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We send to our subscribers to-day along with the "Chronicle" itself our "American Bankers' Convention" Supplement.

This is an exceedingly valuable publication, inasmuch as it gives the papers and addresses read before the Annual Convention at Houston, Texas, from Oct. 24 to Oct. 28, inclusive, of the American Bankers Association and its Sections and Divisions, at which were discussed banking, financial, industrial and economic questions touching intimately the interests and the welfare of the entire community.

What Ails Business?—Tax Reduction the Great Desideratum.

The views regarding tax reduction which Andrew W. Mellon, the Secretary of the Treasury, submitted to the Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives at the opening hearing of that Committee on tax reduction legislation on Monday of last week merit the careful consideration which they are evidently to receive. Mr. Mellon presented the situation in his usual clear and comprehensive way and furnished a mass of statistics which is absolutely conclusive on most of the points in controversy. There is little or no fault to be found with the chief of the Secretary's recommendations and the only serious criticism we are inclined to make is that in direction in which relief is most needed, and the necessity for which Mr. Mellon himself indicates

with incontrovertible force, his recommendations do not, in our estimation, go far enough.

Mr. Mellon estimates the Treasury surplus for the year ending June 30 1928 at \$455,000,000 and that for the year ending June 30 1929 at \$274,000,000. The surplus for the year ending June 30 1927 was \$635,809,921. He thinks, however, that on account of the non-recurrent nature of certain special items of Government receipts which served to swell the surplus in the recent years, the new tax bill should limit tax reduction to \$225,000,000. Mr. Mellon wants to avoid the possibility of a Treasury deficit and with the usual caution of a capable financial executive would err on the safe side—that is, would cut revenues down too little rather than too much. Such precaution is obviously in the highest degree praiseworthy.

Mr. Mellon admits that in the past the Treasury has underestimated Government revenues and that consequently Treasury surplus has run far in excess of what the Treasury Department had foreshadowed as likely, but avers that the figures were not purposely made low and the underestimate resulted mainly from the inability to foresee the extent of the special items of revenue just referred to. On the present occasion, he declares, effort has been made to avoid any repetition of the kind, saying that "in these figures the Treasury has not consciously, nor as a matter of policy, played safe." All this is a matter for Congress carefully to consider.

For ourselves we would only say that in order to promote recovery in trade, which is now so urgently needed, to stimulate with new hope and energy the country's flagging industries, the reduction in taxation, and especially the reduction in the income taxes, which are still so inordinately heavy, should go to the utmost limit consistent with due prudence. To that end on this occasion it seems to us it might even be justifiable to risk the chance of a small deficiency, even though anything of the kind is always to be deprecated, since so much is at stake, namely the activity and prosperity of the business world.

With characteristic deftness Mr. Mellon goes straight to the mark. The tax on corporations is oppressively high and under the Revenue Act of 1926 the rate was actually further increased, being raised from 12½% to 13½%, and the burden of such a high corporation tax is especially onerous in the case of the proprietors of small corporations. There's

where relief is imperatively called for and the Secretary's recommendations are intended to provide it. He would reduce the Corporation tax from 13½% to 12%, involving a reduction in revenue of \$135,000,000; would permit corporations with net income of \$25,000 or less, and having not more than 10 stockholders, to file returns and pay taxes as partnerships, which he estimates would mean a saving in taxes of \$30,000,000 to \$35,000,000, and he would lower somewhat the surtax rates on amounts of income running from \$18,000 to \$70,000, resulting in an estimated saving to the taxpayers affected in the aggregate of roughly \$50,000,000. It is here that the Secretary, as we view the matter, does not go far enough in his plan of tax relief.

But before discussing these features of the Secretary's proposals we desire to point out that the present depression in business, from which the country is suffering, has grown directly out of the failure of Congress to provide relief from the onerous tax burdens in the very particulars mentioned. We use the word "depression" advisedly. The trade relapse of 1927 has grown to such dimensions that it can no longer be accurately termed as a mere trade reaction or recession. In certain of the country's key industries there is actually severe trade depression. What is worse, it at present threatens to develop into trade prostration of the worst kind, with all the serious consequences that this involves. And the cause is to be found mainly, in fact almost exclusively, in the lack of relief from the onerous taxes referred to. This is not generally realized, but anyone who will look carefully into the facts, and pass in review the various happenings in the business and industrial world since the enactment of the Revenue Act of 1926 in February of that year, cannot fail to be convinced on that point.

Inadequacy of the 1926 Tax Revision

The Revenue Act of 1926 was one of the most unsatisfactory tax measures ever enacted in the Congressional history of the country. This is so because it sliced taxes in many different directions, and to a large aggregate, but was radically deficient in failing to provide any reduction to the business world. For a very important section of the business world—we mean the proprietors of the small private corporations, whose name is legion, and who constitute the bone and the sinew of the land—it meant an increase in the yearly tax bill instead of the decrease so confidently counted upon. The normal tax on individuals was reduced in all directions and larger personal exemptions were granted, but the corporation income tax was actually raised from 12½%, already far too high, to 13½%.

It is true that the capital stock tax was at the same time repealed, but that eliminated a tax item of far smaller proportions than the increase called for by the 1% additional tax on corporate income. Moreover the capital stock tax repeal was mainly a benefit to the large and prosperous corporations. These nearly all have tangible assets to represent

their capitalization, while on the other hand in the case of the smaller corporations the reverse is quite generally true. In this last instance the capitalization is usually in the main represented by good will and accordingly there was little real invested capital on which to levy the capital stock tax. With these smaller corporate entities the capital stock tax was really a minor item as compared with the additional 1% tax they were now called upon to pay upon their corporate incomes. It happened, too, that the reduction in the surtaxes, to which those who derive their income from corporations are subject, the same as individuals who obtain their income from other sources, while very heavy in the so-called higher brackets was inconsequential in the lower brackets within which the income of the proprietors of the smaller business corporations generally falls.

Thus this class of taxpayers found their taxes in not a few instances actually higher than before. We took pains to set out the situation in that respect at the time, in an article in our issue of Feb. 27 1926, and reproduce that article in part below, because it furnishes an accurate summary of the defects of the 1926 law, defects which Secretary Mellon's recommendations are intended to cure, and also because new significance is given the statements contained therein by the course of events in the business world since then. The following is the article referred to:

"It would be useless to deny that the Tax Reduction bill which the present week has received Congressional and Executive approval, and which in flaring headlines is heralded in the newspapers as one of the great achievements of the day, is a distinct disappointment from a business standpoint. It contains certain good features, such as the abolition of the gift tax and the repeal of the publicity provision, but on the other hand it denies relief from onerous income taxes to the very classes of the population most in need of such relief. The corporation tax is actually increased from 12½% to 13½% and surtaxes on the individual are reduced only very slightly, or not at all, in the so-called lower brackets. The House bill made no reductions at all in the surtaxes on amounts of income running from \$10,000 a year to \$44,000 a year, comprising the vast bulk of the business community—the small proprietors, the great middle class with moderately large incomes. The bill was somewhat improved in this particular in its passage through the Senate, slight reductions from the House surtax rates being made in a portion of these lower brackets, but not enough to be of any great consequence or to afford any substantial relief. We are met with the reply that the normal tax rates on individuals have been reduced, which is correct, and numerous tables are being given out at Washington to show that as a result of this cut in the normal tax rates even the taxpayers in the lower brackets are given material concessions notwithstanding the surtax rates in those brackets remain nearly the same as before.

"But comment of that kind entirely overlooks the fact that the taxpayers in these lower brackets consist very largely of the proprietors of the small private corporations who get no benefits whatever from the lowering of the normal rates on personal incomes. They are not subject to the normal tax rates at all, but must pay the very much higher corporation income taxes. The normal rates have been successively reduced, while the corporation income

tax rate has as successively been increased. Now we have the gigantic blunder of a further advance of 1% in this corporation tax—from 12½% to 13½%. The repeal of the capital stock tax on corporations, which is the ostensible reason for the advance of 1% in the corporation tax rate, furnishes a very poor exchange. This capital stock tax worked very unevenly in its relation to the corporation income tax. In some cases it amounted to a great deal more than the additional 1% on corporate incomes, but in very many other cases it amounted to a great deal less, and the small proprietors in this latter class will actually find themselves mulcted with a heavier burden of taxes than before. Imagine the predicament of these unfortunate taxpayers when they make up their income tax returns and find that the corporation tax payments are actually larger than before.

"The thing generally overlooked by the Legislature, and even by the executive departments, is that these corporation taxes must first be paid before the surtax begins to apply at all. The proprietor of a small corporation, no less than of a large corporation, can get only what remains after the corporation taxes have been paid. And here we are met by the startling fact that the Federal Government exacts a corporation tax of 13½% and the State Government (in New York) 4½% more, making 18% together, before the small proprietor can get anything in the shape of dividends out of his enterprise. Now, add to this, surtax rates on what he gets from the corporation just as high as before, or only a little smaller, and then picture the misery and grief of the overburdened small taxpayer who counted on a substantial reduction of his taxes as a result of the overwhelming victory of President Coolidge and his party at the election in November 1924. Remember, too, that the maximum surtax rate of 20% under the new law is reached on incomes beginning with \$100,000, where the previous 40% rate did not apply except on incomes above \$500,000. Add the 20% maximum surtax to the 18% corporation income tax and we have 38% for the two combined. Then go a step further and add the personal income tax of 3% levied by New York State and we have income taxes altogether of 41%. And this nearly eight years after the signing of the armistice! Yet Washington advices tell us that the new revenue law reduces taxes in the enormous sum of \$387,000,000. The unfortunate feature is that virtually none of the tax reduction accrues to the benefit of the great middle class of the population. It adds nothing to their satisfaction to know that by raising the personal exemption of an unmarried person from \$1,000 to \$1,500 and the head of a family from \$2,500 to \$3,500 no less than 2,500,000 persons are relieved from the payment of any Federal income tax at all or that, as claimed by Mr. La Follette in the Senate, that 20 large income taxpayers will have their income taxes reduced in the aggregate amount of over \$11,000,000. No wonder that business has been slackening of late; no wonder that the stock market is in the throes of despond. We very much fear that the reduction in the taxes on automobiles and on tickets of admission to the theatres will not help to bring about a revival."

Now consider what has happened in the interval since then. A Congressional election occurred in November of the same year. What was the result of that election? The result was that the Republican majority in the new Congress was heavily reduced, the party suffering losses nearly everywhere and losing actual control of the Senate, it holding a majority now only in that body when the progressives and insurgents are included. Within a few days after that election, the President came out with a proposition for a flat cut of 10@15% in the income

taxes payable during 1926 and based of course upon the incomes of 1925, the cut to apply to the tax on corporations and individuals alike. Only the last installment of the 1926 taxes remained to be paid, namely that due on December 15 and accordingly Mr. Coolidge thought the refund might apply as a credit on the taxes to be paid at that time and if the amount exceeded the taxes then still due he would have had the Treasury remit the difference.

Mr. Mellon appeared to be in accord with the President, but suggested that the proposed cut in the taxes which he set at the definite figure of 12½% should apply as a credit on the income taxes payable in 1927. He did not think that a bill could be speeded through Congress in time to make the reduction apply against the taxes due Dec. 15 and proposed instead that the cut be made to apply as a credit on the quarterly installments of the 1927 taxes payable in March and June. This had the effect of infusing new hope and spirit in the business world. But nothing ever came of either proposal. The reduction would have applied merely for that single occasion, whereas both the public and many different Congressmen voiced the expression that there should be permanent reductions and not merely a transient refund that would not extend beyond the year to which it was to relate. The Administration on its part contended that at the short session of Congress then sitting it would be out of the question to get through a new tax measure. The objection did not appear to be well taken, as a bill containing only a few brief paragraphs could unquestionably have been passed if the President had insisted upon the step. But that is a matter of no consequence now.

*Business Depression Follows the Failure to Provide
Tax Relief*

The business world, however, kept hoping against hope until Congress adjourned on March 4 and it became apparent that tax reduction had been indefinitely deferred. Up to that time business had remained active with the volume of trade large. It now began to fall off, and has been continuing to decline ever since. Unfortunately, too, most of the emanations that have come from Washington with reference to the probability of any substantial reduction in tax rates in the near future, have acted as a further damper on hopes.

The intentions were good, but they had a bad effect. The President wished to guard against extravagant appropriations and he also felt that debt reduction should not be interfered with for the future. Treasury returns kept showing revenues in excess of the estimates, but pains were always taken to indicate that there was no assurance that a continuance of such large revenues could be depended upon. The President and the Treasury Department sought in every way to discourage the idea of any large tax reductions and there were even intimations that there might be no reduction at all.

The climax came when the President in one of his conferences with newspaper men on Oct. 4 went out of his way to emphasize the importance of debt

reduction as distinct from tax reduction. He was quoted as saying that he could conceive of no project that would benefit the country to the extent that it would benefit by wiping out of the Nation's debt. He referred particularly to the great saving that extinction of the debt would mean in the annual interest charges on the debt. Washington dispatches pointed out that while there had been no discussion of tax reductions, the White House attitude toward the debt was interpreted as a warning that the Administration would not countenance any large reduction in revenue. Not only that, but these dispatches stated that in some quarters the thought was expressed that the Administration might even go so far as to sidetrack tax reduction altogether, though the general view was that Mr. Coolidge would recommend some reduction.

This was the last straw. The effect was to take the heart completely out of business. The stock market, top heavy beyond all bounds, responded with a severe slump in prices. The President's attitude had plainly been misinterpreted. He clearly meant that debt reduction and tax reduction should go hand in hand. The erroneous idea that the President had it in mind that tax reduction should be abandoned evidently brought many protests to Washington, and the next day there quickly came statements from the Capitol intended to furnish a correct view of the Administration policy in that respect. Associated Press advices from Washington Oct. 5 stated that reduction of both taxes and of the public debt were expected to be included in the Administration program—that while Treasury officials declined to discuss the details of the contemplated recommendations, they would attempt to strike a compromise between the demands for heavy debt retirement and a substantial tax reduction. Unfortunately, however, business depression has proceeded too far to be much influenced for the better by mere tacit assurances of relief to come. Action is needed to remove all doubt, and very positive action at that. Unfortunately, too, certain Congressmen have expressed themselves to the effect that even though tax rates should be lowered the reductions would not apply to the incomes of 1927, but would begin with the incomes of 1928 thus deferring relief until 1929. Could there be anything more discouraging than that?

That trade and industry have been on the decline ever since Congress adjourned on March 4 last without giving business the tax relief so urgently needed, is not difficult to prove. Incontestible evidence on that point is furnished in the trade statistics. We will refer here only to the monthly figures of iron and steel production. These show that output has been falling off month by month since last March after having been maintained at a high volume in the months immediately preceding. The record is furnished in the following tabular statements. The iron figures are those compiled by the "Iron Age" of this City and the steel figures those compiled by the American Iron and Steel Institute.

Month—	Iron Production, Tons.	Steel Production, Tons.
1927—January	3,103,820	3,759,877
February	2,940,679	3,781,376
March	3,483,362	4,499,092
April	3,422,226	4,094,849
May	3,390,940	4,015,192
June	3,089,651	3,468,055
July	2,951,160	3,178,342
August	2,947,276	3,470,903
September	2,774,949	3,232,108
October	2,784,112	3,289,013

Let the reader mark well the lesson which the foregoing figures teach. Last March the make of iron in this country was 3,483,362 tons and in April it was 3,422,226 tons. From that time on there has been a constant falling off until in September the output was only 2,774,949 tons and in October 2,784,112 tons. The decrease, it will be seen, is roughly 700,000 tons a month. The steel figures tell the same story. Last March the production was 4,499,092 tons; in October it was only 3,289,013 tons. These latter figures are positively startling, showing as they do a falling off in production of over 1,200,000 tons per month.

We go thus at length into this phase of the matter because newspaper dispatches from Washington on Nov. 1 reported the American Farm Bureau Federation as having appeared in opposition to Tax Reduction and in favor of Debt Reduction, all surplus revenues to be devoted to the latter end. Some Congressmen also have been quoted as endorsing that view. Let these men consider well what such a policy would mean if it could be carried into effect, or what the result would be should they be able to defeat tax reduction through obstructive tactics. Trade is greatly in need of a rallying cry and nothing can supply this except knowledge that relief from burdensome taxation is definitely to be granted. On the other hand, should this be denied by Congress hardly anything could prevent the existing trade depression from running into trade prostration of the most pronounced type throughout the whole industrial world.

This last certainly would not be in the interest of the agricultural classes, whose interests these farm organizations are seeking to serve. The consuming power of large masses of the population would inevitably be curtailed and what these agricultural communities need for their welfare and prosperity is, not diminishing consuming capacity, but increased. The President was well advised last November when he indicated that such a large surplus would exist for the year ending June 30 1927 that a tax rebate of 10@15% would be feasible, though he erred, in our view, in urging that a mere cut for a single year should be made, instead of provision for a permanent reduction. The surplus turned out to be \$635,809,921, making total debt reduction for the year no less than \$1,131,309,383 after including the reductions provided through the sinking fund and foreign debt payment. Suppose the larger part of this \$635,809,921 had been remitted to the taxpayers, or never been exacted from them, thereby permitting its use in reproductive enterprise, would the country be suffering today from trade depression? There can be but one

answer to this question. And the situation will be the same with reference to whatever surplus may accrue in the current fiscal year ending on June 1828.

Coming now to the details of Secretary Mellon's proposals, we find ourselves entirely in accord with Mr. Mellon's recommendations except in two particulars. We think the estate tax should be repealed and what Mr. Mellon says on that point is so convincing and conclusive that it needs no elaboration on our part. We agree with him, too, in thinking that the amusement tax and the automobile tax ought to be retained. And what Mr. Mellon says in support of these contentions is also conclusive and convincing.

Excepting the Income From Bankers' Acceptances

We find ourselves obliged to differ with him in his suggestion that the income from bankers' acceptances be relieved from Federal income taxes for the benefit of foreign central banks of issue. This would be class legislation of the most objectionable character. There should be no further issues of tax exempt paper and no creation of new kinds of such paper. The U. S. Government has long since stopped issuing fully exempt Government obligations and has none outstanding to-day except the First Liberty loan $3\frac{1}{2}$ s and it is generally felt that it is a defect of our Federal tax legislation that municipal securities should enjoy such exemption. It seems a still more grievous mistake that Federal Land Bank and joint stock Land Bank issues (some of which latter have now got into difficulties notwithstanding their advantages in that respect) should be similarly endowed with tax exemption features. The Secretary's proposal would confer the objectionable exemption and privilege upon an entirely new class of paper, the emission entirely of banks and bankers.

The Secretary's purpose is to provide appropriate investments for foreign banks having balances for which they seek lodgment in this country. He would hence exempt from the income tax income derived from American bankers' acceptances held by foreign central banks of issue, thereby confining the exemption entirely to acceptances so held, and he argues that the serious effect of taxing the income from bankers' acceptances is "the resulting tendency to withdraw funds from this market for investment either in London or elsewhere." We are not much impressed with this argument. There is the twofold objection to the proposition that in the first place it would be class legislation, that is, legislation for the benefit of a class, which is always to be deprecated whether it is on behalf of labor or capital or anything else, and that it would create a new class of paper having marketable features and possessing the highly prized tax exemption. To be sure, Mr. Mellon's proposal contemplates tax exemption only for acceptances in the hands of foreign banks, but supposing Congress accedes, how long will it be before that body will be flooded with demands to make the exemption general? It will

be urged that the distinction is invidious, that there is no reason why the foreign holders should be favored and a similar favor be denied the domestic holder. As a matter of fact, back in 1923 Paul M. Warburg, in an address before the American Acceptance Council on Dec. 6 of that year, made a suggestion very closely akin to what general exemption would be. He suggested that the "income from eligible bankers' acceptances be exempted from the normal tax only for acceptances in the hands of foreign holders and of banks, savings banks, insurance companies and investment corporations in the United States." Plainly in this matter Congress can not go part way without going the whole way. Nor should any one make the mistake of thinking that the volume of these acceptances is insignificant. In the report of the Committee on Acceptances of the Clearing House Section presented last month at the annual Convention of the American Bankers' Association at Houston the statement appears that in the field of acceptance financing the year was the most prosperous ever experienced, and that during the twelve months ending Sept. 30 over \$5,044,000,000 of business was financed with American bankers' acceptances. Of course this whole five billions was not outstanding at any one time, but it was out to that aggregate amount at different times during the year. Think of having this mass of paper joining the tax exempt class!

There is something strangely incongruous anyway about the Secretary's proposal coming at this time. He is desirous of attracting funds to the New York market when the strongest of efforts are being made to influence the flow of capital and of balances from the United States to Europe. The Federal Reserve Banks would probably be fain to admit that in reducing their rediscount rates the past summer from 4% to $3\frac{1}{2}$ % they were moved by any considerations bearing on the situation abroad. At the same time, however, the Federal Reserve bulletin has not hesitated to refer to the flow of funds from this side to Europe, which the reduction induced, as one of the distinct benefits to be ascribed to it. Moreover it argues that the rise in exchange, which has been the concomitant of this flow of funds to Europe, must be considered an agency in promoting merchandise exports from the United States and more particularly shipments of cotton and of grain. At a time when by common agreement we have too much gold in this country and too much banking credit and when the effect has been to generate stock speculation of a most reckless kind, as a result of which brokers' loans have been piling up by the billion, why should we engage in class legislation to stimulate a further flow of funds and of banking credit to this country? Plainly all the arguments are against exempting the income from bankers' acceptances from taxation.

The Proposal for the Relief of the Small Corporate Proprietor

There remains for consideration the Secretary's proposal to reduce the Federal Corporation tax and

to furnish relief to the proprietors of small corporations so as to place them on a basis of equality with those engaged in business as private individuals. As already stated, Mr. Mellon would reduce the corporation tax from 13½% to 12%. That certainly is a step in the right direction. It is to be hoped, however, that the reduction can be carried further.

The reduction of 1½% would mean little more than the canceling of the 1% increase made in 1926, leaving simply the insignificant actual reduction of ½ of 1%. Still the extent of the reduction is a matter for the determination of Congress. With reference to the relief of the proprietors of the small business corporations it does not appear to us that Mr. Mellon in his recommendations goes very far. The trouble here simply is that through successive reductions the personal tax on individuals has been reduced so that the maximum normal tax is now only 5%, while the corporation tax, which applies to small incomes as well as large incomes, has been steadily raised until in 1926 it reached 13½%. This is a difference against the small corporate owner of 8½%. Even after the cut of 1½% proposed by Mr. Mellon the difference against him would still be 7%.

To bridge that difference Mr. Mellon would, as already pointed out, permit corporations with net income of \$25,000 or less and with not more than ten stockholders to be taxed as partnerships. But why draw the line at \$25,000? Why not at \$30,000 or \$40,000 or \$50,000 or \$60,000 or \$70,000? The hardship of the discrimination increases with the increase in the income. Mr. Mellon would at the same time lower somewhat the graded surtaxes on amounts of net income between \$18,000 and \$70,000. This would however improve the situation of the corporate proprietor and the individual taxpayer alike and would not remove the discrimination against the corporate proprietor in favor of the private individual whose income comes from business or from bonds or real estate mortgages or other similar sources. The corporate proprietor would still have the 13½% corporate income tax to pay, in addition to the somewhat lessened surtax rates, while the other and more favored taxpayer would have to pay simply the maximum normal tax of 5% in addition to the new surtaxes. It is this big difference between the maximum 5% normal tax and the 13½% (or 12% if the Secretary's recommendation should be adopted) that has to be bridged at every stage of the proceeding. By lessening the surtax rate somewhat the Secretary is doing absolutely nothing to remove this difference, since the lessening, as stated, would accrue to the benefit of both classes of taxpayers. It is only in the case of corporations with net income of \$25,000 or less that the discrimination against the small proprietor would be removed. To show how serious this discrimination is in every one of the different brackets we have prepared the following table. The calculations are on the basis of the rates under existing law.

Income Tax Zones—	What the Ordinary Taxpayer Pays.			What the Corporate Taxpayer Pays.		
	Normal Tax.	Sur-tax.	Total.	Corporation Tax.	Sur-tax.	Total.
\$10,000 to \$14,000---	5%	1%	6%	13½%	1%	14½%
14,000 to 16,000---	5	2	7	13½	2	15½
16,000 to 18,000---	5	3	8	13½	3	16½
18,000 to 20,000---	5	4	9	13½	4	17½
20,000 to 22,000---	5	5	10	13½	5	18½
22,000 to 24,000---	5	6	11	13½	6	19½
24,000 to 28,000---	5	7	12	13½	7	20½
28,000 to 32,000---	5	8	13	13½	8	21½
32,000 to 36,000---	5	9	14	13½	9	22½
36,000 to 40,000---	5	10	15	13½	10	23½
40,000 to 44,000---	5	11	16	13½	11	24½
44,000 to 48,000---	5	12	17	13½	12	25½
48,000 to 52,000---	5	13	18	13½	13	26½
52,000 to 56,000---	5	14	19	13½	14	27½
56,000 to 60,000---	5	15	20	13½	15	28½
60,000 to 64,000---	5	16	21	13½	16	29½
64,000 to 70,000---	5	17	22	13½	17	30½
70,000 to 80,000---	5	18	23	13½	18	31½
0,000 to 100,000---	5	19	24	13½	19	32½
Over \$100,000-----	5	20	25	13½	20	33½

It will be seen that on amounts of net income between \$10,000 to \$14,000 the ordinary taxpayer is taxed at the rate of only 6% (5% maximum normal tax plus 1% surtax), while the small corporate proprietor with the same amount of income is taxed at the rate of 14½%, this being made up of the Corporation tax of 13½% plus the 1% surtax. And this discrimination of 8½% against the small corporate proprietor extends through all the different brackets or tax zones. On incomes between \$24,000 and \$28,000, for instance, the ordinary individual is taxed at the rate of 12% while the corporate proprietor is taxed a total of 20½%; on incomes between \$60,000 and \$64,000 the one pays 21% and the other 29½%, on incomes between \$80,000 and \$100,000 the one 24% and the other 32½%, and on incomes above \$100,000 the one 25% and the other 33½%. It is to be remembered that prior to the enactment of the 1926 Revenue Law the discrimination was not so great, that law having cut the maximum of the normal tax from 6% to 5%.

As already stated, the discrimination would not be changed in the slightest degree through the lessened surtax rates provided in Mr. Mellon's proposals. Yet in simple justice to the small corporate proprietor the inequality should be removed. It seems to us that this could be accomplished in a very simple manner. Instead of the partnership provision for incomes of \$25,000 or less, why not simply provide that the small corporate proprietor be given credit on his surtax payments for the amount by which the corporate tax payment exceeds the amount of the normal taxes to which the ordinary individual is subject? This provision could be so safeguarded that it would not entail any undue draft on Government revenues. In any event something ought to be done to place the small corporate proprietor on a basis of equality with the other class of taxpayers. Mr. Mellon's proposals need amendment in that particular.

The Tax on Capital Gains

The Secretary does not make any allusion or recommendation concerning the tax on capital gains. Yet we think that is a matter that ought also to receive careful attention by Congress in any wholesale revision of the taxation laws such as is in contemplation. We are decidedly of the opinion that this provision of the statute should be repealed—

indeed that it should never have been incorporated in the law. Where an individual buys a piece of property because he thinks it is going to rise in value within a short time and sells when the expected increase can be realized, he is clearly engaged in a transaction the profit from which is to be regarded the same as the profit from business and which should be included in his income tax return. The same is true with regard to the purchase and sale of securities. Large numbers of people make such transactions in real estate and securities a part of their daily business and some make their living entirely in that way. Profits of that kind cannot be differentiated from the profits or income derived from ordinary business and should not be.

There is, however, another and perhaps a far more numerous class of cases where a gain has arisen through the course of years and was never an object of the original purchase and where hence the profit accruing belongs in a wholly different category. We have in mind more particularly the small house owner who in the early days of his married life bought a house, with some vacant land adjoining, to use as a playground for his children, and now after the lapse of twenty-five or thirty years is fortunate enough to find that this piece of property has greatly appreciated in value. He has manifold reasons for selling. His family has grown up. Not unlikely, too, the yearly taxes are proving too heavy a burden for him to carry in his declining years. Not alone that, but the profit to be realized may form a sort of competence for himself and his wife in their old age. In such instances it is obviously unfair for the Federal Government to step in and exact a tax, running all the way up to 12½% (depending upon the size of the profit and the income status of the individual) on any such accruals of gain or profit. And the remark applies also to profits or gains derived from sales of securities and other forms of investment held for a long term of years. It must be admitted that where purchase and sale are effected within a short period of time, say three or five years, the profit constitutes a legitimate basis for the levying of an income tax. On the other hand, where the original purchase was made in the remote past, whether a house or a farm, any resort to a tax procedure, which treats the resulting profit as if it were the same as the profits or income from daily business, plainly involves carrying the income tax outside its proper domain.

From the standpoint of the Government another consideration enters into the matter, and that is the prospective revenue to be derived from the continuance of a provision which embodies inequitable features such as we have outlined. Supposing the provision continued, can the Government count upon any substantial revenue from that quarter for the future? Necessarily a provision concerning capital gains involves also capital losses, and existing law expressly provides for the inclusion of such losses, and could not well do otherwise. Bearing that in mind, is it not quite possible that for the future cap-

ital losses will exceed capital gains? In other words, taking the whole body of returns coming into the tax office, is it not likely that the deductions from income because of capital losses, will run in excess of the additions to income by reason of capital gains, and if so will not the Government be out of pocket to the extent of the difference? To us such a contingency appears not only likely, but almost an absolute certainty.

Ever since the war the country has been in a period of rising values—in land as well as in securities. Can the upward movement be depended upon to go much, if any, further? Has not the turn already come? In New York City land values show little indication of any change in a downward direction as yet. But everyone knows what a collapse in values has occurred in the boom towns of the winter resort regions of the South and also in some of the farming districts of the West. As far as securities are concerned the downward plunge in prices on the Stock Exchange in recent weeks has subtracted billions from the fictitious totals previously reached by reason of the inordinately high levels to which prices had been carried through an uncontrolled and reckless speculation made possible by easy money and easy credit. With the course of values now downward the indications therefore are that the capital gains provision, if retained, will result in minus quantities, and that is just what, above everything else, must be avoided in any amendment of the law. Thus practical and ethical considerations alike suggest repeal of the provision as the best course.

The Financial Situation.

Among the financial developments of the week have been the action of the Morgan-Du Pont- General Motors interests in placing the new General Motors stock on a regular \$5 dividend basis with the declaration of a \$2.50 extra payable in January, and the arrangement between the Swedish Match and International Match interests with the French Government whereby the French Government 8s are to be refunded on a 5% basis.

The importance of the first event follows from the fact that for a number of months the business situation has been materially modified by the temporary cessation of Ford's manufacturing operations. This has eliminated from production certain quantities of steel, textiles, glass and other materials, it has deprived the community of the purchasing power of a large amount of wages, deprived the railroads of the handling of a large amount of freight, and in many other ways has been a depressing influence, the total being large enough to considerably affect the entire business situation. In addition to this, the fact that Mr. Ford may be bringing out a machine of very high quality at an exceedingly low price has undoubtedly served to postpone purchases of a large number of automobiles by buyers, not all of whom will eventually buy Fords.

Suspension of Ford activity has also been a powerful factor in the stock market. The Ford situation remains practically as it has been for several weeks. The fact, therefore, that the Morgan-Du Pont

General Motors interests have seen fit to increase the regular rate of dividend distribution from the equivalent of \$4 or \$5 and have maintained extra disbursements, which now for a number of years have been paid semi-annually, on the same basis as heretofore, would seem to be an indication of confidence in the entire automobile industry.

The offering on Monday of \$50,000,000 International Match 20-year 5% debentures, 1947, by a prominent syndicate headed by Lee, Higginson & Co. is of very great significance in connection with the world-wide financial situation. During the war the French Government borrowed several billion dollars from the United States Government without any particular bargaining as to interest rates. The matter was handled on the basis of international comity, and, although not yet finally funded on a permanent basis, the proposals by the United States have been based on interest rates very materially lower than those indicated by the market for French credit. Subsequent to the making of these inter-government loans the French Government borrowed large sums in this country at exceedingly high rates, as much as 8%, and other French borrowers have also paid high rates. With the fall in interest rates in recent years and the material improvement in French credit the question has naturally arisen as to the basis on which the French loans could be refunded. Preliminary discussions had indicated something like a 6% basis.

With this as a background the Swedish and International Match interests have purchased \$75,000,000 5% bonds from the French Government with the understanding that the proceeds will be used to pay off the outstanding 8% bonds. The funds for this financing were furnished to the extent of \$25,000,000 out of the treasury resources of the Swedish Match Co. and the remainder, \$50,000,000, by the issuance of the International Match debentures already referred to. By this arrangement French refunding operations are in way of being accomplished on a 5% basis and incidentally the match interests have secured very valuable rights in connection with the French Government monopoly of matches in that country. The transaction would seem a very happy one for both parties, and if it is a forecast of a really satisfactory international credit basis for France, it will be of incalculable value to that country.

Other bond offerings of the week have not been conspicuous with the exception of \$20,000,000 North German Lloyd Twenty-Year 6s, 1947, offered on Thursday by a syndicate headed by Kuhn, Loeb & Co., the Guaranty Co. of New York, and Lee, Higginson & Co. The buoyancy of the bond market is indicated by the fact that notwithstanding the extraordinarily heavy offerings of the past few weeks and these two large issues of this week, together with others, the price of older issues of bonds has advanced to a new high on the Stock Exchange. The Dow Jones average of forty investment bonds reached 98.81 on Saturday of last week and although fluctuating somewhat below this early in this week has maintained substantially this new high level; 98.76 was the old high reached on Oct. 21 and again on Nov. 4.

October weather was very beneficial to this year's corn crop, and the regular monthly report of the Department of Agriculture, issued at Washington on Thursday of this week, stated that all late maturing crops were helped very much during that month. The

temperature in October this year throughout the growing sections of the country, averaged three degrees above normal, and this made that month the warmest October since 1918. This year's corn crop is now estimated at 2,753,249,000 bushels. On Oct. 1 the estimate was 2,603,000,000 bushels and on Sept. 1 only 2,457,000,000 bushels, showing an addition for the two months of nearly 300,000,000 bushels. Last year the actual yield was 2,646,853,000 bushels. The increase this year over last will be 106,396,000 bushels. During the ten years prior to 1927 there have been only three years in which the yield of corn has been less than is now indicated for the current year, while there have been four years in which crops of 3,000,000,000 bushels or more have been harvested.

The area planted to corn this year was less than that of any year back to 1919, and in the important growing months of July and August the crop made very poor progress, so that a very much reduced yield and of poor quality was feared. Excellent September and October weather however, has changed all this. The average yield per acre of corn this year is put at 28.2 bushels, against 26.6 bushels last year, and it is estimated that 75.2% of the year's production is of merchantable quality compared with 72.6% last year. Thursday's report also tells of the quantity of old corn on the farms Nov. 1 this year as only 4.2% of the 1926 yield, or 111,068,000 bushels, compared with 183,015,000 bushels carried over a year ago, and 120,967,000 bushels, the average on Nov. 1 for the five year period prior to this year.

Prospects of other important late crops have also been improved by the exceptional weather in October, among them white potatoes, sweet potatoes, tobacco, rice and buckwheat. The yield of white potatoes is now placed at 400,805,000 bushels, a gain of 5,805,000 bushels during October, and comparing with 356,123,000 bushels last year; sweet potatoes 93,610,000 bushels an increase of 6,110,000 bushels over the preceding month, and comparing with 83,658,000 bushels in 1926; tobacco 1,190,357,000 pounds, as against 1,169,000,000 pounds the estimate a month earlier, and 1,301,211,000 pounds a year ago, and 39,299,000 bushels of rice against 37,900,000 bushels, the estimate of Oct. 1 this year and a harvest of 41,006,000 bushels in 1926. The yield of buckwheat, flaxseed and some other crops will be much larger this year than it was a year ago. There is no change as to the wheat crop from the earlier estimates made by the Department, which, as it will be remembered were very satisfactory, especially as to spring wheat.

The Government cotton report, issued on Wednesday, was viewed by the trade as bearish on prices. A relatively small increase in the estimated yield of cotton for this year was indicated. All preliminary estimates for the current cotton crop, made by the Department of Agriculture, have been in the other direction and it was evident that a further reduction in the indicated yield might now be expected, or at best a very slight gain, if there was to be any gain at all. As it is the crop is now placed at 12,842,000 bales. This is the forecast as based on the condition of Nov. 1, and the increase over the estimate shown one month earlier is 164,000 bales. Up to the last two or three years, the latest figures as to production for this year, would have been considered as showing a very satisfactory yield, but in view of the production of 17,977,000 bales last

year and 16,104,000 bales in 1925, this year's crop makes quite a loss.

No further official estimates of the cotton crop of 1927 will now be issued until the final one is made in December. There may be a further increase at that time. Last year the final estimate added only 59,000 bales to the Nov. 1 figures for that year; in 1925, there was an addition of 717,000 bales and in 1924, when the final figures were 13,628,000 bales, there was a gain after the Nov. 1 report of 811,000 bales. Two of these increases were very substantial additions to the crop but it may be that this year the general situation in the cotton growing sections is such that a further improvement is not to be expected. We doubt this however.

The most unsatisfactory feature of the present situation in the cotton belt, as disclosed by the latest Government report relates to the yield in Texas. In that State a large loss in production is now indicated between the Oct. 1 and Nov. 1 estimates. By the latter the yield in Texas is placed at 4,300,000 bales, whereas, a month earlier 4,430,000 bales were indicated. Last year's crop for Texas was 5,628,000 bales. Consideration should be given, however, to the fact that up to Nov. 1 this year the ginning returns for Texas show 3,396,000 bales ginned. This is exactly 79% of the estimated yield for that State this year, leaving only 904,000 bales, or 21% to be ginned in Texas up to the end of the season, whenever that may be. There was ginned up to Nov. 1 1926, 63.3% of the enormous yield of that year, leaving 36.7% or 2,066,000 bales, that were to be ginned after that date and up to the end of the season. Much the same condition prevailed in 1925, and other years prior thereto.

There are other leading cotton States in which the ginnings, according to the latest figures are relatively high as compared with the Nov. 1 estimates of yield now made by the Department of Agriculture. Among these might be mentioned Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, and Tennessee, although the latter is not one of the big States, so far as production goes. According to the total for these five States, 87% of the cotton to be picked in them this year had been ginned up to Nov. 1, and there remains a considerable period for picking and ginning.

The latest Government report says that the weather during October was generally warm and dry, permitting rapid gathering of the crop, with less than the usual loss to yield and quality. Bolls, damaged by the weevil, matured with less loss from rot than is usually experienced. Prospects improved in Alabama, Mississippi and Oklahoma, but increases in those States were partially offset by the substantial loss in Texas. Other States in which losses appear include South Carolina and Arkansas. The improvement in Oklahoma during the month was from an estimate of only 990,000 bales on Oct. 1 to 1,050,000 bales Nov. 1. Last year's production in Oklahoma was 1,773,000 bales. Georgia and Louisiana also show some improvement in estimated yield during October, and among the less important States where a larger production this year is indicated, may be included Missouri, Florida, California and New Mexico. The Nov. 1 estimate of the Department of Agriculture is based on an indicated yield per acre of 151.1 pounds of lint cotton. The Oct. 1 estimate was 149.3 pounds, whereas in 1926 there was a production of 182.6 pounds of cotton to the acre.

The figures of brokers' loans, as given in the weekly return of the Federal Reserve Board, are again of the old-time order. Steady expansion seems again to be the rule. Two weeks ago considerable relief was felt when the grand total of these loans to brokers and dealers (secured by stocks and bonds) for the 52 reporting member banks in New York City, after a long series of increases to new high record totals, showed at length a substantial decrease, the total having fallen from \$3,434,107,000 on Oct. 19 to \$3,343,777,000 on Oct. 26. But the contraction proved only temporary. On Nov. 2 the total again increased to \$3,371,705,000 and the present week there is a further increase in the return for Nov. 9, the total having risen to \$3,384,529,000. The peculiarly significant feature about this renewed expansion is that it appears in face of the tremendous liquidation and big collapse in values which occurred during the month of October. Frazier Jelke & Co. of this city have made computations which show that the market value of 100 active stocks declined \$1,345,341,000 during October. That, however, reflects only a portion of the shrinkage in values which occurred during the month, inasmuch as there are more than 500 additional stocks, classed as inactive, most of which suffered even greater declines. Accordingly when account is taken of both active and inactive issues the loss really reaches gigantic proportions, even after allowing for the partial recovery during the current month.

The point of importance is that with the whole list of stocks on a much lower level of values, a greatly diminished amount of money is now required to carry these stocks. Yet in face of that circumstance these brokers' loans are again resuming their upward movement. Discussion of the matter, however, seems futile and therefore we will only repeat on this occasion that the aggregate of the loans continues to run three-quarters of a billion dollars or more in excess of a year ago, the amount now at \$3,384,529,000 for Nov. 9 comparing with only \$2,603,006,000 on Nov. 10 1926. Large increases are shown in each of the three leading groups of loans. The loans made by these 52 reporting member banks on their own account are now \$1,125,439,000, against \$797,685,000 twelve months ago; the loans for account of out of town banks stand at \$1,277,331,000, against \$1,059,765,000, and those for account of others at \$981,759,000, against \$745,556,000.

It happens, too, the present week that the Federal Reserve Banks in their own statement reflect increased borrowing on the part of the member banks of the system. During the week ending Nov. 9, the bills discounted by the twelve Federal Reserve banks for account of the member banks increased from \$379,221,000 to \$460,641,000. Their holdings of acceptances also increased, moving up from \$334,576,000 Nov. 2 to \$336,413,000 Nov. 9, and the holdings of United States Government securities are still being added to, having increased during the week from \$526,376,000 to \$530,210,000 at which figure comparison is with only \$300,367,000 on Nov. 10 1926. The final result is, total bill and security holdings for Nov. 9 of \$1,327,864,000, against \$1,240,773,000 on Nov. 2, showing \$87,091,000 more reserve credit employed than a week ago. As compared with Nov. 10 last year, when the amount was \$1,224,181,000, the increase is \$103,683,000 notwithstanding that during the twelve months discounting by the member banks has declined from

\$581,413,000 to \$460,641,000. During the week the deposits of the twelve reserve institutions (made up almost entirely of the reserves of the member banks) rose from \$2,404,294,000 to \$2,423,332,000. Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation were at the same time increased from \$1,717,116,000 to \$1,734,696,000. Gold reserves during the same seven days fell from \$2,931,797,000 to \$2,909,921,000. The ratio of total reserves (including reserves other than gold) to deposits and Federal Reserve note liabilities combined is now 73.1%, against 74.1% on Nov. 2.

It deserves to be noted that the greater part of the increased borrowings on the part of the member banks from the Federal Reserve institutions is found at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, where discounts during the week increased from \$75,885,000 to \$154,569,000, though this found partial offset in a decrease in the acceptance holdings from \$101,649,000 to \$91,233,000. Holdings of United States Government securities further increased from \$106,404,000 to \$107,650,000. A year ago these latter holdings were only \$54,084,000. Total bill and security holdings at the New York Reserve institution increased from \$283,938,000 to \$353,452,000. In other words at this center the amount of reserve credit employed was increased almost \$70,000,000 during the week.

The New York Clearing House banks and trust companies in their return last Saturday again showed a large reduction in surplus reserves above legal requirements, the amount having fallen from \$29,561,460 to \$7,532,640. In part this was due to a further reduction in United States Government deposits, this item having been reported at \$48,830,000 on Nov. 5, against \$59,176,000 on Oct. 29. The loan item expanded \$77,152,000, thereby again carrying the total of these loans, discounts and investments above the six billion mark, it being reported at \$6,020,258,000. Net demand deposits rose \$87,940,000 and time deposits, \$6,821,000. With a larger total of deposits, the reserve requirements increased accordingly, but instead of an increase in the reserves held with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York by the member banks these reserves actually decreased in amount of \$10,644,000 and the conjunction of the two brought with it the big decline in excess reserves to which reference has been made.

A critical examination of Germany's economic position, addressed to the German Government on Oct. 20 by S. Parker Gilbert, Jr., Agent General for Reparations Payments, was made public in Berlin Monday, along with the Government's reply. Interest in both documents was widespread, owing to the furor which resulted throughout the Reich late in October, when it was first revealed that Mr. Gilbert had taken exception to the financial policy of the German Government. The very existence of the memorandum was at first denied by the Government and later efforts were made to characterize it as simply one of the periodical communications between Mr. Gilbert and Herr Koehler, the German Finance Minister. The German public, however, insisted upon full publicity and when this demand could no longer be denied it was decided by the German Cabinet that further attempt at secrecy would be more injurious than allowing the people to read the criticism for themselves. Even then it was intimated by German officials that the note was tame and would prove dis-

appointing to those seeking to find fault with either reparations or the Government. But such notions were rapidly dispelled by the publication of Mr. Gilbert's sharp note, which is reprinted in full on subsequent pages.

Mr. Gilbert's criticisms related mainly to the signs of Government extravagance, which he maintained resulted in throwing the budget out of balance to such an extent as to require borrowing on an increased scale to make up the deficit. "Recent developments in public finance," he said, "do not appear to be in the interests either of German economic life or of the execution of the Experts' Plan. The evidences, in fact, are accumulating on every side, and more rapidly within recent months, that the German public authorities are developing and executing constantly enlarging programs of expenditure and of borrowing, with but little regard to the financial consequences of their actions.

"The rising level of public expenditure is already giving an artificial stimulus to economic life, and it threatens to undermine the essential stability of the public finances. If present tendencies are allowed to continue unchecked the consequence is almost certain to be serious economic reaction and depression, and a severe shock to German credit, at home and abroad. The remedies consist primarily in reversing the present tendencies toward over-spending and over-borrowing, and applying instead a regime of strict economy and of ordered public finance. These are remedies which lie largely in the hands of the German Government, and, if they will act promptly and effectively, the Reich and the other public authorities still have it in their power to prevent a crisis. To these comments Mr. Gilbert attached a bill of particulars in which he called attention to the increasing grants in aid made from the Treasury of the Reich to the separate States and communes; to the undue expansion of credit leading to "unsound public finance"; and to the vast increase in expenditures contemplated in recent measures for increasing the salaries of civil employees and indemnifying German nationals for property lost abroad during the World War. He intimated that these developments might seriously interfere, "by overstimulating imports and hindering exports," with reparations transfers and reminded the German Government of its own responsibilities in facilitating such transfers.

The German reply, of which only a synopsis was made public, was said, in a Berlin dispatch of Nov. 5 to the New York "Times," to be rather defiant in tone. Asserting that the funds obtained by German economy at home and abroad had been rationally employed, the answer stated that the amount of debts to foreign countries furnishes no reason for uneasiness in view of the securities pledged and the productiveness of the institutions created with the moneys. Foreign loans have not given an unhealthy impulse when compared with the total value of the German economy, the Government declared, adding that it views with serious concern the developments in some of the countries where German goods are sold, since only a lowering of the existing barriers can secure to Germany the export excess necessary to meet her payments.

The Government deprecated its own measures for salary increases, asserting that "regard must be had to political considerations." A sharp rejoinder was made in the reply on Mr. Gilbert's complaint of the measure for indemnifying German nationals for

property lost abroad. This measure, the Government pointed out, is a direct result of the workings of the Treaty of Versailles, of which Article 2971 relieved the liquidating countries from the duty of making compensation and obligated Germany to compensate her nationals. The answer closes with an assurance that it is the chief endeavor of the German Government to maintain a balanced budget and to assist in reparations transfers "within the limits set by the economic and financial policies."

That the German political and industrial world was decidedly shocked at the sharpness of Mr. Gilbert's memorandum was indicated in subsequent dispatches from Berlin. There was, nevertheless, a very general agreement with the criticism of the German tax distribution system, by which the Central Government collects all taxes and distributes funds to the several States in accordance with their professed needs. A solution of this problem was said to be a matter of years with no abrupt changes possible. The advisability of restricting expenditures was also admitted, though it was added that any program toward this end "must not affect proposed salary increases, school reforms or reimbursement for war-confiscated property." German officialdom, meanwhile, was said to have expressed considerable pique over the incident, chiefly because of the foreign reverberations. It was argued that the current favorable business trend in Germany had not yet reached its peak and that it is capable of assimilating further foreign capital which, if denied, might result in a permanent reaction. The German Government, nevertheless, announced Wednesday the creation of a special commission to study all measures relating to reparations questions. This commission, according to a cablegram to the New York "Times," will make it possible for the Agent General to deal directly with one responsible body instead of placing his requests before the various ministries. The Minister of Finance will be Chairman of the Commission, and representatives of the Finance, Trade, Foreign and Food ministries will be members of the board. In the United States the reaction to Mr. Gilbert's memorandum was said to be chiefly one of caution in the placing of new German loans. A Washington special of Nov. 7 to the New York "Times" pointed out that it will have an important effect upon the attitude of the State Department toward the flotation of loans in the American money market by the Central Government of Germany and by the States, municipalities and industries. The precise nature or extent of the modifications could not, apparently, be ascertained.

A new development in French Government finance was made known in New York last Saturday when it was announced that arrangements had been completed for the retirement of \$70,000,000 of 8% bonds of 1920 through the sale of \$75,000,000 of new 5% bonds to the Swedish Match Company. It has been known for some time that the French Government desired to retire the outstanding 8% bonds, as this interest rate was considered no longer compatible with the improved financial status of France. Rumors have been current for several months that the French 8s would soon be retired, as the issue, which will be due in 1945, became eligible for redemption at the option of France this year. Premier Poincare had received authority from the French Parliament

to arrange the refunding and the State Department in Washington had also informed the French Government that it would make no objection to the flotation in this country of a Government issue for this purpose. The method of refunding adopted by the French Government was, however, an entirely different one, causing considerable comment in both France and the United States. The sale of \$75,000,000 of bonds to the Swedish Match Company was said to represent the largest transaction of this kind ever made between a government and a private corporation. It appeared, moreover, that the International Match Company, American subsidiary of the Swedish Match Company, would take \$50,000,000 of the new bonds and in turn would sell \$50,000,000 of its own debentures to the American investing public. The offering of the bonds in this market occurred on Monday of this week, as noted further above. France, according to an account in the New York "Times," accomplishes three important points through the new financial undertaking.

"The Government gets rid of a bond issue whose coupon interest rate was out of line with the strengthened credit position of the Government and was annoying for that reason; it saves \$1,850,000 a year in interest, representing the difference between the 8% now being paid on the \$70,000,000 bonds outstanding here and the 5% to be paid on the new issue, and it postpones for forty years the length of the new bond issue, the time of payment for the securities now being retired."

Incidentally, it was said, the method of financing through a private corporation will keep the question of international politics entirely out of the transaction. The 8% bonds, it is understood, will be redeemed on March 15, sixty days' advance notice being necessary. The favorable terms of the new bond issue were said to represent the consideration which the Swedish Match Company pays for participation in the French match monopoly. This arrangement, according to local advices, covers the supply of match manufacturing machinery, raw materials and matches under terms satisfactory to the Government and the company.

Normal tariff conditions between the United States and France will be restored by a decree which the President of the French Republic will sign today, according to late advices from the French capital. The decree, it is understood, will again make effective the rates of duty on American goods which prevailed in France before the increases on Sept. 6. There will be a few exceptions in cases where such previous rates were lower than the duties fixed by France on German merchandise under the terms of the Franco-German Commercial accord. In such instances imports from America will be dutiable on the same basis as the German goods. The decision to hasten the end of the long controversy was taken Thursday after careful consideration by the French authorities of the final American note which was delivered at the Foreign Office Nov. 8. This communication was said, in a Paris cablegram of the same day to the New York "Times," to have established complete agreement with France on three of the five points outlined in the French note of Nov. 2. The two points which still presented difficulties were the countervailing duties automatically established in this country on French wares and insistence by France that no permanent treaty shall be

signed between the two countries until the United States Tariff Commission reports on the possibility of reducing duties on French textiles, perfumes and silks. These points, however, were not allowed to stand in the way of the temporary accord, which has apparently been attained after the exchange of nine formal notes between Washington and Paris. It would appear, moreover, that France is in no great hurry to sign a permanent trade accord with the United States, preferring to wait until after the national elections of November 1928. The French feel, a New York "Times" account said, "that there is a good chance of the existing tariffs being generally revised downwards, if the Democrats win. They even think a new Republican regime would be inclined to take at least a few stones from the high protective wall."

High optimism regarding British prospects both at home and abroad was the dominant note of the annual address at the Guildhall, in London, of Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin. This speech, delivered Wednesday, has come to be regarded in England as a kind of annual stock-taking in which His Majesty's principal Minister strikes the balance of the Empire's foreign and domestic affairs for the year. Mr. Baldwin expressed great satisfaction at the advance in the cause of European peace made in the last five years. The greatest credit for this advance must be given, he said, to Foreign Ministers Stresemann of Germany and Briand of France. Britain also had played her part in creating a better international spirit, the British Premier said, but he maintained that the labors, courage and vision of M. Briand and Dr. Stresemann were responsible for so great a part in the advance from war and hatred that their example should be emulated by the statesmen of the Balkans and Eastern and Central Europe, which he admitted were still danger spots to peace. Mr. Baldwin added that he could see only two obvious dark clouds on the international horizon—Russia and China. He maintained that the quarrel with the former was not of Great Britain's seeking. "The form of their Government is no affair of ours," he said. "When they are prepared to observe the ordinary decencies of international intercourse and abstain from interference in our domestic affairs and from a policy of intrigue and hostility they will find us ready to meet them in a spirit of liberality and good-will." He regretted the impossibility of recording an improvement in the Chinese situation and declared that Britain was still standing by her memorandum of 1926, which was a declaration of willingness to assuage Chinese Nationalist grievances when a real Chinese Government finally comes into existence.

The popular assemblies of both France and Great Britain convened within the last few days, bringing up again in Parliamentary debate the many important measures that are agitating both countries. The French Chamber of Deputies reassembled Nov. 3 after a three months' vacation. This body of 600 men, divided into seven parties and subdivided in many more smaller groups, immediately began consideration of the new French Budget—an extremely heavy one of 42,000,000,000 francs ordinary expenditures. No reduction of taxes is looked for in France, even though the Chamber threatened such action at one time in its last sessions. Instead, it is said

to be content to follow the dictates of Premier Poincaré in matters of finance. The two most important fiscal questions before the French Government are understood to be the stabilization in a legal sense of the franc and the settlement of the war debts. The present coalition Government seems hardly of a mind to settle these matters and it is freely predicted by observers that both will be postponed for action by the succeeding party Government, which may possibly be socialistic.

The British Houses of Parliament opened Nov. 8 for a twenty-nine day session before the Christmas recess. The principal measures which the Conservative Government of Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin desires to enact, are the Blanesburgh Bill revising unemployment insurance downward, the army reorganization bill and the British films bill. So great is said to be the press of needed enactments that the Government was able to grant only one day to discussion of the prayer book measure, one of the most controversial questions in present British life. Similarly, a single day is expected to be granted, at the insistence of the Labor Party, to discussion of the breakdown of the Geneva tripartite Naval Disarmament Conference. The first bill introduced by the Government was one to set up a commission to inquire into the workings of the Government of India Act, a measure which has aroused much opposition in India. The persistent problem of unemployment will of necessity occupy Parliament again, and this is made the less doubtful by a march on London of the unemployed led by the irrepressible A. J. Cook, Secretary of the Miners' Federation.

The celebration of the tenth anniversary of the Bolshevik revolution began in Moscow last Sunday evening with brilliant scenes and fervid oratory. M. Stalin, General Secretary of the Communist Party and a leading figure in the Soviet Union, wrote what was described as a "fighting revolutionary article." M. Bukharin, the economic theorist of the Soviets, upheld the principles of the Revolution on behalf of the Central Committee of the Communist Party. Ten thousand visitors were in Moscow for the celebration, according to Walter Duranty, special correspondent of the New York "Times." Present also were thirty thousand picked troops for the projected parades and military maneuvers of the week of celebration. The high point in the proceedings was reached, it appeared, on Monday with a triumphant army parade through Red Square, which was followed by an interminable procession of picked representatives of the Soviet proletariat. M. Kalinin, President of the Soviet Union, took the salute of the Red Army standing atop Lenin's tomb, while War Minister Voroshiloff, with his Chiefs of Staff, conducted the review with flawless precision. Kalinin's voice, ringing across the Square, called for cheers for the "International Revolution." "They said we couldn't last a week—we've lasted ten years," he said. "The whole world combined to break us. The whole world now knows our strength. Our endurance, our strength, are earnest of future victory." A curious feature of the celebration, commented on in all dispatches, was the very conspicuous absence of the Soviet Oppositionists, Trotsky, Kameneff, Radek, and others.

A harsh and discordant echo of the Bolshevik celebration was heard Monday in Shanghai, China,

where ten thousand White Russians are said to live. A number of these, infuriated by the Red celebration, formed into a "howling mob" and attacked the gayly decorated Soviet Consulate in the International Settlement. After bombarding the Consulate with missiles and breaking all windows, the mob tried to force an entrance. As they did so, the guards inside opened fire, killing one of the White Russians and wounding several others. The mob thereupon fell back. The Settlement police arrived after some time and threw a cordon around the building after dispersing the mob. M. Koslovsky, the Consul, blamed "certain interests" for inciting the attack and said he and his guards were ready to protect themselves if denied the protection of the constituted authorities. The police, however, maintained a vigil in front of the Consulate and prevented an attempted attack on the following day. M. Koslovsky demanded an indemnity from the authorities of the International Settlement.

An increase in political tension in Rumania was again reported the past week in dispatches from Bucharest. A strict censorship of all Rumanian newspapers was re-established Tuesday by the Bratianu Government, probably because of the impending trial of M. Manoilescu who was recently arrested as a Carolist plotter. The printing of false news or attacks upon the Government will be punishable by imprisonment, it was announced. According to Opposition leaders the aim of the censorship is probably to prevent a recurrence of the recent attacks on Premier Bratianu and the legality of his Parliament. The trial of M. Manoilescu for conspiracy against the throne and intriguing with former Crown Prince Carol began before a court-martial in the Rumanian capital Thursday morning. The array of counsel was unusual to say the least, as the accused man was "defended by 110 of Rumania's most brilliant lawyers." Most of the Opposition appeared anxious to serve M. Manoilescu in this fashion, possibly because of the ban on open discussion. The list of witnesses was said to include practically everyone of prominence in Rumanian public life.

A convention for the abolition of prohibitions and restrictions on importation and exportation was drawn up at Geneva Nov. 7 at the close of the International Conference and was signed the following day by the representatives of 19 nations. The signature of the United States was withheld owing to the incorporation in the convention of a reference to the necessity of establishing equitable customs duties. This brought strong protest from the American delegation, led by Hugh R. Wilson, American Minister to Switzerland. Mr. Wilson, addressing the Assembly, declared that the United States had always desired some declaration specifically exempting import duties and the manner of applying them from the scope of the convention, which was understood to apply only to the removal of trade prohibitions. "But," he said, "reference to customs duties, like Hamlet's ghost continues to appear when least expected." The American Minister then moved elimination of the clause which declares that return to freedom of trade of any particular product entails on the producing and consuming countries correlative obligations. This move was supported only by Rumania and was hopelessly lost.

The conference likewise refused to approve the American motion for the suppression of the article which declares that health restrictions imposed on the importation of cattle and plants should not be calculated to hamper the exporting countries, and that the League of Nations should convoke a conference to consider the whole subject. The American delegate insisted that each State should be sovereign on this question. The Irish delegation alone supported him. The countries which signed the convention were: Germany, Austria, Belgium, Great Britain, Northern Ireland, Bulgaria, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, France, Hungary, Italy, Japan, Holland, Rumania, Jugoslavia, Siam, Switzerland and Czechoslovakia.

The capture and execution of General Arnulfo Gomez and Colonel Francisco Gomez Vizcarra was announced in Mexico City, last Saturday, thus eliminating two of the chief remaining figures in the Mexican military uprising of Oct. 3. General Gomez, the account said, was captured near Teocelo, State of Vera Cruz, by General J. G. Escobar, Commander of the pursuing Federal troops. He was promptly court-martialed and shot and it was said in Mexico City that the whole movement has now definitely been crushed. The only leaders still at large are Generals Almada, Oscar Aguila and Antonio Medina, who were said to be hiding in the mountains of Vera Cruz, hard pressed to find subsistence. Mexican officials declared they were without any organized troops and solely engaged in trying to avoid the pursuing Federals. It was further announced Monday that Dr. Jiminez O'Farrell, who was associated with General Gomez during the revolt, had given himself up and was being brought to Mexico City to "explain his case." Before General Gomez was executed, dispatches said, he pleaded for clemency for Dr. O'Farrell, saying that he had inveigled the physician into the revolt and that he had no part in the revolutionary conspiracy.

The fate of two American Marine aviators, missing for more than a month in the dense jungle growth of Nicaragua, was revealed Nov. 8 in advices which reached Managua from the interior. The airmen, Lieutenant E. A. Thomas and Sergeant Frank Dowdell, crashed into a hillside in the Northern part of the country while patrolling the area occupied by the insurgent forces under Generals Sandino and Salgado. The advices of Nov. 8, considered authoritative by Marine officers in the Nicaraguan capital, stated definitely that they had both been killed by outlaws in attempting to fight their way out of the jungle.

An interesting commentary on the Liberal Revolution in Nicaragua, which was stopped last Spring by the intervention of United States Marines, was furnished by the outcome of municipal elections which were held throughout the country last Sunday. Liberal victories at the polls by "substantial majorities" were indicated by Rear Admiral David F. Sellers in a dispatch to the Navy Department dated Nov. 8. Admiral Sellers reported that there were no disorders, Marines, assisted by Guardia Nacional, being on duty at the 132 booths in the Departments of Chinandega, Leon, Managua, Carazo, Granda, Esteli, Jinetega, Matagalpa, Chontales and Nuevo Segovia. A further development in the American occupation of the Central American re-

public was the appointment, announced in Washington Thursday, of Dr. William W. Cumberland as financial expert to make a study of Nicaraguan financial and economic conditions.

Official discount rates at leading European centres have undergone no change during the week. They remain at 7% in Germany and Italy; 6½% in Austria; 5% in Paris, Belgium, Denmark, Norway, and Madrid; 4½% in London and Holland; 4% in Sweden and 3½% in Switzerland. In London open market discounts yesterday were 4¼% for short bills, the same as on Friday of last week and 4 5-16 @4¾% for long bills, the same as a week ago. Money on call in London on Wednesday and Thursday was 4% but yesterday was down to 3¼%, the same as on Friday of last week. At Paris the open market discount rate has remained at 2¾% and in Switzerland at 3 7-16%.

The Bank of England's weekly return on Thursday revealed an increase in gold holdings of £385,960, which together with a reduction of £647,000 in note circulation, made a total gain of £1,033,000 in the reserve of gold and notes in the banking department. Gold holdings now are £151,637,047, against £152,060,534 and £148,058,069 in 1926 and 1925 respectively. The reserve total is £35,458,000 which compares with £32,976,049 in 1926 and £26,288,904 the previous year. The ratio of reserves to liabilities rose to 31.13% from 28.45% last week. Two weeks ago it stood at 32.01%. Other deposits, which gained over £9,000,000 last week, decreased £186,000, and public deposits dropped £2,934,000. Loans on government securities fell off £3,300,000 and loans on other securities diminished £5,820,000. Notes in circulation aggregate £135,928,000 as against £138,834,000 last year and £141,519,165 in 1925. The Bank of England's discount rate remains at 4½%. Below we furnish comparisons of the various items of the Bank of England returns for five years.

BANK OF ENGLAND'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	1927. Nov. 9. £	1926. Nov. 10. £	1925. Nov. 11. £	1924. Nov. 12. £	1923. Nov. 14. £
Circulation b.....	135,928,000	138,834,000	141,519,165	122,870,320	124,204,155
Public deposits.....	18,412,000	18,637,000	13,168,592	15,862,522	14,885,309
Other deposits.....	95,463,000	102,163,819	109,199,348	105,493,522	105,804,208
Government securities	41,311,000	36,210,435	39,402,794	40,898,443	43,718,506
Other securities.....	54,853,000	69,366,346	74,422,075	72,821,486	71,469,488
Reserve notes & coin	35,458,000	32,976,049	26,288,904	25,373,933	23,231,871
Gold and bullion a.....	151,637,047	152,060,534	148,058,069	128,494,253	127,686,026
Proportion of reserve to liabilities.....	31.13%	27.31%	21¼%	21%	19¼%
Bank rate.....	4¼%	5%	4%	4%	4%

a Includes, beginning with April 29 1925, £27,000,000 gold coin and bullion previously held as security for currency notes issued and which was transferred to the Bank of England on the British Government's decision to return to gold standard.

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 held up to that time in redemption account of currency note issue.

The Bank of France in its latest statements made public on Nov. 9, showed an increase in note circulation of 53,605,000 francs raising the total to 55,886,908,405 francs, as against 54,926,903,815 francs, and 47,681,701,045 francs in the corresponding weeks of 1926 and 1925 respectively. The gold holdings remained unchanged, the total still being 5,544,829,327 francs, including amounts held abroad as well as at home. Advances to the state decreased 400,000,000 francs, while divers assets expanded 547,214,000 francs, making the total of the latter item, 24,458,814,780 francs. Treasury deposits increased 10,421,000 francs, general deposits 167,350,000 francs and bills discounted, 738,319,000 francs. Silver went up 2,000 francs, and

trade advances, 102,489,000 francs. A comparison of the various items for the last 3 years will be found below.

BANK OF FRANCE'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Changes for Week. Francs.	Status as of—		
		Nov. 9 1927. Francs.	Nov. 10 1926. Francs.	Nov. 12 1925. Francs.
Gold Holdings—				
In France.....	Unchanged	3,680,508,414	3,684,473,138	3,683,288,695
Abroad available...	unchanged	462,771,478	1,864,320,907	1,864,320,907
Abroad non-avall.	unchanged	1,401,549,425		
Total.....	unchanged	5,544,829,327	5,548,794,046	5,547,609,603
Silver.....	Inc. 2,000	342,939,519	339,053,908	311,373,577
Bills discounted....	Inc. 738,319,000	2,370,402,664	4,193,219,401	3,232,338,895
Trade advances....	Inc. 102,489,000	1,764,796,149	2,244,334,731	2,665,706,002
Note circulation....	Inc. 53,605,000	55,886,908,405	54,926,903,815	47,681,701,045
Treasury deposits....	Inc. 10,421,000	46,292,106	47,753,194	44,578,209
General deposits....	Inc. 167,350,000	10,392,809,775	3,220,798,660	2,484,286,632
Advances to State....	Dec. 400,000,000	25,350,000,000	36,050,000,000	31,350,000,000
Divers assets.....	Inc. 547,214,000	24,458,814,780	4,189,005,588	3,600,221,803

The Bank of Germany in its latest statement as of Nov. 7, showed a decrease in note circulation of 210,110,000 marks, reducing the total to 3,990,458,000 marks as compared with 3,184,715,000 marks in 1926, and 2,677,644,000 marks in 1925. There was an expansion in other daily maturing obligations of 8,686,000 marks, while other liabilities fell off 33,999,000 marks. Gold and bullion expanded 834,000 marks, bringing that total up to 1,852,143,000 marks; the portion deposited abroad increased 973,000 marks. Total gold holdings in 1926 and 1925 were 1,736,976,000 marks, and 1,206,896,000 marks respectively. Silver and other coin fell off 2,423,000 marks, and bills of exchange 414,169,000 marks, while investments remained unchanged. Other assets went up 48,674,000 marks, and reserve in foreign currency 136,896,000 marks. A comparison of the various items for the past three years is given below.

REICHSBANK'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Changes for Week. Reichsmarks.	Status as of—		
		Nov. 7 1927. Reichsmarks.	Nov. 7 1926. Reichsmarks.	Nov. 7 1925. Reichsmarks.
Assets—				
Gold and bullion.....	Inc. 834,000	1,852,143,000	1,736,976,000	1,206,896,000
Of which depos. abrd....	Inc. 973,000	67,516,000	179,993,000	96,605,000
Res've in for'n curr....	Inc. 136,896,000	299,209,000	412,538,000	361,068,000
Bills of exch. & checks....	Dec. 414,169,000	2,388,211,000	1,347,982,000	1,474,296,000
Silver and other coin....	Dec. 2,423,000	49,393,000	116,114,000	64,383,000
Notes on oth. Ger. bks....	Inc. 8,738,000	16,780,000	15,687,000	23,527,000
Advances.....	?	?	10,793,000	9,784,000
Investments.....	unchanged	92,075,000	91,274,000	220,297,000
Other assets.....	Inc. 48,674,000	619,447,000	711,302,000	786,367,000
Liabilities—				
Notes in circulation....	Dec. 210,110,000	3,990,458,000	3,184,775,000	2,677,644,000
Oth. daily matur. oblig....	Inc. 8,686,000	616,759,000	681,813,000	698,002,000
Other liabilities.....	Dec. 33,999,000	346,096,000	716,235,000	462,378,000

Only the narrowest of movements are observable in the New York money market, indicating great stability at the present easy levels. Some slight tension might have been expected with the increasing commercial requirements of the advancing fall season, but as this seasonal peak produced no tightening it is now generally expected that easy market conditions will prevail for the remainder of the year. The success of the week's Treasury financing would be additional substantiation of this, if such were needed. The official call money rate in the past week remained at 3½% throughout, with funds generally available outside the Stock Exchange at concessions of ½% or ¼%. Some calling of loans was noted early in the week, these amounting to approximately \$10,000,000 Monday and \$20,000,000 Wednesday. Brokers loans against stock and bond collateral again registered an increase in Thursday's statement of the Federal Reserve Bank for the 52 New York reporting member banks. The increase of \$12,824,000 is not large in itself, but it must be remembered that the expansion has been well-nigh continuous since February of this year, and that the actual total of brokers' loans is again within strik-

ing distance of the high figure reached early in October.

Dealing in detail with the rates from day to day, there is nothing to be said with reference to the fluctuations in the call loan rate on the Stock Exchange, except that all transactions on each and every day have been at 3½% including renewal. Rates for time loans on Stock Exchange collateral have remained virtually unchanged and yesterday were 3¾@3⅞% for 30 days, 4@4⅛% for 60 days, 4⅛@4¼% for 90 days and 4¼ for all other periods from four to six months. The commercial paper market quickened somewhat during the week but rates for four to six months' names of choice character remain at 4%, though for the shorter choice names the quotation is 3¾@4%. For names less well known the quotation is 4¼%. For New England mill paper the range is still 4@4¼%.

In the market for banks' and bankers' acceptances the posted rate of the American Acceptance Council for call loans against acceptances has remained unchanged throughout the week at 3¼%. Nor has the Council made any change in the rates for acceptances, the posted quotations yesterday on prime bankers' acceptances eligible for purchase by the Federal Reserve banks being 3⅞% bid and 3% asked for bills running 30 days; 3¼% bid and 3⅞% asked for bills running 60 days; 3⅜% bid and 3¼% asked for 90 days; 3½% bid and 3⅜% asked for 120 days, and 3⅝% bid and 3½% asked for 150 and 180 days. Open market rates also remain unchanged as follows:

SPOT DELIVERY.						
	—180 Days—		—150 Days—		—120 Days—	
	Bid.	Asked.	Bid.	Asked.	Bid.	Asked.
Prime eligible bills.....	3¾	3⅞	3¾	3⅞	3½	3¾
	—90 Days—		—60 Days—		—30 Days—	
	Bid.	Asked.	Bid.	Asked.	Bid.	Asked.
Prime eligible bills.....	3¾	3¾	3¼	3¾	3¼	3

FOR DELIVERY WITHIN THIRTY DAYS.

Eligible member banks.....	3¾ bid
Eligible non-member banks.....	3¾ bid

There have been no changes this week in Federal Reserve Bank rates. The following is the schedule of rates now in effect for the various classes of paper at the different Reserve banks:

DISCOUNT RATES OF FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS ON ALL CLASSES AND MATURITIES OF ELIGIBLE PAPER.

Federal Reserve Bank.	Rate in Effect on Nov. 11.	Date Established.	Previous Rate.
Boston.....	3½	Aug. 5 1927	4
New York.....	3½	Aug. 5 1927	4
Philadelphia.....	3½	Sept. 8 1927	4
Cleveland.....	3½	Aug. 6 1927	4
Richmond.....	3½	Aug. 16 1927	4
Atlanta.....	3½	Aug. 13 1927	4
Chicago.....	3½	Sept. 7 1927	4
St. Louis.....	3½	Aug. 4 1927	4
Minneapolis.....	3½	Sept. 13 1927	4
Kansas City.....	3½	July 29 1927	4
Dallas.....	3½	Aug. 12 1927	4
San Francisco.....	3½	Sept. 10 1927	4

Sterling exchange has been in demand and on Wednesday, when cable transfers sold at 4.87¼, made another new high since 1914. Yesterday, owing to a still stronger demand and a scarcity of sterling offers in world markets, the rate shot up to 4.87 11-32 for cable transfers, the highest since the early days of the war in 1914. An indication of the trend of the market appeared on Saturday last, when in the short session the rate moved up 3-32 from Friday's close, with most transactions for the day around 4.86⅝ for bankers' sight and 4.87 1-16 for cable transfers. The range for the week has been 4.86½ to 4.86 31-32 for bankers' sight, and from 4.86 15-16 to 4.87 11-32 for cable transfers. Again, as during the past several weeks, the demand for the British unit seems to have come

principally from money market and other financial transactions. The London money market is firmer and the big banks are well loaned up. Still firmer rates are looked for and banking and business interests are hoping that the low money rates in New York will enable London to pull through the year without a further increase in the Bank of England rediscount rate. The Bank is keeping a tight rein on the money market, and by open market operations is taking up any surplus credit which arises from time to time. As stated in a previous issue, Governor Norman has taken the unusual course of personally meeting leaders of the discount market, with a view to keeping open market bill rates around 4 5-16%, so that it will be unnecessary to increase the Bank of England rate. This course has been rendered necessary by the rise in rates in several Continental centres, which has tended to draw funds from London. The directors of the Bank of England have recommended the re-election of Montagu Norman as Governor of the Bank for the ninth successive year. Under the circumstances underlying the demand for money in London and on the Continent, it is not surprising that sterling should remain stiff in New York, as the demand for exchange for banking operations greatly offsets the seasonal offerings arising from European imports of American cotton, grain and other products.

There is considerable improvement in business conditions in England and this fact, with its accompanying social betterment, is contributing to the improvement in exchange. The Federation of British Industries in its quarterly trade forecast, recently issued, is optimistic as to the outlook. The forecast said in part: "It seems reasonable to anticipate that next year will witness a definite upturn in the international level of prices, accompanied by a fall in the Bank rate and an inflow of gold sufficient to re-establish that feeling of confidence in the stability of underlying conditions which the business community requires before undertaking long-term commitments. Although the international horizon is still far from clear, and our own immediate position is full of difficulty, the outlook for British trade for next year is brighter than in almost any period since the war." Steel, engineering, and shipping, three great mainstays of British industry, have revived.

The Bank of England in its return for the week ending Wednesday night, reported an increase of £385,960 in its gold holdings. On Monday the Bank of England sold £6,000 in sovereigns to Italy. On Tuesday the Bank sold £8,000 in gold bars to a designation not stated, and exported £10,000 in sovereigns to Straits Settlements, £5,000 to Holland, and £9,000 to India. On Wednesday the Bank sold £10,000 in gold bars and exported £5,000 in sovereigns to Spain, and £5,000 in sovereigns to Holland. On Friday the Bank sold £19,000 in gold bars to a designation not stated. At the Port of New York the gold movement for the week ended Nov. 9, as reported by the Federal Reserve Bank, consisted of imports of \$42,000, chiefly from Latin-America, and of exports of \$11,273,000, of which \$11,000,000 was sent to Brazil. There was no Canadian movement of gold either to or from New York. Canadian exchange continues at a premium. Montreal funds last Saturday were quoted at a premium of ⅛ of 1%, on Monday at 5-32 of 1%, on Wednesday and later in the week at 5-32 of 1%.

Referring to the day-to-day rates, sterling last Saturday displayed a firmer tone. The range was $4.86\frac{1}{2}$ @ $4.86\frac{3}{4}$ for bankers' sight and 4.86 15-16@ $4.87\frac{1}{8}$ for cable transfers. On Monday the market sold off slightly. Demand ranged from 4.86 9-16 to 4.86 11-16. Cable transfers were 4.86 15-16@ 4.87 1-16. On Tuesday there was no market in New York, it being Election Day. On Wednesday there was considerable buying of sterling and the rate reached a new high for the year. The range was $4.86\frac{5}{8}$ @ $4.86\frac{7}{8}$ for bankers' sight and 4.87 1-16 @ $4.87\frac{1}{4}$ for cable transfers. On Thursday the market again was firm. The range was $4.86\frac{3}{4}$ @ $4.86\frac{7}{8}$ for bankers' sight and $4.87\frac{1}{2}$ @ $4.87\frac{1}{4}$ for cable transfers. On Friday the range was 4.86 11-16 @ 4.86 31-32 for bankers' sight, and $4.87\frac{1}{8}$ @ 4.87 11-32 for cable transfers. Closing quotations yesterday were 4.86 15-16 for demand and 4.87 5-16 for cable transfers. Commercial sight bills finished at $4.86\frac{3}{4}$, sixty-day bills at 4.82 15-16, ninety-day bills at 4.81 3-16, documents for payment (60) at 4.82 15-16 and seven-day grain bills at 4.86 3-16. Cotton and grain for payment closed at $4.86\frac{3}{4}$.

In the Continental exchanges German marks have occupied the center of the stage this week, owing to the publication of the communication, dated Oct. 20, by S. Parker Gilbert, Agent General for Reparations Payments, addressed to the German Government, calling attention to the dangers involved in the nation's economic situation and the Government's fiscal program. The full text of the communication will be found on a subsequent page. This "memorandum" of the Agent General created a crisis in the Berlin market, and was of course reflected in the movement of mark exchange rate. On Saturday last, mark cables sold around $23.87\frac{1}{2}$, while in Wednesday's strong sterling market the mark cable rate was down to $23.81\frac{1}{2}$. As the atmosphere became clearer, there was an improvement on Thursday and Friday, the mark selling as high as 23.84 for bankers sight, and 23.85 for cable transfers yesterday. The criticisms of the Agent General were responsible for a large liquidation of foreign holdings of German securities, and the withdrawal of funds on that account, it is stated, has quite balanced lending to Germany to take advantage of higher money rates there. According to well-informed bankers, it seems quite probable that the Reichsbank rediscount rate will be increased. It is now 7%. There is considerable protest in Germany against a higher rediscount rate. The question of the rediscount rate, the tightness of money, and the reparation payments are giving anxiety to German business interests. The tight money market and the difficulty of arranging credits are especially irksome to the smaller concerns. In October bankruptcies in Germany numbered 455, as against 364 in September. The increase was due in part, however, to the repeal on Oct. 1 of the so-called Business Supervision Law. This law seems to have had the effect of postponing bankruptcies. Herr Schacht, President of the Reichsbank, estimates all outstanding German indebtedness for long and short term, including the Dawes loans, at 10,000,000,000 marks. This figure, however, does not allow for foreign indebtedness of Germany of which no statistics are available. The German demand for foreign capital continues unabated. Domestic accumulations are entirely insufficient.

French francs continue steady, largely through the operations of the Bank of France. Paris dispatches state that the franc can hardly advance and that there is even a prospect that it might decline on unfavorable political developments; but this seems highly improbable, as the Bank of France holdings of foreign exchange, the generally good business condition of the country, and the easy money situation, are strong factors favoring a de jure stabilization of the franc at any figure which might be decided upon, even were Poincare now to be retired from power. This week the Bank of France increased its sundry assets, which include its foreign exchange holdings, 547,800,000 francs to 24,458,800,000 francs.

Italian lire have been more active this week and inclined to some fluctuation. The rate was around $5.46\frac{1}{8}$ last Saturday for bankers' sight and lire sold down to $5.42\frac{5}{8}$ in Friday's market. For several weeks lire have rarely fluctuated more than $\frac{1}{4}$ point a day, and so this wider movement attracted considerable attention. Authorities on Italian exchange policy stated that the drop simply indicated a temporary increase in offerings, whereas heretofore bids have predominated. Italian finance officials have frequently stated that they will permit no increase in the rate, but that a slight decline to around the stabilization level of 90 to the pound would not arrest attention. A London cable dispatch on Friday which stated that the lira would be legally stabilized around present levels within ten days is denied in authoritative quarters.

While Polish exchange is practically stabilized, it is of interest to note that the Bank of Poland in order to conform with stipulations of the American loan contract has agreed to change its constitution. The capital stock will be increased by 50,000,000 zloty, making a total of 250,000,000 zloty. The present gold embargo is to be removed, meaning that exchange bills for gold can be had on demand, Gold reserve must be kept at 40% of the note circulation. Except for the embargo on gold foreign exchange dealings in Poland have been freed of all restrictions, according to London cable dispatches yesterday.

The London check rate on Paris closed at 124.05 on Friday of this week, against 124.03 on Friday of last week. In New York sight bills on the French centre finished at $3.92\frac{5}{8}$, against $3.92\frac{3}{8}$ a week ago; cable transfers at $3.92\frac{7}{8}$, against $3.92\frac{5}{8}$, and commercial sight bills at $3.92\frac{3}{8}$, against $3.92\frac{1}{8}$. Antwerp belgas finished at $13.93\frac{1}{2}$ for checks and at $13.94\frac{1}{2}$ for cable transfers, as against 13.93 and 13.94 on Friday of last week. Final quotations for Berlin marks were 23.84 for checks and 23.85 for cable transfers, in comparison with $23.86\frac{1}{2}$ and $23.87\frac{1}{2}$ a week earlier. Italian lire closed at 5.43 for bankers' sight bills and at $5.43\frac{1}{2}$ for cable transfers, as against 5.46 and $5.46\frac{1}{2}$ last week. Austrian schillings have not been changed from $14\frac{1}{8}$. Exchange on Czechoslovakia finished at $2.96\frac{1}{8}$, against $2.96\frac{1}{8}$; on Bucharest at 0.61, against $0.61\frac{1}{2}$; on Poland at 11.20, against 11.20, and on Finland at 2.52, against 2.52. Greek exchange closed at $1.32\frac{1}{2}$ for checks and at $1.32\frac{3}{4}$ for cable transfers, against $1.32\frac{1}{2}$ and $1.32\frac{3}{4}$ a week ago.

In the exchanges on the countries neutral during the war, interest this week has continued to center in the very firm guilder market. Sight bills on

Holland moved up from 40.28 on Saturday last to a new high for the year on Monday of 40.30. The guilder fluctuated close to this figure throughout the week until Friday when, in an active market the rate moved up to 40.35 for cable transfers, a new high since 1919. The firmness in the current market is attributed largely to the withdrawal of Dutch capital from Germany following the publication of the memorandum of the Agent General for Reparations. The Dutch rate is usually under pressure during the autumn and winter months. Dutch interests in the German security and money markets are extensive and it is believed that much of the liquidation in German securities this week, stimulated by the adverse publicity on German financial methods, has been for Amsterdam account. The rise in the Holland discount rate last month caused a considerable flow of funds from other centers, which placed the guilder market in a technical position favorable to an upward movement. The Scandinavian exchanges continue firm, although quiet, and display the minimum of fluctuation. Spanish pesetas are active, fluctuating more than any of the Continental units. This is due to speculative transactions; as with the Norwegian krone and the Japanese yen, the peseta is the only unit among the more active exchanges offering speculative possibilities.

Bankers' sight on Amsterdam finished on Friday at 40.33, against 40.30 on Friday of last week; cable transfers at 40.35, against 40.32, and commercial sight bills at 40.28, against 40.25. Swiss francs closed at 19.28 $\frac{1}{4}$ for bankers' sight bills and at 19.28 $\frac{3}{4}$ for cable transfers, in comparison with 19.27 $\frac{1}{2}$ and 19.28 a week earlier. Copenhagen checks finished at 26.79 $\frac{1}{2}$ and cable transfers at 26.80 $\frac{1}{2}$, against 26.78 $\frac{1}{2}$ and 26.79 $\frac{1}{2}$. Checks on Sweden closed at 26.90 and cable transfers at 26.91, against 26.89 and 26.90, while checks on Norway finished at 26.40 and cable transfers at 26.41, against 26.38 and 26.39. Spanish pesetas closed at 17.01 for checks and at 17.02 for cable transfers, which compares with 17.06 and 17.07 a week earlier.

The South American exchanges are quiet with a firm undertone, although Argentine exchange seemed inclined to go off this week, owing more, however, to inactivity than to any pressure on the peso. The outstanding feature of importance from the exchange point of view was the shipment of \$11,000,000 in gold from New York to Brazil on Saturday last. This was the first installment of a total consignment of \$36,000,000, to be used for currency stabilization purposes. The gold shipment is being converted from Brazilian credit balances in New York. This movement of gold was, of course, expected in foreign exchange circles since the flotation here of the \$41,500,000 loan on October 13 and the simultaneous offering of £8,750,000 in London. The transfer of gold from loan proceeds, rather than through purchase of exchange, removes a large potential demand for milreis from the New York market. As stated at the time, the loans will be applied toward the liquidation of Brazilian treasury obligations as a necessary step toward the consummation of Brazil's stabilization plan, which contemplates the establishment of a new currency unit, accumulation of a substantial gold reserve, and supervision of the currency and exchange by a Conversion Office. A stabilization office has been established for some

time and has accumulated gold from various sources and issued notes against it. The Bank of Brazil transferred part of its gold reserve to this stabilization office, against which the stabilization office issued notes. This step has been criticized by some as inflationary, for the bank seems not to have withdrawn an equivalent amount of its own notes to offset those issued by the Stabilization Office as receipt for the gold of the Bank of Brazil. The Stabilization Office has opened a branch in London and it is expected that it will open another in New York soon. It is empowered to hold part of its gold reserves in New York and London. Argentine paper pesos closed yesterday at 42.67 for checks, as compared with 42.67 last week, and at 42.72 for cable transfers, against 42.72. Brazilian milreis finished at 11.99 for checks and at 12.00 for cable transfers, against 11.99 and 12.00. Chilean exchange closed at 12.17 for checks and at 12.18 for cable transfers, against 12.17 and 12.18, and Peru at 3.74 for checks and at 3.75 for cable transfers, against 3.69 and 3.70.

The Far Eastern exchanges continue to display firmness owing to the fact that silver prices are better, ruling around 26 $\frac{1}{2}$ pence in London and 57 $\frac{1}{4}$ cents in New York. The present rise in silver, especially in view of the hesitant mood of the Indian bazaars, is striking proof of the absorptive capacity of China. Despite the unsettled Chinese political conditions, shipments of the metal from San Francisco to China have been going out at the rate of about 500,000 ounces per week for some months past. Besides these shipments, the Chinese are taking considerable silver from India. Chinese trade statistics are notoriously lacking in accuracy, but the firmness of silver prices due to Chinese takings, which must, of course, be conditioned on exports of Chinese products, would indicate that the Chinese foreign trade is better by a great deal than the spectacular news centering around the war lords and their marchings would lead one to suspect. Japanese yen are moderately firm, although slightly off from last week. The Japanese unit has been singularly free from Shanghai's speculative raids during the past three weeks. The preliminary report of Japanese foreign trade for the first ten days in November shows exports of 53,518,000 yen, and imports of 47,949,000 yen, giving an export balance of 5,569,000 yen. There was a concerted effort prevailing among Japanese banking and industrial interests to arouse popular support for reducing the volume of exports.

The daily papers report Thomas W. Lamont, of J. P. Morgan & Co., who has just returned from Japan, as stating that the Island Empire is making notable progress in economic reconstruction, necessitated by the earthquake and the financial reorganization which has followed the recent banking crisis. New York bankers believe that the Japanese industries will arrange for a considerable volume of financing in New York within the next few months. However, there is a strong element in Japanese banking circles which will insist that these loans be kept at such a minimum as to prevent any strain on exchange. Several Japanese utilities and industrial concerns are planning to place their securities on the New York market. The softness in yen this week is attributed to the fact that as a seasonal matter Japanese imports begin

to exceed exports at the turn of the year, and Japanese importers usually begin to fill their foreign exchange requirements around this time. Closing quotations for yen checks yesterday were 45.85 @ 46 1/8, against 46.45 @ 46 5/8 on Friday of last week; Hong Kong closed at 49.95 @ 49 15-16, against 49.60 @ 49 11-16; Shanghai at 63 1/4 @ 63 5/8, against 62 7/8 @ 63 1-16; Manila at 49 9-16, against 49 9-16; Singapore at 56 3/8 @ 56 1/2, against 56 3/8 @ 56 1/2; Bombay at 36 9-16, against 36 9-16, and Calcutta at 36 9-16, against 36 9-16.

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 522 of the Tariff Act of 1922, the Federal Reserve Bank is now certifying daily to the Secretary of the Treasury the buying rate for cable transfers in the different countries of the world. We give below a record for the week just past:

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES CERTIFIED BY FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS TO TREASURY UNDER TARIFF ACT OF 1922. NOV. 5 TO NOV. 12 1927, INCLUSIVE.

Country and Monetary Unit.	Noon Buying Rate for Cable Transfers to New York, Value in United States Money.					
	Nov. 5. Nov. 7. Nov. 8. Nov. 9. Nov. 10. Nov. 11.					
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
EUROPE—						
Austria, schilling.....	14086	14084		14081	14090	14085
Belgium, belga.....	1393	1393		1393	1394	1394
Bulgaria, lev.....	.007263	.007241		.007231	.007208	.007215
Czechoslovakia, krome.....	.029629	.029629		.029627	.029634	.029628
Denmark, krone.....	.2679	.2679		.2679	.2679	.2679
England, pound sterling.....	4.8701	4.8701		4.8711	4.8717	4.8719
Finland, markka.....	.025192	.025190		.025189	.025194	.025194
France, franc.....	.0393	.0393		.0393	.0393	.0393
Germany, reichsmark.....	.2387	.2386		.2382	.2384	.2384
Greece, drachma.....	.013263	.013230		.013224	.013215	.013210
Holland, guilder.....	.4032	.4034		.4033	.4034	.4034
Hungary, pengo.....	.1746	.1747		.1746	.1746	.1746
Italy, lira.....	.0546	.0546		.0545	.0544	.0543
Norway, krone.....	.2637	.2637		.2639	.2639	.2639
Poland, sloty.....	.1118	.1124		.1117	.1123	.1123
Portugal, escudo.....	.0494	.0494		.0492	.0492	.0492
Romania, leu.....	.006142	.006149		.006163	.006170	.006168
Spain, peseta.....	.1705	.1698		.1698	.1704	.1702
Sweden, krona.....	.2689	.2689		.2690	.2690	.2691
Switzerland, franc.....	.1928	.1928		.1928	.1928	.1928
Yugoslavia, dinar.....	.017608	.017602		.017607	.017602	.017601
ASIA—						
China—						
Chefoo tael.....	.6573	.6590		.6552	.6579	.6600
Hankow tael.....	.6381	.6373		.6369	.6392	.6400
Shanghai tael.....	.6286	.6299		.6285	.6296	.6309
Tientsin tael.....	.6631	.6644		.6610	.6633	.6654
Hong Kong dollar.....	.4954	.4953		.4940	.4966	.4966
Mexican dollar.....	.4533	.4545		.4538	.4550	.4540
Tientsin or Pelyang dollar.....	.4504	.4508		.4492	.4496	.4508
Yuan dollar.....	.4471	.4475		.4458	.4463	.4475
India, rupee.....	.3642	.3642		.3643	.3643	.3642
Japan, yen.....	.4635	.4629		.4626	.4615	.4591
Singapore (S.S.) dollar.....	.5604	.5604		.5604	.5604	.5604
NORTH AMER.—						
Canada, dollar.....	1.001199	1.001333		1.001429	1.001517	1.001461
Cuba, peso.....	.999406	.999563		.999344	.999375	.999344
Mexico, peso.....	.477167	.476833		.476833	.477000	.477000
Newfoundland, dollar.....	.998625	.998719		.998781	.998875	.998750
SOUTH AMER.—						
Argentina, peso (gold).....	.9697	.9699		.9699	.9701	.9698
Brazil, milreis.....	.1194	.1193		.1193	.1192	.1194
Chile, peso.....	.1217	.1217		.1218	.1218	.1218
Uruguay, peso.....	1.0313	1.0301		1.0329	1.0333	1.0345

Owing to a marked disinclination on the part of two or three leading institutions among the New York Clearing House banks to keep up compiling the figures for us, we find ourselves obliged to discontinue the publication of the table we have been giving for so many years showing the shipments and receipts of currency to and from the interior.

As the Sub-Treasury was taken over by the Federal Reserve Bank on Dec. 6 1920, it is also 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, Nov. 5.	Monday, Nov. 7.	Tuesday, Nov. 8.	Wednesday, Nov. 9.	Thursday, Nov. 10.	Friday, Nov. 11.	Aggregate for Week.
\$ 101,000,000	\$ 95,000,000	\$ Holiday	\$ 132,000,000	\$ 117,000,000	\$ 104,000,000	Cr. 549,000,000

Note.—The foregoing heavy credits reflect the huge mass of checks which come to the New York Reserve Bank from all parts of the country in the operation of the Federal Reserve System's par collection scheme. These large credit balances, however, 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 represented in the daily balances. The large volume of checks on institutions 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.

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

Banks of	Nov. 10 1927.			Nov. 13 1926.		
	Gold.	Silver.	Total.	Gold.	Silver.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
England.....	151,637,047	-----	151,637,047	152,060,534	-----	152,060,534
France a.....	146,220,324	13,680,000	159,900,324	147,378,944	13,562,246	160,941,190
Germany b.....	89,236,350	c994,600	90,230,950	80,110,000	c994,600	81,104,600
Spain.....	104,118,000	27,126,000	131,244,000	102,263,000	26,696,000	128,959,000
Italy.....	46,929,000	3,732,000	50,661,000	45,499,000	4,157,000	49,656,000
Netherl'ds.....	32,175,000	2,272,000	34,447,000	34,880,000	2,228,000	37,108,000
Nat. Belg.....	19,537,000	1,197,000	20,734,000	15,978,000	2,882,000	17,051,000
Switzerl'd.....	18,457,000	2,511,000	20,968,000	17,705,000	-----	20,587,000
Sweden.....	12,832,000	-----	12,832,000	12,560,000	-----	12,560,000
Denmark.....	10,116,000	691,000	10,807,000	11,616,000	921,000	12,537,000
Norway.....	8,180,000	-----	8,180,000	8,180,000	-----	8,180,000
Total week.....	639,437,721	52,203,600	691,641,321	628,230,478	52,513,846	680,744,324
Prev. week.....	639,099,961	52,093,600	691,193,561	620,649,986	54,735,600	675,385,586

a Gold holdings of the Bank of France are exclusive of gold held abroad, amounting the present year to £75,572,836. b Gold holdings of the Bank of Germany are exclusive of gold held abroad, the amount of which the present year is £3,375,800. c As of Oct. 7 1924.

Reparations and the German Budget.

The elaborate memorandum which S. Parker Gilbert, Jr., Agent General for Reparation Payments, addressed to the German Government on Oct. 20 raises in a comprehensive and forcible manner the important question of the future of the Dawes plan and of German credit in the face of a rising scale of national expenditure. The immediate occasion of the communication was the introduction in the Reichstag of a bill increasing the salaries of public officials and the allowances for pensioners of the Reich, together with other measures providing for the compensation of German nationals for losses or damages to private property during the World War, and establishing a general school system for the Reich. The publication of the memorandum, which it appears was written with the knowledge, if not actually at the suggestion, of the German Government, was withheld until last Sunday, notwithstanding that its existence, together with a brief indication of its contents, was made known through a New York "Times" dispatch from Berlin on Oct. 20. The fact that the German public first learned of the sending of the memorandum through a New York newspaper, the subsequent efforts of the German Government to minimize the importance of Mr. Gilbert's criticisms, and the long delay in publishing the text, aroused much feeling in Germany, and for a few days the position of Dr. Koehler, Minister of Finance, appeared to be in danger.

Mr. Gilbert's memorandum is a searching examination of the recent German budgets, a frank criticism of the German financial system under which the States derive a large part of their revenues from allocations from the Reich Treasury, and an earnest, but friendly, insistence upon economy as vital not only to the continued operation of the Dawes plan, but to the economic welfare of Germany as well. Mr. Gilbert points out that the 1927-28 budget voted on April 14 last, taking the so-called ordinary and extraordinary budgets together, authorized a total expenditure of 9,130,000,000 reichsmarks, as compared with estimated expenditures of 8,543,000,000 in 1926-27 and actual expenditures of 7,444,000,000 in 1925-26. This was an increase of about 1,700,000,000 reichsmarks in two years, of which amount about 540,000,000 reichsmarks was for reparation payments under the Dawes plan, and 67,000,000 an additional reserve fund for the controlled revenues. "Both the 1926-27 and 1927-28 budgets showed an excess of current expenditures over current revenues amounting to over 850,000,000 reichsmarks in each year. To cover the 1927-28 deficit, the budget authorized loans of 466,000,000 and appropriated 390,000,000 from surplus and

reserve funds. It also left undisturbed outstanding authorizations to borrow to the amount of 571,000,000 reichsmarks to cover outstanding extraordinary expenditures for 1926-27."

Notwithstanding the budget situation, a law was passed on April 9, with the support of the Minister of Finance, postponing for a further two years the definitive settlement of the financial relations between the Reich and the States and communes, and providing in the meantime for increased financial guaranties by the Reich to the States and communes. In addition, the Government had "agreed to assume, as from April 1 1927, practically the entire responsibility for advancing, when necessary, the supplementary funds required for purposes of unemployment relief beyond those furnished by employers and employees, though up to that time the States and communes had been obliged to furnish five-ninths of these supplements." The proposed increases in salaries and pension allowances represent an estimated cost to the Reich of 155,000,000 reichsmarks for salaries and 170,000,000 for pensions, but since it is "generally assumed" that similar increases will be made by the States, the communes, and the postal and railway services, the total cost is estimated at from 1,200,000,000 to 1,500,000,000 reichsmarks annually. "To provide for the additional expenses which the action of the Reich throws upon them, the States are already insisting that increased transfers of revenue from the Reich will be necessary."

To these increased expenditures, actual or prospective, of the Reich are to be added an imposing volume of domestic and foreign borrowing by the States and communes. Mr. Gilbert estimates the total of domestic long-term loans of the States, provinces and communes, and of the various public enterprises in which they are interested, at about 1,000,000,000 reichsmarks since the beginning of 1926, "when the domestic market first became available for long-term borrowing." This is "more than twice the amount of long-term domestic loans placed in the same period by German industry and trade." Foreign issues of States and communes and their associated public undertakings aggregate about 1,600,000,000 reichsmarks since the beginning of 1925, or approximately the same as the foreign borrowings of German industry and trade. The grand total of 2,600,000,000 for domestic and foreign loans does not include the short-term or floating debt, represented in part by "loans directly obtained from foreign bankers, in part loans obtained from German bankers but from foreign funds borrowed by them, and in part ordinary domestic banking transactions." The amount of these latter obligations cannot be estimated with precision, but Mr. Gilbert's conclusion is that the amount is "very large," and that the States and communes as a whole "are living beyond their means."

Mr. Gilbert extended his criticism also to the credit and currency policy of the Reich and of the Reichsbank. Pointing out that there are in effect in Germany two credit policies, one of the Reich, the States and the communes, and the other of the Reichsbank, both operating at the same time, Mr. Gilbert declared that they often neutralized one another. The Reichsbank reduced its discount rate on Jan. 11 last from 6% to 5%, shortly before the offering of the 5% internal loan of the Reich, with the object, it was stated, of recognizing "the easier money conditions then prevailing in the German

market" and of "diminishing the inflow of foreign funds." By the middle of March, however, "foreign funds began again to flow into Germany in large volume, not as long-term loans but in the form of short-term credits, frequently for purely speculative purposes and liable to be withdrawn on short notice." At the same time the Reichsbank's discount rate "became the lowest representative money rate in Germany," and down to May 31 its gold and devises declined by about 1,000,000,000 reichsmarks, while its holdings of domestic bills rose by about the same amount. "In their broader consequences, the forces of expansion thus released gave a further impetus to an already highly speculative stock market, and a further stimulation to an already rising activity of business and a rapidly expanding volume of imports." When, on June 10, the Reichsbank finally raised its discount rate to 6%, "it had lost control of the market," and the new rate "brought no reduction in the volume of Reichsbank credit." The 7% rate fixed on Oct. 4, Mr. Gilbert declares, was a recognition of the fact that "the expansion which reasserted itself in September brought the volume of Reichsbank credit and the total German circulation to the highest points since stabilization . . . and was itself the consequence of events which dated back to the Spring."

A financial showing such as this affords an ample basis for the warning which Mr. Gilbert gave of the dangers which beset German credit, industry and trade, as well as the continuity of payments under the Dawes plan, if the regime of financial extravagance is not replaced by one of strict national and private economy. It is in every way to the interest of Germany that the Dawes plan annuities, at least for the remainder of the five years for which the plan specially provides, shall not only be paid, but that there shall be no question about the likelihood of payment. Any doubt on that subject will not only help to keep alive the distrust of Germany which still smoulders in France, but will also bring into discussion the debatable question of relative priority rights of reparations, foreign loans, and the payments claimed by the United States. It is of course highly desirable that the question of priority should be settled, but the consideration of the matter ought not to be clouded by apprehension in any quarter lest reparation payments should fail or German credit be impaired.

On the other hand, to what extent the criticisms which Mr. Gilbert makes can be met without difficulty by constructive action on the part of the German Government is not wholly clear. The financial arrangements which now exist between the Reich and the States, provinces and communes are certainly hard to defend on sound financial grounds, but any change nevertheless involves changes in the Constitutional structure of the Reich, and such changes take time. Germany, like the United States, has a federal form of government, although different from ours, and the German States are as jealous of their constitutional privileges, and as resentful at encroachment upon them, as are the States of the American Union. The State extravagance in Germany of which Mr. Gilbert has complained is no greater, apparently, than the State extravagance in this country to which Mr. Coolidge has called attention. The wave of speculation which has flowed over Germany, again, has its parallel in the speculative orgy lately witnessed in the United States, and in

each case one of the prime incentives has been cheap credit to whose extension a central bank has lent its aid. The Germans are hardly to be blamed for thinking that, by borrowing liberally in the United States, they can indirectly make the United States pay a considerable share of the reparations bill, but debts are debts, whatever form the indebtedness may take, and Mr. Gilbert is well within his rights in pointing out that by so much as industry or trade burdens itself with loans, whether foreign or domestic, by so much are the revenues needed for reparations and other national charges certain to be jeopardized.

Doubtless, as time goes on, the Dawes plan will be revised or the time limits of its operation definitely fixed. Germany will not go on paying 2,500,000,000 reichsmarks a year indefinitely, nor is it likely to continue to pay any other sum without knowing how much the total reparation bill is to be. Regarding the question of the total amount of reparations there has been as yet no settlement between Germany and the former Allies, and no agreement among the Allied Governments themselves. The sum of 132,000,000,000 gold marks fixed by the Reparations Commission in May 1921, has long since ceased to be taken seriously, although M. Herriot, when Premier of France, was literally within the truth in asserting in August 1924, in his speech in the Chamber of Deputies in defense of the modifications of the Dawes plan agreed upon at the London Conference, that the figure fixed by the Reparations Commission had not been abandoned. The only approach to an agreement upon any other figure appeared at the Spa Conference in 1920, when the percentages of the reparation payments which each of the claimant Powers was to receive was fixed, but the Spa agreement applied only to the 50,000,000,000 gold marks of German "A" and "B" bonds for which the report of the Reparations Commission subsequently provided, and France, in accepting its 52% of those bonds, stipulated that it should also have so much of any further sums that Germany might pay as would be needed to discharge its war debts to the Allies. The question of the maximum, accordingly, is still open, with 132,000,000,000 gold marks as technically the only legal figure.

Meantime, and until this underlying question of the maximum is settled, the Dawes plan will continue to work. Mr. Gilbert's reports thus far indicate no likelihood that the required payments will fail, and the better financial opinion of Germany appears already to have been impressed by his recent criticism of the financial policy and his earnest plea for economy. The Government itself has recognized that it is no time to raise salaries and pensions until Germany is out of the woods, and it is probable that the war claimants, although they have waited long, will have to wait a little longer. A special commission has just been created to examine all questions relating to reparations, and the task of the Agent General will be, it is hoped, facilitated by relieving him from the necessity of communicating with different Ministries instead of with one responsible body. There is no reason to fear that Mr. Gilbert will not continue to pursue, in the performance of his exacting duties, the same policy of friendliness and firmness which he has pursued thus far, or that he will hesitate, if need be, to lighten the pressure of the reparation requirements, as he has already done in at least one instance, where the essential purpose of the Dawes provisions will be equally well served thereby. It augurs

well for the future that his recent criticisms, searching and even severe as some of them are, have been on the whole regarded as sound.

Corporation and Machine.

In one of the addresses at the thirty-second annual convention of the National Association of Manufacturers at Chattanooga, Dean Malott of the Harvard School of Business Administration declared the object of the School was to "teach men how to think." According to a brief mention of his address in the news report, we find the following indicates its tenor: "The so-called 'soulless corporation' seldom merited that characterization," said Dr. Malott. He declared the big national corporation constantly and inevitably tended to higher ethical standards, because over a period of years a large organization had to become reasonably trustworthy in its internal operations in order to continue in business. Here is a point in business ethics, we think, that cannot be too strongly dwelt upon. Sometimes it is averred that men will do things in the mass that would shock the individual in their departure from justice, kindness and the right. But when a corporation acts in business it must at least be first honest with itself. And if it formulate a policy of turning out shoddy stuff it will fail because by being incorporated it pursues a continuous career, while the shyster may get in and out again on a quick deal.

We have several adages in business we are constantly repeating, such as "Honesty is the best policy," "Look out for the interests of the other fellow as well as for your own," and "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you." These are matters of the personal equation and cannot be too often repeated. But in a mechanistic age there are certain causes for good work and honest work that are above and outside the nature and quality of man himself. And as the corporation is by far the machine-making power in industry it represents this unchanging honesty. We live in a period noted for the utilization and application of nature's forces. Nature does not lie. Natural law does not fail to function save when interfered with by man's will and then it is merely held in abeyance. So that the machine when constructed embodies these qualities. It cannot think; and it cannot turn out poor work. It cannot slow down at its own will in order to "make more work" for other machines. Nor can it ask for shorter hours and higher wages.

The machine cannot cheat unless constructed so to do by man himself. The machine embodying a natural law is honest because the law is. It may "slip a cog" and give an erroneous result, but that is a defect of operation and not of intent. And it is not too much to say that an age dominated by machinery is an honest one. When hand work was in force men succeeded by the quality and honesty of their workmanship. To-day what we call mass production is uniform in quality and honest in intent. Not that machines cannot be made to turn out "shoddy" but every piece is alike and "shoddy" soon destroys itself. A great newspaper press turning out its thousands of papers an hour registers the number and does not skimp or shirk. An automobile factory with its long traveling belt carrying parts to be fitted together cannot use poor material at any point in the process without destroying the whole. "A chain is no stronger than its weakest link." It follows that whatever man may do to "get

rich quick" by chicanery, fraud and misrepresentation the manufacturer is honest because of machinery.

It is true that there is another phase of this question. As a matter of convenience our weights and measures are tested by government. This is a ministerial service. Again, there are degrees of excellence in turning out a given product. But it still remains true that a manufacturer is known by the kind of machinery he employs, and by the nature of the material he uses. He cannot set out to degrade his product and to fool his customer without destroying his business. Man therefore learns the truth from a higher truth. He follows nature's laws and learns that nothing is wasted. He learns that growth is constant and like follows like. He may hasten the process in production and increase the product, making the proverbial two blades of grass to grow where one grew before, he may combine the laws to new uses, but in all he is bound by the infallibility of the natural law. He is compelled to a "full day's work for a fair day's wage" by the teaching of nature embodied in the machine. The "soul of the machine" is the divine purpose.

We are not, then, to be destroyed by the corporation that functions through the machine. Inevitably certain facts follow. The corporation lessens cost. It increases production and prevents waste through the utilization of by-products. It must operate in a given line because it employs unerring machinery. It is not many things to many men, but one thing to all men. It combines the best thought of its owners and managers and that is to produce the best for

the most at the least cost. And no matter how many corporations are consolidated into one, this law holds good. It is brought out at this convention of manufacturers that profits of the average corporation are growing smaller. This is an inevitable result. And though the corporation so dominate as to merit in a way the appellation of "monopoly," cost is necessarily reduced by volume and profit per article cannot be increased beyond the average ability of the masses to pay. In this sense man is far from being destroyed by the corporation using the machine.

Thus, "through the ages the increasing purpose runs." The age of machinery is an age of precision, of truth, of honesty. And man is benefited by leisure, comfort and culture in proportion as he uses the general advance properly. The consolidated corporation preserves private ownership, establishes cooperation, increases production and wealth, and elevates the conduct of business. It is only when we misuse the machine, only when we allow it to minister to frivolity, pleasure and waste of time and thought, that it falsifies progress and destroys the spiritual in the individual. Always as we proceed, there are questions of change and transition to solve. And, to quote an old saw: "It is better to be off with the old love before we are on with the new." Our inventive genius overleaps our need and we dispense with economy in our absorption to enjoy all the fruits of endeavor and discovery before we have saved up enough labor to buy them. And at the end man is "master of his fate"—to grow solidly, steadily, or foolishly, rashly, improvidently.

Gross and Net Earnings of United States Railroads for the Month of September

Again we have an unfavorable monthly exhibit of the earnings of United States railroads. The comparisons with a year ago for the month of September are like those for the three months immediately preceding in showing substantial losses in gross and net earnings alike. In other words, for four successive months earnings of the railroads of the country have been running well behind those for the corresponding period in 1926. In June the loss in gross was \$23,774,774 and the loss in net \$20,897,156. July did far worse with a falling off in gross of no less than \$48,297,061, or 8.67%, and in net of \$35,436,548, or 22.03%. In that month, however, there were five Sundays in 1927 against four in 1926, leaving one less working day, which served to that extent to swell the amount of the loss. In August, on the other hand with the situation in that respect reversed—that is with only four Sundays in 1927 against five in 1926—thereby giving the roads the benefit of an extra working day, the decrease reached only \$22,686,735, or 3.92% in the gross, and \$15,697,472, or 8.73% in the net. Now for the month of September, with the same number of Sundays in both years, the loss is found to be \$26,058,156 in the gross, or 4.42%, and \$13,799,429 in the net, or 7.14%, as will be seen from the following, showing the comparative totals for the two years.

Month of September—	1927.	1926.	Increase or Decrease.
Miles of road (182 roads).....	238,814	237,854	+960 0.42%
Gross earnings.....	\$564,043,987	\$590,102,143	-\$26,058,156 4.42%
Operating expenses.....	384,609,710	396,868,437	-12,258,727 3.09%
Ratio of expenses to earnings.....	68.10%	67.25%	+0.84%
Net earnings.....	\$179,434,277	\$193,233,706	-\$13,799,429 7.14%

As in the month preceding, slackening of trade was the influence mainly responsible for the shrink-

age in railroad revenues, or perhaps it would be more accurate to say that the general underlying influence serving to diminish railroad traffic and railroad earnings was the failure of the customary seasonal expansion in trade to develop. In the iron and steel trades, decline has been almost uninterruptedly in progress since last Spring and to such an extent that the situation might, not inaccurately, be termed actual depression. The make of iron in the United States during September was only 2,774,949 tons, against 3,493,362 tons last March, and as against 3,136,293 tons in September last year. The output of steel in September the present year was only 3,232,108 tons as against 4,499,092 tons last March, and comparing with 3,913,383 tons in September 1926.

In addition to the slowing down of trade, there was a number of special unfavorable influences that acted to diminish traffic and revenues on different groups of roads. The continuance during that month of the strike in the unionized bituminous coal mines throughout the country, more particularly at the mines in the so-called central competitive field, embracing Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Western Pennsylvania, was perhaps the chief of these. The loss here was in part, but only in part, offset by increased production at the non-union mines, especially the mines in West Virginia and Kentucky, the benefits accruing mainly to the big coal carriers serving the Pocahontas region, namely the Norfolk & Western, the Chesapeake & Ohio, and the Virginian Railway. But, as it happened, these prominent coal-carrying roads had an untoward event of

their own to contend with, namely that last year their traffic had been unduly swelled by reason of the fact that a foreign demand for coal of unusual dimensions existed owing to the coal miners' strike then prevailing throughout Great Britain. This stimulating agency was entirely absent the present year and the coal traffic was correspondingly reduced even though our own coal strike at the union mines created more or less extra demand for the product of the mines feeding the same lines. The Norfolk & Western, which in September last year reported \$882,836 gain in gross and \$634,820 gain in net now shows \$1,038,128 loss in gross and \$819,211 loss in net. The Virginian Railway, which in 1926 reported \$603,133 gain in gross and \$470,383 gain in net, this year suffered a decrease of \$468,456 in gross and of \$376,868 in net.

On the other hand, the Chesapeake & Ohio, which had \$793,570 gain in gross and \$1,260,917 gain in net in September 1926, reports a further gain of \$242,903 in gross and of \$351,889 in net in September the present year. Evidently the Ches. & Ohio by reason of its connection with the Hocking Valley, which itself reports \$290,929 increase in gross and \$280,615 increase in net, got the bulk of the benefit arising from the demand in Ohio for non-union coal from West Virginia because of the suspension of mining in Ohio due to the union strike.

The Anthracite carriers, however, also again show very large decreases in gross and net, the same as in the months preceding, the revival of demand which had been so confidently counted upon after the extreme dullness of mid-Summer having failed of realization. Obviously these carriers are having troubles of their own. Though their managers do not seem to be aware of the fact, Anthracite coal is rapidly losing considerable portions of its market. Owing to repeated and prolonged strikes in the Anthracite regions and the high price maintained (necessarily so because of the high wages that have to be paid), numerous consumers are turning to oil as a much more dependable substitute as far as regular supply is concerned and also cheaper. Numerous large buildings in Manhattan and in Brooklyn have turned to oil and are discarding Anthracite coal in whole or in part. Not only that, but in the outlying sections of the different boroughs where private residences abound, oil burners in great numbers have been installed and further instalments are constantly being made. In these circumstances there appears nothing strange about the shrinkage in earnings shown by the Anthracite carrying systems. The Delaware & Hudson reports \$450,199 decrease in gross and \$281,443 decrease in net; the Lackawanna \$671,888 decrease in gross and \$310,830 in net; the Lehigh Valley \$574,669 in gross and \$282,890 in net; the Reading \$987,209 in gross and \$803,757 in net; the Central of New Jersey \$400,880 in gross and \$80,311 in net—not to mention a host of smaller roads, with a preponderant Anthracite tonnage, distinguished in the same way.

The big trunk line systems of the East, like the Pennsylvania, the New York Central and the Baltimore & Ohio, which carry enormous amounts of soft coal, and have likewise suffered greatly in their merchandise tonnage because of the lack of trade revival, are also obliged to report heavy losses in earnings, gross and net. The Pennsylvania Railroad system, on the lines directly operated, East and West of Pittsburgh, shows \$4,065,088 decrease

in gross, though only \$663,436 decrease in net, this system having managed greatly to curtail its expenses the present year. The Baltimore & Ohio on its part shows \$1,716,577 decrease in gross and \$654,588 decrease in net; the Erie, which is a large Anthracite carrier as well as an important East and West trunk line system, has \$931,938 decrease in gross and \$606,536 decrease in net. The New York Central falls \$1,510,310 behind in gross and \$1,649,026 in net. This is for the Central itself. Including the auxiliary and controlled roads, the decrease is raised to \$2,677,128 in the gross, and to \$2,330,973 in the net.

The South has not yet recovered from the prostration occasioned by the collapse of the real estate speculation at the winter resorts and the Florida hurricane, together with the setback occasioned in the Autumn of last year by the collapse of the market value of cotton, though the price of the staple has since then completely recovered and is now ruling very much higher than at corresponding dates in 1926. Accordingly Southern roads, with some few exceptions, again show heavy losses—these losses, too, in most cases following a heavy shrinkage in the same month of 1926. The falling off is most pronounced in the case of the roads connecting with or traversing Florida. Thus the Atlantic Coast Line reports \$1,362,688 decrease in gross and \$639,738 decrease in net; the Florida East Coast \$966,178 decrease in gross and \$620,862 decrease in net; this coming on top of \$1,548,354 loss in gross and \$286,727 loss in net in September 1926 with the result that gross on this road for September 1927 at \$891,494 compares with \$2,406,026 in September 1925, with a deficiency below operating expenses in September 1927 of \$82,386 as against net above expenses in September 1925 of \$825,203. The Seaboard Air Line loses \$660,931 in gross and 419,880 in net after \$386,493 decrease in gross and \$78,827 decrease in net in 1926.

The Louisville & Nashville, on the other hand, probably aided by an augmented traffic in coal from non-union mines, reports \$447,929 increase in gross and \$537,989 increase in net, this following \$251,662 diminution in gross and \$325,588 diminution in net in September 1926. At this point it is well enough to note, as indicating the presence of a larger coal traffic, that the Louisville Henderson & St. Louis, a comparatively small road, is able to report \$122,291 increase in gross and \$50,254 increase in net. The Illinois Central likewise is distinguished for enlarged earnings, it reporting \$218,838 gain in gross and \$531,238 gain in net. Contrariwise the Yazoo & Mississippi Valley, which the Illinois Central controls, and which constitutes very much of a parallel line between Cairo and New Orleans, has fallen \$519,405 behind in gross and \$623,448 in net. The Southern Railway gives a very good account of itself with a decrease of only \$370,753 in gross and an actual increase of \$141,111 in net. This is for the Southern Railway proper. For the Southern Railway System, including the Alabama Great Southern, the Cincinnati, New Orleans & Texas Pacific, the Georgia Southern & Florida, the New Orleans & Northeastern and the Northern Alabama, the falling off reaches \$722,475 and there is also a small decrease in the net, namely \$13,974.

In the Southwest, too, the roads have many of them had specially unfavorable conditions to contend with. As noted by us in reviewing the earnings for

August the winter wheat crop in that part of the country was very much smaller than a year ago, the production of Kansas being estimated at only 111,694,000 bushels against 150,057,000 in 1926; that of Oklahoma 33,750,000 bushels against 73,745,000 bushels and that of Texas at 17,829,000 bushels against 32,796,000 bushels. In the same part of the country, also, the cotton crop is doubtless smaller than it was last year, or later in maturity, and in some instances is being held back for higher prices. Nevertheless, the results among Southwestern roads are decidedly uneven. The Atchison has suffered heavy declines in both gross and net—\$2,254,294 in the former and \$3,203,776 in the latter. The Southern Pacific has done much better with only \$458,083 decrease in gross and \$816,297 decrease in net; the Missouri Pacific has lost \$1,087,182 in gross and \$149,736 in net. On the other hand, the St. Louis & San Francisco reports only \$434,607 decrease in gross and \$184,896 decrease in net. As we go further North in the Western half of the country the returns improve and when we approach the Canadian border they become positively good. The Union Pacific shows only \$195,058 decrease in gross and \$220,357 in net, while the Rock Island has \$74,041 gain in gross and \$186,631 gain in net. The Chicago Burlington & Quincy has \$427,501 loss in gross, but \$265,204 gain in net.

The really encouraging returns come from the Spring wheat sections of the Northwest, and these sections form the one bright spot in the business situation throughout the country. The Spring wheat crop in that area is 50% larger than that of 1926 and in some districts is the largest on record. The quickening influence of this stimulating agency is being felt all over the territory and, under the increased purchasing power of the population, business in that part of the country is reviving in every direction. The Milwaukee & St. Paul reports no less than \$1,356,110 increase in gross and \$604,609 increase in net; the Chicago & North Western \$354,731 in gross and \$235,825 in net and the St. Paul & Omaha \$450,287 in gross and \$292,247 in net. The Soo road, reflecting at the same time the splendid wheat harvest in the Dominion of Canada, shows \$986,709 addition to gross and \$825,223 addition to net. Even the Minneapolis & St. Paul reports \$214,584 gain in gross and \$205,276 gain in net. The Northern Pacific has enlarged its gross by \$425,094 and its net by \$123,092. The Great Northern apparently has not shared in the general improvement, it reporting \$162,084 decrease in gross, though with \$6,429 increase in net. The explanation, however, here is very simple. The road has not failed to share in the larger Spring wheat movement and the recovery in business engendered thereby, but the gains on that account have been offset by losses in the iron ore traffic to Lake Superior, the ore shipments having heavily diminished on account of the great depression in the iron and steel trades. The effect of the reduced ore shipments is strikingly shown in the case of the distinctively ore-carrying lines like the Duluth, Missabe & Northern, which reports a decrease of no less than \$1,022,811 in gross and of \$900,605 in net, and the Duluth & Iron Range which shows \$158,045 decrease in gross and \$177,695 decrease in net. In the following we have brought together 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 THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1927.

	Increase.	Decrease.	
Chicago Milw & St Paul.	\$1,356,110	Delaware & Hudson.....	\$450,199
Minn St Paul & S S M.	986,709	St Louis-San Fran (3)....	434,607
Chicago St P Minn & Om	450,287	Chic Burl & Quincy.....	427,501
Louisville & Nashville....	447,929	Wabash.....	416,212
Northern Pacific.....	425,094	Central of New Jersey....	400,880
Chicago & North Western	354,731	Wheeling & Lake Erie....	398,418
Hocking Valley.....	290,929	New OrL Tex & Mex (3)...	374,338
Chesapeake & Ohio.....	242,903	Southern Railway Co.....	b370,753
K C-Mex-Orient of Tex.	240,622	Detroit Tol & Ironton....	368,411
Illinois Central.....	218,838	N Y Chicago & St Louis...	353,036
Texas & Pacific.....	216,140	Mo-Kan-Texas (2).....	323,165
Minneapolis & St Louis.	214,584	Denver & Rio Gr West....	323,129
Long Island.....	143,363	Chicago & Alton.....	303,417
Chic Indianap & Louisv.	126,375	Chicago & East Illinois...	287,614
Louisv Hend & St Louis.	122,291	Pere Marquette.....	274,723
		Central of Georgia.....	258,727
Total (15 roads).....	\$5,841,905	Pittsburgh & Lake Erie....	258,666
	Decrease.	N Y N H & Hartford.....	244,423
Pennsylvania.....	\$4,065,008	Boston & Maine.....	241,896
Atch Top & S Fe (3)....	2,254,294	Elgin Joliet & Eastern....	227,767
Baltimore & Ohio.....	1,716,577	Union RR (Penn).....	221,902
New York Central.....	a1,510,310	C O C & St Louis.....	221,473
Atlantic Coast Line.....	1,362,688	Cin New OrL & Tex Pac...	213,984
Missouri Pacific Co.....	1,087,182	Union Pacific (4).....	195,058
Norfolk & Western.....	1,038,128	Colorado Southern (2)...	173,214
Duluth Missabe & North	1,022,811	St Louis Southwest (2)...	173,473
Reading.....	987,209	Great Northern.....	162,084
Florida East Coast.....	965,178	Duluth & Iron Range....	158,045
Erie (3).....	931,938	Pittsburgh & West Va....	145,751
Del Lack & Western.....	671,888	Chicago Great Western....	129,836
Seaboard Air Line.....	660,931	Texas-Mexican.....	120,102
Michigan Central.....	591,513	Richmond Fred & Potom	118,586
Lehigh Valley.....	574,669	West Jersey & Seashore..	114,451
Yazoo & Miss Valley....	519,405	Bangor & Aroostook.....	109,239
Bessemer & Lake Erie....	503,882	Maine Central.....	107,325
Western Maryland.....	475,503	Georgia South & Florida	100,253
Virginian.....	468,456		
Southern Pacific (2)....	458,083	Total (71 roads).....	\$31,068,711

a These figures merely cover the operations of the New York Central itself. Including the various auxiliary and controlled roads, like the Michigan Central, the "Big Four," &c., the result is a decrease of \$2,677,128.

b This is the result for the Southern Railway proper. Including the Alabama Great Southern, the Cincinnati New Orleans & Texas Pacific, the Georgia Southern & Florida, the New Orleans & Northeastern and the Northern Alabama, the whole going to form the Southern Railway System the result is a decrease of \$722,475.

PRINCIPAL CHANGES IN NET EARNINGS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1927.

	Increase.	Decrease.	
Minneapolis St P & S S M.	\$825,223	Bessemer & Lake Erie....	\$456,449
Chicago Milw & St Paul.	604,609	Seaboard Air Line.....	419,880
Louisville & Nashville....	537,989	Virginian.....	376,868
Illinois Central.....	531,238	Del Lack & Western.....	310,830
Chesapeake & Ohio.....	351,889	Michigan Central.....	301,857
N Y N H & Hartford.....	311,648	Chicago & East Illinois...	295,717
Chic St Paul Minn & Om	292,247	New OrL Tex & Mex (3)...	286,753
Hocking Valley.....	280,615	Lehigh Valley.....	282,890
Chic Burl & Quincy.....	265,204	Delaware & Hudson.....	281,443
Chicago & North Western	235,825	Wheeling & Lake Erie....	279,814
Minneapolis & St Louis.	205,276	Union RR (Penn).....	277,245
Chic Rock Isl & Pac (2)...	186,631	Elgin Joliet & Eastern....	222,530
St Louis Southwestern(2)	148,550	Detroit Tol & Ironton....	222,502
Southern Railway Co.....	b141,111	Union Pacific (4).....	220,357
Long Island.....	131,905	Denver & Rio Gr West....	208,429
Northern Pacific.....	123,092	Chicago & Illinois Mid....	198,654
		Buff Roch & Pittsburgh..	185,985
Total (18 roads).....	\$5,173,052	St Louis-San Fran (2)....	184,896
	Decrease.	C O C & St Louis.....	178,431
Atch Top & S Fe (3)....	\$3,203,776	Duluth & Iron Range....	177,695
New York Central.....	a1,649,026	Pere Marquette.....	168,403
Duluth Missabe & North	900,605	Pittsburgh & Lake Erie....	163,708
Norfolk & Western.....	819,211	Cin New OrL & Tex Pac...	158,682
Southern Pacific (2)....	816,297	Missouri Pacific.....	149,736
Reading.....	803,757	Lehigh & New England....	132,124
Pennsylvania.....	663,436	N Y Chicago & St Louis...	119,316
Baltimore & Ohio.....	654,588	Pittsburgh & West Va....	119,187
Atlantic Coast Line.....	639,738	Western Maryland.....	114,246
Yazoo & Miss Valley....	623,448	Detroit Gr Hav & Milw...	103,205
Florida East Coast.....	620,862		
Erie (3).....	606,536	Total (52 roads).....	\$18,599,112

a These figures merely cover the operations of the New York Central itself. Including the various auxiliary and controlled roads, like the Michigan Central, the "Big Four," &c., the result is a decrease of \$2,330,973.

b This is the result for the Southern Railway proper. Including the Alabama Great Southern, the Cincinnati New Orleans & Texas Pacific, the Georgia Southern & Florida, the New Orleans & Northeastern, and the Northern Alabama, the whole going to form the Southern Railway System, the result is a decrease of \$13,974.

Speaking of the roads as a whole (though not with reference to special sections like the South), it deserves to be pointed out that this year's losses in the gross and net do not differ greatly from the gains recorded in September last year, the two thus offsetting each other. This year's decrease, we have seen, is \$26,058,156 in gross and \$13,799,429 in net. In September 1926 there was \$24,192,009 gain in gross and \$14,996,918 gain in net. Another point that deserves to be recalled is that the 1926 increases followed moderate increases, too, in the previous year, our tabulations for September 1925 having shown \$24,381,000 gain in gross, or 4.51%, and \$18,026,891 increase in net, or 11.32%, notwithstanding that at that time the anthracite carriers had to contend with the strike at the anthracite mines, which served to cut off completely all traffic in hard coal. Even in 1924, which was a period of trade reaction, there was in September of that year only a relatively slight falling off in the gross earnings (no more than \$5,116,223), while in the net there was no loss at all then, but rather improvement in the large sum of \$29,947,793 (expenses having been reduced in amount of \$35,064,016 at that time). Moreover, this followed \$44,549,658 improvement in gross in Sep-

tember 1923, or 8.91%, and \$37,441,385 improvement in net, or over 40%. It is true, that this notable improvement in 1923 was due in part to the poor exhibit made by the carriers in September 1922, when they had to contend at once with the shopmen's strike and the strike in the unionized coal mines. And yet there was no actual loss in gross even in September 1922, but an increase, though this increase amounted to only \$1,723,772, and was accompanied by \$29,046,000 decrease in the net, due to the increase in operating costs occasioned by the labor troubles referred to. Furthermore, this loss in the net in 1922 came after \$11,372,524 gain in the net in 1921, as compared with September 1920. The noteworthy feature about this 1921 gain in the net was that it occurred, notwithstanding a tremendous shrinkage in the gross revenues in that year arising out of the great slump in trade and industry which marked the course of the whole of the year 1921. The improvement in net came as a result of prodigious curtailment of the expenditures which was forced upon the carriers in order to offset the great loss in traffic. In previous months of that year the extent of the shrinkage in traffic consequent upon the collapse in trade had been in considerable measure concealed owing to the fact that the roads were then getting very much higher transportation rates both for passengers and for freight. In other words, in these earlier months of 1921 the loss in gross revenues because of diminished traffic had been in large part offset by the additional revenue derived from higher rates on the traffic which the carriers actually did handle and transport. In September this was no longer the case, for in that month comparison was with a time in 1920 when the higher rates authorized by the Inter-State Commerce Commission in the summer of that year were already in effect. It was estimated at the time when these great advances were made that on the volume of traffic then being handled they would add \$1,500,000,000 to the annual gross revenues of the roads, or, roughly, \$125,000,000 a month.

Deprived of the advantage—in the comparisons—of these higher rates, the naked fact of a tremendous shrinkage in the volume of business then being moved (1921) stood out in all its grimness. The loss accordingly aggregated no less than \$120,753,579, or not far from 20%. But by dint of great effort the roads managed to cut down their expenses in the prodigious sum of \$132,126,103, leaving a gain in net of \$11,372,524. The 12% reduction in the wages of railroad employees which had been in effect since July 1, under the authorization of the Railroad Labor Board, was one fact in the big reduction in expenses; the shrinkage in traffic was yet another factor and of much larger magnitude, in addition to which railroad managers skimmed and pared in every direction, in particular cutting the maintenance outlays to the bone, little repair work of any kind being done that could be deferred.

As against the gain in net in 1921, however, brought about in the way indicated, it is important to note that in preceding years very large additions to gross revenues arising either from an increased volume of traffic or from higher rates failed to yield any substantial additions to the net. This remark applies to the result for many successive years, operating costs having steadily risen at the expense of the net. In that respect the exhibit for September 1920 was particularly disappointing. Great expecta-

tations had been built on the benefits to be derived from the noteworthy increase in passenger and freight rates that had then just been put into effect. Gross earnings did reflect the higher rates in an increase of no less than \$113,783,775, or 23.68%, but \$104,878,082 of this was consumed by augmented expenses, leaving hence a gain in net of only \$8,905,693, or less than 10%. In the years preceding, the showing as to the net was equally unsatisfactory. Thus for September 1919 our tabulations registered \$9,252,922 gain in gross, but \$18,828,861 loss in the net. In September 1918 the gain in the gross revenue reached enormous proportions, the war being still in progress and the volume of traffic extremely large, besides which decided advances in both passenger and freight rates had been made only a few months before. The addition to the gross was no less than \$129,367,931, or 36.16%. But this was accompanied by an augmentation in expenses of \$126,177,381, or 51.82%, leaving net larger by only \$3,190,550, or 2.79%. The year before rising expenses played a similar part in contracting the net results. In that year (in September 1917) there was \$33,901,638 increase in gross, but \$7,699,654 loss in net, owing to an expansion of 41½ million dollars in expenses. In the following we furnish the September comparisons back to 1906:

Year	Gross Earnings.			Net Earnings.		
	Year Given.	Year Preceding.	Inc. (+) or Dec. (-).	Year Given.	Year Preceding.	Inc. (+) or Dec. (-).
Sept.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1906	136,839,986	126,782,987	+10,056,999	48,341,798	45,653,884	+2,687,914
1907	141,220,009	128,047,787	+13,172,222	41,818,855	45,413,358	-3,594,503
1908	218,929,381	234,228,778	-15,299,397	81,615,313	77,531,878	+4,083,435
1909	246,065,956	219,013,703	+27,052,253	95,443,956	81,858,560	+13,585,396
1910	256,647,702	246,335,586	+10,312,116	91,580,434	95,449,517	-3,869,083
1911	249,054,036	249,014,234	+39,801	90,720,548	89,398,733	+1,321,815
1912	272,209,629	232,318,597	+19,891,032	96,878,558	90,842,946	+6,035,612
1913	285,050,042	275,244,811	+9,805,231	92,847,193	98,000,260	-5,153,067
1915	294,241,340	276,458,199	+17,783,141	111,728,276	93,181,915	+18,546,361
1916	332,888,990	294,333,449	+38,555,541	124,447,839	111,875,296	+12,572,543
1917	364,880,086	330,978,448	+33,901,638	116,086,103	123,785,577	-7,699,474
1918	487,140,781	357,772,850	+129,367,931	117,470,621	114,280,071	+3,190,550
1919	495,123,397	485,870,475	+9,252,922	98,302,598	117,131,459	-18,828,861
1920	594,192,321	480,408,546	+113,783,775	102,329,084	93,423,391	+8,905,693
1921	496,784,097	617,537,676	-120,753,579	120,604,462	109,232,938	+11,372,524
1922	498,702,275	496,978,503	+1,723,772	91,384,503	120,428,552	-29,046,959
1923	544,270,233	499,720,575	+44,549,658	129,300,309	91,858,924	+37,441,385
1924	539,853,860	544,970,083	-5,116,223	159,176,504	129,228,711	+29,947,793
1925	564,443,591	540,062,587	+24,381,004	177,242,895	159,216,004	+18,026,891
1926	588,948,933	564,756,924	+24,192,009	191,933,148	176,936,230	+14,996,918
1927	564,043,987	590,102,143	-26,058,156	179,434,277	193,233,706	-13,799,429

Note. In 1906 the number of roads included for the month of September was 95; in 1907, 84; in 1908 the returns were based on 231,367 miles; in 1909 on 236,545 miles; in 1910 on 240,678 miles; in 1911 on 230,918 miles; in 1912, 237,951 miles; in 1913, 242,097 miles; in 1914, 242,386 miles; in 1915, 245,132 miles; in 1916, 248,156 miles; in 1917, 245,148 miles; in 1918, 232,186 miles; in 1919, 232,772 miles; in 1920, 226,955 miles; in 1921, 235,155 miles; in 1922, 235,280 miles; in 1923, 235,611 miles; in 1924, 235,178 miles; in 1925, 236,752 miles; in 1926, 236,779 miles; in 1927, 238,814 miles.

When the roads are arranged in groups, or geographical divisions, according to their location, the results are in accordance with what has been outlined in the foregoing analysis. In the gross all the different districts, and also all the different regions in these districts, with the single exception of the Northwestern region, which was favored in the way indicated above, show losses in the gross. The same is true in the case of the net—that is, all the different districts and all the different regions show diminished totals with the exception of the Northwestern region, which has enlarged its net, and the exception likewise of the New England region, which has also bettered its net, though only in a very small amount. Our summary by groups is as follows:

Districts and Regions—	Gross Earnings		Inc (+) or Dec (-)	%
	1927	1926		
September—				
Eastern District—	\$	\$	\$	%
New England region (10 roads)....	23,465,840	24,252,127	-786,287	-3.25
Great Lakes region (34 roads)....	99,295,862	105,860,436	-6,564,574	-6.20
Central Eastern region (31 roads)....	124,845,756	134,842,324	-9,996,568	-7.17
Total (75 roads).....	247,607,458	264,594,887	-16,987,429	-6.42
Southern District—				
Southern region (30 roads).....	69,034,700	72,871,780	-3,837,080	-5.27
Poconchos region (4 roads).....	24,755,162	26,137,429	-1,382,267	-5.28
Total (34 roads).....	93,789,862	99,009,209	-5,219,347	-5.27
Western District—				
Northwestern region (18 roads)....	76,429,041	74,100,699	+2,328,342	+3.14
Central Western region (22 roads)....	96,965,387	99,753,509	-2,788,122	-2.79
Southwestern region (33 roads)....	49,252,239	52,643,839	-3,391,600	-6.44
Total (73 roads).....	222,646,667	226,498,047	-3,851,380	-1.70
Total all districts (182 roads).....	504,043,987	590,102,143	-26,058,156	-4.42

Districts & Regions—		Net Earnings—					
September.	Mileage	1927.	1926.	Inc. (+) or Dec. (-)			
1927.	1926.	\$	\$	\$	%		
Eastern Districts—							
New England region.	7,375	7,444	6,870,902	6,701,629	+169,273	2.54	
Great Lakes region.	24,893	24,970	27,436,712	31,951,645	-4,514,936	14.13	
Central Eastern reg'n	27,118	27,120	35,924,253	40,026,199	-4,101,946	10.25	
Total.....	59,386	59,534	70,231,867	78,679,476	-8,447,609	10.74	
Southern District—							
Southern region.....	39,789	39,330	18,931,934	20,048,511	-1,116,577	5.57	
Pocahontas region.....	5,612	5,606	9,700,636	10,601,684	-901,048	8.51	
Total.....	45,401	44,936	28,632,570	30,650,195	-2,017,625	6.58	
Western District—							
Northwestern region	48,404	48,454	29,480,149	28,271,814	+1,208,335	4.27	
Central Western reg'n	51,318	51,071	35,948,114	39,238,498	-3,290,384	8.39	
Southwestern region.	34,215	33,859	15,141,577	16,393,723	-1,252,146	7.64	
Total.....	134,027	133,384	80,569,840	83,904,035	-3,334,195	3.98	
Total all districts.....	238,814	237,854	179,434,277	193,233,706	-13,799,429	7.14	

EASTERN DISTRICT.

New England Region.—This region comprises the New England States.
Great Lakes Region.—This region comprises the section on the Canadian boundary between New England and the westerly shore of Lake Michigan to Chicago, and north of a line from Chicago via Pittsburgh to New York.
Central Eastern Region.—This region comprises the section south of the Great Lakes Region, east of a line from Chicago through Peoria to St. Louis and the Mississippi River to the mouth of the Ohio River, and north of the Ohio River to Parkersburg, W. Va., and a line thence to the southwestern corner of Maryland and by the Potomac River to its mouth.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

Pocahontas Region.—This region comprises the section north of the southern boundary of Virginia, east of Kentucky and the Ohio River north to Parkersburg, W. Va., and south of a line from Parkersburg to the southwestern corner of Maryland and thence by the Potomac River to its mouth.
Southern Region.—This region comprises the section east of the Mississippi River and south of the Ohio River to a point near Kenova, W. Va., and a line thence following the eastern boundary of Kentucky and the southern boundary of Virginia to the Atlantic.

WESTERN DISTRICT.

Northwestern Region.—This region comprises the section adjoining Canada lying west of the Great Lakes region, north of a line from Chicago to Omaha and thence to Portland and by the Columbia River to the Pacific.
Central Western Region.—This region comprises the section south of the Northwestern region, west of a line from Chicago to Peoria and thence to St. Louis, and north of a line from St. Louis to Kansas City and thence to El Paso and by the Mexican boundary to the Pacific.
Southwestern Region.—This region comprises the section lying between the Mississippi River south of St. Louis and a line from St. Louis to Kansas City and thence to El Paso and by the Rio Grande to the Gulf of Mexico.

As already pointed out, Northwestern roads, more particularly those connecting with Duluth and Minneapolis, had the advantage in September of a greatly increased grain movement. Not alone, however, did wheat move to the Western primary markets in much larger volume, but also corn, barley, rye and oats. The receipts of wheat for the five weeks ended Oct. 1 the present year aggregated no less than 91,211,000 bushels, as against only 56,014,000 bushels in the same five weeks of 1926; the receipt of corn 24,944,000 bushels, against 15,536,000 bushels; the receipts of oats 21,364,000 bushels, against 20,208,000; of barley 17,388,000, against 7,806,000, and the receipts of rye 11,342,000, against 4,186,000 bushels. For the five cereals combined the receipts were 166,249,000 bushels, as compared with but 103,750,000 bushels in the corresponding period of 1926. The details of the Western grain movement in our usual form are set out in the table we now introduce:

WESTERN FLOUR AND GRAIN RECEIPTS.

5 Wks. End.	Flour.	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Barley.	Rye.
Oct. 1.	(bbls.)	(bush.)	(bush.)	(bush.)	(bush.)	(bush.)
Chicago—						
1927.....	1,248,000	4,075,000	12,030,000	4,725,000	1,916,000	342,000
1926.....	1,312,000	4,655,000	4,381,000	6,595,000	1,263,000	350,000
Waukegan—						
1927.....	397,000	1,261,000	1,171,000	2,383,000	1,950,000	64,000
1926.....	248,000	789,000	449,000	1,923,000	839,000	161,000
St. Louis—						
1927.....	630,000	4,087,000	1,962,000	1,981,000	349,000	288,000
1926.....	624,000	4,340,000	1,871,000	2,184,000	193,000	61,000
Toledo—						
1927.....	1,000,000	204,000	695,000	7,000	16,000	
1926.....	1,377,000	236,000	1,214,000	5,000	28,000	
Detroit—						
1927.....	318,000	134,000	172,000	17,000	40,000	
1926.....	396,000	33,000	191,000		82,000	
Peoria—						
1927.....	274,000	164,000	2,767,000	606,000	175,000	6,000
1926.....	297,000	175,000	2,245,000	639,000	211,000	2,000
Duluth—						
1927.....	33,537,000	15,000	267,000	7,995,000	9,451,000	
1926.....	12,565,000	9,000	861,000	2,748,000	2,750,000	
Minneapolis—						
1927.....	30,169,000	982,000	6,773,000	4,905,000	1,115,000	
1926.....	17,606,000	1,429,000	3,987,000	2,537,000	746,000	
Kansas City—						
1927.....	8,530,000	794,000	538,000			
1926.....	7,423,000	796,000	453,000			
Omaha & Indianapolis—						
1927.....	4,718,000	3,826,000	2,182,000	7,000	14,000	
1926.....	3,487,000	2,863,000	1,779,000	10,000	2,000	
Stour City—						
1927.....	363,000	248,000	822,000	59,000	6,000	
1926.....	221,000	429,000	160,000			
St. Joseph—						
1927.....	1,098,000	762,000	184,000			
1926.....	1,043,000	733,000	182,000			
Wichita—						
1927.....	1,891,000	49,000	36,000	8,000		
1926.....	1,937,000	62,000	40,000			
Total all—						
1927.....	2,549,000	91,211,000	24,944,000	21,364,000	17,388,000	11,342,000
1926.....	2,481,000	56,014,000	15,536,000	20,208,000	7,806,000	4,186,000

Jan. 1 to	Flour.	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Barley.	Rye.
Oct. 1—	(bbls.)	(bush.)	(bush.)	(bush.)	(bush.)	(bush.)
Chicago—						
1927.....	9,001,000	39,881,000	61,714,000	36,433,000	8,176,000	2,179,000
1926.....	9,610,000	34,091,000	58,925,000	36,206,000	6,874,000	1,223,000
Waukegan—						
1927.....	1,837,000	6,000,000	8,393,000	10,860,000	6,899,000	846,000
1926.....	1,501,000	6,050,000	6,318,000	9,627,000	6,602,000	826,000
St. Louis—						
1927.....	5,534,000	24,135,000	15,259,000	15,765,000	666,000	791,000
1926.....	4,056,000	27,368,000	19,476,000	21,133,000	626,000	324,000
Toledo—						
1927.....	8,002,000	2,745,000	7,156,000	39,000	143,000	
1926.....	9,873,000	3,384,000	5,385,000	21,000	188,000	
Detroit—						
1927.....	2,039,000	982,000	834,000	37,000	393,000	
1926.....	1,331,000	487,000	934,000	3,000	220,000	
Peoria—						
1927.....	2,262,000	900,000	19,723,000	6,880,000	1,166,000	32,000
1926.....	1,973,000	1,286,000	18,795,000	6,990,000	1,140,000	35,000
Duluth—						
1927.....	57,187,000	240,000	538,000	11,686,000	17,833,000	
1926.....	34,038,000	126,000	9,655,000	4,131,000	7,092,000	
Minneapolis—						
1927.....	72,613,000	9,245,000	16,123,000	11,893,000	3,487,000	
1926.....	72,913,000	7,894,000	18,416,000	11,634,000	3,547,000	
Kansas City—						
1927.....	66,252,000	10,084,000	2,555,000			
1926.....	69,462,000	13,688,000	3,236,000			
Omaha & Indianapolis—						
1927.....	30,351,000	30,930,000	12,046,000	10,000	45,000	
1926.....	19,571,000	26,428,000	13,030,000	10,000	6,000	
Stour City—						
1927.....	1,445,000	2,853,000	1,860,000	176,000	6,000	
1926.....	1,970,000	2,238,000	1,864,000	22,000	2,000	
St. Joseph—						
1927.....	7,987,000	7,168,000	1,000,000		26,000	
1926.....	7,431,000	8,637,000	1,619,000			
Wichita—						
1927.....	17,961,000	510,000	339,000	8,000		
1926.....	21,603,000	1,482,000	339,000	4,000		
Total all—						
1927.....	18,634,000	334,751,000	169,846,000	112,488,000	40,756,000	25,781,000
1926.....	17,140,000	306,987,000	167,888,000	128,434,000	31,067,000	13,463,000

On the other hand, Western roads, suffered a decided falling off in their livestock traffic. At Chicago the receipts embraced only 18,420 carloads in September 1927, against 22,517 carloads in September last year; at Kansas City 10,015 carloads, against 13,721, and at Omaha 7,520 cars, against 11,556.

With regard to the cotton movement in the South, this naturally was on a reduced scale owing to the much smaller crop of the staple the present season as compared with the banner crop of last year. Gross shipments overland in September the present year were only 37,497 bales, against 125,751 bales in 1926; 116,429 bales in September 1925; 99,983 bales in September 1924, and 72,299 bales in 1923. At the Southern outports the receipts during the month the present year were 1,395,804 bales, against 1,493,881 bales in 1926; but comparing with 1,351,277 bales in 1925; 1,132,993 bales in 1924 and 900,047 bales in 1923; as will be seen by the following table:

RECEIPTS OF COTTON AT SOUTHERN PORTS IN SEPTEMBER AND FROM JAN. 1 TO SEPT. 30 1927, 1926 AND 1925.

Ports.	September.			Since Jan. 1.		
	1927.	1926.	1925.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Galveston.....	310,509	359,722	368,535	1,327,195	1,475,427	1,434,301
Texas City, &c.....	539,499	509,576	252,201	1,773,500	1,587,050	1,224,223
New Orleans.....	175,252	192,256	335,185	1,188,464	915,565	1,040,454
Corpus Christi.....	53,715	86,100				
Mobile.....	57,610	38,386	51,712	182,033	92,258	108,597
Pensacola, &c.....	2,227	1,917	5,990	5,109	6,610	9,371
Savannah.....	169,128	232,908	220,362	670,358	488,912	510,026
Brunswick.....			300		413	713
Charleston.....	66,618	111,330	61,651	315,134	266,530	216,851
Wilmington.....	11,704	16,863	22,174	99,859	68,644	73,955
Norfolk.....	9,542	30,923	33,167	154,336	197,599	186,699
Total.....	1,395,804	1,493,881	1,351,277	5,802,088	5,099,008	4,805,190

BOOK NOTICE

THE LEGACY OF ISRAEL. Essays by various authors secured by the late Dr. I. Abrahams. Oxford, 1927.

A book on this theme from the Oxford University Press, in the line of two previous ones, "The Legacy of Greece" and "The Legacy of Rome," has special interest. The first two are the records of legacies; this is the account of a continuing contribution, vital, varied, world-wide, and with no sign of diminishing. For the lucid discussions it contains the book is worthy of being placed alongside the "History of the Jewish People" by the Jewish Publication Society of America, which we reviewed in our issue of July 23 1927, pages 439 and 440.

The volume contains some fourteen studies by distinguished British and Continental scholars, and covers the subject in a wide range of interest, as the Influence of Judaism on Islam; on the Reformation; on Puritanism; on Western Law; on the Modern World; on the Jews themselves, etc. Incidentally, it calls attention to the fact that the

Jews from numbering probably not more than 750,000 before the Captivity, six centuries later are estimated something between 4,000,000 and 7,000,000, or 70 out of every thousand in the Roman Empire, and to-day are here reported as 36.8 in the thousand, which means approximately $4\frac{1}{4}$ to $4\frac{1}{2}$ millions in the United States. Be this as it may, the book may be viewed as having a timely interest, and as containing much that is highly significant, though little known to others than themselves.

Principals George Adam Smith of Aberdeen and W. B. Selbie of Mansfield College, and Professor F. C. Burkitt of Cambridge, are in their essays concerned chiefly with the legacy of Israel, as so understood, as reflected in the debt of Christianity in one form and another to Judaism, especially as exhibited in the Old Testament. But most of the book deals with another aspect which Dr. Lindsay, the Master of Balliol at Oxford, indicates by reference to the two beautiful figures in the porch of the Strassbourg Cathedral. One represents a draped and stately woman, crowned and holding in her right hand a firmly planted cross and in her left a chalice. The other a woman similarly draped, but with bare and dejected head, holding a broken staff in her right hand and a fragment of the Table of the Law in her left. He points out that the legacy represented by the second figure persists in a living community whose gifts abound in modern civilization.

The two characteristics which have marked this Israel throughout its long history have been its devotion to the law and to the community. The one may easily produce formalism, and the other spiritual pride; though they stand for a law of righteousness, and a testimony to the God of the community. While they may have been at times thus perverted, they have wrought a great and wonderful good as time and again the noblest spirits of Israel trained under them have made the whole world and the hearts of men bear witness to the divine, and have uttered a message more universal than perhaps the teachers of any other people.

This is the central truth which Dr. Lindsay would have carried through the tracing of Jewish influence in the various departments of modern civilization. It will illuminate the different essays in the book which will specially interest different readers. We must limit ourselves to the essay by Principal George Adam Smith, the pre-eminent student of Palestine and its people, whose recent death is an irreparable loss. He writes of "The Hebrew Genesis," tracing the manifestations and persistent value.

Obviously, the first question is as to their identity through the centuries. He says of this there cannot be doubt or question, or with reference to the specific qualities and force of character by which that identity was maintained. Not less important than what they brought with them from their desert origin and what they adopted from other peoples is what they outgrew or rejected in the systems of culture into which they were drawn, or which their conquerors at times tried to impose upon them. They early became conscious of their singularity and aloofness from other peoples; they accepted and cherished it. Their original fibre was hardy, and their spirit heroic. Despite demoralization and disaster that would have shattered other peoples their sheer vitality of breed, both physical and spiritual, has been so intense and enduring as to imply sources of blood and brain uncommonly rich and vigorous. It withstood frequent and formidable adverse influences from their own inadequate internal organization as well as from inhospitability of surroundings and contact with baser peoples.

They showed no special political genius and originated no political institutions. Their theocratic system was intense and developed in their later prophets exalted conceptions of human government of a possible world-wide application, but they remained selfishly tribal as a people, with no profound sense of the spiritual value of the individual. They stood before God mainly as a chosen people. Nevertheless, by whatever inspiration, they early and gradually developed higher standards of public justice and ideals of social purity and an ethic which in time made possible claims on the inner life of the individual and a generous attitude to other races, though the temptation to spiritual pride and self-seeking remained. Their great prophets emphasized the distinction between formal worship and the piety that is of the heart and shows itself in purity, meekness and loving kindness, and sustained the impulse of the people to eliminate the immoral and discern the unworthy in what they borrowed from others, as for instance the Babylonian

scheme of the universe and accounts of the creation and the origin of man. An important trait is that while other nations worshipped gods whose character and habits induced the degradation of their worshippers, Israel's conception of their God was One whose attributes of righteousness, holiness and mercy were far above what others were taught, and which furnished the standard for His people.

Their steady advance toward an absolute monotheism brought with it inevitably a conception of a universe of law which gave value to the habit, inborn with their early desert life, to observe keenly all natural phenomena, and created a mental alertness and practical curiosity toward every happening to man, forcing the mind to question facts. This appears in the earliest of the prophets, those nearest to the desert, and was expressed in the terms of the spiritual life. The prophets were "seers," and called themselves "watchmen," looking and listening for events and sounds human or divine, and especially responsive to the bearing of these on the life of their own tribe or nation. The habit is recalled and given value in their writings, and as it is well known how this habit of keen and thoughtful observation gave to the shepherds of those early days a knowledge of the heavens which connects closely with astronomy as it exists to-day, so in an age when science was unknown, the same keen habit of curious observation, for such inborn traits persist, contributes to the important work which Jewish students have not infrequently done in the fields of physical science and of pure thought.

Principal Smith gives much space to the influence of the Hebrew genius on literature, especially as it appears in the Old Testament. This is, of course, known to all, pre-eminently in the Psalms. There it is direct, incisive and powerful. In addition to the keenness of observation to which we have referred, it exhibits a rare strength of conception coupled with beauty of expression and a tender feeling for the gentler forms of natural life no less than for aspirations and emotions of the human heart. In the prose the originality of the earlier narratives cannot be doubted; their style bears no marks of foreign influence. They are marvelously true transcripts of human life and character, and with equal fidelity reflect the primitive morality of the times with which they deal. They record the vices as well as the virtues of their heroes, aware of the complexities of human character, and with a fine sense of proportion.

Dr. Smith presents this in detail in various parts of the Old Testament, from the earliest in Genesis to the latest after the exile, noting its phases in different periods. Throughout he finds the same vivid recital of events, with the rigid development of moral consequence and the inevitable addition of accident or fate, which from the presence of great tragedy, all depicted in a tongue defective in construction and flexibility characteristic of the Hebrew language, and with the Hebrew mind concerned with results and not with processes.

When it comes to their religion, of which he has much to say, we can only note that in the Psalms it expresses "the revolt of the individual from many of its dogmas; from the belief that suffering is ever the proof of the guilt of the sufferer and of the punishing purpose of God; from the creed that material sacrifice and ritual are what the Deity demands of men, and, at last, from that hopeless outlook beyond the grave which the Hebrews shared with the rest of the Semitic world." He closes with a glowing account of the Book of Job in which he finds "the liberation at last of the religious genius of Israel from all its national limits and prejudices; and Hebrew poetry scattering on its flight its richest treasures of reflection and music, soaring to its highest glory."

This is only an introduction to the wealth of carefully digested material the book contains. As Principal Smith is that one of the authors who has already passed on into the realm where his vision is a reality and has become his attained possession, we justify our confining our notice of the book to his contribution; adding this closing word from one of the other essays:

"Israel has done much and suffered much, and surely more remains for him to do. But perhaps the most important function that he has fulfilled in the world is that he has been what he has been, and has stood unshakable to bear witness, at the cost of life and death, to the truth committed to him." Are you being true to that? is the question the Jew of to-day must face; as it is in different terms the one that confronts us all!

The New Capital Flotations During October and for the Ten Months Ending with October

During the month of October the new capital flotations in the United States, domestic and foreign, broke all records. For the first time in the country's history the aggregate reached and exceeded one billion dollars, aggregating \$1,031,088,610. In several of the earlier months of the year the total ran well in excess of \$900,000,000, but never before in any month have the offerings of new securities actually reached the billion dollar mark. The nearest approach was the aggregate of \$946,769,379 recorded last May. As compared with this previous record total the present amount of \$1,031,088,610 shows an increase of nearly \$85,000,000. The magnitude of this total of new issues for October derives additional significance from the circumstance that during that month the Stock Exchange was in a state of utter collapse, with liquidation proceeding on a prodigious scale and with huge declines in prices all around. Evidently the course of the stock market does not seriously interfere with the emission of new securities on a record-breaking scale.

Our tabulations, as always, include the stock, bond and note issues by corporations and by States and municipalities, foreign and domestic, and also farm loan emissions. The grand total of the offerings of new securities under these various heads during October reached, as already stated, \$1,031,088,610. This compares with \$625,273,932 in September, with \$611,438,488 in August and with only \$482,768,653 in July, a dull summer month. In June the aggregate was \$922,061,932 and in May it amounted to \$946,769,379, being, as already noted, the largest monthly total on record up to that time. In April the total was \$910,512,572; in March the new offerings were \$672,026,121; in February \$938,363,993, and in January \$877,075,418. In December, 1926, the total was \$621,764,765, and in November \$697,961,617.

Thus the volume of new issues coming upon the market during October stands pre-eminently at the top of the list. At \$1,031,088,610 for the month in 1927 comparison is with only \$580,170,484 in October, 1926—that is, this year's aggregate is nearly double that of a year ago. A further very noteworthy circumstance is that the amounts are larger under each one of the leading classes of securities without any exception. The bulk of the additions, however, is found in the total of the corporate issues, domestic and foreign. This amounts to \$734,080,613 the present year, or more than double the amount in October last year, which was no more than \$350,482,084. The foreign government issues (not counting Canada) were \$125,622,500 in October, 1927, against \$118,000,000 in October 1926; the farm loan issues \$31,775,000, against only \$1,000,000; the awards by States and municipalities \$115,635,497, against \$102,883,400; the Canadian issues placed in this country \$21,500,000, against \$6,000,000 and the issues of U. S. possessions \$2,475,000, against \$1,805,000. Of the 1,031,088,610 of new offerings during October the present year \$177,699,875 were to retire or replace existing issues leaving \$853,388,735 as representing the strictly new capital demands. Even on this basis, however, a prodigious increase is shown over a year ago, when the strictly new capital demands aggregated only \$487,345,184.

The offerings on behalf of foreign countries were of unusual proportions during the month. The Canadian corporate offerings were \$58,980,000, the other foreign corporate offerings \$96,227,500; the Canadian municipal of-

ferings \$21,500,000 and the other foreign government offerings \$125,622,500, making \$302,330,000 of foreign securities taken in this market out of a grand total of \$1,031,088,610 of offerings of all kinds during the month, the foreign issues thus constituting almost 30% of the whole.

As was the case in September, industrial offerings led in volume among the corporate issues during October with a total of \$389,699,013 which compares with only \$231,697,242 in the previous month. Public utility issues aggregated \$311,832,100 in October as against only \$200,173,700 during September, while railroad financing at \$32,549,000 for October also shows an increase over the previous month's total of \$19,493,000.

Total corporate offerings in October were, as already stated, \$734,080,613 and of this amount \$540,642,700 comprised long-term issues, only \$58,870,000 was short-term, while \$134,567,913 was accounted for by stock issues. The portion used for refunding was \$159,700,850, or over 21%. In September \$78,778,550, or over 17%, was for refunding. In August the refunding portion was \$166,446,000, or over 37%; in July it was only \$29,436,500, or not quite 8%; in June \$169,252,700, or nearly 24%; in May no less than \$265,789,450, or in excess of 37%, was for refunding, this latter month having established a high total in that respect and just barely exceeding the previous high total of \$264,542,925 recorded in November 1926. The refunding portion in April was \$131,581,150, or more than 25%. In March the amount was \$101,947,000, or slightly over 20%; in February \$245,061,060, or in excess of 31%, and in January \$102,531,800, or not quite 17%. In October of last year \$73,776,300 of the corporate issues, or over 21% of the total, was for refunding purposes.

