of way and structures
Maintenance of equipment Transportation
Miscellaneous operations.......... Transportation for investment -Credit_-.................... Total railway operating ex-

## Net revenue from railway operations.-.-.-.---

Railway tax accruals.
Uncollectible railway revenues
Total
Railway operating income. Equipment rents-Net debit
oint facili


$\qquad$
$\qquad$ $7,491,926.80 \quad 6,102,158.62$ $\begin{array}{r}9,363.31 \\ \hline 1,349,284.47 \\ \hline 6,142,642.33 \\ \hline\end{array}$ 1,344,503.44 $\begin{array}{r}20,542.48 \\ \hline 1.365,045.92\end{array}$ $4,737,112.70$

RAILWAY OPERATING
$\frac{181,310.15}{4.555,802.55}$
motives was 18.5 years, as compared with 18.6 for previous year.

Traffic" expenses increased $\$ 52,21311$ ( $6.34 \%$ )
Transportation" expenses increased $\$ 822,22955$ ( $8.10 \%$ ), due to increase in business handled and increase in wages.
"Miscellaneous Operations" increased \$554,097 21 (38.65\%) due to the increase in number of through passenger trains run.
"General Expenses" increased $\$ 40,89200$ ( $3.82 \%$ )
"Transportation for Investment-Credit" increased \$89, $53090(50.05 \%)$, due to transportation in connection with Birmingham grade revision and ballasting Savannah District.

RAILWAY TAX ACCRUALS.
"Railway Tax Accruals" were $\$ 1,339,92116$, as compared with $\$ 1,344,50344$ last year, a decrease of $\$ 4,58228(0.34 \%)$.

UNCOLLECTIBLE RAILWAY REVENUES.
"Uncollectible Railway Revenues" amounted to $\$ 9,363$ 31, as compared with $\$ 20,54248$ last year, a decrease of $\$ 11$,17917 ( $54.42 \%$ ).

EQUIPMENT RENTS-NET DEBIT
The increase of $\$ 453,20445(351.74 \%)$ in net rental paid for use of equipment is due chiefly to increase in traffic, which necessitated the use of more cars and increase in tonnage of those commodities which require a higher percentage of empty movement.

JOLNT FACIIITY RENTS-NET DEBIT.
"Joint Facility Rents-Net Debit" increased \$40,38374 $76.98 \%$ ), due chiefly to credit in 1924 covering adjustment of Southern Railway Company's proportion of rental for failities at Savannah, and to additional charge made in accounts for 1925 in anticipation of new contract with Western Railway of Alabama covering use of joint facilities at Montgomery.

NON-OPERATING INCOME.
The increase of $\$ 84,04380(8.10 \%)$ in "Non-Operating Income" is due mainly to the following increases: Dividend from Atlantic Compress Company $\$ 30,500.00$ tianta and West Poit and The Western Railway of Alabama $\qquad$ $16,885.00$
12.540 .00 Interest during construction in interest from special and other $16,855.00$
$97,448.00$ Offset in part by decrease in interest from special and other $81,944.00$
DEDUCTIONS FROM GROSS INCOME
The increase of $\$ 127,16572(3.79 \%)$ in "Deductions from Gross Income" is due mainly to the following increases: Interest on funded debt tybrisa-.... $\qquad$ FINANCIAL.
The Balance Sheet, Table 4, reflects the general financial condition of your company at December 31 1925, as compared with the previous year.

CAPITAL STOCK AND FUNDED DEBT.
CAPITAL STOCK.
There were no changes in capital stock.
FUNDED DEBT.
$\$ 100,000$ certificates of Equipment Trust "L" (final payment) $; \$ 660,00$ certifícates of Equipment Trust " N "; $\$ 194$, 000 certificates of Equipment Trust " O "; and $\$ 63,66330$ note of Equipment Trust " 1 " matured and retired.
$\$ 30,000$ of Upper Cahaba Branch First Mortgage Bonds and $\$ 30,000$ Greenville and Newnan Main Line First Mort gage Bonds matured and were paid. These were the final payments on both issues
Central of Georgia Equipment Trust "P" for $\$ 1,410,000$ was issued March 11925 for approximately $75 \%$ of the cost of 10 mikado type locomotives, 500 ventilated box cars, 100 flat cars, 5 all-steel passenger coaches and one baggage and mail car; all of which were received and put in service during the year. The certificates mature in 15 equal annual installments, March 11926 to 1940 , with interest at $41 / 2 \%$ per annum, payable semi-annually

Central of Georgia Equipment Trust "Q" for $\$ 3,840,000$ was issued November 11925 for approximately $75 \%$ of the cost of 10 central type locomotives, 5 mountain type locomotives and 1,927 ventilated box cars, of which 3 central type locomotives had been received at the close of the year. The certificates mature in 15 equal annual installments, November 1 1926-1940, with interest at $41 / 2 \%$ per annum, payable semi-annually.

OTHER INDEBTEDNESS.
Non-negotiable debt to affiliated companies increased $\$ 249,920$, increasing the amount to $\$ 750,000$. The company has no floating debt.

DIVIDENDS.
During the year dividends Nos. 22 and 23 (total $\$ 1,200$,000 ) at the rate of 6 per cent per annum were declared and paid.
ADDITIONS AND BETTERMENTS-EXPENDITURES.
The net increase in investment in road and equipment and improvements on leased railway property was as follows:

\$87,652.30


Road (Concluded)-
Roadway small tools
Assessments for public improvements.
Power machinery
Pochinery.-.......
$\overline{\mathbf{8 5 , 1 9 7 , 6 6 6 . 7 6}}$

A low service water tank with eight-inch pen stock was converted into a high service tank with ten-inch pen stock at Opelika, Alabama

6,800 gallon creosoted box water tank was erected at Cenchat, Georgia, and 4,000 lineal feet of three-inch wrought weigh hoppers, 50 -ton dry sand storage and 7,500-ton ground storage was erected at Millen, Ga.

A 100-ton storage reinforced concrete coaling station with weigh hoppers was erected at Union Springs, Ala.

An 80 -foot balanced type turn-table, retired at Macon shops last year, was installed at Cedartown shops, replacing a 70 -foot turn-table.

At Little River, A-213.6, Covington District, a new bridge was completed consisting of two steel deck truss spans and one deck plate girder span released from Ocmulgee River Bridge, Macon, supported on three new concrete piers and one new concrete abutment, with three panels of new creosoted ballast deck trestle approach at the west end.

At Alcovy River, A-246.9, Covington District, a new bridge was completed consisting of three 50 -foot deck plate girder spans supported on concrete piers, with 187 feet open deck creosoted trestle approaches.

South of Mountain View at mile post 282, plus 4102 feet Atlanta District, a creosoted overhead highway bridge was constructed, eliminating a dangerous grade crossing.

Bridges H-196.1 and H-240.8, Albany District, and M-230.0 M-269.6 and M-285.9, Columbus District, were strengthened to carry new central type locomotives, and Bridge J-409.2, Florala District, was strengthened to carry 1700 class engines.

At Columbus, Ga., viaduct was completed carrying Thirteenth Street over our tracks from Fifth Avenue to Tenth Avenue, and closing Twelfth and Thirteenth Streets to all traffic over our tracks. The viaduct is of encased steel and reinforced concrete, 1,890 feet in length, with 40 -foot roadway and two 6 -foot sidewalks.
At Pea River, J-432.2, Florala District, a new bridge was built consisting of four plate girder spans, supported on five creosoted pile piers, with 130 feet of five pile creosoted ballast deck trestle approaches.

At Cahaba River, P-432.5, Birmingham District, trestle approaches to the bridge were replaced with two 80 -foot deck plate girder spans on concrete abutments
At Savannah, Georgia, a new brick storehouse was constructed, 131 feet by 85 feet, with concrete floor and covered platform.

At Savannah, Ga., a car repair building 32 feet by 309 feet was erected from salvage recovered from a temporary paint shop retired

At Savannah, Ga., a new point shop was completed, replacing structures destroyed by fire in 1923.
At Macon, Ga., a two-story brick structure with basement was erected on the site of the old union passenger station, making two independent warehouses. Both warehouses have been leased to responsible parties for a period of ten years.
At Opelika, Ala, a new brick union passencer depot was constructed with platforms and shelter sheds along Central of Georgia and Western Railway of Alabama tracks.

At Columbus, Ga., old train shed was replaced with two butterfly sheds with asphalt platforms 600 feet long and one connecting shed across the tracks. Additions and alterations were made to the passenger station and the structure painted throughout.
At Columbus, Ga., a brick yard office and extension to transfer platform were constructed

Work on Birmingham Grade Revision has progressed. At the close of the year $6,837,000$ cubic yards of material had been maved and the total grading about $95 \%$ completed. Grading on many of the projects has been completed. There are yet some places where unusual conditions have retarded completion. At the close of the year eighteen and one-half miles of new line were in service, leaving thirty-nine and eight-tenths miles of new track to be completed. Twentyone and one-half miles of old line had either been raised or lowered, leaving four miles to be raised or lowered.

## ADDITIONS AND BETTERMENTS-EQUIPMENT.

The following equipment was acquired and placed in ser vice during the year:

Locomotives: Ten mikado type (from proceeds of Equip ment Trust "P") and three central type (from proceeds of Equipment Trust "Q") from Baldwin Locomotive Works. Five mountain type (from current cash) from American Locomotive Works. Three 6-wheel switch locomotives were sold, making a net increase of fifteen locomotives, and an increase of 947,413 pounds in tractive power.
Freight Train Cars: Five hundred steel under-frame ventilated box cars and one hundred steel under-frame flat cars (from proceeds of Equipment Trust "P") from Ten nessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Company. Ten steel underframe cabooses built at company shops, Macon, Ga.

Passenger Train Cars: Three all steel open coaches, one all steel baggage and mail car, and two all steel partition coaches (from proceeds of Equipment Trust "P") from Pullman Car and Manufacturing Corporation. Nine steel and ten wooden sleeping cars and two steel and one wooden parlor cars were sold, and two wooden parlor cars were converted into roadway living cars, thereby disposing of all sleeping and parlor cars owned by your company except one wooden parlor car.

Work Equipment: One American steam ditcher was purchased from current cash. Two roadway cars and one tool car were built at company shops, Macon, Ga.
GENERAL.

The attached tables exhibit the financial condition of your company and the result of the year's transactions.
on May 11925 your company discontinued the operation of its sleeping and parlor cars, and this service was taken over by The Pullman Company under Illinois Central conover
tract.

With deep sorrow the Directors announce the death on October 21925 of Charles E. James, a director of your company continuously from October 14 1907. The Board company continuously from its appreciation of his high charhas apprond valued service.
The Board of Directors takes this opportunity to express its appreciation of the integrity, efficiency and united efforts displayed by your officers and employees in the discharge of their duties.
By order of the Board of Directors.
CHARLES H. MARKHAM, Chairman of the Board.

| l balanc |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Investments- 701 Road and equipment: | $\begin{gathered} 311925 . \\ 023,368.31 \end{gathered}$ |  | Inc. or D | 751 Capk- ${ }^{\text {Sapital sto }}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ec. } 311924.31 . \\ & 8,000,000.00 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Inc. or Dec. |
| Investment since June 301907 | 0.946.672.06 | 25,10.619.50 | $+5.836 .052 .56$ |  |  | 10,921.02 | +6,550.94 |
| Total road and equipment....--8 | 4,970,040.37 | 79,133.987.81 | +5.836,052.56 | Grant |  |  |  |
| 702 Improvements on leased rallwa <br> 703 Sinking funds <br> 704 Deposits in lieu of mortgaged prop- <br> erty sold. iscellan <br> 705 Miscellaneous physical property. | ,608,325.57 | 1,924,713.58 | +683,611.99 | 755 Ten Debt |  | 4,312,316.50 | 826,336.70 |
|  |  |  |  | (b) Mortgase bonds actually out- |  |  |  |
|  | 160.132 .24 $752,430.66$ | 132.24 $628,362.75$ | $\begin{aligned} & +160,000.00 \\ & +124,067.91 \end{aligned}$ | standing: | 270,000.00 | 5,330,000.00 | .000.00 |
| 706 Investments in affiliated companies: <br> (a) Stocks <br> (b) Bonds | $\begin{array}{r} 4,901,793.87 \\ 65,000.00 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 4,901,807.17 \\ 65,000.00 \end{array}$ | -13.30 | (c) Collateral trust bonds: C. of Ga. Ry. Co. Issue | $\begin{array}{r} 511,000.00 \\ .000,000.00 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 511,000.00 \\ 8,000,000.00 \end{array}$ |  |
| debtedness Advances. | 566,760.37 898.441 .09 | 586,760.37 | -215,006.08 | Underlying liens-Not as sumed. | ,840,000.00 | 4,840,000.00 |  |
| Other investments: |  |  |  | (eome bonds | 274,850.00 | 4,850.00 |  |
| (b) Boonds- | ${ }_{321: 852.38}$ | $2,329.977 .00$ | 2,008.125.00 | Miscellaneous |  |  |  |
| (c) Notes- |  | 636,430.00 | -632,455.76 | nesotiable |  |  |  |
| (e) Miscellane | 12.00 | 12.00 |  | ompa |  |  |  |
| Total Invest | 591.947.79 | 91,643,815.47 | -3.948, 132.32 | otal long t |  |  |  |
| rent Assets- |  |  |  | Current Liabilities- |  |  |  |
| 708 Cash--.-i |  | 29 |  | 759 Tratric and car service b | 52,072, | 47.013 .11 | -234,119.50 |
| 712 Loans and bills recelvable | 17.364.06 | 16,932.18 | +431.88 | payable-.....-.-...--- | 382,032.61 |  |  |
| 713 Traffic and car service balances receivable | 109,467.96 | 117,193.67 | -7,725.71 | Audited | 1,670,626.40 | 1,547.787.51 | $\begin{aligned} & +122,838.89 \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  |  |  | Iscellan | 149.806.60 |  | 15,814.42 |
| 714 Net balance recelvable from agents |  | 20,740.36 | +3.258 | 762 Interest matured |  | 0,000.00 |  |
| 715 Miscellaneous accouns recelvable. | 712.310.37 | 860 |  | 765 Unmatured dividen |  |  |  |
|  | 1,992,303.76 | 1,915,665.92 |  | 766 Unm |  | 8 |  |
|  | 21.133.40 | 58,085.52 | -36,952.12 | 767 Unmatured rents accrued | 12, 738.43 |  | $\begin{array}{r}\text { + } \\ +37.197 .58 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| Total curren | 4.144.934.76 | 4.128.007.71 | +16.927.05 | 768 Other |  | 2.682,793.07 | +499,301.62 |
| Deferred Assets- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }_{722} 721$ Onshrance deeand ot |  |  |  | 770 Other deterred Ilabillties |  |  |  |
|  | 49.156.76 | 44.775 .65 | +3,840,000 +4.381 |  |  |  |  |
| Total deferred asse | 3.899.602.47 | 58,205.65 | $\overline{+3,841.396 .82}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Unadjusted D |  | 88,20.65 |  | 773 Insurance reserv |  |  |  |
| 723 Rents and insurance premiums pald |  |  |  | 774 Operating reserves- | 7.499 |  |  |
|  |  | 69 |  | ${ }_{777} 77$ Accrued deprechation |  |  |  |
| 725 Discount on funded deb |  |  | +102,122.29 | 77 A teal property | $4.678 .55$ | $247,279.75$ | $-2,601.20$ +175.855 .28 |
| 726 Property abandoned chargeable to operating expenses. | Cr 622,617.20 | Cr 562,775.00 | -59,842.29 | 778 Other unadjust |  |  |  |
|  | 686,966.03 | 603,657.02 | +83,309,01 | Total unadjusted | 9,364,326.03 |  |  |
| pledged: |  |  |  | Corporate Surplus- |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | e and surplus since Jun |  |  | +14.579.35 |
| tes |  |  |  | unded debt reti |  |  |  |
| C. of Ga, Ry |  |  |  | come and surplu |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 8.624,452.45 | 6.984.9 | +1,659,469.80 |
| Total unadjusted debits | 774.263 .42 | 646,396.22 | +127.867.20 | Total corporate surplus. | 12.729,677.5 | 11.055 | 1.674.04 |
|  | 04.410.748.44 | $96.476,425.05$ | +7.934,323.39 | Grand total. | 104.410748 .44 | 3.476.425.05 | 7,934.323. |

## ALLIS-CHALMERS MANUFACTURING COMPANY

 THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT-FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 311925.To the Stockholders:

## Milwaukee, Wis., April 91926.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, there is submitted herewith the annual report of the operations of the AllisChalmers Manufacturing Company for the fiscal year ended December 31 1925, together with comparative Profit and Loss Account and Balance Sheet as at December 311925 and 1924.
 Ost of Sales, including Derreciation, Devel-
opment, Selling, Publicity and Adminis

Net Operating Profit .......................... $\$ 3,281,70225 \frac{}{\$ 3,103,59631}$
Add-Other Income:

Total Profitand Income.
Deduct - Provision for Federal Income Taxes
$\$ 3,971,36843$
$\$ 3,736,10079$

Net Profit, carried to Balance Sheet.....- $\$ 3,417,36843 \$ 3,221,10079$ COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET AS AT DEC. 311925 AND 1924. Property-es, Buildings, Machinery, Equip-
Factory Sites
Mend Will
Geduct Reserve for depreciation of Build-
ent
Deduct
ings, Macsinery and Equipment...........
Current and Working Assets-
Inventories of Work in Proces, Manufac-
tured Stock, Materials and Supplies.....-
$\overline{\$ 31,019,59745} \overline{\$ 31,465,62355}$ Inventories Stok, Materials and Supplies......-
tureounts and Notes Receivable Accounts and Notes Receivable-
Treasury Notes. Liberty Bonds and other Marketable Securities.
Oash in Banks and on hand

Miscellaneous Assets-
Land Sales Contracts. Outside Real Estate
Sales Contracts. Outside Real Estate Dec. 31 1925. Dec. 311924 turing operations
$\begin{array}{rr}\$ 1,178,289 \\ 45,83997 & \$ 1,171,69492 \\ 44,79737\end{array}$ $\overline{\$ 1,224,12916} \overline{\$ 1,216,49229}$ $\overline{\$ 63,784,80438} \$ 62,737,58927$

LIABILITIES.
Capital Stock Issued
 $\$ 42,500,00000 \$ \$ 42,500,00000$


## INCOME ACCOUNT.

The net profit for the year 1925, after provision for Federal Income and all other taxes, was $\$ 3,417,36843$, compared with $\$ 3,221,10079$ the preceding year, which was equivalent, after allowance for preferred dividends, to $\$ 878$ per share on the common stock, as compared with $\$ 801$ on the common stock in 1924. The sales billed and net profits by quarters for these two years compare as follows:
First Quarter--
Second Quarter Third Quarter

|  |  |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | Net Profit. |
| $\begin{aligned} & 7,1,10,95229 \\ & 7.042,750 \end{aligned}$ | 847.05327 830 |
|  |  |
| 9,083 72 | 914, | | Sales Billed. $^{192}$ |
| :--- |
| $6,819.33063$ |
| $6,91.26560$ |
| $6,926.3200$ |
| $7,199.59884$ | | 4 Net Profit. |
| :---: |
| 8 |
| 831.18092 |
| 756422 |
| 84.56161 |
| 808,93514 |
| $8.221,10079$ |

$3,221,10079$

During the year 1925 there was expended for standard development the sum of $\$ 395,77161$, which amount was charged against earnings. There was also expended for maintenance and general upkeep of buildings, machinery and equipment an aggregate of $\$ 1,398,83302$. The reserve for depreciation on buildings, machinery and equipment amounted to $\$ 645,34349$.
Current inventories of work in process, manufactured stock, materials and supplies finally valued $\$ 12,315,34292$ on December 311925 were carefully reviewed by the Inventory Committee, and any inactive or unsalable items included therein were reduced to proper values. Accounts and notes receivable, showing a balance of $\$ 7,751,05055$, were also checked and doubtful charges appearing therein disposed of prior to closing.

## DIVIDENDS

During 1925 there were four quarterly dividends of $13 / 4$ each on the preferred stock; also four quarterly dividends of $11 / 2 \%$ each on the common stock. The total amount of these dividends aggregated $\$ 2,701,05300$.

## SECURITIES.

As at December 311925 the Company owned the following securities:
Liberty Bonds and Treasury Notes
Sundry State, County and Municipals
Railroad, Public Utilities and Industrial Bonds and Stocks
$\begin{array}{r}\$ 4,344,85937 \\ 4,722,15401 \\ 823,63355 \\ \hline\end{array}$
\$9,890,646 93
INCREASE IN PLANT AND WORKING CAPITAL.
The capital expenditures during the year for additions to buildings, new machinery and sundry equipment, amounted to $\$ 203,72032$, against which were applied credits of $\$ 105,54941$ on account of sales and scrapping of machinery and equipment, leaving a net addition of $\$ 98,17091$.
The working capital as at December 31 1925, comprising cash, marketable securities, accounts receivable and current inventories, less accounts payable, pay rolls, taxes, dividends and other current obligations, amounted to $\$ 26,283$,36366 , compared with $\$ 24,915,15982$ the year before, an increase of $\$ 1,368,20384$. The surplus, after deducting the full year's dividends, stands at $\$ 14,259,30233$.

UNFILLED ORDERS AND BOOKINGS.
The unfilled orders at the close of 1925 were $\$ 10,147$, 07274 , compared with $\$ 10,124,02793$ on December 311924. The total bookings of new business for 1925 were $\$ 28,944$,40199 , contrasted with $\$ 25,979,42019$ in 1924, an increase of $11.41 \%$.

## STOCKHOLDERS

At the close of 1925 there were 3,368 holders of preferred stock and 2,543 holders of common stock.

## DEVELOPMENT.

The more important development work carried on during the year was as follows:
The Company has entered into an agreement with A. Reyrolle \& Company, Limited, Hebburn-on-Tyne, England, for the manufacture and sale of metal-clad electric switchgear in the United States and possessions, Cuba and Mexico While this type of gear has been used in Great Britain for some years, it is entirely new in the United States and should have an important influence on oil switch practice for central stations, sub-stations, industrial plants, etc. Several substantial orders have already been booked
A line of induction motors, equipped with Timken tapered roller bearings in place of sleeve bearings, has been developed. Since this type of motor has been placed on the market, the demand for it has increased each succeeding month.
A contract was entered into with Illinois Steel Company for a $7,000 \mathrm{H}$. P. reversing blooming mill drive which is as large a mill drive as any heretofore built in this country.
Included in the transformer contracts is a $30,000 \mathrm{KV}$. 120,000 volt, 3 phase, water cooled transformer being manu factured for Tennessee Electric Power Co.; this transformer is notable not only for its size, but also because the core is on wheels and may be rolled out of the end of the transformer tank instead of being lifted out of the top as heretofore.
The Company has developed and is now building a 50,000 K. W., 1,800 R. P. M. steam turbine unit, and it has made a number of improvements in the line of standard steam turbines.
The year 1925 has brought its share of outstanding hydraulic turbine orders. The three $900 \mathrm{H} . \mathrm{P} ., 9 \mathrm{ft}$. head tur-
bines for Kimberly Clark Company, the four 800 H. P. $81 / 2 \mathrm{ft}$. head turbines for Green Bay and Mississippi Powe Company and the eight $13,500 \mathrm{H} . \mathrm{P} ., 37 \mathrm{ft}$. head turbines for Louisville Hydro-Electric Company, all of the high speed propeller type, establish new record capacities for the re spective low heads under which they will operate. The $40,000 \mathrm{H} . \mathrm{P}$. double overhung impulse type turbine for the San Joaquin Light and Power Company will also establish a world record capacity for operation under the extremely high head of 2,381 feet. Other noteworthy orders for large medium head Francis type turbines are three $20,000 \mathrm{H}$. P. 65 ft . head turbines for the Great Falls Power Company and the two $45,000 \mathrm{H}$. P., 145 ft . head turbines for the Alabama Power Company.

The new municipal type centrifugal pump for high head city pumping sorvice has proven very successful. Among those installed might be mentioned the twelve-million gallon per day pump for South Pittsburgh Water Works and a similarly rated unit at Erie, Pa., both of which exceeded their guarantees for capacity and efficieney.
The trial use for two seasons of a new type of high speed gyratory crusher has been completed with favorable results and sale in conservative number is resulting.
During the year the Company sold to the Chile Exploration Company, two 60 -inch gyratory crushers of all steel construction, weighing approximately $1,000,000$ pounds each. The order for these two machines, with eight other gyratory crushers, is the largest single order for crushing machinery ever booked by the Company. Sales of lines of mining, crushing, cement and creosoting machinery, ever acquired from the Worthington Pump and Machinery Corporation, have been satisfactory
Two complete new sizes were added to the line of liquid controllers in the Electrical Department, and one new larger size was added to the line of rod mills in the Mining Department.
A complete plant for wood preserving by the Montan Process was designed and manufactured. This is a new process of wood preservation that has very promising possibilities.
Development is nearly completed on a line of attrition mills for grinding all kinds of grains, especially for feed plants. These mills are also applicable to grinding many kinds of chemicals, drugs and by-products. A large proportion of these will be electrically driven, each having two integrally mounted motors.
Work has been completed on the new line of type $C$ band sawmills in 7 ft ., 8 ft ., 9 ft . and 10 ft . sizes; also on type C horizontal resaws in 6 ft . and 7 ft . sizes. A new Pacific Coast edger, known as type D, has been developed.

The Allis Texrope Drive has been developed from an experiment to a commercial proposition of respectable proportions.
Several important condenser installations were made which have in performance exceeded the guarantees. In these condensers the design has been so improved and re fined that they approach the highest practicable limits of efficiency

One of the largest Corliss engines ever built has been put in operation by the American Steel and Wire Company, at Donora, Pa. This is a twin tandem engine having a normal capacity of 8,000 to $10,000 \mathrm{I}$. H. P. and is capable of carrying maximum loads up to $18,000 \mathrm{I}$. H. P.

Improvements in details have been made in cylinders valve gears, etc., of steam and gas engines and gas blowing engines, and in unloading devices for large motor driven air compressors.
The Company's largest single order of Diesel engines, connected to oil pipe line pumps, was sold during the past year. These were similar to previous units, which have proven so satisfactory that customers demanded exact duplicates. Important improvements have been made in the detail of tractors and the business is showing a substantial increase.

## IN MEMORIAM.

Mr. Max Pam, a Director and General Counsel of the Company since its organization, died suddenly on September 14 1925. His efficient and constructive counsel in the affairs of the Company has been extremely helpful in many ways, and his loss is deeply deplored.

## GENERAL

The claim of the Government against the Company for additional taxes for the years 1918 and 1919, as mentioned in the last annual report, has not as yet been settled. Another audit was recently made by representatives of the Government and it is expected that the matter will be closed within the next few months.
The books and accounts have been examined by Price, Waterhouse \& Co., Certified Public Accountants, and their Certificate is appended hereto
The annual meeting of the Company will be held at its principal office in Wilmington, Delaware, at 12 o'clock noon, on May 61926.
The Board of Directors expresses its grateful appreciation to the officers and employees of the Company for their effiient services and complete co-operation during the year.
By order of the Board of Directors.
OTTO H. FALK, President.

## THE ATCHISON, TOPEKA \& SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY

## THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT-FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 311925.

To the Stockholders:
Your Directors submit the following report for the fiscal year January 11925 to December 31 1925, inclusive.
The lines comprising the Atchison System, the operations of which are embraced in this report, and the mileage in operation at the end of the year as compared with the previous year, are as follows:
Atchison. Topeka \& Santa Fe Railway
Panhandle \& Santa Fe Railway--
Dec. 311924. $9,142.88$ miles
$1,908.84$ $\begin{array}{r}1,908.84 \\ 853.18 \\ \hline\end{array}$
$\stackrel{\underline{11,904.90}}{ }$
Increase during the year 163.21 miles.
The average mileage operated during the fiscal yeac ending December 311925 was $11,954.36$, being an increase of 123.55 miles over the average mileage operated during the preceding fiscal year.
The Company is also interested jointly, through ownership of stocks and bonds, in other lines aggregating 564.86 miles, namely Northwestern Pacific Railroad 514.80 miles and Sunset Railway 50.06 miles.
For detailed statement of present mileage and for changes in mileage during the year see pages 40 to 46 :pamphlet report.
INCOME AND PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT.
The following is a summary of the transactions of the System for the years ending December 311924 and 1925:
 Net Operating Revenue
Railway Tax Accruals. Uncollectible Railway Revenues quipment and Joint Facility Rents Net Railway Operating Income-
Gross Income
Miscellaneous Tax Acruals
Interest on Bonds including
Interest on Bonds, including accrued
interest on Adjustment Bonds. Net Corporate Income (representing
amount available for dividends and
amount available for dividends and
From the net corporate income for the year the followin $\$ 46,157,93412$
sums have been deducted:
Dividends on Prefered Stock-




 $873,400,80066$
$17,565,04220$ 271.56425 2,097.501 79 5.709.123 01 61,82663
$1,909.33616$ $\$ 57,404,65264$ $11,246.71852$ \$42,151,806 51 $\$ 46,157,93412$
lifornin
$16,268,66500$

Surplus to credit of Profit and Loss,
Surplus appropriated for
investment in physical
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { property } \\ \text { Sundry Adjustments.........-- } & \$ 227,94003 \\ 971,698 & 88\end{array}$
. 1,199,63891
$22,525,34116$
$\$ 23,632,59296$
186.219 .69313

Surplus to credit of Profit and Loss December 31 1925-- $-\frac{186.219 .68313}{209.852 .28609}$
"Other Income" consists of interest accrued and dividends received on securities owned, including United States Government securities, interest on bank balances, rents from lease of road and other property, and other miscellaneous receipts.
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES AND REDUCTION OF BOOK VALUES.
The total charges to Capital Account, as shown by the General Balance Sheet below, at Dec. 31 1925, aggregated $\$ 989,653,54311$ compared with $\$ 963,423,55745$ at December 31 1924, an increase during the year of $\$ 26,229,98566$, which analyzes as follows:



632,12112
832
093
Miscellaneous Physical Property
Other Investments, including Sinking Fund Miscellaneous items.