The more prominent issues brought out in October of this year, entirely or partly for refunding, were as follows: \$35,316,190 out of \$66,000,000 New York Power & Light Corp. 1st mtge. 4½s 1967; \$30,000,000 out of \$40,000,000 3-yr. 4½% and 1-yr. 4% notes of The Edison Electric Illuminating Co. of Boston; \$26,392,500 out of \$35,000,000 of The Shawinigan Water & Pr. Co. 1st mtge. and coll. trust 4½s "A" 1967; \$22,974,000 of two separate stock offerings of Hershey Chocolate Corp. (of Del) consisting of \$15,000,000 6% cum. pref. and 350,000 shares of convertible preference stock offered jointly with 105,000 shares of common; \$11,921,000 out of \$35,000,000 The Philadelphia Electric Co. 1st lien and ref. mtge 4½s 1967 and \$9,500,000 out of the issue of \$11,000,000 Consolidated Cigar Corp 6½% cum. prior preferred.

The total of \$159,700,850 used for refunding in October of this year comprised \$95,294,650 new long-term to refund existing long-term; \$1,232,000 new long-term to replace existing stocks; \$30,700,000 new short-term to refund existing short-term; \$9,500,000 new stock to replace existing long-term and \$22,974,200 new stock to replace existing stock.

Foreign corporate issues brought out in this country during October (including Canada) reached no less than \$155,207,500 as against \$80,133,000 in the previous month. The offerings during October were as follows—Canadian: \$35,000,000 The Shawinigan Water & Pr. Co. 1st mtge. and coll. trust 4½s "A" 1967, issued at 95½, yielding 4.75%; \$20,000,000 Canadian Cement Co., Ltd. 1st mtge. 5½s "A" 1947, sold at 99, yielding 5.58%; \$2,000,000 Murray Bay Paper Co., Ltd. (Montreal) 1st (c) mtge. 6½s 1947, offered at par and 60,000 shares of Class "A" stock and 30,

000 shares of Class "B" stock of British-American Brewing Co., Ltd. offered in units of 1 share of Class "A" and 1/2 share of Class "B" at \$33 per unit. Other foreign corporate issues comprised the following: \$50,000,000 German Central Bank for Agriculture farm loan secured 6s 1960, brought out at 95 1/2, to yield 6.32%; \$20,000,000 Commerz-und Privat-Bank (Hamburg-Berlin) 5 1/2s 1937, sold at 94 1/2, yielding 6.25%; \$10,000,000 Central Bank of German State & Provincial Banks, Inc. mtge. secured 6s "B" 1951, offered at 95, yielding 6.40%; \$5,000,000 Agricultural Mortgage Bank (Colombia) 6s 1947, issued at 92, yielding 6.75%; 50,000 "American shares" of Austrian Credit-Anstalt (Vienna, Austria) sold at \$80 per share, involving \$4,000,000; \$3,000,000 Danish Export Credit Committee 4 1/2% notes 1928-34 offered at prices ranging from 100.25 to 95.38, yielding from 4.25% to 5.30%; \$2,500,000 Leipzig City Bank (Leipzig, Germany) 5 1/2% notes due June 23 and August 24 1928 offered at par; \$1,000,000 Saarbruecken Mortgage Bank ext. 6s "B" 1947, priced at 95, yielding 6.45% and 15,000 American share certificates representing common stock of Industrial Discount Co. of Amsterdam (Holland) offered at \$48 1/2 per certificate, involving \$727,500.

The largest domestic corporate issue of the month was the \$66,000,000 New York Pr. & Light Corp 1st mtge. 4 1/2s 1967, brought out at 96, yielding 4.72%. Other comparatively large public utility flotations comprised \$40,000,000 of notes of The Edison Electric Illuminating Co. of Boston, consisting of \$30,000,000 3-yr. 4 1/2s Nov. 1 1930, sold at par and \$10,000,000 1-yr. 4s Nov 2 1928, sold at 99 3/4, yielding 4.25%; \$35,000,000 The Philadelphia Electric Co. 1st lien and ref. mtge. 4 1/2s 1967, issued at 98 1/2, yielding 4.58%; \$18,000,000 Georgia Pr. Co. 1st and ref. mtge. 5s 1967, offered at 98, yielding 5.12%; \$12,500,000 West Texas Utilities Co. 1st mtge. 5s "A" 1957, sold at 97 1/2, yielding 5.15%; \$11,522,600 Public Service Corp. of N. J. 6% cum. pref. sold at par (\$100); \$10,000,000 American Natural Gas Corp deb. 6 1/2s 1942, priced at 99 1/2, to yield 6.55% and \$10,000,000 Duquesne Light Co. 1st mtge. 4 1/2s 1967, sold at 99, yielding 4.55%.

Industrial issues of importance during October were as follows: 350,000 shares of convertible preference stock and 105,000 shares of common stock of Hershey Chocolate Corp. (of Del.) offered in units of 10 shares of preference and 3 shares of common at \$740 per unit involving \$25,900,000, and an offering of \$15,000,000 6% cum. prior pref. of the same company at 99, yielding 6.06%, the offerings involving an aggregate of \$40,900,000. Additional industrial issues of prominence included: \$30,000,000 Shell Pipe Line Corp. deb. 5s 1952, sold at 98, yielding 5 1/2%; \$20,000,000 Hearst Publications, Inc. 1st mtge. and coll. trust 6 1/4s 1928-47, offered at prices ranging from 101.20 to 100, yielding from 5.00% to 6.25%; \$12,000,000 Continental Oil Co. deb. 5 1/4s 1937, issued at 95, yielding 5 3/8%; \$11,000,000 Consolidated Cigar Corp. 6 1/2% cum. prior pref. sold at par (\$100) and \$9,500,000 Paramount Theatres-Allied Owners Corp. 1st mtge. 6s 1945, issued at 99, to yield 6.10%.

Railroad financing during October was featured by the offering of \$20,000,000 Great Northern Ry. Co. gen. mtge. 4 1/2s "E" 1977 at 99, yielding 4.55% and \$9,871,000 The Morris & Essex R. R. Co. 1st ref. mtge. 3 1/2s 2000 at 85, yielding 4.15%.

Foreign Government flotations in this country during October comprised five separate loans for an aggregate of \$125,622,500. The issues appearing were as follows: \$47,000,000 Republic of Poland stabilization loan 7s 1947, offered at 92, yielding 7.86%; \$41,500,000 U. S. of Brazil external loan 6 1/2s 1957, sold at 92 1/2, to yield 7.10%; \$30,000,000 Free State of Prussia external loan 6s 1952, priced at 96 1/2, to yield 6.28%; \$5,000,000 State of Hamburg (Germany) certificates of participation in 1-yr. 5% treasury note, due Nov. 1 1928, offered to yield 5 3/8% and \$2,122,500 Province

of Tucuman (Argentina) external loan 7s 1950, sold at 94 1/2, yielding 7.50%.

There were seven farm loan offerings during October for a total of \$31,775,000. The yields of these issues ranged from 4.00% to 4.73%. Included in the month's business was an offering of \$29,000,000 Federal Land Bank 4s 1937-57 at par. Issues of Federal Land Bank bonds sold earlier this year (in January and in April) carried 4 1/4% and the 4% rate is the lowest rate borne by any bonds issued by these banks.

Offerings of various securities made during the month which did not represent new financing by the companies whose securities were offered, and which, therefore, are not included in our totals, embraced the following: 200,000 shares of common stock of Great Western Sugar Co., offered at \$41.15 per share; 135,000 shares of Reo Motor Car Co. common stock, offered at \$27 per share; \$1,000,000 Electric Public Utilities Co. secured 6s 1942 priced at 97 1/2, to yield 6.25%; \$300,000 General Alloys Co. Class "A" pref. offered at par (\$10); \$300,000 Standard Gas & Electric Co. deb. 6s 1951 and 1966, offered at market, to yield about 5.80%; 4,000 shares of Lincoln Mtge. & Title Guaranty Co. (Newark, N. J.) capital stock offered at \$60 per share and \$150,000 Dansville & Mt. Morris R. R. Co. 1st mtge. 5s Nov. 1 1931, priced at 96 1/2, to yield 6.00%.

The following is a complete summary of the new financing—corporate, State and city, foreign Government, as well as Farm Loan issues—for October and for the ten months ending with October. It should be noted that in the case of the corporate offerings we subdivide the figures so as to show the long-term and the short-term issues separately, and we also separate common stock from preferred stock, and likewise show by themselves the Canadian corporate issues, as well as the other foreign corporate flotations.

SUMMARY OF CORPORATE, FOREIGN GOVERNMENT, FARM LOAN AND MUNICIPAL FINANCING.

1927.	New Capital.	Refunding.	Total.
	\$	\$	\$
MONTH OF OCTOBER.			
Corporate—			
Domestic—Long-term bonds and notes	324,508,550	70,134,150	394,642,700
Short-term	25,670,000	30,700,000	56,370,000
Preferred stocks	72,588,300	32,474,200	105,062,500
Common stocks	22,797,913	—	22,797,913
Canadian—Long-term bonds & notes	30,607,500	26,392,500	57,000,000
Short-term	—	—	—
Preferred stocks	—	—	—
Common stocks	1,980,000	—	1,980,000
Other Foreign—Long-term bds. & notes	89,000,000	—	89,000,000
Short-term	2,500,000	—	2,500,000
Preferred stocks	—	—	—
Common stocks	4,727,500	—	4,727,500
Total corporate	574,379,763	159,700,850	734,080,613
Foreign Government	125,622,500	—	125,622,500
Farm Loan issues	31,775,000	—	31,775,000
War Finance Corporation	—	—	—
Municipal	114,636,472	999,025	115,635,497
Canadian	4,500,000	17,000,000	21,500,000
United States Possessions	2,475,000	—	2,475,000
Grand total	853,388,735	177,699,875	1,031,088,610
10 MONTHS ENDED OCT. 31—			
Corporate—			
Domestic—Long-term bonds & notes	2,490,579,240	1,087,293,960	3,577,873,200
Short-term	186,420,300	72,625,200	259,045,500
Preferred stocks	612,882,025	152,880,300	765,762,325
Common stocks	516,315,692	68,946,100	585,261,792
Canadian—Long-term bonds & notes	190,980,500	47,992,500	238,973,000
Short-term	2,000,000	—	2,000,000
Preferred stocks	—	—	—
Common stocks	1,980,000	—	1,980,000
Other Foreign—Long-term bds. & notes	323,788,000	18,787,000	342,575,000
Short-term	46,500,000	2,000,000	48,500,000
Preferred stocks	—	—	—
Common stocks	9,808,125	—	9,808,125
Total corporate	4,381,253,882	1,450,525,060	5,831,778,942
Foreign Government	634,278,300	39,500,000	673,778,300
Farm Loan issues	86,325,000	92,800,000	179,125,000
War Finance Corporation	—	—	—
Municipal	1,211,699,706	24,898,505	1,236,598,211
Canadian	57,597,000	55,469,000	113,066,000
United States Possessions	7,820,000	—	7,820,000
Grand total	6,378,973,888	1,663,192,565	8,042,166,453

In the elaborate and comprehensive tables on the succeeding pages, we compare the foregoing figures for 1927 with the corresponding figures for the four years preceding, thus affording a five-year comparison. We also furnish a detailed analysis for the five years of the corporate offerings, showing separately the amounts for all the different classes of corporations.

Following the full page tables we furnish complete details of the new capital flotations during the month, including every issue of any kind brought out.

SUMMARY OF CORPORATE, FOREIGN GOVERNMENT, FARM LOAN AND MUNICIPAL FINANCING FOR TEN MONTHS ENDING OCT. 31 FOR FIVE YEARS.

10 MONTHS ENDED OCT. 31.	1927.			1926.			1925.			1924.			1923.		
	New Capital.	Refunding.	Total.	New Capital.	Refunding.	Total.	New Capital.	Refunding.	Total.	New Capital.	Refunding.	Total.	New Capital.	Refunding.	Total.
Corporate—															
Domestic—															
Long term bonds and notes.	2,490,579,240	1,087,293,960	3,577,873,200	2,059,411,530	440,489,970	2,499,901,500	1,825,836,875	396,880,925	2,222,717,800	1,627,713,723	358,690,377	1,986,404,100	1,470,368,957	340,799,543	1,811,168,500
Short term	186,420,300	72,625,200	259,045,500	214,914,795	38,413,900	253,328,695	171,418,750	83,580,000	254,998,750	237,207,000	39,896,000	277,103,000	133,705,700	36,966,800	170,672,500
Preferred stocks	612,882,025	152,880,300	765,762,325	424,878,700	22,716,000	447,594,700	508,013,322	33,733,200	541,746,522	253,850,327	26,900,223	280,750,550	239,398,847	68,609,839	308,008,686
Common stocks	516,315,602	68,946,100	585,261,702	491,199,583	12,569,875	503,769,458	373,934,054	51,308,299	425,242,353	434,340,419	5,600,000	439,840,419	234,672,674	3,966,760	238,639,434
Canadian—															
Long term bonds and notes.	190,980,500	47,992,500	238,973,000	134,342,000	62,508,000	196,850,000	61,995,000	10,500,000	72,495,000	67,875,000	—	67,875,000	28,731,600	—	28,731,600
Short term	2,000,000	—	2,000,000	1,250,000	—	1,250,000	19,000,000	—	22,100,000	—	8,000,000	29,150,000	—	—	—
Preferred stocks	—	—	—	4,000,000	—	4,000,000	1,000,000	—	3,600,000	—	—	—	—	—	—
Common stocks	1,980,000	—	1,980,000	990,000	—	990,000	2,600,000	—	2,600,000	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other Foreign—															
Long term bonds and notes.	323,788,000	18,787,000	342,575,000	263,974,000	15,815,000	279,789,000	223,535,000	—	223,535,000	106,680,000	10,000,000	116,680,000	24,100,000	—	24,100,000
Short term	46,500,000	2,000,000	48,500,000	6,000,000	—	6,000,000	49,000,000	—	49,000,000	24,200,000	—	24,200,000	—	—	—
Preferred stocks	—	—	—	25,240,000	—	25,240,000	23,000,000	—	23,000,000	—	—	—	—	—	—
Common stocks	9,808,125	—	9,808,125	33,880,740	—	33,880,740	2,925,000	—	2,925,000	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total corporate.	4,381,253,882	1,450,525,060	5,831,778,942	3,673,081,348	601,932,045	4,275,013,393	3,260,258,001	583,252,424	3,843,510,425	2,773,046,469	448,986,600	3,222,033,069	2,130,977,778	450,342,942	2,581,320,720
Foreign Government	634,278,300	39,500,000	673,778,300	409,519,000	32,873,000	442,392,000	404,281,000	103,000,000	507,281,000	457,945,555	177,059,445	635,005,000	161,845,000	56,000,000	217,845,000
Farm Loan Issues	86,325,000	92,800,000	179,125,000	87,375,000	40,200,000	127,575,000	119,097,100	19,527,900	138,625,000	169,900,000	—	169,900,000	312,118,000	55,032,000	367,150,000
War Finance Corporation	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Municipal	1,211,699,706	24,898,505	1,236,598,211	1,133,858,636	15,226,382	1,149,085,018	1,132,511,816	42,212,240	1,174,724,056	1,216,109,851	14,395,118	1,230,504,969	834,491,920	16,460,480	850,952,400
Canadian	57,597,000	55,469,000	113,066,000	56,792,000	49,000,000	105,792,000	38,658,000	94,522,000	133,180,000	130,254,765	16,650,000	146,904,765	26,308,000	14,941,679	41,249,679
United States Possessions	7,820,000	—	7,820,000	10,093,000	—	10,093,000	6,965,000	—	6,965,000	6,230,000	—	6,230,000	7,211,000	—	7,211,000
Grand Total.	6,378,973,888	1,663,192,565	8,042,166,453	5,370,718,984	739,231,427	6,109,950,411	4,961,770,917	842,514,564	5,804,285,481	4,753,486,640	657,091,163	5,410,577,803	3,472,951,698	592,777,101	4,065,728,799

CHARACTER AND GROUPING OF NEW CORPORATE ISSUES IN THE UNITED STATES FOR THE TEN MONTHS ENDING OCTOBER 31 FOR FIVE YEARS.

10 MONTHS ENDED OCT. 31.	1927.			1926.			1925.			1924.			1923.		
	New Capital.	Refunding.	Total.	New Capital.	Refunding.	Total.	New Capital.	Refunding.	Total.	New Capital.	Refunding.	Total.	New Capital.	Refunding.	Total.
Long Term Bonds and Notes—															
Railroads	352,910,990	329,557,510	682,468,500	279,916,000	38,936,000	318,852,000	307,817,500	124,453,000	432,270,500	618,727,800	140,891,900	759,619,700	344,319,500	29,943,000	374,262,500
Public utilities	960,362,410	530,197,090	1,490,559,500	882,195,330	283,957,170	1,166,152,500	693,874,400	150,947,100	844,821,500	600,600,423	139,016,077	739,616,500	420,720,471	165,619,629	586,340,100
Iron, steel, coal, copper, &c.	80,265,000	16,160,000	96,425,000	121,631,000	35,184,000	156,815,000	65,150,000	16,846,000	81,996,000	99,512,000	30,148,000	129,660,000	237,268,139	46,806,861	284,075,000
Equipment manufacturers	11,155,000	—	11,155,000	6,799,000	—	6,799,000	9,296,000	—	9,296,000	12,260,000	—	12,260,000	8,210,000	—	8,210,000
Motors and accessories	51,720,000	130,000	51,850,000	66,000,000	—	66,000,000	76,150,000	—	76,150,000	4,460,000	8,315,000	12,775,000	22,562,000	4,288,000	26,850,000
Other industrial and manufacturing	361,487,900	81,857,800	443,345,700	254,902,000	76,306,000	331,208,000	171,796,800	42,063,700	213,860,500	116,714,000	19,499,900	136,213,900	140,621,447	25,807,053	166,428,500
Oil	253,859,400	54,840,600	308,700,000	66,487,200	11,662,800	78,150,000	70,424,100	21,475,900	91,900,000	16,516,500	15,393,500	31,910,000	67,216,000	30,084,000	97,300,000
Land, buildings, &c.	459,187,000	33,815,000	493,002,000	524,291,000	25,523,000	549,814,000	537,147,300	34,953,000	572,100,300	233,399,000	1,040,000	234,439,000	173,974,000	1,250,000	175,224,000
Rubber	10,000,000	60,000,000	70,000,000	6,750,000	—	6,750,000	34,500,000	—	34,500,000	400,000	—	400,000	1,335,000	665,000	2,000,000
Shipping	5,166,000	419,000	5,585,000	19,850,000	5,050,000	24,900,000	6,750,000	3,259,775	4,315,225	3,800,000	—	3,800,000	2,568,000	107,000	2,675,000
Miscellaneous	459,234,040	47,396,460	506,630,500	226,514,000	20,286,000	246,800,000	141,951,000	11,527,000	153,478,000	95,879,000	14,386,000	110,265,000	104,406,000	36,229,000	140,635,000
Total	3,005,347,740	1,154,073,460	4,159,421,200	2,455,335,530	518,204,970	2,973,540,500	2,111,366,875	406,930,925	2,518,297,800	1,802,268,723	368,690,377	2,170,959,100	1,523,200,557	340,799,543	1,864,000,100
Short Term Bonds and Notes—															
Railroads	17,000,000	650,000	17,650,000	6,500,000	16,000,000	22,500,000	24,500,000	400,000	24,900,000	56,250,000	19,000,000	75,250,000	9,237,500	9,850,000	19,087,500
Public utilities	64,500,800	53,009,200	117,510,000	69,953,100	13,396,900	83,350,000	111,320,000	30,980,000	142,300,000	98,232,000	20,041,000	118,273,000	42,112,200	15,712,800	57,825,000
Iron, steel, coal, copper, &c.	2,300,000	—	2,300,000	6,175,000	—	6,175,000	20,265,000	2,500,000	22,765,000	1,675,000	650,000	2,325,000	9,850,000	—	9,850,000
Equipment manufacturers	1,200,000	—	1,200,000	16,110,000	—	16,110,000	1,150,000	—	1,150,000	1,000,000	—	1,000,000	830,000	—	830,000
Motors and accessories	4,400,000	—	4,400,000	16,110,000	200,000	16,310,000	—	—	—	9,000,000	—	9,000,000	15,496,000	9,604,000	25,100,000
Other industrial and manufacturing	14,825,000	4,950,000	19,775,000	44,450,000	6,050,000	50,500,000	17,693,750	71,693,750	88,387,500	5,160,000	3,200,000	8,360,000	5,500,000	1,800,000	7,300,000
Oil	37,850,000	12,350,000	50,200,000	16,023,500	7,408,000	23,431,500	19,000,000	52,200,000	71,200,000	75,345,000	5,005,000	80,350,000	44,814,000	1,800,000	46,614,000
Land, buildings, &c.	32,072,500	1,666,000	33,738,500	24,409,000	875,000	25,284,000	22,940,000	—	22,940,000	4,510,000	—	4,510,000	1,330,500	—	1,330,500
Rubber	—	—	—	32,250,000	—	32,250,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shipping	125,000	—	125,000	500,000	—	500,000	5,000,000	—	5,000,000	—	—	—	1,000,000	—	1,000,000
Miscellaneous	60,647,000	2,000,000	62,647,000	21,794,195	484,000	22,278,195	18,150,000	—	18,150,000	31,385,000	—	31,385,000	3,535,500	—	3,535,500
Total	234,920,300	74,625,200	309,545,500	238,164,795	44,413,900	282,578,695	240,018,750	86,080,000	326,098,750	282,557,000	47,896,000	330,453,000	133,705,700	36,966,800	170,672,500
Stocks—															
Railroads	88,168,487	84,036,700	172,205,187	10,240,000	—	10,240,000	16,218,230	—	16,218,230	37,823,737	—	37,823,737	15,300,000	—	15,300,000
Public utilities	561,671,086	46,869,500	608,540,586	413,236,897	12,727,900	425,964,797	411,239,409	23,062,500	434,301,909	456,825,092	22,855,223	479,680,315	110,776,000	141,632,506	251,408,506
Iron, steel, coal, copper, &c.	6,019,250	—	6,019,250	49,142,200	8,617,200	57,759,400	14,140,000	—	14,140,000	21,734,160	—	21,734,160	28,012,246	4,896,760	32,909,006
Equipment manufacturers	—	—													

DETAILS OF NEW CAPITAL FLOTATIONS DURING OCTOBER 1927.

LONG TERM BONDS AND NOTES (ISSUES MATURING LATER THAN FIVE YEARS).

Amount.	Purpose of Issue.	Price.	To Yield About.	Company and Issue, and by Whom Offered.
\$	Railroads—		%	
20,000,000	Additions and betterments.....	99	4.55	Great Northern Ry. Co. Gen. M. 4½s "E," 1977. Offered by J. P. Morgan & Co., First Nat. Bank and National City Co.
9,871,000	Additions and betterments.....	85	4.15	The Morris & Essex RR. Co. 1st Ref. M. 3½s, 2000. Offered by J. P. Morgan & Co.
2,678,500	Capital expenditures.....	100	5.00	Western Pacific RR. 1st M. 5s "A," 1946. Offered by Clark, Dodge & Co. and Mabon & Co.
32,549,500				
	Public Utilities—			
10,000,000	Acquisition of properties.....	99½	6.55	American Natural Gas Corp. Deb. 6½s, 1942. Offered by G. L. Ohrstrom & Co., Inc.
1,750,000	Acquisitions; other corp. purposes.....	95	5.50	Associated Telephone Utilities Co. Deb. 5s "B," 1942. Offered by Paine, Webber & Co., N. Y.; and Mitchum, Tully & Co., San Francisco.
4,000,000	Acquire affiliated companies.....	97½	6.25	(W. S.) Barstow & Co. (Del.) Deb. 6s, 1942. Offered by Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc.
1,000,000	Refunding; other corp. purposes.....	95	5.30	The Butler Water Co. (Butler, Pa.) 1st M. 5s "A," 1957. Offered by W. C. Langley & Co. and Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc.
4,000,000	Additions & improvements, &c.....	97	5.20	Central Power & Light Co. (Mass.) 1st M. 5s, 1956. Offered by Howe, Snow & Co., Inc., Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., A. B. Leach & Co., Inc., Tucker, Anthony & Co. and Hill, Joiner & Co., Inc.
5,000,000	Refunding.....	99	5.07	Columbia Gas & Electric Corp. Deb. 5s, 1952. Offered by Guaranty Co. of N. Y., Union Trust Co. of Pittsburgh, J. & W. Seligman & Co., W. E. Hutton & Co., Coggeshall & Hicks and Marshall Field, Gloré, Ward & Co.
10,000,000	Additions, extensions, &c.....	99	4.55	Duquesne Light Co. 1st M. 4½s, 1967. Offered by Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co., H. M. Byllesby & Co., Inc., First Nat. Bank, Chase Securities Corp., Harris, Forbes & Co., Lee, Higginson & Co., Union Trust Co. of Pittsburgh and Hayden, Stone & Co.
1,000,000	Acquisitions, impts., add'ns, &c.....	97	5.90	East Coast Utilities Co. 1st M. Coll. 5½s "A," 1937. Offered by P. W. Chapman & Co., Inc.
3,300,000	Refunding, add'ns & betterments.....	100	5.50	Eastern Shore Public Service Co. 1st M. & 1st Lien 5½s "A," 1947. Offered by E. H. Rollins & Sons, Howe, Snow & Co., Inc., H. M. Byllesby & Co., Blyth, Witter & Co. and Eastman, Dillon & Co.
3,500,000	Acquisitions; other corp. purposes.....	94½	5.87	Federated Utilities, Inc., 1st Lien Coll. Tr. 5½s, 1957. Offered by Federal Securities Corp., H. M. Byllesby & Co., Inc., West & Co., Hambleton & Co. and Thompson, Ross & Co.
300,000	Finance construction of plant.....	---	5-6	Gates Power Co. 1st (c) M. 6s, 1929-36. Offered by James H. Causey & Co. and United States National Co., Denver.
18,000,000	Additions, improvements, &c.....	98	5.12	Georgia Power Co. 1st & Ref. M. 5s, 1967. Offered by Drexel & Co., Bonbright & Co., Inc., and Harris, Forbes & Co.
2,250,000	Acq. secur. of Manila Gas Corp.....	98½	5.70	Manila Gas Co. 1st Lien Coll. Tr. 5½s, 1937. Offered by Hambleton & Co. and Ames, Emerich & Co., Inc.
120,000	Acquisitions, betterments, &c.....	---	5½-6½	Mississippi Valley Utilities Corp. 1st M. 6½s "B," 1929-37. Offered by I. B. Tigrett & Co., Inc.; Memphis, Tenn., and Geo. H. Burr & Co.
2,750,000	Add'ns, ext., impts., &c.....	95½	5.30	The Nevada-California Electric Corp. 1st Trust Mtge. 5s, 1956. Offered by Spencer Trask & Co., Blyth, Witter & Co., International Trust Co., Denver, Boettcher & Co. and U. S. Nat. Co., Deny.
66,000,000	Refunding; capital expenditures....	96	4.72	New York Power & Light Corp. 1st M. 4½s, 1967. Offered by Bonbright & Co., Inc., Harris, Forbes & Co., Bankers Trust Co., Guaranty Co. of N. Y., Coffin & Burr, Inc., Union Trust Co. of Pittsburgh, F. L. Carlisle & Co., Inc., Nat. Commercial Bank & Trust Co., New York State National Bank and E. H. Rollins & Sons.
800,000	Acq., add'ns, work capital, &c.....	100	6.50	Oklahoma Gas Utilities Co. 1st Lien 6½s "A," 1934. Offered by A. E. Fitkin & Co.
1,000,000	Acquisitions; other corp. purposes.....	98	6.75	Peoples Gas & Fuel Co., Inc. (Shreveport, La.) 1st M. 6½s "A," 1937. Offered by Gildden, Morris & Co., Edmund Seymour & Co., Inc., and Faxon, Gade & Co., Inc.
35,000,000	Refunding; add'ns & improvem'ts.....	98½	4.58	The Philadelphia Electric Co. 1st Lien & Ref. M. 4½s, 1967. Offered by Drexel & Co., Brown Bros. & Co. and Harris, Forbes & Co.
2,500,000	Additions and extensions.....	97	4.66	Philadelphia Suburban Water Co. 1st M. 4½s, 1967. Offered by Drexel & Co.
1,250,000	Acquisition of properties.....	100	6.00	Public Utilities Consolidated Corp. (Ariz.) 1st M. 6s, 1947. Offered by Geo. M. Forman & Co.
35,000,000	Refunding, add'ns, impts., &c.....	95½	4.75	The Shawinigan Water & Power Co. 1st M. & Coll. Tr. 4½s "A," 1967. Offered by Brown Bros. & Co., Lee, Higginson & Co., Alex Brown & Sons, Jackson & Curtis and Minsch, Monell & Co., Inc.
8,646,000	Acquisition of properties.....	99	5.07	Southern California Gas Co. 1st M. & Ref. 5s, 1957. Offered by Chase Securities Corp., Stone & Webster and Blodget, Inc., Pyncheon & Co., Hunter, Dullin & Co., Peirce, Fair & Co. and Blyth, Witter & Co.
830,000	Acquisitions; other corp. purposes.....	100	6.00	Southwest Telephone Co. 1st M. Convertible 6s "B," 1947. Offered by Cammack & Co., Inc., Chicago, and Paine, Webber & Co., New York.
100,000	New construction.....	99	6.09	Tracy (Cal.) Gas Co. 1st M. 6s, 1947. Offered by Bradford, Kimball & Co., San Francisco.
12,500,000	Acquisitions, ext., impts., &c.....	97½	5.15	West Texas Utilities Co. 1st M. 5s "A," 1957. Offered by Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., A. B. Leach & Co., Inc., and Howe, Snow & Co., Inc.
230,596,000				
	Iron, Steel, Coal, Copper, &c			
500,000	Construct. & equip. new plant....	100	5.50	Mississippi Valley Structural Steel Co. 1st M. 5½s, 1930-39. Offered by Lafayette-South Side Bank and Mississippi Valley Trust Co., St. Louis.
	Motors and Accessories—			
300,000	Retire curr. debt; oth. corp. purp.....	100	7.00	National Credit Co. (Seattle) Coll. Tr. 7s, 1932-37. Offered by Marine National Co. and John E Price & Co., Seattle.
	Other Industrial & Mfg.			
5,000,000	Addns. to plants; other corp purp.....	94	5.60	American Cyanamid Co., Del. 5s, 1942. Offered by Guaranty Co. of N. Y., Alex Brown & Sons and Brown Bros. & Co.
20,000,000	Acquire predecessor co.....	99	5.58	Canada Cement Co., Ltd. 1st M. 5½s, "A," 1947. Offered by Wood, Gundy & Co., Inc., Guaranty Co. of N. Y., Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., A. Iselin & Co. and the Royal Bank of Canada.
1,750,000	Retire pref. stk.; wkg. capital, &c.....	100	6.00	Celite Co. (Del.) 1st M. 6s, "A," 1930-42. Offered by First Securities Co., Los Angeles, E. H. Rollins & Sons and Wm. R. Staats Co., Los Angeles.
3,000,000	Retire curr. debt; additions, &c.....	99½	5.55	Chicago Pneumatic Tool Co. deb. 5½s, 1942. Offered by Chase Securities Corp., Blair & Co., Inc. and Guaranty Co. of New York.
750,000	Acquire constituent cos.....	100	6.50	Consolidated Chemical Industries Deb. 6½s, 1942. Offered by Dean, Witter & Co., San Fran.
1,150,000	Acq. constit. cos.; other corp. purp.....	99½	6.55	Frink Corp. Deb. 6½s, 1942. Offered by Zwetsch, Helnzelmann & Co., Inc., New York.
4,600,000	Refunding; acqis.; wkg. cap'l, &c.....	98½	6.20	General Vending Corp. Sec. 6s, 1937. Offered by F. J. Lisman & Co. and B. J. Van Ingen & Co.
125,000	Retire floating debt; additions.....	101	6.45-6.90	Georgia Mfg. Co. (White Hall, Ga.) 1st (closed) M. 7s, 1929-42. Offered by Citizens & Southern Co., Savannah, Ga.
400,000	Retire mtge. debt; impts., &c.....	100	6.00	Kings County Refrigerating Co. 1st M. 6s, "A," 1942. Offered by E. H. Rollins & Sons.
255,700	Finance sale of equipment.....	---	6.00-6.50	Mortgage & Securities Co. (New Orleans) Equipment Participating 6s, 1928-36. Offered by Mortgage & Securities Co., New Orleans.
2,000,000	Finance constr. of paper mill.....	100	6.50	Murray Bay Paper Co., Ltd. (Montreal) 1st (closed) M. 6½s, 1947. Offered by Peabody, Smith & Co., Inc., Royal Securities Corp. and Peabody, Houghteling & Co., Inc.
550,000	Refunding; addns., betm'ts., &c.....	99	6.64	Watsonstown (Pa.) Door & Sash Co. 1st M. 6½s, 1937. Offered by J. A. W. Iglehart & Co., Balt.
39,480,700				
	Oil—			
12,000,000	Retire bank debt; working capital.....	99	5½	Continental Oil Co. Deb. 5½s, 1937. Offered by National City Co. and Carl H. Pforzheimer & Co.
30,000,000	Additions, Extensions, etc.....	98	5½	Shell Pipe Line Corp. Deb. 5s, 1952. Offered by Lee, Higginson & Co.
42,000,000				
	Land, Buildings, &c.—			
110,000	Finance construction of apt.....	100	6.00	Andora Apts. (Det.) 1st M. Senior Series 6s, 1929-37. Offered by Guaranty Tr. Co. of Detroit.
175,000	Improvements to property.....	100	7.00	Angelus Hospital Assn. (Los Angeles) 1st (closed) M. 7s, 1942. Offered by Pan American Investment Co. and Los Angeles Investment Securities Corp.
65,000	Real estate mortgage.....	100	6.00	(Jas. E. and Myrtle E.) Atkinson (Fordson, Mich.) 1st M. 6s, 1929-37. Offered by Union Trust Co., Detroit.
5,000,000	Provide funds for loan purposes....	100	5.50	Bankitaly Mortgage Co. Real Estate 1st M. Coll. 5½s, 1947. Offered by Dillon, Read & Co., Blyth, Witter & Co., Continental & Commercial Co., Marshall Field, Gloré, Ward & Co., Bank of Italy National Trust & Savings Assn., Bancitaly Corp. and the First Nat. Corp., Boston.
3,000,000	Finance construction of building....	101-100	5.30-6.00	The Barbizon-Lexington Avenue and 63rd Street Corp. (N. Y. City) 1st M. 6s, 1929-39. Offered by Greenebaum Sons Securities Corp. and Ames, Emerich & Co., Inc.
120,000	Finance construction of apartment.....	100	6.50	The Beacon field (Chicago) 1st M. 6½s, 1929-37. Offered by Leight & Co., Chicago.
350,000	Impts.; working capital, &c.....	100	6.00	Brentwood Country Club (Los Angeles) 1st (closed) Mtge. 6s, 1942. Offered by California Securities Co., Los Angeles.
650,000	Finance constr. of two buildings....	100	6.50	Broadway Brompton Bldgs. (Chicago) 1st Mtge. 6½s, 1929-37. Offered by Huszagh, Musson & Co., Chicago.
1,500,000	Refunding.....	100	6.00	Broadway Properties (Chicago) 1st (closed) M. 6s, 1942. Offered by Geo. M. Forman & Co., N. Y.
250,000	Finance construction of building....	100	5.50	Brooklyn (N. Y.) Postal Station Corp. 1st (closed) M. 5½s, 1929-48. Offered by the Peoples State Bank, Indianapolis.
200,000	Real estate mortgage.....	100	6.50	Burdett College Bldg. (Boston) General M. 6½s, 1937. Offered by Sawyer Bros., Inc., Boston.
100,000	Finance construction of apartment.....	100	6.00	Carman-Villa Apts. (Detroit) 1st M. Senior Series 6s, 1929-37. Offered by Guaranty Tr. Co. of Det.
540,000	Finance construction of apartment.....	100	6.00	Casa Bonita Apts. (Chicago) 1st M. 6s, 1930-37. Offered by Garard Trust Co., Chicago.
75,000	Finance construction of building....	100	5.00	The Catholic Order of Sisters of Mercy of Hammond, Ind., Inc. Real Estate M. 5s, 1930-37 Offered by the Meyer-Kiser Bank, Indianapolis.
1,275,000	Finance construction of building....	100	6.00	(The) Cloisters Bldg. Corp. (Chicago) 1st Mtge. 6s, 1930-42. Offered by S. W. Straus & Co., Inc.
160,000	Retire debt; improvements.....	100	6.00	Edith Mae Cummings (Detroit) 1st M. 6s, 1937. Offered by Union Trust Co., Detroit.
900,000	Finance constr. of bldg., &c.....	100	5.50	Guneo Printing Industries, Inc. 1st Mtge. 5½s, 1937. Offered by Continental & Commercial Co.
250,000	Finance construction of apartment.....	100	6.50	(The) Deerfield (Chicago) 1st M. 6½s, 1929-37. Offered by Cochran & McCluer Co., Chicago.
150,000	Real estate mortgage.....	100	6.00	Detroit (Mich.) Baptist Union 1st M. 6s, 1930-37. Offered by Union Trust Co., Detroit.
90,000	Finance construction of apartment.....	100	6.00	Don Juan Apartments (Det.) 1st M. Senior Series 6s, 1929-1937. Offered by Guaranty Trust Co. of Detroit.
6,000,000	Finance construction of apartment.....	100	6.00	Edgewater Beach Apts.-Bryn Mawr Beach Bldg. Corp. (Chicago) 1st (closed) M. 6s, 1931-43. Offered by the Foreman Trust & Savings Bank, A. G. Becker & Co., Mitchell, Hutchins & Co. and Union Trust Co., Chicago.
250,000	Real estate mortgage.....	---	5-6	Elgin Professional Bldg. Corp. (Elgin, Ill.) 1st M. 6s, 1929-39. Offered by Mississippi Valley Trust Co., St. Louis.
1,500,000	Finance construction of apartment.....	100	6.00	Five Thousand East End Ave. (Chicago) 1st M. 6s, 1930-42. Offered by S. W. Straus & Co., Inc.
450,000	Finance construction of building....	100	6.00	Flint (Mich.) Capital Bldg. Co. 1st M. 6s, 1929-42. Offered by Harris, Small & Co., Watling, Lerchen & Hayes, Detroit and First National Bank, Flint, Mich.
320,000	Finance construction of apartment.....	100	6.50	Forest Park Apartments (Fort Worth, Tex.) 1st M. 6½s, 1930-39. Offered by Fidelity Bond & Mtge. Co., Chicago.

Amount.	Purpose of Issue.	Price.	To Yield About.	Company and Issue and by Whom Offered.
\$	Land, Buildings, Etc. Con.—		%	
350,000	Real estate mortgage.....	100	6.00	Franklin Press Bldg. (Detroit) 1st M. 6s, 1929-39. Offered by American Bond & Mortgage Co.
315,000	Finance construction of apartment.....	100	6.50	Gaylord Apts. (Chicago) 1st M. 6½s, 1930-39. Offered by Fidelity Bond & Mtge. Co., Chicago.
2,250,000	Finance constr. of warehouse.....	100	6.50	Great Lakes Terminal Warehouse Co. of Toledo 1st (closed) M. 6½s, 1942. Offered by A. C. Allyn & Co., Inc. and Redmond & Co.
110,000	Finance construction of apartment.....	100	6.00	Guilford Apt. (Det.) 1st M. 6s, 1929-37. Offered by Guaranty Trust Co. of Detroit.
850,000	Real estate mortgage.....	Price on application		Holbrook Hall Garden Apts. (Mt. Vernon, N. Y.) 5¼% Prudence Cfts., 1935. Offered by Prudence Co., Inc., N. Y.
150,000	Real estate mortgage.....	98	6.27	Holly Beach Realty Co. of Wildwood, N. J. 1st (closed) M. 6s, 1937. Offered by Boenning & Co., Philadelphia.
135,000	Real estate mortgage.....	100	6.50	Hotel Jefferson, Inc. (Clifton Forge, Va.) 1st M. 6½s, 1930-37. Offered by Wheat, Galleher & Co., Inc., Richmond, Va.
400,000	Real estate mortgage.....	100	6.00	Hotel Whitcomb Co. 1st M. 6s, 1942. Offered by Citizens Nat. Tr. & Sav. Bank, South Bend, Ind.
1,500,000	Finance construction of building.....	---	5.40-6.50	Houston Terminal Warehouse & Cold Storage Co. 1st M. 6½s, 1929-33. Offered by Wells-Dickey Co., Minneapolis and First National Co., St. Louis.
110,000	Finance construction of hotel.....	100	6.50	(Walter C.) Hutchinson (Hammond, Ind.) Mtge. 6½s, 1934-43. Offered by the Meyer-Klaser Bank, Indianapolis.
1,000,000	Provide funds for loan purposes.....	100	5.50	Jersey Mortgage & Title Guaranty Co. Coll. Trust 5½s, 1932-37. Offered by Stone & Webster & Blodget, Inc.
90,000	Refunding.....	100	6.00	Levine & Rosenberg (Gulfport, Miss.) 1st M. 6s, 1923-39. Offered by Mortgage & Securities Co., New Orleans.
300,000	Finance construction of building.....	100½-100	5.75-6.00	Linwood Davison Block (Detroit) 1st M. 6s, 1929-39. Offered by Straus Bros. Investment Co., Chi.
400,000	Real estate mortgage.....	101	6.90	Lomaland Properties, Inc. (Point Loma, Calif.) 1st M. 7s, 1942. Offered by Bayly Bros., Inc., Los Angeles.
650,000	Finance lease of property.....	100	6.00	Lookout Mountain Hotel (Tennessee) 1st M. 6s, 1929-37. Offered by Caldwell & Co., Nashville.
3,000,000	Finance sale of property.....	100	6.50	Los Angeles Mountain Park Co. 1st (closed) M. 6½s, 1939. Offered by California Co., Drake, Riley & Thomas; Security Co., and First Securities Co., Los Angeles.
120,000	Real estate mortgage.....	---	5½-6	Missouri Military Academy 1st M. 6s, 1927-39. Offered by Lorenzo E. Anderson & Co. and M. C. Steenberg & Co., St. Louis.
500,000	Provide funds for loan purposes.....	---	5½-6	Mortgage Insurance Corp., Inc., 1st M. 6s, (Issue No. 24—1927), 1923-38. Offered by Wm. Cavalier & Co., San Francisco.
165,000	Provide funds for loan purposes.....	100	6.00	Mortgage Security Corp. of America 1st Lien Coll. 6s, 1930-37. Offered by Murphy, Favre & Co., Seattle.
380,000	Finance constr. of garage building.....	100	6.50	National Birmingham Garages, Inc. (Birmingham, Ala.) 1st (closed) M. 6½s, 1930-42. Offered by Caldwell & Co., Nashville, Tenn.
3,200,000	Finance construction of hotel.....	---	5½-6	New Jefferson Hotel Co. (St. Louis) 1st (closed) M. 6s, 1930-42. Offered by Continental & Commercial Co. and First National Co., St. Louis.
250,000	Real estate mortgage.....	100	5.50	Northwest Corner of Thayer St. and Sherman Ave. (N. Y. City) 5½% Mtge. Cfts., 1923-33. Offered by Lawyers' Mortgage Co., New York.
750,000	Finance lease of property.....	100	6.00	Northwestern Bldg. (Portland, Ore.) 1st M. Leasehold 6s, 1923-47. Offered by Lumbermen's Trust Co.; Ferris & Hardgrove; Murphey, Favre & Co.; P. W. Chapman & Co., Inc., and Atkinson, Jones & Co., Portland, Ore.
215,000	Real estate mortgage.....	100	6.00	1001-11 University Ave. Apts. (N. Y.) 1st M. 6s, 1929-37. Offered by Empire Bond & Mortgage Corp., New York.
235,000	Real estate mortgage.....	100	6.00	1021-31 University Ave. Apts. (N. Y.) 1st M. 6s, 1929-37. Offered by Empire Bond & Mortgage Corp., New York.
290,000	Real estate mortgage.....	100	6.00	1041-51 University Ave. Apts. (N. Y.) 1st M. 6s, 1929-37. Offered by Empire Bond & Mortgage Corp., New York.
3,500,000	Refunding; acquisitions, &c.....	100	6.00	Paramount Properties, Inc. (Calif.) 1st M. 6s, 1930-42. Offered by Anglo London Paris Co., San Francisco.
9,500,000	Finance construction of buildings.....	99	6.10	Paramount Theatres-Allied Owners Corp. 1st M. 6s, 1945. Offered by Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc.; Graham, Parsons & Co., and Bonbright & Co., Inc.
300,000	Finance construction of building.....	100	6.00	Park East Medical Bldg. (N. Y. City) 1st M. Fee 6s, 1930-39. Offered by S. W. Straus & Co., Inc.
244,000	Finance construction of apartment.....	100	6.00	Plymouth Apts. (Detroit) 1st M. 6s, 1923-37. Offered by Guaranty Trust Co. of Detroit.
230,000	Finance construction of apartment.....	100	6.50	(The) Randall (Chicago) 1st M. 6½s, 1929-37. Offered by Leight & Co., Chicago.
52,500	Real estate mortgage.....	100	6.00	Raymond Development Co. (Baton Rouge, La.) 1st M. 6s, 1923-37. Offered by Mortgage & Securities Co., New Orleans.
300,000	Real estate mortgage.....	100	6.00	Richmond Storage & Service Garage, Inc. (Richmond, Va.) 1st M. 6s, 1930-33. Offered by Richmond Trust Co., Richmond, Va.
800,000	Fin. constr. of theatre bldg., &c.....	100	6.50	Saenger Theatres, Inc., 1st M. & Coll. Tr. 6½s, "B," 1940. Offered by Hibernia Securities Co., Inc.
175,000	Finance construction of building.....	---	5½-6	St. Louis College of Pharmacy (St. Louis, Mo.) 1st M. 6s, 1929-37. Offered by Real Estate Mortgage & Trust Co., St. Louis.
350,000	Finance construction of building.....	100	5.00	St. Xavier College (Cincinnati) and Missouri Province Educational Institute (St. Louis) 1st M. 5s, 1929-42. Offered by Federal Commerce Trust Co., St. Louis.
700,000	Real estate mortgage.....	100	6.00	70 Chestnut St. Corp. (Springfield, Mass.) 1st M. 6s, 1942. Offered by S. W. Straus & Co., Inc.
425,000	Finance construction of building.....	---	5½-6	Spivey Bldg. Corp. (E. St. Louis, Ill.) 1st M. 6s, 1929-39. Offered by Real Estate Mortgage Trust Co.; Kauffman, Smith & Co., Inc., and Potter, Kauffman & Co., Inc., St. Louis.
320,000	Real estate mortgage.....	100	6.00	David P. Stone-845 South Hill St. Property 1st M. 6s, 1942. Offered by G. Brashears & Co. and Banks, Huntley & Co., Los Angeles.
1,000,000	Provide funds for loan purposes.....	100	6.00	United States Mortgage Bond Co. 1st Coll. Tr. 6s, "C," 1929-37. Offered by Colonial Mortgage Investment Co., Baltimore.
59,091,500	Shipping—			
1,300,000	Finance constr. of tank steamship.....	Placed privately		Tide Water Assoc. Transport Corp. 1st Lien Marine Equip. 5s, 1937. Offered by Blair & Co., Inc.
	Miscellaneous—			
5,000,000	Provide funds for loan purposes.....	92	6.75	Agricultural Mortgage Bank (Colombia) 6s, 1947. Offered by W. A. Harriman & Co., Inc., and Equitable Trust Co. of New York.
4,000,000	Enable mgt. acq. part com. stock.....	98	6.17	Bullock's, Inc., Sec. 6s, 1947. Offered by Citizens National Co., Los Angeles; American National Co., San Francisco, and California Securities Co., Los Angeles.
10,000,000	Provide funds for loan purposes.....	95	6.40	Central Bank of German State & Provincial Banks, Inc., Mtge. Sec. 6s, "B," 1951. Offered by Lee, Higginson & Co.; W. A. Harriman & Co., Inc., and the New York Trust Co.
20,000,000	General bank requirements, &c.....	94½	6.25	Commerz-und Privat Bank (Hamburg-Berlin) 5½s, 1937. Offered by Chase Securities Corp.; Blair & Co., Inc.; Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc.; Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co.; J. Henry Schroder Banking Corp.; the Shawmut Corp. of Boston; A. G. Becker & Co.; the Marine Trust Co. of Buffalo, and Anglo London Paris Co.
3,000,000	Provide funds for export credits.....	---	4.25-5.30	Danish Export Credit Committee 4½s, 1923-34. Offered by Guaranty Co. of New York; Dillon, Read & Co., and International Acceptance Bank, Inc.
7,500,000	Refunding; retire bank loans, &c.....	97½	5.75	Emporium Capwell Corp. (San Francisco) Conv. Deb. 5½s, 1942. Offered by American National Co.; Peirce, Fair & Co., and Blyth, Witter & Co.
50,000,000	Provide funds for farm loan purp.....	95½	6.32	German Central Bank for Agriculture Farm Loan Sec. 6s, 1960. Offered by National City Co., Harris, Forbes & Co., and Lee, Higginson & Co.
20,000,000	Refund acquisitions, &c.....	101.20-100	5-6¼	Hearst Publications, Inc., 1st M. & Coll. Tr. 6½s, 1925-47. Offered by Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc.; Anglo London Paris Co.; Continental & Commercial Co.; A. B. Leach & Co., Inc.; A. G. Becker & Co.; Hill, Joiner & Co., Inc., and S. W. Straus & Co., Inc.
5,000,000	Provide funds for investment purp.....	97	5.25	(The) Investment Co. of America Deb. 5s, "A," 1947. Offered by Bonbright & Co., Inc.
1,500,000	Provide funds for investment purp.....	100 b	5.00	Overseas Security Co., Inc. Deb. 6s, 1947. Offered by company to stockholders; underwritten.
500,000	Finance construction of bridge.....	100	7.00	Paducah-Ohio River Bridge Co. Deb. 7s, 1942. Offered by P. W. Chapman & Co., Inc., and Moore, Leonard & Lynch.
375,000	Finance construction of bridge.....	97½	6.70	Portsmouth-Nausemond Bridge Corp. 1st M. 6½s, 1947. Offered by L. G. Ruth & Co., Buffalo.
150,000	Finance construction of bridge.....	98	7.22	Portsmouth-Nausemond Bridge Corp. Deb. 7s, 1942. Offered by L. G. Ruth & Co., Buffalo, N. Y.
3,500,000	Acquire General Stores Corp.....	98½	6.20	Reliable Stores Corp. 6s, 1937. Offered by Hornblower & Weeks and Jas. H. Causey & Co., Inc.
1,000,000	Provide funds for loan purposes.....	95	6.45	Saarbruecken Mortgage Bank Ext. 6s, "B," 1947. Offered by Ames, Emerich & Co., Inc., and Strupp & Co.
2,500,000	Refunding; other corp. purposes.....	---	6-6.25	Union Rock Co. 1st M. 6s, 1923-47. Offered by E. H. Rollins & Sons and Wm. R. Compton Co. (Wm.) Zoller Co. (Pittsburgh) 1st M. 6s, 1942. Offered by K. W. Todd & Co., Inc.; First National Bank, and Dollar Savings & Trust Co., Pittsburgh.
800,000	Enable mgt. acquire stock control.....	99	6.10	
134,825,000				

SHORT TERM BONDS AND NOTES (ISSUES MATURING UP TO AND INCLUDING FIVE YEARS.)

Amount.	Purpose of Issue.	Price.	To Yield About.	Company and Issue, and by Whom Offered.
	Public Utilities—		%	
30,000,000	Refunding; retire floating debt, &c.....	100	4.50	The Edison Electric Illuminating Co. of Boston 3-yr. 4½s, Nov. 1 1930. Offered by Lee, Higginson & Co., Old Colony Corp., F. S. Moseley & Co., Kilder, Peabody & Co., Parkinson & Burr, Harris, Forbes & Co., the First National Corp. of Boston, Blake Bros. & Co., Bankers Trust Co., New York and National City Co.
10,000,000	Refunding; retire floating debt, &c.....	99½	4.25	The Edison Electric Illuminating Co. of Boston 1-yr. 4s, Nov. 2 1928. Offered by Lee, Higginson & Co., Old Colony Corp., F. S. Moseley & Co., Kilder, Peabody & Co., Parkinson & Burr, Harris, Forbes & Co., the First Nat. Corp. of Boston, Blake Bros. & Co., Bankers Trust Co., N. Y. and National City Co.
1,500,000	Refunding; other corp. purposes.....	98	5.75	Keystone Telephone Co. of Phila. 3-yr. 5s, Oct. 1 1930. Offered by A. C. Allyn & Co., Inc.
1,800,000	Acquisitions; add'ns and impts.....	100	5.50	Montana Dakota Power Co. (Minneapolis) 1st M. 5½s, April 1 1929. Offered by Minnesota Loan & Trust Co., Minneapolis and Second Ward Securities Co., Milwaukee.
300,000	Acquisition of properties.....	100	6.00	Public Utilities Consolidated (Arizona) 3-Yr. 6s, June 1 1930. Offered by W. B. Foshay & Co.
2,000,000	Acquisition of properties.....	99½	5.25	Southern Cities Utilities Corp. 1st Lien Coll. Tr. 1-Yr. 5s, Nov. 1 1928. Offered by Hambleton & Co. and Ames, Emerich & Co., Inc.
3,000,000	New construction, wkg. cap'l, &c.....	100	6.00	Union Bag & Paper Power Corp. 1st M. 6s, Sept. 1 1932. Offered by Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc.; Hodenpyl, Hardy Securities Corp. and Hambleton & Co.
48,600,000	Other Industrial & Mfg.—			
1,700,000	Retire debt owing Davison Chem. Co.....	100	6.50	Silica Gel Corp. 5-Yr. 6½s, Oct. 1 1932. Offered by Century Tr. Co. and Stein Bros. & Boyce, Balt.
1,250,000	Expansion; working capital, &c.....	100	7.00	Splittdorf Bethlehem Electrical Co. 5-Yr. Conv. Deb. 7s, Sept. 1 1932. Offered to stockholders; underwritten by Watson & White, N. Y.
800,000	Expansion of business.....	100	6.50	Whitenights, Inc. Conv. Coll. Tr. 6½s, Oct. 1 1932. Offered by Childs, Jeffries & Co., Boston.
3,750,000				

Amount.	Purpose of Issue.	Price.	To Yield About.	Company and Issue and by Whom Offered.
\$ 160,000	Land, Buildings, &c.— Real estate mortgage.....	\$ 100	5.50	East Side of DeKalb Avenue North of East Gun Hill Road (Bronx, N. Y.) Guar. 5½% Mtge. Cts., 1928-32. Offered by Lawyers Mtge. Co., N. Y.
240,000	Real estate mortgage.....	100	5.50	East Side of East 19th Street South of Albermarle Road (Brooklyn, N. Y.) Guar. 5½% Mtge. Cts., 1928-32. Offered by Lawyers Mtge. Co., N. Y.
225,000	Real estate mortgage.....	100	5.50	Frankford Theatre (Phila.) 1st M. 5½s, Oct. 1 1932. Offered by Bankers Bond & Mtge. Co. and Biddle & Henry, Philadelphia.
100,000	General corporate purposes.....	---	5½-6	(C. H.) Harrison Co. 1st M. 6s, 1928-29. Offered by Backus, Fordon & Co., Detroit.
325,000	Finance construction of building.....	100	---	Hill Bldg. Corp. (Wash., D. C.) 1st Deed of Trust (1st Mtge.) Notes, 1928-32. Offered by the Federal American Co., Washington, D. C.
50,000	Provide funds for loan purposes.....	100	5.50	Inland Investment Co. (Indianapolis) 1st Mtge. 5½s, Sept. 1 1932. Offered by company.
220,000	Real estate mortgage.....	100	5.00	135-41 West 84th Street (N. Y. City) Guar. 5% Mtge. Cts., 1928-32. Offered by Lawyers Mortgage Co., New York.
1,000,000	Real estate mortgage.....	101	5.63	Rittenhouse Hotel (Phila.) 1st M. 6s, "A", Nov. 1 1930. Offered by Relly, Brock & Co. and Stroud & Co., Inc., Philadelphia.
175,000	Real estate mortgage.....	100	5.50	Roosevelt Theatre (Phila.) 1st M. 5½s, Oct. 1 1932. Offered by Bankers Bond & Mtge. Co. and Biddle & Henry, Philadelphia.
315,000	Finance sale of property.....	---	5½-6	Scully Development Co. 1st M. 6s, 1928-32. Offered by Security Trust Co., Detroit.
300,000	Provide funds for loan purposes.....	100	6.00	Stockton Mortgage Co. (Jacksonville, Fla.) 1st M. 6s, "C," April 1 1932. Offered by Baker, Watts & Co., Baltimore.
450,000	Provide funds for loan purposes.....	100	6.00	Thodan Realty Corp. (N. Y.) 1st M. Coll. Tr. 6s, 1928-30. Offered by M. W. Braderman Co., Inc., N. Y.
3,560,000	Miscellaneous— Improvements; fund curr. debt, &c.....	---	5.75-6.00	Hutchison-Moore Lumber Co. (Foulke, Miss. and Allison, Ala.) 1st M. 6s, 1928-32. Offered by Baker, Pentress & Co., Chicago.
1,000,000	Provide funds for short term credits.....	100	5.50	Leipzig City Bank (Leipzig, Germany) 5½% Notes, June 23 '28. Offered by Lee, Higginson & Co.
1,500,000	Provide funds for short term credits.....	100	5.50	Leipzig City Bank (Leipzig, Germany) 5½% Notes, Aug. 24 '28. Offered by Lee, Higginson & Co.
2,960,000				

STOCKS.

Par or No. of Shares.	Purpose of Issue.	a Amount. Involved.	Price per Share.	To Yield About.	Company and Issue, and by Whom Offered.
\$	Public Utilities—				
*25,000 shs.	Acquisitions; other corp. purposes.....	2,300,000	92	6.52	Associated Telephone Utilities Co. \$6 Cum. Prior Pref. Offered by Palne, Webber & Co., N. Y. and Mitchum, Tully & Co., San Francisco.
500,000	Retire indebtedness; other corp. purposes.....	500,000	97½	6.67	Central Indiana Gas Co. 6½% Cum. Pref. Offered by Dawes, Maynard & Co. and Lawrence, Regan & Co., Chicago.
600,000	Extensions.....	600,000	96	6.25	Central Maine Power Co. 6% Pref. Offered by company.
500,000	Additions.....	500,000	100 (par)	---	Connecticut Power Co. Common. Offered by company to stockholders.
*20,000 shs.	Additions, improvements, &c.....	2,090,000	104½	5.74	Kansas City Power & Light Co. 1st pref. "B" \$6 Div. Offered by Otis & Co. and Guaranty Co. of N. Y.
5,000,000	General corporate purposes.....	5,000,000	100	6.00	Milwaukee Electric Ry. & Light Co. 6% Cum. Pref. Offered by company.
*35,000 shs.	Additions and improvements.....	3,465,000	99	6.06	The Pennsylvania-Ohio Power & Light Co. \$6 Cum. Pref. Offered by Bonbright & Co., Inc., Eastman, Dillon & Co., W. C. Langley & Co. and Harper & Turner.
4,658,500	General corporate purposes.....	4,658,500	100 (par)	---	Peoples Gas Light & Coke Co. (Chicago) Capital Stock. Offered by co. to stockholders.
11,522,600	General corporate purposes.....	11,522,600	100	6.00	Public Service Corp. of N. J. 6% Cum. Pref. Offered by company.
2,000,000	Capital expenditures.....	2,000,000	24	5.73	Southern California Co. 5½% Cum. Pref. Series "C." Offered by E. H. Rollins & Sons, Lee, Higginson & Co. and Parkinson & Burr.
		32,636,100			
	Motors and Accessories—				
*300,000 shs.	Expansion of business.....	3,000,000	10	---	Paige Detroit Motor Car Co. Common. Offered by company to stockholders.
1,750,000	General corporate purposes.....	1,995,000	28½	---	Warner Gear Co. (Indiana) Class "A" Stock. Offered by Geo. M. Forman & Co., John Burnham & Co., Inc. and Paul H. Davis & Co.
		4,995,000			
	Other Industrial & Mfg.—				
317,400	Acquire constituent cos.....	952,200	30	---	Arrow-Hart & Hegeman Inc. (Conn.)-Capital stock. Offered by Thomson, Fenn & Co., Putnam & Co., Chas. W. Scranton & Co., Buell, Campbell & Co., Adams, Merrill & Co., Roy T. H. Barnes & Co., the R. F. Griggs Co., and Fuller, Richter, Aldrich & Co., Hartford.
2,000,000	Working capital.....	2,000,000	107	6.50	Bayuk Cigars Inc. 7% Cum. 1st Pref. Offered by Blake Bros. & Co. and Howe, Quisenberry & Co., Inc., N. Y.
*60,000 shs.	Acquire predecessor co.....	1,980,000	1 sh. cl. A	For	British-American Brewing Co. Ltd. Class "A" stock. Offered by A. G. Ghysels & Co., Inc. and Shader-Winekler Co., Detroit.
*30,000 shs.	Acquire predecessor co.....		½ sh. cl. B	\$33	British-American Brewing Co. Ltd. Class "B" stock. Offered by A. G. Ghysels & Co., Inc., and Shader-Winekler Co., Detroit.
*50,000 shs.	Retire mtge. debt; wkg. cap'l, &c.....	1,350,000	27	---	Carrier Engineering Corp. Conv. Pref. stock. Offered by Hemphill, Noyes & Co.
11,000,000	Refunding; other corp. purp.....	11,000,000	100	6.50	Consolidated Cigar Corp. 6½% Cum. Prior Pref. Offered by Dillon, Read & Co., Hemphill, Noyes & Co., Chas. D. Barney & Co., and Shields & Co., Inc.
*30,000 shs.	New capital.....	750,000	25	---	Direct Control Valve Co. Class "A" Voting stock. Offered by Campbell, Stenzel & Peterson, Inc., N. Y.
1,100,000	Expansion, working capital, &c.....	1,155,000	1 share pref.	For	Federal Bake Shops Inc. 7% Cum. Pref. Offered by Shields & Co., Inc., N. Y.
*11,000 shs.	Expansion, working capital, &c.....		1 share com.	\$105	Federal Bake Shops Inc. 7% Common stock. Offered by Shields & Co., Inc., N. Y.
15,000,000	Refunding; acq. Hersh. Choc. Co. (Pa.); working capital.....	15,000,000	99	6.06	Hershey Chocolate Corp. (of Del.) 6% Cum. Prior Pref. Offered by National City Co., Graham, Parsons & Co., Cassatt & Co., and Union Trust Co. of Pittsburgh.
*350,000 shs.	Refunding; acq. Hersh. Choc. Co. (Pa.); working capital.....	25,900,000	10 shs. pref.	For	Hershey Chocolate Corp. (of Del.) Conv. Preference Cum. \$4 per share. Offered by National City Co., Graham, Parsons & Co., and Cassatt & Co.
*105,000 shs.	Refunding; acq. Hersh. Choc. Co. (Pa.); working capital.....		3 shs. com.	\$740	Hershey Chocolate Corp. (of Del.) Common stock. Offered by National City Co., Graham, Parsons & Co., and Cassatt & Co.
60,000	Expansion of business.....	60,000	100	7.00	(The W. E.) Lamneck Co. 7% Cum. Pref. Series "B." Offered by Hugh M. Archer & Co., Columbus, Ohio.
200,000	Retire current debt, &c.....		2 shs. pref.	For	Pacific Factors Inc. 8% Cum. Pref. Offered by Los Angeles Investment Securities Corp., Los Angeles.
100,000	Retire current debt, &c.....	215,000	1 share com.	\$215	Pacific Factors Inc. Common stock. Offered by Los Angeles Investment Securities Corp., Los Angeles.
*61,902 shs.	Working capital.....	402,363	6½	---	Reynolds Spring Co. Common. Offered by company to stockholders.
2,739,900	Acquisition & devel. of properties.....	2,739,900	102	6.86	St. Regis Paper Co. 7% Cum. Pref. Offered by F. L. Carlisle & Co., Inc., E. H. Rollins & Sons, Hornblower & Weeks, and Schoellkopf, Hutton & Pomeroy, Inc.
500,000	Capital expenditures.....	537,500	2 shs. pref.	For	Shaffer Box Co. (Tacoma Wash.) 7% Cum. Pf. Offered by Tom G. Taylor Co., Seattle.
*2,500 shs.	Capital expenditures.....		1 share com.	\$215	Shaffer Box Co. (Tacoma Wash.) Com. stock. Offered by Tom G. Taylor Co., Seattle.
300,000	Additions, improvements, &c.....	300,000	100	7.00	Wolverine Tube Co. 7% Pref. Offered by Merrill, Lynch & Co., and Howe, Snow & Co., Inc.
		64,341,963			
	Land Buildings &c.—				
1,000,000	Reduce curr. debt; working capital.....	1,000,000	1 sh. pf. (Price on	---	Baker Properties Inc. 7% 1st Pref. Offered by Morris T. Baker & Co., Minneapolis.
*10,000 shs.	Reduce curr. debt; working capital.....		1 sh. com (Applc.	---	Baker Properties Inc. Common stock. Offered by Morris T. Baker & Co., Minneapolis.
75,000	Finance construction of apt.....	75,000	100	6.00	Berry Apt. Co. (Hammond Ind.) 6% Pf. Offered by the Meyer-Kiser Bank, Ind'polis
200,000	Finance construction of apt.....	200,000	100	6.00	Bronx Realty Co. (Gary Ind.) 6% 1st Pf. Offered by the Meyer-Kiser Bank, Ind'polis
185,000	Finance construction of buildings.....	185,000	100	6.00	Community Realty Co. (Indianapolis) 6% Cum. 1st Pref., due 1930-43. Offered by Fletcher American Co., Indianapolis.
*100,000 shs.	Acquisition of property.....	3,800,000	38	---	Lefcourt Realty Corp. Conv. Pref. Cum. \$3 per share. Offered by Hemphill, Noyes & Co., and Lage & Co., N. Y.
35,000	Finance construction of building.....	35,000	100	6.00	Lighthouse Electric Realty Co. (Gary Ind.) 6% Pref. Offered by the Meyer-Kiser Bank, Indianapolis.
930 cts.	Finance, lease of, property.....	948,600	1,020	---	Loew's-United Artists (Columbus O.) Corp. Fee & Leasehold Tr. Cts. Offered by Huntington National Bank, and Raymond T. Brower, Inc.
*30,000 shs.	Working capital.....	1,500,000	50	---	Marshall Public Corp. (Brooklyn, N. Y.) stock. Offered by Ebert Co., Brooklyn, N. Y.
*35,000 shs.	Finance construction of building.....	1,400,000	1 share pref.	For	Newark (N. J.) Garden Corp. Conv. Pref. Cum. \$3½ per share. Offered by Bennett, Converse & Schwab, Inc., N. Y.
*23,333 1-3s	Finance construction of building.....		2-3d sh. com.	\$40	Newark (N. J.) Garden Corp. Common stock. Offered by Bennett, Converse & Schwab, Inc., N. Y.
1,350 cts.	Finance, lease of property.....	1,383,750	1,025	---	Northwestern Bldg. (Portland, Ore.) Land Tr. Cts. Offered by Union Tr. Co., Cleve.
85,000	Finance construction of building.....	85,000	100	6.00	Resnick Realty Co. (Gary, Ind.) 6% Pref. Offered by the Meyer-Kiser Bank, Ind'polis
65,000	Finance construction of building.....	65,000	100	6.00	Ridge-Adams Realty Co. (Gary, Ind.) 6% Pf. Offered by the Meyer-Kiser Bank, Ind'polis
160,000	Finance construction of hotel.....	160,000	100	6.00	Sheffield Realty Co. (Indianapolis) 6% Pref. Offered by the Meyer-Kiser Bank, Indianapolis.
130,000	Finance construction of apartment.....	130,000	100	6.00	Siler Apt. Co. (Gary, Ind.) 6% 1st Pref. Offered by the Meyer-Kiser Bk, Ind'polis.
110,000	Finance construction of apartment.....	110,000	100	6.00	Stebbing Realty Co. (Anderson, Ind.) 6% 1st Pref. Offered by the Meyer-Kiser Bank, Indianapolis.
		11,077,350			
	Miscellaneous—				
*70,000 shs.	Acq. group of retail drug stores.....	1,400,000	20	---	Allison Drug Stores Corp. Class "A" Conv. stock. Offered by Baker, Simonds & Co.
*20,000 shs.	Acq. group of retail drug stores.....	300,000	15	---	Allison Drug Stores Corp. Class "B" stock. Offered by Baker, Simonds & Co.
50,000 shs.	Additional capital.....	4,000,000	80	---	Austrian Credit-Anstalt (Vienna, Austria) "American shares," Offered by Goldman, Sachs & Co., Ames, Emerich & Co., and Strupp & Co.
4,500,000	Enable mtge. acq. part. com. stk.....	4,500,000	100	7.00	Bullock's, Inc. 7% Cum. 1st Pref. Offered by Citizens National Co., Los Angeles, American National Co., San Francisco, and California Securities Co., Los Angeles.
2,500,000	Working capital.....	2,500,000	20 (par)	---	Hawaiian Pineapple Co., Ltd. Capital stock. Offered by company to stockholders.
15,000 cts.	Working capital.....	727,500	48½	---	Industrial Discount Co. of Amsterdam (Holland) "American share Certificates" representing Common stock. Offered by F. J. Lisman & Co., and First Federal Foreign Investment Trust.
*40,000 shs.	Provide funds for investment purp.....	1,040,000	1 share pref.	For	Mitchum, Tully Participations, Inc. Pref. Offered by Mitchum, Tully & Co., San Francisco, and Kiddler, Peabody & Co., N. Y.
*40,000 shs.	Provide funds for investment purp.....		1 share com.	\$26	Mitchum, Tully Participations, Inc. Com. Offered by Mitchum, Tully & Co., San Francisco, and Kiddler, Peabody, & Co., N. Y.

Par or No. of Shares	Purpose of Issue.	Amount Involved.	Price per Share.	To Yield About	Company and Issue, and by Whom Offered.
\$ 3,500,000	Miscellaneous (Concl. ded) Provide funds for investment purp.	\$ 4,900,000	1 share pref. {	% For	Second International Securities Corp. 6% Cum. 1st Pref. Offered by American Founders Trust, N. Y.
*35,000shs	Provide funds for investment purp.		½ sh. com. A {	\$70	Second International Securities Corp. Class "A" Com. Offered by American Founders Trust, N. Y.
350,000	Additional capital	490,000	2 shs. pref. {	For	Service Appliance Co., Inc. (Schenectady, N. Y.) 8% Cum. Pref. Offered by co.
*3,500shs	Additional capital	860,000	1 share com. {	\$140	Service Appliance Co., Inc. (Schenectady, N. Y.) Com. stock. Offered by company.
*20,000shs	Acquisitions, additions, &c.	800,000	43		United States Freight Co Capital stock. Offered by company to stockholders.
800,000	Enable mtge. acquire stk. control.	800,000	98½c	7.10	(Wm.) Zoller Co. (Pittsburgh) 7% Cum. Pref. Offered by K. W. Todd & Co., Inc., S. M. Voshell & Co., and Glover & MacGregor, Pittsburgh.
		21,517,500			

FARM LOAN ISSUES.

Amount.	Miscellaneous (Concl.) Issue and Purpose.	Price.	To Yield About.	Offered by
\$ 375,000	Atlanta Joint Stock Land Bank 5s, 1937-57 (provide funds for loan purposes)	102	4.73	C. F. Childs & Co., New York.
29,000,000	Federal Land Bank 4s, 1937-57 (provide funds for loan purposes)	100	4.00	Alex Brown & Sons; Harris, Forbes & Co.; Brown Bros. & Co.; Lee, Higginson & Co.; National City Co., and Guaranty Co. of New York.
300,000	First Joint Stock Land Bank of Fort Wayne Ind., 4½s, 1937-57 (provide funds for loan purposes)	102	4.25	Fletcher Savings & Trust Co., Indianapolis.
1,000,000	First Trust Joint Stock Land Bank of Chicago 4½s, 1937-57 (provide funds for loan purposes)	100½	4.18	First Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago.
300,000	Fletcher Joint Stock Land Bank 4½s, 1937-57 (provide funds for loan purposes)	102½	4.18	Fletcher Savings & Trust Co., Indianapolis.
300,000	Lafayette Joint Stock Land Bank 4½s, 1937-57 (provide funds for loan purposes)	102	4.25	Fletcher Savings & Trust Co., Indianapolis.
500,000	Southwest Joint Stock Land Bank (Little Rock) 5s, 1937-57 (provide funds for loan purposes)	102	4.72	C. F. Childs & Co., New York.
31,775,000				

FOREIGN GOVERNMENT LOANS.

Amount.	Issue and Purpose.	Price.	To Yield About.	Offered by
\$ 41,500,000	U. S. of Brazil Ext. Loan 6½s, of 1927, due 1957 (liquidate treasury obligations, including floating debt)	92½	7.10	Dillon, Read & Co.; National City Co.; Lee, Higginson & Co.; Blair & Co., Inc.; J. Henry Schroder Banking Corp.; White, Weld & Co.; International Acceptance Bank, Inc.; Kissel, Kinnicutt & Co.; Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co.; the First National Corp. of Boston; Continental & Commercial Co.; Illinois Merchants Trust Co.; Union Trust Co., Cleveland; Hemphill, Noyes & Co.; Shields & Co., Inc.; Paine, Webber & Co.; Cassatt & Co.; Edward B. Smith & Co., and Janney & Co.
5,000,000	State of Hamburg (Germany) Certificates of Participation in 1-Year 5% Treasury Note Due Nov. 1 1928 (acquisition and development of real estate; financing industrial enterprises)	---	5½	International Acceptance Bank, Inc.; Brown Bros. & Co.; J. Henry Schroder Banking Corp., and Lee, Higginson & Co.
47,000,000	Republic of Poland Stabilization Loan of 1927 Ext. 7s, 1947 (consolidate and perpetuate condition of monetary stability and budgetary equilibrium)	92	7.86	Bankers Trust Co., N. Y.; Blair & Co., Inc.; Chase Securities Corp.; Guaranty Co. of N. Y.; W. A. Harriman & Co., Inc.; Marshall Field, Gloré, Ward & Co.; E. H. Rollins & Sons; Tucker, Anthony & Co., and Paine, Webber & Co.
30,000,000	Free State of Prussia Ext. Loan 6s 1952 (proceeds to be used for production and revenue producing purposes)	96½	6.28	Harris, Forbes & Co.; Brown Bros. & Co.; the Equitable Trust Co. of N. Y.; the New York Trust Co.; Mendelssohn & Co.; International Acceptance Bank, Inc., and J. Henry Schroder Banking Corp.
2,122,500	Province of Tucuman (Argentina) Ext. 7s, 1950 (increase capital of the banks of the Province of Tucuman)	94½	7.50	Paine, Webber & Co.
125,000,000				

* Shares of no par value.

a Preferred stocks of a stated par value are taken at par, while preferred stocks of no par value and all classes of common are computed at their offering prices.

b Each \$1,000 bond accompanied by three shares of capital stock.

c Bonus of 1-5th shares of common stock given with each share of preferred.

Indications of Business Activity

STATE OF TRADE—COMMERCIAL EPITOME.

Friday Night, Nov. 11, 1927.

Cold weather has caused some increase in trade, notably in the retail lines, but great floods in New England States have of course interfered with business and caused more or less inconvenience to textile industries where they have not caused considerable damage. A noteworthy fact is that according to the Association of Cotton Textile Merchants the October sales of standard cloths were only 68% of production, that unsold stocks increased nearly 18% during the month, while unfilled orders fell off nearly 14%. The sharp decline in cotton, in two days reaching some 200 points has naturally had a more or less unsettling effect on the cotton goods business. Some cloths have declined ¼c while some yarns are said to be down ½ to 1c. Trade in finished cottons has been very quiet. Woolens and worsted fabrics, as well as winter goods, had a better sale, owing to the sharp drop in the temperatures. The trade in spring silk goods has been small. Raw silk has been dull and lower. Raw cotton declined \$10 a bale on the crop estimate on the 9th inst. of 12,842,000 bales. That showed an increase over the estimate of a month ago of only 164,000 bales, but it happened to be 300,000 bales more than the generality of people had expected and as the position was heavily long and the effect was marked. What are termed "stale" long accounts came out in large volume. The short side became popular. The pressure was so great that for the eighth time this season prices had

a major set back and bull speculation is not expected to be resumed immediately. To-day there was a rise of \$2.50 to \$3 a bale as a technical reaction after the recent big drop and also because of considerable fixing of prices by domestic and foreign trade interests. A forecast of freezing weather in the Southwest was a contributory factor. As usual there is a dispute about the correctness of the Government cotton figures. There are those who do not believe that the estimated crop of 12,842,000 bales will be ginned. World spinners takings of American cotton in the meantime have increased. And if exports are 500,000 bales less than last year up to this time the effect is reflected in steadily decreasing European stocks which sooner or later must be replenished. Wool has been in only moderate demand, but steadily, and Australian wool sales have been at an advance of 5 to 10 per cent over the previous sales.

Wheat has advanced somewhat with a fair export demand and to-day, when Chicago was closed for the Armistice holiday, Winnipeg advanced noticeably with snows in Western Canada which were not wanted. The tendency of European markets, seems to be upward and it would not be surprising if American exports this season should forge well ahead of those of last year. Up to November 10 they are some 2,300,000 bushels larger than the same time last year. Corn has advanced, although the crop estimate has been increased about 150,000,000 bushels as compared with the estimate of a month ago. There are some export inquiries

and a certain quantity of kaffir corn has been sold for export within the last 24 hours. The crop is stated by the Government at 2,753,250,000 bushels as against the final figures last year of 2,645,031,000 bushels. The stock on farms is 70,000,000 bushels less than a year ago. It is significant that the crop is turning out better than was expected early in the season. In fact the latest Government estimate is 750,000,000 bushels larger than some of the pessimistic private estimates some time ago. And yet the price of No. 2 yellow corn is now 17 cents a bushel higher than a year ago. There has been a better export business in rye at rising prices. At least half a million bushels have latterly been sold to foreign markets. There is also some foreign inquiry from time to time for oats and barley.

Coffee has declined rather sharply, the Brazilian markets latterly taking a downward turn, and the first notice day for December delivery here is approaching. Demand has also slackened somewhat. A good deal of coffee will have to be bought during the next two or three months and on the whole the Defense Committee in Brazil is believed to have the situation pretty well in hand, at least for the time being. Sugar has advanced somewhat with a sudden increase in spot activity in the middle of the week. But the main bullish factor was an idea that Cuba's Commissioner, Col. Tarafa, is making progress in Europe in his efforts to secure the co-operation of producers there in Cuba's scheme to control output and exports. As for sugar speculation, however, it has been quiet pending definite developments in both Cuba and Europe. London prices, to the surprise of the New York trade, have latterly weakened and the reports are not unanimous that Cuban propaganda is everywhere meeting with success in Europe. There have been rumors from time to time of opposition across the water. Rubber has shown no marked net change but near deliveries are somewhat lower than a week ago, and during the week fluctuations have now and then been sharp. Advances have taken place at times on reports that the restriction scheme would be more rigorously carried out. But of late for some reason London has declined and New York has followed. The October consumption fell off 10.2%. The truth is that the effort to sustain prices of coffee, sugar and rubber artificially are of questionable wisdom and the ultimate outcome at best dubious. In the long run it seems clear enough from experience that these trades, like all others, must fall back on the law of supply and demand, rather than on artificial measures for circumventing it.

The colder weather has helped the coal trade to some extent, both as to bituminous and anthracite. Larger sales are reported of rails in the steel trade and of oil trade material and one company is trying to advance prices. But the steel trade in the main is dull and depressed. There is no improvement in pig iron. If anything the tendency of iron prices still seems to be downward. A better business has been done in clothing and also in shoes, rubbers and other footwear. Chain stores trade shows an increase in 10 months of 14.1%; mail order stores 3.6%; chain and mail order stores 10.6%. But wholesale lines for nine months show a decrease of 3½%. In Virginia tobacco has sold at higher prices. Trade in automobiles is not satisfactory. It was said that automobile financing companies were feeling the effects of slackness of trade. That branch of business will be sharply watched for any sign of a definite slackening of the craze for motor traveling. General trade was affected to-day by the observance of Armistice day as a legal holiday in every part of the West and South.

Latterly there has been a rally in the stock market, but the reception of the increased dividend on General Motors was rather disappointing. Money has been easy however, with the call rate to-day 3½%, against 4½% a year ago. There was less selling pressure in the stock market to-day and sterling exchange was at the highest point seen since 1914. That is certainly a fact of good omen. Demand bills to-day were 486 31/32, or 5/16 above par, and cable transfers were 487 11/32, a new high for the year. There was a good demand here for what are termed farm stocks. The technical position of the stock market no doubt is better generally and with colder weather in this country there are signs of some improvement in business. The damage arising from the recent very heavy rains and floods in New England is regrettable but they are very far from being of a magnitude to cripple its business. In fact the textile mills are rapidly resuming work where they had been interfered

with at all. Bonds were in good demand and strong and some of the United States Treasury issues sold at new high record prices. French 7½s reached a new high level, and not a few guilt-edged rail and public utility issues also were up to a new peak. London was rather quiet to-day with German and Polish issues somewhat lower.

Fall River, Mass., reported the tone firm but the break in raw cotton prices militates against trade for the time being. New England advices said that no serious damage as a rule had been done to textile mills by the recent rains and floods, though there were some which had not escaped heavy losses. Boston wired early in the week that with losses through New England estimated at \$50,000,000 the floods which have brought such great havoc, especially along the valleys of the Connecticut, Merrimac and Blackstone rivers, reached their crest early in the week and at many points were subsiding. The full extent of the losses will not be known for some days. Many of the wool and cotton mills, as well as the paper mills and wood-working plants on these rivers suffered more or less damage, chiefly, however, through the wetting of goods and machinery in the basements and lower floors of the mills. Several departments of the Amoskeag Mills at Manchester suffered in this manner. The American Woolen Co.'s mills were not seriously damaged by the flood and only 5 mills were inundated to an extent that will delay operations and shipments. At Winooski, Vt., the Burlington and Champlain mills were badly damaged. The Black River Mill at Ludlow, Vt., and the Lebanon and Mascoma mills at Lebanon, N. H., were flooded, but not crippled. The Sawyer mills at Dover and the Tilton at Tilton, N. H., were affected, but the latter has been closed for some time. The inundation of the Wood Worsted Mill at Lawrence, Mass., did but slight damage.

The worsted division of the Amoskeag Manufacturing Co. is doing well. At Wilton, N. H., the Hillsborough mills are busy on fine worsted yarns and tops, operating 8,400 spindles and 8 combs at capacity day and night. At Dover, N. H., the Pacific mills are operating at a good rate on a brisk trade. At Rochester, N. H., the Cocheo Woolen Co. mills are doing well in woolens. At Keene, the Faulkner & Colony mills and the Wassookeag Woolen Co. continue to operate at a satisfactory rate. The woolen mills of H. W. Brown are running at a high rate. At Pickens, S. C., the Pickens Cotton Mill, which operates 23,000 spindles and 622 looms, producing sheeting, will run day and night beginning Nov. 14.

October sales of 561 department stores reporting to the Federal Reserve System were 3.3% smaller than in October last year. Sales of two mail order houses and eight five and ten-cent chain stores were about 8% larger. F. W. Woolworth & Co.'s sales for October were \$26,031,788 an increase of 4.96% over October 1926. Sales for the first 10 months of this year were \$205,118,179 an increase of 8.10% over those of October. S. S. Kresge Co.'s sales for October totaled \$12,084,135 an increase of 10.5% over October 1926. Sales for the first 10 months of this year amounted to \$98,711,155, an increase of 12.4% over the corresponding period last year.

Some 150 persons lost their lives in the great rain storms with accompanying floods that swept New England late last week followed by snows. Fires broke out in the Vermont flood zone. Epidemics threatened thousands of homeless persons. Typhoid serum is being distributed. Famine conditions appeared in some towns cut off from transportation and supplies. Later the waters receded in most States. The damage is estimated at \$150,000,000. The story is one of death, exposure, suffering, hunger, landslides, washouts, and interrupted railroad and telephone communication. In the Valleys of the Connecticut, Merrimack River in Vermont, New Hampshire and Massachusetts the textile mills of various towns have been more or less damaged or have had to be closed temporarily though the big Amoskeag mills at Manchester, N. H., were in operation on the 7th inst. A snow storm helped to save the town of Ludlow, Vermont, from destruction by fire. Here it became very cool on the 5th inst. and grew more so in the two or three following days. On the 6th inst. it was 32 to 45 degrees in New York, 30 to 46 in Philadelphia, 28 to 34 in Pittsburgh, 34 to 52 in Boston, 30 to 36 in Chicago, 28 to 42 in Cincinnati, 38 to 42 in Kansas City, 32 to 36 in Cleveland and St. Louis and 26 to 36 in St. Paul. On the 8th inst. there was a little snow and sleet

storm here. On the 10th inst. it was 36 to 51 degrees here, 40 to 62 in Chicago, 38 to 64 in Cincinnati, 38 to 56 in Cleveland, 32 to 50 in Boston and 36 to 46 at Minneapolis.

Business Indexes of Federal Reserve Board.

The Indexes of production, employment, and trade issued Nov. 1 by the Federal Reserve Board follow:

INDEX OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION.
(Adjusted for seasonal variations. Monthly average 1923-25=100)

	1927			1926				1927			1926		
	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.		Sept.	Aug.	Sept.	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.
Total	106	107	112	106	107	112	Manufacturers—	97	101	117	97	101	117
Manufactures	106	107	112	106	107	112	Iron and steel	118	*119	109	118	*119	109
Minerals	105	106	111	105	106	111	Textiles	93	*97	103	93	*97	103
							Food products	113	111	116	113	111	116
Minerals—							Paper and printing	99	*95	99	99	*95	99
Bituminous	92	*92	109	92	*92	109	Lumber	81	88	124	81	88	124
Anthracite	100	*107	127	100	*107	127	Automobiles	113	*106	105	113	*106	105
Petroleum	124	*123	107	124	*123	107	Leather and shoes	116	*115	117	116	*115	117
Iron ore	87	*99	116	87	*99	116	Cement, brick, glass	107	*108	112	107	*108	112
Copper	104	101	113	104	101	113	Nonferrous metals	139	136	128	139	136	128
Zinc	111	*114	121	111	*114	121	Petroleum refining	113	119	132	113	119	132
Lead	114	*112	117	114	*112	117	Rubber tires	123	119	113	123	119	113
Silver	89	*94	96	89	*94	96	Tobacco mfrs.						

INDEXES OF EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLLS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

(Without seasonal adjustment. Monthly average 1919=100)

	Employment			Pay Rolls		
	1927	1926	1927	1927	1926	1926
	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.
Total	91.9	91.2	95.8	103.8	104.4	108.3
Iron and steel	84.7	85.0	92.7	87.3	89.8	97.9
Textiles—group	93.9	92.3	91.3	104.8	102.7	98.9
Fabrics	96.5	95.6	92.8	107.3	105.8	100.7
Products	90.5	88.2	89.5	101.9	98.9	96.7
Lumber	93.0	92.4	100.0	107.3	105.8	113.7
Railroad vehicles	76.1	76.7	85.0	81.3	85.4	88.9
Automobiles	111.0	114.3	124.6	128.7	136.3	148.9
Paper and printing	107.8	106.9	108.4	148.9	147.2	146.8
Foods, &c	88.7	85.8	88.6	104.4	101.7	103.6
Leather, &c	88.5	88.2	90.9	95.2	97.5	97.4
Stone, Clay, glass	119.3	120.2	129.3	145.7	149.0	157.0
Tobacco, &c	83.5	74.4	80.6	90.5	79.7	87.6
Chemicals, &c	76.9	75.3	77.4	105.7	105.2	102.3

INDEXES OF WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE.

	Wholesale Trade			Retail Trade		
	1927	1926	1927	1927	1926	1926
	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.
Total	91	88	97	143	144	144
Groceries	85	83	92	130	113	131
Meat	80	75	86			
Dry Goods	106	108	114			
Shoes	87	79	84	133	130	132
Hardware	109	99	112	143	130	142
Drugs	131	126	124			
				Dept. Store Sales:		
				Adjusted	143	144
				Unadjusted	130	113
				Dept. Store Stocks:		
				Adjusted	133	130
				Unadjusted	143	130
				Mail Order Sales:		
				Adjusted	134	150
				Unadjusted	126	113

*Revised.

Automobile Models and Prices.

The new Pierce Arrow models, first mentioned in our issue of Nov. 5, p. 2454, strike an entirely new note in body design, bearing no resemblance to previous Pierce-Arrow models. Body and roof lines, radiator, lamps, fenders and cowl all show radically different treatment from the more conservative modeling which has characterized Pierce-Arrow in the past. Prices on the new series 81 line range from \$2,900 to \$3,550, compared with prices ranging from \$2,495 to \$3,450 on the series 80 line, f. o. b. factory.

The new eight-in-line series, to be known as the 8-78 which is not in production at the Elcar Motor Co.'s plant, gives this company a line of 28 cars. The 8-78 contributes 4 new models to the line; a 5-passenger touring car and a 4-passenger roadster. The new models have a 123-inch wheelbase, are mounted on the Elcar shockless chassis, have Lockheed 4-wheel hydraulic brakes and are equipped with a 65 h.p. Lycoming motor.

Railroad Revenue Freight Loading Large but Well Below a Year Ago.

Loading of revenue freight for the week ended on Oct. 29 totaled 1,112,621 cars, according to reports filed on Nov. 8 by the railroads with the Car Service Division of the American Railway Association. This was a decrease of 15,865 cars below the preceding week this year, reductions being reported in the loading of all commodities except miscellaneous freight and forest products, both of which showed increases. The total for the week of Oct. 29 was a decrease of 96,257 cars under the same week last year but 21,467 cars above the same week in 1925. Particularizing the report says:

Miscellaneous freight loading for the week totaled 447,044 cars, a decrease of 8,278 cars under the corresponding week last year but 30,915 cars above the same week in 1925.

Coal loading amounted to 182,136 cars. This was a decrease of 54,598 cars under the same week last year and a decrease of 12,406 cars compared with the same period two years ago.

Grain and grain products loading totaled 56,168 cars, a decrease of 509 cars under the same week in 1926 but 8,064 cars above the same period in 1925. In the Western districts alone, grain and grain products loading totaled 39,524 cars, an increase of 2,403 cars above the same week last year.

Live stock loading amounted to 38,183 cars, a decrease of 1,810 cars below the same week last year and 2,383 cars below the same week in 1925. In the Western districts alone, live stock loading totaled 30,307 cars, an increase of 961 cars above the same week last year.

Loading of merchandise and less than carload lot freight totaled 268,433 cars, a decrease of 2,895 cars below the same week last year and 1,480 cars below the corresponding week two years ago.

Forest products loading totaled 69,290 cars, 3,600 cars below the same week last year and 795 cars below the same week in 1925.

Ore loading totaled 42,071 cars, 20,540 cars below the same week in 1926 and 4,776 cars below the corresponding week two years ago.

Coke loading amounted to 9,287 cars, a decrease of 4,027 cars under the same week in 1926 and 5,764 cars below the same period in 1925.

All districts reported decreases in the total loading of all commodities compared with the corresponding period in 1926 but all except the Eastern, Pocahontas and Centralwestern districts reported increases compared with the corresponding period in 1925.

Loading of revenue freight this year compared with the two previous years follows:

	1927	1926	1925
Five weeks in January	4,524,749	4,428,256	4,456,949
Four weeks in February	3,823,931	3,677,332	3,623,047
Four weeks in March	4,016,395	3,877,397	3,702,413
Five weeks in April	4,890,749	4,791,006	4,710,903
Four weeks in May	4,096,742	4,145,820	3,869,306
Four weeks in June	3,974,160	4,089,340	3,965,872
Five weeks in July	4,935,397	5,213,759	4,945,091
Four weeks in August	4,249,359	4,388,118	4,321,427
Four weeks in September	4,360,022	4,523,112	4,297,936
Five weeks in October	5,587,921	5,967,576	5,537,159
Total	44,459,425	45,101,716	43,430,103

Retail Trade in United States in September as Reported to Federal Reserve Board.—Distribution to Consumers Less Than Usual.—Nine Months Sales Slightly Above Same Period Last Year.

Distribution of merchandise to consumers, as indicated by sales of department stores, mail order houses and chain stores increased less than usual in September, according to the September survey issued by the Federal Reserve Board. The latter goes on to say:

Compared with a year ago sales of department stores continued in about the same volume, while those of mail order houses and chain stores were larger.

For the first nine months of the year as a whole, sales of department stores averaged about 1% larger than in the corresponding period of last year and those of mail order houses were slightly more than 2% larger. Sales of chain stores showed relatively larger increases for the first nine months of 1927, as compared with a year ago, than sales of department stores and mail order houses, but this was due, in part, to the fact that the number of stores operated by the different chain companies increased during the year.

A summary of the changes in sales in September and in the first nine months of the year, as compared with the corresponding periods of last year, for retail firms reporting to the Federal reserve system and the number of firms reporting are shown in the table

CHANGES IN RETAIL SALES AND NUMBER OF FIRMS REPORTING.

Class of Stores.	Percentage of Increase (+) or Decrease (-) in Sales in—		Number of Stores Reporting.	
	September 1927 Compared with September 1926.	9 Mos. 1927 Compared with 9 Mos. 1926.	Sept. 1926.	Sept. 1927.
	Department stores	-0.1	+0.6	660
Mail order houses	+4.7	+2.4	4	4
Chains of stores—				
Grocery	+25.1	+22.7	25,923	28,068
Five and ten cent	+10.1	+10.6	2,252	2,461
Drug	+9.5	+13.6	652	762
Cigar	-4.0	+1.6	3,353	3,449
Shoe	-1.0	+0.4	566	606
Music	-8.7	-13.5	61	62
Candy	+2.4	+5.5	274	280

Department Store Sales and Stocks by Federal Reserve Districts.

While department store sales were in about the same volume in September as a year ago, for the country as a whole, there were wide variations for the different sections of the country. In the Boston, New York, Atlanta and San Francisco Federal reserve districts sales were larger than in September, 1926, the largest increases being in the Atlanta district, where sales were nearly 20% greater than last year. In the other districts sales were smaller than in 1926, the largest declines occurring in the Philadelphia, St. Louis, Minneapolis and Dallas districts.

Inventories carried by department stores increased further in September, reflecting the usual seasonal growth in stocks in anticipation of the expansion in retail sales that occurs in the autumn, and at the end of the month stocks were in about the same volume as in September, 1926. Stocks of stores in the Boston, Cleveland, Atlanta, Kansas City and San Francisco districts increased, while those in the other districts, except New York and Richmond where they were about the same as a year ago, were smaller.

Stock Turnover.

The rate at which stocks of merchandise of department stores were turned over averaged about the same for all reporting firms in September as a year ago. For the nine months ending in September the rate of turnover was about the same as for the corresponding period in 1926.

SALES OF DEPT. STORES, MAIL ORDER HOUSES AND CHAIN STORES. (Index numbers. Monthly average 1919=100.)

	Department Stores (359)	Mail Order Houses (4)	Chains.						
			Grocery 5 & 10 (27)	Drugs (5)	Drugs (9)	Cigar (3)	Shoe (6)	Music (4)	Candy (3)
1926.									
May	137	105	322	214	188	160	174	109	220
June	130	113	309	204	184	152	153	118	204
July	99	97	317	206	195	155	145	108	210
August	105	98	296	204	193	148	122	121	194
September	131	121	307	211	192	153	142	137	218
1927.									
May	132	106	383	224	206	157	143	88	216
June	130	114	399	224	210	151	155	87	215
July	97	100	373	221	217	153	145	80	211
August	113	113	382	237	215	147	132	98	208
September	130	126	254	232	210	146	140	126	223

DEPARTMENT STORE SALES, BY FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICTS.
(Index numbers. Monthly average 1919-100.)

	U. S. (359) *	Federal Reserve District.								
		Boston (24)*	New York (63)*	Phila. (22)*	Cleve- land (54)*	Rich- mond (25)*	At- lanta (35)*	Chi- cago (63)*	Min- neap. (23)*	Dal- las (21)*
1926.										
May	137	134	139	137	137	129	114	159	102	115
June	130	134	137	129	126	123	104	146	93	107
July	99	94	99	87	100	96	80	115	81	79
August	105	97	99	89	108	93	82	121	84	91
September	131	122	136	116	123	110	92	164	103	114
1927.										
May	132	130	134	124	132	123	108	151	92	116
June	130	139	143	126	124	120	102	147	92	100
July	97	90	96	80	98	89	79	114	76	72
August	113	106	106	92	116	97	87	138	89	83
September	130	124	138	110	118	109	101	160	97	109

* Number of stores included in index

CHANGES IN SALES AND STOCKS OF DEPARTMENT STORES, SEPT. 1927.
(Increase (+) or Decrease (-). Based on value figures.)

Federal Reserve District and City.	Change in Sales.		Change in Stocks.	
	September 1927 Compared with September 1926.	Jan. 1-Sept. 30 1927 Compared with Jan. 1-Sept. 30 1926.	Sept. 30 1927 Compared with Sept. 30 1926.	Aug. 31 1927.
	Per Cent.	Per Cent.	Per Cent.	Per Cent.
Boston:				
Boston	+1.0	+2.3	+2.0	+12.1
Outside Boston	+5.2	+3.1	+1.7	+16.2
New Haven	+4.1	+3.5	-1.6	+12.4
Providence	+7.0	+2.3	+3.7	+18.9
Total	+2.5	+2.4	+1.9	+13.8
New York:				
New York	+1.4	+2.4	+1.6	+8.4
Bridgeport	-7.9	-4.7	-26.9	-6.6
Buffalo	-1.4	-0.5	-9.0	+15.2
Newark	+11.2	+9.0	+9.1	+12.8
Rochester	-2.1	-2.8	-5.6	+9.9
Syracuse	+2.9	-0.5	-9.5	+7.6
Other cities	-1.0	-0.8	-2.6	+9.4
Total	+2.2	+2.4	+0.0	+9.2
Philadelphia:				
Philadelphia	-4.9	-3.7	-3.8	10.2
Allentown	+2.9	+7.9	+4.7	+13.8
Altoona	-2.0	+6.3	-1.2	+10.5
Harrisburg	-9.1	-9.5	-3.8	+11.2
Johnstown	-9.8	-3.0	+3.4	+7.7
Lancaster	-3.5	-3.5	+16.2	+17.7
Reading	-4.9	-5.2	-2.4	+18.9
Scranton	+1.8	-0.3	+1.2	+8.4
Trenton	-4.7	-1.7	+9.8	+10.5
Wilkes-Barre	-6.0	+1.2	+4.3	+10.4
Wilmington	+3.2	+2.9	+6.3	+10.7
York	-9.3	+1.5	-1.7	+17.0
Other cities	-9.6	-5.2	-4.0	+10.0
Total	-4.7	-2.9	-2.3	+10.3
Cleveland:				
Cleveland	-2.0	+1.9	+5.2	+10.0
Akron	-2.3	+4.2	+1.5	+9.8
Cincinnati	+0.2	+4.1	+5.5	+13.2
Columbus	+4.3	+14.4	+3.4	+13.2
Pittsburgh	-4.4	-2.4	-0.4	+5.9
Toledo	-8.3	+4.0	-3.1	+5.9
Wheeling	-2.7	-1.8	-7.1	+19.0
Youngstown	-1.2	+6.8	+15.0	+15.7
Other cities	-5.9	-1.4	-0.2	+9.4
Total	-2.7	-1.3	+1.7	+10.4
Richmond:				
Richmond	+2.0	+3.4	+1.1	+10.9
Baltimore	-2.6	-3.7	-3.3	+15.0
Washington	+1.0	-1.2	+0.9	+15.7
Other cities	+0.6	-0.4	+5.6	+11.9
Total	-0.4	-1.7	-0.3	+14.5
Atlanta:				
Atlanta	+29.1	+12.3	+15.0	+24.9
Birmingham	+15.5	-0.2	-19.1	+7.8
Chattanooga	+9.1	+2.0	+3.6	+6.7
Nashville	+7.9	+0.7	+6.1	+11.8
New Orleans	+1.7	-2.0	+9.4	+9.1
Savannah	-1.7	+1.2	-3.2	+23.9
Other cities	+1.1	-9.3	-5.3	+13.8
Total	+9.6	-1.0	+2.6	+12.6
Chicago:				
Chicago	-0.1	+3.4	-3.6	+13.1
Detroit	+2.4	+5.7	-1.9	+3.7
Indianapolis	-4.7	+3.1	+20.5	+15.5
Milwaukee	-3.4	+0.7	+1.3	+12.1
Other cities	-8.3	-3.3	-6.6	+9.5
Total	-2.2	+1.8	-1.3	+9.1
St. Louis:				
St. Louis	-9.0	-2.8	-1.9	+10.9
Evansville	+17.0	+17.3	+24.6	+15.1
Little Rock	-3.9	-4.4	-1.0	+11.9
Louisville	-4.2	-0.5	-9.7	+19.3
Memphis	-1.3	-5.1	-11.0	+9.9
Total	-6.9	-2.9	-3.7	+11.5
Minneapolis:				
Minneapolis	-2.0	-2.0	-8.0	+6.0
Duluth-Superior	-2.0	-0.0	-2.0	+7.0
St. Paul	-10.0	-4.0	-4.0	+9.0
Total	-6.0	+2.0	-5.0	+8.0
Kansas City:				
Kansas City	-7.7	-3.6	+2.5	+5.4
Denver	-2.4	+0.8	+0.5	+4.8
Lincoln	-2.4	+1.8	-6.6	+5.3
Oklahoma City	+14.1	+13.2	+15.9	+11.8
Omaha	+6.5	-2.9	+11.1	+16.9
Tulsa	+6.2	+12.0	+8.3	+14.0
Wichita	-2.6	+8.4	+10.5	+3.3
Other cities	-8.0	-2.7	-4.3	+9.2
Total	-0.7	+2.1	+2.8	+7.5
Dallas:				
Dallas	-13.5	-9.7	-8.5	-8.7
Fort Worth	-1.5	+2.7	-2.4	+10.1
Houston	+12.3	+4.1	-2.1	+7.4
Other cities	-3.4	-2.2	-2.4	+10.2
Total	-4.1	-2.8	-4.5	+9.3
San Francisco:				
San Francisco	-3.6	+0.2	+2.9	+5.6
Los Angeles	+7.6	+6.0	+0.5	+3.8
Oakland	-1.7	-0.2	-6.5	+7.4
Salt Lake City	-3.6	-1.4	+2.2	+9.0
Seattle	+1.4	+3.4	+4.1	+6.9
Spokane	-7.6	-2.4	-1.0	-0.2
Other cities	-3.3	-2.8	-0.9	+4.0
Total	+1.7	+2.9	+0.8	+5.1
United States	-0.1	+0.6	-0.4	+10.0

DEPARTMENT STORE STOCKS, BY FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICTS.
(Index numbers. Monthly average 1919-100.)

	U. S. (314) *	Federal Reserve District.								
		Boston (24)*	New York (63)*	Phila. (13)*	Cleve- land (52)*	Rich- mond (19)*	At- lanta (22)*	Chi- cago (51)*	Min- neap. (22)*	Dal- las (19)*
1926.										
May	138	123	138	134	133	132	116	153	106	125
June	131	116	131	177	126	110	147	101	114	131
July	125	111	124	171	118	119	108	136	94	110
August	130	111	128	175	122	118	109	152	97	117
September	142	125	142	180	136	135	122	163	103	126
1927.										
May	138	127	137	191	130	131	120	155	97	109
June	129	119	128	183	124	122	106	145	89	101
July	125	115	122	176	118	117	107	138	88	95
August	130	114	128	175	123	117	113	151	92	105
September	143	127	142	194	134	132	126	165	99	115

* Number of stores included in index.

STOCK TURNOVER OF DEPARTMENT STORES, SEPTEMBER 1927.

Federal Reserve District and City.	Rate of Stock Turnover.*				Rate of Stock Turnover.*			
	Federal Reserve District and City—		Jan. 1 to Sept. 30, 1927.		Federal Reserve District and City—		Jan. 1 to Sept. 30, 1926.	
	1927.	1926.	1927.	1926.	1927.	1926.	1927.	1926.
Boston—								
Boston	.34	.35	2.98	3.01	.33	.29	2.75	2.60
Outside Boston	.27	.26	2.30	2.25	.26	.19	1.99	1.90
New Haven	.25	.24	2.11	2.00	.18	.17	1.69	1.72
Providence	.28	.27	2.48	2.43	.25	.24	2.36	2.21
Total	.31	.31	2.72	2.72	.28	.26	2.37	2.26
New York—								
New York and Brooklyn	.35	.35	2.90	2.83	.37	.42	3.21	3.10
Bridgeport	.28	.28	2.40	2.37	.49	.46	3.42	3.40
Buffalo	.31	.29	2.65	2.64	.33	.40	3.27	3.29
Newark	.35	.34	2.77	2.64	.28	.28	2.37	2.26
Rochester	.31	.29	2.65	2.64	.24	.24	2.16	2.09
Syracuse	.36	.31	2.83	2.33	.28	.28	2.37	2.26
Other cities	.19	.18	1.70	1.71	.24	.24	2.16	2.09
Total	.33	.32	2.75	2.65	.34	.34	2.75	2.67
Philadelphia—								
Philadelphia	.28	.29	2.48	2.55	.28	.29	2.40	2.40
Allentown	.17	.23	1.86	1.82	.16	.17	1.66	1.56
Altoona	.19	.19	2.06	1.88	.19	.19	1.73	1.74
Harrisburg	.21	.22	1.95	2.08	.26	.25	2.35	2.17
Johnstown	.16	.18	1.74	1.84	.24	.22	2.01	1.99
Rochester	.17	.21	1.99	2.20	.26	.26	2.23	2.20
Reading	.17	.17	1.65	1.58				
Scranton	.26	.25	2.46	2.70				
Trenton	.23	.24	2.25	2.24	.25	.47	4.05	3.79
Wilkes-Barre	.20	.21	1.96	1.96	.28	.30	2.62	2.81
Wilmington	.19	.20	1.93	2.06	.34	.30	2.93	2.42
York	.20	.22	2.20	2.19	.37	.37	3.14	2.97
Other cities	.20	.22	1.78	1.93				
Total	.25	.25	2.32	2.38				
Cleveland—								
Cleveland	.29	.32	2.48	2.50	.22	.24	1.85	1.79
Akron	.27	.27	2.56	2.33	.21	.21	1.86	1.71
Cincinnati	.24	.26	2.47	2.43	.28	.24	2.36	2.20
Columbus	.27	.26	2.44	2.34	.24	.24	2.02	1.96
Pittsburgh	.21	.22	2.05	2.08	.23	.23	1.98	1.88
Toledo	.21	.22	2.03	1.93				
Wheeling	.21	.20	2.07	1.92	.22	.24	1.94	2.01
Youngstown	.30	.35	2.83	3.15	.30	.29	2.52	2.49
Other cities	.17	.18	1.67	1.70	.20	.19	1.83	1.73
Total	.24	.25	2.27	2.25	.18	.19	1.58	1.48
Richmond—								
Richmond	.27	.27	2.35	2				

CHANGE IN STOCKS OF DEPARTMENT STORES BY DEPARTMENTS
Increase or decrease (—) in stocks, Sept. 30 1927, compared with Sept. 30 1926.

Department.	Total.	Federal Reserve District.													
		Bos-ton.		New York.		Phila-delph.		Cleve-land.		Chf.-ago.		Dal-las.		San Fran.	
		Per Ct.	Per Ct.	Per Ct.	Per Ct.	Per Ct.	Per Ct.	Per Ct.	Per Ct.	Per Ct.	Per Ct.	Per Ct.	Per Ct.	Per Ct.	Per Ct.
Silks and velvets.....	-6.5	-11.3	-11.2	-3.1	-0.6	-1.3	-19.5	-7.3							
Woolen dress goods.....	-6.2	-14.2	-17.1	-8.9	1.8	7.1	-15.6	-4.1							
Cotton dress goods.....	-10.5	-5.8	-12.6	4.7	-6.1	-15.1	-17.5	-13.2							
Linen.....	5.3	7.0	5.2	-0.6	2.3	2.9	-11.9	23.8							
Domestics.....	1.0	11.0	-6.9	-3.8	6.4	9.6	-37.6	-8.9							
Laces, trimmings & embrd	-12.2	-12.3	-20.0	-17.4	-9.3	-9.9	-22.8	-6.7							
Neckwear and veillings.....	-3.2	-4.0	-7.7	-0.1	0.8	-3.2	-10.8	-3.2							
Ribbons.....	-7.1	-6.7	-4.3	2.9	0.5	-4.8	-29.2	-14.0							
Notions.....	-4.7	4.6	-17.0	0.2	-4.3	-9.1	-12.1	1.6							
Toilet articles and drugs.....	-1.2	-1.5	-11.0	1.2	12.0	-3.5	-6.9	-2.5							
Handkerchiefs.....	1.3	4.5	0.4	14.5	-7.0	10.0	-3.7	11.2							
Silverware and jewelry.....	0.4	-3.8	-9.6	8.6	18.0	-4.5	4.8	-3.2							
Leather goods.....	6.6	7.2	1.2	13.0	10.2	19.0	-0.6	4.3							
Art goods, incl. needlework	-3.6	2.4	-6.0	0.04	-7.6	-7.5	-15.2	2.5							
Men's clothing.....	0.6	2.4	5.9	0.8	0.9	-9.9	-13.3	5.0							
Men's furnishings, incl. hats and caps.....	3.1	1.8	11.5	-10.2	1.6	8.2	-20.9	6.7							
Boys' wear.....	1.6	-0.7	10.8	-2.3	-2.1	7.4	-40.3	15.7							
Women's coats.....	13.0	10.5	16.8	22.0	10.3	-3.7	17.8	31.7							
Women's suits.....	15.8	-11.4	111.2	-23.6	3.4	1.8	114.2	12.1							
Women's skirts.....	-5.5	87.5	164.6	-	-1.2	66.8	35.0	-43.1							
Women's dresses.....	4.0	1.8	5.5	-3.2	10.5	-9.7	-6.9	7.7							
Misses' ready-to-wear.....	19.2	11.6	12.0	-	21.8	17.1	27.0	35.1							
Furs.....	10.0	10.8	4.9	0.3	14.9	-2.2	-11.8	29.1							
Juniors' & girls' ready-to-wear.....	19.6	7.7	53.0	21.5	16.3	19.6	-6.2	18.7							
Waists and blouses.....	10.1	12.7	-22.4	26.0	18.1	54.9	1.3	6.7							
Sweaters.....	5.2	17.6	-5.4	3.3	8.4	-8.8	32.0	5.2							
Millinery.....	-7.9	-8.8	-19.9	-33.9	-11.9	18.1	-5.6	6.5							
Gloves.....	-1.3	-8.8	11.5	-5.5	-6.1	7.5	-11.4	-0.9							
Corsets and brassieres.....	-4.8	-4.8	-4.5	-8.8	-2.7	-9.1	-1.1	-6.0							
Women's & children's hose	0.5	-0.05	9.9	-12.6	3.8	-6.8	-6.8	-3.1							
Knit underwear.....	-6.2	-0.5	-5.8	-11.7	-6.2	-15.5	-20.1	0.2							
Silk and muslin underwear including petticoats.....	-4.0	-0.2	-17.2	-7.7	-3.0	10.4	-11.8	-2.2							
Infants' wear.....	4.4	7.6	11.6	8.6	3.7	4.2	-7.5	-4.5							
Negligees, aprons & house dresses.....	-4.0	-3.4	-3.9	-1.8	0.4	-13.3	-9.5	-1.2							
Women's and children's shoes.....	6.2	0.6	5.7	-13.7	4.1	1.6	3.8	28.1							
Men's and boys' shoes.....	2.3	6.8	8.2	40.7	3.0	0.9	-12.5	-10.4							
Furniture, beds and mattresses.....	0.9	3.4	-0.3	-5.1	3.4	-26.6	-17.6	57.5							
Draperies, lamps & shades	-2.5	2.2	-1.6	-0.7	-1.5	-15.0	-12.8	3.3							
Floor covering.....	1.4	-4.6	10.1	-5.2	0.1	-4.2	-26.8	8.4							
China and glassware.....	-1.0	-0.2	-3.1	-1.7	0.9	1.2	-6.1	1.1							
House furnishings.....	2.3	-2.3	-12.3	-3.4	3.5	-0.6	38.3	-9.5							
Toys and sporting goods.....	0.9	4.7	-2.2	7.0	0.6	-5.6	-20.9	0.8							
Luggage.....	-2.5	5.4	-9.6	5.7	-0.1	11.0	-36.8	8.7							
Books and stationery.....	1.4	4.8	-6.2	-9.5	10.3	-6.8	28.1	0.3							
Musical instru. & radios.....	-1.0	5.6	-46.8	26.0	-6.8	-17.5	31.4	-15.3							

Record October Contract Building Volume—F. W. Dodge Corporation's Review of Construction of Operations Started in Oct. 1927.

New construction started in the 37 Eastern States. (about 91% of the total in the United States) last month reached a total of \$562,815,800, according to F. W. Dodge Corporation. The above figures was the highest October contract total on record, it is stated, and was the fourth largest monthly total on record for this year. It was 8% ahead of the September 1927 figure and 9% over the total for October of last year.

The most important items in the October building record were \$243,562,200, or 43% of all construction, for residential buildings; \$108,210,500, or 19%, for public works and utilities; \$79,719,700, or 14%, for commercial buildings; \$50,712,200, or 9%, for industrial projects; and \$30,169,600, or 5%, for educational buildings.

Last month's record brought the total volume of construction started since the first of this year up to \$5,359,297,900, being an increase of \$2,791,500 over the amount reported in the corresponding period of 1926. New work contemplated in the 37 Eastern States during October amounted to \$607,986,900. This figure showed a drop of only 3% from the amount reported in September of this year and a loss of 5% from the amount reported in October of last year. Further details are given as follows:

Record October Total in New York State and Northern New Jersey

October building contracts let in New York State and Northern New Jersey amounted to \$168,016,500. This figure was the largest October contract total let on record for this district and was also the second highest monthly figure not recorded this year in New York and Northern New Jersey. The award of a single contract amounting to over \$20,000,000 in the public works and utilities class helped to swell the month's record.

Last month's construction record included the following items of importance: \$83,465,500, or 42% of all construction, for residential buildings; \$37,107,100, or 21%, for public works and utilities; \$21,186,300, or 13%, for commercial buildings; \$9,067,800, or 5%, for educational projects; and \$6,169,300, or 3%, for social and recreational work.

The total value of contracts awarded in this district since the first of this year amounting to \$1,426,241,500 shows a drop of only \$4,287,900 from the corresponding period of last year.

New work contemplated in New York State and Northern New Jersey last month reached a total of \$187,534,100. This figure shows an increase of 20% over the amount reported in the preceding month and a gain of 3% over the amount reported in October 1926.

New England States

The total volume of construction contracts awarded in the New England States in October amounted to \$28,768,800. This amount was 17% below the September 1927 total and was almost 9% under the October 1926 figure. Among the important classes of work in the October building record were: \$15,669,000, or 54% of all construction, for residential buildings; \$3,849,000, or 13%, for commercial buildings; \$3,443,700, or

11%, for educational projects; and \$2,187,400, or 7%, for public works and utilities.

During the past ten months there was \$388,666,900 worth of new buildings and engineering work started in this district. The above total showed a drop of 9% from the amount started in the corresponding ten months of last year.

Contemplated new work reported in October in the New England States reached a total of \$30,258,300. Last month's contemplated record was only \$170,000 under the amount reported in September of this year, but was 42% less than the amount reported in October 1926.

Middle Atlantic States

Building and engineering contracts let in the Middle Atlantic States during October amounted to \$48,230,100. Last month's total showed a drop of 88% from the preceding month and was 15% from the October 1926 record. Analysis of the October construction record showed the following items of importance: \$22,590,800, or 47% of all construction, for residential buildings; \$7,928,400, or 16%, for public works and utilities; \$6,480,900, or 13%, for commercial work; \$2,944,300, or 6%, for educational projects; and \$2,757,100, or 6%, for social and recreational buildings.

New construction started in this district in the first ten months of this year has reached a total of \$627,554,100, being an increase of 9% over the amount reported in the first ten months of 1926.

Contemplated projects as reported last month amounted to \$66,677,900. This figure was 5% ahead of the amount contemplated in September of this year and 16 per cent ahead of the October 1926 contemplated total.

Pittsburgh District

Construction contracts awarded in the Pittsburgh District (Western Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio and Kentucky) during October amounted to \$56,416,100. This sum represents a decrease of 21 per cent from September of this year as well as a loss of 3% from last year. The most important items in the October building record were: \$19,454,900, or 34% of all construction, for residential buildings; \$15,487,300, or 27%, for public works and utilities; \$8,007,500, or 14%, for industrial projects; \$5,543,200, or 10%, for commercial buildings; and \$2,698,000, or 5%, for social and recreational projects.

New building and engineering work started in this district since the first of this year has reached a total of \$673,057,400. The above figure showed an increase of 3% over the total for the corresponding period of last year.

New work contemplated in the Pittsburgh District in October amounted to \$71,266,300, being a gain of 10% over the amount reported in October of last year. However, there was a drop of 7% from the amount reported in September of this year.

The Central West Has Record October Construction

October contracts let on new construction work in the Central West (Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Wisconsin, Michigan, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Nebraska) amounted to \$194,278,100. The above figure was the highest October contract total yet recorded for this district and was also the second largest monthly total ever recorded in the Central West. Large contracts in the commercial and industrial classes helped to swell the month's record.

Included in the October building record were the following important classes of work: \$79,303,000, or 41% of all construction, for residential buildings; \$36,769,400, or 19%, for commercial buildings; \$27,818,100, or 14%, for industrial plants; and \$27,572,700, or 14%, for public works and utilities.

The total volume of construction started in the Central West in the past ten months amounted to \$1,526,637,300, which was a gain of 10% over the corresponding ten months of last year.

New work contemplated in this district during October reached a total of \$174,368,800. Last month's record was 12% less than the total for September of this year and 6% under the October 1926 record.

The Northwest

Building and engineering contracts let in the Northwest (Minnesota, the Dakotas and Northern Michigan) amounted to \$7,063,100 during October. Last month's figure showed an increase of 29% over the September 1927 total, but was 23 per cent less than the total for October of last year. Included in the October construction record were the following items of note: \$3,343,400, or 47% of all construction, for residential buildings; \$1,113,600, or 16%, for industrial projects; \$867,500, or 12%, for public buildings; and \$835,500, or 12%, for public works and utilities.

During the past ten months there was \$75,807,400 worth of contracts let on new construction work in this district, as compared with \$93,408,300 for the corresponding ten months of 1926, the decrease being 19%.

Contemplated construction projects were reported in the Northwest in October to the amount of \$7,600,600. This figure showed a loss of 15 per cent from the contemplated total for September of this year and was 30% under the amount reported in October of last year.

Southeastern States

The Southeastern States (the Carolinas, Georgia, Florida, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas and Louisiana) had \$46,397,600 in contracts for new building and engineering work during October. The above sum represents a loss of 19% from the preceding month and 4% from October of last year. The following were the most important items included in last month's construction record: \$14,813,700, or 32% of all construction, for public works and utilities; \$13,042,800, or 28%, for residential buildings; \$5,923,300, or 13%, for industrial projects; \$3,664,200, or 8%, for educational projects; and \$3,650,200, or 8 per cent, for commercial buildings.

New construction started in this district in the first ten months of this year has reached a total of \$508,312,500, being a drop of 20% from the amount (\$638,706,200) reported in the first ten months of last year.

Contemplated new work reported in the Southeastern States during October amounted to \$48,016,200. Last month's total was 30 per cent less than the amount reported in September of this year and 9% less than the amount reported in October 1926.

Texas

Construction started last month in Texas amounted to \$13,663,500. This figure was 13 per cent below the total for the preceding month and was 17% less than the total for October of last year. Analysis of last month's building record showed the following items of importance: \$6,692,200, or 49% of all construction, for residential buildings; \$2,278,400, or 17%, for public works and utilities; \$1,993,800, or 15%, for commercial buildings; and \$686,000, or 5%, for religious and memorial projects.

Building and engineering contracts let in Texas since the first of this year has reached a total of \$183,020,800, being a drop of 9% from the total for the corresponding period of 1926.

Contemplated new work reported in Texas last month amounted to \$22,264,700. This figure was 10 per cent less than the total for September but was 12% ahead of the total for October of last year.

Department Store Trade in United States in October this Year Below that of Year Ago.

Sales in October of 561 department stores reporting to the Federal Reserve System were 3% smaller than in October of last year. Sales of two mail order houses and eight five-and-ten chain stores were about 6% larger. The Board adds:

Reports from department stores by Federal Reserve districts indicate that the largest declines in sales from a year ago were in the industrial sections of the country included in the Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Cleveland and Richmond Federal Reserve districts. In the St. Louis and San Francisco district sales were slightly larger and in the Atlanta and Minneapolis districts they were in about the same volume as a year ago. Of the total number of stores (561) reporting for the country as a whole, 354 showed declines and 207 showed increases.

Percentage changes in dollar sales between Oct. 1926 and Oct. 1927, and the number of stores reporting are given in the following table:

Federal Reserve District.	P. C. of Inc. or Dec. in Sales Oct. 1927 Compared with Oct. 1926.	Number of Stores.		
		Total Reporting.	Number Reporting Increase.	Number Reporting Decrease.
Boston.....	-3.8	82	37	45
New York.....	-4.3	55	13	42
Philadelphia.....	-8.0	84	19	65
Cleveland.....	-4.4	53	14	39
Richmond.....	-4.2	49	12	37
Atlanta.....	-0.2	33	16	17
Chicago.....	-1.7	55	14	41
St. Louis.....	+1.8	19	10	9
Minneapolis.....	-0.4	15	6	9
Kansas City.....	-2.2	26	10	16
Dallas.....	-3.2	18	11	7
San Francisco.....	+0.6	72	45	27
Total.....	-3.3	561	207	354
Mail order houses (2 houses).....	+8.2	---	---	---
5 and 10 Cent Stores (8 chains).....	+8.9	---	---	---

New York State Factory Employment in September This Year Lower than Year Ago.

Most manufacturing industries in New York State, according to Industrial Commissioner James A. Hamilton, had fewer employees in September 1927 than a year ago. The index of employment declined from 99.4 in September 1926 to 96.2 in September 1927, a drop of three points. Under date of Nov. 7, Commissioner Hamilton, adds:

The number of persons employed by the firms reporting to the State Department of Labor was 484,115 in Sept. 1927, and their total payroll amounted to \$14,317,345. These firms located in various parts of the State constitute a fixed list of reporting concerns which together employ approximately 40% of the wage earners of the State.

On this basis it is estimated that the factories of New York State employed about 32,000 fewer persons this September than a year ago. From the peak of employment which came in the Spring of 1926 to Sept. 1927 about 75,000 employees were released, and the amount expended in payrolls was, in round numbers, \$1,700,000 less a week. Translating these figures into percentages, roughly, about 5% of the wage earners of New York State who were on the factory payrolls in the Spring of 1926 were laid off in Sept. 1927. The percentage decline in the amount of payrolls, or potential purchasing power, was 4 1/2%.

Recession Had Set In By September 1926

The present recession had become effective by Sept. 1926, but was not clearly definable because of the customary seasonal activity in September. Moreover, the usual Fall revival was stimulated by the delayed operations of shoe factories, fur shops and women's clothing shops. The strikes in these industries in the Spring and Summer of 1926 had been settled by September and many of these firms were more than usually busy. The sharp curtailment of the automobile factories earlier in the year were then the aspect of only temporary contraction of employment, and the seasonal increase in September obscured the fact that a recession had already set in.

Cessation of Industrial Expansion

At present the decline in building together with the widespread contraction of employment in the heavier metals indicates a cessation of industrial expansion. Industry is not buying so much new machinery or setting up new plants, but apparently is contenting itself with equipment already at hand and is limiting itself to replacements. Accordingly we have a falling off in the demand for producers' goods. But, if new producers' goods are in less demand, the demand for consumers' goods remains fairly steady. In this connection the total capitalization of new incorporations, as compiled by the "Journal of Commerce" is of interest. For the nine months ended with Sept. 1927, the aggregate was \$3,898,881,739, as against \$8,641,458,932 in the like period of 1926. These figures include, of course, all new corporations and not manufacturing concerns alone.

Building Materials and Metals Account for Much of Present Unemployment

The most recent peak of employment in the Fall of 1925 and the early Spring of 1926 had its source in the activity of the building materials group and the metals group. Activity in the metals group in this period was surpassed only by the 1923 boom, and the building materials group exceeded all previous records. They now account for the great bulk of the present unemployment.

Influence of Automobiles and Railroads

The trend of employment, as a matter of fact, since the Spring of 1926 has been steadily downward, interspersed by only minor recoveries. From the Fall of 1925 to the Spring of 1926 the basic metals had been stimulated by the high level of operations both in the railroad equipment and locomotive shops and in the automobile factories. The iron

and steel employment index in April 1926 soared to 132, the highest since 1920. In May the automobile factories began to cut their forces drastically. Railroad equipment and other industries followed the decline more slowly.

Other Metals Decline

The burden does not lie wholly with automobiles, and their allied metal, textile and rubber auxiliaries. Manufacturers of sheet metal and machinery had fewer employees in 1927. In foundries and machine shops the decline has proceeded somewhat more rapidly in 1927 than in the metals group as a whole, and these factories in September had fewer employees on their payrolls than in the trough of the 1924 recession.

Similarly, electrical machinery and apparatus, with the exception of radios and wiring, concur in the general decline in 1927. On the other hand, manufacturers of agricultural implements have not been affected as much as most other industries.

Effect of Decreased Building.

Structural steel is unique among the metals because employment continued to expand in 1927. But the increase occurred chiefly among firms making bridges, viaducts, subways and castings, and was the result of greater construction of public improvements in 1927. With the drop in the building of new residential, industrial and commercial structures, the manufacture of most building materials has slackened considerably.

Smaller Decline in Consumers' Goods

Some consumers' products recording increased employment over last year bear witness to the influence of fashion and a change in consumption. Greater employment in laundering and baking establishments attests the increased favor with which their services are being received. Piano factories, on the other hand, are suffering from the competition of radios.

The textile group registered a slight improvement over last year. A few silk glove manufacturers and a few woolen manufacturers held back but they were not the rule in the rise of employment since last September. The improvement was most pronounced in the cotton goods and cotton knitwear factories.

Notwithstanding that consumers' goods are in a better position as respects employment than the building materials and heavier metal industries, they also in general have fewer employees on their payrolls. The drop of employment in the candy factories was especially large. Jewelry and silverware manufacturers in their preparations for the Christmas season had taken on, it is estimated, almost 1,500 fewer employees by September 1927 than September a year ago. Decreases in other industries were relatively smaller.

Chemical Group Increases

The chemical group is running counter to the prevailing quiet. Soap, photographic and industrial chemicals, perfumery and other chemical products firms retained more employees on their payrolls than they did a year ago in September 1926, and in most chemical industries more than two years ago, in September 1925. Petroleum refineries and paint and color plants had the same number of employees on their payrolls as in September 1926.

Business Conditions In Cleveland Federal Reserve District—Course of Wholesale and Retail Trade—Rubber and Tire Sales In Large Volume.

In the Cleveland Federal Reserve District, continued inactivity in the iron and steel trade marked both September and early October, according to the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, which, in its November "Monthly Review," says: "Some of the other industries, however, were in better shape; rubber and tire operations were in good volume, conditions in the clothing line were satisfactory, retail trade showed up rather better than might have been expected after an unusually good August, and the crop situation definitely improved. On the other hand, the lumber trade has been sluggish and the shoe industry slowed down."

As to the situation in the rubber and tire trade, the Bank says:

Sales of tires to dealers by Fourth District manufacturers continue in large volume, aided by mild weather in September and the first part of October. An improvement has also taken place in sales of hard rubber goods and of footwear and other mechanical goods, business in these products having been exceptionally heavy in recent weeks. Sales of tires as original equipment have been relatively slack in the absence of buying on the part of the Ford Company. Latest reports, however, indicate the beginning of tire production for the new Ford car. Operations on the whole, are, therefore, on a satisfactory plane, in spite of the decrease in automobile output from last year.

Stocks of tires in dealers' hands on October 1 in the United States, according to the Department of Commerce, averaged 55.9 per dealer, a gain of 6.0 over the same date in 1926 but about the same as in 1925 and 1924. Stocks of inner tubes, on the other hand, were considerably higher than in both 1926 and 1924, and slightly higher than in 1925, the figure for October 1 1927, being 100.7 per dealer.

In view of the operations of the Stevenson Restriction Act, involving the limitation of crude rubber exports from British-owned plantations, it is of interest to note the course of world rubber stocks in recent months. The following table gives the Department of Commerce's estimate of stocks, together with the average monthly price of crude rubber per pound.

	Stocks (tons)	Price (lb.)
1926—December.....	230,406	.38
1927—January.....	237,425	.39
February.....	248,740	.38 1/2
March.....	256,688	.41
April.....	263,362	(high in '27) .41
May.....	258,299	.41
June.....	247,614	.37 1/2
July.....	249,929	.35
August.....	192,000*	.35
September.....	---	.33 1/2
October 19th.....	---	.35

* Excluding the floating supply, which totaled 58,800 tons in July.

The Bank thus reviews retail and wholesale trade:

Retail Trade.

Although sales of 61 department stores in this district in September were 2.7% less than in 1926, this may be considered a good showing when the unusually heavy sales in August are taken into account. Nearly all

cities shared in the September decline, but in no case were the decreases unduly large, the largest—8.3%—being in Toledo. The only two cities to record gains were Cincinnati and Columbus. For the first nine months of 1927, several cities experienced moderate gains and Columbus a large increase of 14.4%. The district, however, showed a decline of 1.3%.

Changes in the main individual departments were as follows:

	p. c. change from 1926
Silks and Velvets.....	-12.8
Men's Clothing.....	-7.7
Men's Furnishings.....	+2.3
Boys' Wear.....	+8.6
Women's Coats.....	+8.2
Women's Dresses.....	-1.4
Furs.....	-14.6
Millinery.....	-19.4
Hosiery.....	+13.2
Shoes.....	-7.1
Furniture.....	-0.9
Draperies, lamps, shades.....	+0.8
Floor Coverings.....	-0.8
House Furnishings.....	+1.4

Wholesale Trade.

Sales of all reporting wholesale lines in September showed losses from last year with the exception of drugs, which increased 0.4%. Dry goods sales declined 5.5%; hardware, 6.8; shoes, 16.1; and groceries, 9.7%. For the first nine months of 1927, all lines reported smaller sales than in 1926, the decreases being as follows: groceries, 4.5%; dry goods, 7.1; hardware, 1.9; shoes, 4.4; and drugs, 0.01%.

Stocks on hand were generally smaller than on September 30 of last year, but were slightly larger in the case of groceries. Dry goods registered the largest decrease—10.3%. The monthly stock turnover rate in September for groceries was .66½ or 7.98 times a year, while for dry goods it was .416-10, or 4.99 times a year.

Open book accounts on September 30 were not noticeably different in amount from the preceding year, being a little larger in groceries, dry goods, and drugs, and slightly lower in hardware and shoes.

Collections during September were not as good as a year ago, every line reporting a falling-off except drugs, in which there was a gain of 1%. Groceries had the largest decrease—8%—and dry goods were next with 6.9%. The percentage of collections during September on accounts outstanding on August 31 was 80.6 in groceries, 38.3 in dry goods, 33.4 in hardware, 29.6 in shoes, and 81.9 in drugs.

Increase in Savings Deposits in Philadelphia Federal Reserve District.

Savings deposits, as reported by 95 banks in the Philadelphia Federal Reserve District, increased 0.4 of 1% during September, and on Oct. 1 were 8.2% larger than a year before, according to the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, which gives percentage changes in various cities as follows:

Cities.	Changes Oct. 1 1927 Compared with	
	Sept. 1 1927.	Oct. 1 1926.
Allentown.....	-0.4%	+4.4%
Altoona.....	+0.1	+7.7
Bethlehem.....	-0.1	+9.0
Chester.....	-1.9	+0.5
Easton.....	-1.1	+0.9
Harrisburg.....	-0.9	+21.0
Johnstown.....	+2.1	+4.9
Lancaster.....	-1.4	+13.4
Philadelphia.....	+0.4	+9.6
Reading.....	+0.8	+6.0
Scranton.....	+2.4	+8.8
Trenton.....	-0.2	+5.2
Wilkes-Barre.....	+1.8	+6.0
Williamsport.....	+0.3	+16.6
Wilmington.....	-0.1	+5.0
York.....	+1.5	+9.0
Others.....	+1.8	+4.3
Total.....	+0.4	+8.2

Gains in Savings Deposits in Chicago Federal Reserve District.

Two hundred and twelve reporting banks in the Chicago Federal Reserve District averaged from Sept. 1 to Oct. 1 an increase of 0.1% in number of savings accounts and of 0.2% in amount of deposits; individually, 70% of the banks registered gains in the former item, and 63% of the latter. In reporting this, the Chicago Federal Reserve Bank adds:

Corresponding increases over Oct. 1 1926, amounted to 2.7% and 1.8% respectively, three-fourths of the banks showing increases in accounts, and two-thirds in deposits. By States, each of the five aggregated a larger number of accounts than on September 1 or a year ago, with all except Illinois reaching new levels; in amount, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin averaged increases in both the monthly and yearly comparisons, and Iowa decreases, while Illinois declined from Sept. 1, but exceeded last year.

SEVENTH FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICT—SAVINGS ACCOUNTS AND DEPOSITS.

State.	No. of Banks	Savings Deposits Oct. 1 1927.	Per Cent Change in Amount From		Per Cent Change in Ave. Account From	
			Sept. 1 1927.	Oct. 1 1926.	Sept. 1 1927.	Oct. 1 1926.
Illinois.....	52	\$397,089,611	-0.1	+0.1	-0.1	-1.1
Indiana.....	38	60,794,802	+1.0	+6.0	+0.9	+4.1
Iowa.....	42	97,308,414	-0.2	-0.9	-0.4	-5.3
Michigan.....	28	322,963,668	+0.3	+3.7	+0.2	-0.1
Wisconsin.....	52	110,604,492	+0.4	+2.6	+0.1	-1.0
District.....	212	\$988,760,987	+0.2	+1.8	+0.0	-0.8

Business Conditions in Dallas Federal Reserve District.

Summarizing conditions in its District, the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas under date of Nov. 1 says:

There was an active demand for merchandise in both wholesale and retail channels. Distribution reflected large seasonal gains and com-

pared favorably with September a year ago. Department stores reflected a seasonal gain of 32% over the previous month but were 4% less than in September 1926. Most lines of wholesale trade reflected a seasonal expansion and, while, in some instances, sales are falling short of a year ago, the outlook for the future is encouraging. The distribution of merchandise in many instances has been retarded by the desire of consumers and retailers to liquidate old indebtedness before making extended purchases, which in turn is strengthening the foundation of the business structure.

With all crops practically matured, it is now evident that this district will harvest large feed crops which will be sufficient not only to supply the needs with respect to making next year's crops but also to provide a surplus for the market. A number of the most important minor crops are likewise turning out well. While there was a further reduction in the estimated yield of cotton, production this year compares favorably with the average for the preceding five years and the higher prices being obtained this year, together with the farmers large equity in the crop will provide a large net return. The livestock situation has shown considerable improvement and present indications are that livestock will go into the winter in good condition and that there will be an abundance of winter pasturage and feed in practically all sections of the district. There is an unusually heavy demand for stoker cattle and prices are the highest in several years. There is a good demand for cattle at market centers and the trend of prices is upward.

Construction activity, as measured by the valuation of permits issued at principal cities, reflected a decline of 10% as compared to August but was 9% larger than in September 1926. The production, shipments and new orders for lumber remained practically the same as in the previous month and were larger than a year ago. While the production and shipments of cement were less than in August, they were substantially above those in September last year.

Lumber Industry Is Ahead of Last Year's Level.

The lumber industry as a whole shows, apparently, little change for the week ended Nov. 5, when compared with the previous week, according to telegraphic reports received by the National Lumber Manufacturers Association from approximately 500 of the larger commercial lumber mills of the country.

The comparably reporting softwood mills show no noteworthy change from a week ago, but, in comparison with the same period a year ago, this week shows gratifying increases in all three factors.

It is obvious that there is also little change in the hardwood operations from last week, except for a shrinkage of shipments, but the disparity in the number of mills reporting makes accurate comparison difficult. When compared with the same week last year, production varied little, and shipments and orders apparently fell off, adds the National Association, from which we quote further details as follows:

Unfilled Orders.

The unfilled orders of 225 Southern Pine and West Coast mills at the end of last week amounted to 553,938,033 feet, as against 538,581,428 feet for 224 mills the previous week. The 106 identical Southern Pine mills in the group showed unfilled orders of 194,554,698 feet last week, as against 198,089,814 feet for the week before. For the 119 West Coast mills the unfilled orders were 359,383,335 feet, as against 340,491,614 feet for 118 mills a week earlier.

Altogether the 353 comparably reporting softwood mills had shipments 95% and orders 96%, of actual production. For the Southern Pine mills these percentages were respectively 97 and 92; and for the West Coast mills 91 and 103.

Of the reporting mills, the 316 with an established normal production for the week of 227,161,832 feet, gave actual production 105%, shipments 99% and orders 101% thereof.

The following table compares the lumber movement, as reflected by the reporting mills of seven softwood, and two hardwood, regional Associations, for the three weeks indicated; 000's omitted:

	Past Week		Corresponding Week, 1926		Preceding Week 1927 (Revised)	
	Soft-wood	Hard-wood	Soft-wood	Hard-wood	Soft-wood	Hard-wood
Mills.....	353	121	349	141	338	137
Production.....	240,774	18,396	230,134	20,477	245,335	20,876
Shipments.....	229,802	17,565	224,156	21,923	229,711	21,554
Orders.....	230,675	17,614	196,030	21,479	226,384	18,291

The mills of the California White and Sugar Pine Association make weekly reports, but not being comparable, are not included in the foregoing tables. Nineteen of these mills, representing 60% of the cut of the California pine region, gave their production for the week as 21,929,000; shipments, 27,911,000 and new business, 18,211,000. Last week's report from 20 mills, representing 63% of the cut was: Production, 24,187,000 feet; shipments, 25,214,000 and new business, 20,291,000.

West Coast Movement.

The West Coast Lumbermen's Association wires from Seattle that new business for the 119 mills reporting for the week ended Nov. 5 was 3% above production, and shipments were 9% below production. Of all new business taken during the week 56% was for future water delivery, amounting to \$70,673,675 feet, of which 39,097,041 feet was for domestic cargo delivery and 31,576,634 feet export. New business by rail amounted to 50,051,371 feet, or 39% of the week's new business. Fifty per cent of the week's shipments moved by water, amounting to 55,591,604 feet, of which 41,322,895 feet moved coastwise and inter-coastal, and 14,268,709 feet export. Rail shipments totaled 50,315,642 feet, or 45% of the week's shipments, and local deliveries 5,924,002 feet. Unshipped domestic cargo orders totaled 101,968,768 feet; foreign 130,937,266 feet and rail trade, 124,477,301 feet.

Southern Pine Reports.

The Southern Pine Association reports from New Orleans that for 106 mills reporting shipments were 2.92% below production and orders were 8.42% below production and 5.66% below shipments. New business taken during the week amounted to 58,884,345 feet (previous week,

68,174,301); shipments, 62,419,461 feet (previous week, 63,981,489); and production, 64,296,220 feet (previous week, 67,559,531). The normal production of these mills is 70,698,623 feet. Of the 103 mills reporting running time, 71 operated full time, 16 of the latter overtime. Three mills were shut down, and the rest operated from three to six days.

The Western Pine Manufacturers Association of Portland, Ore., with one more mill reporting, shows a slight increase in production, some decrease in shipments and new business considerably less than that reported for the preceding week.

The California Redwood Association of San Francisco, Calif., reports production and shipments about the same, and a good gain in new business.

The North Carolina Pine Association of Norfolk, Va., with one less mill reporting, shows a little increase in production, shipments about the same and new business well in advance of that reported for the week earlier.

The Northern Pine Manufacturers Association of Minneapolis, Minn., reports considerable increase in production, a slight increase in shipments and a small decrease in orders.

The Northern Hemlock and Hardwood Manufacturers Association of Oshkosh, Wis. (in its softwood production) with two less mills reporting, shows a nominal decrease in production, a substantial increase in shipments and a heavy decrease in new business.

Hardwood Reports.

The Northern Hemlock and Hardwood Manufacturers Association of Oshkosh, Wis., reported from eighteen mills (two less mills than reported for the previous week) a slight increase in production, and small decreases in shipments and new business.

The Hardwood Manufacturers Institute of Memphis, Tenn., reported from one hundred and three mills (fourteen less mills than reported for the week before) marked decreases in production and shipments and a slight reduction in new business. The normal production of these units is 17,604,000 feet.

West Coast Lumbermen's Association Weekly Report.

One hundred and eighteen mills reporting to the West Coast Lumbermen's Association for the week ended Oct. 29 manufactured 124,994,506 feet, sold 111,525,054 feet and shipped 109,764,708 feet. New business was 13,469,452 feet less than production and shipments 15,229,798 feet less than production.

COMPARATIVE TABLE SHOWING PRODUCTION, NEW BUSINESS, SHIPMENT AND UNFILED ORDERS.

Week Ended—	Oct. 29	Oct. 22	Oct. 15.	Oct. 8.
Number of mills reporting	118	118	118	118
Production (feet).....	124,994,506	120,416,234	123,756,274	131,646,709
New business (feet).....	111,525,054	104,065,856	97,233,334	111,774,248
Shipments (feet).....	109,764,708	111,003,002	99,502,435	127,085,766
<i>Unshipped Business—</i>				
Rail (feet).....	123,043,813	124,031,437	120,425,577	131,346,493
Domestic cargo (feet).....	104,440,398	98,959,506	103,749,438	95,952,768
Export (feet).....	113,007,403	113,069,028	125,731,478	128,434,681
Total (feet).....	340,491,614	336,059,971	349,906,493	355,733,942
First 43 Weeks of—	1927	1926	1925	1924
Average number of mills.	93	106	115	123
Production (feet).....	3,886,427,796	4,556,472,813	4,346,588,455	4,049,054,651
New business (feet).....	3,868,657,431	4,628,852,449	4,438,913,513	4,030,545,133
Shipments (feet).....	3,858,706,136	4,605,505,401	4,504,768,805	4,175,013,827

Gold Movement to Brazil—More Than \$30,000,000 To Be Shipped From U. S. to Further Return to Gold Standard.

A shipment of \$11,000,000 in gold to Brazil on Nov. 5 represents, it is stated, the initial consignment of a total of \$36,000,000 in gold which it is stated will go forward from this country to be used toward effecting the return of Brazil to the gold standard. With regard to the movement the *United States Daily* of Nov. 7 said:

Arrangements have been completed whereby the Republic of Brazil is to obtain approximately \$30,000,000 in gold from private bankers in the United States to aid in the reestablishment of a gold standard in Brazil, according to an oral statement Nov. 5 by the Department of the Treasury.

The Treasury had only informal advices of the plan but it was stated officially that part of the gold will be shipped immediately. Brazil announced a return to the gold standard only a few months ago and the latest information received by the Federal Reserve Board here was that favorable progress had been made in the stabilization program.

It was stated orally by the Governor of the Federal Reserve Board, R. A. Young, that so far as he knew none of the Federal Reserve Banks had taken part in the arrangement.

From the New York "Times" we quote the following regarding the shipment of Nov. 5:

The Government of Brazil, at the direction of Dr. Getulio Vargas, Minister of Finance, has arranged to take \$36,000,000 in gold from the tremendous stock now held in the United States and has elected to take it in twenty-dollar gold pieces. The first shipment, aggregating \$11,000,000 goes forward to Rio de Janeiro on the Munson Line steamship Pan-America, sailing at 1 P. M. today. Others will follow at close intervals, and the entire amount will be in the Treasury of the Brazilian Government by the first of the new year.

Great secrecy yesterday surrounded the arrangements for the shipment, the largest outflow of gold this year, and one which probably will have very material effect on economic conditions, not only in South America but in this country as well. Dillon, Read & Co., the bankers for the country, representatives of the governmental agencies which handled the transfer, as well as representatives of the steamship and insurance companies, would say nothing whatever about it on the ground that secrecy in such a tremendous transaction is necessary in insure its safety. Details were learned, however, from an authoritative source.

Removes 67 Tons of Gold.

The entire shipment will remove from the treasure vaults of this country sixty-seven tons of gold, or 1,800,000 twenty-dollar gold pieces.

The precious metal will be shipped in small kegs, \$50,000 to the keg, and it will require 720 kegs to transport it. It will be under heavy guard for the entire voyage and is insured for its full amount, the coverage being so heavy for this tremendous sum that it is lightly spread over a large number of American and foreign countries, each taking a small "piece" of the risk.

Today's shipment was transferred through the maze of downtown traffic to the piers of the Munson Line in Hoboken in a procession of heavily guarded motor trucks yesterday afternoon. It amounted to \$11,000,000 and was represented by \$550,000 of the twenty-dollar gold pieces, packed securely in 220 kegs.

It had been planned to make formal announcement of the shipment of the gold after the steamer's departure. Equal secrecy will be maintained with the two shipments following the first one today.

To Return to Gold Basis.

The American \$20 gold pieces will be used eventually to bring Brazil back to the gold basis, through a reorganization of the monetary system of that country. This cannot be done immediately, but the first step is thus taken in assembling in Rio de Janeiro the metal which will furnish that sure backing for the new South American currency. The funds represent part of the proceeds of an issue of \$41,500,000 of United States of Brazil 6½% external sinking fund bonds. These were sold to investors by a banking syndicate headed by Dillon, Read & Co. and were widely distributed throughout the country. At the same time a smaller issue of bonds was sold in the London market, the proceeds of which will be drawn on by Brazil as needed. The purpose of this issue was to reduce the Treasury obligations of the Government, including its floating debt, a necessary step for giving effect to Legislative Decree 5108 of Dec. 18, 1926, which provides for a reorganization of the monetary system of Brazil.

It is understood that soon after these bonds were sold Minister of Finance Gargas began negotiations with the bankers for the country and with Federal Reserve officials looking to the withdrawal of their equivalent in gold coin. These negotiations were under way for several days, resulting in the obtaining of consent for the shipment. It was specified, too, that it be in \$20 gold pieces, as the most conveniently handled. With these preliminary arrangements made, space was reserved in the steamship Pan American and insurance was obtained. This was no small task, because of the size of the shipment and because full coverage was necessary. It is understood that some of the insurance was placed in London with large underwriting companies there.

Shipment Costs Heavy.

The cost of the gold shipment will represent a heavy item of expense to the Brazilian Government. The insurance for today's shipment amounts to \$36,000. The freight charge will be one-third of 1% of the value of the gold. Cooperaage, that is, furnishing the kegs and packing the gold away safely, cost \$3 a keg, and the cartage amounted to 5 cents per \$1,000 of metal. The heaviest cost, however, will be represented in the loss of interest. It is calculated that it will take the vessel fifteen days to make the trip, and while at sea the gold it returning no earnings to its owners, which must be charged against it. The balance of the funds remaining here, however, are drawing interest for the Brazilian account, thus partly offsetting the loss while the \$11,000,000 as an earning agent is in status quo.

The shipment of \$36,000,000 to be made to Brazil represents the second large outflow of gold to a South American country this year. The first was in September, the gold going to the Argentine. The gold standard was restored by the Buenos Aires Government in August and at the same time an Argentine loan of \$40,000,000 was sold in the New York market. Argentine exchange had risen to a premium as a result of a heavy favorable balance of trade and the New York bankers found it more economical to ship part of the loan proceeds in gold than to buy Argentine remittances. As a result \$30,000,000 of gold was shipped from New York to Argentina in September, which far exceeds the imports at this port, the first month this year that the balance had been against the United States. In October \$8,000,000 additional gold was sent from here to Argentina in straight commercial transactions that resulted from the continued premium on Argentine exchange. That premium is still in effect, so that further shipments to Buenos Aires are expected. New York also has sent gold recently to Canada and Holland as a result of premiums on the exchange of those countries.

Today's shipment, however, is distinctly not an exchange transaction. The Brazilian paper milreis are quoted at 11.95, as compared with their parity of 32.45 cents. The revision of the monetary system in that country is expected to become effective in 1928, and the country will then go on a straight gold basis. Rather, it is a straight-out purchase of the gold, dollar for dollar, by Brazil, with the permission of the Treasury officials.

Nearly Half World Supply Here.

The gold stock to the United States, according to the latest figures of the Treasury Department, amounts to \$4,582,000,000. This huge hoard represents 45% of the entire world's gold supply, which is slightly in excess of \$10,000,000,000. The highest point in the American holdings was reached early in May, when the total stood at \$4,609,000,000. This tremendous supply was built up largely since the war, but the amount has shown comparatively little variation in the last three years. Since the inauguration of the Dawes Plan in Oct., 1924, and the return of Great Britain to the gold standard in Apr., 1925, world stabilization has proceeded to such an extent that the amount of gold in this country has remained fairly constant.

Up to last Sept. however, this country had been a consistent gainer in the international movements of gold. Early this year more than \$20,000,000 of gold was sent here from France, and large amounts have been received from Canada, as well as Holland, where the exchange was depressed for a time. The New York Federal Reserve Bank also has received considerable amounts of gold from South American countries which have established external reserves here, notably Chile and Ecuador.

Despite the tapping of our gold supply, the shipments made to the Argentine and to Brazil, which with the present consignment will total \$66,000,000, are so comparatively small that no particular, change in the basis of credit here is expected, unless the movement should prove a long-drawn-out one, not likely under present conditions. Fears were expressed many months ago that the presence of such a huge stock of gold here would bring about a period of "gold inflation," with rising prices for everything. This has not been the case, although probably some of the inflation in securities may be traced directly back to the gold stock, as furnishing the basis for our extended credit basis which has brought a continued period of easy money.

At any rate, the redistribution of the world's gold supply is definitely under way, and that it should be via South America, practically an unknown market for American dollars before the war, is considered highly significant for the prospects of American trade in that direction.

British Yarn Limit is Off—Removal of Restrictions Creates Uproar in Manchester Exchange.

A London cablegram Nov. 4 to the New York "Times" (copyright) said:

The English cotton-spinning trade, which has been limited by the adoption of systematic short time and a minimum price scheme for that part of the Manchester industry which handles American cotton, was today freed from all restrictions. The yarn association, which was formed in an endeavor to save the spinners of American cotton from the results of this year's slump, voluntarily abandoned the regulations framed for the guidance of its members in view of the fact that spinners outside the membership were securing the bulk of the orders.

The announcement came as a bombshell on the Manchester Cotton Exchange and the market situation quickly became chaotic. Merchants refused to make any important contracts in the expectation that prices would fall as a result of the yarn association's action, but the hope is expressed that the removal of price and spinning limitations will eventually benefit the cotton trade.

October Figures of Raw Silk Imports, Stocks, Deliveries, Etc.

Imports of raw silk during the month of October totaled 51,207 bales, as compared with 52,475 bales in September and 59,819 bales in August. Consumption during October decreased 2,280 bales as compared with the preceding month, according to statistics made public on Nov. 4 by the Silk Association of America, Inc., which show appropriate deliveries to American mills last month of 47,827 bales, as against 50,107 bales in September. Stocks of raw silk Nov. 1 amounted to 62,366 bales compared with 58,986 bales on Oct. 1. Details follow:

RAW SILK IN STORAGE NOVEMBER 1 1927.
(As reported by the principal warehouses in New York City—figures in bales.)

	European.	Japan.	All Other.	Total.
Stocks Oct. 1 1927.....	794	52,601	5,591	58,986
x Imports months of October 1927.....	343	44,493	6,371	51,207
Total amount available during October.....	1,137	97,094	11,962	110,193
z Stocks Nov. 1 1927.....	886	55,440	6,040	62,366
Approx. deliveries to American mills during Oct.	y251	41,654	5,922	47,827

SUMMARY.

	Imports During the Month. x			Storage at End of Month. z		
	1927.	1926.	1925.	1927.	1926.	1925.
January.....	48,456	43,650	37,084	52,627	47,326	58,732
February.....	33,991	38,568	39,046	43,758	43,418	60,249
March.....	38,600	31,930	31,571	33,116	35,948	46,663
April.....	46,486	31,450	32,648	31,749	30,122	39,271
May.....	49,264	35,120	41,512	35,527	31,143	42,517
June.....	42,809	37,842	41,074	37,024	29,111	44,016
July.....	47,856	37,842	35,595	43,841	27,528	35,598
August.....	59,819	46,421	40,466	56,618	28,006	32,017
September.....	52,475	50,415	52,375	58,986	34,459	42,708
October.....	51,207	48,403	43,530	62,366	47,130	39,423
November.....	---	59,670	49,238	---	47,130	46,813
December.....	---	45,119	45,495	---	52,478	49,824
Total.....	470,963	504,200	489,634	45,561	36,814	44,819
Average monthly.....	47,096	42,017	40,803	4,556	3,684	4,481

	Approximate Deliveries to American Mills y			Approximate Amount in Transit between Japan and New York —End of Month.		
	1927.	1926.	1925.	1927.	1926.	1925.
January.....	48,307	46,148	39,885	17,700	14,800	18,900
February.....	42,860	42,476	37,529	19,000	14,400	12,400
March.....	49,242	39,400	45,157	21,700	18,400	12,705
April.....	47,853	37,276	40,040	25,000	18,700	16,969
May.....	45,486	34,099	38,266	22,900	18,000	19,100
June.....	41,312	37,644	39,575	26,600	18,300	15,000
July.....	41,039	39,425	44,013	29,000	23,000	19,500
August.....	47,042	45,943	44,047	28,400	24,000	27,600
September.....	50,107	43,962	41,884	21,500	23,900	19,162
October.....	47,827	47,768	46,815	18,500	32,400	27,800
November.....	---	47,634	41,848	---	19,700	23,500
December.....	---	39,771	42,484	---	26,500	29,100
Total.....	461,075	501,546	501,343	23,030	21,008	20,145
Average monthly.....	46,108	41,796	41,779	2,303	2,100	2,014

x Imports at New York during current month and at Pacific ports previous to the time allowed in transit across the continent (covered by manifests 176 to 202 incl. y Includes re-exports. z Includes 4,849 bales held at railroad terminals at end of month (845 bales from Paris Maru included in imports).

The Outlook for the Crops on the 1st of November—Report of the Department of Agriculture.

The Crop Reporting Board of the United States Department of Agriculture made public on Nov. 9 its forecasts and estimates of grain crops of the United States as of Nov. 1, based on reports and data furnished by crop correspondents, field statisticians and co-operating State Boards (or Departments) of Agriculture. In commenting upon the results the Department says:

Practically all late maturing crops have been helped by the favorable October weather and are showing yields above those expected a month ago. Temperatures during October averaged about 3 degrees above normal, making it the warmest October since 1918. Frosts and freezes were delayed far beyond their usual date and in only a few sections was October rainfall so heavy as to interfere seriously with harvesting operations. As a result prospects for corn, potatoes, sweet potatoes, buckwheat, flaxseed, rice, grain sorghums, sugar beets, tobacco, peanuts, grapes, pears and some

late vegetables have substantially improved since last month. Apples however, failed to reach the expected size and prospects have declined about 3%. The yield per acre of all crops combined now appears to have been 2.4% above the average during the last 10 years. However, crop production is about 3% less than it was last year as yields are lower and a smaller acreage has been grown.

Corn.—Improved corn prospects in the late maturing States resulted from the unusually favorable weather in October. Production will (as a result) be considerably larger than previous forecasts. A production of 2,753,249,000 bushels is indicated by the reported average yield of 28.2 bushels per acre, which compared with 2,646,853,000 bushels harvested in 1926 and an average of 2,766,561,000 bushels harvested during the past five years. Production in the North Central States is 1,905,000,000 bushels compared with 1,788,000,000 bushels in 1926. Acreage of corn in the Southern States is slightly more than in 1926, but the production is about 20,000,000 bushels less than the large crop of last year.

It is estimated that 75.2% of the corn crop is of merchantable quality compared with 72.6% in 1926 and 80.7% the 10-year average. Corn in the western corn belt states is exceptionally good.

Less of the previous year's crop remains on farms this year than usual. It is estimated that 4.2% of the 1926 crop remains, amounting to 111,068,000 bushels compared with 183,015,000 bushels on Nov. 1 1926, and 120,967,000 bushels the 5-year average.

Grain Sorghums.—Grain sorghum is estimated to yield 22.7 bushels per acre compared with 20.5 bushels in 1926, and 18.6 bushels the 5-year average. The preliminary estimate in 1927 is 7,167,000 acres, compared with 6,762,000 acres in 1926 and 6,524,000 acres the 5-year average. The 1927 acreage is the largest of record, and with a yield of 22.7 bushels per acre will produce a total of 162,651,000 bushels. The highest production recorded in past years was 138,933,000 bushels in 1926. The growing and harvesting conditions have been exceptionally favorable.

Buckwheat.—The production of buckwheat for 1927 is estimated at 16,556,000 bushels. In 1926 it was 12,922,000 bushels, and the average for the past five years was 13,760,000 bushels. The average yield per acre this year is reported at 19.3 bushels per acre, 1 bushel per acre higher than was obtained last year and .7 bushels higher than the 5-year average. This excellent yield from the unusually large acreage planted to buckwheat in 1927 has resulted in the largest total production recorded since 1918. The quality is reported at 88.9%, compared with 82.2% last year and 89.2 the 10-year average.

Flax.—The yield of flaxseed is reported at 9.2 bushels per acre, which compares with 6.6 bushels in 1926, and 8 bushels the 5-year average. In the northwestern district of Minnesota and the adjoining district in the northeastern corner of North Dakota, yields were sharply reduced by frost damage. Elsewhere in the important producing districts excellent yields are reported.

Partially as a result of lower prices, the acreage of flax has been declining since 1924. In 1925 and 1926 production was also reduced by lower yields. This year production is estimated at 24,321,000 bushels, compared with 18,592,000 bushels in 1926, and 20,000,000 bushels the 5-year average. Quality this year is about equal to the usual average.

Rice.—Rice is estimated to yield 40.2 bushels per acre, compared with 40.3 bushels per acre in 1926 and 38.7 bushels per acre the average during the past five years. The preliminary estimate of acreage in 1927 is 979,000 acres, compared with 1,018,000 acres in 1926. Production this year is estimated at 39,299,000 bushels compared with 41,006,000 bushels in 1926 and an average of 36,387,000 bushels during the past five years. The production in Louisiana, Arkansas and Texas is 30,156,000 bushels compared with 32,247,000 last year.

The average quality of the rice crop is reported at 89.8% compared with 90.7% in 1926. The quality in Louisiana is reported at 93%, 84% in Arkansas, 89% in Texas, and 90% in California.

Potatoes.—The yields of potatoes now reported indicate a crop of about 400,305,000 bushels, or about 1% above the forecast of a month ago. In several States, including Pennsylvania, Idaho, South Dakota and Nebraska, yields have proved to be above earlier expectations but the estimates for Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota, where yields are very low, have been further reduced. This year's crop is below average in practically all states from the Dakotas east but above average in the Western States. The quality of the potato crop appears close to the usual average. Preliminary reports from the principal late potato States indicate that 68% of the crop would grade U. S. No. 1 compared with 72% last year and a 5-year average of 67%.

Sweet Potatoes.—Yields of sweet potatoes are running substantially above expectations in nearly all important States and the crop is now estimated at 93,600,000 bushels. This is an increase of about 6,000,000 bushels over the forecast of a month ago and an increase of 10,000,000 bushels over the crop harvested last year.

Tobacco.—Tobacco yield is reported at 745.8 pounds per acre, compared with 787 pounds in 1926 and 770 pounds the 5-year average. Production is estimated at 1,190,357,000 pounds, compared with 1,301,211,000 pounds in 1926 and 1,338,226,000 pounds the 5-year average. Yields are turning out better than was anticipated in several States, notably North Carolina where an average yield of 692 pounds per acre is reported. The average quality of the tobacco crop is reported at 80.5%, compared with 80.1 in 1926 and 18.1 the 10-year average. While the average quality for the United States does not vary greatly from that of last year, the variation for some States is considerable. For the Connecticut Valley, it averages 82.2% compared with 89.2% in 1926; in New York 83% and 84% last year; in Pennsylvania the quality is 91% this year compared to 82% last year; in Indiana no change; quality is higher than last year in Maryland by 10%; in South Carolina 5%, and Tennessee 4%; it is lower in Georgia by 6%, Florida and Wisconsin, 3%, and Kentucky 2%, elsewhere little change.

A serious shortage in the production of most types compared with consumption during the past year is indicated. The prospective production of Burley is 36% less than the amount actually consumed during the year ending October 1; fire cured types 34% less; one Sucker 65% less, and Cigar types 34% less. The production of bright flue cured tobacco is in excess of consumption during the year ending July 1, but the rate of consumption is increasing.

Apples.—The apple crop is estimated at 119,333,000 bushels or less than half of last year's heavy crop of 246,460,000 bushels. During October, prospects declined about 3%, the gains in Virginia, Idaho and Colorado being more than offset by material decreases in New York, Michigan, Illinois and Washington. This year's apple crop in New York is estimated at less than 14,000,000 bushels compared with more than 40,000,000 bushels last year. Virginia and West Virginia together have a little over 10,000,000 bushels compared with over 30,000,000 last year. The North Central States as a group have less than 25,000,000 bushels compared with 48,000,000 bushels a year ago. Even in the three northwestern States where prospects are relatively better, production is only about 33,000,000 compared with 46,000,000 last year.

Details, by States, of principal grain crops as of Nov. 1 1927, follow:

The Crop Reporting Board of the United States Department of Agriculture makes the following forecasts and estimates from reports and data furnished by crop correspondents, field statisticians, and cooperating State Boards (or Departments) of Agriculture and Agricultural Colleges:

Crop.	Acres Harvested.			Quality.		
	5-year Ave. 1922-26	1926.	1927. (Prelim.)	10-yr. Ave. 1917-26. Per Ct.	1926. Per Ct.	1927. Per Ct.
Corn	101,790	99,559	97,638	80.7	72.6	75.2
Winter wheat	37,139	36,941	38,185	90.1	94.5	88.5
Spring wheat	19,525	19,613	20,313	86.5	87.1	88.1
All wheat	56,664	56,554	58,498	89.2	92.6	88.4
Oats	42,611	44,303	42,914	87.9	78.9	80.3
Barley	7,635	8,099	9,456	87.2	84.3	90.2
Rye	4,711	3,586	3,860	89.9	87.4	92.3
Buckwheat	740	707	858	89.2	82.2	88.9
Flaxseed	2,496	2,804	2,653	89.6	85.6	89.3
Rice	941	1,018	979	---	907	89.8
Grain sorghums, a	66,524	6,762	7,167	---	---	---
Sugar beets	665	677	723	---	---	---
Potatoes, white	3,538	3,148	3,495	87.4	84.8	86.0
Sweet potatoes	881	830	920	86.8	88.1	87.3
Tobacco	1,738	1,654	1,596	81.1	80.1	80.5
Broomcorn, a	357	288	238	---	---	---
Hops, a	21	21	23	---	---	---
Beans, dry edible, a, c	1,454	1,659	1,633	---	---	---
Peanuts	980	852	1,169	---	---	---
Hay, all tame	59,812	58,657	60,262	89.6	86.7	90.5

Crop.	Total Production. (In Thousands)			Yield per Acre.		
	5-year Ave. 1922-26	1926.	1927. (Prelim.)	5-year Ave. 1922-26.	1926.	1927. (Prelim.)
Corn, bushels	2,766,561	2,646,853	2,753,249	27.2	26.6	28.2
Winter wheat, bushels	556,016	627,433	552,767	15.0	17.0	14.5
Spring wheat, bushels	251,715	205,376	313,771	12.9	10.5	15.4
All wheat, bushels	807,732	832,809	866,538	14.3	14.7	14.8
Oats, bushels	1,352,357	1,250,019	1,205,631	31.7	28.2	28.1
Barley, bushels	192,707	188,340	264,703	25.2	23.3	28.0
Rye, bushels	63,874	41,010	61,484	13.6	11.4	15.9
Buckwheat, bushels	13,760	12,922	16,556	18.6	18.3	19.3
Flaxseed, bushels	20,000	18,529	24,321	8.0	6.6	9.2
Rice, bushels	36,387	41,006	39,299	38.7	40.3	40.2
Grain sorghums, bush, a	1,121,092	138,933	162,651	18.6	20.5	22.7
Sugar beets, tons	6,853	7,223	7,887	10.3	10.7	10.9
Potatoes, white, bushels	394,135	356,123	400,805	111.4	113.1	114.5
Sweet potatoes, bushels	81,292	83,658	93,610	92.2	100.8	101.8
Tobacco, pounds	1,338,226	1,301,211	1,190,357	770	787	746
Broomcorn, tons, a	56	52	41	4311	4346	4342
Hops, pounds, a	26,633	29,428	28,390	1,289	1,415	1,229
Beans, dry edible, bu, a, c	16,293	17,138	18,112	11.2	10.3	10.8
Peanuts, pounds	670,255	626,866	918,210	684	736	786
Hay, all tame, tons	90,904	86,184	103,773	1.52	1.47	1.72

a Principal producing States. b Three-year average, 1924-1926. c Including lima beans. d Pounds per acre.

Details of corn, by States, follow:

State.	Yield per Acre.		Production.		Quality.		
	10-year Ave. 1917-26.	1927. (Prelim.)	Ave. 1922-26.	1926.	1927. (Prelim.)	1917-26.	1927.
Malne	44.1	44.0	613	546	616	80	80
New Hamp.	46.0	45.0	866	705	720	82	77
Vermont	45.4	43.0	3,816	3,948	3,526	77	70
Mass.	46.3	45.0	2,261	2,160	2,070	84	78
Rhode Island	42.8	45.0	427	432	405	82	79
Connecticut	47.1	46.0	2,843	2,700	2,576	84	71
New York	36.9	36.0	24,846	23,450	24,372	77	65
New Jersey	42.8	40.0	8,958	8,648	7,250	86	85
Pennsylvania	43.2	40.0	61,570	57,154	51,840	82	64
Ohio	39.6	33.0	144,638	145,436	111,408	80	71
Indiana	36.4	31.0	171,320	170,528	127,441	79	65
Illinois	36.0	30.0	330,616	312,970	254,070	81	67
Michigan	33.9	27.0	56,922	54,162	39,582	72	57
Wisconsin	38.5	32.5	82,636	73,106	67,502	69	45
Minnesota	35.4	30.5	141,324	147,662	129,808	75	54
Iowa	39.7	36.0	422,916	413,586	394,344	84	76
Missouri	28.3	29.0	180,211	176,011	168,896	79	62
No. Dakota	23.7	26.0	24,203	18,162	24,934	62	73
So. Dakota	27.2	29.0	103,182	79,794	134,958	80	73
Nebraska	25.4	33.0	290,442	139,407	281,952	86	90
Kansas	17.4	32.2	103,687	57,299	170,177	77	92
Dakota	32.7	34.0	4,927	4,278	4,590	83	82
Maryland	38.3	41.0	22,845	22,049	21,566	82	76
Virginia	26.6	29.0	44,560	46,585	48,140	82	83
West Virginia	32.6	34.0	17,777	16,467	16,456	79	75
No. Carolina	20.3	22.5	49,697	52,272	52,380	86	86
So. Carolina	15.8	17.0	24,791	22,103	24,973	84	84
Georgia	13.6	14.0	48,914	55,346	55,048	82	83
Florida	14.2	13.0	9,123	7,714	7,306	82	78
Kentucky	27.9	26.0	89,042	101,277	71,812	80	69
Tennessee	24.5	24.0	72,899	85,222	71,400	82	81
Alabama	14.6	16.0	42,956	45,785	43,368	82	84
Mississippi	16.8	17.8	36,599	36,826	36,526	81	80
Arkansas	18.6	19.0	31,586	41,533	36,575	74	75
Louisiana	17.0	17.0	21,970	19,722	21,658	74	80
Oklahoma	17.5	26.5	45,975	61,178	73,590	73	86
Texas	19.3	23.0	80,433	106,863	114,931	75	83
Montana	16.5	23.0	6,625	3,949	7,268	68	51
Idaho	36.7	40.0	2,594	2,706	3,040	86	68
Wyoming	21.3	22.0	3,446	3,940	4,334	81	50
Colorado	16.0	17.0	20,584	10,472	23,137	81	67
New Mexico	19.6	15.0	3,673	4,420	2,745	80	74
Arizona	27.1	32.0	995	1,120	1,408	83	88
Utah	23.6	24.0	543	432	456	80	73
Nevada	26.6	25.0	37	48	50	83	93
Washington	36.5	35.0	2,104	1,715	1,505	80	67
Oregon	30.9	34.5	2,219	2,475	2,932	80	87
California	33.9	33.0	3,351	2,510	2,541	88	82
U. S. total	27.6	28.2	2,766,561	2,646,853	2,753,249	80.7	7.52

Foreign Crop Prospects.

The United States Department of Agriculture at Washington also brings together under date of Nov. 10 the latest available information pertaining to cereal crops of foreign countries, as reported by the Foreign Service Bureau of Agricultural Economics, and this is summarized as follows:

Wheat production in 34 foreign countries of the Northern Hemisphere and Australia reporting to date is estimated at 2,311,917,000 bushels as compared with 2,230,550,000 bushels in 1926, an increase of 3.6%, according to reports received by the Foreign Service of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. In 1926 these countries, with the United States, produced 97% of the estimated Northern Hemisphere crop, excluding Russia and China. All reports from Russia continue to indicate a decrease in wheat production there.

The Canadian Pacific Railway reported on Oct. 31 that the warmer temperatures and occasional drying winds throughout the Prairie Provinces of Canada have dried out the grain and the wheat now being threshed in grading better generally than was previously reported.

The monsoon in India is reported as normal and the trade is looking forward to a full acreage being sown to wheat this year. The first official acreage is not due until the last of January.

The outlook for the Argentine wheat crop continues favorable. Temperatures have averaged slightly below normal since the first of September and since about the middle of September rainfall has been plentiful and well distributed. The 1927-1928 acreage is estimated at 19,538,000 acres as compared with 19,274,000 acres last year. Conditions in Australia are less favorable due to drought. The first official estimate of production is 115,000,000 bushels as compared with 160,858,000 bushels in 1926-27.

Rye.—Rye production in 24 foreign countries reporting to date is 835,941,000 bushels as compared with 745,450,000 bushels in 1926, an increase of 12.1%. In 1926 these countries and the United States produced 92% of the estimated Northern Hemisphere crop, excluding Russia.

Barley.—The production of barley in 35 foreign countries reporting to date is estimated to be 977,159,000 bushels as compared with 983,337,000 bushels last year, a decrease amounting to about 0.6%. These countries last year produced some 80% of the estimated world total barley crop, exclusive of Russia and China. In Canada the crop is officially estimated at 98,049,000 bushels, compared with 99,684,000 bushels last year. In the 26 European countries so far reported the production has decreased from 679,238,000 bushels to 665,117,000 bushels.

The production of oats in 29 foreign countries reporting in 1927 is estimated to be 2,247,681,000 bushels, compared with 2,189,844,000 bushels last year, an increase of 2.6%. These countries, together with the United States, last year produced about 92% of the estimated world total, exclusive of Russia and China. The chief increase is in the Canadian crop, while the North African countries also show a small increase. The 25 European countries so far reported have declined from 1,794,970,000 to 1,729,396,000 bushels, a decrease of 3.7%.

Corn.—The production of corn in 13 foreign countries this year is estimated at 458,007,000 bushels, compared with 644,664,000 bushels last year, a decrease of 29%. In 1926, they with the United States, produced 75% of the world crop, exclusive of Russia. The 9 European countries so far reported, show a production of only 444,556,000 bushels, compared with 628,994,000 bushels last year, a decrease of nearly 30%. Canada and Syria and Lebanon also show decreased production while the North African countries so far reported show a small increase.

CEREAL CROPS: PRODUCTION, AVERAGE 1909-13, ANNUAL 1924-27.

Crop and Countries Reporting in 1927. a	Average 1909-13.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1927.	P. C. of 1927 1926.
Wheat—	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	%
United States	690,108	864,428	676,429	832,809	866,538	104.1
Canada	197,119	262,097	411,376	409,811	445,741	111.9
Mexico	11,481	10,357	9,440	10,244	11,108	108.4
Europe (25)	1,337,978	1,042,630	1,388,997	1,195,765	1,247,500	104.3
North Africa (4)	92,047	85,312	104,558	89,976	107,728	119.7
Asia (3)	383,827	395,955	371,047	369,896	371,840	102.2
Est. N. H. ex. Russia & China	2,759,000	2,732,000	3,038,000	2,979,000	---	---
Australia	90,497	164,559	114,504	160,858	115,000	71.5
Total above 36 countries	2,803,057	2,825,368	3,076,351	3,063,359	3,178,455	103.8
Est. world total ex. Russia & China	3,041,000	3,142,000	3,400,000	3,417,000	---	---
Rye—	36,093	65,465	46,456	41,010	61,484	149.9
United States	2,094	13,751	13,688	12,114	17,462	144.1
Canada	957,391	640,556	924,390	73,336	818,479	111.6
Europe (23)	---	---	---	---	---	---
Total above 25 countries	995,578	719,773	984,534	786,460	897,475	114.1
Est. world total ex. Russia & China	1,025,000	742,000	1,013,000	813,000	---	---
Barley—	184,812	181,575	213,863	188,340	264,703	140.5
United States	45,275	88,807	112,668	99,684	169,049	98.4
Canada	686,639	565,263	681,509	679,238	665,117	97.9
Europe (26)	105,467	87,139	103,937	67,445	93,946	139.3
North Africa (5)	133,027	117,912	138,273	136,970	120,047	87.6
Asia (3)	---	---	---	---	---	---
Total above 36 countries	1,155,220	1,040,696	1,250,000	1,171,677	1,241,862	106.0
Est. world total ex. Russia & China	1,425,000	1,311,000	1,534,000	1,450,000	---	---
Oats—	1,143,407	1,502,529	1,487,550	1,250,019	1,205,639	96.4
United States	351,690	405,976	513,384	383,419	502,199	131.0
Canada	1,821,051	1,520,392	1,684,190	1,794,970	1,729,396	

listed representing sales only, there being an equal volume of purchases.

Expressed in Thousands of Bushels, t. e., (000) Omitted.

Date—October 1927—	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Rye.	Barley.	Flax.	Total.
1 Sunday	23,839	27,519	2,371	1,143	---	---	54,872
2	31,043	30,030	2,739	2,015	---	---	65,827
3	26,181	17,149	1,756	1,756	---	---	47,275
4	15,632	13,777	1,062	806	---	---	31,337
5	19,392	17,367	650	1,265	---	---	38,674
6	22,804	18,842	1,021	1,163	---	---	43,830
7	13,217	11,321	1,248	419	---	---	26,205
8	12,532	13,557	1,692	897	---	---	28,678
9 Sunday	28,002	34,412	6,169	1,219	---	---	69,802
10	15,091	24,527	2,813	1,424	---	---	43,855
11	15,487	29,816	2,811	1,014	---	---	49,128
12	11,080	31,742	3,474	973	---	---	47,274
13	26,311	27,819	2,549	1,202	---	---	57,881
14	44,008	26,122	2,278	1,227	---	---	73,635
15	46,017	27,404	2,974	1,907	---	---	78,002
16	39,495	20,299	1,758	1,526	---	---	63,078
17	48,615	19,505	3,678	1,314	---	---	73,112
18	36,895	15,656	2,114	1,072	---	---	55,737
19	44,860	16,441	2,037	1,981	---	---	65,319
20	45,068	20,302	2,198	1,395	---	---	68,963
21	30,166	31,355	3,693	2,724	---	---	67,938
22	26,362	22,857	2,037	1,612	---	---	52,868
23	23,194	22,299	2,090	876	---	---	48,459
24	34,172	11,957	2,758	1,215	---	---	50,102
25	42,952	17,869	2,568	1,886	---	---	65,275
26	722,415	549,944	60,538	34,229	---	---	1,367,126
27	28,182	12,868	1,060	---	---	---	42,110
28	91,058	---	9,811	2,845	3,739	4,845	112,298
29	28,598	19,472	---	---	---	---	48,070
30	*40,222	---	---	9,937	67	8,926	59,152
31	2,414	2,276	825	163	---	---	6,128
Total all markets	917,444	587,388	72,234	47,174	3,810	13,771	1,641,821
Total all mktg. year ago	1,088,734	339,706	63,900	26,860	1,604	11,869	1,532,723
Chic. Bd. of Tr. year ago	901,279	316,377	58,630	19,251	---	---	1,289,537

* Durum wheat with exception of 107 wheat. a Hard wheat with exception of 63 red wheat.

"OPEN CONTRACTS" IN FUTURES ON THE CHICAGO BOARD OF TRADE FOR OCTOBER 1927 (BUSHELS).

("Short" side of contracts only, there being an equal volume open on the "long" side.)

October 1927.	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Rye.	Total.
1	84,356,000	63,915,000	36,008,000	9,548,000	193,827,000
2	85,514,000	64,813,000	36,562,000	9,545,000	196,434,000
3	86,188,000	65,174,000	36,381,000	9,932,000	197,675,000
4	87,098,000	65,161,000	36,522,000	9,937,000	198,718,000
5	86,534,000	66,045,000	36,805,000	9,991,000	199,175,000
6	88,245,000	67,430,000	36,621,000	10,195,000	202,541,000
7	88,338,000	67,920,000	36,619,000	10,069,000	202,946,000
8	88,517,000	67,980,000	36,786,000	10,181,000	202,984,000
9	89,117,000	65,599,000	37,022,000	10,032,000	202,160,000
10	88,966,000	66,319,000	37,155,000	10,187,000	202,627,000
11	88,654,000	65,075,000	37,150,000	10,253,000	201,132,000
12	89,331,000	66,011,000	36,958,000	10,136,000	202,436,000
13	91,639,000	67,169,000	36,931,000	10,067,000	205,806,000
14	91,671,000	68,379,000	36,804,000	9,843,000	206,697,000
15	93,737,000	69,208,000	36,959,000	9,705,000	209,609,000
16	94,124,000	69,575,000	36,646,000	9,549,000	209,894,000
17	94,014,000	70,685,000	36,305,000	9,510,000	210,514,000
18	*94,390,000	72,030,000	36,137,000	9,976,000	211,933,000
19	93,556,000	71,593,000	35,554,000	9,607,000	210,310,000
20	93,179,000	71,790,000	35,588,000	9,719,000	210,676,000
21	92,154,000	74,015,000	35,619,000	10,602,000	212,390,000
22	91,504,000	72,967,000	35,463,000	10,940,000	210,874,000
23	91,505,000	72,975,000	35,481,000	10,641,000	210,620,000
24	90,405,000	71,667,000	35,483,000	10,654,000	208,209,000
25	89,037,000	73,519,000	35,654,000	10,735,000	208,945,000
Average—	90,071,000	68,679,000	36,353,000	10,038,000	205,141,000
October 1926	100,156,000	54,547,000	49,162,000	13,823,000	217,568,000
September 1927	80,043,000	69,773,000	35,944,000	10,645,000	196,405,000
August 1927	82,883,000	82,329,000	30,721,000	11,163,000	207,096,000
July 1927	79,704,000	78,319,000	27,803,000	10,544,000	196,370,000
June 1927	74,075,000	76,816,000	32,549,000	10,145,000	193,585,000
May 1927	66,957,000	69,326,000	32,798,000	8,507,000	177,587,000
April 1927	80,193,000	80,416,000	43,551,000	13,585,000	217,745,000
March 1927	86,896,000	84,959,000	48,396,000	15,099,000	235,350,000
February 1927	87,976,000	77,933,000	49,714,000	15,683,000	231,306,000
January 1927	90,024,000	68,526,000	48,960,000	13,468,000	220,978,000
December 1926	94,547,000	60,192,000	46,278,000	13,099,000	214,116,000
November 1926	105,933,000	63,758,000	45,015,000	15,144,000	229,850,000

a High. b Low.

Crude Oil and Gasoline Prices Show Slight Changes.

The Magnolia Petroleum Co. on Nov. 10 posted a price of 80 cents a barrel for all grades of crude oil at the wells in Glascock County, Texas, and in part of Howard County, Texas, effective as of Oct. 24. Glascock crude had previously been sold on a gravity basis at the same price as Mid-Continent crude oil, ranging from \$1.10 for 28 gravity and below to \$1.60 a barrel for 52 gravity and above. The Kay County Gas Co. posted a price of \$1.05 for all Howard County crude in May last.

On Nov. 11 it was reported at Tulsa, Okla., that the Texas Co. had bought approximately 100,000 bbls. of Burbank crude oil from the Skelly Oil Co. at 35c. a bbl. above the regular posted price. The oil is stored in two tanks and the Texas Co. has made rental arrangements with the Skelly Co. so that it can have use of the tankage until it gets out of the oil. This was later denied in a press dispatch from Tulsa of the same date which stated:

W. G. Skelly, president of the Skelly Oil Co. denies the sale of 100,000 bbls. of Burbank crude oil to the Texas Co. at a premium as previously reported.

Reports from Toledo, O., on Nov. 10 indicated that the Roxana Petroleum Co., a subsidiary of the Shell Union Oil Co., has brought about a gasoline price war in Ohio by a reduction of 4 cents a gallon in the retail price of gasoline. The step was occasioned by numerous concessions and allowances to dealers from refiners, which have been fairly general in the Middle West and parts of the East. The new retail gasoline price of 12 cents at Toledo has brought it to the level of the tank wagon price. Dealers still get the quantity discount allowances as well as certain discounts, bringing their cost well under the service station price.

At Chicago, on Nov. 11, wholesale prices stood as follows: U. S. motor grade gasoline 6@6½¢; kerosene, 41-43 water white 4½@4¾¢; fuel oil 24-26 gravity 82½@85¢.

Further Decline Reported in Crude Oil Output.

The daily crude oil output for the week of Nov. 5 fell off by 13,100 barrels, reports the American Petroleum Institute. The daily average gross crude oil production in the United States for the week ended Nov. 5 was 2,453,450 barrels, as compared with 2,466,550 barrels for the preceding week. The daily average production east of California was 1,830,350 barrels, as compared with 1,836,950 barrels, a decrease of 6,600 barrels. The following are estimates of daily average gross production by districts for the weeks indicated:

DAILY AVERAGE PRODUCTION.

(In barrels.)—

	Nov. 5 '27.	Oct. 29 '27.	Oct. 22 '27.	Nov. 6 '26.
Oklahoma	751,350	757,700	779,200	557,500
Kansas	107,150	105,350	104,950	114,900
Panhandle Texas	86,750	89,550	88,700	161,500
North Texas	78,100	78,650	79,300	94,400
West Central Texas	58,900	58,750	60,700	58,500
West Texas	218,400	210,950	211,000	202,800
East Central Texas	28,700	28,750	28,250	56,500
Southwest Texas	26,200	26,550	26,700	42,900
North Louisiana	49,950	50,850	51,050	57,500
Arkansas	99,100	100,050	100,900	146,200
Coastal Texas	122,600	125,050	123,250	165,550
Coastal Louisiana	15,100	14,800	15,400	11,350
Eastern	115,000	115,000	114,500	110,500
Wyoming	51,400	52,000	50,950	63,900
Montana	13,700	13,700	13,700	18,850
Colorado	6,250	7,000	6,400	7,250
New Mexico	1,700	2,250	1,900	4,650
California	623,100	629,000	624,000	634,200
Total	2,453,450	2,466,550	2,481,750	2,357,050

The estimated daily average gross production of the Mid-Continent field including Oklahoma, Kansas, Panhandle, North, West Central, West Texas, East Central and Southwest Texas, North Louisiana and Arkansas, for the week ended Nov. 5 was 1,504,600 barrels, as compared with 1,507,150 barrels for the preceding week, a decrease of 2,550 barrels. The Mid-Continent production, excluding Smackover, Arkansas heavy oil, was 1,428,350 barrels as compared with 1,430,250 barrels, a decrease of 1,900 barrels.

The production figures of certain pools in the various districts for the current week compared with the previous week follow (figures in barrels of 42 gallons):

	Nov. 5.	Oct. 29.	Nov. 5.	Oct. 29.
Oklahoma	751,350	757,700	779,200	557,500
North Bramean	2,900	2,750	---	---
South Bramean	2,150	2,250	Haynesville	7,150
Tonkawa	16,900	17,150	Uranian	9,150
Garber	10,150	10,150	---	---
Burbank	38,850	35,850	Arkansas—	---
Bristow Slick	24,950	24,950	Smackover, light	9,550
Cromwell	11,100	11,300	Smackover, heavy	76,250
Wewoka	12,750	12,700	---	---
Seminole	63,700	64,700	Coastal Texas—	---
Bowlegs	119,200	121,300	West Columbia	9,000
Searith	26,150	26,300	Blue Ridge	2,300
Little River	45,850	45,050	Pierce Junction	10,800
Earlsboro	149,700	155,450	Hull	15,800
Panhandle Texas—	---	---	Spindletop	52,800
Hutchinson County	62,000	64,600	Orange County	4,200
Carson County	7,850	8,100	---	---
Gray	15,600	15,500	Wyoming—	---
Wheeler	1,200	1,300	Salt Creek	33,400
West Central Texas—	---	---	---	---
Brown County	19,500	19,000	Montana—	---
Shackelford County	5,200	5,250	Sunburst	11,500
West Texas—	---	---	California—	---
Reagan County	22,750	23,250	Santa Fe Springs	39,000
Pecos County	32,450	30,700	Long Beach	100,000
Crane & Upton Counties	130,550	127,400	Huntinton Beach	61,000
Winkler	17,650	15,750	Torrance	20,000
East Central Texas—	---	---	Dominguez	15,000
Corsicana Powell	13,400	13,500	Rosecans	8,000
Nigger Creek	2,500	2,400	Inglewood	32,500
Southwest Texas—	---	---	Midway Sunset	84,000
Luling	15,000	15,200	Ventura Avenue	53,600
Laredo District	8,100	8,200	Seal Beach	51,000

Weather Aids Coal Trade—Bituminous Prices Unsettled—Anthracite Demand Improves.

Lower temperature over a fairly wide area of the country has been productive of a more hopeful feeling in the bituminous coal trade of the country, though little actual progress has been made in the effort to stabilize prices through balancing supply and demand, declares the weekly market review issued Nov. 10 by the "Coal Age News". Thus far the demand for domestic grades has not increased to the degree expected and steam coals have been in far from insistent request due to heavy stock-piles still held in reserve by industrial consumers, adds the "News" in summarizing the trend of the markets. Further extracts from the review follow:

Bituminous coal stocks held by consumers on Oct. 1, according to figures just released by the U. S. Bureau of Mines, totaled 61,900,000 tons, showing a decline of only 1,500,000 tons since the last previous report, on July 1. A significant fact disclosed by the

latest figures is that practically all classes of industrial consumers except electrical utilities and coal-gas plants consumed less coal during July, August and September this year than in the corresponding period of last year.

Average spot levels took a downward turn during the last week. The "Coal Age News" index of spot bituminous prices Nov. 9 was 158 and the corresponding weighted average price was \$1.91. Compared with preliminary figures for Nov. 2 this was a decline of 5 points and 6c. At this time last year the index stood at 299 and the weighted average price was \$3.61. The higher levels prevailing at that time were due to an unusually heavy export demand caused by the British strike.

Illinois producers wear an air of despondency because of the slow movement of steam coals as well as the backwardness of domestic grades. Many mines have not reopened since April 1 and a number of others are on short time. Similar conditions prevail in Indiana.

Kentucky operators are not finding their efforts to readjust movement to large-scale operations in Illinois productive of much success. Prices have fallen to the lowest levels in months, with slack plentiful at 50c. At the Head of the Lakes, on the other hand, bookings show a further gain as the result of colder weather. Storage congestion on the docks, however, is becoming more marked and some factors find it difficult to take care of receipts from the lower ports. The Cincinnati market is sluggish and the outlook bears a hopeless tinge. Reliance on stockpiles by consumers in the Southwest has hurt production and Colorado is thankful for mild weather with the labor situation upset. The Pittsburgh market is fairly steady. Comparative indifference reigns in the trade in the states along the Atlantic seaboard.

Bituminous output during the week ended Nov. 5 is estimated by the National Coal Association at 9,375,000 net tons, as compared with U. S. Bureau of Mines figures of 10,016,000 tons for the preceding week. Lake dumpings during the week ended at 7 a. m. Nov. 7 were 811,840 tons of cargo and 37,027 tons of vessel fuel. Total dumpings to date are 29,388,082 tons, as compared with 26,583,037 tons a year ago.

October shipments from the Head of the Lakes were 32,178 cars, as against 25,794 in the preceding month and 30,993 in October, 1926. Receipts at the docks last month were 1,015,459 tons of soft coal and 176,217 tons of anthracite. Total bituminous receipts for the season to Oct. 31 are 10,570,677 tons; anthracite, 892,669 tons.

Anthracite shows improvement at New York and Baltimore with the appearance of more seasonable weather. The Philadelphia trade, however, is still backward. Nevertheless, working time has picked up and the mines and shippers have a good supply of orders on hand. Stove and chestnut lead in demand, with egg and pea just fair. The steam sizes are active.

Demand in the Connellsville coke market stagnant and output continues downward. Foundry and domestic sales are slow also at Buffalo and Birmingham.

Brief extracts from the "Coal and Coal Trade Journal" of Nov. 10 tend to show the same general opinion of market conditions as that reviewed above. The "Journal" says in part:

There should be no cause for gloom if the weather man gives the coal trade an even break during the balance of the season, and if there is a maximum of sales effort accompanied by liberal advertising as employed by other lines of business and recommended by President Dice so emphatically in his address at Pottsville, Pa.

In the bituminous trade there was real encouragement as the industry watched the bulletin board of production and saw the tonnage drop from ten million five hundred and fifty thousand tons for the week ending Oct. 15 to ten million one hundred thousand tons for the week ending Oct. 29.

The settlement of the loading machine scale in Illinois confirms previous comment in these columns at the time of the eastern settlement that perhaps there was "victory in defeat" for the operators. The decision means lower cost and better fortifies the operators who use machines to hold their home market and compete in others. It should also be a stimulant to the "Pick and Shovel Brigade" to make further effort to secure necessary concessions for them also to protect and compete. The result also indicates—what should not be a surprise as it happened many times before—that the miners' officials, when backed by the miners, keep their promises. Illinois obtained a start at least on what she has strived for during about twenty-five years, the only good visible so far out of a six months' strike. Strikes no longer create or improve a market.

Decrease in Consumption of Coal During September.

Consumption of coal during the month of September decreased about 1 million tons from the preceding month, due to the fact that September did not show practically any increase in consumption on account of seasonal conditions, September being a fairly warm month and the month not only had one less day than August but also included a holiday. Total consumption reported amounted to about 33,468,000 tons, the average daily consumption being 1,115,000 tons per day. Coal in storage was maintained from the first of the preceding month. The Coal Survey of the National Association of Purchasing Agents shows a total of 58,420,000 tons of anthracite and bituminous coal held in stock by industries throughout the United States and Canada. This does not include stocks held at the ports up the lakes, which is exceedingly high for this time of the year, as on Oct. 1, there had been shipped up the lakes 26,108,000 tons as compared with the same period in 1926 of 21,471,000 tons. This does not include coal in hands of retailers, says the Association which under date of Nov. 3 adds:

Total industrial stocks in the United States and Canada constitute an average supply of 52 days based on September consumption.

During September bituminous production according to the Bureau of Mines Reports, amounted to 41,950,000 tons, an increase of approximately

600,000 tons over the preceding month. The high point of non-union production was reached during the last week in September amounting to 10,069,000 tons per week. Anthracite production totaled 6,642,000 tons, being 1,100,000 tons less than the preceding month. The combination of bituminous and anthracite production amounted to 48,592,000 tons.

The output of By-Product coke for September amounted to 3,602,000 tons, practically the same as the preceding month. Seventy-eight plants were active and their production was slightly more than 80% of their capacity. The September output of Bee Hive coke amounted to 457,000 tons, a decrease of 30,000 tons from the preceding month.

It will be noted that in practically all industries, stocks were maintained with the exception of the Railroads who showed an increase.

Market Conditions

Due to the strike being ended in the Illinois, Indiana, and the South-western coal districts, and the satisfactory non-union rodents in Western Pennsylvania, recently union, the progress being made in Central Pennsylvania in changing from Union to non-union and the large non-union production, there is now available throughout the United States plenty of coal to meet all requirements. On account of this, consumers no longer feel it necessary to maintain such high stocks and there appears to be a universal movement on foot to consume excess stocks. This has materially reduced the demand for coal throughout the United States and caused a very weak condition in coal prices. So much so that reports are coming from all over the country that the coal industry is in a worse condition now than it has been for some time past.

It is important that stocks are not depleted lower than what would be a normal seasonal amount, as should stocks be universally dropped too low, it might cause a temporary reaction in coal prices due to temporary excessive demands. The strike in the Colorado field is becoming more serious than it would behoove buyers in that district to watch stock piles very closely.

On Oct. 1 1926 bituminous coal stocks in industries not including retailers, in the United States, amounted to approximately 37,000,000 tons as compared with 52,000,000 at the present time. However, it is hardly likely that consumers should reduce their stocks below what would be a normal seasonal amount for winter consumption, which is around 42,000,000 tons (based on present reduced business activities) so that stocks should be reduced about 10,000,000 tons. Retailers stocks appear to be normal so they should not enter very much into the picture.

During October of 1926, after deducting for excess shipments abroad and shipments up the lakes, which will not be equalled by the shipments this year, and deducting for decreased business activity, the total bituminous coal requirements in the United States should be about 44,000,000 tons and during November on the same basis, total bituminous coal requirements should be about 47,000,000 tons, thus making the total requirements for these two months of 91,000,000 tons. Deducting from this the 10,000,000 tons depletion in industrial stocks, makes a total requirement of 81,000,000 tons.

There was produced during the first two weeks of October approximately 20,836,000 tons, so that the average requirements of the country in bituminous coal from October 15 to December 1 should average from 9,500,000 to 10,000,000 tons per week, depending on how fast stocks are depleted.

This forecast is subject to so many varying factors such as weather conditions and business conditions which cannot be accurately forecasted, that this figure should be used only as a guide to future conditions and not as a definite certainty.

Comparative Estimates of United States Production and Consumption and Stocks of Anthracite and Bituminous Coal in Industries of the United States and Canada.

	United States Production.	Industrial Consumption.	On Hand in Industries.
May.....	44,475,000	37,817,000	72,288,000
June.....	41,999,000	34,656,000	66,510,000
July.....	38,597,000	32,638,000	62,800,000
August.....	48,907,000	34,506,000	53,448,000
September.....	48,592,000	33,468,000	58,179,000
Oct. 1.....	-----	-----	58,420,000

Production of Bituminous Coal, Anthracite and Coke Declines.

The recession in bituminous coal output noted last week continued into the week ended Oct. 29, bringing the production down 269,000 tons to 10,016,000 net tons, according to advices received from the United States Bureau of Mines. In the same period, anthracite production declined 71,000 tons to 1,728,000 net tons, owing to the observance of Mitchell Day on Oct. 29. This brings the anthracite tonnage produced in the calendar year to Oct. 29 up to 67,422,000 compared with 70,019,000 tons produced in the corresponding period of 1926. Coke output during the week of Oct. 29 declined to 86,000 net tons, a loss of 19,000 net tons when compared with the preceding week. Other details of the Bureau of Mines' report are as follows:

BITUMINOUS COAL.

The total production of soft coal during the week ended Oct. 29, including lignite and coal coked at the mines, is estimated at 10,016,000 net tons. In comparison with the output in the preceding week, this shows a decrease of 269,000 tons, or 2.6%.

Estimated United States Production of Bituminous Coal (Net Tons), Incl. Coal Coked.

	1927		1926	
	Week.	Cal. Year to Date.	Week.	Cal. Year to Date.
October 15.....	10,550,000	415,867,000	12,386,000	432,880,000
Daily average.....	1,758,000	1,706,000	2,064,000	1,777,000
October 22 b.....	10,285,000	426,152,000	12,712,000	445,592,000
Daily average.....	1,714,000	1,707,000	2,119,000	1,785,000
October 29 c.....	10,016,000	436,168,000	13,486,000	459,078,000
Daily average.....	1,669,000	1,706,000	2,248,000	1,796,000

a Minus one day's production first week in January to equalize number of days in the two years. b Revised since last report. c Subject to revision.

The total quantity of soft coal produced during the calendar year 1927 to Oct. 29 (approximately 256 working days) amounts to 436,168,000 net tons. Figures for corresponding periods in other recent years are given below:

1926.....	459,078,000 net tons	1924.....	388,992,000 net tons
1925.....	413,036,000 net tons	1923.....	473,089,000 net tons
1922.....	326,481,000 net tons		

As already indicated by the figures above, the total production of soft coal for the country as a whole during the week ended Oct. 22 amounted to 10,285,000 net tons, a decrease of 265,000 tons, or 2.5%, from the output in the preceding week.

The following table apportions the tonnage by States and gives comparable figures for other recent years.

Estimated Weekly Production of Soft Coal by States (Net Tons).

State—	Total Production for Week Ended—				October Average 1923. b
	Oct. 22 1927.	Oct. 15 1927.	Oct. 23. 1926.	Oct. 24 1925. a	
Alabama	381,000	380,000	471,000	441,000	380,000
Ark., Kan., Mo. & Okla.	280,000	295,000	281,000	257,000	251,000
Colorado	178,000	298,000	255,000	268,000	217,000
Illinois	1,249,000	a1,144,000	1,602,000	1,690,000	1,558,000
Indiana	324,000	a230,000	471,000	500,000	518,000
Iowa	51,000	36,000	117,000	115,000	180,000
Kentucky—Eastern	1,013,000	1,025,000	958,000	941,000	764,000
Western	359,000	410,000	360,000	312,000	239,000
Maryland	61,000	63,000	76,000	54,000	36,000
Michigan	17,000	17,000	17,000	20,000	28,000
Montana	75,000	85,000	82,000	96,000	82,000
New Mexico	63,000	65,000	62,000	57,000	58,000
North Dakota	58,000	56,000	38,000	46,000	37,000
Ohio	162,000	148,000	734,000	652,000	817,000
Pennsylvania	2,435,000	2,555,000	3,300,000	3,042,000	3,155,000
Tennessee	96,000	90,000	123,000	120,000	117,000
Texas	25,000	23,000	26,000	21,000	25,000
Utah	98,000	108,000	94,000	125,000	121,000
Virginia	256,000	261,000	279,000	268,000	231,000
Washington	55,000	58,000	65,000	57,000	67,000
West Virginia—Southern	2,003,000	2,135,000	2,259,000	1,922,000	1,521,000
Northern	877,000	868,000	902,000	829,000	772,000
Wyoming	186,000	187,000	156,000	185,000	184,000
Others	3,000	3,000	4,000	5,000	4,000

10,285,000 10,550,000 12,712,000 12,021,000 11,312,000

a Revised. b Weekly rate maintained during the entire month. c Includes operations on the N. & W., C. & O., Virginian, K. & M., B. C. & G., and Charleston division of the B. & O. d Rest of State, including Panhandle.

ANTHRACITE.

Because of the observance in the anthracite fields of Mitchell Day, Oct. 29, the production of hard coal during the week of Oct. 24-29 decreased to 1,728,000 net tons. While this is less by 71,000 tons than the output in the preceding week, figures of daily loadings show that in the five active days, output was at a higher rate than in any recent week.

Estimated United States Production of Anthracite (Net Tons).

Week Ended—	1927		1926	
	Week.	Cal. Year to Date.	Week.	Cal. Year to Date. a
October 15	1,794,000	63,895,000	2,093,000	66,152,000
October 22	1,799,000	65,694,000	2,062,000	68,214,000
October 29. b	1,728,000	67,422,000	1,805,000	70,019,000

a Minus one day's production first week in January to equalize number of days in the two years. b Subject to revision.

BEEHIVE COKE.

The total production of beehive coke for the country as a whole during the week ended Oct. 29 is estimated at 86,000 net tons, a decrease of 19,000 tons, or 18%, from the output in the preceding week. The figures in the table below indicate that the decrease in the Pennsylvania-Ohio group was 26%.

Estimated Production of Beehive Coke (Net Tons).

	Week Ended—		1927		1926	
	Oct. 29 1927. b	Oct. 22 1927. c	Oct. 30 1926.	to Date.	to Date. a	to Date. a
Pennsylvania and Ohio	54,000	73,000	162,000	4,759,000	7,980,000	
West Virginia	14,000	15,000	16,000	671,000	640,000	
Ala., Kentucky, Tenn. & Georgia	7,000	5,000	5,000	218,000	523,000	
Virginia	5,000	5,000	6,000	276,000	295,000	
Colorado and New Mexico	3,000	4,000	4,000	169,000	216,000	
Washington and Utah	3,000	3,000	4,000	140,000	144,000	
United States total	86,000	105,000	197,000	6,233,000	9,798,000	
Daily average	14,000	18,000	33,000	24,000	38,000	

a Minus one day's production first week in January to equalize number of day in the two years. b Subject to revision. c Revised since last report.

The production of bituminous coal in the United States during the week ended Nov. 5, estimated by the National Coal Association from preliminary shipping reports, shows a total of about 9,375,000 net tons, a decrease of about 600,000 tons from the output of the preceding week. The greater part of this loss in output occurred on Monday and Tuesday due to the observance of religious holidays and the opening of the hunting season. Loading totals, however, on the remaining days of the week were lower than those of the corresponding days of the week before.

Production of Crude Petroleum Again Shows a Decrease—Refining Operations in September.

The production of crude petroleum in the United States in September 1927, as reported to the Bureau of Mines, Department of Commerce, by companies which operate gathering lines, amounted to 75,081,000 barrels, a daily average of 2,503,000 barrels. This represents a decline of 13,000 barrels from the daily average of the previous month, and a decrease of about 24,000 barrels in daily average from the record figure of July 1927. The Bureau continues:

The decrease in national output was again due mainly to developments in the Seminole district, where a number of good completions in the Little River pool were unable to counterbalance the decline of the older pools notably Seminole City and Bawlegs. Both of the other large producing States, California and Texas, recorded increases in daily output in September. Practically all of the increase in production in Texas was credited to the West Texas fields, which showed an increase in daily average production of approximately 20,000 barrels over August 1927.

Stocks of crude petroleum east of California continued their upward trend by virtue of an increase of slightly over 6,000,000 barrels during the month. This increase, while large, was somewhat below the average of the past few months, undoubtedly a result of the production decline at Seminole. Stocks of light crude in California again registered a slight decline; heavy stocks, a slight increase.

Production in the Seminole field in September 1927 amounted to 12,925,000 barrels, a daily average of 431,000 barrels. This represents a slight decline from the daily average of the previous month. This small decrease in production, coming after the material decline of August, resulted

from a number of good completions in the Little River pool, which nearly compensated for the natural decline in the older fields of the district. Stocks in the Seminole field continued to increase but at a considerably reduced rate. These stocks totaled 12,318,000 barrels on Sept. 30 1927, as against 11,124,000 barrels on hand Aug. 31 1927.

Production in the Panhandle district registered another decrease and dropped below the 100,000-barrel mark. Seal Beach, however, made a notable recovery, its production rising to the high level of June 1927.

PRODUCTION. (Barrels of 42 U. S. Gallons.)

	August 1927.		September 1927.		September 1926.	
	Total.	Daily Average	Total.	Daily Average	Total.	Daily Average
Seminole	13,532,000	437,000	12,925,000	431,000	634,000	21,000
Panhandle	3,160,000	102,000	2,845,000	95,000	3,500,000	117,000
Seal Beach	1,786,000	58,000	1,915,000	64,000	53,000	2,000

STOCKS AT SEMINOLE. (Barrels of 42 U. S. Gallons.)

	Aug. 31 1927.	Sept. 30 1927.
Producers' stocks	473,000	466,000
Tank-farm stocks	10,651,000	11,852,000
Total stocks	11,124,000	12,318,000

RECORD OF WELLS SEPTEMBER 1927. (Barrels of 42 U. S. Gallons.)

	Completions.			Total Initial Production.	Average Initial Production.	Drilling Sept. 30.
	Oil.	Gas.	Dry.			
Seminole	82	--	36	137,700	1,700	454
Panhandle	21	12	8	7,700	400	171
Seal Beach	11	--	--	8,600	800	21

Runs to stills of domestic and foreign crude petroleum amounted to 68,789,000 barrels, a daily average of 2,293,000 barrels. This represents another slight decline in daily average runs to stills. Daily average gasoline production established a new high mark of 924,000 barrels, an increase of 20,000 barrels over the previous month. The Bureau further adds:

The indicated daily average domestic demand for gasoline was 947,000 barrels, which is only slightly below the record figure of the previous month. This continued high consumption of gasoline again caused a material drop in refinery stocks, which fell from 33,455,000 to 29,738,000 barrels on hand Sept. 30 1927. With the exception of that of November 1924, the latter is the lowest point attained by gasoline stocks since December 1923. At the current rate of total demand, the September gasoline stocks represent 28 days' supply as compared with 31 days' supply on hand a month ago and 37 days' supply on hand a year ago.

The indicated domestic demand for kerosene, lubricants, and wax continued above the average for 1927 and stocks of these commodities were again reduced. Stocks of gas oil and fuel oil at refineries continued to increase, though at a reduced rate as compared with previous months.

The refinery data of this report were compiled from schedules of 329 refineries, with an aggregate daily crude oil capacity of 2,897,000 barrels. These refineries operated during September 1927 at 79% of their recorded capacity as compared with 332 refineries operating at 79% of their recorded capacity in August 1927.

ANALYSIS OF SUPPLY AND DEMAND OF ALL OILS. (Including Wax, Coke and Asphalt in Barrels of 42 United States Gallons.)

	August 1927. a	September 1927.	September 1926.	Jan.-Sept. 1927.	Jan.-Sept. 1926.
Supply—					
Domestic production:					
Crude petroleum:					
Light	68,765,000	66,247,000	54,007,000	584,950,000	458,364,000
Heavy	9,233,000	8,834,000	11,775,000	84,518,000	100,330,000
Total crude	77,998,000	75,081,000	65,782,000	669,468,000	558,694,000
Natural gas gasoline	3,214,000	3,245,000	2,657,000	28,410,000	23,331,000
Benzol	214,000	210,000	174,000	1,929,000	1,576,000
Total	81,426,000	78,536,000	68,613,000	699,807,000	583,601,000
Daily average	2,627,000	2,618,000	2,287,000	2,563,000	2,138,000
Excess of daily average domestic production over domestic demand	223,000	203,000	73,000	387,000	22,000
Imports:					
Crude	6,261,000	5,122,000	4,350,000	41,975,000	46,492,000
Refined	774,000	868,000	1,132,000	10,625,000	16,236,000
Total supply all oils	88,461,000	84,526,000	74,095,000	752,407,000	646,329,000
Daily average	2,854,000	2,818,000	2,470,000	2,756,000	2,368,000
Change in stocks all oils	827,000	1,134,000	6,004,000	53,282,000	629,244,000
Demand—					
Total demand	87,634,000	83,392,000	77,099,000	699,125,000	675,573,000
Daily average	2,827,000	2,780,000	2,570,000	2,561,000	2,475,000
Exports, c:					
Crude	1,382,000	1,297,000	1,358,000	11,307,000	11,770,000
Refined	11,743,000	9,649,000	9,306,000	93,734,000	86,258,000
Domestic demand	74,509,000	72,446,000	66,405,000	594,084,000	577,545,000
Daily average	2,404,000	2,415,000	2,214,000	2,176,000	2,116,000
Stocks—(End of Month)—					
Crude:					
East of California: d					
Light	287,465,000	291,581,000	220,103,000	291,581,000	220,103,000
Heavy	46,208,000	48,160,000	57,885,000	48,160,000	57,885,000
California:					
Light	23,262,000	22,795,000	30,494,000	22,795,000	30,494,000
Heavy	91,965,000	92,186,000	87,853,000	92,186,000	87,353,000
Total crude	448,900,000	454,722,000	395,835,000	454,722,000	395,835,000
Natural gas gasoline at plants	846,000	736,000	493,000	736,000	493,000
Total refined	122,499,000	117,921,000	119,289,000	117,921,000	119,289,000
Grand total stocks all oils	572,245,000	573,379,000	515,617,000	573,379,000	515,617,000
Bunker oil (included above in domestic demand)	4,470,000	4,436,000	4,040,000	37,082,000	34,313,000

a Revised. b Decrease. c Includes shipments to non-contiguous territories. d Exclusive of producers' stocks. e Includes fuel oil.

PRODUCTION OF CRUDE PETROLEUM BY FIELDS AND STATES WITH CLASSIFICATION BY GRAVITY.
(Barrels of 42 United States Gallons.)

Field—	September 1927.		Jan.-Sept. 1927.	Jan.-Sept. 1926.a
	Total.	Daily Ave.		
Appalachian	2,585,000	86,200	22,903,000	21,259,000
Lima-Indiana	153,000	5,100	1,420,000	1,662,000
Michigan	88,000	1,200	331,000	33,000
Illinois-South Western Indiana	689,000	23,000	5,910,000	6,352,000
Mid-Continent	46,314,000	1,543,800	404,072,000	304,045,000
Gulf Coast	131,500	37,848,000	29,917,000	29,917,000
Rocky Mountain	2,293,000	76,400	23,136,000	29,517,000
California	19,065,000	635,500	173,848,000	166,009,000
United States total	75,081,000	2,502,700	669,468,000	558,694,000
State—				
Arkansas	3,111,000	103,700	31,284,000	45,489,000
California	19,065,000	635,500	173,848,000	166,009,000
Colorado	208,000	6,900	2,134,000	2,057,000
Illinois	625,000	20,800	5,379,000	5,862,000
Indiana	74,000	2,500	631,000	608,000
Southwestern	64,000	2,200	531,000	490,000
Northeastern	10,000	300	100,000	118,000
Kansas	3,229,000	107,700	30,903,000	30,843,000
Kentucky	587,000	19,600	5,003,000	4,701,000
Louisiana	1,761,000	58,700	15,961,000	17,452,000
Gulf Coast	242,000	8,100	2,297,000	3,203,000
Rest of State	1,519,000	50,600	13,664,000	14,259,000
Michigan	38,000	1,200	331,000	33,000
Montana	415,000	13,800	3,939,000	6,297,000
New Mexico	72,000	2,400	982,000	1,198,000
New York	192,000	6,400	1,672,000	1,441,000
Ohio	630,000	21,000	5,752,000	5,467,000
Central and Eastern	487,000	16,200	4,432,000	4,023,000
Northwestern	143,000	4,800	1,329,000	1,444,000
Oklahoma	24,366,000	812,200	206,466,000	128,624,000
Ozage County				18,751,000
Rest of State				109,873,000
Pennsylvania	813,000	27,100	7,188,000	6,942,000
Tennessee	5,000	200	44,000	35,000
Texas	17,791,000	593,000	157,306,000	111,544,000
Gulf Coast	3,702,000	123,400	35,551,000	26,714,000
Rest of State	14,089,000	469,600	121,755,000	84,830,000
West Virginia	501,000	16,700	4,564,000	4,419,000
Wyoming	1,598,000	53,300	16,081,000	19,958,000
Salt Creek	985,000	32,800	11,002,000	14,090,000
Rest of State	613,000	20,500	5,079,000	5,868,000
Classification by Gravity (Approximate):				
Light crude	66,247,000	2,208,200	584,950,000	458,364,000
Heavy crude	8,834,000	294,500	84,518,000	100,330,000

a Final figures.

STOCKS OF CRUDE PETROLEUM HELD IN THE UNITED STATES.

	Aug. 31 1927.	Sept. 30 1927.	Sept. 30 1926.a
At refineries (and in coastwise transit thereto). Reported by location of storage—			
East coast—Domestic	9,401,000	9,062,000	9,145,000
Foreign	3,029,000	2,986,000	2,648,000
Appalachian	1,783,000	1,768,000	1,688,000
Indiana, Illinois, &c.	2,746,000	2,727,000	1,992,000
Oklahoma, Kansas, &c.	4,400,000	4,536,000	2,312,000
Texas—Inland	1,463,000	1,621,000	942,000
Gulf coast—Domestic	6,758,000	7,295,000	7,571,000
Foreign	203,000	204,000	306,000
Arkansas and Inland Louisiana	448,000	355,000	676,000
Louisiana Gulf coast—Domestic	5,126,000	5,130,000	8,241,000
Foreign	1,288,000	1,083,000	909,000
Rocky Mountain	1,385,000	1,446,000	1,394,000
Total east of California	38,030,000	38,213,000	37,824,000
Elsewhere than at refineries—			
Domestic—Reported by field of origin—			
Appalachian—N. Y., Pa., W. Va.	Gross 7,225,000	7,052,000	7,135,000
Eastern and Central Ohio	Net 6,962,000	6,728,000	6,841,000
Kentucky	Gross 1,301,000	1,269,000	1,391,000
Lima-Indiana	Net 1,176,000	1,139,000	1,272,000
Illinois-S. W. Indiana	Gross 1,106,000	1,160,000	945,000
Oklahoma, Kansas, Central, North and West Texas	Net 948,000	1,007,000	733,000
Northern Louisiana and Arkansas	Gross 12,676,000	12,639,000	11,934,000
Gulf coast	Net 12,184,000	12,113,000	11,448,000
Rocky Mountain	Gross 213,863,000	220,356,000	148,513,000
Total east of California	Net 201,977,000	208,300,000	136,197,000
Foreign crude petroleum on Atlantic coast	Gross 29,830,000	29,392,000	37,636,000
Foreign crude petroleum on Gulf coast	Net 27,099,000	26,640,000	35,000,000
Total refinery, pipe-line, and tank-farm stocks	Gross 18,103,000	18,204,000	18,664,000
Foreign crude petroleum on Atlantic coast	Net 17,625,000	17,766,000	18,255,000
Foreign crude petroleum on Gulf coast	Gross 27,478,000	27,647,000	29,939,000
Rocky Mountain	Net 27,415,000	27,599,000	29,882,000
Total pipe-line and tank-farm stocks east of California	Gross 311,582,000	317,719,000	256,151,000
	Net 295,384,000	301,292,000	239,628,000
Foreign crude petroleum on Atlantic coast	39,000	53,000	65,000
Foreign crude petroleum on Gulf coast	220,000	183,000	471,000
Total refinery, pipe-line, and tank-farm stocks of domestic and foreign crude petroleum east of California	333,673,000	339,741,000	277,988,000
Classification by gravity (approx.)—			
East of California—			
Light crude (24 deg. and above)	287,465,000	291,581,000	220,103,000
Heavy crude (below 24 deg.)	46,208,000	48,160,000	57,885,000
California—Light	23,262,000	22,795,000	30,494,000
Heavy (including fuel)	91,965,000	92,186,000	87,353,000

a Final figures.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF CRUDE PETROLEUM.
(From Bureau of Foreign & Domestic Commerce—In Barrels.)

	August 1927.		September 1927.		January-September.a	
	Total.	Daily Average.	Total.	Daily Average.	1927.	1926.
Imports—						
From Mexico	3,375,000	108,900	2,234,000	74,400	21,325,000	32,729,000
From Venezuela	2,215,000	71,400	1,759,000	58,600	12,814,000	8,813,000
From Colombia	381,000	12,300	764,000	25,500	5,363,000	1,569,000
From other countries	290,000	9,400	365,000	12,200	2,473,000	3,381,000
Total	6,261,000	202,000	5,122,000	170,700	41,975,000	46,492,000
Exports—						
Domestic crude oil:						
To Canada	1,200,000	38,700	1,038,000	34,600	9,355,000	9,812,000
To other countries	182,000	5,900	259,000	8,600	1,952,000	1,957,000
Foreign crude oil						1,000
Total	1,382,000	44,600	1,297,000	43,200	11,307,000	11,770,000

Notes.—No shipments to territories during September.
a Final figures.

INDICATED DELIVERIES OF CRUDE PETROLEUM, EXCLUSIVE OF CALIFORNIA GRADES, TO DOMESTIC CONSUMERS (Barrels).

	September 1927.		January-September.	
	Total.	Daily Average.	1927.	1926.a
Domestic Petroleum by Fields of Origin—				
Appalachian	2,856,000	95,200	22,826,000	21,690,000
Lima-Indiana	92,000	3,100	1,079,000	1,803,000
Michigan	38,000	1,300	331,000	33,000
Illinois & S. W. Indiana	760,000	25,300	5,567,000	5,494,000
Mid-Continent	40,450,000	1,348,300	342,980,000	330,101,000
Gulf coast	3,803,000	126,800	40,113,000	30,908,000
Rocky Mountain	2,109,000	70,300	23,612,000	28,513,000
Deliveries and exports	50,108,000	1,670,300	436,508,000	418,542,000
Deliveries	49,229,000	1,641,000	429,126,000	411,091,000
Foreign petroleum	5,145,000	171,500	42,848,000	46,362,000
Deliveries of domestic & foreign petroleum	54,374,000	1,812,500	471,474,000	457,453,000

NUMBER OF PRODUCING OIL WELLS COMPLETED.

	August 1927.	September 1927.	Jan.-Sept. 1927.	Jan.-Sept. 1926.a
	1,120	1,056	11,645	13,742

x For States east of California, from "Oil & Gas Journal"; for California, from the American Petroleum Institute. a Final figures.

SHIPMENTS OF CALIFORNIA OIL THROUGH PANAMA CANAL TO EASTERN PORTS IN UNITED STATES (Barrels).

	Aug. 1927.	Sept. 1927.	Jan.-Sept.'27	Jan.-Sept.'26a
Crude oil	1,313,900	818,000	8,097,000	9,441,000
Refined products	2,144,000	2,564,000	18,424,000	16,787,000
Gasoline	1,268,000	1,046,000	8,817,000	6,053,000
Tops	232,000	457,000	2,950,000	4,334,000
Gas oil	575,000	1,060,000	6,442,000	5,758,000
Fuel oil	69,000	1,000	215,000	418,000
Lubricants				

STOCKS HELD BY REFINING COMPANIES IN THE UNITED STATES. SEPT. 30 1927.

(In Barrels)	Gasoline.	Kerosene.	Gas Oil & Fuel Oil.	Lubri-cants.
East Coast	4,548,000	1,838,000	10,631,000	2,594,000
Appalachian	824,000	309,000	940,000	986,000
Indiana, Illinois, &c.	3,570,000	810,000	1,896,000	6,750,000
Oklahoma, Kansas, &c.	1,831,000	633,000	5,790,000	385,000
Texas	3,984,000	1,580,000	8,549,000	1,741,000
Louisiana and Arkansas	1,619,000	971,000	3,151,000	89,000
Rocky Mountain	1,971,000	147,000	6,474,000	103,000
California	11,391,000	1,832,000		874,000
United States total	29,738,000	8,120,000	a31,631,000	7,447,000
U. S. total Aug. 31 1927	33,455,000	8,373,000	a30,346,000	7,491,000
Texas Gulf Coast	3,335,000	1,436,000	6,996,000	1,699,000
Louisiana Gulf Coast	1,518,000	947,000	2,588,000	89,000

	Wax (Pounds).	Coke (Tons).	Asphalt (Tons).	Other Finished Products (Bbls.).	Unfinished Oils (Bbls.).
East Coast	70,156,000	32,700	61,600	101,000	6,998,000
Appalachian	21,604,000	800	2,300	113,000	1,193,000
Indiana, Illinois, &c.	14,497,000	23,600	20,200	147,000	2,992,000
Oklahoma, Kansas, &c.	6,261,000	53,800	1,400	78,000	2,270,000
Texas	9,319,000	63,300	6,400	9,800	9,427,000
Louisiana and Arkansas	36,857,000	63,900	21,300	50,000	2,347,000
Rocky Mountain	11,403,000	72,400	10,700	26,000	2,033,000
California	75,000		49,400	339,000	6,702,000
United States total	170,172,000	313,500	176,300	863,000	36,962,000
U. S. total Aug. 31 1927	186,645,000	303,600	192,200	879,000	38,711,000
Texas Gulf Coast	9,222,000	55,300	6,400	4,000	8,242,000
Louisiana Gulf Coast	36,857,000	61,400	21,000	47,000	1,891,000

a East of California. b Includes 2,381,000 barrels tops in storage.

Output of Natural-Gas Gasoline Reached New High Level in Sept. 1927.

According to the Department of Commerce, Bureau of Mines, the production of natural-gas gasoline reached a new high level in Sept. 1927, when the total output amounted to 136,300,000 gallons, a daily average of 4,540,000 gallons. This represents an increase over the daily average of the previous month of 190,000 gallons and over the previous record of April 1927, of 100,000 gallons. This rise in output was largely due to increased output in California and of the plants in the Seminole district.

In form it closely resembles similar trade organizations, notably in steel, petroleum, zinc, and many others. Its activities are limited to those which have been approved by the Supreme Court of the United States in various cases. The Constitution of the Copper Institute, its By-laws, and resolutions in regard to functions, have been forwarded to the United States Attorney General and to the Federal Trade Commission, who will be kept fully informed at all times of its activities.

The Institute will not supplant the Copper and Brass Research Association nor the American Bureau of Metal Statistics, but will supplement the activities of those organizations, and will generally take such steps as may lawfully be taken in furthering the copper mining industry.

Among the more important companies which have already expressed an unofficial intention to join, subject to approval of their Board of Directors, are the following:

American Metal Company; American Smelting & Refining Company; Anaconda Copper Mining Company; Andes Copper Mining Company; Braden Copper Company; Calumet & Arizona Mining Company; Calumet & Hecla Mining Company; Cananea Consolidated Copper Company; Chile Copper Company; Consolidated Coppermines Company; Greene Cananea Copper Company; Inspiration Consolidated Copper Company; International Smelting Company; Kennecott Copper Corporation; Mother Lode Coalition Mines Company; Nevada Consolidated Copper Company; New Cornelia Copper Company; Nichols Copper Company; North Butte Mining Company; Phelps Dodge Corporation and its subsidiaries; United Verde Copper Company; Utah Copper Company; Walker Mining Company.

In addition, other copper mining companies will be given an invitation to join, most of them having already had the matter presented to them.

Each joining member is entitled to one director.

The Executive Committee will consist of nine members, in alphabetical order as follows:

R. L. Agassiz, President of Calumet & Hecla Consolidated Copper Company; James H. Anderson, Secretary of United Verde Copper Company; Stephen Birch, President of Kennecott Copper Corporation; F. H. Brownell, First Vice-President of American Smelting & Refining Company; Gordon R. Campbell, President of Calumet & Arizona Mining Company and of New Cornelia Copper Company; Walter Douglas, President of Phelps Dodge Corporation; C. E. Kelley, President of Anaconda Copper Mining Company; C. W. Nichols, President of Nichols Copper Company; L. Vogelstein, Chairman of Board of Directors of American Metal Company.

The officers of the Copper Institute at its inception will be:

C. F. Kelley, chairman of executive committee; F. H. Brownell, president; Stephen Birch, vice-president; Walter Douglas, vice-president; R. R. Eckert, secretary and treasurer.

The New York "Times" of yesterday (Nov. 11) had the following to say regarding the Institute:

The first object of the Copper Institute will be the assembling and distribution of full information regarding the consumption and sale of copper, as well as the study of costs of producing the metal. Concerning the conditions facing the consumption and sales of copper in foreign countries, it is expected that Copper Exporters, Inc., will play an important role. The institute itself will conduct wide surveys in the United States covering the same points.

To Draw Up Uniform Cost System.

In order to establish a uniform cost accounting system for the whole United States, member companies will be requested to turn over all their cost statements to Price, Waterhouse & Co., accountants, of 56 Pine Street, New York. The accountants will work out all the statements on a uniform basis, drawing up at the conclusion of this task a composite statement which will be given to the institute.

The composite statement will show the quantities of copper produced, in fixed periods, and at what cost per pound of refined metal. The statement drawn up by the accountants will apply strictly to composite tonnages, so that facts regarding any one company will not be made available to the others. The supplying of the necessary information by the members will be purely voluntary.

In order to report on shipments, deliveries and domestic sales, the country has been divided into four districts, as follows: First, Baltimore, Md.; Bayway and Perth Amboy, N. J.; second, New England points, Hastings, N. Y.; Rome, N. Y., if canal delivery, and all New Jersey points, exclusive of the above; third, Rome, N. Y., if all rail delivery, and the Pittsburgh, Detroit, Ohio and Chicago territory and fourth, all points west of Chicago.

Unfilled Tonnage of United States Steel Corp. Shows Increase in October.

The United States Steel Corp. in its monthly statement issued Nov. 10 1927 reported unfilled tonnage on books of subsidiary corporations as of Oct. 31 1927, at 3,341,040 tons. This is an increase of 192,927 tons compared with the unfilled orders on hand Sept. 30 and a decrease of 459,137 tons below the Jan. 31 figures. On Oct. 31 last year orders on hand stood at 3,683,661 tons and for the corresponding date in 1925 at 4,109,183 tons. In the following we show the amounts back to 1922. Figures for earlier dates may be found in our issue of April 14 1926, page 1617.

End of Month	1927.	1926.	1925.	1924.	1923.	1922.
January	3,800,177	4,882,739	5,037,323	4,798,429	6,910,776	4,241,678
February	3,597,119	4,616,822	5,284,771	4,912,901	7,283,989	4,141,069
March	3,553,140	4,379,935	4,863,564	4,782,807	7,403,332	4,494,142
April	3,456,132	3,867,976	4,446,568	4,208,447	7,288,509	5,096,917
May	3,050,941	3,649,250	4,049,800	3,628,089	6,981,851	5,234,228
June	3,053,246	3,478,642	3,710,458	3,262,505	6,386,261	5,635,533
July	3,142,014	3,602,522	3,539,467	3,187,072	5,910,763	5,776,161
August	3,196,037	3,542,335	3,512,803	3,289,577	5,414,663	5,950,105
September	3,148,113	3,593,509	3,717,297	3,473,780	5,035,750	6,691,607
October	3,341,040	3,683,661	4,109,183	3,525,270	4,672,825	6,902,287
November	-----	3,807,447	4,581,780	4,031,969	4,368,584	6,840,242
December	-----	3,960,969	5,033,364	4,816,676	4,445,339	6,745,703

Steel Ingot Production in October Higher Than September.

October production of steel ingots shows a small increase over September according to the monthly statement of the

American Iron & Steel Institute, issued Nov. 8. The steel output in October of companies which made 95.01% of the total steel ingot production in 1926 was 3,137,718 tons of which 2,641,920 tons were open hearth and 495,798 tons Bessemer. On this basis the calculated October production of all companies is 3,289,013 tons as against 3,232,108 tons in September; 3,470,903 tons in August; 3,178,342 tons in July and 4,074,544 tons in October of last year. The approximate daily production of all companies for October with 26 working days was 126,500 tons, September with 26 working days 124,312 tons, August with 27 working days 128,552 tons and in October of last year with 26 working days 156,713 tons. In the following we show details of production back to the beginning of 1926.

MONTHLY PRODUCTION OF STEEL INGOTS, JAN. 1926 TO DEC. 1926—GROSS TONS.
Reported for 1926 by companies which made 95.01% of the total Steel Ingot production in that year.

Months, 1926.	Open-Hearth.	Bessemer.	All Other.	Monthly Output Companies Reporting.	Calculated Monthly Output All Companies.	No. of Working Days.	Approx. Daily Output at Cos.,	Per Cent of Operation.
January	3,326,846	581,683	13,664	3,922,193	4,132,210	26	158,931	98.86
February	3,023,829	556,031	12,813	3,592,678	3,785,051	24	157,710	98.10
March	3,590,791	635,680	15,031	4,241,502	4,468,617	27	165,504	102.94
April	3,282,435	601,037	13,652	3,897,124	4,105,799	26	157,915	98.22
May	3,201,230	516,676	10,437	3,728,343	3,927,979	26	151,076	93.97
June	3,036,162	498,764	9,441	3,544,367	3,734,153	26	143,621	89.33
July	2,911,375	526,500	12,372	3,450,247	3,684,968	26	139,807	86.96
August	3,145,055	627,273	12,003	3,784,331	3,986,966	26	153,345	95.38
September	3,089,240	612,588	12,660	3,714,488	3,913,383	26	150,515	93.62
October	3,224,584	630,526	12,348	3,867,458	4,074,544	26	156,713	97.48
10 mos.	31,831,547	5,786,758	124,426	37,742,731	39,763,695	259	153,528	95.49
November	2,915,558	592,239	9,605	3,517,402	3,705,744	26	142,529	88.65
December	2,788,479	493,172	8,919	3,290,570	3,466,766	26	133,337	82.04
Total.	37,535,584	6,872,169	142,950	44,550,703	46,936,205	311	150,920	93.87
1927.	3,041,233	545,690	-----	*3,586,923	*3,759,877	26	*144,611	*89.06
February	3,042,232	565,201	-----	*3,607,433	*3,781,376	24	*157,557	*97.03
March	3,701,418	590,716	-----	*4,292,134	*4,499,092	27	*166,638	*102.62
April	3,340,852	565,634	-----	*3,906,486	*4,094,849	26	*157,494	*96.99
May	3,272,810	557,683	-----	*3,830,493	*4,015,192	26	*146,430	*82.15
June	2,822,477	486,047	-----	*3,308,524	*3,468,055	26	*133,387	*78.29
July	2,595,692	436,446	-----	*3,032,138	*3,178,342	25	*127,134	*79.17
August	2,895,657	505,584	-----	*3,311,241	*3,470,903	27	*128,552	*79.17
September	2,611,976	471,455	-----	*3,083,431	*3,232,108	26	*124,312	*76.56
October	2,641,920	495,798	-----	*3,137,718	*3,289,013	26	*126,500	*77.90
10 mos.	29,876,267	5,220,254	-----	*35,096,521	*36,788,807	259	*142,042	*87.48

* Excludes crucible and electric ingots, as it has not been found feasible to secure monthly figures from a sufficient proportion of producers to fairly represent the production of steel ingots by these processes.
The figures of "per cent of operation" are based on the "practical capacity" as of Dec. 31 1926, of 50,500,000 gross tons of open-hearth and Bessemer steel ingots.

Current Steel Buying Sustained—Orders Increase—Pig Iron Market is Quiet.

Current orders for steel in the first week of November held up the October level, but on top of these came a considerable tonnage for rolling early next year, including between 175,000 and 200,000 tons for pipe lines, the "Iron Age" notes in its Nov. 10 review of the iron and steel trade. The appearance of the first sizable inquiry in some months for railroad cars and further large rail orders, in part for immediate specifications, gave added importance to the week's developments, because of their promise of some increase in operations in December, the "Age" adds, giving further details as follows:

With prices the lowest in five years, and a stiffening attitude among producers because of low profit margins, buyers in general are expected before the end of the year to indicate their needs for the early months of 1928, in which case more economical mill scheduling may be possible than with a succession of small orders accompanied commonly with shipping instructions.

Prices show virtually no change. The heavy tonnage products, bars, shapes and plates, have resisted buying pressure, except in a few sporadic cases, while sheets and strips continue highly irregular, particularly in Ohio, the seat of most of the country's sheet mills.

Production of steel in October showed an increase of 1 1/4% over September. It was substantially at the 70% level at which the industry has been running now for four months. With steel making through November and December at a rate no higher than in October, the year in tonnage would be between 1923 and 1925, which were both 79% years, and it would be 7% under 1926, the high record year.

The New York Central has allocated orders for 177,140 tons of rails, 70% for immediate specifications and the remainder optional prior to March 1928. Of the total, the Bethlehem company with roll 83,340 tons; the Illinois Steel Co., 67,950 tons; Inland steel, 15,000 tons, and the Carnegie company, 10,850 tons. The St. Louis-San Francisco placed 35,000 tons with the Tennessee company, and the Boston & Maine, which early in 1926 bought rails abroad, has ordered 10,000 tons of the Bethlehem Steel Co. The Missouri Pacific has asked for prices on 3,000,000 tie plates and the International & Great Northern on 1,250,000.

For the 400-mile gas line from Amarillo, Tex., to Denver, mostly 20 and 22 in. in diameter, the National Tube Co. has swelled its orders by some 100,000 tons. Another order, practically closed, calls for 70,000 tons for an additional oil line for the Roxana Petroleum Co. The recent revisions in supplementary discounts appear to have developed a steadier pipe market.

The Chicago & North Western has asked for bids on 1,350 freight cars and it has pending an inquiry for 500 car bodies. The Rock Island has asked for prices on 1,200 freight cars for budget purposes, and formal inquiry may appear later. The Fruit Growers' Express is in the market for 600 steel underframes.

Included in inquiries for structural steel are 11,000 tons for a building for the Chicago Daily News and 7,400 for a hotel in Brooklyn. Railroad bridge approaches in Cincinnati take 6,000 tons of the 33,000 tons award

In the week. In fabricated plate work, some 30,000 tons for a pipe line at Wanaque, N. J., is expected to come into the market before the end of the year.

In sheets, Pittsburgh reports an increase in orders, in part from the motor car builders, and a stiffening in prices, with an advance in black sheets. Elsewhere weakness is common, except in the blue annealed product.

Demand for wire products has not reached expectations, and output is being curtailed and needs are being supplied in part from producers' stocks.

Competition in pig iron emphasizes the irregularities in geographical distribution. Alabama iron at \$18.92, St. Louis, when shipped by rail and water, is lower than iron from Granite City, Ill., and Chicago furnaces. At Cincinnati, Lake Erie furnaces continue to name delivered prices below those which the nearby Ironton producers will accept. In outlying districts Lake Erie furnaces are quoting prices which figure below \$16.50, furnace, if full silicon differentials were charged.

The invasion of the Chicago market by Lake Erie iron producers has resulted in water shipments to that center of 25,000 tons of Ohio iron in two months, and the prospect is that two or three more cargoes will be unloaded before navigation closes.

In some districts inquiry for iron for the remainder of the year has improved, but considering present low prices there is surprisingly little interest among consumers in first quarter purchasing. A cast iron pipe company has taken about 40,000 to 50,000 tons, of which 25,000 tons was Alabama iron, to fill out its November-December needs.

Steel scrap has reached \$14 at Pittsburgh, the lowest point since early in 1922.

Both of the "Iron Age" composite price figures hold the low levels of last week, that for pig iron remaining at \$17.54 a gross ton and that for finished steel at 2.293c. a lb. Pig iron is \$2.67 lower than a year ago finished steel is lower by \$3.20 a net ton. The usual composite price table is as follows:

Finished Steel.				Pig Iron.			
Nov. 7 1927, 2.293c. a lb.				Nov. 7 1927, \$17.54 a Gross Ton.			
One week ago	2.293c.			One week ago	\$17.54		
One month ago	2.331c.			One month ago	18.09		
One year ago	2.453c.			One year ago	20.21		
10-year pre-war average	1.689c.			10-year pre-war average	15.72		

Based on steel bars, beams, tank plates, plain wire, open-hearth rails, black pipe and black sheets, constituting 86% of the United States output.				Based on average of basic iron at Valley furnace and foundry irons at Chicago, Philadelphia, Buffalo, Valley and Birmingham.			
High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.	High.	Low.
1927-2.453c.	Jan. 4 2.293c.	Oct. 25 1926-21.54	Jan. 5 19.46	1927-19.71	Jan. 4 17.54	Nov. 1 1926-21.54	Jan. 5 19.46
1926-2.453c.	Jan. 5 2.403c.	May 18 1925-22.50	Jan. 13 18.96	1925-22.50	Jan. 13 18.96	July 7 1924-2.789c.	Jan. 6 2.396c.
1925-2.500c.	Jan. 6 2.396c.	Aug. 18 1924-22.88	Feb. 26 19.21	1924-22.88	Feb. 26 19.21	Nov. 3 1924-2.789c.	Jan. 15 2.460c.
1924-2.789c.	Jan. 15 2.460c.	Oct. 14 1923-30.86	Mar. 20 20.77	1923-30.86	Mar. 20 20.77	Nov. 20 1923-2.824c.	Apr. 24 2.446c.

October's slight increase in the rate of steel production has been held with difficulty the past week but in two important departments—pipe and sheets—the outlook is brighter declares the "Iron Trade Review" on Nov. 10 in its weekly summary of trading conditions. Two southwestern gas line awards of 100,000 and 50,000 tons respectively made last week a record one in steel pipe tonnage. The Ford Motor Co. is expected to close immediately on sheets for 100,000 units, presumably the forerunner of comparable purchases of other products, the "Review" reports, adding:

Not a lack of orders but the fragmentary character of those placed by the general run of consumers is holding the steelmaking rate below 70%. The markets continue spotty, improved demand at Chicago, for example, contrasting with a decline in the Mahoning valley to the lowest production rate this year. Steel prices generally are none too strong and expected automotive purchasing may develop further concessions.

Steel ingot production is inconsistent with finishing operations, indicating a stocking of ingots. October's daily ingot rate of 126,500 gross tons was 2% over the 124,312 tons of September but a sharp shrinkage from the 156,713 tons of last October. The long month enabled October to run up a total of 3,289,013 tons, compared with 3,232,108 tons in September. The 10-month total for 1927 is 36,788,807 tons, against 39,763,695 tons a year ago, and fractionally tops the 36,266,920 tons of the opening 10 months of 1925.

A slightly tighter price situation in beehive furnace coke is the sequel to lessened production and \$2.85 and \$2.90 more nearly describe the market although \$2.75 has not entirely disappeared on spot carloads. On foundry coke the minimum of \$3.75 is unchanged.

Northern Ohio pig iron producers look for improved demand from the automotive industry next month. Pig iron selling generally is light, with moderately increased interest in first quarter needs in the Chicago and St. Louis districts. The cut of \$1.25 to \$16, at Birmingham, has not stimulated bookings and southern production is being curtailed.

To the record week in pipe Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey has contributed 100,000 tons for its Amarillo-Denver gas line and Roxana Petroleum Corp. 50,000 tons the former going to National Tube Co. and the latter to Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co. Well over 50,000 tons in southwestern pipe lines is still pending. Cast iron pipe is acting sympathetically, inquiry in the eastern markets approximating 50,000 tons. At Chicago 5,800 tons has been placed. Cast pipe prices tend to react from their recent extreme weakness.

Structural business continues to bow to unseasonal weather. New inquiry is featured by 11,000 tons for an office building at Chicago, while 18,000 tons for a bridge at Cleveland is near placement.

Covering of the Ford sheet requirement is expected to quicken demand for strip, cold finished bars and similar automotive materials. Strip producers look to Ford for 50,000 tons shortly. Actual bookings, however, the past week, have been light in all these products, and the price structure is unstable.

The railroads continue steadily to contract for their 1928 track requirements. Exclusive of the New York Central tonnage, 150,000 tons of rails will be up at Chicago shortly. The Boston & Maine has placed 18,000 tons, some of which may be specified immediately to repair flood damage, while the Erie has distributed 32,000 tons to eastern and 15,000 tons to western mills. The Chicago & North Western is a prospective buyer of 1850 freight cars. Revised figures on 1927 car orders show that to Nov. 1 the total is only 44,284 compared with 47,660 in the like period last year.

Independent sheet mills reported sales of only 232,000 tons in October compared with 258,427 tons in September and 212,029 tons last October. October production, at 245,000 tons, gained appreciably over the 220,919 tons of September but the comparison with the 314,598 tons of October 1926, is less encouraging.

The British pig iron market has reacted from the renaissance in buying late in October, when many melters covered well into the first quarter, and several stacks have been blown out.

Weakness in wire rods and eastern pig iron has lowered the "Iron Trade Review" composite of 14 leading iron and steel products 6 cents this week, to \$35.46, which compares with an average of \$35.67 or October and \$38.43 for last October.

Current Events and Discussions

The Week with the Federal Reserve Banks.

The consolidated statement of condition of the Federal Reserve banks on Nov. 9, made public by the Federal Reserve Board, and which deals with the results for the twelve Federal Reserve banks combined, shows increases for the week of \$87,100,000 in bill and security holdings, of \$17,600,000 in Federal Reserve note circulation, and of \$6,500,000 in member bank reserve deposits, and a decrease of \$25,200,000 in cash reserves. Holdings of discounted bills increased \$81,400,000, of Government securities \$3,800,000, and of acceptances purchased in open market \$1,800,000. After noting these facts, the Federal Reserve Board proceeds as follows:

Discount holdings of the New York bank increased \$78,700,000 during the week, of the Cleveland bank \$11,700,000, and of Boston \$4,200,000, while the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco reports a decline in discounts of \$5,200,000 and St. Louis a decline of \$3,000,000. The System's holdings of acceptances purchased in the open market increased \$1,800,000, of Treasury certificates \$7,700,000, and of United States bonds \$4,200,000, while holdings of Treasury notes declined \$8,100,000.

The principal changes in Federal Reserve note circulation for the week comprise increases of \$9,400,000 reported by the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, \$4,900,000 by Cleveland, and \$2,800,000 by Richmond.

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 2644 and 2645. A summary of changes in the principal assets and liabilities of the Reserve banks during the week and the year ending Nov. 9 1927 is as follows.

	Increases (+) or Decreases (-) During	
	Week.	Year.
Total reserves	-\$25,200,000	+\$71,600,000
Gold reserves	-21,900,000	+65,200,000
Total bills and securities	+87,100,000	+103,700,000
Bills discounted, total	+81,400,000	-120,800,000
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations	+67,700,000	-10,900,000
Other bills discounted	+13,700,000	-109,900,000
Bills bought in open market	+1,800,000	-3,500,000
U. S. Government securities, total	+3,800,000	+229,800,000
Bonds	+4,200,000	+235,200,000
Treasury notes	-8,100,000	-18,200,000
Certificate of indebtedness	+7,700,000	+12,900,000
Federal Reserve notes in circulation	+17,600,000	-16,100,000
Total deposits	+19,000,000	+158,500,000
Members' reserve deposits	+6,500,000	+150,300,000
Government deposits	+12,500,000	+8,200,000

Returns of Member Banks for New York and Chicago Federal Reserve Districts—Brokers' Loans.

Beginning with the returns for June 29 last the Federal Reserve Board also began to give out the figures of the member banks in the New York Federal Reserve District as well as those in the Chicago Reserve District, on Thursdays, simultaneously with the figures for the Reserve banks themselves, and for the same week, instead of waiting until the following Monday, before which time the statistics covering the entire body of reporting member banks—now 660—cannot be got ready.

The following is the statement for the New York member banks and that for the Chicago member banks thus issued in advance of the full statement of the member banks, which latter will not be available until the coming Monday. The New York statement, of course, also includes the brokers' loans of the reporting banks, which this week again show an increase, the grand aggregate of these loans for Nov. 9 being \$3,384,529,000, against \$3,371,705,000 for Nov. 2, and \$3,434,107,000 for Oct. 19, this latter being the record figure.

CONDITION OF WEEKLY REPORTING MEMBER BANKS IN CENTRAL RESERVE CITIES.

	New York—52 Banks.		
	Nov. 9 1927.	Nov. 2 1927.	Nov. 10 1926.
Loans and investments—total	6,876,965,000	6,810,332,000	6,128,910,000
Loans and discounts—total	5,078,478,000	5,028,412,000	4,433,412,000
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations	41,183,000	40,696,000	41,449,000
Secured by stocks and bonds	2,337,367,000	2,315,640,000	1,863,472,000
All other loans and discounts	2,699,928,000	2,672,076,000	2,528,491,000
Investments—total	1,797,487,000	1,781,920,000	1,695,498,000
U. S. Government securities	900,090,000	892,405,000	859,365,000
Other bonds, stocks and securities	897,397,000	889,515,000	836,133,000
Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	780,489,000	737,190,000	675,673,000
Cash in vault	65,113,000	57,731,000	63,082,000
Net demand deposits	5,336,050,000	5,285,678,000	4,930,422,000
Time deposits	1,049,663,000	1,034,543,000	871,657,000
Government deposits	43,984,000	65,422,000	31,245,000

	Nov. 9 1927.	Nov. 2 1927.	Nov. 10 1926.
	\$	\$	\$
Due from banks	102,960,000	112,215,000	102,577,000
Due to banks	1,272,217,000	1,327,555,000	1,041,543,000
Borrowings from F. R. Bank—total	106,890,000	27,578,000	52,415,000
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations	78,600,000	14,450,000	17,200,000
All other	33,290,000	13,128,000	35,215,000
Loans to brokers and dealers (secured by stocks and bonds): For own account	1,125,439,000	1,082,938,000	797,685,000
For account of out-of-town banks	1,277,331,000	1,279,378,000	1,059,765,000
For account of others	981,759,000	1,009,389,000	745,556,000
Total	3,384,529,000	3,371,705,000	2,603,006,000
On demand	2,576,738,000	2,579,173,000	1,894,344,000
On time	807,791,000	792,532,000	708,662,000
Chicago—45 Banks.			
Loans and investments—total	1,857,272,000	1,850,526,000	1,761,866,000
Loans and discounts—total	1,455,939,000	1,450,375,000	1,385,721,000
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations	14,321,000	15,720,000	13,663,000
Secured by stocks and bonds	759,012,000	769,092,000	663,050,000
All other loans and discounts	682,606,000	665,563,000	709,008,000
Investments—total	401,333,000	400,151,000	376,145,000
U. S. Government securities	175,948,000	176,336,000	166,657,000
Other bonds, stocks and securities	225,385,000	223,815,000	209,488,000
Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	169,163,000	187,367,000	174,156,000
Cash in vault	19,526,000	17,874,000	21,022,000
Net demand deposits	1,259,168,000	1,261,294,000	1,207,221,000
Time deposits	563,726,000	561,350,000	520,946,000
Government deposits	7,712,000	11,462,000	7,715,000
Due from banks	152,633,000	147,451,000	146,227,000
Due to banks	355,556,000	359,317,000	349,235,000
Borrowings from F. R. Bank—total	6,107,000	16,647,000	10,635,000
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations	3,360,000	14,291,000	5,158,000
All other	2,747,000	2,356,000	5,477,000

Complete Return of the Member Banks of the Federal Reserve System for the Preceding Week.

As explained above, the statements for the New York and Chicago member banks are now given out on Thursdays, simultaneously with the figures for the Reserve banks themselves, and covering the same week, instead of being held until the following Monday, before which time the statistics covering the entire body of reporting member banks, now 660, cannot be got ready.

In the following will be found the comments of the Federal Reserve Board respecting the returns of the entire body of reporting member banks of the Federal Reserve System for the week ending with the close of business Nov. 2:

The Federal Reserve Board's condition statement of 660 reporting member banks in leading cities as of Nov. 2 shows increases of \$9,000,000 in loans and discounts, \$61,000,000 in net demand deposits and a reduction of \$22,000,000 in borrowings from the Federal reserve banks.

Loans on stocks and bonds, including U. S. Government obligations, remained practically unchanged, an increase of \$41,000,000 in the New York district and small increases in the Boston, Philadelphia, Minneapolis, and San Francisco districts, being offset by declines of \$28,000,000 and \$27,000,000 in the Cleveland and Chicago districts, respectively. "All other" loans and discounts increased \$8,000,000 during the week, only relatively small changes being reported in any of the districts.

Holdings of U. S. securities were \$24,000,000 less than on Oct. 26, all districts except Boston and Minneapolis reporting reductions. Holdings of other bonds, stocks and securities increased \$24,000,000, the principal changes including increases of \$11,000,000 in the Boston district and \$3,000,000 each in the New York and Cleveland districts, and a reduction of \$9,000,000 in the Chicago district.

Net demand deposits were \$61,000,000 above the amount reported a week ago, increases of \$34,000,000 in the Boston district, \$32,000,000 in the New York district, \$14,000,000 in the Minneapolis district and \$6,000,000 each in the Richmond and St. Louis districts being partly offset by declines of \$20,000,000 and \$7,000,000 in the Chicago and San Francisco districts, respectively. Time deposits were \$9,000,000 below the previous week's total, banks in the New York and San Francisco districts reporting increases of \$13,000,000 and \$10,000,000, respectively, while those in the Cleveland and Chicago districts reported reductions of \$32,000,000 and \$8,000,000, respectively.

Borrowings from the Federal reserve banks declined \$22,000,000, the principal changes including reduction of \$33,000,000 in the New York district and \$10,000,000 in the Boston district and increases of \$12,000,000 and \$7,000,000 in the Cleveland and Chicago district, respectively.

A summary of the principal assets and liabilities of 660 reporting member banks, together with changes during the week and the year ending Nov. 2 1927, follows:

	Nov. 2 1927.	Inc. (+) or Dec. (-) Week.	During Year.
Loans and Investments—total	21,093,734,000	+9,075,000	+1,135,240,000
Loans and discounts—total	15,029,134,000	+8,688,000	+658,833,000
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations	124,944,000	+5,098,000	-26,118,000
Secured by stocks and bonds	6,122,581,000	-4,032,000	+683,471,000
All other loans and discounts	8,781,609,000	+7,622,000	+1,480,000
Investments—total	6,064,600,000	+387,000	+476,407,000
U. S. Government securities	2,582,082,000	-23,963,000	+119,978,000
Other bonds, stocks and securities	3,482,518,000	+24,350,000	+356,429,000
Reserve with F. R. Banks	1,732,771,000	+3,452,000	+111,353,000
Cash in vault	258,877,000	-8,253,000	-44,217,000
Net demand deposits	13,462,552,000	+61,450,000	+442,802,000
Time deposits	6,354,969,000	-9,248,000	+590,243,000
Government deposits	178,505,000	-15,187,000	+43,579,000
Due from banks	1,253,955,000	+62,295,000	-----
Due to banks	3,610,093,000	+234,236,000	-----
Borrowings from F. R. banks—total	232,011,000	-22,441,000	-252,143,000
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations	142,150,000	-27,783,000	-131,399,000
All other	89,861,000	+5,342,000	-120,744,000

Summary of Conditions in World's Market According to Cablegrams and Other Reports to the Department of Commerce.

The Department of Commerce at Washington releases for publication to-day (Nov. 12) the following summary of conditions abroad, based on advises by cable and other means of communication:

ARGENTINA.

Business during the past week was normal. The automotive and agricultural implement markets were good and those of other lines fair, except that of lumber which is still overstocked. Imports are increasing. A Blue Star Line vessel is expected to arrive in mid-December, loaded 112,000 boxes of apples, for Buenos Aires. This cargo is from the West Coast of the United States and represents the first large shipment of apples, to be sent from that region to Argentina. It is reported that the meat controversy has been settled, the agreement being that the three large packers are to market 71% of the total output, and the smaller concerns the remainder. General agricultural conditions are good. This season's wool production is estimated locally at 355,000 bales. The liabilities of commercial houses which failed during October amounted to 19,500,000 paper pesos.

AUSTRALIA.

Trade retains its moderate tone and financial conditions are unchanged. Beneficial rains have fallen in South Australia, and the Minister of Agriculture for that State raises his estimate of the growing wheat crop to 20,000,000 bushels. The wheat outlook for Australia as a whole, however, is not improved, and particularly in Victoria the situation is causing uneasiness. Visible wheat exports are unchanged. The week's wool sales in Sydney were average to good, with the market firm. Sales on thinly grown or faulty qualities were uneven. Buying by all important wool countries was strong, and greasy merinos sold at 28½ pence. Improvement in dairy production continues. Frosts in the three States, South Australia, Victoria and New South Wales have done heavy damage and a reduction in wine-grape production is anticipated. South Australia will be the heaviest loser, latest figures putting the reduction there at 30%. Raisin and currant production will also be reduced. The Ministers of Agriculture in the affected States have conferred on the possibilities of giving Government relief to vineyard owners whose crops have suffered.

CANADA.

Wholesalers report increasing sales of dry goods, winter clothing, furniture and electrical specialties. An unprecedented demand for farm machinery is reported from Western Canada. Preparations for the holidays are proceeding on an extensive scale and retailers predict that sales this year will reach a new high record. This optimism is based on the general prosperity in the agricultural districts, and the fact that a large amount of money is being placed in circulation by the well-maintained industrial activity of the country, which is providing steady employment at high wages. The average of wholesale prices receded slightly during September. The latest unofficial crop reports state that gratifying progress has been made with threshing during the past week. According to the latest estimate, the tobacco crop this year will total 43,916,000 pounds, from 44,028 acres. The movement of potatoes from Prince Edward Island during the last week in October was over 100% heavier than in the same week of last year. The net earnings of both the Canadian Pacific and Canadian National Railways in September were lower than in the corresponding month of last year. Passenger service on the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway into the Rouyn district will be inaugurated on November 28. October building contracts totaled \$47,135,000, an increase of 8% over October, 1926. Commercial failures during September numbered 126, with total liabilities of \$2,845,000.

CHINA.

Because of warfare now being waged along the Yangtze River, the Nationalist government of Nanking placed an embargo November 1 on movements of all metals, including iron and steel, from Shanghai to Hankow. Traffic between those points is seriously affected and only Chinese-owned steamers ply to Anking.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

The past month witnessed a certain incipient slackening in Czechoslovak industrial activity; textiles, in particular, are reported as overstocked with the expectation of a decline in that class of exports to Germany. Nevertheless, production is generally still high and optimism continues to prevail. Simultaneous harvest and sugar movements, in addition to exceptionally heavy shipments of coal and building materials, have resulted in railway congestion; additional freight even had to be refused at several central points. Strikes in the textile, glass and metal industries have been settled by the concession of living cost bonuses. The railway wage issue, however, remains unsettled and is again threatening. Money continues to remain easy and sufficient to meet seasonal demands without foreign participation. The September foreign trade was favorable to the extent of 415,000,000 crowns, making an excess of exports over imports, for the first nine months of 1,126,000,000 crowns.

INDIA.

Business continued fairly brisk in the larger centers of India during the week ended November 2. Workers in the Bengal Nagpura Railway who went on strike some time ago, protesting the discharge of some 1,200 shop men, are now threatening a general strike. The Government still maintains the stand that the discharge was in the interests of economy and has thus far refused to meet the workers' demands that they be reinstated.

JAPAN.

Heavy investments in debentures were registered during October and a record increase is expected during November. Money is easy, although expected to tighten toward the year's end. Ten banking institutions ceased existence during October preparatory to merger with the newly organized Showa Bank. Preliminary returns of Japan's October trade show an export excess of 37,300,000 Yen. (1 Yen in October equaled \$0.4657.)

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

General business in the Philippines shows a little more activity than recently. The copra market is quiet but firmer, with lower arrivals in Manila. Three oil mills operated intermittently during the past week and the balance full time. The provincial equivalent of rescado

(dried copra) delivered at Manila is now 12.75 pesos per picul of 139 pounds; Hondugua, 12.25, and Cebu, 13 pesos. The abaca market continues weak, with very little trading. Production, however, is slightly above normal, and prices of selected grades are generally lower. F is now quoted at 35.75 pesos per picul; I, 31.75; JUS, 24.75; JUK, 20; and L, 18.75.

POLAND.

In connection with the financial stabilization loan, recently floated in the United States and Great Britain, an executive decree by the President of the Republic, issued by virtue of the legislative prerogatives extended to him by the legislature in 1926, authorizes the Government to contract the loan amounting to \$62,000,000 and £2,000,000 at a 7% rate of interest, the bonds to be redeemed within 20 years by drawings, at 103, or by purchases in the open market after October 15, 1937. Another Presidential decree provides for the currency stabilization: The par value of the zloty is reduced to an equivalent of 5,924.44 zlotys to 1 kilogram of gold, instead of the previous equivalent of 3,444.44 zlotys. All obligations in gold zlotys outstanding on the date of the devaluation of the zloty will be converted at the rate of 172 zlotys for 100. Obligations in paper zlotys are not subject to conversion. The gold and net foreign currency reserves of the Bank of Poland showed a further increase during the first two decades of October, to above 52% of the amount of bank notes in circulation, at the old par value of the zloty, equivalent to more than 90% at the new par value. State revenues for September yielded a surplus over expenditures of 12,200,000 zlotys (revenues, 193,800,000 against 181,600,000 zlotys of expenditures.)

SPAIN.

Due to the necessity for crop loans at this season of the year as well as the financing of mercantile stocks increased in anticipation of harvest trade, the amount of commercial paper held in the Bank of Spain has increased by some 34 millions during the second week of October, which bank notes in circulation jumped from 4,175,000,000 to 4,240,600,000. The movement is considered seasonal.

SWEDEN.

The existing wage agreement for the paper mills, affecting approximately 15,500 workers, has just been renewed for another year, effective February 1, 1928. With negotiation under way for the pulp industries, extension of existing wage agreements in all branches of important industries appears certain.

UNITED KINGDOM.

British trade conditions show no material change but indicate the continuation of the slight upward trend. Throughout the third quarter, the volume of employment was steady at a general level much higher than was the case during the third quarter of 1925. It is becoming evident that there is no immediate prospect of a substantial employment expansion in the industries where unemployment is heaviest; production in these industries is far below plant capacity and the export volumes are unsatisfactory. This observation applies especially to coal, iron and steel, shipbuilding and the cotton trades and it is becoming increasingly felt that unemployment in these industries will continue high until the surplus labor is transferred to other lines. The visible adverse balance of foreign trade so far this year is still slightly greater than for the comparable period of 1925. Iron and steel buying improved slightly during October, although British works appear to have benefited less from the buying movement than did the Continental plants. British production of pig iron declined slightly but that of steel increased. Business with South America is increasing but Indian demand is poor. The depressed conditions in the coal industry continued throughout October, but the seasonal increase in both the domestic and export demand caused the outlook to be improved at the end of the month. Accumulated stocks are still heavy, preventing substantial changes in the general price level in view of the better seasonal demand. Petroleum imports continue to be large. The metals markets were upset by the two early October failures, one being London and the other in Belgium; the markets, however, recovered during the latter part of the month. Tin prices show a net decline for October. The chemical trade is steady with good demand reported in most classes. A slight improvement is noted in the engineering trades. Steel fabricators' output is fairly well booked for the coming months. In textile machinery, foreign orders are satisfactory but domestic business is disappointing. The machine tool and shipbuilding trades are slightly better. Vessel tonnage under construction is increasing, with a high proportion of motor ships. Extraordinary demand for electric current is being met in coal mining, iron and steel, shipbuilding, and heavy engineering districts. The motor industry during October was greatly stimulated by the record attendance at the Olympia show, although actual sales probably were far below popular estimates. Well known American type cars sold especially well during the month, some dealers reporting sufficient orders on hand to absorb all the cars that can be imported by Christmas. Car buying by private purchasers has increased and future prospects are encouraging. The cotton trade is spotty and price fluctuations in raw cotton are restricting Lancashire business. Wool values continue to advance. Lumber stocks are heavy. The foodstuffs market is generally apathetic with prices of most commodities lower.

LITHUANIA.

The Lithuanian Ministry of Finance and the Dairy Farmers Societies have founded a joint stock company for the export of butter and bacon via the port of Memel. The new company has acquired land in a suburb of Memel for the purpose of erecting a cold storage and a slaughter-house, for the export of hogs. The construction work will commence in the near future and the cold storage plant is to be completed by the end of December so that from January 1, 1928, when an export butter control-station will be opened in Memel, the exports of Lithuanian butter will be directed through that port.

MEXICO.

The depressed situation in Mexico failed to show any improvement during the week ended November 4. Official statistics just published show that during the first three months of 1927 Mexican imports declined 3% and exports decreased 9% as compared with the same period of last year. Long distance telephone service between Mexico City and Havana was inaugurated on November 1.

PERU.

Foreign purchases by local importers have been curtailed by the drop in exchange from its average of \$3,865 to the Peruvian pound during September and early October to its present \$3.71. Merchandise turnovers and collections in the interior are gratifying. The October 31 bank statement shows that the gold reserve of Peru on that date

stood at 5,170,794 Peruvian pounds, as compared with 5,211,507 Peruvian pounds, on September 30; bank clearings reached 5,907,839 pounds, a noticeable decrease from the figures reported for September, when total bank clearings amounted to 6,327,726 Peruvian pounds; total note circulation as of October 31 was 5,938,319 compared to 5,948,582 on September 30.

MEXICO (Yucatan)

The outlook in Yucatan appears somewhat brighter, although the situation is still depressed as only 23,172 bales of henequen were exported during October, the lowest for any one month in 1927. The stock of henequen on hand at the end of the month was locally reported at 208,883 bales, which is considerably less than last year. A sale of 300,000 bales at 6½ cents per pound f.o.b. vessel was effected during October, shipments to be made between November, 1927, and July, 1928. It is expected that further sales of fibre will be made shortly. The corn harvest has commenced and it is expected that the results will be very good. Retail merchants report that sales have shown a slight increase.

NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES

Import trade in textiles, building materials, and automotive accessories was fairly active during the past week. Export markets were steady and prices were well maintained. Recently published import figures of Java and Madura for the first half of the year reveal a considerable shrinkage in volume of trade, compared with the corresponding period last. In the Soerabaya district the total decline amounted to 12% and was met noticeable in such items as foodstuffs and luxuries. In the Batavia district decreases were more general but not so pronounced.

NEW ZEALAND

Conditions in New Zealand continue to improve as the summer season opens, giving promise of satisfactory business during the coming months. While exports in September were somewhat under the value of those in the preceding month, imports showed marked improvement, with an increase in value from £3,250,000 in August to £4,578,000 for September. The increase in imports of luxury items in September indicates renewed confidence in the economic outlook of the Dominion.

NORWAY.

Cultivated land in Norway increased 12,840 acres between June, 1926-June 1927, according to official figures published recently by the Norwegian Statistical Bureau. Wheat and barley areas were increased approximately 5,000 acres; potato, 3,400 acres and cabbage and greens, 1,800 acres.

PALESTINE.

The official introduction of the new Palestine currency took place recently, and the simultaneous withdrawal of the Egyptian money previously in circulation was started. The new Palestine pound is equivalent to the pound sterling, and is divided into one thousand mills.

PANAMA.

The total exports from Panama during October were valued at \$298,300, an increase of \$92,800 over September. This increase may be ascribed to the heavy shipments of bananas, the total value of which reached \$246,000 as compared to \$169,467 in September. A contract has been let to an American company for the construction of the new branch of the National City Bank in Panama. It is reported that a local business man is planning a new six-story building.

Memorandum of S. Parker Gilbert, Agent-General for Reparations Payments to German Government Warning Against Continuance of Overspending and Overborrowing—Effect on Boerse.

A memorandum in which is brought together "accumulating evidences of overspending and overborrowing on the part of the German public authorities, and some of the indications of artificial stimulation and over-expansion that are already manifesting themselves," has been addressed to the German Government by S. Parker Gilbert, Agent General for Reparations Payments. While the press accounts from Berlin have since Oct. 22 contained fragmentary references to the memorandum (dated Oct. 20), it was not until Nov. 6 that its full text was made available. Mr. Gilbert in his criticisms says that:

If present tendencies are allowed to continue unchecked the consequence is almost certain to be serious economic reaction and depression, and a severe shock to German credit, at home and abroad.

The remedies consist primarily in reversing the present tendencies toward over-spending and over-borrowing, and applying instead a regime of strict economy and of ordered public finance. These are remedies which lie largely in the hands of the German Government, and, if they will act promptly and effectively, the Reich and the other public authorities will have it in their power to prevent a crisis.

Mr. Gilbert states that "there is little or no current information as to the financial condition of the States and the communes, but their demands for additional grants from the Reich and their frequent borrowings at home and abroad indicate that as a whole they are living beyond their means." He further says that "the present calendar year has also been one of expansion in the circulation of the currency and in the use of short-term credit, particularly that of the Reichsbank," and adds in part:

... The expansion which reasserted itself in September brought the volume of Reichsbank credit and the total German circulation to the highest points since stabilization. The 7% rate fixed on Oct. 4 1927 recognized this situation and was itself the consequence of events which dated back to the Spring.

The financial authorities of the Reich, the States and the communes, by working at cross-purposes with the Reichsbank, have made the whole situation more difficult to manage and have contributed to the expansion.

... The credit policy of the bank of issue and the public finances cannot for long be operated successfully on divergent lines; and there would seem to be every reason, in the general interest, for formulat-

ing and putting into effect a definite and comprehensive plan that will assure a properly coordinated policy. The need for the adoption of such a policy, based upon principles of ordered economic growth, and avoiding undue use of credit, is particularly clear under present conditions, in order that the prevailing expansion may not be carried to the point of danger.

The effect on the German Boerse of the publication of the Gilbert memorandum, was indicated in the following Berlin advices Nov. 7 (copyright) to the New York "Times":

The publication of S. Parker Gilbert's note criticizing the German Government's spending and borrowing and the Government's reply to the Reparations Agent caused a precipitate drop on the Stock Exchange today. At times the excitement on the falling market approached panic. This, coupled with a vague communique issued by the United Steel Trust, caused the market to fall an average of 15 points, with several stocks dropping 34.

United Steel, which was quoted as high as 150 recently, slid to 95, the first time since it was placed on the market that it has been below par.

The Stock Exchange had been prepared for a fortnight for possible discouraging news regarding the relations between the Reparation Commission and Wilhelmstrasse and had been dull and sinking. Semi-official reports had tended to minimize the significance of the Gilbert memorandum by maintaining that his criticism was not serious. The fact that the Exchange slumped today shows that the people were surprised and judged the matter as more than the Government intimated.

The German press confined its comment today to reviewing editorials in American, English and French papers, and the matter is considered ended either by common agreement or at the behest of the authorities. The *Frankfurter Zeitung*, probably the foremost financial paper in Germany, deprecates the fact that the Government did not muster courage to state its determination to solve its financial questions by resolute action.

"Germany will never be permitted to object to the Dawes plan on the ground that the necessary reparation funds cannot be raised at home until a thorough housecleaning is accomplished. If the controversy leads to restriction of the flow of foreign currency into Germany our economic system will suffer."

In accordance with the wishes of the Minister of Finance, oral negotiations will be reopened immediately between Mr. Gilbert and Finance Minister Koehler.

Reference is made elsewhere in this issue to the reply of the German Government. Below we give Mr. Gilbert's memorandum in full.

THE AGENT GENERAL FOR REPARATION PAYMENTS

Berlin, October 20, 1927.

Memorandum for the German Government

I am presenting this memorandum for the purpose of calling attention to the dangers involved in the present economic situation, in the hope that by doing so fully and frankly at this time I may render some service to the German Government and to the German economy, as well as to the international situation generally.

I approach the problem from the standpoint adopted by the Experts' Plan, and reiterated in the conclusion to my last report, "that what is in the interest of the German economy is also in the interest of the execution of the Plan."

In considering the interests of the German economy, I should assume that the general aim of Germany, as of other modern industrial states, would be the continuous development of industry and commerce, both domestic and foreign, with a view to the gradual improvement of the standard of living of her people. For the most favorable conditions internally would seem to be the constant cheapening of production, accompanied by such increase of wages as cheapened production will permit and as will neither increase prices nor the cost of living. Stable prices particularly favor stable trade. But the development of industry and commerce also requires a steady supply of new capital, based on savings at home or borrowings abroad; and under prevailing conditions in Germany there is need not only for the creation of new capital, but also for the rebuilding of the old liquid capital destroyed by the war and lost by inflation. In Germany, therefore, there is a special need and a special incentive for saving, and for careful spending as well. Under these conditions, sound and well-ordered public finance, which underlies the whole economic life, is of the utmost importance.

From the standpoint of the execution of the Experts' Plan, I accept at full value the often-repeated assurances of the German Government that its settled policy is to do everything within its power to fulfill the obligations it has undertaken. The aim of the Plan was to put the problem of reparation to the test of practical experience, under a programme which, as the Experts said, "adjusts itself to realities." It is fundamental to this conception that the German Government should permit the Plan to have a fair test, and, while the test is in progress, that the German Government itself should exercise prudence in the management of its affairs.

Recent developments in public finance do not appear to be in the interests either of German economic life or of the execution of the Experts' Plan. The evidences, in fact, are accumulating on every side, and more rapidly within recent months, that the German public authorities are developing and executing constantly, enlarging programmes of expenditure and of borrowing, with but little regard to the financial consequences of their actions. The rising level of public expenditure is already giving artificial stimulus to economic life, and it threatens to undermine the essential stability of the public finances. If present tendencies are allowed to continue unchecked, the consequence is almost certain to be serious economic reaction and depression, and a severe shock to German credit, at home and abroad.

The remedies consist primarily in reversing the present tendencies toward over-spending and over-borrowing, and applying instead a regime of strict economy and of ordered public finance. These are remedies which lie largely in the hands of the German Government, and, if they will act promptly and effectively, the Reich and the other public authorities still have it in their power to prevent a crisis. The economic situation, though it is already showing signs of tension, does not seem as yet to have developed points of immediate danger. Moreover, some of the new expenditures that threaten the most far-reaching consequences are still only in the stage of discussion, and have not yet been authorized by law.

In presenting this memorandum, it is unnecessary to go much into detail. Each of my public reports as Agent General for Reparation Payments has pointed to various sources of danger that seemed to me to have appeared from time to time; and my last report, dated June 10 1927 warned particularly against the tendencies of budgetary and credit policy. I have also had numerous conversations on these subjects with the Minister of Finance, the President of the Reichsbank, and, less frequently, with the Chancellor of the Reich. In the following pages, I shall endeavor to bring matters up-to-date, with a review of recent events in public finance and credit policy, and to indicate the relation of these events to the economic situation in Germany, as well as to the execution of the Experts' Plan.

I. The Financial Policy of the Reich

In my report of June 10 1927 I made the following general observations on the German budget:

The point that stands out most clearly in the budgets of the Reich is the constantly mounting level of expenditure. The problem of checking the rising tide of Government expenditures has, in fact, become acute, and it requires the closest attention, not merely from the standpoint of the Experts' Plan but in the interests of the German economy as a whole. At the same time, it is clear that the essential stability of the German budget remains unimpaired, and that the problems presented by the budget should yield readily enough to a steady application of sound principles of budget-making.

The upward tendency of the expenditures and commitments of the Reich clearly appears from the following summary of recent events.

On December 17 1926 the Reichstag voted a supplementary budget for the financial year 1926-27. This added about 1,000 million reichsmarks to the expenditures originally authorized for that year, bringing them up to a total of 8,534 millions.

On Jan. 5 1927 the draft budget for 1927-28 was submitted to the Reichstag, carrying estimated expenditures of about 8,525 million reichsmarks.

On Feb. 16 1927 the Finance Minister made his budget speech in the Reichstag, outlining the financial position of the Government. With regard to budget policy, the Minister said:

We must arrange to get along with what we have even if we have to postpone and reduce expenditures for things which are desirable and useful. . . . Our burdens are so great that we must take advantage of every opportunity to save. . . . Our tasks during the next few years will be very difficult and bitter. . . . Years of restriction and struggle are facing us.

With regard to administrative reforms he said:

A definitive financial settlement (between the Reich and the States and communes) presupposes not only a rationalized State administrative system, but also a private economic system which is not shaken by crises.

With regard to reparation payments, he referred first to the agreement made last year for the settlement of the supplementary budget contributions, and then said:

I look into the future with grave anxiety. Under the Dawes agreement our payments out of the budget and for the service of railway bonds and for the service of industrial debentures will increase next year a further 432 million marks, and in 1929 and onwards by a still further 290 million marks. At the present moment, in spite of the best will, I see no possibility of providing these sums, to which there will be added, beginning in 1929, supplemental payments on the basis of the index of prosperity. . . . Germany will continue to do everything in her power in order loyally to fulfill the obligations she has assumed, but to this end she must be furnished with the necessary pre-requisites. . . . For us the pre-requisite for the execution of the Dawes agreement is the strengthening of our economic life.

In the same speech, the Minister went on to propose that during the financial year 1927-28 further expenditures should be incurred by raising official salaries "to the extent of what is financially possible;" and he referred also to the importance of indemnifying those who had lost their private property abroad in the war.

Following the Finance Minister's budget speech, the tendency of the Government's policy seems to have been in the direction of increased expenditure and enlarged commitments.

In spite of the necessity for economy urged by the Minister, the authorizations of expenditures carried in the 1927-28 budget were increased by 600 million reichsmarks before its final enactment on April 14 1927. The only important reduction was one of about 45 millions in the appropriation for canal and other new constructions. Taking the so-called ordinary and extraordinary budgets together, the total expenditures authorized amounted to 9,130 million reichsmarks, as compared with estimated expenditures of 8,543 millions in 1926-27 and actual expenditures of 7,444 millions in 1925-26—an increase of nearly 1,700 million reichsmarks in the two years. Of this increase, about 540 million reichsmarks were for reparation payments under the Experts' Plan, with 67 million additional as a reserve fund for the controlled revenues. Both the 1926-27 and 1927-28 budgets showed an excess of current expenditures over the current revenues, amounting to over 850 million reichsmarks in each year. To cover the 1927-28 deficit, the budget authorized loans of 466 millions and appropriated 390 millions from surplus and reserve funds. It also left undisturbed outstanding authorizations to borrow to the amount of 571 million reichsmarks, to cover outstanding extraordinary expenditures for 1926-27.

In the midst of the budget discussion, on March 14 1927, the Finance Minister of the Reich appeared before the Taxation Committee of the Reichstag to urge the passage of a draft law postponing for a further two years the definite settlement of the financial relations between the Reich and the States and communes, and providing in the meantime for increased guaranties by the Reich to the States and communes. On March 17 1927 I addressed a letter to the Finance Minister of the Reich, pointing out a number of considerations suggested by the Government's proposals and emphasizing their importance in connection with the fulfillment of the international obligations of Germany under the Experts' Plan, not merely as regards the immediate present but more especially as regards the future. On April 9 1927 the law was passed, substantially in accordance with the Finance Minister's recommendations, with results for the public finances that I have already summarized in my report of June 10 1927. The Government of the Reich in the meantime had made another important concession to the States and communes, by agreeing to assume, as from April 1 1927 practically the entire responsibility for advancing, when necessary, the supplementary funds for purposes of unemployment relief beyond those furnished by employers and employees, though up to that time the States and communes had been obliged to furnish five-ninths of these supplements.

The present financial settlement between the Reich and the States and communes cannot be considered a provident arrangement for the Reich; and it is open, as pointed out in my last report, to fundamental objections of principles. These criticisms are fully confirmed by recent events. The States and communes are now drawing larger payments from the Reich than ever before, and will get the principal benefits from any increased revenues that the Reich may collect from the income, corporation and turnover taxes in excess of the amount required to fulfill the guaranty already given. At the same time, the responsibility for taxation and public expenditure seems to become more and more confused. Notwithstanding their increased transfers from the Reich, the States and communes

are pressing new demands for still larger payments to meet their constantly increasing expenditures, and the Reich itself has added to the confusion by bringing forward new proposals for expenditure which still further burden the budgets of the States and communes.

After the adoption of the 1927-28 budget, the question of increasing the salaries of officials became active, and when the Reichstag adjourned in July it was understood that increases of about 10 per cent were under consideration. But, on Sept. 11 1927, before a meeting of Government officials at Magdeburg, the Minister of Finance announced that he had suggested and the Cabinet had approved "a considerable increase in the rate at first contemplated." The rates of increase, he said, would vary from 18 to 25 per cent, and the total cost to the Reich would be 325 millions annually, of which 155 millions would be for salaries and 170 millions for pensions and similar allowances. It is generally assumed that the States and communes, the Postal Service and the Railway will all make much the same increases. The total cost is variously estimated at from 1,200 to 1,500 million reichsmarks annually. To provide for the additional expenses which the action of the Reich throws upon them, the States are already insisting that increased transfers of revenue from the Reich will be necessary. As for the Reich itself, it appeals from the discussion before the Reichsrat on Oct. 13 1927, that in the opinion of the Finance Ministry the Reich will be able to meet the costs of the salary increases in its own services during the coming year only if its hopes for an increase in tax receipts are realized.

The salary proposals of the Government are noteworthy, not merely because of the large expense which they entail, but even more because they have been made on the most sweeping basis, and in the way most likely to bring serious consequences for the general economy of the country. They are apparently intended to apply quite as much to pensioners and retired officials as to officials on the active list, while even for the active officials they appear to contemplate a general increase in salaries, without any effective attempt at administrative reform.

It is not for me to express an opinion on the merits of the salary proposals, but it would seem as if the German Government could have served its own interests better by using such substantial increases as an instrument for securing the reform in administration of which so many announcements have been made in the past two or three years. It may not even now be too late to make the salary increases serve this purpose. But as matters stand at present, they seem likely to hinder rather than to help the cause of administrative reform, and to saddle new and lasting burdens on the already heavily burdened budgets of the Reich and the other public authorities.

In addition to these general increases in pensions and in the salaries of officials, the Government of the Reich is advancing two other measures which seem likely to involve large new expenditures, one, the proposal to compensate German nationals for loss or damage to private property during the war, and the other, a general school law for the Reich. Neither of these measures has as yet been enacted into law. The first of them, the draft law indemnifying German nationals for property lost abroad, apparently contemplates expenditures of about 1,000 million reichsmarks; but the draft law has not yet been presented to the Reichstag and it is not clear what means of financing are to be adopted or how far the budget is to be burdened with the proposed payments. In this connection, I have already suggested in my letter of Aug. 29 1927, to the Finance Minister of the Reich, some of the considerations that would be raised from the standpoint of the Experts' Plan by an external offering of preference shares of the German Railway Company; the same considerations, of course, would apply *a fortiori* to any external loan of the Reich that might be proposed for this purpose.

As for the new school law, no information is available regarding the probable costs, and apparently little consideration has been given as yet to its financial consequences. But it is noteworthy that serious misgivings are being expressed in many quarters in Germany as to the cost of the new law, and that the States and communes have already given warnings that they will not be able to meet the added expense from their own resources and will want more money for the purpose from the Reich. On Oct. 14 1927 the Reichsrat rejected the draft law for a variety of reasons, after first approving an amendment that would require the Reich to bear all the cost. Since then, the Government has submitted the draft law to the Reichstag, in its original form, with a statement from the Minister of the Interior to the effect that it is immaterial whether the Reich or the States have to bear the cost, because in any event the burden will fall on the German economy. The Government appears to have refrained, however, from making any estimate of the cost of the new law, on the ground that this cannot be done until its provisions are finally determined and the distribution of the cost becomes somewhat clearer.

I do not mention this series of new expenditures and commitments for the purpose of passing judgment on any of them individually. That, indeed, does not fall within the functions of the Agent General for Reparation Payments. The German Government, under the terms of the Plan, is left free to prepare and administer its own budget, and it acts throughout on its own responsibility. This very freedom, however, implies a corresponding responsibility for the natural and probable consequences of its own actions. These, it seems to me, can be summarized briefly, as follows:

1. The Reich, by failing to exercise proper restraint in its expenditures, is endangering the stability of its budget, the establishment and maintenance of which was the cornerstone of the Experts' Plan for the reconstruction of Germany. The situation at the moment is somewhat relieved by increasing revenues and declining unemployment. But any reaction in business would be likely to reduce the revenues of the Reich and increase its liabilities for unemployment relief. In these circumstances, and with increasing reparation payments to face, this does not seem to be the time to burden the budget with new permanent expenditures.
2. With its own expenditures constantly rising, the Reich naturally finds it difficult to induce the States and communes to bring their budgets into proper order, particularly at a time when the measures which the Reich itself has initiated may add very greatly to their expenditures and throw many of their budgets still further out of balance. The States are already demanding the reopening of the financial settlement for the purpose of securing still larger transfers of revenue from the Reich. And the expected reduction of State and communal real estate taxes which it was announced in April would be one of the conditions of the financial settlement, now appears more and more unlikely of realization, while in some cases, at least, increased local taxation may be necessary.
3. The result is a general lack of effective control over public spending and public borrowing. In consequence, unsound public finance is increasingly prevalent in Germany and the money which is so badly needed for the development of German agriculture and industry is being absorbed, through taxes and public loans, in a scale of public expenditure which seems to be incurred without regard for the loss of liquid capital which Germany has suffered and the urgent need of recreating this capital through economy and careful spending.
4. Still more broadly, in their effects on economic life, the measures taken by the Reich and other public authorities are tending strongly toward increased costs of production, increased prices and increased cost of living. The result is to negative, in large measure, the benefits that might be expected to accrue from the process of rationalization which German business and industry have succeeded in carrying out since the stabilization of the currency. The tendency toward higher prices already exists, partly as a result of the high customs duties on imports of many staple products; and it would be greatly stimulated if, as now seems probable, the Government's salary proposals should lead, on the one hand, to demands for similar increases in general business and industry, and, on the other, to increased railroad tariffs, and the like. Manifestly, all these developments tend to raise the costs of

production and thus to diminish the capacity of the German economy to compete for export. As the experience of recent months has abundantly shown, they operate also on the other side of the German balance of payments, by greatly stimulating German imports from other countries. Rising internal prices almost always have this effect, and under present conditions the tendency is enhanced by the additional purchasing power which is being placed in the hands of the public by the increasing expenditures of the Reich and the States and communes.

The consequences of Reich financial policy, which have been summarized above, must be considered also in connection with the financial policies of the States and communes and with the currency and credit policy of the Reichsbank. There is naturally a close relationship between them, and an intimate connection between the results attributable to them.

II. Finances of the States and Communes.

There is little or no current information as to the financial condition of the States and communes, but their demands for additional grants from the Reich and their frequent borrowings at home and abroad indicate that as a whole they are living beyond their means.

The domestic long-term loans of the States, provinces and communes, and of the various public undertakings in which they are interested, have amounted to about 1,000 million reichsmarks since the beginning of 1926, when the domestic market first became available for long-term borrowing. This sum is more than twice the amount of long-term domestic loans public loans, taken together with the Reich internal loan of 1927, were placed in the same period by German industry and trade. These various public loans, taken together with the Reich internal loan of 1927, were mainly responsible for overloading the domestic market and bringing about the state of exhaustion which still obtains.

Foreign issues of the States and communes, and their associated public undertakings, have amounted since the beginning of 1925 to the equivalent of about 1,600 million reichsmarks, approximately the same as the foreign loans of German business and industry. Until recently, at least, additional loans appear to have been under negotiation between the States and communes and foreign bankers, up to a total of perhaps a further 1,000 millions. These foreign borrowings have made heavy drafts on the foreign credit of Germany, and those of the States particularly have tended to raise difficult questions under the Treaty of Versailles and the related provisions of the Experts' Plan, as I have already pointed out in my letter of Sept. 20 1926 to the Finance Minister of the Reich, with respect to the Prussian external loan of 1926, and my further letter of Nov. 12 1926, as Chairman of the Trustees of the German External Loan, with respect to both the Prussian and the Hamburg loans.

The foregoing figures for the domestic and foreign loans of the States and communes, amounting altogether to about 2,600 millions, leave out of account entirely their short-term or floating debt. It is impossible from the available figures to make a close estimate of the volume of this debt, but from such casual evidence as has developed it seems already to be very large. In part it represents loans directly obtained from foreign bankers, in part loans obtained from German bankers but from foreign funds borrowed by them, and in part ordinary domestic banking transactions.

The question underlying State and communal borrowing is not whether individual loans should be placed in the domestic market or in the foreign market, or at short or long term, but whether they should be placed at all. To divert the borrowing of the States and communes from one market to the other, or to refuse it in one form and permit it in another, does not go to the root of the difficulty. Over-borrowing at home or abroad proceeds from the same source, namely rising public expenditures, and it is by reducing expenditures to the minimum that relief is to be found. On the other hand, balanced budgets and economical administration will give the best assurance that when credit is needed for essential public purposes it will be forthcoming.

It is recognized, of course, that the Reich does not control the States and communes in these matters. But, when the States and communes go into foreign markets to finance their budgetary expenditures and internal improvements, they raise fundamental questions of foreign policy which have the most direct interest for the Reich. And under the Constitution itself the Reich has a unique opportunity and even responsibility for leadership, not merely because of its large transfers of revenue to the States and communes but also because of its powers to prescribe the fundamental principles and main outlines of their laws in many matters of taxation and public finance. The force of these considerations has been recognized to some extent in the efforts that have been made for the past two years and more to supervise the foreign borrowings of the States and communes through an advisory organization established for this special purpose. These efforts, for whatever reason, have not been successful, and the results appear in the swollen figures for State and communal borrowings that have already been given. A new and truly effective supervision, based primarily on the principle of controlling public expenditures, is urgently needed at this time, both in the interests of German credit and to safeguard Germany's economic recovery against the dangers of over-stimulation and subsequent reaction as a result of over-spending and over-borrowing by the public authorities.

The German Government's announcement of Oct. 7 1927 is greatly to be welcomed, not only because it indicates that a revised procedure for supervising the foreign borrowings of the States and communes is under consideration, but also because it points out the sound basis for financial reform by stating that "in view of the entire present situation in Germany any expenditure that is not urgent or economic, whether made out of foreign loans or from other sources, must be avoided." It is still not clear what practical measures will be taken to apply this fundamental test to the spending policies of the public authorities, but it is of the utmost importance that the Reich should exert a firm leadership in this direction and that its leadership should have the sincere and comprehending support of the States.

III. Credit and Currency Policy.

The present calendar year has also been one of expansion in the circulation of the currency and in the use of short-term credit, particularly that of the Reichsbank. Any discussion of credit and currency must necessarily center upon the policy of the Reichsbank, which is charged under the Bank Law with the duty of regulating the circulation of money and with providing for the utilization of available capital. But however explicit the law may be, the financial operations of the Reich, the States and the communes have themselves assumed the proportions of a separate credit policy, frequently exercised in opposition to the credit policy of the Reichsbank. In effect, there have been two credit policies, both operating at the same time and one often neutralizing the other. The net result of these different policies, though opposed to each other in origin and purpose, has been in the direction of expansion, as is likely to be the case when the public authorities are on the side of expansion and spending.

The Reichsbank, for its part, reduced its discount rate on Jan. 11 1927 from 6% to 5%, shortly before the offering of the 5% internal loan of the Reich. The purpose, it was stated at the time, was to recognize the easier

money conditions then prevailing in the German market, and at the same time to diminish the inflow of foreign funds. The results of this policy were discussed at length in my Report of June 10 1927. For a short period, it will be recalled, the policy achieved its purpose. But by the middle of March foreign funds began again to flow into Germany in large volume, not as long-term loans but in the form of short-term credits, frequently for purely speculative purposes and liable to be withdrawn on short notice. These funds, in turn, provided an additional basis for expansion, and a source of danger for the future. At the same time, the Reichsbank's discount rate became the lowest representative money rate in Germany, and in the first five months of the year, that is to say, up to May 31 1927, its gold and devisa declined by about 1,000 million reichsmarks, and its holdings of domestic bills rose by about the same amount. In their broader consequences, the forces of expansion thus released gave a further impetus to an already highly speculative stock market, and a further stimulation to an already rising activity of business and a rapidly expanding volume of imports.

During this period, certain measures were attempted, notably in the direction of reducing the volume of stock market credit, but the Reichsbank left its discount rate at 5% until June 10 1927. It then raised its rate to 6%, but by this time it had lost control of the market and the increase proved to be insufficient. The new rate brought no reduction in the volume of Reichsbank credit, and succeeded only during a short period at midsummer in retarding its month-to-month increase. The expansion which reasserted itself in September brought the volume of Reichsbank credit and the total German circulation to the highest points since stabilization. The 7% rate fixed on Oct. 4 1927 recognized this situation and was itself the consequence of events which dated back to the spring.

The financial authorities of the Reich, the States and the communes, working at cross purposes with the Reichsbank, have made the whole situation more difficult to manage and have contributed to the expansion. The part played by rising budgetary expenditures and borrowings by public authorities, involving heavy drafts on credit both foreign and domestic, has already been discussed. The Reich internal loan of last February, furthermore, was of peculiar importance, not only because it put an end for the time being to the domestic market for new issues, but also because its terms and market price furnished an additional obstacle to a timely revision of the Reichsbank's discount rate. The various steps which have been taken to manage the loan in the market since its issue have been expensive and on the whole ineffective. Another disturbing influence which must be mentioned is the management of the public funds and the public banks, which has been discussed at length in each one of my published Reports. It is unnecessary now to go into detail, but it is clear enough on the facts that the administration of the public funds and the public banks has tended very strongly to diminish the authority of the Reichsbank, and to deprive it of resources which it needed in the general interest of the stability of the German currency and exchange. It has tended, no less directly, to deprive the regular German banking system of its normal resources and to divert great quantities of liquid funds into channels which ran counter to sound credit policy.

The credit policy of the bank of issue and the public finances cannot for long be operated successfully in divergent lines; and there would seem to be every reason, in the general interest, for formulating and putting into effect a definite and comprehensive plan that will assure a properly coordinated policy. The need for the adoption of such a policy, based upon principles of ordered economic growth, and avoiding undue use of credit, is particularly clear under present conditions, in order that the prevailing expansion may not be carried to the point of danger.

IV. Conclusion.

I have attempted to bring together in the foregoing pages the accumulating evidences of over-spending and over-borrowing on the part of the German public authorities, and some of the indications of artificial stimulation and over-expansion that are already manifesting themselves. These tendencies, if allowed to continue unchecked, are almost certain, on the one hand, to lead to severe economic reaction and depression, and are likely, on the other, to encourage the impression that Germany is not acting with due regard to her reparation obligations.

Internally, it is evident that an economic crisis would have the most discouraging consequences for the German people, and that it would mean a serious set-back to the reconstruction of German economic life. It is now nearly four years since the first stabilization of the currency, and over three years since the adoption of the Experts' Plan. During this period Germany has made remarkable progress. She has re-established her credit at home and abroad, her industries have been reorganized and her productive capacity largely restored, her supplies of raw materials and to some extent her working capital have been replenished, and the general standard of living has greatly improved. This has been achieved primarily through the industry and energy of the German people, but the people of other countries have also co-operated by making their savings available in liberal measure for the rebuilding of the German economy. It would be deplorable if what has been accomplished should now be imperiled by short-sighted and unsound internal policies.

From the standpoint of the Experts' Plan, it is only natural, as I have said, for the creditors of Germany to feel that reasonable prudence in the management of the public finances is a necessary element of goodwill; and it would not be surprising if outside observers should draw the conclusion that the financial policies followed in the past year have not been in the interest of Germany's reparation obligations under the Plan. The payment of the stipulated annuities to the Agent General for Reparation Payments at the Reichsbank constitutes, it is true, "the definitive act of the German Government in meeting its financial obligations under the Plan"; and the payment of these sums is amply secured by the assigned revenues and other specific securities. But the responsibilities of the German Government do not end with the internal payments. The Experts' Plan, though it put the transfer of reparation payments in the hands of the Transfer Committee, recognized clearly that the problem of transfer would depend in large measure upon conditions outside the control of the Committee. It placed a very definite responsibility upon the German Government by providing that "the German Government and the Bank shall undertake to facilitate in every reasonable way within their power the work of the Committee in making transfers of funds, including such steps as will aid in the control of foreign exchange." The Experts also emphasized in the strongest possible language the dependence of the stability of the German exchange upon Germany's balance of payments, and, in the long run, upon the course of German imports and exports. To the extent that German exports are hindered by obstacles interposed from without, other countries must bear the responsibility; but upon the German Government itself must rest the responsibility for actions of its own which tend artificially, by over-stimulating imports and hindering exports, to restrict the possibilities of transfer.

All these considerations I am endeavoring to point out in good season, in the hope that their importance will commend them to the attention of the German Government, and that in the interest of the German economy itself, as well as of the discharge of Germany's international obligations, the German Government will take prompt and effective measures to meet the situation. Fortunately, as stated at the outset, the situation has not yet become critical, and the German Government still has it within its power, if it will act in time, to check the dangers which now threaten, and to bring the German economy back again to a sound condition.

(Signed) S. PARKER GILBERT,
Agent General for Reparation Payments.

The German Government's Answer to S. Parker Gilbert's Memorandum Regarding Over Borrowing—No Crisis Feared.

In its account of the memorandum addressed by S. Parker Gilbert to the German Government warning of the dangers of over borrowing and over spending, the copyright advices from Berlin Nov. 5 to the New York "Times" stated that the German Government's reply to Mr. Gilbert's memorandum, of which only a synopsis is made public, declares that the Government agrees with Mr. Gilbert in regarding it as the Government's aim to develop all productive forces. That paper also further reported in part as follow regarding the reply of the German Government:

The improvement in the economic situation achieved since the stabilization of the mark, declares the answer, proves that the funds obtained by German economy at home and abroad have been rationally employed. The amount of debts to foreign countries furnishes no reason for uneasiness, it is said, in view of the securities pledged and the productiveness of the institutions credited with the moneys.

Increased imports of raw materials and foodstuffs naturally followed the foreign loans, and the aim must be on both sides to reduce the excess of imports over exports, declares the Government, which adds:

Germany has been able to increase her exports steadily since the stabilization, from the monthly average of 428 million marks in 1924 to 550 millions in 1925, 612 millions in 1926, 617 millions for the months from January to September, 1927, and to 692 millions for September. Of this last figure, 502 millions consisted of finished wares.

Even though the development may have been too rapid at various points, no crisis is feared, and too great expansion could in any case only be laid in the smallest degree to the measures of the Government, says the answer, which points out that taxes and domestic loans can create no new purchasing power.

Foreign loans have not given an unhealthy impulse when compared with the total value of the German economy, the Government declares, and it says the increasing of exports depends largely on facilitating and reorganizing international trade, but it depends even more on opening credit for the States and markets for German wares.

The answer then says:

The German Government views with serious concern the developments in some of the countries where German goods are sold, since only a lowering of the existing barriers can assure to Germany the export excess necessary to meet her payments.

Finally, it is necessary for an equalizing of the trade balance to reduce imports by increasing agricultural production, and for this additional capital is urgently required.

The Government refers to the burden of 3,500,000,000 marks as a direct result of the war, and denies that the Government has been spending money without considering reparation obligations. It intends to hold down expenses in the ordinary budget effectively, and prevent as far as possible any increase in the loan requirements for the extraordinary budget. It is declared that the loans heretofore secured by the States and municipalities have been secured only for productive purposes.

The answer tells how the 1,600,000,000 marks mentioned by Mr. Gilbert were employed, and declares that the Reich Government has been doing its best to rationalize the financial system, but that this is impossible until the whole economy has been rationalized.

The sums required for salary increases are declared much smaller than Mr. Gilbert believes, and moreover, regard must be had to political considerations, it is said.

A more detailed account of the reply was given in the New York "Journal of Commerce" in a Berlin cablegram Nov. 8:

That political as well as economic necessities of Germany should be considered in making any recommendation or suggestion with regard to the economic policy of the country was stressed in the reply of the Government of the Reich to the memorandum of S. Parker Gilbert, Agent General of Reparations.

Political necessities, on which depends the willingness of the entire German people to pay, must also be taken in consideration, says the Government reply, the full text of which was just made public.

Trade Barriers.

The German Government views with serious concern the developments in some of the foreign markets, as only the lowering of the existing trade barriers can secure for Germany the export surplus necessary to meet her payments, the Government memorandum says. To equalize the trade balance it is finally necessary to reduce imports by increasing agricultural production, which urgently needs additional capital.

As to the financial phase of the whole problem the German Government emphasizes the fact that the return to normal conditions in public finance presupposes a clear idea of the burdens accruing to States and municipalities. The solution of the problems of revaluation must be considered in this connection as well as questions of indemnifying those who suffered losses through forced liquidation and the readjustment of salaries.

Regarding the development of German finance since 1924, reference is made to the speech of the Minister of Finance before the Budget Committee on October 26, 1927. The following figures show the real trend of the recent development of the German budget: The total war burdens, i. e., reparation payments, including all domestic obligations which Germany had to assume as a direct result of the war, require in 1927 more than 3.5 billion reichsmarks, or almost two-thirds of the total ordinary expenditures, and more than one-half of the total ex-

traordinary expenditures. The significance of these burdens is obvious when one considers that the expenses of the total Administration of the Reich in 1913 amounted to only 2.7 billions. The budget for 1928, calling for additional 400 millions for reparations, is being drafted according to principles of strictest economy. The German Government at the present time considers it a most important duty to oppose effectively all increases in the ordinary budget.

Extraordinary Budget.

Regarding the extraordinary budget, the Government intends to prevent an increase of the credit requirements. Expenditures in the extraordinary budget taken over from the past have already been restricted and will be further restricted. The remainder will in the future be liquidated slowly and systematically. In the budget for 1928 expenditures will be restricted to the utmost.

Regarding the finances of German States and communes, the Government agrees with the agent general that the raising of internal and external loans for administrative purposes should be strictly avoided. As a matter of fact, loans raised heretofore by States and municipalities have been only for special productive purposes which, in accordance with the historical development of German municipalities, devolve upon the communes in addition to their merely administrative duties. This applies especially to the supplying of the population with gas, water, electricity and transportation, duties which in countries with a financially more powerful private industry have always been performed by the latter. The total amount of loans which has been the subject of much public discussion does not justify the assumption of excessive administrative expenditures.

Investigation of the 1,600,000 reichsmarks of foreign loans mentioned in the memorandum proves this point quite convincingly: During the period from January 1, 1925, to September 30, 1927, the total of 2,100,000,000 goldmarks had been applied for at the loan advisory council, which approved 1,600,000,000 of this amount. Of these 1,600,000,000 reichsmarks, 500,000,000 consists of credits partly granted for agricultural purposes through the Rentenbank Credit Institute, and partly granted to industry under a state or communal guarantee. The remaining loans have been used for State or communal utilities, harbor construction and similar improvements. The above explanation shows that this 1,600,000,000 reichsmarks was not used for administrative purposes but has been devoted to productive industrial requirements. As a matter of fact the communities must consider the general condition of the Reich while planning their productive expenses and loans. A general balancing of finances is impossible—as has been pointed out repeatedly—as long as the estimates of the productive efficiency are based on economic life which has not yet been rationalized.

Financial Structure.

Considering the burden imposed upon the Reich, the new constitution provided the strengthening of its financial powers and since 1919 the German Government never relaxed in its efforts to effect a unification and simplification of its financial structure. Accordingly, it collected the large personal taxes which up to 1919 had been levied by the States, and it has claimed completely the capital tax receipts. The Reich refunds to the States only three-quarters of the income and corporation taxes which formerly went in their entirety to the States and the communes. As the fixed burdens of the Dawes plan are left to the Reich, the latter must rely on the greatest measure on such taxes which are least influenced by the fluctuations of economic conditions, as for instance taxes on consumption. This also corresponds with the guarantees provided in the Dawes plan. The financial statistics necessary for a final financial balancing have been considerably developed.

States and municipalities do not deny that the Reich must play the leading part in questions of general financial policy. As has been pointed out correctly in the memorandum, this leadership can be maintained only through a sincere and far-reaching co-operation of States and municipalities. This co-operation is shown in the recent agreements regarding advisory boards for foreign loans. These agreements were re-drafted from the point of view that, considering the general economic situation, all expenses should be avoided which are not urgent or productive, irrespective of whether they might be made by means of foreign loans or domestic resources. The means required for the adjustment of salaries are not much smaller than publicly assumed. Of approximately 300,000,000 required by the Reich itself about 170,000,000 go to war sufferers. Only a minor portion goes to State employees. For purposes of the salary reform neither an increase of the tax and postal rates nor of the railroad tariffs can be considered.

Salary Reform.

The question of a salary reform cannot be viewed solely from a fiscal point of view; internal political considerations also play their part. The total requirements for salaries are to be reduced by greater efficiency in organization. The Reich is co-operating in this respect with the Federal economy commissioner. In this connection three purposes are kept in mind: Unification of Federal administration, distinct lines of demarcation to prevent the overlapping of the activities of the Reich and State, and finally the simplification of the administrations of States and communities. The latter are willing to co-operate and measures to this end are under way.

Reference is made particularly to the draft of a bill for the unification of taxation, which at present is before the legislative bodies. The basic idea is the elimination of co-ordinated fiscal bodies and the transaction of uniform tasks through unified offices. Similar results are sought also in other fields. In linking these objects with the constitutional tasks of the Reich, difficulties are arising which cannot be disposed of by mere financial expediency.

The bill for the indemnification of German nationals for liquidated property is a direct sequel of the treaty of Versailles, Article 297. It has relieved the liquidating countries from the duty of compensating the German nationals and obligated Germany to their indemnification. Since 1919 the war sufferers have been waiting for compensation of their losses. It was imperative to take action on this matter within the limited financial capacity of the Reich with a view toward restoring war losses. The expenditure of 1,000,000 reichsmarks mentioned in the memorandum by no means implies an annual charge in the budget, but comprises the total expenditure of all future annual payments.

The costs of the proposed school law plays no part whatever in the immediate future. This law provides the solution of questions intimately connected with the cultural aims of the German people. The Federal Government cannot share the apprehensions of the agent general that extra expenditures for these measures menace the Reich's budget.

The reply of the Government concludes with the statement that the main endeavor of the Federal Government will be the maintenance of the fundamental condition of the experts' plan, namely, the balancing of finances. In view of the above explanations, even an outsider will find

no justification for the impression that Germany has not given due consideration to her reparation obligations. There is no question of the willingness of the German Government to assist in the transfers within the limits of sound economic and financial policy. The sharp distinction of the raising of the payments and the transfer abroad has been considered throughout the world as the greatest step forward in the reparation question. The positive duties which the Dawes plan imposes upon the German Government regarding transfers are clearly defined therein. The German Government declares that it never artificially restricted the transfer possibilities. It also rejects the idea that it might do so in the future. It expresses its conviction that the confidence in the loyal co-operation of all concerned, which formed the basis of the Dawes plan, will form an unshakable basis for mutual co-operation in the future.

German Board to Fix Limit on Loans Abroad—New Regulations Providing for Stronger Check on Foreign Credits.

Under date of Nov. 4 Associated Press accounts from Berlin stated:

As a result of an agreement reached between the Government, the Reichsbank and the Federated States, with respect to the flotation of German loans abroad, future borrowing will be approved by the Official Surveillance Board only if the projected loans are intended exclusively for productive purposes and are of immediate urgency.

The agreement will run for a period of two years, during which the Federated States, municipalities and smaller communities agree to take cognizance of the Reich's economic and financial status generally.

The definite limit on the total amount of foreign borrowing will be prescribed by an official board which will be made up of experts appointed by the Ministries of Finance and Economics, the Reichsbank and delegates from the Federated States.

The New York "Times" had the following to say in the matter in a copyright wireless message from Berlin Nov. 4:

The long controversy over the foreign loan policy of the Reich, caused by the attitude of Dr. Schacht, President of the Reichsbank, was settled by new regulations published by the Finance Ministry today. The control of loans by the Reich Government will be increased by the reorganization of the Advisory Board and the creation of a second body, which will render final decision in case of appeal.

The views of the Reichsbank President have been practically carried out, though concessions have been made to the States, especially on account of the protest by Bavaria.

That Dr. Schacht's view have the support of S. Parker Gilbert, Agent General for Reparations, was shown almost at the same time by the publication in the *Boersen Courier* tonight of a synopsis of his recent note to the Finance Minister. It said that the policy of the two men on foreign loans was identical.

The new Advisory Board on foreign loans consists of experts appointed by the Reich Finance and Economic Ministers, the Board of Directors of the Reichsbank, the Presidents of the Prussian and Bavarian State banks and one representative of any State desiring a loan.

The appeals section also consists of financial experts, but additional and dominating members are the Ministers of Finance and of Economics and the Reichsbank President.

Objections to the decisions of the Advisory Board may be raised not only by States refused permission to negotiate loans, but also in case of a favorable decision, by an objecting minority. A majority vote is to decide every case, but the discussion in committee and the ballots will be kept strictly secret.

The principal points of the new regulations with regard to direct foreign credits to States and municipalities are:

Foreign loans are only permissible if warranted by economic conditions. The statement published considers "comparatively unobjectionable" long-term loans running at least ten years but redeemable after five years, and also short term loans for one year or less. The highest annual payments fixed by Advisory Board must not be overstepped and credits shall only serve the purposes of the borrower and shall remain untransferable.

The main point made is that loans must serve production purposes yielding sufficient revenues for interest and amortization. No special collaterals must be given and the conditions of the loans shall have no connection with business of any kind, such as the sale of products of State enterprises.

Whenever conditions and securities for foreign credits and not in accord with these regulations State Governments must ask the opinion of the Advisory Board which shall be guided strictly by the rules laid down.

Urgent German Need of Outside Capital—Bankers Declare Home Savings Cannot Meet Needs—Foreign Debt 16 Billion Marks.

According to a Berlin Cablegram Nov. 6 (copyright) to the New York "Times" President Schacht of the Reichsbank estimates all outstanding German foreign indebtedness for long and short term, including the Dawes loan, at 10,000,000,000 marks. This, however, he points out, is a gross figure and does not allow for foreign indebtedness of Germany of which no statistics are available. The cablegram added:

Bankers, in discussing the foreign loan question, point out that German demand for capital continues unabated, and Minister of Industry Curtius asserts that home accumulations are entirely insufficient. Nevertheless, bankers believe that home accumulation is continuing. While the increase of ordinary bank deposits has visibly slackened, deposits in the savings banks, which are the best indicator of the general public's savings, have been increasing rapidly.

At the end of September, their aggregate was 4,246 million marks, whereas at the end of September last year the total was only 2,591 millions. The offsetting consideration is that, owing to industrial activity in Germany, the home accumulations of capital go mostly to strengthen the working capital of business concerns, and leave nothing to meet the demand for fixed capital for expansion purposes.

Germany Moves to Curb Municipal Expenditures—Effect of Gilbert's Note on Reich Fiscal Policy—Creation of Commission to Study Reparation Question.

Under date of Nov. 9, a copyright cablegram to the New York "Herald-Tribune" stated:

The first practical effect of the criticism by Seymour Parker Gilbert, agent general for reparations payments, of the contracting of numerous foreign loans by the German government and the states and municipalities was seen here today in a report that a government official will be delegated to supervise the administration of municipal finances and especially their progressive rationalization. In thus controlling municipal budgets it is hoped to restrict expenditures within reasonable limits, avoiding all superfluous outlays.

It is also regarded as an effect of Mr. Gilbert's recent memorandum that the budget committee of the Berlin aldermen last week decided to postpone for four weeks a discussion of a proposed loan of \$30,000,000 to be taken up by the City of Berlin. Although the loan was intended for productive purposes, the budget committee thinks it advisable to await the developments of the next few weeks at home and in the United States before acting finally in the matter.

In case preliminary negotiations for the loan are carried on at New York, they will be broken off, according to opinion in financial circles here, until the new program of the German control office for foreign loans is issued.

The New York "Times" on the same date reported the following advices (copyright) from Berlin:

The Government created a special commission today to study all measures concerning reparation questions. The Minister of Finance will be Chairman and representatives of the Finance, Trade, Foreign and Food Ministries will be members of the board. The Cabinet's decision ends the agitation to have State Secretary Bergmann appointed special liaison officer between S. Parker Gilbert and Wilhelmstrasse.

The Agent General for Reparation Payments will now be able to deal directly with one responsible body instead of placing his requests before various Ministries. In case of extraordinary matters arising from the heads of the four Ministries represented on the commission will be consulted.

Dr. F. W. von Prittwitz-Gaffron to Succeed Late Baron von Maltzan as German Ambassador to U. S.

It was announced in Berlin Associated Press advices Nov. 2 that Dr. Friedrich Wilhelm von Prittwitz-Gaffron, Counselor of the German Embassy at Rome, has been confirmed as successor to Baron Ago von Maltzan, late German Ambassador to the United States, according to advices gleaned from diplomatic circles. The advices also stated:

Dr. von Prittwitz-Gaffron, who is forty-three years old, was a close friend of the late Baron von Maltzan and is considered one of the ablest and most prominent of the younger set of German diplomats. He is reported to be liberally inclined in his politics.

The new ambassador comes from an old military family. He studied law and before the war served in diplomatic posts at Washington and St. Petersburg. He was assigned to the embassy at Rome in 1921.

An item regarding the death of Baron von Maltzan, who was killed in an airplane crash Sept. 23, appeared in our issue of Oct. 1, page 1781.

Plans of France to Retire Outstanding Bonds Floated in United States in 1920—Issue of \$75,000,000 Bonds to Be Sold By French Government to Swedish Match Co.

It was made known on Nov. 5 that the French Government, after studying various plans for refunding all of its 8% sinking fund gold bonds now outstanding in the American market, has arranged to retire the entire issue on March 15, 1928. It is pointed out that of the original loan, of which \$100,000,000 face amount of bonds were sold in 1920, approximately one-quarter has already been retired. Machinery for the redemption of the remainder has been set up through an agreement whereby the French Government sells to the Swedish Match Company \$75,000,000 forty-year 5% bonds issued in dollars. With the proceeds the French Government will effect its redemption program. As to the proposed plans it is further said:

Coincident with this redemption plan, made possible through a single corporate financing transaction without recourse to public flotation of a large new French loan, the Swedish Match Company has made an arrangement with the Administration of the French State Match Monopoly providing for cooperation of the two in the French match industry. This arrangement covers the supply of match manufacturing machinery, raw materials and matches under terms satisfactory to both the Administration of the French State Match Monopoly and the Swedish Match Company.

The Swedish Match Company will enter an agreement with the International Match Corporation, an American corporation, to share with the American company in the obligations and advantages of this new business.

The French Government's refunding program is unique in world finance. By means of a sale of bonds to a single corporation, the Government clears the way for retiring its 8s with a new issue of 5s. This is in striking contrast with the negotiations and formalities made necessary in 1920 when the French Republic sold its \$100,000,000 Twenty-Five Year External Loan to American bankers, and reflects the subsequent improvement in French credit.

No public offering of the \$75,000,000 new French 5s is contemplated. The Swedish Match Company will hold \$25,000,000 of these bonds in its own treasury. The balance of \$50,000,000 of the French issue will be sold to the International Match Corporation, which in turn is concluding arrangements for the sale of a like amount of \$50,

000,000 International Match Corporation twenty-year 5% sinking fund gold debentures to Lee, Higginson & Co. Lee, Higginson & Co. will make a public offering of the American corporation's bonds in the near future, probably at a slight discount below par.

The International Match Corporation was incorporated in Delaware in 1923, and acquired from the Swedish Match Company and others controlling interests in 90 match manufacturing plants in various European countries outside of Sweden, in North America, in South America, and in the Far East. The Corporation also owns the entire capital stock of Vulcan Match Company, Inc., which is the sales company in the United States for products of the Swedish Match Company and its subsidiaries.

Although organized less than five years ago, the company is recognized as one of the leading American industrial corporations. Its activities are international in scope extending into both North and South America, into Europe and also into Asia.

The \$50,000,000 of twenty-year 5% sinking fund gold debentures of the International Match Corporation were publicly offered on Nov. 7, and reference thereto appears on another page in our department devoted to General Investment News. The New York "Times" in a cablegram (copyright) from Paris Nov. 10 reported the following advices regarding the agreement:

From an authoritative source the New York Times has ascertained the six vital points contained in the recent financial agreement between the French Government and the International Match Trust.

In view of many conflicting reports circulating and denials which the French Government has felt called upon to make, the disclosure of the principal clauses of the accord removes considerable doubt.

The agreement, in the first place, provides for a renewal of the International Match Company's contract. The company enters France for the purpose of assisting the Government in carrying out improvements in the match factories.

Secondly, the contract does not give to the International Match Trust a monopoly in the supply of materials.

Thirdly, the contract in no way affects the present regime for the importation of foreign matches.

Fourthly, the shares of the Swedish Match Company—the International Trust—and of Kreuger & Toll are to be admitted for trading on the Paris Bourse.

Fifthly, the contract does not give to the Swedish Match Company the right to construct a plant in France.

Sixthly, the contract is not to be made public.

It was reported today that the trust would soon build a huge factory at Bordeaux, but an official denial was issued later in the day, confirming the fifth point in the contract.

Another rumor was circulated to the effect that the trust had obtained the exclusive right to the sale of matches in Algeria, but officials hastened to point out that the sale of matches in this colony was entirely open, and therefore exclusive sale rights could not be given to any concern.

A Washington dispatch to the same paper Nov. 5 stated:

At the State Department it was said late today that the new program under which the French Government proposes to refund its \$72,000,000 of outstanding 8% Government bonds had not been brought formally to the attention of officials. A report had been received by the department, however, that such a proposition was pending, and that an announcement would be made by bankers in New York.

There was nothing here to indicate that the United States Government would have any objection to raise to the proposal, and in fact there was some doubt expressed that the State Department would have to be asked for its approval. No definite statement was available, however, the officials withholding formal comment until they had more complete information.

The State Department has already informed the French Government that it would make no objection to the flotation here of a Government issue, the proceeds from which were to be used solely for the refunding of the French 8% bonds. At the time this notification was sent to the French Embassy it was the belief in official quarters here that the French Government would offer an issue of its own bonds, paying interest at about 6%.

Treasury Department officials were equally reticent about commenting on the new French financing. It is understood that little had been known about the details, unless the information was made available by banking interests in New York today.

Italy Considering \$100,000,000 Loan—State Department Not to Oppose Flotation, It Is Said.

The following is from the New York "World" of Nov. 5:

The Italian Government is considering the advisability of the flotation of a loan of \$100,000,000 or more in this market for the general purpose of stabilization. Although its fiscal agents, J. P. Morgan & Co., it is understood, have had no conversations to this effect, Italian banks and persons prominent in Fascist activities here have been told about loan plans.

A few weeks ago the flotation of the loan was regarded as a certainty this year, but an improvement in Italy's foreign trade and its ability to discourage speculation in the lira here, through its immense reserves which disheartened bears, have postponed the date of the loan.

From the New York "Journal of Commerce" we quote the following Washington advices Nov. 6:

The State Department will not interpose any objection to the flotation of an Italian Government loan of \$100,000,000 in this country, it was learned here yesterday, inasmuch as the Italian Government has completed its debt funding agreement with the United States.

Officials here regard the question of an Italian Government loan as one for the bankers alone to consider as such a loan would not come within the category frowned upon by the State Department. The classes of loans to which the State Department has been inclined to informally oppose include countries which have not completed debt funding agreements with the United States, loans for the promotion of monopolies affecting the United States and loans for the purchase of armaments where it would appear that competitive armament would result.

The State Department has been generally inclined to favor loans for productive purposes.

Italy Surmounts Revaluation Crisis—Currency Reform Now Admitted to Have Benefited Even Italian Foreign Trade—Gold Resumption Awaited.

The following from Rome Nov. 6 (copyright) appeared in the New York "Times":

Prices on the Italian Stock Exchange continue to confirm the evidence of general economic recovery which first became visible four months ago. The average rise in stock market prices has been 33% since June and 8% as compared with a year ago.

This has happened while circulating notes of the State bank, between June, 1926, and September, 1927, fell from 20,427,000,000 lire to 19,076,000,000, thus decreasing 1,350,000,000. The decrease, as compared with the maximum post-war figure of December, 1920, has been 2,924,000,000, but there has been an increase of 286,000,000 over the post-war minimum, reached in May, 1923. During the last eight months, however, the outstanding currency supply has not varied more than two or three hundred millions.

In current discussions of the relation of money supply to the trade balance it is pointed out that whereas, before the deflationist policy went into effect, excess of imports over exports averaged 900 to 1,000 million monthly, the average during the past twelve months has been only 300 to 400 million per month. This is accepted as showing the actual beneficial effects of currency revaluation on the Italian trade balance. It is, in fact, calculated that on the basis of gold values the import excess is now smaller than it was immediately before the war.

That is taken to mean that the decrease in the import surplus has been proportionately much greater than the scope of deflation incident to the revaluation policy. It is considered as also proving the success of efforts made by Italian exporters to conquer new outlets for their goods.

Italian merchants and producers, while admitting the gravity of the economic crisis which has now been overcome, express now the opinion that revaluation of the lira was not only necessary, but beneficial to trade. A communique lately issued by mercantile associations states that the revaluation crisis has been happily surmounted and that the period of actual gold resumption has now begun.

Soviet Russia Said to Pay Over 12% On Its Long Term Bonds.

The following is from the New York "Journal of Commerce" of Nov. 5:

The Soviet Government's industrialization loan of 200,000,000 rubles of ten-year bonds, now being sold, involves a net interest charge at the rate of more than 12%, details of the issues reaching Wall Street show. This is in addition to the selling and administration cost of the loan, which are said to be large.

This rate of interest is the highest that any European country is now paying on long term bonds, it is said here.

The present industrialization loan bears 6% interest. It is being offered at 96, in denominations of 25 rubles, or \$12.50 each. Sales are also being made of fifths of bonds, at the price of 4 rubles 80 copecks each. The bonds are to be sold in cities and villages between October 1 and November 15. In addition to the regular interest rate the bonds enjoy a lottery feature, and for the payments of lottery premiums a sum is set aside yearly equivalent to 6% of the nominal value of bonds of this loan in circulation. Every year one bond of 25 rubles denomination will receive a premium of 25,000 rubles, and other premiums down to 100 rubles will be paid. In all, 734,000 premiums will be paid, the total sum amounting to 96,042,000 rubles.

During the first week of the offering the State Bank of the U. S. S. R. reported that 100,000,000 rubles had been fully subscribed, and it has been stated latterly that the whole amount has been practically taken up. The sale is said to have been facilitated by the tax exemption applying to interest, principle, premiums and transfers.

Poland Meets Loan Terms—National Bank Will Increase Capital to 250,000,000 Zloty.