29,168,74330
to $\$ 29$
Deduct: In adjustment of equipment costs incurred prior to July i 1907, not eliminated from Road Account in settin
$2,938,75764$ Net increase in Capital Account during the year.........- $\overline{\$ 26,229,98566}$ Credits in black face.
The net charge of $\$ 3,702,82680$ for "Equipment" analyzes as follows:
2,039 Freight-Train Cars--
204 Massenger-Train Cars
1 Tug Boat.-.........-.-.
8 Miscellaneous Equipment. $\$ 4,921,75005$
935,77839
\$6,713,582 25
Less-Ledger Value of Equipment retired during the year as follows:
66 Locomotives ,546 Freight-Train Cars-80 Passenger-Train Cars.
$\frac{1}{3}$ Tug Boat-.................... Adjustment of charges for Locomotives $\qquad$
57,58654
63468
Locor
106,705 99 $3,010,75545$ 8
The additions and retirements reported above include the following conversions:
150 Freight-train cars converted to miscellaneous work cars.
7 Passenger-train cars converted to freight-train cars.
30 Passenger-train cars converted to miscellaneous work cars.
1 Miscellaneous work car converted to freight-train car.
1 Miscellaneous work car converted to freight-train car.
1 Car converted from one class of miscellaneous work cars to another.
MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT.
The following statement shows the sums charged to Operating Expenses of the System for Maintenance of Equipment during each year since January 1 1896:


Average maintenance charges including renewals and de preciation for the years ending December 311925 and 1924, were as follows:
Per locomotive
Per locomotive
Per freight car.
Per $\qquad$ 1925.
$-\quad \$ 9.764 .75$
$-\quad 262.43$
$-\quad .01$
 2,001.23. .0172
1924.
$\$ 10,605.2$

The foregoing average maintenance charges include a proportion of unlocated expenditures for Maintenance of Equipment charged to Superintendence, Shop Machinery, Injuries to Persons, Insurance, Stationery and Printing, Other Expenses, and Maintaining Joint Equipment.

CAPITAL STOCK AND FUNDED DEBT.
The outstanding Capital Stock on December 31 1925, consisted of:
Common.

## $\$ 232,409,50000$ $124,172,80000$

$\$ 356,582,30000$
corresponding to amounts outstanding on December 31 1924, no changes having taken place during the year.

The number of holders of the Company's capital stock at the close of the last five years and the changes in number from year to year were as follows:

 the year:
Obligations Retired:
S. F. \& S. J. V. R

Bonds_-_-. Co. First Mortgage 5\% $\qquad$ $\$ 26,300.00$
Obligations Issued:
California-Arizona Lines First and Refunding $\qquad$
133.50

Decrease of Funded Debt $\qquad$ 26,166.50
Total System Funded Debt outstanding December 31 1925_\$275,906,992.00
COMPARISON OF OPERATING RESULTS.
The following is a statement of revenues and expenses of the System for the year ending December 31 1925, in comparison with the previous year:
 Freight --
-s Miscellaneou

Total Operating Reve
Operating Expenses-
 Transportation
ment-Cr. Total Operating Expenses Net Operating Revenue Railway Tax Accruals.-.--
 onues.-
Railway Operatin
puipment Rerating Income
Equipment Rents-Net- Dr -

## $\begin{array}{r}55,764,19421 \\ 1.328,69314 \\ 768.80865 \\ \hline\end{array}$

Year Enting
Dec. 31 1924.
Year Ending
Dec. 31 1925.

| 75.888 .23078 |
| :--- |
| $41+16.18152$ |
| 17,.958.116 48 |

$\stackrel{236,942,52878}{\underline{0}}$


821,430 59

Net Railway Operating In$\stackrel{53,666,69242}{ }$

## TREASURY

Neither this Company nor any of its auxiliaries has any otes or bills outstanding
The Company held in its treasury on December 31 1925, $\$ 39,843,582.80$ cash. In addition, the Company owns $\$ 14,999,500$ of United States Government securities, which are carried at cost of $\$ 15,124,031.95$ in the general balance sheet.

## CONSTRUCTION OF NEW LINES.

The present status of new lines under construction is as follows:

ELKHART AND SANTA FE RAILWAY
This Company was organized to construct a line from the Kansas-Oklahoma state line near Elkhart, Kansas, southwesterly to Felt, Cimarron County, Oklahoma, a distance of 58.82 miles. This line, which was completed and placed in operation on December 1 1925, serves a new territory with good agricultural resources but which has been entirely without railroad facilhties.

OSAGE COUNTY AND SANTA FE RAILWAY
Active work is to be resumed early this year on the projected portion of this line between Pawhuska, Oklahoma, and a connection with the main line of your Company near Fairfax, Oklahoma, a distance of approximately 27 miles. When completed, this line will form a cut-off for business between Kansas City and Oklahoma-Texas points.

SOUTH PLAINS AND SANTA FE RAILWAY.
An extension of this line to open for settlement the territory west of Lubbock, Texas, as referred to in the last annual report, was completed and turned over for operation on December 1 1925. The new line extends from Doud, Lubbock County, Texas, to Bledsoe, near the west line of Cochran County, Texas, a distance of 64.60 miles.

TULSA AND SANTA FE RAILWAY CO
The property of this Company consisting of real estate and freight terminal facilities at Tulsa, Oklahoma, was conveyed to the parent Company during the year.

> SANTA FE DOCK AND CHANNEL COMPANY.

The property of this Company was conveyed to The Gulf and Interstate Railway Company of Texas by deed dated December 151925.

[^4]of this settlement has been given effect in the accounts as stated in this report

TAXES.
Federal and State and Local tax accruals for the year 1925 aggregate $\$ 17,565,042.20$, a decrease under the year 1924 of $\$ 165,918.89$. A comparison of these accruals for the two years is presented in the following table:

Federal Taxes:
Income and
Capital
Income andW
Capital Stock
Stamp and Li
Total Federal
State and Local
Grand Total
$\qquad$


| 1924. |
| :---: |
| $\$$. |
| 5.365 .110 .84 |
| 445.80 .49 |
| 1.552 .76 |

Decrease ( - ). or

| $6,518,607.57$ | $\begin{array}{r}5,812,464.09 \\ 11,046,434.63 \\ \hline\end{array} \underline{11,918,497.00}$ |
| ---: | ---: |

$\begin{array}{r}+706,143.48 \\ +872,062.37 \\ \hline\end{array}$
$\overline{17.565 .042 .20} \overline{17.730 .961 .09}-165.918 .89$

## GENERAL

As will be noticed from pages 34 and 35 , there was a well-sustained volume of freight traffic during the year just closed, notwithstanding that frost reduced the citrus fruit movement by your Company over 6,000 carloads, that drought in Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas very greatly curtailed grain crops, and that cold wet weather in the fall cut short the cotton crop in Oklahoma and Texas. Agricultural conditions in these same States are to-day much more favorable than a year ago. Passenger traffic continued to show a small decline, due undoubtedly to an increased use of automobiles.

Your Company has made arrangements to establish automobile service for Indian Detours in the southwest, which will enable passengers to visit conveniently and comfortably the Indian villages and pueblos of that country, as well as see some of its beautiful mountain scenery. These detours will be co-ordinated with both west and east bound passenger train service.
The so-called South Plains country of West Texas, whicl has been well covered and well served by the lines of your Company, has shown such splendid growth and development that applications have been filed by the Ft. Worth and Denver City, the Frisco System, and the Texas, Panhandle Denver City, the Frisco System, and the Texas, Panhandle The Inter-State Commerce Commission is now considering the merits of these several applications. Your Company is endeavoring to furnish promptly any extensions which are required by or for the development of the country tributary to its lines.

The policy of relaying main lines with heavy rail will be continued, and about 467 miles of new $110-1 \mathrm{~b}$. rail and 108 miles of new $90-\mathrm{lb}$. rail will be inserted in 1926 . At 108 miles of new 90-1b. rail will he inserted in 1926. At
the close of 1925 your Company had 8,165 miles of $90-\mathrm{lb}$. or heavier rail in its main and branch lines out of a total of $13,283.78$ miles owned.

As largely as possible, ties treated with preservative have been used for many years and to aid further in protecting them, tie plates have been used. The result has been a steady and gratifying decrease in the number of ties per mile required for renewal. The number thus required in 1925 was about 107 ties, compared with 115 ties in 1924 and an average of 230 ties per mile for the ten years preceding the war. As there are about $55,000,000$ ties in service in all tracks maintained totaling 18,055 miles, the importance of this saving is evident.
For some years your Company has pursued the policy of making changes in cars and locomotives whenever it was found that better or more economical service could be thus obtained. While this policy has necessitated a high charge per unit for maintenance, the results have begun to show and there was a decrease of $\$ 840.49$ per locomotive, $\$ 172.61$ per passenger car, and $\$ 38.56$ per freight car for maintenance for the year 1925 compared with 1924

During the year 1925 the Company paid out in pensions to its retired employes $\$ 373,500.54$, there being 954 pensioners on the roll December 31st, compared with $\$ 313,069.77$ paid in 1924 and 819 pensioners December 31, 1924. These pensioners have an average service with the Company of 29 years. During this same year death benefits amounting to $\$ 329,985.00$ were paid in 328 cases, compared with $\$ 294$, 595.76 in 270 cases. The average length of service of all cases in which death benefits were paid in 1925 was 14 years.

From the Income Statement on a preceding page, it will be observed that income available for interest and dividends was $\$ 57,404,652.64$, an increase of $\$ 4,004,850.63$ over 1924. This income represents a return of $5.65 \%$ on the investment. However, as the average interest rate on the indebtedness is but $4.08 \%$ and the dividend on the preferred stock but $5 \%$, and because the Company has steadily invested in the property all surplus over a reasonable and moderate dividend on the common stock, without capitalizing this investment, net earnings after interest and the preferred dividend show $17.19 \%$ on the common stock.
There has been practically no new legislation, either Federal or State, since the passage of the Transportation Act, 1920. This has permitted the railroads to adapt themselves to conditions and to proceed with an assurance of stability which had been largely lacking much of the time prior thereto.

Your Directors acknowledge with pleasure the faithful and efficient services rendered by the officers and employes of the
Company. Company.
W. B. STOREY, President.

For Comparative Balance Sheet, Income Account, \&c., see "Annual
Reports" in Investment News columns.

## The Commercial Markets and the Crops <br> COTTON-SUGAR-COFFEE-GRAIN-PROVISIONS

PETROLEUM-RUBBER-HIDES-METALS-DRY GOODS-WOOL-ETC.

## COMMERCIAL EPITOME

TTho introductory remarks formeriy appearing here will now bo


Friday Night, A pril 161926.
COFFEE on the spot was dull. On the 10th inst. offers irregular, and it was reported that Santos 4 s were offered for resale as low as $191 / 2$ c. and regular from $193 / 4$ to 20 c. Santos peaberry 3 s and 6 s were offered at 20 c . and peaberry 3 s and ${ }_{5 \text { s at }} 20.10 \mathrm{c}$.; part bourbon 2 s and 6 s at $201 / 4$ e.; part bourbon $4-5 \mathrm{~s}$ at 19.85c.; part bourbon $3-5 \mathrm{~s}$ at 200. .; part bour-

 spot market was a little easier on Rio 7 s , which were quoted at $171 / \mathrm{c}$., with Santos 4 s at 22 to $221 / 4 \mathrm{~s}$. On the 12 th inst. offers ineluded prompt shipment bourbon Santos $2-3 \mathrm{~s}$ at 21.30 c .; 3 -4s at 20.60 to $21.10 \mathrm{c} . ; 3-5 \mathrm{~s}$ at 20.10 to 20.70 c .; $4-5$ sat 19.95 to $201 / 2 \mathrm{c} \cdot$.; 5 -6s at 19.85 to 19.90 ce ; 6 s at $191 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; $;$ bourbon grinders 7 -8s at 18 to 19.40 e.; part bourbon $2-3 \mathrm{~s}$ at 20.600 e ; 3 s at 20 to $201 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.; 3 -5s at 20 to $201 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; $4-5 \mathrm{~s}$ at

 $7-8 \mathrm{~s}$ at 16.7 ce .; Vietoria $7-8 \mathrm{~s}$ at 16.40 c .; future shipment Santos May-June part bourbon 3-5s at 20.10c.; May-July at 193 /e.; June, 19.70 e.; September-December bourbon 3 -5s at 19.20 e .
Cost and freight offers were irregular on the 15 th inst Prompt shipment Bourbon Santos $2 \mathrm{~s}-3 \mathrm{~s}$ here at $211 / 4$.; ; 3 s at 20.85 to 21.20 c .; 3 -4s at 20.60 c . to 21.05 e e; $3 \mathrm{~s}-5 \mathrm{~s}$ at $201 /$ to 20.80 c .; $4 \mathrm{~s}-5 \mathrm{~s}$ at 20 c .; 5 ss -6s at 19.50 to 19.85 c .; 6 s at 19.35c. 6-7s at 19.200.; 7 -8s at 19.05e.; part Bourbon or flat bean $2 \mathrm{~s}-3 \mathrm{~s}$ at 20.65 c . The stock at Rio is 125,000 bags, against 166,000 a year ago $;$ at Santos $1,386,000$, against $2,121,000$ last year. New York has 286,957 bags, against 315,244 a year ago. Santos cabled: The week opened with a decidedly better feeling but the Defense Institute's unexpected withdrawal of purchases by Willes induced hammering. Market very irregular violent changes in both Coffee exchanges. Defense buying daily spot and there is a
probability of still lower receipts until the stock is reduced probability of still lower reecipts until the stock is reduced to 1,200,000 bags.". Havre cabled: "Violent Brazir filuctua,
tions upset buyers. Awaiting more support from your side." Some are non plussed. Good cables from Brazil are followed by reaction here. Poor cables are the signal for a rally It looked at one time to some like an oversold market here Warehouse deliveries of Brazilian coffees from April 1 to April 13 total 249,519 bags, against 228,160 last year. Some Rio Janeiro advices say that trade is very poor as buyers are holding aloof, notably at Santos, in spite of the fact that the daily schedule of receipts was recently reduced from 36,000 to 26,000 bags. Attempts to manipulate the market seem to be meeting with difficulties. The receipts at Santos since the opening of the crop movement on July 1 to April 13 were $7,458,000$ bags as against $10,327,000$ in the corresponding period of last year and $11,201,000$ in the same time in 1923-24. Receipts at Rio since July 1st have been $3,272,000$ bags as against $2,815,000$ bags in the same time a year ago and $2,982,000$ in $1923-24$. This puts the total Brazilian coffee reecipts at $10,730,000$ bags to date, as against $10,327,000$ in the same time a year ago and $11,201,000$ two years ago. To-day the demand was only moderate. Rio 7 s , $173 / 4 \mathrm{c}$.; Santos $4 \mathrm{~s}, 21^{3 / 4} \mathrm{c}$. to $221 / 4 \mathrm{c}$.
Futures declined with Brazilian markets reeently declining. Brazil has large interior stocks and consuming countries knowing appear to have adopted a waiting game. The Defense Committee gave support and recently caused a good rally. Prices to some look cheap. But it is a more or less manipulated market in Brazil. Nobody knows what will be the next move of the Defense Committee. Outsiders being in the dark are none too enthusiastic buyers of futures, even with Rio 7 s 3 cents lower than a year ago. On the 14th inst. prices advanced 22 to 75 points early on European and local covering, but reacted later, despite steadier cost and freight prices. The tendency has recently been to oversell the New York market. On the 14th Santos terme prices were unchanged to 50 reis net lower. Exchange advanced $1-16 \mathrm{~d}$. to $631-32 \mathrm{~d}$. The dollar rate declined 60 reis. Rio was 75 to 200 reis higher; exchange up $1-16 \mathrm{~d}$. to 6 31-32d., and the dollar down 60 reis. Receipts at Santos on the 13th inst. were maintained at the fixed minimum of 26,000 bags. Those at Rio were 11,000 bags. Prices were irregular on the 15 th inst. on transsactions of 29,000 bags, ending 10 points off to 5 points higher. The net change in Santos terme prices was 75 to 275 reis net lower, exchange off $1-32 \mathrm{~d}$. at $615-16 \mathrm{~d} . ;$ and the dollar rate 20 reis net higher. Rio was 150 to 275 reis net lower, with exchange at 6 31-32e., the dollar up 20 reis. Fine weather prevailed throughout Brazil.

Santos cabled: "Defense Committee in order to maintain prices on the basis of 27 milreis for 10 kilos has reduced entries to 26,000 bags per day. It continues buying the average of 15,000 bags per day without Willes help. There exist at present in Willes nands about 400,000 bags, purchased for account of Defense Committee in order to be sold at a better opportunity. Stocks in the interior still considerable. If United States will abstain from following our prices we shall have a further decline in Exchange and coffee selling probably between 18.50 and 19 c . for 4 s prompt shipment. Europe has been buying little. Weather has been very avorable in interior and next crop is estimated between 11000,000 and $12,000,000$ bass and a bumper crop for $11,000,000$ and $12,00,000$ bags ans a 1927-1928 is expected if everything runs well." The Defense Committee reports coffee stocks at sao Paulo interior warehouses and railways March 31 , as $3,902,000$ bags against
$3,900,000$ bags on March 18. Today futures closed 44 points $3,900,000$ bags on March 18. Today futures closed 44 points Santos was up 25 to 150 reis, and Rio 250 to 325 . Rio rate $615-16 \mathrm{~d}$; dollar $7 \$ 140$. Brazilian private cables complained of dullness of the spot trade which is keenly felt. The cost and freight prices were said to be very weak and greatly unsettled. Final prices however show a rise for the week of 16 to 24 points. The effect as much as anything it is believed of a firmer technical position.

SUGAR was quiet early in the week with sales of 10,000 bags of Cuba second half April at $25-16 \mathrm{c} ., 20,000$ now loading at $25-16 \mathrm{c} . ; 25,000$ prompt shipment at $25-16 \mathrm{c} . ; 38,000$ bags Porto Rico, April clearance at 4.08c. in cargo lots carriyng outport options. Later came an advance to $23 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. at Cuban crop restriction plans. The Cuban Cabinet accepted the proposals from the Association of Haciendas and Colonos voluntarily to restrict the present Cuban sugar crop $10 \%$ of the Cuban Secretary of Agriculture's estimate of 5,196,803 tons. It was understood there would also be a restriction on cutting down of forests for new cane fields. The Cuban President is to fix the date for the commencement of the next season's crop. The Cuban Congress will be asked to pass a law to be enforced for two crops, which would avoid overproduction. Receipts at Cuban ports for the week were 178,924 tons against 189,447 in the previous week, 195,150 in the same week last year and 181,894 two years ago; exports for the week were 138,215 against 103,356 in previous week, 138,526 (last year and 91,880 two years ago; stock, $1,233,866$ tons against $1,193,157$ in previous week, 916,965 last year and 840,466 two years ago. Stocks of raw sugar in New York licensed warehouses continued to increase and now stand at 633,374 bags

Many have been awaiting the action of the Cuban Cabinet on the matter of measures to relieve the sugar situation on the island. On the 10th inst. cables were received intimating that definite remedial action would be taken. Future prices rose sharply on heavy buying by producing and trade interests. Press dispatches reported runs on banks trad many points in Cuba but this situation was being relieved by the Federal Reserve banks. Refiners are supposed to be pretty well supplied with raws and refined. Their product is quiet. Not much attention was paid for a time to the Cuban Railroad strike news, as the ports hold large stocks. Shipments would continue. Some sold May and also the late months at the big premiums. On the 12 th inst. with better Cuban news futures advanced. Cuban producing interests, it was believed, supported the market aggressively. Buying by one of the Front Street houses was a factor.

Havana cabled that President Machado was appealing to President Coolidge to extend higher preferentials favoring Cuban sugar, agreeing to reciprocate by granting preferential in the Cuban trade. One report of the weekly Cuban movement was: Arrivals 175,544 tons; exports, 116,551 ; stock, $1,241,420$. Of the exports, 37,805 tons were for New York, 8,282 for Philadelphia, 9,285 for Boston, 8,143 for Baltimore, 20,437 for New Orleans, 2,550 for Savannah, 5,030 for Galveston, 236 to the interior United States, 1,571 for Canada, 13,100 to the United Kingdom, 6,416 to France and 3,643 for China. Private Cuban advices stated that the railroad strike promised to be serious and there was some fear that the labor troubles would prevent raw sugar from reaching the ports. On the 14th inst. trade here was slow. Some 4,100 bags of Porto Rican for May clearance sold 4.08 c. c.i.f. The United Kingdom terminal market closed unchanged to $3 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$. net higher. Cubas for May-June shipment were reported to have been sold to Holland at 11s. Later all Cuba was affected by the railroad strike on the island.

The adoption by the Cuban Cabinet of the scheme to cut the Cuban crop $10 \%$ to a total of not more than $4,700,000$
tons had an immediate effect. Prices here advanced 3-32c to $23 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. c. \& f., and 4.14c. delivered. About 125,000 bags sold at $211-32 \mathrm{c}$. to $23 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. The sales included 2,000 tons of Philippine Islands centrifugals, April-May shipment at 4.24c., c. i. f., 2,000 tons Philippine Island centrifugals, April-May at 4.29c. c. i. f., and 5,000 tons in port at 4.14c. c. i.f. Also two cargoes of Cuban raw sugars were sold for April shipment to the United Kingdom at 11s. 6d. President Machado will also ask for a law establishing a tax on all exports of sugar in excess of the $90 \%$ fixed. Refined ad vanced to 5.25 to 5.60 c ., generally 5.40 c . Futures rose 6 to 8 points. The warehouses here have 710,296 bags. To-day futures closed 1 point lower to 1 point up, with sales of 103,350 tons. The Cuban labor situation was said to be worse. Some 15,000 railroad workers are on strike. To-night it is said workers on the Guantanamo Railway and the United Railway systems will strike, which will mean that 60,000 strikers will hamper transportation seriously. The Cuban Government is said to be making determined efforts to settle the strike. Raw sugars were firm at $23 / 8 \mathrm{c}$., with sales of 3,000 tons prompt shipment. Refined was at 5.40 c ., with not much increase in business. Everybody seems to be awaiting the next move in Cuba. Final prices show a rise for the week of 11 to 13 points. Prompt sugar at $2 \frac{3}{8} \mathrm{c}$. is $1 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. higher than a week ago. Spot (unofficial_- 22 23. c. ${ }^{\text {July }}$-......

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TEA.-In London on April 14 Indian teas barely steady; offerings, 23,200 packages; sales, 20,000, as follows: Medium pekoe, $1 \mathrm{~s} .71 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$. to 1 s .9 d .; fine pekoe, $1 \mathrm{~s} .91 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$. to $2 \mathrm{~s} .6 \mathrm{~d} . ;$ medium orange pekoe, 1 s . $71 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$. to 1 s . $91 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$.; fine orange pekoe, 1s. $93 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$. to $2 \mathrm{~s} .61 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$

LARD on the spot has been declining with trade slow; prime. Western, 14.40 to $14.50 \mathrm{c} . ;$ city, in tierces, $141 / 8 \mathrm{c}$.; city, in tubs, $141 / 4$ to $141 / 2 \mathrm{c} . ;$ compound carlots, in tierces, 14 to $141 / 44$. Refined Continent, $143 / 4 \mathrm{c}$.; South America, 153/4c. Brazil, in kegs, $163 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. To-day prices were steady but quiet. Prime Western, 14.45 c . Refined Continent, $143 / 4 \mathrm{c}$.
South American, $153 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; Brazil, $163 / \mathrm{c}$. Futures declined South American, $153 / 4 \mathrm{c}$.; Brazil, $163 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. Futures declined with stocks increasing very noticeably, corn latterly declining and hog receipts at Western points about double those of a year ago and steadily increasing in weight. Liverpool has declined. The dulness of the cash trade also counted. So did foreign selling here. Packers and shorts bought to some extent. This buying, however, was not an effective support. Futures became steadier on the 15th inst. after an early decline on weak cables and dulness of cash lard. Hogs were steady, ribs 12 to 22 points higher and grain markets up sharply. Shorts covered. The fortnightly statement of Chicago lard stocks showed an increase of $2,234,000$ lbs., which was not much more than a third of the increase that had been expected. The total was $33,730,000$ lbs., against $78,660,000$ a year ago. To-day futures advanced somewhat. They were held back by the decline in grain. The increase in lard stocks was not quiet so large as expected. Hogs were up 10 to 25c.; top, $\$ 1375$. Cash trade dull. Western hogs receipts, 65,000, against 86,000 last year. Final prices show little variation for the week. May and July are the same as last Friday. and September 3 points up.
daily closing prices of lard futures in chicago.


PORK quiet; mess, $\$ 3450$; family, $\$ 38$ to $\$ 40$; fat back pork, $\$ 2750$ to $\$ 31$; ribs, cash, 14.75 c .; basis 40 to 66 lbs . average. Beef, quiet and steady; mess, $\$ 24$ to $\$ 27$; packet, $\$ 21$ to $\$ 23$; family, $\$ 24$ to $\$ 26$; extra Indian mess, $\$ 40$ to $\$ 42$. No. 1 canned corned beef, $\$ 3$; No. 2, $\$ 825 ; 6$ lbs. $\$ 1880 \$ 1850$; pickled tongues, $\$ 55$ to $\$ 60$ nominal. Meats irregular. Pickled hams, 10 to $20 \mathrm{lbs} ., 223 / 4$ to $261 / 4 \mathrm{c}$.; pickled bellies, 6 to 12 lbs., 23 to 24 c .; Bellies, clear, dry, salted, boxed, 18 to $20 \mathrm{lbs} ., 175 / 8 \mathrm{c} . ; 14$ to $16 \mathrm{lbs} ., 181 / \mathrm{cc}$.
Butter, lower grade to high scoring, 35 to 39 c . Cheese, Butter, lower grade to high scoring, 35 to 39 c . Che
flats, 19 to 28 c . Eggs, medium to extras, $283 / 4$ to 33 c .

OILS.-Linseed has been in slightly better demand and prices of late have been steady at 10.6 c . in bbls. carlots; spot June, 10.6; July-Dec., 10.7e. Consumption is large but there is little disposition on the part of buyers to purchase ahead. Recently flaxseed prices have been firmer. Cocoanit oil, Ceylon, f.o.b. Coast, tanks, $95 / 8 \mathrm{c}$.; Manila, tanks, Coast spot, $95 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. Chinawood, N. Y. spot bbls., $1111 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. Corn, crude, tanks, plant, 10c. Olive, $\$ 120$ to $\$ 125$. Soya bean, Coast, tanks, $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. ; blown, bbl., 14 to $141 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. Lard, prime, $167 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. ; extra strained winter, N. Y., $131 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. Cod, domestic, 58 to 60 c .; Newfoundland, 60 to 65 c . Spirits of turpentine, 96 to $\$ 100$. Rosin, $\$ 9$ to $\$ 1550$. Cottonseed oil sales to-day, including switches, $2,700 \mathrm{bbls}$. P. Crude S. E., 11c. asked. Prices closed as follows:


PETROLEUM.-Gasoline consumption is increasing. U. S. Motor firm at 13c. in bulk at local refineries and 14 c . delivered in tank cars to the trade. A more active export inquiry was reported. Kerosene has been quiet and rather easier. For prime white $83 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. was asked and for water white $91 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. in bulk at refineries. Bunker oil quiet at $\$ 1.75$ at refinery. Diesel oil was held at $\$ 2.30$. In the Gulf section grade C bunker oil was quoted at $\$ 1.60$ for bunkering pur-
poses while in cargoes $\$ 1.55$ was asked. Gas oil quiet at 6 c . for 36-40 at local refineries. Latterly the market in general has lacked striking features. Bulk oil has been rather frrmer. Gasoline demand has been spasmodic. Kerosene is in slightly better demand. Weather conditions are rather better for consumption but it is still too cold. New York refined export prices: Gasoline, cases, cargo lots, U. S. Motor specifications deodorized 28.40 c.; U. S. Motor bulk, refinery 13 c .; Kerosene, cargo lots, cases 18.15c.; Petroleum, refined, tanks, wagon to store 16c.; Kerosene, bulk 45-46150 W . W. delivered, N. Y. tank cars 101/2c.; Motor gasoline, garages (steel bbls.) 19c.; Up-State 19c.


RUBBER at first was dull and lower but rallied temporarilly. London on the 10 th inst. broke sharply. At the Rubber Exchange here on the 10th inst. May was 50 to 52c. ending at 52 c ., July was 49.50 to 50.90 c . ending at 50.90 c . Outside prices on that day were first latex crepe spot and April 53 to 54c.; May-June 52 to 53c.; July-Sept. 52c.; Oct.-Dec. 50 c.; ribbed smoked sheets, spot and April 52 to 53c.; May-June 51 to 52 c .; July-Sept. 50 to 51 c .; Oct.-Dec. 50c. London on April 10th dropped $1 / 4$ to $3 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$. on liquidation; spot, April $251 / 2$ to $261 / 4$ d.; May-June $251 / 4$ to 26 d . July-Sept. $243 / 4$ to $251 / 2 d$. Oct.-Dec. $241 / 2$ to 25 d . Singapore fell $1 / 4$ to $1 / 2 d$. Spot $241 / 8$ d.; April $241 / 4$ d.; May-June 241/8d.; July-Sept. $233 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$.
On the 12 th inst. the market was dull and tending lower The stock in London increased 1,661 tons for the week and at 15,411 tons is about the same as a year ago. According to figures of the Rubber Association March imports of rubber set a new record, the total being 42,677 tons, as against M3,914 tons a year ago. Total importations to the end of March were 115,441 tons, against 87,330 in 1925 . Of the March imports this year plantations amounted to 40,177 tons, Paras to 1,426 tons. Africans to 334 tons and Centrals including Guayule to 738 tons. At the Rubber Exchange May was 51.90 c., closing at 51c. Outside closing prices on the 12 th inst. were as follows: First latex crepe spot April, 52 to $531 / 2$ c.; May-June, 51 to $511 / 2$ c.; ribbed smoket sheets, spot-April, $501 / 2$ to $511 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; May-June, 50 to $501 / \mathrm{c}$.; brown crepe thin clean, 49c.; amber No. 2, 50c.; Caucho BallUpper, 38c.; Para-Upriver, fine spot, 58c.

In London on the 12 th inst. prices advanced $1 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$. early but lost this later. The American import figures for March and the stock increase hurt. Spot-April, $251 / 2$ to 26 d . May-June, $251 / 4$ to $253 / 4 \mathrm{~d} . ;$ July-Sept., $243 / 4$ to $251 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$; Oct.-Dec.., $241 / 2$ to 25 d . Singapore on the 12 th inst advanced $1 / 2$ to $3 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$. On the 14 th inst. prices weakened here and in London. New York was pulled down by London. Offerings here increased. Statistics have latterly favored buyers. Falling prices make them hold off for further declines. At the Rubber Exchange here on the 14th inst. May closed at 48.60 c . Outside prices were: First latex crepe, spot and April, 49 to 50c.; May-June, $481 / 2$ to $491 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; July-Sept., $481 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; Oct.-Dec., 47c.; Ribbed smoked sheets, spot and April, $481 / 2$ to 49 c ., May-June 48 to $481 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; July-Sept., $461 / 2$ to $471 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., Oct.-Dec., 46 c year on liquidation by tired bulls. Spot-April, 24 to $241 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$. May, $233 / 4$ to $241 / 4$ d.; July-Sept., $231 / 2$ to 24d.; Oct.-Dec., 231. to $23^{3 / 4} \mathrm{~d}$

While the United States imported $32 \%$ more crude rubber during the first three months of this year than last year, it consumed only $1 \%$ more, it is pointed out in explanation of the steady decline in prices which are now at the lowest since May. During this period the use of reclaimed rubber increased $60 \%$. London cabled April 12th: "Better than expected owing to increase in stocks being smaller than expected. Increase stocks 1,661 tons, total stocks, 15,401 ."
London cabled that the market had about discounted the increase in warehouse stocks in the past week. The total was 15,418 tons which was 1,678 tons larger than the previous week.
Tire shipments are said to have fallen off heavily and on the 15 th inst. prices continued to break sharply here and in London. The Rubber Exchange here excelled all its records by trading in 478 lots mostly in May and June. Big buying took place on the decline. At the Exchange May was 46.30 to 48.20 c . closing at 47.70 c .; June was 45.30 to 45.60 closing at 46.30c. Outside prices: First latex crepe spot-April 48 to 481/2 May-June $471 / 2$ to 48 c .; July-Sept. $471 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; Oct.-Dec. 45c.; Ribbed smoked sheets, spot 47 to $471 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; April 47 to $471 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; May-June $461 / 2$ to 47 e .; July-Sept. $451 / 2$ to 46 c .; Oct.-Dec. 44c.; Brown crepe, thin, clean 44c.; specky 41c.; No. 1 rolled 41c. Amber No. 2, 45c.; No. 3, 44c.; No. 4 , 43c. Caucho ball, upper 32c.; lower 24c.; Cameta 24c.; Para, Up-river fine, spot 43 c .; coarse 32 c .; Island fine 37 c . London fell $11 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ on the 15 th inst. in a dull market; SpotApril and May $221 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ to $231 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$; July-Sept. $221 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ to 23
Oct.-Dec. $221 / 4$ to $223 / 4$ d. Sin apore $13 / 8 \mathrm{~d}$ to $15 / 8 \mathrm{~d}$ net lower
and active at the decline; spot and April 217/8d; May-June $213 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$; July Sept. $213 / 8 \mathrm{~d}$. Today May was 48.10 to 50 c. closing at 48.30 c . against 47.70 the day before; July 46.20 to 48c. Fending at 46.40 c .; against 45.70 c .; Aug. 46.10 to 48 c . ending at 46.10 c . against 45.20 c . Another seat sold today at $\$ 4,500$. London ended 1 to $11 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$ net higher. Spot-April, July and later deliveres were all quoted at $231 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$. London cables caused covering here
HIDES were quiet and common dry hides had a downward tendency. A car of Colorados sold at 10c. and one of butt brands at $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. River Plate frigorifico hides were more active; 28,000 sold at $155 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. to $1511-16 \mathrm{c} . \mathrm{c} . \&$ f. Exporters were doing little. Country hides were dull. Later prices
were reported weak. Bucaramangas, \&c., recently sold at were reported weak. Bucaramangas, \&c., recently sold at
22 to $221 / 20$., while Santa Martas sold at 21 c. and Savanillas brought $201 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. River Plate frigorifico became quiet but steady. Last sales of frigorifico steers were at $\$ 3550$, or $15 \% \mathrm{c}$. c. \& f. Common dry hides nominal; Antioquias Laguayra, 20c. New York City calfskins, $\$ 150$ for $5-7 \mathrm{~s}$ $\$ 2$ for $7-9 \mathrm{~s}$, and $\$ 265$ for $9-12 \mathrm{~s}$.

OCEAN FREIGHTS have been in fair demand for grain room. Late grain and coal tonnage was in better demand. The supply of tonnage seems to be ample
CHARTERS included grain from Montreal to Antwerp-Hamburg range 121/2c. option halr heayy grain, optron bareys and to Continent, $2 \mathrm{~s} .41 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$.

 \$3 45 April-May loading: tanks, 1,52 net, rrom Cuba to Guif, 18. c., Aprii
loading, sugar from Guif to Mediterranean, $\$ 450$, end or April loadng:
oil cake from Gulf to Denmark, $\$ 45$ prompt: coal from Hampton Roads to loading; sugar from to Denmark, $\$ 475$ prompt: coal from Hampton Roads to
oil cake from Gulf to
Rio de Janeiro. $\$ 3$ 25; from Hampton Roads to Rio de Janero. $\$ 320$ spot, grain from Montreal to Antwerp or Rotterdam, $12 y$ enc etwo ports
option full cargo of lights. May; from Montreal to United Kingdom.
 2s. $9 \mathrm{d...M}$ May; Prom Philadelphia to Mediterranear, 2 s . 9 d. : sugar from Cub
to North of Hatteras. $11 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. prompt; one round trip west coast South

COAL has been in lessened demand. Bituminous has been dull. The industries' stocks of soft coal are smaller; some say $50 \%$ less than towards the end of last year. New York is buying sparingly. Anthracite has been dull and rather weak. The tidewater stocks of hard coal on the 12 th inst. were 4,605 cars. Consumers have been buying to get the summer discount. There is an expectation that soft coal output will drop to $8,500,000$ tons weekly. Hard coal is weakening. Independent egg and stove and nut nominally $\$ 925$ to $\$ 10$; pea, $\$ 625$ to $\$ 7$.

TOBACCO has been in moderate demand and about steady. Some of the trade think stocks held by consumers are in many cases small. That is considered a natural inference from the fact that they have been buying from hand to mouth or none at all for some time past. Dealers keep saying the trade must soon improve. It does not. Natur-
ally it will turn the corner some time. New Porto Rican tobacco is said to be selling on a fair scale at firm prices. Pennsylvania broad leaf filler, 8 to 13c.; broad leaf binder, 15 to 20c.; Porto Rico, 65 to \$1; Conn. top leaf, 18 to 20c.; No. 1 seconds, 60 to 70 c .; seed fillers, 15 c .; medium wrappers, 60 c .; dark wrappers, 35 to 45 c .; light wrappers, 50 to 1.25 c .

COPPER was more firmly established at 14c. late in the week. A better demand was reported, mostly for May, June and July. The statistics for March were considered favorable. There was a decline of over 11,000 tons in stocks of refined copper for the month. To offset this, however, consumers point to the fact that copper above ground declined only 5,000 tons and that the tendency of production is to increase. In London on the 14th inst. standard copper advanced 15 s . to $£ 5712 \mathrm{~s} .6 \mathrm{~d}$. for spot and $£ 5810 \mathrm{~s}$. for futures; spot electrolytic rose 15 s . to $£ 6410 \mathrm{~s}$. and futures were up 10s. to $£ 65$. Of late there has been a fair demand and prices have been steady at 14c. delivery in Connecticut Valley. Some increase in business with England and Germany is reported. Export quotations were 13.90 to 13.95 c . f.a.s. New York. Electrolytic advanced on Thursday in London but standard dropped 5 s . Electrolytic was up 5 s . To-day standard was $£ 5712 \mathrm{~s} .6 \mathrm{~d}$.; futures $£ 5810$ s.; electrolytic spot, $£ 65$; futures, $£ 6510 \mathrm{~s}$.
TIN of late has been higher. On the 14th inst. prices rose $1 / 2$ to $11 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. to $641 / 4$ to $641 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. for spot Straits, 64 c . for April, $621 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. for May arrivals and $625 / 8$ to $623 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. for May deliveries. In London on the 14 th inst. spot standard tin rose $£ 115 \mathrm{~s}$. to $£ 286$, and futures advanced $£ 3$ to $£ 2735 \mathrm{~s} . ;$ spot straits rose $£ 25 \mathrm{~s}$. to $£ 29110 \mathrm{~s}$.; Eastern c. i. f. London fell 5 s . to $£ 27615 \mathrm{~s}$. on sales of 275 tons. Of late tin has been quiet and depressed. On Thursday futures fell $3 / 8$ to 1c., the latter on distant months. Spot straits sold at 64 to $641 / 4 \mathrm{c}$., and May at $621 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. London rose on Thursday 10 s . to 15 s . on standard and $£ 210 \mathrm{~s}$. on spot straits. To-day spot standard was $£ 28510 \mathrm{~s}$.; futures $£ 2737 \mathrm{~s} .6 \mathrm{~d} .$, both showing a decline.
LEAD has been in fair demand and steady. At East St. Louis prices were 7.75 to 7.80 c . and at New York 8 c . Producers, it is said, are sold out for April and well into May. In London on the 14th inst. spot lead was unchanged at $£ 292 \mathrm{~s}$. 6d., but futures declined 1s. 3d. to $£ 2911 \mathrm{~s} .3 \mathrm{~d}$. Latterly, lead has been steady but quiet; East St. Louis, 7.75 to 7.80 c . New York was 8c. to 8.10 c ., the latter exceptional. London on Thursday was unchanged. To-day spot lead there was $£ 2817 \mathrm{~s} .6 \mathrm{~d}$.; futures, $£ 297 \mathrm{~s} .6 \mathrm{~d}$.

ZINC has been rather quiet of late and easier. At East St. Louis the price was 7.15 c . In London on the 14 th inst. spot zinc advanced 5 s . to $£ 3216 \mathrm{~s}$. 3d. and futures rose 2s. 6d. to $£ 335 \mathrm{~s}$. Zine has latterly declined $\$ 1$ per ton. East St. Louis 7.10 to $7.121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., with only a small business. It is said that most of the trading is at 7 c . High quality, $85 / 8$ to $83 / 4$ c. Futures fell $21 / 2$ points. London has weakened somewhat of late. To-day prices were 2s. 6d. lower. Spots £32 12s. 6d.; futures, £33:
STEEL has been dull, partly, it is believed, because of the cold, backward spring. Frost is still in the ground in many parts of the country. Building is delayed. Auto business suffers; people do not ride so much in such weather. Tin plate purchases are cautious. Agricuadily. Bars for road building are quiet. The condition of the soil tends to delay buying of pipe. The consumption in other directions is good. Consumers' stocks are not believed to be large. But on the whole the condition of business is unsatisfactory. New orders for finished steel are decreasing. Output has declined somewhat of late, it appears, as compared with that of March. This sounds reasonable. Some say that in a few lines April business has exceeded that of March, but this is the exception and not at all the rule. In the main there is a falling off in business compared with that in March. Consumers do not buy ahead as formerly. Railroad transportat. Small orrapid than ever before. Deliveries are prompt. policy for ders at shorter intervals seem to be the favorite policy for
the moment, at least, among buyers in this branch of business as in so many others. Unfilled orders fell off to about half what they were under old time conditions.

PIG IRON has been dull so far as American product is concerned. Foreign competes with it sharply. Philadelphia received last week some 12,650 tons from England and Germany. It keeps coming. It is a feature of the times. Exports from Great Britain in March to the United States were 24,000 tons against 5,000 tons in March last year. From England came 7,000 tons last week and from Germany, 3,500 . The American producer is complaining. Washington wired that the question of raising the duty on pig iron which is now 75 c . per ton to something like $\$ 3$ per ton will be discussed presumably by a Senate Committee. The United States Cast Iron Pipe \& Foundry Co. it is stated bought 20,000 tons of foreign pig iron of which 12,000 tons will go to its plant at Birmingham, Ala. and the re mainder to Burlington, N. J. In other words iron is a decidedly important factor in the business. Prices of American iron in general seem to be largely nominal in the dullness of trade. Cleveland is lower at $\$ 20$ base. It was cut it is said in order to exclude Valley iron. Eastern Pennsylvania, $\$ 22$ to $\$ 2250$; Buffalo, $\$ 21$; Virginia, $\$ 23$ to $\$ 24$; Birmingham, $\$ 22$ to $\$ 23$; Chicago, $\$ 22$ to $\$ 22$ 50; Valleys, $\$ 19$ to $\$ 1950$. Basic, Valley, $\$ 1850$ to $\$ 19$; Eastern Pennsylvania, $\$ 2150$ to $\$ 2250$. Foreign iron sold to the amount of 20,000 tons it is said at $\$ 1950$ or $\$ 3$ less than the price of American.

WOOL has been dull and depressed here in the East. At the West there has recently been a good business at higher prices. New York prices:
Ohio and Pennsylvania, fine delaine, 47 c .; $1 / 2$ blood, 46 to 47 c. : $3 / 8$ blood 46c. 17. blood, 45 to 46 c . Territory, clean basis, fine staple, $\$ 115$ to
 80 to $85 \mathrm{c}^{\circ} \cdot \mathrm{C}$, 63 to 65 c .

The San Angelo warehouse sold about 190,000 lbs. at about 57 c . for goat and 67 c . for kid hair. Rail and water shipments of wool from Boston from Jan. 1 to April 8, inclusive, were $63,240,000 \mathrm{lbs}$., against $47,435,000$ for the same period last year. Receipts from Jan. 1 to April 8, inclusive, were $120,513,000$ lbs., against $93,995,800$ for the same period last year.

 average New England, $1 / 2$ blood, 41 to $42 \mathrm{c} . ;$; $8 / 8$ blood, 43 to $44 \mathrm{c} .: 1 / 4$ blood,
42 to 43 c. scoured basis: Texas fine 12 months (seled. $\$ 112$ to $\$ 115$;
fine 8 months. $\$ 1 ;$ California, Northern, $\$ 108$ to $\$ 110$; Middle County, 98 c . to $\$ 1$; southern, 87 to 90 c. Oregon, Eastern, No. 1 , staple, $\$ 1,10$ to
$\$ 115$; fine and fine medium combing, $\$ 105$ to $\$ 107$; eastern clothing, 90 to 95c.: valley No. 1,95 to 97 c .; Montana and similar fine staple choice,
$\$ 1$ 15. $1 / 2$ blood combing. 98 to $\$ 1 / 8$ blood combing 85 to $90 \mathrm{c} . ; 1 / 4$ blood
combing, 75 to 80 c .; puiled delaine. $\$ 115$ to $\$ 120$ AA, $\$ 115$ to $\$ 118$; fine A supers, $\$ 1$ to $\$ 105 ;$ A super
65 to 70 c ; best carding, 50 to 55 c .

At Brisbane on April 13 selection average to good; demand excellent; offerings mostly sold. Germany and Japan bought the most. Medium fleece and pieces sold at par to $5 \%$ higher; others were unchanged as compared with sales of March 4. At Melbourne April 13 prices closed irregular. Good merinos and comebacks unchanged compared with the sales of March 25 . Topmaking merinos and medium and coarse crossbreds slightly lower. The next wool sales at Perth will be held on April 22 instead of April 27.

## COTTON.

Friday Night, A pril 161926.
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 104,943 bales, against 91,081 bales last week and 110,433 bales the previous week, making the total receipts since the 1st of August $19258,643,141$ bales, against $8,653,739$ bales
for the same period of 1924-25, showing a decrease since Aug. 11925 of 10,598 bales.

| Receipts at- | Sat. | Mon. | ues. | Wed. | Thu | Fri. | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Galves | 2,766 | 2.788 |  | 3,497 |  | 2,567 |  |
| New Orle | 4,074 | $2.05 \overline{5}$ | ${ }_{4}^{7,518}$ |  |  | 12,472 |  |
| Mobile |  |  |  |  | 1,218 | 1.091 | 2,957 |
| Savannah | ${ }_{3}^{1,990}$ | 1,791 <br> 1,978 | 3,201 | 780 | 1,36 | 2,378 | 11.500 |
| Wirming | 820 |  | 1237 | 8 |  |  |  |
| Norfolk | 301 | 2,339 347 | 963 | 328 | 263 | 395 | 589 |
| Boston |  |  | 60 |  | 81 |  | 54 |
| Philadelphia- |  | 27 |  |  |  | 566 | $\begin{array}{r}566 \\ 27 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |


The following table shows the week's total receipts, the total since Aug. 11925 and stocks to-night, compared with last year:

| Receipts to April 16. |
| :---: |
| Texveston- |
|  |  |
|  |
| Gulfport- |
|  |  |
|  |
| ${ }^{\text {Pensacola }}$ |
| Savannah |
| Branswick |
|  |  |
|  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Wirming } \\ & \text { Norfolk } \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  |
|  |
|  |
|  |
| Philadelphia |

concerning the same from week to week, while reports from the customs districts of the numberous inquirtes we are recelving regarding the matter, we will say that Tor the monthous of March the aexports to the Dominion the present season have
feen 22,280 bater
bet been 22,280 bales. In the corresponding month of the preceding season the exports were 20,291 bales. For the eight months ended March 3111926 , there were 190,393
bales exported, as against 148,547 bales for the corresponding seven months of 1925 .

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

| Apr. 16 at- | On Shipboard, Not Cleared for- |  |  |  |  |  | Leaving |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Great | France. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ger- } \\ & \text { many. } \end{aligned}$ | Other Foreign | Coastwise. | Total. |  |
| Galveston- New Orlea | ${ }^{600}$ | 7700 | 2,000 | ${ }^{9,200}$ | 7,000 | 19,500 | 401.528 |
| Savannah_---: | 3,533 | 7,076 |  | 10,062 | 200 | $\begin{array}{r}1,320 \\ 200 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 293,445 |
| Charleston-- | 2,500 |  |  |  | 56 | 566 | 44,510 |
| Norfolk | 2,500 |  |  |  |  | 2,500 | 101,394 |
| Other ports *- | 1,500 | 1,000 | 1,000̄ | 3,0000 | 5000 | 7.0000 | 80,013 |
| Total 1926-- <br> Total 1925.- | 8.133 16,790 | 8,776 15.571 | 13,333 21.442 | 22,262 28,864 | 8.072 8.164 | 60.576 <br> 90.831 | 983,200 708,308 |
| Total 1924-. | 19,329 | 4,2771 | 15.162 | 30,605 | 6,325 | 75,698 | 489,267 |

Speculation in cotton for future delivery has been on only a moderate scale and prices have fluctuated within very narrow limits. On Thursday the turn was downard, owing to the promise of better weather. The indications pointed to higher temperatures in the Southwest and also in the Eastern Gulf States. They were the signal for more or less selling of both the old and new crop months and prices declined some 10 to 15 points. The fall was not much because the season is late. Various reports say that it is anywhere from two to three weeks late. Some go so far as to say that it is even four weeks behind in some parts of the belt. The season has now come to April 16. Any further delay, it is contended, will begin to look rather serious. The situation is not serious now. Admittedly, there is still time to catch up. But it would be a matter of regret to all conservative interests if the cold wet weather should be resumed. It is a queer season. On some days, when it was 28 to 32 degrees in the Southwest and in the 30 's in other parts of the belt it was as high as 50 degrees up near the Arctic Circle. Naturally, such peculiar temperatures excited remark. Similar conditions have been noticed within the last few weeks. And the weekly Government report was in many respects unfavorable. In the extreme south of Texas conditions were good, but elsewhere in that State they were by no means good. They were actually bad. Moderate to excessive rains in all parts of Texas except in the extreme south called a halt on field work. The ground has been too wet and cold for germination. In Oklahoma heavy rains put a stop to farm work. There has been very little cotton planted in that State. In Arkansas the weather was bad for cotton. Some was planted, but it was too cold for germination. Similar conditions prevailed in Mississippl and Louisiana. In Georgia frequent showers kept the soil too wet in many counties, although some planting was done in the central and southern parts of that State. In North Carolina the season for planting is about two weeks late. For an exception conditions in South Carolina were favorable. On the whole it is believed that the crop is getting a late start.

And the trade got a surprise on the 14th inst. in the matter of domestic consumption. To the stupefaction of everybody, the total for March turned out to have been 634,593 , bales, against 567,244 in February and 583,407 in March last year. The interesting point was not only that the total was large, but that it marked a new high record in the history of the American cotton business. At the same time the number of spindles is steadily increasing. They are using up more cotton than a spindleage of some $35-300,000$ spindles $-2,200,000$ greater than now-in the high record months of 1923. Some are inclined to think that the big total for March this year could be explained by over-production and the piling up of stocks in the warehouses of the mills. But this is denied in Worth Street. It was said there that it was hard to secure certain kinds of goods for quick delivery. Southern mills have refused in many cases to produce beyond their immediate orders. In others they have pursued a policy of avoiding any important accumulation of stocks of goods. And Government reports as to the condition of the textile industries of the different States show that while there is some curtailment in Maine and New Jersey the other States make, on the whole, a very favorable exhibit. New Bedford is running at 75 to $80 \%$ on cloths and some $60 \%$ or more on yarns. Rhode Island is working overtime. In some Alabama mills they are working five nights a week. No big curtailment has been started in North Carolina in spite of frequent reports recently that something of the kind might be expected. Some of the mills there, it is true, seem to be eliminating night work, or else not working so many nights a week. As for Manchester, yarn mills using American cotton are protestnig against the continuance of short time. They say they have tried it for five years and found it futile as a means of relief where relief was desired. especially on a scale down. That was what they were doing on Thursday. New Orleans bought here more or less steadily. Wall Street at times has been a buyer. The May premium over July has ranged from 54 to 59 points, but more generally from 56 to 57 . It was 56 on Thursday, in

 NOTEE-ExDrts to Conada. - It has never been our practice to include in the
above tables exports of cotton to Canada, the reason beeng that virtuall gal the above tables exports of cotton to Canada, the reason benge that virtually all the
cotton destined to the Dominion comes overland and it is impossible to get returns
spite of rather larger selling of May; that is, in blocks of 10,000 bales. Some of it was by Wall Street, supposedly on stop orders. At times, moreover, Europe, especially the Continent, has bought new crop months. Some recent scattered selling of those months has tended to strengthen th technical position.

On the other hand, it is a weather market pure and simple. It could turn like a flash. Everybody knows that. Also, the South has a good "season" in the ground. There are two sides to the prolonged period of wet, cold weather The soil is well saturated. A few weeks of warm, dry weather could have a magical effect. It could stimulate planting to a very marked degree. It could hasten germination to a no less remarkable degree. That is recognized Under the circumstances the market has not responded emphatically to the recent bad weather. People remembered that this weather could turn suddenly. Weather markets are proverbially treacherous. On the 14th inst. very little attention was paid to the extraordinary consumption in March. Yet it was 50,000 to 75,000 bales larger than had been expected. Goods as a rule have been quiet. Manchester was dull and depressed. Recently the decline in rupee exchange has hurt Lancashire's business with India. The big riots in China have certainly not promoted business with that quarter of the globe. The rank and file of operators here are bearish almost to a man. In New Orleans it seems to be pretty much the same case. A period of favorable weather could work wonders for the crop and a more or less pronounced effect on prices. That is the popular belief. Back of it all are the big stocks at the interior towns and elsewhere, and the expectation of a big carryover. Some estimate that at around $5,500,000$ bales. Exports of cotton yarns from the United Kingdom during March were $16,004,000$ lbs., against $15,652,000$ in February and $17,853,000$ in March 1925. Exports of cotton cloths during March were $403,205,000$ square yards, against $366,410,000$ the preceding month and 416,620 in March 1925.
To-day the old crop declined 18 to 20 points and the next crop 23 to 28 on prospects for better weather on both sides of the Mississippi River. That is to say, there are indications of dry and warmer weather in the Southwest and in the Eastern Gulf States and warmer conditions in the Atlanic belt, with some rain. In the main the trend now is towards better weather. At least that is the general conviction. New Orleans was noticeably depressed. Large Wall Street houses were understood to have sold some 25,000 to 30,000 bales of October and December, chiefly December. Some of this, it is surmised, may have been for Japanese account, and some for large interests in Wall Street. New Orleans was a seller, like the South in general. Some hedge selling was noticed. That was also the case in Liverpool. The Continent was selling there. Liverpool prices were weaker. Manchester was dull. Some of the bids, it reports, were entirely unworkable. The spinners' takings for the week were somewhat smaller than had been expected. They were not a factor, however. The decline got its impetus from the weather. The exports ran up to some 76,707 bales to-day, according to one computation, but no attention was paid to this factor. The closing was steady, but at about the lowest of the day. Final prices show a decline for the week of 15 to 16 points on the old crop and 36 to 41 points on the new. Spot cotton ended at 19.15 c . for middling, a decline for the week of 15 points

Delivery of cotton bought on New York contracts in the South probably would solve the problem of "manipulation" for the Southern cotton buyer and grower, said W. L. Clayton, of Houston, Texas, at the second annual convention of the American Cotton Shippers' Association in session at At lanta on the 9th inst

The official quotation for middling upland cotton in the New York market each day for the past week has been: April 10 to April 16-
$\begin{array}{rrrrrr}\text { Sat. } & \text { Mon. } & \text { Tues. } & \text { Wed. Thurs. } & \text { Fri. }\end{array}$
NEW YORK QUOTATIONS FOR 32 YEARS.
The quotations for middling upland at New York on Apr. 16 for each of the past 32 years have been as follows:



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. | FuturesMarket Closed. | SALES. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Spot. | Contr'ct | Total. |
|  | Steady, 10 pts. adv - | Steady |  |  |  |
| Saturday-.- Monday Tuesday | Quiet, 5 pts, adv -- | Barely steady Steady |  |  |  |
| Tuesday ${ }^{\text {Wednesday- }}$ | Quiet, unchanged -- | Barely steady |  |  |  |
| Thursday -- | Quiet, 10 pts. dec-- Quiet, 10 pts. dec. | Steady |  |  |  |
| Friday--- | Quiet, 10 pts. dec.- | steady |  |  |  |

FUTURES. - The highest, lowest and closing prices at New York for the past week have been as follows:

|  | Satuтday, A pril 10. | Monday, April 12. | Tuesday, April 13. | Wednesaay April 14. | Thursday, Aprll 15. | Friday, April 16. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| April- |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Range-- Closing. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { May } \\ \text { Range } \end{gathered}$ | 18.88-18.96 | 18 | 18.85-18.96 |  |  |  |
| Closing | 2 | 18.94-18.95 | 18.90-18.92 | 18.95-18.97 |  |  |
| , |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Closin | 18. | 18.65 - |  |  |  |  |
| Ra |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| C | 18.3 | 18. | 18.34-18.35 | 18.39-18.40 | 18.26-18.28 | 18.09-18.11 |
| uoust Rang |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Closing- | 18.03 |  |  | 17.90 |  | 17.63 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { ept. } \\ & \text { Range } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  | 50 |  |
| Closing |  |  | 17.50 |  |  | 17.17 |
| Rang |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Closin | 17.57-17.58 |  | 17.4 | 17.47-17.48 | 17.38-17.40 | 6 |
| $\xrightarrow{\text { Nor.- }}$ Rang |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Closing. | 17.37 |  |  |  |  | 16.90 |
| Rec.- |  |  |  |  | 17.05 |  |
| Closing. |  | 17. | $\begin{aligned} & 17.00 \\ & 17.10 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |
| Jan.Range | 17.19-17.26 | 17.12 | 16.98-17.07 | 17.02.17.13 |  | 16. |
| Closing- | 17.20 | 17.11 | 16.99-17.00 |  |  |  |
| Range.- |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Closing- | 17.2 | 17.21 | 17.07 |  |  |  |
| Ra | 17 | 17 | 17.22 | 17.17-17.24 | 17 | 16.85-17.10 |
| Cl | 17.37 | 17.32-17 |  |  |  |  |

Range of future prices at New York for week ending Apr. 161926 and since trading began on each option:


THE VISIBLE SUPPLY OF COTTON to-night, as made up by cable and telegraph, is as follows. Foreign stocks, as well as afloat, are this week's returns, and consequently all forelgn 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.


Total visible supply $-\ldots-\ldots \overline{5,-\ldots 12,432} \overline{4,863,520} 3,694,4993,748,908$
Of the above, totals of American and other descriptions are as follows American-


| Total American_-_-.-.-.-.-. |
| :--- |
| East Indian, Brazil, dic.- |
| $, 038,432$ |
| $3,271,520$ |
| $2,018,499$ |
| $2,017,908$ |


|  | 299,000 | 203 | 257.000 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| London stock | 200,000 | 2,000 | 1,000 | 5,0 |
| Manchester st | 16,000 | 22,000 | 26,000 | 25,000 |
| Continental stock | 67.000 | 64.000 | 108.000 | 12,000 |
| Indian afloat for Europ | 91.000 | 192,000 | 109,000 | 184,000 |
| Egypt, Brazil, \&c., af |  | 59,000 |  | 87.000 |
| Stock in Alexandri | 285.000 833,000 | 160.000 890,000 | 173,000 941,000 | 239,000 922,000 |
| Stock in Bombay, in |  |  |  |  |


Tiddling uplands, LiverpoolMiddling uplands,
$5,712,4324,863,5203,694,4993,748,908$ Egypt, good Sakel, Liverpool

Peruvian, rough good, Liverpool | Broach, |
| :--- | :--- |
| Tinnevelly, |
| Liverpool,------ |$\quad 8.70 \mathrm{~d}$.