Warsaw advises Nov. 6 to the New York "Times" (copyright) state:

In order to conform with the stipulations of the American loan contract the Bank of Poland has agreed to change its constitution. The capital stock will be increased by 50,000,000 zloty, bringing it up to 250,000,000.

The present gold embargo is to be removed, meaning that exchange bills for gold can be demanded at any bank, but the gold reserve has to be kept at 40% of the note circulation.

Election of Charles S. Dewey As Foreign Member of Directorate of Bank of Poland.

The Legation of Poland at Washington reported on Nov. 7 the announcement from Warsaw by the Bank of Poland by cablegram of the election of Charles S. Dewey, former Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, as the foreign member of its Board of Directors. Mr. Dewey, as indicated in our issue of Oct. 22, page 2213, was recently selected by the Government of Poland as its financial adviser in the administration of the Stabilization Loan of \$72,000,000, a large part of which was recently floated in this country. The Legation's announcement says:

Mr. Dewey was elected to the Board of the Bank of Poland at a general meeting of the shareholders held on the fifth of November. At this time the Statutes of the Bank were changed so as to permit an increase of one in the number of directors. The shareholders then elected Mr. Dewey to the position of foreign member of the Board. The appointment of Mr. Dewey and the changes in the statutes of the Bank were both approved by the Council of Ministers of Poland and the decree of the President of Poland announcing the approval of these changes is now made public.

Under the Stabilization Plan Mr. Dewey has broad advisory duties in connection with the financial administration of Poland. Disbursements of the proceeds of the Stabilization Loan can be made only under

his counter-signature. In his capacity as Adviser to the Government, one of his important functions will be to prepare a quarterly report addressed to the Bank of Poland and promptly published by it on the progress of the various aspects of the Plan.

Mr. Dewey's term as foreign director of the Bank is for three years. During this period he will reside permanently with the Bank of Poland unless he concludes that his permanent attendance in Warsaw is no longer warranted by the circumstances.

Proposed Japanese Financing Here.

The following is from the "Wall Street Journal" of Nov. 4:

K. Miyake, general manager of Nomura Securities Co., Osaka, Japan, is in New York and for the next few weeks will make connections to further facilitate Japanese financing in this market. Mr. Miyake is making his headquarters at the New York office of his company in the Equitable Building.

Mr. Miyake said that the \$300,000,000 Japanese securities sold in this country since 1924 were only a comparatively small part of the financing yet to be done. Many Japanese industries and public utilities are preparing to have their securities marketed here in the near future.

Recent visits to Japan by leading New York bankers will result in an increasing amount of Japanese securities being offered in New York, Mr. Miyake declared. Conditions in Japan are improving and American investors will find attractive opportunities in Japanese industrial bonds.

Offering of \$5,300,000 5% Bonds of Mortgage Bank of Denmark—Books Closed—Issue Sold.

Brown Brothers & Co., Chase Securities Corp., White, Weld & Co. and Blair & Co., Inc., offered on Nov. 9 \$5,300,000 Mortgage Bank of the Kingdom of Denmark forty-five year 5% sinking fund external gold bonds, series IX of 1927, priced at 96½ and int. to yield 5.20%. A substantial portion of the issue was withdrawn for sale in Sweden by Stockholms Enskilda Bank. The bonds are being issued to refund \$5,000,000 6% Sinking Fund External gold bonds due March 1 1970 which are to be called for payment on March 1 1928. Brown Brothers & Co. in behalf of the syndicate announced that the bonds had all been sold and the subscription books closed at 12 o'clock noon Nov. 9. The bonds will be dated Dec. 1 1927, and will become due Dec. 1 1972. They will be redeemable at the option of the bank as a whole or in part on three months' notice at 100 and accrued interest. Through a sinking fund beginning in 1933 it is calculated to retire \$66,500 principal amount of these bonds semi-annually by purchase at not exceeding 100 and accrued interest or if not so purchased by redemption by lot at 100 and accrued interest. The issues will be in the form of coupon bonds in denominations of \$500 and \$1,000. Prin. and int. (J. & D.) will be payable in New York at the office of Brown Brothers & Co., Fiscal Agents for the Loan, in United States gold coin without deduction for any Danish taxes present or future. At the option of holders principal and interest (by arrangement between the Fiscal Agents and Stockholms Enskilda Bank) will also be collectible in Stockholm, Sweden, through the office of Stockholms Enskilda Bank in Swedish kronor at its then current buying rate. The Mortgage Bank of the Kingdom of Denmark, which has total resources amounting to \$36,440,296, was organized by the Danish Government in 1906 to act as a central agency for financing certain types of real estate mortgage loans guaranteed by the Government, and bonds of Danish real estate mortgage institutions and municipalities. The entire capital stock of the bank, amounting to \$5,360,000, is owned by the Danish Government. Directors of the Bank are appointed by the Crown and its operations are closely supervised by the Government and Parliament. The total principal amount of bonds issued by the Bank shall not exceed eight times its capital and any bonds issued by the Bank shall be secured by at least an equal principal amount of securities complying with the strict requirements of the Danish Mortgage Bank Law. It is stated that the increase in the net assets of the Bank, before deducting outstanding bonds, amounted to \$6,345,789 in the three years from March 31 1924 to March 31 1927. In the same period the net increase in the amount of outstanding bonded debt was only \$3,766,161. Mortgage Bank of the Kingdom of Denmark 45-year 6% Sinking Fund External gold bonds due Mar. 1 1970, which, as above stated, are to be called for payment on Mar. 1 1928, will be accepted in payment for these bonds on a 4% discount basis to Mar. 1 1928.

Offering of \$500,000 5% Bonds of Atlantic Joint Stock Land Bank of Raleigh, N. C.

An issue of \$500,000 5% bonds of the Atlantic Joint Stock Land Bank of Raleigh, N. C. was offered on Nov. 4 by Harris, Forbes & Co., the William R. Compton Co. and the bond department of the Harris Trust & Savings Bank, at 102 and accrued interest to yield about 4.75% to the optional maturity and 5% thereafter. The bonds will

be dated Nov. 1 1927 and will mature Nov. 1 1957. They will be redeemable at par and accrued interest on any interest date on and after ten years from the date of issue. In coupon form the bonds will be in denominations of \$1000 and registered bonds in denominations of \$1,000, \$5,000, and \$10,000. Interest will be payable semi-annually, May 1 and Nov. 1 and prin. and int. will be payable at the Atlantic Joint Stock Land Bank, Raleigh, N. C. Arrangements have been made whereby the coupons may be presented for payment at the office of the New York Trust Co. in New York City. The bonds are issued under the Federal Farm Loan Act and are exempt from Federal, State, Municipal and local taxation. The Bank operates in the States of North Carolina and South Carolina. The Bank is under private ownership and management. A. W. McLean is President. He was for over twenty-five years president of the National Bank of Lumberton, N. C., and for four years director of the War Finance Corp. at Washington. Figures of capital and earnings are furnished as follows:

Capitalization and Earnings.—As of September 30 1927: Capital Stock \$825,000, subject to 100% assessment; and surplus, reserves, and undivided profits \$314,463. Since that date paid-in capital stock and surplus have been increased by \$82,500 and \$15,500 respectively, making total capital stock of \$907,500 and total surplus reserves and undivided profits of \$329,963. Present net earnings are at the rate of 14% per annum. Dividends on the Capital Stock are being paid at the rate of 8% per annum. Total bonds outstanding, including this issue, \$14,700,000.

Bond Issue of \$20,000,000 of North German Lloyd Oversubscribed.

A syndecate headed by Kuhn, Loeb & Co., the Guaranty Company of New York and Lee, Higginson & Co. on Nov. 10 offered an issue of \$20,000,000 North German Lloyd (Norddeutscher Lloyd), Bremen, 20-year 6% sinking fund gold bonds. The issue, offered at 94 and interest to yield about 6.55%, was oversubscribed. The proceeds of these bonds will be used for new construction and to repay indebtedness incurred for construction; and for other corporate purposes. Part of the proceeds will be deposited with the Internationale Bank te Amsterdam, Amsterdam, Holland, to be released by it only for the repayment of certain indebtedness maturing serially to 1934, secured by a portion of the company's fleet, the payment of which indebtedness the company has no right to anticipate. Upon completion of the present financing, including repayment of the above loan, the company's total funded and floating debt, including the present issue, will amount to only \$25,580,000. Included therein is a debt of Mks. 13,013,000 (\$3,100,000) to the German Government, at low rates of interest, secured by real estate and by seven small ships aggregating 28,500 tons; and certain purchase money mortgages, which cannot be repaid before maturity, amounting to only \$2,112,000 on ships aggregating 80,000 tons. The obligations under the Dawes Plan and current accounts payable, of approximately \$8,117,000, are not included in the above figure. Further data in connection with the offering are given in our "Investment News Department," p. —

Holders of Bonds Issued by Kansas City Joint Stock Land Bank Called upon by Protective Committee to Deposit Their Holdings Under Deposit Agreement.

The following notice has been issued by a protective committee of holders of Farm Loan bonds issued or assumed by Kansas City Joint Stock Land Bank:

To the Holders of Farm Loan bonds issued by Kansas City Joint Stock Land Bank and the following banks: Missouri Joint Stock Land Bank; Wichita Joint Stock Land Bank, Wichita, Kansas; Bankers Joint Stock Land Bank, Boonville, Missouri; Liberty Central Joint Stock Land Bank, St. Louis, Missouri; and any other banks whose bonds have been assumed by the Kansas City Joint Stock Land Bank:

A receiver of the properties of Kansas City Joint Stock Land Bank having heretofore been appointed by the Federal Farm Loan Board, the undersigned at the request of the holders of a large amount of the bonds above mentioned, have consented to act as a committee for the protection of the interests of all holders of such bonds who shall become parties to a deposit agreement to be dated November 8 1927, which is now in the course of preparation.

Bondholders are requested to deposit their bonds, with all coupons attached, with any of the depositories hereafter mentioned which will issue against such deposits certificates of deposit under said deposit agreement.

The committee believes that prompt action should be taken for the protection of the bonds, and to that end prompt deposit of bonds under said deposit agreement is important. Copies of the deposit agreement when prepared may be obtained from any of said depositories. Dated Nov. 8 1927.

Frank C. Ball, capitalist, President, Ball Bros., Glass Manufacturing Co., Muncie, Indiana, (Director Federal Reserve Bank, Chicago); Arthur W. Brady, capitalist, President Union Traction Co., of Indiana, Anderson, Indiana; W. S. McClus, Chairman, Chairman of Board Commerce Trust Co., Kansas City, Missouri; W. E. Stanley, Mitchell Hutchins & Co., Chicago, Ill. Frederick A. Carroll, Vice-President, National Shawmut

Bank, Boston, Mass.; P. J. White, Vice-President, Cleveland Trust Co., Cleveland, Ohio; Roger Ballard, Blair & Co., New York, N. Y.; Edwin K. Hoover, Executive Vice-President First National Co., Detroit, Michigan; Counsel, Reed, Holmes, Higgins & Taylor, Keith & Perry Building, Kansas City, Missouri; Depositories are First Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, Ill., National Shawmut Bank, Boston, Mass., Seaboard National Bank, New York, N. Y., Commerce Trust Co., Kansas City, Missouri.

C. D. Pugsley of Westchester County National Bank, Peekskill, Urges Life Insurance Policy Holders to Trustee Policies to Trust Companies or National Banks.

Policy holders of life insurance companies should trustee their policies to trust companies or national banks, with trust company powers, in order that the life insurance money might be conserved for the benefit of their families and dependents in the opinion of Chester D. Pugsley, Vice-President of the Westchester County National Bank at Peekskill and a lawyer. Under date of Nov. 1 Mr. Pugsley said:

"The average man who has exerted himself in order to carry life insurance for the benefit of his family very often overlooks the fact that the life insurance money may quickly be dissipated by unwise investments and may not result in the protection he wished to assure his dependents.

"A life insurance trust naming a trust company or national bank, with trust company powers, as trustee either by an irrevocable trust or a voluntary trust during his lifetime, or by will would provide for the preservation of the principal and assure an income each year for life to the beneficiary of the policy.

"A trust company or national bank, with trust company powers, affords the supervision of the Directors and Trust Officers in investment and management of the life insurance money, careful and accurate accounting methods and continuity of control. Trustees are limited by law as to commissions. The opportunity to secure the benefit of a bank's investment knowledge and auditing practice in conserving life insurance money for the benefit of those he wishes to provide for, and assuring them an income for life should lead policy holders to avail more and more of the life insurance trust.

"A funded life insurance trust also provides the setting aside in a trust, during the policy holder's lifetime, of securities adequate to pay premiums on the policy. The income from them can be made available for the beneficiary upon the completion of the premium payments and an irrevocable trust of this type gives insurance of the life insurance.

"A trust can only extend for two lives in being under the law against perpetuities, except as to religious, charitable and educational trusts. As the trust must vest at the end of two lives in being, and the principal be turned over to the beneficiary named, where there are several children separate policies can be trustee for the benefit of the widow for life and each child for life with vesting of the fund in the grandchildren or otherwise and upon contingent remainders.

"Legal investments for trust funds are limited types of securities with a low yield, and where a trust company or a national bank, with trust company powers, is the trustee a somewhat broader latitude in investment may well be conferred in the deed of trust, affording the possibility of a larger return from the investment, as a bank is naturally conservative in its investments."

Col. Frazer of Straus Trust Co. Advocates Payment of Life Insurance to Trust Company With View to Protection of Beneficiary.

Seventy-eight billion dollars of life insurance in force in the United States is made out to direct beneficiaries, according to Col. James R. Frazer, Vice-President and Trust Officer of the Straus Trust Company of Chicago, regardless of whether they are capable and experienced in handling business affairs. This is 95% of approximately all the life insurance in force in this country. While this insurance is taken out to protect the weak it is not a sufficient safeguard to protect the widow and surviving children or other dependents during the years when they most need that protection. Why so many men fail to secure full protection is not the fault of the insurance underwriters, but rather the fault of the insured themselves. Colossal sums of money are thus lost every year. The remedy for this condition, according to Col. Frazer, lies in having the insurance paid to a trust company and controlled by a trust agreement definitely directing the distribution of the income and eventually the distribution of the principal. Such an arrangement protects beneficiaries against their own inexperience or extravagance and perpetuates an estate once created by life insurance. Such conclusions were drawn by Col. Frazer in an interview recently, who said:

"I can't understand why a man will work diligently all his life to accumulate a competence for himself and his family and then not take the trouble to make a will and thus assure a satisfactory and practical disposition of his property after his death.

"Why a man will work and deny himself the luxuries of life and sometimes some of the necessities in order to carry a large amount of life insurance for the benefit of his dependents and make no provision for the preservation of the estate he is thus creating, is another thing I have never been able to understand. But a very large percentage of all men belong to one or the other and a great many belong to both of the classes I have just mentioned.

"A man can make a will providing for the creation of a trust which will insure his wife and other dependents an income and relieve them from the annoyance and responsibility of having to make investments, and by so doing he can assure himself that his estate is not going to be

wasted or lost by injudicious management after he is gone, thereby defeating the very purpose of his accumulation.

"If a man's estate consists principally of life insurance he can very easily, during life, create without additional expense a life insurance trust which will insure the proper investment and management of his estate after he is gone and the life insurance has been collected. It seems preposterous that a man who has the brains and inclination to build up an estate will nine times out of ten utterly neglect the trifling act which it would take to assure the preservation of that estate."

New York Stock Exchange Seeks to Improve Ticker Service—Plans Proposed to Provide Speedier System.

Two plans are now under consideration by the New York Stock Exchange for the relief of congestion and delay in the market during days of extreme activity. The first involves a proposed new system to furnish bid and asked quotations direct from the trading posts to brokers' offices and the second will provide, when finally worked out, a speedier ticker system. The Exchange authorities have been working on these plans for some time and it was announced on Nov. 10 that practical experiments are to be started at once on the proposed quotation system. Laboratory work designed to produce a speedier ticker has been under way for months. The announcement of the Exchange further says:

The plan devised by the New York Stock Exchange and the New York Telephone Company for supplying quotations from the trading posts calls for the installation of a new telephone system within the exchange. At every post there will be a telephone station in charge of a quotation clerk whose duty will be to see that the bid and asked quotation for every stock located at that post are kept on record right up to the market at all times. These telephones will be connected with a central quotation room in which will be installed a number of switchboards presided over by numerous operators. These boards, in turn, will be connected with each of the telephone booths that surround the trading floor.

Under the experimental system, members' telephone clerks who receive requests from their offices for quotations on securities will hand the slip to the telephone clerk in charge at his particular telephone booth. That clerk will make a connection with the central quotation room from which he will instantly secure the desired quotation and transmit it through the members' telephone clerk back to the office. Not only will this plan result in a considerable saving of time, it is believed, but it also will relieve much of the strain placed upon the pneumatic tube system on exceptionally busy days. Moreover, members of the Exchange who are busy executing orders will not be burdened with numerous requests for quotations as at present. Another advantage will accrue to the firms' customers, for under the present system on extremely active days floor members are compelled to ignore requests for quotations in many instances in order that they may devote their entire time to the execution of orders.

At the outset the experimental telephone apparatus will consist of eighteen operator positions connected with six trading posts. If the plans prove successful, it is the intention of the Exchange ultimately to alter the system in such a manner as to have direct private wires installed from the quotation room to members' offices.

The plan for speeding up the ticker was outlined by Ashbel Green, Vice President of the New York Quotation Company, in a report made to the Governing Committee at its meeting today. In this report Mr. Green declared that the company is opposed to installing a second stock ticker system because of the many objections to such a course. He set forth that the best method to meet the situation is by speeding up the present system.

The following is Mr. Green's report to the Governing Committee:

To the Governing Committee, New York Stock Exchange,
Gentlemen:

The Board of Directors of the New York Quotation Company submits the following to the Governing Committee of the Exchange for its information:

On December 23, 1925, the New York Quotation Company made a lengthy report to the Governing Committee dealing with the matter of ticker delays, and more especially with the question of the establishment of a second stock ticker system. This report stated that it was the unanimous opinion of the Directors of the Quotation Company that such an additional system should not be built. The Board of Directors has not changed its opinion in this respect.

Within the past six years, the speed of this Company's stock tickers has been increased over forty per cent. The old method of operation of our ticker system was superseded by the present automatic apparatus in May, 1923. Under the old conditions, the average speed of our tickers was at the rate of 215 to 225 characters per minute. This speed has been increased through the efforts of our engineers until at the present time, it averages around 300 characters per minute. It is hoped within the next few months to make further improvements, so that our tickers will be running fifty per cent faster than they did six years ago.

Simultaneously with the demand for increased speed has come the demand for increased service. The Company has today in operation in the Financial District, two thousand two hundred sixty-eight stock tickers, about six hundred more than were in operation at the time the automatic system was inaugurated.

In order that every one of these ticker machines shall print exactly the same characters at exactly the same time, it is essential that they should be operated by a single group of controlling apparatus. A ticker operating at the rate of 300 characters per minute obviously requires but one-fifth of a second to print a single character. This printing operation involves the use of fifteen or twenty different but closely associated pieces of apparatus, each one of which must perform its proper function at the proper time; the time allotted to the operation of certain of these devices being measured in thousandths of a second. The above facts are stated to indicate the character of the problems with which our engineers are constantly confronted. Added to this is the very essential condition that the continuity of the service itself must be absolutely insured. Since the general adoption of the stock tickers over fifty years ago there have been no serious interruptions to the service, and with the last fifteen or eighteen years, there have been no interruptions of any moment whatever. A stock ticker is simply a form of printing telegraph. Printing telegraphs are in use throughout the world. There is, however, no printing telegraph system anywhere

which for continuity of service and accuracy of performance in any way compares with the service of the New York Quotation Company. The engineers of our Company will continue as in the past, their endeavors to furnish a service to the members of the Exchange, adequate to the constantly increasing demands which are being made upon it.

Very truly yours,

ASHBEL GREEN,

Vice-President.

Charles Cason on New Philosophy of Big Business.

Under the title of "The New Philosophy of Big Business" an address was delivered by Charles Cason, Vice-President of the Chemical National Bank of New York, at the opening convocation of the 104th academic year of the University of Virginia on Oct. 6. Mr. Cason's remarks have been printed in the *Manufacturers Record* of Oct. 27, and we quote therefrom in part as follows:

A new type of business man has emerged very rapidly during recent years. This new business leader is a man of vision. He is educated, educated either by his own efforts entirely or through the assistance of a college. He is a daily student of social and economic conditions throughout the world. He leads a large life. He is broadminded. He thinks in national and international terms. President Lowell of Harvard, speaking of modern big business, calls it the "oldest of the arts and the newest of the professions." Business has developed into a profession.

The war threw the spotlight on the big men of business and during subsequent years their qualities have been recognized more and more. Both in war and in peace, they have shown themselves patriots. The services of such men as Henry P. Davison, Owen D. Young, Andrew W. Mellon and Herbert Hoover are significant and lasting. And now it is a banker, a man of large executive affairs, Dwight W. Morrow of J. P. Morgan & Co., who has been called by the President to represent this country in Mexico. Mr. Morrow is an outstanding example of this new type of business man. He is an economic statesman. He is a scholar and a gentleman. He is a patron of art and of literature. As a trustee of Amherst College he has done more than make a quorum. He has done more than give money. He has contributed an intelligent and stimulating influence in all its academic problems.

This new type of business leader has inevitably created a new philosophy of big business. The economic doctrine which prevailed during the first 125 years of this country's life was that the man best served his community who did the most business and made the most money. So long as he succeeded in the face of competition, it was assumed that he was not only creating wealth—a good thing in itself—but also that he was fulfilling the scientific doctrine of the "survival of the fittest." This being the doctrine it is not surprising that we became known abroad as a nation of dollar chasers. It was a fair description of us—and of all the other western nations as well, with the difference that our chase was generally more successful. It was so successful, in fact, that it led many men to question both the practice and the doctrine. Some of the questioning was called muck-raking; some was in the form of legislation; some was in the courts. But many helpful corrections and restrictions were developed.

Today, there is a new point of view. We know that real success in business is not attained at the expense of others. Business can succeed only in the long run by acquiring and holding the good will of the people. To do this, it is necessary to render honest, intelligent service at a fair price. Where in the old days a foreigner who cast an analytical and critical eye on us immediately accused us of being money mad, the present foreign critic scores us for our idea of "service." Andre Siegfried in his much discussed book, "America Come of Age," ridicules the idea of "service" that is so much attributed to big business in this country. To this distinguished writer, it does not seem bona fide; to me, it does. The best upper classmen in business are really genuine in their belief in it and are consistent in its practice. Most of them would not consider a policy which enriched them or their company and was at the same time against public interest. The last annual report of the largest corporation of the world contained the following paragraph:

The ideal and aim today of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company and its associated companies is a telephone service for the nation, free, so far as humanly possible, from imperfections, errors or delays, and enabling at all times anyone anywhere to pick up a telephone and talk to anyone else anywhere else, clearly, quickly and at a reasonable cost. The year 1926 brought the service of the Bell Telephone System measurably nearer that goal.

This is an interesting statement when you remember that it was made to the stockholders whose money is invested in the telephone business. In other words, they are told by the president of their company that the first object of that company is to improve the service to the public; not to make the most possible money for the stockholders.

Let me give you another example. The last annual report of a holding company that controls the largest light and power company in your own State of Virginia begins with this paragraph:

Your company is a public utility holding company. Its purposes are two-fold: First, as to the public served, to improve and develop the service in the territories occupied by its subsidiaries; and, second, as to the investing public, to offer the opportunity, through purchase of its securities, to participate in an investment which, through diversification, has greater stability than the same investment in a single property. Common control through a holding company makes possible the raising of new capital in adequate amounts when needed for the development of the public service, and, through breadth of view and experience, makes for sound engineering and economic operation and the bringing of good service to many communities which without the holding company's backing would have inferior service.

Here, again the public's justification of the company's activities precedes the account of its money making.

This spirit is naturally more prevalent in public service companies, in railroads, in insurance companies, in Federal Reserve banks and to a very high degree among commercial banks and investment bankers.

With the recognition of obligation to the public comes also a frankness in dealing with the public. All large corporations publish their financial statements. The United States Steel Corporation not only publishes its quarterly earnings, but also the amount of its unfilled orders, which the previous generation would have felt to be a business secret. Even Professor Ripley of Harvard commended Judge Gary, chairman of this corporation, for his new policy of publicity and of furnishing to the public all essential information.

Prior to the war, the stocks of public utility companies were owned by wealthy investors. Through a policy organized and carried out by these companies, the ownership of the power and light companies alone

is now directly in the hands of more than 3,000,000 people and indirectly in the hands of millions more, as represented by bank depositors and holders of life insurance policies through their ownership in public utility bonds. This has been a great service to the small investor throughout the nation in leading him into safe investments. While this important development has been taking place in the third largest industry in the United States, it is interesting to note that the cost of domestic current has been reduced about 15% since 1914, while the cost of living has gone up approximately 68%. Furthermore, it is estimated that 68,500,000 people in this country are living in electrically wired homes, while not so many years ago electricity in the home was considered a luxury.

In your study of economics here you will learn that the real capitalists are not a few men who direct great corporations. Big business doesn't belong to a few big leaders. Every individual who owns a share of stock, or a bond, or has an insurance policy or has one dollar in any bank is to that extent a capitalist. Such funds are lent to industry and are used to carry on business throughout the country. Do not misunderstand me. I am not trying to hang a halo upon some pawnbrokers or to glorify modern big business. I am trying to interpret for you a changed condition which the masses of the people do not fully appreciate. I am not concerned whether this new philosophy of business is a result of a public spanking and reprimand. Your best upper classmen here at Virginia may be, and probably are, the product of some wise and perhaps severe discipline; but, that does not detract from their present high character and broadmindedness.

U. S. Will Withdraw \$55,000,000 from N. Y. Federal Reserve District Nov. 15.

On Nov. 15 the Government will withdraw from depositaries in the New York Federal Reserve District \$54,931,900 representing the balance of the combined amounts on deposits of the 3% certificates of indebtedness dated Sept. 15 1927, due March 15 1928, and 3½% Treasury notes dated Sept. 15 1927, due Sept. 15 1932. The call for the entire country is \$146,842,200. After this withdrawal there will remain nothing on deposit for the Government in this district.

Offering of \$400,000,000 of 3½% Treasury Certificates of Indebtedness—Books Closed—New Issue to Retire Second Liberty Loan Bonds.

An offering of \$400,000,000, or thereabouts, of 3½% Treasury Certificates of Indebtedness was announced Nov. 6 by Secretary of the Treasury Mellon—the books opening Nov. 7—and the issue being designed to take care of outstanding Second Liberty Loan bonds which have been called for redemption Nov. 15. In announcing the offering Secretary Mellon said:

The Treasury announces an offering of seven month 3½% Treasury certificates of indebtedness, dated and bearing interest from Nov. 15 1927 and maturing on June 15 1928. The certificates are tax certificates and the amount of the offering is \$400,000,000 or thereabouts.

The Treasury will accept in payment for the new certificates the 4% and 4½% bonds of the Second Liberty Loan. It will be remembered that the Second Liberty Loan bonds are called for redemption on Nov. 15 1927 and that interest thereon ceases on that date.

The Treasury Department announced the closing of the subscription books at the close of business Nov. 9, the closing time applying to all subscriptions including those in payment of which Second Liberty Bonds were tendered. In a statement issued Nov. 10 Secretary Mellon announced that the total subscriptions aggregated some \$1,100,000,000. His statement follows:

Secretary Mellon announced that subscriptions for the issue of Treasury certificates of indebtedness of series TJ-1928, 3½%, dated Nov. 15 1927, maturing June 15 1928, closed at the close of business on Nov. 9 1927.

Reports received from the twelve Federal Reserve Banks show that for the offering, which was for \$400,000,000, or thereabouts, total subscriptions aggregate some \$1,100,000,000. Of these subscriptions about \$2,300,000 represent subscriptions for which Second Liberty Loan 4s and 4½s were tendered in payment, all of which were allotted in full.

Allotments on other subscriptions were made as follows: Subscriptions in amounts not exceeding \$100,000 for any one subscriber were allotted 50%, but not less than \$100 on any one subscription; subscribers in amounts over \$100,000, but not exceeding \$1,000,000 for any one subscriber were allotted 40%, but not less than \$50,000 on any one subscription, and subscriptions in amounts over \$1,000,000 for any one subscriber were allotted 30%, but not less than \$400,000 on any one subscription.

Further details as to subscriptions and allotments will be announced when final reports are received from the Federal Reserve Banks.

In referring on Nov. 6 to the present offering the Washington correspondent of the New York "Journal of Commerce" said:

Issue Believed Sufficient

On Nov. 1 there were outstanding approximately \$757,502,400 of the Second Liberty bond issue, considerably more than the amount of the new Treasury seven months' financing. However, it was pointed out by officials that should bonds in a greater amount than the issue be turned in through the Federal Reserve banks for exchange "interim certificates" would be issued for the Second Liberties or they would be bought in for cash.

Officials do not anticipate that the \$400,000,000 issue will be insufficient to meet exchange requirements. Since another financing period will take place Dec. 15 outstanding Second Liberties not exchanged for the November 15 certificates may be exchanged for those of the later date.

The first call for redemption of the Second Liberty loan was made early in March. At the beginning of the year \$3,104,520,050 in this issue were outstanding, and during the year through exchanges at lower rates the Treasury has reduced the issue by \$2,347,017,050.

Issue Embraced Two Series.

The Second Liberty issue embraced two series, one bearing 4% and the other 4½%, of the latter there being about \$20,000,000 outstanding. The Second Liberty loan was floated in 1917. It bore a 20-year maturity, but contained an optional call at the end of ten years. The Department exercised this privilege by giving notice last March of its intention to retire the issue Nov. 15, causing interest to cease automatically on that date.

Immediate plans were made for refinancing and of the amount outstanding at the first of the year \$1,360,456,450 was refunded into 3½% notes of 1930-32. On June 15 a further refunding took place in connection with the authorization of \$245,256,000 in 3% bonds of 1943-47. An issue of short term certificates was made September 15.

Money in the sinking fund was also turned into the buying of Second Liberties.

It is reported that in view of the over-subscription, the Dec. 15 financing may be omitted.

The new Certificates (Series TJ-1928) will be dated and bear interest from Nov. 15 1927. They will mature June 15 1928.

They will be issued in bearer form in denominations of \$100, \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000, \$10,000 and \$100,000, and will have one interest coupon attached, payable June 15 1928. The Treasury circular detailing the offering, follows:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Three and One-Eighth Per Cent Treasury Certificates of Indebtedness

SERIES TJ-1928

Dated and bearing interest from Nov. 15 1927 Due June 15 1928

The Secretary of the Treasury, under the authority of the act approved Sept. 24 1917 as amended, offers for subscription, at par and accrued interest, through the Federal Reserve Banks, Treasury certificates of indebtedness of Series TJ-1928, dated and bearing interest from Nov. 15 1927, payable June 15 1928, with interest at the rate of three and one-eighth per cent per annum.

Applications will be received at the Federal Reserve Banks.

Bearer certificates will be issued in denominations of \$100, \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000, \$10,000, and \$100,000. The certificates will have one interest coupon attached, payable June 15 1928.

The certificates of said series shall be exempt, both as to principal and interest, from all taxation now or hereafter imposed by the United States, any State, or any of the possessions of the United States, or by any local taxing authority, except (a) estate or inheritance taxes, and (b) graduated additional income taxes, commonly known as surtaxes, and excess-profits and war-profits taxes, now or hereafter imposed by the United States, upon the income of profits of individuals, partnerships, associations, or corporations. The interest on an amount of bonds and certificates authorized by said act approved Sept. 24 1917, and amendments thereto, the principal of which does not exceed in the aggregate \$5,000, owned by any individual, partnership, association, or corporation, shall be exempt from the taxes provided for in clause (b) above.

The certificates of this series will be accepted at par, with an adjustment of accrued interest, during such time and under such rules and regulations as shall be prescribed or approved by the Secretary of the Treasury in payment of income and profits taxes payable at the maturity of the certificates. The certificates of this series will be acceptable to secure deposits of public moneys, but will not bear the circulation privilege.

The right is reserved to reject any subscription and to allot less than the amount of certificates applied for and to close the subscriptions at any time without notice. The Secretary of the Treasury also reserves the right to make allotment in full upon applications for smaller amounts, to make reduced allotments upon, or to reject, applications for larger amounts, to make preferred allotments upon applications for which Second Liberty Loan 4% bonds of 1927-42 (hereinafter referred to as Second 4s) and Second Liberty Loan Converted 4½% bonds of 1927-42 (hereinafter referred to as Second 4½s) are tendered in payment, and to make classified allotments and allotments upon a graduated scale; and his action in these respects will be final. Allotment notices will be sent out promptly upon allotment, and the basis of the allotment will be publicly announced.

Payment at par and accrued interest for certificates allotted must be made on or before Nov. 15 1927 or on later allotment. After allotment and upon payment, Federal Reserve Banks may issue interim receipts pending delivery of the definitive certificates. Any qualified depository will be permitted to make payment by credit for certificates allotted to it for itself and its customers up to any amount for which it shall be qualified in excess of existing deposits, when so notified by the Federal Reserve Bank of its district, except upon subscriptions for which Second Liberty Loan bonds are tendered in payment. Bonds of the Second 4s and Second 4½s, called for redemption on Nov. 15 1927, will be accepted at par, in payment for any certificates of the series now offered which shall be subscribed for and allotted, with an adjustment of the interest accrued, if any, on the certificates of the series so paid for.

Bonds of the Second 4s and Second 4½s tendered in payment for any certificates of the series now offered should be presented when the subscription is tendered. The bonds must be delivered at the expense and risk of the holder. Coupons dated Nov. 15 1927, which will become payable on that date, should be detached from any bonds of the Second 4s or Second 4½s in coupon form so tendered, and such coupons should be collected by the holders in regular course. All coupons bearing dates subsequent to Nov. 15 1927 must be attached to such coupon bonds when presented. Second 4s and Second 4½s in registered form tendered in payment for certificates subscribed for must be assigned by the registered payee or assigns thereof, or by their duly constituted representatives, to "The Secretary of the Treasury for redemption," in accordance with the general regulations of the Treasury Department governing assignments for transfer or exchange into coupon bonds. Final interest due Nov. 15 1927 on registered bonds so tendered will not be paid by interest checks in regular course but will be covered by payments to be made simultaneously with the delivery of the certificates upon allotted subscriptions. Facilities for transportation of bonds by registered mail insured may be arranged between incorporated banks and trust companies and the Federal Reserve Banks, and holders may take advantage of such arrangements, when available, utilizing such incorporated banks and trust companies as their agents. Incorporated banks and trust companies are not agents of the United States under this circular.

As fiscal agents of the United States, Federal Reserve Banks are authorized and requested to receive subscriptions and to make allotments on the basis and up to the amounts indicated by the Secretary of the Treasury to the Federal Reserve Banks of the respective districts.

A. W. MELLON,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Treasury Department,
Office of the Secretary,
November 7 1927.
Department Circular No. 389
(Public Debt)

To the Investor:

Almost any banking institution in the United States will handle your subscription for you, or you may make subscription direct to the Federal Reserve Bank of your district. Your special attention is invited to the terms of subscription and allotment as stated above, and to the fact that bonds of the Second 4s and Second 4½s will be accepted at par in payment for any certificates of the series now offered which shall be subscribed for and allotted.

House Ways and Means Committee Concludes Hearings on Tax Reduction Proposals—President Coolidge Indorses Secretary Mellon's Tax Cut Limit of \$225,000,000—Arguments for Repeal of Estate Taxes.

The public hearings which began before the House Ways and Means Committee on Oct. 31 for the presentation of proposals for the revision of Federal taxes, were concluded on Nov. 10, with the submission of arguments for the repeal of admission taxes and a reduction in other miscellaneous taxes. It was made known in the Washington dispatch to the New York "Herald-Tribune" that the first suggestion made to the committee to increase taxation was offered on Nov. 10 by Henry Sutphen, of New York City, representing the National Association of Engine and Boat Manufacturers. We quote as follows from that paper:

He urged that the present tax imposed on foreign built yachts and other vessels be increased ten times, making the levies range from \$20 a foot on boats less than 50 feet long to \$80 a foot on craft in excess of 100 feet long.

Mr. Sutphen said the present tax was inadequate to protect the American shipbuilding industry, pointing out that foreign built tonnage bought by Americans last year cost \$4,000,000 to build, whereas the cost to produce them in American plants would aggregate \$6,000,000. The differential in cost varies from 30 to 40% for the larger vessels to 100% for the small sailing boats, he said.

"We think the purchaser of a foreign built yacht," Mr. Sutphen said, "should not object to paying a tax equal to what has savings on the purchase price would earn at 6%."

H. G. Smith, of New York City, vice-president of the National Council of American Ship Builders, cited the increased cost of labor and material in American yards and asked for a substantial increase in the tax on foreign-made ships.

Calls Yacht a Luxury.

"A yacht," Mr. Smith said, "is a luxury, and any one that can afford to build and operate one can afford to build such a yacht in an American shipyard."

Mr. Smith added that the cost of building cargo ships in this country was 50% higher than the cost of construction in foreign shipyards, citing the case of German laborers, who receive a week what an American shipyard worker receives a day. He said American shipyards are in a deplorable condition for want of work.

"Your statement," Representative Hull, Democrat of Tennessee, interposed, "seems to present an utterly hopeless future for an American merchant marine."

In announcing that the Joint Congressional Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation would on Nov. 11 begin executive sessions for the consideration of data which will later be presented to the Ways and Means Committee, the New York "Journal of Commerce" through its Washington correspondent Nov. 10 added:

Representative William R. Green of Iowa, who is chairman of both committees, expressed the hope that this data will be available for use by the Ways and Means Committee by Monday morning.

Executive Session Monday.

The present plans call for the first executive session of the Ways and Means Committee early next week, possibly on Monday. It has not been determined whether the committee will give consideration first to the proposed reduction in the rate schedules or devote itself immediately to the revision of the administrative features.

Secretary of the Treasury Mellon has advised the committee of a desire later to present the department's suggestions for revision of the administrative feature, although he would be invited to come to the Capitol for that purpose in any event. He will be accompanied by Under-Secretary Ogden L. Mills, a former member of the committee, who during his service in Congress specialized in tax and tariff legislation.

Three outstanding factors are to be deduced from the attitude assumed by members of the committee in questioning witnesses. First, it has been made very apparent that all are in favor of a greater degree of tax relief for the small than for the large corporations if that can equitably be arrived at, although possibly the recommendations of Mr. Mellon will not be accepted. Second, Mellon suggestion for the repeal of the estate tax, particularly since President Coolidge has assumed a lukewarm attitude with respect to that matter, and the feeling of the members is that they have been subjected to the attempted pressure of what they consider a very powerful lobby. Third, the committee look with favor upon the proposal to do away with the nuisance taxes, with the possible exception of the automobile levy.

Instalment Sales Issue.

There has been little discussion with respect to the earned income provisions of the present law, but it is to be expected that because of the complications that feature has given rise to, the committee will make some change therein.

Next among the matters of considerable importance is the taxability of income from instalment sales. Here again, because of the allegations that dealers resorting to that method of disposing of their merchandise have been subjected to double taxation, the committee may be counted upon to make some changes in the present law bearing thereon. It is known that this problem has had the earnest attention of a number of Government and outside tax experts through the summer period.

Revision of those provisions of the law that deal with evasion of surtaxes by incorporation will be revised, particularly since they are of little avail in suppressing that practice. Furthermore, relief is desired by persons who would like to incorporate their security holdings for the purpose not of avoiding "natural" taxes but of escaping from multiple transfer taxes upon that part of their estate following their decease.

Attention also will be given to the recommendation that exemption be provided for the interest on bonds, notes and other obligations of American corporations held by non-resident aliens from the application of our income tax, when similar courtesy is extended by their governments to our citizens holding foreign obligations in like manner. A similar recommendation pertaining to intangibles owned by non-resident Americans will be considered.

Differential Moot Question.

A 20% tax differential between the levies on distributed and non-distributed corporate income has been suggested, and was received with some favor by Democratic members of the committee. However, while it is believed that much thought will be given this proposal during the executive sessions of the committee, there was no evidence of what action might be anticipated.

It was stated in press dispatches from Washington Nov. 4 that President Coolidge endorses the recommendation of Secretary Mellon that the proposed tax cut be kept with a limit of \$225,000,000. The Secretary's recommendations were referred to in these columns Nov. 5, pages 2471-2477. Arguments for the removal of the Federal Estate Tax were submitted to the Committee on Nov. 8, and incidentally, the first annual convention of the National Council of State Legislatures, was held in Washington this week, opening on Nov. 7, and continuing on the two succeeding days; according to the New York "Evening Post" its deliberations were devoted to a plea for State rights, the immediate plea, prepared for submission to the House Ways and Means Committee, being for a repeal of the Federal estate tax. The "Post" advices from Washington Nov. 10 continued:

Lee Satterwhite, former speaker of the Texas Legislature, will call the meeting to order. Today's program will be devoted largely to the preparation of resolutions to be presented to the Ways and Means Committee on the two succeeding days. Several Governors are scheduled to speak.

William H. Blodgett, tax commissioner of Connecticut, will be in general charge of the presentation of pleas and testimony before the Ways and Means Committee.

Mr. Blodgett says that the National Council of State Legislators contends that the intent of the present Federal estate tax was not for revenue purposes, but to coerce the States into levying uniform estate laws.

He calls attention to Secretary Mellon's statement before the committee last Monday, in which he recommended the repeal of this particular law, pointing out, in his message, that revenue to the Federal Treasury will not exceed \$7,000,000 if all the States accept the 80% credit provision contained in the present law.

"Twenty-three States have adopted joint resolutions calling on Congress to repeal the Federal estate tax," said Mr. Blodgett. "In six other States one house of the Legislature has adopted such a resolution, and in fifteen others a canvass of members of both branches of the Legislature has shown that a majority favor a repeal of the law."

Mr. Blodgett also pointed out that only fifteen States have accepted the 80% credit provision in the present law and that all of these States, with three exceptions, accepted this joint levy under protest. In these three States a strong minority protested in their legislatures.

"This represents opinion that is almost unanimous among the State Legislatures," said Mr. Blodgett. "We believe it represents accurately the views of the people of the States which elect the Legislatures. It is our intention simply to have that opinion expressed to the Ways and Means Committee by the official delegates of the States themselves."

From the "Times" Washington dispatch Nov. 8 we take the following regarding the hearing before the House Committee that day:

Sharp exchanges featured today's session of the Ways and Means Committee when delegates of the National Council of State Legislatures appeared in advocacy of repeal of the Federal estate tax.

The clash grew out of the declarations yesterday by Henry T. Rainey of Illinois that this was "the most expensive lobby" he had ever seen and that he proposed to have it investigated. When he and other members of the committee sought today to ascertain how money was raised to defray expenses of individual delegates to Washington an open invitation to investigate was the response, coupled with censure of the committee for the manner in which it was receiving the visitors, most of whom are members of State Legislatures.

While the hearing was in progress President Coolidge, at the White House, discussed the advisability of repealing the tax, and while he indicated that his convictions were not very strong, either for or against, he made it clear that he would not veto a bill containing provisions for repeal. The President recalled that Secretary Mellon favored repeal and it was emphasized in the President's behalf that he intended to go along with the Secretary on tax matters, since he looked to Mr. Mellon in matters affecting the Government's fiscal policy.

Suspect Special Interests.

The Ways and Means Committee devoted all of the day to hearing spokesmen for the National Council of State Legislatures and will continue with them tomorrow, when Representative Garner of Texas and Representative Rainey intend to follow up their efforts to ascertain whether any special interests are behind the organization.

Admission was made by some of the day's speakers that the American Taxpayers League had cooperated with the National Council, and Mr. Garner announced that he intended to show, if possible, what was behind that league.

William H. Blodgett, Tax Commissioner of Connecticut, presented the position of the National Council and was subjected to much questioning as to the source of finances. Representative Rainey, undertaking to show that the council was an outgrowth of the American Taxpayers' League.

Defends Inheritance Tax.

Harry A. Ashe of Chicago, an inheritance tax attorney, declared he favored the Federal estate tax. Without it there would be great evasion, he said, and rich men, by buying up a great amount of municipal securities, could avoid payment of all taxes by themselves or their estates. He said an estate similar to that of James B. Duke could scour the country for "municipals" and "never pay a dollar of revenue."

Lee Satterwhite, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Council, admitted that he had received literature from the American Taxpayers' League and that some of his expenses had been paid by a fund that had accumulated in that organization.

Mr. Satterwhite told Mr. Rainey, that, so far as he knew, the league had no connection with the Texas Tax Club or the American Bankers' League. He denied hearing of solicitors who had collected large funds in the States. Mr. Satterwhite admitted that J. E. Arnold of the league had helped by a "clerical method" in arranging for the meeting here.

"If this organization or my conduct, or any other member's conduct," he added, "is contrary to the laws of the United States and needs investigation by Congress, it is your duty to authorize that investigation and put us under oath."

Mr. Satterwhite added that his expenses to Washington came out of a fund created by contributions from all over the United States.

"In all my service," he said, "I have never received a dollar more than my expenses."

Hanlon H. Morse of New Hampshire, saying he was present on a special commission from his Governor, opposed repealing the Federal tax, contending that repeal would put the States into competition for writing the most favorable inheritance tax laws in order to attract citizens. He told of numerous postcards and letters sent to members of the New Hampshire Legislature from the American Taxpayers' League urging them to write to the Ways and Means Committee in favor of repealing the tax.

Chairman Green said the committee had evidence of a general propaganda.

Withdrawn From the Council.

Lawrence F. Whittemore, State Tax Commissioner of New Hampshire, said that he came to Washington with Mr. Morse under the impression that the National Council of State Legislatures would take up several things, but that after they learned the meeting was limited to the estate tax question they withdrew from the organization.

Florida has been misunderstood on the estate tax question, said W. E. Kay of that State, who declared that from its earliest days it had depended for revenue on ad valorem levies and licenses. He said a recent amendment to the Constitution, put in after the late William J. Bryan had urged it, simply reiterated the established policy. Both Henry Ford and John D. Rockefeller, he added, have homes in Florida, but are still residents of their own States. Mr. Kay denied reports that 1,200 millionaires had taken up residence in Florida to escape inheritance taxes.

Governor A. G. Sorlie of North Dakota said his State wished all the State's rights returned to it that it could get. He asked the committee if it was wrong for him to take money promised for his expenses, and was told his conscience must be his guide.

"We have never had a situation like this," Mr. Garner said. "It is a new thing when witnesses are brought here from the States and have their expenses paid."

"You are not committing any criminal offense, Mr. Rainey said. "It is just a question of ethics."

Zenos W. Bliss of the Rhode Island Tax Commission advocated repeal, declaring the tax well fitted for raising State revenue but ill suited to Federal purposes. He said there was great difficulty in coming to Washington to settle disputed points, and State Governments could collect the money more cheaply than the Federal Government.

A. P. Frymire of New Orleans, who favored repeal, criticized members of the committee for not being "tolerant" toward the delegates, and declared that in Texas and where he came from the tones used would not be employed "unless you were going to pull out a pistol." He told the committee it could get information "without attempting to chastise anybody."

The developments before the Committee on Nov. 9 were indicated in part as follows by the "Times":

Governor Smith of New York was the pivot for a merry political colloquy before the Ways and Means Committee today, when Louis A. Cuvillier of the New York Assembly, testifying at the tax reduction hearing in behalf of the repeal of the Federal inheritance tax, produced a letter in which the Governor declared he had taken no position on that tax.

Governor Smith's letter was in repudiation of testimony given before the Ways and Means Committee two years ago by Mark Graves, New York Tax Commissioner, purporting to place the Governor on record as favoring the collection of Federal estate taxes. The Governor said Mr. Graves "speaks for himself and not for me."

This brought some bantering remarks from Representative Frank Crowther, a Republican from the Schenectady District, concerning Governor Smith's neutrality on the question "just at this time." Mr. Cuvillier warmly defended the Governor, predicting that he would be the next Democratic nominee for President and that he would win, just as he had won in the elections yesterday.

Two Democratic members of the committee, Representative Garner of Texas and Representative Oldfield of Arkansas, also took up the cudgels for the Governor, Mr. Garner referring to him as an "outspoken American citizen who has always met every issue and let the American people know where he stood."

Mr. Cuvillier defended the "right" of the National Council of State Legislatures to advocate repeal of the estate tax and told of a letter he had received from J. A. Arnold of the American Taxpayers' League, in which Mr. Arnold had advised him how Governor Smith had been represented at a former hearing. Mr. Cuvillier told how former Speaker Brown of the South Carolina Legislature and himself called to see Governor Smith, following which the Governor had written the letter declaring he had taken no position on the estate tax.

What Arnold Told Cuvillier.

Mr. Arnold's letter quoted from page 383 of the revenue revision hearings of 1925 before the Ways and Means Committee, in which Mr. Graves was represented as saying:

"The Governor of the State of New York and the Tax Commission of the State stand four-square on the report of the committee presented by Mr. Delano"—the present Federal estate tax measure.

Mr. Arnold wrote to Mr. Cuvillier:

"On Sept. 16, 1927, Mark Graves, in an official statement as Tax Commissioner of New York, before the Joint State Legislative Tax Committee at Saranac Inn, again committed the State Administration to this measure and requested that members of the New York Legislature who had committed themselves in writing to the repeal of the Federal estate tax cancel their commitment. Since this statement was made we have had three cancellations and fifteen approvals.

"While it is perhaps not uncommon or alarming to find students of taxation with socialistic tendencies and a willingness to employ the forces of government to compel their views upon their fellow-citizens, it is a subject of deep concern to find so able a citizen as Governor Smith standing officially committed by his Tax Commissioner to such a program.

"The purpose of this measure was admitted by its proponents to be to distribute property by taxation and to use the Federal power in compelling State Legislatures to do so.

"As New York taxpayers pay one-third of the entire estate tax, the act of a Commissioner Graves in officially committing your Commonwealth to it carries with it the unchallenged inference that the property owners of the State desire the present tax measure and favor using Federal authority in compelling other States to join them."

Text of the Governor's Letter.

Governor Smith's letter to Mr. Cuvillier follows:

State of New York, Executive Chamber, Albany, Oct. 7, 1927.

Alfred E. Smith, Governor.

Hon. Louis A. Cuvillier, 172 East 122d Street, New York City.

Dear Louis: I have your letter of Oct. 4, enclosing copy of a letter written by Mr. Brown of Barnwell, S. C.

I have taken no position upon this question of Federal inheritance tax because I have never been called on to do so. Mark Graves speaks for himself, and it was so understood when he accepted appointment to a committee to make a study of the subject. He was selected by the conference as one familiar with tax laws, and, as I said before, speaks for himself and not for me.

I am returning the letter and am very thankful to you for your interest.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

ALFRED E. SMITH.

Later in the day Mr. Rainey resumed his inquiries about money and the way the National Council of State Legislatures come into existence, propounding a series of questions to J. A. Arnold, manager of the American Taxpayers League. Mr. Arnold refused to answer some of these questions, particularly those relating to certain depositories of his organization and certain of its activities, asserting that he had no right to do so without consulting other officials.

He did, however, make important admissions, which Mr. Rainey promised would be the subject of further investigation after Congress met. Mr. Arnold admitted that his own salary was \$1,000 a month. He said the predecessor of the American Taxpayers League was the American Bankers League, which was organized four years ago. Mr. Arnold said he initiated the movement with Charles D. B. Claiborne of the Whitney Central Bank of New Orleans. He admitted that solicitors were in the field, establishing memberships in the several States, and that one State where funds were deposited was Connecticut.

Opposition to Tax Repeal.

Hearings on the estate tax were concluded. Several speakers advocated retention of the tax.

William C. Roberts, Chairman of the Legislative Committee of the American Federation of Labor, said that if it were abolished "it would create intensive competition between the States that do not collect an inheritance tax, to induce rich men to locate in them."

D. D. Carroll, Professor of Economics at the University of North Carolina, defending the Federal estate tax, said it became more vital every year to the fiscal system.

The group of Senators headed by Mr. Borah, which has been discussing the "plight" of the farmer and how to help him by legislation, discussed the Federal estate tax for a time this afternoon. When they decided to make no official statement of their position, it is shown that they are opposed to repeal of the tax.

Senator Norris, suggested as a Presidential candidate by some Progressives, has bitterly opposed repeal of the tax on the ground that it would afford latitude to States to repeal their own estate taxes and thus create what the Progressives call "paradises," where "rich men's estates" would not be taxed at all.

In its issue of Nov. 11 the "Times" printed the following as to the attitude of Gov. Smith on the question of the Federal estate tax:

While hearings were in progress in Washington before the Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives on proposals to repeal the Federal estate tax, Governor Smith, in correspondence made public yesterday by the Chamber of Commerce, took his stand squarely in favor of repeal. The Governor's attitude, judging from Washington's reports, has been a matter of speculation before the committee.

The Governor's letter was written Nov. 4, and was addressed to Charles T. Gwynne, Executive Vice President of the Chamber of Commerce, in reply to one Mr. Gwynne had written the Governor on Oct. 19.

The Governor's letter was as follows:

My Dear Mr. Gwynne: I have your letter of Oct. 19, which follows upon certain press reports about my attitude on Federal estate taxation. These reports, as well as the statement in your letters, are erroneous.

It is a matter of record before the Ways and Means Committee of Congress in the minutes of the hearings held in 1925 that my position

at the time was correctly represented. At this hearing Commissioner Mark Graves of the Tax Commission stated (page 383) that he represented the Tax Commission of New York State and the Governor in expressing the opinion that the Federal Government should abandon the field of estate taxation at the end of a six-year period, which would make the date of abandonment 1931. To that same committee it was reported that the Governors of thirty-two States, including myself, at the conference of Governors held in June, 1925, passed a resolution calling for the repeal of the Federal estate tax. If I were convinced that the States had accomplished now what it was sought to accomplish by the delay of six years I would favor its repeal now. As a matter of State rights, I am against the Federal Government reaching into the States for revenues where a considerable number or practically all are deriving revenues from the same source of taxation.

In view of this correction I think you now have a clear statement of my position and that of the Tax Commission of this State.

I think that you will find this opinion is in line with the best economic views on the subject and that it also reflects the views of the National Conference on Inheritance Taxation. Very truly yours,

ALFRED E. SMITH.

In its Washington dispatch Nov. 4 the "Herald-Tribune" said in part:

Representing forty national, state and private banks and trust companies in the New York City area, John M. Murphy, of the Committee of Banking Institutions on Taxation, the first witness today, submitted a lengthy brief suggesting a number of changes in sections of the revenue law.

He proposed that the bankers be relieved of the present provision requiring the listing of tax-exempt securities. "Such listing is of no material value to the government and causes unnecessary labor to the taxpayer," he said.

Mr. Murphy said it was not the purpose of his committee to recommend the elimination of any tax on capital gains or deductions for capital losses, but he pointed out that the elimination of this requirement would "simplify the preparation and auditing of returns more than any other change."

Other suggestions made by Mr. Murphy include amendments affecting the giving of credit on account of earned income, depreciation of property held in trust, exemptions where status of taxpayer changes, exemption of profits of non-resident aliens arising from the purchase of and holding of bank acceptances to maturity and repeal of the sections taxing the income of revocable and certain other trusts to the grantor thereof.

Mr. Murphy suggested that any change in the withholding rates should not be made retroactive, and he asked for an amendment to the provision of the law relating to assessment against estates which would extend its provisions to administrators and other fiduciaries.

Addressing himself to section 216 requiring proration of exemptions where status of taxpayer changes, Mr. Murphy said that the labor and time involved in the accounting and audit under the present provision "is not commensurate with any benefit to either the taxpayer or the government."

"New York," he said, "now has a law under which the credits are allowed by determining the status of a taxpayer at the end of the taxable year."

Favoring an exemption of profits of non-resident aliens arising from the purchase and holding of bank acceptances to maturity, Mr. Murphy pointed out that the present law "discourages the investment of foreign capital in the United States."

"The result of subjecting such profits to taxation," he added, "has been to transfer a large portion of the acceptance market from New York to London. It is believed that the adoption of a provision exempting profits on bank acceptances from taxation would be a great aid to American business. Congress has already taken a step in this direction by exempting interest on bank deposits."

Stating on Nov. 6 that the Ways and Means Committee is ready to frame its tax reduction bills, Washington advises to the New York "World" in part said:

Chairman Green, Republican leader, will try to make the cut conservative, near the limit of \$225,000,000 suggested by Secretary Mellon, while Representative Garner, Democrat, will demand \$400,000,000 or more.

Green and Garner are opposed to abolishing the estates tax, and if a change is made, it was predicted to-day, it will come in the Senate.

Secretary Mellon is using his influence against the provision penalizing evasion of surtaxes by incorporation and permitting gains to accumulate instead of contributing them.

The Bureau of Internal Revenue has never made a serious effort to enforce this law. It is understood that Mr. Mellon has held it impossible of enforcement. Those who favor it doubt if they will be able to arouse any enthusiasm for it under the circumstances.

Representative Garner believes that his original proposal for a reduction in the corporation tax to 11% will be favored by a majority of the committee.

Mr. Mellon recommended 12%. Mr. Garner's plan would make a reduction on income from that source of \$225,000,000, the limit fixed by the Treasury officials. Mr. Mellon's rate would cut the levy down \$90,000,000.

Mr. Garner would repeal the taxes on amusements and club dues, the automobile tax and the stamp tax on sales of produce.

On Nov. 7 Thomas P. Henry, of Detroit, President of the American Automobile Association, presented the general appeal of the motor users for repeal of the automobile tax, according to the "Herald-Tribune", which said:

Mr. Henry characterized the attitude of the Treasury as "ill conceived, wholly unjust and savoring of an indefensible brand of opportunism."

Denies Autos Are Luxuries.

He ridiculed the idea that the automobile is a semi-luxury and asked why it was that the Treasury had selected this "semi-luxury of widespread use" together with pistols for a peace-time tax, when the similar war tax on such articles as perfumes, cosmetics and scores of other commodities had long ago been repealed. He described as "wholly untenable" the attempt to link up the automobile tax with Federal highways, pointing out that this tax already had yielded to the government a total revenue of more than \$1,068,000,000.

Mr. Henry pointed out that the repeal of the tax would result in a reduction in the sale price of automobiles by the amount of the tax. He said the automobile manufacturers have pledged themselves to such a policy.

In a chart displayed before the committee, Mr. Henry showed that motorists paid a total of \$712,272,350 in the following levies:

Municipal, \$15,000,000; Federal \$96,386,767; personal profits tax, \$125,000,000; gasoline tax, \$187,603,231; registration, \$288,282,352.

Committee of National Association of Credit Men to Co-operate With Congressional Committee in Studying Taxation.

Following its recent action in recommending a reduction in Federal taxation, the National Association of Credit Men has appointed a committee of its members which is to co-operate with the Joint Committee of Congress in studying tax revision, it was announced Nov. 10 by the credit organization. The committee is under the chairmanship of J. M. McComb of New York, Vice-President of the Crucible Steel Company of America. The appointment of the committee was authorized at a recent meeting of the organization's directorate, which adopted a resolution advocating a tax cut and recommending further that the Federal corporation tax be reduced. The resolution said in part:

"The surplus of income over disbursements in the fiscal operations of the National Government for the past year makes reasonably certain and safe another cut in Federal taxation.

"In the distribution of the proposed tax cut, the National Association of Credit Men feels that corporations should be generously treated, inasmuch as they have borne a large part of the income taxation burden, and have not heretofore shared in the distribution of taxation cuts accorded to other taxpayers.

"If it is possible to reduce the corporation income tax to 10% with fairness to other taxpayers, it should be done. In any event, the distribution of any cut made in Federal taxation should take into account the just demands of our corporations, and from their present income tax rate a substantial reduction should be made.

"We heartily commend the economies exercised by our Government in its operating costs. We feel that these economies offer a commendable example to the administrators of states, counties and municipalities, in which the costs have up to the present reflected no substantial control."

Report of Committee on Acceptances of the Clearing House Section at the American Bankers Association Convention at Houston.

On account of its great interest we reprint this report here in full. It should have been included in the special supplement or section which accompanies to-day's issue of our paper, reporting the proceedings of the annual Convention at Houston of the American Bankers Association, but was but was not received until after the last form of that publication had gone to press the present week.

In the field of Acceptance financing, we can say that this has been the most prosperous and constructive year that America has ever experienced.

Through substantial capital increases, consolidations and mergers, our banks have strengthened their positions and have expanded their facilities for financing both domestic and international trade. We now have individual banks with resources of over a billion dollars—banks, private bankers and acceptance houses that finance trade the world over and whose credits are honored everywhere.

Volume Finances.

During the year ended Sept. 30 1927 over \$5,044,000,000 of business was financed with American Bankers' Acceptances. Of this total \$1,926,808,000 (38.2%) covered imports; \$1,750,268,000 (37.7%) exports; \$721,292,000 (14.3%) goods stored in independent warehouses in this country; \$136,188,000 (2.7%) domestic shipments; \$156,364,000 (3.1%) dollar exchange; and \$353,080,000 (7%) covered goods stored abroad or shipped from one foreign country to another foreign country. As of Sept. 30 1927 the total of American Bankers' Acceptances issued and outstanding was \$863,823,006. The corresponding total as of Sept. 30 1926 was \$614,151,287. The monthly average for the current year was \$771,336,048, while that of the year 1926 was \$685,000,000. These figures should be most gratifying to every American banker. They tell a true story of progress and prosperity here and of improved conditions abroad. They are a testimonial to American enterprise and industry.

Discount Market.

The Discount Market has broadened considerably and has demonstrated its ability to absorb the ever-increasing volume of bankers' acceptances. The turnover of bills in the market for the year will exceed \$5,000,000,000. Rates have been comparatively easy and fairly steady throughout the year. Their range for ninety-day maturities has been from 3½% to 3¼%. The present rates of discount for prime ninety-day eligible Bankers' Acceptances are 3½% bid, asked 3¼%. The discount houses and dealers in the market are now carrying about \$100,000,000 of acceptances. The average aggregate of their portfolios for the year amounted to about \$75,000,000. These holdings have been carried mainly with funds borrowed at call from banks throughout the country. In addition to these holdings of bankers' acceptances, the discount houses and dealers have carried in the same way a very substantial supply of U. S. Treasury notes, certificates and other short-term U. S. Government obligations. These call loans against eligible acceptances and short term U. S. Government securities are growing in popularity and net the lenders almost as good a return as do similar loans made against non-eligible collateral. The present rate on discount market call loans is 3¼%.

When funds are not available to the market from other sources, the market seeks accommodation at the Federal Reserve Banks. The Reserve Banks have co-operated closely with the market. They have been ready buyers of bills and can be depended upon to relieve the market at times

of serious congestion. Large corporations, trustees of estates, savings banks, insurance companies and commercial banks are among the principal American investors in bankers' acceptances.

On Oct. 12 1927 the Federal Reserve Banks held \$274,361,000 of acceptances purchased in the open market, and showed contingent liability of \$201,956,000 on bills purchased for foreign correspondents. It would appear from the latter item that many hundreds of millions of dollars are now being invested in American Bankers' Acceptances for gold reserve purposes, which is not only a great compliment to our credits, but which is at the same time a tremendous help to trade both here and abroad. The spread as between the London market and ours on rates on Bankers' Acceptances has ranged from about $\frac{1}{2}$ % to 1% throughout the year, the London rates being continuously higher than ours. The Acceptance Commission charged by the leading acceptors ranges from a minimum of 1% to a maximum of 2% per annum.

Activities and Recommendations.

Your Committee has co-operated closely with the American Acceptance Council and we take this occasion of commending the good work of that important organization.

Uniform Ocean Bills of Lading.

The British Parliament passed in August 1924 an act regulating the carriage of goods by sea. This act has since been amended to conform to the rules laid down at The Hague Conference, attended by representatives of the principal nations of the world. It is now proposed that in order to secure for American interests benefits similar to those that are accruing to British bankers, merchants, traders and manufacturers as the result of this act, that effort be made to have a bill enacted by the U. S. Congress, under which it will be possible to work out an international uniform ocean bill of lading. Through such a bill, the limit of the carriers' responsibility may be broadened and more clearly defined. The time in which to press suit for claims or damages may be extended to possibly twelve months and the burden of proof when damages do arise, may be shifted to the carrier, who has heretofore frequently escaped on the grounds of "exceptions."

Taxes Against Non-Resident Investors.

Great sums are invested in the London discount market by alien investors that would not go there were it not for the fact that the income therefrom is exempt from taxation by the British authorities. It is suggested that in order to attract foreign funds into the American market, we should devise a plan under which the income would be non-taxable. It is, therefore, recommended that the present provision of the statute exempting from taxation in this country, interest accruing to non-resident aliens and foreign corporations on bank deposits should be extended to include the discount or profits arising from investment in acceptances in this country. Income upon such investments by foreign governments in the American markets is now exempt. In view of the desirability of carrying great sums here as gold reserve for exchange and for trade purposes, it would seem greatly to the advantage of all interests to have these taxes waived.

Trust Receipts.

Difficulties are continuously arising because of the varied forms of trust receipts that are being used in this country. The American Bar Association now has under consideration a proposed measure which it is hoped will be brought before the legislatures of the various States during the coming year. The adoption of this measure will pave the way for a uniform and binding trust receipt. We suggest that the legislative machinery of the A. B. A. be set in motion in co-operation with the American Bar Association, in order to bring about the passage of this needed and helpful legislation.

Standard Letter of Credit Forms.

Although standardized letter of credit forms have not been put into general use, much progress has been made and the work on this important matter will be continued.

Warehousing System.

Under the direction of the Federal authorities at Washington, considerable progress has been made in licensing warehouses and perfecting control over the operations of those heretofore licensed.

Co-operative Marketing.

Some disappointment has been experienced with the plans for handling agricultural products under this method. It is difficult to point to the major reason for the failure of these plans. It may be that in co-operatives as is true in most public and governmental matters private initiative and talent cannot be matched.

Uniform Trade Acceptances.

The question as to the negotiability of trade acceptances bearing the notation: "The obligation of the acceptor hereof arises out of the purchase of goods by the acceptor from the drawer. The drawee may accept this bill, payable at any bank, banker or trust company, in the United States, which such drawee may designate," was raised in the Supreme Court of the State of Texas, and in view of the decision rendered by said court, it was deemed advisable to revise the form so that all doubt as to non-negotiability would be removed.

The revised form, which bears the notation: "The transaction which gives rise to this instrument is the purchase of goods by the acceptor from the drawer. The drawee may accept this bill, payable at any bank, banker or trust company in the United States, which such drawee may designate," has the approval of the Federal Reserve Board.

The revised form is being rapidly adopted throughout the country and can be obtained from the American Acceptance Council. Information as to the volume of business that is being done with trade acceptances is not available, but we believe, judging from the facts that have come to our attention, that substantial progress is being made with this valuable credit instrument, wherever it has been given a full, fair trial, it has proven its merits.

Admitting that the acceptance method of financing has gained a permanent foothold in America, that it has gone beyond the experimental stage, and that to have developed it to its present high state of efficiency in less than fifteen years is an unmatched accomplishment. We must not forget that we are favored all along by unusual conditions and that these conditions are now rapidly changing and may turn against us. Dollar credits are doing valuable service throughout the civilized world. Competition is growing keener, and to maintain the dollar in its present position and to expand its usefulness to commerce and industry here and abroad will call for the matching of talent with bankers on the other side who have a background of centuries of experience in the acceptance business. We believe every effort should therefore be made to strengthen and further improve our facilities. A broad discount market is an indispensable part of our financial system, and a close study of the market should be made

by bankers in the important centers throughout the country. The facilities of the market can be utilized by hundreds of banks that do not now avail themselves of them.

Respectfully submitted, with the recommendation that the work of the Committee be continued,

PHILIP STOCKTON,
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OLIVER J. SANDS,
JOHN K. OTTLEY,
H. G. P. DEANS,
E. W. DECKER,
P. W. GOEBEL,
LYNN P. TALLEY,
FRANK B. ANDERSON,
JEROME THRALLS, Chairman.

Hale Holden at Hearing of Wage Demands of Firemen of Western Roads Says Increased Wages Would Be Ruinous.

According to the "Wall Street Journal" of Oct. 20, Hale Holden, President of Chicago Burlington & Quincy RR., who testified before the Federal Arbitration Board, said that carriers cannot increase wages as increased operating expense would be "ruinous" in view of opposition of Western territory to higher rates. He said that railway firemen and other rail workers are well paid. The Board is hearing the demands of the Brotherhood of Engineers and Firemen on Western roads for a wage boost of 15 cents an hour.

Canadian Engineers Get 5% Wage Increase.

The following is from the New York "Journal of Commerce" of Oct. 19:

Locomotive engineers employed on the Canadian railways have been granted an increase in wages of approximately 5%, effective July 1, according to advices received in railroad circles here yesterday. The wage increase affects more than 7,000 engineers employed by both the Canadian National and Canadian Pacific.

The men presented their demands to the managements of the Canadian railways last spring, and subsequently the matter was referred to the Minister of Labor. After conferences between representatives of the carriers and the men, the Minister of Labor, Hon. Peter Heenan, issued a statement announcing that an agreement had been reached.

Those attending the conference included R. H. Cobb, representing the Canadian engineers; Grant Hall, Vice-President of the Canadian Pacific Ry.; Samuel J. Hungerford, Vice-President of the Canadian National Ry., and Mr. Freeman, representing the T. & N. O.

Annual Convention of Associated Stock Exchanges Nov. 10-11 at Cincinnati.

The Associated Stock Exchanges, a voluntary association composed of the Baltimore, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Detroit, Hartford, New Orleans, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, St. Louis and Washington Stock Exchanges, held its Second Annual Convention in Cincinnati on Nov. 10 and 11 at the Hotel Gibson. The convention was attended by official representatives from the different member exchanges, members of these exchanges and unofficial representatives from New York Stock Exchange, New York Curb Market and the Boston and Chicago Stock Exchanges.

Among the speakers on the program were Colonel William J. Donovan, Assistant Attorney General of the United States; Louis L. Coudert of the American Bank Note Company who gave an illustrated lecture on the "Manufacture of Paper Money and Bond and Stock Certificates;" Lucius R. Plumb, Assistant Secretary of the Bankers Trust Company of New York who spoke on "Safeguarding the Transfer of Securities;" Sherwin A. Hill, Secretary of the Paige-Detroit Motor Car Company, whose address was "Why Corporations Should List Their Securities" and William H. Bell of Haskins & Sells, New York City, author of several books on accounting, spoke on the "Preparation and Issuance of Financial Statements." The afternoon of the second day was given over to Open Forum discussions of such subjects as: Uniform Commissions; Call Money; Borrowing and Lending Money and Certificates; Clearing Houses; Inter-Exchange Business and Inter-Exchange Listings. Discussions of these subjects were opened by E. B. Glenn of Fenner & Beane, New Orleans; M. C. Harvey of Otis & Company, Cleveland; Eugene Ballard, Hartford; W. E. Fox of W. E. Fox & Company, Cincinnati; Wm. M. Louderman, St. Louis; M. B. Whittlesey, Detroit, and C. L. Montgomery, Detroit. The routine work of the convention centered in the report of the following committees:

Committee on Taxation
Committee on Membership
Committee on Program
Committee on Publicity
Committee on Revision and Amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws
Committee on Listing Requirements.

The Committee on Listing Requirements submitted a uniform application for the member exchanges which may be amplified as Committees on Stock List of the member exchanges may see fit by reference, if necessary, to a very complete "Guide for Listing Committees," released by the Board of Governors of the Associated Stock Exchanges several months ago.

Fourth National Financing Conference to Be Held at Chicago Nov. 14-15.

On November 14 and 15 the deliberations of the Fourth National Financing Conference will be held at the Congress Hotel, Chicago. The two-day session will be preceded by a meeting of the Board of Directors of the National Association of Finance Companies on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 13 at which important resolutions on questions which have arisen during the year, will be put in shape for the business sessions. The conference will be called to order by E. M. Morris, of South Bend, Ind., President of the association. After the appointment of a resolutions committee and permanent chairman, David R. Forgan of the National Bank of the Republic and a leader in the activities of the Chicago Clearing House, will speak. Mr. Forgan has intimated he will discuss international financial conditions and the relationship of foreign loans to domestic financing problems. He will be followed by John J. Schumann, Jr., of New York, Vice-President of the General Motors Acceptance Corporation, who will discuss the financing outlook for 1928. B. E. Hutchinson, Vice-President and Treasurer of the Chrysler Corporation, is scheduled to discuss the relationship between the manufacturer and the finance company.

Milan V. Ayres, economist and analyst will start the Monday afternoon program with an explanation of the statistics gathered by the association during the year and the trends which they show in the automobile industry. "Credit Reporting and Car Checking" will be the subject by David J. Woodlock of St. Louis, Manager of the National Retail Credit Association, John W. Creekmur, General Counsel for the Association, will open the Tuesday session with a talk on new and old legal problems and George S. Galloway of Chicago, will read a paper on "Serial Card Filing and Credit Information Exchanges." The annual banquet, at which all business discussions will be excluded will be held Monday night. C. C. Hanch, General Manager of the Association, expects more than four hundred and fifty finance men from all sections of the country.

Observance of Armistice Day.

While not a holiday in this city the anniversary of Armistice Day was observed in this city yesterday (Nov. 11), a two-minute silence and cessation of business activities at 11 a. m. commemorating the signing of the Armistice in 1918. Trading on the New York Stock Exchange and the Curb Market was suspended for the two-minute period, the ticker service and telephone communications likewise being silenced. In other cities, including Philadelphia, Baltimore, Pittsburgh, Chicago, New Orleans, etc., etc., the Exchanges remained closed all day in observance of the anniversary. Many of the churches in this city conducted special memorial services.

Memorial Service in Honor of Judge Elbert H. Gary To Be Held Sunday Night Nov. 13.

A memorial service in honor of the late Judge Elbert H. Gary will be held at the Madison Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church at Sixtieth St., New York City to-morrow (Sunday) evening, Nov. 13, at eight o'clock. Justice Tompkins, Judge Irving Lehman; James J. Davis, Secretary of Labor; George K. Leet, Secretary of the United States Steel Corporation; and other leaders in the financial and business circles will speak. No card of admission is needed.

ITEMS, ABOUT BANKS, TRUST COMPANIES, &c.

The Chicago Stock Exchange membership of T. D. O'Brien was reported sold this week to Hiram Maynard for \$10,500.

Two Chicago Board of Trade memberships were reported sold this week, one for \$7,200 and the other for \$7,100.

The San Francisco Stock & Bond Exchange membership of Sol E. Sheeline was reported sold to George D. Roberts for \$100,000, an increase of \$10,000 over the last previous transaction and a new high record.

Thomas W. Lamont of J. P. Morgan & Co., returned to New York on Nov. 8 after his visit to Japan. Mr. Lamont, with Martin Egan and Jeremiah Smith, Jr., left for Japan in September.

Edward F. Albee, the head of the Keith-Albee Chain of Theatres, Keith Vaudeville Circuit, National Vaudeville Artists Association, and many allied companies, has been elected a member of the Advisory Board of the Times Square Branch of the Chemical National Bank. This is Mr. Albee's first identification with a banking institution in this city. The Chemical, which is one of the oldest banks in the country, opened its Times Square Branch on May 2 of this year and was the first of the old-line downtown institutions to enter Times Square. The other members of the Chemical's Times Square Branch Advisory Board are: Robert Goelet, chairman; Adolph Zukor, President, Paramount Famous Lasky Corp.; Irvin S. Cobb, Author; J. I. H. Herbert, Vice-Pres. and Treas., J. C. Penney Co.; Messmore Kendall, president, Capitol Theatre; Frederick A. Muschenheim, President, Hotel Astor; Richard W. Saunders, Comptroller, Paramount Famous Lasky Corp.

The stockholders of the Longacre Bank of this city on Nov. 5 voted to increase the capital of the bank from \$600,000 through the issuance of 10,000 new shares of stock. The new stock will be offered to present shareholders at \$175 per share in the ratio of two shares of new stock for every three now owned. The enlarged capital became effective Nov. 10.

William P. Bonbright, founder and for many years President of the banking firm of William P. Bonbright & Co., 25 Nassau St., this city, died on Nov. 10 in Roosevelt Hospital. Mr. Bonbright who was 68 years of age, was born in Philadelphia. Mr. Bonbright retired from the leadership of his firm in 1920. Part of his banking career was spent abroad. The operations of his banking house were frequently of an international character, and his assistance to the cause of the Allies in the World War resulted in the French Government making him a Chevalier of the Legion of Honor in Jan. 1919.

Irwin White Howell a member of the New York Stock Exchange and associated with the firm of Jacquelin & De Coppet, 43 Broad St., died on Nov. 9 at his home in Flushing, L. I. Mr. Howell was fifty-two years of age.

The directors of The National City Bank of New York at a regular meeting on Nov. 9 elected Fred J. Fisher, Vice-President and Director of General Motors Corporation, a director of the bank. Mr. Fisher, the oldest of the seven Fisher brothers, was one of the founders of the Fisher Body Corporation, of which he was president and general manager until 1924. In that year he resigned to take up his duties as a member of the executive and finance committees of General Motors Corporation, of which he has been vice-president and director since 1921. Mr. Fisher is president and director of Fisher & Company, Inc., and is a director of General Motors Securities Company of Wilmington, Del.; of the Managers Securities Company of New York; of the Baldwin Locomotive Works in Philadelphia; of the Guardian Trust Company in Detroit; of the Wayne County and Home Savings Bank; of the Yellow Truck & Coach Manufacturing Company and of the Michigan Bell Telephone Company of Detroit.

Alexander Phillips, who for many years was associated with the Guaranty Trust Company of New York, died on Nov. 7 at the New York Post Graduate Hospital. Mr. Phillips had not been actively engaged in business since Feb. 1, 1924, at which time he retired on pension from a Vice-Presidency of the Guaranty Trust Company of New York. His decision to retire from active business was due to the condition of his health, which was probably affected in part by the strain under which he worked in Europe under trying war conditions. He was sixty-four years old at the time of his death. Mr. Phillips was born at Kurachee, India, and was educated in France and Switzerland. He was engaged in the banking business for more than forty years, first with the Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris in Paris, London, Bombay, Calcutta, Melbourne, Sydney, San Francisco, and New Orleans; and then with A. Iselin and Company of New York City. He later rejoined the Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris. Mr. Phillips returned to New York in 1898 and became associated with the United States Mortgage and Trust Company

with which he was affiliated for many years. He left to go with the Credit Industriel et Commercial of Paris, but returned to the United States Mortgage and Trust Company as Secretary. Mr. Phillips joined the Guaranty Trust Company in 1916 and went to France at that time as representative of the Company. In that year he negotiated with the French Government and large French industrialists an acceptance credit of \$50,000,000 in which the Guaranty Trust was joined by the Bankers Trust Company. In 1917 he established the Paris branch of the Guaranty. In 1918 he performed a similar service in Belgium, organizing a branch of the Guaranty in Brussels and negotiating with the Banque Nationale de Belgique the establishment of a \$50,000,000 commercial acceptance credit. Mr. Phillips then returned to New York as Vice-President of the Company, in which capacity he served until the time of his retirement.

The Chatham Phenix National Bank and Trust Company of New York is about to open new Fifth Avenue quarters at 55th St. and the Avenue, on ground valued at one and one-third cents a square foot in 1823, eleven years after the bank's operations had begun. The same land now brings \$260 a square foot—19,696 times the earlier price. This 55th St. intersection is one of the historic corners of New York. It was part of the famous "Mason Purchase", it is stated, made 104 years ago when John Mason acquired all but a single block of the land from 54th to 63rd streets between Fifth and Fourth Avenues—Madison Avenue not having been cut through. Mason paid \$2,500 for three parcels containing 190,000 square feet of the tract he purchased. The present value of the 18,000 square feet in the corner plot at 55th St. is \$4,680,000. The structure about to house the Chatham Phenix offices supplants the demolished "Brownstone Block", distinguished for a generation after the Civil War as the social center of Manhattan. The Chatham Phenix claims to be the pioneer national bank to engage in the operation of branches. Its offices now number fourteen and the new Fifth Avenue location is said to contain every device of modern banking equipment. Two other Fifth Avenue branches are situated at 18th St. and 30th St. In 115 years of operation the resources of the Chatham Phenix have risen to a total exceeding a quarter billion dollars.

A certificate of organization was filed on Nov. 3 with the Massachusetts Commissioner of Corporations on behalf of the new Belmont Trust Co., Belmont, Mass., according to the Boston "Transcript" of that date. The new bank plans to open, it was stated, about Dec. 15 in Cushing Square, Payson Park district, Belmont, with capital of \$100,000. The certificate names Amos L. Taylor as President of the new bank and George Ulrich as Treasurer. The "Transcript" furthermore stated that Mr. Taylor, the President of the new bank, is town counsel of Belmont; counsel, a director and member of the executive committee of the Waverley Trust Co. (Belmont), a director of the Waverley Co-operative Bank (Belmont), counsel for and a member of the corporation of the Belmont Savings Bank and a director of other corporations. Reference was made to the proposed Belmont Trust Co. in our issue of Oct. 8, page 1925.

Roger Pierce, heretofore a Vice-President of the New England Trust Co. of Boston, was elected President of the institution on Nov. 2. At the same meeting the directors elected Leon M. Little, formerly an Assistant Vice-President in the trust department of the First National Bank of Boston, a Vice-President in charge of the bank's trust department, and also a director. The Boston "Transcript" of Nov. 4 in briefly outlining the careers of Mr. Pierce and Mr. Little said in part:

Mr. Pierce has been vis-president of the bank since 1919, at which time he also was made a director. He was graduated from Milton Academy in 1900 and from Harvard College in 1904. For three years after graduating from college he was with the S. S. Pierce Company, then for four years was with the Houghton Mifflin Company.

In 1911-12 Mr. Pierce served as secretary to the late Charles W. Eliot on Dr. Eliot's trip around the world and the following year became secretary to the president and fellows of Harvard College and secretary of the Harvard Alumni Association. His association with Harvard includes being business manager of the Medical School and comptroller of the university as well as service in other administrative capacities.

He is a director of the Nashawena Mills, the Employers Fire Insurance Company, the American Employers Company, the Boston & Maine Railroad Company, the Electric Light and Power Company of Abington and Rockland, the Lyman Mills, and a member of the executive committee of the Employers Liability Assurance Corporation of London, Ltd.

Mr. Little at present is assistant vice president of the trust depart-

ment of the First National Bank. He was born in Newburyport on Dec. 30 1887. He prepared for college at Noble & Greenough School and was graduated from Harvard in 1910.

Immediately after his graduation he entered the investment banking house of Parkinson & Burr, remaining there, except for his war service, until late in 1919. For eighteen months he represented W. A. Harriman & Co., New York investment bankers, in Boston. In June 1921 Mr. Little entered the employ of the First National Bank of Boston and was made an officer in January 1926. He is president and a director of the First National Bank of Ipswich, a director of the Blue Hill National Bank of Milton and a trustee of the Institution for Savings, Newburyport.

A. J. Kelly, Jr., President of the Commonwealth Trust Co. and the Commonwealth Real Estate Co. of Pittsburgh and prominent in the civic development of that city, died suddenly in his office in the bank's offices on Tuesday morning, Nov. 1, while talking with John W. Herron, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the company, and his business associate for the past fifty years. Mr. Kelly, who was in his 72nd year, had been in ill health for a year.

On Oct. 25 the Comptroller of the Currency granted a charter to the Dublin National Bank of Dublin, Pa., with capital of \$50,000, according to the Philadelphia "Ledger" of the following day. Elmer B. Laudfelegre is President of the new institution and Henry Schanbacher, Cashier.

On Nov. 1 the following changes were made in the personnel of the First National Bank of Bloomsburg, Pa., according to the Philadelphia "Ledger" of Nov. 2: George L. Low, heretofore Vice-President and Cashier of the institution, was elected President to succeed the late Myron I. Low; C. C. Housenick was appointed Vice-President, and Fred Holmes, formerly Assistant Cashier, was promoted to the Cashiership.

At a recent meeting of the directors of the Guarantee Trust & Safe Deposit Co. of Philadelphia the following changes were made in the personnel of the institution, according to the Philadelphia "Ledger" of Oct. 20: Howard E. Young, heretofore Secretary and Treasurer of the institution, was elected a Vice-President while continuing as Secretary; Laurence H. Sanford was appointed Vice-President and Treasurer, succeeding Mr. Young in the latter position, and Jason E. Delaney was elected Assistant Treasurer. Mr. Young, who is widely known among banking officials in Philadelphia, became associated with the company 46 years ago through a connection he had with the Centennial Exposition Association. He was a member of the Centennial's office force, and he went with the trust company when it was appointed to wind up the details of the exposition several years after it had closed. From time to time he was promoted to various junior official posts until in recent years he was made Secretary and Treasurer. Mr. Sanford was graduated from Princeton in 1915 and shortly thereafter became associated with the commercial paper house of E. Naumburg & Co. He severed his connection with that firm to go with the First National Bank as an Assistant Cashier. In 1924 he left the banking field to become Assistant Treasurer of the Congoleum-Nairn, Inc., organization, subsequently becoming Treasurer of the concern. He recently resigned this office to re-enter the banking field. Continuing the "Ledger" said:

Herbert W. Goodall, President of the company, in announcing the directors' action said that it was in line with an expansion policy decided upon by the board. This policy includes the establishment of a new uptown office for the company in Walnut Street west of Broad Street. This office, which will be opened Oct. 31, will greatly enlarge the company's facilities for handling its central city business and will displace the present branch at 1415 Chestnut Street. The company's main office is at 316-320 Chestnut Street, and it has a branch office at 9 South 52d Street, West Philadelphia.

Stockholders of the Old Town National Bank of Baltimore on Oct. 31 ratified the proposed sale of the institution to the Drivers' & Mechanics' National Bank of that city, according to the Baltimore "Sun" of Nov. 1. The latter institution, it was stated, has 30 days (from Oct. 31) in which to carry out the terms of its offer made Sept. 27, last, but the process of auditing the books is rapidly nearing completion, so that the transaction is expected to be closed considerably ahead of the time limit. The "Sun" went on to say:

John H. Duncamp, president of the Old Town National Bank, it is understood, will be made vice-president of the Drivers and Mechanics, in charge of the Old Town branch, when all phases of the transaction are completed. Other officers of the Old Town will be retained by the new owners, and the board of directors will continue in an advisory capacity, it was stated.

The Century Trust Co. of Baltimore through Douglas Thomas, President, announced recently the acquisition by the Century Trust of the Securities Storage & Trust Co.,

as a result of which the Century Trust Co. will have assets of \$12,000,000, making it one of the largest financial institutions of Baltimore. The banking business of the Security Co. will be operated by the Century as "The Security Storage and Trust Co. branch of the Century Trust Co." The Century Trust Co. will not operate the storage business of the company purchased. That part of the business has been sold to a corporation formed by C. J. Hamilton, a vice-president of the Security Co. In a recent financial statement, the Century Trust Co. showed \$1,000,000 capital and approximately \$2,000,000 in surplus and undivided profits.

Niles Chapman, Treasurer and Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Continental Steel Corporation of Indianapolis, was elected a director of the Merchants' National Bank of that city on Nov. 1, according to the Indianapolis "News" of that date. Mr. Chapman's election fills the vacancy on the Board caused by the recent death of Thomas H. Parry.

Advices by the Associated Press from Aurora, Ill., on Nov. 3, appearing in the New York "Times" of the following day, reported the reopening on Nov. 3 of the Aurora Trust & Savings Bank, under the title of the Broadway Trust & Savings Bank with capital of \$200,000. The closing of this bank on Oct. 8, following the arrest of its President, John L. Esser, for the alleged embezzlement of its funds, was noted in our issue of Oct. 15, page 2069.

According to advices from Detroit to the "Wall Street Journal" on Nov. 2, John M. Dwyer has been elected Chairman of the Board of the Detroit Savings Bank; Walter L. Dunham has been made President and James H. Doherty First Vice-President.

Announcement was made by the Guardian Detroit Bank, Detroit, on Nov. 3, of the election of Norman H. F. McLeod as a director of the institution, according to the Detroit "Free Press" of Nov. 4, which, continuing, said:

Mr. McLeod is secretary and treasurer of Parke, Davis & Co., and also a member of the board of directors of that organization. He has been associated with Pake, Davis & Co. since 1900. Previous to that time, Mr. McLeod was associated with the Canadian Bank of Commerce and later in Detroit with the Detroit Stove company.

On Oct. 17 the First Wisconsin Co. of Milwaukee received its friends and clients in new quarters, which were formerly occupied by the First Wisconsin Trust Co., another one of the First Wisconsin group. The quarters have been entirely renovated to meet the requirements of the investment company. The lobby, conference rooms and working quarters have been designed to expedite the work of the various departments of the organization. Though the First Wisconsin Co. has existed as such since 1920, its predecessor companies have served Milwaukee investors for many years. To trace its growth one must go back a quarter of a century, when the old Milwaukee Trust Co. (which later became the First Trust Co.) and the Wisconsin Trust Co. operated bond departments. Many of the men who were directors of those companies are serving in that capacity for the First Wisconsin Co. to-day. From 1902 until 1920 the history of this company could be followed through various mergers and consolidations of bond houses, trust companies and banks, then on Jan. 17 1920 this significant announcement appeared in the local papers: "The officers and directors of the First Wisconsin National Bank and the First Wisconsin Trust Co. of Milwaukee, Wis., announce that hereafter the investment business of the bond departments of both institutions will be conducted by the newly organized First Wisconsin Co." Thus came into being the newest member of the First Wisconsin group, which was the outgrowth of the consolidation of the First Wisconsin National and the First National Bank; the First Trust and the Wisconsin Trust companies. The First Wisconsin Co. is responsible for the financing not only of many Wisconsin bond issues, but is frequently associated with Chicago and New York underwriters in the national distribution of bond issues. Robert W. Baird is President of the First Wisconsin Co. Hugh W. Grove is Senior Vice-President. Mr. Grove was recently elected Vice-President of the Investment Bankers Association of America.

Organization of the newly formed Fifth Northwestern National Bank has been completed and the institution will be opened within a few days, according to the "Minneapolis Journal" of Oct. 28. The announcement followed receipt

from Washington of approved of the bank's establishment. The new institution is capitalized at \$100,000 with surplus of \$10,000 and will serve the Hennepin Avenue and Lake Street district of Minneapolis. Its stock is owned by the same interests which control the Northwestern National Bank of Minneapolis (of which it will be an affiliated institution) except for qualifying shares of directors. Its organization, it was stated, following the presenting of a petition circulated voluntarily by merchants and professional men asking that interests identified with the Northwestern National Bank and its affiliated institution, the Minnesota Loan & Trust Co., establish a bank in the district. The Northwestern group of banks to which the new institution is to be added embraces at present, it is understood, the Northwestern National Bank (with main office at Marquette Ave. and Fourth St. and three branch offices); the Minnesota Loan & Trust Co.; the Second Northwestern State Bank; Third Northwestern National Bank, and the Fourth Northwestern National Bank, with combined resources approximating \$125,000,000. The officers of the new bank will be as follows: Clarence E. Hill (a Vice-President of the Northwestern National Bank), President; Harry H. Sivright (Manager of the Lake Street branch of the Northwestern National Bank), Vice-President, and Charles R. Sheridan (of the Northwestern National Bank), Cashier. E. W. Decker, President of the Northwestern National Bank, was reported in the paper mentioned as saying:

"It will be the purpose of the Fifth Northwestern to furnish efficient banking service for commercial customers, take care of all loans, great or small, to those entitled to them, provide absolute security for church, school, fraternal and other accounts of that character and for savings accounts, and to be interested, so far as is consistent with sound banking, in the general upbuilding of the Hennepin and Lake business district."

The City Trust Co. of St. Louis, Mo., located at 1132 Washington Avenue, announced on Oct. 12 that the name of the institution had been changed to the Fidelity Bank & Trust Co. The institution will continue to do a general commercial and savings bank, trust and investment business. New banking hours have been adopted—from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.—to meet the needs of the Washington Avenue wholesale district. The officers are A. N. Kingsbury, President; J. F. Blackburn, Vice-President; H. W. Twiehaus, Vice-President and Trust Officer; Edward L. Marhlewski, Secretary, and Charles W. Bauer, Treasurer. The bank was established in 1911 and is a member of the Federal Reserve System.

That the Wartrace Bank & Trust Co. of Wartrace, Tenn. a small institution—had closed its doors and announced its intention to liquidate, was reported in the following special dispatch from that place on Oct. 11 to the Nashville "Banner":

The Wartrace Bank & Trust Co. failed to open this morning. The following notice was issued: "At a meeting the board of directors decided to liquidate on account of decreased business and slow loans. Deposits are \$21,000 and loans and discounts \$42,899. Depositors will be paid in full." The notice was signed by M. B. Walker, President, and J. T. Doss, Cashier.

William Lee, Assistant Cashier, is in charge of the bank to-day (Oct. 11), pending the arrival of an examiner from the State Banking Department. The bank opened in 1920.

The Columbia Savings Bank of Memphis and the Columbia Mortgage & Trust Co. of that city failed to open on Nov. 1 as a result of the suicide the previous day of Charles L. Tucker, the President of both institutions. According to the Memphis "Appeal" of that date, Mr. Tucker shot himself at his home shortly after he had been informed at the bank over long-distance telephone from New York that the Prudential Life Insurance Co. would no longer do its business through the Columbia Mortgage & Trust Co. Since the establishment of the mortgage company twenty years ago, it was said, the Prudential company had done its financing through this firm; in fact the Prudential loans represented a large part of the mortgage company's business. "Bankers freely expressed the opinion last night that withdrawal by the insurance company of its business spelled collapse of the mortgage company."

Three reasons for the suicide of Mr. Tucker appeared plausible said the "Commercial Appeal" of Memphis in its issue of Nov. 2, namely:

The withdrawal of the Prudential Life Insurance business, which represented the greater part of the trust company income.

The realization that the \$950,000 of debenture bonds floated on the assurance of continued business by the life insurance company could not be retired as rapidly as promised.

The refusal of the Bank of Commerce and Trust Co. to buy the savings bank.

The last was learned only last night. Last week the Columbia Savings Bank began negotiations with the Bank of Commerce to take over the former institution. Sunday an audit was made by Bank of Commerce officials and at its conclusion Mr. Tucker was notified by T. O. Vinton, president of the larger bank, that the Bank of Commerce did not care to make the purchase. The number of small loans and accounts and the banking system of the smaller bank were given as reasons by Mr. Vinton for his bank's refusal.

Local bank officials last night expressed belief that the entire catastrophe could have been averted had Mr. Tucker overcome his despondency. A meeting of officials of his bank and another savings bank was under way at the exact moment of the suicide. But for the suicide bankers believe the conference would have resulted in the transfer of the Columbia Bank's finances.

In a statement issued early on the day the institutions closed and printed in the "Appeal" of Nov. 2 K. H. Jones, Cashier of the Columbia Savings Bank, said:

"At the close of business yesterday, Oct. 31, the Columbia Savings Bank had on hand in actual cash or in sight exchange, which is equivalent to cash, an amount equal to 26 per cent of the total deposits. The other assets of the bank are such that no considerable difficulty should be experienced in paying the depositors of the bank 100 cents on the dollar.

Mr. Tucker's action in committing suicide was superinduced by worry over the Columbia Mortgage & Trust Company's affairs, and by the withdrawal of the Prudential Insurance Company connections.

"Owing to the similarity in names, and to the close identity in the minds of the public, of the two companies the directors of the Columbia Savings Bank considered it advisable to turn over the bank to the State banking department for liquidation rather than subject the bank to a run which it was only natural to expect after Mr. Tucker's tragic end.

A statement was also issued by W. G. Henderson, Vice-President of both the closed institutions. As reported in the "Appeal" of the same date (Nov. 2) he said:

"The Columbia Savings Bank and the Columbia Mortgage & Trust Company will never be reopened. I am certain of that. But I am just as certain that the bank depositors will be paid in full. They will not lose a cent. I would not be surprised if even the stockholders came out even."

In the same issue of the "Appeal" (Nov. 2) it was stated that John Vorder Bruegge, Attorney for the Tennessee State Banking Department, had filed a bill for the liquidation of the bank's finances and that a voluntary petition in bankruptcy had been filed by the Columbia Mortgage & Trust Co. by William W. Swift, the institution's attorney, for the purpose of conserving its own assets for the benefit of the stockholders and the bondholders as well as creditors. H. L. Grigsby, State Superintendent of Banks, was appointed receiver for the bank, and J. E. Tobin, receiver for the Mortgage & Trust Co.

Mr. Tucker, the deceased President of the Columbia Savings Bank and the Columbia Mortgage & Trust Co., was 49 years of age. He succeeded to the Presidency of the institutions in July last when Peter G. Grant, then head of the companies, committed suicide. Prior to that time he was Vice-President of the institutions.

A more recent issue of the "Appeal," Nov. 6, stated that the State bank examiners had completed their audit of the Columbia Savings Bank of the previous day, Nov. 5, and submitted their final statement to Attorney Bruegge, which statement "shows the institution to be solvent and any chance of loss will come through the depreciation, if any, which securities held by the bank would undergo because of the receivership."

With regard to the Columbia Mortgage & Trust Co., the same paper stated that Joseph S. Tobin, the Federal receiver, had issued a statement on Nov. 5 concerning the operations of his receivership, in which he indicated the appointment of a permanent trustee within the next week or ten days and stated that up to that time no evidence of dishonesty had been found. He furthermore stated that all bonds have been protected by an adequate amount of security, but that the value of the paper will be based entirely upon the value of the real estate upon which it was placed.

The following has been received this week from the Bank of Italy National Trust & Savings Association, San Francisco:

To perpetuate its preeminence among the greatest banks of the world, the Bank of Italy today (Oct. 23) launched a campaign to increase its deposits to \$1,000,000,000 (one billion) by May 6, 1930, the sixtieth birthday of A. P. Giannini, founder of the institution.

The epochal campaign will mean the signing up of millions of customers in all walks of life throughout the nation to share in the benefits produced by the energy and virility of the great bank, and the obtaining of approximately \$400,000,000 or more than \$100,000,000 a year in new business.

The man selected to lead the campaign is George A. Webster, vice-president of the bank and head of its Business Extension Department. It would not be too far amiss to say that the task has been given this able young banker and his lieutenants to promote the distribution of prosperity and progress throughout California.

Webster won his spurs as a banker years ago as Executive

Vice-President of the Liberty Bank. As head of the Business Extension Department of the Bank of Italy a fair share of the present prestige of that institution can be traced to him.

Nothing like this tremendous campaign has ever been attempted before in the history of world finance. It has as its inspiration the genius of A. P. Giannini and the desire of the employes to express their appreciation for what he has done in creating in California, one of the world's largest financial institutions.

All managers in the 284 branches of the system throughout the state were notified of the campaign today by special letter. They were told that the capital structure of the bank more than justifies the increase and that the area served is more than capable of producing the business desired.

Some of those named on the Supervising Council of the campaign to assist Mr. Webster are: W. J. Braunschweiger, vice-president, Bank of Italy, Los Angeles; L. H. Castle, assistant vice-president, San Mateo; H. F. Charters, vice-president, Eureka; O. L. Cox, vice president, Oakland; G. A. Davidson, Vice-Chairman Board of Directors, San Diego; J. R. Davis, vice-president, Long Beach; A. C. Oimon, manager, Bakersfield; J. T. Grace, vice-president, Santa Rosa; C. E. Gruhler, manager, Peoples Office, Sacramento; Leroy Holt, vice-president, El Centro; J. P. Kennedy, manager, Santa Barbara; H. A. Nater, assistant vice-president, Los Angeles; A. B. Post, vice-president, San Jose; H. P. Preston, manager, Fort Bragg; W. T. Rice, manager, Wightman, vice-president, Long Beach; E. T. Williamson, assistant San Luis Obispo; Dunning Rideout, vice-president, Marysville; E. J. vice-president, Chico.

Each branch will be required to send in weekly reports to their respective jurisdictional offices in San Francisco and Los Angeles during the life of the campaign, and quarterly reports of the new business obtained will be circularized throughout the entire system.

In regard to the affairs of the National Bankitaly Co. of San Francisco (the stock of which is owned share for share by the stockholders of the Bank of Italy National Trust & Savings Association), the San Francisco "Chronicle" of Nov. 5 printed the following:

The National Bankitaly Company, seeking a permit to issue a \$3,000,000 stock dividend to stockholders of record Oct. 25, yesterday made public its balance sheet as of Oct. 24 showing an earned surplus of \$6,390,320 in addition to a premium of \$27,600,000 on its capital stock.

Assets of the company now total \$68,241,322. Of this \$37,795,376 includes stocks and bonds held; \$22,611,627 in real estate holdings; \$7,136,919 in receivables and the balance in cash and other assets.

The company has a capitalization of \$12,000,000, owes \$21,500,000 and has current liabilities of \$750,302.

It seeks permission to issue 300,000 shares as a stock dividend; 250,000 shares to be sold to the Bankitaly Corporation at \$100 a share and 250,000 shares to be sold to stockholders at \$100 a share. The stock has a par value of \$10.

Inasmuch as the unified Bank of Italy stock is to be sold for \$180 a share, \$100 of this amount goes to National Bankitaly Company and \$80 a share to Bank of Italy which has a par of \$25 a share.

Those behind the guns of the Giannini concerns were particularly pleased to witness the serenity on the market in their stocks in the past few days. The situation is undoubtedly in control and in a more healthy tone than heretofore.

At a special meeting of the stockholders of the Anglo & London Paris National Bank of San Francisco on Oct. 23 the proposed increase in the bank's capital from \$5,000,000 to \$7,500,000 and in that of the Consolidated Securities Co. (affiliated with the bank) from \$500,000 to \$750,000, was ratified, according to the San Francisco "Chronicle" of Oct. 29. Of the 25,000 shares of new bank stock (par value \$100 a share) the stockholders, it was stated, waived the right to subscribe to one half and were given the right to subscribe to the remaining 12,500 shares at the ratio of one new share for each four shares held at \$160 a share, the subscription holding good until Dec. 30, which is the settlement date. It was also stated that the half of the newly authorized stock to which rights were waived by the stockholders goes to the Consolidated Securities Co. The price determined at the meeting for this stock was not made public. The paper mentioned furthermore said:

While the action brings the capital of the bank, last increased in 1920, into line with the deposits and places the institution in better position to fulfill its opportunities under the McFadden act, which extended the limits of national bank operations, it also is regarded as having a significant effect in the field of outside banking affiliations.

Anglo and London Paris National, through its affiliated organizations, already has acquired controlling interests in ten banks through the State, the latest being those at Hanford and Lemoore, and is understood to hold substantial interests in banks elsewhere. No announcement was made public regarding these plans following yesterday's meeting, although it was understood that stockholders were advised of the bank's policy and interests.

The United Bank & Trust Co. of San Francisco, through its auxiliary, the French-American Corporation, has acquired the controlling interest in the First National Bank of Red Bluff, Cal., according to the San Francisco "Chronicle" of Nov. 2. The acquired bank has combined capital, surplus and undivided profits of approximately \$200,000, deposits in excess of \$800,000 and total resources of more than \$1,000,000. T. H. Ramsay is President.

A special dispatch from Modesto, Cal., to the San Francisco "Chronicle" on Nov. 2 contained the announcement that W. W. Giddings, a Vice-President of the Central National Bank of Oakland, Cal., and a former Vice-President and Manager of the Modesto Bank, together with associates, had on that day purchased the controlling interest in the Modesto Bank and the Modesto Savings Bank. Mr. Giddings' associates, it is understood, the dispatch stated, do not include any large bank or important banking interests. Mr. Giddings explained the purchase of the institutions in the following statement:

"Our purchase of a substantial block of stock will not mean the consolidation of these long established home institutions with any group or chain of banks. Both will continue to be strictly loyal banks operated and directed by Modestans and the policies will be unchanged.

"While we have purchased control of the two banks, virtually all the stockholders retain some of their original shares. For the present there will be no change in officers, directors or personnel of the banks."

The dispatch continuing said:

J. R. Broughton, who has been with the organization for forty-seven years, remains as president. George A. Cressey, with twenty-seven years service, will continue as vice-president and manager. W. W. Cox of Westley, who has been a director for many years, is also a vice-president.

The members of the Board of Directors are: J. R. Broughton, George A. Cressey, Vaughn Whitmore, C. R. Tillson, Claude Maze, L. J. Maddux, George A. Threlfall, W. W. Cox and W. W. Giddings.

THE ENGLISH GOLD AND SILVER MARKETS.

We reprint the following from the weekly circular of Samuel Montagu & Co. of London, written under date of Oct. 26 1927:

GOLD.

The Bank of England gold reserve against notes amounted to £149,671,940 on the 19th inst. as compared with £149,442,745 on the previous Wednesday.

About £677,000 bar gold was available in the open market this week, and was disposed of as follows: Home and Continental Trade £154,000, India £40,000, Egypt £2,000, undisclosed destination £100,000, and almost the whole of the balance was secured by the Bank of England as shown in the figures below.

The following movements of gold to and from the Bank of England have been announced:

	Oct. 20.	Oct. 21.	Oct. 22.	Oct. 24.	Oct. 25.	Oct. 26.
Received	£250,000	Nil	Nil	Nil	£365,000	Nil
Withdrawn	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	£5,000	£6,000

The receipt on the 20th inst. was in sovereigns "released from set aside account South Africa," and that of yesterday in bar gold from South Africa. The £11,000 sovereigns withdrawn were for Germany. During the week under review £604,000 on balance has been received by the Bank, decreasing the net efflux this year to £732,000, and since the resumption of an effective gold standard to £6,056,000, as set out in the daily bulletins at the Bank.

The following were the United Kingdom imports and exports of gold registered in the week ended the 19th inst.:

Imports.		Exports.	
British South Africa	£499,880	Germany	£20,335
		Spain	10,000
		Other countries	14,613
Total	£499,880	Total	£44,948

India's foreign trade during Sept. 1927 is shown by the following figures (in lacs of rupees):

Imports of merchandise on private account	2,118
Exports including re-exports of merchandise on private account	2,792
Net imports of gold	92
Net imports of silver	38
Net imports of currency notes	4
Total visible balance of trade (in favor of India)	563
Net balance on remittance of funds (against India)	527

The following was the composition of the Indian Gold Standard Reserve on Sept. 30 1927:

In India	Nil
In England:	
Cash at the Bank of England	£1,152
Gold	2,152,334
British Treasury bills—value as on Sept. 30 1927	8,995,048
Other British & Dominion Government securities—value as on Sept. 30 1927	28,851,466
Total	£40,000,000

SILVER.

The market continues to possess a fairly steady tone. China has again been working both ways and some demand has come from India, chiefly at limits just below quotations here. America has been more inclined to sell at the present level. It is now a long time since the Continent has figured in the market as a factor of real importance.

The following were the United Kingdom imports and exports of silver registered in the week ended the 19th inst.:

Imports.		Exports.	
Mexico	£153,966	British India	£9,892
Other countries	8,130	Other countries	7,104
Total	£162,096	Total	£16,996

When the stock of gold in the Indian Currency Reserve was revalued on the basis of the 1s. 6d. instead of the 2s. Rupee, the ratio of the metallic reserve to the Indian Note Circulation, as first revealed by the return of April 7th last, was 73.6%. From that date the proportion increased owing to the more or less continuous influx of silver rupees, until according to the returns of Aug. 15th it had risen to 80.1%.

A slight reduction in the ratio has been apparent from the last few returns—based on the return of Oct. 15th the proportion works out 79.4%.

INDIAN CURRENCY RETURNS.

In Lacs of Rupees—	Sept. 30.	Oct. 7.	Oct. 15.
Notes in circulation	18182	18122	18252
Silver coin and bullion in India	11469	11387	11516
Silver coin and bullion out of India	—	—	—
Gold coin and bullion in India	2976	2976	2976
Gold coin and bullion out of India	—	—	—
Securities (Indian Government)	3635	3642	3643
Securities (British Government)	102	117	117

No silver coinage was reported during the week ended the 15th inst. The stock in Shanghai on the 22nd inst. consisted of about 60,900,000 ounces in sycee, 74,900,000 dollars, and 4,140 silver bars, as compared with about 60,600,000 ounces in sycee, 73,800,000 dollars, and 3,680 silver bars on the 15th inst. Quotations during the week:

	Bar Silver, per Oz. Standard.		Bar Gold, per Oz. Fine.
	Cash.	Two Months.	
Oct. 20	25 13-16d.	25 1/2d.	84s. 11d.
Oct. 21	25 1/2d.	25 13-16d.	84s. 11 1/4d.
Oct. 22	25 1/2d.	25 15-16d.	84s. 11 1/4d.
Oct. 24	25 13-16d.	25 1/2d.	84s. 11 1/4d.
Oct. 25	25 1/2d.	25 13-16d.	84s. 11 1/2d.
Oct. 26	25 13-16d.	25 1/2d.	84s. 11d.
Average	25.802d.	25.864d.	84s. 11.0d.

The silver quotations to-day for cash and two months' delivery are the same as those fixed a week ago.

ENGLISH FINANCIAL MARKETS—PER CABLE.

The daily closing quotations for securities, &c., at London, as reported by cable, have been as follows the past week:

London, Week Ended Nov. 11.	Nov. 5.	Nov. 7.	Nov. 8.	Nov. 9.	Nov. 10.	Nov. 11.
Silver, per oz.	25 5-16	26 7-16	26 7-16	26 3/8	26 3/8	26 3/8
Gold, per fine ounce	84.11 1/2	84.11 1/2	84.11 1/2	84.11 1/2	84.11 1/2	84.11 1/2
Consols, 2 1/2 per cents	55	55	55	55	55	55
British, 5 per cents	100 3/4	100 3/4	100 3/4	100 3/4	100 3/4	100 3/4
British, 4 1/2 per cents	96	96	96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2
French Rentes (in Paris) fr.	55.10	54.90	55	55.30	Holiday	Holiday
French War Loan (in Paris) fr.	74.40	74	74.05	74.45	Holiday	Holiday

The price of silver in New York on the same days has been:

Silver in N. Y., per oz. (cts.):					
Foreign	57	57 3/4	Holiday	57 3/4	57 3/4

THE WEEK ON THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

The stock market has displayed moderate strength the present week, with the copper shares and several of the railroad stocks displaying a rising tendency, but with the general list often turning reactionary. The outstanding features of the week were the heavy over subscription of the new government offering of 3 1/8% certificates, the excellent showing made in the statement of unfilled orders of the United States Steel Corp. and the dividend action of the General Motors Corp. placing the increased common stock on an annual dividend basis of \$5 and declaring an extra cash dividend of \$2.50. Railroad shares moved to the front as the leaders of the upward movement during the abbreviated session on Saturday. Interest was focused especially on Aetehison, which bounded forward more than 4 points to 189, as compared with its previous close at 184 1/2. Atlantic Coast Line was also in strong demand and moved 3 points higher, followed by Canadian Pacific with a 4 point advance and Del. & Hudson, which improved about 5 points. New York Central continued to improve; Great Northern pref. and Northern Pacific made substantial advances and Southern Ry. reached the highest price in all time at 137. General Motors held a prominent place in the trading because of its brisk advance of more than 2 points, and the heavy buying of United States Steel common carried that stock forward more than 2 points to 136 1/2. Kennecott Copper made a new high record above 78 and Calumet & Arizona sold up to 94 1/2. American Smelting, advanced 3 points and crossed 168, showing a gain of about 10 points from its low of a week ago. National Biscuit reached a new peak for the present share capitalization, and United Drug above 200 sold at its highest in all time.

The market was again strong on Monday. Railroad stocks continued to attract considerable attention, Southern Railway leading the upward movement and crossing 138 to the highest point in its history. United States Steel was again strong and moved forward to a new high for the present recovery as it crossed 137. General Motors and General Electric were both in strong demand at improving prices. Kennecott Copper continued its remarkable upward spurt and reached a new high above 79, followed by Calumet & Arizona, Cerro de Paseo and Anaconda all of which recorded substantial advances. In the motor group Chrysler and Mack Truck were strong features, the latter moving forward about 2 points from its previous low. Several specialties reached new tops for the year, including among others American Linseed, Burroughs Adding Machine and United States Leather. On Tuesday the market was closed in observance of Election Day.

The market was unsettled as trading was resumed on Wednesday, and, following an early display of strength, turned sharply downward. The decline ran from 3 to 7 points in many of the more active speculative issues. United States Steel common moved down about 3 points and General Motors sold up to 133 1/4 at its high for the day. Houston Oil was the outstanding feature of the specialties, first moving briskly forward 7 points to 164 1/2 and later losing about 1/2 of its gain. Most of the mercantile stocks were

unusually strong, especially Woolworth which advanced to 188 $\frac{3}{8}$, as compared with its previous close at 185 $\frac{1}{8}$. The market took an upward turn on Thursday and many prominent issues moved briskly forward to the new high records or close to their previous tops. The improvement was due in part to the heavy oversubscription to the new Government 3 $\frac{1}{8}$ % certificates and to the unexpected good showing made in the statement of unfilled orders by the United States Steel Corporation. United States Steel common advanced about 2 points to 136 $\frac{3}{8}$, but did not retain all of its gain and General Motors moved within a narrow range, having extreme fluctuations of about 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ points. One of the outstanding features of the day was the strength displayed by the tobacco stocks, R. J. Reynolds setting the pace with a brisk advance to 155, the highest price for which the present stock has sold. Merchandising shares were among the strong stocks of the day, R. H. Macy breaking into new ground above 230, Sears-Roebuck making a net gain of 1 $\frac{3}{8}$ points and Woolworth going forward nearly 3 points. Oil shares were moderately active, Marland Oil selling up to 36 $\frac{5}{8}$ at its high for the day. International Business Machine and Victor Talking Machine moved into new highs for the year.

Vigorous advances in all departments characterized the movements of the stock market during the greater part of the session of Friday and many new tops were recorded in the closing hour. The outstanding feature of the day was the renewed strength of the mercantile shares, Montgomery-Ward and Sears-Roebuck lifting their tops to the highest for the present shares. May Department Stores reached the best for the \$25 shares and Woolworth made a net gain of about 8 points. United States Steel common was in strong demand and closed with a net gain of 1 $\frac{5}{8}$ points. Southern Railway common was the outstanding strong feature of the railroad stocks and bounded forward about 3 points to a new high in all time at 140. Considerable attention was also directed toward Canadian Pacific and New York Central, both making further progress upward. Northern Pacific displayed renewed strength and Chesapeake & Ohio advanced about a point. Copper shares maintained their upward strife under the leadership of Greene Cananea and Calumet & Arizona. American Can and International Harvester were also noteworthy for the attention paid to them, the latter shooting upward about 12 points above the previous close. New tops were also registered by Lago Oil, Kelly Springfield Tire, National Lead preferred A and B and Columbia Carbon. The final tone was strong.

TRANSACTIONS AT THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE. DAILY, WEEKLY AND YEARLY.

Week Ended Nov. 11.	Stocks, Number of Shares.	Railroad, &c., Bonds.	State, Municipal & Foreign Bonds.	United States Bonds.
	Saturday	1,060,760 ^a	\$3,309,000	\$2,245,000
Monday	2,970,160	5,421,000	3,546,000	689,500
Tuesday		Holiday	Election Day	
Wednesday	2,123,510	4,275,500	7,466,500	949,000
Thursday	1,728,974	7,589,000	2,484,000	744,500
Friday	1,875,800	7,774,000	3,693,000	1,200,000
Total	8,859,204	\$28,368,500	\$19,434,500	\$3,696,000

Sales at New York Stock Exchange.	Week Ended Nov. 11.		Jan. 1 to Nov. 11.	
	1927.	1926.	1927.	1926.
Stocks—No. of shares.	8,859,204	8,092,760	480,098,976	391,843,761
Bonds.				
Government bonds.	\$3,696,000	\$5,028,900	\$251,651,300	\$224,382,350
State and foreign bonds	19,434,500	19,953,500	722,772,700	594,710,950
Railroad & misc. bonds	28,368,500	37,641,000	1,851,383,900	1,710,384,700
Total bonds	\$51,499,000	\$62,623,400	\$2,825,807,900	\$2,529,478,000

DAILY TRANSACTIONS AT THE BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA AND BALTIMORE EXCHANGES.

Week Ended Nov. 11 1927.	Boston.		Philadelphia.		Baltimore.	
	Shares.	Bond Sales.	Shares.	Bond Sales.	Shares.	Bond Sales.
Saturday	17,786	\$3,500	17,092	5,200	*2,401	13,600
Monday	32,034	20,000	27,697	12,900	*4,191	19,300
Tuesday		Holiday			*5,585	10,000
Wednesday	31,035	7,800	26,731	30,200	*5,973	38,400
Thursday	23,960	31,000	23,205	48,000	*4,049	24,700
Friday	12,518	4,000		Holiday		
Total	117,333	\$66,300	94,725	96,300	19,199	106,000
Prev. week revised	164,256	\$99,900	117,356	\$195,600	26,774	\$199,400

^aIn addition, sales of rights were: Saturday, 69; Monday, 20; Tuesday, 1; Wednesday, 100; Thursday, 313.

THE CURB MARKET.

While there was no uniformity to price movements in this week's Curb Market trading, buoyancy in a number of issues caused sharp upturns and a number of new high records were made. Celanese Corp. com. jumped from 94 to 109 $\frac{3}{4}$ and reacted finally to 105. Celluloid Corp. com. advanced from 121 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 129 $\frac{3}{4}$ but fell back to 124. Bancitaly Corp. rose

from 115 to 121 $\frac{3}{4}$ and closed to-day at 121 $\frac{1}{2}$. Bohn Aluminum & Brass gained over four points to 28 $\frac{3}{8}$ and finished to-day at 27. Caterpillar Tractor was conspicuous for an advance from 47 to 53 $\frac{3}{8}$, the final transaction to-day being at 52 $\frac{1}{2}$. Deere & Co. sold up from 208 to 224 $\frac{1}{2}$. Fansteel Products improved from 28 to 33 $\frac{3}{8}$ and closed to-day at 33 $\frac{3}{8}$. General Baking, Class A, sold at from 75 $\frac{3}{8}$ to 80 and ends the week at 79 $\frac{1}{4}$. Glen Alden Coal lost almost five points to 180 $\frac{1}{8}$, the final transaction to-day being 180 $\frac{1}{4}$. Tubize Artificial Silk, class B, advanced from 335 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 356, reacted to 340, moved upward again and rested finally at 345. U. S. Gypsum com. slumped from 107 to 88 $\frac{1}{8}$ and closed to-day at 90. Public utility issues were very quiet. Electric Bond & Share securities improved from 73 to 77 $\frac{1}{4}$ and closed to-day at 77. Oil stocks show few changes of importance. Illinois Pipe Line advanced from 175 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 178 and sold finally at 171 ex-dividend. Vacuum Oil gained eleven points to 143, the close to-day being at 142 $\frac{1}{4}$. Newmont Mining Corp. was conspicuous for an advance from 105 to 110 $\frac{1}{8}$, the final figure to-day being 109 $\frac{3}{4}$.

A complete record of Curb Market transactions for the week is given on page 2663.

DAILY TRANSACTIONS AT THE NEW YORK CURB MARKET.

Week Ended Nov. 11	STOCKS (No. Shares).			BONDS (Par Value).	
	Ind & Misc.	Oil.	Mining.	Domestic.	Foreign Govt.
Saturday	106,405	81,450	27,100	\$1,335,000	\$258,000
Monday	199,120	99,120	29,880	2,254,000	408,000
Tuesday		Holiday	Election Day		
Wednesday	202,860	91,930	66,800	3,471,000	526,000
Thursday	188,505	91,170	42,740	2,727,000	568,000
Friday	207,660	84,950	38,160	2,275,000	288,000
Total	904,550	448,620	204,680	\$12,062,000	\$2,048,000

COURSE OF BANK CLEARINGS.

Bank clearings this week will show a decrease from a year ago, due to the fact that the Election holiday fell in this week the present year while last year it came in the previous week. 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, Nov. 12), bank exchanges for all the cities of the United States from which it is possible to obtain weekly returns will be 3.6% smaller than for the corresponding week last year. The total stands at \$8,935,577,507 against \$9,272,239,952 for the same week in 1926. At this centre there is a gain for the five days of 5.6%. Our comparative summary for the week is as follows:

Clearings—Returns by Telegraph. Week Ended Nov. 12.	1927.	1926.	Per Cent.
New York	\$4,444,000,000	\$4,210,000,000	+5.6
Chicago	468,271,163	456,705,466	+2.5
Philadelphia	278,000,000	388,000,000	-28.4
Boston	409,000,000	396,000,000	+3.3
Kansas City	*75,000,000	109,208,648	-31.3
St. Louis	70,300,000	102,600,000	-31.5
San Francisco	130,693,000	135,982,000	-3.9
Los Angeles	117,859,000	116,898,000	+0.8
Pittsburgh	93,331,573	132,740,794	-21.7
Detroit	123,677,963	135,380,081	-8.6
Cleveland	*85,000,000	95,730,662	-11.2
Baltimore	64,480,530	80,807,566	-20.2
New Orleans	63,048,499	52,862,683	+19.3
Thirteen cities, 5 days	\$6,422,661,728	\$6,212,915,900	+0.2
Other cities, 5 days	940,319,528	1,084,164,645	-13.3
Total all cities, 5 days	\$7,362,981,256	\$7,497,080,545	-1.8
All cities, 1 day	1,572,596,251	1,775,159,407	-11.4
Total all cities for week	\$8,935,577,507	\$9,272,239,952	-3.6

* Estimated.

Complete and exact details for the week covered by the foregoing will appear in our issue of next week. We cannot furnish them to-day, inasmuch as the week ends to-day (Saturday) and the Saturday figures will not be available until noon to-day. Accordingly, in the above the last day of the week has in all cases had to be estimated.

In the elaborate detailed statement, however, which we present further below, we are able to give final and complete results for the week previous—the week ended Nov. 5. For that week there is an increase of 29.1%, due to the fact that Election holiday fell in this week last year, the 1927 aggregate of clearings being \$12,310,308,676 and the 1926 aggregate \$9,530,860,648. Outside of New York City, however, the increase is only 12.6%, the bank exchanges at this centre having increased 42.3%. We group the cities now according to the Federal Reserve districts in which they are located, and from this it appears that in the New York Reserve District (including this city) there is an expansion of 41.7%, in the Boston Reserve District of 33.1% and in the Philadelphia Reserve District of 10.6%. The Cleveland Reserve District has only 5.1%, the Richmond Reserve District 13.8%

and the Atlanta Reserve District 6.2%, the latter notwithstanding the losses at the Florida points, Miami falling 48.7% behind and Jacksonville 24.2%. In the Chicago Reserve District the totals are large by 9.3%, in the St. Louis Reserve District by 7.2% and in the Minneapolis Reserve District by 17.4%. The Kansas City Reserve District shows a gain of 5.0%, the Dallas Reserve District of 16.9% and the San Francisco Reserve District of 9.1%.

In the following we furnish a summary by Federal Reserve districts:

SUMMARY OF BANK CLEARINGS.

Table with columns: Week End. Nov. 5 1927., 1927., 1926., Inc. or Dec., 1925., 1924. Rows include Federal Reserve Districts (1st Boston, 2nd New York, etc.) and Outside N. Y. City.

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

Large table with columns: Clearings at—, Week Ended Nov. 5., 1927., 1926., Inc. or Dec., 1925., 1924. Rows list various cities and their corresponding clearing amounts and percentage changes.

Clearings at—

Week Ended Nov. 5.

Table with columns: 1927., 1926., Inc. or Dec., 1925., 1924. Rows list various cities and their clearing amounts for the week ended Nov. 5.

Clearings at—

Week Ended Nov. 3.

Table with columns: 1927., 1926., Inc. or Dec., 1925., 1924. Rows list various cities and their clearing amounts for the week ended Nov. 3.

a No longer report clearings. b Do not respond to requests for figures. c Week ended Nov. 2. d Week ended Nov. 3. e Week ended Nov. 4. * Estimated.

**Preliminary Debt Statement of the United States
Oct. 31 1927.**

The preliminary statement of the public debt of the United States Oct. 31 1927, as made upon the basis of the daily Treasury statements, is as follows:

Bonds—		
Consols of 1930	\$599,724,050.00	
Panama's of 1916-1936	48,954,180.00	
Panama's of 1918-1938	25,947,400.00	
Panama's of 1961	49,800,000.00	
Conversion bonds	28,894,500.00	
Postal Savings bonds	13,951,780.00	\$767,271,910.00
First Liberty Loan of 1932-1947	\$1,939,156,850.00	
Second Liberty Loan of 1927-1942	757,502,400.00	
Third Liberty Loan of 1928	2,147,655,700.00	
Fourth Liberty Loan of 1933-1938	6,296,902,900.00	11,141,217,850.00
Treasury bonds of 1947-1952	\$762,320,300.00	
Treasury bonds of 1944-1954	1,042,401,500.00	
Treasury bonds of 1946-1956	491,212,100.00	
Treasury bonds of 1943-1947	494,854,750.00	2,790,788,650.00
Total bonds		\$14,699,278,410.00
Treasury Notes—		
Series A-1927, maturing Dec. 15 1927	\$335,779,900.00	
Series A-1930-32, maturing March 15 1932	1,300,914,650.00	
Series B-1930-32, maturing Sept. 15 1932	619,521,050.00	
Adjusted Service—Series A-1930	45,600,000.00	
Series A-1931	53,500,000.00	
Series B-1931	70,000,000.00	
Series A-1932	123,400,000.00	
Civil Service—Series 1931	31,200,000.00	
Series 1932	14,400,000.00	\$2,594,315,600.00
Treasury Certificates—		
Series TM-1928, maturing March 15 1928	\$306,208,000.00	
Series TM2-1928, maturing March 15 1928	250,577,500.00	
Civil Service Retirement Fund Series	4,600,000.00	
Foreign Service Retirement Fund Series	147,000.00	561,532,500.00
Treasury Savings Certificates*		
Series of 1922, Issue of Sept. 30 1922	\$13,192,484.50	
Series 1923, Issue of Sept. 30 1922	127,586,981.35	
Series 1923, Issue of Dec. 1 1923	23,165,992.50	
Series 1924, Issue of Dec. 1 1923	93,468,335.55	257,413,793.90
Total interest-bearing debt		\$18,112,540,303.90
Matured Debt on Which Interest Has Ceased—		
Old debt matured—issued prior to April 1 1927	\$2,051,190.26	
Certificates of indebtedness	946,500.00	
Treasury notes	3,400,200.00	
3 1/4 % Victory notes of 1922-23	28,250.00	
4 1/4 % Victory notes of 1922-23	2,842,150.00	
Treasury Savings certificates	5,625,850.00	14,894,140.26
Debt Bearing No Interest—		
United States notes	\$346,681,016.00	
Less gold reserve	155,420,720.98	
Deposits for retirement of national bank and Federal Reserve bank notes	\$191,260,295.02	
Old demand notes and fractional currency	44,162,172.00	
Thrift and Treasury Savings stamps, Unclassified sales, &c.	2,046,040.95	
	3,588,659.71	241,057,167.68
Total gross debt		\$18,368,491,611.84
* Net redemption value of certificates outstanding.		

Treasury Cash and Current Liabilities.

The cash holdings of the Government as the items stood Oct. 31 1927 are set out in the following. The figures are taken entirely from the daily statement of the United States Treasury of Oct. 31 1927.

CURRENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

GOLD.		
Assets—	\$	Liabilities—
Gold coin	692,174,808.09	Gold cts. outstanding
Gold bullion	2,968,953,879.15	Gold fund, F. R. Board (Act of Dec. 23 1913, as amended June 21 1917)
Total	3,661,128,687.24	Gold reserve
		Gold in general fund
		Total
		3,661,128,687.24
Note.—Reserved against \$346,681,016 of U. S. notes and \$1,318,850 of Treasury notes of 1890 outstanding. Treasury notes of 1890 are also secured by silver dollars in the Treasury.		
SILVER DOLLARS.		
Assets—	\$	Liabilities—
Silver dollars	477,462,005.00	Silver cts. outstanding
		Treasury notes of 1890 outstanding
		Silver dollars in gen. fund
Total	477,462,005.00	Total
		477,462,005.00
GENERAL FUND.		
Assets—	\$	Liabilities—
Gold (see above)	165,678,031.51	Treasurer's checks outstanding
Silver dollars (see above)	9,592,806.00	Deposits of Government officers:
United States notes	2,784,313.00	Post Office Department
Federal Reserve notes	1,262,065.00	Board of trustees, Postal Savings System:
Fed'l Reserve bank notes	151,950.00	5% reserve, lawful money
National bank notes	16,367,123.50	Other deposits
Subsidiary silver coin	3,975,479.83	Postmasters, clerks of courts, disbursing officers, &c.
Minor coin	2,608,304.17	Deposits for:
Silver bullion	6,838,661.17	Redemption of F. R. notes (5% fd., gold)
Unclassified—Collections, &c.	2,831,461.61	Redemption of national bank notes (5% fund, lawful money)
Deposits in F. R. banks	27,773,106.52	Retirement of additional circulating notes, Act May 30 1908
Deposits in special depositories account of indebtedness	229,900,000.00	Uncollected items, exchanges, &c.
Deposits in foreign depositories:		
To credit of Treasurer United States	109,081.77	
To credit of other Govern't officers	372,692.63	
Deposits in nat'l banks:		
To credit of Treasurer United States	7,717,677.97	
To credit of other Govern't officers	21,020,417.88	
Deposits in Philippine Treasury:		
To credit of Treasurer United States	1,250,121.83	
Total	500,233,294.39	Total
		500,233,294.39

Note.—The amount to the credit of disbursing officers and agencies to-day was \$377,378,286.79. Book credits for which obligations of foreign governments are held by the United States amount to \$33,236,629.05.

Under the Acts of July 14 1890 and Dec. 23 1913, deposits of lawful money for the retirement of outstanding national bank and Federal Reserve bank notes are paid 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 to-day was \$44,162,172.

\$975,500 in Federal Reserve notes and \$16,278,264 in national bank notes are in the Treasury in process of redemption and are charges against the deposits for the respective 5% redemption funds.

Government Revenues 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 October 1927 and 1926 and the four months of the fiscal years 1926-27 and 1927-28.

Rece pts.	Month of October		Four Months	
	1927.	1926.	1927.	1926.
Ordinary—	\$	\$	\$	\$
Customs	56,616,692	60,968,765	214,490,287	217,731,341
Internal revenue:				
Income tax	34,577,034	40,789,710	553,448,010	576,981,901
Miscell. internal revenue	49,160,027	61,267,358	212,813,891	223,815,900
Miscellaneous receipts:				
Proceeds Govt-owned sec.:				
Foreign obligations—				
Principal		1,000	53,425	4,000
Interest		183,595	10,028,970	10,183,763
Railroad securities	49,633,756	2,542,220	83,202,342	26,223,969
All others	2,682,395	937,943	3,416,668	57,363,793
Trust fund receipts (reappropriated for investm't)	6,797,498	4,935,293	22,707,465	16,585,269
Proceeds sale of surplus property	264,746	1,997,771	2,155,488	5,027,431
Panama Canal tolls, &c.	2,343,093	2,016,947	9,028,076	8,217,192
Receipts from miscellaneous sources credited direct to appropriations	1,039,297	891,126	2,405,306	3,010,484
Other miscellaneous	18,090,216	16,407,380	73,798,440	53,275,732
Total ordinary	221,204,754	192,919,108	1,187,548,368	1,198,420,775
Excess of ordinary receipts over total expenditures chargeable against ordinary receipts			24,126,710	63,464,062
Excess of total expenditures chargeable against ordinary receipts over ordinary receipts	192,015,393	174,675,495		
Expenditures.				
Ordinary—				
(Checks and warrants paid, &c.)				
General expenditures	167,891,287	161,239,909	653,514,723	635,928,891
Interest on public debt	144,577,902	140,922,309	252,315,771	234,662,417
Refund of receipts:				
Customs	2,056,387	1,955,578	7,028,295	6,311,978
Internal revenue	14,013,094	5,502,972	52,411,902	48,134,241
Postal deficiency		7,000,000	13,000,000	7,015,648
Panama Canal	760,821	538,416	2,980,655	2,251,316
Operations in special accounts:				
Railroads	13,996	22,627	165,479	161,268
War Finance Corporation	6291,999	6716,116	6885,226	62,724,492
Shipping Board	4,962,613	1,058,626	12,823,235	7,072,658
Allen property funds	6389,036	6619,688	550,267	6371,566
Adjusted-service etf. fund	720,187	6128,813	6320,167	6297,435
Civil-service retirement fund	123,824	86,979	173,832	6103,803
Invest. of trust funds:				
Govt. life insurance	6,744,120	4,839,747	22,358,850	16,334,781
D. of C. teachers' retirement	996	35,005	223,697	57,693
Foreign service retirement	64,725	63,500	135,376	130,312
General railroad contingent	52,381	60,542	124,919	192,796
Total ordinary	341,231,848	321,794,593	1,016,601,608	954,806,703
Public debt retirement's chargeable agst. ordinary receipts:				
Sinking fund	71,974,350	45,800,000	146,785,000	180,135,500
Received for estate taxes	1,400		1,500	
Forfeiture, gifts, &c.	12,550	10	33,550	14,510
Total	71,988,300	45,800,010	146,820,050	180,150,010
Total expenditures chargeable against ordinary receipts	413,220,148	367,594,603	1,163,421,658	1,134,956,713

Receipts and expenditures for June reaching the Treasury in July are included.

a The figures for the month include \$117,626.19 and for the fiscal year 1928 to date \$477,186.22 accrued discount on war-savings certificates of matured series, and for the corresponding periods last year the figures include \$200,676.25 and \$971,630.67, respectively. b Excess of credits (deduct).

Commercial and Miscellaneous News

Breadstuffs figures brought from page 2696.—All the statements below regarding the movement of grain—receipts, exports, visible supply, &c., are prepared by us from figures collected by the New York Produce Exchange. First we give the receipts at Western lake and river ports for the week ending last Saturday and since Aug. 1 for each of the last three years.

Receipts at—	Flour.	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Barley.	Rye.
	bbls. 196 lbs.	bush. 60 lbs.	bush. 56 lbs.	bush. 32 lbs.	bush. 48 lbs.	bush. 56 lbs.
Chicago	255,000	641,000	3,028,000	822,000	176,000	80,000
Minneapolis		3,366,000	97,000	490,000	460,000	110,000
Duluth		5,784,000	3,000	26,000	1,150,000	932,000
Milwaukee	63,000	17,000	417,000	211,000	210,000	21,000
Toledo		519,000	36,000	78,000	4,000	2,000
Detroit		49,000	7,000	36,000		5,000
Indianapolis		73,000	756,000	200,000		
St. Louis	123,000	702,000	273,000	348,000	77,000	28,000
Peoria	62,000	14,000	495,000	149,000	2,000	1,000
Kansas City		1,895,000	142,000	110,000		
Omaha		535,000	222,000	225,000		
St. Joseph		124,000	102,000	30,000		
Wichita		260,000	23,000	10,000		
Sioux City		38,000	28,000	126,000	2,000	
Total wk. '27	503,000	14,017,000	5,629,000	2,862,000	2,081,000	1,179,000
Same wk. '26	472,000	8,273,000	10,101,000	3,721,000	780,000	469,000
Same wk. '25	467,000	7,951,000	3,044,000	3,767,000	1,248,000	477,000
Since Aug. 1—						
1927	6,976,000	236,592,000	61,504,000	56,886,000	36,395,000	21,784,000
1926	7,006,000	165,214,000	66,151,000	56,915,000	17,004,000	16,405,000
1925	6,843,000	154,698,000	49,102,000	106,919,000	34,607,000	12,014,000

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:

Table with columns: Amount Bonds on Deposits to Secure Circulation for National Bank Notes, National Bank Circulation, Afloat on—Bonds, Legal Tenders, Total. Rows list monthly data from Oct. 31 1927 to Nov 30 1925.

\$4,539,138 Federal Reserve bank notes outstanding Nov. 1 1927, secured by lawful money, against \$5,282,658 on Nov. 1 1926.

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

Table with columns: Bonds on Deposit Oct. 31 1927, U. S. Bonds Held Oct. 31 1927 to Secure—On Deposits to Secure Federal Reserve Bank Notes, On Deposits to Secure National Bank Notes, Total Held. Rows include U. S. Consols of 1936, U. S. Panama of 1936, U. S. Panama of 1938, and Totals.

The following shows the amount of national bank notes afloat and the amount of legal tender deposits Oct. 1 1927 and Nov. 1 1927, and their increase or decrease during the month of October:

Table with columns: National Bank Notes—Total Afloat—Amount afloat Oct. 1 1927, Net decrease during October, Amount of bank notes afloat Nov. 1, Legal Tender Notes—Amount on deposit to redeem national bank notes Oct. 1 1927, Net amount of bank notes retired in October, Amount on deposit to redeem national bank notes Nov. 1 1927.

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

Table with columns: APPLICATIONS TO ORGANIZE RECEIVED, CAPITAL, APPLICATION TO ORGANIZE APPROVED, BRANCHES AUTHORIZED UNDER ACT OF FEB. 25 1927. Rows list various bank applications and branch authorizations.

Auction Sales.—Among other securities, the following, not actually dealt in at the Stock Exchange, were sold at auction in New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Buffalo on Wednesday of this week:

Table with columns: Shares, Stocks, \$ per sh., listing various securities such as Gas Electric Vehicle Corp., Standard Metal & Chemical Co., and various bonds.

By R. L. Day & Co., Boston:

Table with columns: Shares, Stocks, \$ per sh., listing various securities such as Plymouth Cordage Co., United L. A. W. Corp., Wickwire Spencer Steel Co., etc.

By Wise, Hobbs & Arnold, Boston:

Table with columns: Shares, Stocks, \$ per sh., listing various securities such as Webster & Atlas Nat. Bank, First National Bank, Arlington Mills, etc.

By Barnes & Lofland, Philadelphia:

Table with columns: Shares, Stocks, \$ per sh., listing various securities such as 950 Sanitary Co. of Amer., 100 Pittsburgh Brewing Co., Columbia Ave. Trust Co., etc.

DIVIDENDS.

Dividends are grouped in two separate tables. In the first we bring together all the dividends announced the current week. Then we follow with a second table, in which we show the dividends previously announced, but which have not yet been paid.

The dividends announced this week are:

Table with columns: Name of Company, Per Cent., When Payable, Books Closed, Days Inclusive. Rows list dividends for Railroads (Alabama Great Southern, etc.), Public Utilities (American Power & Light, etc.), and other companies.

Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed Days Inclusive.
Public Utilities (Concluded).			
Middle West Utilities, prior lien (qu.)	*2	Dec. 15	*Holders of rec. Nov. 30
\$6 preferred (quar.)	*\$1.50	Dec. 15	*Holders of rec. Nov. 30
Monongahela W. Penn. P. S., pf. (qu.)	43 3/4 c.	Jan. 2	Holders of rec. Dec. 15
Nebraska Power, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 19
North Amer. Light & Pow., pref. (qu.)	*1 1/2	Jan. 3	*Holders of rec. Dec. 20
Northern States Power, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 20
Northwestern Public Service, pref. (qu.)	1 1/4	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 20
Oklahoma Gas & Elec., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 30
Pennsylvania Water Service, pf. (qu.)	\$1.50	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 5
Philadelphia Electric (quar.)	*50c.	Dec. 15	*Holders of rec. Nov. 16
Portland Electric Power, 2d pref. (qu.)	1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Rochester Gas & El., 7% pf., ser. B (qu.)	*1 1/2	Dec. 1	*Holders of rec. Nov. 14
Six per cent pref., ser. C (quar.)	*1 1/2	Dec. 1	*Holders of rec. Nov. 14
Six per cent pref., ser. D (quar.)	*1 1/2	Dec. 1	*Holders of rec. Nov. 14
Sou. Calif. Edison, 6% pf. ser. B (qu.)	37 1/2 c.	Dec. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 20
7% preferred ser. A (quar.)	43 3/4 c.	Dec. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 20
Southern Colorado Power, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 30
Southwestern Power & Light, pref. (qu.)	*1.75	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 30
Standard Gas & Elec., 8% pref. (quar.)	\$1	Dec. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 30
Union Pass, Ry. (Phila.)	*\$4.75	Jan. 2	Holders of rec. Dec. 15a
United Ry. & Elec., Balt., com. (qu.)	*50c.	Nov. 15	*Holders of rec. Nov. 10a
West Philadelphia Pass, Ry.	*\$5	Jan. 2	Holders of rec. Dec. 15a
Washington Wat. Fr., Spok., pref. (qu.)	1 1/4	Dec. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 25a
Winnipeg Electric Co. (quar.)	1	Jan. 16	Holders of rec. Nov. 30
Fire Insurance.			
Continental (stock dividend)	50	Subj. to	stkhldrs' meet'g Dec. 1
National Liberty (stock dividend)	*33 1/2	Subj. to	stkhldrs' meet'g Nov 15.
Miscellaneous			
American Railway Express (quar.)	*\$1.50	Dec. 31	*Holders of rec. Dec. 15
American Sugar, com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Jan. 2	Holders of rec. Dec. 1a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Jan. 2	Holders of rec. Dec. 1a
Atlantic Refining, com. (quar.)	*1	Dec. 15	*Holders of rec. Nov. 21
Bird Groc. Stores, Inc., pf. (qu.) (No. 1)	1 1/4	Dec. 31	Holders of rec. Dec. 1
Boston Wharf	*1 1/4	Dec. 1	*Holders of rec. Nov. 16
By-Products Coke Corp., com. (quar.)	*50c.	Dec. 20	*Holders of rec. Dec. 6
Celluloid Corporation			
1st pref. partic., & \$7 pref. (quar.)	\$1.75	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
City Ice & Fuel (quar.)	50c.	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 10
Extra	25c.	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 10
Coca-Cola Co. (quar.)	*\$1.25	Jan. 2	Holders of rec. Dec. 12
Collins & Alkman Corp., com. (quar.)	\$1	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 18a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 18a
Continental Can Co., Inc., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Jan. 3	Holders of rec. Dec. 20a
Continental Oil (quar.)	*25c.	Dec. 15	*Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Cooksville Shale Brick, pref. (quar.)	1	Dec. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 30
Coty, Inc. (quar.)	*\$1.25	Dec. 31	*Holders of rec. Dec. 16
Extra	*\$1	Dec. 31	*Holders of rec. Dec. 16
Cumberland Pipe Line (quar.)	50c.	Dec. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 18a
Dialphone Corp., com. (quar.)	*50c.	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 18a
Preferred (quar.)	*2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 18a
Eastman Kodak, common (quar.)	*1.25	Jan. 2	Holders of rec. Nov. 30
Common (extra)	75c.	Jan. 2	Holders of rec. Nov. 30
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Jan. 2	Holders of rec. Nov. 30
Ely-Walker Dry Goods, com. (quar.)	31 1/4 c.	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 19
Emporium Corporation (quar.)	*50c.	Dec. 24	*Holders of rec. Dec. 1
Essex Company	3	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 10
Extra	3	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 10
Fansteel Products, Inc. (quar.)	*75c.	Nov. 17	*Holders of rec. Oct. 31
Fifth Ave. Bus Securities (quar.)	*16c.	Jan. 17	*Holders of rec. Jan. 3
Firestone Tire & Rub., 7% pref. (qu.)	*1 1/4	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Folmer-Graffex Corp., 7% pref.	*3 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 21
General Motors, common (quar.)	\$2.50	Jan. 3	Holders of rec. Nov. 19a
Common (extra)	\$2.50	Jan. 3	Holders of rec. Nov. 19a
Six per cent preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 9a
Seven per cent preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 9a
Six per cent debenture stock (quar.)	1 1/2	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 9a
Gold Seal Electrical (quar.)	*50c.	Dec. 15	*Holders of rec. Dec. 1
Gorham Manufacturing, 1st pref. (qu.)	1 1/4	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Quantanamo Sugar, pref. (quar.)	2	Jan. 3	Holders of rec. Dec. 15a
Harbison-Walker Refract., com. (qu.)	1 1/4	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 21
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Jan. 20	Holders of rec. Jan. 10
Hecla Mining (quar.)	*25c.	Dec. 15	*Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Hollinger Cons. Gold Mines	10c.	Dec. 2	Holders of rec. Nov. 16
Hilge Company, 2d pref. (quar.)	2	Dec. 1	Nov. 20 to Dec. 1
Hires (Charles E.) Co., com. A (quar.)	50c.	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Imperial Oil, Ltd. (quar.)	*25c.	Dec. 1	*Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Extra	*12 1/2 c.	Dec. 1	*Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Indiana Pipe Line (special)	\$15	Dec. 22	Holders of rec. Dec. 2
Industrial Trustee Shares	77.09c.	Nov. 30	
Internat. Secur. Corp., cl. A com. (qu.)	55c.	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Class B common (quar.)	12 1/2 c.	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Seven per cent preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
6 1/2% preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Six per cent preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Kuppenheimer (B.) & Co., common	*\$1	Jan. 3	*Holders of rec. Dec. 24
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Dec. 1	*Holders of rec. Nov. 23
Manhattan Shirt, common (quar.)	*50c.	Dec. 1	*Holders of rec. Nov. 17
Marmon Motor Car (quar.)	*\$1	Dec. 1	*Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Maytag Company (quar.)	*50c.	Dec. 1	*Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Extra	*25c.	Dec. 1	*Holders of rec. Nov. 15
McCrory Stores, com. A & B (quar.)	40c.	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 21a
Medart (Fred) Mfg. Co. (quar.)	50c.	Nov. 15	Nov. 6 to Nov. 15
Mengel Company, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Metro-Goldwyn Pictures, pref. (quar.)	50c.	Dec. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 26
Metropolitan Paving Brick, com. (qu.)	50c.	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Jan. 1	Holders of rec. Dec. 12
Montgomery Ward & Co., cl. A (quar.)	\$1.75	Jan. 1	Holders of rec. Dec. 15
Montreal Cottons, Ltd., com. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Dec. 15	*Holders of rec. Nov. 30
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Dec. 15	*Holders of rec. Nov. 30
National Sugar Refining (quar.)	1 1/4	Jan. 2	Holders of rec. Dec. 5
Newmarket Manufacturing (quar.)	*\$2	Nov. 15	*Holders of rec. Nov. 18
New York Transportation (quar.)	*50c.	Jan. 16	*Holders of rec. Jan. 3
Northern Pipe Line	3	Jan. 1	Holders of rec. Dec. 9
Extra	2	Jan. 1	Holders of rec. Dec. 9
Ohio Oil (quar.)	*50c.	Dec. 15	*Holders of rec. Nov. 21
Extra	*25c.	Dec. 15	*Holders of rec. Nov. 21
Omnibus Corp., pref. (quar.)	*25c.	Dec. 31	*Holders of rec. Dec. 15
Packard Motor Car (monthly)	*15c.	Dec. 31	*Holders of rec. Dec. 15
Extra	*25c.	Dec. 31	*Holders of rec. Dec. 15
Monthly	*25c.	Feb. 28	*Holders of rec. Feb. 15
Polar Wave Ice & Fuel (quar.)	62 1/2 c.	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Pratt & Lambert, Inc., com. (quar.)	*75c.	Jan. 3	*Holders of rec. Dec. 15
Common (extra)	*\$1	Jan. 3	*Holders of rec. Dec. 15
Pressed Steel Car, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 31	Holders of rec. Dec. 1
Red Ice Cream, common	50c.	Dec. 10	Holders of rec. Nov. 29
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Dec. 1	*Holders of rec. Nov. 12
Remington Typewriter, 1st pref (quar.)	*1 1/4	Jan. 1	*Holders of rec. Dec. 15
Second preferred (quar.)	*2	Jan. 1	*Holders of rec. Dec. 15
Safety Cable	*\$9.58	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 14a
Shell Union Oil, com. (quar.)	35c.	Dec. 31	Holders of rec. Dec. 12a
Shippers Car Line Corp., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Nov. 30	Holders of rec. Nov. 18a
Simon (Franklin) Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 18a
Sloss-Sheffield Steel & L., com. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Dec. 20	*Holders of rec. Dec. 10
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Jan. 3	*Holders of rec. Dec. 20
2d Nov. 15			Holders of rec. Nov. 4a
Soule Mill (quar.)	20	Dec. 20	Holders of rec. Dec. 10a
Extra	*62 1/2 c.	Dec. 15	*Holders of rec. Nov. 16
Standard Oil (Indiana), (quar.)	*25c.	Dec. 15	*Holders of rec. Nov. 16
Extra	*62c.	Dec. 20	*Holders of rec. Nov. 26
Standard Oil (Nebraska), (quar.)	62 1/2 c.	Jan. 2	Holders of rec. Nov. 25
Standard Oil (Ohio), com. (quar.)	62 1/2 c.	Jan. 2	Holders of rec. Nov. 25
Tennessee Copper & Chemical (quar.)	12 1/4 c.	Dec. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 30a
Timken-Detroit Axle, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 1	Nov. 20 to Nov. 30
Underwood Typewriter, com. (quar.)	\$1	Jan. 3	Holders of rec. Dec. 1
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Jan. 3	Holders of rec. Dec. 1
United Biscuit, class A (quar.)	*\$1	Dec. 1	*Holders of rec. Nov. 10
United Bd. & Sh. of Seattle, com. (extra)	\$2.50		
Prior preference	50c.		
United Fruit (quar.)	*\$1	Jan. 3	*Holders of rec. Dec. 3

Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed Days Inclusive.
Miscellaneous (Concluded).			
U. S. Gypsum, common (quar.)	*40c.	Dec. 31	*Holders of rec. Dec. 15
Common (extra)	*\$1	Dec. 31	*Holders of rec. Dec. 15
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Dec. 31	*Holders of rec. Dec. 15
U. S. Playing Card, common (quar.)	*\$1	Jan. 1	*Holders of rec. Dec. 21
Common (extra)	*\$1	Jan. 1	*Holders of rec. Dec. 21
U. S. Realty & Improvement (quar.)	\$1	Dec. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 25
Valvoline Oil, common (quar.)	1 1/2	Dec. 17	Holders of rec. Dec. 12
Wabasso Cotton, Ltd. (quar.)	\$1	Jan. 3	Holders of rec. Dec. 15
Bonus	50c.	Jan. 3	Holders of rec. Dec. 15
Ward Baking Corp., com. cl. A (quar.)	\$2	Jan. 3	Holders of rec. Dec. 15
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Jan. 3	Holders of rec. Dec. 15
Watson (John Warren), com. (qu.) (No. 1)	*50c.	Dec. 15	*Holders of rec. Dec. 1
Welch Grape Juice, com. (quar.)	25c.	Nov. 30	Holders of rec. Nov. 21
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Nov. 30	Holders of rec. Nov. 21
Wesson Oil & Snowdrift, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 31	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
White Motor (quar.)	*50c.	Dec. 31	*Holders of rec. Dec. 15
White Motor Securities, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Dec. 31	*Holders of rec. Dec. 15

Below we give the dividends announced in previous weeks and not yet paid. This list does not include dividends announced this week, these being given in the preceding table.

Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed Days Inclusive.
Railroads (Steam).			
Achison Topeka & Santa Fe, com. (qu.)	1 1/4	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 28a
Common (extra)	75c.	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 28a
Baltimore & Ohio, com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 1	Oct. 16 to Oct. 17
Bangor & Aroostook, com. (quar.)	87c.	Jan. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 30
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Jan. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 30
Boston & Albany (quar.)	2 1/4	Dec. 31	Holders of rec. Nov. 30a
Catawissa 1st & 2d preferred	w 2 1/2	Nov. 22	Holders of rec. Nov. 10a
Central RR. of N. J. (quar.)	2	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 7a
Chesapeake & Ohio, preferred	3 1/4	Jan. 1	Holders of rec. Dec. 8a
Chicago R. I. & Pacific, com. (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 31	Holders of rec. Dec. 2a
Seven per cent preferred	3 1/2	Dec. 31	Holders of rec. Dec. 2a
Cleveland & Pittsburgh, guar. (quar.)	87 1/2 c.	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 10a
Special guaranteed (quar.)	50c.	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 10a
Cripple Creek Central, preferred	1	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Cuba RR., preferred	3	Feb. 28	Holders of rec. Jan. 16a
Delaware & Hudson Co. (quar.)	2 1/4	Dec. 20	Holders of rec. Nov. 26a
Georgia Southern & Fla., 1st & 2d pref.	2 1/2	Nov. 28	Holders of rec. Nov. 14a
Hudson & Manhattan, common	1 1/4	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 16a
Illinois Central, common (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 4a
Internat. Ry. of Cent. Amer., pf. (qu.)	1 1/2	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 31a
Maine Central, common (quar.)	1 1/4	Jan. 2	Holders of rec. Dec. 15
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
New Orleans Texas & Mexico (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a
N. Y. Chicago & St. L., com. & pf. (qu.)	1 1/2	Jan. 3	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a
Norfolk & Western, common (quar.)	2	Dec. 19	Holders of rec. Nov. 30a
Common (extra)	2	Dec. 19	Holders of rec. Nov. 30a
Norfolk & Western, adj. pref. (quar.)	1	Nov. 19	Holders of rec. Oct. 31a
Ontario & Quebec, common	3	Dec. 1	Nov. 2 to Dec. 1
Debenture stock	2 1/2	Nov. 30	Nov. 2 to Dec. 1
Pennsylvania RR. (quar.)	87 1/2 c.	Nov. 30	Holders of rec. Nov. 1a
Pere Marquette, common (quar.)	1 1/4	Jan. 3	Holders of rec. Dec. 10a
Prior preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 10a
Five per cent preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 10a
Pittsburgh & Lake Erie (in stock)	n20	Dec. 10	Holders of rec. Dec. 1
Reading Company, 1st pref (quar.)	50c.	Dec. 8	Holders of rec. Nov. 22a
St. Louis-San Francisco Ry., com. (qu.)	1 1/4	Jan. 3	Holders of rec. Dec. 9a
Common (extra)	25c.	Jan. 3	Holders of rec. Dec. 9a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 14a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 7a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 14a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 15a
Wabash Ry., pref. A (quar.)	1 1/4	Nov. 25	Holders of rec. Oct. 25a
Public Utilities.			
Amer. Superpower Corp., partic. pf. (qu.)	50c.	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 31a
American Telegraph & Cable (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 30a
Amer. Water Wks. & Elec., com. (qu.)	20c.	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 1a
Amer. Wat. Wks. & Elec. \$6 1st pf. (qu.)	\$1.50	Jan. 2	Holders of rec. Dec. 12a
Associated Gas & Elec., \$6 pref. (quar.)	\$1.50	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 31
\$6.50 preferred (quar.)	\$1.625	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 31
Baton Rouge Elec. Co., pref. A (qu.)	1 1/4	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 25a
Blackstone Valley Gas & Elec. com. (qu.)	\$1.25	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a
Preferred	3	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 1

Public Utilities (Concluded).				Miscellaneous (Continued).			
Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed Days Inclusive.	Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed Days Inclusive.
North Amer. Edison Co., pref. (quar.)	\$1.50	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a	Casey-Hedges Co., com. (quar.)	2 1/2	Jan. 1	
Northwest Utilities, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 31a	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Jan. 1	
Ohio Edison Co., 6% pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15	Caterpillar Tractor (quar.)	35c	Nov. 25	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a
6.6% preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15	Extra	35c	Nov. 25	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a
Seven per cent preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15	Centrifugal Pipe (quar.)	15c	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 5
Six per cent preferred (monthly)	50c	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15	Century Ribbon Mills, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 19
6.6% preferred (monthly)	55c	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15	Chicago Mill & Lumber (quar.)	1 1/2	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 8a
Ottawa & Hull Power, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Dec. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 30	Chicago Yellow Cab (monthly)	33-1-3c	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a
Pacific Gas & Elec., pref. (quar.)	37 1/2c	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 31a	Childs Company, common (quar.)	60c	Dec. 10	Holders of rec. Nov. 25a
Pacific Ltg. Corp., com., pay. in com. stk.	*7900	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 1a	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Dec. 10	Holders of rec. Nov. 25a
Pacific Lighting Corp., com. (quar.)	*4	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 31	Common (payable in no par com. stk.)	1	Dec. 30	Holders of rec. Nov. 25a
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 31	Chile Copper Co. (quar.)	62 1/2c	Dec. 30	Holders of rec. Dec. 2a
Penn-Ohio Edison Co., prior pref. (qu.)	1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 19	Chrysler Corp., pref. A. (quar.)	\$2	Jan 3'28	Holders of rec. Dec. 15a
Penn-Ohio Power & Light, \$6 pref. (qu.)	\$1.50	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 20	Cities Service, common (monthly)	1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Seven per cent preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 20	Common (payable in common stock)	1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
6.6% preferred (monthly)	55c	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 20	Preferred and preferred BB (monthly)	1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
6.6% preferred (monthly)	55c	Jan. 1	Holders of rec. Dec. 20	Preferred B (monthly)	5c	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
6.6% preferred (monthly)	55c	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 20	City Stores Co., class A (quar.)	87 1/2c	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 15a
7.2% preferred (monthly)	60c	Jan. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 20	Colorado Fuel & Iron, pref. (quar.)	2	Nov. 25	Holders of rec. Nov. 10a
7.2% preferred (monthly)	60c	Jan. 1	Holders of rec. Dec. 20	Contoleum-Naira, Inc., pref. (quar.)	*1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
7.2% preferred (monthly)	60c	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 20	Consol. Bond & Share Corp., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 15
Philadelphia Suburban Water, pref. (qu.)	1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 12a	Consolidated Cigar Corp., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a
Pub. Ser. Corp. of N. J. 6% pf. (mthly.)	50c	Nov. 30	Holders of rec. Nov. 4a	Consol. Dairy Prod. new stk. (qu.) (No. 1)	65c	Jan. 1	Holders of rec. Dec. 15a
Radio Corp. of Amer., pref. A. (quar.)	1 1/2	Jan. 1	Holders of rec. Dec. 1a	Consolidated Ice (Pittsburgh), pref.	75c	Dec. 20	Holders of rec. Dec. 5a
Original preferred	7	Jan. 1	Holders of rec. Dec. 1a	Consumers Co., prior pref. See note (k)			
Southern California Edison, com. (quar.)	50c	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 20a	Continental Can, Inc., com. (quar.)	\$1.25	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 5a
Southern California Gas (quar.)	75c	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 31	Crosgrove-Meehan Coal, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Dec. 21	Holders of rec. Dec. 19a
Southern Canada Power, com. (quar.)	1	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 31	Crown Finance Corp., com. (in com. stk.)	100	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 15
Southern Cities Utilities, \$6 pref. (qu.)	\$1.50	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 10	Crow's Nest Pass Coal (quar.)	*1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 10
Southern Colorado Power, com. A. (qu.)	50c	Nov. 25	Holders of rec. Oct. 31	Cushman Sons, Inc., com. (quar.)	1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a
Tampa Electric Co., common (quar.)	50c	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 25a	Seven per cent preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a
Tennessee Elec. Pref. 6 1/2 1st pref. (qu.)	1 1/2	Jan. 3	Holders of rec. Dec. 15	Eight per cent preferred (quar.)	2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a
7% first preferred (quar.)	1.80	Jan. 3	Holders of rec. Dec. 15	Cuneo Press, class A (quar.)	\$1	Dec. 15	Holders of rec. Dec. 1a
7.2% first preferred (quar.)	50c	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15	Davis Mills (quar.)	1	Dec. 24	Holders of rec. Dec. 10a
6% first preferred (monthly)	50c	Jan. 3	Holders of rec. Dec. 15	Deers & Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a
7.2% first preferred (monthly)	60c	Jan. 3	Holders of rec. Dec. 15	Preferred acct. accumulated divs.	25 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a
7.2% first preferred (monthly)	60c	Jan. 1	Holders of rec. Dec. 15	Detroit Steel Products (monthly)	25c	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 19a
Utility Share Corp., partic. pref. (qu.)	30c	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 14a	Diamond Match (quar.)	2	Dec. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 30a
West Penn Electric Co., 7% pf. (qu.)	1 1/2	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 20a	Dow Chemical, common (quar.)	\$1.25	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 1a
6% preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 20	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 1a
West Penn Electric Co., class A (qu.)	\$1.75	Dec. 30	Holders of rec. Dec. 15a	Dunhill International, com. (quar.)	\$1	Jan 15'28	Holders of rec. Jan. 1'28a
Wisconsin Power & Light, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/2	Dec. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 30	Common (quar.)	\$1	Apr 15'28	Holders of rec. Apr. 1'28a
				Eagle-Picher Lead, com. (quar.)	40c	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a
				Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Jan 15'28	Holders of rec. Dec. 31
				Eastern Bankers Corp., pref. (quar.)	\$1.75	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Dec. 31
				Early & Daniels, common (quar.)	62 1/2c	Jan 1'28	Holders of rec. Dec. 20a
				Common (extra)	25c	Jan 1'28	Holders of rec. Dec. 20a
				Preferred (quar.)	\$1.75	Jan 1'28	Holders of rec. Dec. 20a
				Eric Steam Shovel common (quar.)	62 1/2c	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a
				Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a
				Fairbanks, Morse & Co., com. (quar.)	75c	Dec. 31	Holders of rec. Dec. 12a
				Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 12a
				Fair (The), com. (quar.)	20c	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 221a
				Common (quar.)	20c	Jan. 2	Holders of rec. Dec. 222a
				Common (quar.)	20c	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 221a
				Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Feb. 1	Holders of rec. Jan. 221a
				Famous Players Canadian Corp.—			
				1st pref. (quar.)	2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 31
				Farwell Bleachery (quar.)	*2 1/2	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 3
				Farwell Mills (quar.)	*1	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 3
				Federal Motor Truck (quar.)	20c	Jan. 2	Holders of rec. Dec. 17a
				Stock dividend	2 1/2	Jan. 5	Holders of rec. Dec. 17a
				Finance Service Co., com.	4	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
				Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
				Financial & Industrial Securities—			
				Common (payable in com. stock)	*.75	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 31
				First Federal Foreign Invest. Trust (qu.)	\$1.75	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 1
				First National Bank, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a
				Fitzsimmons & O'Connell Dredge & Dock common (quar.)	*50c	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 19
				Flatbush Investing Corp., com. (No. 1)	1 1/2	dJan. 1	Holders of rec. Dec. 1
				Preferred	43 1/2	dJan. 1	Holders of rec. Dec. 1
				Foote Bros. Gear & Mach., com. (qu.)	30c	Jan 1'28	Dec. 21 to Dec. 30
				Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Jan 1'28	Dec. 21 to Dec. 30
				Formica Insulation (quar.)	25c	Jan 1'28	Holders of rec. Dec. 15
				Extra	10c	Jan 1'28	Holders of rec. Dec. 15
				Foster & Kleiser Co., com. (quar.)	25c	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 1a
				Foundation Co. of Can. 1st & 2d pf. (qu.)	*1 1/2	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 31
				General Asphalt, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a
				General Cigar, Inc., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 23a
				General Development (quar.)	25c	Nov. 21	Holders of rec. Nov. 10
				General Hublot Advertiser, cl. A. (qu.)	\$1	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 5a
				Preferred (quar.)	20c	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 25a
				C. G. Spring & Bumper, com. (quar.)	20c	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 1a
				Gillette Safety Razor (quar.)	\$1	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 1a
				Extra	12 1/2c	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 1a
				Special extra	50c	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 1a
				Goodrich (B. F.) Co., com. (quar.)	\$1	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 10a
				Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Jan. 2	Holders of rec. Dec. 9a
				Goodyear Tire & Rubber, 1st pref. (qu.)	1 1/2	Jan. 1	Holders of rec. Dec. 1a
				Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Jan. 1	Holders of rec. Dec. 1a
				Gossard (H. W.) Co., com. (monthly)	33-1-3c	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 18a
				Common (monthly)	33-1-3c	Jan. 2	Holders of rec. Dec. 21a
				Great Lakes Dredge & Dock (quar.)	2	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 7
				Great Northern Iron Ore Properties	75c	Dec. 28	Holders of rec. Dec. 6a
				Greenfield Park & Die Corp., 6% pf. (qu.)	1 1/2	Jan. 2	Holders of rec. Dec. 15
				8% preferred (quar.)	2	Jan. 2	Holders of rec. Dec. 15
				Greenway Corp., partic. pref. (quar.)	67 1/2c	Nov. 14	Holders of rec. Nov. 1
				Participating pref. (extra)	50c	Nov. 14	Holders of rec. Nov. 1
				Guenther Publishing Co., pref. (quar.)	5	Nov. 20	Holders of rec. Jan. 20a
				Gulf States Steel, 1st pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Jan 3'28	Holders of rec. Dec. 13a
				Hammermill Paper (quar.)	25c	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 31a
				Hartman Corporation, class A (quar.)	50c	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 17a
				Class B (payable in class A stock)	0	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 17a
				Hart, Schaffner & Marx, Inc. (quar.)	1 1/2	Nov. 30	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a
				Hawaiian Commercial & Sug. (mthly.)	25c	Dec. 5	Nov. 26 to Dec. 4
				Extra	25c	Dec. 5	Nov. 26 to Dec. 4
				Hawaiian Sugar (monthly)	30c	Nov. 15	Nov. 11 to Nov. 14
				Extra	20c	Nov. 15	Nov. 11 to Nov. 14
				Monthly	30c	Dec. 15	Dec. 11 to Dec. 14
				Extra	20c	Dec. 15	Dec. 11 to Dec. 14
				Hazeltine Corp. (quar.)	25c	Nov. 25	Holders of rec. Nov. 4a
				Hibbard, Spencer, Bartlett Co. (mthly.)	1 1/2	Nov. 15	Nov. 6 to Nov. 15
				Monthly	30c	Nov. 25	Holders of rec. Oct. 18
				Hollander (A.) & Son, Inc. (qu.)	62 1/2c	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 1a
				Homestake Mining (monthly)	50c	Nov. 25	Holders of rec. Nov. 19a
				Hood Rubber Products, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 21
				Hoosac Cotton Mills, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 5a
				Horn & Hardart of N. Y., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 12a
				Household Products (quar.)	87 1/2c	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a
				Illinois Pipe Line	*6	Dec. 15	*Nov. 15 to Dec. 7
				Indiana Pipe Line (quar.)	\$1	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 21
				Extra	\$1	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 21
				Ingersoll-Rand Co., com. (quar.)	75c	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 12a
				Common (extra)	\$1	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 12a
				Inland Steel, common (quar.)	62 1/2c	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a
				Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	Jan. 2	Holders of rec. Dec. 15a
				Internat. Combustion Engineering (qu.)	50c	Nov. 30	Holders of rec. Nov. 18a
				International Harvester, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 5a
				International Paper, com. (quar.)	60c	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 1a
				International Petroleum, com.	25c	Nov. 15	Nov. 49 to Nov. 15
				International Shoe, pref. (monthly)	4 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
				International Silver, com. (quar.)	1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15a
				Interstate Iron & Steel, common (quar.)	\$1	Jan 16'28	Holders of rec. Jan. 9'28
				Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 19
				Intertype Corporation (quar.)	25c	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 4a
				Jaeger Machine (quar.)	62 1/2c	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 18a
				Jones & Laughlin Steel, com. (quar.)	*1 1/2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
				Joske Bros. Co. vot. tr. ct. (No. 1) (qu.)	75c	Nov. 21	Holders of rec. Nov. 1a
				Kinney (G. R.) Co., pref. (quar.)	2	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 19a

Table with columns: Name of Company, Per Cent, When Payable, Books Closed, Days Inclusive. Includes entries like Kaynee Co., Common (extra), Kirby Lumber, etc.

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* From unofficial sources. † The New York Stock Exchange has ruled that stock will not be quoted ex-dividend on this date and not until further notice.

a Transfer books not closed for this dividend. j Payable in preferred stock. d Correction. e Payable in stock. f Payable in common stock. g Payable in scrip. h On account of accumulated dividends.

b Holders of Class A and Class B stock are given the privilege of subscribing to the extent of the dividend to their respective stocks at \$25 per share.

l Associated Gas & Electric dividends payable either in cash or class A stock as follows: 3 70-100 of a share of class A stock on \$6 preferred; 4 01-100 of a share of class A stock on \$6.50 preferred; 2 47-100 of a share of class A stock on original preferred; 4 32-100 of a share of class A stock on \$7 preferred.

n Subject to approval by the Inter-State Commerce Commission. o Contingent upon action of stockholders at meeting on Nov. 21 to reduce stock from 400,000 shares to 80,000 shares.

p Federal Water Service dividend payable in cash or class A stock, at rate of 1-50 of a share for each share held.

q Knox Hat dividend is payable in class A participating stock of the Long's Hat Stores Corp. at \$100 per share.

r International Petroleum dividend payable to holders of Coupon No. 15.

s American Superpower stock dividend is one-fiftieth share of class A com. stock.

t Hartman Corp. class B stock divs. are one-fortieth share of class A stock.

u Increase in capital stock authorized.

v Eleven cents to be deducted from Catawissa RR. dividend on account of corporation income tax.

w The following amounts to be deducted on account of third and fourth quarterly installments of 1926 income tax: Continental Pass. Ry., 50c.; Union Pass. Ry., 75c.; West Phila. Pass Ry., 75c.

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 Nov. 5. The figures for the separate banks are the averages of the daily results. In the case of the grand totals, we also show the actual figures of condition at the end of the week.

NEW YORK WEEKLY CLEARING HOUSE RETURNS. (Stated in thousands of dollars—that is, three ciphers [000] omitted.)

Table with columns: Week Ending, New Capital, Profits, Loans, Cash, Reserve, Net Demand, Time Deposits, Bank Circulation. Includes sub-tables for Members of Fed. Res. Bank, State Banks, and Fed'l Res'v'e Bank.

Week ending Nov. 5 1927.	New Capital		Profits.	Loans, Discounts, Investments, &c.	Cash in Vault.	Reserve with Legal Depositaries.	Net Demand Deposits.	Time Deposits.	Bank Circulation.
	Nat'l State, Tr. Cos.	June 30							
[000 omitted.]									
Trust Companies	10,000	20,357	69,246	1,853	4,573	42,608	2,023	---	---
Title Guar & Tr	3,000	3,551	23,260	890	1,724	17,450	1,648	---	---
Lawyers Trust.									
Total of averages	13,000	23,908	92,506	2,743	6,297	60,058	3,671	---	---
Totals, actual condition	Nov. 5	91,685	2,682	6,264	59,037	3,753	---	---	---
Totals, actual condition	Oct. 29	91,156	2,586	6,363	58,946	3,613	---	---	---
Totals, actual condition	Oct. 22	91,025	2,530	6,404	58,938	3,145	---	---	---
Gr'd agr., average	392,400	611,873	5,974,796	53,526	627,591	4,691,717	736,146	23,455	---
Comparison with prev. week		+55,407		-899	+7,498	+72,695	+10774	-70	---
Gr'd agr., actual condition	Nov. 5	56,020,258	54,680	635,026	4,722,193	739,630	23,646	---	---
Comparison with prev. week		+77,152		+727	-10,638	+87,940	+6,821	+70	---
Gr'd agr., actual condition	Oct. 29	54,943,106	53,953	645,664	4,634,253	732,809	23,576	---	---
Gr'd agr., actual condition	Oct. 22	54,935,365	54,597	645,307	4,617,394	724,098	23,563	---	---
Gr'd agr., actual condition	Oct. 15	55,811,685	55,811	685,900	4,577,788	728,605	23,622	---	---
Gr'd agr., actual condition	Oct. 8	5,916,489	53,183	594,342	4,548,792	720,650	23,730	---	---
Gr'd agr., actual condition	Oct. 1	16,051,811	51,166	606,894	4,748,442	720,081	23,551	---	---

Note.—U. S. deposits deducted from net demand deposits in the general total above were as follows: Average total Nov. 5, \$56,087,000. Actual totals Nov. 5, \$48,830,000; Oct. 29, \$59,176,000; Oct. 22, \$76,582,000; Oct. 15, \$111,714,000; Oct. 8, \$111,722,000; Oct. 1, \$114,687,000. Bills payable, rediscunts, acceptances and other liabilities, average for week Nov. 5, \$710,961,000; Oct. 29, \$718,939,000; Oct. 22, \$690,764,000; Oct. 15, \$720,694,000; Oct. 8, \$729,027,000; Oct. 1, \$684,405,000. Actual totals Nov. 5, \$20,012,880; Oct. 29, \$743,352,000; Oct. 22, \$685,205,000; Oct. 15, \$795,118,000; Oct. 8, \$719,725,000; Oct. 1, \$658,975,000.

* Includes deposits in foreign branches not included in total footings as follows: National City Bank, \$249,445,000; Chase National Bank, \$12,722,000; Bankers Trust Co., \$37,395,000; Guaranty Trust Co., \$79,527,000; Farmers' Loan & Trust Co., \$2,500,000; Equitable Trust Co., \$107,079,000. Balances carried in banks in foreign countries as reserve for such deposits were: National City Bank, \$41,822,000; Chase National Bank, \$1,569,000; Bankers Trust Co., \$683,000; Guaranty Trust Co., \$2,989,000; Farmers' Loan & Trust Co., \$2,500,000; Equitable Trust Co., \$6,097,000.

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 BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES.

	Averages.				
	Cash Reserve in Vault.	Reserve in Depositaries.	Total Reserve.	Reserve Required.	Surplus Reserve.
Members Federal Reserve Bank	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
State banks*	8,209,000	4,025,000	12,234,000	11,900,340	333,660
Trust companies*	2,682,000	6,264,000	8,946,000	8,855,550	90,450
Total Nov. 5	10,891,000	635,026,000	645,917,000	638,384,360	7,532,640
Total Oct. 29	10,931,000	620,093,000	631,024,000	624,559,800	6,464,200
Total Oct. 22	10,764,000	623,809,000	634,573,000	625,317,250	9,255,750
Total Oct. 15	10,893,000	613,332,000	624,225,000	617,881,230	6,343,770

* Not members of Federal Reserve Bank.

b This is the reserve required on net demand deposits in the case of State banks and trust companies, but in the case of members of the Federal Reserve Bank, includes also the amount of reserve required on net time deposits, which was as follows: Nov. 5, \$19,890,510; Oct. 29, \$19,569,780; Oct. 22, \$19,485,330; Oct. 15, \$19,667,760; Oct. 8, \$19,270,170; Oct. 1, \$19,223,310.

	Actual Figures.				
	Cash Reserve in Vault.	Reserve in Depositaries.	Total Reserve.	Reserve Required.	Surplus Reserve.
Members Federal Reserve Bank	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
State banks*	8,179,000	4,274,000	12,453,000	11,955,600	497,400
Trust companies*	2,743,000	6,297,000	9,040,000	9,008,700	31,300
Total Nov. 5	10,922,000	627,591,000	638,513,000	634,335,880	4,177,120
Total Oct. 29	10,649,000	645,664,000	656,313,000	626,751,540	29,561,460
Total Oct. 22	10,429,000	570,307,000	580,736,000	624,319,650	-43,583,650
Total Oct. 15	10,732,000	685,900,000	696,632,000	619,284,950	77,347,050

* Not members of Federal Reserve Bank.

a This is the reserve required on net demand deposits in the case of State banks and trust companies, but in the case of members of the Federal Reserve Bank includes also the amount of reserve required on net time deposits, which was as follows: Nov. 5, \$20,012,880; Oct. 29, \$19,781,130; Oct. 22, \$19,535,370; Oct. 15, \$19,644,540; Oct. 8, \$19,401,030; Oct. 1, \$19,362,150.

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.

Loans and Investments	Differences from Previous Week.	
	Nov. 5.	Dec. \$8,289,900
Gold	\$1,394,757,800	Inc. 258,600
Currency notes	5,474,600	Dec. 301,400
Deposits with Federal Reserve Bank of New York	24,514,900	Inc. 1,287,900
Time deposits	119,631,500	Inc. 8,247,100
Deposits, eliminating amounts due from reserve depositaries and from other banks and trust companies in N. Y. City, exchanges & U. S. deposits.	1,428,570,100	Dec. 2,344,700
Reserve on deposits	1,338,807,900	Inc. 10,410,800
Percentage of reserve, 21.8%.	193,527,500	

* Includes deposits with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, which for the State banks and trust companies combined on Nov. 5 was \$119,631,500.

Banks and Trust Companies in New York City.—The averages of the New York City Clearing House banks and trust companies combined with those for the State banks and trust companies in Greater New York City outside of the Clearing House are as follows:

COMBINED RESULTS OF BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES IN GREATER NEW YORK.

Week Ended—	Loans and Investments.	Demand Deposits.	Total Cash in Vaults.	Reserve in Depositaries.
	\$	\$	\$	\$
July 9	7,305,578,900	6,087,209,400	86,222,100	788,623,300
July 16	7,152,547,900	5,930,407,000	82,586,100	768,772,500
July 23	7,106,073,800	5,921,931,500	79,187,600	765,494,700
July 30	7,110,323,700	5,921,572,000	80,246,400	768,805,100
Aug. 6	7,181,738,200	5,950,261,700	80,359,900	776,669,200
Aug. 13	7,177,325,100	5,931,055,300	80,989,500	768,301,300
Aug. 20	7,115,836,600	5,879,977,900	79,439,400	763,241,000
Aug. 27	7,069,839,900	5,845,207,700	78,875,900	751,445,600
Sept. 3	7,107,725,500	5,901,639,100	78,364,200	765,329,800
Sept. 10	7,179,503,300	5,916,180,700	82,029,500	763,450,100
Sept. 17	7,276,682,800	5,990,245,100	83,361,800	771,680,400
Sept. 24	7,290,010,700	5,885,011,200	81,144,800	760,449,500
Oct. 1	7,304,600,300	5,897,049,400	82,314,800	760,172,500
Oct. 8	7,406,023,400	5,971,040,300	83,304,200	774,359,100
Oct. 15	7,315,962,900	5,903,629,300	86,248,900	770,304,400
Oct. 22	7,307,457,600	5,952,316,500	82,589,900	777,194,400
Oct. 29	7,322,436,700	5,960,174,600	84,457,300	773,177,400
Nov. 5	7,369,553,800	6,030,524,900	83,515,500	791,129,000

New York City Non-Member Banks and Trust Companies.—The following are the returns to the Clearing House by clearing non-member institutions and which are not included in the "Clearing House Returns" in the foregoing:

RETURN OF NON-MEMBER INSTITUTIONS OF NEW YORK CLEARING HOUSE.

CLEARING NON-MEMBERS	Capital.	Net Profits.	Loans, Discounts, Investments, &c.	Cash in Vault.	Reserve with Legal Depositaries.	Net Demand Deposits.	Net Time Deposits.
Members of Fed'l Res'v. Bank.							
Grace Nat Bank	1,000	1,080	15,169	67	1,251	8,251	4,070
State Bank Not Member of the Federal Reserve Bank							
Bank of Wash Hts.	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Trust Company Not Member of the Federal Reserve Bank							
Mech Tr, Bayonne.	500	701	9,359	338	190	3,434	5,703
Gr'd agr., Nov. 5	1,500	2,682	24,528	405	1,441	all,685	9,863
Comparison with prev. week			-37	-118	+88	+372	-16
Gr'd agr., Oct. 29	1,500	2,682	24,565	523	1,353	all,313	9,879
Gr'd agr., Oct. 22	1,500	2,658	24,142	448	1,303	all,016	9,937
Gr'd agr., Oct. 15	1,500	2,658	23,853	379	1,325	all,332	10,000
Gr'd agr., Oct. 8	1,500	2,658	2,658	397	1,415	all,334	9,976

* Bank of Washington Heights merged with Bank of Manhattan Co. a All United States deposits deducted, \$77,000. Bills payable, rediscunts, acceptances and other liabilities, \$2,856,000. Excess in reserve, \$46,550 decrease.

Boston Clearing House Weekly Returns.—In the following we furnish a summary of all the items in the Boston Clearing House weekly statement for a series of weeks:

	BOSTON CLEARING HOUSE MEMBERS.			
	Nov. 9 1927.	Changes from Previous Week.	Nov. 2 1927.	Oct. 26 1927.
Capital	\$ 77,150,000	Unchanged	\$ 77,150,000	\$ 77,150,000
Surplus and profits	97,638,000	Unchanged	97,638,000	97,638,000
Loans, disc'ts & invest.	1,135,909,000	Inc. 11,693,000	1,123,916,000	1,115,255,000
Individual deposits	711,363,000	Dec. 7,771,000	719,134,000	713,995,000
Due to banks	168,059,000	Dec. 1,836,000	169,895,000	159,031,000
Time deposits	279,335,000	Inc. 5,171,000	274,164,000	272,948,000
United States deposits	13,377,000	Dec. 4,158,000	17,535,000	20,741,000
Exchanges for Cl'g H'se	33,601,000	Dec. 11,756,000	45,357,000	33,477,000
Due from other banks	87,252,000	Dec. 5,116,000	92,368,000	91,835,000
Res'v in legal depositaries	87,931,000	Inc. 618,000	87,313,000	85,417,000
Cash in bank	9,324,000	Inc. 124,000	9,200,000	9,484,000
Res'v excess in F.R.Bk	1,349,000	Inc. 584,000	765,000	690,000

Philadelphia Banks.—The Philadelphia Clearing House return for the week ending Nov. 5, 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."

Two Ciphers (00) omitted.	Week Ended Nov. 5 1927.			Oct. 29 1927.	Oct. 22 1927.
	Members of F.R. System	Trust Companies	1927 Total.		
Capital	53,300.0	7,500.0	60,800.0	58,300.0	58,300.0
Surplus and profits	166,424.0	15,000.0	181,424.0	184,420.0	184,226.0
Loans, disc'ts & invest'mts	995,845.0	69,556.0	1,065,401.0	1,048,839.0	1,058,574.0
Exchanges for Clear House	41,915.0	643.0	42,558.0	34,720.0	40,126.0
Due from banks	103,640.0	13.0	103,653.0	96,834.0	107,888.0
Bank deposits	143,376.0	550.0	143,926.0	140,070.0	145,879.0
Individual deposits	647,046.0	41,517.0	688,563.0	670,085.0	679,644.0
Time deposits	175,736.0	13,480.0	189,216.0	176,667.0	175,909.0
Total deposits	966,168.0	55,547.0	1,021,705.0	986,824.0	1,001,433.0
Res'v with legal depositary		3,990.0	3,990.0	3,472.0	74,801.0
Reserve with F. R. Bank	71,654.0		71,654.0	71,695.0	71,053.0
Cash in vault	11,050.0	1,466.0	12,516.0	12,808.0	12,696.0
Total reserve & cash held	82,704.0	5,456.0	88,160.0	87,978.0	87,497.0
Reserve required	71,603.0	6,273.0	77,881.0	76,139.0	76,329.0
Excess res. & cash in vault	11,101.0	-822.0	11,279.0	11,839.0	11,168.0

* Cash in vault not counted as reserve for Federal Reserve members.

Weekly Return of the Federal Reserve Board.

The following is the return issued by the Federal Reserve Board Thursday afternoon, Nov. 10 and showing the condition of the twelve Reserve banks at the close of business on Wednesday. In the first table we present the results for the system as a whole in comparison with the figures for the seven preceding weeks and with those of the corresponding week last year. The second table shows the resources and liabilities separately for each of the twelve banks. The Federal Reserve Agents' Accounts (third table following) gives details regarding transactions in Federal Reserve notes between the Comptroller and Reserve Agents and between the latter and Federal Reserve banks. *The Reserve Board's comment upon the returns for the latest week appears on page 2615, being the first item in our department of "Current Events and Discussions."*

COMBINED RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS NOV. 9 1927.

	Nov 9 1927	Nov. 2 1927.	Oct. 26 1927.	Oct. 19 1927.	Oct. 12 1927.	Oct. 5 1927.	Sept. 28 1927.	Sept. 21 1927.	Nov. 10 1926.
RESOURCES.									
Gold with Federal Reserve Agents	1,503,631,000	1,609,809,000	1,623,253,000	1,632,507,000	1,604,948,000	1,561,864,000	1,630,529,000	1,657,755,000	1,387,666,000
Gold redemption fund with U. S. Treas.	47,006,000	40,072,000	42,028,000	40,528,000	47,954,000	45,695,000	48,010,000	55,159,000	62,770,000
Gold held exclusively agst. F. R. notes	1,550,637,000	1,649,881,000	1,665,281,000	1,673,035,000	1,652,902,000	1,607,559,000	1,678,539,000	1,712,914,000	1,450,436,000
Gold settlement fund with F. R. Board	669,435,000	603,971,000	634,385,000	637,092,000	661,099,000	704,384,000	639,749,000	614,774,000	744,647,000
Gold and gold certificates held by banks	689,849,000	677,945,000	656,886,000	656,378,000	657,497,000	653,841,000	670,565,000	666,508,000	646,672,000
Total gold reserves	2,909,921,000	2,931,797,000	2,956,552,000	2,975,505,000	2,971,498,000	2,965,784,000	2,988,853,000	2,994,196,000	2,841,755,000
Reserves other than gold	131,570,000	134,856,000	135,793,000	136,475,000	132,396,000	136,774,000	137,352,000	139,436,000	128,129,000
Total reserves	3,041,491,000	3,066,653,000	3,092,345,000	3,111,980,000	3,103,894,000	3,102,558,000	3,126,205,000	3,133,632,000	2,969,884,000
Non-reserve cash	53,029,000	55,657,000	61,137,000	59,695,000	50,328,000	51,150,000	51,593,000	53,646,000	53,740,000
Bills discounted	276,454,000	208,723,000	236,428,000	224,821,000	192,753,000	242,557,000	228,011,000	216,936,000	287,369,000
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations	184,187,000	170,498,000	165,970,000	192,776,000	237,496,000	219,928,000	202,301,000	197,629,000	294,044,000
Other bills discounted	460,641,000	379,221,000	402,398,000	417,597,000	430,249,000	462,485,000	430,312,000	414,565,000	581,413,000
Bills bought in open market	336,413,000	334,576,000	301,111,000	282,503,000	274,361,000	262,165,000	242,148,000	218,660,000	339,901,000
U. S. Government securities:									
Bonds	281,656,000	277,478,000	261,876,000	255,075,000	258,780,000	255,972,000	253,515,000	253,741,000	46,482,000
Treasury notes	94,800,000	102,852,000	124,941,000	124,710,000	133,114,000	126,624,000	134,559,000	127,138,000	113,003,000
Certificates of indebtedness	153,754,000	146,046,000	123,813,000	120,608,000	118,235,000	122,277,000	106,278,000	102,664,000	140,882,000
Total U. S. Government securities	530,210,000	526,376,000	510,630,000	500,393,000	510,129,000	504,873,000	494,352,000	483,543,000	300,367,000
Other securities (see note)	600,000	600,000	620,000	620,000	820,000	820,000	820,000	820,000	2,500,000
Total bills and securities (see note)	1,327,864,000	1,240,773,000	1,214,759,000	1,201,113,000	1,215,559,000	1,230,343,000	1,167,632,000	1,117,588,000	1,224,181,000
Gold held abroad	564,000	565,000	564,000	563,000	563,000	563,000	1,049,000	823,000	650,000
Due from foreign banks (see note)	669,962,000	715,124,000	688,277,000	851,251,000	775,265,000	724,370,000	653,183,000	720,040,000	704,567,000
Uncollected items	59,844,000	59,774,000	59,774,000	59,774,000	59,774,000	59,609,000	59,609,000	59,580,000	60,051,000
Bank premises	14,187,000	13,847,000	13,159,000	12,695,000	13,522,000	13,640,000	13,208,000	14,052,000	14,161,000
All other resources	5,166,941,000	5,152,393,000	5,130,015,000	5,297,071,000	5,218,905,000	5,182,233,000	5,072,479,000	5,099,361,000	5,027,234,000
LIABILITIES.									
F. R. notes in actual circulation	1,734,696,000	1,717,116,000	1,702,999,000	1,716,785,000	1,733,829,000	1,717,049,000	1,705,765,000	1,700,522,000	1,750,788,000
Deposits—									
Member banks—reserve account	2,368,905,000	2,362,429,000	2,351,870,000	2,383,711,000	2,324,338,000	2,360,378,000	2,336,548,000	2,311,070,000	2,218,651,000
Government	22,048,000	6,123,000	9,294,000	8,808,000	12,806,000	37,215,000	24,507,000	22,894,000	17,867,000
Foreign banks (see note)	7,000,000	5,572,000	8,359,000	12,383,000	5,369,000	5,382,000	5,791,000	5,519,000	9,938,000
Other deposits	25,379,000	30,170,000	23,928,000	24,196,000	62,454,000	23,352,000	22,922,000	23,217,000	18,413,000
Total deposits	2,423,332,000	2,404,294,000	2,403,451,000	2,429,098,000	2,404,967,000	2,426,327,000	2,389,768,000	2,362,700,000	2,264,869,000
Deferred availability items	631,752,000	654,634,000	646,615,000	775,545,000	704,844,000	664,038,000	602,290,000	662,030,000	643,311,000
Capital paid in	131,381,000	131,388,000	131,293,000	131,275,000	131,171,000	131,098,000	130,960,000	130,866,000	124,885,000
Surplus	228,775,000	228,775,000	228,775,000	228,775,000	228,775,000	228,775,000	228,775,000	228,775,000	220,310,000
All other liabilities	17,005,000	16,186,000	16,882,000	15,593,000	15,319,000	14,946,000	14,921,000	14,468,000	23,071,000
Total liabilities	5,166,941,000	5,152,393,000	5,130,015,000	5,297,071,000	5,218,905,000	5,182,233,000	5,072,479,000	5,099,361,000	5,027,234,000
Ratio of gold reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined	69.9%	71.1%	72.0%	71.8%	71.8%	71.5%	73.0%	73.7%	70.8%
Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. note liabilities combined	73.1%	74.4%	75.3%	75.1%	75.0%	74.9%	76.3%	77.1%	74.0%
Contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents	182,795,000	186,595,000	194,886,000	198,810,000	201,956,000	189,168,000	186,455,000	182,582,000	46,093,200
Distribution by Maturities—									
1-15 days bills bought in open market	120,217,000	139,458,000	125,700,000	141,989,000	130,006,000	130,133,000	111,362,000	95,861,000	100,826,000
1-15 days bills discounted	374,863,000	301,645,000	330,843,000	344,124,000	361,063,000	389,833,000	354,775,000	339,870,000	445,279,000
1-15 days U. S. cert. of indebtedness	-----	-----	158,000	1,845,000	45,000	1,593,000	-----	-----	-----
1-15 days municipal warrants	-----	-----	20,000	20,000	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
16-30 days bills bought in open market	65,543,000	64,157,000	66,361,000	57,474,000	63,966,000	60,964,000	46,948,000	42,019,000	70,252,000
16-30 days bills discounted	31,230,000	20,295,000	17,524,000	20,926,000	19,158,000	21,277,000	22,886,000	22,750,000	45,403,000
16-30 days U. S. cert. of indebtedness	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	107,000
16-30 days municipal warrants	-----	-----	-----	-----	20,000	20,000	20,000	-----	-----
31-60 days bills bought in open market	69,864,000	62,167,000	59,583,000	51,264,000	56,081,000	53,775,000	60,278,000	55,912,000	90,048,000
31-60 days bills discounted	32,612,000	34,175,000	31,467,000	29,579,000	28,740,000	30,246,000	31,560,000	32,030,000	55,466,000
31-60 days U. S. cert. of indebtedness	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	48,921,000
31-60 days municipal warrants	100,000	100,000	100,000	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
61-90 days bills bought in open market	77,645,000	66,033,000	45,566,000	29,520,000	21,263,000	14,190,000	17,739,000	21,025,000	69,254,000
61-90 days bills discounted	15,404,000	17,054,000	17,276,000	18,728,000	17,835,000	17,960,000	19,107,000	16,705,000	26,544,000
61-90 days U. S. cert. of indebtedness	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
61-90 days municipal warrants	-----	-----	-----	100,000	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Over 90 days bills bought in open market	3,144,000	2,761,000	3,901,000	2,256,000	3,045,000	3,103,000	4,453,000	2,843,000	9,521,000
Over 90 days bills discounted	6,532,000	6,052,000	5,288,000	4,240,000	3,453,000	3,167,000	3,352,000	3,210,000	8,721,000
Over 90 days cert. of indebtedness	153,754,000	146,046,000	123,655,000	118,763,000	118,190,000	120,684,000	104,836,000	102,664,000	91,854,000
Over 90 days municipal warrants	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
F. R. notes received from Comptroller	2,916,360,000	2,921,690,000	2,928,021,000	2,920,217,000	2,901,096,000	2,908,669,000	2,918,127,000	2,914,873,000	2,940,133,000
F. R. notes held by F. R. Agent	811,745,000	800,395,000	803,235,000	798,205,000	795,225,000	806,250,000	806,165,000	798,305,000	856,221,000
Issued to Federal Reserve Banks	2,104,615,000	2,121,295,000	2,124,786,000	2,122,012,000	2,105,871,000	2,102,419,000	2,111,962,000	2,116,568,000	2,083,912,000
How Secured—									
By gold and gold certificates	403,328,000	400,993,000	400,994,000	406,691,000	406,332,000	406,631,000	411,830,000	410,831,000	307,214,000
Gold redemption fund	97,318,000	186,509,000	95,537,000	101,802,000	103,992,000	104,556,000	91,210,000	96,916,000	101,017,000
Gold fund—Federal Reserve Board	1,002,985,000	1,102,307,000	1,126,722,000	1,124,014,000	1,094,624,000	1,050,677,000	1,127,489,000	1,150,060,000	979,435,000
By eligible paper	769,536,000	686,383,000	674,931,000	669,786,000	674,592,000	705,356,000	634,517,000	595,740,000	884,836,000
Total	2,273,167,000	2,296,192,000	2,298,184,000	2,302,293,000	2,279,540,000	2,267,220,000	2,265,046,000	2,253,495,000	2,272,502,000

NOTE.—Beginning with the statement of Oct. 7 1925, two new items were added in order to show separately the amount of balances held abroad and amounts due to foreign correspondents. In addition, the caption, "All other earning assets," previously made up of Foreign Intermediate Credits Bank debentures, was changed to "Other securities," and the caption, "Total earning assets" to "Total bills and securities." The latter item was adopted as a more accurate description of the total of the discounts, acceptances and securities acquired under the provisions of Sections 13 and 14 of the Federal Reserve Act, which, it was stated, are the only items included therein.

WEEKLY STATEMENT OF RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF EACH OF THE 12 FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS NOV. 9 1927.

Federal Reserve Bank of—	Total.	Two cities (00) omitted.											
		Boston.	New York.	Phila.	Cleveland.	Richmond.	Atlanta.	Chicago.	St. Louis.	Minneapolis.	Kan. City.	Dallas.	San Fran.
RESOURCES.													
Gold with Federal Reserve Agents	1,503,631,000	98,752,000	280,312,000	114,318,000	202,488,000	20,960,000	157,410,000	257,979,000	39,188,000	49,020,000	49,786,000	33,235,000	200,183,000
Gold red'n fund with U. S. Treas.	47,006,000	7,130,000	13,370,000	7,272,000	3,236,000	29,380,000	1,676,000	2,495,000	1,277,000	1,940,000	2,003,000	1,640,000	2,029,000
Gold held excl. agst. F. R. notes	1,550,637,000	105,882,000</											

RESOURCES (Concluded)— Two ciphers (00) omitted.	Total.	Boston.	New York.	Phila.	Cleveland.	Richmond.	Atlanta.	Chicago.	St. Louis.	Minneapolis.	Kan. City.	Dallas.	San Fran.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Other securities.....	600.0			100.0						500.0			
Total bills and securities.....	1,327,864.0	104,151.0	353,452.0	109,104.0	134,577.0	83,542.0	41,391.0	175,258.0	60,003.0	50,437.0	66,216.0	61,980.0	87,753.0
Due from foreign banks.....	564.0	36.0	213.0	47.0	51.0	25.0	20.0	67.0	21.0	15.0	18.0	17.0	34.0
Uncollected items.....	669,902.0	62,281.0	166,963.0	53,683.0	52,921.0	62,238.0	27,649.0	77,386.0	36,060.0	16,086.0	43,532.0	31,622.0	39,541.0
Bank premises.....	59,844.0	3,946.0	16,276.0	1,749.0	7,118.0	2,591.0	2,901.0	8,710.0	3,957.0	2,774.0	4,476.0	1,827.0	3,519.0
All other resources.....	14,187.0	105.0	5,472.0	162.0	1,153.0	462.0	1,395.0	1,474.0	760.0	1,353.0	487.0	479.0	885.0
Total resources.....	5,166,941.0	373,068.0	1,620,596.0	360,502.0	489,587.0	231,058.0	262,742.0	692,072.0	191,864.0	145,228.0	208,901.0	166,580.0	424,743.0
LIABILITIES.													
F. R. notes in actual circulation.....	1,734,696.0	138,331.0	373,629.0	137,679.0	213,357.0	75,517.0	154,992.0	236,447.0	53,200.0	62,636.0	65,683.0	51,242.0	171,983.0
Deposits:													
Member bank—reserve acct.....	2,368,905.0	150,666.0	957,694.0	132,140.0	182,594.0	74,918.0	64,334.0	329,815.0	83,082.0	55,707.0	89,179.0	67,760.0	181,016.0
Government.....	22,048.0	1,700.0	3,484.0	1,917.0	1,713.0	2,195.0	1,705.0	2,119.0	1,527.0	939.0	1,292.0	2,162.0	1,204.0
Foreign bank.....	7,000.0	413.0	3,023.0	528.0	583.0	286.0	226.0	759.0	237.0	165.0	203.0	192.0	385.0
Other deposits.....	25,379.0	218.0	17,454.0	307.0	1,078.0	155.0	79.0	1,161.0	340.0	186.0	266.0	35.0	4,100.0
Total deposits.....	2,423,332.0	152,997.0	981,655.0	134,892.0	185,968.0	77,554.0	66,345.0	333,854.0	85,186.0	56,997.0	90,940.0	70,149.0	186,795.0
Deferred availability items.....	631,752.0	54,047.0	159,839.0	52,666.0	50,837.0	58,372.0	25,827.0	69,571.0	36,894.0	13,983.0	38,182.0	32,018.0	39,516.0
Capital paid in.....	131,381.0	9,401.0	39,823.0	13,267.0	13,956.0	6,249.0	5,135.0	17,367.0	5,323.0	3,014.0	4,231.0	4,276.0	9,339.0
Surplus.....	228,775.0	17,606.0	61,614.0	21,267.0	23,746.0	12,198.0	9,632.0	31,881.0	9,939.0	7,527.0	9,029.0	8,215.0	16,121.0
All other liabilities.....	17,005.0	686.0	4,036.0	731.0	1,723.0	1,168.0	811.0	2,952.0	1,322.0	1,071.0	836.0	680.0	989.0
Total liabilities.....	5,166,941.0	373,068.0	1,620,596.0	360,502.0	489,587.0	231,058.0	262,742.0	692,072.0	191,864.0	145,228.0	208,901.0	166,580.0	424,743.0
Memoranda.													
Reserve ratio (per cent).....	73.1	67.3	78.3	71.5	72.9	51.3	83.8	74.1	63.4	61.5	58.4	56.4	80.9
Contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents.....	182,795.0	13,727.0	50,465.0	17.5	19,401.0	9,518.0	7,504.0	25,258.0	7,870.0	4,591.0	6,772.0	6,406.0	12,812.0
F. R. notes on hand (notes rec'd from F. R. Agent less notes in circulation).....	369,919.0	27,908.0	114,343.0	26,639.0	32,094.0	10,697.0	29,720.0	49,968.0	6,733.0	6,566.0	8,950.0	7,797.0	48,504.0

FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE ACCOUNTS OF FEDERAL RESERVE AGENTS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS NOVEMBER 9 1927.

Federal Reserve Agent at—	Total.	Boston.	New York.	Phila.	Cleveland.	Richmond.	Atlanta.	Chicago.	St. Louis.	Minneapolis.	Kan. City.	Dallas.	San Fran.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Two ciphers (00) omitted.													
F. R. notes rec'd from Comptroller.....	2,916,360.0	233,239.0	771,052.0	209,318.0	272,081.0	118,468.0	236,362.0	444,315.0	80,033.0	87,626.0	113,423.0	71,456.0	278,987.0
F. R. notes held by F. R. Agent.....	811,745.0	67,000.0	283,080.0	45,000.0	26,630.0	32,254.0	51,650.0	157,900.0	20,100.0	18,424.0	38,790.0	12,417.0	58,500.0
F. R. notes issued to F. R. Bank.....	2,104,615.0	166,239.0	487,972.0	164,318.0	245,451.0	86,214.0	184,712.0	286,415.0	59,933.0	69,202.0	74,633.0	59,039.0	220,487.0
Collateral held as security for F. R. notes issued to F. R. Bk.:													
Gold and gold certificates.....	403,328.0	35,300.0	215,150.0	-----	40,000.0	17,391.0	18,117.0	-----	7,800.0	12,267.0	-----	17,303.0	40,000.0
Gold redemption fund.....	97,318.0	14,452.0	20,162.0	8,841.0	12,488.0	3,569.0	3,393.0	2,979.0	3,388.0	1,753.0	2,926.0	3,932.0	19,435.0
Gold fund—F. R. Board.....	1,002,985.0	49,000.0	45,000.0	105,477.0	150,000.0	-----	135,900.0	255,000.0	28,000.0	35,000.0	46,860.0	12,000.0	140,748.0
Eligible paper.....	769,536.0	73,359.0	233,294.0	56,064.0	73,066.0	69,002.0	27,403.0	95,232.0	22,394.0	22,280.0	28,414.0	26,904.0	42,124.0
Total collateral.....	2,273,167.0	172,111.0	513,606.0	170,382.0	275,554.0	89,962.0	184,813.0	353,211.0	61,582.0	71,300.0	78,200.0	60,139.0	242,307.0

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 liabilities of the 660 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 Dec. 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 2616, immediately following which we also give the figures of New York reporting member banks for a week later.

PRINCIPAL RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF ALL REPORTING MEMBER BANKS IN EACH FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICT AS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS, NOVEMBER 2 1927. (In thousands of dollars)

Federal Reserve District—	Total.	Boston.	New York.	Phila.	Cleveland.	Richmond.	Atlanta.	Chicago.	St. Louis.	Minneapolis.	Kan. City.	Dallas.	San Fran.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Loans and investments—total.....	21,093,734	1,536,292	7,948,018	1,213,113	2,007,155	691,990	616,049	3,026,041	715,301	391,665	626,898	434,803	1,816,409
Loans and discounts—total.....	15,029,134	1,059,468	5,715,985	802,892	1,374,670	524,378	501,198	2,236,397	516,478	269,064	417,211	339,058	1,272,335
Secured by U. S. Gov't obliga'ns.....	124,944	5,869	42,919	8,200	17,359	5,251	5,345	20,476	4,835	2,382	4,156	2,782	5,370
Secured by stocks and bonds.....	6,122,581	399,738	2,644,414	405,440	586,537	155,081	118,042	985,521	208,401	85,781	120,761	83,111	329,759
All other loans and discounts.....	8,781,609	653,866	3,028,652	389,252	770,774	364,046	377,811	1,230,400	303,242	180,901	92,294	253,165	937,206
Investments—total.....	6,064,600	476,824	2,232,033	410,221	702,485	167,612	114,851	789,644	198,823	122,601	209,687	95,745	544,074
U. S. Government securities.....	2,582,082	162,966	989,017	103,674	308,956	73,888	53,357	311,736	73,400	65,673	94,438	64,889	280,088
Other bonds, stocks and securities.....	3,482,518	313,858	1,243,016	306,547	393,529	93,724	61,494	477,908	125,423	56,928	115,249	30,856	263,986
Reserve balances with F. R. Bank.....	1,732,771	105,401	798,409	80,670	125,120	45,344	40,332	264,769	48,849	28,198	53,771	32,956	108,952
Cash in vault.....	258,877	18,412	70,822	15,679	29,957	12,893	11,507	43,792	7,740	5,735	11,503	10,057	20,780
Net demand deposits.....	13,463,552	986,619	5,870,502	782,383	1,032,411	392,900	333,540	1,838,555	414,627	254,058	481,255	297,384	779,318
Time deposits.....	6,354,969	477,967	1,535,804	273,450	879,100	242,742	245,386	1,127,275	236,411	131,042	160,708	112,171	935,113
Government deposits.....	178,505	16,777	69,112	17,927	12,777	5,966	9,140	17,575	4,230	675	2,216	6,014	16,006
Due from banks.....	1,253,955	72,877	151,629	61,816	112,896	62,936	89,315	231,621	59,968	67,220	121,739	72,620	149,318
Due to banks.....	3,610,093	172,811	1,393,438	179,498	253,250	131,506	135,046	505,092	152,186	115,930	206,814	135,615	228,861
Borrowings from F. R. Bank—total.....	232,011	19,381	44,587	14,041	31,322	12,179	13,927	33,746	11,693	-----	9,222	9,100	32,813
Secured by U. S. Gov't obliga'ns.....	142,150	7,595	29,720	6,651	21,684	3,800	3,956	24,430	9,450	-----	4,624	5,455	24,785
All other.....	89,861	11,786	14,867	7,390	9,638	8,379	9,971	9,316	2,243	-----	4,598	3,645	8,028
Number of reporting banks.....	660	36	86	48	71	67	33	97	31	24	65	45	57

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 Nov. 9, 1927 in comparison with the previous week and the corresponding date last year:

	Nov 9 1927	Nov. 2 1927.	Nov. 10 1926.	Resources (Concluded)—	Nov 9 1927.	Nov. 2 1927.	Nov. 10 1926.
	\$	\$	\$		\$	\$	\$
Resources—				Gold held abroad.....	213,000	213,000	650,000
Gold with Federal Reserve Agent.....	280,312,000	350,312,000	343,410,000	Due from foreign banks (See Note).....	166,963,000	176,553,000	157,592,000
Gold redemp. fund with U. S. Treasury.....	13,370,000	10,051,000	10,017,000	Uncollected items.....	16,276,000	16,276,000	16,746,000
Gold held exclusively agst. F. R. notes.....	293,682,000	360,363,000	353,427,000	Bank premises.....	5,472,000	5,281,000	3,101,000
Gold settlement fund with F. R. Board.....	312,556,000	261,784,000	270,455,000	All other resources.....	-----	-----	-----
Gold and gold certificates held by bank.....	432,734,000	423,580,000	394,366,000	Total resources.....	1,620,596,000	1,570,971,000	1,473,084,000
Total gold reserves.....	1,038,972,000	1,045,727,000	1,018,248,000	LIABILITIES—			
Reserves other than gold.....	22,262,000	23,745,000	25,005,000	Fed'l Reserve notes in actual circulation.....	373,629,000	372,144,000	378,072,000
Total reserves.....	1,061,234,000	1,069,472,000	1,043,253,000	Deposits—Member bank, reserve acct.....	957,694,000	920,480,000	839,261,000
Non-reserve cash.....	16,986,000	19,238,000	17,585,000	Government.....	3,484,000	539,000	4,005,000
Bills discounted.....	-----	-----	-----	Foreign bank (See Note).....	3,023,000	1,455,000	3,110,000
Secured by U. S. Gov't. obligations.....	101,019,000	43					

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Railroad and Miscellaneous Stocks.—The review of the Stock Market is given this week on page 2635. The following are sales made at the Stock Exchange this week of shares not represented in our detailed list on the pages which follow:

Table of stock sales with columns for Stock Name, Sales for Week, Range for Week, and Range Since Jan. 1. Includes sections for Railroads, Indust & Miscell., and various individual stocks.

Table of stock sales for various categories including Indus. & Misc. (Conc), Insurance Co. Stocks, and National Park Bank.

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.

Daily Record of U. S. Bond Prices table showing sales for various dates from Nov. 5 to Nov. 11, 1927, for different bond types like First Liberty Loan, Second Liberty Loan, etc.

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

Small table showing registered bond transactions for 50 2d 4 1/2s and 12 3d 4 1/2s.

Foreign Exchange.—

To-day's (Friday's) actual rates for sterling exchange were 4.86 11-16 @ 4.86 31-32 for checks and 4.87 1/2 @ 4.87 11-32 for cables. Commercial on banks, sight 4.86 7-16 @ 4.86 3/4; sixty days, 4.82 3/4 @ 4.83, ninety days 4.80 3/4 @ 4.81 3-16, and documents for payment, 4.82 1/2 @ 4.82 15-16. Cotton for payment, 4.86 3-16, and grain for payment 4.86 3-16.

To-day's (Friday's) actual rates for Paris bankers' francs were 3.92 1/2 @ 3.92 3/4 for short. Amsterdam bankers' guilders were 40.28 @ 40.34 for short.

Exchange at Paris on London, 124.05 francs; week's range, 124.06 francs high and 124.02 francs low.

The range for foreign exchange for the week follows:

Table showing exchange rates for Sterling Actual, Paris Bankers' Francs, Germany Bankers' Marks, and Amsterdam Bankers' Guilders.

For New York City Banks and Trust Companies see page 2666.

For New York City Realty and Surety Companies see page 2666.

For United States Treasury Certificate of Indebtedness, &c., see page 2666.

The Curb Market.—The review of the Curb Market is given this week on page 2636.

A complete record of Curb Market transactions for the week will be found on page 2663.

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For sales during the week of stocks usually inactive, see preceding page

Table with columns for High and Low Sale Prices—Per Share, Not Per Cent. (Saturday to Friday), Sales for the Week, Stocks New York Stock Exchange (Railroads, Industrial & Miscellaneous), Per Share Range Since Jan. 1 1927, and Per Share Range for Previous Year 1926. Includes stock names like Atch Topeka & Santa Fe, Chesapeake & Ohio, and various industrial stocks.

* Bid and asked prices. † Ex-dividend. ‡ Ex-rights. § Ex-dividend. ¶ 1/8 shares of Chesapeake Corporation stock.

For sales during the week of stocks usually inactive, see second page preceding

Table with columns for HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT., and PER SHARE RANGE FOR PREVIOUS YEAR 1926. Includes sub-sections for STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE and various stock listings with prices and dates.

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. x Ex-dividend. a Ex-rights. b Ex-dividend and ex-rights.

For sales during the week of stocks usually inactive, see third page preceding

HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT.						Sales for the Week.	STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE		PER SHARE Range Since Jan. 1, 1927 On basis of 100-share lots		PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1928	
Saturday, Nov. 5.	Monday, Nov. 7.	Tuesday, Nov. 8.	Wednesday, Nov. 9.	Thursday, Nov. 10.	Friday, Nov. 11.		Lowest	Highest	Lowest	Highest		
\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	Shares	Indus. & Miscel. (Con.) Par	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	
118 1/2	118 3/4	121 1/4	121 1/4	116 1/4	122	600	Case Thresh Mach pref.....100	11 1/2	24 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2	
25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	1,000	Central Alloy Steel.....No par	24	Apr 1	26 1/2	26 1/2	
24	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	400	Central Leather.....100	8 1/2	Jan 3	24 1/2	24 1/2	
95	102 1/2	95	102 1/2	97	102 1/2	-----	Certificates.....100	7 1/4	Jan 3	15 1/2	15 1/2	
12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	-----	Preferred.....100	54	Jan 14	94	94	
80	84 1/2	80	84 1/2	80	84 1/2	600	Century Ribbon Mills.....No par	54	Jan 3	78 1/2	78 1/2	
62 1/2	63 1/2	62 1/2	63 1/2	61 5/8	62 1/2	10	Preferred.....100	10 1/2	Jan 26	16 1/2	16 1/2	
51 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2	50 1/4	51 1/2	12,900	Cerro de Paso Copper.....No par	70	Jan 24	84 1/2	84 1/2	
114	115 1/2	114	115 1/2	114	115 1/2	3,700	Certain-Teed Products.....No par	58	Jan 27	68 1/2	68 1/2	
5	5	5	5	5	5	-----	1st preferred.....100	42	Jan 25	55 1/2	55 1/2	
17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	17	17	700	Chandler Cleveland Mot.....No par	106	Feb 1	114 1/2	114 1/2	
127	128	127	128	127	128	2,500	Preferred.....No par	5	Aug 16	14	14	
54 1/2	55 1/2	54 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2	300	Chicago Pneumatic Tool.....100	120 1/2	Jan 3	137 1/2	137 1/2	
35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	2,800	Chilco Co.....No par	48 1/2	Mar 31	65 1/2	65 1/2	
71	71	71	71	68	69 1/2	14,300	Chile Copper.....25	33 1/2	Jan 27	39 1/2	39 1/2	
54 1/2	56	54 1/2	56	54 1/2	56 1/2	20,900	Christie-Brown tem cdfs.....No par	22 1/2	Jan 7	24	24	
113	113 1/2	112 1/2	113	113 1/2	114	800	Preferred.....No par	38 1/2	Jan 28	62 1/2	62 1/2	
79 1/2	79 1/2	79 1/2	79 1/2	79	80	6,400	Cluett Peabody & Co.....No par	102 1/2	Apr 11	114 1/2	114 1/2	
125	125	125	125	125	125 1/2	60	Preferred.....100	61	Jun 17	84 1/2	84 1/2	
93 1/2	93 1/2	92 1/2	94 1/2	91	92 1/2	6,300	Coca Cola Co.....No par	111 1/4	Jan 6	125	125	
100	100 1/4	97	99 1/2	98	97 1/2	13,000	Coca-Cola Bottling.....No par	66 1/2	Apr 27	99 1/2	99 1/2	
89 1/2	89 1/2	89 1/2	89 1/2	88 1/2	89 1/2	26,100	Colorado Fuel & Iron.....100	42 1/2	Jan 4	96 1/2	96 1/2	
107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	13,700	Columbian Carbon v t c.....No par	66 1/2	Jan 3	101 1/2	101 1/2	
68	68	68	68 1/2	66 1/2	67 1/2	8,400	Colum Gas & Elec new.....No par	82 1/2	Feb 11	98 1/2	98 1/2	
19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	8,000	Preferred new.....100	99 1/2	Jan 24	108	108	
22	22 1/2	22	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	11,800	Commonwealth Power.....No par	48 1/2	May 25	78 1/2	78 1/2	
22 1/2	23 1/2	22 1/2	23 1/2	22 1/2	23 1/2	1,000	Commercial Credit.....No par	14	Jan 29	20 1/2	20 1/2	
82 1/4	82 1/4	82 1/4	82 1/4	82 1/4	82 1/4	20	Preferred.....25	17	Jun 10	24 1/2	24 1/2	
49	49	48 1/2	49	48 1/2	49	130	Preferred B.....25	18 1/2	Jun 15	23 1/2	23 1/2	
96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2	96 1/2	97	98 1/2	1,100	1st preferred (6 1/2%).....100	69	Jul 8	86	86	
87 1/2	88	87 1/2	88	88	89	200	Comm Invest Trust.....No par	41 1/2	May 4	56 1/2	56 1/2	
165	169	169 1/2	173 1/2	170 1/2	176	8,000	Preferred (6 1/2%).....100	94 1/2	Sept 20	98 1/2	98 1/2	
22 1/2	23	22 1/2	23 1/2	24 1/2	25 1/2	12,400	Commercia Solvents.....No par	159 1/2	Oct 2	203	203	
68	68 1/2	67 1/2	68 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2	10,500	Commercia-Nalm Inc.....No par	17 1/2	Jan 26	26 1/2	26 1/2	
78 1/2	78 1/2	78 1/2	78 1/2	77 1/2	78 1/2	9,700	Congress Cigar.....No par	47	Mar 11	69 1/2	69 1/2	
102	103 1/2	102	102	101 1/2	103 1/2	200	Conley Tin Foli stpd.....No par	4	Feb 1	5 1/2	5 1/2	
113 1/2	114 1/2	112 1/2	113 1/2	113 1/2	114 1/2	800	Consolidated Cigar.....No par	74 1/2	Oct 29	86 1/2	86 1/2	
99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	100	39,100	Consolidated Distrib'ers.....No par	69 1/2	Aug 11	106 1/2	106 1/2	
3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	5,600	Consolidated Gas (NY).....No par	9 1/2	Mar 9	12 1/2	12 1/2	
52 1/2	52 1/2	52 1/2	52 1/2	51 1/2	52 1/2	10,700	Consolidated Textile.....No par	93	Mar 18	100 1/2	100 1/2	
93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	92 1/2	93 1/2	15,600	Continental Baking el A.....No par	33 1/2	Apr 30	74 1/2	74 1/2	
76 1/2	76 1/2	76 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2	76 1/2	2,400	Class B.....No par	10 1/4	Jan 2	10 1/4	10 1/4	
225	226 1/2	227	234	240	242	2,400	Preferred.....100	7	Apr 1	9 1/2	9 1/2	
94	94 1/2	94	94 1/2	91 1/2	94 1/2	9,100	Continental Can, Inc.....No par	58 1/2	Apr 9	77 1/2	77 1/2	
59 1/4	60 1/2	60 1/2	62 1/4	61 1/2	62 1/4	6,200	Continental Ins.....25	135	Jan 27	242	242	
135	135 1/2	135	135 1/2	135	135 1/2	400	Continental Motors.....No par	8 1/2	Nov 2	13 1/2	13 1/2	
105 1/2	106 1/2	103	106 1/2	103 1/2	105 1/2	4,400	Corn Products Refining.....25	46 1/2	Jan 12	64 1/2	64 1/2	
80	81 1/2	81	81 1/2	79 1/2	81 1/2	4,000	Preferred.....100	128	Jan 11	137 1/2	137 1/2	
111	111	110	111	110	110	4,400	Coty, Inc.....No par	56	Jan 3	109 1/2	109 1/2	
20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	23 1/2	6,400	Cruible Steel of America.....100	76 1/2	Oct 28	96 1/2	96 1/2	
5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	103	Preferred.....100	103	Jan 18	115	115	
28 1/2	29	29	29	28 1/2	29	10,700	Cuba Co.....No par	18 1/2	Aug 19	34 1/2	34 1/2	
19	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	1,300	Cuba Cane Sugar.....No par	4 1/2	Oct 21	10 1/2	10 1/2	
98	98 1/2	98 1/2	100	98 1/2	100	4,600	Preferred.....100	28 1/2	Nov 4	50 1/2	50 1/2	
11 1/2	13	11 1/2	13 1/2	11 1/2	13 1/2	1,300	Cuban-American Sugar.....10	18 1/2	Nov 4	23 1/2	23 1/2	
54	54	54 1/2	55 1/2	54 1/2	55 1/2	500	Preferred.....100	97 1/2	Nov 1	107	107	
140	149	143	149	143	144	4,700	Cuban Dom'can Sug new.....No par	10 1/2	Nov 10	18	18	
50 1/2	51	51	51	51	51 1/2	10,300	Cudahy Packing new.....50	43 1/2	Apr 8	58 1/2	58 1/2	
32 1/2	33	33 1/2	34 1/2	34	34 1/2	200	Cushman's Sons.....No par	103	Apr 4	152	152	
157 1/2	157 1/2	157	157 1/2	157 1/2	157 1/2	800	Cuyamel Fruit.....No par	30	Apr 28	55 1/2	55 1/2	
38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	2,300	Davison Chemical v t c.....No par	26 1/4	Apr 28	40 1/2	40 1/2	
133	134	133 1/2	135 1/2	135	135 1/2	1,500	Detroit Edison.....100	133 1/2	Jan 21	160 1/2	160 1/2	
13 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	14	14 1/2	1,100	Devoe & Reynolds A.....No par	36 1/2	Aug 13	42 1/2	42 1/2	
60 1/4	61	60 1/4	60 1/2	60 1/4	60 1/2	200	Diamond Match.....100	11 1/2	Feb 28	14 1/2	14 1/2	
11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	23,300	Dodge Bros Class A.....No par	13 1/4	Oct 19	27 1/2	27 1/2	
117	118	116 1/2	117 1/2	116 1/2	117 1/2	12,300	Dodge Refrig certifi.....No par	56 1/2	Oct 19	85	85	
164	166 1/2	166 1/2	167	164 1/2	166 1/2	9,800	Dome Mines, Ltd.....No par	7	Jun 4	11 1/2	11 1/2	
23	23	22 1/2	23 1/2	22 1/2	23 1/2	46	Douglas Pectin.....No par	46	Jan 3	80	80	
305 1/2	309	309 1/2	311 1/2	304 1/4	314	700	Duquesne Light 1st pref.....100	114 1/4	Mar 2	117	117	
113 1/2	115	113 1/2	115	114	114	8,400	Eastman Kodak Co.....No par	126 1/4	Jan 28	175 1/2	175 1/2	
16 1/2	17	16 1/2	17	16 1/2	17	3,500	Eaton Axle & Spring.....No par	21 1/4	Oct 28	29 1/2	29 1/2	
26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	30,500	E I du Pont de Nem new.....No par	168	Jan 25	343 1/2	343 1/2	
117 1/2	118	117 1/2	118	117 1/2	118	600	6% non-vot deb.....100	105 1/2	Feb 5	116	116	
105 1/2	106	105 1/2	106	105 1/2	106	1,300	Eisenlohr & Bros.....25	11 1/4	Nov 5	16 1/2	16 1/2	
7 1/2	8 1/2	7 1/2	8 1/2	7 1/2	8 1/2	9,900	Electric Autolite.....No par	63 1/2	Jan 13	100	100	
70	71 1/2	70 1/4	70 1/2	70 1/4	70 1/2	17,600	Electric Boat.....No par	13 1/2	Mar 2	22 1/2	22 1/2	
74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2	39,500	Electric Power & Lt.....No par	16 1/2	Jan 27	29 1/2	29 1/2	
124 1/2	124 1/2	124 1/2	124 1/2	124 1/2	124 1/2	900	Electric Refrig.....No par	103 1/2	Jan 28	119	119	
106 1/2	107 1/2	106 1/2	107 1/2	106 1/2	107 1/2	47,400	Electric Refrigeration.....No par	9 1/2	Jan 14	106 1/2	106 1/2	
89	89 1/2	88	89 1/2	89	89 1/2	1,400	Elec Storage Battery.....No par	6 1/2	May 3	37 1/2	37 1/2	
74	74	73 1/2	74 1/2	73 1/2	74 1/2	100	Emerson-Brant Class A.....No par	3	Oct 8	13	13	
181 1/2	181 1/2	181 1/2	181 1/2	181 1/2	181 1/2	1,400	Endicott-Johnson Corp.....50	64 1/2	Jan 28	80	80	
33 1/2	34	33 1/2	34	33 1/2	34	-----	Preferred.....100	116 1/2	Jan 5	125	125	
107 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	110 1/2	110	111 1/2	3,600	Engineers Public Serv.....No par	21 1/4	Jan 11	39 1/2	39 1/2	
120	120	119 1/2	121 1/2	120	121 1/2	900</						

For sales during the week of stocks usually inactive, see fourth page preceding

Table with columns for dates (Saturday to Friday), stock categories (Industrial & Misc., etc.), and prices. Includes sub-sections for 'HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT.' and 'PER SHARE Range Since Jan. 1 1927'. The table lists numerous stocks with their respective prices and historical data.

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. z Ex-dividend. b Ex-dividend and ex-rights.

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HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT.						Sales for the Week.	STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE		PER SHARE Range Since Jan. 1 1927 On basis of 100-share lots		PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1926	
Saturday, Nov. 5.	Monday, Nov. 7.	Tuesday, Nov. 8.	Wednesday, Nov. 9.	Thursday, Nov. 10.	Friday, Nov. 11.		Lowest	Highest	Lowest	Highest		
\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	Shares	Indus. & Miscel. (Con.)	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	
8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	58,200	Moon Motors.....No par	6 June 23	12 1/2 Jan 5	9 1/2 Feb 7	9 1/2 Feb 7	
1 1/4	1 1/4	1 1/4	1 1/4	1 1/4	1 1/4	2,900	Mother Lode Coal.....No par	11 Oct 29	4 1/2 Jan 3	4 Nov 7 1/2	4 Nov 7 1/2	
7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	1,000	Motion Picture.....No par	6 1/2 Sept 19	16 1/2 Mar 18	10 1/2 Dec 23 1/2	10 1/2 Dec 23 1/2	
21	21	20 1/2	20 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	2,500	Motor Meter A.....No par	19 Oct 28	38 1/2 Apr 18	33 1/2 May 5 3/8	33 1/2 May 5 3/8	
25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	26	26	4,800	Motor Wheel.....No par	20 1/2 Jan 3	27 1/2 Mar 29	19 1/2 Nov 3 3/8	19 1/2 Nov 3 3/8	
57 1/2	57 1/2	57 1/2	57 1/2	56 1/2	56 1/2	3,100	Mullins Body Corp.....No par	10 Jan 5	69 1/2 Sept 20	8 Nov 19 1/2	8 Nov 19 1/2	
46 1/4	46 1/4	47 1/2	47 1/2	48	48	18,400	Muningswear Inc.....No par	35 1/2 May 17	50 1/2 Nov 11	34 1/4 Apr 38 1/2	34 1/4 Apr 38 1/2	
19 1/2	19 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2	3,100	Murray Body new.....No par	16 1/4 Oct 11	43 Feb 23	52 Mar 70 1/2	52 Mar 70 1/2	
83 1/4	83 1/4	83 1/2	83 1/2	86 1/2	86 1/2	42,500	Nash Motors Co.....No par	60 1/4 Apr 25	93 1/2 Sept 23	62 Mar 5 Nov	62 Mar 5 Nov	
5 1/4	5 1/4	5 1/4	5 1/4	5 1/4	5 1/4	1,700	National Acme stamped.....10	5 Feb 15	7 1/2 Oct 31	5 Nov 12 1/2	5 Nov 12 1/2	
37 1/4	37 1/4	37 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/4	37 1/4	2,700	Nat Bellas Hess.....No par	31 1/2 Sept 22	44 1/4 Apr 11	---	---	
*88	*88	*88	*88	*88 1/2	*88 1/2	300	Preferred.....100	85 1/2 Sept 16	97 Apr 19	---	---	
151	152 1/4	149 1/4	151 1/2	148 1/4	150 1/2	14,100	National Biscuit.....25	94 1/2 Jan 27	152 1/4 Nov 5	7 1/4 Jan 102	7 1/4 Jan 102	
*139 1/2	*139 1/2	*139 1/2	*139 1/2	140	140	400	Preferred.....100	130 Jan 10	141 Aug 25	12 1/2 Jan 131 1/2	12 1/2 Jan 131 1/2	
43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/4	44	44	44	3,400	Nat Cash Register A w.....No par	39 1/2 Jan 3	48 1/2 Sept 19	37 1/2 Oct 54	37 1/2 Oct 54	
62 1/2	63 1/4	63	63 1/2	62 1/2	63	35,800	Nat Dairy Prod.....No par	59 1/4 May 3	68 1/2 Aug 4	---	---	
*21 1/2	*21 1/2	*21 1/2	*21 1/2	*21 1/2	*21 1/2	400	Nat Department Stores No par	20 1/2 June 27	27 1/2 Mar 1	2 1/2 Oct 42 1/2	2 1/2 Oct 42 1/2	
*90	*90	*90	*90	*90	*90	600	1st preferred.....100	89 1/2 July 26	94 1/4 Jan 10	89 1/2 Oct 97	89 1/2 Oct 97	
46	47 1/2	46 1/2	48 1/2	46 1/2	47 1/2	20,600	Nat Distill Prod etfs.....No par	17 Feb 8	60 Oct 14	32 1/2 May 34	32 1/2 May 34	
*58 1/2	*59	*60 1/4	*59	*60 1/2	*59	---	Preferred term etfs.....No par	43 Mar 22	69 1/4 June 6	37 1/2 Aug 73 1/2	37 1/2 Aug 73 1/2	
*25	*26	*26	*26	*26	*26	3,900	Nat Enam & Stamping.....100	19 1/2 Apr 29	35 1/2 June 6	21 1/2 July 40 1/2	21 1/2 July 40 1/2	
*90	*92	*92	*90	*92	*91	200	Preferred.....100	69 1/2 Apr 29	9 1/2 July 5	76 July 89 1/2	76 July 89 1/2	
*118 1/4	*118 1/4	*118 1/4	*118 1/4	*118 1/4	*118 1/4	1,300	National Lead.....100	69 1/2 May 31	203 1/2 May 16	138 Apr 181	138 Apr 181	
*137	*136 1/2	*136 1/2	*136 1/2	*136 1/2	*136 1/2	300	Preferred A.....100	113 1/2 June 2	129 1/2 Nov 11	---	---	
22 1/2	23	22 1/2	23	23 1/2	23 1/2	14,900	National Pr & Lt etfs.....No par	19 1/2 June 23	26 1/2 Sept 27	16 1/4 Mar 38 1/2	16 1/4 Mar 38 1/2	
89 1/4	89 1/4	89 1/2	90	90	90	6,000	National Supply.....50	76 May 11	95 1/2 Feb 18	55 1/2 Jan 88	55 1/2 Jan 88	
276 1/4	277 1/2	276 3/4	285	280	283	2,050	National Surety.....100	a218 July 21	285 Nov 7	208 Mar 237	208 Mar 237	
164 1/2	164 1/2	164	167	167 1/2	169	1,000	National Tea Co.....No par	108 Apr 18	174 1/2 July 21	116 1/2 Nov 238	116 1/2 Nov 238	
16 1/2	17	16 1/2	17	16 1/2	16 1/2	22,500	Nevada Consol Copper No par	12 1/2 June 29	17 1/2 Sept 15	11 1/2 June 16 1/4	11 1/2 June 16 1/4	
40	41 3/8	40 1/2	41	40 1/2	41	1,100	N Y Air Brake.....No par	39 1/4 Oct 25	50 June 9	36 1/2 Jan 46 1/2	36 1/2 Jan 46 1/2	
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59	61	60 1/2	63 1/2	60	63	12,300	Preferred.....No par	43 Mar 30	72 Jan 13	71 Dec 85	71 Dec 85	
89	91	92	92 1/4	90	91	2,300	New York Dock.....100	34 Jan 14	64 1/2 Sept 12	32 Oct 45 1/2	32 Oct 45 1/2	
*28 1/4	*28 1/4	*28 1/4	*28 1/4	*28 1/4	*28 1/4	100	Preferred.....100	72 Feb 9	92 1/4 Nov 7	69 May 77	69 May 77	
58 1/2	59	58 1/2	59 1/2	58 1/2	59	15,500	Niagara Falls Power pf new 25	27 1/2 Jan 31	29 1/2 May 2	27 1/2 Mar 29 1/2	27 1/2 Mar 29 1/2	
53 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2	400	Preferred.....50	45 1/2 Jan 10	64 1/2 Oct 4	42 Mar 67	42 Mar 67	
103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	104 1/2	200	No Amer Edison pref.....No par	96 1/2 Jan 6	105 Oct 4	91 1/2 Mar 97	91 1/2 Mar 97	
8	10	8	10	8	10	1,300	Norwalk Tire & Rubber.....10	17 1/2 June 16	5 1/2 Feb 10	4 1/2 Oct 15 1/2	4 1/2 Oct 15 1/2	
32 1/2	33	33	33	33	33	1,000	Nunnally Co (The).....No par	9 1/2 Nov 3	13 Jan 19	12 1/2 Dec 17 1/2	12 1/2 Dec 17 1/2	
12 1/4	12 1/4	12 1/4	12 1/4	12 1/4	12 1/4	3,200	Oil Well Supply.....25	31 1/4 Jan 28	35 1/2 Sept 30	30 July 36 1/2	30 July 36 1/2	
72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2	73	73 1/4	74	5,000	Omnibus Corp.....No par	11 Mar 25	17 1/2 June 11	12 Oct 22 1/2	12 Oct 22 1/2	
*26 1/2	*26 1/2	*26 1/2	*27	*26 1/2	*26 1/2	4,800	Oppenheim Collins & Co No par	58 1/2 Feb 8	77 1/2 Sept 13	47 Jan 63 1/2	47 Jan 63 1/2	
*96	*95	*95	*103	*96	*102 1/2	100	Orpheum Circuit, Inc.....1	24 1/2 Sept 2	35 Apr 7	27 1/2 Mar 33 1/2	27 1/2 Mar 33 1/2	
142	142	141 1/2	141 1/2	141	142	2,100	Preferred.....100	102 1/2 Nov 9	108 1/2 June 2	101 Jan 105	101 Jan 105	
121 1/2	121 1/2	121 1/2	123 1/4	121 1/2	121 1/2	30	Otis Elevator.....50	r103 Feb 2	154 1/2 Oct 3	106 May 136	106 May 136	
*8 1/8	*8 1/8	*8 1/8	*8 1/8	*8 1/8	*8 1/8	1,100	Preferred.....100	108 Feb 16	122 1/4 Aug 2	102 1/4 Jan 109 1/2	102 1/4 Jan 109 1/2	
*68	*68 1/2	*68	*68 1/2	*67 1/2	*68 1/2	1,000	Otis Steel.....No par	71 1/2 Feb 10	12 1/2 June 9	8 Oct 14 1/2	8 Oct 14 1/2	
78 1/4	78 1/4	78 1/2	79 1/4	79	79	3,200	Preferred.....100	61 1/2 Feb 8	79 1/2 June 9	63 Nov 74	63 Nov 74	
42 1/2	43	43	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	900	Pacifi Gas & Elec new 25	75 1/2 Jan 18	84 1/2 Mar 14	53 1/4 Mar 90 1/4	53 1/4 Mar 90 1/4	
*1 1/8	*1 1/8	*1 1/8	*1 1/8	*1 1/8	*1 1/8	300	Preferred.....No par	1 May 25	17 Jan 7	11 May 83 1/2	11 May 83 1/2	
47 1/2	48	48 1/4	48 1/2	48 1/4	48 1/2	141,100	Packard Motor Car.....10	33 1/4 Apr 28	51 Nov 9	31 1/4 Mar 45 1/4	31 1/4 Mar 45 1/4	
*48 1/2	*48 1/2	*48 1/2	*48 1/2	*48 1/2	*48 1/2	46,600	Palge Det Motor Car No par	7 1/2 Mar 22	14 1/2 May 4	9 Nov 28 1/2	9 Nov 28 1/2	
49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2	4,500	Pan-Amer Petr & Trans.....50	45 1/2 Aug 29	65 1/2 Jan 19	56 1/2 Mar 76 1/2	56 1/2 Mar 76 1/2	
21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	20,800	Class B.....50	45 1/2 Aug 29	66 1/2 Jan 20	56 1/2 Mar 78 1/2	56 1/2 Mar 78 1/2	
11 1/8	11 1/8	11 1/8	11 1/8	11 1/8	11 1/8	2,100	Pan-Am West Petrol B No par	16 1/2 Oct 8	37 1/2 Jan 24	30 Oct 46	30 Oct 46	
*65	*68 1/2	*68 1/2	*70	*65	*68 1/2	35,600	Panhandle Prod & ref No par	8 Apr 22	18 1/2 Jan 7	4 1/2 Jan 32	4 1/2 Jan 32	
41 1/4	41 1/4	41 1/4	42	41 1/4	42	1,500	Preferred.....100	54 Sept 8	81 1/4 Jan 17	51 Jan 99 1/2	51 Jan 99 1/2	
7 1/8	7 1/8	7 1/8	7 1/4	7 1/8	7 1/8	5,500	Park & Tilford tem etfs No par	20 Jan 27	46 1/2 Oct 10	18 1/2 Oct 28 1/2	18 1/2 Oct 28 1/2	
23 1/2	24	23 1/2	23 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	3,800	Park Utah C M.....1	6 Jan 3	8 Mar 4	5 1/2 Sept 8 1/2	5 1/2 Sept 8 1/2	
20	20	20	20 1/2	20	20	3,900	Pathe Exchange A new No par	20 Sept 22	43 1/2 June 17	---	---	
*21 1/2	*21 1/2	*21 1/2	*21 1/2	*21 1/2	*21 1/2	700	Patino Mines & Enterpr.....20	18 1/2 Aug 1	27 1/2 Feb 2	---	---	
22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	23	22 1/2	23	1,100	Pelessor Motor Car.....50	20 Apr 29	32 Jan 8	23 1/2 Nov 31 1/2	23 1/2 Nov 31 1/2	
*10 1/4	*12	*12	*13	*11 1/2	*13	5,100	Penick & Ford.....No par	19 1/2 Sept 29	27 1/2 May 9	16 1/2 Jan 24	16 1/2 Jan 24	
*23 1/2	*23 1/2	*23 1/2	*23 1/2	*23 1/2	*23 1/2	100	Penn Coal & Coke.....50	10 1/4 Jan 19	25 1/2 May 27	7 Aug 19	7 Aug 19	
*95	*95	*95	*97 1/2	*95	*97 1/2	2,000	Penn-Dixie Cement.....No par	23 1/4 Nov 11	39 1/2 Jan 13	38 Dec 41	38 Dec 41	
155	156	155	156 1/4	155	156	200	Preferred.....100	91 Sept 7	100 May 14	99 Nov 100 1/2	99 Nov 100 1/2	
*129	*131 1/2	*127	*130	129 1/4	129 1/4	5,100	Penn-Seaboard S'l vto No par	4 June 25	1 1/2 Feb 14	5 Oct 2 1/4	5 Oct 2 1/4	
*52 1/2	*52 1/2	*52 1/2	*52 1/2	*52 1/2	*52 1/2	300	People's G L & C (Chle).....100	12 1/2 Jan 14	16 1/2 Oct 1	117 Jan 131	117 Jan 131	
40 1/4	40 1/4	40	41 1/2	39 1/4	40 1/2	1,200	Philadelphia Co (Pittsb).....50	85 1/4 Jan 18	132 Oct 26	59 1/2 Mar 91	59 1/2 Mar 91	
*39	*41	*40	*42	*38 1/4	*41	16,300	Phila & Read C & I.....No par	50 Jan 6	53 1/2 Sept 21	45 Oct 51 1/4	45 Oct 51 1/4	
20 1/2	22	20	21 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	4,400	Certificates of Int.....No par	37 1/2 June 30	47 1/2 Mar 4	36 1/4 Apr 45 1/2	36 1/4 Apr 45 1/2	
42 1/2	43 1/4	41 1/4	42 1/2	41 1/4	42 1/2	42,000	Phillip Morris & Co. Ltd.....10	18 Sept 27	41 1/2 Jan 10	16 Apr 41	16 Apr 41	
*38	*41	*41	*41 1/2	*38 1/4	*41	400	Phillips Petroleum.....No par	36 1/4 Oct 8	60 1/4 Feb 16	40 Mar 67 1/2	40 Mar 67 1/2	
*105	*105	*105	*106	105	106	400	Phoenix Hosiery.....5	33 1/2 Oct 25	52 1/2 Aug 9	31 Mar 46 1/4	31 Mar 46 1/4	
11 1/8	11 1/8	11 1/8	11 1/2	11 1/8	11 1/2	103	Preferred.....100	103 Jan 5	107 1/4 July 2	94 Mar 103	94 Mar 103	
41 1/2	42 1/4	43 1/2	45 1/4	43 1/2	44 1/2	13,400	Pierce-Arrow Mot Car No par	9 1/2 Oct 17	23 1/2 Mar 8	19 May 43 1/2	19 May 43 1/2	
*17	*18	*17	*18	*17								

For sales during the week of stocks usually inactive, see sixth page preceding

HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT.

Table with columns for days of the week (Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday) and price ranges for various stock categories like Stock, Exchange, Closed, Election, and Day.

Main table listing individual stocks with columns for Shares, Stock Exchange, and Price ranges (Lowest, Highest) for the current week and previous year (1927 and 1926).

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. d Ex-dividend and ex-rights. a Ex-rights. z Ex-dividend.

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BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week Ended Nov. 11.					BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week Ended Nov. 11.									
Interest Period	Price Friday, Nov. 11.		Week's Range or Last Sale.		Bonds Sold	Range Since Jan. 1.	Interest Period	Price Friday, Nov. 11.		Week's Range or Last Sale.		Bonds Sold	Range Since Jan. 1.	
	Bid	Ask	Low	Htgh				Low	Htgh	Bid	Ask			Low
U. S. Government.														
First Liberty Loan—														
3 1/2 % of 1932-1947	J	D	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	138	100 1/2	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	103 1/2	107
Conv 4 % of 1932-47	J	D	101	101	101 1/2	101 1/2	99	102 1/2	103 1/4	103 1/4	103 1/4	103 1/4	106 1/2	106
Conv 4 1/4 % of 1932-47	J	D	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	99	102 1/2	103 1/4	103 1/4	103 1/4	103 1/4	106 1/2	106
2nd conv 4 1/4 % of 1932-47	J	D	102 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2	99	102 1/2	103 1/4	103 1/4	103 1/4	103 1/4	106 1/2	106
Second Liberty Loan—														
4 % of 1927-1942	M	N	99 1/2	100	100	100	41	99 1/2	101	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	103 1/2	105
Conv 4 1/4 % of 1927-1942	M	N	99 1/2	100	99 1/2	100	41	99 1/2	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	103 1/2	105
Third Liberty Loan—														
4 1/4 % of 1928	M	S	100	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	470	100 1/2	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	103 1/2	105
Fourth Liberty Loan—														
4 1/4 % of 1933-1938	A	O	104	104	103 1/2	104 1/2	637	103 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	106 1/2	106
Treasury 4 1/4 %	A	O	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2	115	460	110 1/2	115	115	115	115	118 1/2	118
Treasury 4 %	A	O	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	237	106 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	112 1/2	112
Treasury 3 1/2 %	M	N	106 1/2	106 1/2	106 1/2	107 1/2	537	103 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	110 1/2	110
Treasury 3 1/8 %	J	D	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	102	525	100 1/2	102	102	102	102	105 1/2	105
State and City Securities.														
N Y City—4 1/4 % Corp stock 1960														
4 1/4 % Corporate stock	M	S	100 3/4	101 1/4	100 3/4	100 3/4	2	100 3/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	103 1/2	107
4 1/4 % Corporate stock	M	S	104 1/4	104 1/4	104 1/4	104 1/4	2	102 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	108 1/2	108
4 1/4 % Corporate stock	A	O	104 1/4	105	104 1/4	105	2	102 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	108 1/2	108
4 1/4 % Corporate stock	J	D	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	2	106 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	112 1/2	112
4 1/4 % Corporate stock	J	D	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	2	106 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	112 1/2	112
4 1/4 % Corporate stock	J	D	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2	2	106 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	112 1/2	112
4 1/4 % Corporate stock	M	N	108 1/2	109	108 1/2	108 1/2	1	106 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	112 1/2	112
4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	101	100 1/2	100 1/2	10	99	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103
4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	10	99	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103
4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	10	99	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103
4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	10	99	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103
4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	10	99	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103
4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	10	99	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103
4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	10	99	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103
4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	10	99	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103
4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	10	99	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103
4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	10	99	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103
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4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	10	99	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103
4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	10	99	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103
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4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	10	99	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103
4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	10	99	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103
4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	10	99	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103
4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	10	99	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103
4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	10	99	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103
4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	10	99	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103
4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	10	99	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103
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4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	10	99	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103
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4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	10	99	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103
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4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	10	99	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103
4 % Corporate stock	M	N	100 1/2	100										

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Bonds		Interest	Price	Week's	Range		Bonds		Range		Bonds		Interest	Price	Week's	Range		Bonds		Range		
N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week Ended Nov. 11.		Period	Friday, Nov. 11.	Range or Last Sale.	Low	High	Sold	Since Jan. 1.	Low	High	Sold	Since Jan. 1.	Period	Friday, Nov. 11.	Range or Last Sale.	Low	High	Sold	Since Jan. 1.	Low	High	
Pitts & L Erie 2d g 5s...	Jan 1928	A	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	2	99	100	100	100	100	Virginian Ry 1st 5s series A...	1962	M	109 1/4	109 1/4	109	110	70	102 1/2	110
Pitts McK & Y 1st g 6s...	1932	J	104 1/2	106	May 27	105 7/8	106	105 7/8	106	106	106	106	Wabash 1st gold 5s...	1939	M	103 1/2	104 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	16	103	105
2d guar 6s...	1934	J	106 3/4	107 1/2	Nov 26	106 1/2	107 1/2	106 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	2d gold 5s...	1939	F	103 3/4	104 3/4	103 3/4	103 3/4	1	100 3/4	103 3/4
Pitts Sh & L E 1st g 5s...	1940	A	102 3/4	103 1/4	Sept 27	102 1/2	103 1/4	102 1/2	103 1/4	103 1/4	103 1/4	103 1/4	Ref s f 5 1/2 series A...	1975	F	106 3/4	107 1/4	106 3/4	107 1/4	4	103 1/8	107 1/4
1st consol gold 6s...	1943	J	100 1/2	100 1/2	Apr 27	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	Ref & gen 5s series B...	1976	F	103 3/4	104 3/4	103 3/4	104 3/4	29	99 1/8	104 3/4
Pitts Va & Char 1st 4s...	1943	M	95 3/4	95	Oct 27	95	95	95	95	95	95	95	Debuture B 6s registered...	1939	J	96 1/2	98 1/4	96 1/2	98 1/4	2	85 1/2	98 1/4
Pitts Y & Ash 1st cons 6s...	1927	M	99 7/8	100	July 27	99 7/8	100	99 7/8	100	100	100	100	1st lien 50-yr g term 4s...	1954	J	85	83 1/2	85	83 1/2	1	85 1/2	83 1/2
1st gen 4s series A...	1948	J	96 1/2	94 7/8	Oct 27	92 3/4	94 7/8	92 3/4	94 7/8	94 7/8	94 7/8	94 7/8	Dem & Chi ext 1st g 4s...	1944	J	104	102 1/2	103	102 1/2	1	88 1/2	102 1/2
1st gen 5s series B...	1962	F	104 1/2	107 1/2	Oct 27	104 1/2	107 1/2	104 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	Des Moines Div 1st g 4s...	1938	J	92	92 7/8	92	92 7/8	1	88 1/2	92 7/8
Providence Secur deb 4s...	1937	M	94 1/2	97	Oct 27	94 1/2	97	94 1/2	97	97	97	97	Om Div 1st g 3 1/2s...	1941	O	85 1/2	86	85 1/2	86	2	83 1/2	86
Providence Term 1st 4s...	1956	M	86 3/4	84 1/2	July 27	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	Tol & Chic Div 4s...	1941	M	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2	1	90	92 1/2
Reading Co Jersey Cen col 4s...	51 A	O	96 3/4	96 3/4	97	78	92	100	100	100	100	100	Warren 1st ref gu g 3 1/2s...	2000	F	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2	1	80	83 1/4
Registered...		A		95 1/2	Oct 27	95 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2	Wash Cen 1st gold 4s...	1948	Q	90	93	88 1/2	90 1/2	1	87 1/4	88 1/2
Gen & ref 4 1/2s series A...	1997	J	102 1/4	102 3/8	102 1/2	14	98	102 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2	Wash Term 1st gu g 3 1/2s...	1945	F	88 1/4	90	88 1/2	90 1/2	1	85	88 1/2
Rich & Meck 1st g 4s...	1948	M	82	82 1/2	82 3/8	Sept 27	79 1/2	82 3/8	82 3/8	82 3/8	82 3/8	82 3/8	40-year guar 4s...	1945	F	95	94	94	94	1	87 1/4	94
Richm Term Ry 1st gu 5s...	1952	J	103	103	Oct 27	100 1/8	103	100 1/8	103	103	103	103	W Min W & N W 1st gu 5s...	1930	F	99 3/4	100	100	100	1	98 1/4	100
Rio Grande Junc 1st gu 5s...	1930	J	100 3/4	102	Oct 27	100	102 1/8	100	102 1/8	102 1/8	102 1/8	102 1/8	West Maryland 1st g 4s...	1952	A	86 1/4	86	86 1/2	86 1/2	136	76 1/4	87
Rio Grande Sou 1st gold 4s...	1940	J	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	6	79 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	West & ref 5 1/2 series A...	1977	J	102 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2	168	99 1/4	102 1/2
Rio Grande West 1st gold 4s...	1949	J	94	94 1/2	94	6	90 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	West N Y & Pa 1st g 5s...	1937	J	102 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2	3	101 1/2	102 1/2
1st con & col trust 4s A...	1939	A	88 3/4	87 1/4	88 1/4	49	84	89	84	89	89	89	Western Ry 1st g 4s...	1943	A	92 1/2	92	92 1/2	92 1/2	1	88 1/2	92 1/2
R I Ark & Louis 1st 4 1/2s...	1934	M	97 1/2	97 1/4	97 1/4	22	92 1/2	97 1/4	92 1/2	97 1/4	97 1/4	97 1/4	W Va Cen 50-yr 1st g A 5s...	1946	M	100 1/8	100 1/8	100 1/8	100 1/8	20	90 1/2	100 1/8
Rut-Canada 1st gu g 4s...	1949	J	84 1/2	86	87	Oct 27	82 1/2	87	82 1/2	87	87	87	1st gold 6s series B...	1948	M	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2	1	88 1/2	92 1/2
Rutland 1st con 4s...	1941	J	96	95 1/2	95 1/2	27	91 1/8	95 1/2	91 1/8	95 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2	West Shore 1st 4s guar...	2361	J	92 1/2	93	91 1/2	92 1/2	19	86 1/8	92 1/2
St Jos & Grand Isl 1st g...	1947	J	89 3/4	89 1/2	Nov 27	86 3/4	89 1/2	86 3/4	89 1/2	89 1/2	89 1/2	89 1/2	Registered...	2361	J	90 7/8	91 7/8	90 7/8	91 7/8	7	86	91 1/4
St Lawr & Adir 1st g 6s...	1946	J	100 1/2	100 1/2	Sept 27	100	100 1/2	100	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	Wheeling & Lake Erie...									
2d gold 6s...	1966	A	107 1/4	107 1/4	Aug 27	105 1/2	107 1/4	105 1/2	107 1/4	107 1/4	107 1/4	107 1/4	Wheeling Div 1st gold 5s...	1928	J	100 1/8	100 3/8	100 1/2	100 3/8	1	99 1/4	101
St L & Cairo guar g 4s...	1931	J	98	98	98 1/8	9	96 1/4	98 1/8	96 1/4	98 1/8	98 1/8	98 1/8	Ext'n & imp't gold 5s...	1930	F	100 1/4	100 1/4	100 1/2	100 1/4	1	99 1/2	100 1/4
St L Ir Mt & S gen con g 6s...	1931	A	101 1/4	101 1/2	101 3/8	5	99	101 3/8	99	101 3/8	101 3/8	101 3/8	Refunding 4 1/2 series A...	1966	M	95 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2	5	90 1/2	95 1/2
Stamped guar 5s...	1931	A	100 3/8	100 3/8	Sept 26	97 3/8	100 3/8	97 3/8	100 3/8	100 3/8	100 3/8	100 3/8	Refunding 5s series B...	1966	M	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/4	3	100 1/2	101 1/4
Unified & ref gold 4s...	1929	J	99 1/4	99 1/4	99 1/2	56	97 3/8	99 1/2	97 3/8	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	RR 1st consol 4s...	1949	M	92 3/8	92 3/8	92 3/4	92 3/4	4	87 1/4	92 3/4
Registered...		J		98 1/2	Aug 27	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	Will & East 1st gu g 5s...	1942	J	103 1/4	103 1/4	103 1/4	103 1/4	1	102 1/2	103 1/4
Riv & G Div 1st g 4s...	1933	M	95 3/8	96	95 3/8	6	93 1/8	96	93 1/8	96	96	96	Winston-Salem S B 1st 4s...	1960	J	100 1/8	100 1/8	100 1/8	100 1/8	5	86 1/2	100 1/8
St L M Bridge Ter gu g 6s...	1930	A	100 7/8	101	100 7/8	106	100	101 1/8	100	101 1/8	101 1/8	101 1/8	Wm Cen 50-yr 1st gen 4s...	1949	J	91	88	86 1/2	87	6	80	87 1/2
St L & San Fran (reorg co) 4s...	1950	J	92 1/8	92 1/8	92 1/2	106	87	92 1/2	87	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2	Sup & Duluth & term 1st 4s...	1936	M	91 1/2	92	91 1/2	91 1/2	2	88 3/8	92 1/2
Registered...		J		87	May 27	87	87	87	87	87	87	87	Wor & Con East 1st 4 1/2s...	1943	J	92 1/8	92	92	92	1	89	92 1/4
Prior lien series B 5s...	1950	J	104	103 3/4	104	25	99 3/4	104	99 3/4	104	104	104	INDUSTRIALS									
Prior lien series C 6s...	1928	J	101	101	101	12	100	102 3/8	100	102 3/8	102 3/8	102 3/8	Adams Express col tr g 4s...	1948	M	87 1/8	93 3/8	92 1/8	92 1/8	1	89	95 1/2
Prior lien 5 1/2 series D...	1942	J	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	26	101 1/2	103 1/2	101 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	Ajax Rubber 1st 15-yr f 8s...	1936	J	107	107 1/2	107	107 1/2	1	105 7/8	107 1/2
Cum adjust ser A 6s...	July 1955	A	101 1/4	101	101 1/2	44	99	102	99	102	102	102	Alaska Gold M deb 6s A...	1925	M	3	6	4 7/8	4 7/8	1	3	5 1/4
Income series A 6s...	July 1960	Oct.	99 1/8	98 3/4	99 1/8	89	95 1/4	99 1/8	95 1/4	99 1/8	99 1/8	99 1/8	Conv deb 6s series B...	1926	M	3 1/8	5 7/8	4	Nov 27	1	3 1/8	5 1/4
St Louis & San Fr Ry gen 6s...	1931	J	104 3/4	105 1/4	Nov 27	104 3/8	105 1/4	104 3/8	105 1/4	105 1/4	105 1/4	105 1/4	Alpine-Montan Steel 1st 7s...	1955	M	94 3/8	94 3/8	94 3/8	94 3/8	9	91 1/4	97 1/2
General gold 5s...	1931	J	101 1/4	101 1/4	101 1/2	11	100 1/2	101 1/2	100 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	Am Agric Chem 1st ref s f 7 1/2s...	1941	F	104 1/4	104 1/4	104 1/4	104 1/4	33	97 1/8	104 1/4
St L Peor & N W 1st gu 5s...	1948	J	109	107	Oct 27	104 1/2	107 1/4	104 1/2	107 1/4	107 1/4	107 1/4	107 1/4	Am Beet Sug conv deb 6s...	1935	F	81	81	83 1/2	81	1	81	83 1/2
St Louis Sou 1st gu g 4s...	1941	M	97 3/4	97 3/4	97 3/4	27	96 1/8	97 3/4	96 1/8	97 3/4	97 3/4	97 3/4	American Chain deb s f 6s...	1933	A	104 1/4	104 1/4	104 1/4	104 1/4	1	101	104 1/4
St L S W 1st 4s bond cts...	1989	M	91 1/2	91 1/2	91 1/2	8	86 1/2	91 1/2	86 1/2	91 1/2	91 1/2	91 1/2	Am Cot Oil debenture 5s...	1931	M	100 1/4	100 1/4	100 1/4	100 1/4	1	95	100 1/4
2d g 4s inc bond cts...	Nov 1989	J	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	43	81	84 1/2	81	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	Am Dock & Imp't gu 6s...	1936	J	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	1	98 1/2	101 1/2
Consol gold 4s...	1932	J	97 1/4	96 3/4</																		

Table with columns for Bond Type (N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE, BONDS), Interest Period, Price (Friday, Nov. 11), Week's Range or Last Sale, Bonds Sold, Range Since Jan. 1, and Bond Description. The table lists numerous bond issues with their respective prices and terms.

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Quotations of Sundry Securities

All bond prices are "and interest" except where marked "f".

Table of N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week Ended Nov. 11. Columns include Bond Description, Price (Bid/Ask), Week's Range (Low/High), and Range Since Jan. 1.

Table of Quotations of Sundry Securities. Columns include Security Name, Bid Price, Ask Price, and other market data.

* Per share. † No par value. ‡ Basis. § Purchaser also pays accrued dividend. ¶ New stock. // Flat price. & Last sale. n Non-convertible. z Ex-dividend. y Ex-rights. ; Canadian quotation. s Sale price.

HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT.						Sales for the Week.	STOCKS BOSTON STOCK EXCHANGE		PER SHARE Range Since Jan. 1 1927 On basis of 100-share lots		PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1926	
Saturday, Nov. 5.	Monday, Nov. 7.	Tuesday, Nov. 8.	Wednesday, Nov. 9.	Thursday, Nov. 10.	Friday, Nov. 11.		Shares	Par.	Lowest	Highest	Lowest	Highest
184 184	184 185		184 185	183 184½	183 183	137	Boston & Albany.....100	171 Jan 7	188 May 27	159 Jan	175½ Dec	
82½ 82½	82½ 83		82½ 83	82½ 84½	83 83½	562	Boston Elevated.....100	81 May 10	94 Jan 15	77 May	85½ July	
100 101¼	101¼ 101¼		100 101¼	100 100	---	61	Preferred.....100	98½ Apr 27	103½ June 9	89 Feb	103 Dec	
*115	114 115		113 114	113 113	---	306	1st preferred.....100	109 Mar 30	119 Sept 20	112½ Dec	122 Jan	
*103½	104 104		103½ 103½	*103½	104½ 104½	66	2d preferred.....100	101 Jan 20	110 Sept 8	98½ Jan	112 Jan	
60 60	57 58½		58½ 59	58 58½	59 59	1,926	Boston & Maine.....100	51½ Mar 7	70 July 6	35 Mar	58½ July	
				63 63	---	100	Preferred.....100	56 Jan 22	69½ July 13	32 Apr	61½ Dec	
*83 85	*83 85		*83 86	*83	---	---	Series A 1st pref.....100	76¼ Jan 15	87 June 1	59 Apr	86 Dec	
125 125	*125		*125	125 125	---	26	Series B 1st pref.....100	118 Oct 24	136½ May 3	84 Apr	130 Dec	
*110 116	110 110		*110	110 110	110 110	250	Series C 1st pref.....100	97 Sept 17	116 May 26	74 Jan	165 Dec	
*155	*155		*155	155	---	---	Series D 1st pref.....100	154 Aug 24	165 Apr 21	105 Jan	140 Sept	
*112½ 113	113 113		*113	112 112	---	78	Prior preferred.....100	104½ May 6	113 May 21	94 Apr	107½ Dec	
*209	*209 36		*209 209	208 208	---	114	Boston & Providence.....100	196 Jan 18	212 Oct 25	217½ Mar	207½ Dec	
*96 37	*96 36		35 35	36 36	---	122	East Mass Street Ry Co.....100	25 Feb 4	43½ Sept 16	28 Oct	61 Jan	
76 76	76 76		75 76	74 74	---	100	1st preferred.....100	64 Feb 8	81 Oct 7	59½ Apr	71 Jan	
*274	*273 76		74 74	73 73	---	138	Preferred B.....100	60 Mar 14	78 Oct 7	56 May	69 Jan	
55 55	55 55½		53½ 53½	53 55	---	115	Adjustment.....100	42 Apr 1	59½ Sept 17	40 Apr	49½ Jan	
64½ 64½	*64		64½ 65	64½ 65	63 64	155	Maine Central.....100	47½ Jan 13	74 Mar 29	49 Sept	60 Feb	
51½ 52½	52½ 52½		51½ 52½	51½ 52½	51½ 52½	767	N Y N H & Hartford.....100	41½ Jan 6	58½ Feb 16	31½ Mar	48½ July	
*104 105	105 105		106 106	105 107	---	20	Northern New Hampshire.....100	92½ Jan 13	106 Nov 9	81 Apr	98½ Dec	
146½ 146½	*147		*147	147	---	5	Norwich & Worcester pref.....100	127 Jan 4	146½ Nov 5	120 Apr	132 Dec	
135½ 135½	135½ 135½		135½ 135½	135½ 135½	135½ 135½	524	Old Colony.....100	122 Jan 4	136½ Oct 4	111 Jan	125 Sept	
64½ 65½	64½ 65½		64½ 65½	64½ 65½	65 65½	1,150	Pennsylvania RR.....50	63 July 1	68½ Oct 4	---	---	
*121 124	*121 124		*121 124	120 121	---	65	Vermont & Massachusetts.....100	107 Jan 6	121 Nov 10	99¼ Mar	107 Dec	
3¼ 3¼	*3¼ 3¼		*3¼ 3¼	3¼ 3¼	3½ 3½	250	Amer Pneumatic Service.....50	2¼ Jan 3	5¼ July 30	2 Nov	5 Jan	
*201½	20 20½		20 20	20 20	---	165	Preferred.....100	15½ Jan 12	26½ Sept 14	18 Dec	24¼ June	
176½ 177½	177 177		176½ 177½	175½ 176½	176½ 176½	1,363	Amer Telephone & Teleg.....100	149½ Jan 3	185½ Oct 11	139½ June	150¾ Feb	
85½ 87	85½ 87		85½ 86	87 89½	89 89½	2,781	Amoskeag Mig.....No par	48 Jan 17	92 Sept 8	48½ July	71 Jan	
90 90	90 90		*90	90 91	91 91	145	Preferred.....No par	73½ Sept 9	91 Sept 9	72½ Nov	78 Feb	
43 43	43 43		43 43¼	43½ 43½	44¼ 44¼	540	Assoc Gas & Elec class A.....100	36¼ Jan 25	44¼ Nov 11	---	---	
						---	Atlas Plywood tr cfs.....No par	53¼ June 9	59 Feb 10	52½ Apr	63¼ Jan	
						---	Atlas Tank Corp.....No par	7½ Oct 4	12 Apr 7	8¼ Oct	17¼ Jan	
						---	Beacon Oil Co com tr cfs.....100	15½ Aug 25	20½ Jan 3	14½ May	20½ Jan	
						---	Bighorn-Hart Carpet.....No par	77 Feb 17	96 Nov 3	74 Nov	98½ Jan	
						---	Coldak Corp., class A T C.....100	15 Sept 15	5 Jan 3	---	---	
						---	50 Dominion Stores, Ltd.....No par	67 Jan 26	98 Oct 5	57 May	71 Dec	
						---	Eastern Boston Land.....100	14 June 27	3¼ Feb 3	11½ Dec	31½ Jan	
						---	400 Eastern Manufacturing.....5	3 Nov 10	7¼ Mar 17	3½ Mar	7½ Oct	
						---	99½ Eastern SS Lines, Inc.....100	45 Jan 4	89¼ Oct 10	44 Nov	88½ Jan	
						---	10 Preferred.....No par	35 Feb 15	45½ July 29	34 Nov	45 Jan	
						---	50 1st preferred.....100	87¼ Feb 17	100 Oct 10	90¼ Oct	99½ Jan	
						---	10 Economy Grocery Stores.....100	10 June 1	15 Sept 13	14 Nov	26 Feb	
249 250	249¼ 250		247 250	248 250	248 250	327	Edison Electric Illum.....100	217 Feb 18	267 May 23	2207 Jan	250 Feb	
*34¼ 36	*33½ 35		*33½ 35½	*33½ 35	---	27	Federal Water Serv com.....27	27 Apr 26	36½ Oct 29	---	---	
37 37¼	35½ 37½		32 35½	33 34	33½ 34	1,390	Galveston-Houston Elec.....100	22½ Apr 20	38 Nov 4	14 June	27 Oct	
*16	*16		*15¾ 17	*16	---	---	General Pub Serv Corp com.....100	11¼ Jan 11	17½ Oct 8	11 Dec	17 Jan	
*201½ 21	*201½ 21		*201½ 21	*201½ 21	---	---	Germ Cred & Inv 1st pref.....100	19 Feb 2	22 Sept 22	---	---	
35 35	35 35		35½ 35	34¼ 35	37 37	540	Gilchrist Co.....No par	34¼ June 28	38 Mar 15	34¼ Apr	40½ Jan	
98 98	98 98		96½ 98	97½ 97½	96¼ 97	606	Gillette Safety Razor.....No par	84½ Mar 22	109¼ Oct 1	88½ Mar	113½ Feb	
10 10	10 10		10 10	10½ 10½	10½ 10½	810	Greenfield Tap & Die.....25	7 Oct 15	12½ Mar 2	10 May	14 Sept	
*12 12¼	*12 12¼		12¾ 12¾	*12 12¾	---	---	10 Hathaway Baking Com.....100	12 Jan 17	13 Mar 14	---	---	
38½ 38½	35½ 40		39 39	39 39	39 39¼	695	Wood Rubber.....No par	32½ July 6	47 Jan 3	45¼ Dec	68¼ Jan	
95 95	95 95		*95	*95	---	---	48 Kidder, Peab & Peap A pref.....100	94 Apr 26	95¼ July 12	23½ Apr	96 July	
*9¾ 10½	9¾ 9¾		9¾ 9¾	9¾ 9¾	---	---	183 Libby, McNeill & Libby.....100	7 Aug 25	11¼ Sept 8	6½ Aug	10½ Dec	
7 7	*7 7		7 7	7 7	---	---	134 Loew's Theatres.....25	6 Jan 3	10 Jan 18	6 July	12½ Jan	
111 113	114¼ 118		120 124	121 124	118½ 121	2,705	Massachusetts Gas Cos.....100	84 Mar 25	122 Sept 17	80 Apr	94½ Nov	
79½ 80	80 80		80 80	80 80½	80 80½	1,588	Preferred.....100	70 Jan 3	81½ Oct 20	65 Jan	70½ Feb	
113 113	114 114		113 114	112 113	111½ 111½	548	Mergenthaler Linotype.....No par	108 Feb 18	116 Oct 4	110¼ June	110 May	
3½ 3½	3½ 3½		3½ 3½	*3¼ 3½	3¼ 3¼	580	National Leather.....10	2¼ Mar 24	4½ Jan 20	2 Aug	4½ Jan	
27¾ 27¾	27½ 27½		*27½ 28	27¾ 27¾	---	143	Nelson (Herman) Corp.....5	23½ Feb 14	31½ Apr 16	15½ Jan	29½ July	
*.05 24	*.05 24		*.10 24	*.05 24	---	---	New Eng Oil Ref Co tr cfs.....100	.15 Sept 9	.25 May 7	.20 Jan	.95 Apr	
						---	Preferred tr cfs.....100	3½ Jan 11	5 Mar 30	3 July	10½ Jan	
*98½ 103	*98½ 101½		99 99	99 99	---	---	45 New England Pub Serv \$7 pref.....100	91 Jan 18	100½ July 2	---	---	
103 103	*101½ 103		103 103	102½ 103	---	83	Prior preferred.....100	97¼ Jan 26	104 July 23	95 Sept	101 Sept	
	.25		.25	.25	---	---	New Eng South Mills.....No par	.20 June 29	3¼ Feb 23	.50 Dec	8 Feb	
*4 139	*4 139		4½ 138	4 137	136½ 137	70	Preferred.....100	2 Apr 1	8½ Feb 28	2 Dec	28 Jan	
*90	*90¼		137¼ 138	137 137¼	---	561	New Eng Teleg & Teleg.....100	115½ Jan 4	140 Aug 10	110½ Apr	118½ Feb	
*244 50	*244 50		*90½ 91	*90¼ 91	---	---	No Amer Util 1st pf full paid.....100	90 Jan 5	95 Feb 29	89 Feb	96 Feb	
39¾ 40	39 39¼		*244 50	*244 50	---	---	1st pref 50% paid.....100	40 Jan 6	50 Oct 1	14¼ Dec	27 Feb	
*21 25	*21 25		39½ 39½	39½ 39½	39½ 39¼	590	Pacific Mills.....100	35½ Mar 28	44 Sept 9	35½ July	55 Jan	
15 15½	*15 15½		*21 25	*21 25	---	---	Plant (Thos G), 1st pref.....100	15 June 22	42½ Jan 3	40 Mar	68¼ Jan	
*18 18	*18 18		15 15	*15 15¼	---	---	5 Weed Button Hole.....10	21¼ Sept 15	16½ Feb 10	15 Feb	17¼ Aug	
126 126	127 127		*18 18	*18 18	---	---	121 Reese Folding Machine.....100	1 Mar 4	1½ Jan 11	1½ Dec	2 Nov	
124 124	123½ 124		126 127	127 128	150 130	280	Swed-Amer Inv part pref.....100	105½ Jan 5	132 Oct 22	95 Mar	110 Aug	
83½ 84¼	84 85		124½ 126	124 124½	124½ 124½	422	Swift & Co.....100	115 Jan 3	130½ Sept 26	111 Apr	118¼ Dec	
5 5	5 5¼		83½ 84	83½ 83½	83½ 83½	153	Torrington Co.....25	66 Jan 3	85 Sept 26	54 Mar	72 Sept	
*17½ 18	18 18		5½ 5	5½ 5	5 5	1,750	Tower Manufacturing.....4	4 Mar 3	9½ Jan 31	---	---	
10 10	*10 10¼		*17 18	*17¼ 17½	17½ 17½	10	Traveler Shoe Co T C.....100	16 Aug 9	18½ Mar 22	---	---	
69¾ 70	69¾ 70		10 10	*10 10¼	---	180	Union Twist Drill.....5	9½ Sept 2	14½ Jan 24	7 Jan	15½ Feb	
30 30	*29½ 30		70 70¾	71 71¾	71½ 71½	1,659	United Shoe Mach Corp.....25	50 Jan 3	72 Sept 15	47 Mar	53¼ Aug	
88½ 88½	88½ 88½		*29½ 30	*29½ 30	29½ 29½	15	Preferred.....100	28 Jan 3	30½ Oct 18	28 Jan	30 June	
			87½ 88½	87½ 89	---	1,240	U S & Foreign Sec 1st pref fd.....100	83 May 3	92 Oct 5	82 Nov	135 Feb	
						---	1st pref 75% paid.....100	74 Apr 30	86 Sept 8	60 May	90 Apr	
*5 6¼	*5 6¼		61 8	71 71½	71 81	1,075	Venezuela Holding Corp.....4½	4½ July 5	11 Apr 30	---	---	
20 20	20 20		20 27½	20 20	19¼ 19¼	761	Waldorff's, Inc, new sh No par.....100	19 Oct 1	27½ Feb 23	17 Jan	22¼ Oct	
*53 59	*53 59		*53 59	*53 59	---	---	Walth Watch & B com No par.....100	40½ Jan 21	60 Sept 14	29 Jan	41 Dec	
*75 79½	*75 79½		74 75	*73 75	---	10	Preferred trust cts.....100	61 Jan 3	80 Sept 16	48½ Nov	61 Dec	
*102 103	*102 103		*102 103	102 102	---	65	Prior preferred.....100	100½ June 14	118 May 20	101 Sept	112 Dec	
18 19	*18½ 19¼		*18 19	*18½ 19	19 19	162	Walworth Company.....100	17¼ Aug 11	24¼ Apr 1	12¼ May	23 Jan	
147 149	149 157		157 162½	160½ 169½	169 175¼	3,632	Warren Bros.....50	65½ Jan 13	175¼ Nov 11	44 Mar	69 Dec	
*47½ 48	48 48		*47½ 49	*47½ 49	49 49	185	1st preferred.....50	44 Jan 5	50 Feb 16	39 Apr	46 Dec	
*53	*53		*53	*53	---	---	2d preferred.....50	45 Jan 17	54 Oct 1	42 Apr	47 Feb	
*216¼	*216¼		16 16	18 18	---	350	Will & Baumer Candle com.....100	14 Jan 12	18 Nov 10	10¼ Aug	17½ Jan	
						---	Mining.....25	</				

Outside Stock Exchanges

Boston Bond Record.—Transactions in bonds at Boston Stock Exchange, Nov. 5 to Nov. 11, both inclusive:

Table with columns: Bonds, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High).

Philadelphia Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Philadelphia Stock Exchange, Nov. 5 to Nov. 10, both inclusive (Friday, Nov. 11, Armistice Day holiday), compiled from official sales lists:

Table with columns: Stocks, Thursday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High).

Table with columns: Bonds, Thursday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High).

Baltimore Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Baltimore Stock Exchange Nov. 5 to Nov. 10, both inclusive (Friday, Nov. 11, Armistice Day holiday), compiled from official sales lists:

Table with columns: Stocks, Thursday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High).

Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded), Thursday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High).

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Table with columns: Bonds, Thursday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High).

Cleveland Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Cleveland Stock Exchange Nov. 5 to Nov. 10, both inclusive (Friday, Nov. 11, Armistice Day holiday), compiled from official sales lists:

Table with columns: Stocks, Thursday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High).

San Francisco Stock and Bond Exchange.—Record of transactions at San Francisco Stock and bond Exchange Nov. 5 to Nov. 10, both inclusive (Friday, Nov. 11, Armistice Day holiday), compiled from official sales lists:

Table with columns: Stocks—, Par., Thurs. Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High). Lists various stocks like Alameda Sugar, American Trust Co, Anglo & London P Nat Bk, etc.

* No par value.

We also give below the record of transactions at the San Francisco Stock and Bond Exchange. For the previous week (Oct. 29 to Nov. 4, both inclusive) which failed to reach us in time for publication in last week's "Chronicle."

Table with columns: Stocks—, Par., Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High). Lists various stocks like American Trust Co, Anglo & London P Nat Bk, Bancaltaly Corporation, etc.

* No par value.

Table with columns: Stocks—, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High). Lists stocks like Shell Union Oil com, Southern Pacific, Sperry Flour Co pref, etc.

* No par value.

Cincinnati Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Cincinnati Stock Exchange Nov. 5 to Nov. 10, both inclusive (Friday, Nov. 11, Armistice Day holiday), compiled from official sales lists.

Table with columns: Stocks—, Par., Thurs. Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High). Lists various stocks like Amer Laundry Mach cm25, Amer Product pref, Amer Rolling Mill com, etc.

* No par value.

St. Louis Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at St. Louis Stock Exchange Nov. 5 to Nov. 10, both inclusive (Friday, Nov. 11, Armistice Day holiday), compiled from official sales lists:

Table with columns: Stocks—, Par., Thurs. Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High). Lists various stocks like Bank—, First National Bank, Merchants-Laclede Nat100, etc.

Stocks (Concluded)	Par	Friday Last Sale Price.		Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range Since Jan. 1.				Stocks (Concluded)	Par	Thurs. Last Sale Price.		Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range Since Jan. 1.									
		Low.	High.	Low.	High.		Low.	High.	Low.	High.			Low.	High.	Low.	High.		Low.	High.								
International Shoe com.	234	234	235	100	158	Feb	241	Oct	Commonwealth Edison.	167	166 1/2	168	760	138	Jan	171	Oct	Commonwealth Edison.	167	166 1/2	168	760	138	Jan	171	Oct	
Common w l.	58 3/4	58 3/4	59 1/4	1,201	57 1/2	Oct	61	Oct	Consumers Co com.	100	7 1/2	7 1/2	320	5 1/2	Apr	8 1/2	Aug	Consumers Co com.	100	7 1/2	7 1/2	320	5 1/2	Apr	8 1/2	Aug	
Preferred.	100	110	110 1/2	31	108	Feb	111	Aug	Preferred.	100	82 1/2	82 1/2	50	69 1/2	Feb	84 1/2	Sept	Preferred.	100	82 1/2	82 1/2	50	69 1/2	Feb	84 1/2	Sept	
Mo-Ills Stores com.	100	15	15	72	13	Aug	16 1/2	Sept	Crane Co com.	25	47	46 1/2	185	46 1/2	Oct	53	Sept	Crane Co com.	25	47	46 1/2	185	46 1/2	Oct	53	Sept	
Mo Portland Cement.	25	39	39	39 1/2	170	37 1/2	Sept	54	Apr	Preferred.	100	119	119 1/2	82	117	Feb	121	May	Preferred.	100	119	119 1/2	82	117	Feb	121	May
40% Paid.	25	38	38	38	76	37	Sept	41 1/2	Oct	Cuneo Press A pref.	50	55	55	400	49 1/2	May	55	Nov	Cuneo Press A pref.	50	55	55	400	49 1/2	May	55	Nov
Moloney Elec pref.	100	99	99	99 1/2	30	98 1/2	Oct	102 1/2	Mar	Decker (Alf) & Cohn Inc.	31	31	31	115	25	Mar	32	Sept	Decker (Alf) & Cohn Inc.	31	31	31	115	25	Mar	32	Sept
National Candy com.	22 1/2	21 1/2	22 1/2	1,225	21	Nov	23	Oct	Deere & Co pref.	100	123	124	84	106	Jan	124	Nov	Deere & Co pref.	100	123	124	84	106	Jan	124	Nov	
2nd Preferred.	100	103 1/2	103 1/2	10	100	Feb	107	June	Edwards Paper Corp (The)	10	35	35	25	20	Apr	35	Oct	Edwards Paper Corp (The)	10	35	35	25	20	Apr	35	Oct	
Pedigo-Weber Shoe.	37	36	37	185	35	Sept	37 1/2	July	El Household Util Corp.	10	13 1/2	13 1/2	1,958	11	Jan	15 1/2	Nov	El Household Util Corp.	10	13 1/2	13 1/2	1,958	11	Jan	15 1/2	Nov	
Polar Wax I & F Co.	100	31 1/2	32	1,020	29 1/2	Aug	34	Apr	Empire G & F Co 7% pf 100	100	100	100 1/2	235	100 1/2	Mar	100 1/2	Nov	Empire G & F Co 7% pf 100	100	100	100 1/2	235	100 1/2	Mar	100 1/2	Nov	
Rice-Stix Dry Goods cm.	25	21 1/2	22	190	19 1/2	June	24 1/2	Sept	8% preferred.	100	108	107 1/2	100	107 1/2	Mar	113 1/2	May	8% preferred.	100	108	107 1/2	100	107 1/2	Mar	113 1/2	May	
2nd Preferred.	100	102	102	50	99	July	103	Nov	Evans & Co Inc cl A.	5	44 1/2	44 1/2	2,425	38 1/2	Jan	46	Sept	Evans & Co Inc cl A.	5	44 1/2	44 1/2	2,425	38 1/2	Jan	46	Sept	
Scruggs-V-B D G com.	25	16 1/2	16 1/2	43	15	Oct	22 1/2	Feb	Class B.	5	44 1/2	45 1/2	3,270	24 1/2	Jan	46	Sept	Class B.	5	44 1/2	45 1/2	3,270	24 1/2	Jan	46	Sept	
Securities Inv pref.	100	105	105	10	104	Apr	105	Nov	Fair Co (The) com.	32 1/2	32 1/2	33	775	21 1/2	Mar	35 1/2	Aug	Fair Co (The) com.	32 1/2	32 1/2	33	775	21 1/2	Mar	35 1/2	Aug	
Skouras Bros "A"	100	38	38	30	32	Aug	48	Jan	Preferred.	100	109 1/2	109 1/2	50	105	Feb	110 1/2	July	Preferred.	100	109 1/2	109 1/2	50	105	Feb	110 1/2	July	
South Acid & Sulph com.	100	45	45 1/2	30	36	July	47	Sept	Fitz Simons & Connell	49	37 1/2	49	8,750	26 1/2	Apr	49	Nov	Fitz Simons & Connell	49	37 1/2	49	8,750	26 1/2	Apr	49	Nov	
Southwest Bell Tel pref.	100	118	117 1/2	118	106	114 1/2	Mar	119	June	Dk & Dredge Co com.	20	16 1/2	16 1/2	2,790	12	Jan	14 1/2	Nov	Dk & Dredge Co com.	20	16 1/2	16 1/2	2,790	12	Jan	14 1/2	Nov
Stix, Baer & Fuller.	100	28 1/2	28	65	26	Aug	31 1/2	Jan	Foote Bros G & M Co.	5	3	3 1/2	435	2 1/2	July	5 1/2	Feb	Foote Bros G & M Co.	5	3	3 1/2	435	2 1/2	July	5 1/2	Feb	
Wagner Electric com.	100	81	82	40	18 1/2	Jan	39 1/2	May	Gill Mfg Co.	10	3	3 1/2	785	3 1/2	July	5 1/2	Feb	Gill Mfg Co.	10	3	3 1/2	785	3 1/2	July	5 1/2	Feb	
Preferred.	100	87	87	15	68	Feb	90	June	Gossard Co (H W) com.	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2	140	140	Mar	223 1/2	Nov	Gossard Co (H W) com.	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2	140	140	Mar	223 1/2	Nov	
Walke com.	100	70	70	390	51 1/2	Jan	86 1/2	Mar	Great Lakes D & D.	222	202	223 1/2	4,290	140	Mar	223 1/2	Nov	Great Lakes D & D.	222	202	223 1/2	4,290	140	Mar	223 1/2	Nov	
Mining—									Class B.	5	44 1/2	45 1/2	595	35 1/2	Sept	46 1/2	Nov	Class B.	5	44 1/2	45 1/2	595	35 1/2	Sept	46 1/2	Nov	
Consol Lead & Zinc Co A.	11	11	11	220	11	Nov	17	Jan	Hart Schaffner & Marx.	100	130	130	50	110	Jan	113	Sept	Hart Schaffner & Marx.	100	130	130	50	110	Jan	113	Sept	
Street Railway Bonds									Hupp Mot Car Corp com.	10	22 1/2	23	150	17 1/2	Oct	25	Nov	Hupp Mot Car Corp com.	10	22 1/2	23	150	17 1/2	Oct	25	Nov	
United Railways 4s. 1934	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2	48,000	75 1/2	Mar	84	July	Illinois Brick Co.	25	40	40	210	34	Sept	43 1/2	July	Illinois Brick Co.	25	40	40	210	34	Sept	43 1/2	July	
4s C-D. 1934	82 1/2	82 1/2	82 1/2	9,000	75 1/2	Mar	83 1/2	Sept	Inland Wire & Cable Co.	10	27 1/2	27 1/2	110	26 1/2	Aug	29 1/2	Oct	Inland Wire & Cable Co.	10	27 1/2	27 1/2	110	26 1/2	Aug	29 1/2	Oct	
Miscellaneous—									Jaeger Machine Co com.	30	30	30	50	27 1/2	Feb	32 1/2	May	Jaeger Machine Co com.	30	30	30	50	27 1/2	Feb	32 1/2	May	
Houston Oil 6 1/2s.	1935	103 1/2	103 1/2	3,000	103	Jan	104	July	Kellogg Switch'd com.	10	12	13	625	11 1/2	Sept	19 1/2	Mar	Kellogg Switch'd com.	10	12	13	625	11 1/2	Sept	19 1/2	Mar	
Scullin Steel 6s.	1941	98 3/4	98 3/4	4,000	98 1/2	Sept	101	Apr	Preferred.	100	95	96	75	93 1/2	July	98	Jan	Preferred.	100	95	96	75	93 1/2	July	98	Jan	

* No par value.

Pittsburgh Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Pittsburgh Stock Exchange Nov. 5 to Nov. 10, both inclusive (Friday, Nov. 11, Armistice Day holiday), compiled from official sales lists:

Stocks—	Par.	Thurs. Last Sale Price.		Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range Since Jan. 1.												
		Low.	High.	Low.	High.		Low.	High.	Low.	High.									
Am Wind Gl Mach pref.	100	50	52	300	50	Nov	80	Jan	Am Wind Gl Mach pref.	100	50	52	300	50	Nov	80	Jan		
Am Wind Gl Co pref.	100	98	99	95	98	Nov	109	Jan	Am Wind Gl Co pref.	100	98	99	95	98	Nov	109	Jan		
Ark Natural Gas com.	10	9	9 1/2	3,855	6 1/2	Apr	9 1/2	Sept	Ark Natural Gas com.	10	9	9 1/2	3,855	6 1/2	Apr	9 1/2	Sept		
Carnegie Metals Co.	100	12	12	100	11	Sept	14 1/2	Sept	Carnegie Metals Co.	100	12	12	100	11	Sept	14 1/2	Sept		
Colonial Trust Co.	100	255	255	35	245	Nov	260	Jan	Colonial Trust Co.	100	255	255	35	245	Nov	260	Jan		
Columbia Gas & Elec com.	100	89 1/2	89 1/2	100	83 1/2	Feb	98 1/2	June	Columbia Gas & Elec com.	100	89 1/2	89 1/2	100	83 1/2	Feb	98 1/2	June		
Dixie Gas & Util com.	100	10 1/2	10 1/2	100	7 1/2	Aug	11 1/2	Oct	Dixie Gas & Util com.	100	10 1/2	10 1/2	100	7 1/2	Aug	11 1/2	Oct		
Preferred.	100	85	85	55	84 1/2	Aug	85	July	Preferred.	100	85	85	55	84 1/2	Aug	85	July		
Duquesne Light 7% pf 100	100	117	117	10	115	Mar	117	Sept	Duquesne Light 7% pf 100	100	117	117	10	115	Mar	117	Sept		
Houston Gulf Gas.	100	9	9	200	6	Feb	12 1/2	Apr	Houston Gulf Gas.	100	9	9	200	6	Feb	12 1/2	Apr		
Lone Star Gas.	25	53	53	54	1,551	37 1/2	Jan	55 1/2	Oct	Lone Star Gas.	25	53	53	54	1,551	37 1/2	Jan	55 1/2	Oct
Mey Drug Stores Corp.	100	20	19 1/2	20 1/2	395	17 1/2	July	21 1/2	Aug	Mey Drug Stores Corp.	100	20	19 1/2	20 1/2	395	17 1/2	July	21 1/2	Aug
Nat Fireproofing com.	100	22	22	2	245	6	June	9	Feb	Nat Fireproofing com.	100	22	22	2	245	6	June	9	Feb
Preferred.	100	22	22	2	50	19 1/2	Oct	30 1/2	Mar	Preferred.	100	22	22	2	50	19 1/2	Oct	30 1/2	Mar
Penn Federal com.	100	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	50	5	June	8	Sept	Penn Federal com.	100	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	50	5	June	8	Sept
Preferred.	100	96	96	110	92 1/2	June	98	Nov	Preferred.	100	96	96	110	92 1/2	June	98	Nov		
Peoples Sav & Tr Co.	100	545	545	6	400	Feb	545	Nov	Peoples Sav & Tr Co.	100	545	545	6	400	Feb	545	Nov		
Pitts Brewing com.	50	3 1/2	3 1/2	100	3	July	4 1/2	Jan	Pitts Brewing com.	50	3 1/2	3 1/2	100	3	July	4 1/2	Jan		
Pitts Coal pref.	100	90 1/2	90 1/2	10	71	Jan	97 1/2	Sept	Pitts Coal pref.	100	90 1/2	90 1/2	10	71	Jan	97 1/2	Sept		
Pitts Oil & Gas.	5	3 1/2	3 1/2	100	3	July	3 1/2	Feb	Pitts Oil & Gas.	5	3 1/2	3 1/2	100	3	July	3 1/2	Feb		
Pitts Plate Glass.	100	210	210	10	200	Oct	270	Jan	Pitts Plate Glass.	100	210	210	10	200	Oct	270	Jan		
Pitts Screw & Bolt Corp.	100	49	49	35	33	June	56 1/2	Sept	Pitts Screw & Bolt Corp.	100	49	49	35	33	June	56 1/2	Sept		
Pitts Trust Co.	100	245	245	5	230	Feb	250	Apr	Pitts Trust Co.	100	245	245	5	2					

New York Curb Market—Weekly and Yearly Record

In the following extensive list we furnish a complete record of the transactions on the New York Curb Market for the week beginning on Saturday last (Nov. 5) and ending the present Friday (Nov. 11). It is compiled entirely from the daily reports of the Curb Market itself, and is intended to include every security, whether stock or bonds, in which any dealings occurred during the week covered:

Table with columns: Week Ended Nov. 11, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High), Stocks (Continued) Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High). Rows include various stocks like Indus & Miscellaneous, Aero Supply & Mfg, Ala Great South, etc.

Stocks (Concluded) Par	Friday Last Sale Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range Since Jan. 1.				Public Utilities (Concluded) Par	Friday Last Sale Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range Since Jan. 1.			
		Low.	Hgh.		Low.	Hgh.	Low.	Hgh.			Low.	Hgh.					
Sherwin-Wms Co com...25	61	61	25	44	Feb	61 1/4	Aug	Pacific Gas & El 1st pf.25	26 1/2	27	1,000	24 1/2	Feb	27 1/2	Oct		
Silica Gel Corp com v t c.*	15	15 1/2	1,300	13 1/2	Mar	21 1/2	Sept	Penn-Ohio Ed com...34	34	35	500	27	Feb	43 1/2	Sept		
Stand Sanitary Mfg com.25	32	32	500	29 1/2	Aug	35 1/2	Feb	Penn-Ohio Ed com...100	104 1/2	104 1/2	310	97 1/2	Jan	105	Oct		
Stanley Co of America...*	132 1/2	132 1/2	50	122	Oct	132 1/2	Nov	7% prior pref...89 1/2	89 1/2	89 1/2	180	80 1/2	Jan	90 1/2	Sept		
Span Riv Pulp & P com 100	21 1/2	21 1/2	800	15	Aug	27	Oct	7% preferred...12	12	13	500	10 1/2	Jan	19 1/2	Nov		
Sparks-Whittington Co...*	31 1/2	27 1/2	1,800	19 1/2	Jan	27	Sept	Penn Ohio Secur Corp...12	12	13	400	8 1/2	Feb	15	Sept		
Stand Comm'l Tob com...*	104	103 1/2	75	80	June	107	Oct	Penn G & E el A part stk...20 3/4	20 3/4	20 3/4	200	19	Jan	23	Aug		
Standard Publish'g of A. 25	10 1/2	10 1/2	250	58 1/2	Nov	90	Feb	Penn Power & Lt \$7 pf...110	110	110	75	106	Jan	110 1/2	Nov		
Stand Sanitary Mfg com.25	10 1/2	10 1/2	900	10 1/2	Nov	13 1/2	Sept	Penna Water & Power...67	67 1/2	67 1/2	300	45	Mar	74 1/2	Oct		
Stanley Co of America...*	19 1/2	16 1/2	4,600	12 1/2	May	21 1/2	Oct	Phila Elec Co common...25	54 1/2	54 1/2	1,700	46 1/2	Mar	58 1/2	Sept		
Stinnes (Hugo) Corp...*	19 1/2	16 1/2	4,600	12 1/2	May	21 1/2	Oct	Portland Elec Power...100	33	32 1/2	33	200	20	Apr	33	Oct	
Stutz Motor Car...100	124 1/2	125 1/2	450	115 1/2	May	130	Sept	Power Securities com...52	52	56	900	40	June	12 1/2	Sept		
Swift & Co...15	25 1/2	25 1/2	4,300	18 1/2	Mar	28 1/2	Oct	Preferred...109	109	109	25	86	Mar	123	May		
Swift International...15	18 1/2	18 1/2	200	1 1/2	July	22 1/2	Nov	Providence Gas Co...36 1/2	35	37 1/2	1,000	28	Apr	38 1/2	Oct		
Syrac Wash Mach B com.*	10 1/2	10 1/2	700	10 1/2	Nov	14	May	Puget Sound P&L com...100	108 1/2	109 1/2	20	103 1/2	Jan	111	June		
Teitz (Leonard) com...10	103 1/2	103 1/2	20	86	May	113 1/2	Oct	Rhode Island P.S. pref...30	30	30	100	30	Nov	30 1/2	Oct		
Timken-Detroit Axle...10	3 1/2	3 1/2	200	3	Mar	4 1/2	Aug	Sierra Pac El Co com...100	28 1/2	29	200	24 1/2	Aug	31 1/2	Oct		
Preferred...100	50	50	100	45	Apr	55	June	Preferred...61	61	61	500	55	Feb	61	Nov		
Tobacco Prod Exp Corp...*	3 1/2	3 1/2	200	3	Mar	4 1/2	Aug	Sou Calif Edison, pref A 25...29	29	29	500	28 1/2	Mar	29 1/2	Oct		
Todd Shipyards Corp...*	50	50	100	45	Apr	55	June	Preferred B 25...25	25 1/2	26 1/2	200	25 1/2	Oct	26 1/2	Oct		
Trans-Lux Day Pict Screen Class A com...3 1/2	29	28 1/2	3,900	23 1/2	July	34 1/2	Aug	Southeast Pow & Lt com...44 1/2	38 1/2	44 1/2	23,200	20 1/2	Mar	44 1/2	Nov		
Trico Products Corp com...25	10 1/2	10 1/2	200	9	Oct	14 1/2	Sept	Common voting tr. ctf...43 1/2	39 1/2	43 1/2	2,700	28	Jan	43 1/2	Nov		
Trumbull Steel com...25	30	30	300	24	Jan	30 1/2	Nov	\$7 preferred...107 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2	100	101 1/2	Jan	110	Aug		
Truscon Steel com...10	30	30	300	24	Jan	30 1/2	Nov	Participating pref...82 1/2	83	83	300	67 1/2	Jan	83 1/2	Aug		
Tubize Artificial Silk cl B...34 1/2	335 1/2	356	3,110	145	Jan	356	Nov	Warrants to pur com stk...13	10 1/2	13	9,700	8 1/2	Jan	13	Nov		
Tung-Sol Lamp Wks com.*	11 1/2	11 1/2	400	8 1/2	Feb	13	May	Southwest Bell Telep. pf.100	117 1/2	117 1/2	150	113 1/2	Jan	118 1/2	June		
Class A...200	21 1/2	21 1/2	200	17 1/2	Jan	24 1/2	June	Standard Gas & El 7% pf.100	113 1/2	115	40	104	Jan	115	Nov		
United Biscuit class A...57	53 1/2	61 1/2	3,700	38	Mar	62 1/2	Nov	Stand Gas & El 7% pf.100	109 1/2	110 1/2	700	104	Jan	111 1/2	Oct		
Class B...28	28	29 1/2	1,500	23	Apr	33 1/2	May	Standard Pow & Lt com.25	27	26 1/2	27	400	22	Jan	27	Oct	
United Elec Coal Cos v t c.*	46 1/2	49	400	46 1/2	Nov	57	Oct	Preferred...102	102	102	200	98 1/2	Feb	102	Apr		
United Eng & Fdy new w f	10 1/2	10 1/2	500	9 1/2	Aug	13 1/2	Apr	Texas Pow & Lt 7% pf.100	112 1/2	112 1/2	20	107	Feb	113 1/2	Nov		
United Profit Sharing com...25	69 1/2	71	400	51	Jan	72	Sept	Toledo Edison 7% pref.100	109 1/2	109 1/2	100	106 1/2	Aug	109 1/2	Nov		
United Shoe Mach com...25	68 1/2	66	1,900	32	June	69	Nov	Union Nat Gas of Canada.*	28	27	1,200	25	Sept	28 1/2	Sept		
U S L Battery com new...10	9 1/2	9 1/2	1,400	8 1/2	July	9 1/2	Nov	United Gas Impt...50	110 1/2	108	111	4,000	88	Feb	119	Sept	
7% pref class B...100	90 1/2	91	75	64	July	9 1/2	Nov	United Lt & Pow com A...14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	9,200	12 1/2	Mar	15 1/2	Oct		
U S Finishing com...100	52 1/2	52 1/2	1,800	51 1/2	Sept	58 1/2	Sept	Common class B...19	19	20	400	14	Jan	20	Nov		
U S Freight Co w l...20	90	88 1/2	4,600	88	Nov	110 1/2	Sept	Utilities Pow & Lt class B...21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	2,800	13 1/2	Jan	23 1/2	Oct		
U S Gypsum com...20	123 1/2	123 1/2	25	123 1/2	Nov	123 1/2	Nov	Utility Share Corp com...13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	2,500	9 1/2	Feb	14 1/2	Oct		
U S Lumber...123 1/2	57	65	10,100	34 1/2	Jan	65 1/2	Nov	Option warrants...3 1/2	3	3 1/2	2,800	1 1/2	Apr	4 1/2	Oct		
Univ Leaf Tobacco com...50	14 1/2	14 1/2	100	5 1/2	Apr	18 1/2	Oct	Wash'ton Ry & El com.100	433	425	460	75	180	Jan	460	Nov	
Van Camp Packing pref.50	23 1/2	23 1/2	200	23 1/2	Oct	26 1/2	July	Former Standard Oil Subsidiaries.									
Walt & Bond Inc class A...17	16 1/2	17	1,100	15 1/2	June	17 1/2	Sept	Anglo-Amer Oil (vot sh) .£1	18 1/2	18 1/2	2,100	17 1/2	July	21 1/2	Jan		
Class B stock...14 1/2	14 1/2	15	1,700	13 1/2	July	33 1/2	Jan	Not voted ctf dep...£1	18 1/2	18 1/2	200	18 1/2	Mar	21 1/2	Feb		
Warner Brothers Pictures...23 1/2	22 1/2	24 1/2	8,900	19 1/2	Oct	25 1/2	Sept	Vol stock shares...£1	18 1/2	18 1/2	200	17 1/2	July	20 1/2	Jan		
Watson (Jno Warren) Co w t c.*	70 1/2	65 1/2	5,000	50 1/2	Apr	77	Sept	Buckeye Pipe Line...57 1/2	57 1/2	57 1/2	500	45	Jan	59	June		
Wesson Oil & S D com v t c.*	101 1/2	101 1/2	100	95	May	102 1/2	Sept	Chesbrough Mfg Cons.25	118	119	200	76 1/2	Jan	126	Oct		
Preferred...28	28	29 1/2	1,200	21 1/2	Apr	46	Aug	Continental Oil v t c...10	18	17 1/2	18 1/2	15,400	16 1/2	Oct	22 1/2	Jan	
Western Auto Supply pref...54	52 1/2	56 1/2	1,800	47 1/2	Feb	58 1/2	Nov	Eureka Pipe Line...100	60 1/2	62	200	47	Jan	62	Nov		
West Dairy Prod class A...26 1/2	26	28 1/2	8,800	15	Feb	23 1/2	Nov	Gulfside-Sig Oil, com...100	7 1/2	7 1/2	100	6 1/2	Nov	13 1/2	Feb		
Class B v t c...100	7	7	100	6	July	16 1/2	Feb	Preferred new...100	33	40	30	31	Oct	59 1/2	June		
Williams Oil-O-Mat Htg...106	108	108	110	106	Nov	112	Apr	Old preferred...100	46	46	180	40	July	61 1/2	Jan		
Yellow Taxi of New York...100	36	36	25	29 1/2	Feb	36	Nov	Humble Oil & Refining...63 1/2	63 1/2	64 1/2	9,400	54	Mar	65 1/2	Sept		
Zellerbach Corp...100	11	11	100	11	Nov	16	Mar	Illinois Pipe Line...100	x171	x171	1,650	123 1/2	Jan	178	Nov		
Rights—																	
Loews Inc...11	11	100	11	Nov	16	Mar	Imperial Oil (Canada)...60 1/2	60 1/2	62 1/2	7,600	37 1/2	Jan	64 1/2	Sept			
McCall Corporation...2	2	600	1 1/2	Nov	2	Nov	Registered...61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2	100	41 1/2	June	62	Oct			
U S Freight...87c	75c	2,600	75c	Nov	2 1/2	Oct	Indiana Pipe Line...83	82 1/2	85 1/2	2,000	61	Jan	86 1/2	Nov			
White Sewing Mach deb rts	11	12	2,100	4	May	20	Aug	National Transi...12.50	19 1/2	19 1/2	2,600	13 1/2	Jan	20 1/2	Nov		
Public Utilities—																	
Alabama Power \$7 pref...113 1/2	113 1/2	50	108 1/2	Jan	114	May	New York Transit...100	38	39 1/2	1,000	34 1/2	Jan	39 1/2	Nov			
Amer Gas & Elec com...112 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	500	95 1/2	Feb	105 1/2	Nov	Northern Pipe Line...93	90	93	250	71	Jan	93	Nov		
Preferred...175	173 1/2	175	100	164 1/2	Aug	186	Sept	Ohio Oil...62	65 1/2	65 1/2	11,700	52	Apr	65 1/2	Nov		
Amer Lt & Tr com new 100	112	112	100	112	Oct	126	Apr	Penn-Mex Fuel Oil...25	36	34	37 1/2	1,000	12	Apr	38 1/2	Nov	
Preferred...109	107 1/2	107 1/2	280	97 1/2	Jan	107 1/2	Nov	Prairie Oil & Gas...25	49 1/2	50 1/2	7,400	45 1/2	Apr	55 1/2	Jan		
Amer Pow & Light pref.100	102 1/2	106 1/2	2,100	27 1/2	Jan	41 1/2	Sept	Prairie Pipe Line...100	178	178	50	132	Jan	186	July		
Amer Superpower Corp A...38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	4,300	28 1/2	Jan	43	Sept	Solar Refining...100	180 1/2	180 1/2	200	132	Jan	190	Aug		
Class B common...39 1/2	39 1/2	40 1/2	100	93 1/2	Jan	100	Aug	Southern Pipe Line...100	23	23 1/2	200	16	Feb	27 1/2	Feb		
First preferred...25	29	29	100	26 1/2	Jan	29 1/2	June	South Penn Oil...25	38 1/2	40	1,200	34 1/2	Apr	41 1/2	Jan		
Participating pref...43 1/2	43	43 1/2	3,300	35	Jan	43 1/2	Nov	So West Pa Pipe Lines...100	75	76	250	55 1/2	Jan	77	Nov		
Assoc Gas & Elec class A...116	116	110	112 1/2	Jan	116 1/2	Sept	Standard Oil (Indiana)...25	75 1/2	74 1/2	30,800	64 1/2	May	75 1/2	Nov			
Bell Telep of Pa 6 1/2 % pf.100	137	138 1/2	400	98 1/2	Feb	154 1/2	May	Standard Oil (Kansas)...25	16	16	500	15 1/2	Oct	20 1/2	Jan		
Blackstone V G & E com 50	3 1/2	3 1/2	2,900	3 1/2	Aug	6 1/2	Jan	Standard Oil (Kentucky)25	122 1/2	122 1/2	900	111 1/2	Jan	123 1/2	Sept		
Brooklyn City RR...130	34 1/2	36 1/2	2,000	25 1/2	Jan	26 1/2	Sept	Standard Oil (Neb)...25	43 1/2	44 1/2	1,300	42	June	49 1/2	Feb		

Mining Stocks—	Par	Friday Last Sale Price.		Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week.	Range Since Jan. 1.		Friday Last Sale Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week.	Range Since Jan. 1.	
		Low.	High.	Low.	High.		Low.	High.		Low.	High.			
American Exploration	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	4,400	30c	June 2 1/2	100	99 1/2	100 1/2	40,000	85	Jan 100 1/2
Arizona Globe Copper	1	4	4	4	4	2,000	3c	Mar 9c	110 1/2	110 1/2	9,000	108 1/2	May 100 1/2	
Beaver Consolidated	1	2	2	2	2	1,200	65c	Jan 1 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	3,000	99	June 100 1/2	
Bunker Hill & Sullivan	10	134 1/2	125	134 1/2	900	67 1/2	Feb 156	Sept 1 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	33,000	98 1/2	June 100 1/2	
Consolidated Copper Mines	1	4 1/2	3 1/2	4 1/2	19,200	2 1/2	July 4 1/2	Nov 30c	97 1/2	97 1/2	47,000	94 1/2	June 95 1/2	
Cortez Silver Mines Co.	1	18c	18c	21c	5,000	7c	Jan 30c	Feb 2 1/2	100 1/2	101	8,000	100	June 102 1/2	
Cresson Consol G M & M	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	2	900	1 1/2	May 2 1/2	Aug 7c	96	95	25,000	95	Nov 95 1/2	
Divide Extension	1	5c	5c	5c	1,000	3c	June 7c	Jan 2 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	14,000	101	Apr 104	
Engineer Gold Mines Ltd.	5	2 1/2	2 1/2	3	1,500	1 1/2	July 5 1/2	Feb 7c	95 1/2	95 1/2	123,000	93 1/2	Oct 99 1/2	
Eureka Crosscut	1	3c	3c	3c	3,000	3c	July 7 1/2	Feb 7c	99 1/2	99 1/2	111,000	96 1/2	June 99 1/2	
First Thought Gold Mines	1	1c	1c	2c	30,000	1c	Aug 4c	Jan 4c	98 1/2	98 1/2	15,000	98 1/2	Nov 98 1/2	
Golden Centre Mines	5	3	2 1/2	3 1/2	17,700	59c	Aug 3 1/2	Oct 3 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	13,000	92 1/2	July 97	
Golden State Mining	10c	9c	11c	12 1/2c	12,400	2c	May 19c	Sept 19c	94 1/2	94 1/2	15,000	92 1/2	Nov 96	
Goldfield Consol Mines	1	9c	9c	10c	1,000	4c	July 19c	Mar 11c	102 1/2	102 1/2	11,000	100 1/2	Aug 103	
Hawthorne Mines Inc.	1	3c	2c	3c	11,000	1c	June 11c	Jan 11c	96 1/2	96 1/2	108,000	94 1/2	July 97 1/2	
Hecla Mining	25c	16 1/2	16 1/2	15 1/2	1,500	12 1/2	Feb 18	Sept 22 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	17,000	97	July 99 1/2	
Hollinger Cons Gold M.	5	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	100	16 1/2	Sept 22 1/2	Feb 22 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2	55,000	97	Nov 99 1/2	
Mason Valley Mines	5	80c	80c	84c	5,000	65c	July 2 1/2	Jan 2 1/2	97	97	9,000	95 1/2	Oct 96 1/2	
Mining Corp of Canada	5	23 1/2	22 1/2	23 1/2	600	18 1/2	Jan 24	Jan 24	96	96	9,000	92	Nov 96 1/2	
New Cornelia Copper	5	182	182	183 1/2	180	178	June 193 1/2	Mar 110 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	1,000	101	July 104 1/2	
New Jersey Zinc	100	109 1/2	105	110 1/2	20,300	67 1/2	Jan 110 1/2	Nov 110 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	17,000	97	July 99 1/2	
Newmont Mining Corp.	10	6 1/2	6 1/2	7 1/2	4,300	30 1/2	Aug 10 1/2	Feb 28 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	27,000	93	Oct 99 1/2	
Nipissing Mines	5	25	24 1/2	25 1/2	2,400	19 1/2	Jan 28 1/2	Oct 28 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	107,000	96 1/2	July 100 1/2	
Noranda Mines, Ltd.	10	25	24 1/2	25 1/2	500	80c	June 3 1/2	Jan 3 1/2	100 1/2	101 1/2	13,000	97 1/2	Jan 101 1/2	
North Butte	10	95c	89c	1c	4,700	40c	Mar 1 1/2	July 1 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	118,000	95 1/2	Aug 99 1/2	
Ohio Copper	1	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	1,300	1 1/2	Jan 2 1/2	Aug 2 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	128,000	95 1/2	Jan 104 1/2	
Premier Gold Mining	1	19c	19c	19c	10,000	12c	Aug 39c	Feb 39c	116 1/2	117 1/2	11,000	108	Mar 133 1/2	
Red Warrior	1	4c	4c	4c	11,000	4c	Apr 8c	Oct 8c	102	102 1/2	13,000	99 1/2	Apr 102 1/2	
San Toy Mining	1	7 1/2	7 1/2	8	2,600	2 1/2	Aug 8	Nov 8	96	96	142,000	96	Nov 97 1/2	
Shattuck Denn Mining	1	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	700	2 1/2	July 3 1/2	Jan 3 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	17,000	91 1/2	June 96 1/2	
South Amer Gold & Plat.	1	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	11,100	5 1/2	Jan 11 1/2	Oct 11 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	19,000	95	July 99 1/2	
Teck-Hughes	1	26 1/2	26 1/2	27	1,500	22 1/2	Jan 31	Oct 31	105	105	2,000	102 1/2	Jan 105 1/2	
Tonopah Extension	1	91c	91c	91c	100	20c	June 1 1/2	Oct 1 1/2	102 1/2	103 1/2	26,000	98	Jan 103 1/2	
United Verde Extension	50c	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	200	4 1/2	June 7 1/2	Feb 7 1/2	102	102	4,000	100	Oct 102 1/2	
Utah Apex	5	1	1	1	200	85c	July 2 1/2	Feb 2 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	1,000	94	Nov 101 1/2	
Utah Metal & Tunnel	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	5,600	75c	July 3 1/2	Jan 3 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	31,000	103 1/2	Feb 105	
Wenden Copper Mining	1	74c	74c	74c	300	20c	Sept 90c	Nov 90c	94 1/2	94 1/2	37,000	94 1/2	Nov 95 1/2	
Yukon Gold Co.	5	100	100	100 1/2	813,000	100	Sept 100 1/2	Sept 100 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	33,000	91	June 95 1/2	

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Bonds (Concluded)—	Friday Last Sale Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week.	Range Since Jan. 1.	
		Low.	Hgh.		Low.	Hgh.
U S Rubber 6 1/2% notes-'29	100 3/4	100 3/4	100 3/4	1,000	99 1/4	102 1/2
Serial 6 1/2% notes--1930	100 3/4	100 3/4	100 3/4	4,000	98 1/4	103 1/2
Serial 6 1/2% notes--1931	100 3/4	101	101	1,000	97 1/2	103 1/2
Serial 6 1/2% notes--1932	100 3/4	100 3/4	101	11,000	97 1/2	103 1/2
Serial 6 1/2% notes--1933	100 3/4	100 3/4	101	12,000	97 1/2	103 1/2
Serial 6 1/2% notes--1934	100 3/4	100 3/4	101	7,000	97 1/2	103 1/2
Serial 6 1/2% notes--1935	100 3/4	100 3/4	100 3/4	5,000	97 1/2	103 1/2
Serial 6 1/2% notes--1936	100 3/4	100 3/4	100 3/4	4,000	97 1/2	103 1/2
Serial 6 1/2% notes--1937	100 3/4	100	100 3/4	6,000	97 1/2	103 1/2
Serial 6 1/2% notes--1938	100 3/4	100	100 3/4	13,000	97	103 1/2
Serial 6 1/2% notes--1939	100 3/4	100 3/4	100 3/4	1,000	97	104
Serial 6 1/2% notes--1940	100 3/4	100 3/4	100 3/4	2,000	97 1/2	104 1/2
U S Smelt & Ref 5 1/2% 1947	104	103 1/4	104	20,000	101 1/4	104
Utilities Pow & L 5 3/4% '47	93 3/4	93	93 3/4	153,000	93	94 1/4
Valvoline Oil 6%--1937	105 1/4	105 1/4	105 1/4	2,000	104 1/4	106 1/4
Warner Bros Pict 6 1/4% 1925	91	90	91 1/4	31,000	80 3/4	111 1/4
Warner-Quinlan Co 6% 1942	97	97	97	4,000	93 3/4	100 1/4
Webster Mills 6 3/4%--1933	97	97	97	5,000	91 3/4	99 1/2
Western Power 5 1/2%--1957	99 3/4	99 1/4	99 3/4	58,000	96 3/4	100
Westvaco Chlorine 5 1/4% '37	102	102	102	6,000	98 1/4	102 1/4
Wisconsin Cent Ry 5% 1930	98	97 3/4	98	5,000	96	99

Foreign Government and Municipalities						
Agricul Mtge Bk Rep of Col	97 1/4	97 1/4	97 3/4	17,000	95 1/4	99 1/4
20-year sink fund 7% 1946	98 3/4	97 3/4	98 3/4	21,000	96 1/2	99 1/2
20-year 6% Aug 1 1947	92	92	92	2,000	92	92 1/2
Baden (Germany) 7%--1951	98	98	98 1/2	28,000	98	102 1/4
Bank of Prussia Landown-ers Assn 6% notes--1930	95 1/4	94 3/4	95 1/4	22,000	94 1/4	99 1/4
Brazil (U S) 6 1/2% Oct 15 '57	92 3/4	92 3/4	93 1/2	370,000	92 1/2	93 1/2
Brisbane (City) 5%--1957	94 1/4	93 3/4	94 1/4	18,000	93	96 1/4
Buenos Aires (Prov) 7 1/4% '47	100 1/4	100 1/4	100 1/4	21,000	97 1/4	100 1/4
7%--1936	102	101 1/4	102	53,000	95 1/4	102
7%--1952	99 1/4	97 1/4	99 1/4	41,000	94 1/4	99 1/4
Cent Bk of German State & Prov Bks 1st 6% ser A 1952	94	94 1/4	94 1/4	32,000	94	96 1/4
5%--1961	94 3/4	94 3/4	94 3/4	78,000	94 3/4	94 3/4
Danish Cons Munic 5 1/4% '55	99	99 3/4	99 3/4	32,000	97 3/4	100 3/4
Danzig P & Waterway Bd External s f 6 1/4%--1952	85 1/4	85 1/4	86 1/4	63,000	85 1/4	90 3/4
Denmark (King'm) 5 1/4% '55	100 3/4	100	101	90,000	99 1/4	102 3/4
6%--1970	100 1/4	100 1/4	100 1/4	14,000	100	102
German Cons Munic 7% '47	97 1/4	97 1/4	98 3/4	148,000	97 1/4	102
Hamburg (State) Ger 6% '46	93 1/4	92 3/4	94	5,000	91 1/4	99 3/4
Hungarian Land Mtge Inst 7 1/2% series A--1961	99	99	99	3,000	97	101
Indus Mtge Bank of Finl'd 1st mtge coll s f 7%--1944	101	101	101	3,000	99 1/4	102
Medellin (Colombia) 7% '51	93 1/4	93 1/4	93 1/4	3,000	91	96
5%--1948	103 3/4	103 3/4	103 3/4	2,000	102 3/4	105 3/4
Mendoza (Prov) Argentina 7 1/2%--1951	96 1/4	96 1/4	96 1/4	17,000	95	99 1/4
Montevideo (City) 6% 1959	93	93	93 1/4	27,000	91 1/4	94 1/4
Mtge Bk of Bogota 7% 1947	93	92 3/4	93	93	91 1/4	95 1/4
Mtge Bank of Chile 6% 1931	96 1/4	96	96 1/4	32,000	94	99 1/4
Mtge Bk of Denmark 5% '72	96 1/4	96 1/4	96 1/4	15,000	96 1/4	96 1/4
Mtge Bk of Yugoslavia 7% '57	86	85 1/4	86 1/4	155,000	82	92 1/4
Neth'ds (King'm) 6% B 1972	106 1/4	107	107	6,000	105 1/4	109
Nuremberg (City) 6%--1952	91 1/4	91	93	70,000	91 1/4	95 1/4
Peru (Republic of) 7% 1959	97 1/4	96 3/4	97 1/4	100,000	95 1/4	102
Poland (Repub) 7%--1947	92	92	92 1/4	192,000	92	92 1/4
Prussia (Free State) 6 1/4% '51	96 1/4	96 1/4	97	216,000	95 1/4	100 3/4
Extl 6% (of '27) Oct 15 '52	96 3/4	96 1/4	96 3/4	366,000	94	96 3/4
Rio Grande do Sul (State) Brazil ext 7% (of 1927) '66	97	97	97 1/2	22,000	96	98 1/4
Extl s f 7% (of 1927) 1967	96 3/4	97	97	18,000	96	97 1/4
Russian Govt 6 1/2% cfts 1919	16 1/4	17	17	5,000	11 1/4	20 1/4
5 1/2%--1921	17	16 1/4	17	11,000	11 1/4	20 1/4
5 1/2% certificates--1921	16 1/4	16 1/4	16 1/4	6,000	12	20 1/4
Santa Fe (City) Argentine Republic extl 7%--1945	93 1/4	93	93 1/4	18,000	91 1/4	95 1/4
Saxon State Mtge Inv 7% '45	99 1/4	98 1/4	100 3/4	30,000	98 1/4	102 1/4
Serbs Croats & Slovenes (King) ext sec 7% ser B '62	86 1/4	86 1/4	87 1/4	152,000	86	92 1/4
Switzerland Govt 5 1/2% 1929	101 3/4	101 3/4	101 3/4	42,000	101	102 1/4

* No par value. * & Correction. † Listed on the Stock Exchange this week, where additional transactions will be found. m Sold under the rule. n Sold for cash.

† Amer. Cigar com. is ex-33 1-3% stock div.; sold at 148 1/4 on Jan. 3 1927 with stock dividends on. s Option sale. t Ex-rights and bonus. u Cumberland Pipe Line ex special div. of 33% and regular div. of 2%. w When issued. z Ex-div. y Ex rights. z Ex-stock div. p \$5,000 Midwest Gas 7% sold at 101 on Sept. 7 "under the rule." e Sales of National Power & Light pref. were made on Sept. 30 at 109 1/2 "under the rule."

c Sale of Texas Power & Light 5% 1956, on Oct. 14 at 99 1/4 "under the rule."
d Piggly Western class A sold on Oct. 17 at 25 1/4 "under the rule."
e Nuremberg 6% sold Oct. 17, \$1,000 at 96 for cash.

Util. Pow. & L. 5 1/2% 1947, sold Oct. 21 \$38,000 at 94 1/4 "under the rule."
h Sales of Prussia 6% of 1952 Nov. 4 at 100 under the rule and on Nov. 11 at 98 1/4 "under the rule."

New York City Banks and Trust Companies.

Banks—N. Y.	Bid	Ask	Banks.	Bid	Ask	Trust Cos.	Bid	Ask
America*	350	360	Harriman	810	---	New York.	---	---
Amer Jaton*	211	216	Manhattan*	580	585	Am Ex Inv Tr.	414	419
Bowery East R.	600	615	Mutual*	775	---	Bank of N Y	---	---
Bronx Boro*	590	610	Natl Natl City	715	720	& Trust Co.	680	690
Bronx Nat.	650	675	New Neth'ds*	525	---	Bankers Trust	925	932
Bryant Park*	220	250	Park	615	620	Bronx Co Tr.	335	---
Capital Nat.	---	---	Penn Exch.	173	183	Central Union	1265	1285
Bank & Tr.	323	330	Port Morris.	400	---	County	380	400
Cent Merc Bk	---	---	Public.	660	670	Empire	435	440
& Trust Co.	319	325	Seaboard	770	778	Equitable Tr.	411	415
Central	213	219	Seventh	190	210	Farm L & Tr.	660	666
Chase	576	581	State*	605	615	Fidelity Trust	363	373
Chath Phenix	---	---	Trade*	260	---	Fulton	505	525
Nat Bk & Tr	520	528	United	450	---	Guaranty Tr.	580	585
Chelsea Exch*	300	307	United States*	570	585	Interstate	284	288
Chemical.	965	975	Yorktown*	200	220	Lawyers Trust	---	---
Colonial*	1000	1200	Brooklyn.	---	---	Manufacturer	770	780
Commerce	564	569	Coney Island*	425	430	Murray Hill	280	295
Continental*	325	---	Dewey*	300	---	Mutual (West-	---	---
Corn Exch.	595	605	First	410	425	chester)	285	---
Cosmopolitan*	415	440	Mechanics*	336	341	N Y Trust	665	675
Fifth Avenue.	2225	2325	Municipal*	420	425	Terminal Tr.	260	275
First	3600	3640	Nassau	410	430	Times Square	190	195
Garfield	485	500	Peoples	750	---	Title Gu & Tr	770	778
Globe Exch*	250	300	---	---	---	U S Mtg & Tr	555	595
Grace	325	---	---	---	---	United States	2500	2550
Hamilton	240	245	*State banks.	---	---	Westchest'r Tr	1000	---
Hanover	1270	1300	† New stock.	---	---	Brooklyn.	---	---
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All prices dollars per share.