Continental imports for past wee
The above tires for 1926 been 94,000 bales week of 159,796 bales, a gain of 848,912 over 1925 , an increase of $2,017,933$ bales over 1924, and an increase o $1,963,524$ bales over 1923

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 April 161926. |  |  |  | Movement to April 171925. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Receipts. |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ship- } \\ & \text { ments. } \\ & \text { Week. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Stocks } \\ A p r . \\ 16 . \end{gathered}$ | Receipts. |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ship- } \\ & \text { ments. } \\ & \text { Week. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Stocks } \\ \text { Apr. } \\ 17 . \end{gathered}$ |
|  | Week. | Season. |  |  | Week. | Season. |  |  |
| Ala., Birmi |  |  |  | $5,532$ | 13 | 5 |  | 1.975 |
|  |  | 21,594 | ${ }_{1}^{47}$ | 4,890 18,753 |  |  | 0 | 1,975 |
| Selma | 162 | 98,569 | 1,146 | 18,753 | 1226 | 81,931 | 584 | 8,093 6,016 |
| Ark., Helena.- | 255 | 99,993 | 1,110 | 32,164 |  | 63,165 | 391 | 2.909 |
| Little Rock |  | 227,011 | 1,535 | E0,920 | 108 | 204,498 | 1,401 | 8,300 |
| Pine Bluff | 374 | 178,780 | 1,828 | 56,192 | 577 | 108,902 | 1,904 | 9,657 |
| Ga., Albany |  | 7,913 |  | 2,093 |  |  |  | 2,495 |
| Athens- | 460 | 33,171 | 680 | 10,344 | 660 | 49,402 | 1,240 | 12,744 |
| Atlanta | 2,637 | 207,990 | 3,745 | 44,424 | 2,674 | 216,857 | 6,558 | 26,999 |
| Augusta | 3,057 | 337,367 | 5,598 | 63,937 | 1,293 | 220,774 | 3,924 | 37,524 |
| Columbu | 1,308 | 82,908 | 2,036 | 2,765 | 230 | 73,401 | 850 | 3,680 |
| Macon | 587 | 67,264 | 2,819 | 12,418 | 537 | 46,515 | 1,080 | 8,909 |
| Rome......- | 438 | 51.196 | 750 | 11,740 | 362 | 46,731 | 1.600 | 9,125 |
| La., Shreveport <br> Miss.,Columbus | 91 | 165,123 | 567 | 18,98 |  | 100,000 | 100 | 2,500 |
| Clarksdale... | 1,900 | 230,195 | 3,271 | 77,661 |  | 37,002 111,904 | 340 210 | 1,290 5,573 |
| Greenwood | 571 | 220,337 | 1,789 | 68,093 | 108 | 134,942 | 809 | 9,970 |
| Meridian | 155 | 68,196 | 702 | 12,609 | 34 | 37,541 | 730 | 4,174 |
| Natchez. | 90 | 57,719 | 812 | 11,484 | 3 | 41,223 | 352 | 548 |
| Vicksburg | 25 | 54,206 | 469 | 16,613 |  | 31,583 | 209 | 1,999 |
| Yazoo City | 16 | 52,776 | 260 | 13,502 |  | 33,077 | 220 | 2,004 |
| Mo., St. Louis- | 8,038 | 650.069 | 8,245 | 15,761 | 9,206 | 703,146 | 9.148 | 5,723 |
| $\mathrm{N}_{8}$ C...Creensb're | 1,620 | 59,628 | 1,041 | 18,811 | 1,071 | 62,189 | 1,219 | 14.368 |
| Raleigh | 100 | 30,952 | 300 | 12,563 | 12 | 8,150 | 50 | 478 |
| Okla., Altu | 1,030 438 | 140,556 190.317 | 2922 | 11,844 | 260 | 206,136 | 597 | 5,132 |
| Oklahoma | ${ }_{625}^{438}$ | 168,232 | 1,483 | 14,829 |  | 150,003 | 1,096 | 3,383 |
| C., Greenvil | 7.533 | 281.450 | 8,579 | 56,435 | 5,392 | 212,071 | 8,337 | 38,944 |
| Greenwood |  | 4,912 |  | 2,682 |  | 13,264 | , 0 | 4,416 |
| Tenn..Mernphis | 20,606 1 | 1,742,575 | 26,1062 | 71,765 | 9,966 1 | ,235,892 | 14,589 | 45,869 |
| Nashville. |  | 3,216 | 21 | 723 | 19 | 943 |  | 241 |
| Tex., Abilen | 220 | 85,385 | 263 | 928 |  | 71,387 |  | 235 |
| Brenham <br> Austi | 47 | 5.948 | 57 | 3.998 | 37 | 23,163 | 67 | 3,774 |
| Dalla |  | 157,093 | 1.401 | 17.692 |  | - 33,915 |  | 85 |
| Hous | 27,4564 | 4,628,813 | 56.6045 | 54,778 | 12,082 4 | ,655,026 |  | 5,460 320.973 |
| Paris | 217 | 113,846 | 338 | 3,256 | 232 | 93,447 | 4593 | -835 |
| San Antonio |  | 25,852 | 15 | 775 | 43 | 65,643 | 198 | 1,251 |
| Fort Worth.- | 660 | 93,287 | 1,162 | 8,968 | 531 | 157,563 | 807 | 3,504 |
| Total, 40 towns | $\left.84.42010880492\right\|_{140.9391575256}$ |  |  |  | $46.7509 .817 .871$ |  | 108,506,630,689 |  |

The above total shows that the interior stock have de creased during the week 55,052 bales and are to-night 944,567 bales more than at the same time last year. The receipts at all the towns have been 37,670 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: Ahipred ${ }^{\text {An- }}$
Via St. Louis
Via Mounds, \&c
Via Rock Is, \&
Via Louisville--
Via other routes, \&c
Total gross overland............-
Deduct Shipments $\frac{\mathrm{Y}}{\mathrm{Y}}$, Boston, \&c
Overland to N. Y., Boston, \&c.-
Between interior towns.........
Between interior towns--
Inland, \&c., from South
Total to be deducted.
Leaving total net overland *

* Including movement by rail to Canada.

The foregoing shows the week's net overland movement this year has been 3,475 bales, against 5,316 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 210,242 bales.
 North. spinners' takings to Apr. $16 \overline{24,499} \overline{1,681,204} \overline{35,534} \overline{1,682,434}$

* Decrease.

Movement into sight in previous years:
Week-
1924-Apr. 19

1923-Apr. $20-$ $\qquad$ | Bales. | Since |
| :---: | :---: |
| $-\ldots--123,690$ | $1923-24$ | $\qquad$ OTHER MARKETS - Below are the closing quetations for middling cotton at Southern and other principal cotton markets for each day of the week:

| Week Ended Apr. 16. | Closing Quotations for Middling Cotton on- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Saturday. | Monday. | Tuesday. | Wed'day. | Thursd'y. | Friday. |
| Galveston. | 18.90 | 18.80 | 18.80 | 18.80 | 18.65 | 18.45 |
| New Orlean | 18.41 | 18.47 | 18.43 | 18.46 | 18.36 | 18.07 |
| Savannal | 18.30 | 17.90 18.35 | 17.90 | 17.90 | 17.75 | 17.50 |
| Norfolk. | 18.38 | 18.44 | 18.44 | 18.50 | 18.31 | 18.19 |
| Baltimor |  | 18.70 | 18.80 | 18.80 | 18.80 | 18.70 |
| Augusta | 18.13 | 18.19 | 18.19 | 18.19 | 17.88 | 17.63 |
| Memphi | 18.00 | 18.00 | 18.00 | 18.00 | 18.00 | 18.00 |
| Houston | 18.60 | 18.60 18.20 | 18.60 | 18.60 | 18.45 18.10 | 18.20 |
| Dallas... | 18.25 | 18.20 | 18.20 | 18.20 18.35 | 18.10 18.10 |  |
| Fort Worth | 18.25 | 18.30 | 18.25 | 18.30 | 18.20 | 17.95 |

NEW ORLEANS CONTRACT MARKET.-The closing quotations for leading contracts in the New Orleans cotton market for the past week have been as follows:

|  | Saturday, | Monday. <br> A pril 12. | Tuesday, April 13. | Wednesday. | Thursday, <br> April 15 | ${ }^{\text {Friday. }}$ April 16. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| April |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| May | 18.16-18.17 | 18.22-18.23 | 18.18 | 18.21-18.23 | 18.11-18.12 | 17.91-17.92 |
| July. | 17.73-17.75 | 17.77-17.78 | 17.73-17.74 | 17.78-17.80 | 17.69 | 17.45-17.46 |
| Septemb |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oetober | 16.92-16.96 | 16.86-16.87 | 16.78-16.80 | 16.85 | 16.77-16.78 | 16.45-16.46 |
| December- | 16.96 | 16.86-16.88 | 16.79-16.80 | $\overline{16} .85$ | 16.77 | 16.43-16. |
| January | 16.95 bdd | 16.86 bld | 16.73 | 16.84 | 16.77 | 16.38 |
| March..- Tome |  |  | 16.72 bid | 16.79 bid | 16.71 | 16.37 |
| ${ }_{\text {Spot }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |

FINAL ESTIMATES REGARDING THE INDIA COTTON CROP.-Under date of Calcutta, Feb. 25 1926, the India Government issued its final general memorandum on the 1925-26 cotton crop. This memorandum is based on reports received from all the Provinces and States and refers. to the entire cotton area of India. It deals with the final reports on both the early and late crops of the season for all the tracts except Madras. A supplementary report containing the final figures for Madras will, as usual, be issued:
The total area now reported is $27.835,00$ a alres, or $4 \%$ above the revised
figure of last year The total estimated yield is $6,051,000$ bales of 400 -
pounds each, which is $1 \%$ below the revised pounds each, which is $1 \%$ below the revised estimate for last year.
The condition of the crop, on the whole, is reported to be fairly good. The condition of the crop, on the whole, is reported to be fairly good
The detares for each Province and State are stated below:

| Provinces and States. | Acres. |  | Bales of 400 Lbs . |  | Yield Per Acte (Lbs.). |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1925-26. | 1924-25. | 1925-26. | 1924-25. | 1925-26 | 1924-25. |
| Bombay_a_-.-...... | 8,011,000 | 7,713,000 | 1,542,000 | 1,589,000 | 77 | 2 |
| Central Provinces and Berar |  | $5,247,000$ | 1,512,000 | 1,000,000 | 67 | 6. |
| Madras_b | 2,695,000 | 2,903,000 | 571,000 | 567,000 | 85 | 78 |
| Punjab-b | 2,900,000 | 2,589,000 | 852,000 | 910,000 | 118 | 141 |
| Burma | $1,003,000$ 436.000 | $1,049,000$ 352,000 | 277,000 83,000 | 276,000 70,000 | 110 | 105 80 |
| Bihar and Orissa | 82,000 | 79,000 | 15,000 | 14,000 | 73 | 71 |
| Bengal b | 78,000 | 77,000 | 26,000 | 24,000 | 133 | 125 |
| Ajmer-Merwara | 54,000 | 45,000 | 17,000 | 15.000 | 126 | 133 |
| Assam | 47,000 | 45,000 | 13,000 | 15,000 | 111 | 133 |
| North-West Frontier Province |  |  |  |  |  | 82 |
| Delhi. | 6,000 | 4,000 | 1,000 | 1,000 | 67 | 100 |
| Hyderabad | 3,781,000 | 3,412,000 | 1,060.000 | 899,000 | 112 | 105. |
| Central Indi | 1,340,000 | 1,354,000 | 263,000 | 262,000 | 79 | 77 |
| Baroda | 866,000 | 658,000 | 189,000 | 171.000 | 87 | 104 |
| Gwallor | 651,000 | 699,000 | 116,000 | 145,000 | 71 | 83 |
| Rajputan | 407,000 | 418,000 | 93,000 | 89,000 | 91 | 85 |
| Mysore | 83,000 | 118,000 | 25,000 | 36,000 | 120 | 122 |
| To | 27,835,000 | 26.801,000 | 6,051,000 | 6,091,000 | 87 | 91 |

$a$ Including Sind and Indian States. $b$ Including Indian States.
CENSUS REPORT ON COTTON CONSUMED AND ON HAND IN MARCH, \&c.-This report, issued on April 14 by the Census Bureau, will be found in full in an earlier part of our paper under the heading "Indications of Business Activity.,

WEATHER REPORT BY TELEGRAPH-Reports to us by telegraph this evening indicate that in the southeastern portion oi the cotton belt the weather during the week has been generally favorable and farm work has somewhat advanced. Good progress has been made in planting cotton seed in southern Alabama and Georgia. This work is also progressing in South Carolina. West of the Mississippi very little of this work has been done, owing to the continued cool, wet weather. Rain during the week fell in most parts of the belt, with precipitation generally ranging from light to moderate.

Teas.-Progress of early planted cotton in the extreme South is very good. Elsewhere in this State progress has been poor.

Mobile, Ala.-Light to heavy rains in the interior have kept the lowlands too wet, but planting has made good progress in the uplands. It has been too cool for best results but some cotton is coming up.

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| Abilene . |  | 1. 82 in in. |  |  |  |
| Browns | 1 day | 0.66 in. | high 80 | low 5 | mean 50 |
| Corpus | 2 days | 0.28 in. | high 78 | low 54 | mean 66 |
| Dallas | day | 2.70 in. | high 64 | low 42 | mean 53 |
|  | 2 days | 0.03 in . |  | low 46 |  |
| San | 1 day | 1.36 in . | high 76 | low 44 | mean 60 |
| Taylor | 3 days | 1.14 in . |  | low 42 |  |
| rdmo | 2 days | 1.54 in . | high 68 | low 35 | mean $5 \overline{2}$ |
| Altu | 2 days | 2.40 in . | high 61 | low 34 | mean 48 |
| Muskog | days | 1.44 in . | high 68 | low 36 | mean 52 |
| Oklahoma | 2 days | 1.08 in . | high 64 | low 31 | mean 48 |
| Brinkley | 1 day | 0.14 in | high 74 | low 47 | mean 58 |
| Eldorar | 3 days | 0.22 in . | high 69 | low 45 | mean 57 |
| ittle | 4 days | 0.21 in . | high 69 | low 43 | mean 56 |
| Pine Bl | 1 day | 0.12 in . | high 72 | low 45 | mean 59 |
| Alexan | 3 days | 1.74 in . | high 77 | low 47 | mean 62 |
| mite | 1 day | 2.50 in . | high 78 | low 47 | mean 63 |
| ew Orl | 2 days | 2.67 in . |  |  | mean 67 |
| Shreveport | 4 days | 0.21 in . | high 66 | low 49 | mean 58 |
| Okolona | 2 days | 0.20 in . | high 80 | low 39 | mean 60 |
| Columbu | 1 day | 0.48 in . | high 79 | low 40 | mean 60 |
|  | 2 days | 0.32 in . | high 78 | low 43 | mean 61 |
| 硡 | 2 days | 0.83 in . | high 77 | low 50 | mean 64 |
| Mobile, | 2 days | 1.32 in . | high 79 | low 53 | mean 66 |
| Decat | 1 day | 0.14 in . | high 77 | low 40 | mean 59 |
| Montgo | 1 day | 0.48 in . | nign 81 | low 49 | mean 65 |
| Ima | 1 day | 0.43 in . | high 82 | low 47 | mean 65 |
| G | days | 0.85 in . | high 88 | low 59 | mean 74 |
| adiso | 5 days | 1.49 in . | high 86 | low 55 | mean 71 |
|  | days | 1.76 in . | high 82 | low 48 | mean |
| th | day | 0.29 in . | high 80 | low 39 | ea |


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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:


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 outports.

|  | Recetpts at Ports |  |  | ocks at Interior Towns. |  |  | Recetpts from Plantations |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ended | 19 | 1925. | 1924. | 1926 | 1925 | 1924 | 192 | 1925. | 1924. |
| Jan. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | ${ }_{977}^{996}$ |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | ,306,792 | 94 | 58,778 |  |  |
| 5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 148 |  | ${ }^{78} 8.924$ | ${ }^{1.8893}$ | 170.855 |  |  |  | 2 |
|  | 120,512 |  |  |  | 88 | 789,313 |  | 31 |  |
| 5. | 11 |  | 69 |  | . |  | 8 8, |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | (121.458 | 100,249 | 56,87 49 | 30,9 | ${ }_{837,576}^{893,950}$ | 662,125 623,832 | 70.608 75.397 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | , |  |  |  | 708,2 |  |  | 29,11 |  |
|  | 104,943 | 74.512 | 69,43 | 1,575,256 | 630 |  | 9,891 | 10. |  |

The above statement shows: (1) That the total receipts from the plantations since Aug. 11925 are $9,978,188$ bales; in 1924 were $9,102,182$ bales, and in 1923 were $6,286,239$ bales. (2) That although the receipts at the outports the past week were 104,943 bales, the actual movement from plantations was 49,891 bales, stocks at interior towns having decreased 55,052 bales during the week. Last year receipts from the plantations for the week were 10,304 bales and for 1924 they were 31,427 bales.
WORLD 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. |  |  |  | 1925-26. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Season. | Week. ${ }^{\text {Season. }}$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | $5,872,228$ | 2,342,887 <br> $14,881,975$ $2,734,000$ <br> $\begin{array}{r}475,000 \\ 1,420,200 \\ \hline\end{array}$ <br> 617,000 | 5,006,7 |  | 2,190.493 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 173,366 66,000 |  |  | ${ }^{0} 14$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 000 | 研 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 6,157,594 \\ & 5,712,432 \end{aligned}$ | 22,471,062 | 5,300,762 |  | 21,535,458 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | $2{ }^{5} 71$ | 4, |  | 4,863,520 |  |
| Total takings to April $16 a$ Of which American Of which other |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r\|r\|} 445,162 & 16,758,630 \\ 331,162 & 11,886,430 \\ 114,000 & 4.872,200 \end{array}$ |  |  | $7.242{ }^{16}$ | 8 |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Of which other-...................114,000 } & 4.872 .200 & 162,400 & 4.481 .200\end{array}$ <br> * Embraces receipts in Europe from Brazil. Smyrna, West Indies, This total embraces since Aug. 1 the total estimated consumption by Southern mills, $3,440,000$ bales in $1925-26$ and $3,125,000$ bales in 1924-25takings not being available and the aggregate amounts taken by Northern $194-25$, of which $8,446,430$ bales and $9,065,738$ bales American. <br> $b$ Estimated. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| INDIA COTTON MOVEMENT FROM ALL PORTS.The receipts of India cotton at Bombay and the shipments from all India ports for the week and for the season from Aug. 1, as cabled, for three years, have been as follows: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { Aprill } 16 . \\ \text { Receipts at. } \end{gathered}$ |  |  | 25-26. |  | 1924-25. |  |  | 1923-24. |
|  |  |  | Week. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Since } \\ \text { Aug. } 1 . \end{gathered}$ | Week. | Sinc Aug. | We |  |
| Bombay.................. |  |  | 66000 | 2.734.c00 | 108.000 | 737. | 68.0 |  |
| Exportsfrom- | For the Week. |  |  | Total. | Since January 1. |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Great } \\ \text { Britain } \end{array}$ | Conti- nent | China |  | Great Britain. | Continent. | Japan \& China | Total |
| Bombay- | $\begin{aligned} & 2,000 \\ & 1,000 \\ & 7,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 19,000 \\ & 33,00 \\ & 16.000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 77,000 \\ & 69,000 \\ & 55,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 98,000 \\ 102,000 \end{gathered}$ | 37,00047.000130,000 | 413,000 1,372,000 1,822,000 438,000 1,329,000 1,814,000 $727,0001,230,0002.087,000$ |  |  |
| 1925 26-: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 8,000 | $\begin{aligned} & 20,000 \\ & 47,000 \\ & 36,000 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 20,000 \\ & 55,000 \\ & 36,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 88,000 \\ 65,000 \\ 110,000 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 387,00 \mathrm{c} \\ 32,000 \\ 391,000 \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 475,000 \\ & 385,000 \\ & 501,000 \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total all- $1925-26$ $1924-25$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2,000 \\ & 9,000 \\ & 7,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} 39,000 \\ 79,000 \\ 52.000 \end{array}\right\|$ | 77,000118,000 <br> 69,000 157,000 55000114000 |  | $\begin{aligned} & 125,000 \\ & 112,000 \end{aligned}$ | $800,0001,372,0002,297,000$ 758,000 1,329,000 2,199,000 |  |  |

[^5]of 39,000 bales during the week, and since Aug. 1 show an increase of 98,000 bales.
ALEXANDRIA RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS.-We now receive weekly a cable of the movements of cotton at Alexandria, Egypt. The following are the receipts and shipments for the past week and for the corresponding week of the previous two years.

| Alexandria, Egypt, Apr. 14. | 1925-26. |  | 1924-25. |  | 1923-24. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Receipts (cantars) <br> This week <br> Since Aug. | $\begin{array}{r} 50,000 \\ 7,091,394 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{r} 22,000 \\ 7.011,984 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{r} 50,000 \\ 6,151,615 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  |
| Exports (bates)- | This | $\begin{gathered} \text { Since } \\ \text { Aug. } 1 . \end{gathered}$ | This | $\begin{gathered} \text { Since } \\ \text { Aug. } 1 . \end{gathered}$ | This ${ }_{\text {Wheks }}^{\text {The }}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Since } \\ \text { Aug. } 1 . \end{gathered}$ |
| To Liverpool | 4,000 | 160,090 | 2,000 | 178. | 3,750 | 85,555 |
| To Manchester, \&c-- |  | 263,543 | 7,750 | 202,246 | 9,500 | 176,265 10,901 |
| To America------- | 8,000 | 131.187 | 300 | 116.412 |  | 98,889 |
| Total exports | 29,000 | 735.691 | 10.050 | 815.521 | 13.250 | 771.570 | Note.- A cantar is 99 lbs. Egyptian bales weigh about 750 lbs .

This statement shows that the receipts for the week ending Apr. 14 were
50,000 cantars and the foreign shipments 29,000 bales.
MANCHESTER MARKET.-Our report received by cable to-night from Manchester states that the market in cloths is dull but steady and in yarns is steady. Merchants are buying very sparingly. We give prices to-day and leave those for previous weeks of this and last year for comparison:

|  | 1926. |  |  |  |  | 1925. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} 32 s \text { Cop } \\ \text { Twtst. } \end{gathered}$ | 81/4 Lbs. Shith ings, Common to Finest. |  |  | Cotton <br> Middl' $a$ <br> $U p l$ 'ds | $\begin{gathered} 328 \text { Cop } \\ \text { Twist. } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 81, \text { Lbs. Shirt } \\ & \text { ings, Commmon } \\ & \text { to Finest. } \end{aligned}$ |  |  | Cotton <br> Middl' <br> Upl'ds |
| January- |  |  |  |  |  | 22 ${ }^{\text {a }}$ a $241 / 4$ |  |  |  |  |
|  | 17\%618\% | 144 | a14 | 5 | 10.76 | 22 1/204 | 16 |  | a17 0 | 12.87 |
| 29. | $161 / 20174 / 4$ | 144 | al4 |  | 10.63 | $22 \quad a 23 \%$ | 16 |  | a170 | 12.92 |
| February | 161/20171/2 |  |  |  | 10.80 | 221/a23 | 16 |  |  | 13.23 |
|  | 1635a17\% | 140 | a14 | 3 | 10.52 | 223/a241/2 | 167 |  | a17 2 | 13.28 |
|  | 161/217\% | 140 | al4 | - | 1057 | $221 / 3241 / 6$ | 172 |  | $a 174$ | 13.66 |
|  | 16 a171/2 | 140 | $a 14$ |  | 10.33 | $23 \quad 10241 / 2$ | 172 |  | $a 175$ | 13.94 |
|  | 15\%/6171/4 |  |  |  | 0.95 | 231/2a243/4 | 173 |  | $a 176$ | 14.37 |
| 12 | 15\%4170 | 133 | a13 |  | 9.90 | $231 / 4 a 241 / 2$ | 172 |  | $a 176$ | 1404 |
| 19 | 151/2a17 0 | 133 | $a 13$ | 6 | 10.08 | 23 a24 4 | 17 |  | $a 175$ | 14.08 |
|  | $151 / 2 a 170$ | 133 | $a 13$ |  | 10.16 | 223/4 $a 241 / 4$ | 17 |  | a17 4 | 13.88 |
|  | 151/2a17 0 |  |  |  | 10.16 |  | 17 |  | $a 174$ | 13.72 |
|  | 151/4a163/4 | 133 |  | 6 | 9.99 | 221/2a24 | 17 | , | $a 174$ | 13.23 |
|  | 15 a161/2 | 133 | $a 13$ | 6 | 10.13 | 221/4a233/4 | 17 |  | $a 174$ | 13.39 |

SHIPPING NEWS.-As shown on a previous page, the exports of cotton from the United States the past week have reached 159,063 bales. The shipments in detail, as made up from mail and telegraphic returns, are as follows:
NEW YORK-To Liverpool-Apr. 9-Alaunia, 1,938_..Apr. 9-Bales.
 $\begin{array}{rll}\text { To Oslo-Apr. } 14 \text {-Hellig Olav, } 200 \\ \text { HOUSTON-To Havre Apr 12- De la Salle, } 2,209 \text { Apr. } 8 & 893 \\ \end{array}$ To Dunkirk-Apr. 8-Cody, 50 - ${ }^{\text {Apr }}$ -
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { To Antwerp-Apr. 8-Cody, 150_Apr. 13-Skipton Castle, } \\ \text { To Ghent-Apr. 8-Cody, 347...Apr. 13-Skipton Castle, } & 273\end{array}$
To Ghent-Apr. 8 Cody, $347 . .$. Apr. 13 - Skipton Castle,





NEW ORLEANS-To Bremen-Apr. 7 -Alda, 4, 217 - - Apuistconck.
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To Liverpool-April $15-\mathrm{Maria}$ de Larrinaga, $1,8,305$; West
Ekonk, 4,030 ; Author
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { To Manchester-Apr. } 15 \text {-Author, } 125 \text {; Maria de Larrinaga, } & 9,693 \\ \text { 3,637; West Ekonk, 366 la Salle, } 2,635 \ldots \text { Apr. 15-Cody, } & 4128 \\ \text { To Hare Apr. 14-De } \\ \text { 5,774; Skipton Castle }\end{array}$
5,774, Skipton Castle, 3,481 ......................................................
To Ghent-Apr. 15 - Skipton Castle, 2,775; Cody, 303.
To Hamburg-Apr. 15 -Spar, 375 Aid, 2,080 ; Cripsi, 3,337 -
To Trieste-Apr. 15 -Generale Petitte, 100
To Naples-Apr. 15 -Generale Petitte,

Sicilian Prince, A,817-Media, 1.150; Manchester Com-
To Manchester-Apr. 10 Mere
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 To Genoa-Apr. 10 -City of st. Josepht, 400.

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COTTON FREIGHTS.- Current rates for cotton from New York, as furnished by Lambert \& Burro
as follows, quotations being in cents per pound:


LIVERPOOL.-By cable from Liverpool we have the following statement of the week's sales, stocks, \&c., at that port: Sales of the week-
Of which American

## Actual export Forwarded Total stock <br> Of which American Total imports <br> Of which An <br> of which American

000 bushels.
4 c., the latter On the 15 th inst. prices suddenly rose $11 / 2$ to 4c., the latter on May. Winnipeg was up $31 / 1$ to 4 c ., with
export sales estimated at $1,500,000$ to $2,000,000$ bushels, largely to the Continent, though England also bought. Com plaints of dry weather in the spring wheat belt of the North west also counted. Also, cold weather in the Southwest Prices were 12c. above the low point of last week. The market took realizing sales well. It had been oversold. Liverpool was so strong that it surprised the shorts. Buenos Liverpool was so strong that it surprised the shorts. Buenos
Aires rose $13 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. The premium for May over July moved up to $26 \frac{1}{2}$ c. Chicago July delivery is said to be the cheapest wheat in the world. Chicago is declared to be on a shipping basis to Liverpool all rail to New York. Facts of supply and demand were stressed by bulls. Domestic supplies are small. Lack of rain in South Dakota and a forecast of colder weather and reports of greatly delayed seeding hastened the rise. The Argentine Government's cron esti mate puts the $1925-26$ crop at $191,146,867$ bushels. The ex portable surplus on April 9 is estimated at 81.262 .539 bushels. Although last year's wheat crop falls $20 \%$ below the record crop of the season $1925-26$, it is still $4 \%$ above the average for the last ten years. Prices in the United Kingdom on the 13 th inst. were steady, with a moderate inquiry for Manitoba wheats and better buying of Argentine par cels by Germany, where native supplies are becoming scanty. European mills have had serious financial reverses in the past and are consequently very careful about making further purchases, although the statistical position is favorable to holders of wheat. Broomhall said that he is unable to suggest a wheat supply sufficient to meet the needs of Europe. He figures requirements from April 1 to July 31 at $240,000,000$ bushels, but sees a supply of 208,000 ,000 . He still presumes $72,000,000$ wheat yet to come from Argentina in spite of the official estimate last week suggesting only $81,000,000$ for the whole season. To-day prices ended 1 to $21 / \mathrm{c}$. lower, after touching a new high on this move early in the day for May and July. Warmer weather throughout the wheat country was the chief incentive for the selling. Another factor was that a report that 120,000 bushels of spring wheat had been sold to go from Minneapolis to Chicago, at $11 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. over old May. This took the edge off reported export sales of 800,000 to 900,000 bushels and Canadian rumors of $2,700,000$ bushels. The May-June difference at Chicago shrunk about 1c. May was sold against buying of July. The weather at the Northwest seemed rather more promising for an early opening of navigation. It looks as though the quantity on passage would show a noteworthy reduction. World shipments are not expected to be much above $10,000,000$ bushels, which suggests a rather large decrease in the visible supply on the 19 th inst. But warmer weather and fears of shipments from Minneapolis to Chicago overshadowed everything else. Farm reserves in Canada, too, were regarded as somewhat large. Final prices nevertheless show a rise for the week of 3 to $7 c$. , the latter on May.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT IN NEW YORK.
 DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT FUTURES IN CHICAGO. May delivery in elevator July delivery in elevator-
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Indian corm advanced on light receipts, bad weather, decreased visible supply and a rise at one time in weather, a the 12 th inst. the receipts at Chicago were only 130 cars. The American visible supply decreased last week 958,000 bushels, against $1,966,000$ last year. The total is $35,527,000$ bushels, against $30,761,000$ a year ago. Prices were bolstered most of all on the 13 th inst. by the advance in wheat. Corn advanced on that day $11 / 2$ to $17 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. Early in the week corn had no particular trend and those who tried the buying side became dissatisfied. Selling on the bulges was popular for quick turns. River Plate corn was held at 3 d . per quarter advance on the 12 th inst. in Liverpool and there was a good consumptive demand and quantities on passage are very meagre. New Argentine corn is freely offered and parcels are about 3d. lower. Liverpool cabled April 13 that there was a much better consumptive demand in the United Kingdom for feeding grains. Liverpool stocks of corn are $1,641,000$, against $2,219,000$ bushels last year. London gives sales of Argentine old corn afloat at 31s. 3d. per quarter. New corn for shipment next month 29 s . 3 d . to 29 s . 6d. per quarter. The Buenos Aires corn market last night closed quiet at $1 / 2 c$. decline. Weather fine and favorable. Rosario corn market closed quiet, unchanged, to $1 / 2 c$. lower. Later prices advanced $11 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. net with other grain higher and shorts covering freely. The market acted a bit oversold. Argen tine advices said that the weather had turned cold and dry which was favorable for conditioning the corn. Arrivals of new corn are increasing, but the foreign demand was small. To-day prices ended $3 / 4$ to 1c. lower after a steady opening The weather looked better. Commission houses were sellers. So were traders. The decline in wheat hurt corn. The cash demand was light. Country offerings increased. On the other hand, receipts were light, and towards the close shorts covered freely enough to cause a rally from the low
point of the day of $1 / 2 c$. Final quotations show an advance for the week of 2 to $2 \% / 4$.

DAILY OLOSING PRICES OF CORN IN NEW YORK.
 daily closing prices of corn futures in chicago


Oats were sustained early in the week by a decrease in the American visible supply of $1,362,000$ bushels, though in the same week last year the decrease was $2,980,000$ bushels. But the total is now down to $50,671,000$ bushels, against 58 , 306,000 a year ago. The steadiness of corn with its light receipts was to some extent a factor in the steadiness of oats. So was the firmness at one time of wheat. Later prices advanced $1 / 4$ to $3 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. with other grain higher and some export business said to have been done, though the report was not confirmed. To-day prices ended $1 / 4$ to $1 / 2$ c. lower Long selling was an outstanding feature. Lower prices for other grain also told. There is some buying on declines by commission houses. But seeding is making better progress favored by brighter weather. Receipts on the other hand are only moderate. It looks like quite a sharp reduction in the visible supply statement on Monday. There is little export business daily in oats as well as in rye and barley. But it is not large enough to be a factor in the making of prices. Final quotations show a rise for the week, however, of $1 / 4$ to $3 / 4 \mathrm{c}$.

## DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS IN NEW YORK

No. 2 white. $\begin{array}{ccccccc}\text { cts_ } 521 / 2 & \text { Mon. } & \text { Tues. Wed. Thurs. Fri. } & 53 & 53 & 531 / 2 & 531 / 2\end{array}$ DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS FUTURES IN CHICAGO May delivery in elevator------cts_ Juy delivery in elevator
DAILY CLOSING PRIOES OF May delivery in elevator
July delivery in elevator---


Rye has been dull and ear解 visible supply decreased last vemand. The American against an increase in the same week last year of 188,000 bushels. The total is now $13,300,000$ bushels, against 20 066,000 a year ago. Later prices advanced $11 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. with ru mors of export business, but not confirmed. The decided rise in other grain, however, helped to put up rye. To-day prices reaction in other grain. Wheat dominated with a noticeable reaction in other grain. Wheat dominated it more than anything else. Export sales were small. The Continent took a little. It was not enough to have any influence. Speculation is purely a professional and local affair. Out siders pay no attention to it. To give the market real snap it will be necessary to have a big foreign demand. There is no sign of it now. Final prices show a rise, however, for the week in response to the advance in other grain of about 2c

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF RYE FUTURES IN CHICAGO. $\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { May delivery in elovator-.....cts. } & \text { Sat. } & \text { Mon. } & \text { Tues. } & \text { Wed. } & \text { Thurs. } & \text { Fri. } \\ \text { Jiver }\end{array}$

Closing quotations were as follows: GRAIN.
Wheat, New York-
No. 2 red f.o.b--
No. 2 hard winter, f.o.b...-1. None
Oorn, New Yorke, 3 whe, New York-
No. 2 yellow (new)
No. Y.... 89
No. 3 yellow

## FLOUR.



The visible supply of grain, comprising the stocks in granary at principal points of accumulation at lake and seaboard ports Saturday, April 10, were as foilows:

| GRAIN STOCKS. |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| United States- | Wheat, bush. | Corn. bush. |  |  |  |
| New York | 405,000 | 48,000 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { bush. } \\ & 688,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { bush. } \\ & 211,000 \end{aligned}$ | bush. |
| Boston- |  | 13,000 | $8,000$ | $\begin{array}{r} 211,000 \\ 6,000 \end{array}$ |  |
| Baltimore | 3927,000 | 106,000 224,000 | 494,000 50 | 23,000 | 21,000 |
| Newport News |  |  | 50,000 24,000 | 39,000 | 5,000 |
| New Orleans. | 201,000 | 207,000 | 77,000 |  |  |
| Gualveston. | 248,000 |  |  | 14,000 |  |
| ${ }_{\text {Toledo }}$ | $1,656,000$ 654,000 | $2,542,000$ 350,000 | 1,282,000 | 32,000 | 302,000 |
| Tole ${ }^{\text {a }}$--afl | 654,000 245,000 |  | 199,000 | 8,000 | 4,000 |
| Detroit_ | 165,000 | 40,000 | 140,000 | 15,000 |  |
| Chicago--- | 2,251,000 | $\begin{array}{r}18,811,000 \\ 1,741 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 5,217,000 | 2,963,000 | 384,000 |
| Milwaukee | 312,000 | $\begin{aligned} & 1,741,000 \\ & 1,486,000 \end{aligned}$ | $1,969,000$ $1,130,000$ |  | 11900 |
|  | 205,000 | 1,92,000 | $1,128,000$ 128,000 | 185,000 166,000 | 19,000 |
| Duluth. | $\begin{gathered} 9,799,000 \\ 150,000 \end{gathered}$ |  | 11,724,000 | 5,664,000 | 643,000 |
| Minneapolis | 6,423.000 | 593,000 | 19,296,000 | 3,597,000 |  |
| Stoux City | 244,000 | 213.000 |  |  |  |
| St. Louls | 739.000 | 958.000 | 711.000 | 12,000 | 21,000 47,000 |
| Kansas | 3,059,000 | $5.061,000$ 24,000 | 3,057,000 | 133,000 | 66,000 |
| St. Jose | 1,090,000 | 381,000 | 15,000 | 6,000 |  |
| Peoria | 1,000 | 87,000 | 612,000 |  | 2.000 |



 Note.-Bonded grain not included above: Oats, New York, 156,000 bushels:
Boston, 101,$000 ;$ Baltimore, 72,$000 ;$ Buffalo, 97,$000 ;$ Duluth, 110,$000 ;$ total, 536,000 bushels, against 455,000 bushels in 9125 . Barley, New York, 235,000 bushels;
Boston, 306,$00 ;$ Baltimore, 32,$000 ;$ Buffalo, 376,$000 ;$ Duluth, 136,000 ; total 1,085,000 bushels, against 547,000 bushels in 1925 . Wheat, New York, 949,000 o00; Duluth, 392,000 ; Toledo, 280,000 ; total, $4,515,000$ bushels, against $5,440,000$
bushels in 1925 . bushels in 1925.
Canadian

| Montreal.---.----.-.- $3,460,000$ | 146,000 | 1,029,000 | 122,000 | 1,014,000 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ft. William \& Pt. Arthur $42,068,000$ |  | 6,510,000 | 1,806,000 | . 6069,000 |
|  |  | 511,000 |  | 127,000 |
| 4,874,000 |  | 1,139,000 | 57,000 | 704,000 |
| Total April 10 1926 .-.-56,220,000 | 146,000 | 9,189,000 | 1,985,000 |  |
| Total April $31926 \ldots-5^{\text {a }}$, 689,000 | 134,000 | 9.537,000 | 2,004,000 | 8,048,000 |
| Total April 11 1925 _--41,789,000 | 168,000 | 19,748,000 | 2,317,000 | 7,504,000 |



COMMENTS ON APRIL 1 WINTER WHEAT AND RYE REPORT.-The United States Department of Agriculture at Washington on April 9 in issuing its report showing the condition of winter wheat and rye on April 1, which was published in full in our issue of last Saturday, also made public the following comments:
Winter Wheat.-On the whole, the winter has been favorable for winter
wheat. and prospects show substantial improvement since last fall. On Wheat, and prospects show substantial improvement since last fall. On
April the condition of the crop was reported as $84.1 \%$ of normal. During the past ten years the average condition on that date has been only $79.2 \%$. December condition. Although the plants are small in the winter wheat belt, they have generally stooled well and have a good root growth.
Reports from the northern strip of the belt state that much of the crop
is still under snow. Due chiely to tate osowing and to cold weather during March the condition of winter wheat is reported as quite low practically everywhere east or the Mississipi River and north of the Ohio River. A
low condition is estimated for Ohio, Indiana and Ilitiois, where it is 2.6
and 9 points. restectively, below average. West oo the Missisitpl the and 9 Doints. respectively, below average. West of the Mississippo the
condition on April 11 was well above the ten-year average for that time or the year except in Missouri, South Dakota and California, and in the latter
State good rains have fallen since the first of the monti. State good rains have fallen since the firrst of the month.
In the Southwest and as far north
recently been favored with good rains. The Pacific Northwest crop has favored by warm weather and the crop has made an unusually good start. Rye.- Rye is raised mostly in the northern tier of states and adajacent
ones on the south, in a region largely under snow on April The crop was mostly sown late last fall and, like winter wheat, entered the
 average of $86.6 \%$. Favorable weather may cause much improvement.

WEATHER BULLETIN FOR THE WEEK ENDED APRIL 13.-The general summary of the weather bulletin issued by the Department of Agriculture, indicating the influence of the weather for the week ended April 13, follows: The week was characterized by a continuation of unsettled, showery. country. At the beginning a depression was central over northwestern
Texas, with high barometer readings in most of the North. Temperafures were subnormal in the latter area, but warm weather for the speason portions of the central Gulf states, and thence northeastward over the Middle Atlantic area, attended by widespread precipitation from the
Great Plains eastward with some heavy rains in the lower Missouri and Great Plains
Ohio valleys
On Wednesday, the 7th, another disturbance was charted off the central Cailiornia coast and rains had again set in over central and southern dis tricts west of the Rockies, terminating in further heary falls in California.
Los Angeles reported 2.66 inches of rainfall for the 24 hours anding $5 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. April 8 and, at the same time, the amounts were large in the interior of the State. In the meantime, high pressure and much cooler
weather had overspread the central and eastern portions of the country weather had overspread the central and eastern portions of the country
and during the latter part of the week, pressure was low in the south and
relatively high in the North causing a continuation reatively high in the North, causing a continuation of cloudy and wet
weather in most sections east of the Rockies, with abnormally low temperatures in more eastern districts.
Chart I shows that the average temperature for the week was subnormal
from the Rio Grande Valley northeastward over the Lake region and North Atlantic states. It was especially cool from central Texas and eastern New Mexico to the extreme lower Missouri Valley where the weekly mean temperatures were from 6 deg. to as much as 12 deg. below normal, and
also in the interior of the Northeast where like deficiencies are shown was warmer than normal in the southeastern States, in the Northwest, and generally west of the Rocky Mountains. While the weather was rathe persistently cool in the interior and southwest, no unusually low tempera-
tures occurred during the week, as freezing did not extend farther south
the tures occurred during the week, as freezing did not extend farther south
than the highlands of eastern Kentucky and southern Missouri. The lowest temperature reported from a f irrst order Weather Bureau station was
6 deg. above zero at Northfield, Vt. 6 deg. above zero at Northrield, vt
Chart II shows that precip
practically all sections east or the the Mississippi River, and also in the try in
Mississippi States from Mise amounts estates from Missouri and southern Kansas southward. The parts of the Ohio 2 inches in much of the southern Great Plains and especially in California, but in the more northern States fre far West. ing an inapreciable week was generally fair with many stations reportof sunshine in most northern districts, but much cloudy wabundance vailed in the South, especially in the northwestern portion of the Cot middequent rains during the week further retarded farm work from the middle Great Plains and lower Missouri Valley seuthward, and also in
most sections east of the Mississippi River. However, the week was fairly
favorable in the Sol favorable in the South Atlantic and East Gull States from Virn fairly Alabama and considerable plowing and planting was accomplished in whas possible in the Ohio Valley and the southern trans-Mississippi States, Most of the week was fair in the western upper Lake region and in the ventral-Northern states where work made better progress, and there was latter area is becoming dry, however twith northern Great Plains. The
ally in northwestern Iowa and from Nebrasks notred quite gener$\stackrel{ }{\text { brde }}$ that est of the Rocky Mountains conditions were very favorable, except southern portions of this area generous rains further in the central and cultural outlook. with the range showing marked betterment over mosi ocal damage by heavy rains, but this was negligible compared was some benerit that wiil be derived from the increased moisture.
SMALL GRAINS. The cool, wet weather has some
 tions have been very favorable. The condidion of the crop insas condi-
and Texas is very good to excellent. In Kansas wheat was benoma
by the rain and is now jointing in the extreme south, while in Nebraska
condition is very good, but rain is needed. In Missouri and the Ohio
Valley there has been little change in condition. In the Dakotas seeding Valley there has been little change in condition. In the Dakotas seeding oats are fair to very good and seeding spring oats and barley is active
in the northern Plains resion, but very backward in the central valleys.
The weather during the winter was, in general, favorable for winter The weather during the winter was, in general, favorable for winter
Wheat and the crop came through in good condition in most sections. In the extreme lower Missouri and the Ohio Valleys seeding last fall was con-
siderably delayed, because of continued wet weather, and much of that gown late did not get a good start before winter set in. The late-seeded at the beginning of spring was in rather poor condition, but from Texas
northward to Nerraska, which area includes the heaviest producing sec-
tion of the country, winter weather conditions were northward to Nebraska, which area includes the heaviest producing sec-
tion of the country, winter weather conditions were unusually favorable
for the crop. The Department of Agriculture reports the condition of
wheat, as of April 1, to be $84.1 \%$ of normal, which is the best showing Wheat, as of April 1, to be $84.1 \%$ of normal, which is the best showing
at that time of the year since 1921 .
CORN. Very litile preparation for corn planting was accomplished durIng the week in the interior of the country because of wet soli and cool Missouri Valleys and in the southern Great Plains, but in Iowa work was the western portion of the State. Some planting was arccomplished in the
Southwest. but generally from the lower Mississippi Valley westward this work was practically at a standstill, with the cool, wet weather unfavorplanted as far north as eastern North Carolina, butt at this season in an
average year planting begins as far north as southern Virginia, extreme average year planting begins as far north as
southern $11 l i n o i s, ~ a n d ~ c e n t r a l-e a s t e r n ~ K a n s a s . ~$
eastern portion of the belt where farm work made some advance. though planting was mostly retarded. Good progress was made in seeding in outhern Alabama, and this work was becoming general in central and
southern Georgia and progressing in South Carolina. Poor to only fair
Pe stands are reported from Florida and much replanting is necessary. West
of the Mississippi River very little additional planting could be accom-
plished during the week because of persistently cool, wet weather, and the plished during the week because of persistently cool, wet weather, and the
early-seeded is not germinating well The crop made very good progress
n extreme southern Texas, but poor elsewhere in that State, and very ittle has as yot been planted in oklahoma.
The Weather Buren
the weather Bureau also furnishes the following resume Vire conditions in the different States:
rogress in plowing: farm work well in hand, except in southeast where retarded. Favorable for winter grains. Potatoes coming up. Early fruit North Carolina. - Raleight Week closed cold and rainy; rainfall heavy in east, but weather favorable until Saturday with good progress in farm
work. Season for early planting about two weeks late. Some coln work. Season for early planting about two weeks late. Some coln planted in east and some cotton in southern coastal
slow progress: potatoes coming up to irregular stands.
South Carolina.-Columbia, Intermittent rains and warmer weather favorable for growth and ail vegetation shows marked improvement. cereals and truck thriving. Cotton, corn, and potato planting progress
ing; some cotton and corn sprouted along coast. Tree fruits fair to good, ootwithstanding recent freeze.
Georgia.-Atlanta: Temperatures favorable, but frequent showers
keeping soil too wet in many counties; falm work made fair progress, however. Planting cotton and corn becoming general over central and southern divisions; some up. Early corn poor and much reseeded. Bedding ing and con
Florida.- Jacksonville: Heavy rains and wet soil delayed farm work in o only fair stands and much replanting necessary Corn and to only fair stands and much replanting necessary. Oats improved; set-
ting tobacco general. Citrus groves excellent; heavy bloom. Moderate
shipments of tomatoes and other truck from south. hipments of tomatoes and other truck from south
Alabama.- Montgomery: Warm with three
Alabama.-Montgomery: Warm with three fair days and remainder
Faim work retarded locally. Cotton planting good progress howery. Faim work retarded locally. Cotton planting good progress
in most sections of south and beginning in middle; none planted in north,
but ground being prepared: some coming up in south but ground being prepared; seme coming up in south. Corn planting
quite general.
Petatoes coming up in south; planting continues bint quite general. Potatoes coming up in south; planting continues, but trans-
planting sweets not begun. Peaches surviving March freezes doing well Mississippi.-Vicksburg: Moderate to heavy rains; cold Thursday and Monday nights. Wet, cold soil adversely affected cotton and corn plant-
ing with seasonal progress only poor. Progress of pastures mostly good.
Louisiana.-New Orleans: Moderate to heavy rains further delayed planting, and farm work considerably behind season. Much corn to be be
planted or teplanted and progress in growing poor. Poor progress in

Texas.-Houston: Moderate to excessive rains at middle of week, exept in extreme south, stopped farm work. Progress and condition of damage severe in Laredo onion district on 6th. Progress and condition of corn and spring truck poor with stands irregular. Progress and conoor germ excent so extreme Oklahoma.-Oklahoma City: Cold, with moderate to heavy rains,
caused suspension of most farm activities and vegetation made little caused suspension of most farm activities and vegetation made little rood to excellent condition; oats, potatoes, pastures and alfalfa good; un-
avorable for germination of corn and some replanting necessary. Livetock water plentiful.
Arkansas. Litle
Arkansas.-Litle Rock: Moderate precipitation in east and south
Rorable, but farm work delayed elsewhere by heavy rains. Some cotton and considerable coin planted, but cold, cloudy weather unfavorable, especially for cotton. Very favorable for wheat, oats, rye, meadows, pastures, and truck. Much land ready for so
in south, but killed in most of northern half.
ideraole rain. Farm work backward. Unfavorable for planting corn; some wheat and oats improved, but much is dormant. Early tobacco average stand. Truck and vegetables poor.
Kentucky. Louisville: Generally cold and wet and everything backard. Little plowing or planting and much of potato crop has not been planted. Some oats up; acreage reduced by bad weather, forir: con-
plants coming up slowly, Condition of early-planted wheat fair
tinues to improve, but considerable late wheat being plowed up. Pastures, tinues to improve, but considerable late wheat be
alfalfa, and rye improving; much clover resown.

## THE DRY GOODS TRADE.

Friday Night, Apr. 161926.
Encouragement derived from the successful termination of the rug and carpet auction was negligible and other divisions of the textile markets continued lethargic during the past week. Last Saturday the Alexander Smith \& Sons Carpet Co. completed their auction wherein a total of 95,217 bales of rugs and carpetings were sold for $\$ 5,900,000$. The last two days were said to have been particularly active when larger buyers added their bids, making possible a successful close. On Monday the company conducting the sale issued their price lists covering production for the fall season. Compared with the previous levels of Nov. 2, quotations ranged from unchanged to $\$ 140$ lower. It was announced that the company will guarantee these prices against a decline until Oct. 1, but will impose a $10 \%$ increase on the lowered prices after June 15. The latter action has afforded a better outlook for the second half of the
season. As in various other sections of the textile markets, plans for curtailment of production have been progressing. For instance, the Stephen Sanford mills are operating three days a week and other companies were said to be considering a like move. The only factor retarding such a schedule is the hope for higher prices, primarily based upon the firm showing made at the Smith auction, and especially prices for the higher grades of merchandise. After the close of the sale, buyers were scarce and the market slipped back into quietness. A better interest is expected to develop fter the beginning of next month. In regard to silks, conditions continued dull and in some instances fabrics were sold at substantial concessions. Openings of fall lines are expected about the end of the current month, although the general tendency is to delay them as long as possible, owing to uncertainties concerning values and buyer's desire to operate as closely as possible. Lower prices are expected and various opinions place the average recession between 10 and $15 \%$.
DOMESTIC COTTON GOODS: Markets for domestic cotton goods continued quiet and showed little change in trend during the week. Buyers, interested only in fillingin orders, limited their contracts to the smallest lots possible. No increase in demand is expected until the advent broader activity in retail channels. In the meantime, plans for the curtailment of production have been furthered 0 as to avoid accumulations of stocks. Many mills have already reduced operations and others are considering the advisability of stopping mills at least two days a week. However, the process has been slow and has not been making progress fast enough to appreciably affect prices. The reeling that if sales were pressed, lower prices would be nevitable, had more of an effect than did the talk of curtailment. Nevertheless, despite the foregoing, the Census Bureau reported bales of lint cotton consumed during March as 634,593 , against 567,244 in February and 583,407 bales during March 1925. The former is the largest amount on record and exceeded the heretofore matchless total of 623,105 bales in March 1923. Also, active spindles were larger than at any time during 1925 , numbering $33,233,382$. All of these figures were very puzzling to the trade and were variously interpreted. Some believed that this increase of nearly $12 \%$ in consumption explained the furtherance of plans for curtailment; also why leaders of the industry believe that steps must be taken to prevent a further accumulation of goods. Others preferred to consider it as an evident sign that recent complaints of slowness have been greatly exaggerated. The latter believe that the consumption of a nation numbering approximately 115 million persons and increasing at the rate of about $1,500,000$ a year must be huge, whether the buying is done in small lots at short intervals or vice versa. With wages and the standard of living of the people in this country the highest in the world, it must follow that they buy proportionately. A meeting of manufacturers and merchants will be held at Spartanburg, S. C., starting to-day (Friday, 16th inst.) to discuss the need of curtailment. Another will be held at Boston, Mass., by the National Cotton Manufacturers Association, at which the state of trade will be considered at an open forum. Print cloths, 28 -inch, $64 \times 64$ s construction, are quoted at $57 / 8 \mathrm{c}$, and 27 -inch, $64 \times 60$ 's, at $5 \% / 8 \mathrm{c}$. Gray goods in the 39 -inch, $68 \times 72$ 's construction, are quoted at $83 / 4 \mathrm{c}$., and 39 -inch, $80 \times 80^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$, at $111 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.
WOOLEN GOODS: Conditions in the markets for woolens and worsteds have been quiet and irregular. While sales of men's wear fabries have not been large, they have more than equaled the total for women's wear. In the latter division, labor troubles at mills operating in the Passaic and Garfield districts forced the postponement of their fall openings until the latter part of the current week. Illustrative of the intense efforts to stimulate buying was the action of the American Woolen Co. in increasing from 5 to $7 \%$ the rebate on business in excess of one million dollars. Thus far, buying of spring merchandise has been very spotty and clothing retailers have been holding off their sales hoping that in the event of warmer weather they would be able to sell the goods at their original mark-uns. It was reported that an early selling movement would be launched in men's wear summer clothing. Particular stress will probably be laid upon new patterns and weaves. A general advertising campaign will commence about May 15.
FOREIGN DRY GOODS: A further decrease in demand was noted in most sections of the linen markets. While the outlook was conceded to be favorable, current orders have failed to encourage factors. This was particularly true in the handkerchief division where, with the passsing of the Easter season, merchants have found their sales steadily dwindling. However, some orders were received for filling-in purposes. During the week, many complaints were heard throughout the trade. Notable among these were allegations that local buyers were losing their sense of intrinsic values coincident with the steady disappearance of the old school of buyers. As to foreign conditions, reports from Belfast told of improving demand, especially for dress linens. It was also claimed that in some instances Czechoslovakian mills were sold through July. Burlaps were dull, owing to holidays in the Calcutta market. Forward orders have continued conspicuous by their absence. Light weights are quoted at 7.00 to 7.05 c ., and heavies at 9.70 c .

## State axd dity Repraxtment

## MUNICIPAL BOND SALES IN MARCH

We present herewith our detailed list of the municipal bond issues put out during the month of March, which the crowded condition of our columns prevented our publishing at the usual time.

The review of the month's sales was given on page 2086 of the "Chronicle" of April 10. Since then several belated March returns have been received, changing the total for the month to $\$ 114,195,418$. The number of municipalities
issuing bonds in March was 345 and the number of separate issues 455


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| 1931-1942 | 30.000 | 100 | 4.50 |
| 1928-1959 | 1.811.000 | 100.35 | 4.23 |
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1507.-Manatee Co. S. D. No. 1507_Manatee Co. S. D. No. 1507_Manatee Co. S. D. No. 5 , 2248 Maple Heights, Ohio....
1952
1952_-Marthall, Mich.-. Martin Co., No. Caro
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$5.000 \quad 100.008$



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1024 $\begin{array}{llll}1928-1952 & 600,000 & 90.10 & 6.14\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llll}1928-1955 & 2,350,000 & 97.21 & 6.27 \\ 2-10 \text { years } & 100,000 & 100.06 & -.27\end{array}$ | $1926-1932$ | 17.500 | 10.034 | 100.16 | 4.43 |
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AURORA WATER DISTRICT NO. 3, Adams County, Colo--BOND
DESCRIPTION.-The $\$ 20,0006 \%$ water extension bonds purchased by Donald F . Brown \& Co. of Denver- $V$. 122, p . 1504 are described as Dollows: Dated Jan. 1, 1926 Denom. $\$ 1,000$. Due $\$ 4,000,1927$ to 1931 ,
incl. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. \& J.), payable at the town treasurer's
ffice or in New York City. Legality approved by Pershing, Nye, Talloffice or in New York City.
Actual Valuation, 1925, official
$\$ 4,517,316$
$1,355,195$
323,250
Total Bonded Debt
Population, 1925 , of $\bar{c} \bar{c}-\overline{1}, \overline{2}, \overline{5} 0$
AUSTIN, Travis County, Texas.-BOND ELECTION.-On May 15 ting $\$ 250,000$ $\$ 150,000$ school bonds.
100,000 hospital bonds AVERY COUNTY, (P. O. Newland) No. Car -BOND SALE.--
W. R. Parkin and C. W. McNear \& Co. both of Chicago, jointly, recently purchased an issue of $\$ 50,0006 \%$ county bonds. Legality approved by N INDEPENDENT
BATSONDN VOTED.-At a recent election the voters authorized the BEDFORD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Taylor County, Owa.-BONDS VOTED.-At the election held on April $5-\mathrm{V}$. 122 , p.
1660 - the voters authorized the issuance of $\$ 160,000$ school bonds by a bajority of 112 .
BENKELMAN, Dundy County, Neb.-BONDS DEFEATED.-The
proposition of issuing $\$ 185,000$ water works bonds, submitted to the proposition of issuing $\$ 185,000$ water works bonds, submitted to the
voters at the election held on April $6-\mathrm{V} .122$, p. 1949 -failed to carry. BERNALILLO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Chililo) for the purpose of voting on the question of issuing $\$ 4,500$ school bonds, BERRIEN COUNTY (P. O. St. Joseph), Mich.-BOND SALE.-On March 5 the following three issues of special assessment bonds, aggregating
$\$ 236,610$ offered on that date (V. 122, p. 1350 ) were awarded to the
Detroit Trust Co. of Detroit, and Braun, Bosworth \& Co., of Cincinnati, as $41 / 2 \mathrm{~s}$ at 100.01 :
$\$ 78,000$ Road District No. 41 bonds. 57,750 Road District No. 63 bonds.
100.760 Road District No. 69 bonds.
Due serially one to ten years
BIRDVILLE COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT, Tarrant County, Tex- - BONDS VOTED.-At the election, held on April $3-V$.
1660 - the voters authorized the issuance of $\$ 12,000$ school bonds.
1660 -the voters authorized the issuance of $\$ 12,000$ school
BIRMINGHAM, Jefferson County, Ala.-BOND SALE.-The $\$ 300.000$ public improvement bonds offered on Apri1
were awarded to Caldwell \& Co.. of Nashville, as $41 / 2 \mathrm{~s}$ at 100.40 , a basis
Dat of about $4.42 \%$. Dated May 1 1926. Due $\$ 30,000$ May 11927 to 1936, BLANCHARD AND LIBERTY, Hancock County, Ohio-BOND OFFERING.-Sealed bids will be recerved untín 12 m . April Sections $\mathrm{C}-2$ and $\mathrm{C}-3$ bonds. Denom. $\$ 1,000$ except one for $\$ 875$. Date
April 11926 Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. \& O.) payable at the office of the County Treasurer. Due on Oct. 1 as follows: $\$ 5,000,1927$ to 1933
incl. $\$ 6,000,1934$, and $\$ 5,750,1935.1$ Certified check, on a solvent bank
for $\$ 500$ required. Legality approved by Squire, Sanders \& Dempsey of for $\$ 500 \mathrm{r}$
BOONE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6 (P. O. Cedar Rapids), Neb.-BONDS DEFEATED. - The proposition of issuing $\$ 60,000$ school Nonds, submitted to the
b. 1949 -failed to carry.
p. 1949 -failed to carry.