New York City Realty and Surety Companies.

All prices dollars per share.								
	Bid	Ask		Bid	Ask		Bid	Ask
Alliance R'ty	52	60	Mtge Bond	157	165	Realty Assoc's	---	---
Amer Surety	320	330	Nat Surety	280	285	(Bklyn) com	280	290
Bond & M. G.	375	385	N Y Title &	---	---	1st pref.	94	98
Lawyers Mtge	333	338	Mortgage	508	515	2d pref.	88	91
Lawyers Title	---	---	U S Casualty	370	380	Westchester	---	---
& Guarantee	305	315	---	---	---	Title & Tr.	580	---

Quotations for U. S. Treas. Cfts. of Indebtedness, &c.

Maturity.	Int. Rate.	Bid.	Asked.	Maturity.	Int. Rate.	Bid.	Asked.
Dec. 15 1927	4 1/4%	100 1/4	100 1/4	Mar. 15, 1928	3%	99 1/4	100
June 15 1928	3 1/4%	100	100 1/4	Sept. 15, 1930-2	3 1/2%	100 1/4	100 1/4
Mar. 15 1928	3 1/4%	100 1/4	100 1/4	Mar. 15 1930-32	3 1/2%	100 1/4	100 1/4

It is announced that the Citizens National Bank of Freeport, L. I., has been sold to a group of Long Island business men headed by Gustav H. Kehr of Lynbrook. The announcement was made by Macauley & Co., the brokers. The capital of the bank consists of 1,000 shares, the sale of 510 of which represents controlling interest. These shares were made available by William J. Duane, vice-president; Dr. W. H. Runcie, and William J. Martin and other holders at a price of \$515 per share. This purchase, it is said, is the forerunner of further acquisitions of Nassau County banks, with the formation of a chain banking system planned.

CURRENT NOTICES.

—Pynchon & Co., members of the New York Stock Exchange, announce the opening of an uptown office in the Savoy-Plaza Hotel, Fifth Ave., at 59th St. In addition to its main office at 111 Broadway, the firm also has a branch at 334 Madison Ave., as well as offices in Chicago, Milwaukee and London, England.

—Bankers Capital Co. of Connecticut, affiliated with Bankers Capital Corp., announces the opening of an office at 64 Pearl St., Hartford, with direct private telephone connection with the executive offices at 44 Wall St., New York, and other Connecticut offices located in Bridgeport, New Haven and Waterbury.

—Bankers Trust Co. has been appointed agent for the payment of Pacific Gas and Electric Co. first and refunding 4 1/2% series E bond coupons and has also been appointed co-agent with First Minneapolis Trust Co., Minneapolis, Minn., for payment of Union Public Service Co. first mortgage 6% coupons.

—J. F. Teaton, E. D. Gould and B. B. Gilman have joined the sales or organization of Shields & Co., Inc., in the uptown New York office at 347 Madison Ave., under the management of W. V. Carolin. F. D. Walter has joined the sales organization at the main office.

—Bond & Goodwin, Inc., Investment Bankers, of Boston and New York, announce that Rodney W. Lampman has been appointed their representative in Syracuse, Watertown, Utica and vicinity. He will make his headquarters in Utica.

—Hamilton, Warner & Co., Montreal, announce that R. O. B. Hamilton has withdrawn from the firm and that the business in the future will be conducted under the name of Warner & Company, with offices at the same address, 120 St. James St.

—Herman E. Naething, formerly with Arthur E. Frank & Co., has become associated with Griswold-First State Co. of Detroit and New York, and will have charge of the trading department in the New York office, 24 Broad St.

—Halsey C. Brewster, formerly with T. Hall Keyes & Co., has become associated with Bonner, Brooks & Co., 120 Broadway, New York, as manager of their trading department.

—Ward, Gruver & Co., members of the New York Stock Exchange, 20 Broad St., N. Y., have issued a special circular on the Royal Dutch Co., which produces more than 1-10 of the world's oil supply.

—Outwater & Wells, Jersey City, N. J., have prepared and are distributing a current list of investment suggestions in public utility, municipal, insurance and miscellaneous securities.

—G. V. Grace & Co., 34 Pine St., New York, have opened an office at Charlotten Strasse 48, Berlin, under the management of Herman Benkert, formerly of the Reichsbank.

—Paine, Webber & Co. have prepared a comprehensive analysis of The Grief Bros. Coöperage Corp., discussing its financial position, earnings and outlook.

—Farr & Co. are distributing a circular outlining the sugar refining situation as it relates to Savannah Sugar Refining Corporation 7% cumulative preferred stock.

—Hunting

Latest Gross Earnings by Weeks.—In the table which follows we sum up separately the earnings for the fourth week of October. The table covers 12 roads and shows 0.73% decrease from the same week last year:

Fourth Week of October.	1927.	1926.	Increase.	Decrease.
Buffalo Rochester & Pittsburgh	\$521,938	\$599,843		\$77,905
Canadian Pacific	7,192,000	6,864,000	\$328,000	
Canadian National	8,666,224	8,913,301		247,077
Duluth South Shore & Atl.	139,806	157,465		17,659
Mineral Range	5,945	6,402		457
Minneapolis & St. Louis	443,672	394,960	48,712	
Mobile & Ohio	541,260	512,779	28,481	
Nevada-California & Oregon	13,381	10,237	3,144	
St. Louis Southwestern	809,100	790,898	18,102	
Southern Ry System	5,280,508	5,492,091		211,583
Texas & Pacific	1,206,698	1,049,956	156,742	
Western Maryland	591,063	805,623		214,560
Total (12 roads)	\$25,411,595	\$25,597,655	\$583,181	\$769,241
Net Increase (0.73%)				186,060

For the first week of November only two roads as yet have reported. The figures are as follows:

First Week of November.	1927.	1926.	Increase.	Decrease.
Buffalo Rochester & Pittsburgh	\$301,761	\$364,458		\$62,497
Canadian Pacific	5,070,000	4,958,000	112,000	

Electric Railway and Other Public Utility Net Earnings.—The following table gives the returns of ELECTRIC railway and other public utility gross and net earnings with charges and surplus reported this week:

Companies.	Gross Earnings—		Net Earnings—	
	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Current Year.	Previous Year.
American Telp & Teleg	Sept 8,417,000	7,693,000	3,422,000	3,152,000
9 mos ended Sept 30	73,086,000	67,724,000	30,102,000	27,112,000
Western Union	Sept 11,549,000	12,074,000	1,508,000	1,596,000
9 mos ended Sept 30	98,460,000	100,483,000	11,384,000	11,450,000
Companies.	Gross Earnings.	Net after Taxes.	Fixed Charges.	Balance, Surplus.
Carolina Power & Light Co	Sept '27 776,172	*412,392	154,167	258,225
	'26 709,809	*393,999	108,812	285,187
12 mos end Sept 30	8,778,897	*4,571,647	1,432,729	3,138,918
	'26 7,936,199	*3,906,062	1,241,763	2,664,269
Federal Light & Traction Co	Sept '27 554,341	207,208	81,020	126,188
	'26 533,137	203,318	71,387	131,931
9 mos end Sept 30	5,116,977	1,891,159	668,851	1,222,308
	'26 4,824,898	1,805,717	612,960	1,192,757
Public Service of New Hampshire & Subs	Sept '27 301,881	165,040	43,172	121,869
	'26 305,967	136,294	36,221	100,074
9 mos end Sept 30	2,637,180	1,302,343	329,989	972,354
	'26 2,628,050	1,222,483	328,973	893,511
Washington Water Power Co	Sept '27 532,434	327,794	41,857	325,937
	'26 457,694	235,034	60,268	174,766
12 mos end Sept 30	6,390,515	3,895,916	516,585	3,779,331
	'26 6,067,757	3,554,422	587,180	2,967,242

* Includes other income.

New York City Street Railways.

Companies—	Gross Revenue.	*Net Revenue.	Fixed Charges.	Net Corp. Income.
Brooklyn City	July '27 903,079	106,156	45,686	60,475
	'26 952,982	148,010	47,449	100,562
7 mos end July 31	6,775,711	884,359	327,709	556,709
	'26 6,787,452	1,139,920	348,678	804,779
Brooklyn Heights (Rec)	July '27 1,560	8,155	58,009	—49,854
	'26 1,560	7,776	57,954	—50,178
7 mos end July 31	10,965	57,486	406,398	—347,909
	'26 11,036	52,241	395,678	—353,437
Brooklyn & Queens	July '27 214,498	4,246	56,671	—52,426
	'26 212,866	40,813	56,466	—15,653
7 mos end July 31	1,617,770	134,863	428,017	—292,932
	'26 1,516,463	264,885	399,976	—255,090
Coney Island & Brooklyn	July '27 272,683	45,333	33,565	11,788
	'26 291,625	96,898	34,033	62,865
7 mos end July 31	2,169,831	296,519	228,463	66,657
	'26 1,669,021	405,961	230,861	175,099
Coney Island & Gravesend	July '27 23,698	8,638	13,779	—5,141
	'26 23,897	20,289	13,705	6,584
7 mos end July 31	81,957	—7,261	96,858	—104,122
	'26 71,541	—965	95,035	—96,000
ghth & Ninth Avenue (Rec)	July '27 105,255	—8,697	8,195	—16,891
	'26 128,281	—5,449	7,200	—12,648
7 mos end July 31	790,255	—54,782	62,247	—13,910
	'26 850,661	—141,187	46,459	—187,945
Interboro Rapid Transit—Elevated Division	July '27 1,513,435	364,368	697,258	—332,889
	'26 1,719,101	278,284	699,764	—421,492
7 mos end July 31	11,127,085	2,789,460	4,878,352	—2,101,890
	'26 11,335,028	2,769,545	4,894,597	—2,125,050
Subway Division	July '27 3,349,262	1,208,780	1,107,791	100,988
	'26 2,278,863	—18,058	1,098,549	—1,116,606
7 mos end July 31	21,501,781	8,683,081	5,313,550	3,369,499
	'26 24,465,829	10,571,219	7,821,715	2,750,195
Jamaica Central Rys	July '27 57,527	11,327	1,529	9,796
	'26 56,952	8,571	1,902	6,662
Manhattan & Queens (Rec)	July '27 37,994	4,685	9,760	—5,075
	'26 41,209	5,231	9,803	—4,573
7 mos end July 31	269,682	38,638	68,072	—29,444
	'26 261,548	50,858	68,283	—17,426
Manhattan Bridge	July '27 17,892	—320	414	—733
	'26 19,704	2,038	373	1,666
7 mos end July 31	132,156	6,983	2,649	4,333
	'26 135,356	11,310	2,377	8,928
Nassau Electric	July '27 523,714	—73	97,088	—97,161
	'26 565,797	125,342	95,167	30,175
7 mos end July 31	3,520,761	—13,140	689,643	—421,492
	'26 3,429,988	329,779	650,014	283,529
New York & Harlem	July '27 78,097	101,846	55,356	46,490
	'26 99,076	108,751	54,895	53,856
7 mos end July 31	658,143	720,313	365,693	337,613
	'26 709,776	737,950	362,850	321,274
New York & Queens (Rec)	July '27 68,297	10,527	23,663	—13,135
	'26 64,026	7,630	25,425	—17,795
7 mos end July 31	488,615	76,386	165,091	—85,703
	'26 441,214	67,029	167,571	—100,541
New York Railways	July '27 585,881	97,747	187,820	—90,073
	'26 663,561	138,466	73,189	53,277
7 mos end July 31	3,993,064	626,683	797,251	—170,556
	'26 4,178,155	715,508	506,699	209,809
New York Rapid Transit	July '27 2,821,417	886,221	494,342	391,879
	'26 2,948,928	1,330,254	2,295,769	955,514
7 mos end July 31	18,978,492	6,940,875	3,502,276	3,448,590
	'26 21,586,534	7,960,614	6,600,143	1,360,472

New York City Street Railways.

	Gross Revenue	*Net Revenue	Fixed Charges	Net Corp. Income
Ocean Electric	July '27 6,826	—446	1	—447
	'26 39,818	19,907	7,915	11,992
7 mos end July 31	27,446	—30,130	—507	30,638
	'26 149,125	37,548	30,004	7,544
Richmond Railways	July '27 62,321	10,230	417	9,814
	'26 67,079	9,793	11,729	—1,935
7 mos end July 31	407,319	41,921	74,708	—32,786
	'26 403,701	2,276	82,883	81,295
Second Avenue (Rec)	July '27 86,137	1,808	17,680	—15,872
	'26 97,542	15,357	17,490	—2,133
7 mos end July 31	607,293	49,206	113,593	—64,377
	'26 607,310	39,493	122,202	—82,708
South Brooklyn	July '27 129,116	47,755	20,720	27,035
	'26 144,929	58,809	26,832	31,997
7 mos end July 31	705,775	201,275	157,623	\$43,654
	'26 771,963	238,207	185,470	52,764
Steinway Railways(Rec)	July '27 63,064	4,344	4,340	4
	'26 66,889	7,635	4,511	3,214
7 mos end July 31	472,890	46,664	36,428	10,237
	'26 445,145	388,155	35,450	2,795
Third Avenue Railway	July '27 1,273,316	217,958	225,003	—7,045
	'26 1,353,348	310,607	232,366	88,241
7 mos end July 31	9,734,609	1,907,538	1,906,444	1,094
	'26 8,632,522	1,613,375	1,554,309	59,066

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Financial Reports.—An index to annual reports of steam railroads, public utility 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 Oct. 29. The next will appear in that of Nov. 26.

British Empire Steel Corp., Ltd.

(Annual Report—Year Ended Dec. 31 1926.)

Pres. R. M. Wolvin, Oct. 19, wrote in substance:

Results.—The results of the year's operations, although very far from being satisfactory, indicate a substantial improvement over those of the previous year.

Balance Sheet.—Additions and improvements to the properties of the several constituent companies properly chargeable to capital, amounted to \$1,254,099. The aggregate amount reserved from earnings for depreciation and depletion by all the companies and deducted from the cost of properties was \$1,461,625. After writing off items destroyed or otherwise disposed of, and making some necessary adjustments, the net reduction in the book value of the fixed properties was \$407,098.

The aggregate reduction in funded and mortgage debts was \$414,871, which is less than usual as the annual sinking fund instalment of Dominion Iron & Steel Co., Ltd., was not paid.

The combined working capital of the companies was considerably improved during the year. Current and working assets increased \$2,195,411 and current liabilities decreased \$537,233, a combined improvement of \$2,732,644 over the previous statement.

The excess of current and working assets over current liabilities at the end of the year was \$12,270,195. In arriving at these figures an amount now on deposit with the bankers of the Dominion Iron & Steel Co., Ltd., has been treated as if it had been applied to the payment of the bank loans to that company, and the total amount of bank loans has been decreased accordingly. The amount referred to has been deposited with the Bank of Montreal and the Canadian Bank of Commerce by order of the Court, but cannot be applied to the payment of the bank loans of the Dominion Iron & Steel Co., Ltd., until the Court shall decide whether the banks or the holders of the bonds of that company have a prior lien upon the funds.

Profit & Loss Account.—The aggregate operating profits of all the companies were \$4,424,118, which contrasts favourably with losses amounting to \$1,133,443, which were reported in the previous year.

After transferring the sum of \$1,461,625 to reserves for depreciation and depletion, there remained a balance of \$2,962,493, and after provision for bond interest and discount, \$1,138,468 as net profits of all companies for the year.

In this connection, directors desire to remind the shareholders that having due regard to the book values of the properties of the Dominion Iron & Steel Co., Ltd., and the Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co. Ltd., the amounts reserved for depreciation and depletion in the accounts of these companies are considered sufficient and that these reserves should be increased if and when earnings are available.

Course of Events Since Last Annual Meeting.—In the last report reference was made to the difficulties under which the steel companies in Nova Scotia were operating and particularly those confronting the Dominion Iron & Steel Co.

As forecast in the president's address at the last annual meeting the Dominion Iron & Steel Co., Ltd., did not pay the interest and sinking fund instalments on its first mortgage bonds when they matured on July 1 1926. Although net current assets were large, and in ordinary circumstances would have warranted additional loans which would have enabled the company to carry on its business, doubt had arisen as to its right under the terms of its mortgage deeds of trust to give security to its bankers by hypothecation of its inventories and receivables. In the circumstances it appeared necessary to invoke the protection of the court. An application upon the ground of jeopardy was made, asking for the appointment of a receiver and manager, and the court, with the acquiescence of the company, on July 2 1926, appointed the National Trust Co. Ltd. receiver and manager of the Dominion Iron & Steel Co. Ltd.

On March 26 1927, the National Trust Co., as trustee for the bondholders of the Steel company and as receiver and manager of that company made application to the court for an order to wind up the British Empire Steel Corp. Ltd. and the Dominion Steel Corp. Following this application a special general meeting of British Empire Steel Co. was held and the action of the directors in opposing the winding up of the British Empire Steel Corp and Dominion Steel Corp. was unanimously approved by the shareholders, with the single exception of the National Trust Co., which represented the second preference and common shares of the corporation that are owned by the Dominion Iron & Steel Co. Ltd.

The application insofar as it related to this corporation was dismissed, but on July 12 the application with respect to Dominion Steel Corp. was granted and the court ordered that The Royal Trust Co. be appointed liquidator of that corporation. An appeal from the order was taken to the court in banco which was heard before four judges, and failing agreement, two being for confirmation and two for reversal of the order, it was dismissed. Leave for further appeal to the Judicial Committee of the King's Privy Council has been granted and a stay of proceedings ordered pending decision on the appeal, which will be pressed forward as rapidly as possible.

Reorganization.—Directors have given and are giving serious attention to the possible reorganization of the capital structure of the corporation and its constituent and subsidiary companies, but all attempts have been met with unexpected difficulties and with opposition from quarters from which co-operation should have been given.

Directors in view of the action taken to wind up corporation, in March of the current year, called meetings of the holders of the three classes of the corporation's stock for the purpose of appointing committees to protect their several interests.

At these meetings representative committees were appointed by the three classes of shareholders to work with the directors in the development of a plan of reorganization which would as far as possible protect the interests of all classes of shareholders.

These committees held several meetings separately and jointly in April and May and on June 1 in joint meeting finally agreed upon a plan which would eliminate the priorities attaching to the preference shares, and convert the capital of the corporation into shares of one denomination without nominal or par value, which it was proposed to distribute amongst the shareholders in proportions which the committees deemed equitable.

Cuba Northern Rys. Co.—Earnings.—

Results for 3 Months Ended Sept. 30 1927.

Gross revenue	\$1,297,709
Exp., deprec., interest, &c	1,294,204
Net income	\$3,505
—V. 125, p. 1576.	

Cuba Railroad Co.—Earnings.—

Results for 3 Months Ended Sept. 30 1927.

Gross revenue	\$3,284,293
Exp., deprec., interest, &c	2,976,598
Net income	\$307,695
Earns. per share on 100,000 shs. of pref. stk. outstanding	\$3.07
—V. 125, p. 1576.	

Delaware, Lackawana & Western RR.—Assumption of Bonds.—

The I.-S. C. Commission on Nov. 2 authorized the company to assume obligation and liability, as guarantor, in respect of \$9,871,000 of Morris & Essex RR 1st ref. mtge. 3½% gold bonds, and to sell such bonds to J. P. Morgan & Co. at not less than 83½¢ and int., the proceeds to be used for capital purposes.—V. 125, p. 1456.

Erie RR.—New Vice-President.—

C. E. Denney, Vice-Pres. and Gen. Mgr. of the Nickel Plate RR, has been elected Vice-President in charge of operations of the Erie RR., succeeding W. A. Baldwin, effective Nov. 10.—V. 125, p. 2258.

Kansas City, Shreveport & Gulf Terminal Co.—Bonds.—

The I.-S. C. Commission on Oct. 29 authorized the company to extend from Aug. 1 1927 to Aug. 1 1937 the maturity date of \$150,000 of 1st mtge. bonds. All of these bonds which matured Aug. 1 1927 are outstanding, \$126,000 in the hands of the public and \$24,000 in the hands of the Kansas City Southern Ry. Except for directors' qualifying shares, all of the company's capital stock is owned by the Kansas City Southern.

By a supplemental indenture proposed to be entered into by the company with the trustee and the Kansas City Southern as of Aug. 1 1927, the Kansas City Southern will agree to purchase the \$126,000 of bonds outstanding and to extend the maturity date of all the bonds to Aug. 1 1937. Except as qualified by the supplemental indenture the rights of the bondholders and the lien of the bonds are to remain unchanged and unimpaired. The interest rate will be increased for the extended period from 4 to 6% per annum, payable semi-annually on Feb. 1 and Aug. 1.

Michigan Central Railroad Co.—Earnings.—

Per. E. Sept. 30	1927.—3 Mos.—1926.	1927.—9 Mos.—1926.		
Railway oper. rev.	\$24,107,713	\$25,270,285	\$68,614,179	\$72,753,016
Railway oper. exp.	16,422,048	17,048,975	47,343,908	49,116,229
Railway tax accr.	1,677,209	1,619,801	4,662,795	4,651,764
Uncoll. rlwy. rev.	2,899	3,864	16,043	18,052
Eq. & jt. fac. rents.	66,813	198,269	224,381	936,630
Net oper. inc.	\$5,938,742	\$6,399,375	\$16,367,052	\$18,030,341
Mis. & non-op. inc.	462,066	503,422	1,484,291	1,297,993
Gross income	\$6,400,808	\$6,902,796	\$17,851,343	\$19,328,334
Deduct. from gross income	1,540,621	1,584,936	4,698,856	4,773,487
Net income	\$4,860,187	\$5,317,860	\$13,152,487	\$14,554,847
Earns. per sh. on 187,364 shs. (par \$100) cap. stk. outstdg.	\$25.94	\$28.38	\$70.20	\$77.68
—V. 125, p. 909.				

Missouri Pacific RR.—New Directors.—

Archibald R. Graustein, president of the International Paper Co., and A. D. Geoghegan, President of the Wesson Oil & Snowdrift Co., Inc., have been appointed directors of Missouri Pacific Railway. The former succeeds the late B. F. Bush and the latter H. L. Utter, Secretary, who resigned recently.—V. 125, p. 2384, 2523.

New York Central Lines.—Orders Steel Rails.—

The company announced on Nov. 7 the expenditure of approximately \$7,600,000, covering the purchase of steel rails for delivery next year. The total tonnage of rail involved is 177,140 tons, which was distributed among various manufacturers as follows: Bethlehem Steel Co., \$3,340 tons; Illinois Steel Co., 67,950 tons; Inland Steel Co., 15,000 tons; and Carnegie Steel Co., 10,350 tons. Of this tonnage 70% is ordered for immediate specification and the balance is optioned for order prior to March 1 1928.—V. 124, p. 3064.

New York Central Railroad Co.—Earnings.—

(Including Boston & Albany Railroad & Ohio Central Lines.)

Per. E. Sept. 30	1927.—3 Mos.—1926.	1927.—9 Mos.—1926.		
Railway oper. rev.	\$109,193,435	\$104,829,363	\$292,632,720	\$297,185,971
Railway oper. exp.	74,230,062	74,818,966	220,445,231	219,602,106
Railway tax accr.	6,791,985	7,329,131	19,707,228	20,607,900
Uncoll. rlwy. rev.	22,340	28,500	86,215	107,162
Eq. & jt. fac. rents.	513,394	555,573	2,607,234	1,567,318
Net oper. inc.	\$18,635,663	\$22,099,693	\$49,786,812	\$55,301,485
Mis. & non-oper. income	7,516,187	7,190,866	24,751,537	21,724,541
Gross income	\$26,151,841	\$29,290,559	\$74,538,349	\$77,026,026
Ded. from gr. inc.	11,603,420	11,605,369	34,477,626	34,204,524
Net income	\$14,548,421	\$17,685,191	\$40,060,722	\$42,821,502
Earns. per sh. on 3,832,582 shs. (par \$100) cap. stk. outstdg.	\$3.79	\$4.61	\$10.45	\$11.17
—V. 125, p. 2384.				

New York Chicago & St. Louis RR.—Tenders, &c.—

The Central Union Trust Co. of New York, trustee, will until Nov. 28 receive bids for the sale to it of 1st mtge. 4% gold bonds, due Oct. 1 1937, to an amount sufficient to exhaust \$100,000, at prices not exceeding 102 and int.

Following the announcement of the election of C. E. Denney, who has been Vice-President and Gen. Mgr. of this road, as Vice-President of the Erie RR in charge of operations, W. L. Ross, President of the Nickel Plate announced the appointment of two new vice-presidents of that road. They are H. J. Klein, to be Vice-President in charge of operations and maintenance, and J. W. Graham, to be Vice-President in charge of traffic. Both appointments become effective on Nov. 10.—V. 125, p. 778.

Pittsburgh & Lake Erie RR. Co.—Earnings.—

Per. E. Sept. 30	1927.—3 Mos.—1926.	1927.—9 Mos.—1926.		
Railway oper. rev.	\$8,480,072	\$8,830,877	\$24,779,308	\$24,961,793
Railway oper. exp.	6,571,077	6,807,546	20,181,362	20,060,102
Railway tax accr.	552,900	606,600	1,535,300	1,640,200
Uncoll. rail. rev.	818	818	223	2,764
Eq. & jt. fac. rents.	(Cr)1,150,329	(Cr)1,087,272	(Cr)3,335,135	(Cr)3,381,087
Net oper. inc.	\$2,506,425	\$2,503,185	\$6,397,558	\$6,639,814
Mis. & non-oper. income	280,982	327,779	879,294	1,013,024
Gross income	\$2,787,407	\$2,830,963	\$7,276,853	\$7,652,838
Ded. from gr. inc.	669,394	586,999	1,947,186	1,942,979
Net income	\$2,118,013	\$2,243,963	\$5,329,667	\$5,709,859
Earns. per sh. on 719,712 shs. (par \$50) cap. stk. outstdg.	\$2.94	\$3.12	\$7.41	\$7.93
—V. 125, p. 2385.				

St. Johnsbury & Lake Champlain RR.—Lease & Sublease of Line.—

The I.-S. C. Commission on Oct. 22 approved the acquisition by the Canadian Pacific Ry. of control by lease and by the Maine Central RR by sublease of a portion of the line of railroad of the St. Johnsbury & Lake Champlain RR, extending from St. Johnsbury to Lunenburg, a distance of 22 miles, all in the State of Vermont.—V. 119, p. 3007.

Sunset Ry. (Calif.)—Final Valuation.—

The I.-S. C. Commission has placed a final valuation of \$1,083,800 on the owned and used property of the company, as of June 30, 1916.—V. 121, p. 1567.

Ulster & Delaware RR.—Protective Committee.—

The following notice has been sent to holders of the 1st consol. mtge. 5% gold bonds:

The principal of the above \$2,000,000 bonds matures on June 1 1928. It is anticipated that the company will not be able to make payment of the bonds at maturity. Accordingly, united action on the part of the holders of the bonds is deemed essential for the protection of their interests, and the committee (below) at the request of holders of a substantial amount of the bonds, have consented to act for their protection.

Holders of the bonds are urged to make prompt deposit of their bonds with the June 1 1928 coupon attached, with Central Union Trust Co., depository, 80 Broadway, N. Y. City. The depository will issue transferable certificates of deposit in respect of the bonds deposited. Bondholders should detach the Dec. 1 1927 coupon from said bonds and collect the same themselves. The interest which will come due on June 1 1928 as and when collected by the committee, will be remitted by check to the registered holders of certificates of deposit.

Prompt co-operations is deemed necessary for the proper protection of the interests of the bondholders, and immediate deposit of bonds is therefore urged.

Committee.—Frederick J. Lisman (F. J. Lisman & Co.), New York; Arthur M. Collins (V.-Pres. Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Co.), Hartford; William G. Edinburg (Treas. Potter Transportation Co.), New York; with Allan B. Lane, Sec., 20 Exchange Place, New York, and Cook, Nathan & Lehman, counsel.—V. 124, p. 2114; V. 122, p. 3602.

PUBLIC UTILITIES.

American Natural Gas Corp.—Pref. Stock Offered.—

G. L. Ohrstrom & Co., New York are offering at \$99.50 per share and div. 50,000 shares \$7 cumulative convertible preferred stock (without par value).

Refund of certain Penn. and Conn. taxes not to exceed 4 mills, and Mass. income tax not to exceed 6% of the dividend thereon to resident holders upon timely and proper application. Preferred both as to assets and dividends over the common stock. Divs. payable Q. F. Red. all or part, on any div. payment date, upon at least 60 days' notice, at \$110 per share and divs. Upon dissolution or liquidation, entitled to \$110 per share and divs., before any distribution may be made to the holders of the common stock. Holders of the preferred stock of all series are entitled to elect a majority of the board of directors of the corporation if at any time dividends shall be in arrears and unpaid on the preferred stock for 4 successive quarterly periods, until all accrued dividends have been paid. Transfer agent, Lawyers Trust Co.; Registrar, Central Union Trust Co., New York.

Convertible.—One share of \$7 cumulative convertible preferred stock is convertible, subject to previous redemption, into common stock as follows: To and including Feb. 1 1930, into 5 shares; thereafter, to and incl. Feb. 1, 1932, into 4 shares; thereafter, to and incl. Feb. 1 1935, into 3 shares; thereafter, to and incl. Feb. 1 1938, into 2 shares; thereafter, to and incl. Feb. 1 1945 into 1 share. Preferred stock which may be called for redemption will be convertible to and including the date fixed for redemption.

Listed.—Corporation has agreed to make application to list the \$7 cumulative convertible preferred stock on the New York Stock Exchange. Compare also V. 125, p. 2523, 2385, 2259.

American Power & Light Co.—Stock Dividend.—

The directors have declared a dividend of 1-50 of a share in common stock in addition to the regular quarterly cash dividend of 25¢ per share on the common stock, both payable Dec. 1 to holders of record Nov. 15. Stock distributions of like amount have been made semi-annually since Dec. 1 1924.—V. 125, p. 1190.

American Superpower Corp.—Extra Div.—

The directors have declared an extra dividend of one-fiftieth of a share of class "A" common stock on the class "A" and "B" common stocks and the regular quarterly dividends of 30¢ a share on the class "A" and "B" common and the regular quarterly of \$1.50 a share on the first preferred stock. The preferred dividend is payable Jan. 1 and the common dividends Dec. 31, all to holders of record Nov. 30.—V. 125, p. 1705.

Associated Gas & Electric Co.—Power Output.—

Electric power production of the Associated Gas & Electric System for the 12 months ended Sept. 30 1927, reached the record total of 868,233,527 k. w. h., an increase of 73,005,654 k. w. h. over the preceding year, or 9.2%. For the month of Sept. 1927, the output aggregated 71,563,209 k. w. n., an increase of 3,336,100 k. w. n., or 4.9% over the same month of 1926. This increase for September was accomplished in spite of the fact that the Pennsylvania properties showed a decline of 2.2% in their power output, due to the bituminous coal miners strike in that region. The only other decrease among the various groups was the 10.7 reduction reported by the Portsmouth property, due to abandonment of electric railway service, all others showing increases ranging from 8.6% for the maritime properties up to 41.6% for the Cape & Vineyard property. The New York State Gas & Electric properties showed an increase of 18.7%, Staten Island Edison 14.3%, and the Kentucky-Tennessee group 13.3%. The Harlem Valley properties increased their power sales 14.8% and the Patchogue, L. I., property 32%.

Officials of the Associated company commented on the fact that with few exceptions the various groups in the Associated System reported increases substantially in excess of the 5% gain reported by the Department of the Interior for public utility power plants of the United States as a whole in September.

Tenders.—Features of System.—

This company will until Nov. 21 receive bids for the sale to it of Citizens Light, Heat & Power Co. of Pa. 1st mtge. 5% bonds due Nov. 1 1934, at a price not exceeding 101 and int.

Consolidated Statement of Earnings and Expenses of Properties Since Dates of Acquisition.

12 Mos. End. Aug. 31—	1927.	1926.	Increase	%
Gross earn. & other income	\$33,152,610	\$27,461,011	\$5,688,599	21
Oper. exp., main., all taxes, etc	17,663,426	15,364,393	2,299,033	15
Net earnings	\$15,489,184	\$12,099,618	\$3,389,566	28
Prof. div. of sub. & affil. cos. & all int.	8,540,412	7,014,327	1,526,085	22
Balance	\$6,948,772	\$5,085,291	\$1,863,481	37
Prof. div. paid or accrued	2,957,863	1,274,339	1,683,524	132
Prov. for replace. & renewals	1,717,035	1,547,680	169,355	11
Balance	\$2,273,874	\$2,263,272	\$10,602	—
Cl. "A" prior divs (\$2 per sh.)	859,966	577,184	282,782	49
Bal. for class "A" partic. class "B" & com. div. & sur.	\$1,413,908	\$1,686,088	*\$272,180	*16
*Decrease.				

Issues Annual Report for 1926.—

Record gross and net earnings for 1926, total assets of \$264,362,697 and more than 30,000 customer-owners of securities are announced in the annual report of the company, made public Nov. 10. The report outlines the marked accomplishment in the simplification of the corporate structure of the company and its subsidiaries, together with a review of the growth of the system in all its departments and territories and promise of still greater development in the electric and gas industries.

"So far as human sagacity can foresee," says Pres. J. I. Mange in the report to the stockholders, "the immediate future for both the electric and gas industries is very bright. It is hoped that the increased use of electric energy, which has been so marked during the last decade, will continue, and there is every good reason to believe that it will be accelerated. Statistics in a recently published report of the United States Department of Commerce show that only 56% of the homes in the United States are electrified, whereas in Switzerland electricity is available in 96.5% of all homes. It is very evident that we are still far from the saturation point of electric energy consumption in this country. The use of gas for fuel and power in its own field, where electric energy cannot economically take its place, is likewise increasing and may, with such developments as residential heating and gas-fired refrigerators, show, during the next two or three years, an even higher rate of growth than the use of electricity.

"The communities served by the Associated System are more progressive than the average and will have more than their proportionate share in the country's advancement with the concomitant increasing demand for electric and gas service."

With total assets of over \$264,000,000, the balance sheet as of Dec. 31 1926, for the system, shows total current assets of \$21,554,481, compared with total current liabilities of \$14,947,968. Reserves, including renewal, replacement and retirement of property, stood at \$16,855,805. Funded debt appears as \$121,950,800, and capital stocks and surplus at \$94,211,425.

The system had at the close of the year 49,629 security holders in the United States, of whom 292 were in foreign countries and United States possessions.

Gross earnings in 1926 were \$28,063,026, compared with \$18,676,888 in 1925, while balance available for class A priority and other dividends, after dividends on preferred stock of Associated Gas & Electric Co., and after all other charges was \$2,205,072, against \$1,503,494 in 1925. After class A priority dividends this balance was \$1,597,312 against \$1,046,998 in 1925.—V. 125, p. 2144.

American States Securities Corp. (& Contr. Co.'s.).

Results for 12 Months Ended Sept. 30 1927.

Gross earnings (all sources).....	\$5,472,200
Operating expenses, incl. maint. & general taxes.....	3,261,563
Interest on funded debt (sub. Co.).....	1,056,007
Divs.—(sub. company pref. stks.).....	642,303
Bal. avail. A. S. S. Corp. & for res.....	\$512,327
Int. charges (A. S. S. Corp.).....	2,295

Bal. avail. for res.; Fed. taxes & surp..... \$510,033
The above earnings statement does not reflect the recent acquisition of the preferred and common stocks of Union Gas Utilities, Inc., which controls Union Gas Corp. and other companies serving, with gas, large districts in Southeastern Kansas and in Oklahoma. This group of properties will add approximately \$3,000,000 to the gross earnings and approximately \$3,000,000 to the gross earnings and approximately \$1,000,000 to the net earnings of American States Securities Corp.—V. 125, p. 1968.

California Oregon Power Co.—Debentures Offered.—H. M. Bylesby & Co., Inc., E. H. Rollins & Sons, American National Co. (San Francisco, Calif.) and Spencer Trask & Co., are offering at 98½ and int. to yield about 5.65% \$4,000,000 5½% gold debentures.

Dated Oct. 1 1927; due Oct. 1 1942. Int. payable A. & O. 1 in New York and Chicago. Principal payable at office or agency of company in Chicago and New York. Red. all or part at any time on 30 days' notice; until and incl. Oct. 1, 1930, at 102½% and int., the premium thereafter decreasing ½% for each 3 years or fraction thereof thereafter elapsed to and incl. Oct. 1 1941, the debentures being red. thereafter at 100%; plus int. in each case. Denom. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100*. Company will agree to pay int. without deduction for the normal Federal income tax not exceeding 2% and to refund the Penn. personal property tax not exceeding 4 mills, the Conn. personal property tax not exceeding 4 mills, the Calif. personal property tax not exceeding 4 mills per dollar of the taxable value, and the Mass. income tax not exceeding 6%, to holders resident in those states. Harris Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, Trustee.

Issuance.—Authorized by the Railroad Commission of California.

Data from Letter of R. G. Hunt, Vice-Pres. of the Company.
Company.—Supplies, without competition, electricity for power and light in 53 communities, having a combined population of more than 84,000, located in northern California, and southern Oregon; serving the important cities of Medford, Grants Pass, Roseburg and Klamath Falls, Oregon, Dunsmuir and Yreka, Calif., and many other prosperous cities and towns in an area of approximately 1,800 square miles. Water service is also furnished in a number of these communities. In addition to serving the electric requirements in its own territory, the company supplies electric energy, under favorable, long term contracts, to Pacific Gas & Electric Co. and Mountain States Power Co.

Practically the entire electric generating capacity of the company is hydro-electric, being over 99% of the present installed 57,168 kilowatts. The properties at present have 1,625 miles of electric transmission and distribution pole lines; 120,724 kilowatts connected load, all purposes; and, for the 12 months ended Sept. 30 1927, had an output of 362,968,070 kilowatt hours. Company has a present combined total of 25,623 customers, of which 19,465 are served with electricity and 6,158 with water.

Company has under construction a new hydro-electric plant on the north fork of the Rogue River, in Oregon, to be known as Prospect No. 2, which will have an ultimate capacity of 48,000 kilowatts. The present construction program includes the installation of 2 units of 16,000 kilowatts each, the first of which it is expected will be in operation by Jan. 1 1928, and the second shortly thereafter.

Upon completion of the first unit the company will have available for delivery to Pacific Gas & Electric Co. an additional 10,000 kilowatts of electric energy for which a contract expiring in 1953 was recently made. Approximately 95% of the present net earnings of the properties is derived from the sale of electricity for power and light.

Capitalization Outstanding (Giving Effect to Present Financing).
5½% gold debentures, due Oct. 1 1942 (this issue) x..... \$4,000,000
1st & ref. mtge. sink. fd. gold bonds, series B, 6% due Feb. 1 1942 4,465,300
do Series C, 5½% due Feb. 1 1955..... 2,511,000
Gen. & ref. mtge. gold bonds, 5½% due Feb. 1 1946..... 3,000,000
Division bonds (2%)..... 543,000
Preferred stock (2% cumulative)..... 4,333,900
do 6% cumulative..... 961,300
Common stock..... 4,441,100
x Additional debentures may be issued in series under provisions of the Trust Agreement. y \$2,187,300 additional 1st & ref. mtge. sinking fund gold bonds are pledged under the gen. & ref. mtge. of the company.

Earnings.—For 12 Mos. Ended Sept. 30 1927.
Gross earnings..... \$2,849,543
Oper. exp., main. & taxes, before depreciation..... 1,111,221
Net earnings..... \$1,738,322

Annual interest requirements on total funded debt, incl. present issue of \$4,000,000 5½% gold debentures, due Oct. 1 1942..... \$818,173
The above net earnings of \$1,738,322 were more than 2.12 times the annual interest requirements on total funded debt presently to be outstanding, including this issue of 5½% gold debentures and such earnings after deducting the annual requirements on the total present outstanding mortgage debt were in excess of 5 times the annual interest requirement of \$220,000 on this issue of \$4,000,000 5½% gold debentures presently to be outstanding.

Purpose.—Proceeds will be used to reimburse the company for expenditures for additions and extensions heretofore and now being made to its properties and for other corporate purposes.—V. 125 p. 2524.

Central Cities Telephone Co.—Listing.—The Baltimore Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of \$1,700,000 1st lien collateral sinking fund 6% gold bonds. See offering in V. 125, p. 911, 1190.

Central Public Service Co.—Pref. Stock Offered.—Hambleton & Co. are offering at \$100 per share and div. 15,000 shares \$7 cumulative preferred stock (without par value).

Transfer agents: Standard Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, and Guaranty Trust Co., New York. Registrars, Harris Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, and The Chase National Bank, New York. Preferred as to assets and dividends. Dividends payable Q-J, red. all or part on 30 days' notice, on any div. date, at 105 and divs. Entitled to a preference, on liquidation, to the extent of \$100 per share and divs. Entitled to equal voting rights with the common stock share for share, in case of default in the payment of 4 quarterly dividends.

Data from Letter of A. E. Peirce, President of the Corporation.
Company.—A Maryland corporation. Through its subsidiaries, will furnish public utility service to 151,077 customers in 282 communities located in 17 states east of the Mississippi River, in Texas, and 2 provinces in eastern Canada. The population of the communities served is estimated to be over 1,100,000. Properties controlled by the corporation include electric stations with 41,993 h.p. capacity of which 25,293 h.p. is hydro-electric, 1,908 miles of transmission and distribution lines, gas plants with a rated daily capacity of 26,343,000 cubic feet and 1,594 miles of gas mains, and power 35.6% of net revenues of the properties are as follows: Electric light and heat 2.9%, gas 59.3%, water 2.2%, railway, ice and heat 2.9%.

Earnings.—Consolidated earnings of the properties for the 12 months ended Aug. 31 1927, irrespective of dates of acquisition, adjusted to give effect to present financing, to the acquisition of certain properties subsequent to said date (including certain properties in process of acquisition), to the issue of additional securities to cover, in part, the cost of their acquisition, and to the sale of certain properties and the application of the proceeds thereof, as officially stated by the corporation, were as follows:
Operating revenues..... \$8,116,362
Non-operating revenue..... 79,225

Total..... \$8,195,588
Operating exp. incl. maint. & taxes (other than Gov. income) but excluding depre..... 4,831,559
Engineering, less expenses, charged to construction..... 110,102
Int. on funded debt and divs. on pref. stks. of subs. to be outsdg. 2,018,660
Int. on funded debt of the corp. to be outsdg..... 522,390

Balance..... \$933,080
The balance, as shown above, was over 3.8 times the annual dividend requirements on the \$7 cumulative preferred stock presently to be outstanding in the hands of the public.

Assets.—The consolidated balance sheet as of Aug. 31 1927, adjusted to give effect to the present financing, to the acquisition of certain properties subsequent to said date (including certain properties in process of acquisition), to the issue of additional securities to cover, in part, the cost of their acquisition, and to the sale of certain properties and the application of the proceeds thereof, shows net assets substantially in excess of the total funded debt and the preferred stock (taken at \$100 per share) of the corporation and of funded debt and preferred stocks of its subsidiaries presently to be outstanding in the hands of the public.

Purpose.—Preferred stock has been heretofore issued to the parent company. The proceeds from the present sale thereof will be invested by it in additional class A stock of the corporation, the proceeds of which will be used by the corporation in the reduction of indebtedness, the acquisition of properties and for other corporate purposes, or to reimburse the corporation for such expenditures.

Capitalization Outstanding as of August 31 1927.
Series A 6% collateral trust gold bonds..... \$6,154,000
5-year 6% convertible gold notes, due 1930..... 927,500
6½% gold debentures, due Mar. 1 1941..... 1,500,000
\$7 cum. preferred stock (no par value)..... 34,514 shs.
Class A stock (no par value)..... *201,381 shs.
Common stock (no par value)..... 200,000 shs.

Note.—The above capitalization does not include \$30,629,615 funded debt and 40,500 shares (no par value) preferred stock of subsidiary companies to be outstanding in the hands of the public.
*Does not include class A stock reserved to meet the conversion of the five-year 6% convertible notes.—V. 124, p. 919.

Central & South West Utilities Co. (& Subs.).—
Period End. Sept. 30— 1927—3 Mos.—1926. 1927—12 Mos.—1926
Gross oper. rev..... \$7,282,238 \$6,482,375 \$27,428,030 \$21,583,645
Net after taxes..... 3,820,931 2,724,056 11,754,193 8,727,974
—V. 125, p. 1050.

Edison General Italian Electric Co.—Subsidiary Increases Dividend Rate.

At the annual meeting of the Societa Italiana per Imprese Elettriche Dinamo (Italy), a subsidiary, it was decided to distribute to the stockholders 9 lire per share as against 8 lire per share last year. The Dinamo company has a capital of 50,000,000 lire (par 100 lire per share), and supplies electric power to the State Railways and with its subsidiaries, the Pellino and Ossolana companies, to about 20,000 customers in the Province of Novara.—V. 125, p. 1707.

Fall River Electric Light Co.—Earnings.—
9 Mos. End. Sept. 30— 1927. 1926.
Operating revenue..... \$1,824,883 \$1,728,019
Net income..... 636,012 521,534
Dividends..... 317,167 316,750
Balance for reserves & surplus..... \$318,845 \$204,783
—V. 125, p. 1051.

General Gas & Electric Corp.—New Unit for Subs.—The new 35,000 k.w. turbo-generator was placed in service on Nov. 3 by the Binghamton Light, Heat & Power Co., subsidiary of the General Gas & Electric Corp., at its main steam power station at Binghamton, N. Y. The enlargement of this power plant and installation of necessary equipment represented an outlay of \$2,500,000, the expenditure of which more than doubled its generating capacity.
The Binghamton Light, Heat & Power Company, together with the Northern Pennsylvania Power Co., also controlled by the General Gas & Electric Corp., constitute the New York-Pennsylvania Power System of that group, covering an area of more than 4,100 square miles and serving more than 50 cities and towns to approximately 40,000 customers. The system operates over 360 miles of high tension transmission lines and 665 miles of distribution lines. Many of the customers of the system are large industrial power users and the addition of the new 35,000 k.w. unit to the generating capacity was made necessary by the rapid industrial growth of the territory served, as well as to provide for future industrial and domestic expansion in the use of electricity.

The Binghamton station now has a total capacity of 58,000 k.w., being one of the first stations in the east to adopt powdered coal for its complete operation, to the use of which is attributed the great efficiency and economy contained in the production of electric power by steam.—V. 125, p. 1970, 2526.

Holyoke Water Power Co.—Rights.—Rights to subscribe for the additional \$600,000 capital stock at par (\$100) will expire on March 1. There is at present outstanding \$1,800,000 of stock. See also V. 125, p. 2526.

Houston Gulf Gas Co.—Signs New Contract.—The company has made a contract with the Coast Gas Co., controlled by William F. Morgan, for the entire output of gas on its acreage.
The Ocean Gas Co., it was also announced, has completed its Shelly No. 4 well in the Refugio field at a depth of 3,307 feet. The well has a 1,300 pound shut-in pressure and estimated production of 50,000,000 cubic feet daily. One and a quarter miles from this well the same company's Ryles well has tested good for forty million cubic feet daily at a depth of 3,224 feet. These wells, with recent completions in the White Point and Markham fields, give the Houston Gulf Gas Co. a much larger supply than at any time heretofore and much in excess of their requirements.—V. 125, p. 1970.

Illinois Bell Telephone Co.—Earnings.—
Period End. Sept. 30— 1927—3 Mos.—1926. 1927—9 Mos.—1926.
Total revenue..... \$18,112,495 \$16,668,798 \$54,087,676 \$49,730,146
Total exp. incl. taxes..... 15,368,010 14,078,393 44,454,854 41,302,515
Interest..... 1,102,912 787,745 3,008,772 2,226,253
Dividends..... 1,600,000 1,600,000 4,800,000 4,800,000
Balance..... \$41,573 \$202,660 \$1,824,050 \$1,401,378
—V. 125, p. 2387.

Indiana Water Service Co.—Earnings.—

The consolidated earnings statement of the company, a subsidiary of the Federal Water Service Corp., shows a gross revenue of \$177,180 for the 12 months ended Sept. 30 1927, and a balance of \$47,216 available for annual dividend requirements of \$12,000 on the outstanding 6% cumulated preferred stock.—V. 125, p. 2145.

Islands Edison Co.—Pref. Stock Sold.—Gillet & Co., Baltimore, have placed privately at 102½ and div. \$400,000 7½% cumulated preferred stock (par \$100).

Dividends payable Jan. & July. Red. all or part on any div. date upon 60 days' notice at \$110 and divs. Under the present Federal income taxes law the dividends of the stock are exempt from all Federal income taxes in cases where the stock is held by an individual whose net income, after all deductions, is \$10,000 or less per annum. This stock is also exempt from the Maryland securities tax of 4½ mills. Company incorporated in 1925 in Maryland and under the terms of its charter is permitted to own the stocks and (or) bonds of utility companies serving electric power and light and ice in various communities. At the present time the company owns all of the common capital stocks of the Santo Domingo Electric Co. and the Macoris Light & Power Co. These two companies serve respectively the City of Santo Domingo, having an estimated population of approximately 45,000; and the City of Macoris, having an estimated population of approximately 17,000.

Capitalization of the Company Upon Completion of This Financing.

Secured 6½% gold bonds	Shares.
7½% cumulated pref. stock (par \$100)	550,000
Common stock (no par value)	40,000

Earnings.—The earnings of the Santo Domingo subsidiary of Islands Edison Co. have been steadily and rapidly increasing as shown by the following (1927) monthly gross earnings:

January	\$15,915	April	\$19,307	July	\$21,970
February	17,247	May	18,755	August	23,867
March	18,570	June	18,730	September	23,882

During the past 9 months the company's operating expenses have averaged less than 50% of gross revenues.

Company has also recently acquired the properties of the Macoris Light & Power Co., whose gross revenue in June 1927, amounted to \$7,566, in July, \$7,719; August, \$8,322, and September, \$9,823.

Purpose.—The proceeds from this issue of \$400,000 cumulative preferred stock are to be used in paying off over \$200,000 indebtedness incurred in the purchase of the Macoris Light & Power Co., the installation of new generating units in both Macoris and Santo Domingo, for additions and extensions to the company's plants and lines and for other corporate purposes.—V. 125, p. 2145.

Key System Transit Co.—Earnings.—

9 Mos. Ending Sept. 30—	1927.	1926.
Gross earnings	\$5,568,032	\$5,634,672
Interest, deprec. & taxes	5,775,390	4,994,469

Net deficit. ————— \$207,358 sur\$640,203
—V. 125, p. 1970.

Massachusetts Gas Cos.—Earnings of Subs.—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1927—Month—	1926.	1927—9 Mos.—	1926.
Sub. gas companies	\$122,684	\$87,425	\$889,490	\$953,455
Commercial companies	251,528	342,647	2,454,575	2,458,426

Total. ————— \$374,212 \$430,072 \$3,344,065 \$3,411,881
—V. 125, p. 1837.

Michigan RR.—Deposits Urged.—

The protective committee in a letter to the holders of 1st mtge. 6% gold bonds, due May 1 1924, not deposited under the bondholders' deposit agreement, says:

"Since the organization of the bondholders' protective committee in Oct., 1924, the committee has endeavored to keep in close contact with the affairs of the company in behalf of the holders of certificates of deposit representing 1st mtge. gold bonds deposited under the bondholders' deposit agreement dated Oct. 23 1924. During this period the operations of the property have been conducted by the receiver appointed by the Federal Court. While the continued impairment of the earning power of the company and its property has, up to this time, precluded the formulation of a sound or practicable plan of reorganization, the committee has reached the conclusion, concurred in by its counsel, that proceedings for the foreclosure of the mortgage or deed of trust under which the bonds are issued and outstanding now should be instituted.

"In such proceedings it is highly desirable that all bondholders be adequately represented. This committee will act in behalf of those who have deposited their bonds, but it cannot undertake to act for holders of bonds not deposited under its control. All holders of bonds not so deposited, therefore, are urged to send in their bonds immediately to the National City Bank, New York, which is the depository for the committee, if they desire their interests to be represented by the committee."

The committee is composed of Allen G. Hoyt, Chairman; Stanley A. Russell, and William W. Bride, with Frances J. Mullan, Sec., 55 Wall St., New York.—V. 121, p. 1101.

Midland Utilities Co.—Prior Lien Stock Offered.—Utility Securities Corp., New York, is offering at \$95 per share and div., to yield 6.31%, 25,000 shares 6% cumulated, prior lien stock (par \$100).

Fully paid and non-assessable. Preferred as to assets and dividends over all other classes of stock; the 6% prior lien stock of the company is on a parity in all respects with its 7% prior lien stock except as to the annual dividend rate and the callable price. Dividends on this stock payable. Q. J. Callable at any time after June 22 1928, at \$110 per share and divs. Dividends free from normal Federal income tax. Transfer offices, Midland Stock Transfer Co., Peoples Gas Building, Chicago, Ill., and Chase National Bank, New York registrars Illinois Merchants Trust Co., Chicago and Bankers Trust Co., New York.

Listed.—Listed on the Chicago stock exchange.

Data from Letter of Samuel Insull Chairman.

Organized in Delaware. Owns or controls public utility companies serving 204 communities in northern Indiana and western Ohio, with an estimated population of 925,000.

Consolidated Income Statement (Company & Subs.).

12 Mos. Ended June 30 1927—	
Operating revenue & other income	\$23,338,035
Operating expenses, incl. taxes, retirements & rentals	15,736,401
Total income	\$7,601,634
Bond, debenture and other interest charges paid or accruing to outside holders	\$2,750,768
Amortization of discount on securities	192,012
Dividends and earnings accruing to outside subsidiary shareholders	984,498
Balance	\$3,674,357
Contingency reserve appropriation	150,000

Net income available for dividends. ————— \$3,524,357
Dividend requirements on prior lien stocks. ————— 1,339,000

Capitalization (Upon Completion of Present Financing).

Prior lien stock 6% cumulated, (par \$100) incl. this issue	\$7,500,000
Prior lien stock 7% cumulated, (par \$100)	12,700,000
Preferred stock class A 7% cumulated, (par \$100)	12,500,000
Preferred stock class B 6% cumulated, (par \$100)	4,500,000
Preferred stock class B 7% cumulated, (par \$100)	2,118,244
Common stock (no par value)	242,000
Serial gold notes 5% due Nov. 1, 1927—28—29—30—31	7,500,000

A part of the proceeds of this issue will be used to retire the \$1,000,000 5% serial gold note due Nov. 1 1927, the interest requirements of which are included in the earnings statement above.

Ownership.—Class B preferred and common stocks of the company are mainly held by United Gas Improvement Co., the Commonwealth Edison Co., The Peoples Gas Light & Coke Co., the Public Service Co. of Northern Illinois, and the Middle West Utilities Co.—V. 125, p. 2146.

Middle West Utilities Co.—Initial Dividend.—

The directors have declared an initial quarterly dividend of \$1.50 per share on the \$6 series prior lien pref. stock (no par value) payable Dec. 15, to holders of record Nov. 30

Consolidated Earnings for Three and Nine Months Ended Sept. 30.

Period End. Sept. 30—	1927—3 Mos.—	1926.	1927—9 Mos.—	1926.
Gross oper. revenue	\$24,382,353	\$22,764,578	\$92,983,517	\$81,391,307
Net after taxes	10,469,782	8,949,666	42,984,194	32,371,777

—V. 125, p. 914.

National Electric Power Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings.—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1927—3 Mos.—	1926.	1927—9 Mos.—	1926.
Gross oper. rev.	\$4,336,864	\$4,195,824	\$18,015,996	\$16,631,457
Net after taxes	1,713,792	1,693,510	7,788,531	7,137,516

—V. 124, p. 3630.

North American Co.—Effect of Dividend Policy—

Earnings for 12 Months Ended Sept. 30.—Pres. F. L. Dame, Nov. 2, says in part:

On Apr. 1 1923 the company inaugurated the policy of paying the dividends on its common stock in common stock quarterly. During the period Apr. 1 1923 to Sept. 30 1927, the annual balance for common stock dividends and surplus increased 151% or more than 1½ times the increase of 94.8% in the outstanding common stock of which more than one-third was due to exercise of subscription rights for cash, and to stock issued on account of acquisition of properties. The proportion of North American common stock to total capitalization of this company and its subsidiaries has, during the same period, actually decreased.

Consolidated Income Statement (Company and Subsidiary Companies)

12 Mos. End. Sept. 30—	1927.	1926.	1925.	1924.
Gross earnings	\$121,815,469	\$113,687,873	\$83,897,396	\$78,513,133
Oper. exp. and taxes	66,981,088	63,529,887	51,458,427	49,658,757

Net income from oper. ————— \$54,834,381 \$50,157,986 \$32,438,970 \$28,854,376

Other net income ————— 3,259,709 3,623,479 3,783,063 1,442,256

Total income	\$58,094,090	\$53,781,465	\$36,222,032	\$30,296,632
Interest charges	17,428,889	16,509,258	10,754,795	9,936,595
Pref. divs. of subsidiaries	8,700,119	8,358,310	3,075,145	2,266,560
Minority interests	1,260,152	1,333,957	1,271,567	1,041,679
Reserves for depreciation	12,479,169	11,555,362	8,429,719	7,544,219
Divs. on Nor. Am. pf. stk.	1,820,018	1,819,995	1,744,968	1,194,932
Divs. on No. Am. com. stk.	4,235,417	3,836,387	3,030,353	2,747,102

Sur. aft. all divs. & res. ————— \$12,170,324 \$10,368,387 \$7,915,486 \$5,265,545

Total to depr. res. and to surp. after all divs. ————— \$24,649,493 \$21,923,558 \$16,345,204 \$13,109,764

Earns. per share on com. stock (par \$10) ————— \$3.72 \$3.56 \$3.48 \$3.47

—V. 125, p. 1971.

North American Edison Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings.—

12 Mos. End. Sept. 30—	1927.	1926.
Gross earnings	\$83,544,867	\$79,393,495
Operating exp., mainte. & taxes	47,014,633	46,169,040
Int. chgs. (incl. amort. of bond disc. & Exp.)	10,274,427	9,056,962
Pref. divs. of subsidiaries	1,199,848	3,711,067
Minority interests	1,185,713	1,248,359
Appropriations for deprec. reserves	8,276,888	8,073,579

Balance for divs. and surplus. ————— \$12,223,357 \$11,134,489

—V. 125, p. 1053.

North American Light & Power Co. (Del.)—Earnings.—

12 Mos. End. Sept. 30—	1927.	1926.
Gross earnings	\$36,888,668	\$33,112,933
Balance, after taxes	15,110,097	12,732,480
xNet income after charges	2,218,848	1,611,923
Preferred dividends	622,453	353,355

Surplus for com. divs. ————— \$1,596,395 \$1,258,568

Earns per share on 600,000 shs. of no par com. stk. ————— \$2.66 \$2.09

x After interest, depreciation, amortization, preferred dividends of subsidiaries and minority interest.—V. 125, p. 246.

North West Utilities Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings.—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1927—3 Mos.—	1926.	1927—12 Mos.—	1926.
Gross oper. rev.	\$2,561,607	\$2,633,073	\$10,273,833	\$10,500,417
Net after taxes	948,934	959,259	3,960,229	4,007,277

—V. 125, p. 914.

Omaha & Council Bluffs Ry. & Bridge Co.—Bonds Sold.—

Ames, Emerich & Co., Inc., New York, have sold at 100 and int. \$2,000,000 1st (closed) mtge. 6% sinking fund gold bonds.

Dated Oct. 1 1927; due Oct. 1 1947. Prin. and int. (A. & O.) payable at the New York Trust Co., New York, trustee. Red. all or part on any int. date on 30 days' notice, at 105 and int. up to and incl. Oct. 1 1937, premium decreasing ½ of 1% for each full period of 12 months, after April 1 1937. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500. Interest payable without deduction for Federal income taxes to 2%. Company also agrees to reimburse the bondholders for any Mass. income tax not exceeding 6% of the interest; for any personal property tax of Conn. or Penn. not exceeding 4 mills per annum; the Maryland 4½ mills tax; the District of Columbia 5 mills tax; the Virginia 6 mills tax and the Calif. 4 mills tax.

Issuance.—Authorized by Nebraska State Railway Commission.

Data from Letter of George S. Wright, President of the Company. Company, Incorp. in 1887 in Iowa. Owns a toll bridge across the Missouri River between Omaha, Neb., and Council Bluffs, Ia., and the street railway system in Council Bluffs, all of which property is leased to the Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Ry. The bridge is the only one between the two cities available for all public traffic. Its location is especially strategic for it connects the business sections of the two cities by the shortest possible route.

Security.—Secured by a first closed mortgage on all of the fixed properties, rights, privileges and franchises of the company now or hereafter owned; interest and sinking fund payments will be made directly by the railway company, as lessee of the properties, to the New York Trust Co., trustee.

Lease.—Properties of the company are leased to the Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Ry. for a period extending beyond the maturity of these bonds at a net rental equal to \$60,000 in excess of annual interest charges on all bonds of the Bridge company at the time outstanding. The lessee, in addition, pays all operating and maintenance expenses, taxes and other charges.

Valuation.—Properties of the company have been appraised at a net sound value of over \$5,482,477. The bridge alone, exclusive of the street railway lines, has been appraised under the direction of Ralph Modjeski, New York, as of Sept. 9 1927, at \$2,673,058 and the street railway system has been appraised by its engineers at \$2,809,419. The present bond issue in effect represents a 75% loan against the bridge alone and a 37% loan against the value of the entire property.

Earnings.—Earnings of the bridge property alone, which do not include any receipts or tolls from street car traffic, for the 5 years ended Dec. 31 1926.

Year	Gross Earnings	Oper. Exp. & Deprec.	Taxes Annt. for Bond Int. & Fed. Taxes	Net after Depre.
1922	\$308,929	\$62,612	---	\$246,317
1923	376,268	73,989	---	302,279
1924	407,334	72,299	---	335,035
1925	461,083	88,416	---	372,667
1926	476,733	93,805	---	382,928

Average annual net earnings of the bridge alone after depreciation for the last 5 years were \$327,845 and in 1926 net earnings were equal to over 3.19 times annual interest requirements of \$120,000 on these bonds. For the first 8 months of 1927, such net earnings showed an increase of \$21,251 over the same period last year, and were at the rate of 3.52 times interest on these bonds.

In addition the street railway system of Council Bluffs has also reported an operating profit in each of the above years. Average annual net in-

time, after depreciation, for the entire property, including bridge and the street railway system, available for bond interest and Federal taxes for the last 5 years totaled \$385,631, or 3.21 times interest on these bonds.

Capitalization to Be Outstanding on Completion of this Financing.

1st mtge. 6% sinking fund gold bonds (this issue)	\$2,000,000
4% cum. pref. stock (par \$100)	1,500,000
Common stock (par \$100)	*1,500,000

*Held in trust for benefit of preferred stockholders at the termination of the lease.

Purpose.—Proceeds will be devoted to the retirement of \$2,000,000 1st mtge. consol. 5% bnds, due Jan. 1 1928.

Sinking Fund.—Mortgage will provide for a sinking fund payable directly to the trustee of this issue and which is calculated to retire at least 5% of the issue before maturity. Under the terms of such sinking fund, the Railway company for account of this company, and in part payment of the rentals accruing under the lease, will on each Feb. 1 and Aug. 1, beginning Feb. 1 1928, deposit with the trustee \$30,000 to be applied by the trustee to the purchase of bonds at not exceeding the then redemption price provided however, if 1st mtge. 6% sinking fund gold bonds sufficient to exhaust any such deposit shall not have been purchased by the trustee on or before the 35th day preceding any interest payment day, then all of said deposit, if in excess of \$10,000, shall be applied to the redemption of said bonds at the next redemption date.—V. 196, p. 1702

Peoples Light & Power Corp.—New President.

E. C. Deal, who became vice president and general manager in the early part of this year, has been elected president of this corporation and each of its 21 subsidiaries which render public utility service in 16 states.—V. 125, 1580, 1053.

Philadelphia Electric Power Co.—Subscriptions Pay.

The company advises that the sixth installment of 10% of the par value, amounting to \$2.50 per share on subscriptions to preferred stock, is called for payment on or before Dec. 15.—V. 125, p. 915, 2388.

Philadelphia Rapid Transit Co.—Expansion.

Mitten Management, Inc., has taken over operation of the Yellow Cab Co. of Atlantic City. Ownership of this company is vested in the People's Rapid Transit Co., intercity motorbus operator of Mitten Tours, a subsidiary of the Philadelphia Transit Co., which also owns and operates the Yellow Cab Co. in Philadelphia. The Yellow Cab Co. of Atlantic City now has 118 cabs in operation.—V. 125, p. 2265, 1195.

Public Service Corp. of New Jersey.—Operates Largest Private Telephone System in Country.

The corporation maintains one of the largest and most efficient private telephone systems in the country, according to Frank J. Davis, superintendent of the company's telephone service. This system handles approximately 75,000 calls daily. Writing in the current issue of "Public Service News," Mr. Davis says in part: "The corporation has 33 individual telephone exchanges, located at various points throughout the State. Connected to these exchanges are 275 central office trunks, 135 tie lines aggregating 1,500 miles and 2,500 telephone extension stations. In addition there are 500 telephones connected to the outside exchanges of the New Jersey Telephone Co. There is a staff of 146 operators, not including the men who operate the lead dispatching exchanges of the electric generation department. "Extending from Northern Bergen County to Gloucester County in South Jersey, the system affords means of quick communication throughout Public Service territory in New Jersey, with private lines to New York and Philadelphia as well. It contains almost every modern type of equipment and apparatus for private branch exchange service that is known in the telephone industry.

"To keep pace with the rapid expansion of our companies practically 30% of our entire telephone system, within 3 years, was either completely replaced with new equipment and circuits, or extensions and improvements were made in keeping with the latest developments in the art of telephony. All of our equipment and circuits are leased from the telephone company, and the system is integral with the Bell System."—V. 125, p. 2388.

Railway & Utilities Investing Corp.—Transfer Agent.

The Chase National Bank has been appointed transfer agent for 90,000 shares of class "A" common stock (par \$10).

Southeastern Power & Light Co.—Power Output.

For October 1927, the Southeastern system reports 200,717,428 k.w.h. output as compared with 189,728,556 k. w. h. for the corresponding month of last year, an increase of 10,988,872 k. w. h.

For the 12 months ending Oct. 31, the output was 2,183,349,981 k.w.h. as compared with 1,939,989,300 k.w.h. in the preceding year, an increase of 12.5% in corresponding units of the property.—V.125, p. 2149, 1711.

Super Gas Corp.—Organized.

The above corporation has been organized in Delaware to engage in the manufacture of a high grade gas for use by gas utility companies. The gas is made as a by-product from the production of gasoline by a new cracking process controlled by the corporation.

The manufactured gas will be fed directly from the super gas plant into the tanks of the gas companies. The gasoline made will be turned back to the oil companies supplying the crude oil used or sold to the wholesale or retail trade. More than 27 patents, issued and applied for, cover the method and apparatus.

Construction of the first commercial unit of the Super Gas Corp., which is being erected adjacent to one of the largest gas works of the Public Service Electric & Gas Co. in Jersey City, has been supervised by Stevens & Wood, Inc., the public utility engineers who operate the Penn-Ohio Edison System and other large utilities.

Capitalization consists of 100,000 shares of Class "A" stock (par \$10), of which 58,000 are to be issued, and 150,000 shares of Class "B" stock (no par value) of which 81,000 shares are to be issued. Of the Class "B" stock, 50,000 shares have been reserved for conversion into Class "A" stock.

Voting Trust.—All the shares are deposited in a voting trust for five years, the trustees being L. D. Baldwin (of Griggs, Baldwin & Baldwin); C. T. Revere (of Munds & Winslow), and Henry Tattall, former V.-Pres., Treas., and director of the Pennsylvania RR, and now a director of the United States Mortgage & Trust Co.

Officers: Pres., H. M. Billingsley (of Stevens & Wood, Inc.); Vice-Pres., Alfred Schwarz and John W. McKinnon; Treas., E. W. Freeman (of Stevens & Wood, Inc.); and Sec., Chas. D. Freeman (of John W. Jay & Co.).

Tyrol-Hydro Electric Power Co. (Tiwag), Austria.—

Permanent Bonds Ready.—Contract.
The New York Trust Co. is now prepared to exchange the permanent 7% guaranteed secured mortgage sinking fund gold bonds due 1952, for outstanding temporary bonds. See offering in V. 124, p. 2282.

According to advices received here by F. J. Lisman & Co., "Tiwag" on Oct. 1 began delivery of current to the Bayernwerk of Bavaria, Germany on a trial basis in accordance with contract. This contract calls for purchase of power by the Bayernwerk, which was organized in 1921 by the Bavarian Government, from "Tiwag" for a minimum period of 25 years to provide a revenue of not less than \$530,000 annually from 1931. Early in September the "Tiwag" began delivery of power to the Austrian Federal Railways under a similar long-term contract.—V. 125, p. 1196.

Union Bag & Paper Power Corp.—Trustee.

The Empire Trust Co. has been appointed trustee for an issue of \$3,000,000 1st mtge. 6% gold bonds, due Sept. 1 1932. See offering in V. 125, p. 2150.

Union Gas Utilities, Inc., New York.—Bonds Offered.

G. E. Barrett & Co., Inc., and Frederick Pierce & Co. are offering at 98 and int., to yield over 6 3/4% \$3,000,000 10-year 6 1/2% secured gold bonds, series A (with stock purchase warrants). Further details of offering and property of the company are given in V. 125, p. 2529.

Washington Water Power Co.—Earnings.

Period End. Sept. 30—	1927—Month—	1926—	1927—12 Mos.—	1926—
Gross revenue	\$532,434	\$457,694	\$6,390,015	\$6,067,757
Avail. for charges	327,794	235,034	3,859,916	3,554,422
Surp. after oper. exp. taxes and interest	285,937	174,766	3,379,331	2,967,243

Winnipeg Electric Co.—Common Dividend of 1%.

The directors have declared a dividend of 1% (\$1 per share) on the com. stock, payable Jan. 16 to holders of record Nov. 30. A like amount was paid on this issue in Feb. and Aug. of this year.—V. 125, p. 2389.

INDUSTRIAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.

Refined Sugar Prices.—On Nov. 10 McCahan reduced price 30 pts. to 5.70c. per lb. for prompt shipment.

American Brass Co. Advances Price of Rolled Sheet and Strip Copper 1/4 Cent Per Pound.—"Wall St. News" (slips) Nov. 9.

Copper Companies Organize Copper Institute.—Leading producers of copper organize institute to promote closer collaboration and advance the interests of the industry.—"New York Times" Nov. 11, p. 25.

Matters Covered in "Chronicle" Nov. 5.—(a) Stonon Mills cut wages 10%. p. 2453. (b) Peppercell Cotton Mills cut wages 10%. p. 2453. (c) Reduction in tire prices by Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. and other leading companies, p. 2454. (d) Agreement to limit production of oil in Seminole field extended to Jan. 1, p. 2454. (e) World's zinc consumption in first half of 1927, p. 2456. (f) Annual payrolls of anthracite field over \$300,000,000—Value of product estimated at \$475,000,000—Rising costs of labor, supplies and taxes in decade reviewed by S. D. Warringer, p. 2462. (g) Further increase in outstanding brokers' loans on New York Stock Exchange—Total now reaches \$3,946,137,374, p. 2470. (h) New York Curb Market utilizes facilities of Guaranty Trust Co. for admission of foreign securities to its unlisted department, p. 2470.

Acme Apparatus Corp.—Earnings.

The corporation reports net income for the 3 months period ending Sept. 30 1927 of \$31,882 before taxes, etc. After quarterly preferred dividend requirements this is equivalent to 21 cents per share on the outstanding \$5 par value common stock.—V. 125, p. 1973.

Alaska Juneau Gold Mining Co.—Earnings.

Month of October—	1927.	1926.	1925.
Gross profit	\$216,000	\$187,000	\$202,000
Deficit after interest and capital exp.	23,500	23,250	sur9,950

—V. 125, p. 2150.

Aldred Investment Trust.—Debentures Offered.

Old Colony Corp. and Hinsch, Monell & Co., Inc., are offering at 100 and int. \$5,000,000 shareholders' debentures, 4 1/2%, due Dec. 1 1967. Issued under a trust agreement between the Aldred Investment Trust and the Old Colony Trust Co., Boston. Each \$1,000 shareholders' debenture is accompanied by 10 common shares in the Trust.

Interest payable J. & D. Principal and int. payable at Old Colony Trust Co., Boston. The shareholders' debentures will be in denom., \$1,000 and \$500. Debentures of different denom. are not interchangeable. Debentures will be payable to the registered holders of the shares by which they are accompanied and will accordingly be fully registered debentures bonds without coupons payable as aforesaid. A transfer of the accompanying shares will carry with it a transfer of the debenture's and neither such shares nor the debentures will be transferable separately until the principal of the debentures shall become payable, unless the trustees of the Aldred Investment Trust shall hereafter, in their discretion, provide for separate transfers of the debentures and the shares issued in conjunction therewith. Debentures redeemable as a whole on any interest date at the option of the trustees upon 60 days' notice, at 107 up to and incl., Dec. 1 1937, the premium decreasing 1% thereafter during each five-year period. Transfer agent Old Colony Trust Co., Boston. Registrar First National Bank, Boston.

Organization.—The Aldred Investment Trust, which has been formed by J. E. Alfred, and his associates, provides a means of obtaining an interest in diversified investments made for the Trust by men of experience in the investment field. The Declaration of Trust provides for 5 trustees. The Trust terminates at the expiration of 21 years after certain named lives in being and may be terminated at any time by the trustees. Title to the securities bought will be held by the trustees, who will be liable only as trustees and not personally for the obligations of the Trust. The trust property will be controlled and managed by the trustees in their absolute discretion, the rights and duties of the trustees being defined in detail in the declaration of Trust.

Capitalization.—Authorized and outstanding.—Shareholders' debentures, Capitalization.—Authorized and Outstanding.

Shareholders' debentures, 4 1/2% due Dec. 1 1967 (this issue)	\$5,000,000
Preferred shares (par \$100, 6% cumul.)	1,000,000
Common shares (no par value)	1,000,000 shs.

As shown above, 50% of the common shares will accompany the shareholders' debentures. The remaining 50% of the common shares and all of the preferred shares will be acquired by Aldred & Co. and will represent an investment by them of \$1,250,000.

The trustees may at any time, in their discretion and without the consent of any shareholder, issue in exchange for outstanding shareholders' debentures new debentures or other obligations substantially similar in terms to the shareholders' debentures but payable and transferable without reference to any shares in the trust; but except as above provided, the trustees shall not issue without the consent of the holders of a majority of the common shares any obligations maturing later than 12 months from the date thereof other than the shareholders' debentures of this issue, or any shares other than those specified above. Subject to the above restrictions, additional shares may be issued with equal, preferred or deferred rights as compared with the present issue, and disposed of without offering the same to the shareholders.

Terms of Shares.—The preferred and common shares represent the interest of the holders in the property of the Trust. The declaration of Trust provides that the trustees shall have no power to call upon the holders of the shares for the payment of any sum of money or assessment whatever.

The preferred shares are entitled to 6% per annum, cumulative, payable semi-annually out of the accretions to the Trust from whatever source derived but only after the payment of the proper expenses of the Trust, including interest on the debentures and other loans which may be made, and after setting up reserves, if any, as the trustees in their sole discretion deem desirable for the purposes of the Trust. The preferred shares are callable at \$125 plus the accumulated unpaid distribution on any semi-annual distribution date, and are entitled to the same amount in liquidation.

When distributions to the holders of preferred shares are not in arrears, the trustees may deliver to the holders of common shares such amounts as they may determine from the accretions to the Trust property.

Trustees.—The following are present trustees: Charles Francis Adams (Director Edison Electric Illuminating Co.), Boston; J. E. Aldred (of Aldred & Co.); Philip G. Bartlett (of Simpson, Thatcher & Bartlett), New York; Robert M. Smith (of Aldred & Co.); Philip Stockton (President Old Colony Trust Co.), Boston.

In case of any vacancy, the remaining trustees may appoint a successor, provided, however, that a majority of the trustees or the holders of 25% of the common shares may at any time call a meeting of the common shareholders upon 20 days' notice given in the manner provided in the declaration of the Trust and at such meeting the trustees or any of them, by vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding common shares, may be superseded or reelected or a new trustee or trustees appointed to fill any vacancy that may exist.

Amerada Corp.—Earnings.

Period End. Sept. 30—	1927—3 Mos.—	1926—	1927—9 Mos.—	1926—
Gross oper. income	\$4,459,829	\$4,298,483	\$14,048,777	\$10,593,291
Oper. costs, admin. exp., leases abandoned, etc.	2,250,811	1,617,069	6,587,137	3,975,492
Operating income	\$2,209,018	\$2,681,414	\$7,461,640	\$6,617,799
Other income	127,299	62,368	374,494	182,914
Total income	\$2,336,317	\$2,743,782	\$7,836,134	\$6,800,713
Deprec., deplet. & Fed. taxes	1,573,044	1,248,841	4,982,432	3,103,912
Net income	\$763,273	\$1,494,941	\$2,853,702	\$3,696,801
Shs. of cap. stk. outst'd (no par)	922,075	814,800	922,075	814,800
Earns. per sh. on cap. stk.	\$0.83	\$1.83	\$3.09	\$4.54

—V. 125, p. 1464.

American Department Stores Corp.—Sales Increase.—The corporation reports wholesale and retail sales of \$1,066,697 for the month of Oct. 1927, as against \$808,556 for the same month last year, an increase of 32%. Retail sales alone showed an increase of 142% having been augmented by the sales of the newly acquired Brager Store of Baltimore.—V. 125, p. 2390.

American Druggists Syndicate.—Estimated Earnings.—
 Quar. End. Sept. 30—1927—3 Mos.—1926. 1927—9 Mos.—1926.
 Sept. 30 '27. June 30 '27. Mar. 31 '27. Sept. 30 '27.
 Net earns. after ch'gs. but before deprec. & Fed. taxes—\$172,608 \$280,926 \$240,159 \$693,693
 —V. 125, p. 1328.

American La-France Fire Engine Co., Inc.—Earnings
 Period End. Sept. 30—1927—3 Mos.—1926. 1927—9 Mos.—1926.
 Operating profit—def\$92,146 \$275,576 def\$53,003 \$651,35
 Less: Int. paid—29,183 x79,044 87,350 x48,638
 Net income—def\$121,329 \$196,532 def\$140,353 \$602,737
 x Includes Federal taxes.—V. 125, p. 2390.

American-LaFrance & Foamite Corp.—Listing.—The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of (a) \$4,000,000 7% cum. preferred stock (par \$100) per share, and (b) \$4,493,000 common stock (par \$10) bearing the intended and authorized new corporate title American-LaFrance and Foamite Corp. on official notice of issuance in exchange for certificates for preferred and common stock, respectively, bearing the name American-LaFrance Fire Engine Co., Inc., with authority to add temporary certificates for (a) \$1,800,000 of preferred stock, and (b) \$1,600,000 of common stock on official notice of issuance to the Foamite-Childs Corp. as part consideration for that corporation's assets; with further authority to add (a) \$500,000 preferred stock, on official notice of issuance and payment in full to employees; making the total amounts applied for: \$6,300,000 7% cum. preferred stock (of auth. \$7,500,000), and \$6,093,000 common stock (auth. \$7,500,000).

The stockholders of the American-LaFrance Fire Engine Co., Inc., on Oct. 28, authorized the following amendments to the certificate of incorporation: increased the authorized capital stock from \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000, such increase to consist of \$2,500,000 of preferred stock (par \$100) and \$2,500,000 of common stock (par \$10); changed the name of the corporation from American-LaFrance Fire Engine Co., Inc. to American-LaFrance and Foamite Corp., and increased the number of directors from 11 to 15. At the same meeting the stockholders approved the agreement with the Foamite-Childs Corp. by which the American-LaFrance Fire Engine Co., Inc. acquires the assets and assumes the liabilities of the Foamite-Childs Corp., and, in part payment therefor, issue and deliver to the Foamite-Childs Corp. \$1,800,000 of preferred stock and \$1,600,000 of common stock.

American Piano Co.—Earnings.—
 Period End. Sept. 30—1927—3 Mos.—1926. 1927—9 Mos.—1926.
 Net income after ch'gs. & Fed. taxes—def\$16,233 \$386,654 \$136,942 \$1,201,029
 Company's statement shows net income for September of \$95,702, compared with deficits of \$75,425 in July and \$36,510 in August.
 In connection with the report pres. C. Alfred Wagner states that the improvement in business noted during September was being maintained and that the outlook for the final quarter of the year was favorable.—V. 125, p. 1464.

American Sugar Refining Co.—New Director.—Joseph B. Terbell has been elected a director to succeed the late Gen. Guy E. Tripp. Mr. Terbell is President of American Brake Shoe & Foundry Co.—V. 124, p. 1658.

American Steel Foundries.—Earnings.—
 Period End. Sept. 30—1927—3 Mos.—1926. 1927—9 Mos.—1926.
 Net earns. after Fed. tax \$1,047,521 \$1,142,153 \$3,900,505 \$4,417,523
 Depreciation—225,662 193,109 757,107 704,607
 Balance—\$821,859 \$949,044 \$3,143,398 \$3,712,916
 Other income—126,920 97,795 380,799 275,136
 Total income—\$948,779 \$1,046,839 \$3,524,197 \$3,988,052
 Charges, &c.—6,468 6,268 20,646 22,090
 Net profit—\$942,311 \$1,040,571 \$3,503,551 \$3,965,962
 Earns. per share on 902,745 shs. of no par com. stk. outst'd'g—\$0.87 \$0.98 \$3.37 \$3.87
 —V. 125, p. 783.

American Window Glass Machine Co.—Earnings.—
 Years Ended Aug. 31—1926-27. 1925-26. 1924-25. x1923-24.
 Royalty received—\$973,605 \$1,463,470 \$1,630,765 \$1,419,898
 Other income—10,735 16,766 19,090 44,670
 Total income—\$984,340 \$1,480,236 \$1,649,855 \$1,464,568
 General expenses—36,196 50,508 48,895 35,629
 Taxes—130,793 192,372 250,590 141,894
 Net income—\$817,351 \$1,237,356 \$1,350,370 \$1,287,046
 Preferred dividends—489,965 489,965 489,965 489,965
 Common divs. (cash)—389,949 779,898 1,299,830 1,299,830
 Com. divs. (Lib. bonds)—150,000
 Balance, deficit—\$62,563 \$32,507 \$439,425 \$652,749
 Earns. per sh. on 129,986 shs. (par \$100) com. stock outstanding—\$2.52 \$5.75 \$6.62 \$6.13
 x For 16 months, April 1 1922 to Aug. 31 1923.

Comparative Balance Sheet Aug. 31.
 1927. 1926. 1927. 1926.
Assets—
 Pat. rights in U. S. \$2,236,530 2,236,530
 Investments—\$17,762,062 17,761,670
 U. S. Treas. bonds 201,000 201,000
 U. S. Treas. cts. of indebtedness—200,000
 Accrued interest—1,688 15,020
 Accrued royalties—335,409 222,289
 Cash—26,092 50,784
Liabilities—
 7% cum. pref. stk. 6,999,600 6,999,600
 Common stock—12,998,600 12,998,600
 Reserve for taxes—398,671 460,619
 Surplus—165,911 228,474
 Total (each side) 20,562,782 20,687,293
 a Investment in 129,988 shares common capital stock, American Window Glass Co.—V. 123, p. 2264.

Art Metal Construction Co.—Earnings.—
 Period End. Sept. 30—1927—3 Mos.—1926. 1927—9 Mos.—1926.
 Shipments—\$1,759,778 \$1,887,409 \$5,597,478 \$5,930,762
 Cost of goods shipped—1,678,755 1,707,274 5,100,290 5,205,745
 Estimated taxes—11,000 24,000 67,000 97,000
 Net income—\$70,023 \$156,135 \$430,188 \$628,017
 Dividends—120,213 80,143 400,712 240,428
 Surplus—def\$50,190 \$75,992 \$29,476 \$387,589
 Earns. per share on 320,570 shs. (par \$10) cap. stk. outst'd'g—\$0.21 \$0.48 \$1.34 \$1.96
 —V. 125, p. 918.

Atlantic Refining Co.—Earnings.—
 Period End. Sept. 30—1927—3 Mos.—1926. 1927—9 Mos.—1926.
 Net income—\$1,333,000 \$2,813,123 def\$144,419 \$6,066,236
 Earns. per share on 500,000 shs. (par \$100) com. stk. outst'd'g—\$1.97 \$4.93 Nil \$10.03
 —V. 125, p. 1464.

Atlas Imperial Diesel Engine Co.—Stock Offered.—J. Barth & Co., San Francisco are offering at \$21.50 per share 65,000 shares class A no par value stock.

Capitalization.—Class A stock is entitled to preferential cumulative dividends of \$1.50 per share per annum before any div. on the class B stock. Subject to this prior right the class B stock is entitled to non-cumulative dividends of 37½c. per share per quarter. No further dividends can be declared on the B stock unless each share of A and B participate equally. The class A and B stocks have equal voting rights except that if the corporation shall fail to pay 4 consecutive quarterly divs. on the class A, the B stock shall be deprived of voting rights until all accrued dividends on class A shall have been paid. Class A is preferred over class B in the event of liquidation, dissolution or winding up to the extent of \$25 per share plus unpaid accumulated and divs., and thereafter shares equally with class B and class B shall have received \$25 per share. All distinctions between the two classes of stock may be eliminated by majority vote of the entire board of directors after 8 consecutive quarterly dividends of 37½c. each have been paid on both classes of stock.

Class A stock (no par value)-----Authorized. 100,000 sh. Issued. 65,000 sh.
 Class B stock (no par value)-----200,000 sh. 68,000 sh.

Company.—A Delaware corporation is engaged in the business of manufacturing Atlas Imperial diesel engines, which are used in marine work and also as power for stationary and portable equipment on land. This engine has been in successful use under varying conditions and for many purposes, since 1921. The plant is located in Oakland, Calif.

Assets & Liabilities.—After giving effect to the present financing, the balance sheet as at Sept. 30 1927, shows current assets of \$1,102,861 and total assets of \$1,735,736. There is no bonded debt and the total liabilities other than capital stock are \$288,764.

Earnings.—The net earnings after depreciation and all taxes indicate a steady development of the business, and have been as follows for calendar years: 1923, \$155,440; 1924, \$139,276; 1925, \$209,477; 1926, \$226,956; 9 months to Sept. 30 1927, \$180,556.

Purpose.—To provide additional capital and to make possible public participation in this enterprise.

Listing.—Application will be made to list the Class A shares on the San Francisco Stock & Bond Exchange.

Beacon Oil Co.—Earnings.—
 Period End. Sept. 30—1927—3 Mos.—1926. 1927—9 Mos.—1926.
 Gross income—\$1,875,763 x\$1,805,402 \$5,116,358 \$3,935,164
 Oper. expenses—1,383,682 1,152,567 3,827,792 x 2,925,734
 Interest—63,119 192,948
 Depreciation—236,653 663,280
 Net income—\$192,309 \$652,835 \$432,338 \$1,009,430
 Pref. divs.—45,236 45,243 135,709 135,719
 Surp. (before Fed. taxes)—\$147,073 \$607,592 \$296,629 \$873,711
 x Includes interest and depreciation.—V. 125, p. 918.

Beech-Nut Packing Co., Canajoharie, N. Y.—Capitalization Increased.—Sales Contract With United Cigar Stores Co.—Listing.—The stockholders on Nov. 9 voted to increase the authorized common stock from 375,000 shares (all outstanding) to 425,000 shares, par \$20. President Bartlett Arkell says:

"The object of this increase is to permit the company to enter into the contemplated long sales contract with the United Cigar Stores Co. to enable that company to promote the sale of Beech-Nut gum and confections in its retail stores throughout the United States, in consideration of the purchase by the United Cigar Stores Co. of 50,000 shares of the common stock of the Beech-Nut Packing Co. The terms under which the stock is sold to the United company are still in the process of negotiation, but it is contemplated that the price shall be not less than \$50 a share. The proceeds from the sale of such stock will be applied for general corporate purposes. The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of \$1,000,000 additional common stock (par \$20) on official notice of issuance and payment in full, making the total amount applied for 425,000 shares of common stock. Compare also V. 125, p. 2391, 2533.

Bingham Mines Co.—Earnings.—
 (Including its equity in Eagle & Blue Bell Mining Co.)
 Period End. Sept. 30—1927—3 Mos.—1926. 1927—9 Mos.—1926.
 Operating profits—\$52,157 \$62,593 \$297,239 \$181,363
 Earns. per sh. on 50,000 shs. of cap. stk. outst'd'g—\$1.04 \$1.25 \$5.94 \$3.63
 —V. 125, p. 2152.

Bird Grocery Stores, Inc.—Initial Dividend.—The directors have declared a quarterly dividend of 1¼% on the 7% cum. pref. stock, payable Dec. 1 to holders of record Nov. 21. See also V. 125, p. 2533.

(Sidney) Blumenthal & Co., Inc. (The Shelton Looms).—Earnings.—
 Period End. Sept. 30—1927—3 Mos.—1926. 1927—9 Mos.—1926.
 Profit from operation—\$741,963 \$144,772 \$1,282,199 \$450,804
 Interest on bonds—29,934 32,051 91,652 97,670
 Depreciation—65,976 69,375 186,595 195,071
 Inventory losses, &c.—188,014
 Net profit—\$646,053 \$43,346 \$1,003,952 def\$29,951
 Earns. per sh. on 218,212 shs. of no par com. stk. outstanding—\$2.76 Nil \$4.10 Nil
 —V. 125, p. 1055.

Briggs Manufacturing Co.—Earnings.—
 Period End. Sept. 30—1927—3 Mos.—1926. 1927—9 Mos.—1926.
 Net after deprec., Fed. taxes and charges—def\$464,337 \$1,359,068 \$2,568,944 \$6,772,799
 Earns. per sh. on 2,003,000 shs. (no par) cap. stock outstanding—Nil \$0.68 \$1.28 \$3.38
 —V. 125, p. 1585.

Burdett College Building (Park Square Corp.), Boston, Mass.—Bonds Offered.—Sawyer Brothers, Inc., Boston are offering at 100 and int. \$200,000 gen. mtge. 6½% sinking fund gold bonds.

Dated Aug. 1 1927; due Aug. 1 1937. Int. payable F. & A. at National Shawmut Bank, Boston, trustee, without deduction for normal Federal income tax not in excess of 2%. Refund of any personal property tax not exceeding 5 mills and any income tax not exceeding 6% levied by any State will be made. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500c. Red. all or part upon 30 days' notice of any int. date at 102 and int.

Security.—These bonds will be a direct obligation of the Park Square Corp., and will be further secured by a closed mortgage lien on the land and building owned in fee, subject to a 10-year 1st mtge. of \$350,000 to the Boston Five Cents Savings Bank at 5%. The land has been conservatively appraised by W. H. Ballard Co. at \$500,000 and the building at \$434,000, making a total valuation of about \$934,000, leaving an equity for the gen. mtge. bonds of \$584,000, or \$2,900 for each \$1,000 bond.

The building consisting of 5 stories and basement and having foundations to permit the erection of 3 additional stories, will be a modern fire-proof, steel and stone structure covering the entire lot of 11,173 square ft. The building is designed for the use of Burdett College, which is to occupy the 3 upper stories on a 21-year lease. The second story is leased to the A. B. See Elevator Co. and the firm of Thomas M. James Co., architects and engineers, for a period of 11 years each. There will be space available on the first floor for 7 stores. The building will contain approximately 368,000 cubic feet and will be built according to plans and specifications furnished by Thomas M. James Co.

Sinking Fund.—A sinking fund commencing Feb. 1 1929, calculated to retire approximately one-half of this issue by maturity through purchase in the open market or by call by lot at 102 is provided in the indenture securing these bonds.

Earnings.—The estimated net income is equivalent to over 3.68 times the interest charges required for this issue.

Celluloid Corp.—Initial Preferred Dividends.—
Initial quarterly dividends of \$1.75 per share on both the 1st pref. partic.
stock and the 7th div. pref. stock have been declared payable Dec. 1 to
holders of record Nov. 15. (See V. 125, p. 919.)—V. 125, p. 1329.

Cespedes Sugar Co. (Compania Azucarera Cespedes).
Year Ended May 31—
Operating profit—
Other income—
Total—
Interest, amortiz., expenses, &c.—
Provision for depreciation—
Provision for Cuban income taxes—

Balance—
Previous balance—
Accrued dividend received—
Profit & loss, surplus May 31—

Balance Sheet May 31.
Assets—
Prop., plant, mach. &c.—
Rolling stock—
Cash on hand—
Adv'ces to otros—
Accounts rec.—
Notes receivable—
Special cash fund—
Inventories—
Deferred charges—
Total—
x Subject to deferred payment contract.—V. 125, p. 523.

Chandler-Cleveland Motors Corp.—Earnings.—
Period—
Gross profit—
Exp., deprec. and Fed. taxes—
Net profit—
Earnings per sh. on 350,000
shs of \$4 non-cum. pf.
stk. outstanding—
x Gross profit from sales of automobiles and parts after deducting cost
of material, labor and manufacturing expense, exclusive of depreciation.—V. 125, p. 1977.

Childs Co. (N. Y.)—October Sales.—
1927—Oct.—1926 Increase. 1927—10 Mos.—1926 Increase.
\$2,378,175 \$2,310,291 \$67,884 \$24,039,365 \$21,475,706 \$2,563,659
—V. 125, p. 2392, 2152.

Christie, Brown & Co., Ltd.—To Redeem Pfd. Stock.—
The directors have decided to redeem on Feb. 1 next all the preferred
stock outstanding at 115 and divs. This stock is convertible into common
stock on the basis of 3 shares of common for each preferred share held. At
present there are about 4,000 shares of preferred outstanding.—V. 125, p.
2392.

Coca-Cola Co.—Earnings.—
Period End. Sept. 30— 1927—3 Mos.—1926. 1927—9 Mos.—1926.
Gross receipts—
Mfg. & gen. expenses—
Interest, disct., &c.—
Net inc. bef. Fed. taxes—
—V. 125, p. 1329.

Conde Nast Publications, Inc.—Earnings.—
Period End. Sept. 30— 1927—3 Mos.—1926. 1927—9 Mos.—1926.
Net income after charges
& Fed. taxes—
Earnings per share on 320,000
shares no par com.
stk. outstanding—
—V. 125, p. 1198.

Consolidated Distributors, Inc.—Earnings.—
Period End. Sept. 30— 1927—3 Mos.—1926. 1927—9 Mos.—1926.
Sales—
Costs and expenses—
Operating profit—
Other income—
Total income—
Other deductions—
Profit—
—V. 125, p. 1715.

Continental Baking Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings.—
—18 Weeks Ended— —43 Weeks Ended—
Period— Oct. 22 '27. Oct. 23 '26. Oct. 22 '27. Oct. 23 '26.
Net earnings—
Other income—
Total income—
Int. & amort—
Depreciation—
Est. Fed. taxes—
Prop. applic. to minor
interest—
Net profit—
Shs. of cl. A com. stk.
outstanding (no par)
Earnings per sh. on class A
common—
—V. 125, p. 654.

Continental (Fire) Insurance Co.—Stock Dividend
Proposed—Plans Change in Par Value of Shares.—
The company has called a special meeting of its stockholders for Dec. 1
to act on a proposal to increase the capital stock from \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000
for the purpose of distributing a stock dividend of 50%. The stock-
holders will be asked also to ratify a change in the par value of the stock
from \$25 to \$10 a share and to increase the number of shares from 600,000
to 1,500,000.
It is the purpose of the directors to effect a wider distribution of the stock
if the proposed changes in capitalization become effective, they expect
that a semi-annual dividend will be paid on the increased capital at the rate
of \$2 a share per annum. As \$3 is paid on the \$25 par stock now, the
proposed dividend would be on the basis of \$7.50 a share for the present
capitalization.—V. 124, p. 2125.

Continental Mills, Boston.—Balance Sheet June 30.—
[As filed with Massachusetts Commissioner of Corporations.]
Assets—
Real estate & ma-
chinery—
Merchandise—
Accts. receivable—
Cash—
Securities—
Prepaid insurance—
Total—
—V. 123, p. 2524.

Coty, Inc.—Extra Dividend of \$1.—
The directors have declared an extra dividend of \$1 per share in addition
to the regular dividend of \$1.25 per share on the capital stock, both payable
Dec. 31 to holders of record Dec. 16. An extra distribution of \$1 per share
was also made in Dec. 1926. (See V. 124, p. 374.)—V. 125, p. 1057.

Cox Stores Co., Inc.—Sales.—
Period End. Oct. 31— 1927—Month—1926. 1927—10 Mos.—1926.
Sales—
According to Pres. C. V. Cox, October was by far the best month the
company has ever experienced. Expenses have been reduced while sales
per store have increased and the company's position is much stronger than
it has ever been, Mr. Cox declared.—V. 125, p. 2152, 1715.

Cuba Co. (& Subs.)—Earnings.—
The company and subsidiary and affiliated companies report for the
quarters ended Sept. 30 1927, a net income of \$317,498, after depreciation,
taxes and other charges, comparing with a net loss of \$16,947 in the same
period last year.—V. 125, p. 2142.

Cunard Steam Ship Co., Ltd.—Notes Sold.—Brown
Brothers & Co., J. W. Seligman & Co. and White Weld &
Co. have sold at 100 and int. \$2,500,000 2-year 4½% ex-
ternal gold notes.

Dated Dec. 1 1927; due Dec. 1 1929; int. payable J. & D. Denoms. \$10,000
and \$1,000. Prin. and int. payable at the office of Brown Bros. & Co.,
New York, fiscal agents for the loan, in United States gold coin, without
deduction for any British taxes. Red. as a whole at 100 and int. on any
int. date on 60 days' notice. Notes will be authenticated by Hanover
National Bank New York, Registrar.

Data from Letter of Sir Thomas Royden, Bart., C.H., Chairman.
Business.—The Cunard Line, established in 1840, is not only the pioneer
trans-Atlantic steamship line but, through its subsidiaries, has an important
interest in the valuable trades between India and Australia and Europe
and the United States. The total fleet of the company and its controlled
companies aggregates nearly 1,000,000 tons (including ships under con-
struction). The British Government has a nominal interest in the stock
of the company.

Purpose.—Company is already known in the financial market of New York
through its borrowing two years ago of \$7,500,000 in the form of 5% gold
notes. These notes mature Dec. 1 1927. It is the intention of the company
to repay two-thirds of this issue, that is to say \$5,000,000, in cash, and the
remainder through proceeds of the present note issue, thereby retaining
though in smaller degree the company's connection with the New York
financial market.

Earnings.—During the past 5 years the disposable balances after allow-
ances for depreciation, taxation, etc. have been as follows:

Year Bal. Avail.
for Int. Bond Int. & Discount *Surplus
1922 \$3,680,000 \$1,758,000 \$1,922,000
1923 3,646,000 1,741,000 1,905,000
1924 3,642,000 1,723,000 1,919,000
1925 3,064,000 1,412,000 1,652,000
1926 4,250,000 1,360,000 2,890,000

*Before interest on the \$7,500,000 2-year 5% gold notes due Dec. 1 1927.
For the 5-year period ended Dec. 31 1926 surplus as above after charges
including bond interest was equivalent on an average to approximately
18 times the annual interest requirement of these notes and to the year
ended Dec. 31 1926 was equivalent to approximately 25 times such interest
requirement.

Issue of Additional Shares.—Concurrently with issue of this prospectus the
company has arranged for the issue and sale to its existing ordinary share-
holders of 1,100,000 additional ordinary shares at par (\$1).
In the foregoing, sterling amounts have been converted into dollars at
the rate of \$4.87 to the pound.—V. 125, p. 2535.

Curtis Aeroplane & Motor Co., Inc.—Earnings.—
Period End. Sept. 30— 1927—3 Mos.—1926. 1927—9 Mos.—1926.
Sales—
Cost of sales—
Selling & gen. expenses—
Balance—
Other income—
Total income—
Interest, &c.—
Federal taxes—
Profit—
Preferred dividends—
Surplus—
x Before Federal taxes.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Sept. 30.
Assets—
Property account—
Investments—
Inventories—
Accts & notes rec.—
Cash—
Pat. & goodwill—
Deferred charges—
Total—
x Represented by 218,060 shares of no par value. y After deducting
depreciation.—V. 125, p. 2393.

Deutsche Bank, Berlin.—American Participating Certi-
ficates Listed.—
The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of American
participation certificates issued by the Equitable Trust Co., New York,
in an aggregate prin. amount of \$25,000,000 and representing participations
in a certain 5-year 6% note of the Bank for participation certificates of
the denom. of \$1,000 each.

Each participation certificate bears the manual signature of the President
or Vice-President of the Equitable Trust Co., New York, and carries
10 int. warrants maturing on March 1 and Sept. 1 in 1928, 1929, 1930,
1931 and 1932, each of which bears a facsimile signature of the Treasurer
or Assistant Treasurer of the Equitable Trust Co., New York, Dillon,
Read & Co. acts as fiscal agent and participation certificates and int.
warrants are payable at its principal office in New York City.
The participation certificates are issued under a certain agreement
dated as of Sept. 1 1927, between Dillon, Read & Co., the Equitable
Trust Co., New York, trustee, and the holders of such participation certi-
ficates. The execution of said 5-year 6% note and the issue of the partici-
pation certificates representing participations therein were authorized by
the managing directors (Vorstand) on Sept. 13 1927 and by power of attorney
of Deutsche Bank to Bruno Axhausen dated Sept. 15 1927 and signed
by two managing directors of Deutsche Bank thereto duly authorized
as shown by notarial certificate attached to said power of attorney.

The 5-year 6% note deposited with the trustee against which the partici-
pation certificates have been issued is a note of the Bank dated as of Sept.
1 1927, in the principal amount of \$25,000,000 payable to the Equitable
Trust Co., New York, on Sept. 1 1932, in gold coin of the United States
of America, or equal to, the standard of weight and fineness existing Sept.
1 1927 at the principal office of the Equitable Trust Co., New York, with
interest thereon at the rate of 6% per annum from Sept. 1 1927, payable
semi-annually on March 1 and Sept. 1 in each year until payment of said
principal amount, in like gold coin at said office, in each case without
deduction or diminution for any taxes or charges, present or future of the
German National Government, or of any German state, municipal or other
governmental subdivision or German taxing authority.

Each of the participation certificates issued by the trustee entitles the
bearer, or if the participation certificates be registered, the registered
owner, to the same proportionate participation in the note that the principal
amount of such participation certificate bears to the principal amount of
the note. Dillon, Read & Co. has agreed in the agreement upon present-
tion and surrender of any participation certificate at the principal office of
Dillon, Read & Co., New York, to pay on Sept. 1 1932, to the bearer, or if
the participation certificate be registered, to the registered owner thereof,
the principal amount of the participation certificate, but only upon receipt

by Dillon, Read & Co. from the trustee of the principal amount of the note, which amount the trustee has agreed in the agreement to pay on or before Sept. 1 1932 to Dillon, Read & Co., irrevocable, as fiscal agent under the agreement, but only out of moneys received by the trustee upon payment to it of said principal amount of the note. For further details see offering certificate in V. 125, p. 1533.

Dictaphone Corp., New York.—50c. Common Dividend.
The directors have declared a dividend of 50c. per share on the common stock compared with 25c. for the previous quarter. The directors also declared the regular quarterly dividend of \$2 per share on the preferred stock. Both dividends are payable Dec. 1 to holders of record Nov. 18. Compare also V. 124, p. 3357.

Dodge Bros., Inc.—Record Graham Truck Orders.
Orders for Graham Bros. trucks, commercial cars and coaches manufactured by Dodge Bros., during October totaled 6,212, breaking all previous records for the year, according to a dispatch from Detroit, Mich.
Operations in the new plant at Stockton, Calif., for production of Graham Bros. trucks have been started, and production is to be stepped up as rapidly as possible. The building is a one-story brick structure, 540 ft. long and 90 ft. wide.—V. 125, p. 2393.

Dominion Stores, Ltd.—Sales.
Period End. Sept. 30—1927—Month—1926 1927—9 Mos.—1926.
Sales (approx.)—\$1,466,000 \$1,177,000 \$13,407,000 \$10,843,000
—V. 125, p. 1715, 394.

Eastern Steel Products, Ltd., Montreal.—Pref. Stock Sold.—Bankers Bond Co., Ltd., C. H. Burgess & Co., Ltd., and Denman & Co., Ltd., Toronto, have sold at 100 and div. \$550,000 7% sinking fund cumulative prior preference shares (par \$100). A bonus of one share of common stock accompanies every two shares of preferred stock purchased.—See also V. 125, p. 2271.

Eastman Kodak Co.—Extra Dividend of 75 Cents.
An extra dividend of 75 cents a share has been declared on the common stock in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of \$1.25 both payable Jan. 2 to holders of record Nov. 30. Like amounts were paid on the common stock in the previous 5 quarters.—V. 125, p. 921.

Edwards Mfg. Co., Boston.—New President.
W. S. Wyman, president of the Central Maine Power Co., has been elected president of the Edwards company. H. D. Lockwood was re-elected treasurer. New directors are G. C. Spencer and D. W. Adams of Augusta. Control of the Edwards company recently passed into the hands of the Central Maine Power Co., controlled by the Insull interests. See V. 125, p. 1844.

Electric Refrigeration Corp.—Bank Loans Reduced.
President C. K. Woodbridge, announces that the company has stabilized its manufacturing, sales and financial operations and that he looks forward to a satisfactory performance in 1928.
"The corporation," Mr. Woodbridge said, "has reduced its notes to banks by \$1,250,000. This leaves a balance of \$3,500,000 which provides ample funds for peak requirements. It has reduced its accounts with trade creditors by \$1,000,000. After reducing its current liabilities by \$2,250,000 the corporation has on deposit in excess of \$2,000,000, accounts receivable of \$2,500,000 and an inventory at sound values of \$6,000,000. New products have been received with enthusiasm."—V. 125, p. 1979, 1844.

Fanny Farmer Candy Shops, Inc.—Sales.
1927—Oct.—1926 Increase | 1927—10 Mos.—1926 Increase.
\$320,171 \$310,391 \$9,780 | \$2,858,795 \$2,536,534 \$322,261
—V. 125, p. 2153, 1467.

Financial Investment Co. of New York, Ltd.—Rights.
The stockholders of record Oct. 31 have been given the right to subscribe on or before Nov. 30 for 30,000 additional shares of capital stock at \$20 each, to the extent of about one-third of their holdings. There are at present outstanding \$703,900 of capital stock.

The stockholders on Oct. 18 (a) increased the authorized capital stock from 100,000 shares (par \$10 each) to 200,000 shares (par \$10 each), (b) approved the authorization and issuance of 2,000,000 of 5% bonds to be known as the Convertible Series of 1932, all dated Oct. 1, 1927, due Oct. 1 1932, convertible into the stock of this company at the rate of 35 shares of stock for each \$1,000 of bonds; (c) approved the reservation by the company of 70,000 shares of the increased stock for the purpose of the conversion of the bonds and of the offering of the remaining 30,000 shares thereof to existing stockholders at \$20 a share pro rata in accordance with their present holdings (as nearly as may be without necessitating fractional rights); (d) approved the granting of an option to Secretary Embree H. Henderson to purchase, in whole or in part, on or before Dec. 31 1928, all of the unsubscribed remainder of such 30,000 shares at \$20 a share.

Income Account for Nine Months Ended Sept. 30 1927.
Int. on bonds, loans, dividends, &c., received \$104,975
Deduct: Int. on bonds, notes, bd. disc. & exp. 31,931
Management, &c., expenses, taxes, &c. 18,435
Divs. paid (Apr. 1 '27, \$11,900; July 1 '27, \$12,406; Oct. 1 '27, \$22,443) total 46,749

Balance surplus \$7,859

Balance Sheet Sept. 30 1927.	
Assets—	Liabilities—
Investment at cost \$1,756,468	Common stock (par \$10) \$574,960
Cash 88,560	Secured 5% gold bonds—
Accrued int. divs. rec. 34,942	Ser. of 1930, due Oct. 1 '30 165,000
Loans receivable 8,932	Ser. of 1940, due Oct. 1 '40 928,000
Bond disc. & exp. (unamortized) 103,471	Notes pay. (secured) 147,500
Prepaid expenses 509	Accrued int. on notes 1,479
	Div. payable, Oct. 1 1927 22,444
	Surplus 153,551
Total \$1,992,933	Total \$1,992,933

—V. 125, p. 2394.

Flatbush Investing Corp.—Initial Common Dividend.
The corporation has declared an initial quarterly dividend on the common stock at the rate of 6%, payable Dec. 31 to holders of record Dec. 1. The semi-annual dividend on the preferred stock, at the rate of 6½%, also was declared, payable Dec. 31 to holders of record Dec. 1.—V. 125, p. 103.

Foundation Co.—Omits Dividend.—The directors on Nov. 9 voted to omit the quarterly dividend usually paid Dec. 15 on the outstanding 100,000 shares of no par value capital stock. In June and Sept. last, quarterly distributions of \$1.25 per share were made, compared with quarterly dividends of \$2 per share paid from March 16 1925, to March 15 1927, incl. On Jan. 25 1926, a distribution of 40% in Foundation Co. (foreign) series A stock was made. An authoritative statement says:

The directors believe a conservative management requires that the liquid assets be conserved so as to provide adequate working capital for its normal operations and to set up proper reserves. Unfinished business on the books amounts to about \$10,000,000, and a good volume of new business is now under consideration.—V. 125, p. 1058.

Franklin Press Building (Franklin Building Co.), Detroit.—Bonds Offered.—American Bond & Mortgage Co., Inc., recently offered at par and int., \$350,000 of 1st M. Serial 6% bonds.

Dated Oct. 1. Due serially A. & O. from Apr. 1 1929 to Oct. 1 1939. Denom. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100 c*. Int. payable A. & O. at offices of American Bond & Mortgage Co., Inc. Fidelity Trust Co., Detroit, Mich., trustee.

Purpose.—Proceeds will be used towards the payment and discharge of the existing debts incurred in erection of said Franklin Press Building.

Security.—These bonds are secured by a direct closed first mortgage on land owned in fee (90 ft. x 200 ft.) and a 4-story and basement building at the Northwest corner of Jefferson Avenue, East, and McDougall Street, Detroit, Mich. The property was recently appraised by the Fidelity Trust Co. of Detroit as follows: Land, \$171,000; building, \$376,000; total, \$547,000.

Freeport Texas Company.—Earnings.

Period End. Sept. 30—	1927—3 Mos.—1926.	1927—9 Mos.—1926.	1927—9 Mos.—1926.	
Gross sales	\$3,081,388	\$2,108,641	\$9,069,618	\$6,376,243
Cost of sales	1,924,051	1,484,584	5,804,515	4,502,335
General expenses, &c.	171,103	184,821	555,573	567,930
Net profit	\$986,233	\$439,237	\$2,709,529	\$1,305,980
Other income	185,453	14,848	252,725	46,302
Net income	\$1,171,686	\$454,084	\$2,962,254	\$1,352,282
Depreciation	45,702	61,007	147,513	184,137
Tax reserve	23,258	20,368	112,426	99,066
Net income	\$1,102,728	\$372,710	\$2,702,313	\$1,079,078
Dividends paid	912,305	—	2,007,071	—
Balance, surplus	\$190,423	\$372,710	\$695,242	\$1,079,078
Earns. per sh. on 729,844 shs. no par cap. stk. outstanding	\$1.51	\$0.51	\$3.70	\$1.47

—V. 125, p. 2394.

General Cable Corp.—Listing, &c.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of (a) 188,500 shares of Class A stock without par value 750,000 shares, on official notice of issuance in change for capital stock of the Safety Cable Co. on a share for share basis; (b) 211,500 shares of Class A stock, on official notice of issuance and payment in full, in connection with acquisition of properties, and (c) 150,000 shares of Class A stock on official notice of issuance and payment in full on exercise of warrants, making the total amounts applied for 550,000 shares of Class A stock.

The stockholders of the Safety Cable Co. on Nov. 10 changed the authorized capital from 200,000 shares without par value to \$30,000,000 7% cum. pref. stock (par \$100); 750,000 shares of Class A stock (without par value), and 3,000,000 shares of common stock (without par value). The stockholders also authorized the creation of a 1st mtge. to be unlimited in principal amount and to issue \$16,000,000 of Series A bonds. The properties will be as follows: (1) \$15,000,000 7% cum. pref. stock, par \$100; (2) 400,000 shares Class A stock without par value; (3) 440,000 shares common stock without par value, and (4) \$16,000,000 1st mtge. 5½% sinking fund gold bonds, Series A, due July 1 1947. With each share of preferred stock will be issued a warrant entitling holders to subscribe for one share of Class A stock at \$75 per share, to and incl. July 1 1932. All of the securities to be issued will be for the purpose of acquiring the assets and businesses now operated by Rome Wire Co., Standard Underground Cable Co., Dudlo Manufacturing Corp., Phillips Wire Co., and the sheet and rod and wire mill business of Baltimore Copper Smelting & Rolling Co., and the assumption of certain current liabilities appertaining to the same, discharging the present funded debt of Safety Cable Co. and the change of 188,500 shares of the Safety Cable Co.'s capital stock into an equal number of shares of Class A stock. Company will, upon such acquisition, have net assets of over \$50,000,000, and will have plants at strategic locations in the principal industrial areas of the United States and Canada. See also V. 125, p. 2272.

General Motors Corp.—Declares Extra Cash Dividend of \$2.50 Per Share.—New Common Stock Placed on a \$5 Annual Dividend Basis.—The directors on Nov. 10 declared an extra cash dividend of \$2.50 per share in addition to a regular quarterly cash dividend of \$1.25 per share on the outstanding common stock, no par value. The extra distribution will be made on Jan. 3 and the regular dividend on Dec. 12 both to holders of record No. 19. The company so far this year paid on the old common stock (which was recently exchanged for new \$25 par common stock on the basis of 2 new shares for one old) three regular quarterly dividends of \$2 per share, and in addition, an extra cash dividend of \$4 per share on Jan. 4, and an extra cash dividend of \$2 on July 5 (compare V. 125, p. 922).—V. 125, p. 2394.

Gimbel Brothers.—Changes in Personnel.

Bernard F. Gimbel has been elected president, succeeding Isaac Gimbel who succeeds Charles Gimbel as chairman of the board. Richard Gimbel has been elected treasurer to succeed Ellis A. Gimbel.—V. 125, p. 395.

Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., Akron, Ohio.—To Retire \$7,500,000 Three-Year 5% Notes.

The directors have voted to effect the partial redemption of the company's three-year 5% gold notes on Dec. 15 1927. Thereafter only one-half, or \$7,500,000, of the original issue of \$15,000,000 sold in Dec. 1925, will be outstanding. The call price Dec. 15 is 100½%. The issuance of the 7% 1st pref. stock in exchange for the old 7% pref. stock upon which there are accumulative dividends of 25%, is proceeding satisfactorily, it is announced. Since the books were opened for exchange on Oct. 1, the holders of over 70% of the old stock have taken advantage of the privilege. The exchange privilege which is entirely optional expires Nov. 30.—V. 125, p. 2394.

Gould Coupler Co.—Earnings.

Period End. Sept. 30—	1927—3 Mos.—1926.	1927—9 Mos.—1926.	1927—9 Mos.—1926.	
Net profit	\$111,606	\$4,747	\$356,315	\$356,218
Other income	—	2,435	12,314	26,899
Net income	\$111,606	\$7,182	\$368,629	\$383,117
Interest charges	71,250	58,000	215,408	175,140
Net profit	\$40,356	loss \$50,818	\$153,221	\$207,977
Earns. per sh. on 175,000 shs (no par) cl. A stk. outstanding	\$0.23	Nil	\$0.87	\$1.19

x After depreciation, selling and general expenses, provision for reserves and for State and Federal taxes.
Note.—The above figures are subject to adjustment at end of fiscal year.—V. 125, p. 789.

(F. & W.) Grand 5-10-25 Cent Stores, Inc.—Sales.

1927.—Oct.—1926 Increase | 1927—10 Mos.—1926 Increase.
\$1,222,976 \$1,024,586 \$198,390 | \$9,470,186 \$7,725,750 \$1,744,436
—V. 125, p. 2537, 1981.

(W. T.) Grant Co. (Mass.).—Sales.

1927.—Oct.—1926 Increase | 1927—10 Mos.—1926 Increase.
\$4,274,594 \$3,798,933 \$475,661 | \$30,751,411 \$25,754,110 \$4,997,301
—V. 125, p. 1981, 1467.

Great Western Sugar Co.—Statement on Dividends.

President W. L. Petrlikin has issued the following statement: "Under date of July 8 last, at a meeting of the stockholders of this company, approval was given by substantially more than the required two-thirds of each the preferred and common stockholders for the changing of the common stock from a par value of \$25 a share to common stock without par value and for the issuance of 3 shares of new stock for each one share of old. That action in no wise altered the rights or relative standing of either preferred or common shareholders and no question concerning this recapitalization has arisen. However, a statement has recently appeared in the press that one of the preferred stockholders contemplates bringing suit to prevent the payment of common stock dividends out of surplus. No suit has yet been instituted consequently we are not informed as to the basis for the reported contemplated action. The question as to the source from which

dividends are payable has been given careful consideration by the company and in the judgment of our counsel the laws of New Jersey and the articles and by-laws of the company all clearly establish the propriety of payment of dividends on both preferred and common stock from the surplus of the company accumulated in previous years as well as from the earnings realized in the current year in which dividends may be declared and paid. Our counsel advise us that in their opinion no suit questioning the legality of payment of dividends to common stockholders either from current earnings or from the accumulated surplus of the company can be brought to a successful issue."

Preferred Stockholder Brings Suit.—

Judge H. A. Calvert, at Denver, has issued an alternate writ of mandamus directing the company to pay Robert W. Fraser the par value of his preferred stock, or show cause why it should not do so. Mr. Fraser had petitioned the Denver District Court for an order restraining the company from paying further dividends on the common stock out of surplus until the holders of preferred stock receive par value. Mr. Fraser claims to own 235 shares of preferred stock of \$100 par value, and alleges that the company has distributed since Feb. 28 1927, \$6,144,286 of its assets among common stockholders and that before dividends on the common stock can be paid out of surplus said surplus must be used to pay preferred stockholders par value of their stock. The writ is returnable Nov. 21. V. 125, p. 2154, 1331.

Hartman Corp., Chicago.—October Net Sales.—

1927.—Oct.	1926.—Oct.	Increase.	1927.—10 Mos.	1926.—10 Mos.	Increase.
\$1,478,039	\$1,004,527	\$473,512	\$14,861,529	\$15,717,493	-\$855,964
—V. 125, p. 2395, 2154.					

Hawley Pulp & Paper Co., Oregon City, Ore.—

Bonds Offered.—Blyth, Witter & Co., are offering at 100 and int. \$750,000 1st mtge. sinking fund 6% gold bonds. Dated July 1 1926. Due July 1 1946. See original offering and description in V. 123, p. 719.

Company.—A Delaware corporation. Acquired all the assets and business of Hawley Pulp & Paper Co., an Oregon corporation, as of July 1926. The Oregon corporation was organized in 1908 by W. P. Hawley, under whose management the company has continued since its inception; and except for a small original investment has been brought up to its present size entirely out of earnings. Company manufactures newsprint, manila and sulphite wrapping paper, tissue papers, fruit wrapping papers and bag paper, and in addition makes practically all the crepe towel paper manufactured on the Pacific Coast. Company has a complete printing and stereotyping department, and modern paper-oiling equipment for the oiling of fruit wrapping papers.

Security.—Bonds are secured by a first mortgage on all the fixed assets of company, consisting principally of land, plants and equipment of pulp and paper mills at Oregon City and Milwaukie, Ore.; water rights in connection therewith, and timber and timber lands located in Clatsop and Tillamook Counties, Ore. Total properties securing this issue of bonds have a value of \$7,543,192.

Authorized.	Outstanding.
1st mtge. sinking fund 6% gold bonds.....	\$3,000,000 *\$2,800,000
2d pref. stock, \$7 per sh., cumul. (no par).....	20,000 sh. 20,000 sh.
2d pref. stock, \$6 per sh., cumul. (no par).....	8,000 sh. 8,000 sh.
Common stock (no par value).....	200,000 sh. 200,000 sh.
* \$100,000 retired by operation of sinking fund.	

Earnings.—Earnings of company available for interest for the years 1918 to 1926 and the 8 months' period ended Aug. 31 1927, have averaged \$612,039 per annum, or over 3.64 times the maximum annual interest charges on the bonds to be presently outstanding.

Sinking Fund.—Mortgage provided for sinking fund payments beginning July 1 1927, sufficient to retire the entire issue by maturity, the minimum annual bond retirement due July 1 1928, and annually thereafter being not less than \$134,500 par value.

Purpose.—Proceeds will be used in part for additions and improvements now being made to the company's plant.—V. 125, p. 254.

Holbrook Hall Garden Apartments, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.—Certificates Offered.—

The Prudence Company, Inc., is offering \$850,000 5½% guaranteed Prudence-certificates. Legal for trust funds in State of New York. Interest payable J. & J. The purchase of one of these certificates makes the purchaser the owner of a participation equal to the amount of his certificate in a first mortgage made by the Holbrook Hall Realty Co., Inc., on the newly completed apartment house.

The mortgage is a first lien on the land and 5-story apartment house known as Holbrook Hall Garden Apartments located on the block formed by Cedar St., Gramatan Ave. and Fleetwood Rd., Mt. Vernon, N. Y. This is one of the largest apartment houses in the Metropolitan area situated on a plot of approximately 3½ acres. It is designed after the Norman style of architecture, presenting an imposing castle-like facade which is of terra cotta and brick. Holbrook Hall stands 25 feet from the building line on all streets and is set within a landscaped garden. The building contains 164 apartments divided into 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 rooms with baths.

Earnings.—This building is 63% rented, and when fully occupied the owners estimate the gross annual rentals at \$220,000.—V. 124, p. 3504.

(Richard) Hellmann, Inc.—Plans Reorganization.—

Pres. Richard Hellman, Nov. 2, in a letter to the holders of warrants for the purchase of common stock, said in substance:

The directors of this company have approved a contract with Postum Co., Inc., and others, contemplating a reorganization that will result in the acquisition of the company's assets by a subsidiary of the Postum Co. for capital stock of such proposed subsidiary, which will in turn be exchangeable for stock of the Postum Co. The plan will be submitted to the stockholders for ratification and approval at the meeting to be held on Nov. 15 1927.

The plan of reorganization contemplates in substance that all of the assets of the company shall be transferred to a new company, and that the present company shall receive in return for its assets all of the class "A" shares of the new company (except such as shall be set aside to provide for the exercise of warrants), in the ratio of one class A share for each 3.7 shares of the company outstanding on the date of closing the transaction. The class "B" shares of the new company will be all be owned by the Postum Co. After such reorganization the class "A" shares of the new company (being the only assets of the company) will be distributed *pro rata* among the stockholders of the company and the company thereupon dissolved.

Due to a typographical error, the basis of exchange last week was given as 3.75 shares of present stock for one share of new class "B" stock.—Ed.]

Until the transfer of the assets of the present company to the new company, which will take place on or about Dec. 1 1927, or at such earlier or later date as may be agreed upon, you will receive upon the exercise of each warrant and the payment of \$20 in cash in respect thereof an equivalent number of common shares of the company, upon which you will receive a distribution of class "A" shares described in the preceding paragraph.

Thereafter (subject to the ratification of the plan of reorganization by the stockholders of the present company) a warrant holder exercising his warrant and paying \$20 in cash in respect of each warrant, will receive the proportionate part of the class "A" stock of the new company which would have been payable to him at the time of the transfer of the company's assets if he had then been the holder of the number of shares of common stock of the company which he was entitled at that time to purchase under his warrant.

Any warrant holder who may therefore elect to exercise his rights thereunder after the date of such transfer and provided he exercises his warrants on or before Aug. 1 1930, which is the date of their expiration, will receive 10-37ths of a share of the new company's class "A" stock (or scrip in respect of fractional shares) for each warrant exercised and for each \$20 paid thereon.

All persons receiving Class A stock will have the right until August 31 1930, to exchange all full shares of such class "A" stock for capital stock of Postum Co., Inc., share for share, although they will not be obliged to do so. The Postum shares so exchangeable will have full voting rights. Application has been made by the Postum Company to list the additional shares so to be issued in exchange for class "A" shares, upon the New York Stock Exchange, and the application has been granted subject to official notice of issuance. The Postum now pays dividends at the rate of 5% per annum upon its outstanding shares, and appears to have earnings per share substantially in excess of such amount.

All scrip certificates transmitted for exchange or conversion should be presented at the Bankers Trust Co., 16 Wall St., N. Y. City, or at the office of the new company, 34-08 Northern Boulevard, Long Island City, N. Y. Inasmuch as the class "A" shares of the new company will be limited to

preferential dividends of \$5 annually and will have no voting rights unless dividends thereon aggregating \$15 shall be in default, and that such shares are to be callable at \$100 a share after Aug. 31 1930, the directors of the company consider it distinctly advisable for all persons who may receive class "A" stock to exchange the same for Postum stock, share for share, at the first available opportunity. This opportunity will be presented shortly after the transfer of the company's assets to the Delaware company, provided the plan is ratified by the stockholders.

The President of the company, who is the largest individual holder of its common stock, has agreed to exchange the class "A" shares to be acquired by him for Postum shares, and expects to do so as soon as convenient after the acquisition by him of such class "A" shares upon the dissolution of the company.

Compare also V. 125, p. 2537.

Hershey Creamery Co.—Permanent Bonds Ready.—

The New York Trust Co. is now prepared to exchange the permanent 1st mtge. 6½% gold bonds, series "A" due 1937, with stock purchase warrants attached, for outstanding interim receipts. (For offering, see V. 124, p. 3359.)—V. 125, p. 1059.

Hudson River Navigation Corp.—Night Line Earns.—

The Hudson River Night Line reports gross earnings of \$160,319 for October, as compared with \$134,139 for Oct. 1926, and \$131,316 for Oct. 1925. Gross earnings for the year up to and including Oct. 31 were given as \$1,767,115 as compared with \$1,575,462 for 1926 and \$1,731,956 for 1925.

Automobiles carried by the Line this year up to Nov 1 numbered 13,313 as against 6,648 in 1926 and 6,326 in 1925.—V. 125, p. 2154, 1718.

Hupp Motor Car Corp.—Shipments.—

Month of—	Oct. '27.	Sept. '27.	Oct. '26.
Number of cars shipped.....	2,415	2,456	2,675
—V. 125, p. 2396, 1981.			

Illinois Brick Co.—Earnings.—

The company reports for the 9 months ended Sept. 30 1927, net income of approximately \$672,000 after charges, including taxes, equivalent to \$2.86 a share on the 235,000 shares capital stock outstanding.—V. 125, p. 1981.

Imperial Oil, Ltd.—Extra Dividend of 12½ Cents.—

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 12½c. per share in addition to the usual quarterly dividend of 25c. per share, both payable Dec. 1 to holders of record Nov. 15. Like amounts were paid in each of the four preceding quarters.—V. 125, p. 790, 1847.

Independent Oil & Gas Co.—Rights—Correction.—

The stockholders of record Nov. 22 (not Nov. 21) will be given the right to subscribe on or before Dec. 7 for 150,000 shares of additional capital stock (no par value) at \$28 per share.—V. 125, p. 2537.

Indiana Pipe Line Co.—Special Dividend of 30%.—

The directors on Nov. 10 declared a special dividend of 30% from the surplus on the outstanding capital stock, payable Dec. 22 to holders of record Dec. 2. On Nov. 15, an extra of 2% and the usual quarterly dividend of 2% are payable to holders of record Oct. 21; similar amounts were paid on Aug. 15 last. Compare V. 125, p. 1718.

Indian Refining Co.—New Issue of Pref. Stock and Bonds Approved—To Pay Off Accrued Divs. in Stock.—

The stockholders on Nov. 8 approved a resolution authorizing not exceeding 35,000 shares of 7% cumul. pref. stock, \$100 par, to be issued in the discretion of the board and only in exchange for present preferred stock on the basis of one share of present preferred stock for one share of new preferred stock plus a fractional share of new preferred stock equal to accrued preferred dividends. The new stock is redeemable as a whole at \$1.20 a share.

The stockholders also approved a resolution authorizing an issue of bonds, not in excess of \$2,500,000, secured by a mortgage of company property.

Secretary D. G. Siemer, Oct. 31 said in part: "The corporation has outstanding 22,964 shares of 7% cumul. pref. stock (par \$100 per share) convertible into com. stock at the rate of 5 shares of common for 1 of preferred and entitled to 10 votes per share on all matters. There are accumulated and unpaid dividends of a little over \$40 per share on this stock, and it is thought that arrangements for payment of those dividends in stock instead of cash will be advantageous to all of the stockholders."—V. 125, p. 2396.

Industrial Discount Co. of Amsterdam, Holland.—

Earnings.—According to cable advices received by F. J. Lisman & Co., the above company realized an average monthly turnover in the first 10 months of this year of \$537,900. Turnover for the month of October was \$1,157,300. These figures compare with a monthly average of \$282,500 for the year 1926, \$154,250 for 1925 and \$41,000 for 1924, the first full year of operations.—V. 125, p. 2273.

International Match Corp.—Debentures Offered.—

Lee, Higginson & Co., Guaranty Co. of New York, National City Co., Brown Brothers & Co., Dillon, Read & Co., Clark, Dodge & Co., and the Union Trust Co. are offering at 98½ and int., yielding about 5½%, \$50,000,000 20-year 5% sinking fund gold debentures.

Dated Nov. 1 1927; due Nov. 1 1947. Prin. and int. (M. & N.) payable at offices of Lee, Higginson & Co., in New York, Boston and Chicago. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500*. Callable on 30 days' notice, as a whole at any time or in part on any int. date, at 103 and int. during the first 5 years, at 102 and int. during next 5 years, at 101 and int. during the next 5 years, and at 100½ and int. during last 5 years. Int. payable without deduction for normal Federal income tax up to 2 e. Present Conn. and Penn. 4 mills personal property taxes refundable. National City Bank, New York, trustee.

Listing.—Application will be made to list these debentures on the New York Stock Exchange.

Data from Letter of Ivan Krueger, President, New York, Nov. 5

Corporation.—Incorp. in Del. in 1923. Has acquired from Swedish Match Co. and others, the greater part or the entire capital stocks of companies owning 90 match manufacturing plants in various European countries outside of Sweden, in North America, in South America and in the Far East. It also owns the entire capital stock of Vulcan Match Co., Inc., the sales company in the United States for products of the Swedish Match Co. and its subsidiaries. Corporation is controlled by the Swedish Match Co. through the ownership of a majority of its common stock.

Authorized.	Outstanding.
20-year 5% sinking fund gold debentures (this issue).....	\$50,000,000 \$50,000,000
Participating preference stock (par \$35 per share, non-voting).....	1,350,000 shs. 1,350,000 shs.
Common stock (no par value, voting).....	1,450,000 shs. 1,000,990 shs.

Purpose.—The Swedish Match Co. will purchase from the French Government \$75,000,000 Government of the French Republic 40-year 5% gold bonds (payable in United States dollars). It is understood that the proceeds of the sale of these bonds will be applied by the French Government toward the redemption on March 15 1928 of the total outstanding amount of its 25-year external gold loan 8% sinking fund bonds, which were sold in the United States in 1920.

With the proceeds of the present issue of \$50,000,000 20-year 5% sinking fund gold debentures, the International Match Corp. will acquire from the Swedish Match Co. a like amount of the Government of the French Republic 40-year 5% gold bonds, the remaining \$25,000,000 of which will be held by the Swedish Match Co. and will be paid for out of its own available resources without recourse to additional financing.

Interest on the French Government bonds to be acquired by International Match Corp. will be equal to the interest charges on its debentures now being issued.

The Administration of the French State Match Monopoly and the Swedish Match Co. have entered into a long term arrangement providing for co-operation in the match industry. This arrangement covers the supply of match manufacturing machinery, raw materials and matches under terms satisfactory to both the Administration of the French State Match Monopoly and the Swedish Match Co.

The International Match Corp. will participate equally with the Swedish Match Co. in the benefits and obligations under this arrangement.

New Business.—The most important developments which have recently taken place in connection with the business of the corporation are:

Amalgamation of the interests of International Match Corp. and Swedish Match Co. in Great Britain and British Dominions with the leading British match company, Bryant & May, into a new company, British Match Corp., Ltd.

Amalgamation of interests held by the Swedish Match Co. and International Match Corp. in Japan with the largest Japanese match manufacturer, Toyo Match Co., into a new company, Daido Match Corp.

The acquisition of a controlling interest in Drava Match Co., the leading match company in Jugoslavia, where International Match Corp. has previously not had any interests.

In a number of other countries the interests of the corporation in the match industry have been increased and the business of the corporation shows a constant and satisfactory progress.

Pro Forma Balance Sheet based on Dec. 31 1926.

[International Match Corp. and constituent companies, adjusted to show effect of present financing.]

Assets—		Liabilities—	
Land, bldgs., mach. & equip	\$35,608,718	Accounts payable	\$6,297,795
Adv. for inv. in match concessions	22,604,288	Fed. income tax res.	849,906
Advances to governments	22,400,786	Dividend pay. on pref. stk.	1,080,000
Other Investments	23,474,040	5% debentures	50,000,000
Cash	9,045,760	Prop. of cap. stk. & sur. const. co. app. to min. int.	3,095,537
French Rep. 5% bonds (at par)	50,000,000	Participating pref. stk.	47,250,000
Accounts receivable	5,208,263	Common stk. (no par value)	230,033,000
Inventories	5,916,283	Surplus: Earned	25,744,454
		Paid in	9,907,446
Total (each side)	\$174,258,138	Total	\$174,258,138

a Represented by 1,000,990 shares of no par value. Consolidated net assets of International Match Corp. and constituent companies, based on Dec. 31 1926 consolidated balance sheet, but including results of present financing, after deducting all liabilities other than funded debt, amount to \$162,934,900, or more than 325% on this issue, which constitutes the corporation's only funded debt now to be outstanding. Total current assets, including, at par, the \$50,000,000 French Republic 40-year 5% gold bonds to be acquired with proceeds of this financing, amount to \$70,170,306, or more than 8 times current liabilities of \$8,227,701.

Earnings.—Consolidated net earnings of corporation and constituent companies, after depreciation but before Federal income taxes, for the 6 years ended Dec. 31 1926, were:

	1921	1922	1923	1924	1925	1926
Net earnings	\$3,662,486	\$3,651,869	3,935,415	\$7,623,027	\$11,234,529	\$15,396,272

Net earnings for the year ended Dec. 31 1926, after depreciation but before Federal income taxes, were \$15,396,272, or more than 6 times the annual interest requirement of \$2,500,000 on this issue. For the 9 months ended Sept. 30 1927, such net earnings were at the annual rate of \$16,600,000. If to this is added the \$2,500,000 annual income from the French Government bonds to be acquired with proceeds of this financing, such net earnings would be at the annual rate of more than 7½ times the requirement.

Sinking Fund.—The trust agreement will provide for a cumulative sinking fund sufficient to retire at least 35% of the entire issue by maturity. This sinking fund will be payable semi-annually, first payment May 1 1928, and will be applied to the purchase of debentures at not exceeding their redemption price, or if not so purchasable, to retirement of debentures through call.—V. 124, p. 3782.

International Mercantile Marine Co.—Abandons Voluntary Readjustment and Reclassification of Stock.—President P. A. S. Franklin, Nov. 3, in a letter to the stockholders, says in substance:

The directors have been advised by the company's counsel, Messrs. Larkin, Rathbone and Perry and Messrs. Lindabury, Depue and Faulks, that the injunction decrees prohibiting the carrying out of the readjustment plan will be sustained on appeal and, therefore, it has been decided to abandon the voluntary readjustment and reclassification of stock contemplated by the plan. (V. 125, p. 790).

The officers and directors of the company regret that this plan, which met with the approval of more than 99% of the stockholders of each class present and voting, did not appeal to all, and that insistence by a few of the preferred stockholders upon their strict contract rights has prevented the taking of the steps recommended by the directors as sound business policy.

At the stockholders meeting on Sept. 29 last, 366,973 shares of preferred stock and 379,998 shares of common stock were voted in favor of the plan and only 2,341 shares of preferred stock and 100 shares of common stock in opposition.

However, two actions were brought in the Court of Chancery of New Jersey by the owners of 1,680 shares of preferred stock out of an outstanding issue of 517,250 shares, for an injunction restraining the carrying out of the plan on the ground that regardless of its merits as a business proposition, it was not possible under the laws of the State of New Jersey over the objection of any preferred stockholders.

In its opinion on the application for an injunction, the Court commended the management for its effort to improve the situation of the company, saying: "There is thus presented the familiar situation created by a very meager minority objecting to the efforts of the managers of an unfortunate industrial corporation to extricate it from an unsatisfactory financial condition. There is no suggestion of fraud leveled at the action of the board of directors, but, in fact, an express avowal of confidence on the part of the complainants in the good faith of the managers of the company in proposing this new plan of capitalization. It clearly was their duty to make every effort to end this impossible condition of affairs, and that their intentions should be above suspicion is apparent from the fact that although the situation has been discussed on innumerable occasions no one had been able to formulate a feasible proposal that would be more desirable, as well as from the fact that about 99% of the preferred stock represented at the meeting was voted favorably."

Notwithstanding this approval, the Court enjoined the carrying out of the plan upon the ground that the complainants as preferred stockholders had, by virtue of their contract and of the accumulated unpaid dividends, a property right of which the operation of the plan would divest them, saying: "It is true that there would be placed in the hands of the owners of new shares of stock issued to replace the preferred shares intended to be retired, a greatly increased power of franchise, but the complainants neither seek, nor wish, to surrender their present rights for the one offered in their stead, and it is beyond the power of the corporation, this court or the legislature to compel it."—V. 125, p. 2397.

International Nickel Co.—Earnings.

Period End. Sept. 30—	1927—3 Mos.—1926.	1927—9 Mos.—1926.	1927—9 Mos.—1926.
Earnings	\$2,066,329	\$2,002,612	\$6,313,491
Other income	40,243	41,680	80,264
Total income	\$2,106,572	\$2,044,292	\$6,393,755
Adm. & gen. expense	148,596	127,476	452,597
Reserved for Federal & franchise tax	149,788	193,205	475,813
Deprec. & depletion	401,548	382,693	1,201,254
Oxford Works prop. exp.	25,952	26,484	80,772
Net income	\$1,380,688	\$1,314,432	\$4,183,318
Dividends, preferred	133,689	133,689	401,067
Dividends, common	836,692	836,692	2,510,076
Balance	\$410,307	\$344,052	\$1,272,175
Earns. per share on 1-673,384 shs. no par com. stk. out'st'd'g.	\$0.74	\$0.70	\$2.25
x Insurance, taxes, &c., and pensions of ex-employees.			\$2.20

Consolidated General Balance Sheet Sept. 30.

Assets—		Liabilities—			
1927.	1926.	1927.	1926.		
Property	53,535,794	53,687,460	Preferred stock	8,912,600	8,912,600
Investments	1,284,387	1,499,588	Common stock	41,834,600	41,834,600
Inventories	10,071,89	9,308,819	Accounts payable		
Accts. & bills rec.	2,539,929	2,738,951	& tax reserves	1,511,842	1,813,597
Advances	138,453	127,615	Bills payable	2,100,000	2,511,086
Govt. securities	2,730,100	3,258,294	Prof. div. payable	133,689	133,689
Loans on call	2,000,000	1,600,000	Insurance & contingent reserves	954,590	934,509
Cash	1,099,627	399,427	Surplus	17,952,658	16,480,073
Total	73,399,979	72,620,154	Total	73,399,979	72,620,154

—V. 125, p. 791.

International Paper Co.—Tenders.

The Bankers Trust Co., 10 Wall St., N. Y. City, will until Nov. 23 receive bids for the sale to it of 1st & ref. 5% sinking fund mtge. bonds, series A and series B, to an amount sufficient to exhaust \$100,506, at prices not exceeding 102½ and int.

Grand Falls Development.

Construction work on the Grand Falls, New Brunswick, hydro-electric development of the Saint John River Power Co., is 70% complete. Concrete is being poured in the exterior walls of the powerhouse and erection of the steel pen-stocks is going forward. There is less than 900 feet of concrete lining to be completed in the 2,700 foot pressure tunnel which will lead the water from above the dam to the powerhouse. The superstructure for the gates on the main dam and also the gates themselves are being erected. The hydro-electric plant will be the largest power development in the Maritime Provinces of Canada. All of the common stock of the Saint John River Power Co. is owned by the International Paper Co.—V. 125, p. 2537, 2397.

Island Creek Coal Co.—Coal Output (Tons).

Period End. Oct. 31—	1927.—Month.—1926.	1927.—10 Mos.—1926.
Coal produced (no. of tons)	\$546,923	\$603,556
	\$6,506,241	\$5,351,008

—V. 125, p. 2274, 2155.

(S. S.) Kresge Co.—October Sales.

1927—Oct.—1926.	Increase.	1927—10 Mos.—1926.	Increase.
\$12,084,135	\$10,935,382	\$1,148,753	\$98,711,155
	\$87,810,654		\$10,900,501

—V. 125, p. 2274, 2155.

(S. H.) Kress & Co.—October Sales.

1927—Oct.—1926.	Increase.	1927—10 Mos.—1926.	Increase.
\$5,069,421	\$4,260,119	\$809,302	\$41,606,057
	\$37,379,069		\$4,226,988

—V. 125, p. 1983, 1718.

Loft, Inc., New York.—Sales.

Period End. Oct. 31—	1927.—Month.—1926.	1927.—10 Mos.—1926.
Sales	\$674,983	\$767,729
	\$6,248,379	\$6,566,566

—V. 125, p. 1984, 1468.

Lookout Mountain Hotel Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.—Bonds Offered.

Caldwell & Co., St. Louis, are offering at 100 and int, \$650,000 1st Mtge. guaranteed 6% serial coupon gold bonds.

Dated July 1 1927; due serially July 1 1929-1937. Prin. and int. (J. & J.) payable at Chemical National Bank, New York, without deduction for normal Federal income tax not exceeding 2% per annum. Company will agree to refund, the usual Kentucky and District of Columbia 5 mills tax; the Maryland 4½ mills tax; the Conn. and Penna 4 mills tax and the Mass income tax not in excess of 6% per annum. Denom. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100. Red. on any int. date upon 90 days' notice at 102½ and int. In the inverse of their numerical order. Bank of Tennessee, Nashville, Tenn., trustee. The ultimate payment of prin. and int. of these bonds is guaranteed by the Royal Indemnity Co. of New York.

Building.—The Lookout Mountain Hotel is being erected upon the summit of Lookout Mountain, near Chattanooga, Tenn., and will be operated as high class year-round resort hotel serving a large part of nine Southern States. The building will be 5 stories high in the center section, graduated to 2 stories high at each end, with a central tower forming an observatory. The hotel will contain 200 guest rooms with bath and all modern appointments. It is expected to be ready for occupancy by May 1 1928.

Lease.—The hotel has been leased for the full term of the bond issue to The Lookout Mountain Hotel Operating Co. at an annual net rental sufficient to pay prin. and int. on these bonds, taxes, insurance and other incidental charges. The operating company is headed by J. B. Pound, one of the most prominent hotel men of the South.

Security.—These bonds will be secured by a direct closed first mortgage, on all of the property of The Lookout Mountain Hotel Co., as follows: (1) the land, consisting of 200 acres located on Lookout Mountain, owned in fee and appraised by the Chattanooga Real Estate Board in excess of \$450,000; (2) the hotel building now being erected thereon at a cost of \$816,000; and (3) the furnishings and equipment of the hotel, to cost \$140,000; and also by a direct closed first mortgage on 295 acres of land located on Lookout Mountain, owned jointly by P. B. and J. I. Carter, appraised in excess of \$200,000; making the total value of the property securing this bond issue \$1,606,000.

Louisiana Oil Refining Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings.

Period End. Sept. 30—	1927—3 Mos.—1926.	1927—9 Mos.—1926.	1927—9 Mos.—1926.
Net earnings from oper.	\$487,033	\$1,220,021	\$1,542,542
Prof. on sale of invest.	231	-----	230,727
Total income	\$487,264	\$1,220,021	\$1,773,269
Deductions	70,688	1,392	163,670
Interest	21,984	45,207	74,901
Deplet. of cost	94,107	103,112	294,214
Depreciation	257,153	253,056	759,364
Drill labor & exp.	51,328	62,592	179,864
Amort. of bond disc.	-----	-----	109,667
Amort. of pref. stk. disc.	9,313	9,313	27,940
Net inc. before Fed. taxes	def\$17,310	\$745,346	\$273,316
			\$1,848,986

—V. 125, p. 1984.

Loew's Boston Theatres Co.—New President, etc.

N. M. Schenck has been elected president to succeed the late Marcus Loew. J. H. Devlin has been elected secretary and director succeeding M. D. Flattery, deceased.—V. 123, p. 2528.

Loew's United Artists Columbus Corp.—Fee and Leasehold Trust Certificates Offered.

Raymond T. Brown, Inc., Columbus, O., are offering trust certificates representing 930 equal shares of equitable ownership in fee and leasehold estates in property situated on West Broad and Front Streets, Columbus, O. Price, \$1,020 and accrued rental for each 1-930th share with an estimated yield of approximately 5.63% until the acquisition of fee simple title by the trustee and 5.39% thereafter.

Fee and leasehold trust certificates are dated Oct. 1 1927, and represent a total of 930 shares of equitable ownership in such fee and leasehold estates the holders thereof being entitled to receive rental up to a total of \$57.50 per annum for each share payable Q—J. When the trustee acquires fee simple title to the parcel now covered by the lease, each 1-930th share of the equitable ownership in the fee and leasehold estates will automatically convert into 1-1100th share of the equitable ownership in the fee estates which will then be held by the trustee, and the holders of the certificates will, beginning with the first full quarter after the acquisition of such fee simple title, be entitled to receive rental up to a total of \$55 per annum for each share, payable quarterly. The remaining 170 shares of equitable ownership in the fee estates will be represented by land trust certificates issued by the trustee to acquire fee simple title to such parcel. On or after the first day of the quarter succeeding such acquisition by the trustee of fee simple title to such parcel outstanding fee and leasehold trust certificates will

be exchangeable at the option of the holder for land trust certificates representing the same interest in the fee estates. Certificates will be subject to call purchase on and after Oct. 1 1927, at the following prices: \$1,050 per share until Oct. 1 1942, and decreasing \$10 during each of the following five-year periods until Oct. 1 1957, and thereafter at \$1,010. These certificates are not subject to Ohio Personal Property tax.

The property is leased to Loew's-United Artists Columbus Corp. Certificates are to be issued by The Huntington National Bank of Columbus, O., trustee, holding fee title to one parcel of property and a long term lease upon an adjoining parcel of property, under which lease it has the option to purchase fee simple title to the property covered thereby on or after July 1931.

The land on which the above improvements are located was appraised in April 1927, by the Columbus Real Estate Board at \$1,312,820. This constitutes a valuation upon the land of over \$10,500 per front foot or a value of \$58.97 per square foot of area. The certificates now authorized will never be outstanding in an amount of more than \$8,800 per front foot or \$49.41 per square foot. The Columbus Real Estate Board also appraised the buildings located upon the property at \$853,459, making a total valuation for land and buildings of \$2,166,279. At no time will there be more than 1,100 shares of Equitable Ownership represented by outstanding certificates.

Ludlum Steel Co.—Earnings.—

3 Mos. End. Sept. 30—	1927.	1926.	1925.
Net sales	\$756,790	\$940,641	\$956,176
Expenses	651,302	821,681	786,237
Operating income	\$105,488	\$118,960	\$169,939
Other income	23,688	10,501	7,600
Total income	\$129,176	\$129,461	\$177,539
Depreciation	22,955	29,775	39,318
Interest, etc.	21,808	22,360	23,068
Federal taxes	18,158	14,398	23,542
Net income	\$66,255	\$62,928	\$100,611
Earns. per share on 135,000 shs. of no par cap. stk.	\$0.49	\$0.47	\$0.75

—V. 125, p. 791.

McCrorry Stores Corp.—October Sales.—

1927—Oct.—1926.	Increase.	1927—10 Mos.—1926.	Increase.
\$3,313,229	\$2,915,596	\$377,633	\$29,228,321
			\$24,621,736
			\$4,606,585

—V. 125, p. 2538, 1984.

McLellan Stores Co.—Plans Recapitalization—Sales.—
A proposal for recapitalization of the company, involving a split-up re the present common stock in the ratio of 6 new shares for each present share the issuance of \$3,500,000 6% convertible pref. stock and the redemption of \$1,931,800 outstanding 7% pref. stock, was approved at a special meeting of the stockholders on Nov. 7.

The present stockholders will be offered the right to subscribe to the new preferred stock and bankers have agreed to underwrite any unsold portion. The new issued capital consists of \$3,500,000 6% conv. pref. stock, 127,392 shares of class A common stock and 228,000 of class B common stock.

Further details will be given another week.—Ed.]

Sales for Month and Ten Months Ended Oct. 31.

1927—Oct.—1926.	Increase.	1927—10 Mos.—1926.	Increase.
\$1,164,350	\$945,562	\$218,788	\$8,122,574
			\$6,224,385
			\$1,888,189

—V. 125, p. 1984, 1469.

MacAndrews & Forbes Co. (Parent Co.)—Earnings.—

Period End. Sept. 30 1927—	3 Mos.	9 Mos.
x Net profit	\$311,749	\$90,439
Preferred dividends	31,500	94,560
Common dividends	246,025	738,075
Surplus	\$34,224	\$157,804
Earns per share on 376,748 shs. of com. stk. outstanding	\$0.74	\$2.36

x Including dividends received from subsidiaries, but after deducting expenses and Federal taxes.—V. 125, p. 2538.

Marlin-Rockwell Corp.—Earnings.—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1927—3 Mos.—1926	1927—9 Mos.—1926
Gross earnings	\$268,310	\$499,659
Exp., deprec., &c.	185,816	189,092
Net oper. profits	\$82,494	\$310,565
Other income	20,029	14,267
Net profit	\$102,523	\$324,832
Federal taxes	17,922	48,280
Net income	\$84,601	\$276,552
Preferred dividend		10,404
Common dividends	257,820	170,679
Surplus	def\$173,219	\$95,469
Earns. per share on 1,600,000 shs. no par cap. stk.	\$0.56	\$1.09
Earns. per share on com. stk.	\$0.24	\$0.80

—V. 125, p. 1590.

Maytag Co. (Del.)—Extra Dividend of 25 Cents.—
The directors have declared an extra dividend of 25c. per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 50c. per share, both payable Dec. 1 to holders of record Nov. 15. Like amounts were paid on March 1, June 1 and Sept. 1 last, while during 1926 regular quarterly dividends of 50c. per share were paid.

Metropolitan Chain Stores, Inc.—Sales.—

1927—Oct.—1926.	Increase.	1927—10 Mos.—1926.	Increase.
\$1,120,188	\$1,047,746	\$72,442	\$8,833,099
			\$7,857,275
			\$975,824

—V. 125, p. 1984, 1469.

Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co.—Registrar.—
The Central Union Trust Co. of New York has been appointed New York registrar agent for 20,000 shares of preferred and 130,000 shares of common stock. See V. 125, p. 2538.

Missouri-Kansas Zinc Corp.—Earnings.—
The corporation reports record operating profit of \$14,728 for the week ending Oct. 25 1927, in spite of the low prices prevailing for zinc. The company has been operating only about 50% capacity.—V. 125, p. 1849.

Mitchum, Tully Participations, Inc.—Pref. Stock Offered.—
An issue of \$1,000,000, \$1.25 per share per annum dividend preferred stock (cumulative—participating—convertible) was recently offered in units of 1 share of preferred and 1 share of common, at \$26 per unit by Mitchum, Tully & Co., and Kidder, Peabody & Co., New York.

Free from California personal property tax dividends, free from normal Federal income tax. Wells Fargo Bank & Union Trust Co., transfer agent Crocker First Federal Trust Company, registrar.

Mitchum, Tully Participations, Inc., has been incorp. for the general purpose of investing its capital in enterprises, securities, loans and property both real and personal, and to participate in such ventures as may be calculated to return a profit to the corporation. Its management will be executive officers of Mitchum, Tully & Co. and Kidder, Peabody & Co.

Capitalization—
Preferred stock (no par value) 40,000 shs.
Common stock (no par value) 53,333 shs.
40,000 additional common shares reserved for conversion of preferred.

Preferred shares are callable at \$30. Dividends cumulative from Aug. 1 1927, at rate of \$1.25 per share per annum. Dividends payable semi-annually, Feb. and Aug. Convertible into common stock share for share.

Participating Features.—All earnings above \$1.25 per annum on outstanding preferred shares which are not paid out in dividends shall accrue for the benefit of the preferred as well as for the common shares. In liquidation, after \$25 and div. have been paid on each preferred share and \$1 on each common share, each preferred share shall receive 60% of the amount paid to each common share. All earnings above \$1.25 per annum on outstanding preferred shares paid out in dividends shall be distributed so that each preferred share, after receiving \$1.25, shall receive 60% of the amount paid on each common share. Preferred and common shares have equal voting power. Not to exceed 20% of the then outstanding capital shall be invested in the securities of any one corporation.

Directors.—The directorate is composed of executive officers of Mitchum, Tully & Co. and Kidder, Peabody & Co. Clifford M. Brewer (Kidder, Peabody & Co.) George E. Jones, Herbert A. Northon, Collis Mitchum, Walter H. Trumbull, Jr. (Kidder, Peabody & Co.), Jasper W. Tully, and George W. Weeks.

Monsanto Chemical Works, St. Louis.—Bonds Offered.
—A. G. Becker & Co., Mark C. Steinberg & Co. and Lafayette South Side Bank of St. Louis are offering \$2,000,000 1st (closed) mtge. 5½% sink. fund gold bonds at 99 and int. Dated Nov. 1 1927; due Nov. 1 1942. Principal and int. (M. & N.) payable at offices of A. G. Becker & Co. in Chicago or New York. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500 c*. Red. at any time upon 60 days' prior notice at 102½ and int. on or before Nov. 1 1929; at 102 and int. thereafter to Nov. 1 1936, and at 101 and int. thereafter to maturity. Penn. 4 mills tax refunded. Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, trustee. Int. payable without reduction for normal Federal income tax not in excess of 2%.

Data from Letter of John F. Queeny, President of the Company.
Purpose.—Proceeds of these bonds will be used in the retirement of the company's \$2,239,200 7% 1st mtge. bonds, now outstanding, thus effecting a material saving in the annual bond interest charges of the company.

Business.—Monsanto Chemical Works, Incorp. in Missouri in 1901, is the largest manufacturer in the United States of fine and medicinal chemicals and an important producer of heavy or technical chemicals. It is not only well established in the domestic market, but through its English subsidiary is also competing successfully with European manufacturers in the foreign markets of the world. Its products, which embrace a wide variety of diversified items, constitute a basic part of many every-day essentials. Company's plants are located in St. Louis, Mo. and Monsanto, Ill., across the river from St. Louis, and adjoining East St. Louis, Ill. The St. Louis plant consists of 28 modern buildings occupying approximately three city blocks, practically all owned in fee, and located close to the business center of St. Louis. The plant at Monsanto consists of more than 50 buildings located on part of 196 acres of land owned in fee by the company. In addition of its manufacturing units, the company owns an office building and warehouse in New York City, valuable railroad switching facilities in connection with its plants, and a large fleet of tank cars. Company also owns a 50% interest in the Graesser-Monsanto Chemical Works, Ltd., an English company which was established in 1867 and has been in continuous and successful operation since that time. Specializing in the manufacture of heavy chemicals, it is the largest producer of phenol (carbolic acid) and cresylic acid in the world.

Security.—Bonds will be a direct obligation of the company and will be secured by a direct closed first mortgage on the company's real estate, buildings and equipment (with the exception of certain miscellaneous properties carried on the books at \$219,018). The mortgaged property on the basis of an independent appraisal of the land as of Dec. 1 1923, with subsequent additions at cost, and actual cost, less depreciation, of buildings, machines and equipment, is shown on the balance sheet at \$4,366,203. On the basis of an independent appraisal of the buildings and equipment as of Jan. 15 1924, plus actual cost of additions since that time, less depreciation, the mortgaged property has a net sound value of \$6,490,304, equivalent to \$3,245 for each \$1,000 first mortgage bond to be presently outstanding.

Earnings.—Net earnings, after all charges including depreciation, available for the payment of bond interest and Federal taxes for the 4 years and 9 months ended Sept. 30 1927, averaged annually \$592,531, equivalent to 5.3 times the maximum annual interest requirement of \$110,000 on this issue. Such net earnings for the 9 months ended Sept. 30 1927, were \$747,354, or at the annual rate of 9 times this requirement. The foregoing earnings do not include the earnings of the Graesser-Monsanto Chemical Works, Ltd., which has reported net profits before depreciation in the 4½-year period ended June 30 1927, of \$115,398, 50% of which is equivalent at par of exchange to approximately \$280,417.

In every one of the last 20 years, the Monsanto Chemical Works has earned a net profit available for the payment of interest and in every year of that period, with the sole exception of the depression year 1921, it has added a profit to surplus, after all charges including sinking fund and maturity payments on funded debt.

Sinking Fund.—Indenture will provide for annual sinking fund payments beginning May 1 1929, sufficient to retire 56% of this issue before maturity.

Balance Sheet as at Sept. 30 1927.
[Giving effect to (1) the change in par value of capital stock from \$50 per share to \$33 1-3 per share; (2) payment of a stock dividend of 7,000 shares; (3) the issuance and sale of 10,000 additional shares of capital stock and \$2,000,000 1st mtge. 5½% sink. fund gold bonds, and (4) the redemption of the outstanding 7% 1st mtge. bonds.]

Assets—	Liabilities—
Cash	Trade acceptances payable
Notes & accept. receivable	Accounts payable
Trade accts. rec., less res.	Accrued interest and taxes
Res. for doubtful items	Res. for Fed. & State Inc-taxes
Sundry accts. rec. & claims	1st mtge. 5½% bonds
Due by officers & empl.	Res. for carboys & drums
Inventories	Res. for claims, lib., ins.
Investments, at cost	Inventories and conting.
Fixed assets	Capital stk. (110,000 shs.)
Patents	Surplus
Prepaid exp. & def. charges	
Total	Total

—V. 122, p. 1037.

Mortgage-Bond Co. of New York.—Bonds Offered.
A new issue of \$1,000,000 5½% 10-year gold mtge. bonds, Series 14, is being offered by Harris, Forbes & Co. at 100 and int.