BOWIE, Montague County, Tex--BOND OFFERING.-Sealed bids
will be received until 7.30 p. April 20 for $\$ 30.0005 \%$ city bonds. will be received until 7.30 p . M. April 20 for $\$ 30$
nom. $\$ 750$. Due $\$ 750 \mathrm{Mar}$. 1927 to 1965 incl.

BRADFORD, McKean County, Pa.-BOND OFFERING.-Sealed bids will be received until 5 p. m . May 3 by E . C. Charlton, City Clerk, for
$\$ 10,000$ coupon bridge bonds. Denom. $\$ 1,000$. Due $\$ 1,000$ April 151927 to 1936 , optional April 151931 . Certified check for $5 \%$ required
BROCKTON, Plymouth County, Mass.-TEMPORARY LOAN.The National Shawmut Bank of Boston purchased a $\$ 300,000$ loan on a $3.55 \%$ discoun.
BRODHEAD, Green County, Wis.-BONDS VOTED.-At the election held on April 6-V. 122 , p. 1949 -the voters authorized the iss
$\$ 25,0005 \%$ sewerage bonds by a count of 342 for to 281 against.
BRONXVILLE, Westchester County, N. Y.-BOND OFFERING.Clerk, for the following two issues of $41 / 2 \%$ bonds aggregating $\$ 51,000$ : $\$ 44,500$ street improvement bonds. Denom. $\$ 1,000$ and $\$ 300$. Due on
May 1 as follows: $\$ 33,000$ 1927 to 1936 , inel., and $\$ 2,3001937$ to 1941, incl.
6.500 sanitary sewer bonds. Denom. $\$ 500$. Due $\$ 500$ May 11930 Dated May 1 1926. Certified check for $2 \%$ of the bonds bid for, payable to the Village Treasurer, required. Legality approved by Thomson, BROWARD COUNTY (P, O. Fort Lauderdale), Fla.-BOND OFFERreceive seale $H$. Bryan, Cli m. May 10 for $\$ 500,00051 / \mathrm{F} \%$ coupon' highway bonds. Date July 1 1925. Denom. S1,000. Due July 1 as follows: $\$ 10,000,1935$ to 1939 incl.; $\$ 20,000,1940 ; \$ 30,000$, 1941 to 1943 incl.;
$\$ 40,000,1944$, and $\$ 60,000,1945$ to 1949 incl. Prin. and int. $\$$ J.)
payable in $N$. $Y$. City. The bonds will be prepared under the supervision payable in N. Y. City. The bonds will be prepared under the supervision
of the U. S. Mtge. \&rust Co. N. Y. City, which will certify as to the
genuineness of the signatures of the county officials and the seal impressed genuineness or the signatures or the county orficials and the seal impressed A certified check for $2 \%$ of the bonds bid for is required.
BROWARD COUNTY SPECIAL TAX SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1
(P.O. Fort Lauderdale), Fla.-BOND OFFERING.-James S. Rickards, Sec. Board of Public Instruction, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. April 26 for $\$ 65,0006 \%$ school bonds. Date May 1 , 1926 . Denom
$\$ 1,000$. Due May 1 as follows: $\$ 2,000,1929$ to 1944 incl., and $\$ 3,000$ 1945 to 1955 incl. Prin. and int. (M. \& N.) payable at the Hanover National Bank, N. Y. City. Legality approved by Thomson, Wood \&
Hoffman, N. Y. City. A certified check for $2 \%$ of the bonds bid for is required
CALEDONIA, Houston County, Minn.-BONDS VOTED.-At
recent election the voters authorized the issuance of $\$ 30,000$ well bonds.
CARLETON, Thayer County, Neb.-BONDS DEFEATED.-The proposition of issuing $\$ 28,000$ water-works bonds submitted to the vote of
the people at the election held on April $6-\mathrm{V} .122, \mathrm{p} .1949$-failed to carry CHAMBERS COUNTY (P. O. Anahuac), Tex.-BOND SALE.-The State Board of Education purchased on April 1 an issue of $\$ 5,0006 \%$ coupon school bonds at par. Date Jan. 11926.
$\$ 1,000,1927$ to 1931 incl. Interet payable Jan. 1 .
CHARLESTON, Mississippi County, Mo.-BOND SALE.-The following $\%$ of $\$ 3,39040$, equal to 104.16. Due serially April 11935 to 1946, incl $\$ 46,000$ waterworks bonds. Due serially Apris 1935 to 1946,
30,000 sewer bonds. Due serially April 1935 to 1946 incl.
5.500 fire equipment bonds. Due April 11931.
Date April 1 1926. Other bidders were:

Bidders
Kaufman
Smith \& Co
Price Bid.

CHARLOTTE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 (P. O. Punta on March 15-V. 122, p. 1203 -were awarded to Vandersall \& Co. of Toledo. Date Jan. 1 1926. Due $\$ 8.000,1927$ to 1951 incl.

CHAVES COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 20 (P. O. Lake Arthur)解 $\$ 30,000$ school bonds by count of 92 for to 3 against.
CHENEYVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3 (P. O. Alexand
Rapies Parish, La. BOND oFFERING. -W. J. Avery, Secretary Parish
8chool Board, will receive sealed bids until May 4 for $\$ 12,500$ school bonds CHESTER COUNTY (P. O. Miles City), Mont.-BOND DESCRIPDickey Co. of Minneapolis at 100.73 bridge bonds awarded to the Wells $5.16 \%$ are described as follows: Dated Apric p. 1920 . a basis of about
Due $\$ 2,500,1927$ to 1946, Inc. Int. payable J. \& J. CINCINNATI SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O Ci
 Stuart \& Co. and A. B. Leach \& Co., both or ©hice awarded to Halsey
 CLAY COUNTY SPECIAL ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT No.
(P. O. Green Cove Springs), Fla. AND
coupon road

 CLEVELAND SPECIAL SCHOOL TAXING DISTRICT (P. O Salisbury), Rowan County, No. Caro. BXING DISTRICT (P. O. OMD OFFERING, Max

 hoyt, New York City.
Cots were recerved Norfolk County, Mass.-BONDS OFFERED.-Sealed $4 \%$ school bonds. until 5 p. m . April 15 by the Town Treasurer for $\$ 112,000$
41926 . Due in 1927 to 1946 incl. COLEMAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Moody County,
So. Dak.
BOND the purpose of voting on the question of itssuing $\$ 12,000$, not exceeding $5 \%$
school bonds. G. Joseph Lieser. District Clerk. COLEMAN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Coleman County,
Tex. $-B O N D$ SALE. H. ©. Burt \& Co. of Austin recently purchased an ssue of $\$ 23,000$ school bonds at a premium of $\$ 500$, equal to purchased an COLLETON COUNTY (P. O. Waiterboro), So. Caro.-NOTE
 nifed check for $\$ 1,000$ is required.
CoLUMBIA FALLS, Flathead County, Mont.-BOND SALE.The $\$ 26,000$ water bonds offered at public auction on April $12-V A L$. 12 .
p. 161 ,
at par. -were awarded to the State Board of Land Commissioners as 5 s ,
COLUMBUS, Cherokee County, Kan.-BONDS DEFEATED.-The
 COLVILL, Cook County, Minn.-BOND OFFERING.-James A Kinney, Town Corrk, will recelve sealed bids until 2 p. m. m. Arames A. A.
$\$ 2,100$. $\%$ refunding bonds. Interest payable semi-annually ( J . \& J.). CONCORD, Merrimack County, N. H.-TEMPORARY LOAN.-On apr loan orfered on that thatzer date (V. 122, poston purchased the $\$ 089$ ) on a $3.67 \%$ discount basis
are
plus a premium of $\$ 125$. COOTEVILL $\$ 125$.
COOKEVILLE, Putnam County, Tenn.-BOND SALLE,-Caldwell
\& Co. of Nashvile recently purchased an issue of $\$ 15,0005 \%$ street im
provement
 CORDELL, Washita County, Okla.-BONDS VOTED.-At the elec-
ton held on Aprit 6-V. 122 , p. 1949 the voters authorized the issuance
of $\$ 42.0005 \%$ school bonds by a of $\$ 42.0005 \%$ school bonds by a count of 331 for to 285 against. Aprill 15 an election Lyon County, Minn.-BOND ELId for the purpose of voting on the question
of issuing $\$ 50.000$ school bonds. CRANDON, Forest County, Wis.-BOND ELECTION POSTPONED for the purpose of voting on the election which was to be held on April 6
bonds (V. 62 , 1 issuing $\$ 30.000$ water-works bonds (V. 122, p. 1815) has been postponed to some time in May.
CRANSTON, Providence County, R. I.-BONDS OFFERED- Sealed




 There they may be Inspected at any time. Bonds wilt be the delvored bank, to the
purchaser on or about May 31926 at the First National Bank, Boston:

## March 311926.




Net debt *

* Of this amount si.316.00 in sundry bonds and notes is exempted from debt limit by Leeisiature. a To be paid from proceeds of this issue.
Population, estimated, 32,000 .
CROOKSTON, Cherry County, Neb--BOND SALE.-The Unted
Btates Bond Co. of Denver recently purchased an issue of $\$ 25,000$ refunding
bonds.
CUYAHOGA FALLS, Summit County, Ohio.-BOND SALE.-On April 6 the following two issumes of $6 \%$ bounds aggregating $\$ 45.000$ offered on at a premium of $\$ 2.949$ equal to 106.54 , a basis of about $4.73 \%$ oleveland 1936 incl. 30,000 water works improvement bonds. Due $\$ 3,000$ yearly from Oct. 1 Date April to 19236.
DE BACA COUNTY (P. O. Fort Sumner), N. Mex.- - BOND SALE.-
Geo. W. Vallery Co. of Deeiver recently purchased an issue of $\$ 37,5005 \%$
Geo. W. Vallery Co. of Denver recently purchased an issue of $\$ 37,5005 \%$
court house bonds. Due in 20 years.
DENISON, Grayson County, Tex.-BONDS VOTED. - At the election the following bonds, aggregating $\$ 200,000$ :
5150,000 school bonds.
50,000 paving bonds.
R. G. Gresham, City Secretary.

DES MOINES COUNTY (P. O. Burlington), Iowa.-BONDS VOTED the issuance of $\$ 1,000,000$ road bonds by a count of 7,732 for to 1,913 against.
DONA ANA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 28 (P. O. Nusilla V. 12, p. 190. the voters authorized the election held on Apric 5 . 1 issuance of $\$ 20,000$ school
bonds by a count of 157 for to 6 against.

EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH (P. O. Baton Rougo), La.-BOND
 $\$ 475.000$, offered on April 13 .-V. 122 , p. 1815. 1 $\$ 158,0005 \%$ excess revenue bonds. Date



75,000

*52,000 S

50.000 inclusive, $\$ 2,000.1931$ to 1933 . inclusive $\$ 3,000,1927$ to 1930
nclusive. 1934 to 1938 .
 1935 and $1936 ; \$ 5,000,1937 ; \$ 6,000,1938$ and 1939 , and $\$ 4,000$,
1940 .
*Interest rate not stated
EASTLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Eastland be held yo Tex.-BOND ELECTION.-On Apriil 17 (to-day) an election will
bonds.
On April 7 LiVERPOOL, Columbiana County, Ohio.-BOND SALE.
 Dated May 1 1126. premium of $\$ 485$, equal to 101.21 , a basis or a about 4 . $63 \%$.
1928 to 1931 incl.
EDGERTON CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1, Platte



 April 10 as follows: $\$ 1.000 .1926$ to 1945 incl., and $\$ 2.000$. 1946 to 1965 incl
BOND SALE. The same issue of \$12,000 city hall and fire station bonds. warded on that date an ELECTRA CITY, Wichita County, Tex,-BOND SALEE-The
Brown-Crummer Co. of Wichita recently purchased an issue of $\$ 454,000$
$51 / \% \%$ funding bonds. Mich - TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6 (P. O. Roseville) Mich. - BONDS OFFERED. Sealed bids were received untII 8 p. p. m .
April 16 by Albert I. Clark, School Director. for $\$ 45,000$ school bonds. ESCONDIDO UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. San


ESSEX COUNTY (P. O. Salem), Mass.-NOTE SALE-On




FARBER CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRRICT (P. O. Mexico), Audrain County, Mo.-BOND SALEE. The Commerce. Trust Moxico),
Kansas City has purchased an issue of $\$ 35,000$ s\% scheol bends. Due
in 1 to 20 years.
FILLMORE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 62 (Preston R. F. D. Wiil receive sealed bids until 8 p . m. April 22 for $\$ 6.0006 \%$ school bonds. Date July 15 1926. Prin. and annual int. payable at the . Farmens is.
Merchants state Bank, Preston. A certified check for $\$ 560$, payable to
District Treasurer is required.
FLASHER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 39, Morton County, No Dar the purpose of voting. on the Aprill 17 (to-d ay) an eloction will be hold
bonds. E. Sawtell, Chairman Board on issuing $\$ 25,000$ Ed $5 \%$ school
FLORAL PARK, Nassau County, N. Y--BOND OFFERING.
 $\$ 120,000$
$\$ 100,000$
permanent road impt. bonds. Due $\$ 5,000$ July 11927 to 1946
ncl Legality approved by Thomson, Wood \& Horfman of New
York 20,000 public park bonds. Due $\$ 1,000$ July 11931 to 1950 incl
Denom. $\$ 1,000$. Dated July 1 1926. A certifiod check for Denom. 81,000 . Dated July 11926. A certifod chack for $2 \%$ of the
bonds bid for, payable to the Village Treasurer, required. FOBY, Baldwin County, Ala.-BONDS NOT SOLD.-The $\$ 29.000$
 FORT PIERCE, St. Lucie C
lowing bonds aggregating $\$ 92,500$ ourfered on Feb. ND SALEF.-The fol
 $10.0006 \%$ Fire Alarm System bonds. Due eserially in 10 years.
$10.0066 \%$ Traffic Signals bonds. Due serially in 10 y
$2,5006 \%$ Oity Hall and City Court Furnishing bonds. Due serially
2.500 $6 \%$ Incinerator bonds. Due serially in 5 years.
$7,5006 \%$ Motor Sweeper bonds. Due serially in 8 years.

FRANKLIN, Franklin County, Neb.-BONDS DEFEATED.-The proposition of issuing $\$ 25.000$ auditorium bonds, submitted to the vote
at the election held on April 6 (V. 122. p. 1950), failed to carry FRANKLIN SCHOOL DISTRICT, Franklin County, Idaho--
of $\$ 0.0$ VOTED. At a recent election the voters authorized the Issuanc
of $\$ 0000$ school bonds. FREMONT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 59 (P. O. Penroso) Coi.- recently purchased an issue of $\$ 9,0005 \%$ refunding bonds, subject
Denver GIBSON Apiil 10 the $\$ 96,356.306 \%$ (P. O. Bozeman), Ind.- BOND SALE.-On p. 1815) were awaded to the Farmers National Bank of Princeton at a
premfum of $\$ 3,038$, equal to 100.03 .

GILLETTE, Campbell County, Wyo.-BOND RLEETTION.-On
May 1 an election will be held for the purpose of voting on the question
of issuing $\$ 50,0006 \%$ water bonds.

GILROY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. San Jose), Santa Clara
 1927 to 1936 incl.
GLENBARD TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 87(P. O. Glen Ellyn), Du Page County, M.-BOND SALE.-D. M M15) were
 to 108.48, a basis of about $4.06 \%$. Date May 11926 . Due on Ma.
as follows: $\$ 2,000,1933$ to 1942 incl. and $\$ 10,000,1943$ to 1946 incl.
GRAND RAPIDS, Kent County, Mich.-BOND ofFERING.-Sealed bids for following four issues of $41 / 4 \%$ bonds, aggregating $\$ 1,280,000$ : $\$ 480,000$ street improvement bonds. Due $\$ 107,000$ May 11927 to 1931 535,000 street insive.
15,000 sewer construction bonds. Due $\$ 3,000$ May 11927 to 1931 250,000 water extension bonds. Due May 11946.
Denom. \$1,00. st M. \& N. parke. Certified check for $3 \%$ of the bonds bid for, payatle Now the City Treasurer, required.

GREENBUSH, Roseau County, Minn--BONDS NOT SOLD.-The as yet been sold.
HAMILTON, Butler County, Ohio.-BOND OFFERING.-Sealed Auditor, for $\$ 85.0005$ coupon storm sewer impt. bonds. Denom. Audt. Date March 11926 . Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A. \& O.$)$ payable
$\$ 4.250$. Dity Treasurer's office. Due $\$ 4,250$ yearly from Oct. 11927 to 1946
at the Cit incl. Certified check for $5 \%$ of the amount of bid, payable to the City
Ireasurer, required. Bonds to be deliverd and paid for within ten days from time of award.
HAMILTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Ludlow), McKean county, Pa- on that date (V. 122, pa. 181s) were awarded to the Sirrt National Bank of Kane at 102.60 a basis of a.
$\$ 1,000$ yearly from April 11927 to 1951 , inclusive.
HANCOCK COUNTY (P.O. Findlay), Ohio.- BOND OFFERING.\$46.750 $5 \%$ road impt. bonds Denom. $\$ 1.000$ and $\$ 875$. Date April 11926 . Prin. and semi-ann. int. (A \& 0 .) payable at the
County Treasurer's office. Due on Oct. 1 as foilows: $\$ 5.0001927$ to 1933 incl. $\$ 6.000$. 1934 and $\$ 5.750,1935$. Cert. check for
Legal opinion of Squire, Sanders \& Dempsey of Cleveland.
HARBORCREEK TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Wesleyvile, Jefferson County, Pa.- BaND EVans. Secretary Board of Directors,
 and 1930 and $\$ 4,000$, 1931. Certified check for $\$ 100$ payable to the
District Treasurer, required.
HARDIN COUNTY (P. O. Kenton), Ohio--BOND SALE.-On
April 8 the $\$ 9.80151 / 2 \%$ couponi. C. H. No. 186 bridge bonds offered on that date (V. 122 . p. 1951). were awarded to the State Teachers' Retirement System of Columbus at a premium of $\$ 389$, equal to 103,96 a basis
of about $4.67 \%$ Dated May 1 1926. Due $\$ 1,089$ yearly from Sopt. 1 1927 to 1935 inc
HARRISON COUNTY (P. O. Cordyon), Ind--BOND SALE.-On were awarded to the Oid Capital Band \& Trust © Co of Cordyon at a premium of $\$ 59750$, equal to 105.38 . Due in 1 to 10 years.
HARRISVILLE, Ritchie County, W. Va.-BOND SALE. The The 770.000 water 1951) were sold to the Sinking Fund as 6 s at par Date Jan. 1926 . Due Jan. 1 as follows: $\$ 1.000,1927$ to 1931 incl. $\$ 2.000,1932$ to
1936 incl. $\$ 3,000,1937$ to 1946 incl., and $\$ 5,000,1947$ to 1951 incl HARVEY, Wells County, No. Dak.-BOND oFFERING.-The City
 HARTSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 30, Darlington County So. Car.- BOND SALE. The Robinson-Humphrey Co. of Atlanta recently
purchased an issue of $\$ 6.0005 \%$ coupon school bonds. Date Mar. 11926. $\$ 4.000$. 1936 to 1940 incl. and \$5.00. 1941 to 1946 incl. Prin. and semiann. int. (M. \& S.) payable In New York City. Legality approved by
Caldwell \& Raymond of New Fork City
Financial Slatement.
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HARTSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 32, Darlington County cently purchased an issue of $\$ 65.0005 \%$ school bonds. Dated Mar.
1926. Denom $\$ 1.000$. Due March

hattiesburg, Forrest County, Miss.-BOND SALE.-The sion, 000 city bonds offered on April $1-\mathrm{V}$. 122 . D. 1815 - were awarded to the
Commercial National Bauk of Hattiesburg as 5 s at a premium of $\$ 155$, equal to 100.15 .
HENDERSON, Vance County, No. Caro--BOND offering. S. B. Bur $41 / \%$ coupon water bonds. Dated bated until 8 p. m. May 3 for
 pred under the supervision or the United States Mortgage \& Trust Co.
which will certify as to the genuineness of the signatures of the officials and the seal impressed thereon. Leglity to be approved by HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY SPECIAL TAX SCHOOL DISTRICT Secretary Board of Public, Instruction, will receive seaied bids until April 29

N Neb,-BOND OFFERING.-Miss Helen W Clark, Director Board of School Trustees, Wilir receive seaned bids until 2 p. m. April 22 for $\$ 60,000$
holly hill, Volusia County, Fla.-BOND SALE.-The American ank \& Trust Co. of Daytona Beach, purchased on Sept. 16, the following
 70,000 waterworks distribution system bonds. Due July 1, as follows: Date July 11925 . Denom. © American Bank N York City at option of holder.
HOOD RIVER, Hood River County, Ore.- BOND ELECTIIONIssuing $\$ 89.000$ school bonds.
HOXIE SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, Lawrence County, Ark.recelve sealed bids until April 29 for $\$ 56,0006 \%$ school bonds.
HUBBELL, Thayer County, Neb.-BONDS DEFEATED.-The pe election held on April 6-V. 122, p. 1951-failed to carry.

HUNTSVILLE, Madison County, Ala.- BOND DESCRIPTION:-
The $\$ 450$. Co. of Nashyille, and Ward, Sterne \& Co. of Birmingham, jointly, at 101 , V. 122 , p. $1951-$ a basis of about $5.87 \%$, bear interest at the rate of $6 \%$ Due April 1 1936. Interest payable A. \& O. Date of award Mar. 18.
IBERVILLE PARISH (P. O. Plaquemine), La.-BOND SALE.-The $850,0006 \%$ public bullding bonds offered on March 2 (V. 122, $\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{i}} 779$ ) Jan. 11926. Due serially Jan. 11927 to 1936, inclusive.
INDEPENDENCE, Tempealern County, Wis.-BONDS DEFEATED submitted to the voters at the election held on April 6-V.122, p. 1951failed to carry.
INVERNESS, Citrus County, Fla--BOND OFFERING.-George T.
 1946, 1951 and 1956.
38,000 water extension bonds. Due Jan. 1 as follows: $\mathbf{5 6 , 0 0 0}, 1931$
22,000 sewer extension ponds. Due Jan. 1 as follows: $\$ 3,000,1931$ and
12,000 street lighting bonds. Due $\$ 2,000$ Jan. 1 ind 1931, 1936, $1941, ~$
15,000 funding bonds. Due Jan. 1 as follows: $\$ 2,000,1931,1936$ and

Date 1926 . Denom. $\$ 1,000$. Prin. and semi-annual int. payable in gold at the National Bank of Commerce, N. Y. City Legality approved
by Caldwell \& Raymond, New York Clty. A certifed check for $2 \%$ of Trese are the bonds offered and sold on Feeb. 15 to Prudden \& Co., of
Toledo at 100.49 a basis of about $5.96 \%$.V. 122, p. 1057. IONIA COUNTY (P. O. Ionia), Mich.-BOND SALE.-On Feb. 2 (V) 121,00 , 644 ). were awarded to the Detroit Trust Co. of Detroit IRVING INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Dallas Countr, Tex--BONDS VOTED.-At a recent election the voters authorized the
issuance of $\$ 7,500$ schooi bonds. Charles Lucas, trustee Board of Directors. JACKSON, Jackson County, Ohio.-BOND OFFERING.-Sealed
 as follows: $\$ 1.140,1927 ; \$ 1.5001928$ and $1929: \$ 1.000 .1930 ; \$ 1,500,1931$
and $1932, \$ 1.0001933$ and $\$ 1,500,1934$ and 1935 . A certified check for
$5 \%$ payable to the City Treasurer, required. JACKSON COUNTY SPECIAL TAX SCHOOL DISTRICTS (P. O. Mf Public Instruction, will receive sealed bids until 11 a a. m . May 7 for the $\$ 150,000$ Special Tax School District No. 1 bonds. Denom. $\$ 5,000$ and payable to the Board of Public Instruction, is required. $\$ 1,000$,
30,000 Special Tax school District No. 25 bonds. Dis.

Date Jan. 1 1926 . Prin, and int. (J. \& J.) payable at the office of the
JAMESTOWN, Stutsman County, No. Dak.-BONDS DEFEATED. -The proposition of issuing $\$ 90,000$, filtration plant bonds, submitted to the vote of the people at a recent election, failed to carry
JASPER COUNTY (P. O. Newton), lowa.-BOND EELCTION-On April 14 an election was held for the par
of issuing $\$ 1,500,000$ road bonds. JAY COUNTY ( $\mathbf{P}$. O. Portland), Ind, - BOND SALE.-On April 5
 1 to 10 years.
JEFFERSON COUNTY (P. O. Fayette), Miss.-BOND SALE.- The of $\$ 95.0006 \%$ coupon road bo. onds at a p premium of $\$ 1.500$. equal to 101.57 .
Dated Dated April 1926 . Denom.
JEFFERSON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 (P. O. Ririe), Idaho-BOND ELECTION.-On April
JENNINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT, St. Louis County, Mo-BOND


 payable to the above-named official, is required. The purchaser is se examination of the record.

Financial Statement
Assessed valuation of district (1925) ..............
Oustanding indebtedness
Sinking fund (to apply on indebtedness (approx.)
Sinking fund (to apply on mader Cambri County, Pa.-BOND OFFERING.- Sealed bids wohnstow be recilied untí $7: 45 \mathrm{D} . \mathrm{m} .0$ May 10 by ${ }^{10} \%$ coupon or registered school. series D bonds. Denom. \$1,00. Dated May 1 1926. Due $\$ 10,000$ yearly from May 1 . Legality approved by Townsend. Enliott \& Munson of Philadel phia.
 $\$ 110.0005 \%$ court house and jail bonds orrer ank and First State Bank,
 $\$ 2.000,1937 ; \$ 3.000,1938 ; \$ 2.000,1939, \$ 3,000,1940 ; \$ 2.000,1941 ;$
$\$ 3.000,1942 ; \$ 2.000,1943 ; \$ 3.000,1944 ; \$ 2,000,1945$, and $\$ 3,000,1946$ to 1966 incl.
KIDDER, Caldwell County, Mo--BOND SALE.-The Prescott,
Wright. Snider Co. of Kansas City recently purchased an issue of $\$ 27,000$ $5 \%$ school bonds.
KISSIMMEE, Osceola County, Fla.-BOND OFFERING.-J. C. Buckels, City Manager, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. (May 10 . for
$\$ 596,000$ municipal improvement bonds. Dated March 1926. Denom. \$1,000. Due March 11956 . Principal and semi-annual interest payable 1a gold at the Chase National Bank, New York City Legality
anp:oved by John C. Thomson, New York ity. A certified check for 2\%. of the par value or the bonds payable to the City Commission is r
These are the bonds offered for sale on April 2 .-V. $122, \mathrm{p} .1506$.
KLAMATH COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Klamath), Ore. chased an SALE.- The Ralph schneeloch Co. of Portland recently pur- $\$ 75,0005 \%$ school bonds. Dated March 1126. Due
March March 1 1941, optional on or after March 11931
Assessed value-
Bonded debt (incuang this issue)
Population estimated, 10,000 .
$\$ 19,229,020.13$
$\mathbf{1 5 2 , 0 0 4 . 6 0}$
KNOX COUNTY (P. O. Vincennes), Ind.-BOND SALE.-On March 29 the fletcher Savings \& rrust Co. or inianapolis purchased an issue of $\$ 1$
to 101.54 .

KNOX COUNTY (P. O. Benjamin), Tex.-BONDS VOTED.-At an
election held on March 27 the voters authorized the issuance of $\$ 60,0005 \%$ lection held on March 27 the voters authorized the issuance of $\$ 60,0005 \%$
hospital bonds, by a count of 973 for to 646 against. N. S. Kilgore,
Cotinty Judge. KOKOMO.
KOKOMO, Howard County, Ind.-BOND SALE.-On March 10 the awarded to J . F. Widd \& Co. of Indianapolis at a premium of $\$ 1,575$, equal
to 101.38 , a basis of about $4.38 \%$. Dated March 101926 . Due in 1941 . 101.38 , a basis of about $4.38 \%$. Dated March 10 1926. Due in 1941.
KOSCIUSKO COUNTY (P. O. Warsaw), Ind.-BONDS OFFERED. KOSCIUSKO COUNTY (P. O.
Sealed bids were recelved until 2 p
for $\$ 15,300$ impt. highway bonds. LA CROSSE, La Crosse County, Wis.-BOND SALE.-The $\$ 70,000$
41/2\% river bridge bonds offered on April 8 . 122, , 1816 -Were awarded
to the Second Ward Securities Co. of Milwaukee at a premium of $\$ 1,430$,
equal to 102.04, a basis of about $4.23 \%$. Dated April 10 19026
 $\$ 4,000,1937 ; \$ 3,000,1938 ; \$ 4,000,1939 ; \$ 3,000,1940 ; \$ 4,000,1941 ;$
$\$ 3.000,1942 ; \$ 4,000,1943 ; \$ 3,000,1944 ; \$ 4,000,1945$ and $\$ 3,000,1946$.
Other bidders were:
Bidders-
Other bidde
Bidders-
Hanchett Bon
Hanchett Bond Co.. Chicago__
Halsey, Stuart \& Co., Chicago
Marshall \& Ilsey Co., Chicago-.....
Taylor, Ewart \& Co., Chilwaukea
First Wisconsin
First Wisconsin Co., Milwaukeo-
A. B. Leach \& Co., Chicago
Hill, Joiner \& Co., Chicago--
Mississippi Valley Trust Co.,

* No reason given for not awarding to highest bidder

LAGUNA BEACH COUNTY WATER DISTRICT, Orange County, purchased on Mar. 15 an issue of $\$ 600,0006 \%$ coupon water system bonds
at par. Date Jan. 15 . 1926 . Due $\$ 30,000$ Jan. 151936 to 1955 incl.
Interest payable J. \& J. 15
LAKE ARTHUR, Chaves County, N. Mex.-BONDS VOTED.-At
recent election the voters authorized the issuance of $\$ 12,000$ water bonds.
LAKE CRYSTAL, Blue Earth County, Minn.- BOND ELECTION--
On April 20 an election will be held for the purpose of voting on the question of issuing $\$ 90,000$ school bonds.
Lright, Town Clerk, will receive sealed bids BOND ofFERING.-F. A
 at the Hanove National Bank, New York City. Legality approved by
Caldwell \& Raymond, New York City. A certified check for $2 \%$ of the
amount bid is required.
LAKE WORTH INLET DISTRICT (P. O. West Palm Beach) Palm Trust Co. of West Paim Beach, purchased an issue of the Farmers Bank \& $\$ 350.000$ inlet bonds 25. Legality approved by Caldwell \& Raymond, New York City. man), Neb,-BOND SALE.-The Lincoln Trust Co. of Lincoln, recently
purchased an issue of $\$ 12,000$ school bonds.
LAS CRUCES Dona Ana County, N. Mex-BONDS VOTED.-At
the election held on April $6-\mathrm{V}$. 122, p, $1662-$ the voters authorized the
issuance of the following bonds aggreg 399.000 sewer bonds.
35,000 water bonds.