Total authorized issue \$3,000,000 non-callable prior to maturity. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Due Nov. 1 1937. Normal Federal income tax paid up to 2%. Bonds and coupons (M. & N.) payable at Mortgage-Bond Co. New York. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500 c*. United States Trust Co., New York, trustee.

Company.—Founded in 1905, has had a remarkable record during its 22 years of existence. It has made over 16,500 loans in cities of the south and west, of which only a fraction of 1% have been foreclosed, and these foreclosures have resulted in a net profit to the company. Uninterrupted dividends have been paid since 1907, the present dividend being at the rate of 8% per annum.

Security.—Bonds are secured by first mortgages on certain carefully selected types of city real estate which are deposited with the United States Trust Co., New York, as trustee. The trust indenture, under which the bonds of this company are created, does not permit of the issuance by the company of bonds which will total more than 15 times its capital stock.—V. 124, p. 1370.

Mortgage Security Corp. of America.—Bonds Offered.
E. H. Rollins & Sons are offering \$1,000,000 first lien 5½% gold bonds, series "A." N. Y. The maturity and price are as follows: \$300,000, due Nov. 1 1932, at 99½ and int., to yield 5.60%; \$700,000, due Nov. 1 1942, at 97½ and int., to yield 5.75%

Dated Nov. 1 1927. Semi-annual int. (M. & N.) payable in New York and Baltimore. Principal payable in New York. Callable at any time after Nov. 1 1930 at 100 and int., plus 1/4 of 1% for each year or fraction thereof of unexpired term. American Trust Co., New York, trustee. Company agrees to pay interest without deduction for any normal Federal income tax not exceeding 2%, which the company or trustee may be required or permitted to pay at the source, and to reimburse bondholders residing in Penn., Conn., Calif., Maryland, Mass., or the District of Columbia, as provided in the trust indenture, for taxes levied by said State or District on the bonds or income derived therefrom, property paid by such holders, not exceeding the mill taxes on personal property or income taxes in effect therein Nov. 1 1927.

Company.—Founded 1915, is one of the largest companies of its kind in the United States, specializes in purchasing first mortgages or their equivalent on owner-occupied real estate owned in fee, and income producing properties. No loans are made on real estate devoted to one purpose use (other than residential) such as factories, clubs, theatres and farm properties, or upon unimproved property or incomplete structures.

Loans have been made in over 200 cities located in 30 states, thereby giving both numerical and wide geographical diversification to the security. The average loan at present is less than \$7,000. Over 8,000 loans have been made, of which only a fraction of 1% have been foreclosed, and these foreclosures have never resulted in a loss to the company or any investor.

Security.—Bonds are a direct obligation of the Company with capital and surplus totaling more than \$4,000,000 which is obligated to insure prompt payment of principal and interest of its outstanding bonds. The bonds are secured by deposit with the trustee of first mortgages upon improved real estate, or their equivalent, and (or) United States Government bonds or treasury certificates, and (or) cash, the total value being equal to not less than 100% of the aggregate principal amount of all bonds of this series outstanding.

Guarantee.—Each mortgage or its equivalent deposited with the trustee as security for the bonds of this series is individually guaranteed by Mortgage Companies of independent financial strength.—V. 125, p. 106.

Motor Transit Corp.—Stock Offered.—Lane Piper & Jaffray, Inc., St. Paul, Minn., are offering 3,000 shares pref. A stock series 1 in units as follows: 5 shares of pref. A stock series 1 with 1 share of pref. B stock and 5 shares of common stock at \$500 per unit (plus div. on pref. A stock, series 1).

Pref. A stock, series 1 is entitled to receive cumulative dividends at rate of \$7 per share per annum. Dividends payable Q. J. Rad. upon 60 days' notice at \$0.10 per share and divs. Preferred A stock is preferred over preferred B stock and common stock as to assets and dividends. Dividends exempt from present normal Federal income tax. Northern Trust Co., Duluth, Minn., registrar and transfer agent.

Data from Letter of C. E. Wickman, President of the Company.

Through its subsidiary companies, owns or controls motor bus lines radiating from Chicago and operating between a number of the largest cities of the Middle West, including Detroit, St. Louis and Kansas City, with important lines to Muskegon, Madison and Dubuque; and serving intervening and adjacent territory. These lines operate in a highly developed territory and have had a rapid growth. Corporation also owns companies engaged in furnishing auxiliary services in connection with the equipment and supply, management, financing and servicing of motor buses and bus lines. Motor Transit Corp. is one of the most important bus line organizations in the United States.

Assets.—Corporation owns more than 99% of the common stock and a portion of the preferred stock of Safety Motor Coach Lines, operating the "Greyhound" bus lines between Chicago, Ill., and Muskegon and Grand Rapids, Mich., and serving intermediate and adjacent territory. It owns more than 99% of the outstanding capital stock of Interstate States, Inc., operating the "Oriole" lines between Detroit and Chicago, and Detroit, Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor; it owns all of the outstanding preferred stock, 92% of the participating preferred stock and 98% of the common stock of Purple Swan Safety Coach Lines, Inc., operating the "Purple Swan" motor bus lines between Chicago and St. Louis, and St. Louis and Kansas City; and it owns more than 99% of the capital stock of Royal Rapid Transit Co., operating lines between Chicago and Madison, and between Chicago, Rockford and Dubuque, and serving other points. Corporation also owns all of the stock of subsidiary companies engaged in the purchase and furnishing of supplies and equipment, servicing of motor buses, and management of bus lines; and of companies engaged in the financing of bus lines for the purchase of motor buses, which business, confined largely to Fageol and other standard makes of buses and operating in a number of states, has been very profitable.

Earnings.—During the 9 months ended Sept. 30 1927, combined earnings of the company and its above described subsidiaries were as follows:

Gross earnings	\$2,128,921
Operating expenses	1,642,449
Depreciation, interest and estimated Federal taxes	307,343

Net earnings	\$179,129
Portion applicable to minority stocks of subsidiary companies not owned as of Oct. 10 1927	15,401

Balance \$163,728
Net earnings were thus at the rate of \$238,838 per annum and the balance of net earnings available for dividends on Motor Transit Corp. stock, based on the stock of subsidiaries owned on Oct. 10 1927, was at the rate of \$218,304 per annum. The maximum annual requirement for dividends on the 9,000 shares of preferred A stock, series 1, presently to be outstanding is \$63,000.

Capitalization.	Authorized.	Outstanding.
Pref. A stock (no par value)	20,000 shs.	9,000 shs.
Series 1, cumulative dividends \$7 per share.		
Pref. B stock (no par value), cum. dividends \$3.50 per share.	100,000 sh.	45,967 shs.
Common stock (no par value)	300,000 shs.	132,004 shs.

Purpose.—To reimburse the company in part for expenditures made in the purchase of minority interests in the stock of subsidiary companies, to reimburse it in part for expenditures in the purchase of the capital stock of Royal Rapid Transit Co., and to provide additional working capital.

Mullins Body Corp.—Earnings.

Period End. Oct. 31—	1927—Month—1926	1927—10 Mos.—1926
Net income after chgs. but before Fed. taxes.	\$65,764	\$37,523
	\$589,476	\$272,723

(G. C.) Murphy Co.—October Sales.

1927—Oct.—1926.	Increase.	1927—10 Mos.—1926.	Increase.
\$875,218	\$766,838	\$108,380	\$7,805,127
		\$5,931,869	\$1,373,258

National Acme Co.—Earnings.

Period End. Sept. 30—	1927—3 Mos.—1926.	1927—9 Mos.—1926.
Net profit after int. & deprec. but before Fed. taxes	\$42,926	def\$40,223
	\$102,898	\$238,489

National Cash Register Co. (Md.).—Record Shipments.—October shipments of the company were the greatest in its history, J. H. Barringer, General Manager, announces. During the month 16,003 registers were shipped from the Dayton factory. This exceeds the largest previous month which was Oct. 1924 when 15,840 registers were shipped.—V. 125, p. 2398.

National Distillers Products Corp.—Earnings.

Period End. Set. 30—	1927—3 Mos.—1926.	1927—9 Mos.—1926.
Earns. from oper.	\$209,077	\$95,466
Interest and discount	61,038	68,366
	\$360,457	\$339,207
Net before deprec., Fed. taxes, amort., &c	\$148,039	\$27,100
	\$174,708	\$118,177

National Liberty Insurance Co.—Proposed Stock Div.—The stockholders will vote Nov. 15 on increasing the authorized capital stock (par \$50) from \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000.

It is expected that the stockholders will also approve a plan to pay a 33 1/3% stock dividend. The company declared a 50% stock payment in 1922 in addition to paying a cash dividend of 20%. The Financial & Industrial Securities Corp. holds a substantial amount of stock in the company.—V. 125, p. 256.

National Tea Co., Chicago.—October Sales.

1927—Oct.—1926.	Increase.	1927—10 Mos.—1926.	Increase.
\$5,565,004	\$4,868,141	\$696,863	\$46,284,924
		\$43,809,962	\$2,474,962

Neisner Bros., Inc.—October Sales.

1927—Oct.—1926.	Increase.	1927—10 Mos.—1926.	Increase.
\$554,655	\$442,105	\$112,550	\$4,622,637
		\$2,930,931	\$1,691,706

Nevada Consolidated Copper Co.—Earnings.—The 73rd quarterly report ended Sept. 30 1927 shows the following: **Production.**—The net production of copper from all sources for the third quarter, compared to that for the two preceding quarters, is shown in the following tabulation:

	3d Quar.	2d Quar.	1st Quar.
Net pounds copper produced	52,596,067	55,641,299	57,940,796
Average monthly production	17,532,123	18,547,099	19,313,598

The total quantity of company ores milled and smelted during the quarter was 2,272,279 tons. Of this total 2,269,979 tons was concentrating ore, averaging 1.35% copper, and 2,300 tons was direct smelting ore shipped to smelters. In addition to company ores, 137,358 tons of custom ore was milled or smelted at the Nevada plants. The average daily tonnage of company ores milled at all concentrators was 24,674, as compared to 26,495 tons per day for the preceding quarter.

The average recovery in the form of concentrates from all company material milled during the period was 88.15% of the total copper contained therein, corresponding to 23.80 pounds of copper per ton treated, as compared to a recovery of 88.79% and 23.71 pounds per ton for the previous quarter.

The net cost per pound of copper produced, after crediting revenue from gold and silver and other miscellaneous earnings and income from subsidiaries, was 9.22 cents, as compared with 9.25 cents for the second quarter. These costs include all operating and general charges of every kind except depreciation and reserve for Federal taxes.

Results for 3 and 9 Months Ended Sept. 30.

Period End. Sept. 30—	1927—3 Mos.—1926.	1927—9 Mos.—1926.
Oper. prof. (copper prod.)	\$1,574,532	\$1,967,384
Value of precious metals	252,041	219,374
Miscell. revenues & inc. from subsidiaries	165,830	244,758
Total oper. income	\$1,992,404	\$2,431,516
Depreciation	413,404	412,662
	\$1,579,000	\$2,018,853

Net income	\$1,578,999	\$2,018,853	\$4,797,010	\$5,601,422
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Operations at all of company's mines and plants were continuous and practically uniform. Although at a slightly reduced capacity as compared with the preceding quarter and there were no occurrences or new developments that call for particular comment. [Signed D. C. Jackling, Pres.]—V. 125, p. 925.

(J. J.) Newberry Co.—October Sales.

1927—Oct.—1926.	Increase.	1927—10 Mos.—1926.	Increase.
\$1,408,311	\$904,224	\$504,087	\$10,470,632
		\$6,862,964	\$3,607,668

New Amsterdam Casualty Co.—Listing.—The Baltimore Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of \$450,000 (par \$10) additional capital stock.—V. 125, p. 2399.

New York Dock Co.—Earnings.

9 Mos. End. Sept. 30—	1927.	1926.	1925.	1924.
Gross revenues	\$2,764,691	\$2,503,635	\$2,509,896	\$2,407,613
Expenses	1,274,999	1,185,604	1,164,028	1,060,960
Taxes, interests, &c	898,561	827,582	867,805	950,130
Net income	\$591,130	\$490,509	\$478,062	\$396,523

Net income for the 9 months ended June 30 1927, is equivalent after preferred dividend requirements to \$3.08 a share on 70,000 shares (par \$100) common stock outstanding, against \$1.65 a share on the same number of shares in the corresponding period of 1926.—V. 125, p. 792.

Northern Pipe Line Co.—Extra Dividend of 2%.—The directors have declared an extra dividend of 2% and the regular semi-annual dividend of 3% on the outstanding \$4,000,000 capital stock, par \$100, both payable Jan. 1 to holders of record Dec. 9. An extra dividend of 1% was paid in Jan. 1927 and in July 1926. For record of dividends paid since 1912, see "Railway & Industrial Compendium" of May 28 1927, page 214.—V. 125, p. 1850.

North German Lloyd (Norddeutscher Lloyd) Bremen.—**Bonds Sold.**—Kuhn, Loeb & Co., Guaranty Co. of New York, and Lee, Higginson & Co. have sold \$20,000,000 20-year 6% sinking fund gold bonds at 94 and int. to yield about 6.55%.

Dated Nov. 1 1927; due Nov. 1 1947. Denom., \$1,000 and \$500 c*. Prin. and int. payable in New York City at the option of the holder either at the office of Kuhn, Loeb & Co. or the principal office of Guaranty Trust Co., New York, in United States gold coin or of equal to the present standard of weight and fineness and without deduction for any German taxes, present or future, in time of war as well as in time of peace and whether the holder be a citizen or resident of a friendly or a hostile state. Interest payable M. & N. 1. On Nov. 1 1932, or on any semi-annual interest payment date thereafter, the company may, at its option, call for redemption all but not a part of the bonds then outstanding at par and int. not less than 60 days' notice by publication. Except for the sinking fund, bonds cannot be called in part or before Nov. 1 1932.

Sinking Fund.—Beginning Nov. 1 1929, the bonds are to be retired by a cumulative sinking fund, payable semi-annually, calculated to retire the entire issue by maturity, the company to make sinking fund payments in cash or in bonds at par, the cash to be applied to the redemption of bonds by drawings at par.

Data from Letter dated Nov. 8 1927 from the North German Lloyd. **Business & Properties.**—The North German Lloyd, incorp. in 1857, operates through its own vessels and those of subsidiary companies 17 different passenger and freight lines serving more than 150 ports in all parts of the world.

As of Nov. 1 1927 the aggregate tonnage of the company's 125 ocean going vessels was 621,000 gross registered tons, including such well-known ships as the Columbus, Berlin, Dresden, Muenchen and Stuttgart, while there are at present under construction ships aggregating an additional 161,300 gross registered tons, including 20 de luxe liners to be called the Bremen and the Europa of 46,000 tons each, which are to be ready for service in April 1929. In addition, the company owns approximately 60,000 gross registered tons of smaller ships which ply within German territorial waters.

The entire fleet is modern, over half of it having been built within the last 8 years and although it is carried in the company's balance sheet as at June 30 1927, at mks. 142,620,000 (\$3,957,000), the additions since 1920 alone represent an expenditure of gold mks. 211,322,000 (\$50,314,000).

The company also owns or has substantial interests in a number of other important shipping and allied enterprises, including valuable warehouses and office buildings and long term leases on piers and drydocks in Bremen and other centres, all carried in the balance sheet much below their actual value.

Purpose.—The proceeds of these bonds will be used for new construction and to repay indebtedness incurred for construction; and for other corporate purposes. Part of the proceeds will be deposited with the Internationale Bank to Amsterdam, Amsterdam, Holland, to be released by it only for the repayment of certain indebtedness maturing serially to 1934, secured by a portion of the company's fleet, the payments of which indebtedness the company has no right to anticipate. Upon completion of the present

Pa.; Peoples Savings Trust Co., and First National Bank of Pittsburgh have sold at prices to yield from 4 3/4% to 5.30% according to maturity, \$6,000,000 5% equip. trust gold certificates, series "AA1." Certificates to be guaranteed both as to principal and dividends by endorsement by Pennsylvania Tank Line. To be issued under the Phila. plan.

Dated Oct. 1 1927; to mature in 20 equal semi-annual installments of \$300,000 each, April 1 and Oct. 1, from April 1 1928 to Oct. 1 1937, both incl. Dividends payable without deduction for Federal normal tax up to 2% Penn. 4 mill personal property tax refundable. Red. as a whole on any dividend date at 101 and div. United States Mortgage & Trust Co., New York, trustee.

Data from Letter of T. I. Tutt, Pres. of Penn. Tank Line.—
Security.—Secured through transfer to the trustee of title to 5,500 standard all-steel tank cars subject only to the rights of the present lessees as to the use of such cars during the terms of existing leases. For the further benefit of the certificate holders all existing leases and all future leases are, during the life of this trust, to be assigned to the trustee. Ford, Bacon & Davis, Inc., have certified that the cars to be pledged under this trust have a present value in excess of \$8,240,000, or more than 137% of the face value of the certificates to be issued. The certificates are to be issued at the low rate of less than \$1,091 per car.

Pending transfer of title to this equipment, cash to the full face value of the certificates will be deposited with the trustees, to be withdrawn as cars are delivered.

Pennsylvania Tank Line is one of the oldest and best known of the lease line companies, having been incorp. in New Jersey in 1912. Company is in the business of owning and leasing tank cars, its fleet of cars ranking among the first three in the country. Its cars are all under lease with the exception of approximately 95 cars, for which new leases are to be negotiated. A large number of the cars are in the service of The Texas Co. The balance of the cars are leased to substantial concerns.

Earnings.—The average earnings of Pennsylvania Tank Line (available for service of this issue if then outstanding) for the past 8 years (final quarter of 1927 estimated) were \$1,281,147, or over 4 1/2 times the maximum annual dividend requirements on this issue.—V. 119, p. 2539.

Peoples Drug Stores, Inc.—October Sales.—

1927—Oct.—1926.	Increase.	1927—10 Mos.—1926	Increase.
\$731,436	\$584,481	\$146,955	\$6,493,151
		\$4,974,771	\$1,518,380

Definitive engraved preferred and common stock certificates are now exchangeable for the temporary certificates at the Chase National Bank, 46 Cedar St., N. Y. City. (See V. 121, p. 2763, 2531.)—V. 125, p. 2158

Pepperell Mfg. Co.—Earnings.—

	1926-27.	1925-26.
Sales	\$15,352,722	\$13,004,335
Operating expenses	14,372,657	12,387,805
Dividends	738,200	613,440

Net profit.....\$241,865 x\$3,089
 x After Federal tax refund of \$141,000 for previous years.
 Russell H. Leonard, Treas., says in part: The Lewiston Bleachery & Dye Works had a profitable year, but in order that money should be available for plant improvements at Lewiston, no dividends were paid the parent company.

The report includes earnings of Massachusetts Cotton Mills, Inc., from Dec. 13 1926, at which time all the capital stock of that company was acquired by Pepperell Manufacturing Co. The merger of the Mass. Cotton Mills and the Pepperell company was effected as of July 1 1927.

Comparative Balance Sheet June 30.

Assets—	1927.	1926.	Liabilities—	1927.	1926.
Plant acct.	\$8,656,258	\$4,318,655	Capital stock	\$10,793,000	\$7,668,000
Inventories	8,710,567	4,121,753	Res. for deprec.	2,317,809	1,990,971
Cash & accts.			Acc. & notes pay.	531,424	
Ree.	3,910,090	3,830,509	Profit & loss.	8,053,030	3,303,198
Investments	718,348	691,252			
Total.	\$21,995,263	\$12,962,169	Total.	\$21,995,263	\$12,962,169

—V. 125, p. 1721.

Pierce-Arrow Motor Car Co.—Earnings.—

Period End. Sept. 30.—	1927—3 Mos.—1926.	1927—9 Mos.—1926.
*Net earnings	def. \$166,516	\$491,396
Depreciation	133,483	196,840
Interest, taxes, &c.	74,000	118,310
Net income	def. \$373,999	\$176,246
*After expenses, repairs, &c.		def. \$258,616

Pres. M. E. Forbes, Nov. 4, says:

"The company's operations for the third quarter ending Sept. 30 show a deficit. It should be pointed out, however, that this situation is partially the result of conditions attending the design, production and introduction of our new car, the Series '81," which we announced this week to our distributing organization. The development cost of the new car has also been absorbed in current expenses.

"Rumors of this new car became prevalent some time ago and had the effect of slowing up demand for current production. With a strikingly beautiful new product and important additions to the strength of the factory sales organization, it is our earnest belief that our operations will shortly be producing very favorable results.

"That the company is in sound financial condition is demonstrated by the fact that we have no bank loans, our cash balance is in excess of \$1,800,000, our current assets are \$12,900,000 against current liabilities of \$960,000—a ratio in excess of 13 to 1. In addition we have purchased for cash and hold in the treasury \$350,000 of the co's 20 year 8% debentures.—V. 125, p. 2539.

Piggly Wiggly Corp.—To Retire Debentures.—
 All of the outstanding 20-year 7% gold debentures, due May 15 1946, have been called for payment Nov. 15 next at 105 and int. at the Central Union Trust Co., 80 Broadway, N. Y. City.—V. 125, p. 2539.

Piggly Wiggly Western States Co.—Sales.—

1927—Oct.—1926.	Increase.	1927—10 Mos.—1926.	Increase
\$1,200,657	\$772,803	\$427,854	\$10,991,842
		\$6,272,301	\$4,719,541

—V. 125, p. 2276, 2158.

Potrero Sugar Co.—Bonds Sold.—J. A. Sisto & Co., New York, have sold at 98 and int., to yield about 7.20%, \$2,000,000, 1st mtge. 7% sinking fund gold bonds.

Dated Nov. 15 1927. Due Nov. 15 1947. Prin. and int. (M. & N.) payable at National Bank of Commerce in New York (trustee) in United States gold coin of the present standard of weight and fineness, without deduction for any Mexican taxes, present or future. Interest payable without deduction for normal Federal income tax not in excess of 2% per annum. Any personal property or securities tax or income tax of any state not to exceed in the aggregate 6 mills per annum in respect of each dollar of principal will be refunded upon proper application. Red. all or part on any int. date on 30 days' notice at 105 and int. Denom. \$1,000 c*

Stock Warrants.—Each \$1,000 bond will carry a detachable negotiable warrant entitling the holder of said warrant to receive without cost after Jan. 1 1928, and up to Dec. 31 1928, 10 shares of common stock of no par value.

Security.—Bonds will be directly secured by an absolute closed first mortgage or mortgages on all of the property, except certain specified current assets, of the Mexican industrial company and on the fee of the entire property which the present owner directly mortgages to the trustee, and by a pledge of all of the stock of the Mexican industrial company, except qualifying shares of directors. The indenture will provide that future acquired property except certain specified current assets will be subjected to the lien of the mortgage. The Honolulu Iron Works (one of the largest designers and constructors of sugar factories in the world) estimate the present sound depreciated value of the property, including the adjacent lands, railroad and rolling stock, factory equipment and buildings, distillery, houses, etc., as of Aug. 30 1927, at \$4,027,673. The balance sheet, as of the completion of its financing, the acquisition of all properties presently to be conveyed and valuing the contract rights with relation to the adjacent lands as equivalent to the appraised value of the lands themselves, shows net assets of \$5,333,332—equivalent to \$2,666 per bond.

Sinking Fund.—The indenture will provide for an annual sinking fund beginning in 1929 equivalent to 3% of the bonds at the time outstanding and an additional amount equal to 20% of the net earnings, which it is estimated will retire the entire issue before maturity.

Common Stock Offered.—Jerome B. Sullivan & Co. are offering at \$12 per share, 32,000 shares common stock (no par value). Transfer agent, National Bank of Commerce in New York. Registrar, American Exchange Irving Trust Co.

Listing.—Company has agreed to make application to list this stock on the New York Curb Market.

Data from Letter of Pres. Cyrus L. Merriman, Nov. 1.—

Company.—Has been organized in Delaware, to acquire all the stock, with the exception of directors' qualifying shares, of the Mexican industrial company, which will own and operate the complete and self-contained mill property consisting of sugar factory, refinery and distillery, known as El Potrero, situated on the line of the British-owned Mexican Railway between Vera Cruz and Mexico City and near the City of Cordoba, the Mexican company assuming all liabilities of the present owner and the present operating company in Mexico, in connection with the prior conduct of the business. The Mexican company will also acquire the products of the adjacent sugar-cane lands of about 12,614 acres on terms, which will make available to the industrial company all the sugar-cane and other products derived therefrom, and the title of said lands will remain in the present owner subject to the rights of the company to have the title transferred to a legally qualified transferee at any time within 30 years without further consideration, all in accordance with the land laws of Mexico. The mill property and the adjacent lands together constitute the property known as the Hacienda El Potrero, one of the largest sugar properties in Mexico and producing about 15,000 tons of sugar a year, practically all of which is marketed and consumed in Mexico.

The factory was originally designed for a grinding capacity of 600 metric tons per day. The present management in 1921 inaugurated a program of modernizing the factory and increasing the output to an ultimate capacity of 1,500 metric tons per day, the improvements to be spread over a number of years. New equipment as required has been installed from time to time so that the capacity is now about 1,200 metric tons per day. Since 1921 the management has spent \$1,500,000 in bringing the property up to date.

Capitalization.—

1st mortgage 7% bonds, due 1947	Authorized.	Outstanding.
	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
*Common stock (no par value)	200,000 shs.	180,000 shs.

*20,000 shares reserved for conversion of stock warrants attached to first mortgage bonds.

Earnings.—The books and accounts of the Hacienda El Potrero have been examined by Deloitte, Plender, Griffiths & Co. for the years 1923-27. Based on the profits before charging interest, United States Federal income tax and depreciation, the average earnings during this period, after adjustment for non-recurring expenses, averaging \$240,203 during said five years, have been \$656,721 per annum, or at the rate of over 4 1/2 times interest requirements on this issue of bonds. After allowing for satisfactory depreciation and after charging interest on the above mentioned bonds and United States Federal income tax at the present rate, the average annual earnings as above were equal to \$1.80 per share on the 200,000 shares of common stock of no par value. The Latin-American Sugar Co., Inc., whose remuneration will be based on earnings, estimates that the above results should be substantially improved by the reduction in overhead, etc., which will be brought about by the introduction of its supervision of the property.

Purpose.—The proceeds of this issue of \$2,000,000 first mortgage 7% sinking fund gold bonds will be used to provide funds for the acquisition of properties of the Hacienda El Potrero from the present owner.

Pratt & Lambert, Inc.—Extra Dividend of \$1.—
 The directors have declared an extra dividend of \$1 per share on the no par value common stock, in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 75c. per share, both payable Jan. 3 to holders of record Dec. 15. An extra dividend of like amount was paid on Jan. 1 1927.—V. 125, p. 401.

Pressed Steel Car Co.—May Change Capitalization.—
 George J. Whelan, who recently became a large stockholder of the company, on Oct. 1 stated that it was planned to issue 3 new shares of no par common stock for each share of present outstanding \$100 par common stock, to retire from 25 to 30% of the preferred stock, and to replace the present \$6,000,000 5% debentures due in 1933 with a new issue of 15-year bonds bearing the same interest rate.

Holders of the debentures who convert them into new bonds, Mr. Whelan said, will also have the right to common stock to an amount equivalent to 10% of the face value of the bonds, or 3 shares of new common stock for every \$1,000 face value of bonds. It is proposed eventually to retire the entire outstanding preferred stock.

The stockholders will vote Dec. 12 on approving the recapitalization plan, which has already been adopted by the directors.

The present capitalization of the company consists of \$15,000,000 authorized and outstanding \$100 par 7% non-cumul. pref. stock, \$12,500,000 common stock of \$46,300,000 authorized \$100 par common stock, \$6,000,000 conv. 5% gold debentures, due in 1933, and \$1,073,000 Illinois Car & Equipment Co., 1st mtge. 5% gold bonds, due in 1948.

The capitalization proposed would consist of 375,000 no par shares of common stock, about 112,500 shares of \$100 par pref. stock, about \$10,000,000 of 5% 15-year bonds, and the Illinois Car & Equipment 5s of 1948.—V. 125, p. 2540.

Pullman Co.—Earnings.—

(As Filed With the I.-S. C. Commission.)

Period End. Sept. 30.—	1927—Month—1926.	1927—9 Mos.—1926.
Total revenues	\$7,625,406	\$7,645,813
Total expenses	5,487,601	5,611,576
Net revenue	\$2,137,804	\$2,034,237
Auxiliary Operations—		
Total revenues	\$110,543	\$95,821
Total expenses	95,521	95,212
Net revenue	\$15,022	\$609
Total net revenue	\$2,152,826	\$2,034,846
Taxes accrued	473,854	438,123
Operating income	\$1,678,972	\$1,596,724

—V. 125, p. 2158.

Prairie Pipe Line Co.—Shipments.—

Period End. Oct. 31.—	1927—Month—1926.	1927—10 Mos.—1926
Shipm'ts crude oil (bbls.)	\$5,156,296	\$4,190,377
	\$53,721,030	\$42,274,612

—V. 125, p. 1986, 1471.

Rainbow Luminous Products, Inc.—Stock Offered.—
 Potter & Co., New York are offering at \$25 per share 50,000 class A common stock (no par value). This stock is offered as a speculation.

Class A common stock is entitled to receive dividends when and if declared by the board of directors on the following basis: For each \$1 or portion thereof declared and paid to holders of class B common stock, there shall simultaneously be declared and paid \$2 or a like proportion thereof to holders of class A common stock. In the event of liquidation or dissolution, holders of class A common stock shall be entitled to receive \$25 a share in preference to the class B common stock, and thereafter will participate share for share with the class B common stock in any remaining assets. Class A common stock is entitled to vote share for share with the class B common stock. Except as above provided, there shall be no distinction between the class A and class B common stock. Guaranty Trust Co. New York, transfer agent; Empire Trust Co., New York, registrar.

Data from Letter of William H. Raye, Chairman of the Board.

Company.—A Delaware corporation. Owns all the common and preferred stock of Rainbow Light, Inc., through which it is engaged in producing and marketing, directly and through authorized agents, luminous gas-filled glass tubes in various colors.

Approximately \$800,000 has been expended since March 1925, in research, development work, patents, and for other corporate purposes. Research work by the company's Chief Engineer extended over a period in excess of

5 years previous to that date. The results of such expenditures are represented by the perfected and standardized Rainbow Luminous Tubes, varying in size from small Rainbow Tubes seen in window displays, to the Super-Tube signs used on such buildings as the Roxy Theatre and the new General Motors building in N. Y. city, on the new Union Station at Chicago, said to be the largest luminous tube sign in the world, and those under construction for the Hotel Barlum Towers and Hotel Fort Shelby, Detroit.

Company has played an important part in the development of Super-Tube beacons for aviation and maritime purposes, and has made installations at Mitchell Field, Curtis Field and on the S. S. Leviathan. In a recent test made by Government officials and officers of the company, at Hadley Field, the glow from the Rainbow Light Beacon was visible at a distance of 55 miles.

Over 325 Rainbow installations have been made in the metropolitan area alone. In the city of Los Angeles, there are over 700 Rainbow installations, and it is estimated that approximately 70% of the illuminated signs in that city are luminous tube installations.

Capitalization Authorized. Outstanding.
Class A common stock (no par value)-----100,000 shs. 100,000 shs.
Class B common stock (no par value)-----200,000 shs. 200,000 shs.

Manufacturing Plant and Facilities.—Production of Rainbow light tubes requires relatively a small capital expenditure with respect to plant capacity. The company now operates a modern plant at Long Island City, N. Y., having a present estimated capacity of 30,000 feet of tubing per month. It is planned to increase this manufacturing capacity very largely in order to meet the growing demand. The manufacturing requirements are so simple that the company's program for increased plant capacity can be carried through at a cost of approximately \$150,000.

Arrangements are being made to establish a plant in Detroit, Mich., to supplement the operations of the L. I. City plant and serve Middle Western territory.

Patents.—Company's patent position has not been successfully attacked. Its products are covered by 4 United States patents already granted, which are being supplemented by additional patent applications. The more important inventions are patented or in process of being patented in the principal countries of the world. Similar action has been taken in connection with trade-marks.

Earnings.—The question of the earnings of this company now is principally dependent upon the volume of sales to be developed. A careful survey of the field made through many of the best advertising firms leads the management to believe that luminous tube advertising is an outstanding development in that field and that they may reasonably expect a constant growth in volume of sales.

This business has passed the development stage. Plant capacity is being increased. Manufacturing processes are so simple and investment in plant, machinery and equipment so relatively small that expected volume of business should, it is believed, result in profitable operation. The company's revenue will be augmented by royalties received from licensees of its patents.

Purpose.—Proceeds will provide funds for expansion of plant facilities, for larger inventories, liquidation of indebtedness, for increased working capital, and for other corporate purposes.

Assets.—Consolidated total current assets of the company and its subsidiary as of Oct. 1 1927, after giving effect to the completion of this financing, have been certified by Talbot & Co., Certified Public Accountants, to be \$1,172,549, of which \$1,007,275 is in cash, as against total liabilities of \$180,170. The balance of consolidated assets consist largely of patents, processes and development expense.

Reid Ice Cream Corp.—50c. Common Dividend.—The directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock payable Dec. 12 to holders of record Nov. 29. This dividend is for the two months' period from Oct. 1 to Dec. 10 and is not an extra dividend. Regular quarterly dividends of 75 cents per share were paid from April 1925 to Oct. 1927, incl. The corporation will be merged with the Borden Co., effective Jan. 1 1928. See V. 125, p. 2540.

Rima Steel Corp.—Earnings.—According to cable advices from Budapest received by F. J. Lisman & Co., earnings of the Corporation, the largest steel producer in Hungary, show a substantial increase for the fiscal year ended June 30 1927. The figures compare as follows:

Years End. June 30—	1927.	1926.
Gross earnings	\$1,944,614	\$1,448,402
Depreciation	379,679	294,616
Debit interest	240,372	246,550
General expenses	291,556	218,861
Taxes	167,487	124,279
Employees' welfare	343,040	255,251

Net income-----\$522,480 \$308,845
According to the above statement, earnings available for interest on the bonds after depreciation, general expenses and taxes, amounted to \$1,105,982 or 4.6 times interest and sinking fund requirements on the first mortgage 7% dollar bonds.

At a recent stockholders' meeting, a dividend of 6 pengoes (\$1.05) to be paid on coupon No. 46, per share of 50 pengoes par, equivalent to 1.20 pengoes (0.21) for the 1-5th shares, was declared. This compares with dividend No. 45 of the preceding year of 8.750 Hungarian crowns per old share (0.12) and dividend No. 44 of 5,000 crowns (\$0.57) for the fiscal year 1925.—V. 125, p. 1336.

Rossia Insurance Co. of America.—Ruling.—The Committee on Securities of the New York Stock Exchange ruled that the stock of the company shall not be quoted ex-rights Nov. 7 and not until Nov. 15. Holders of record Nov. 7 had the right to purchase new stock at \$90 a share, until Dec. 16, in the ratio of one share for each four held. Compare V. 125, p. 2540, 1987.

Roxy Theatres Corp.—Notes Offered.—Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., are offering at 99½% and int., yielding about 6½%, \$2,500,000 5-year secured 6½% sinking fund gold notes.

Dated July 1 1927; due July 1 1932. Denom. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100. Principal and int. payable at office of Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., fiscal agent, in New York and Chicago. Int. payable J. & J., without deduction for the Federal normal income tax not in excess of 2% per annum. Company agrees to reimburse the holders of these notes, upon application within 60 days after payment thereof by the holders as provided in the mortgage, for any State personal property taxes or securities taxes, but in no event to exceed 5 mills per dollar per annum and any State income taxes on interest, but in no event to exceed 6% per annum in respect to such interest. Red. all or part at any time on 60 days' notice: on or prior to June 1 1928, at 102¼%; thereafter to and incl. June 1 1929, at 102%; thereafter to and incl. June 1 1930, at 101¼%; thereafter to and incl. June 1 1931 at 101%; thereafter to and incl. June 1 1932, at 100¼%; and thereafter to maturity at par (plus int. in each case).

Sinking Fund.—The mortgage provides for a sinking fund beginning June 1 1928, and ending June 1 1932, operating through Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., sinking fund agent, to retire \$200,000 notes annually, or a total of \$1,000,000 principal amount prior to maturity. The sinking fund will operate to purchase notes at not to exceed the applicable call price or, if not so obtainable, by call by lot at such call price, all in accordance with provisions contained in the mortgage.

Data from Letter of V. Pres. Saul E. Rogers, New York, Oct. 31.
Corporation.—Owns in fee the land and theatre building constructs thereon fronting 290 feet on West 50th St., N. Y. City, running through t West 51st St., on which it has a frontage of 190 feet. Corporation also owns a leasehold estate, which, with renewals, runs for 82 years, on a plot of land fronting 40 ft. on 7th Ave. and running east along 50th St. for 100 ft. where it joins the above described property. These combined plots total approximately 52,000 square feet of land in one of the more important sections of N. Y. City.

The Roxy Theatre which was opened March 11 1927, contains approximately 6,000 seats and is one of the most modern and largest motion picture theatres in the world. Its entrance, which is located on the leasehold estate, is at the corner of 7th Ave. and 50th St. Adjoining the entrance lobby is a large rotunda capable of accommodating approximately 3,000 persons. This rotunda leads directly into the theatre proper which contains, in addition to the orchestra and balcony, a mezzanine balcony. Every modern innovation of the American theatre and in motion picture presentation has been incorporated in the Roxy Theatre, including a cooling system and a completely equipped radio broadcasting studio. The Roxy Theatre is located in the theatrical district of New York City.

Purpose.—Proceeds will be used for the retirement of the corporation's current indebtedness and for other corporate purposes.

Security.—Secured by a mortgage on the property of the company subject to a first mortgage securing \$4,250,000 1st mtr. 6¼% serial coupon gold bonds due serially from Oct. 20 1928, to and incl. Oct. 20 1940. The theatre building, equipment, furnishings, land and leasehold owned by Roxy Theatres Corp. have recently been appraised by three independent appraisers who have appraised the reproduction cost of the property including architect's fees, indirect construction costs and financing at \$10,326,250, \$10,397,000 and \$10,715,000, respectively. The land and leasehold alone have been valued in each case at \$3,500,000, \$3,518,000 and \$3,450,000, respectively and are included in the figures given above.

	March 11, 1927, to Sept. 2 1927.	Est. amount for year ending Sept. 2 1927.
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Earnings from admissions	\$2,598,826	\$4,700,000
Earnings from operations avail. for int. deprec. & amortiz.	*\$49,672	1,580,000
Maximum annual interest requirements on total funded debt (incl. this issue)		428,125

The greatest annual interest and sinking fund requirements on the company's total funded debt including this issue will amount to \$764,279. *After adjustment by independent auditors to give effect to the elimination of non-recurring and extraordinary expenses of \$84,507 incidental to the opening of the theatre.

Management.—Corporation is controlled by William Fox and associates, men of long experience in the motion picture business.—V. 125, p. 1987.

Safety Cable Co.—Consolidation Approved—Declares Dividend of \$9.58 Per Share.—The stockholders on Nov. 10 approved the proposal to change the name of the company to *General Cable Corp.* and consolidate its properties with other cable companies as outlined in the "Chronicle" of Oct. 22, page 2276.

The directors on Nov. 8 declared a cash dividend of \$9.58 a share payable Nov. 15. This distribution will liquidate payments on the present capital stock prior to its exchange on a share for share basis for the class "A" stock of the General Cable Corp. Compare V. 125, p. 2276.

Results for 9 Mos. Ended Sept. 30 1927

Gross manufacturing profit	\$1,783,520
Provision for depreciation	243,226
Selling & general expense	661,253
Bond interest	40,860
Provision for federal income taxes	111,433
Other interest, etc. (Cr.)	14,428
Net profit	\$741,175
Prof. div. applie. to minor stockholders of sub. company	31,185
Net profit avail. for divs.	\$709,991

Earns. per share on 163,002 shares of no par capital stk. outstdg. \$4.35
The above statement is rendered for the 9 months period in order that the results of operations of the two Chicago plants acquired as of Jan. 31 1927, might be incorporated therein. As the result of operations of these properties for the 2 months of the first quarter was not determinable, the statement for the first quarter was exclusive thereof.—V. 125, p. 2276.

Safeway Stores, Inc.—October Sales.—1927—Oct.—1926. Increase. | 1927—10 Mos.—1926. Increase.
\$6,860,269 \$4,940,348 \$1,919,921 \$62,092,386 \$45,246,727 \$16,845,659
—V. 125, p. 2159, 1472.

Salamanca Sugar Co.—Annual Report.—(Including Colonia Macagualito, S. A.)

Years End. June 30—	1927.	1926.
Sugar produced	\$1,273,245	\$1,013,969
Molasses produced	49,039	38,351
Miscell. income	49,619	66,995
Total	\$1,371,903	\$1,119,315
Expense of producing, manufacturing, &c.	1,257,666	1,201,553
Interest on current loans	40,106	77,840
Provision for depreciation	114,595	114,595
Provision for bad and doubtful Colonos' accts.		96,754
Prov. for unserviceable materials on hand		10,000
Other interest	282,600	216,398
Net loss transferred to balance sheet	\$323,065	\$597,825

x Subject to adequacy of depreciation.

Tentative Consolidated Balance Sheet, June 30. (Including Colonia Macagualito, S. A.)

Assets—	1927.	1926.	Liabilities—	1927.	1926.
Prop., plant & equipment	6,614,858	6,711,623	Common stock	356,656	356,656
Work animals, furn., tools & equipment	82,070	89,414	7% non-cum. pref. stock	4,271,355	4,271,355
Cash	67,548	15,784	Bank loans	1,132,994	1,153,486
Accts. rec. (less reserve)	19,218	18,204	Accr. int., taxes, wages, &c.	37,977	46,234
Sugars on hand	683,050	705,985	Deferred credits	54,794	17,047
Materials & supp.	70,822	89,369	Debt. assumed on reorg. incl. acc. int.	293	293
Adv. to Colonos (less reserve)	179,211	189,669	Sec. by dep. of 1st m. bds.	800,819	738,677
Planted & growing cane	70,452	67,714	yOther cred.	2,315,238	2,170,835
Def. charges to future oper.	11,906	11,612	1st mtr. 20-yr. 8% bonds	118,900	118,900
xProf. & loss, defic	1,289,869	974,107	Total	9,089,026	8,873,483
Total	9,089,026	8,873,483	Total	9,089,026	8,873,483

x Subject to adequacy of depreciation. y There is a mortgage of \$300,000 and interest on the Macagualito property which has been pledged as collateral with one of these creditors.—V. 123, p. 2789.

Sanitary Grocery Co., Inc.—October Sales.—1927—Oct.—1926. Increase. | 1927—10 Mos.—1926. Increase.
\$1,747,806 \$1,658,349 \$89,457 \$13,939,597 \$13,174,849 \$764,748
—V. 125, p. 1987, 1472.

(Isaac) Silver & Bros., Co., Inc.—October Sales.—1927—Oct.—1926. Increase. | 1927—10 Mos.—1926. Increase.
\$508,527 \$463,929 \$44,598 \$4,070,720 \$3,357,379 \$713,341
—V. 125, p. 1989, 1472.

Skelly Oil Company.—Earnings.—Period End. Sept. 30—1927—3 Mos.—1926. 1927—9 Mos.—1926.

Gross earnings	\$6,486,079	\$7,772,136	\$17,598,765	\$19,647,655
Oper. expenses and taxes	3,959,908	*4,677,973	11,226,573	*10,920,688
Interest charges	230,978	105,887	632,027	440,276
Depreciation & depletion	1,525,255	1,073,594	4,148,637	3,265,551
Surplus for quarter	\$769,938	\$1,914,681	\$1,591,427	\$5,021,140
Earns. per sh. on 1,093,000 shs. com. (par \$25)	\$0.74	\$1.75	\$1.46	\$4.59

*Excluding Federal taxes. Company's final surplus as of Sept. 30 1927 was \$9,470,151.—V. 125, p. 1852.

(A. G.) Spalding & Bros.—Acquisition.—This company has completed negotiations for a consolidation with the Abbey & Imbrie Co., manufacturers of fishing tackle. The Abbey & Imbrie Co. has been established for the past 108 years, and will hereafter be known as the Abbey & Imbrie division of A. G. Spalding & Bros.—V. 125, p. 1472.

Standard Oil Co. of Indiana.—*Extra Dividend of 25c.*—The directors on Nov. 7 declared an extra dividend of 1%, in addition to the usual quarterly dividend of 2½% on the capital stock, par \$25, both payable Dec. 15 to holders of record Nov. 16. An extra distribution of like amount was paid in each of the preceding seven quarters.—V. 125, p. 1990.

Stanley Co. of America.—*New Phila. (Pa.) Theatre.*—Another new theatre will be formally opened by this company on Nov. 18, it is announced. The new house is located in Wynmfield, a residential suburb of Philadelphia, and represents the latest architectural development in theatre construction. The house will seat 2,000, all on one floor, and was erected by the Stanley-Effinger Co.—V. 125, p. 2542.

Studebaker Corp.—*New Director.*—James H. Perkins, President of the Farmers Loan & Trust Co. of New York, has been elected to the board of directors of the Studebaker Corp., succeeding N. R. Feltes of South Bend, Ind.—V. 125, p. 2383.

(B. F.) Sturtevant Co.—*Annual Report.*—

Years Ended June 30—	1927.	1926.
Gross sales	\$6,852,673	\$6,831,786
Cost of sales	6,418,539	6,165,025
Depreciation	164,489	153,398
Interest	74,283	76,212
Net income	\$195,362	\$437,151

Comparative Balance Sheet June 30.

	1927.	1926.	1927.	1926.
Assets—				
Real est. & plant	\$1,309,250	\$1,260,934	\$3,450,000	\$3,450,000
Mach., equip., &c.	1,980,907	1,818,418	1,150,000	1,600,000
Cash	452,218	527,008	240,385	236,849
Notes & acceptances receivable	62,097	75,389	212,200	157,384
Accts. receivable	1,380,534	1,531,868	1,340,995	1,183,230
Accts. & loans rec.	528,477	529,704	1,453,388	1,444,683
Prepaid items	38,655	35,779		
Securities owned	57,694	57,594		
Total	\$7,846,968	\$8,072,146		
Liabilities—				
Capital stock			3,450,000	3,450,000
Notes payable			1,150,000	1,600,000
Accounts payable			240,385	236,849
Res. for city, State & Fed. taxes			212,200	157,384
Res. for deprec.			1,340,995	1,183,230
Plant assets			1,453,388	1,444,683
Surplus				
Total (each side)			7,846,968	8,072,146

Sullivan Machinery Co.—*Bank Loans Retired.*—Sales for the September quarter of this year were somewhat in excess of the same period a year ago, according to Vice-President A. E. Blackwood. He says: "Unfilled booked orders on Sept. 30 were 51% greater than on that date last year. Notes payable, which amounted to \$350,000 on Jan. 1, have been paid and we do not anticipate again borrowing from our banks this year. Accounts payable have been reduced by \$143,000 as compared with Jan. 1. Earnings in the first 9 months have more than covered all expenses, depreciation, Federal taxes and dividends. The outlook is satisfactory with sufficient business in sight to warrant the prediction that sales for the year are likely to be in excess of those of last year and that the company's showing will be at least as good as it was in 1926."—V. 124, p. 1375.

Swedish Match Co.—*Status, &c.*—As the company owns a majority of the common (voting) stock of International Match Corp., (see above) the following information regarding that company is of interest.

The Swedish Match Co., Incorp. in Sweden in 1917 to acquire stock control of Jonkopings and Vulcan Match Manufacturing Co. and United Swedish Match Factories Companies, has \$72,360,000 capital stock outstanding, now quoted about 350% of par on the London Stock Exchange. For the last 24 years, the Swedish Match Co. since its incorporation in Sweden in 1917 and prior to that date the predecessor, Jonkopings and Vulcan Match Manufacturing Co., have earned a net profit in every year and have paid dividends in every year of that period on common capital stock from time to time outstanding.

Share capital, profits, and dividends during the past 9 years for Swedish Match Co. and its two main subsidiaries in Sweden, since 1918, were:

Year	Profit earned		Dividends paid on Ordinary	
	Ordinary Share Capital	Net Profit Share Capital	Share Capital	Share Capital
1918	Kronor 45,000,000	Kronor 7,776,026	17.28%	12%
1919	45,000,000	11,831,170	26.29	14
1920	45,000,000	11,436,010	25.41	14
1921	45,000,000	8,680,342	19.29	12
1922	45,000,000	9,240,317	20.53	12
1923	90,000,000	17,477,834	19.42	12
1924	90,000,000	18,653,864	20.72	12
1925	180,000,000	28,476,774	15.82	12
1926	180,000,000	32,326,462	17.96	15

In 1924 the capital stock of the Swedish Match Co. was increased to 180,000,000 kronor (\$48,240,000), the additional stock, however, not being entitled to share in dividends declared out of profits for the year 1924. In Feb. 1927, the capital stock was increased to 270,000,000 kronor (\$72,360,000).

The average net profit earned by the Swedish Match Co. and Jonkopings and Vulcan Match Manufacturing Co. during the last 24 years has been 24.28% on common stock from time to time outstanding; in none of the last 20 years have net profits been less than 15% on common stock then outstanding and participating in dividends. The average dividend rate paid during the last 24 years on common stock from time to time outstanding has been over 9% per annum and during the last 10 years has been 12.7% per annum. The present rate is 15%.

The Swedish Match Co., through its subsidiary companies, owns 20 match manufacturing plants in Sweden (the business of the oldest founded in 1845), a sulphite pulp and paper mill with an annual production of 13,000 tons of paper chiefly used in the match industry, and three important plants engaged in the production of match manufacturing machinery. These companies also own 3 plants manufacturing chemicals for the match industry, 3 lithographic printing establishments and a number of enterprises auxiliary to the match industry, including sawmills and transportation companies. The companies own valuable timber lands in Sweden well situated in relation to the different match manufacturing plants, covering a total of 120,000 acres, and also own valuable long term timber rights. In addition to these interests in Sweden the Swedish Match Co. has important investments in match manufacturing companies in different countries throughout the world.

International Match Corp. and the Swedish Match Co., with their subsidiaries, together have more than 60,000 employees and have plants in 35 different countries. Probably no other group of manufacturing companies reach with their product as many consumers as do the constituent companies of the Swedish Match Co. and International Match Corp.—V. 124, p. 3786.

Symington Co.—*Earnings.*—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1927—3 mos.—	1926.	1927—9 mos.—	1926.
Operating profit	\$84,720	\$25,400	\$260,283	\$470,934
Other income	11,240	8,345	23,812	19,527
Total income	\$95,960	\$33,745	\$284,094	\$490,461
Interest charges	15,000	15,000	45,000	127,122
Net profit	\$80,960	\$18,745	\$239,094	\$363,339

Earns. per sh. on 200,000 no par shs. Cl. A stk. \$0.40 \$0.09 \$1.19 \$1.81
After depreciation, general expenses, provision for reserves and Federal and State taxes.
The above figures are subject to adjustment at end of fiscal year.—V. 125, p. 796.

(The) Tanton, Detroit.—*Bonds Offered.*—Livingstone & Co., Detroit, recently offered \$350,000 6% 1st mtge. sinking fund serial bonds.

Dated April 15 1927; due serially, 1929-1937. Principal and int. (A. & O.) payable at the Fidelity Trust Co., Detroit, trustee, without deduction

for the normal Federal income tax up to 2%. Red., all or part, on any int. date on or after Oct. 15 1927, upon 60 days' notice at 102 and int. Denom. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100 c*.

Security.—As security for the payment of these bonds the Fidelity Trust Co. has secured a first closed mortgage on the fee of the following real estate and building, known as the Tanton Apartments. The property is located on Chicago Blvd., having a frontage of 240 ft and a depth of 110 ft. It is one half block to Dexter Blvd., which affords excellent transportation to the downtown section. The building is four stories high of brick, steel, stone and concrete construction with slate roof, containing 79 apartments as follows: 16 apartments of 4 rooms, 40 apartments of 3 rooms, 20 apartments of 2 rooms, and 3 basement apartments, all with tiled bath.

The real estate and building have been appraised as follows: Land, \$120,000; building, \$580,000; total value, \$700,000.

Earnings.—The following estimated net earnings, deducting all expense, including allowance for possible vacancies, show net earnings over 2½ times the greatest annual interest charges: Total earnings (yearly rental), \$89,340; operating expense (including 10% allowance for vacancies) \$36,504; total net annual earnings, \$52,836; 6% interest on \$350,000 bonds, \$21,000; balance available for principal payments, \$31,836.

Terra Cotta Products Corp.—*Bonds Offered.*—Curtis & Sanger and Commonwealth Bond Corp., New York, are offering at 100 and int. \$750,000 1st mtge. 6½% sinking fund certificates.

Dated Oct. 1 1927; due Oct. 1 1942. Int. payable A. & O. in New York and Boston without deduction for any Federal income tax not exceeding 2%. Corporation agrees to refund the Penna. 4 mills tax, the Conn. 4 mills tax, the Maryland 4½ mills securities tax, the District of Columbia 5 mills tax, the Virginia 5½ mills tax and the Mass. 6% income tax. Red. as a whole on any int. date on 60 days' notice at 105 to Oct. 1932, and 102½ thereafter to maturity. Denom. \$500 and \$1,000 c*. American Trust Co., New York, trustee.

Data from Letter of R. F. Dalton, President of the Corporation.
Company.—Incorp. in New Jersey. Has purchased all the assets of the present New York Architectural Terra Cotta Co. (organized in 1886) and the Ceramic Products Corp. of New Jersey. Company comprises one of the most complete and modern units in the architectural terra cotta industry.

Security.—Certificates will be secured by a first closed mortgage on all the land, buildings and equipment of the corporation located in New York and New Jersey. The New York property, comprising about 200,000 square feet, is located on the East River opposite 58th St. and just south of the Queensboro Bridge and 4 blocks from the new Tri-Borough Union Subway Station. Being on the New York waterfront, the land alone has been appraised at \$818,000 and the total land and property at \$1,226,000. Thus the appraised value of the New York land alone is more than the total amount of this issue. The New Jersey properties, also pledged, are appraised at \$371,887, making a total valuation of \$1,597,887, or more than twice the outstanding amount of this issue. Total net assets of the corporation, including \$619,529 net current assets, amount to \$2,217,416, equivalent to approximately \$2,920 per \$1,000 certificate.

Purpose.—Over 90% of the proceeds of this issue will be used to retire existing mortgages and bank loans and to provide additional working capital to take care of current business.

Earnings.—For the 4½ years ended June 30 1927, earnings before depreciation averaged over three times the maximum interest charges on the issue. For the 18 months ended June 30 1927, interest charges were earned 4.45 times before depreciation and 3.73 times after depreciation.

Sinking Fund.—Annual sinking fund starting in 1928 will retire over 60% of the issue by maturity.

Theatres Realty Co., Charleston, S. C.—*Bonds Offered.*—Hibernia Securities Co., Inc., New Orleans, are offering \$375,000 1st (closed) mtge. 6½% serial gold bonds at following prices: 1928-1930 maturities at 101; 1931-1942 maturities at 100.

Dated June 1 1927; due June 1 1928-42. Prin. and int. (J. & D.) payable at the South Carolina National Bank (trustee), Charleston, Columbia, Greenville, S. C., or Hibernia Bank & Trust Co., New Orleans, La. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500 c*. Red. on any int. date, in whole or in part, in inverse ratio of their maturity, upon not less than 30 days' notice, at par and int. plus a premium of ½ of 1% for each year or fractional part thereof between redemption date and maturity.

Company.—Incorp. in South Carolina in 1927 and has acquired and owns the Gloria, Garden and Victory theatres in Charleston, S. C., and other real estate which will be operated by the Pastime Amusement Co. under lease.

Security.—Bonds will be secured in the opinion of counsel by a direct closed first mortgage on the Gloria, Garden and Victory theatre properties. Mortgage also covers complete furniture, furnishings and equipment of all the theatres. The theatres are of modern fireproof construction, having a total seating capacity of approximately 4,500.

In addition to the above, the mortgage covers a 3-story brick building known as 327 King St., the lower floor of which is occupied by a store.

Purpose.—Proceeds have been used to retire short-term obligations covering part cost of Gloria Theatre.

Lease.—The Pastime Amusement Co. has leased the properties for the life of the loan at an annual rental of \$78,100, and has in addition agreed to maintain the properties and pay all taxes and assessments thereon.

Sinking Fund.—One-twelfth of annual interest and maturity requirements (with exception of last maturity, which shall be the same as the preceding one) shall be paid the trustee monthly, beginning July 1 1927, thereby monthly increasing the equity of the bondholders.

Tidal Osage Oil Co.—*Balance Sheet Sept. 30.*—

	1927.	1926.	1927.	1926.
Assets—				
Oper. prop., bldgs. & equip.	\$11,885,008	10,573,267		\$520,900
Cap. stk. of affil. companies	77,379	63,100		1,400,000
Cash	74,813	538,604		132,439
Accts. & notes rec.	204,722	335,347		128,815
Crude oil & prod.	984,008	73,593		34,850
Materials & supplies	321,860	189,501		200,000
Due from affil. cos.	387,385	11,922		58,121
Invested reserve	46,184	20,898		119,578
Sink. fd. trustee		109,375		3,355,325
Deferred charges	9,697	48,928		
Total (each side)	13,991,061	11,964,535		
x Less reserves for depreciation and depletion.—V. 125, p. 2402.				

Trumbull Steel Co.—*Balance Sheet Sept. 30.*—

	1927.	1926.	1927.	1926.
Assets—				
Permanent assets	\$35,590,930	\$34,820,753		\$9,998,700
Cash	1,400,652	2,496,289		
U. S. Govt. sec. & accrued interest		2,738,715		
Bonds & debts	1,230,206			2,283,767
Notes & accept. rec.	84,155	137,630		2,319,850
Trustee acct. (bal.)	241,552	397,732		
Accts. receivable	1,984,646	2,459,762		13,000,000
Mds. inventory	5,102,084	3,829,469		4,500,000
Capital stk. owned	3,692,099	1,825,346		505,272
Deferred charges	1,573,619	1,797,028		
Total (each side)	50,899,942	50,502,724		
x Represented by 575,118 shares no par value. y Company's securities purchased for retirement and investment (at cost).—V. 125, p. 2278.				

Underwood Typewriter Co.—*Earnings.*—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1927—3 Mos.—	1926.	1927—9 Mos.—	1926.
Net earnings	\$461,958	\$376,010	\$1,925,320	\$1,623,213
Other net income	97,512	89,897	290,238	295,886
Gross income	\$559,471	\$465,907	\$2,215,559	\$1,919,099
Depreciation	68,125	67,111	202,593	196,659
Res. Fed. taxes	66,500	53,600	271,500	230,600
Net profit	\$426,846	\$345,196	\$1,741,466	\$1,491,841

Earns. per sh. on 400,000 shs. (par \$25) com. stk. outstanding \$0.92 \$0.71 \$3.91 \$3.25
—V. 125, p. 2402.

(John R.) Thompson Co.—Sales.—
 1927—Oct.—1926. Decrease. | 1927—10 Mos.—1926. Decrease.
 \$1,223,859 \$1,243,868 \$19,979 \$11,901,551 \$11,927,316 \$25,765
 —V. 125, p. 2277, 1990.

United Artists Theatre Circuit, Inc.—Common Stock Sold.—J. K. Rice, Jr., & Co., and E. W. Clucas & Co., have sold at \$15 per share 100,000 shares (no par value) common stock. This offering does not represent new financing on the part of the Company.

Capitalization—
 7% conv. pref. stock (par \$100)----- \$4,000,000 \$4,000,000
 Common stock (no par value), voting stock----- *600,000 shs. 500,000 shs.
 *100,000 shares reserved for conversion of preferred stock at par into common stock @ \$40 per share.
 Transfer agent, The Equitable Trust Co., New York. Registrar, Central Union Trust Co., New York.

Circuit of Theatres.
Company.—Incorp. in Maryland in 1926 to acquire directly or through subsidiaries, motion picture theatres and interests therein in important cities of the United States and elsewhere. It now has in operation a circuit of twelve moving picture houses. In each house the company is associated with another leading motion picture exhibitor, and in no case is such exhibitor's interest greater than that of United Artists Theatre Circuit, Inc. The corporation has 5 additional theatres under construction, all of which are well advanced and expected to open in a few months, thus increasing the circuit to 17 theatres.

The management is also investigating favorable sites for additional theatres in other cities.
Contract with United Artists Corp.—It has entered into a contract with United Artists Corp. (of Del.), dated June 22 1926, to run for 10 years, whereby: (a) The theatres of the new Circuit have a preferential right to exhibit important United Artists pictures by way of "pre-release" or "first" runs before they are shown in other motion picture theatres in the same localities.

(b) United Artists pictures, except in unusual cases, are exhibited in the theatres of the new circuit on a percentage basis, i. e., box office receipts are first applied to the cost of operating the theatres, including depreciation and an investment return to provide for 7% dividends on the preferred stock as its proceeds are employed in new theatres, and net profits thereafter are divided in agreed percentages between United Artists Corp. (in full payment for the pictures) and United Artists Theatre Circuit, Inc. (for its own profit).—V. 125, p. 2402.

United Biscuit Co.—Merger of Biscuit Co.—A letter to stockholders of the company from its President, K. F. MacLellan, discloses that a large merger of biscuit companies is taking place with properties of United Biscuit Co. as a nucleus. The resulting enterprise will be the third largest biscuit company in the United States and its distribution will cover the principal territories of the Middle West. The principal executives of the several companies will continue with the enterprise, which will be directed by Mr. MacLellan, as President, and A. P. Strietman, as Chairman of the Board.

The present United Biscuit Co., which was formed in 1925, operates through three subsidiaries, the United Biscuit Co., which is engaged in business in and about the St. Louis territory, the Sawyer Biscuit Co., in the Chicago territory, and the Lakeside Biscuit Co. of Toledo, O. The other companies involved in the merger are the Strietman Biscuit Co. of Cincinnati, O., one of the oldest biscuit concerns in the country, having been formed more than 65 years ago, the Felber Biscuit Co. of Columbus, O., the Manchester Biscuit Co. of Sioux Falls, S. Dak., the Manchester Biscuit Co. of Fargo, N. Dak., and the Merchants Biscuit Co. of Denver, Colo. In addition the Chicago Carton Co., manufacturing cartons and containers, is to be taken over and operated as a division of the business.

The merger is being accomplished through the formation of a new company to be called **United Biscuit Company of America**, which will have a capitalization outstanding consisting of \$4,000,000 of 15-year 6% debenture bonds, \$2,000,000 of convertible 7% cumulative preferred stock and 323,000 shares of common stock. Of the common stock, 165,000 shares are being received by the present United Biscuit Co. in exchange for its assets and its three subsidiaries. The present company will continue, therefore, as a holding company owning this block of stock in the new company. The bonds, preferred stock and 110,000 shares of common stock are being sold for cash to provide a part of the purchase price of the other constituent companies. There are 50,000 shares of common stock authorized and reserved for conversion of the preferred stock, which indicates a conversion of the preferred stock, which indicates a conversion ratio of 1 share of preferred into 2½ shares of common. As a part of the transaction the outstanding preferred stocks and bonds of the present United Biscuit Co.'s subsidiaries will be retired.

A public offering will be made in the near future by Goldman, Sachs & Co. of the debenture bonds, the preferred stock and a part of the common stock which will provide the cash requirements of the transaction. The total amount of securities offered will aggregate some \$9,000,000.—V. 124, p. 3368.

United Electric Coal Companies.—Annual Report.
Year Ended July 31—
 Profit from oper., before royalties, deprec. & depletion----- \$1,349,712 \$1,102,988 \$963,903
 Profit from sale of securities----- ----- 33,000
Gross profit.----- \$1,349,712 \$1,135,988 \$963,903
 Royalties, depletion and depreciation 347,138 306,409 276,159
 Interest on mortgage bonds----- 267,035 213,168 129,116
 Federal taxes and other deductions-- 142,473 70,629 40,651

Net income.----- \$599,015 \$545,781 \$517,978
Profit and Loss Account.—Credit balance Aug. 1 1926, \$1,861,188; net income for the year 1927, \$599,015; total surplus, \$2,460,204. Deduct: Uncollectible accounts written off and sundry adjustments (net), \$16,581. Dividends: 7% general preferred stock, \$19,441; divs. on 8% 1st pref. stk., \$34,823; profit and loss surplus, July 31 1927, \$2,389,359.

Comparative Balance Sheet July 31.

1927.		1926.		1927.		1926.	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
Assets—							
Coal prop., land, bldgs., eqpt., &c.	8,397,817	5,566,763					
less depr. & depl. y.	8,397,817	5,566,763					
Coal lands under pur. contract	1,440,000						
Subscribers to 8% 1st pref. stk.	249,000						
Cash	211,029	200,370					
Investments (Elec. Coal Co.)	58,077	58,077					
Special cash depos.	186,494	29,454					
Other assets	933,558	665,976					
Com. stk. in treas. res. for empl'ees	70,000	170,000					
Def. charges, &c.	390,402	271,622					
Total	10,496,377	8,462,262	Total	10,496,377	8,462,262		
Liabilities—							
1st preferred 8% cumulative			485,000	383,500			
Gen. preferred 7% cumulative			305,600	377,100			
Pref. stk. subscr.			249,000				
Common stock			x670,913	670,913			
Bonded debt			5,188,500	3,146,500			
Cont. for purchase of coal lands				1,440,000			
Current liabilities			615,286	259,642			
Res. for taxes contng. & royalties			112,594	50,342			
Long term debts			480,126	273,076			
Surplus			2,389,359	1,861,188			

x Represented by 120,000 shares no par value. y The appraised value of these properties at Dec. 1 1926 and the cost of the properties purchased subsequent to that date aggregate somewhat in excess of \$13,000,000.—V. 124, p. 3367.

United Porto Rican Sugar Co.—Notes and Preferred Stock Offered.—A banking group composed of Stein Bros. & Boyce and Robert Garrett & Sons of Baltimore, Pogue, Willard & Co., and Farr & Co., of New York, is offering an additional issue of \$500,000 6½% secured sinking fund gold notes, series A due Sept. 1 1937, (with detachable stock purchase warrants) and an additional issue of 30,000 shares of the company's convertible participating cumulative preferred stock. The notes are priced at par and int. and the stock, which is entitled to dividends at the rate of

\$3.50 a share, is offered at \$50 a share and div. to yield 7%. (For original offering of notes and pref. stock see V. 125, p. 1594.)

Proceeds derived from the sale of the stock and notes will be used for the purchase of Central Santa Juana with its railroad and other equipment, additional cane lands and for other corporate purposes. The Central Santa Juana, in successful operation for many years, will add a minimum of 100,000 bags to the company's grinding capacity. Its railroad, joining those of the Juncos Central Co. and the Caguas Sugar Co., connects the lines of all the company's subsidiaries, except Cayey, with each other and with its warehouses and docks. The purchases and the present financing complete the program as planned when the company was originally organized.

Stock Purchase Warrants.—The detachable stock purchase warrants accompanying the notes entitle the holder of each \$1,000. note to purchase on or before Sept. 1 1931, 5 shares of no par value common stock of the company at \$75 a share. The preferred stock is convertible into common stock, share for share, until Oct. 1 1928; during the next two years on a basis of 6 shares of preferred for 5 shares of common and thereafter on a basis of 3 shares of preferred for 2 shares of common.

Balance Sheet.—The consolidated balance sheet as of June 30 1927, adjusted to give effect to this financing, shows net tangible assets equivalent to over \$2,600 for each \$1,000 note of the \$3,500,000 series A notes presently to be outstanding. Net tangible assets available for the preferred stock were equivalent to over \$85 a share. Current market quotations for the common stock indicate an equity of more than \$4,500,000 junior to the preferred stock.

Earnings.—Consolidated net earnings of the United Porto Rican Sugar Co. for the crop year ended June 30 1927 amounted to \$1,115,727, and this, with the \$175,000 net reported by Central Santa Juana, was equal to more than 5½ times annual interest charges on the \$3,500,000 notes. Similarly computed, the balance available for the preferred stock, after deducting interest and other charges, was equivalent to approximately \$7.75 a share. Compare also V. 125, p. 1594.

United States Freight Co. (& Subs.).—Earnings.—[Incl. Universal Carloading & Distributing Co. of Del.; Universal Carloading & Distributing Co. of Texas; Transcontinental Freight Co., and Nicholson Universal Steamship Co.]

6 Months Ended June 30—

	1927.	1926.
Gross operating revenue	\$11,129,317	\$9,061,586
Gross freight & cartage paid	8,200,168	7,020,748
Gross operating profit	\$2,929,150	\$2,040,838
Operating costs	2,494,168	1,738,263
x Net operating profit	\$434,982	\$302,575
x Before taxes, interest & depreciation.		

Consolidated Balance Sheet June 30 1927.

Assets—		Liabilities—	
Real estate (land, docks & warehouses)	\$795,328	Capital stock	\$2,826,440
Steamships	1,060,000	Steamship bonds payable	230,000
Furn., fixt. & equip.	236,901	Land purch. contr.	x550,000
Cash in banks	450,000	Notes payable	y689,000
Accounts receivable	1,891,062	Bank loans	155,000
Stationery & supplies	25,856	Reserve for taxes	27,808
Invest. in other companies	26,500	Accounts payable	1,314,320
Invest. in sub. in excess of book value	1,591,486	Surplus	604,573
Total	\$6,077,141	Total	\$6,077,141

x Payable semi-annually at rate of \$50,000 per annum from Aug. 1 1927. y Transcontinental Freight Co. purchase notes, payable from April 1 1929 to Aug. 1 1932.—V. 125, p. 1991.

United States Gypsum Co.—Extra Dividend of \$1.—The directors on Nov. 9 declared an extra cash dividend of \$1 per share on the common stock (par \$20) and the regular quarterly dividends of 40 cents per share on the common and 1¾% on the preferred stock, all payable Dec. 31 to holders of record Dec. 15. At this time last year the directors in addition to declaring an extra dividend of \$1.40 in cash also authorized a dividend of 35% in stock on the common stock. (See V. 123, p. 2534.)—V. 125, p. 1207.

United States Distributing Corp.—Earnings.
Period End. Sept. 30— 1927—3 Mos.—1926 1927—9 Mos.—1926.
 Net income after deprec. Fed. taxes, &c.----- \$185,309 \$268,215 \$631,654 \$910,308
 —V. 125, p. 929.

United States Rubber Plantations, Inc.—Estimated Yield 1,000 Lbs in Latest Planted Areas.—C. B. Seger, President of the United States Rubber Co., Oct. 19 authorized the following statement:

Appros of reports in the newspapers that bud grafting applied to rubber cultivation will greatly increase the yield, we estimate that the ultimate yield on the latest planted areas (planted with budded stock) in our plantations in Sumatra and Malaya, will be 1,000 pounds per acre, which is the average yield of rubber plantations the world over. Our own plantations yielded 441 pounds per acre in 1926.

Of the 83,000 acres planted by the United States Rubber Plantations more than 30,000 acres are planted with either budded stock or highly selected seed. This area is greater than all the rest of the world together has planted in budded stock, and when it comes into full bearing, will greatly increase the already large yield per acre that the company is obtaining from its 52,000 acres of earlier plantings, now in tapping.

The production of Hevea rubber in all British India, including Burma in 1926 was 22,813,285 pounds. The United States Rubber Plantations, Inc., produced 22,908,360 pounds in that year, or approximately the same amount.

On Dec. 31 1926, India had 135,509 acres of Hevea rubber planted. The United States Rubber Plantations, Inc., had 82,583 acres. India had in bearing during that period 99,763 acres; the United States Rubber Plantations, Inc., 51,968 acres. India's production averaged 229 pounds per acre; that of the United States Rubber Plantations, Inc., 441 pounds. India's plantations employed 44,383 people; the United States Rubber Plantations, Inc., employed 22,392.

(Compare annual report of United States Rubber Co. in V. 124, p. 1504.)—V. 124, p. 1526.

United States Steel Corp.—Unfilled Orders.—See under "Indications of Business Activity" on a preceding page.—V. 125, p. 2382.

United Verde Extension Mining Co.—Copper Output.
(In Lbs.)—

	1927.	1926.	1925.	1924.
January	3,405,972	3,974,110	3,739,542	3,517,867
February	2,303,758	3,528,765	3,631,638	3,901,444
March	2,622,908	3,557,064	3,368,904	3,302,766
April	3,261,292	3,461,786	3,810,358	3,809,584
May	4,102,776	3,995,488	3,625,252	3,140,036
June	3,537,228	3,816,540	3,130,812	3,579,448
July	3,735,848	3,475,936	3,861,794	3,474,178
August	3,810,180	3,529,776	3,855,742	4,011,746
September	3,626,830	3,511,966	3,730,994	5,268,896
October	3,885,500	3,803,688	3,593,898	3,539,538

—V. 125, p. 2543, 1595.
Utah Copper Co.—78th Quarterly Report.
Net Copper Produced.

	1927.	1926.	Monthly Average.
First quarter	\$61,752,783	\$61,804,076	\$20,584,261
Second quarter	60,056,091	53,780,647	20,018,697
Third quarter	55,573,703	53,472,436	18,524,568

During the quarter the Arthur plant treated 1,640,600 dry tons of ore and the Magna plant 1,641,800 dry tons, a total for both plants of 3,282,400. The average grade of ore treated at the mills was 0.37% copper and the average mill recovery of copper in the form of concentrates was 90.01% of that contained in the ore, as compared with .97% copper and 90.17% recovery, respectively, for the previous quarter.

The average cost per pound of net copper produced, including depreciation of plant and equipment and all fixed and general expenses and after crediting gold, silver and miscellaneous earnings, was 7.7c., as compared with 7.6c. for the preceding quarter and 7.8c. for the third quarter of 1926 computed on the same basis.

Financial Results of Operations.

Period	End. Sept. 30—1927—3 Mos.	—1926.	1927—9 Mos.—1926.	—1926.
Net prod. fr. copper prod.	\$2,744,480	\$3,376,772	\$8,390,221	\$8,412,563
Other income	1,372,713	1,168,907	4,076,087	3,163,311
Total income	\$4,117,192	\$4,545,678	\$12,466,307	\$11,575,875
Depreciation	313,185	312,257	938,277	915,763
Net income	\$3,804,008	\$4,233,421	\$11,528,030	\$10,660,114
Dividends	2,436,735	2,030,612	7,310,205	6,091,837
Balance	\$1,367,273	\$2,202,809	\$4,217,825	\$4,568,277

Earnings per share on 1-624,490 shs. (par \$10) cap. stk. outst'd g.— \$2.34 \$2.60 \$7.09 \$6.56
—V. 125, p. 929.

(The) Vernon Hotel, Chicago.—Bonds Offered.—H. O. Stone & Co., Chicago, are offering \$260,000 1st (closed) mtge. 6½% serial gold bonds at prices to yield from 6¼% to 6½% according to maturity.

Dated July 1 1929; due serially (J. & J.) from July 1 1929-July 1 1937. Bonds and coupons (J. & J.) payable at the office of H. O. Stone & Co., Chicago. Callable at 103 and fut. in reverse of the numerical order on any int. date upon 60 days' notice. Federal income tax not in excess of 2%, payable for the bondholders by the mortgagor at the office of H. O. Stone & Co., 6 N. Clark St., Chicago. Trustee, Chicago Title & Trust Co. Denom. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100.

Security.—A direct (closed) first mortgage on the land, fronting 75 feet on Jackson Boulevard with a depth of 179 ft., running through the block to a frontage of 75 feet on Quincy St., and the Vernon Hotel, containing 166 rooms, and its furniture and fixtures.

The valuation of this property, as appraised by H. O. Stone & Co., is as follows:

Land	\$134,250
Building, upon completion	248,250
Furniture and fixtures, at cost	50,000
Total valuation	\$432,500

On the basis of the above appraisal, this bond issue is a 60% loan.

Earnings.—The Vernon Hotel is being erected to fill the demand for comfortable hotel rooms which can be engaged at a medium price. H. O. Stone & Co. estimate the earnings as follows:

Gross annual income	\$121,180
Allowance for vacancies, 10% per annum	12,118
Operation, maintenance, taxes, &c.	50,000

Net annual earnings available for the payment of prin. & interest \$59,062. The estimated net income is practically 3½ times the greatest annual interest charge.

Wabasso Cotton Co., Ltd.—Extra Div. of 50 Cents.—The directors have declared an extra dividend of 50c. per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of \$1 per share, both payable Jan. 3 to holders of record Dec. 15. Like amounts were paid in the previous four quarters.—V. 125, p. 1338.

Wanner Malleable Castings Co.—Earnings.—Results for 6 Months Ended June 30 1927.

Net sales	\$393,406
Manufacturing profit	26,445
Interest paid	6,450
Manufacturing profit after interest	\$19,994
Other income	10,279
Total income	\$30,273
Other expenses	2,542
Depreciation (Hammond plant)	17,414
Depreciation and expenses (Beloit)	15,162
Net loss for period	\$4,844

Balance Sheet June 30.

Assets—		Liabilities—	
1927.	1926.	1927.	1926.
Fixed assets	\$1,446,359	Common stock	\$600,000
Cash	12,606	Preferred stock	1,247,500
Accts. rec. (less res.)	80,901	Accts. pay. (trade)	23,692
Miscellaneous	27,532	Notes payable	227,667
Inventories	398,151	Acct. exp. & misc.	24,167
Cash in skg. fund.	4,700		
Def. chgs. to future operations	24,359		
Deficit	127,418	Total (each side)	\$2,119,731

× Land, \$73,603; buildings, machinery, equipment and patterns, less depreciation, \$1,372,756; total, \$1,446,359.—V. 124, p. 1993.

Ward Baking Corp.—Earnings.—15 Wks. End. —15 Wks. End. Oct. 16.—

Period—	Oct. 22 '27.	1926.	1925.
Net profit after exp., Fed. tax., int. and depreciation	\$1,270,400	\$1,292,183	\$1,183,969
Net profit for the 15 weeks ended Oct. 22 1927, is equivalent after allowing for dividend requirements on 318,415 shares of 7% preferred stock, to \$3.05 a share earned on 86,275 shares of \$8 no par class A stock, and 75 cents a share on 500,000 no par shares of class B stock. This compares with \$3.07 a share on class A and 77 cents a share on class B stock in corresponding period of 1926.—V. 125, p. 1332.			

Warner-Quinlan Co.—Earnings.—

Period—	Quar. End. Sept. 30 '27	Quar. End. June 30 '27	Quar. End. Mar. 31 '27	9 Mos. End. Sept. 30 '27
Net inc. after int., but before deprec., deplet. & Fed. taxes	\$361,298	\$333,750	\$216,799	\$911,847
After estimating depreciation, depletion and Federal income taxes and allowing for preferred dividend requirements, earnings for the 9 months are equivalent to \$2.35 per share on the 240,380 shares of common stock outstanding. Warner-Quinlan acquired the oil properties of the Compania Petrolera del Agul as of March 1, and the above earnings include from these properties for only the 7 months, March to Sept. inclusive.—V. 125, p. 1338.				

(John Warren) Watson Co.—Initial Dividend.—

An initial quarterly dividend of 50 cents per share has been declared on the common stock, no par value, payable Dec. 15 to holders of record Dec. 1. (For offering, see V. 125, p. 1338.)—V. 125, p. 1724.

Watson (Pa.) Door & Sash Co.—Bond Offering.—

J. A. Iglehart & Co., Baltimore, are offering at 99 and int., to yield 6½%, \$550,000 1st mtge. 6½% gold bonds.

Dated Oct. 1 1927, due Oct. 1 1937. Int. payable A. & O. at Susquehanna Trust Co., Williamsport, Pa., trustee, and Merchants National Bank, Baltimore, Md., without deductions for normal Federal income tax up to 2%. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500 c*. Red. for sinking fund on any int. date and as a whole on any date upon 30 days' notice, at par plus a premium of ½ of 1% for each year to maturity. Refund of State, county and municipal tax not exceeding 5½ mills in the aggregate. Tax exempt in Pennsylvania. A sinking fund is provided equal to 25% of the company's net earnings after deduction of bond interest and depreciation, or a minimum of \$25,000 per annum.

Data from Letter of W. C. Wagner, President of the Company.

Company.—Incorp. in Dec. 1899 in Pennsylvania and is engaged in the manufacture of doors, sash, blinds and other millwork. The business had its beginning in 1847 and since 1866 has been under the direction of three generations of the Wagner family. Company's plant at Watsonstown, Pa., occupies 17 acres of land, is of thoroughly modern construction and well maintained. The factory unit has 120,000 sq. ft. of floor space and capacity for the manufacture into millwork of 70,000 ft. of lumber daily. Improvements now nearing completion include 80,000 sq. ft. of additional manufacturing floor space, modern kilns and a lumber storage shed with 36,000 sq. ft. of floor area served by overhead crane.

	1923.	1924.	1925.	1926.
Net sales	\$226,535	\$76,452	\$1,209,331	\$1,261,482
Gross profit	248,265	262,896	324,804	321,991
Selling, adm. & gen. exp.	110,122	109,459	159,703	158,806

Net earnings before depr \$138,143 \$153,447 \$165,101 \$163,186

Annual interest on this issue of bonds 35,750

Average net earnings applicable to interest charges for the past 4 years are more than 4.3 times the interest charges on this issue of bonds. Net earnings for 1926 are approximately 4.6 times such charges.

Purpose.—Proceeds will be used to retire the outstanding funded debt of the company, for additions and betterments to the company's property and to provide additional working capital.

Listing.—Application will be made to list these bonds on the Baltimore Stock Exchange.

(Albert H.) Weinbrenner Co., Milwaukee, Wis.—

Notes Offered.—First Wisconsin Co., Milwaukee, are offering at 99, to yield 5.60%, \$700,000 10-year sinking 5½ fund % gold notes.

Dated Aug. 1 1927; due Aug. 1 1937. Int. payable at First Wisconsin Trust Co., Milwaukee, trustee (F. & A.) without deduction of normal Federal income tax not exceeding 2%. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500 c*. Red. all or part, on any int. date upon 30 days' notice at 100 and int. plus ½ of 1% for each 12 months or fractional part thereof between redemption date and fixed maturity of the bonds, provided that bonds may be called for sinking fund purposes at not to exceed 102.

Data from Letter of W. G. Hanson, Vice-President of the Company.

Company.—Incorporated in Wisconsin in 1900 and manufactures men's and children's shoes sold under the nationally known trade name of "Torozood." The production of the company has increased from 250 pairs per day in 1900 to a normal capacity of 10,000 pairs per day in 1927. Company's manufacturing plant is located in Milwaukee and consists of two well-equipped and modern factories having a combined floor space of approximately 243,000 sq. ft., one owned in fee and the other leased for a long term at a reasonable rate.

	Authorized.	Issued.
10-year 5½% sinking fund gold notes (this issue)	\$700,000	\$700,000
7% cumulative preferred stock	1,000,000	650,400
Common, class A	1,000,000	596,000
Common, class B	50,000	

Earnings.—During the past six years net earnings of the company and its subsidiaries after all charges, including depreciation, taxes, and interest on indebtedness other than bonded debt, applicable to the payment of funded debt interest averaged an amount equivalent to 6.34 times maximum annual interest requirements of this issue. For the year ended June 30 1927 such earnings were 9.27 times such interest.

Current Asset Position.—The consolidated balance sheet of the company and its subsidiaries as of June 30 1927, after giving effect to this financing, shows net assets equal to \$2,828 for each \$1,000 note. Total current assets are more than four times total current liabilities.

Purpose.—Proceeds will be used to retire sufficient of the stock to give a controlling interest in the business to the present management, which has been in active charge for the past ten years.

Sinking Fund.—Indenture provides a sinking fund sufficient to retire about 65% of the issue before maturity.

Western Canada Flour Mills Co., Ltd.—Annual Report.

Years end.	Aug. 31—1926-27.	1925-26.	1924-25.	1923-24.
Net profit after making provision for reserves	\$388,797	\$328,096	\$319,033	\$341,869
Bond interest		47,245	54,294	59,661
Net profit	\$388,797	\$280,851	\$264,739	\$282,208

Prof. dividends—(6½%) 161,920 (3¼%) 181,250 \$264,739 \$282,208
Common dividends—(\$1.40) 120,750 ×175.375 (8%) 230,000 (8%) 230,000

Balance, surplus	\$106,127	\$24,226	\$34,739	\$52,208
Total profit & loss surp.	\$713,334	\$607,207	\$582,982	\$286,329
Shs. com. outst'g (no par)	86,250	86,250	86,250	86,250
Earnings per sh. on com. stk.	\$2.63	\$2.31	\$9.21	\$9.82

× Being 4% on old common stock (par \$100), \$115,000, and 70 cents per share on new no-par-value stock, \$60,375. y Par \$100.

Comparative Balance Sheet Aug. 31.

Assets—	1927.	1926.	Liabilities—	1927.	1926.
Real estate, bldgs., &c.	\$5,714,607	\$5,855,333	6½% pref. stock	\$2,475,000	\$2,500,000
Other investments	31,296	38,308	Common stock	1,150,000	1,150,000
Pats., tr.-mks. and good-will	1	1	Bank loans	385,000	323,000
Accts. & bills rec.	708,086	664,879	Divs. payable	70,466	70,908
Inventory	2,246,760	1,978,570	Accts & bills pay.	906,983	800,351
Cash	50,775	77,844	Deprec'n reserve	2,844,056	2,922,328
Deferred charges	44,725	41,140	Res. for conting., doubtful acct's, taxes, &c.	251,411	282,281
			P. & L. account	713,334	607,207
Total	\$8,796,249	\$8,656,076	Total	\$8,796,249	\$8,656,076

Note.—The company has indirect liabilities (customers' paper under discount) of \$1,905,900.

× 86,250 shares common stock of no par value. y Property reserve, \$1,623,044; general reserve, \$1,221,012; total, \$2,844,056.—V. 123, p. 2534.

Western Electrical Instrument Corp.—Earnings.—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1927—3 Mos.—1926.	1927—9 Mos.—1926.
Net after deprec. & exp.	\$131,457	\$155,526
Other deductions	2,901	3,251
Total income	\$128,556	\$152,275
Federal tax	18,672	19,974
Net income	\$109,884	\$132,301
Class A dividends		45,000
Surplus	\$109,884	\$87,301

\$405,520 \$57,742 \$619,751 \$1,949

\$349,778 \$537,802

\$223,428 \$402,752

Comparative Balance Sheet Sept. 30.

Assets—	1927.	1926.	Liabilities—	1927.	1926.
Land, bldg., mach. tools, &c.	\$1,079,840	\$966,889	Capital & sur.	\$3,461,125	\$3,544,784
Cash and demand certif. of deposit	373,020	173,158	Accounts payable, accrued accounts	72,851	163,033
Notes & accepts.	326,742	367,849	Reserve for Federal income tax	80,818	103,915
receivable	320,639	526,333			
Marketable securities	1,141,843	1,299,149			
Misc. inventories					
Invest., W. E. I. Co., Ltd., Lond.	119,089	119,689			
Stock held for red.	196,050	295,087			
Other investments	29,353	29,594			
Deferred charges	28,215	33,984			
Pats. & good-will	1	1			
Total (each side)	\$3,614,793	\$3,811,733			

× Represented by 87,000 shares class A stock and 150,000 shares of common stock, both no par value.—V. 125, p. 1208.

White Motor Co.—Dividend Rate Decreased.—The directors on Nov. 4 declared a quarterly dividend of 50c. per share on the outstanding \$40,000,000 capital stock, par \$50,

payable Dec. 31 to holders of record Dec. 15. The company from Dec. 1916, to Sept. 1927 incl., paid \$1 per share quarterly, and also on April 10 1926, paid a 20% stock dividend.

Windsor T. White, chairman of the board, and Thomas H. White, vice-president, have resigned their official capacities, but will remain as members of the board of directors. Walter C. White, president, continues as chief executive officer of the company.—V. 125, p. 1596, 1208.

Whitenights, Inc.—Notes Sold.—Childs, Jeffries & Co., Inc., Boston, and Backus, Fordon & Co., Detroit, have sold at 100 and int., \$800,000 5-year convertible collateral trust sinking fund 6½% gold notes.

Dated Oct. 1 1927; due Oct. 1 1932. Principal and Int. (A. & O.) payable at Bank of America, N. Y. City, trustee. Denom. \$1,000. Red. all or part on 30 days' notice at 105 and int. on or before Oct. 1 1928; and thereafter at 1% less during each succeeding year. Company agrees to pay any normal Federal income tax up to 2%, and to reimburse the holders of these notes, if requested within 6 months after payment is due, for the present Mass. income tax, or residents of Penn. the 4 mills tax of that State, or residents of Michigan the mortgage tax.

Convertible at any time into 40 shares of common stock for each \$1,000 note.

Company.—Business was started in one store in 1917 with an initial investment of \$2,300 and no more has ever been added except by accumulated earnings, until this financing. The sales in 1926 were over 10 times those of 1922, through a pronounced but steady progress. Sales for the first 5 months of 1927 were over twice those of the same period in 1926. Whitenights is a chain of 25 stores located principally in Pennsylvania selling electrical household appliances. Company does no manufacturing but purchases its inventory in bulk for cash, in this way obtaining substantial discounts. The oldest stores are showing the largest sales and profits, indicating that the business has been growing steadily and profitably and is capable of very great future expansion, not only through new stores which can be operated wherever there is a widespread use of electricity but also in the old stores through more intensive development of the business in the various neighborhoods.

Security.—There will be deposited with the trustee leases on washing machines, vacuum cleaners, and other household necessities on which there are yet to mature payments to the company aggregating not less than 110% of the par value of the notes at the time outstanding, and this percentage will be maintained throughout the life of the notes, through additional deposits of leases, or substitutions. If such collateral is not available the company may substitute cash or U. S. Government bonds, on the basis of a 100% deposit against notes outstanding. Losses in the past on payments due under leases have averaged less than ¼ of 1% yet a policy of charging off 7% annually against this contingency, is strictly adhered to.

Capitalization.—Authorized. Outstanding. 5-year conv., coll. trust notes (this issue)-----\$800,000 \$800,000 Common stock (no par value)-----x114,000 shs. 72,000 shs. x32,000 shares reserved for conversion of notes, and 10,000 shares reserved unissued to be used at a future date if advisable, for further expansion.

Earnings.—The net earnings of the business for 2 years 5 months ending June 3 1927, according to the figures certified by Ernst & Ernst averaged \$251,684 annually, or more than 4.8 times interest requirements on these notes, and amount to \$2.40 a share on the common stock to be outstanding after deduction for Federal income taxes at present rates.

Based on the business booked in the first 5 months of this year, earnings are expected to be about \$3.60 a share for the current year.

Sinking Fund.—A sinking fund of 10% of the net earnings of the company available for dividends shall be used annually to retire notes. If notes are not obtainable at, or below call price, the sinking funds are to be invested in U. S. Government bonds, to be held by the trustee as part of the security for the notes.

Purpose.—Is to give the company the opportunity of expanding in the Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey territories.

Listing.—Notes listed on the Boston Stock Exchange.

Wolverine Tube Co., Detroit.—Pref. Stock Offered.—Merrill, Lynch & Co. and Howe, Snow & Co. are offering at 100 and div. \$300,000 7% cum. pref. (a. & d.) stock (with common stock purchase warrants) tax free in Michigan.

Preferred as to dividends and as to assets in case of voluntary liquidation up to 105 and div. and in case of involuntary liquidation up to 100 and divs. Divs. payable Q-M (cumulative from Nov. 1 1927). Red. all or part at 105 and div. Sinking fund 3% per annum of the largest amount of stock there tofore issued, to be set aside annually beginning June 1 1929, to be applied to the purchase of preferred stock up to, or its call, at the redemption price. Dividends exempt from present normal Federal income tax.

Capitalization.—Authorized. Outstanding. 6% 1st mtge. gold bonds-----\$500,000 \$323,500 7% Cumul. pref. stock (par \$100)-----1,000,000 375,000 Common stock (no par value) shs.-----200,000 shs 108,390 shs

Earnings.—Net sales and net profits for the two years ended Dec. 31 1926 and for the 8 months ended Aug. 31 1927, after deducting depreciation and Federal taxes, are reported as follows:

	Net Sales.	Net Profits on	Times Div.
		Before Int.	7% Pref. After Int.
1925-----	\$2,598,616	\$174,868	6.10
1926-----	3,294,711	188,812	6.27
1927 (8 mos.)-----	2,675,276	243,677	13.13

Common Stock Purchase Warrants.—The preferred stock certificates bear detachable warrants entitling the holder to purchase on and after June 1 1928 and on or before June 1 1931, one share of common stock for each share of preferred stock at \$20 a share; and on or before Jan. 1 1933, at \$25 a share.

Company.—Organized in 1916 to manufacture seamless brass and copper tubing, principally in the smaller sizes and lighter gauges. Its product is drawn from standard size tubes and is used in practically all lines of manufacturing. Among the most important users of the product are manufacturers of the following devices: Automobiles, adding machines, cash registers, hot water heaters, and plumbing supplies.

Company has had a very substantial growth and its sales volume has increased from \$126,000 in 1917 to \$3,294,710 in 1926 and to \$2,675,276 for the 8 months ending Aug. 31 1927.

Company owns a well equipped factory consisting of over 190,000 square feet floor area on Central Avenue and Wabash Railroad, Detroit. This property includes over 6 acres of land.

Purpose.—Proceeds from the sale of preferred stock will be used to carry out improvements to the present manufacturing plants for the erection of necessary additions and for other corporate purposes.—V. 124, p. 1993.

Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co.—Earnings.—

Period End. Sept. 30—	1927—3 Mos.—	1926—	1927—9 Mos.—	1926—
Net profit-----	\$5,776,338	\$8,592,384	\$18,122,800	\$24,468,693
Other income-----	367,328	557,935	1,434,577	2,591,819
Total inc. (all sources)-----	\$6,143,666	\$9,150,319	\$19,557,377	\$27,060,512
Miscellaneous charges-----	689,513	1,151,409	1,761,305	3,020,238
Net income-----	\$5,454,153	\$7,998,910	\$17,796,072	\$24,040,274
Deprec. & depletion-----	2,630,131	2,303,373	7,844,090	6,917,206
Interest on bonds-----	997,209	1,036,078	3,006,911	3,164,976
Contingent reserve-----			230,000	
Prov. for Fed. taxes-----	288,000	652,000	858,000	1,964,000
Net income-----	\$1,538,812	\$4,007,459	\$5,857,070	\$11,994,092
Pref. dividends paid-----	249,219	249,219	747,657	747,659
Com. dividends paid-----	1,234,507	987,606	3,703,521	2,962,818
Balance, surplus-----	\$55,086	\$2,770,634	\$1,405,892	\$8,283,615

Earnings per share on 987-606 shs. of no par com. stock-----\$1.30 \$3.79 \$5.18 \$11.37
x From operations after deducting all expenses of the business and after deducting charges for repairs and maintenance of plants.—V. 125, p. 2403.

(F. W.) Woolworth Co.—October Sales.—

Month of October-----	1927.	1926.	1925.	1924.
First 10 months-----	\$26,031,788	\$24,802,195	\$22,975,857	\$20,400,360
Of the increase amounting to \$1,229,593 reported for Oct. 1927, the old stores were responsible for \$97,656 or 0.4%. Of the gain of \$15,361,664 for the 10 months ended Oct. 31, 1927 the old stores were responsible for \$8,002,861, or 4.27%.—V. 125, p. 1991, 1474.				

(William) Zoller Co., Pittsburgh.—Bonds Offered.—K. W. Todd & Co., Inc., First National Bank at Pittsburgh and Dollar Savings & Trust Co., Pittsburgh are offering at 99 and int. to yield 6.10% \$800,000 1st (closed) mtge. 6% sinking fund gold bonds.

Dated Oct. 1 1927; due Oct. 1 1942. Tax free in Penn. Int. payable A. & O. at Dollar Savings & Trust Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., trustee, without deduction of any normal Federal income tax up to 2% which will be paid by the company. Callable as a whole or any part on any int. date on 30 days' notice at 105. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500 c*.

Security.—This issue of bonds will be secured by a first closed mortgage on all the mortgagable assets of the company. According to the company's balance sheet, net tangible assets, as of Sept. 10 1927, were \$2,166,252, which is \$2,707 per \$1,000 bond. Net current assets alone were \$1,001,383 which is substantially in excess of this bond issue. The fixed assets, as shown by American Appraisal Co., after depreciation were \$1,125,000. Current assets were over 13 times current liabilities.

Listing.—Application will be made to list these bonds on the Pittsburgh Stock Exchange.

Preferred Stock Offered.—K. W. Todd & Co., Inc., S. M. Vockel & Co. and Glover & MacGregor, Pittsburgh are offering at 98½ and div. (each share of pref. carrying with it 1-5th share no par value common stock) \$800,000 7% cum. preferred stock (par \$100).

Preferred as to both assets and dividends. Callable on 30 days' notice, in whole or in part at 105 per sh. and div. Divs. payable Q.-J. Exempt from present Penn. 4 mills personal property tax. Transfer agent, Peoples Savings & Trust Co., Pittsburgh; registrar, Diamond National Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Listing.—Company has agreed to make application to list both the preferred and no par value common stock on the Pittsburgh Stock Exchange Data from Letter of H. O. Oscar Fisher, Pres. of Company.

Capitalization.—Authorized. Outstanding. 1st mtge. 6% gold bonds, due Oct. 1 1942-----\$800,000 \$800,000 7% cumulative preferred stock-----800,000 800,000 Common stock (no par value)-----12,000 shs. 12,000 shs.

Company.—A Pennsylvania corporation. Was founded about 1850. Company conducts a general packing business, covering all operations in their entirety, from the purchase of the live stock to the delivery of the finished product. Company's business is one of the largest of its kind in Western Pennsylvania. The products of the company are distributed to more than 2,500 dealers, a large portion of whom have been on the company's books for a period of 25 years or more. The "Rosevale brand" and "Zoller brand" trade marks of this company, have been used for the last 15 years and are recognized in the trade as a distinctive mark of quality.

The plant is located at Pittsburgh, Pa. and covers two city blocks. Company also owns sufficient adjoining property to take care of future expansion.

Assets.—Net tangible assets, as of Sept. 10 1927, giving effect to the present financing, after deducting all liabilities other than capital stock amounted to \$1,366,252, or approximately \$170 per share of preferred stock.

Earnings Years Ended Dec. 31

	1922.	1923.	1924.	1925.	1926.
Gross earnings-----	\$136,344	\$409,299	\$230,382	\$252,721	\$238,693
Net avail. for pref. div-----	88,344	361,299	182,382	204,721	190,693

Net income available for preferred dividends, for the last five years, had the present capital structure then existed, has averaged \$205,488 or more than \$25.50 per share. Since its establishment in 1850 the company has shown a profit every year. In addition to stock dividends the predecessor company has paid out over \$888,000 in cash dividends during the last years. Equity.—The \$800,000 7% cumulative preferred stock is followed by a total of 12,000 shares of common stock. The predecessor company has never passed a dividend on its common stock. The average rate for the past 10 years has been the equivalent of \$7.50 on the present common stock. Earnings per share on the common stock for the last five years after all prior charges have averaged \$9.15 per share.

CURRENT NOTICES.

—Bonbright & Co., Inc., 25 Nassau St., New York, have published a booklet containing an analysis, covering the years 1921 to 1926, of the distribution of the bond investments of each of the twenty-five largest life insurance companies in the United States and Canada. The analysis shows that at the close of 1926, these twenty-five companies held bonds of the electric power and light, gas, street railway, and telephone companies in a total amount of over \$943,000,000, representing 20.1% of their aggregate bond investments. Five years earlier the corresponding proportion was only 7.7%.

—On Monday, Nov. 7, Drexel & Co. opened their new offices at Fifteenth and Walnut Streets, Philadelphia, after having been located, for nearly forty-three years at Fifth and Chestnut Streets. The new banking house, which is built in the style of Florentine palaces of the fifteenth century, will be occupied solely by the firm. The firm was established in 1838 by Francis Martin Drexel at 34 South Third Street, where a brokerage business was conducted.

—The Seaboard National Bank of the City of New York has been appointed Transfer Agent and Dividend Disbursing Agent of 600,000 shares (no par, class B stock of International Securities Corp. of America. It has also been appointed Trustee under Indenture dated October 1 1927, securing fifteen year 6½% sinking fund debenture gold bonds, due Oct. 1 1942, of The Frink Corp.

—F. P. Ristime & Co., investment brokers with memberships in the New York and the Philadelphia Stock Exchanges and an associate membership in the N. Y. Curb Market have opened a branch office in Westfield, N. J. The inauguration of this new branch gives the firm offices in New York, Philadelphia, Overbrook, Pa., Elizabeth and Westfield, N. J.

—Ernest A. Grewe and John B. Cunningham, formerly co-managers of the bond department of Morrison & Townsend and more recently conducting the municipal bond business of Harrison R. Burdick & Co., announce the formation of E. A. Grewe & Co., with offices at 150 Broadway, N. Y., to specialize in general market municipal and State bonds.

—The Alexander Fund, Philadelphia, announces distributions on its various series, ranging from 6 to 17% per annum. Many common stocks have recently been liquidated by the fund, it was stated, so that 42% of the assets are now composed of preferred shares, bonds and cash. The fund was started 20 years ago.

—Clinton Gilbert, 2 Wall Street, N. Y., has prepared a comparative table of New York City banks and trust companies, tabulating surplus and undivided profits, earnings, deposits, etc. The national banks are covered from Dec. 1926, to Oct. 1927, while the State banks and trust companies are covered from September 1926, to September 1927.

—Putnam & Storer, Inc., Boston, Mass., announce that their trading activities in New York will be in charge of Thomas J. McGahan, formerly with McDowell & Herdling and Berdell Brothers, at 111 Broadway, telephone Rector 1868. The Boston and Hartford offices will be connected with direct telephone connections.

The Commercial Markets and the Crops

COTTON—SUGAR—COFFEE—GRAIN—PROVISIONS

PETROLEUM—RUBBER—HIDES—METALS—DRY GOODS—WOOL—ETC.

COMMERCIAL EPITOME

[The introductory remarks formerly appearing here will now be found in an earlier part of the paper immediately following the editorial matter, in a department headed "INDICATIONS OF BUSINESS ACTIVITY."]

Friday Night, Nov. 11, 1927.

COFFEE on the spot was in fair demand; Rio 7s, 15c.; Santos 4s, 22¼ to 22½c.; Victoria 7-8s, 14½c. Fair to good Cucuta 22½ to 23½c.; Ocana 21 to 22c.; Bucaramanga, natural 24 to 25c.; washed 27½ to 28c.; Honda, Tolima and Giradot 29 to 29½c.; Medellin 29½ to 30c.; Manizales 29¼ to 29¾c.; Mexican washed 29 to 29½c.; Surinam 25 to 27c.; Ankola 36 to 39c. For prompt shipment on the 5th inst. Santos bourbon 3s were offered at 22.35c.; 4s at 21½ to 21.85c.; 5s and 6s, 20¾c.; 7s and 8s grinders 16.80c.; 6s and 7s grinders 18½c.; part fours 21¼c.; Rio 7s, 13.95c.; 7-8s, 13.70c.; for anuary-February shipment bourbon Santos 3s and 5s were offered at 21.15c. and 4s at 21½; for December. On the 7th inst. cost and freight offers were irregular. For prompt shipment they included Santos Bourbon 2-3s at 22.80 to 22.90c.; 3-4s at 21.90 to 23c.; 3-5s at 21.55 to 22c.; 4-5s at 21.30 to 22½c.; 5-6s at 20.35 to 21.35c.; 6-7s separations at 19.15 to 19.40c.; 7-8s at 16½c.; 6-7s grinders at 18.70c.; 7-8s grinders at 16½ to 16.70c.; part Bourbon 4s at 22c.; Peaberry 3s at 22½c.; Peaberry 4s at 22½c.; Rio 7s at 13.65 to 13.95c.; 7-8s at 13.70c.; Victoria 8s plus 20 at 12.95c.; Rio 3s at 16¼c.; 3-5s at 15¾c.; both flinty green; 3-5s colory at 15.60c.; Santos Bourbon 4s for Dec. shipment at 21.60c.; for Dec.-March at 20.85c.; Dec.-May at 21¼c.; Jan.-March at 20¾c.; Jan.-June at 21c.; part Bourbon 4s for Dec.-Feb. at 21c.; for Dec.-May at 20.85c.; Rio 7s for Nov. shipment at 20.55c.

On the 9th inst. early cost and freight offers from Brazil were partly lower and partly unchanged. They include for prompt shipment, Santos Bourbon 2-3s at 22.90c. to 23½c.; 3s at 23¼c.; 3-4s at 21.90 to 22c.; 3-5s at 21 to 22.40; 4-5s at 21.15 to 22.55c.; grinders 6-7s at 18.20 to 18.55c.; grinders 7-8s at 15.40 to 16.55c.; Peaberry 3s at 22½c.; 4-5s at 21c.; 4-6s at 21c.; Rio 3s at 16.05c.; 3-5s at 15.40c.; both flinty green 3-5s colory at 15.30c.; 7s at 13.30 to 13.70c.; 7-8s at 13 to 13.45c.; Victoria 7-8s at 12¾c. Bahias for prompt shipment at 18¼c. ex-ship; for January-March Bourbon 4s are offered at 20¾c. On the 10th inst. spot trade was light with Santos 4s 22¼ to 22½c.; Rio 7s weaker at 14¾ to 15c. Cost and freight offers were unchanged to 25 points lower. Prompt shipment included Bourbon 2-3s at 22½ to 23.60c.; 3s 22½ to 22¾c.; 3-4s 21½ to 22.10c.; Santos Bourbon 4s for Nov.-Dec. 21c.; Dec. 3-4s 22c.

Today spot coffe was in moderate demand. Hamburg was lower. Havre was closed for Armistice Day. Rio was down 50 to 250 reis. November and December 22\$950; Santos unchanged; November 34\$500; December 33\$400. Rio exchange 5-31/32d against 5-61/64d on Thursday; dollars 8\$280. Arrivals of mild coffee in the United States since October 1st were 25,148 bags and deliveries for the same time 42,754 bags. Stock on November 7th, 138,698 bags against 136,304 on Nov. 1st and 412,337 on Nov. 7th last year. Futures declined 5 to 9 points at one time on the 5th inst. but later on the same day rallied and closed 4 points lower to 2 points higher. In consuming countries supplies are far from burdensome. Recently a short interest had accumulated. Brazilian finances improved very noticeably. The spot demand after prolonged dullness increased. The superior grades are notoriously scarce.

Some call attention to the steady narrowing of differences. A few years ago 4c. premium was paid to switch from one September to the following September. A bull, it is recalled, under such conditions took little or no risk. Bears found they were practically helpless. Now the spot month commands less than 3.80 premium over the most distant position, next September. If bulls throw over December a December discount under late months may occur. Despite the heavy loans to Brazil its rate of Exchange declined a little at times. Some think one of the principal supports to futures here is the fact that although Victoria has again been available at near the basis of futures hedging of that coffee affords scarcely more than mere protection, let alone profits.

Rios and especially Santos are so far above futures it is added that to sell against them is out of the question. The result is that there is very little selling by importers and trade houses and supplies are chiefly confined to old longs who are willing to take profits. In some quarters it is said that about 50,000 bags of Victorias are expected here by December 1st. This does not necessarily mean that there will be heavy tenders, but it may for all that put pressure on December. It is contended that Brazil has control of the coffee markets and while there are indications that New York dealers have increased their supplies there appears to be still some gaps to be filled. Until stocks are of normal size some say no material decline in Santos or mild coffee is to be expected. So far the estimates of the growing 1928-29 Santos crop are 8,000,000 to 8,500,000 bags, but reliable estimates it is added cannot be made before January.

On the 10th inst. futures were 14 to 16 points lower with sales of about 20,000 bags. Brazilian cables for two days had been disappointing. Hamburg was steadier. There was scattered selling mostly it appears for European account. Cost and freight offers were weaker. Today futures were under pressure again and ended 4 to 6 points lower. Final prices show a decline for the week of 26 to 44 points. Sales of futures today were 40,000 bags. Santos stock 1,065,000 bags; Rio 352,000. Spot (unofficial) 14¾c. | March ----- 13.19c. | July ----- 13.07c. | December 13.16@nom. | May ----- 13.08 | September ----- 13.03

SUGAR.—Prompt Cuban raws were quiet for a time at 2 27/32c., c. & f. and 4.61c., delivered; but became active later at 2¾c. Earlier in the week, however, everybody was at sea as to Cuban developments and therefore inclined to be cautious. American consumption has decreased this year unless the figures for last year really showed more buying than actual consumption. There is a dispute on that point. There may have been more precautionary buying in 1926 in the fear of much higher prices with more restriction of grinding determined upon than was then generally realized. It is a moot question. The thing most clearly projected against a background of Cuban uncertainty was the disinclination early this week to buy except for the needs of the moment. The carry-over is expected to be larger than at one time seemed at all probable. Futures on the 5th inst. advanced 1 to 2 points on a little more covering, though the speculation was not at all of the stirring kind. There are those who look for higher prices, but others are skeptical. The future of prices largely hinges on the date of the beginning of grinding in Cuba and the degree of success which Cuba has in enlisting the cooperation of producing countries in Europe in the policy of restricting output and exports. On the 9th inst. 75,000 to 100,000 bags of prompt Cuba and duty free sugars sold at 2¾c., c. & f. 10,000 bags of prompt Porto Ricos at the equivalent of 4.65c., delivered. Cable advices from Paris reported later that practically all delegates to the conference are very optimistic over the likelihood of an agreement being reached to apportion exports among the various exporting countries.

Receipts at Cuban ports for the week were 36,483 tons against 38,827 last week, 43,959 last year and 18,125 two years ago; exports 69,845 tons against 58,698 last week, 59,858 last year and 47,366 two years ago; stock 497,780 against 531,142 last week, 375,090 last year and 431,468 two years ago. Of the exports U. S. Atlantic ports received 52,908 tons; Galveston 3,897 tons, New Orleans 3,584 tons, Canada 29 tons; Europe 9,427 tons. Receipts at United States Atlantic ports for the week were 49,911 tons against 41,899 last week, 69,774 last year and 56,239 two years ago; meltings 49,000 against 48,000 last week, 53,000 last year and 57,000 two years ago; importers' stocks 126,380 tons against 126,380 last week, 155,155 last year and 16,036 two years ago; refiners' stocks 71,001 tons against 70,090 last week, 46,855 last year and 46,356 two years ago; total stocks 197,381 against 196,470 last week, 202,010 last year and 62,392 two years ago.

Refined was dull so far as new business was concerned, but withdrawals were good. Quotations were 5.10 to 6c. Paris cabled that the firmness in the European markets was due to favorable progress by Col. Tarafa in his conferences with European producers. One Havana dispatch put the arrivals at Cuban ports last week at 29,709 tons; exports 67,393 tons and stock 484,373 tons. Of the exports 30,653 went to New York 9,198 to Philadelphia, 5,804 to Boston; 3,656 to Baltimore, 3,493 to Philadelphia, 1,330 to Galveston, 3,803 to the interior

of United States, 29 to Canada, 7,666 to the United Kingdom and 1,761 to France. The weather was reported as unsettled and cold. Some do not look for any decline of importance in the old crop months as the statistical position of the article seems to them to justify present prices. Recent reactions, they contend, were mostly due to the narrowness of the market from the uncertainty about the Cuban program. This will probably be followed by a recovery, it is argued, at the first indication of a decisive step by the Cuban government. This applies in particular to new crop months which some look upon as cheap. Some say that producers should place hedges in the September position at around 3c., and follow them up by further sales on advances. The new crop months have been approximately 25 points over the world's parity, and while in extreme cases, Cuba it is suggested, may be successful in realizing her full preferential of 44 points it is doubtful whether prices in New York will average better than 25 points above world prices during the coming year. Some point out that actual consumption in this country shows a steady increase over a period of years and while the apparent consumption in 1927 will be less than in 1926, the probability is that that of 1928 will increase. The potential upward course of the sugar market is predicted upon the assumption that the present laws on the statutes books of Cuba will be enforced. If for any reason Cuba should alter the present laws, prices it is assumed would decline.

Futures here backed and filled swayed by current rumors, but in the main recently had a sagging tendency as rumors declared that there would be no delay beyond January 1st for the start of grinding and also that Cuba might restrict the coming crop, but merely limit exports to the United States. These rumors seemed to be without foundation. What action Cuba will eventually take largely depends on Senator Tarafa's success abroad about which recent reports have been favorable. Futures were firmer on the 7th inst. on a general impression that Senator Tarafa's visit to Europe is bringing results. The tone was more confident. On the 7th inst. Europe sold. Cuba bought December and January rather freely. London terminal opened firm on the 10th inst. at 3d advance for November and ¼d. to 1½d. higher for other positions. Futures opened irregular here at 1 point lower to 1 higher. There was some covering partly for European account. Cuban interests were the largest sellers.

The reduction of the Cuban export sugar surplus and increased stringency in restriction laws there will have little effect on the American sugar supply, the Brookmire Economic Service, Inc., states. Production in Louisiana will be increased and a series of experiments on a new variety of cane which yields a great deal more than the old variety are being watched with interest. This country is no longer dependent on Cuba solely for its supply. In Hawaii, production made a new high record this year and the acreage for the next crop will be increased nearly 10%. Acreage in Java will apparently be increased 4½% and a much larger percentage of the cane will be of the new variety yielding much higher returns. Indian acreage is also up 5%. Reduction in the Cuban exportable surplus will have little effect so long as the rest of the world continues to expand production. On the 10th inst. the estimates of the business within 24 hours ranged from 75,000 to 125,000 bags on the basis of 2½c. Duty paid was quoted at 4.65c. Futures were 1 to 2 points lower with sales of 29,650 tons. London unexpectedly declined. Here local and European interests covered, but there was some European selling also. Local long liquidation counted. Paris cabled that Col. J. M. Tarafa of Cuba was conferring there with representatives of Czechoslovakian, Polish and German sugar interests with view to limitation of sugar production and exports. Dutch sugar interests refuse to come to Paris and invited Tarafa to go to Holland. It is not believed negotiations will succeed in the face of different conditions facing beet and cane sugar industries and of the determination of European countries to develop beet growing. Czech producers who are the largest exporters are reported to be most lukewarm of all producers over prospects. It is doubtful whether French sugar industries plan to export 100,000 tons to England in order to keep up prices in France will be sanctioned by the government which is doing its utmost to keep cost of living down.

Today Europe was buying with prices at one time 2 points lower ending 1 point lower to 1 point higher. Spot business was quiet after the late activity. Refined was quiet. Final prices show a rise for the week of 5 to 6 points. Prompt sugar at 2½c., was 1/16c. higher than last Friday.

Spot (unofficial).....2½c.	March.....2.84c.	July.....2.99c.
December.....2.87@2.88	May.....2.91	September.....3.06
January.....2.89@2.90		

LARD on the spot was quiet but firm. Prime Western 12.75 to 12.85c.; Refined Continent 13½c.; South America 14½c.; Brazil 15½c. On the 10th inst. prime western was higher at 12.90 to 13c.; Refined Continent 13½c.; South 14½c.; Brazil 15½c. Futures advanced late last

week 5 points with grain higher, hogs steady, receipts on the 5th inst. only 18,200 against 36,650 last year, no pressure to sell and some covering of shorts. Liverpool fell 3d to 6d but this was not a factor in the trading. Contract deliveries at Chicago on the 5th inst. were 200,000 lbs. Futures on the 9th inst. were 18 to 27 points lower. The East sold freely. The decline in cotton had some effect, with the drop in cottonseed oil. Western hog markets were rather unsettled. Lard deliveries were 600,000 lbs. Liverpool lard advanced 6d. On the 10th inst. futures advanced 13 to 20 points though hogs were down 15 to 20 cents, with receipts larger than expected. They were 105,600 against 77,700 on the same day last week and 105,400 a year ago. Liverpool lard was 6 to 9d off. Shorts covered here especially in November. The market acted oversold. Packers were buying. Cash trade was a little better. Today the Chicago Board of Trade was closed. Final prices up to Thursday's closing showed a decline for the week of 18 to 22 points.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF LARD FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
December delivery.....	12.00	12.10	Holt-	11.95	12.15	Holt-
January delivery.....	12.32	12.45	day	12.32	12.47	day

PORK firm; Mess \$34.50; family \$40 to \$43; fat back pork \$32 to \$35. Ribs Chicago, Cash 12c. basis of 50 to 60 lbs. average; beef firm; mess \$20 to \$21; packet \$23 to \$24; family \$26 to \$28; extra Indies mess \$36; No. 1 canned corn beef, \$3; No. 2, \$5.25; 6 lbs., South America \$18.50; pickled tongues \$55 to \$60. Cut meats steady; pickled hams 10 to 20 lbs. 16¼ to 17¼c.; bellies, clear, 6 to 12 lbs. 19¼c.; clear, dry salted, boxed 18 to 20 lbs. 14¼c. Butter, lower grade to high scoring 38½ to 50c. Cheese, 23 to 29c. Eggs, medium to extras 28 to 60c.

OILS—Linseed was quiet and barely steady. Leading crushers quoted 9.8c. for raw oil in carlots cooerage basis. In some cases 9.6c. would be accepted it was said on a firm bid. As low as 9.5c. was reported to have been done last week. Jobbing demand was small. In tanks 9c. was quoted; 5 bbls. or more 10.4c.; less than 5 bbls. 11c. Later the market for linseed was firm at 10c. for spot carlots, although it was believed 9.9c. would be accepted on a firm bid. Jobbers were inquiring a little more freely but are only taking small quantities. Demand on the whole was small. The recent strength of the seed markets has helped linseed. In tanks 9.2c. was quoted; 5 bbls. or more 10.6c.; less than 5 bbls. 11.2c.; November-April 9.8c. Coconut Manila Coast, tanks 8½ to 8¾c.; spot tanks 8¾ to 9c.; corn, crude, tanks plant, low acid 9¾c.; olive, den. \$1.75; China wood, N. Y. drums, spot 15¼ to 15½c.; Pacific Coast, tanks spot 13c.; Soya bean, coast tanks 9¾c. Lard, prime 16¾c.; extra strained winter N. Y. 14¼c. Cod, Newfoundland 63 to 65c. Turpentine 49½ to 53c. Rosin \$8.35 to \$11.75. Cottonseed oil sales today including switches 8100 bbls. Crude S. E. 9½c. Prices closed as follows:

Spot.....10.70@	January.....10.91@10.95	April.....11.15@11.20
November.....10.70@10.90	February.....10.95@11.05	May.....11.25@
December.....10.85@10.90	March.....11.10@	June.....11.30@11.40

PETROLEUM—The demand for kerosene has become livelier. Big jobbers who recently were holding aloof are now showing more interest. The tendency of prices seems to be higher. Gasoline was slightly easier. No improvement in the demand was noted. In fact local buying is said to be smaller. For U. S. Motor at refineries 8c. was quoted and 9c. in tank cars for delivery to nearby trade. The Gulf market was quiet with U. S. Motor at 7c. in bulk cargoes; 64-66 gravity 375 e. p. 8¼c. in bulk cargoes. Bunker oil buying was a little more spirited, but most of the demand was against old contracts. No large purchases were reported. Grade C was \$1.45 at refineries and \$1.51½ f. a. s. New York harbor. Fuel oil consumption is increasing. Diesel oil was in fair demand at \$2.10 at refineries. Gas oil was moving a little more freely at firm prices. Later bunker oil was in fair demand but showed an easier tendency. The price in Philadelphia was said to be about 5c. less than in New York and a change in local prices soon would not be surprising to many. Grade C was \$1.45 refinery. A brisk inquiry for kerosene was reported. The French subsidiary of a leading United States refiner recently bought a mixed cargo for the last half of November lifting at the Gulf. It included 50,000 bbls. of oil made up of 3,000 United States Motor gasoline, 6,000 of 61-63, 390 e. p. gasoline 20,000 bbls. of 64-66 375 e. p. gasoline, 12,000 bbls. of water white kerosene and 12,000 of prime white. New York export prices: Gasoline, cases, cargo lots, U. S. Motor spec. deodorized 23.90c.; bulk refinery 8c.; kerosene, cargo lots, S. W. cases 17.15c.; bulk 41-43 6¾c.; W. W. 150 deg. cases 18.15c.; bulk 43-45, 7¼ to 7½c.; bunker oil, per bbl. f. o. b. dock \$1.45; Diesel oil, Bayonne, bbl. \$2.10; Gas Oil, Bayonne, tank cars, 26 deg. 5c.; 28 deg. 5½c.; New York export prices: Gasoline, U. S. Motor bulk 7c.; 64-66 grav. 375 e. p. 8¼c.; kerosene, prime white 6c.; water white 7c.; Bunker Oil, Grade C for bunkering 1.30. Service station owners and jobbers' price guide: U. S. Motor bulk, refineries 8c.; tank cars delivered to nearby trade 9c.; Calif. U. S. Motor at term. 8c.; U. S. Motor delivered to N. Y. City garages in steel bbls. 17c.; Up-State and New England 17c.; Naphtha, V.M.P.deod. steel bbls. 18c.; kerosene water white 43-45 grav. bulk refinery

7¼ to 7½c.; delivered to nearby trade in tank cars 8½ to 8¾c.; water white 41-43 grav. bulk refinery 6¼c.; delivered to nearby trade in tank cars 7¼ to 8c.; tank wagon to store 15c.; furnace oil, bulk refinery 38-42 gravity 6c.; tank wagon 10c.

Pennsylvania.....\$2.65	Buckeye.....\$2.25	Eureka.....\$2.50
Corning.....1.45	Bradford.....2.65	Illinois.....1.60
Cabell.....1.40	Lima.....1.71	Wyonaing, 37 deg.....1.30
Wortham, 40 deg.....1.36	Indiana.....1.48	Plymouth.....1.33
Rock Creek.....1.25	Princeton.....1.60	Wooster.....1.57
Smackover 24 deg.....1.15	Canadian.....2.11	Gulf Coastal "A".....1.20
	Coriscana heavy.....1.00	Panhandle, 44 deg.....1.12
Oklahoma, Kansas and Texas—	Elk Basin.....\$1.33	
40-40.9.....\$1.36	Big Muddy.....1.25	
32-32.9.....1.20	Lance Creek.....1.33	
52 and above.....1.60	Grass Creek.....1.33	
Louisiana and Arkansas—	Belleveue.....1.25	
32-32.9.....1.20	West Texas all deg.....0.60	
35-35.9.....1.26	Somerset light.....2.35	
Spindletop, 35 deg. and up.....1.37		

RUBBER declined in the 7th inst. some 70 to 100 points with Liverpool and Singapore down and sales here 1910 long tons. Outside prices also weakened. At the exchange on the 7th inst. December closed at 36.60c.; January at 36.70c.; March at 37.20c. Outside prices: Ribbed smoked sheets spot November and December 36¾ to 36¾c.; January-March-April-May-June 37½ to 37½c.; first latex crepe 37¾c.; clean thin brown crepe 34¾ to 34¾c.; specky brown crepe 34 to 34½c.; rolled brown crepe 30½ to 30½c.; No. 2 amber 34¼ to 34¾c. Para, upriver fine spot 30 to 30¼c.; coarse 24 to 24½c.; acre fine 30½ to 30¾c.; Brazil washed, dried 39 to 39½c.; Caucho Baull—upper 24¼ to 24¼c.; Islane fine 27 to 27½c.; Cetrals, Esmeralda 21½ to 22c.; central scrap 21½ to 22c.; Mexican scrap 20 to 22c. London spot and November on November 7th, 17¼ to 17¼d; December 17½d to 18d. Singapore, December 17¼d; January-March 18d. On the 9th inst. New York advanced 30 to 40 points higher closing after the heaviest of the liquidation, unchanged to 10 points higher with sales of 950 long tons. New York closed with December 36.60c., January 36.80c., March 37.30c., May 37.60c. Smoked ribbed sheets spot and November 36¾c. to 37c.; December 37 to 37½c.; January-March 37½ to 37¾c.; April-May-June 38 to 38½c.; first latex crepe 37¾ to 37¾c. London advanced ¼d; spot and November 17¼ to 17¼d; December nominally 17½d; January-March 18¼d. Singapore ½ to ¼d higher; November 18d; January-March 18¼d.

on the 10th inst. prices here were 40 to 70 points lower with sales of 2372 tons. London was off ¼ to ¾d and Singapore the same. Outside prices were weaker. New York closed with November and December 35.90c., January 36.20c., March 36.60c. Outside prices: Smoked ribbed spot, November-December 36¾ to 36¾c.; January-March 36¾ to 37c.; first latex crepe 37¾ to 37¾c.; clean thin brown 33 to 33¼c.; No. 2 amber 33½ to 33¾c.; para, upriver fine 29¾ to 30¼c.; coarse 23¼ to 23½c. London on the 10th inst. spot and November 17¼ to 17¼d; December 17½c.; Singapore, November 17¼d; January-March 18d. Today prices were 10 to 30 points higher at one time but reacted before the close. London closed quiet at a net rise of ¼d; spot and November 17½d; December 17½d; January-March 17½d. New York was quiet with actual rubber slow of sale. Final prices show a decline for the week of ten points on December and January and a rise of 10 points on March.

HIDES.—Packer were in fair demand and steady. Spread native steers 24½c.; native steers 23½c.; butt brands 22c.; Colorados 21½c.; bulls, native 17c. Primary points reported a strong market. River Plate has been quiet. High prices account for that. Country hides were in rather better demand. Common hides were quiet at the following prices. Antioquias 30c.; Orinoco 28c.; Maracaibo 26c.; Central America 27c.; La Guayras 26½c.; Savanillas 26½ to 26c. New York City calfskins 5-7s, 2.25; 7-9s, 2c.; 9-12s, 3.50c.

Ocean freights were less active and lower. River Plate rates were firmer; Montreal weaker. Sugar tonnage was the most active.

COMM EPIT. (charters) 1
 CHARTERS included grain 35,000 qrs. Montreal or Quebec Nov. 20-23 to Antwerp or Rotterdam 15½c.; 26,000 qrs. Montreal to Antwerp or Rotterdam 15½c., Hamburg 16¼c. Nov. 10-25th; 21,000 qrs. New York to Hamburg or Bremen barley 15½c. Nov. 18-30; case oil, Gulf to Brazil Nov.-Dec. 140,000 cases 1s base; time; November West Indies round \$1.15; grain 25,000 qrs. Montreal to Antwerp or Rotterdam 15½c. or Hamburg or Bremen 16½c. Nov. 18-28th; coal from Hampton Roads to Rio November prompt \$3.60; tankers: heavy crude New York to Amsterdam Nov. \$3.50; return cargo 5,000 tons creosote Dec. at 13s; crude Curacao to north of Hatteras Nov. 20c. Nov.; grain 35,000 qrs. Montreal to Antwerp or Rotterdam 13½c., Hamburg or Bremen 14½c., option two ports ½c. more, full barley 1c. extra Nov. 12-20; 24,000 qrs. Montreal to Antwerp or Rotterdam 15½c. or Hamburg or Bremen 16½c. Nov. 18-28th 26,000 qrs. Montreal to Greece 20½c. Nov. 11-20th; time charter: delivery prompt at New York, West Indies round at \$1.07½; coal Hampton Roads to Santos \$3.75 reported; Hampton Roads to Rio prompt \$3.60; grain Vancouver to Antwerp or Rotterdam 31s 9d Dec. 12-28; San Lorenzo to Drontheim-Malmo range 26s Nov.-Dec.; same to Antwerp-Rotterdam 21s 6d; coal Wales to Buenos Aires 13s 6d prompt; Up-River to U. K. 22s 3d Nov.; Bristol Channel to Rio 11s 9d prompt; same 12s 3d; tankers: heavy crude New York to Amsterdam Nov. \$3.50; same return cargo creosote Dec. 13s; crude Curacao to north of Hatteras 20c. Nov.; California to U. K. Continent 25s one and 26s two ports Dec.-Jan.

COAL—The cooler weather has helped trade in anthracite and bituminous. The National Coal Association puts last week's bituminous coal output at 9,375,000 tons, a cut of 641,000 tons from the completed car loading total

of the week before. The Department of Commerce said that including exports, soft coal consumption for 9 months of 1927 was at the weekly rate of 8,711,000 tons, a drop of 7.6%. Internal consumption was at the weekly rate of 8,360,000 tons, exports at the rate of 351,000 tons or a little better than Poland's. Consumer's stocks as of October 1st are placed at 61,000,000 tons of bituminous, a decline of 1,500,000 tons since July 1st. Stocks of anthracite are normal for this season. Navy standard \$2.25 to \$2.75 mines; supplementary \$2.10 to \$2.25; superior low volatile \$1.80 to \$2; anthracite company grate \$8.50 to \$8.75; egg \$8.75 to \$8.85; stove \$9.25 to \$9.35; chestnut \$8.75 to \$8.85; pea \$6.25 to \$6.40; buckwheat \$3.25 to \$3.35.

TOBACCO has been steady with a better demand reported for most descriptions. Porto Rico however attracts less attention and sales have decreased and small kinds are said to be purchasable at around 35c. although the larger sorts are selling, it is stated, at 60 to 80c. The supplies of Connecticut leaf, Ohio and New York broad tobacco are said to be far from burdensome.

COPPER.—The export price was advanced to 13,80c. European ports on the 9th inst. and the demand was as active as before the price was raised. Domestic demand was quiet with the price 13½c. A substantial reduction in surplus stocks for October is looked for in some quarters. The American Brass Co. advanced prices of some of the plainer finished products, such as sheets and rounds ¼c. per pound. Tubing and plain copper wire were unchanged. Spot standard in London on the 9th inst. was unchanged at £85 15s.; futures up 2s. 6d. to £58 15s.; sales 100 tons spot and 1,100 futures; electrolytic £63 5s. for spot and £63 15s. for futures. There is very little demand for 1928 delivery and this together with the fact that surplus stocks of refined metal are now down to about the lowest of the year, puts the market in a strong position. Various forms of copper, brass and bronze scrap were ½c. higher. Deliveries from the lake district have fallen off recently but are larger than during the same week last year. Sales to Eastern districts are large. London on the 10th inst. declined 12s. 6d. to £58 2s. 6d. for spot and £58 3d. 9d. for futures; sales 200 tons spot and 1,100 futures; electrolytic unchanged.

TIN fell to a new low for the year. Trading of late was more active at the low prices. December early on the 11th inst. sold at 55½c. but at the close 56c. was quoted. January sold early at 55¼c. and later at 55½c.; February 55 to 55¼c. London limits, equivalent to March delivery sold early at 55.40c.; later sellers held for 55½ to 55¾c. London limits, April delivery, sold at 55.32½c. The continued declines have caused the financial embarrassment of a tin trading house at New York and several others are reported to have suffered severe losses. Tin has declined 17c. per pound from the high point of the year. In London on the 9th inst. spot standard advanced 2s. 6d. to £258 7s. 6d.; futures up 5s. to £252 5s.; sales 100 tons spot and 550 futures; spot Straits advanced 2s. 6d. to £265 17s. 6d. Eastern c.i.f. London declined £1 7s. 6d. to £255 7s. 6d. on sales of 275 tons. London on the 10th inst. declined £1 2s. 6d. to £257 5s. for spot; futures fell £1 to £251 5s.; sales 100 tons spot and 400 futures; Spot Straits tin off £1 2s. 6d. to £264 15s.; Eastern c.i.f. London declined £1 2s. 6d. to £254 5s. on sales of 125 tons.

LEAD.—Inquiries were freer but mostly for carload lots. The demand for large tonnages was small. East St. Louis 6c. The American Smelting Co. was quoting 6.25c. New York Lead ore in the tri-State district was unchanged at \$80. London on the 9th inst. advanced 5s. to £20 7s. 6d. for spot and £20 17s. 6d. for futures; sales 200 tons spot and 150 futures. On the 10th inst. spot in London declined 1s. 3d. to £20 6s. 3d.; futures unchanged; sales 1,200 futures.

ZINC was rather quiet and lower. The price was 5.60c. East St. Louis. Consumers have covered their requirements pretty well, having bought heavily when the price was around 6c. In London on the 9th inst. prices advanced 3s. 9d to £25 16s. 3d. for spot and £25 11s. 3d. for futures; sales 75 tons spot and 350 futures. On the 10th inst. London declined 2s. 6d. on the spot to £25 13s. 9d.; futures off 1s. 3d. to £25 10s.; sales 25 tons spot and 175 futures.

STEEL has been as a rule quiet and more or less unsettled. Pittsburgh reports that blue annealed sheets are 2.10c. to 2.15c. against 2.15c. for short time and 2.25c. for several months. Galvanized sheets are 3.65c. as a rule, rather than 3.75c. Sheet prices are still far higher than they were last April. Plates weakened; prices are quietly reduced for worthwhile tonnages. Bars are irregular: Bar shapes and plates are nominally 1.75c. Pittsburgh; Chicago 1.85c., the usual differential. Strip steel hot and cold sell a little more freely but not up to the normal amount at this time. Declines in the west and elsewhere of a dollar or two a ton below quoted levels are reported on automobile buying. Makers quote 3c. in Pitts-

burgh on cold strips, 5 tons or more; 2.10c. on hot strips 6 inches wide or wider and 2.30c. on material narrower than 6 inches. Strip mills operate at 50 to 60%. In New York jobbing trade is better. October sales were larger than in September. Philadelphia jobbers have been selling mild steel bars at 2.45c. ex-warehouse at a relatively lower price than at New York. Steel rails have met with a steady demand. It seems to be the one bright spot in the steel situation. The New York Central ordered 177,140 tons, i.e. 83,340 tons from the Bethlehem Steel Co., 67,950 tons from the Illinois Steel Co., 15,000 from the Inland Steel Co. and 10,850 tons from the Carnegie Steel Co. The St. Louis-San Francisco has bought 35,000 tons. Tie plates are wanted. The Missouri Pacific asked quotations on 3,000,000 tie plates and the International and Great Northern on 1,250,000. Sales of pipe were 150,000 tons. Youngstown's business is largely confined to pipe. Some large structural steel projects are pending and the Ford Motor Co. is inquiring for large tonnages of steel for the first time in months. Oil interests have it is said bought a little more freely. This and railroad buying have brightened the outlook a little but it could stand a good deal more brightening.

PIG IRON has been quiet. New England floods have hampered shipments. Embargoes were placed there. The situation in general shows no improvement. The average price is \$2.67 lower than a year ago. As a rule no changes have been made in the nominal quotations. Birmingham reports a slight increase in business. Pittsburgh says that southern pig iron was suddenly marked down \$1.25 to \$1.6. Within a month, Philadelphia, Cleveland and Chicago have all declined. Prices at Valley furnaces were unchanged but are more or less nominal, lacking a real test. Heavy melting steel delivered Pittsburgh district was \$14 to \$14.50, a decline of 50c.

WOOL has been steady but quiet. A government report from Boston on November 9th said: "The demand for territory combing wools is showing a slight improvement this week. Most of the buying is on the fine grades with a moderate volume on the 1/2 blood and 3/8 blood grades. A fair quantity of Texas 12 months wool has recently been moved at about \$1.10, scoured basis, for the choicest lots and at \$1.05-\$1.08 clean basis for the average 12 months growth. Sales of the Texas fall wool opened yesterday and the private reports to dealers here indicate demand strong. As high as 85c. clean basis, landed Boston is reported to have been paid for fall Texas wool." Sales at sealed bids were held at San Angelo on November 9th when a line of 380,000 lbs. was taken by Boston at a price reported to have been slightly over 33c. One lot of 175,000 lbs. was withdrawn. Some smaller lots were sold at 33c. and 33 1/2c. and a small quantity of lambs' wool at 34 1/2c. The March Bros' accumulation in San Angelo is reported to have been sold at 34c. and the Mertzson wool at 34 1/2c. while a large line is rumored to have been sold in Del Rio, possibly 800,000 lbs. at 34c. flat. A sale is scheduled for tomorrow at Kerrville. At Melbourne on Nov. 9th of 4700 bales over 96% were sold. Demand sharp and widespread. Prices were at the highest point of the season, i.e. Jaw Boobula 26d; Hartwood 25 1/2d; Zara 25 1/4d; comebacks: Yarran 25 1/2d; Zarrayne 25 1/4d and Berry Jerry 24 3/4d. At Perth on Nov. 8th about 20,000 bales were offered including a selection of superfine types, competition being brisk. Compared with the sale of Oct. 18th topmaking sorts were up 5% and other descriptions 10% higher. At Perth on December 6th offerings will be 20,000 bales. At Geelong for the week ending Nov. 10th, 10,500 bales were offered and most of it sold. Attendance good. Demand sharp. Prices as compared with October 19th were 5 to 7 1/2 points higher on greasy and medium and good merinos. Combacks and crossbreds and 10% higher on crossbred medium. Prices at the two opening sales last year averaged 16 1/4d as against 20 1/4d this season.

COTTON.

Friday Night, Nov. 11, 1927.

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 390,293 bales, against 438,156 bales last week and 424,130 bales the previous week, making the total receipts since the 1st of August 1927, 4,404,076 bales, against 5,571,600 bales for the same period of 1926, showing a decrease since Aug. 1 1926 of 1,167,524 bales.

Receipts at—	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Total.
Galveston	16,278	16,288	42,866	16,295	10,066	12,315	114,108
Texas City	—	—	—	—	—	5,901	5,901
Houston	23,383	33,302	27,950	15,781	17,162	16,417	133,995
Corpus Christi	—	—	—	—	—	6,334	6,334
New Orleans	8,141	13,314	9,410	20,282	9,377	9,440	69,964
Mobile	832	1,673	2,392	1,547	1,050	1,290	8,784
Savannah	3,984	4,118	3,578	2,447	2,056	1,314	17,497
Charleston	1,048	1,495	2,209	830	1,112	1,510	8,204
Wilmington	863	378	788	1,106	1,115	1,369	5,619
Norfolk	2,913	2,707	4,033	2,533	1,995	4,255	18,436
Baltimore	—	—	—	—	—	1,451	1,451
Totals this week	57,442	73,275	93,226	60,821	43,933	61,596	390,293

The following table shows the week's total receipts, the total since Aug. 1 1927 and the stocks to-night, compared with last year:

Receipts to Nov. 11.	1927.		1926.		Stock.	
	This Week.	Since Aug 1 1927.	This Week.	Since Aug 1 1926.	1927.	1926.
Galveston	114,108	1,077,788	124,455	1,415,766	591,458	652,140
Texas City	5,901	47,605	9,166	47,715	36,459	26,919
Houston	133,995	1,586,704	148,361	1,910,153	907,045	763,711
Corpus Christi	6,334	160,251	—	—	—	—
New Orleans	69,964	615,451	101,847	920,727	427,384	592,188
Mobile	8784	151,378	18,387	182,271	41,887	64,020
Pensacola	—	7,526	—	9,298	—	—
Jacksonville	—	—	48	194	593	533
Savannah	17,497	392,235	32,543	561,373	86,278	189,501
Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—
Charleston	8,204	173,378	20,759	275,715	71,463	121,572
Georgetown	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wilmington	5,619	52,416	3,356	49,252	24,428	21,257
Norfolk	18,436	110,179	25,509	168,646	78,033	112,304
N'port News, &c.	—	—	—	—	—	—
New York	—	3,698	150	3,748	213,818	95,800
Boston	—	1,934	707	4,742	4,741	1,352
Baltimore	1,451	23,370	3,108	21,401	1,093	1,785
Philadelphia	—	155	50	599	7,709	7,958
Totals	390,293	4,404,076	488,446	5,571,600	2,492,389	2,651,040

In order that comparison may be made with other years, we give below the totals at leading ports for six seasons:

Receipts at—	1927.	1926.	1925.	1924.	1923.	1922.
Galveston	114,108	124,455	143,828	159,492	115,381	97,322
Houston*	133,995	148,361	47,990	62,558	69,701	36,286
New Orleans	69,964	101,847	81,747	86,470	53,034	67,905
Mobile	8,784	18,387	10,497	4,960	1,228	3,513
Savannah	17,497	32,543	21,267	21,192	20,977	11,427
Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—	—
Charleston	8,204	20,759	8,485	11,120	11,637	4,385
Wilmington	5,619	3,356	3,780	4,689	6,509	3,863
Norfolk	18,436	25,509	22,035	21,349	23,452	19,495
N'port N., &c.	—	—	—	—	—	—
All others	13,686	13,229	3,742	1,772	5,548	7,382
Total this wk.	390,293	488,446	343,371	373,602	307,467	251,578
Since Aug. 1.	4,404,076	5,571,600	4,300,774	3,782,528	3,212,759	2,981,807

* Beginning with the season of 1926, Houston figures include movement of cotton previously reported by Houston as an interior town. The distinction between port and town has been abandoned.

The exports for the week ending this evening reach a total of 166,995 bales, of which 22,129 were to Great Britain, 38,503 to France, 53,831 to Germany, 8,462 to Italy, 19,826 to Japan and China and 24,244 to other destinations. In the corresponding week last year total exports were 196,476 bales. For the season to date aggregate exports have been 2,463,009 bales, against 2,980,592 bales in the same period of the previous season. Below are the exports for the week:

Week Ended Nov. 11 1927. Exports from—	Exported to—							Total.
	Great Britain.	France.	Germany.	Italy.	Russia.	Japan & China.	Other.	
Galveston	5,603	4,183	7,648	—	—	13,351	7,879	38,664
Houston	8,028	23,657	16,871	—	—	—	5,600	54,156
Corpus Christi	781	1,621	1,550	357	—	—	2,025	6,334
New Orleans	4,627	4,710	8,385	3,605	—	3,225	7,640	32,192
Mobile	—	—	—	—	—	2,800	—	2,800
Savannah	—	2,940	8,610	—	—	—	—	11,600
Charleston	—	1,375	—	—	—	—	—	50
Wilmington	—	—	4,700	4,500	—	—	—	9,200
Norfolk	2,990	—	2,100	—	—	—	—	300
New York	—	17	1,117	—	—	—	—	750
San Pedro	100	—	2,850	—	—	450	—	3,400
Total	22,129	38,503	53,831	8,462	—	19,826	24,244	166,995
Total 1926	59,887	26,202	37,765	8,394	—	47,905	16,323	196,476
Total 1925	59,886	28,879	47,210	20,959	—	30,767	17,403	205,104

From Aug. 1 1927 to Nov. 11 1927. Exports from—	Exported to—							Total.
	Great Britain.	France.	Germany.	Italy.	Russia.	Japan & China.	Other.	
Galveston	68,126	129,234	145,280	44,173	11,400	109,680	93,707	601,600
Houston	83,328	137,369	188,477	41,681	50,000	117,723	62,684	681,262
Texas City	3,576	—	—	—	—	—	—	3,576
Corp. Christi	24,160	35,992	52,523	5,000	3,100	20,921	17,995	159,891
New Orleans	52,065	29,850	89,692	33,701	36,626	88,593	30,173	360,700
Mobile	15,155	1,174	48,561	500	—	14,525	2,000	81,915
Savannah	724	—	5,702	—	—	—	—	1,100
Pensacola	48,411	5,030	232,230	3,401	—	27,225	13,413	329,710
Charleston	17,139	1,715	85,871	2,450	—	500	10,955	118,630
Wilmington	—	—	13,200	15,917	—	—	—	29,117
Norfolk	13,665	100	30,997	—	—	—	1,748	46,510
New York	4,180	2,296	9,323	1,290	—	—	10,737	27,826
Boston	331	15	185	—	—	—	—	381
Baltimore	—	517	—	120	—	—	—	637
Philadelphia	100	—	45	—	—	—	—	146
Los Angeles	1,100	2,104	6,850	391	—	550	7	11,002
San Fran.	—	—	—	—	—	1,550	24	1,574
Seattle	—	—	—	—	—	675	—	675
Total	332,060	345,396	908,936	148,624	101,126	381,942	244,925	2,463,009
Total 1926	779,656	346,376	852,580	224,385	117,873	384,082	275,640	2,980,592
Total 1925	792,679	313,324	840,197	195,006	96,323	315,337	279,816	2,832,642

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:

Nov. 11 at—	On Shipboard, Not Cleared for—					Leaving Stock.
	Great Britain.	France.	Germany.	Other Foreign.	Coast-wise.	
Galveston	7,300	7,100	9,000	36,000	8,000	67,400
New Orleans	8,002	2,708	6,972	25,787	3,212	46,681
Savannah	5,000	—	—	2,000	500	7,500
Charleston	—	—	—	—	640	640
Mobile	12,000	225	—	—	—	12,225
Norfolk	—	—	1,200	14,500	2,500	16,200
Other ports*	2,000	1,000	4,000	8,000	—	15,000
Total 1927	34,302	11,033	21,172	86,287	14,852	167,646
Total 1926	54,669	33,013	62,677	88,316	11,609	250,284
Total 1925	50,021	21,036	45,113	83,776	12,997	212,943

* Estimated.

Speculation in cotton for future delivery has been active at rapidly declining prices. In two days the drop was over 200 points. It was all traceable to the Government report

on the 8th inst. That was a big surprise. The generality of people had looked for a decrease of about 300,000 bales. The average estimate by the members of the Exchange was 12,555,000 bales. When the estimate was given as 12,842,000 bales it was the signal for a wild outburst of selling, and the decline on the 8th inst. amounted to about 150 points. The next day it was 50 to 60 points. Rallies were without gripping power, and did not last. The great decline unearthed "stale" long accounts of unexpected volume. In truth the long account generally was far larger than had been suspected. The stress had been on the large trade and speculative short interest. But it was plain from the action of the market on the 8th inst. that the bulls were discouraged by the recent action of the market. It was known that the weather had been very favorable for maturing the crop in the eastern belt. It was supposed that the western belt may have lost during October some 500,000 to 600,000 bales and that the eastern belt had gained at least half that much. In other words the net loss, as already stated, was supposed to have been about 300,000 bales. That was the popular idea. Some believed it was less. But when trading was resumed after the Government report received on Nov. 8, selling came from all directions. The ginning was about as expected. That did not figure in the decline. The reason for the increase in the crop estimate was the generally warm and dry weather in October. That permitted the gathering of the crop with less than the usual loss in yield and quality. Singular to say, too, the bolls damaged by the weevil have matured with less loss from rot than is generally the case. The prospects improved most in Alabama, Mississippi and Oklahoma. In Alabama the increase for the month was 110,000 bales; in Mississippi 105,000; and in Oklahoma 60,000 although it had been supposed that there would be a decrease in Oklahoma. There were small increases in Georgia, Louisiana and Tennessee.

The decrease in Texas for the month was only 130,000 bales. Arkansas changed but little, and Oklahoma as we have seen gained something. The estimated decrease of 600,000 bales was a kind of chimera. It simply did not exist. It mattered nothing that the total crop as reported showed a loss of about 28½% as compared with last year. The market was in no mood to consider a thing of that kind. It was the disappointment to the bulls that counted in a moderate gain instead of a substantial loss in the crop. The ginning up to Nov. 1 was stated at 9,925,795 bales against 8,120,000 up to Oct. 8, 11,253,873 bales on Nov. 1 last year and 11,207,197 on Nov. 1 1925. It is figured that the percentage of the crop ginned up to Nov. 1 was 77.3% against 63.4% up to the same time last year. The yield per acre was given as 151.2 lbs. against 192.6 lbs. in 1926, 167.2 in 1925 and 156.3 for the 10 years from 1917-1926. Spot markets dropped 100 points on the 8th inst. and 40 points the next day. On the 10th inst. there was considerable hedge selling. The mills fixed prices to some extent, but not heavily. The spot demand was not active. The total reported sales on the 10th inst. were only a little over 24,000 bales. Recently the daily sales have continued to run well behind those of the corresponding days last year.

Moreover a new factor was injected into the situation when the Association of Cotton Textile Merchants of New York reported that the sales of standard cloths in October were only 68% of October's output, that stocks increased in October 17.6% and that unfilled orders fell off in the same month 13.6%. There was much talk about this. It seemed to some promontory of a further decline in the textile situation in this country. Fall River sales for some weeks past have been only 30,000 to 50,000 pieces of print cloths per week. Worth Street on the reception of the Bureau report became dull and unsettled. Manchester was quiet. Liverpool did not become quite so depressed over the statement as New York did, but still there was local and Continental liquidation there.

On the other hand the technical position has no doubt been improved by the very heavy liquidation since the Government report appeared. The tendency, too, is to augment the short account. After all, a crop of 12,842,000 bales is 5,135,000 bales smaller than the last, 3,200,000 less than the crop of 1925, and even 800,000 less than that of 1924. At the same time it is figured that recent world's consumption of American cotton was at the rate of 16,000,000 bales for the year. The spot basis at the South was reported to be generally firm. It was declared that there was a noticeable disinclination on the part of many spot holders to accept current prices. Reports were rife to the effect that there were a good many buying orders for trade account especially for January, at not very much under current quotations. Europe's stocks thus far this season have increased some 700,000 bales less than they did during the same time last season. Some Continental fixing of prices has been done here. European stocks are steadily decreasing, as imports of American cotton have fallen off while of course there has been a steady using up of supplies on hand. It is said, too, that a great many of the contracts sold here of late have gone into strong hands, although it is not denied that on the 10th inst. much of the buying was to take profits on the short side, rather than for account of the mills. As usual there are assertions that the government overestimated the crop. This time the States mentioned are more particularly, Ten-

nessee, Oklahoma, Missouri and North Carolina. Some of the reports prognosticate a substantial revival of Lanca-shire's trade in cloths under the favoring influence of lower prices for raw cotton and freer conditions of business. There are those who believe that even with a crop around 13,000,000 bales 20 cents is not too high.

To-day prices advanced 50 to 57 points with offerings smaller, contracts at times being scarce, covering larger, mill fixing on a greater scale at home and abroad and a prediction of freezing weather in Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas. A reaction was due. The technical position was stronger. New speculation was not brisk, however, after the recent debacle. It will take more than one day of stronger markets to restore the courage of the bulls. Final prices show a decline for the week of 72 to 95 points. Spot cotton closed at 20.25c. for middling a decline of 95 points.

The following averages of the differences between grades, as figured from the Nov. 10 quotations of the ten markets designated by the Secretary of Agriculture, are the differences from middling established for deliveries in the New York market on Nov. 17:

Middling fair.....	1.07 on	*Middling yellow tinged.....	1.82 off
Strict good middling.....	.83 on	*Strict low middling yellow tinged.....	2.92 off
Good middling.....	.63 on	*Low middling yellow tinged.....	4.07 off
Strict middling.....	.43 on	Good mid. light yellow stained.....	1.08 off
Middling.....	Basis	*Strict mid. light yellow stained.....	1.59 off
Strict low middling.....	.53 off	*Middling light yellow stained.....	2.53 off
Low middling.....	1.43 off	Good middling yellow stained.....	1.85 off
*Strict good ordinary.....	2.45 off	*Strict middling yellow stained.....	2.38 off
*Good ordinary.....	3.45 off	*Middling yellow stained.....	3.18 off
Good middling spotted.....	.23 on	Good middling gray.....	.55 off
Strict middling spotted.....	.02 off	Strict middling gray.....	.88 off
Middling spotted.....	.53 off	*Middling gray.....	1.25 off
*Strict low middling spotted.....	1.39 off	*Good middling blue stained.....	1.85 off
*Low middling spotted.....	2.59 off	*Strict middling blue stained.....	2.53 off
Strict good middling yellow tinged.....	.07 off	*Middling blue stained.....	3.36 off
Good middling yellow tinged.....	.45 off		
Strict middling yellow tinged.....	.82 off		

* Not deliverable on future contracts.

The official quotation for middling upland cotton in the New York market each day for the past week has been:

Nov. 5 to Nov. 11—	Sat. Mon. Tues. Wed. Thurs. Fri.
Middling upland.....	21.25 21.25 Holiday 20.25 19.85 20.25

NEW YORK QUOTATIONS FOR 32 YEARS.

The quotations for middling upland at New York on Nov. 11 for each of the past 32 years have been as follows:

1927	20.25c.	1919	40.20c.	1911	9.50c.	1903	11.15c.
1926	12.70c.	1918	31.15c.	1910	14.80c.	1902	8.30c.
1925	21.10c.	1917	29.10c.	1909	14.95c.	1901	7.88c.
1924	24.55c.	1916	19.40c.	1908	9.30c.	1900	9.56c.
1923	33.50c.	1915	11.85c.	1907	10.90c.	1899	7.62c.
1922	26.15c.	1914c.	1906	10.10c.	1898	5.31c.
1921	17.40c.	1913	13.60c.	1905	11.65c.	1897	5.94c.
1920	20.05c.	1912	12.20c.	1904	10.25c.	1896	8.12c.

MARKET AND SALES AT NEW YORK.

	Spot Market Closed.	Futures Market Closed.	SALES.		
			Spot.	Contr't	Total.
Saturday	Steady, 5 pts. adv.	Steady	1,091	---	1,091
Monday	Steady, unchanged.	Steady	1,500	---	1,500
Tuesday	HOLIDAY	HOLIDAY	---	---	---
Wednesday	Quiet, 100 pts. dec.	Steady	1,791	---	1,791
Thursday	Quiet, 40 pts. dec.	Barely steady	1,600	---	1,600
Friday	Steady, 40 pts. adv.	Very steady	100	---	100
Total week	-----	-----	6,082	---	6,082
Since Aug. 1	-----	-----	130,278	207,700	337,978

FUTURES.—The highest, lowest and closing prices at New York for the past week have been as follows:

	Saturday, Nov. 5.	Monday, Nov. 7.	Tuesday, Nov. 8.	Wednesday, Nov. 9.	Thursday, Nov. 10.	Friday, Nov. 11.
Nov.—						
Range..	—	20.96-20.96			19.95-19.95	19.64-19.64
Closing.	20.74	20.78		19.79	19.43	19.93
Dec.—						
Range..	20.77-20.90	20.80-21.00		19.57-21.00	19.28-19.90	19.42-19.86
Closing.	20.82-20.84	20.83-20.86		19.84-19.86	19.38-19.44	19.83-19.86
Jan.—						
Range..	20.81-20.94	20.87-20.99		19.45-21.05	19.30 9.91	19.44-19.93
Closing.	20.84-20.85	20.88-20.92		19.89-19.91	19.42-19.43	19.90-19.93
Feb.—						
Range..	—	20.96		20.00	19.51	19.98
Closing.	20.92	20.96		20.00	19.51	19.98
March—						
Range..	20.98-21.08	21.04-21.18		19.91-21.25	19.51-20.16	19.65-20.10
Closing.	21.00-21.01	21.05-21.06		20.10-20.13	19.61-19.65	20.06-20.10
April—						
Range..	—	—		19.95-19.95	—	—
Closing.	21.04	21.10		20.10	19.66	20.14
May—			HOLIDAY			
Range..	21.09-21.18	21.12-21.27		20.01-21.34	19.61-20.24	19.78-20.25
Closing.	21.09-21.13	21.14-21.17		20.18-20.20	19.72-19.76	20.21-20.25
June—						
Range..	—	—		20.09	19.66	20.14
Closing.	20.98	21.04		20.09	19.66	20.14
July—						
Range..	20.80-20.88	20.91-21.03		19.83-21.19	19.50-20.08	19.60-20.11
Closing.	20.87	20.94-20.96		20.00	19.55	20.10-20.11
August—						
Range..	—	—		20.86-20.86	—	—
Closing.	20.59	20.66		19.85	19.40	19.82
Sept.—						
Range..	—	—		19.50-19.90	—	—
Closing.	20.31	20.38		19.56	19.20	19.56
October—						
Range..	19.97-20.08	20.03-20.17		19.07-20.20	18.90-19.35	19.00-19.35
Closing.	20.04-20.06	20.10		19.27	18.95	19.30

Range of future prices at New York for week ending Nov. 11 1927 and since trading began on each option:

Option for—	Range for Week.	Range Since Beginning of Option.
Nov. 1927..	19.64 Nov. 11 20.96 Nov. 7	12.75 Dec. 6 1926 23.77 Sept. 9 1927
Dec. 1927..	19.28 Nov. 10 21.00 Nov. 7	13.36 Jan. 3 1927 24.72 Sept. 8 1927
Jan. 1928..	19.30 Nov. 10 21.05 Nov. 9	14.11 Mar. 15 1927 24.77 Sept. 8 1927
Feb. 1928..	—	18.19 July 12 1927 23.73 Sept. 8 1927
Mar. 1928..	19.51 Nov. 10 21.25 Nov. 9	14.75 April 4 1927 24.99 Sept. 8 1927
April 1928..	19.95 Nov. 9 19.95 Nov. 9	18.35 July 12 1927 26.67 Aug. 31 1927
May 1928..	19.61 Nov. 10 21.34 Nov. 9	17.35 Aug. 3 1927 25.07 Sept. 8 1927
June 1928..	—	21.40 Oct. 14 1927 21.77 Sept. 19 1927
July 1928..	19.50 Nov. 10 21.19 Nov. 9	19.50 Nov. 10 1927 24.70 Sept. 8 1927
Aug. 1928..	20.86 Nov. 9 20.86 Nov. 9	20.86 Nov. 9 1927 20.86 Nov. 9 1927
Sept. 1928..	19.50 Nov. 9 19.50 Nov. 9	19.20 Oct. 24 1927 21.10 Oct. 27 1927
Oct. 1928..	18.90 Nov. 10 20.20 Nov. 9	18.90 Nov. 10 1927 20.20 Nov. 9 1927

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 foreign figures are brought down to Thursday evening. But to make the total the complete figures for to-night (Friday), we add the item of exports from the United States, including in it the exports of Friday only.