LAS VEGAS, Clark County, Nev.-BOND ELECTION.-On May 1 the following bonds, aggregating $\$ 250,000$ : $\$ 175,000$ school bonds.
75,000 school bregating $\$ 250,000$ :
75,000 school bonds.
LAWLER, Chickasaw County, Iowa.-BOND ELECTION.-On
April 21 an election will be held for the purpose of voting on the question ng \$22,000 school bonds.
LEE COUNTY (P. O. Marianna), Ark.-BOND SALE.-M. W. W.
WIkins \& Co. of Littil Rock recently purchased an issue of $\$ 30,000 \quad 6 \%$
dralnage
dralnage bonds at 102.33 . Due serially in 1 to 20 years.
LEFLORE COUNTY (P. O. Greenwood), Miss.-BOND OFFERING. 2p. m. Mew, Clerk Board of Supervisors, will recelve sealed bids until
and place of payment to be be not exceeding $5 \%$ jail bonds. Denom., form LINCOLN COUNTY (P. O. Stamford), Ky.-BOND SALE -The
 of $\$ 10$, equal to 100.008 , a basis of about $4.49 \%$. Dated April 11926 . Due
$\$ 5,000,1931$ to 1955 incl. LINCOLN PARK
Mich.-BONDARK (P. O. Dearborn R. F. D. No. 2), Wayne County Mich.-BOND OFFERING. - Sealed bids will be recelved until 10 a. m.
April 20 by Floyd W. Harrison, City Clerk, for $\$ 228,000$ (special assess ment) paving bonds. Certified check for $\$ 3,000$, payable to the city, re-
quired.
LONG BEACH, Los Angeles County, Calif.-BOND SALE - - A of New York, and the Anglo on April $6 \$ 500,000$ harbor improvement bonds as $41 / 2 \mathrm{~s}$ at a premium of
LORIMOR INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Lorimor), bonds offered on April 8 (V. 122, p. 1816) were awarded to E . T. Duquer, Deanm. $\$ 1,000$, except one for $\$ 500$. Interest payable A. \& O. 19
LOST RIVER HIGHWAY DISTRICT (P. O. Mackay), Custer
County, Idaho.-BOND SALE.-The $\$ 35,000$ road and bridge bond offered on April 3 -V. 122, p. 1816 - The $\$ 35,000$ road and bridge bonds Bank of Idaho Falls. Dated March 1926. Due March 1 1946; optional
March 1 1936.
LOUISVILLE, Jefferson County, Ky.-BONDS OFFERED.-Sealed blds were received until April 16 by the Board of Education for $\$ 250,000$
school bonds.
LYNN, Essex County, Mass.-TEMPORARY LOAN.-The First
National Bank of Boston purchased a $\$ 500,000$ temporary loan on a $3.56 \%$ discount basis.
LYTTON CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT, Sac County, Directors, will receive sealed bids until 2 p . m. April 20 for $\$ 150.0004110$ chool bonds. Date May 11926 . Due May 1 as follows. $\$ 4,000$, 1927
so 1931 incl. $\$ 5,000,1932$ to 1936 . incl.: $\$ 6,000$, 1937 to 1941 incl.;
 .
Actual assessed value of Financial Slatement
Moneys and credits not included in the foregoing figures.......-.-.-.-. $\$ 2,570,800$ Area of school district. 27,051.68 acres. Estimated population, 1,000 . (P. O. Wayne), Okla. INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10 offered on Aprí, Okla.-BOND SALE.-The $\$ 32,0006 \%$ school bonds or Oklahoma Oity at a premium of $\$ 2,400$ equal to 107.50 , a basis of
$5.15 \%$. Due Jan. 1 as follows: $\$ 8,000$, $1931,1936,1941$ and 1946 .
McDOWELL COUNTY (P. O, Marion), No. Caro.-BOND OFFERreceive sealed bids until 11 a. m . April 19 for $\$ 270.000$ not exceeding $6 \%$ school bonds. Date May i 1926. Denom. $\$ 1,000$ Due May 1 as
lollows: $\$ 6,000,1929$ to 1933 , incl. $\$ 7,000,1934$. to 1938 , incl., $\$ 9,000$,
1939 to 1943 , incl.; $\$ 11,000,1944$ to 1948 , and $\$ 15.000$, 1949 to 1955, incl.

Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. \& N.) payable at the Chase National Bank,
New York City. A certified check for $\$ 5,000$, payable to the above named
official, is required. McMINNVILLE, Yamhill County, Ore--BOND ELECTION.-O
May 21 an election will be held for the purpose of voting on the question of issuing $\$ 50,000$ bonds to be used as a contribution to the Linfield College
fund.
MADRID INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Boone County, tors, will receive sealed bids until Fred Carlson, Secretary Board of Direc
Date April 11926 . Duril 22 for $\$ 55,000$ school bonds. MAGDALENA,
recent election the voters authorized, N. Mex.-BONDS VOTED.-At a
by a count of 368 for to 136 against. MAHASK
MAHASKA, Washington County, Kan.-BOND ELECTION.-On
April 23 an election will be held for the purpose of voting on the question
of issuing $\$ 45,000$ school bonds.
MANKATO, Blue Earth County, Minn.-BOND SALE.-The
\$30,000 coupon refunding bonds offered on April $12-\mathrm{V}$ were awarded to the National City Bank of Mankato as $41 / 2 \mathrm{~s}$ at a premium
of $\$ 345$, equal to 101.15 , a basis of about $4.27 \%$. Dated May 11926 . Due $\$ 3,000$ May 11927 to 1936, incl
MAPLE HEIGHTS (P. O. Bedford R. F. D.), Cuyahoga County
Ohio. BOND SALE. On March 29 the $\$ 154,0244051 / \%$ coupon
(special assessment) impt. bonds, offered on that date-V
were awarded to were awarded to Geo. W. York, offered on that date-V. 122, p. $1352-$
of $\$ 5$. of $\$ 5,546$, equal to 103.60 , a basis of about $4.69 \%$. Date March 151926 .
Due on Oct. 1 as followws: $\$ 15,000,1927$ and $1928 ; \$ 16,000,1929$ to 1931 .
incl., $\$ 15,000,1932$ and $1933 ; \$ 16,000,1934 ; \$ 15,000,1935$, and $\$ 15,02440$.
1936 .
MAPLE HILL FIRE DISTRICT (P. O. Newington), Hartford 2 p. m. April 23 by Harry H. Howard, President, care of New Britain Trust Dated May 1.1126 . Principal and semi-annual interest. (M. \& N.). \$ayable
at the First National Bank, Boston. Due on May 1931 to 1958 , inclusive, and, Boston. Due on May 1 as follows: $\$ 4,000$, 1959. Bonds are engraved under the
supervision of and certified as to supervision of and certified as to genuineness by the First National Bank kins, whose opinion will be furnished the purchaser, All legal papers inci-
dent to this issue will be filed with the dent to this issue will be filed with the above bank where they may be
inspected at any time. Bonds will be delivered to the purchaser onr or
about May Financial Statement March 151926.
Last grand list
The district has no debt.
MAPLEWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT, St. Louis County, Mo.-
 Mississippi Valley Trust Co., St. Louis. Legality approved by Charles
\& Rutherford, St. Louis.
MARICOPA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 25 (P. O. Phoenix) 122, p. 1663) were awarded to t, United States National on April 5 (V). 122, p i 1663) were awarded to the United States National Co. of Denver as
5 s at 100.291 . Dated Mar. 151926 . Due in 20 years. The purchaser
agreed to furnish the bonds and legai opinion MARION COUNTY ( $\mathrm{P}, \mathrm{O}$ Indianapelis)
On April 7 the $\$ 200,00041 / 2 \%$ flood-prevention bonds offered on that date ndianapolis for $\$ 206,12880$, equal to 103.06 , a basis of about $4.14 \%$.
Date May 11926 . Due $\$ 1000$ yearly from March 1927 to 1946 incl.
BOND SALE.- On April 7 the $\$ 62.000416 \%$ connting Sfered on that date Vings \& Trust Co. of Indianapolis at a premium of to the Fletcher 101.35, a basis of about $4.23 \%$. Date March 11926 . Due $\$ 6,200$ yearly
from March 11927 to 1936 , incl.

MARSHALL COUNTY (P, O
The $\$ 50,000$ school bonds offered on Aprisburg), Tenn.-BOND SALE.to the First National Bank of Lewisburg at a premium of $\$ 775$, equal to
101.55 . Date Aug. 1 1925. Due Aug. 1 1945, optional Aug. 1 1935. MASSENA UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Mas sena), Saint Lawrence (registerable) sch - BOND SALE.- On Aprii 9 the
$\$ 250,0004^{1 / 2} \%$ coupon York 122, D. 2092-were awarded to Geo. B. Gibbons \& Co., Inc., of New York at 101.1637 , a basis of about $4.39 \%$. Date July 1 . 1925. .
July 1 as follows: $\$ 12,000,1930$ to 1949 , incl., and $\$ 10,000,1950$.
MEDINA, Medina County, Ohio.-BOND OFFERING.-Sealed bids Rickard, Village Clerk, for $\$ 10,0006 \%$ coupon White) May 1 by O. D Denom.' $\$ 1,000$. Date April 11926 . Prin. and semi-any ighting bonds payable at the office of the Sinking Fund Trustees. Due $\$ 1.000$ yearl
from Oct. 1.1927 to 1936, incl. Certified check for not less than $2 \%$ trom oct. 1.1927 to 1936, incl. Certified check for not less than $2 \%$ of
the bonds bid for, payable to the Village Clerk, required. Bonds will bo
delivered and paid for within ten days from time of award.
MELROSE, Cu
tion held on April 6 (V. 122 , p. 1663 ) the voters authorized the issuance of
$\$ 45,000$ water bonds by a $\$ 45,000$ WIS
MEMPHIS, Shelby County, Tenn.-BOND OFFERING.-C. C. C.
Pashby, City Clerk, will receive sealed bids until June 8 for the following bonds, aggregating $\$ 1,007,000$ :
$\$ 957,000$ refunding bonds.
50,000 special assessment bonds.
MIDDLETOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P, O. Lang horne), Bucks County, Pa.-BOND OFFERING.-Sealed bids will be $\$ 40,0005 \%$ coupon school bonds. Denom, \$500. Board of Dated Mactors, for
Int. M. \& N. Due May 1 1946. Optional May 11936. Certified 1946. for $5 \%$ required.
MIDLAND, Beaver County, Pa -BOND SALE.-On April 14 the
$\$ 206.00041 / 2 \%$ coupon storm sewer bonds offered on that $\$ 206,00041 / 2 \%$ coupon storm sewer bonds offered on that date (V. $\mathbf{V}$. 122 ,
p. 1817 ) were awarded to the Mellon National Bank of Pittsburg at a Sept. 1 as follows: $\$ 2,000,1926$ and 1927 , basis of about $4.34 \%$. Due on $1931 ; \$ 3,000,1933 ; \$ 6,000,1934 ; \$ 3,000,1935 ; \$ 7,000,1936 ; \$ 6,000,194,000$,
$\$ 8,000,1938 ; \$ 9,000,1939$, and $\$ 10,000,1940$ to 1954 inclusive. MILTON, Norfolk County, Mass.-BOND OFFERING.- Sealed bids
will be received until $1 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. April 22 by Maurice A. Duffy. urer, for the following two issues of $4 \%$ coupon bonds, Duffy, Town Treas$\$ 48,000$ water loan bonds. Dated May 1 1925. Due $\$ 2,000$ yearly from
May 11927 to 1950 inclusive. 35,000 school loan of 1926 bonds. Dated May 11926 . Due $\$ 7,000$
yearly from May 11927 to 1931 inclusive 192 Denom. \$1, 000 . Prin. and semi-ann. int. (M. \& N.) payable at the First
National Bank, Boston. Bonds are engraved under the supervision of and certified as to genuineness by the First National Bank of Boston; their will be furnished the purchaser. All legal papers incident to these issues will be filed with the above bank, where they may be incident to these issues Bonds will be delivered to the purchaser on or about May 31926 at the First
National Bank, Boston. Financial Statement April 141926.
Net valuat
Debt limit
Total


Net debt--.--------
Borrowing capacity-
$\$ 640,000$
127,193
FERINGEAPOLIS, Hennepin County, Minn.-CERTIFICATE OF will receive sealed bids until 10 a . m . April 23 for $\$ 1000$ and Taxation $5 \%$ certiricates of indebtedness. Date April 261926 . Due July 24
Principal and interest payable at the fiscal agency of the clty in New York.

The purchaser is to furnish the legal approval of an attorney. A certiffed
check for $2 \%$ or the amount bid, payable to 0 . A. Bloomquist, City Treas-
urer, is required.
MISSOURI (State of).-BOND SALE.-The $\$ 7,500,000414 \%$ road syndicate composed of Eldredge \& Co., Kean, Taylor \& Co Co, Roosvelt \& Son and Geo. B. Gibbons \& Co. Inc., all of New York and the Federal
Commerce Trust
Do Date May 11926 . Due May 1 a.
and $\$ 2,500,000$ in 1942 and 1943 .
MONONA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Monona), Clayton County, Iowa.-BONDS VOTED.-At the election held on April 9-V. 122 , p. 1663 - the voters authorize
MONTROSE, Montrose County, Colo-BOND ELECTION.-On May 11 an election will be held for the purpose of voting on the question of
issuing $\$ 30,000$ city hall and library building bonds. Doris Wittmeyer, City Clerk.
MOUNDSVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Marshall authorized the following bonds, aggregating $\$ 149,000$ :
 20,000 grade school bonds.
MOUNT PLEASANT, Westmoreland County, Pa.-BOND OFFERBorough Secretary, for $\$ 75,0004 \frac{1}{2} \% \%$ borough bonds. Denom. $\$ 1,000$ Dated May 1 1926. Int. M. \& N. Due on May 1 as follows: $\$ 5.0000$.
1929,1932 and 1935 ; $\$ 10,000$, 1938,1941 and 1944 and $\$ 15,000$. 1947 and 1950 A certified check for $\$ 1,000$ payable to the Borough, required. Legaity approved by Moorehead \& Knox of Pittsburgh.
MOUNT ULLA SPECIAL TAX SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. SalisBarker, Clerk Board of County Commissioners. will receive sealed bids until 12 m. April 20 for $\$ 25,000$ not exceeding $6 \%$ coupon school bonds. to 1935 incl., and $\$ 1,000,1936$ to 1956 incl. Int. payable semi-annually (M. \& N.). A certified check for $2 \%$ of the amount bid, payable to the
above-named official. is required. Legality to be approved by Reed, Dougherty \& Hoy, N. Y. City.
MULLINS, Marion County, So. Caro. - BOND SALE.-The Robinson works and sewerage bonds. Date Feb. 1926 Denom. 11.000 . water
 (F. \& A.) payable at the Hanover National Bank, New York City. Lo-
gality approved by Caldwell \& Raymond, New York City. Financial Statement York City

## Actual value of taxable property

 Total bonded debt (incl. this issue) $\$ 185.0000$
110,000
Net debt
Population, 1920 Cuensus,
$2,379$.
75,000
MUSCOGEE COUNTY (P. O. Columbus), Ga.-BOND SALE.were awarded to $\frac{0}{}$ syndicate composed of Estabrook \& Oo. and Hannahs, ren Co., Trust Co. of Georgia, and the Robinson-Humphrey Co, all of
Atanta, at $100.692-\mathrm{a}$ basis of about $4.43 \%$. Date April 1 1926. Due $\$ 22,000$ April 11927 to 1956 . inclusive.
NELSON, Nuckolls County, Neb.-BONDS VOTED.-At a recent NEW ARE AUEW AURELIA CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. refunding school bonds offered on April 7 (V. 122, p. 1953) were awarded to the First National Bank of Aurelia as 41/5s at 100.88 , a besis of a boout
$4.37 \%$ DDated May 11926 Denom. $\$ 1,000$. Due $\$ 6,0001931$ to 1937 NEWBERRY, Newberry County, So. Caro.-CERTIFICATE SALE. The $\$ 6,500$ paving certificates ofrered on April 13-V. 122, p. 1953 .
were awarded to the South Carolina National Bank of Charleston, as $51 / 2 \mathrm{~s}$
at par. Due $\$ 7.500$. at par. Due $\$ 7,500,1927$ to 1935 incl.
MEW MARATHON CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O.


NEWPORT NEWS W
N. MPORT NEWS, Warwick County, Va.-BOND OFFERING.-
for the Halton, Citsy Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. May 10 for the following 2 issues of $41 \% \%$ bonds, aggregating $\$ 375,000$. $\$$. May 10
$\$ 175,000$ public improvement bonds.
to 1929 incl. $\$ \$ 7,000,1930$ to 1933 incl 1 as follows: $\$ 6,000,1927$ $\$ 9,000$ 1937 and $1938 . \$ 10.000 .1939$ to 1941 incl.; $\$ 11,000,1942$
to 1944 incl.; and $\$ 12,000$. 1945 and 19046 incle 200,000 refunding bonds. Due June 1 as follows: $\$ 7,000,1927$ to 1929 1936 to 1938 incl. s1 1932 incl. $\$ 99,000,1933$ to 1935 incl. $\$ 10,000$.
and $\$ 13,000$ ind 1943 to ind 1946 incl and $1940, \$ 12,000,1941$ and 1942 Denom. \$1,000. Prin. and int. J. \& \& D. payable at the National Clity
Bank, New York City. Legality approved by Thomson, Wood \& Hoffman Now York City, A certitifid check for $2 \%$ of the bonds bid for payable to
$\qquad$
Minn.-BONDS SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 68, Washington County, monds.-Bubmitted to the vote of the proposite at a recent election, failed to NEW SWEDEN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. April 30 ans election wirill be held forty the purpose of voting on the question
of issuing $\$ 25.000$ school bonds. NEWTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Jasper County,


 (P. ORTH TONAWANDA UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1
 Buffalo as $41 / 5 \mathrm{~s}$ at 111.019 a a basis of abors $4.40 \%$. 4 . Dated April 11926 .
Due $\$ 5.000$ yearly from April 111930 to 1949 incl ONAKA SCHOOL DISTRICT F
VOTED. At a recent election the vaters authorized So. Dak.-BONDS $\$ 25,000$ high school bonds.
ONEONTA, Otsego County, N. Y.-BOND OFFERING.-Sealed bids wil bereceived school bonds. Legality approved by Clay \& Dillon
lain for $\$ 250,000$ s. Ler
of New York. PADUCAH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Cottle County, Texas.-BONDS VOTED. At an election held on March 27 the voters
authorized the issuance of $\$ 70,0005 \%$ cshool bonds. PALM BEACH COUNTY SPECIAY. TAX SCHOOL DISTRICT
 schoo bonds. Date Oct. 1 1925. Denome $\$ 1,000$. Due $\$ 2,000$ Oct. i
1927 to 1951 incl. The bonds are being offered subject opinion of Chapman, Cutler \& Parker of Chicago. A certified check for
$\$ 3.00$ is required. $\$ 3,000$ is required.
PANORA, Guthrie County, Iowa.-BONDS VOTED.-At a recent
election the voters authorized the issuance of $\$ 15,000$ water works bonds.

PARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ${ }^{3}$ (P. O. Fair Play), Colo- PRE-ELECTION SALE . The International Trust Co. or Denver
recentl purchased an issue of $\$ 40.0005 \%$ school bonds, subject to their
being recently purchased an issue of $\$ 40,0005 \%$ school bonds, su
being voted at a coming election. Due serially in 16 years.
PAWTUCKET, Providence County, R. I-BOND SALE.-On Aprll 14. the 8475,000 414. coupon. Water bonds offered on that aate -V . 122,
p. 2093 - were awarded to E . H. Rollins \& Sons; Roosevelt \& Sons, and Geo. B. Gibbons \& Co., Inc., all of New York, at 100.721 a a basis of
about $4.19 \%$. Date March j' 1926. Due \$95.000 March 1 1931 , 193 . 1941,194 and 1951. Other bidders. were:
Bate Bidd.
BiderEstabrook \& CO


R. Lill, Day \& Co. and Mer99.659 Eastman, Dillo- \& Co
Harris. Forbes \& Co
Barr B. Bros. \& Co PLANT CITY, Hillsborough County, Fla.-BOND SALE.-The
 Toledo: $\$ 160$ water works bonds.
250,000 general improvement bonds.
Date Oct. 11925 . Due Oct. 11945.
PLACER UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P O. Auburn), Pracer County' Calif. 12 BOND SALEE.-The $\$ 225.0005 \%$ school bonds
offered on April $6-\mathrm{V}$. 122, p. 1664 were awarded to the Bank of Italy,
 $4.54 \%$. Date April 1926. 1937 to 1944, incl., and $\$ 5,000,1945$.
PLATTSMOUTH, Cass County, Neb--BONDS DEFEATED.-At the
election held on April 6- . 122, p. 664 -the proposition of issuing $\$ 35,000$
funding bonds failed to carry. PLYMOUTH, Wayne County, Mich.-BOND SALE.-On April 12 the following two issues of coupon bonds, aggregating \$58,000 offered on
that date (V. 122, p. 2093) were awarded to the Detroit Trust Co . of Detroit as 41/s sata a premium or $\$ 427$, equal to 100.73 , a basis of about $4.37 \%$
$\$ 25,000$ water bonds. Due $\$ 1,00,1927$ and $\$ 2.0001928$ to 1939 incl.
33,000 sanitary sewer bonds. Due $\$ 1,000,1927$ and $\$ 2,000,1928$ to 1943 Denom. $\$ 1,000$. Int. M. \& N.
POLK CITY JUNCTION SCHOOL DISTRICT, Polk County, Iowa.- the purpose of voting on the question of issuing $\$ 25,000$ school bonds. POLK COUNTY SPECIAL TAX SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O Bartow, Fla--BIDS REJECTED.-All bids received for the $\$ 420,000$
$5 \% \%$ school bonds offered on April 5-V. 122, p. $1954-$ were rejected POLK COUNTY SPECIAL TAX SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 15 $0006 \%$ school bonds offered on April 5 -V. 122, p. 1954 -were rejected POLK COUNTY SPECIAL TAX SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 22 $\$ 80.0006 \%$ school bonds offered on April 5-V. 122, D. 1954 -wer

PONTOTOC COUNTY SPECIAL ROAD DISTRICT NO. 1 (P, O Pontotoc), Miss.-BOND SALE.-The Commerce Securities Do. o Memphis recently purchased an issue of $\$ 75,00051 / \%$ road bonds. Dated
Jan. 1 1926. Denom. $\$ 1,000$. Due Jan. 1 as follows: $\$ 2,000,1927$ to 1931 incl. Prin. and semi-ann. int. (J. \& City. Legality approved by Charles \& Rutherford, St. Louis.
Assessed valuation, 1925 Financial Statement. Area of district, 59,840 acres.
Population (estimated) 4.500 .
Population (estimated)
PORTAGE COUNTY (P.
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PORTAGE COUNTY (P. O. Ravenna), Ohio- - BOND OFFERING.County Auditor, for $\$ 27,00051 / 2 \%$ deficiency bonds. Denom. $\$ 500$. County Treasurer's offrice. Due $\$ 8,000$ Oct 1 19. A and April and Oct.
1928 to 1931 incl. A certified check for $\$ 1,350$ payable to the Cole PORTAGE COUNTY (P. O. Ravenna), Ohio-BOND SALE-On Apre- $V$. $122, \mathrm{p}, 11954$ were awarded to W. K. Terry $\&$ Oo. of Toleno at a
dremium of $\$ 57$, equal to 102.44 a basis of about $4.54 \%$. Date April 1 premium of $\$ 537$, equal to 102.44, a basis of about $4.54 \%$.
1926 . Due $\$ 2,00$ yearly from Oct. 11927 to 1937, incl.
PORTLAND, Jay County, Ind-BOND SALE.-On April 7 J. F. Wild \& Co. of Indianapolis purchased an isue of $\$ 50.000$ James W. Craw
et al. concrete road impt. bonds at a premium of $\$ 55750$, equal to 101.11 . PORTLAND, Cumberland County, Me.-TEMPORARY LOAN.ary loan on a $3.60 \%$ discount basis.
PORTSMOUTH, Scioto County, Ohio-BOND SALE.-On April 7 the following six issues of $5 \%$ coupon, bonds, aggregating $\$ 415.000$, offered
on that date $\mathrm{V} .122, \mathrm{p} .1817$-were awarded to the Title Guarantee \& Trust Co. of Cincinnati as follows: $\$ 200,000$ water works extension bon
104.95 , a basis of about $4.52 \%$. Due $\$ 8.000$ yearly from Jan. 1
1928 to 1952 , inclusive. 25,000 water works extension bonds at a premium of $\$ 1,23950$, equal to
104.95 a basis of about $4.52 \%$. Due $\$ 1,000$ yearly from Jan. 1 water works. extensione bonds at a premium of $\$ 2.479$, equal to
10495 , a basis of about $4.52 \%$. Due $\$ 2,000$ yeariy from Jan. 1928 to 1952 , inclusive. 104.95 a basis of about $4.52 \%$. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Due $\$ 2,000$ yearly from Jan. 1
D 1928 to 1952 , inclusive. 60,000 grade crossing bonss at. a premium of $\$ 3,403$ bo, equal to 105.67 basis of about $4.52 \%$. Due $\$ 2,000$ yearly from Jan. 11928 to
a 30,000 (city's portion) street and alley improvement bonds at a premium
of $\$ 657$ 60, equal to 102.19 , a basis of about $4.63 \%$. Due $\$ 3,000$ yearly Dated Jrom. Jan. 11928 to 1937, inclusive.
PUTNAM COUNTY (P. O. Palatka), Fla.- BOND OFFERING.sealed bids until 2 p. m. April 26 for $\$ 230,0006 \%$ school bonds. Du serially 1931 to 1954 incl. Principal and interest (J. \& J.). payable at the Chase National Bank, New York
PUTNAM COUNTY SPECIAL TAX SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8 offered on April $7-\mathrm{V}$. 122 , p. 1354 . were awarded to \$pitzer. Rorick $\$ 2.250$, 1928 to 1947 incl.: $\$ 3,000$, 1948 to 1952 incl., and $\$ 5.900,1953$

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY (P. O. Centerville), Md.-BOND OFEERING. Sealed dids will be received until 12 m . Apriil 27 by by. Edgar Smith
Clerk Board of County Commissioners, for $\$ 21.000$. $5 \%$ road bonds.
 County Treasurer, required.
RENO, Washoe County, Nev.-BOND SALE,-The Reno Bank o peno recently purchased an issue of $\$ 70.000$ 51/2\% bridge bonds at at
premium of $\$ 3,290$, equal to 104.70 . Due in 20 years, optional in 10 years RICE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 24 (P. O. Faribault) -V. . 22, D. D. 1954 . were awarded to Samuel G. Wolen. Date April 8 RISING STAR INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Eastland
County, Texas.- BOND ELECTION.-On April 20 an election will be
held for the purpose of voting on the question of issuing $\$ 25,0006 \%$
RIVERSIDE, Riverside County, Calif.-PRICE PAID.-The prices mprovement bonds aggregating $\$ 500.000$, a warded on March 30 to the National City Co. of New York and James H. Jordan \& Co. of Riverside To the National City Co Co as Now Nows:
Sthe National City Co, Now York:
S258.000 water system bonds at 105.19.
200.000 soldier memorial bonds at 10.29.
James H. Jordan \& Co. of Riverside:
S42.000 Fire epartment bonds at 104.52
Date April 1 1926. Due serially April 1 it
Date April 1 1926. Due serially Aprii 11927 to 1956 incl. Int. A. \& O ROBY, Fisher County, Tex--BONDS VOTED. At a recent election
the voters authorized the issuance of $\$ 45,000$ funding bonds
ROCHESTER, N. Y.-NOTE SALE.-On April 9 the following four
Issues of notes. agregating $\$ 700,000$, offered on that date-V. 122, p. 2093
 premium of $\$ 2$ :
$\$ 200.000$ scho
4200.000 school revenue notes.

Notes will be made payable two months from April 141926 at the Central
Union Trust Co.. New York.
To the National Bank of Rochester at $3.70 \%$ interest plus a premium of $\$ 4$ :
$\$ 50,000$ water works impt notes $\$ 50,000$ water works impt notes.
50.000 nunicipal hospital notes.
Notes will be made payable eight months from April 141926 at the
Oentral Union Trust Co., New York. Oentral Union Trust $C$
Other bidders were:
Bidders Bank of Rochester:
National
$\$ 600.000$ revenue notes

$\$ 600.000$ revenue notens New York:
50.000 water works improvement notes
Robert Winthrop \& Co Cowital notes. Yout
Balomon Bros. \& Hutzler, New York:
alomon Bros. \& Hutzler, New York
S50.000 water works impt. notes-.
50.000 municipal hospital notes.. $\qquad$
Int. Prem. 50.000 municipal hospital notes.-
Geneseo Valley Co. New York
Go York
ork-
$3.67 \% \quad \$ 10$

recent election the voters authorized the issuance of $\$ 30,000$ municipal hospital bonds.
ROCKWELL CITY, Calhoun County, Minn.-BONDS VOTED.At a recent
tower bonds.
RODEO SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Martinez), Contra Costa

 the. Count Trasarer so office, Martinez. Mrin. and int. (A. \& L .) payablity at
fellow, Eells, Moore \& Orrick of San Francisco. Assessed valuation (1925)

Financial Statement.

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Lean County, No. Dak. - BISTRICT NO. 51 (P. O. Garrison), Mc or $\$ 30,0005 \%$ school bonds. Due in 1946



 ROSWELL, Chaves County, N. Mex. - BONDS VOTED. - At the elec-
tion held on April $6-\mathrm{V}, 122$, i 1508 - the voters authorized the issuance of the following bonds, aggiegating $\$ 175,000$ : $\$ 150.000$ water bonds
25.000 se
ROWAN COUNTY (P. O. Salisbury), No. Caro--NOTE OFFERING.
 road notes.
Int. payabie emilannally (A. \& o. Den) In. New. York in gold. A certified
check for $2 \%$ or the amount bid is required. Legality approved by Reed, check forty \& or the amount bidd.
ROYAL OAK TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. ${ }^{7}$ (P. O. O. Boatis, Inc.. of New York, hive purchased an issue of $\$ 70,000$ school
bonds as 5 s at a premium of $\$ 716$. 75 , equal to 101.40 . bonds as 5 s at a premium or $\$ 71675$, equal to 101.40 .
RUSSEL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Lucas County, fowa.-BOND SALE. The \$18,000 coupon school, bonds offered on
March 11-V. 122. p. 1207-were awarded locally as 4 s at par. RUTHERFORD COUNTY (P. O. Rutherford), No. Caro.-BOND
SALE.-C. W. McNear \& Co. of Chicago recently purchased an issue of $\$ 250.0005 \%$ school bonds at a premium of $\$ 750$, equal to 100.30 . ST. JOHN LEVEE AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT (P. O. New Madrid),
Mississippi and New Madrid Counties, Mo.-BOND OFFERING.,
 April 1 1926. Denom. $\$ 500$ and $\$ 1.000$. Due April 1 as follows: $\$ 500$
1930 to 1937. incl: $\$ 5,0001938$ to 11545, incl., and $\$ 56,000$ 1946. Principal

 SAGINAW, Saginaw County, Mich.-BOND SALEE.-On March 16
the $\$ 720,000$ 4 $4 \%$ coupon general water bonds offered on that date the $\$ 720,00044 / 4 \%$ coupon general water bonds offered on that date at 100.339 a basis of about $4.23 \%$. Date
yearly from April 11927 to 1956 inclusive.
SANDUSKY COUNTY (P. O. Fremont), Ohio-BOND OFFERING. Oounty Auditor, for $\$ 18.0005 \%$ Green. Apreek Township road bonds.
 approved by Squire, Sanders \& Dempsey of Cleveland.
N. Mex.-BOND OFFERING.-M DISTRICT NO. 18 (P. O. Aztec),
 payable at the State Treasurer's office at Santa Fe, or at Kountze Bros...
S. Yity, at option of holder. A certified check for $5 \%$ of the amount bld, payable to the above-named official, is required.
SAN LEANDRO SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Oakland), Alamenda on April $12-\mathrm{V}$. 122 , p. $1954-$ were awarded to E . H. Rollins $\&$ Sons of Boston at a premium of 87.808 , equal to 104.33 , a basis of about $4.48 \%$.
Dated March 151926 Due March 15 as follows: $\$ 11,0001929$ to 1944 , matusive, and $\$ 4,0001945$.
SAN MATEO UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Redwood chyoil bonds offered on April $12-$ V. 122, p. 2094 were awarded to the
 A pril 1 1926. Due $\$ 15,0001927$ to 1946 , inclusive.
SANTA FE, Santa Fe County, N. Mex.-BOND offering.-Joe P. April 151956 optional A pril Dated Aprif 1926. Denom. $\$ 1,000$. Due Clty Treasurers office or at Kountze Bros., New. York City. .ty A certified
check for $\$ 5,500$ payable to the City Treasurer is required. N. SANTA FE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 (P. O. Santa Fe), N. Mex.- BOND ELECTION- On April 19 an election will be held for the
purpose of voting on the question of issuing 86,000 school bonds. Charles
C. Closson, Chairman of Board of County Commis.
N. Mex. $-B O N D$ COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7 (P. O. Santa Fe) the perpo- of of voting on the question of issuing $\$ 5,000$ school londs. E. 19 . L
Safford. Clerk of Board of Education. Sal
N. Mex.-BOND ELECTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 12 (P. O. Santa Fe), purpose or voting on the question of issuing $\$ 20,000$ school bonds. E. L.
Safford, Clerk Board of Education
S. Mex.-BOND ELECTION.-On April 19 an election will be held for the purpose of voting on the question or issuing $\$ 12,000$ school bonds.
E. L. Safford, Clerk of Board of Education will SARANAC OAKE Boar or Education
SARANAC LAKE, Franklin County, N. Y-BOND SALE.-On April 12 the $\$ 57.000$ coupon or registered sewer bonds offered on that date

SARASOTA HEIGHTS (P. O. Sarasota), Sarasota County, Fla.$6 \%$ bridge and approach bonds. Denom. $\$ 1,000$.
SCHENECTADY, Schenectady County, N. Y.-TEMPORARY Lwarded the April 8700 the
 SCOTT COUNTY (P. O. Huntsville), Tenn.-BOND OFFERING.sor $\$ 150,000$ not exceedivg 6 ntill $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. May 1 by the County Jude
and 1966 . A certifled check bonds. Due $\$ 50,000$ in 1946 , 1956 .000 is required
$\$ 200,000$ funding bonds offered on April 7-V. Iowa.-BOND SALE.-The
 May 11930 and $\$ 65,000$ May 11931 and 1932
SCOTTSBLUFF COUNTY SCHOOL. DISTRICT NO. ${ }^{2}$ (P. O.
 $\$ 6.000,1937$ to 1941 incl., and $\$ 7.000$. 1942 to 1946 incl.
SHASTA UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Redding)
Shasta County, Calif.-BOND OFFERING.- Until May 5 sealed bids whasta County, Calif.-BOND be received by the County Clerk for $\$ 375.0005 \%$ school bonds,
Ohio.-ROND SAlIE.-On A pril 5 the $\$ 91.0005 \%$ coupon shool Cuilaings
 Roth \& Irying Co. of Cincinnati for $\$ 96,924$, equal to 103.11 , a basis of
about $4.67 \%$ Dated Jan. 1 1926. Due each six months as follows: 1 1950.
SOMERSET, Pulaski County, Ky.-BOND ofFERING.-The Mayor street paving bond
SOUTH DAKOTA (State of)-BOND SALE.-A syndicate composed the Minnesota Loan \& Trust Co. and the Minneanoilis Trust Cow both of monneapolis, recently purchased an issue of $\$ 1.000,00041 / \%$ refunding
brit. Dated May 151926 . Purchasers agreed to pay for the printing of the bonds and legal opinion
SPRINGFIELD, Hampden County, Mass.-TEMPORARY LOAN.-
The First National Bank of Boston purchaseda $\$$ SEOO.000 temporary loan
on a $3.543 \%$ discount basis. Due Nov. 121926 .
STANTONSBURG, Wilson County, No. Caro-- BOND SALE--
The $\$ 45,0006 \%$ coupon improvement bonds offered on April 7-V. p. 1955-were awarded to Ryan, Sutherland \& Co.. Toledo, at a premium Due April 1 as follows: \$2.0.00. 1928 to 1940 . Inci., Dated April 11926.
1945 . incl., and $\$ 4,000$, 1946. Other bidders were: 1941 to Magnus \&

Price Bid.
$-\quad \$ 45.45$.
$-45,000$
Stranahan, Harris \& Oatis, Inc.-........................................ 45,000
STAPLES, Todd County, Minn.-CERTIFICMTE SALE.-The STAPLES, Todd County, Minn.-CERTIFICHTE SALE, Certificates of indebtedness offered on Mar. 23 (V. 122, p. 1665) equal to 100.18 a a basis of about, $5.92 \%$. Dated Dec. 1 1925. Due
$\$ 2.000$, 1926 and 1927 , and $\$ 3,000$, 1928 and 1929 . ST TVILE 1929.
John L. Milholland. City Clerks, will recive sealed bids offerring.-
until $2 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. April 27 for the following coupon bonds, aggregating
$\$ 175,000$ water, sewer and


 ision of the United States Mortgage \& Trust Co prepared under the superwill certify as to the genuineness of tee siguatures of the officials and seal impressed thereon. Legality to be approved by Strorey, Thorndike.
STAUNTON, Macaupin County, III-BOND SALE.- On March 30 were awarded to the Federal Securities Corporation of Chicaeo. p. Dated
 $\$ 4,000$. 1943; $\$ 4.500,1944 ; \$ 5.000$, i 945 and $\$ 6,500,1946$. optional on any ITAUNTON
3 AUNTON, Augusta County, Va.-BOND SALE.-The $\$ 240.000$ were awarded to Braun, Bosworth \& C O of Toledo, and the Detroit Trust Co. of Detroit, jointly, at a premium of $\$ 5.141$, equal to 102.14-a basis of and $\$ 10,000$, i943 to 1960 . inclusive.
and
 ocally as 5s. Date April 11926.
SULLIVAN COUNTY (P. O. Sullivan), Ind.-BOND SALE.-On s9.100 offered on that date (V, 122. p. 1665) were awarded to the Peoples
State Bank of Sullivan.
$\$ 4,400$ Jefferson Township road bonds.
4,700 Jefferson Township road bonds.
SUNBURST, Toole County, Mont-BOND orFERING.-H. E. Abnot exceeding $6 \%$ coupon water bonds. Dated Jan. 1 1926. The bonds hall be one of two classes, namely amortization bonds or serial bonds. int (J. \& J., payable at the Town Treasurer's ofrice A certified check for

SUMNER COUNTY (P. O. Gallatin), Tenn- BOND OFFERING.April 0 for $\$ 225.0005 \%$ highway improvement bonds. Date April
Due April 1 as follows: $\$ 5,000,1931$, and $\$ 10,000,1936$ and 1941 .
SURRENCY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Appling County, Ga.-BOND SALE.-The $\$ 195$, were arded to H. C. Speer $\&$ Sons Co. of Chicago at 104, a basis
Date April 1926 Denom. $\$ 1,000$. Due $\$ 1,000$ of about $5.69 \%$. Date. Apil $1{ }^{1} 1926$. Denom. $\$ 1,000$. Due $\$ 1,000$
Jan. 11936 to 1950, incl. Interest payable J. \& J. TEXARKANA, Bowie County Tex.-BOND SALE.-The \$200.000
4\%\%. street bonds offered on April 8 (V. 122, p. 2094) were awarded to
H. Burt \& Co. of Austin at 97.30 .
TROY, Rensselaer County, N. Y.- BOND SALE,-On April 15 the
ollowing two issues of $41 / 2 \%$ coupon or registered bonds, aggregating $\$ 83$ orfer on that date, were awarded to Pulleyn \& Co and F. B. Keech
 48,000 Prospect Park retunding 1926 bonds. Denome $\$ 1,000$ and $\$ 400$. Dated April i 1926 . Interest semi-annually.
TRUMBULL COUNTY (P. O. Warren), Ohio.-BOND SALE,-On April 9 the $\$ 23.0005 \%$ I. C. H. No. 35 Section $P$ bonds offered on that date
 April 1 1935, and $\$ 2,000$, Oct. 1 1935, and $\$ 2,000$, April and Oct. 11936 . UNDERWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT, Pottawattamio County,
 Dec. 1 as follows: $\$ 3,000$ i. 1928 to 1932 . incl. $\$ 44,000,1933$ to 1938 , incl.:
$\$ 5,000,1939$ to 1944 , incl., and $\$ 6.000$, 1945 .
UNION TOWNSHIP, Benton County, Ind.-BONDS OFFERED.Sealed bids were received unt
$\$ 60,000$ improvement bonds.
UPPER ARLINGTON, Hancock County, Ohio-BOND SALEOn April 9 the following three issues of $5 \%$, couporite bonds. aggregating
$\mathbf{1 5 1 . 3 6 7} 50$ were awarded to the Teachers Retirement System at a

 15,000 witer yearly from Oct. 11927 to 1936 incl, p. 1955). Due
59,00000 sewer bonds. Due Oct. 1 as follows: $\$ 5,000,1927$, and
$\$ 6.000$. 1928 to 1936 incl. Date April 11926.
UPPER MORELAND TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Wils will boroceived until 7 p. m. April 20 by the secretary Board of Direc-


 equal to
8600,000 pubilic impt. bonds for the purpose of providing funds for the
payment of clatms, awards and authorized payment of clatms, awards and authorized legal expenditures of alteration of steet lines or extension of streets in sald city. Due
200,000 pubicic impt. bonds for the purpose of providing funds for the paving and resurfacing streets and public places in inds for the
Due $\$ 10.000$ vearly from April 11927 to 1 put incl
100,000 public limpt. bonds.for the purpose of providing funds for the confrom Appll 1927 to 1946 . incl.
75.000 public impt. April 1 1 1927 to 1046 . incl.
public Impt. bonds for the purpose of providing funds for the improvement Roscoe Conkling Park in said city. Due $\$ 750$ yearly
10,000 public impt. bonds for the purpose of providing funds for surveys and the preparation of tax maps for
April 1 1926 to to 1946. Incl
April 11926 . Other bidders were:
Dated April 1 1926. Other bidders were:
Sherwood \& Merrifield
Utica Trust \& Deposit Co
Utica Trust \&
Pulleyn \& Co,
Rutter \& Co

| Int. | Amount Bid. |
| :---: | :---: |
| $-4.10 \%$ |  |
| $4.20 \%$ | s1.001. 111 |
| 1.0066 .10 |  |

Eldredge \& Co..........
$4.25 \%$
We are inf County, Tox. BOND ELECTION POSTPONED. the purpose of voting on the question of issuing
$\mathrm{V} .122, \mathrm{p} .1818-$ has been postponed indefinitely.
VENTURA HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P O. Ventura) Ventura County, Calif.- BOND OFFERING. - Sealed bids.
VERNON COUNTY (P. O. Viroqua), Wis.-BOND SALE.-The
 premium of $\$ 832$. equal to 100.59 , a basis of about $4.32 \%$ Dated May
1926 . Due May 1 as follows: $\$ 100,000$, 1929, and $\$ 40,000$, 1930.
WAFKIAKUM COUNTY (P. O. Cathlamet), Wash-BONDS OFFERED. The Clerk of Board of County Commissioners received sealed
bids until April 14 for $\$ 100,0007 \%$ county bonds. Due in 15 annual

WARREN, Macomb County, Mich.-BOND SALE.-On Mach 4 the $\$ 53,0005 \%$ coupon water works bonds orrered on that date (V. 122, p .
 WASHINGTON COUNTY (P. O. Jonesboro), Tenn.-BOND DE-SCRIPTION.-The $\$ 17.0005 \%$ coupon road bonds awarded to Caldwell
 WATERTOWN, Middlosox County, Mass.-BOND OFFERING, Sealed tias wrer, for the following four m . m . Aprii 2 by Harry W. Brigham. ing \$298,500:
 73,500 street construction bonds. Due on April 1 as follows: $\$ 8,500,1927$. 155.000 North End elementary school bonds. Due on April. 1 as follows: $\$ 11.000,1927$ to 1931 incl. and $\$ 10,000,1932$ to 1941 incl. ann. int. (A. \& $O$.) payable in Boston. Bonds will be prepared under the supervision of the Old Colony Trust Co.. Boston which will certify as to the genuineness of and the validity of the Paito

WATERVILLE, Lucas County, Ohio.-BOND SALE.-On March 29 V .122 , p. 1500 -were awarded to the Waterville State Savings Bank of

WAUKESHA, Waukesha County, Wis.-BOND SALE.-The follow-
ing $41 / \%$ bonds, aggregating $\$ 176,000$, offered on April 8 (V. 122, p. 1818)
were a warded to the Second Ward Securities Co. of Milwaukee at a pre-
 16,000 school site bonds. Due $\$ 1,000,1931$ to 1946 incl.
Dated April 15 1926.

WAVERLY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Bremer County, prose of votting on the question or issuing $\$ 50,000$ school bonds. M. M. Kingsl
WAVERLY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Bromer County, pwa.- 0 Voting on the questlon of issuing $\$ 50,000$ school bonds. M. M. M. Kingsley, Necretary or Board or Education.
WEBB CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Jaspor County, Mo.-BONDS until 8 p . m. April 15 for $\$ 30,00041 / 2 \%$ school bonds. Date May 11926 .
WEBER COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Ogden), notes purchased by Edward L. Burto \$ 8 Co of saup Lake City-V. 122 ,
p. 1956 -at 99.50 a basis of about and are described s fols. Dete Aprii 1926. Denom. $\$ 1.000$. Due S60.00 April 11928 to 1931 , incl. Optional before maturities on any
Interest date. Interest payable A. O. Date of award March 18 . WEBSTER GROVES, Saint Louis County, Mo.-BOND SALE.The
 15,000 forve equipment bonds. Due $\$ 1,000,1931$ to 1945 incl.
10,000 street bonds. Due $\$ 1.000,1931,1932,1933,1935,1937,1939$, Dated May 1 1943. 1945 and 1946.100 Denom. S1. Interest payable semi-annually
M. \& N.) at the Webster Groves Trust Co., Webster Groves. $(\mathrm{M} . \& \mathrm{~N}$.$) at the Webster Groves Trust Co., Webster Groves.$
Financial Statement.

 Total bonded debt including these issues.................................... 22,500 $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Water works bonds. included in above- water works bonds) for } & 236,000\end{array}$ Sinking funds on hand (exclusive of water works bonds) for
bonds) for redemption of bonded debt
24, Population 1920 Census. 9,474 special census June 1924, 10,414. WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 23 (P. O. Greeley), urpose of voting on the question of issuing $\$ 15.000$ school bonds. These onds were purchased by Benwel \& Co. of Denver at $99.90-\mathrm{V} .122, \mathrm{p}$. $666-$ subject to their being roted at this election.
WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 96 (P. O. Prospect Valloy, Colo.- BONDD ELECTION.- On May 3 an election will be held
for the purpose of voting on the question of issuing $\$ 21,000$ school bonds. Westerville, Franklin County, Ohio.- BOND OFFERING.-Sealed
bids will be recelved until 12 m . April 29 by W. A. Kline, Villace Clerk,
 nel. $\$ 3.000$. 1931 , and $\$ 2.000 .1932$ to 1936
WEST PALM BEACH, Palm Beach County, Fla - -BOND OFFER-
ING.- H. J. Daugherty, City Clerk, will receive sealed bids until April 29 for $\$ 1,110.0006 \%$ improvement bonds.
WEYMOUTH, Norfolk County, Mass.-TEMPORARY LOAN.D. 2095 - were awaded to the therary woun
$3.1 \%$ discount basis. Due Nov. 25 1926.

WILCOX, Kearnoy County, Nob.-BOND OFFERING.-Otto Schends. Due in 20 years, optional after 10 years.
WILKENSBURG, Allegheny County, Pa.-BOND ELECTION.-On question of issuing the following two issues of bonds agsegating $\$ 1,000,000$ $\$ 350.000$ school building bonds
650,000 school property bonds.
WILSON, Wilson County, No. Caro.-BOND oFFERING. Theodore


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required.
WILSON COUNTY (P, O. Wilson), No. Caro--BOND DESCRIPTION. The $\$ 625,00043 \%$ highway bonds purchased by C. C. MCNear

 Co., New York City.

## Financial Statement.

 Total bonded debt, including this issue
Population, 1920 (U. S. census), $36, \overline{1} 13 ;$ population, $1926{ }_{\text {estimato }}^{1,837,500}$ 42,000.
WINFIELD, Cowley County, Kan.-BOND SALE.-The Branch$41 / 2 \%$ internal impt. bonds at 100.10 . Due in 1 to 10 years,
WINTERS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Runnels County, Tex.- $\begin{aligned} & \text { recently purchate. The Brown-crummer Investmends, Due serially. }\end{aligned}$ recently purchasel
1928 to 1966 . incl
WOODLEAF SPECIAL TAXING SCHOOL DISTRICT-P. Barker. Register of Deeds, will receive sealed bids until 12 m . April 20 for $\$ 35.000$ not exceeding $6 \%$ coupon school bonds. Dated May 1 inl 1926 .
Denom. $\$ 1.000$. Due May 1 as follows: $\$ 1.000 .1928$ to 1950 incl and $\$ 2,000,1951$ to 1956 incl. The rate of interest must be a multiple of $1 / \% \%$.
$1 \%$ and must be the same for all of the bonds. Prin. and semi-ann. Int. $1 \%$ and must be the same for all of the bonds. Prin. and semi-ann. Int.
payable in gold in New York. Leeality apporoved by Red, Dougherty $\dot{\text { a }}$
Hoyt of New York City. A certified check for $2 \%$ of the bonds bid for is required.

WOOSTER SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Wooster, Wayne County, by R. W. Miller, Clerk Board of Education, for $\$ 46.3005 \%$ school notes.
Denom payable at the office of the Sinking Fund Commission. Due s4,630 June and Dec. 11927 to 1931 incl.
YOUNGSTOWN, Mahoning County, Ohio. BOND OFFERING.-
Sealed bids will be received until 12 m . standard time) May 10 by A . H . Wiliams. Director of Finance, for s100,000 $5 \%$ water works impt. bonds. Denom. \$10,000. Date May 201 is atity or at the office of the sinking Fund Trustees. Due $\$ 10.000$ yearly from Oct. 11927 to 1936 . Incl. Dertified
check for $2 \%$ of the amount of bonds bid for, payable to the Director of check for $2 \%$ of the
Finance, required.

CANADA, its Provinces and Municipalities. BASIN OF CHAMBLY, Que - BOND SALE.-On March 23 the
 D. 1666 ...ereanw

CLINTON, Ont.-BONDS VOTED.-The ratepayers approved the o,too school by-law.
ESQUIMALT DISTRICT, B. C.-BOND SALE-R. F. Castle \& Co
 R Bidersstle \& Co Rate Bid. Bidders- Rate Bid.

 | Pemberton \& Son |
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| R. G. Christy \& Co_--.-.-. | CAMPBELLTON, N. B.-BONDS AUTHORIIED.-The provincial bovernme has authorized the town to issue hospital bonds.

EAST YORK TOWNSHIP, Ont.-BONDS APPROVED.-The council
GODERICH, Ont.-BOND ELECTION.-On May 4 the ratepayers
will be asked to vote on a $\$ 85,000$ town hali by-law.
HANOVER, Ont.-BOND ELECTION.-The ratepayers will be asked
to vote on a $\$ 35,000$ school by-law. INCST
a $\$ 25,000$ exhibition bonds My-law. 3 the ratepayers will be asked to vote on MINTO TOWNSHIP, Ont.-
received until April 12 for the purchase of $\$ 4,0005 \%$, 55 -instalment bonds
R. Holtom, Sr R. Holtom, Sr., Treasurer, Clifford, Ont.

MONTREAL EAST, Que.-BOND OFFERING. - Sealed bids were received by the School Commissioners up to $5 \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{m}$. April 21 for the purMontreal, Quebec and Montreal East. Bonds are in denom. of $\$ 100, \$ 500$
and $\$ 1,000$ each. R, Guertin. Secretary-Treasure
NIAGARA FALLS, Ont.-BONDS TO BE SOLD.-The city clerk has been authorized to sell $\$ 14,576$ sidewalk; $\$ 34,408$ sewer; and $\$ 316,306$ pavement bonds
OUTREMONT, Que.-BONDS APPROVED.- The council passed
several local improvement by-laws totaling $\$ 490.876$.
several local improvement by-laws totaling $\$ 490,876$.
POINT GREY DISTRICT, B. C.-BOND ELECTION.-The rate-
payers will be asked to vote on a $\$ 50,000$ fire hall by-law.
RENFREW, Ont.-BONDS APPROVED. - The provincial government approved the issuing of $\$ 100,000$ hospital bonds
RIVERSIDE, Ont.-BONDS APPROVED.-The council passed a
$\$ 25,000$ electric light by-law.
SANDWICH Ont.
SANDWICH, Ont.-BOND SALE.- On March 29 the following 5 1819) were awarded to Wood, Gundy \& Co. of Toronto at 101.20. 122, p. 26,789.2651/2\% local impt. bonds. Due in 15 years
$9,619.8251 / 2 \%$ local impt. bonds. Due in 10 years. 9.619.82 $51 / 2 \%$ local impt. bonds. Due in 10 years.
$5,571.2951$,
$7.987 .056 \%$ local impt. bonds. Due in 20 years.
$27,000.0051 / 2 \%$ hydro extension bonds. Due in 20 years.
SASKATOON, Sask.-BOND SALE.-On April 8 the $\$ 109,7315 \%$
coupon registerable as to principal, $10,15,20$ and 30 -year local coupon registerable as to principal, 10, 15, 20 and 30-year local impt. bonds
offered on that date-V. 122, p. 1666-were awarded to A. E. Ames \& Co.
of Tornnto at 97.38 , a basis of about $5.23 \%$. Date May 1 1926. Int.
M. \& N. Average life of bonds, $181 / 2$ years. SASKATCHEWAN, Sask.-BOND SALES
the school district's bonds according to the monetary times is a list of dated April 9 reported sold by the Local Government Board from Mar,
20 to 27: Antelope, 20 to 27: Antelope, $\$ 3,0006 \% 15$-years, to Waterman-Waterburg Mfg. Oo. Amaranth, $\$ 2,6006 \% 10$ years to Moorehouse \& Co.; Instow Viliage,; BONDS
tions have been granted by the Local Government Board during the same period: Armiston, $\$ 1,275$ not exceeding $8 \% 10$ instalments; Beaver Hills, $\$ 3,600$ not exceeding $7 \% 15$ years; Neville, $\$ 8,500$ not exceeding $7 \%$ not exceeding $7 \%$ 20 years. Rural Municipality of Bratts Lake, $\$ 7,000$ not exceeding $7 \%$-installments. Town of Moosomin, $\$ 10,000$ not exceeding $6 \% 10$ years.
$B O N D$
BOND SALES.- The same paper says the following school district bonds
have been sold by the Local Government Board from March 28 to Sanctuary, $\$ 4,50053 / \% \% 20$ years to H. J. Birkett \& Co. BONDS AUTHORIZED.-The same paper says the foll
tions have been granted by the Local Government Board during the same period: School districts: Maryville, $\$ 1,200$ not exceeding $8 \% 6$ years; exceeding $6 \% 10$ installments; Marcelin, $\$ 19,000$ not exceeding 835 not years; Mannix, $\$ 4,000$ not exceeding $8 \%$, 15 years; Athelstan, $\$ 2,000$ no-
 ceeding $8 \% 20$ years; Vidette. $\$ 3.000$ not exceeding $8 \% 15$ years 000 not exViscount, $\$ 3,600$ not exceeding $7 \%$ not exceeding $8 \% 15$ installments. 15 years. Village of
$\$ 6,3505 \% 20$ years.
SAULTE STE. MARIE, Ont.-BONDS AOPROVED.-The Tprovincial SCARBOROUCH the borrowing of $\$ 35,000$ for paving purposes. SCARBOROUGH TOWNSHIP, Ont.-BONDS APPROVED.-The
Council passed a $\$ 40,000$ school by-law. SOUTH PART OF ONSLOW TOWNSHIP, Que.-BOND OFFERING
Sealed bids will be received up to 10 p. m. A pril ig, for the purchase of $\$ 20,0005 \%$ 20-year serial road bonds in denominations of $\$ 100$ each payable at Quyon. J. A. Steel, Secretary-Treasurer, Quyon, Que.
THOROLD, Ont.-BOND SALE.-C. H. Elkins \& Co. of Toronto re $\$ 4,780$ sidewalk bonds at par. Due in 15 bears.
 THREE RIVERS, Que,-BOND SALE.-On April 12 the following two p. 2095) were awarded to Mead \& Co. of Mfered on that date (V. 12. 20,000 bonds. Date Nov. 1 1924. Due 1927 to 1954 incl.
20,000 bonds. Date May 1 1925. Due 1927 to 1954 in
VANCOUVER, B. C.-BONDS OFFERED.-Sealed bids were received in 5 issues of $5 \%$ bonds aggregating $\$ 1,070,000$ : $\$ 200,000$ sewer bonds. Due Feb. 1 1966. $\$$ 320,000 school bonds. Due Feb. ${ }^{1} 1966$.
50,000 playfield impt. bonds. Due Feb. 11966.
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250,000 streets and sidewalks bonds. Due Feb. 11941.
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    By Adrian H. Muller \& Sons, New York:
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     100 Railroad-steamship Sanitary

[^1]:    Rovised tlgures.

[^2]:    United States Liberty Loan Bonds and Treasury Certificates on the New York Stock Exchange.-Below we furnish a daily record of the transactions in Liberty Loan bonds and Treasury certificates on the New York Stock Exchange. The transactions in registered bonds are given in a footnote at the end of the tabulation.

[^3]:    *Under the final decree in the receivership cause, $\$ 10,000,000$ six per cent. preferred stock was reserved to be issued in settlement of such claims as
    might be allowed by the Special Master. Up to December $311925, \$ 127,300$ of this stock had been issued. Note. -In stating the
    Note. -In stating the assets and liabilities of the companies forming the Rock Island Lines, the holdings of The Chicago Rock Island and Pacific
    Railway Company in the bonds and capital stock of the auxiliary lines, together with loans between the various companies have been eliminated Railway Company in the bonds and capital stock of the auxiliary lines, together with loans between the various companies, have been eliminated
    from the liabilities and a like reduction made in the assets pertaining thereto; the figures shown, therefore, represent the book value of the assets and the
    liabilities without duplication. labilities without duplication.

[^4]:    GUARANTY UNDER TRANSPORTATION ACT, 1920.
    Final settlement of the guaranty to your Company under the provisions of Section 209 of the Transportation Act, 1920, has been effected, the total amount allowed being $\$ 7,594$,961.97. This involves a refund to the United States of $\$ 4,538.03$ of amounts heretofore reported as received on account of the guaranty. Suitable adjustment tolthe basis

[^5]:    According to the foregoing, Bombay appears to show a decrease compared with last year in the week's receipts of 42,000 bales. Exports from all India ports record a decrease