Nov. 11—	1927.	1926.	1925.	1924.
Stock at Liverpool.....bales.	910,000	899,000	558,000	371,000
Stock at London.....	-----	-----	-----	2,000
Stock at Manchester.....	81,000	79,000	40,000	22,000
Total Great Britain.....	991,000	978,000	598,000	395,000
Stock at Hamburg.....	-----	-----	-----	1,000
Stock at Bremen.....	476,000	241,000	241,000	74,000
Stock at Havre.....	201,000	151,000	104,000	92,000
Stock at Rotterdam.....	11,000	4,000	3,000	3,000
Stock at Barcelona.....	98,000	25,000	42,000	42,000
Stock at Genoa.....	29,000	29,000	12,000	40,000
Stock at Ghent.....	-----	-----	-----	1,000
Stock at Antwerp.....	-----	-----	-----	2,000
Total Continental stocks.....	815,000	450,000	402,000	255,000
Total European markets.....	1,806,000	1,428,000	1,000,000	650,000
India cotton afloat for Europe.....	60,000	27,000	68,000	30,000
American cotton afloat for Europe.....	617,000	789,000	853,000	752,000
Egypt, Brazil, &c. afloat for Europe.....	90,000	124,000	144,000	131,000
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt.....	409,000	295,000	233,000	215,000
Stock in Bombay, India.....	220,000	220,000	347,000	264,000
Stock in U. S. ports.....	2,492,389 ^a	2,651,040	1,400,297	1,339,333
Stock in U. S. interior towns.....	1,260,956 ^a	1,349,950	1,646,178	1,411,260
U. S. exports to-day.....	2,100	-----	13,683	3,200

Total visible supply.....	6,957,445	6,883,990	5,705,158	4,795,793
Of the above, totals of American and other descriptions are as follows:				
American—				
Liverpool stock.....bales.	605,000	537,000	267,000	236,000
Manchester stock.....	65,000	63,000	29,000	15,000
Continental stock.....	758,000	408,000	373,000	226,000
American afloat for Europe.....	617,000	789,000	853,000	752,000
U. S. port stocks.....	2,492,389 ^a	2,651,040	1,400,297	1,339,333
U. S. interior stocks.....	1,260,956 ^a	1,349,950	1,646,178	1,411,260
U. S. exports to-day.....	2,100	-----	13,683	3,200

Total American.....	5,800,445	5,797,990	4,582,158	3,982,793
East Indian, Brazil, &c.—				
Liverpool stock.....	305,000	362,000	291,000	135,000
London stock.....	-----	-----	-----	2,000
Manchester stock.....	16,000	16,000	11,000	7,000
Continental stock.....	57,000	42,000	29,000	29,000
Indian afloat for Europe.....	60,000	27,000	68,000	30,000
Egypt, Brazil, &c. afloat.....	90,000	124,000	144,000	131,000
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt.....	409,000	295,000	233,000	215,000
Stock in Bombay, India.....	220,000	220,000	347,000	264,000
Total East India, &c.....	1,157,000	1,086,000	1,123,000	813,000
Total American.....	5,800,445	5,797,990	4,582,158	3,982,793

Total visible supply.....	6,957,445	6,883,990	5,705,158	4,795,793
Middling uplands, Liverpool.....	11,041	6,952	10,582	13,874
Middling uplands, New York.....	20,025	13,056	20,900	24,800
Egypt, good Sakel, Liverpool.....	19,952	16,552	21,652	26,500
Peruvian, rough good, Liverpool.....	12,752	13,252	23,000	21,000
Broach, fine, Liverpool.....	9,752	6,302	9,752	13,052
Tinnevely, good, Liverpool.....	10,252	6,852	10,252	13,602

a Houston stocks are now included in the port stocks; in previous years they formed part of the interior stocks.
Continental imports for past week have been 193,000 bales. The above figures for 1927 show an increase over last week of 138,015 bales, a gain of 73,455 over 1926, an increase of 1,252,287 bales over 1925, and an increase of 2,161,652 bales over 1924.

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 Nov. 11 1927.						Movement to Nov. 12 1926.					
	Receipts.		Shp-ments.	Stocks.	Receipts.		Shp-ments.	Stocks.	Receipts.		Shp-ments.	Stocks.
	Week.	Season.			Week.	Season.			Week.	Season.		
Ala., Birmlng'm	4,844	58,041	3,817	21,880	3,818	39,691	2,235	14,140	3,818	39,691	2,235	14,140
Eufaula.....	537	16,271	525	11,776	1,500	16,193	1,500	7,500	1,500	16,193	1,500	7,500
Montgomery.....	2,021	63,504	3,484	39,006	6,548	84,260	4,966	26,957	6,548	84,260	4,966	26,957
Selma.....	1,333	51,142	1,990	32,117	5,816	62,498	4,657	35,725	5,816	62,498	4,657	35,725
Ark., Blytheville.....	7,118	38,836	2,847	26,326	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Forest City.....	3,127	22,474	2,552	14,756	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Helena.....	3,436	20,887	2,389	21,626	5,393	50,866	3,807	41,437	5,393	50,866	3,807	41,437
Hope.....	2,205	35,218	2,078	10,215	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Jonesboro.....	2,447	15,056	2,708	5,532	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Little Rock.....	5,102	66,302	5,034	31,239	11,781	122,517	8,119	71,705	11,781	122,517	8,119	71,705
Newport.....	4,086	31,378	3,043	8,316	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Pine Bluff.....	9,877	66,184	6,491	38,715	10,011	86,735	5,612	66,545	10,011	86,735	5,612	66,545
Walnut Ridge.....	3,268	12,354	3,281	5,046	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Ga., Albany.....	45	4,818	103	2,368	540	7,766	515	3,968	540	7,766	515	3,968
Athens.....	2,878	41,329	1,176	26,837	1,500	18,860	1,000	10,422	1,500	18,860	1,000	10,422
Atlanta.....	4,230	50,852	2,846	19,402	15,512	123,555	12,310	81,008	15,512	123,555	12,310	81,008
Augusta.....	8,436	182,180	4,622	121,481	11,433	191,814	9,049	113,306	11,433	191,814	9,049	113,306
Columbus.....	3,400	28,606	4,000	13,728	1,740	23,930	3,300	6,243	1,740	23,930	3,300	6,243
Macon.....	873	43,135	829	10,214	3,409	60,450	3,629	15,570	3,409	60,450	3,629	15,570
Rome.....	1,648	22,483	1,100	12,981	4,219	25,869	2,300	20,209	4,219	25,869	2,300	20,209
La., Shreveport.....	6,014	72,765	3,812	46,585	12,664	95,373	10,886	43,363	12,664	95,373	10,886	43,363
Miss., Clarksdale.....	8,176	115,649	5,738	82,570	8,398	102,092	6,840	96,208	8,398	102,092	6,840	96,208
Columbus.....	1,813	26,431	1,537	9,128	3,281	26,312	2,912	9,617	3,281	26,312	2,912	9,617
Greenwood.....	11,763	112,109	6,299	81,526	10,000	98,617	8,000	90,000	10,000	98,617	8,000	90,000
Meridian.....	1,158	33,314	1,335	11,294	1,914	35,518	2,323	15,740	1,914	35,518	2,323	15,740
Natchez.....	1,558	28,389	794	20,165	1,573	24,323	1,771	10,073	1,573	24,323	1,771	10,073
Vicksburg.....	1,000	12,465	500	7,710	945	20,897	669	20,188	945	20,897	669	20,188
Yazoo City.....	2,172	18,318	765	14,021	4,137	24,477	1,040	23,939	4,137	24,477	1,040	23,939
Mo., St. Louis.....	20,152	92,363	20,233	517	27,394	171,820	27,466	7,979	27,394	171,820	27,466	7,979
N.C., Greensboro.....	1,148	11,082	1,225	20,572	1,221	15,402	1,430	14,381	1,221	15,402	1,430	14,381
Raleigh.....	1,612	5,590	274	4,691	1,499	9,515	-----	9,242	1,499	9,515	-----	9,242
Okla., Altus.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	15,634	43,617	8,735	18,677	15,634	43,617	8,735	18,677
Chickasha.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	11,509	51,444	7,704	16,659	11,509	51,444	7,704	16,659
Okla. City.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	11,390	47,462	7,824	21,675	11,390	47,462	7,824	21,675
15 towns.....	72,704	385,998	64,123	109,334	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
S.C., Greenville.....	21,512	122,268	14,119	55,069	9,603	82,002	7,111	36,643	9,603	82,002	7,111	36,643
Greenwood.....	87,498	570,305	71,885	241,627	96,344	750,599	72,866	326,251	96,344	750,599	72,866	326,251
Nashville.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	21	3,261	232	604	21	3,261	232	604
Texas, Abilene.....	3,520	32,430	3,897	1,506	7,178	42,829	5,777	4,544	3,897	1,506	7,178	42,829
Austin.....	876	19,454	1,205	3,322	1,080	23,127	1,000	3,077	1,205	3,322	1,080	23,127
Brenham.....	695	18,032	607	11,286	440	17,270	160	7,227	607	11,286	440	17,270
Dallas.....	6,828	48,143	3,672	18,571	15,910	75,891	6,853	35,146	3,672	18,571	15,910	75,891
Ft. Worth.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	8,626	47,123	5,644	13,056	-----	-----	-----	-----
Paris.....	4,029	50,762	3,654	8,643	2,987	28,481	2,455	4,340	3,654	8,643	2,987	28,481
Robstown.....	20	29,653	-----	2,623	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
San Antonio.....	923	29,077	516	4,003	1,349	49,464	1,332	3,671	516	4,003	1,349	49,464
Texarkana.....	4,000	41,798	2,000	19,600	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Waco.....	2,571	65,180	2,691	12,990	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

Total, 57 towns 332,653 2,821,630 265,796 1260956 339,442 2,785,890 254,471 1349950
*Includes combined totals of 15 towns in Oklahoma. †Discontinued.

The above total shows that the interior stocks have increased during the week 61,021 bales and are to-night 88,994 bales less than at the same time last year. The receipts at all the towns have been 6,789 bales less than the same week last year.

OVERLAND MOVEMENT FOR THE WEEK AND SINCE AUG. 1.—We give below a statement showing the overland movement for the week and since Aug. 1, as made up from telegraphic reports Friday night. The results for the week and since Aug. 1 in the last two years are as follows:

Nov. 11—	1927		1926	
	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.
Shipped—				
Via St. Louis.....	20,233	93,369	27,466	176,518
Via Mounds, &c.....	13,300	73,309	14,740	99,485
Via Rock Island.....	802	1,820	521	3,257
Via Louisville.....	1,179	10,027	2,348	15,644
Via Virginia points.....	4,683	77,940	7,373	82,943
Via other routes, &c.....	6,500	83,885	9,581	146,440
Total gross overland.....	4			

Oklahoma.—In Oklahoma prospects have improved as a result of the ideal harvesting weather during October. In the eastern and southern portion of the State, where the yield this year is low and abandonment large, the major portion of the crop has been picked. In the western half of the State where a good yield is in prospect the crop is being picked under unusually favorable weather conditions, resulting in staple of good quality.

Texas.—In Texas October weather has been almost ideal for gathering the crop, only a few days of rain occurring. In the eastern part of the State it is probably the earliest crop picked for many years, and a large per cent of the crop is of high grade. In the northwestern part of the State frosts were delayed beyond their usual date.

Price Paid for Picking.

According to reports from growers, the price paid for picking this season has averaged \$1.12 per 100 lbs. of seed cotton. Last year the price of picking was reported at \$1.11. In 1925 the average was \$1.27, and in 1924 the average was \$1.25.

COTTON GINNING REPORT.—The Bureau of the Census on Nov. 9 issued the following report showing the number of bales of cotton ginned in each of the cotton-growing States the present season up to Nov. 1, in comparison with corresponding figures for the two preceding seasons. It appears that up to Nov. 1 1927 9,925,795 bales of cotton were ginned, against 11,253,873 bales for the corresponding period a year ago, and comparing with 11,207,197 bales two years ago. While the present ginnings up to Nov. 1 of 9,925,795 bales are under the ginnings of the two previous years, it must be remembered that the crop of 1926 and 1925 were both record-breaking crops, 17,977,374 bales having been ginned in 1926 and 16,103,679 bales in 1927. Below is the report in full:

NUMBER OF BALES OF COTTON GINNED FROM THE GROWTH OF 1927 PRIOR TO NOV. 1 1927, AND COMPARATIVE STATISTICS TO THE CORRESPONDING DATE IN 1926 AND 1925.

State—	Running Bales (Counting Round as Half Bales and Excluding Linters).		
	1927.	1926.	1925.
Alabama.....	1,986,088	1,128,176	1,175,957
Arizona.....	39,166	50,428	44,512
Arkansas.....	669,312	970,982	885,736
California.....	33,718	62,521	32,903
Florida.....	16,551	27,474	37,317
Georgia.....	1,009,257	1,102,101	1,114,333
Louisiana.....	476,429	615,649	744,825
Mississippi.....	1,112,557	1,275,500	1,334,592
Missouri.....	44,019	116,215	111,327
New Mexico.....	38,451	24,997	29,601
North Carolina.....	552,728	715,035	855,673
Oklahoma.....	620,550	632,395	828,601
South Carolina.....	598,725	676,316	818,879
Tennessee.....	220,113	267,681	301,275
Texas.....	3,395,902	3,564,934	2,852,535
Virginia.....	9,919	17,711	30,958
All other.....	2,310	5,788	8,173
United States.....	9,925,795	11,253,873	11,207,197

The statistics in this report include 343,689 round bales for 1927, 358,327 for 1926 and 184,706 for 1925.

The statistics for 1927 in this report are subject to correction when checked against the individual returns of the ginners being transmitted by mail. The corrected statistics of the quantity of cotton ginned this season prior to Oct. 18 are 8,120,201 bales.

CONSUMPTION, STOCKS, IMPORTS AND EXPORTS—UNITED STATES.
Cotton consumed during the month of Sept. 1927 amounted to 627,321 bales. Cotton on hand in consuming establishments on Sept. 30 was 1,118,776 bales and in public storage and at compresses 3,964,680 bales. The number of active consuming cotton spindles for the month was 32,343,454. The total imports for the month of Sept. 1927 were 28,346 bales and the exports of domestic cotton, including linters, were 631,041 bales.

WORLD STATISTICS.

The preliminary estimated world's production of commercial cotton, exclusive of linters, grown in 1926, as compiled from various sources is 27,900,000 bales of 478 pounds lint, while the consumption of cotton (exclusive of linters in the United States) for the year ending July 31 1926, was approximately 23,940,000 bales of 478 pounds lint. The total number of spinning cotton spindles, both active and idle, is about 164,000,000.

CONSOLIDATED COTTON REPORT.—The Bureau of the Census and the Agricultural Department made public Wednesday (Nov. 9) their consolidated cotton report, which is as follows:

Nov. 1 1927 Consolidated Cotton Report.

Ginnings to Nov. 1, 9,925,795 running bales; indicated total production, 12,842,000 bales, 500-lb. gross; indicated yield of lint cotton, 151.2 lbs. per acre.

Bureau of the Census.—Census report shows 9,925,795 running bales (counting round as half bales) ginned from the crop of 1927 prior to Nov. 1, compared with 11,253,873 for 1926 and 11,207,197 for 1925.

Department of Agriculture.—A production of 12,842,000 bales (500-lb. gross weight), based upon Nov. 1 indications is shown by the Crop Reporting Board of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT'S REPORT ON PRODUCTION AND CONDITION OF COTTON.—The Agricultural Department at Washington on Wednesday of this week (Nov. 9) issued its report on production and condition of cotton as of Nov. 1, making the crop 12,842,000 bales, which is 164,000 bales more than the estimated production a month ago. The Department's estimate for the same date last year put the crop at 17,918,000 bales, and showed an increase over the Oct. 1 1926 estimate of 1,350,000 bales, and the crop actually turned out to be 17,977,374 bales. In 1925 the Department estimated the crop at 15,386,000 bales as of Nov. 1, while at the end of the season the crop was found to be 16,103,679 500-pound bales. These figures all refer to the crop of lint cotton and do not take into consideration the linters, which in both 1925 and 1926 added over a million bales more to the size of the crop. The following is the complete official text of the report:

COTTON REPORT AS OF NOVEMBER 1 1927.

A United States cotton crop of 12,842,000 bales (500-lb. gross weight) in 1927 is indicated by reports as of Nov. 1 to the Crop Reporting Board of the United States Department of Agriculture. The Board's report is based upon data concerning condition, probable yields, ginnings, &c., from crop correspondents, ginners, field statisticians and co-operating State Boards (or Departments) of Agriculture and Agricultural Colleges.

Upon the 40,626,000 acres for harvest in 1927 (preliminary estimate) the crop of 12,842,000 bales would approximate a yield of 151.2 lbs. of lint cotton per acre.

The final total ginnings for the season will depend upon whether the various influences, affecting the harvesting of the portion of the crop in still the field will be more or less favorable than usual.

Ginnings in 1926 were 17,977,374 bales, in 1925 16,103,679 bales, in 1924 13,627,936 bales, in 1923 10,139,671 bales and in 1922 9,762,069 bales.

The yield in 1926 was 182.6 lbs., in 1925 167.2 lbs., for the five years 1922-1926 155.8 lbs., and for the ten years 1917-1926 156.3 lbs.

Details by States follow:

State.	Area Left for Harvest 1927. (Prelim.) Acres.	Yield per Acre.			Production (Ginnings), 500 Lbs. Gross Weight Bales.		
		10-yr. av. 1917-1926.	1926.	Indicated Nov. 1 1927.	1925 Crop.	1926 Crop.	1927 Crop Indicated Nov. 1 '27.
		a	a	b	c	c	
Virginia.....	72,000	241	264	226	53,000	51,000	34,000
No. Carolina.....	1,787,000	256	292	226	1,102,000	1,213,000	845,000
So. Carolina.....	2,425,000	191	182	144	889,000	1,008,000	730,000
Georgia.....	3,477,000	142	180	153	1,164,000	1,496,000	1,110,000
Florida.....	67,000	102	145	121	38,000	32,000	17,000
Missouri.....	289,000	248	240	182	229,000	218,000	110,000
Tennessee.....	935,000	176	188	179	515,000	451,000	350,000
Alabama.....	3,229,000	140	196	175	1,357,000	1,498,000	1,180,000
Mississippi.....	3,220,000	174	241	197	1,991,000	1,888,000	1,330,000
Louisiana.....	1,557,000	156	200	161	910,000	829,000	525,000
Texas.....	16,354,000	134	147	126	4,163,000	5,628,000	4,300,000
Oklahoma.....	3,668,000	151	181	137	1,691,000	1,773,000	1,050,000
Arkansas.....	3,156,000	168	195	151	1,600,000	1,548,000	1,000,000
New Mexico.....	101,000	273	299	335	66,000	75,000	71,000
Arizona.....	137,000	430	349	303	119,000	122,000	88,000
California.....	127,000	279	387	350	122,000	131,000	93,000
All other.....	23,000	197	189	187	26,000	17,000	9,000
U. S. total.....	40,626,000	156.3	182.6	151.2	16,104,000	17,977,000	12,842,000
Lower Calif. (Old Mex.).....	110,000	---	317	---	80,800	86,000	60,000

a Per harvested acre. b On area left for harvest. c Differences from Census figures are due to rounding and allowances for cross-State ginnings. d Four-year average. e Estimates of U. S. Department of Agriculture; not included in California figures nor in United States total.

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FOREIGN COTTON CROP PROSPECTS.—A report of the latest available information received up to Nov. 9 as to cotton production in foreign countries has been compiled by the Foreign Service of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics as follows:

Cotton production in foreign countries, as reported to date, is 1,403,000 bales, or 14.8% below the amount produced in the same countries last year, according to the Foreign Service of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. Area planted to cotton in foreign countries reported to date amounts to 25,012,000 acres, or 5.9% below the area planted in the same countries last season.

Dry weather and unusual frost have delayed cotton planting in Paraguay, according to a report received from the American Minister to Paraguay. Notwithstanding the climatic deterrent, a greater acreage is to be planted than ever before. Cotton acreage in Paraguay has increased from about 5,000 acres in 1921-22 to 30,000 acres for the 1925-26 season. No estimate of acreage has been received for the 1926-27 season, but production was reported at 12,000 bales of 478 lbs. net compared with 11,000 bales for the previous season.

Weather conditions during the spring and summer of this year were favorable to cotton in Soviet Central Asia (Turkistan), according to "Economic Life."

Cotton picking was practically completed in Egypt during the last part of October, according to trade reports. The ginning yield of all varieties is lower than last year and the difference is estimated at from 3 to 4%.

The cotton crop in the Laguna District, Mexico, is now estimated at not more than 75,000 bales compared with about 200,000 bales last year, according to a report received from Consul Jackson stationed at Torreon, Mexico. In June the Laguna crop was estimated at 90,000 bales, but there has been considerable deterioration since that time due to damage by the boll weevil and pink boll worm. A certain amount of damage is always expected in this section from the pink boll worm, but the boll weevil as a rule does little damage. This year, however, both are very bad and the damage from these pests is said to be about 30% of the crop.

COTTON—AREA AND PRODUCTION IN COUNTRIES REPORTING FOR 1927-28, WITH COMPARISONS.

Item and Country.	Average 1909-10 to 1913-14.	1925-26.	1926-27.	1927-28.	Per Cent 1927-28 is of 1926-27.
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	
United States.....	34,152,000	46,053,000	47,087,000	40,626,000	86.3
India.....	18,569,000	22,752,000	22,143,000	20,592,000	93.0
Egypt.....	1,743,000	1,908,000	1,854,000	1,574,000	84.9
Russia.....	1,569,000	1,614,000	1,741,000	1,973,000	113.3
Chosen.....	146,000	485,000	529,000	502,000	94.9
Anglo-Egypt. Sudan.....	44,000	230,000	216,000	255,000	118.1
Bulgaria.....	2,000	8,000	7,000	22,000	314.3
Italy.....	9,000	9,000	9,000	10,000	111.1
Algeria.....	2,000	15,000	19,000	10,000	52.6
Syria.....	---	79,000	75,000	74,000	96.7
Total above countr. Est. world total, excluding China.....	62,500,000	83,400,000	81,300,000	65,638,000	89.1
Production b—	Bales.	Bales.	Bales.	Bales.	Per Cent.
United States.....	13,033,000	16,104,000	17,977,000	12,842,000	71.4
Egypt.....	1,453,000	1,629,000	1,487,000	1,255,000	83.8
Anglo-Egypt. Sudan.....	14,000	107,000	130,000	125,000	96.2
Bulgaria.....	1,000	2,000	3,000	9,000	300.0
Algeria.....	1,000	6,000	9,000	5,000	55.6
Syria.....	---	13,000	7,000	9,000	128.6
Total above countr. Est. world total, including China.....	20,900,000	27,900,000	28,000,000	14,245,000	72.6

a Second estimate incomplete. b Bales of 478 lbs. net. Official sources and International Institute of Agriculture.

WEATHER REPORTS BY TELEGRAPH.—Reports to us by telegraph this evening indicate that the weather during the week has continued favorable for cotton. Rainfall has been light and scattered. Killing frost occurred in some extreme northern sections of the cotton belt with little or no damage. Picking and ginning continue to make rapid progress.

Texas.—Ideal weather has prevailed during the week in this State for harvesting what cotton still remains in the field.

	Rain.	Rainfall.	Thermometer.		
			high	low	mean
Galveston, Tex.....	---	---	high 81	low 71	mean 76
Ablene.....	---	---	high 84	low 48	mean 66
Brownsville.....	---	---	high 86	low 66	mean 67
Corpus Christi.....	1 day	0.08 in.	high 86	low 66	mean 76
Dallas.....	---	---	high 88	low 52	mean 70
Del Rio.....	---	---	---	---	low 56
Palestine.....	---	---	high 84	low 56	mean 70
San Antonio.....	---	---	high 86	low 56	mean 71
Taylor.....	---	---	---	---	low 54
New Orleans, La.....	2 days	0.03 in.	---	---	mean 47
Shreveport.....	---	---	high 84	low 47	mean 66
Mobile, Ala.....	1 day	0.17 in.	high 81	low 50	mean 68
Savannah, Ga.....	---	---	high 79	low 40	mean 60
Charleston, S. C.....	1 day	0.05 in.	high 75	low 43	mean 59
Charlotte, N. C.....	1 day	0.08 in.	high 70	low 29	mean 48

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:

	Nov. 11 1927.	Nov. 12 1926.
	Feet.	Feet.
New Orleans.....	Above zero of gauge. 2.9	9.3
Memphis.....	Above zero of gauge. 8.9	21.2
Nashville.....	Above zero of gauge. 7.2	11.8
Shreveport.....	Above zero of gauge. 6.3	12.3
Vicksburg.....	Above zero of gauge. 15.2	30.0

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.

Week Ended	Receipts at Ports.			Stocks at Interior Towns.			Receipts from Plantations		
	1927.	1926.	1925.	1927.	1926.	1925.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Aug. 12.....	84,022	73,869	43,254	359,809	522,013	164,545	67,486	53,631	57,252
19.....	108,930	87,880	93,836	349,011	511,748	191,601	98,132	77,615	120,892
26.....	143,950	113,195	148,566	336,511	496,117	270,980	131,450	97,800	227,659
Sept. 2.....	248,049	187,891	250,017	336,614	488,127	357,322	248,152	179,901	336,359
9.....	261,473	208,801	211,619	371,441	490,340	525,502	296,300	211,014	379,797
16.....	319,945	330,427	358,650	421,618	533,485	643,994	370,122	373,572	473,097
23.....	334,837	410,234	325,890	524,594	631,415	872,105	437,133	508,164	554,001
30.....	406,030	567,704	494,293	647,605	744,323	957,762	529,041	680,612	580,130
Oct. 7.....	421,802	622,656	367,670	742,848	869,793	1,137,618	517,045	748,126	547,516
14.....	391,639	618,810	423,813	869,297	975,402	1,267,365	518,088	724,419	553,560
21.....	389,720	587,297	383,026	974,900	1,076,125	1,385,045	495,323	688,020	500,706
28.....	424,130	635,376	376,061	1,101,815	1,166,683	1,516,099	551,145	625,934	507,115
Nov. 4.....	438,156	608,763	437,549	1,199,935	1,264,450	1,568,003	536,276	606,530	489,453
11.....	390,293	488,446	343,371	1,260,956	1,349,950	1,646,178	451,314	573,946	421,546

The above statement shows: (1) That the total receipts from the plantations since Aug. 1 1927 are 5,283,058 bales; in 1926 were 6,154,478 bales, and in 1925 were 5,780,232 bales. (2) That although the receipts at the outports the past week were 390,293 bales, the actual movement from plantations was 451,314 bales, stocks at interior towns having increased 61,021 bales during the week. Last year receipts from the plantations for the week were 573,946 bales and for 1925 they were 421,546 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.	1927.		1926.	
	Week.	Season.	Week.	Season.
Visible supply Nov. 4.....	6,819,430		6,561,079	
Visible supply Aug. 1.....		4,961,754		3,646,413
American in sight to Nov. 11.....	593,224	6,846,162	719,477	8,035,275
Bombay receipts to Nov. 10.....	22,000	197,000	8,000	172,000
Other India shipments to Nov. 10.....	2,000	163,500		107,000
Alexandria receipts to Nov. 9.....	48,000	516,860	68,000	456,400
Other supply to Nov. 9.....	24,000	263,000	20,000	279,000
Total supply.....	7,508,654	12,948,276	7,376,556	12,696,088
Deduct.....				
Visible supply Nov. 11.....	6,957,445	6,957,445	6,883,990	6,883,990
Total takings to Nov. 11.....	551,209	5,990,831	492,566	5,812,098
Of which American.....	376,209	4,435,471	385,566	4,481,698
Of which other.....	175,000	1,555,360	107,000	1,330,400

* Embraces receipts in Europe from Brazil, Smyrna, West Indies, &c. a This total embraces since Aug. 1 the total estimated consumption by Southern mills, 1,631,000 bales in 1927 and 1,438,000 bales in 1926—takings not being available—and the aggregate amounts taken by Northern and foreign spinners, 4,359,831 bales in 1927 and 2,993,698 bales in 1926, of which 2,804,471 bales and 2,869,811 bales American. 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:

November 10. Receipts at—	1927.		1926.		1925.	
	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.
Bombay.....	29,000	197,000	8,000	172,000	44,000	231,000

Exports from	For the Week.				Since August 1.			
	Great Britain.	Continent.	Japan & China.	Total.	Great Britain.	Continent.	Japan & China.	Total.
Bombay—								
1927.....	1,000	3,000	4,000	12,000	87,000	155,000		254,000
1926.....	6,000	8,000	14,000	1,000	73,000	142,000		216,000
1925.....	1,000	6,000	13,000	20,000	106,000	116,000		232,000
Other India								
1927.....		2,000		2,000	19,500	144,000		163,500
1926.....					7,000	100,000		107,000
1925.....		4,000		4,000	28,000	106,000		134,000
Total all—								
1927.....	1,000	5,000	4,000	31,500	231,000	155,000		417,500
1926.....	6,000	8,000	14,000	8,000	173,000	142,000		323,000
1925.....	1,000	10,000	13,000	24,000	38,000	212,000		366,000

According to the foregoing, Bombay appears to show an increase compared with last year in the week's receipts of 14,000 bales. Exports from all India ports record a decrease of 8,000 bales during the week, and since Aug. 1 show an increase of 94,500 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, Nov. 10.	1927.		1926.		1925.	
Receipts (cantars)—						
This week.....	240,000		340,000		350,000	
Since Aug. 1.....	2,482,592		2,282,836		2,861,910	
Exports (bales)—	This Week.	Since Aug. 1.	This Week.	Since Aug. 1.	This Week.	Since Aug. 1.
To Liverpool.....	7,000	41,373	8,250	54,772	7,250	53,152
To Manchester, &c.....		39,889	8,750	43,046		42,374
To Continent and India.....	13,000	101,977	20,000	88,263	20,750	91,935
To America.....	15,000	40,378	300	24,233	100	20,892
Total exports.....	35,000	223,617	37,300	210,314	28,100	208,353

Note.—A cantar is 99 lbs. Egyptian bales weight about 750 lbs. This statement shows that the receipts for the week ending Nov. 10 were 240,000 cantars and the foreign shipments 35,000 bales.

MANCHESTER MARKET.—Our report received by cable to-night from Manchester states that the market in yarns is easy and in cloths is quiet. Demand for both yarn and cloth is poor. We give prices to-day below and leave those for previous weeks of this and last year for comparison.

	1927.					1926.				
	32s Cop Twists.	8½ Lbs. Shirts, Common to Finest.	Cotton Midd'l's Upl'ds	32s Cop Twists.	8½ Lbs. Shirts, Common to Finest.	Cotton Midd'l's Upl'ds	32s Cop Twists.	8½ Lbs. Shirts, Common to Finest.	Cotton Midd'l's Upl'ds	
August—	d.	d.	s. d.	s. d.	d.	d.	s. d.	s. d.	d.	
12.....	17 @ 19	13 5 @ 13 7	10.40	15½ @ 16½	13 0 @ 13 2	9.35				
19.....	16½ @ 17½	13 5 @ 13 7	10.60	15½ @ 16½	13 0 @ 13 4	9.58				
26.....	16½ @ 18	14 0 @ 14 2	11.15	14½ @ 16½	13 2 @ 13 4	10.17				
Sept.—										
2.....	18 @ 19	13 6 @ 14 0	12.34	15½ @ 17	13 4 @ 13 6	10.07				
9.....	18 @ 19	13 6 @ 14 0	12.67	15½ @ 17	13 4 @ 13 6	10.16				
16.....	17½ @ 19	13 6 @ 14 0	11.83	15½ @ 17	13 4 @ 13 6	9.52				
23.....	17½ @ 19	13 3 @ 13 5	11.20	15½ @ 17	13 3 @ 13 5	8.43				
30.....	17½ @ 19½	13 4 @ 13 6	11.57	14½ @ 15½	12 6 @ 13 2	7.79				
Oct.—										
7.....	17 @ 19	13 2 @ 13 6	11.72	13½ @ 14½	12 0 @ 12 4	7.09				
14.....	16½ @ 18½	13 2 @ 13 6	11.54	13½ @ 14½	12 2 @ 12 6	7.35				
21.....	16½ @ 18½	13 2 @ 13 6	11.09	13 @ 14	12 0 @ 12 3	6.70				
28.....	16½ @ 18½	13 3 @ 13 6	11.66	12½ @ 14½	12 0 @ 12 3	6.85				
Nov.—										
4.....	16½ @ 18½	13 3 @ 13 6	11.75	12½ @ 14½	12 0 @ 12 2	6.8				
11.....	14 @ 16	13 0 @ 13 3	11.04	12½ @ 14	12 0 @ 12 2	6.95				

SHIPPING NEWS.—Shipments in detail:

NEW YORK—To Bremen—Nov. 4—Muenchen, 1,117.....	Bales.	1,117
To Barcelona—Nov. 4—Antonio Lopez, 200.....		200
To Havre—Nov. 7—De Grasse, 17.....		17
To Corunna—Nov. 7—Alfonse XIII, 450.....		450
To Antwerp—Nov. 4—Penland, 100.....		100
GALVESTON—To Bremen—Nov. 2—Ulysses, 5,084; Nov. 3—Asuncion de Larrinaga, 2,564.....		7,648
To Japan—Nov. 3—Texas Maru, 13,351.....		13,351
To Barcelona—Nov. 4—West Corum, 6,179; Nov. 10—Timaro, 700.....		6,879
To Liverpool—Nov. 8—Ophis, 5,164.....		5,164
To Manchester—Nov. 8—Ophis, 439.....		439
To Havre—Nov. 8—Carlton, 4,183.....		4,183
To Rotterdam—Nov. 8—Carlton, 1,000.....		1,000
HOUSTON—To Havre—Nov. 4—Winston Salem, 5,900; Nov. 9—De la Salle, 14,957; Nov. 8—Carlton, 2,050; Nov. 9—Baron Ogilvy, 750.....		23,657
To Antwerp—Nov. 4—Winston Salem, 50.....		50
To Ghent—Nov. 4—Winston Salem, 1,200; Nov. 8—Carlton, 850.....		2,050
To Barcelona—Nov. 5—Duchessa d'Aosta, 2,650; Nov. 10—Timaro, 250.....		2,900
To Bremen—Nov. 5—Western Queen, 4,100; Nov. 3—Asuncion de Larrinaga, 2,294; Nov. 8—Heathfield, 10,477.....		16,871
To Liverpool—Nov. 8—Ophis, 502.....		7,526
To Manchester—Nov. 8—Ophis, 502.....		502
To Rotterdam—Nov. 8—Carlton, 600.....		600
NEW ORLEANS—To Barcelona—Nov. 3—Lafcom, 1,150.....		1,150
To Liverpool—Nov. 3—West Wanna, 2,437.....		2,437
To Manchester—Nov. 3—West Wanna, 2,190.....		2,190
To Havre—Nov. 4—Coldbrook, 3,419; Nov. 8—Minnesota, 1,291.....		4,710
To Ghent—Nov. 4—Coldbrook, 2,312.....		2,312
To Antwerp—Nov. 4—Coldbrook, 100.....		100
To Bremen—Nov. 4—Oakwood, 1,405; Nov. 5—Ulm, 6,224.....		7,629
To Rotterdam—Nov. 4—Oakwood, 3,028.....		3,028
To Hamburg—Nov. 4—Apsleyhall, 155; Nov. 5—Ulm, 601.....		756
To Vera Cruz—Nov. 4—Sinaloa, 300.....		300
To Gothenburg—Nov. 5—America, 600; Ulm, 100.....		700
To Genoa—Nov. 6—Monbaldo, 3,605.....		3,605
To Uddevalla—Nov. 5—Ulm, 50.....		50
To Japan—Nov. 7—Ferneliff, 3,225.....		3,225
NORFOLK—To Liverpool—Nov. 8—Coelleda, 1,200; Nov. 10—Galtymore, 100.....		1,300
To Manchester—Nov. 8—Bannack, 1,390; Darien, 300.....		1,690
To Rotterdam—Nov. 8—Westport, 300.....		300
To Bremen—Nov. 11—Gottingen, 2,100.....		2,100
MOBILE—To Japan—Nov. 2—Edgemont, 2,800.....		2,800
SAVANNAH—To Havre—Nov. 7—Eschersheim, 2,890.....		2,890
To Dunkirk—Nov. 7—Eschersheim, 50.....		50
To Antwerp—Nov. 7—Eschersheim, 50.....		50
To Bremen—Nov. 9—Polamball, 7,184.....		7,184
To Hamburg—Nov. 9—Polamball, 1,426.....		1,426
SAN PEDRO—To Bremen—Nov. 3—Moerdijk, 1,100; Nov. 7—Osiris, 1,750.....		2,850
To Japan—Nov. 2—Siberia Maru, 300; Nov. 3—President Cleveland, 100; Nov. 7—President Pierce, 50.....		450
To Manchester—Nov. 5—London Importer, 100.....		100
WILMINGTON—To Bremen—Nov. 8—Woodfield, 4,500.....		4,500
To Hamburg—Nov. 8—Woodfield, 200.....		200
To Genoa—Nov. 9—Marina Odero, 4,500.....		4,500
CORPUS CHRISTI—To Liverpool—Nov. 10—Brush, 751.....		751
To Manchester—Nov. 10—Brush, 30.....		30
To Havre—Nov. 10—Brush, 1,621.....		1,621
To Bremen—Nov. 10—Brush, 1,550.....		1,550
To Ghent—Nov. 10—Brush, 275.....		275
To Barcelona—Nov. 10—Brush, 1,700.....		1,700
To Oporto—Nov. 10—Brush, 50.....		50
To Genoa—Nov. 10—Brush, 357.....		357
CHARLESTON—To Havre—Nov. 10—Eschersheim, 1,375.....		1,375
Total.....		166,995

COTTON FREIGHT.—Current rates for cotton from New York, as furnished by Lambert & Burrows, Inc., are as follows, quotations being in cents per pound:

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LIVERPOOL.—By cable from Liverpool we have the following statement of the week's sales, stocks, &c., at that port:

	Oct. 21.	Oct. 28.	Nov. 4.	Nov. 11.
Sales of the week	56,000	40,000	40,000	32,000
Of which American	36,000	25,000	28,000	21,000
Actual exports	3,000	1,000	2,000	1,000
Forwarded	57,000	58,000	62,000	62,000
Total stocks	935,000	942,000	930,000	910,000
Of which American	610,000	608,000	618,000	605,000
Total imports	32,000	67,000	66,000	49,000
Of which American	29,000	41,000	39,000	34,000
Amount on float	201,000	170,000	195,000	179,000
Of which American	102,000	90,000	124,000	112,000

The tone of the Liverpool market for spots and futures each day of the past week and the daily closing prices of spot cotton have been as follows:

Spot.	Saturday.	Monday.	Tuesday.	Wednesday.	Thursday.	Friday.
Market, 12.15 P. M.	Quiet.	Quiet.	Moderate demand.	A fair business doing.	Moderate demand.	Quiet.
Mid. Upl'ds	11.83d.	11.77d.	11.84d.	11.86d.	11.21d.	11.04d.
Sales	5,000	5,000	7,000	8,000	7,000	5,000
Futures Market opened	Q't but st'y 1 pt. dec. to 4 pts. adv.	Quiet 1 to 3 pts. decline.	Q't but st'y 1 to 2 pts. decline.	Steady unchang. to 3 pts. adv.	Quiet 4 to 6 pts. decline.	Steady 9 to 17 pts. decline.
Market, 4 P. M.	Q't but st'y 2 to 5 pts. advance.	Quiet 1 to 3 pts. decline.	Steady 4 to 6 pts. advance.	Steady 38 to 49 pts. decline.	Q't but st'y 4 to 5 pts. decline.	Q't but st'y 12 to 18 pts. decline.

Prices of futures at Liverpool for each day are given below:

Nov. 5 to Nov. 11.	Sat.		Mon.		Tues.		Wed.		Thurs.		Fri.	
	12 1/4	12 1/2	12 1/4	4:00	12 1/4	4:00	12 1/4	4:00	12 1/4	4:00	12 1/4	4:00
	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.	p. m.
November	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
December	11.26	11.22	11.24	11.29	11.31	10.77	10.71	10.73	10.54	10.55		
January	11.25	11.21	11.22	11.27	11.26	11.28	10.73	10.67	10.69	10.51	10.52	
February	11.21	11.17	11.19	11.24	11.24	11.26	11.72	10.66	10.68	10.50	10.51	
March	11.16	11.12	11.14	11.19	11.19	11.20	10.68	10.63	10.65	10.47	10.48	
April	11.16	11.12	11.14	11.19	11.19	11.21	10.69	10.64	10.65	10.48	10.49	
May	11.12	11.09	11.11	11.16	11.16	11.18	10.66	10.61	10.62	10.45	10.46	
June	11.12	11.09	11.11	11.16	11.16	11.18	10.67	10.62	10.63	10.46	10.47	
July	11.05	11.02	11.03	11.09	11.08	11.11	10.60	10.56	10.57	10.40	10.42	
August	11.01	10.98	10.99	11.05	11.04	11.07	10.56	10.53	10.53	10.37	10.39	
September	10.86	10.84	10.84	10.90	10.91	10.94	10.44	10.41	10.40	10.25	10.27	
October	10.68	10.64	10.65	10.71	10.71	10.74	10.27	10.26	10.28	10.15	10.14	
November	10.55	10.52	10.53	10.59	10.59	10.63	10.15	10.14	10.16	10.03	10.04	
November	10.50	10.47	10.48	10.54	10.54	10.58	10.10	10.09	10.11	9.98	9.99	

BREADSTUFFS

Flour was steady at ruling prices with a moderate trade only. In fact it was more generally quiet. Many big bakers have bought enough to supply themselves for the rest of the year, indeed it is said to the end of January. The export trade is small or at least disappointing. There was recently a very good business with the Continent and some business with South America. But it has died out.

Wheat advanced 3 1/2 to 4c. on the 5th inst., largely owing to reports of rust in northern Argentina and frost in the southern part of that country. Furthermore Chicago was short. Hedge buying of near months was also reported for account of the Northwest and Canada. The technical position was better. Covering was heavy. Stop orders were met. If Argentina's crop should get a serious setback the effect on the world's markets, it is believed, would be very pronounced. Liverpool prices were higher than due. They advanced 1/4 to 1/2c. under the influence of Argentina rust reports. Export sales were only 500,000 bushels and bearish weekly statistics were expected and before the close on the 5th inst. the net rise had been reduced to 1 1/2 to 2 1/4c. Winnipeg closed 1 1/2c. higher. Sidney, Australia reported further beneficial rains in some parts and increased the estimated yield from 93,000,000 to 101,000,000 bushels or even more than that if favorable weather should continue. Cutting of wheat in Argentina has begun in the extreme northern section of the belt. Estimates of the yield in Australia have been increased to 104,000,000 bushels with an exportable surplus of 55,000,000 bushels. The weather there in the past few weeks has been more favorable.

Abingdon, England cabled that England is reaping one of the worst harvests of wheat since the beginning of the present century. The yield per acre is 1/4 cwt. below the last 10 years average. The Paris France Bulletin Des Halles says that the French Government is considering increasing the import duty on wheat from 18.20 to 35 francs per 100 kilos, which is equivalent to an advance of about 18c. a bushel. The wheat growers association has lodged a complaint that the proposal, together with recent exaggerated private crop estimates, are facilitating speculation on the Paris Grain Exchange.

On the 9th inst. prices ended 1/4 to 1/2c. lower. There was no selling pressure and support was lacking. The weather in Argentina was favorable. Winnipeg was firm with reports of a good demand for some grades. Bradstreet's world's visible supply showed an increase for the week of 24,258,000 bushels against an increase last year of 19,150,000 bushels. Export sales in all positions were estimated at around 500,000 bushels. On the 10th inst. prices were irregular within a range of 1/8c. and ended 1/8 to 1/4c. higher. Winnipeg was firm. The Canadian government report was expected to be somewhat larger than last month. Export sales were 600,000 to 700,000 bushels in all positions. Liverpool closed 1/2d. lower. Buenos Aires was 1/2d. higher at midday, though weather conditions in Argentina were generally favorable. The Italian crop was officially estimated at 202,000,000 or 12,000,000 less than previously reported, and compares with 220,000,000 last year. In Canada the

weather was not quite so good for completion of threshing. To-day New York closed 1/4c. higher and Winnipeg 1/8 to 1c. higher. There was only a moderate trading. Mills and exporters were good buyers at Winnipeg. Nervous bears covered, fearing a bullish Canadian report late this afternoon. Cables were steady. Export sales were 500,000 bushels of Manitoba. There were snows in Western Canada. They were considered bad at this time. It was snowing hard at Omaha, Neb. Winnipeg wired that the strength of that market was due to excellent buying of futures by the mills. There were big acceptances over night by Eastern mills and exporters there. Cash wheat in Winnipeg moreover was very strong. No. 1 Northern was 17c. over; No. 2 5c. over with little offered. No. 4 and toughs were off 1/4 to 1c. Canadian crop estimate was variously expected to be anywhere from 408,000,000 to 539,000,000; average about 475,000,000. Canadian country deliveries yesterday were 4,252,000 bushels against 4,209,000 a year ago. The weather in Argentina and Australia was favorable. In India there were good general rains. Bradstreet's North American exports were 13,594,000 bushels against 9,915,000 last year; since July 1st, 184,000,000 or 2,000,000 bushels more than a year ago. Liverpool closed 1/2d. higher. Western grain markets were closed for Armistice Day. In Argentina there was a holiday. Final prices on Thursday showed a rise for the week of 1 1/2c.

CLOSING PRICES OF DOMESTIC WHEAT AT NEW YORK.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
December	128	127 1/4	Hol.	126 3/4	127	127 1/4

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT IN NEW YORK.

No. 2 red.	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
	150 3/4	150 3/4	Hol.	146 3/4	146 3/4	146 3/4

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
December delivery in elevator	126 1/4	126 1/4	Hol.	125 1/4	125 1/4	Hol.
March delivery in elevator	129 1/4	129 1/4	day	129 1/4	129 1/4	day
May delivery in elevator	132 1/4	132 1/4		131 1/4	132	

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT FUTURES IN WINNIPEG.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
November delivery in elevator	129 1/2	Hol.	130 1/2	129 3/4	129 3/4	130 3/4
December delivery in elevator	127 1/2	day	127	127 1/2	127 1/2	127 1/2
May delivery in elevator	131 1/4		131 1/4	131 1/4	131 1/4	132

Indian corn advanced on the 5th inst. owing to a rise in wheat and smaller offerings. People seemed to think twice before selling short and the long account had to all appearance become rather small. Country offerings were very small. Shipping demand, it is true, was not active. A few cars of good quality were arriving daily, but contained so much moisture as to excite comment. Chicago wired that trade in corn had diminished considerably; that locals were not inclined to press the selling side so freely at this level; and that many were awaiting a slightly lower level at which to take the long side. On the 9th inst. prices ended 1/2 to 3/4c. lower. There was a good deal of selling in anticipation of a bearish government report. Country offerings were small. The shipping demand was not active.

On the 10th inst. prices ended 1/4 to 3/8c. lower on buying by shorts and local bulls. The Government report estimated the crop at 2,753,240,000 bushels against 2,603,437,000 a month ago, 2,646,853,000 last year. Old corn remaining on farms Nov. 1 is estimated at 4.2% of the 1926 crop or about 111,068,000 bushels against 182,015,000 a year ago and 120,967,000 the Nov. 1st average for the five years 1922-26. Practically all late maturing crops were helped in October by favorable weather, which averaged three degrees above normal, the warmest October since 1918. Frosts and freezes were delayed far beyond their usual date. Country offerings to arrive were small. Eastern shipping demand was not sharp. To-day there was some export inquiry for corn and it was said that some cattle corn was sold for export. Chicago was closed for Armistice Day. The Government estimate was called bearish. Final prices up to Thursday's closing showed a rise for the week of 2 1/2 to 3c.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN IN NEW YORK.

No. 2 yellow.	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
	100 3/4	102 3/4	Hol.	105	103 3/4	

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
December delivery in elevator	83 1/4	84 3/4	Hol.	84 3/4	85 1/4	Hol.
March delivery in elevator	87 1/4	88 1/4	day	88 3/4	89 1/4	day
May delivery in elevator	90 1/4	91 1/4		92 1/4	92 3/4	

Oats advanced 1/2c. last Saturday in response to a rise in other grain but the cash demand was smaller and speculation was far from brisk. So that the rise was not marked. On the 9th inst. prices ended 1/8 to 1/4c. lower with the cash demand smaller, and a somewhat larger movement in the interior. On the 10th inst. prices advanced 1/8 to 1 3/8c. but reacted later despite buying by the Northwest. Scattered liquidation was a feature. To-day Chicago was closed. Winnipeg was unchanged to 1/2c. higher net with a moderate trade. Prices were braced by the firmness in other grain and bad weather. Final prices at Chicago on Thursday showed a rise for the week of 7/8 to 1 5/8c.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS IN NEW YORK.

No. 2 white.	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
	61 1/4	61 1/2	Hol.	61 1/2	61 1/2	

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
December delivery in elevator	48 1/4	48 3/4	Hol.	49 1/4	49 1/4	Hol.
March delivery in elevator	49 1/2	50 3/4	day	51	50 3/4	day
May delivery in elevator	50 3/4	51 1/4		52	51 1/4	

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS FUTURES IN WINNIPEG.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
November delivery in elevator	56 1/2	Hol.	54 3/4	58	59 3/4	59 3/4
December delivery in elevator	53 1/2	day	57 1/4	55 3/4	55 3/4	55 3/4
May delivery in elevator	56		56	57 1/2	58 1/4	58 3/4

Rye advanced at one time 1 1/2c. with wheat higher, some export trade reported, offering small and a certain amount of covering. On the 9th inst. prices were 1/2 to 3/4c. higher for

a time in spite of a seemingly dull market for export. Stocks are not large however. Considerable has moved out on export account. On the 10th inst. shorts covered in a market where the offerings were small and prices advanced 1/2 to 3/4c. in an exhibition of independent strength. A better cash demand was reported at Minneapolis and Duluth. Northwestern markets ran up rather sharply. Export sales in the last few days were said to have reached 500,000 bushels including 300,000 bushels on the 10th inst. Stocks everywhere are very moderate. Besides a better export demand there is a good domestic business. To-day Chicago was closed. Winnipeg advanced 2 1/4 to 2 3/4c. and then reacted, closing 1 1/4 to 2 3/4c. net higher. Commission houses bought. Shorts covered. Export sales of 300,000 to 400,000 bushels were reported. That gave the market its fillip. Profit taking and hedge selling caused a reaction. Barley was unchanged to 1/4c. lower in Winnipeg with foreign demand smaller. Rye in Chicago closed on Thursday at 2 3/4 to 3c. higher for the week.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF RYE FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
December delivery in elevator	99	99	Holl-	99 3/4	101 3/4	Holl-
March delivery in elevator	102	102 1/4	day	102 3/4	104 3/4	day
May delivery in elevator	103 1/4	103 3/4		103 3/4	105 1/4	

Closing quotations were as follows:

GRAIN.

Wheat, New York—	Oats, New York—
No. 2 red, f.o.b.-----146 3/4	No. 2 white-----61 1/4
No. 2 hard winter, f.o.b.-----140 3/4	No. 3 white-----59@ 59 1/2
Corn, New York—	Rye, New York—
No. 2 yellow-----103 1/4	No. 2 f.o.b.-----114 3/4
No. 3 yellow-----101 1/4	Barley, New York—
	Maltng as to quality-----96 1/4

FLOUR.

Spring patents-----\$6.85@7.25	Rye flour, patents-----\$5.65@6.00
Clears, first spring-----6.50@ 6.90	Seminole No. 2, pound. 4 1/2
Soft winter straights-----6.00@ 6.40	Oats goods-----3.15@ 3.20
Hard winter straights-----6.60@ 7.00	Corn flour-----2.50@ 2.55
Hard winter patents-----7.00@ 7.50	Barley goods-----
Hard winter clears-----5.75@ 6.35	Coarse-----2.60
Fancy Minn. patents-----8.20@ 9.05	Fancy pearl Nos. 1, 2,
City mills-----8.35@ 9.05	3 and 4-----7.00

For other tables usually given here, see page 2638.

Total receipts of flour and grain at the seaboard ports for the week ended Saturday, Nov. 5, follow:

Receipts at—	Flour.	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Barley.	Rye.
	Barrels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
New York.....	290,000	2,053,000	18,000	298,000	782,000	190,000
Philadelphia....	47,000	2,499,000	3,000	56,000	8,000	2,000
Baltimore.....	44,000	179,000	9,000	8,000	58,000	---
Newport News...	2,000	---	---	---	---	---
Norfolk.....	2,000	---	---	---	---	---
New Orleans*...	69,000	193,000	84,000	21,000	---	---
Galveston.....	---	40,000	25,000	---	5,000	---
Boston.....	47,000	---	---	37,000	83,000	1,000
Total wk. '27	505,000	2,714,000	139,000	420,000	936,000	193,000
Since Jan. '27.....	18,923,000	242,651,000	8,496,000	20,954,000	15,625,000	12,098,000
Week 1926	525,000	6,482,000	186,000	274,000	880,000	23,000
Since Jan. '26.....	21,762,000	200,551,000	6,406,000	40,040,000	28,542,000	28,373,000

* Receipts do not include grain passing through New Orleans for foreign ports on through bills of lading.

The exports from the several seaboard ports for the week ending Saturday, Nov. 5 1927, are shown in the annexed statement:

Exports from—	Wheat.	Corn.	Flour.	Oats.	Rye.	Barley.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Barrels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
New York.....	1,822,306	23,365	87,434	9,599	42,769	412,767
Boston.....	---	---	11,000	---	---	110,000
Philadelphia....	398,000	---	12,000	---	---	12,000
Baltimore.....	234,000	---	14,000	---	26,000	108,000
Norfolk.....	---	---	2,000	---	---	---
Newport News...	---	---	6,000	---	---	---
New Orleans....	402,000	22,000	25,000	16,000	---	---
Galveston.....	240,000	---	---	---	---	25,000
Montreal.....	6,899,000	---	96,000	50,000	1,530,000	1,254,000
Houston.....	24,000	---	35,000	---	---	---
Total week 1927	10,019,306	45,365	288,434	75,599	1,598,769	1,922,767
Same week 1926.....	7,797,275	72,000	394,019	3,000	404,000	1,029,002

The destination of these exports for the week and since July 1 1927 is as below:

Exports for Week and Since July 1 to—	Flour.		Wheat.		Corn.	
	Week Nov. 5, 1927.	Since July 1, 1927.	Week Nov. 5, 1927.	Since July 1, 1927.	Week Nov. 5, 1927.	Since July 1, 1927.
United Kingdom.	106,100	1,355,136	3,438,236	36,504,134	---	25,714
Continent.....	165,364	2,132,579	6,533,070	75,771,027	23,365	23,365
So. & Cent. Amer.	6,000	154,555	12,000	126,000	1,000	175,000
West Indies....	7,000	169,000	1,000	16,000	21,000	332,000
Other countries..	3,970	225,283	35,000	288,003	---	---
Total 1927	288,434	4,036,533	10,019,306	112,205,164	45,365	556,079
Total 1926	394,019	4,702,300	7,797,275	119,996,781	72,000	1,718,610

The visible supply of grain, comprising the stocks in granary at principal points of accumulation at lake and seaboard ports Saturday, Nov. 5, were as follows:

GRAIN STOCKS.

	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Rye.	Barley.
	bush.	bush.	bush.	bush.	bush.
United States—					
New York.....	1,148,000	9,000	259,000	11,000	625,000
Boston.....	2,000	2,000	6,000	2,000	37,000
Philadelphia....	722,000	34,000	124,000	13,000	1,000
Baltimore.....	1,773,000	18,000	48,000	10,000	6,000
New Orleans....	487,000	229,000	87,000	51,000	---
Galveston.....	871,000	47,000	---	43,000	98,000
Fort Worth....	3,148,000	141,000	335,000	8,000	45,000
Buffalo.....	4,250,000	1,710,000	2,187,000	475,000	320,000
afoat.....	2,676,000	178,000	287,000	---	347,000
Toledo.....	2,728,000	137,000	162,000	5,000	6,000
afoat.....	466,000	---	---	---	---
Detroit.....	344,000	78,000	85,000	---	40,000
Chicago.....	6,227,000	10,578,000	3,788,000	15,000	65,000
Milwaukee....	268,000	1,047,000	2,248,000	21,000	214,000
Duluth.....	18,137,000	---	1,089,000	1,121,000	731,000
Minneapolis...-	18,577,000	1,997,000	9,356,000	176,000	439,000
St. Louis.....	401,000	161,900	512,000	3,000	13,000
St. Louis.....	2,344,000	998,000	383,000	6,000	82,000

	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Rye.	Barley.
	bush.	bush.	bush.	bush.	bush.
Kansas City....	14,362,000	1,290,000	773,000	114,000	414,000
Wichita.....	3,561,000	---	15,000	---	---
St. Joseph, Mo.	765,000	845,000	1,000	---	---
Peoria.....	3,000	382,000	611,000	---	---
Indianapolis...	1,285,000	856,000	367,000	---	4,000
Omaha.....	2,402,000	1,873,000	1,120,000	59,000	202,000
On Lakes.....	1,353,000	---	95,000	---	206,000
On Canal and River	384,000	---	---	84,000	796,000

Total Nov. 5 1927.....	88,684,000	22,080,000	23,541,000	2,282,000	5,000,000
Total Oct. 29 1927.....	88,290,000	20,574,000	23,857,000	2,142,000	4,381,000
Total Nov. 6 1926.....	72,431,000	26,332,000	48,040,000	13,131,000	4,810,000

Note.—Bonded grain not included above: Oats, New York, 38,000 bushels; Boston, 21,000; total, 59,000 bushels, against 172,000 bushels in 1926. Barley, New York, 289,000 bushels; Baltimore, 37,000; Buffalo, 498,000; Buffalo afloat, 624,000; Duluth, 84,000; Canal, 243,000; on Lakes, 135,000; total, 1,910,000 bushels, against 3,405,000 bushels in 1926. Wheat, New York, 1,418,000 bushels; Philadelphia, 118,000; Baltimore, 577,000; Buffalo, 7,866,000; Buffalo afloat, 2,352,000; Duluth, 163,000; on Lakes, 1,658,000; Canal, 927,000; total, 15,079,000 bushels, against 13,246,000 bushels in 1926.

Canadian—

Montreal.....	2,276,000	---	408,000	241,000	660,000
Ft. William & Pt. Arthur	20,360,000	---	1,199,000	1,644,000	1,790,000
Other Canadian	4,311,000	---	85,000	828,000	366,000

Total Nov. 5 1927.....	26,947,000	---	1,692,000	2,713,000	2,816,000
Total Oct. 29 1927.....	20,766,000	---	1,227,000	2,482,000	2,812,000
Total Nov. 6 1926.....	41,335,000	---	5,615,000	2,533,000	6,904,000

Summary—

American.....	88,684,000	22,080,000	23,541,000	2,282,000	5,000,000
Canadian.....	26,947,000	---	1,692,000	2,713,000	2,816,000

Total Nov. 5 1927.....	115,631,000	22,080,000	25,233,000	4,995,000	7,816,000
Total Oct. 29 1927.....	109,056,000	20,574,000	25,084,000	4,624,000	7,193,000
Total Nov. 6 1926.....	113,766,000	26,332,000	53,655,000	15,664,000	11,714,000

The world's shipments of wheat and corn, as furnished by Broomhall to the New York Produce Exchange, for the week ending Friday, Nov. 4, and since July 1 1927 and 1926, are shown in the following:

	Wheat.		Corn.		
	1927.	1926.	1927.	1926.	
	Week Nov. 4.	Since July 1.	Week Nov. 4.	Since July 1.	
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	
North Amer.	14,762,000	178,776,000	184,275,000	86,000	1,317,000
Black Sea....	1,056,000	6,224,000	16,564,000	187,000	6,559,000
Argentina....	902,000	26,690,000	10,287,000	6,916,000	137,460,000
Australia....	504,000	19,280,000	8,088,000	---	---
India.....	152,000	7,856,000	3,464,000	---	---
Oth. countr's	720,000	9,960,000	6,345,000	1,028,000	10,496,000
Total.....	18,096,000	248,786,000	229,023,000	8,217,000	155,832,000

WEATHER BULLETIN FOR THE WEEK ENDED NOV. 8.

The general summary of the weather bulletin issued by the Department of Agriculture, indicating the influence of the weather for the week ended Nov. 8, follows:

At the beginning of the week temperatures were high for the season in the central and eastern portions of the country, but by November 2 much colder weather had overspread the central valleys and extended to the Atlantic Seaboard by the 4th. By the 5th an extensive high pressure area, attended by much lower temperatures, had overspread the Northwest, and this advanced rapidly southeastward to the Atlantic Coast States by Sunday, November 6. Temperatures below freezing were reported from the central valley States, with the line of freezing extending as far south as North Carolina, northern Missouri, and extreme northwestern Texas. Except in the Atlantic Coast States, however, freezing did not extend as far south as the average southern limit of killing frost to this date, the latter being as far south as Macon, Ga., and Meridian, Miss., by November 8.

Early in the week a depression advanced from the South Atlantic States northward to New England, with markedly increased intensity, attended by heavy to excessive rains. The rainfall was especially excessive in much of New England, with serious floods, unprecedented in many sections, causing heavy loss of life and great damage to property. Otherwise, rainfall was generally of a local character until near the close of the week when widespread precipitation occurred.

The data in the table on page 3 show that the week, as a whole, was much cooler than normal from the Middle Atlantic States and central valleys northward where the minus departures of temperature averaged from 3 degrees to as much as 7 degrees. In the more northeastern and in the Southern States, except along the south Atlantic coast, it was generally warmer than normal, especially in the west Gulf area where the weekly mean temperatures were 6 degrees to as much as 9 degrees above normal. It was also warmer than normal from the Rocky Mountains westward, with the plus departures of temperature as high as 10 degrees locally. Freezing weather extended to southern North Carolina, central Tennessee, and northern Oklahoma.

The data in the table show also that precipitation was heavy to excessive in the Northeast and heavy locally in the interior valleys and parts of the Northwest, but generally light to moderate elsewhere. The heaviest rain reported for the week from first-order stations was 5.8 inches at Burlington, Vt. Very little precipitation occurred, as a rule, in the Southeast and in Central and Southern States west of the Mississippi Valley.

Except in the flooded areas of the Northeast and some other sections where moisture is needed, the week was generally favorable and farm work made satisfactory advance. It was still too dry in much of the Southeast and generally in the western portions of the Great Plains, including much of Texas, but elsewhere the soil is mostly in good condition, with further precipitation helpful in many places west of the Rocky Mountains. In the Ohio, middle Mississippi, and lower Missouri valleys the first general killing frost and freezing weather of the season occurred on November 6, considerably later than the average. No material harm resulted, as crops had largely matured. In past years a general killing frost has been experienced over these areas as early as the last of September or more than a month earlier than in 1927.

SMALL GRAINS.—Light to moderate precipitation benefited winter wheat over much of the interior valleys, and continued satisfactory progress was reported. It is still too dry, however, with moisture badly needed in the extreme western portion of the belt and in much of the Southwest, particularly in western Kansas and some adjoining sections. It is also still too dry for best results in most of the Southeast. West of the Rocky Mountains recent precipitation has been helpful and winter grains are doing well in most districts.

CORN.—Weather conditions during most of the week in the interior valleys were generally favorable for drying out the corn crop, but widespread precipitation occurred at the close. Husking made good progress in the upper Ohio Valley, in Missouri, and quite generally in the Great Plains States, while considerable was accomplished in other portions of the belt. In Iowa this work is nearly half done in parts of the northwest, but has just begun in sections where it had been too moist to crib; some heating was reported in cribs, but less than in recent years. Throughout the Southern States good progress was made in housing corn.

COTTON.—Very favorable conditions for picking and ginning cotton continued throughout most of the week. Killing frost occurred in some extreme northern districts, with little or no damage. In North Carolina picking will be finished earlier than usual, while in Tennessee practically all upland cotton has been harvested. In Arkansas killing frost in some northern counties stopped growth, but caused bolls to open rapidly; picking is nearly completed in that State, and extremely was reported, with picking nearly done in central, eastern, and extreme southwestern portions. In Texas ideal weather prevailed for harvesting the cotton remaining in the fields.

The Weather Bureau also furnishes the following resume of the conditions in the different States:

Virginia.—Richmond: Warm and generally favorable for farm work first part. Digging peanuts continued and good progress in other work.

North Carolina.—Raleigh: Mild first; colder latter part. Killing frost on 7th; practically no damage as crops matured. Weather favorable for sowing wheat and gathering and housing crops. Good progress in picking cotton; mostly picked in south; will finish earlier than usual.

South Carolina.—Columbia: Early part week warm; closing colder with frost, but crops beyond damage. Still very dry; hard soil retarding fall plowing, and winter cereal planting proceeding slowly with only fair germination. Cotton picking practically finished. General rains needed.

Georgia.—Atlanta: Light frost as far south as Thomasville on 4th; no damage. Soil still mostly too dry to plow and planting cereals made slow advance. Grinding sugar cane and making cane sirup progressing rapidly. Killing frost now a week behind average date in north.

Florida.—Jacksonville: Cool week, with slight frost damage to tender truck on 4th. Light rains first part beneficial for all crops, but still too dry and rain needed to stimulate planting and growth. Ranges poor to fair. Citrus improved by cool nights.

Alabama.—Montgomery: Light to moderate rains beneficial. Cotton picking continues in Madison County as bolls open; also in other scattered places. Corn harvesting and digging sweet potatoes nearly finished. Sowing oats progressing slowly.

Mississippi.—Vicksburg: Generally light to moderate precipitation; heavy in extreme north. Mostly fair to good progress in picking and ginning remaining cotton and housing corn. Progress of pastures mostly poor.

Louisiana.—New Orleans: Weather excellent for cane, which shows sugar content exceptionally high for season; grinding becoming general. Other harvest operations practically finished.

Texas.—Houston: Averaged warm, although frost in extreme west on 2d; no rain of consequence. Ideal for harvesting corn and sorghums and cotton picking, but too dry for normal plant growth. Condition of pastures, wheat, oats, and truck fair to good; progress mostly poor as soil now too dry to germinate seed.

Oklahoma.—Oklahoma City: Killing frost in extreme north, but no damage. Cotton condition unchanged; rapid progress in picking and ginning and nearly completed in central and east and extreme southwest. Good progress in harvesting and husking corn. Winter wheat generally very good, but needs rain in some sections.

Arkansas.—Little Rock: Favorable for gathering cotton, corn, and other fall crops. Killing frost on 6th in some northern counties stopped growth, but caused bolls to open rapidly; picking nearly completed, except in some northern and eastern portions where well along. Very favorable for growth of winter grains, meadows, pastures, and truck.

Tennessee.—Nashville: Favorable for farm work. Light to heavy frost on two days in central and west did no material damage. Early-sown wheat made excellent progress and crop about all in. Upland cotton all picked and bottom land cotton about all open; condition good.

Kentucky.—Louisville: First general killing frost on 6th. Last corn cut and shocked; corn in excellent condition. Gathering corn and cotton stopped by rain near end. Germination of late-sown wheat good and nearly all up; growth checked by cold, but mostly good; early-sown in fine condition and moisture benefited.

West Virginia.—Parkersburg: Cold after Wednesday; good rains and moderately heavy snow in mountains. Husking corn general.

Ohio.—Columbus: Season closed near end of week by freezing temperature and snow. Corn husking now general and cribbing begun in middle and south. Winter wheat improved by frequent light rains and condition very good, especially early-sown.

Indiana.—Indianapolis: Considerably cooler, with light showers, beneficial for wheat, which is generally good to excellent. Frosts, with freezing Sunday, also beneficial for drying late corn, while conditions for husking and plowing for spring sowing excellent.

Illinois.—Springfield: Week opened warm; closed cool; rain at beginning and ending. First general hard freeze of season on 6th. Considerable corn husked and wheat doing nicely.

Michigan.—Lansing: Temperature considerably below freezing Sunday and Monday. Winter grains, pastures, and meadows good to excellent. Farm work well advanced; fall crops practically all harvested.

Wisconsin.—Milwaukee: Several light to moderate rains and snows. Ground bare and frozen. Fall plowing mostly completed. Winter grains and grass looking well. Corn good condition; husking and cribbing in progress.

Minnesota.—Minneapolis: Fore part of week favorable for drying corn, and plowing almost completed; corn husking about half done. Cold weather froze ground and stopped plowing. Winter grains mostly up to good stands.

Iowa.—Des Moines: Frequent hard freezes dried corn and made husking easier; nearly half done in localities of northwest, but just begun where too moist to crib; some heating in crib, but less than last three years; many husking machines used.

Missouri.—Columbia: Long, favorable growing, and maturing season ended by first general killing frost and freeze on 6th; all crops matured. Wheat is in fine condition. Corn husking and cribbing made satisfactory progress.

Kansas.—Topeka: First general freeze and killing frost on 6th; no damage of consequence. Winter wheat in eastern half making satisfactory growth and furnishing considerable pasture; almost at standstill in western half account dryness, with some not up and some deteriorating in extreme western counties. Ten to twenty per cent of corn husked; moisture content rather high for cribbing.

Nebraska.—Lincoln: First general freezing temperatures of season with only slight injury and probably benefited corn; cribbing becoming general. Progress of winter wheat fair; needs rain.

South Dakota.—Huron: Winter grain benefited where heavier rain fell, but more rain needed for plowing and reserve supply. Mostly favorable for farm work. Cooler weather favored corn husking, which progressed rapidly; conditions for cribbing greatly improved.

North Dakota.—Bismark: Rapid progress in grain marketing and corn picking. Snows last two days interfered considerably with farm work.

Montana.—Helena: Rains or snows hindered or prevented work. First considerable snowfall occurred; excellent for grain fields. Winter wheat mostly excellent condition. Ranges and livestock good to excellent.

Wyoming.—Cheyenne: Four to 12 inches of snow in northwest, north-central, and locally in southwest unfavorable now, but remaining drifts will be excellent for winter range.

Colorado.—Denver: Winter wheat good on western slope, but moisture badly needed east. Livestock good condition, although some shrinkage in west account snows driving cattle to lower ranges.

New Mexico.—Santa Fe: Rain generally needed in south where range dry and water becoming scarce; elsewhere range good to excellent and livestock generally in good condition. Harvests mostly finished.

Arizona.—Phoenix: Light to heavy precipitation, except in extreme south, generally beneficial to ranges; sheep moving to winter pasture and livestock conditions generally good.

Utah.—Salt Lake City: Weather very favorable for livestock grazing on fall pastures and winter range, and for germination and growth of fall-sown grain; winter grains doing fine with generally good stands.

Nevada.—Reno: Early-sown wheat excellent. Ground in fine condition for plowing. Farm work normal. Pastures and ranges good; livestock entering winter in fine condition.

Idaho.—Boise: Rains stopped all farm operations in panhandle. Bright and favorable for gathering crops in south until rains set in at close. Winter wheat, pastures, range, and grass good growth.

Washington.—Seattle: Moderate to heavy rains; heavy snow in Cascades; foothill streams high, but no damage. Late seeding and potato digging delayed by wet soil. Wheat and pastures continue excellent.

Oregon.—Portland: Generally favorable for wheat, pastures, and broccoli. Seeding well advanced. Potato digging continues. Livestock excellent.

California.—San Francisco: Fair weather general first half; latter half scattered light showers; temperature generally above normal. Some oranges shipped from Oroville district of Sacramento Valley; navels showing color in San Diego County and San Joaquin Valley; large shipments of grapefruit from Imperial County.

of cold weather throughout many sections of the country, and this, in turn, has been reflected in re-orders for immediate shipment from primary markets. Undoubtedly, the woolen division has benefited most from the drop in temperatures. Sales of both men's and women's apparel have increased perceptibly, and, according to current reports, certain mills have enough orders on hand to assure full time operations for the remainder of the year. Others, notably some of the American Woolen Company's mills, are said to be operating at a profit for the first time in several years. Factors responsible for the firmness include the strength of raw wool and the strong statistical position of the trade. Floor coverings have also maintained fair activity, and buyers are placing orders in anticipation of future requirements. Regarding rayons, demand continues unabated. One of the interesting developments of the week was the introduction, by one of the leading producers, of new sizes of fine constructions. This is in recognition of the growing importance of the fine count and high grade rayon yarns. Regarding other branches of the textile markets, conditions are not quite as satisfactory. Cotton goods, for instance, are quiet, being influenced by the publication of two Government reports, which resulted in sharp declines in prices for the raw product. A Government estimate showing an increase in the cotton crop, when a decrease was generally expected, coupled with a poorer statistical position as to sales and output during October encouraged both buyers and sellers to withhold bids and offers for the time being.

DOMESTIC COTTON GOODS.—Business in the markets for domestic cotton goods this week has been largely dependent upon the Department of Agriculture's October cotton crop report. The latter, which was published on Wednesday, proved to be a surprise. While the majority of private forecasts of the crop ranged between 12,500,000 and 12,600,000 bales, the Government placed the total yield at 12,842,000 bales, an increase of 164,000 bales over the September report. The figures were quite a shock to the trade, as previous official estimates this season sent prices sky-rocketing. Upon the publication of the latest report, heavy liquidation developed, and prices for raw cotton scored sharp declines. On the New York Cotton Exchange, for instance, quotations dropped \$7.50 per bale. Besides the Government crop estimate, the cotton goods markets also had disappointing statistics covering October production and sales of goods to contend with. The latter were issued by the Cotton Textile Merchants of New York, and showed that sales of cotton goods absorbed only 68% of production; shipments were 88.4% of production; stocks on hand increased 17.6% and unfilled orders decreased 13.6%. Earlier in the week, buyers of domestic cotton goods withheld as much business as possible, pending the issuance of above reports. Subsequently, they became more confident that high prices for the staple can not be maintained, and either withdrew or lowered their bids. As a matter of fact, sellers were not as sure of the future as heretofore, and lowered offers for late delivery. Reports state that cotton goods factors are going to get together to devise some plan for the correction of overproduction. Print cloths 28-inch 64 x 64's construction are quoted at 6%^c., and 27-inch 64 x 60's at 6%^c.. Gray goods in the 39-inch 68 x 72's construction are quoted at 9%^c., and 39-inch 80 x 80's at 11%^c..

WOOLEN GOODS.—A change to wintry weather has resulted in a good distribution of seasonal merchandise in the markets for woolens and worsteds. Sales increased and these together with the continued strength of primary markets and the strong statistical position helped sentiment. Although there has been much concern evidenced over the flooded mill sections in New England, latest reports from reliable sources are inclined to minimize earlier estimates of damage. It is claimed that at least fifteen plants of the American Woolen Company are actually working at a profit. These mills are running at full capacity, and in a few instances, operating at an additional 30% at nights.

FOREIGN DRY GOODS.—Linen markets have once again lapsed into irregularity following the improvement of the week previous. Divisions of the market which continue to receive a good volume of orders are handkerchiefs, dress, suiting and knicker linens and some few scattered lines of specialties. The recent movement on these lines has been quite satisfactory, and the future is held to be encouraging. On the other hand, the situation in the household section is depressing, as buyers are making bids at ridiculously low figures. Factors are becoming very much discouraged as it is so near Thanksgiving Day and business has failed to show the improvement it usually does at this time of the year. Prices are considered attractive, being thirty per cent under replacement costs, with little possibility of any reduction in primary markets, but even this fact fails to stimulate buying interest. Burlaps are steady, but trading continues limited. Light weights are quoted at 7.95c., and heavies at 10.50c.

THE DRY GOODS TRADE

Friday Night, Nov. 11, 1927.

A decided increase in retail purchases of winter merchandise during the week was prompted by the arrival

State and City Department

MUNICIPAL BOND SALES IN OCTOBER.

We present herewith our detailed list of the municipal bond issues put out during the month of October, 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 2555 of the "Chronicle" of Nov. 5. The number of municipalities issuing bonds in October was 424 and the number of separate issues 534.

Table with columns: Page, Name, Rate, Maturity, Amount, Price, Basis. Contains detailed data for 534 municipal bond issues across various states and cities.

Page.	Name.	Rate.	Maturity.	Amount.	Price.	Basis.
2178	Lima, Ohio	5		\$114,025	101.88	
2178	Lincoln Co., Neb.	6		25,000	103.84	
2296	Linden Park, Mich.	4 1/2	1928-1967	625,000	100.02	4.23
2296	Linden, N. Y.	4 1/2	1928-1937	10,000	101.68	4.66
2178	Live Oak S. D., Calif.	5	1929-1931	5,260	100	5.00
2563	Lockport, N. Y.	5	1928-1967	110,000	104.55	4.65
2297	Longview Ind. S. D., Tex.	4 1/2	1929-1936	127,884	100.12	4.22
2178	Los Angeles, Calif. (7 iss.)	4 1/2	1927-1967	6,986,000	100.10	4.19
2296	Los Angeles Co. Acq. & Impt. D. No. 38, Calif.	7	1932-1952	1,014,000	103.21	
2296	Los Angeles Co. Sanitary Dist. No. 5, Calif.	5	1927-1935	320,000	101.80	
2421	Luzerne-Hadley Fire District, N. Y.	5	1928-1937	25,000	100.50	4.87
2421	McKees Rock S. D., Pa.	4 1/2	1953-1956	100,000	103.90	4.01
2297	McIntosh County, Ga.	6	1928-1957	50,000	101	5.90
2297	McMinnville, Ore.	5		9,000	105.71	
2563	McPherson, Kan.	5		95,000	100.21	
2297	Madela, Ohio	6	1928-1935	3,846	105.34	
2297	Madison County, Ind.	4 1/2	1928-1937	3,000	101.82	4.21
2297	Madison Twp., Ohio	5	1928-1932	15,400		
2563	Malinta, Ohio	5	1929-1936	2,000		
2178	Malvern, Pa.	4 1/2	1937	4,000	101.95	4.26
2178	Manatee Co. S. D. No. 27, Fla.			5,000	86.50	
2008	Mansfield, Ohio		1928-1932	36,200	100.25	
2297	Maple Heights Vill. S. D. Ohio	5 1/2	1928-1937	21,000	100.50	5.37
2421	Marshall, Tex.	4 1/2	1929-1967	83,000	100.22	4.72
2421	Martin County, Fla.	4 1/2	1929-1953	50,000	100	6.00
2008	Marin County, Calif.	4 1/2	1939-1942	190,000	103.63	4.15
2297	Maywood S. D., N. J.	4 1/2	1929-1953	123,000	100.17	4.48
2563	Maumee, Ohio	5	1929-1938	19,000	102.53	4.57
2008	Media, Pa.	4 1/2	1932-1937	24,000	102.92	4.07
2179	Mesa Co. S. D. No. 2, Colo.			13,000		
2297	Miamisburg, Ohio	6	1928-1937	5,000	105.90	5.72
2179	Middleburgh, N. Y.	4 1/2	1928-1962	35,000	102.13	4.32
2297	Mississippi (State of)	4 1/2	1932-1942	450,000	101.53	4.35
2297	Mississippi Levee Dist., Miss.	5 1/2	1928	400,000		
2008	Missoula, S. Dak.	4 1/2	1947	350,000	104.62	4.15
2421	Monroe, N. Caro.	5 1/2	1930-1964	150,000	105.43	4.82
2563	Monroe, Wash.	4 1/2	1929-1957	150,000	100.34	
2297	Montgomery Co., Tex.	5 1/2	1932-1957	130,000	106.97	4.90
2421	Montgomery Co., Ohio (2 issues)	4 1/2	1928-1952	883,000		
2421	Moorestown Twp. S. D., N. J.	4 1/2	1928-1947	40,000	101.24	4.35
2421	Morrow Co., Ohio (2 iss.)	5	1928-1937	22,583	102.08	4.62
2179	Mount Clemens, Mich.	5	1930-1957	641,000	100	
2297	Mount Kisco, N. Y. (2 iss.)	4 1/2	1932-1966	203,000	102.13	4.11
2563	Moxee S. D., Wash.	4 1/2	1947	25,000	100	4.75
2421	Muscatine, Iowa		1928-1934	44,448		
2179	Muskegon Heights, Mich.	5		14,000	100	5.00
2179	Myrtle S. D., Ga.	6	1937-1956	20,000	108.92	5.27
2009	Nashville, Tenn.	4 1/2	1928-1937	725,000	103.32	4.27
2009	Netcong, N. J.	4 1/2	1929-1953	25,000	101.64	4.58
2421	Nevada Irr. Dist., Calif.	5 1/2	1933-1965	1,214,000		
2422	Newark, Ohio	4 1/2	1929-1958	200,000	100.94	4.14
2179	New Castle S. D., Pa.	4 1/2	1948-1957	250,000	104.40	3.97
2422	New Hampton Twp. S. D. No. 7, Iowa			3,000		
2179	New Hebron S. D., Miss.			50,000		
2422	New Kensington, Pa.	4 1/2	1930-1943	22,500	103.15	4.07
2179	New London, Conn. (2 iss.)	4 1/2	1928-1957	450,000	102.59	3.97
2009	New Orleans, La.	4 1/2	1929-1977	4,500,000	103.74	4.28
2297	Newton Co. Rd. Dist., Tex. (5 issues)	5 1/2		250,000	92	
2297	Niagara Falls, N. Y. (2 issues)	3.95	1961-1970	620,000	100.10	3.92
2564	Nicholas County, Ky.	5	1937-1947	75,000	105.52	
2564	Norfolk, Neb.	4 1/2	1932-1937	469,000	100.64	4.43
2179	North Hempstead, N. Y.	4.10	1929-1933	65,000	100.13	4.08
2298	North Pelham, N. Y.	4.10	1928-1946	375,000	100.05	4.09
2298	No. Salem, Somers, South-east and Carmel S. D. No. 1, N. Y.	4.40	1930-1949	20,000	100.78	4.31
2179	North Tarrytown, N. Y.	5	1928-1931	8,000		
2298	North Tonawanda, N. Y.	4 1/2	1937-1972	359,000	101.34	4.18
2298	Nyssa, Ore.	6	1932-1937	44,000		
2422	Oakes, N. Dak.	5 1/2	1932-1951	20,000	105.65	4.94
2298	Oakland Co., Mich. (2 iss.)	4 1/2	1929-1939	425,650	100.11	4.72
2564	Oakland Co. Dr. D., Mich.	5 1/2	1928-1938	300,000	100	5.50
2298	Ocean Beach, N. Y.	5 1/2	1928-1935	8,000	100.52	5.36
2422	Omega S. D., Ga.			5,000		
2422	Orange County, Fla.	5 1/2	1930-1957	300,000	96	5.90
2009	Orange County, Ind.	4 1/2	1928-1937	12,200	101.81	4.12
2009	Oswego, N. Y.	4	1928-1952	500,000	100.04	3.96
2009	Oswego, N. Y.	3 1/2	1928-1947	25,000	100.04	3.96
2564	Oyster Bay S. D. No. 9, N. Y.	4 1/2	1929-1954	650,000	101.83	4.06
2180	Paducah, Ky. (3 iss.)	6		10,603		
2180	Paducah, Ky.	6	1928-1937	5,254		
2009	Painesville, Ohio	5	1929-1938	11,586	102.29	4.64
2298	Panhandle Ind. S. D., Tex.	4 1/2		175,000	101.11	
2180	Panhandle, Tex.	5 1/2	1928-1967	121,520	100.41	
2422	Paragould Spec. S. D. No. 1, Ark.		1947	40,000		
2298	Pascagoula, Miss.	5 1/2		17,000		
2180	Paterson, N. J.	4 1/2	1928-1962	144,000	104.45	4.13
2009	Paterson, N. J.	4 1/2	1928-1965	817,000	104.91	4.13
2009	Paterson, N. J.	4 1/2	1928-1966	401,000	104.92	4.09
2009	Paterson, N. J.	4 1/2	1928-1958	306,000	104.08	4.08
2298	Pennsauken Twp., N. J. (2 issues)	5	1928-1929	165,000		
2422	Perth Amboy, N. J.	4 1/2	1930	205,000	101.31	4.28
2422	Perth Amboy, N. J.	4 1/2	1929-1944	102,000	102.69	4.39
2422	Perth Amboy, N. J.	4 1/2	1929-1937	28,000	101.37	4.47
2422	Perth Amboy, N. J.	4 1/2	1932	15,000	101.43	4.42
2422	Phenix City, Ala.	5 1/2	1928-1947	50,000	101	5.32
2009	Philadelphia S. D., Pa.	3 1/2	1938-1957	2,000,000		
2298	Phoenix, Ariz.	6	1928-1937	33,500		
2180	Pierce Co. S. D., Wash.	5	1929-1941	8,000	100	5.00
2180	Pocahontas Co., Iowa			r60,000		
2298	Pocatello Ind. S. D. No. 1, Idaho	4.60	1937-1947	415,000	100	4.60
2422	Polk Co. S. D., Fla.	5 1/2	1930-1957	280,000	100.40	
2422	Polk Co. S. D., Fla.	6		40,000	95.60	
2298	Pomeroy, Ohio	4 1/2	1928-1943	r31,000	100.47	4.42
2180	Port Arthur Ind. S. D., Tex.	4 1/2		850,000	100	4.50
2298	Port of Anacortes, Wash.	4.20	1929-1947	93,000	100	4.20
2422	Porter County, Ind.	4 1/2		14,600	102.22	
2422	Porter County, Ind.	4 1/2		7,500	102.20	
2564	Posy Co., Ind.	4 1/2	1929-1938	15,400	102.66	4.01
2009	Porter Un. S. D. No. 1, N. Y.	4 1/2	1929-1960	48,000	101.83	4.34
2180	Pottawatomie Co., Okla.	4 1/2	1930-1949	390,000	103.22	
2298	Preston Whitney Irr. D., Utah			175,000		
2298	Pueblo Water Dist. No. 1, Colo.	4	1943-1948	r145,000	99.63	4.02
2298	Pueblo Water Dist., Colo.	4	1943-1948	r180,000	99.63	4.02
2180	Putnam Co. S. D., Fla.	6		30,000	97.61	
2299	Quincy, Mass. (2 iss.)	3 1/2	1928-1937	143,000	100.35	3.68
2299	Quitman Co., Miss.	5 1/2		65,000	103.08	
2564	Rensselaer, N. Y.	4 1/2	1929-1947	148,000	101.57	4.04
2423	Ridley Park, Pa.	4 1/2	1956	25,000	106.13	4.13
2299	Rio Hondo, Tex.	6 1/2		15,000		
2423	Rittman, Ohio	6	1928-1935	5,000	101.75	5.50
2423	Robeson Co. Drain Dist. No. 2, N. Caro.	6	1932-1946	90,000	100	6.00
2010	Robertson Co., Tenn.	4 1/2	1948	455,000	101.87	4.38

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2299	Rock Hill S. D., S. Caro.	5	1932-1947	25,000	103.63	4.65
2180	Rotterdam Com. S. D. No. 11, N. Y.	5		18,000	106.09	3.38
2180	Rowan Co., N. Caro.	4 1/2	1933-1950	417,000	100.71	4.25
2564	Rye and Harrison S. D. No. 6, N. Y.	4 1/2	1928-1937	40,000	100.48	4.14
2423	St. John Twp. S. D., Ind.	4 1/2		50,000	103.37	
2423	St. Joseph Co., Mich. (3 issues)	4 1/2	1928-1937	71,500	100.72	4.58
2423	St. Louis Co. S. D. No. 63, Mo.	5 1/2	1932	5,000		
2299	Salamanca, N. Y.	4 1/2	1928-1935	8,362	100.14	4.70
2016	Salem, Ore.	4 1/2	1936-1937	40,000		
2010	Salina, Kan.	4 1/2	1928-1937	158,882	100	4.50
2299	San Bernardino Co. H. S. Dist., Calif.	5	1944	25,000	108.27	4.31
2299	Sandwich, Calif.	4 1/2	1932-1951	700,000	103.71	4.15
2423	Sandstone Twp. S. D. No. 1, Mich.	4 1/2	1928-1956	60,000	101.55	4.36
2423	Sarasota Co. S. D. No. 1, Fla.	5	1930-1951	45,000	100	5.00
2180	San Juan Co. Con. S. D., N. Mex.	5 1/2	1929-1951	r55,000		
2299	Sandusky Co., Ohio (5 iss.)	4 1/2	1928-1936	121,700	100.53	
2299	Saratoga County, N. Y.	4	1945-1954	212,000	100.77	3.96
2565	Sarasota, Fla. (2 iss.)	6	1928-1937	160,000	96	
2423	Sausalito S. D., Calif.	5	1957-1959	16,000	111.15	4.25
2180	Scarsdale, N. Y.	4 1/2	1928-1947	60,000	101.41	4.06
2423	Seattle, Wash. (2 issues)	4 1/2	11-30 years	4,000,000	94.45	4.95
2423	Seattle, Wash.	4 1/2	1933-1947	1,600,000	95.77	4.44
2180	Shaca County, Ohio	4 1/2		131,800	100.08	

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2425	East Flamborough Twp., Ont.	5	1928-1957	60,000	---	---
2425	Greenfield Park, Que.	5 1/2	1928-1942	95,000	100.11	---
2425	Laval sur le Lac, Que.	5	---	17,300	99.85	---
2012	Montmagny, Que.	5	1928-1937	60,000	99.53	5.10
2301	Newfoundland (Govt. of)	5	1952	5,000,000	98.51	5.09
2301	New Westminster, B. C.	5	20 years	90,000	99.68	5.03
2425	Niagara Falls, Ont. (2 Iss.)	5	10-20 years	138,025	99.57	5.08
2425	Ontario (Prov. of)	4 1/2	1928-1947	24,000,000	99.30	4.57
2182	Peel Co., Ont.	5	1928-1937	30,000	100.21	4.97
0000	Pointe Claire, Que.	5	---	50,000	99.11	---
2301	Point Grey, B. C.	5	---	747,000	99.60	---
2425	Regina S. D. No. 4, Sask.	5	1957	200,000	100.03	4.98
2425	Riviere du Loup, Que.	5	40 years	100,500	102.82	---
2182	Saskatchewan S. Ds., Sask.	---	---	10,100	---	---
2425	Saskatchewan S. Ds., Sask.	---	---	97,900	---	---
2301	Scarborough Twp., Ont.	---	---	---	---	---
2012	Shawville, Que.	5	1927-1957	345,813	99.77	---
2182	Toronto, Ont.	5	25 years	20,000	98.06	5.21
2182	Toronto, Ont.	5	1957	100,000	100.57	---
2182	Trafalgar, Ont.	5 1/2	1947	19,663	105.08	---

Total amount of debentures sold during October \$500,000,000

NEWS ITEMS

Canada (Dominion of).—Dominion's Net Debt Decreases.—The net debt of the Dominion was reduced \$78,500,000 during the seven months ended Oct. 31, by the application of surplus revenue of that amount. The revenues for the seven months totalled \$257,031,841, while expenditures for the same period aggregated \$178,515,235. The Toronto "Globe" on Nov. 7 carried the following Ottawa despatch of Nov. 6:

Canada's net debt dropped \$78,500,000 during the seven months of the fiscal year ending Oct. 31. In the same period, when compared with the corresponding seven months of last year, total revenues of the Dominion increased nearly \$20,000,000. Of the \$20,000,000, \$10,000,000 came in greater revenue from taxes. Customs duties are up \$8,000,000; income taxes, \$6,000,000.

Revenue from excise duties is up \$5,000,000, but revenue from excise taxes (sales, stamps, etc.) is down \$9,000,000.

Various sources of Dominion revenue for the two seven-months periods, as shown in the monthly statement of the Finance Department, compare:

	1926.	1927.
Taxation revenue	\$83,565,716	\$91,950,748
Excise duties	29,326,734	34,135,046
War Tax Revenue	---	---
Excise taxes (sales, stamps, etc.)	56,045,762	47,080,770
Income tax	43,481,547	49,618,277
Business profits tax	304,130	411,959
Miscellaneous taxes	640,471	682,198
Total taxes	\$213,364,362	\$223,879,010
Interest on investments	2,663,900	4,801,346
Post office	14,300,900	16,633,931
Dominion lands	1,806,901	1,870,288
Canada Grain Act	1,000,702	1,066,318
Miscellaneous	4,187,177	4,045,781
Total ord. revenue	\$237,323,044	\$252,296,737
Spec. receipts	475,504	4,735,504
Total receipts	\$237,798,548	\$257,031,841

The grand total of Dominion expenditure during the seven months was \$178,515,235.88. The decrease of \$78,500,000 in net debt is the surplus revenue over expenditure during the period.

New York State.—Four Year Term Defeated.—\$300,000,000 Debt Amendment Approved.—Others Carried.—The proposal to amend the State Constitution so as to allow New York City to increase its borrowing capacity \$300,000,000 for rapid transit purposes was approved by the voters Tuesday. The voters defeated the proposed four year term for Governor, with elections coming in presidential years. The other seven amendments proposed received favorable majorities.

The latest note reported on the debt limit amendment gave the proposition 896,466 favorable votes and 712,977 unfavorable, with 522 election districts missing.

The four year term was beaten by 1,153,330 "against" to 538,484 "for," 610 election districts missing.

The proposal to place the state's finances on a budget system, with appropriations originating in the Governor's office, received 1,131,213 favorable votes, and 322,884 unfavorable, 1,387 districts missing.

The grade crossing elimination amendment, which provides that the state, counties and cities bear the cost of eliminating grade crossings in proportions set by the legislature, received 1,158,517 "ayes" and 327,681 "noes," 1,406 districts missing.

The increase in the Governor's salary to \$25,000 a year polled 1,076,232 "for" and 592,947 "against," 712 districts missing.

The proposal making the Governor the head of the executive department received 1,033,446 "for" and 337,023 "against," 1,812 districts missing.

The vote on the proposal to build a road up Whiteface Mountain was 902,913 "for" and 432,380 "against," 1,966 district missing.

The amendment giving counties the same excess condemnation privileges as cities enjoy received 939,468 "for" to 368,332 "against", 1,764 districts missing.

The amendment preventing annexation of territory by a city without the consent of the residents of the territory received 976,051 favorable and 384,115 unfavorable votes, with 1,786 districts missing.

Provisions in Various States for Taxation and Tax Exemption of State and Municipal Bonds.—The N. Y. "Times" on Oct. 22 reviewed the provisions of law in the different States for taxing and for exempting from taxation State and municipal bonds. We reprint the article here because of the great interest in the subject.

To the prospective buyer of municipal bonds, one of the chief perplexities confronting him is that of tax status. It is well known that United States Government bonds are exempt from taxation in all States of the Union, and that the Government reciprocates by granting tax exemption to all State and municipal obligations. But the attitude of the individual

States toward their own obligations and those of their political subdivisions and toward the bonds of other States and their subdivisions is complex.

Each State exempts its own bonds from taxation, with the following exceptions: Colorado, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa (a 5-mill tax on each dollar of actual valuation), Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, Texas and Wisconsin.

State Bond Exemptions.

The following States exempt their respective State bonds from taxation with the following restrictions: In California, if the bonds are issued after Nov. 4 1902; in Indiana, if issued after April 23 1903; in Maine, if issued since Feb. 1 1909; in Massachusetts, if issued since Jan. 1 1906; in Maryland, if issued after March 12, 1914, except road bonds, which are exempt irrespective of the date of issuance; in Michigan, if issued for highway or soldiers' bonus purposes; in Minnesota, if issued after April 18 1911; in Mississippi, if issued since April 1 1906; in New Hampshire, if the rate does not exceed 5% per annum; in North Carolina, if issued since Jan. 1 1853.

In Ohio the bonds of the State are tax exempt only if they were issued prior to Jan. 1 1913; in Oregon, highway bonds of the State are exempt if issued after May 24 1912, but the income therefrom is taxable; in Rhode Island the State's bonds are exempt only when exempted by the law authorizing their issuance; in Tennessee, if issued since April 15, 1919; in Vermont, if issued since Dec. 4, 1912, provided the rate of interest does not exceed 4 per cent., or if issued after March 1 1919, provided the rate does not exceed 5 per cent.; in Virginia, if issued between Feb. 14, 1922, and Feb. 1, 1904, or if there after exempted by the laws authorizing their issuance.

Bonds of Subdivisions.

The next factor to be considered is the status of bonds of the subdivisions of each State. The bonds of cities, towns, villages, counties, townships, boroughs and districts are exempt in all States with the following exceptions, where they are all taxable: Arkansas, Colorado, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, North Carolina, North Dakota (unless held by banks or savings and loan associations), Rhode Island, Texas, Utah and West Virginia.

The following States exempt from taxation the bonds of their respective subdivisions with the restrictions noted here: In California if issued after Nov. 4, 1902; in Indiana, city bonds if issued after April 23, 1903, and county and township bonds is issued for road improvement after March 4, 1911, provided the interest rate does not exceed 4 1/2 per cent., and if issued after March 13, 1919, provided the interest rate does not exceed 5 per cent. Indiana also exempts all sanitary district bonds and all county bonds issued for construction of court houses and other public buildings and all school bonds if issued after July 20, 1920, and redeemable within five years and bearing interest at not to exceed 6 per cent. Indiana exempts other municipal bonds provided that they are issued for public improvements and issued since March 10, 1921.

Iowa exempts from taxation bonds of its subdivisions if issued after July 4, 1909; in Maine, bonds of its subdivisions are exempt if issued after Feb. 1, 1909; in Massachusetts if issued after May 1, 1909, and declared exempt on the face of each bond; in Michigan if issued after Aug. 31, 1909; in Minnesota if issued since April 18, 1911; in Mississippi if issued after April 1 1906, except drainage bonds, which are all exempt; in New Hampshire if the interest rate does not exceed 5 per cent.; in Ohio if issued prior to Jan. 1, 1913.

Other States Conditions.

In Oregon the highway bonds of subdivisions of that State are exempt if issued after May 24, 1921, but the income therefrom is taxable; in South Carolina all bonds of its subdivisions are exempt if issued after Feb. 21, 1912; in Tennessee, city and town bonds if issued after Sept. 2, 1920, and county bonds if issued after Sept. 3, 1920; in Vermont if issued after Dec. 4, 1912, provided the interest rate does not exceed 4 per cent., or if issued after March 1, 1919, provided the interest rate does not exceed 5 per cent.; in Virginia from county, city and local taxation.

The State of Pennsylvania, while exempting its own bonds, imposes on the obligations of its subdivisions a tax of 4 mills on the nominal value which is deducted by the treasurer of the subdivision from the interest paid on the bond, unless the borrowing municipality specifically contracts to pay the tax, or unless the bond is held by a non-resident.

Each State in the Union taxes the bonds of other States and their subdivisions with the following exceptions: In Delaware where these bonds are exempt, although if issued after Nov. 1, 1921, the income is taxable; in New York, except as to income. The bonds of any city, county, town or village in an adjacent State, as Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts and Vermont, are exempt from taxation in New York State; in North Dakota, if held by incorporated banks and savings and loan associations.

On the matter of State income tax, only a small percentage of the States of the Union impose such a tax.

Dallas, Dallas County, Tex.—Bond Election.—A special election will be held on Dec. 15, for the purpose of having the authorized voters pass upon the thirty-nine propositions involving \$23,900,000 in bonds for an extensive improvement program. These propositions are to alter or amend the city charter and practically all of them authorize the issuance of bonds for the city wide betterment plan. In detail they are as follows:

- To increase the bond limit from \$25,000,000 to \$50,000,000.
- To accept the State enabling act of the Fortieth Legislature giving Dallas the power to zone the city.
- To adopt the enabling act relative to establishing building lines and provide assessments therefor.
- To empower the city under the police power to establish building lines to promote "the public health, safety, order, convenience, prosperity and general welfare."
- To adopt the State enabling act relative to the improvement of streets and alleys and the making of assessments for same.
- To empower the city to install and maintain special street lighting systems, the cost to be assessed against benefitting owners.
- To adopt the State enabling act relative to the city buying or condemning property for parks, parkways or pleasure grounds and the assessment of costs against benefitting property owners in whole or in part not to exceed the benefit.
- Prescribing that payment of assessments against property owners for special benefits, "wherever practicable" shall be spread over a period not to exceed fifteen years, and empowering the city to issue assignable certificates or other evidence of indebtedness.
- Providing that the city may name a resident of the city of Highland Park or other municipality that may be merged with Dallas to the Park Board.
- That the Park Board members shall possess the same qualifications and be subject to same disqualifications as City Commissioners and shall serve without compensation and that the financial operations of the Park Board shall be subject to all provisions of the city charter.
- Legalizing the Park Board to provide for bands or music in the parks, to provide for motion picture shows, radio entertainments and other devices for entertainment and recreation, including an animal zoo, bathing pools, playgrounds for various games, all to be deemed to be done in the governmental capacity, not the "proprietary capacity," of the city of Dallas.
- The creation of a revolving street fund, to be used merely to advance authorized improvements until special assessments for each improvement are collected. This fund to be realized by issuance of bonds based on certificates or other evidences of indebtedness for special improvements which the city may buy and impound. This fund to be started with \$900,000 to be transferred from the sums realized in the issuance of \$4,800,000 for the city's share in the establishment of building lines, street openings, widenings, underpasses and overpasses, in the event this larger sum is authorized by the voters.
- To adopt the State enabling act regarding race segregation.
- Empowering the city if it desires to refer all rate matters affecting those enjoying franchises or exercising any other public privilege to the Supervisor of Public Utilities, who may conduct hearings with the same power as if he were the City Commission itself; and the city may empower the Supervisor of Public Utilities to fix rates for each kind of vehicle operated over the streets of Dallas for hire, all recommendations of the supervisor to be subject finally to approval or rejection by the City Commission.
- To issue the \$1,900,000 school bonds, suggested by the Ulrickson report.
- To issue the \$1,500,000 park playground, parkways and pleasure grounds bonds recommended by the same report.

17. To issue \$4,800,000 in bonds, the city's share in the establishment of building lines, street openings and widenings, building of underpasses and overpasses as suggested in the same report.

Sewage Bonds.

- 18. To issue \$1,000,000 in bonds for the building and enlarging of the sanitary sewer and sewage disposal plant system.
19. To issue \$3,500,000 for the city's share in constructing and enlarging storm sewers and constructing a system of storm sewers or system of drainage by open canals or closed conduits.
20. To issue \$3,000,000 in bonds for the purpose of street paving.
21. To issue \$350,000 in bonds for a central fire station and to install a new signal system for police and fire departments.
22. To issue \$150,000 in bonds for the incinerator system.
23. To issue \$500,000 in bonds for the public library system.
24. To issue \$500,000 in bonds for an Institute of Fine Arts.
25. To issue \$1,000,000 in bonds for a public auditorium.
26. To issue \$400,000 in bonds as city's share toward improvement or enlargement of city-county hospital system.
27. To issue \$4,000,000 in bonds for pumping facilities, purification plant and distribution mains in an improvement to the waterworks system.
28. To issue \$400,000 in bonds immediately for acquisition of an airport to be municipally owned and operated.
29. To require the City Commission to appropriate annually from the general revenues of the city a sum equal to 25-100 of one mill of the assessed taxable values in Dallas to support of the public library system.
30. To establish the fact in the city charter that the municipal ownership and operation of an airport shall be deemed a "municipal purpose."
31. To provide for a municipal radio station.
32. To adopt an enabling act relating to improvement districts and providing for the issuance of assignable certificates.
33. Permitting the city to place the sanitary sewer system in the waterworks department and allowing that latter designation to make reasonable charges for sanitary sewer service.
34. Providing that city may levy assessments against benefiting property owners for storm sewer and drainage system improvements.
35. To create a general storm sewer and drainage system and providing for assessments against benefiting property owners for improvements.
36. Specifying that city is not to be liable to contractor for indebtedness of benefiting property owners in improvements in which city takes part.
37. Authorizing the merging of Dallas with Highland Park and with University Park upon "terms, provisions and stipulations" that may be agreed upon and permitting that residents of any such municipalities merged may be named in the number of one from each to the Board of Education and to the Park Board.
38. Providing that the city may initiate street opening and widening proceedings by either a resolution or an ordinance.
39. To adopt the State enabling act relative to power of the City Plan Commission to control the platting and planning of land within five miles of the city limit and otherwise defining the jurisdiction of the City Plan Commission.
If the bond issues are carried, the total issue of bonds in any one year is limited to \$4,000,000, except that the water works improvement issue of \$4,000,000 shall not be included in such an annual limit.

Indianapolis, Ind.—Council Chooses Mayor.—The City Council on Nov. 8, elected L. E. Slack mayor to complete the unexpired term of former Mayor Duvall. The new mayor will serve until Jan. 1 1930, when the city begins to operate under the city manager plan.

New Jersey (State of).—Approve \$30,000,000 Road Bonds.—The voters of the state on Nov. 8 voted favorably on a \$30,000,000 road bond issue. The proposition received a favorable majority of about 20,000 votes. The money is to be used for a part of the state road program, on which it is proposed to spend \$250,000,000 over a period of six and one-half years.

New York City, N. Y.—Housing Proposition Approved.—The proposition to allow the city to lease for housing purposes excess land taken in condemnation proceedings was approved by a huge majority on Nov. 8. With two election districts missing the vote stood 698,342 "for" to 140,996 "against."

San Francisco, Calif.—Sale of Hetch Hetchy Water Bonds Below Par Valid.—A suit started in March 1925, to void the sale of \$21,826,000 Hetch Hetchy water bonds at prices below par, and to force recovery by the city of an amount equal to the difference between par and the prices at which the sales were made, was finally settled on Oct. 31, by the State Supreme Court, which upheld the validity of the sales. The San Francisco "Chronicle" on Nov. 1 reported as follows:

Drawn out litigation in which Henry Warfield, a taxpayer, sought to compel the Anglo London Paris National Bank and the Construction Company of America to refund \$2,888,537 to the city of San Francisco, growing out of the sale of \$21,826,000 of Hetch Hetchy bonds, ended with a State Supreme Court decision yesterday upholding sale of the bonds.

Warfield on March 21 1925, demanded that then City Attorney Lull recover the amount in question on the ground the bank and the construction company had no right to purchase the \$21,826,000 Hetch Hetchy bonds below par, and that the city was without authority to sell them at that figure.

Warfield contended further that the charter amendment permitting sale of the bonds at a figure below their face value was unconstitutional.

The Supreme Court action disposes of the issue, an opinion by Justice W. H. Langdon dismissing the case on the ground that Warfield permitted too long a time to elapse before bringing his action and that the suit is outlawed.

The decision follows: "There is nothing to indicate that the sale of the bonds was not in entire good faith on both sides nor does it appear that the City and County of San Francisco should have disposed of the bonds at a higher price.

"It is a well known fact that municipal securities during and after the war could not be marketed in large quantities at par unless the usual interest rate was considerably increased.

"If the transaction had been attacked with reasonable promptness and diligence the bonds might have been returned and the purchase price thereof invested in other bonds which were also greatly depressed in value and which would have appreciated with the rising market as did the bonds purchased from the municipality."

Westchester County, N. Y.—New Charter Defeated.—For the second time a proposed new charter for Westchester was defeated, this time by about 12,000 votes at Tuesday's election.

BOND PROPOSALS AND NEGOTIATIONS this week have been as follows:

ADA, Pontotoc County, Okla.—BOND OFFERING.—The two issues of 5% bonds aggregating \$615,000 that was voted on Oct. 25—V. 125, p. 2558—were now being offered for sale until Nov. 15 by City Clerk Lee Doggs, who calls for sealed bids on the issues. They are as follows: \$425,800 water line construction bonds and \$190,000 high school building bonds.

ALBION SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 99 (P. O. Colfax), Wash.—BOND SALE.—The \$14,500 issue of school bonds offered for sale on Nov. 5—V. 125, p. 2291—was awarded to the Farmers' National Bank of Colfax as 4 1/2% for a premium of \$36.35, equal to 100.25, a basis of about 4.47%. Denom. of bonds not yet fixed. Dated as and when issued.

Due from 1929 to 1947. The only other bid was submitted by the State Finance Committee offering par for 4 1/4%.

ALLEN COUNTY (P. O. Lima), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—S. B. Adgate, Clerk, Board of County Commissioners, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. Nov. 26 for the purchase of an issue of \$19,306,385 1/2% road improvement bonds. Dated Sept. 1 1927. Due serially Sept. 1 1928 to 1937 incl. Prin. and int. payable at the office of the County Treasurer. A certified check for 10% of the bonds offered is required.

ALLEN COUNTY (P. O. Fort Wayne), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$105,000 4 1/4% series No. 6 tuberculosis hospital bonds offered on November 7—V. 125, p. 2174—were awarded to the Union Trust Co. of Indianapolis, at a premium of \$3,457 equal to 103.29, a basis of about 3.85%. Dated Nov. 15 1927. Due \$5,250, Nov. 15 1928 to 1947 incl. The following is a complete list of other bidders:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder and Premium. Includes Old National Securities, Fort Wayne (\$3,268), Lincoln National Bank, Fort Wayne (2,900), Merchants Nat'l Bank & Indiana Trust Co., Indianapolis (3,425), Fletcher Am. Co., Indianapolis (3,339), Meyer Kiser Bank, Indianapolis (3,195).

ALLISON, Butler County, Iowa.—BOND SALE.—A \$35,000 issue of 4 1/4% primary road bonds was recently purchased by Geo. M. Bechtel & Co. of Davenport.

ANN ARBOR, Washtenaw County, Mich.—BONDS DEFEATED.—At the election held on Nov. 8—V. 125, p. 2417—the voters rejected the proposition calling for the issuance of \$500,000 bonds to install a new water system. The vote stood: 811 for to 1,193 against.

ANNISTON, Calhoun County, Ala.—BOND OFFERING.—A \$35,000 issue of 5 1/2% coupon improvement bonds will be offered for sale at public auction on Nov. 24 at 7:30 p.m. by Sidney J. Reaves, Mayor. Denom. \$500. Dated Dec. 1 1927 and due \$3,500 from Dec. 1 1928 to 1937, incl. Prin. and int. (J. & D.) payable at the Chase National Bank, New York City, in gold. Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge of Boston will furnish legal approving opinion. A \$700 certified check, payable to the city, is a requirement.

ARKANSAS (P. O. Little Rock), State of.—BOND SALE.—The \$3,000,000 issue of 4, 4 1/4 and 4 1/2% coupon or registered state pension bonds offered for sale on Nov. 10—V. 125, p. 2291—was awarded to a syndicate composed of Halsey, Stuart & Co., E. H. Rollins & Sons, Redmond & Co., Eastman, Dillon & Co., R. W. Pressprich & Co., B. J. Van Inger & Co. and Howe, Snow & Co., Inc.; all of New York City; Stifel, Nicolaus & Co., Inc., and a number of Western houses as 4 1/4% bonds at a price of 100.439, equal to a basis of about 4.21%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Dec. 1 1927. Due on Oct. 1 as follows: \$130,000, 1934 to 1937; \$140,000, 1928 and 1939; \$150,000, 1940; \$160,000, 1941 and 1942; \$170,000, 1943 and 1944; \$180,000, 1945; \$190,000, 1946 and 1947; \$200,000, 1948 1944; \$180,000, 1949 to 1951, all incl. Prin. and int. payable in New York City at the National Park Bank. The other bids for the issue were as follows: A group headed by the Chase Securities Corp. offered to pay 96.88 for 4s, or 99.50 for 4 1/4s, or 102.27 for 4 1/2s. A group headed by Eldredge & Co. offered to pay 102.1892 for 4 1/4s, or to pay par for \$2,000,000 short 4 1/2s and \$1,000,000 long 4s. A group headed by Lehman Brothers offered 101.401 for 4 1/4s, or slightly better than par for \$2,375,000 short 4 1/2s and \$625,000 long 4s. A group headed by Stern Brothers & Co. offered to pay 100.603 for 4 1/4s.

ASTORIA, Clatsop County, Ore.—BOND SALE.—The \$30,028.23 6% Impt. bonds offered for sale on Nov. 7—V. 125, p. 2559—were given to the contractors at par. Dated Oct. 1 1927. Due serially in from 1 to 10 years.

AURORA, Beaufort County, N. C.—BOND OFFERING.—R. S. Thompson, Clerk of the Board of Alderman, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. on Nov. 21 for the purchase of a \$20,000 issue of 6% electric power line bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated July 1 1927. Due on Jan. 1, as follows: \$1,000 from 1929 to 1934; \$2,000 from 1935 to 1941 incl. Prin. and int. (J. & J.) payable at the Hanover National Bank in New York City. Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge, of Boston, will furnish legal approval. Blank bonds will be furnished free. A certified check, payable to the town treasurer, for 2% face value of the bid, is required.

BANNING UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, Riverside County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—The \$75,000 issue of 5 1/2% school bonds offered for sale on Nov. 7—V. 125, p. 2417—was awarded to Russell, Sutherland & Co. of Los Angeles for a premium of \$5,717.70, equal to 107.623.

BARNESVILLE, Belmont County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by J. H. Price, Village Clerk, until 12 m. Nov. 12 (to-day) for the purchase of an issue of \$1,125 6% coupon street improvement bonds. Dated March 1 1927. Denom. \$125. Due \$125 Sept. 1 1928 to 1936 incl. A certified check payable to the order of the Village Treasurer, for 5% of the bonds offered, is required.

BARTOW, Polk County, Fla.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 2 p.m. on Nov. 29 by Geo. J. McNamee, City Auditor and Clerk, for the purchase of an \$80,000 issue of 5 1/2% capital fund bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Oct. 1 1927, and due on Oct. 1 as follows: \$3,000 1929; \$11,000, 1930 to 1936 incl. Prin. and int. (A. & O.) payable in New York City at the Hanover National Bank. Caldwell & Raymond, New York attorneys, will furnish the approving opinion. A certified check for 2% par of the bid is required.

BAY VILLAGE, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Jeese L. Saddler, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m., Nov. 29, for the purchase of an issue of \$78,720.03, 5% coupon special assessment street improvement bonds. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Denoms. \$1,000, one bond for \$720.03. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$7,000, 1929; \$8,000, 1930 to 1935 incl.; \$7,000, 1936; \$8,000, 1937; and \$8,720.03, 1938. Prin. and int. payable at the Guardian Trust Co., Rocky River. A certified check payable to the order of the Village Treasurer, for 5% of the bonds offered, is required.

BEAVER, Beaver County, Utah.—BOND SALE.—The \$35,000 issue of 4 1/4% electric light and power plant bonds voted on Oct. 24—V. 125, p. 2004—was purchased by the Central Trust Co. of Salt Lake City. Bonds are dated Nov. 1 1927 and due on Nov. 1 1946.

BEDFORD, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$63,375 special assessment street improvement bonds offered on Nov. 1—V. 125, p. 2004—were awarded to the Detroit Trust Co. of Detroit, as 4 1/2s, at a premium of \$346, equal to 100.54, a basis of about 4.40%. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Due Nov. 1, as follows: \$7,375, 1929; and \$7,000, 1930 to 1937 incl.

BELFAST WATER DISTRICT, Waldo County, Me.—PRICE PAID.—The price paid for the \$150,000 4% water bonds awarded to Alexander Gordon & Co of Portland, in—V. 125, p. 2559—was a discount of \$1,915, equal to 98.72, a basis of about 4.11%. Due as follows: \$3,000, 1928 to 1946 incl.; and \$93,000, 1947.

BEND, Deschutes County, Ore.—PRE-ELECTION SALE.—A \$22,000 issue of 5 1/2% bridge bonds has been purchased prior to an election on Nov. 10 by the Lumbermen's Trust Co. of Portland, paying for the bonds a price of 100.12, a basis of about 5.48%. Due \$1,000 from 1928 to 1949.

BENEDICT, McLean County, N. Dak.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 2 p.m. on Nov. 15 by C. A. Reed, Village Clerk, for the purchase of a \$2,000 issue of 6% village bonds. Dated Nov. 15 1927 and due on Nov. 15 1932. Int. payable on Jan. & July 1. A certified check for 2% is required.

BETHLEHEM, Albany County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by the Town Board, until 4 p.m. Nov. 21, for the purchase of an issue of \$275,000 4 1/4% water bonds. Dated Dec. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000. Due serially Dec. 1 1932 to 1947 inclusive.

BETHLEHEM WATER DISTRICT, Grafton County, N. H.—Bond offering.—J. Elmer Harrington, Treasurer Board of Water Commissioners will receive sealed bids until 7:30 p.m. Nov. 16, for the purchase of an issue of \$125,000 4% coupon water bonds. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000. Due Nov. 1, as follows: \$7,000, 1928 to 1932 incl. and \$6,000, 1933 to 1947 incl. Prin. and int. payable at the Manchester Safety Deposit & Trust Co., Manchester; the said Trust Co. will also supervise the preparation of the bonds and will certify as to their genuineness in all

details. Legality to be approved by Ropes, Gray, Boyden & Perkins, of Boston.

BEVERLY HILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Los Angeles) Calif.—LIST OF BIDDERS.—The following is a complete list of the other bids submitted on Oct. 31.—V. 125, p. 2559—for the \$120,000 issue of 5% school improvement bonds awarded to the California Securities Co. at 108.625, a basis of about 4.37%: R. E. Campbell & Co. and Schwabacher & Co., \$10,277; First Securities Co., \$10,000; United States National Bank, \$9,726; Dean Witter & Co., \$9,582.50; Anglo London Paris Co., \$9,420; Bank of Italy, \$9,400; R. H. Moulton & Co., and the Security Co., \$9,360; William R. Staats Co., \$8,715.60, and Brown Crummer Investment Co., \$8,494. The United States National Bank also offered \$2,203, for the liens on a 4 1/2% basis.

BIG HORN COUNTY (P. O. Basin) Wyo.—PRICE PAID.—The \$40,000 issue of 4 1/2% coupon refunding bonds sold on Nov. 1.—V. 125, p. 2559—to Geo. W. Valley & Co., of Denver, brought a premium of \$140, equal to 100.35, a basis of about 4.48%. Dated Dec. 1 1927, and due \$2,500, from Dec. 1 1932 to 1947 incl. The two other bids were:

Names of Other Bidders.—
Sislo, Simmons Day & Co. Premium \$103.08
Stock Growers National Co. 105.10

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP (P. O. Pontiac), Oakland County, Mich.—BOND OFFERING.—James V. Bayley, Township Clerk, will sell at public auction at 2 p.m. (eastern standard time Nov. 16, the following issues of special assessment bonds aggregating \$45,500:

- \$17,500 curb, gutter and graveling bonds. Denom. \$1,000, one bond for \$500. Due Dec. 1, as follows: \$5,000, 1928; \$4,500, 1929, and \$4,000, 1930 and 1931.
15,500 surface drainage sewer bonds. Denoms. \$1,000, one bond for \$500. Due Dec. 1 as follows: \$4,000, 1928 to 1939 incl., and \$3,500, 1931.
12,500 curb, gutter and graveling bonds. Denom. \$1,000, one bond for \$500. Due Dec. 1 as follows: \$3,500, 1928; and \$3,000, 1929 to 1931 incl.

Dated Dec. 1 1927. Legality approved by Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone of Detroit.

BLOOMFIELD, TROY, ROYAL OAK AND SOUTHFIELD TWPS. FRACTIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Birmingham), Oakland County, Mich.—ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.—The prin. and int. (J. & D. 15) of the \$260,000 4 1/2% (not \$26,000 as reported in our issue of Nov. 5) school bonds awarded to the Security Trust Co. and the Detroit Trust Co., both of Detroit, jointly, at 101.54, a basis of about 4.23%—V. 125, p. 2559—is payable at the First State Savings Bank, Birmingham. The legality of the bonds has been approved by Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone of Detroit. The bonds it is stated are exempt from taxation in Michigan incl. Federal income taxes and are legal investments for savings banks in Michigan, and are being offered at prices to yield as follows: 1929 maturity, 4%; 1930 to 1935 maturities, 4.05%; 1936 to 1942 maturities, 4.10%.

BOLIVAR, Allegany County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—The \$120,000 4 1/2% coupon or registered sewer bonds offered on Nov. 7.—V. 125, p. 2418—were awarded to A. B. Leach & Co. of New York City at 101.82, a basis of about 4.27%. Dated June 15 1927. Due \$5,000, June 15 1928 to 1951 incl. The following is a complete list of other bidders:

Bidders—
Pulleyn & Co. Rate Bid. 101.67
Farson, Son & Co. 100.567
A. B. Leach & Co., Inc. 101.82
R. F. DeVoe & Co. 101.329
Denny, Bacon & Co. 101.44
Livingston County Trust Co. 101.089
Sherrod & Nurnfield, Inc. 101.53
Manufacturers & Traders Peoples Trust Co., Buffalo. 101.519

BOONTON, Morris County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—Alber, P. Smith, Town Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8:15 p. m. Nov. 21 for the purchase of an issue of 4 1/2% coupon or registered street and park bonds not to exceed \$97,000, no more bonds to be awarded than will produce a premium of \$1,000 over \$97,000. Dated Dec. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000. Due Dec. 1 as follows: \$3,000, 1928 to 1938 incl., and \$4,000, 1939 to 1954 incl. Prin. and int. (J. & D.) payable in gold at the U. S. Mtge. & Trust Co., N. Y. City; the said trust company will also supervise the preparation of the bonds and will certify as to the genuineness of the signatures of the officials and the seal impressed thereon. A certified check, payable to the order of the town, for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for is required. Legality to be approved by Hawkins, Delafield & Longfellow of N. Y. City.

BOYNE CITY, Charlevoix County, Mich. BOND SALE.—The two issues of 5% bonds, aggregating \$32,000, offered on Nov. 7.—V. 125, p. 2418—were awarded as follows:

\$25,000 street impt. bonds to W. K. Terry & Co. of Toledo at a premium of \$1,265.65, equal to 105.06, a basis of about 4.25%. Due in 1 to 15 years.

7,000 refunding street and bridge bonds to the State Savings Bank of Frankfort, at par. Due in 1 to 5 years.

Dated Nov. 1 1927.

BRAINARD, Butler County, Neb.—WARRANT SALE.—A \$3,000 issue of 6% registered water system warrants has recently been purchased by the Brainard State Bank of Brainard at par.

BRIELLE, Monmouth County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—Phillip R. Shingler, Borough, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. Nov. 18, for the purchase of an issue of \$72,000 5% coupon or registered water distribution bonds. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000. Due Nov. 1, as follows: \$2,000, 1928 to 1945 incl., and \$3,000, 1946 to 1957 incl. No more bonds to be awarded than will produce a premium of \$1,000 over the amount stated above. Prin. and int. (M. & N.) payable in gold at the Manasquan National Bank, Manasquan. A certified check payable to the order of the Borough for 2% of the bonds bid for, is required.

BROWNSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Johnstown), Cambria County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—The \$6,000 6% school bonds offered on Oct. 24.—V. 125, p. 2292—were awarded to the United States Trust Co. of Johnstown, at par. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Due \$1,000, Nov. 1 1928 to 1933 inclusive.

BRUNSWICK, Glynn County, Ga.—BONDS VOTED.—At a special election held on Nov. 2 the authorized electors approved a city bond issue for \$200,000 to provide civic improvements. Additional street paving will take \$75,000; \$75,000 for a city hospital annex and renovation of the old building, and \$50,000 for sewerage system extension. The bonds were passed by a large majority.

BUNCETON SPECIAL ROAD DISTRICT NO. 16 (P. O. Bunceton) Mo.—BOND SALE.—A \$25,000 issue of 5% road bonds has recently been purchased by an unknown investor.

BURNHAM, Mifflin County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—The \$10,000 4 1/2% coupon street impt. bonds offered on Nov. 7.—V. 125, p. 2292—were awarded to the First National Bank of Burnham, at a premium of \$80, equal to 100.00, a basis of about 4.40%. Dated Oct. 1 1927. Due Oct. 1 1957; optional Oct. 1 1937. A. B. Leach & Co. was the only other bidder, offering \$10,060.

BURTON, Geauga County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Harry F. O. Hill, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. Nov. 28, for the purchase of an issue of \$85,223.40 5 1/2% special assessment bonds for the purpose of retiring maturing notes. Dated Oct. 1 1927. Denoms. \$1,000, one bond for \$223.40. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$4,000, 1929 to 1931 incl.; \$4,000, 1933 and 1934; \$4,000, 1936 to 1938 incl.; \$4,000, 1941 to 1942 incl.; and \$4,000, 1944 to 1946 incl.; \$5,000, in each of the years, 1932, 1935, 1939 and 1943, and \$5,223.40, 1947. A certified check for 5% of the bonds offered is required.

CALIFORNIA, STATE OF (P. O. Sacramento).—LIST OF BIDDERS.—The \$2,500,000 issue of 4% coupon veteran's welfare bonds, sold on Nov. 3.—V. 125, p. 2559—to R. H. Moulton & Co. of Los Angeles and associates, for a premium of \$11,000, equal to 100.44, a basis of about .96%, also had the following bids submitted:

Names of Other Bidders.—
Pierce, Fair & Co. & Assoc., par and int. & prem. \$4,500.00 \$100.09
Anglo London Paris Co., & Assoc., par and int. & prem. 8,750.00 109.36
E. H. Rollins & Sons, & Assoc. (Schwabacher & Co.),
Heller Bruce, Lehman & Co., Blodgett & Co. 10,250.00 100.41

VETERANS' AID BONDS OFFERED TO PUBLIC.—The \$2,500,000 issue of 4% veterans' welfare bonds sold on Nov. 3.—V. 125, p. 2559—to R. H. Moulton & Co.; Dean, Witter & Co., and the American National Co., is now being offered on the market by the successful group priced to yield 3.85% for all maturities; they being from 1932 to 1948 incl. These bonds, it is stated, are eligible as security for the deposit of public moneys in California, in addition to being exempt from personal property taxes in that State. They also are legal investment for savings banks and trust funds in New York, California, Massachusetts and other States. They are general obligations of the issuing State.

CANTON, Stark County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—Kauffman, Smith & Co. of St. Louis, were awarded on Nov. 7, 8 issues of special assessment improvement bonds aggregating \$265,713.09, as 4 1/2%, at a premium of \$1,263, equal to 100.51.

CARROLL COUNTY (P. O. Huntingdon), Tenn.—BONDS VOTED.—At a special election held on Nov. 3.—V. 125, p. 2418—the authorized voters ratified the \$250,000 bond issue by a vote of 1,020 to 528. The bonds are for road construction purposes.

COWLES, Webster County, Neb.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$14,500 refunding bonds has recently been purchased by a Mr. W. H. Thompson as 4 1/2% bonds, paying for them a premium of \$125, equal to 100.86. Interest payable on Apr. and Oct. 1.

CENTRAL LAKE TOWNSHIP DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Central Lake) Antrim County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—Bumpus & Co. of Detroit, were awarded on June 13, an issue of \$40,000 5% school bonds at par. Dated July 1. Due July 1, as follows: \$1,000, 1928 to 1947 incl. and \$2,000, 1948 to 1957 inclusive.

CHANUTE, Neosho County, Kan.—BOND DESCRIPTION.—The \$11,632.20 issue of sewer and street improvement bonds sold recently—V. 125, p. 2418—is more accurately described as: coupon bonds bearing 4 1/2% interest. Dated Sept. 1 1927. Due serially in from 1 to 10 years. Int. payable on Feb. & Aug. 1.

CHELSEA, Suffolk County, Mass.—NOTE SALE.—The sinking fund was recently awarded at par, two issues of 4% noted aggregating \$17,000. Dated Dec. 1 1927 and maturing \$3,500, from 1928 to 1932 incl.

CHICKASAW COUNTY (P. O. Okalona), Miss.—BOND SALE.—A \$650,000 issue of road bonds has recently been purchased by an unknown investor.

CHINO SCHOOL DISTRICT, San Bernardino County, Cal.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by the County Clerk until Nov. 14 for the purchase of a \$25,000 issue of 5% school bonds. Due serially from 1928 to 1940.

CINCINNATI CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Hamilton County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—William J. Schroder, President Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 3 p. m. Nov. 28, for the purchase of an issue of \$625,000 4 1/2% school bonds. Dated Dec. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$25,000, Sept. 1 1929 to 1953 incl. Prin. and int. (M. & S.) payable at the American Exchange-Irving Trust Co., New York city. The bonds will not be sold for less than par and accrued interest. A certified check for 5% of the bonds offered is required. These bonds are part of an issue of \$8,500,000 authorized on Nov. 4 1924.

CLEVELAND, Rowan County, N. C.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until Dec. 5 by Town Clerk R. N. Moore for a \$25,000 issue of street improvement. Int. rate not to exceed 6%. Int. payable semi-annually.

CLIFTON, Bosque County, Tex.—BOND SALE.—The \$59,000 issue of 5% sewer bonds voted on Oct. 11.—V. 125, p. 2293—has been awarded to the Farmers State Bank of Clifton for an \$11 premium, equal to 100.019.

CLIFTON, Passaic County, N. J.—FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—The following statement shows the financial condition of the City of Clifton at the present time and has been prepared in connection with the proposed sale on Nov. 15, of five issues of 4 1/2% bonds aggregating \$1,097,000 full details of which appeared in V. 125, p. 2560.

Financial Statement.
I. Indebtedness.—
Gross debt—Bonds \$2,654,400.00
Floating debt (inc. Temporary Bonds) 5,699,700.19
Deductions—Water debt \$1,736,426.56
Sinking funds, other than for water bonds 407,110.42
Net debt \$6,210,563.21
Bonds to be issued:
Street and sewer bonds \$334,000.00
Water supply bonds 361,000.00
School bonds 263,000.00
Water bonds 87,000.00
Park bonds 52,000.00
Floating debt to be funded by such bonds \$1,097,000.00
1,096,466.89
Net debt, including bonds to be issued \$6,211,096.32

II. Assessed Valuations.—
Real property, including improvements, 1927 \$36,788,200.00
Personal property, 1927 5,623,375.00
Real and personal property, 1925 35,226,100.00
Real and personal property, 1926 39,321,800.00
Real and personal property, 1927 42,411,575.00
III. Population.—Census of 1920, 26,740; estimated, 1927, 40,000.
IV. Tax Rate.—Fiscal year, 1927, \$35.20 per thousand.

COLUMBUS, Franklin County, Ohio.—BONDS DEFEATED.—At an election held on Nov. 8.—V. 125, p. 1610—the voters rejected the proposition to issue the following bonds aggregating \$3,125,000:

- \$1,200,000 bonds to construct a viaduct connecting North Third Street with Summit Street. Votes: For, 20,678, against, 32,216.
1,500,000 bonds to erect a new central market house and recreation centre, with inside automobile parking facilities. Votes: For, 21,939, against, 31,549.
425,000 bonds for the purchase of a site and erection of buildings for a municipal airport. Votes: For, 18,438, against, 33,018.
The law requires a 55% majority for approval of bond issues.

COLUMBUS, Franklin County, Ohio.—NOTE OFFERING.—Harry H. Turner, City Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 7 p. m. (eastern standard time) Nov. 14, for the purchase of \$48,000 promissory notes. Dated Dec. 1 1927. Denoms. \$5,000, one for \$1,000. Due June 1 1929. Prin. and int. payable at the office of the agency of the City of Columbus, in New York. Award to be based on rate of interest charged and premium offered. A certified check payable to the order of the City Treasurer, for 1% of the notes offered is required.

COSHOCKTON, Coshocton County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Ella Williams, City Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. Dec. 3, for the purchase of an issue of \$2,169.94 5% special assessment improvement bonds. Dated Sept. 1 1927. Denoms. \$200, one bond for \$369.94. Due Sept. 1 as follows: \$369.94, 1929; and \$200, 1930 to 1938 incl.

BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by Ella Williams, City Auditor, until 12 m. December 3, for the purchase of an issue of \$7,796.98 5% coupon special assessment Poplar Street Improvement bonds. Dated Sept. 1 1927. Denom. \$400, one bond for \$196.98. Due semi-annually as follows: \$196.98, March 1, and \$400, Sept. 1 1929, and \$400 March and Sept. 1 1930 to 1938 incl.

CUYAHOGA COUNTY (P. O. Cleveland), Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The following issues of bonds aggregating \$154,187 offered on Oct. 29—

V. 125, p. 2176—were awarded to the Continental and Commercial Co. of Chicago, as 4 1/4%, at a premium of \$405, equal to 100.26, a basis of about 4.19%:

- \$33,771 assessment bonds for improving East 71st St. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$2,771, 1927; \$3,000, 1928 to 1932, incl., and \$4,000, 1933 to 1936, incl.
67,021 bonds to pay the county's portion of improving East 71st St. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$6,021, 1927; \$6,000, 1928 and 1929, and \$7,000, 1930 to 1936, incl.
5,453 assessment bonds for improving Wiltshire Road. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$453, 1927; \$500, 1928 and 1929, and \$1,000, 1930 to 1933, incl.
9,587 bonds to pay the county's portion of improving Wiltshire Road. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$1,087, 1927; \$1,000, 1928, and \$1,500, 1929 to 1933, incl.
16,812 assessment bonds for improving Hall Road No. 3. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$1,812, 1927; \$1,000, 1928 to 1930, and \$2,000, 1931 to 1936, incl.
21,543 bonds to pay the county's portion of improving Hall Road No. 3. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$2,543, 1927; \$2,000, 1928 to 1935, incl., and \$3,000, 1936.
Date Oct. 1 1927.

CUYAHOGA COUNTY (P. O. Cleveland) Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Louis Simon, Clerk Board of County Commissioners, will receive sealed bids until 11 a. m. November 26, for the purchase of the following issues of 4 1/2% coupon improvement bonds, aggregating \$319,451:

- \$224,534 special assessment Ruency Road bonds. Denom. \$1,000, one bond for \$534. Due September 1, as follows: \$22,534, 1928; \$22,000, 1929 to 1933 incl., and \$23,000, 1934 to 1937 incl.
86,065 County's portion Turney Road bonds. Denoms. \$1,000, one bond for \$65.00
8,852 special assessment Borad Road bonds. Denom. \$1,000, one for \$852. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$852, 1928, and \$1,000, 1929 to 1936 incl.

Dated Sept. 1 1927. Bids for bonds bearing a different rate of interest stated in a multiple of 1/4 of 1% or multiples thereof will also be considered. Prin. and int. payable at the office of the County Treasurer. A certified check, payable to the order of the County Treasurer, for 1% of the bonds offered, is required.

DALHART, Dallam County, Tex.—WARRANT SALE.—An issue of \$10,000 6% general improvement warrants has recently been purchased by U. S. Bond Co. of Denver. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Due from 1 to 10 years serial.

DANVILLE, Pittsylvania County, Va.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 2.30 p. m. on Nov. 22 by Charlton B. Strange, City Clerk & Auditor, for a \$250,000 issue of 4 1/2% Main Street bridge bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Oct. 1 1927, and due \$10,000 from Oct. 1 1928 to 1952, incl. Prin. and int. (A. & O.) payable at the office of the city treasurer. Read, Dougherty, Hoyt & Washburn of New York City will furnish legal approval. City will furnish required forms. A certified check for 2% face value of bonds, must accompany bid.

DAYTONA BEACH, Volusia County, Fla.—BOND SALE.—The \$163,000 issue of 6% coupon improvement bonds offered for sale on Nov. 3 —V. 125, p. 2293—was awarded to Stranahan, Harris & Oatis of Toledo for a premium of \$4,727, equal to 102.90, a basis of about 5.38%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Due as follows: \$16,000 from 1928 to 1934 and \$17,000 from 1935 to 1937 incl. The following is a list of the other bidders:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder, Price Bid. Seasongood & Mayer \$102.46, Caldwell & Company 102.89, Well, Roth & Irving 102.00

DEER CREEK IRRIGATION DISTRICT, Tehama County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—A \$25,000 issue of 6% irrigation bonds has recently been purchased by the First National Bank of Chico for a premium of \$12.50, equal to 100.05.

DELAWARE COUNTY (P. O. Media), Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—George T. Wadas, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. Nov. 15 for the purchase of an issue of \$900,000 4 or 4 1/4% coupon county bonds. Dated Nov. 15 1927. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$30,000, Nov. 15 1928 to 1957 incl. A certified check, payable to the order of the County, for 2% of the bonds offered is required. The bonds are being issued subject to their being approved by Townsend, Elliott & Munson of Philadelphia.

DELHI, Richland County, La.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until Dec. 6 by Town Clerk S. E. Smith for a \$65,000 issue of paving bonds. Int. rate not to exceed 6%. Int. payable semi-annually.

DELHI CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT, Delaware County, Iowa.—BOND DESCRIPTION.—The \$30,000 issue of school bonds sold recently—V. 125, p. 2419—is further described thusly: 4 1/2% coupon school addition bonds. Purchased by Monticello State Bank of Monticello, at a price of 101, a basis of about 4.42%. Denom. \$500. Dated July 1 1927. Due on July 1 1944. Optional on any int. paying date before 1944. Int. payable J. & J. 1.

DENVER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1, Denver County, Colo.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by the Clerk Board of Education on Nov. 23, for the purchase of an issue of \$60,000 4 1/2% school building bonds. Due 1947 and 1948.

DEWITT-JAMESVILLE WATER DISTRICT (P. O. East Syracuse), Onondaga County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Edwin A. Kaye, Town Supervisor, will receive sealed bids until 9 a. m. Nov. 15 for the purchase of an issue of \$80,000 coupon or registered water bonds interest rate not to exceed 5%. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$5,000, Nov. 1 1931 to 1946 incl. Rate of interest to be stated in a multiple of 1/10th or 1/4 of 1%. Prin. and int. (M. & N.) payable in gold at the First Trust & Deposit Co. of Syracuse. A certified check payable to the order of the Supervisor for \$4,000 is required. Legality approved by Clay, Dillon & Vandewater of New York City.

DICKSON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Lackawanna County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—Anthony Zaleski, Secretary Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 7 p. m. Nov. 22, for the purchase of an issue of \$270,000 5% school bonds. Dated Dec. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000. Due Dec. 1 1957. A certified check payable to the order of the District Treasurer for 2% of the bonds offered is required. Successful bidder to pay for the opinion as to the legality of the bonds.

DULUTH, Saint Louis County, Minn.—BOND OFFERING.—A. H. Davenport, City Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. on Nov. 28 for the purchase of a \$250,000 issue of 4 1/4% city hall bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Nov. 1, 1927 and due \$10,000 from Nov 1 1928 to 1952 incl. City will furnish the bond forms, no allowances to be made for bidder who wishes to furnish his own bonds. Prin. and int. (M. & N.) payable at the American Exchange-Irving Trust Co., New York City, in gold. Chapman, Cutler & Parker of Chicago will furnish legal approval. A certified check, payable to the city, for 2% par of the bid, is required. (These bonds are part of a \$1,000,000 issue.)

EAST HAMPTON, Suffolk County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—The \$60,000 4 1/2% "Home Sweet Home" bonds offered on Nov. 7—V. 125, p. 2561—were awarded to Dewey, Bacon & Co. of New York City, at 100.19 a basis of about 4.20%. Dated Jan. 1 1928. Due \$10,000, Jan. 1 1929, to 1934, incl.

EAST PALESTINE, Columbiana County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERED.—Harry Court, City Auditor, received sealed bids on Nov. 9 for the purchase of an issue of \$15,671.30 5 1/2% special assessment coupon street improvement bonds. Dated Oct. 1 1927. Denoms. \$1,000 and \$567.13. Due \$1,567.13, April 1 1928 to 1937 incl.

ECORSE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10 (P. O. Lincoln Park), Wayne County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$70,000 5% school bonds was recently awarded to a local investor at a premium of \$1,000, equal to 101.42, a basis of about 5.91%. The bonds mature in 1957.

EL DORADO, Butler County, Kan.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by Mayor T. B. Ellsberry, until 2 p. m. on Nov. 14 for the purchase of an issue of \$17,100 4 1/4% paving bonds. Dated Nov. 1

1927, and due \$1,100 on Nov. 1 1928; \$1,000 in 1929 and 1930 and \$2,000 from 1931 to 1937, incl. Int. payable on Nov. and May 1. Sale to be subject to rejection by the State School Fund Commissioners. Bonds to be printed by city and deliverable by Nov. 14. A certified check for 2% of the bid, is required.

EUGENE, Lane County, Ore.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 5 p. m. on Nov. 18 by Geo. A. Gilmore, City Recorder, for the purchase of an issue of \$154,637.52 improvement bonds. Int. rate not to exceed 6%. Int. payable on Nov. & May 1. Dated Nov. 15 1927. Due in 1937 and optional after 1928. A certified check for 2% must accompany bid.

FALLON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 33 (P. O. Baker), Mont.—BOND SALE.—The \$1,500 issue of 6% coupon school building bonds offered for sale on Oct. 31—V. 125, p. 2177—was awarded to the State of Montana at par. Denoms. \$100. Dated July 1 1927 and due on July 1 1937. Optional at any int. paying date. Int. payable on Jan. & July 1.

FLAGLER AND VOLUSIA COUNTIES OCEAN SHORE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (P. O. Daytona Beach), Fla.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 2 p. m. on Nov. 26 by W. H. Courtney, Secretary of the Board of Bond Trustees, for a \$265,000 issue of 6% series AA improvement bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Dec. 1 1927, and due on Dec. 1 as follows: 5,000, 1938 to 1941; \$7,000, 1942 \$8,000, 1943; \$9,000, 1944 and 1945; \$10,000, 1946; \$12,000, 1947; \$15,000, 1948; \$12,000, 1947; \$15,000, 1948; \$18,000, 1949; \$21,000, 1950; \$24,000, 1951; \$25,000, 1952; \$27,000, 1953; and \$30,000 in 1954 and 1955.

Principal and int. (J. & J.), payable in New York City at the Nat. Bank of Commerce in gold. Caldwell & Raymond of New York will furnish legal approval. Secretary will furnish the required forms. A certified check, payable to the above board, for 2% par of the bid, is required.

FOOTHILL IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Orange Cove), Calif.—NO BIDS.—The \$1,589,000 issue of 6% irrigation bonds offered for sale on Nov. 1—V. 125, p. 2294—was not sold as no bids were received for the purchase of the bonds. They will probably be sold privately in the near future. Dated Sept. 1 1927. Due on July 1 as follows: \$45,400 in 1948 and 1949; \$68,100, 1950 and 1951; \$90,800, 1952 to 1955; \$113,500, 1956 to 1959, and \$16,200, 1960 to 1963. Prin. and int. (J. & J.) payable at office of County Treasurer or at bank designated by district. O'Melveny, Milliken & Tuller, of Los Angeles, will furnish legal approval.

FORNEY, Kaufman County, Tex.—BONDS VOTED.—At a special election held on Nov. 1 the voters authorized the issuance of \$400,000 in bonds to pave the four mile stretch of highway from the Dallas County line to a mile east of Forney. The was 416 to 206.

FORSYTH, Rosebud County, Mont.—BOND SALE.—The 2 issues of 6% coupon refunding bonds offered for sale on Oct. 8—V. 125, p. 2006—were awarded to J. R. Mason & Co. of San Francisco at par. The two issues, which are for the Hammond Irrigation District, aggregate \$28,500 as follows: \$1,500 series No. 1 bonds, dated July 1 1927, and \$27,000 series No. 2 bonds, dated Sept 1 1927. There were no other bids for the bonds. Refer to Hammond Irrigation District.

FREEHOLD, Monmouth County, N. J.—BOND SALE.—The 4 issues of 4 1/2% coupon or registered bonds offered on Nov. 7—V. 125, p. 2294—were awarded as follows:

- \$56,000 street improvement bonds to Dewey, Bacon & Co., New York City, at a premium of \$571.20, equal to 101.02, a basis of about 4.32%. Due \$4,000, Dec. 1 1928 to 1941 incl.
18,000 storm extension bonds to Graham, Parsons & Co., New York City, at a premium of \$349.20, equal to 101.94, a basis of about 4.25%. Due \$1,000, Dec. 1 1928 to 1945 incl.

To the Freehold Trust Co.: \$82,000 water extension bonds (\$83,000 offered) payable \$83,933.33, equal to 102.35, a basis of about 4.26%. Due Dec. 1 as follows: \$3,000, 1928 to 1954 incl.; and \$1,000, 1955.

23,000 storm drain bonds at a premium of \$449.99, equal to 101.95, a basis of about 4.27%. Due \$1,000, Dec. 1 1928 to 1950 incl.

The following is a complete list of other bidders and bids submitted: Table with 3 columns: Bidder, Bid For, Price Bid. Bachelor, Wack & Co. 180 \$180,849.50, Prudden & Co. 179 181,736.30, Dewey, Bacon & Co. 179 181,686.00, First National Bank, Freehold 180 180,000.00, E. H. Rollins & Son 178 180,563.20, H. L. Allen & Co. 178 180,064.80, Barr Bros. & Co. 179 181,458.90, Graham, Parsons & Co. 179 181,826.00, Freehold Trust Co. 179 182,218.86, National Freehold Banking Co. 179 180,620.00

FRANKLIN, Williamson County, Tenn.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 2 p. m. on Nov. 25 by Mayor Park Marshall for the purchase of a \$17,000 issue of coupon floating debt funding bonds. Int. rate not to exceed 5%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated No. 1 1927, and due as follows: \$5,000 in 1932, 1937 and 1942; \$2,000 in 1947. Prin. and semi-annual int. payable in New York City at the Chemical National Bank. A \$300 certified check is required.

FREEPORT, Nassau County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Howard E. Pearsall, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. Nov. 18, for the purchase of an issue of \$52,000 coupon street improvement bonds, int. rate not to exceed 5%. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000. Due Nov. 1, as follows: \$7,000, 1928; and \$5,000, 1929 to 1937 incl. Interest rate to be stated in a multiple of 1/4 of 1%. Prin. and int. (M. & N.) payable in gold at the Citizens National Bank, Freeport. A certified check, payable to the order of the Village for \$1,500, is required. Legality approved by Clay, Dillon & Vandewater, of New York City.

FULLERTON, Orange County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—The two issues of coupon bridge bonds offered for sale on Nov. 1—V. 125, p. 2294—were awarded to the Wm. R. Staats Co. of Los Angeles as 4 1/2% bonds for a premium of \$36, equal to 100.15, a basis of about 4.48%. The issues aggregate \$24,000 as follows:

- \$12,000 Brea Boulevard Bridge bonds. Due \$1,000 from Dec. 1 1928 to 1939, inclusive.
12,000 Richmond Avenue Bridge bonds. Due \$1,000 from Dec. 1 1928 to 1939, inclusive.
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Denom. \$1,000. Date Dec. 1 1927. Principal and semi-annual interest payable at the office of the City Treasurer. The following is a complete list of the bids and bidders:

Table with 3 columns: Bidder, Price, Int. Rate. Wm. R. Staats Co. \$24,624.00 5%, Wheelock & Co. 24,180.00 5%, Schwabacher & Co. 24,346.15 5%, Russell Sutherland & Co. 24,183.60 4 1/2%, Bank of Italy, L. A. 24,020.00 4 1/2%, R. E. Campbell & Co. 24,020.00 4 1/2%, Freeman, Smith & Camp Co. 24,125.55 4 1/2%, Freeman, Smith & Camp Co. 24,450.95 5%

FULTON COUNTY (P. O. Rochester), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The two issues of 4 1/2% coupon bonds aggregating \$20,000 offered on Nov. 8—V. 125, p. 2561—were awarded as follows:

\$11,000 highway improvement bonds to the First National Bank of Rochester, at a premium of \$234, equal to 102.12, a basis of about 4.07%. Due \$550, May and Nov. 15 1928 to 1937 incl.

9,000 highway imp. bonds. Due \$450, May and Nov. 15 1928 to 1937 incl. to the J. F. Wild Investment Co., at a premium of \$196.20 equal to 102.18, a basis of about 4.04%. Dated Sept. 15 1927.

FUQUAY SPRINGS, Wake County, N. C.—BOND SALE CANCELLED.—The \$150,000 issue of 5 1/4% bonds which was sold on July 29—V. 125, p. 812—to Stranahan, Harris, & Oatis, Inc., of Toledo, at a basis of about 5.74% has been adjudged invalid by the Supreme Court of North Carolina for the reason that the bond election was held within a month of the regular election. This decision automatically cancels the sale.

FURNAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO 103 (P. O. Beaver City), Neb.—BOND ELECTION.—There will be an election held on Nov. 15, at which the voters will be asked to approve or reject the proposition of issuing \$152,000 in school building bonds.

GALVESTON, Galveston County, Tex.—BOND ELECTION.—Dec. 10 has been decided upon for a special election putting before the voters a \$200,000 bond issue to be used for the purchase of a new full time modern fire boat, and other improvements to the fire fighting system.

GARFIELD HEIGHTS VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Bedford) Mahoning County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$550,000 4 1/2% high school building bonds offered on Nov. 8—V. 125, p. 2294—were awarded to the Guardian Trust Co. of Cleveland, at a premium of \$10,010, equal to 101.82. Dated Oct. 1 1927. Due serially from 1928 to 1951 incl.

GLEN SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Durham), Durham County, N. C.—BOND SALE.—The \$20,000 issue of school bonds offered for sale on Nov. 8—V. 125, p. 2294—was awarded to Prudden & Co. of Toledo, as 5% bonds for a premium of \$53.85, equal to 100.269, a basis of about 4.97%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Nov. 1 1927 and due \$1,000 from Nov. 1 1929 to 1948 incl. Prin. and int. (M. & N.), payable in New York in gold.

GOLDSBORO, Wayne County, N. C.—BOND SALE.—The \$75,000 issue of coupon or registered public improvement bonds offered for sale on Nov. 7—V. 125, p. 2294—was awarded to A. E. Aub & Co. of Cincinnati, as 4 1/2% bonds, for a \$401 premium, equal to 100.534, a basis of about 4.47%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Oct. 1 1927 and due on Oct. 1 as follows: \$2,000 from 1930 to 1959, incl., and \$3,000, 1960 to 1964, incl. Prin. and int. (A. & O.) payable in gold in New York.

Among the other bidders were the following: Bidder—Seasonood & Mayer 4 1/2% \$75,398.00 Miss. Valley Trust Co. 4 1/2% 75,382.50 Kaufman, Smith & Co. 4 1/2% 75,011.00 Provident Savings & Trust Co. 4 3/4% 76,195.00 And 11 others.

GRAY COUNTY (P. O. Lefors), Tex.—BOND SALE.—The \$400,000 issue of 5 1/2% serial road bonds offered for sale on Oct. 31—V. 125, p. 1869—was awarded to the Brown-Crummer Investment Co. of Dallas at a price of 105.25. The bonds are due serially in from 1 to 30 years. Many bids were submitted for the issue.

GREENVILLE GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Greenville), N. C.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by J. H. Rose, Secretary of the Board of Education, until Dec. 13 for an issue of \$100,000 school bonds. Int. rate to be either 4 1/2% or 5%.

CROSSVILLE, Cumberland County, Tenn.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 10 a. m. on Nov. 14 by Town Recorder J. H. Washburn for two issues of bonds aggregating \$160,000 as follows: \$60,000 water works system bonds. Due on Nov. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1931 to 1940; \$2,000, 1941 to 1945, and \$4,000, from 1946 to 1955, incl. 40,000 sewer system bonds. Due on Nov. 1, 1956. Int. rate not to exceed 6%. Int. payable semi-annually. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Nov. 1, 1926. Printing expenses to be paid by purchaser. A \$1,000 certified check must accompany bid. (This report supplements the one given in V. 125, p. 2560.)

GROVE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Mercer County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—S. M. Vockel & Co. of Pittsburgh, were awarded on Oct. 18, an issue of \$50,000 4% school bonds at a premium of \$7.75, equal to 100.01. These bonds were authorized by the electors on Sept. 20.

HAINES CITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1, Polk County, Fla.—BOND DESCRIPTION.—The \$64,000 issue of 6% coupon reclamation of land bonds sold on Oct. 10—V. 125, p. 2420—is more fully described as follows: Purchased by the Pryor Construction Co. of Haines City at par. Denom. \$500. Dated July 1 1927. Due from 1929 to 1947, incl. Not optional before 1947. Int. payable on Jan. & July 1.

HAMILTON, Butler County, Ohio.—BONDS VOTED.—At the general election held on Nov. 8, the electors authorized the issuance of \$1,500,000 bonds, the proceeds of which will be used for the erection of new schools. The vote stood: for 6,889, against 4,919. BONDS DEFEATED.—The electors on Nov. 8 rejected the proposition of issuing \$170,000 bonds for park purposes. The vote was: 5,725 for to 5,916 against the issue.

HAMMOND IRRIGATION DISTRICT (P. O. Forsyth), Rosebud County, Mont.—BOND SALE.—The two issues of 6% coupon refunding bonds offered for sale on Oct. 8—V. 125, p. 2006—have been awarded to J. R. Mason & Co. of San Francisco at par. The two issues aggregate \$28,500 as follows: \$1,500 series No. 1 bonds, date July 1 1927, and \$27,000 series No. 2 bonds, date Sept. 1 1937.

HAMTRAMCK, Wayne County, Mich.—Maturity.—The \$65,762 6% paving bonds awarded to the Detroit Trust Co. of Detroit, at 104.58 in V. 125, p. 2420—are coupon in form and mature serially on July 1 from 1928 to 1932, incl. The bonds are dated July 1 1927.

HANOVER TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Tabor), Morris County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—N. T. Leighton, District Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. Nov. 21, at the Whippany School House, Whippany, for the purchase of an issue of 4 1/2% school bonds not to exceed \$45,000, no more bonds to be awarded than will produce a premium of \$1,000, over \$45,000. Dated Jan. 1 1928. Denom. \$1,000. Due Jan. 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1930 to 1951, incl., and \$1,000, 1952. Principal and interest (J. & J.) payable at the National Iron Bank, Morristown. A certified check for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for is required.

HARRIS COUNTY (P. O. Houston), Tex.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 11 a. m. Nov. 15 by H. L. Washburn, County Auditor, for the purchase of a \$2,000,000 issue of 4 1/2% coupon road construction bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Oct. 10 1927 and due on Oct. 10 as follows: \$65,000 from 1928 to 1932, incl., and \$67,000 from 1933 to 1957, incl. Prin. and semi-annual int. payable at the county treasurer's office or in New York City at the Seaboard National Bank. The Attorney-General of Texas and Thomson, Wood & Hoffman of New York will furnish legal approval. A certified check, payable to the County Auditor, for \$20,000, must accompany bid. (This is a more detailed offering than was given in V. 125, p. 2562.)

Financial Statement.

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Rows include Bonds Outstanding (\$5,997,000.00), Assessed valuation, 1927 (274,676,050.08), Estimated real value (550,000,000.00), Cash on hand (334,034.51).

Population, 1920, 186,673; 1927 (estimated), 350,000. Tax levy; There has been levied for this issue of bonds a tax of .06c. on the \$100 valuation. Debt limit: 25% of real property valuation.

HARRISBURG INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Houston) Tex.—BOND DESCRIPTION.—The \$200,000 issue of school bonds recently purchased—V. 125, p. 2420—by the School District Sinking Fund at par is further described as follows: 4 3/4% bonds, due and payable on April 10, as follows: \$4,000, from 1929 to 1933; \$6,000, 1934 to 1938; \$8,000, 1939 to 1943; \$10,000, 1944 to 1948 and \$12,000, 1949 to 1953, all incl.

HARRISON CO. (P. O. Cynthia) Ky.—MATURITY AND BASIS.—The \$25,000 issue of 5% road and bridge bonds sold recently—V. 125, p. 2562—to the Farmers National Bank of Cynthia, for a price of 108.65, is due and payable on July 1 1932, thus giving a basis of about 3.12%.

HARRISON TOWNSHIP FRACTIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3, Macomb County, Mich.—BOND OFFERING.—Paul C. Russ, Director Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. November 15 at the office of Stone & Mathews, Lawyers' Building, Mount Clemens, for the purchase of an issue of \$65,000 school bonds interest rate not to exceed 5%. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Due May 1, as follows: \$2,000, 1930 to 1934

incl.; \$2,500, 1935 to 1944 incl.; \$3,000, 1945 to 1950 incl.; \$2,000, 1951 to 1955 incl.; and \$1,000, 1956 and 1957. A certified check payable to the order of the School Treasurer, for \$2,000, is required. Successful bidder to pay for the printing of the bonds and furnish legal opinion.

HASTINGS, Dakota County, Minn.—BOND SALE.—The \$7,500 issue of 5 1/2% certificates of indebtedness offered for sale on Oct. 17—V. 125, p. 2007—was awarded at par to a Mr. David Kirck of Hastings. Due serially from 1928 to 1942, incl.

HAYWARD SCHOOL DISTRICT, Alameda County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—The \$72,000 issue of 5% school bonds offered for sale on Oct. 31—V. 125, p. 2420—was awarded to Dean Witter & Co. of San Francisco, for a premium of \$6,879, equal to 109.554, a basis of about 4.22%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Oct. 15 1927, and due \$2,000 from Oct. 15 1932 to 1957, incl. A complete list of the other bids and bidders is as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder, Prem. Rows include Bank of Haywards (\$6,410), Anglo-London Paris Co. (6,346), Schwabacher & Co., and E. R. Gundelfinger, Inc. (5,815), Heller-Bruce & Co. (5,247), Bond, Goodwin & Tucker, Inc. (6,126), E. H. Rollins & Sons (6,258).

HAZELTON SCHOOL DISTRICT, Luzerne County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—The \$275,000 coupon or registered school bonds offered on Nov. 8—V. 125, p. 2295—were awarded to A. B. Leach & Co. of Philadelphia as 4 1/4%, at 101.60, a basis of about 4.05%. Dated Oct. 1 1927. Due, Oct. 1 as follows: \$20,000, 1931 to 1935, incl., and \$25,000, 1936 to 1942, incl. The following bids were also submitted:

Table with 3 columns: Bidder, Rate Bid, Bidder, Rate Bid. Rows include William H. Newbold Sons (100.77), E. H. Rollins & Sons (100.12), James M. Freeman (100.77), Local Banks (100.00).

HEREFORD, Deaf Smith County, Texas.—BOND SALE.—A \$25,000 issue of city hall and fire station bonds has recently been purchased by the Brown Crummer Co. of Wichita, at par

HUDSON COUNTY (P. O. Jersey City), N. J.—BOND SALE.—The nine issues of 4 1/2% coupon or registered bonds offered on Nov. 10—V. 125, p. 2562—were awarded as follows:

To a syndicate composed of the First National Bank, Lehman Bros., Redmond & Co., B. J. Van Ingen & Co., Kean, Taylor & Co., Phelps, Fenn & Co., Salomon Bros & Hitzler, and Gibson, Leefe & Co., all of New York city, as follows:

\$766,000 (\$800,000 offered) hospital for insane bonds at 104.48 a basis of about 4.09%. Due Nov. 15 as follows: \$25,000, 1928 to 1947 incl., \$30,000, 1948 to 1955, and \$26,000, 1956. 649,000 (\$670,000 offered) Bergen turnpike impt. bonds, at 103.23, a basis of about 4.11%. Due Nov. 15 as follows: \$30,000, 1928 to 1933 incl., \$35,000, 1934 to 1946, and \$14,000, 1947. 303,000 (\$310,000 offered) Boulevard reconstruction bonds at 102.50, a basis of about 4.12%. Due Nov. 15, as follows: \$20,000, 1928 to 1940, incl.; \$25,000, 1941, and \$18,000, 1942. 156,000 (\$160,000 offered) Boulevard reconstruction bridge bonds, at 103.14, a basis of about 4.11%. Due \$8,000, Nov. 15 1928 to 1946 incl., and \$4,000, 1947. 143,000 (\$150,000 offered) County jail bonds at 105.31, a basis of about 4.08%. Due Nov. 15 as follows: \$3,000, 1928 to 1937 incl.; \$4,000, 1938 to 1965 incl., and \$3,000, 1966. 49,000 (\$50,000 offered) Paterson Plank Road bridge bonds at 103.16, a basis of about 4.14%. Due Nov. 15 as follows: \$2,000, 1928 to 1937 incl.; \$3,000, 1938 to 1946 incl., and \$2,000, 1947. 49,000 (\$50,000 offered) Grove Street widening and impt. bonds at 103.51, a basis of about 4.12%. Due \$2,000, Nov. 15 1928 to 1951 incl., and \$1,000, 1952.

To Eldredge & Co. of New York, and M. M. Freeman & Co. of Phila., jointly:

\$90,000 (\$95,000 offered) park bonds at 105.60, a basis of about 4.09%. Due \$2,000, Nov. 15 1928 to 1972 inclusive. 88,000 (\$90,000 offered) road bonds at 102.96, a basis of about 4.10%. Due Nov. 15 as follows: \$5,000, 1928 to 1944 incl., and \$3,000, 1945.

HUNT COUNTY (P. O. Greenville), Texas.—BOND SALE.—The \$400,000 issue of coupon court house and jail bonds offered for sale on Nov. 1—V. 125, p. 2420—was awarded as follows: \$200,000 as 4 1/4% bonds and \$200,000 as 4 1/2% bonds, to the Greenville National Exchange Bank of Greenville, G. H. Walker & Co., the First National Co., Kaufman & Co., and the Mercantile Co. all of St. Louis, for a premium of \$139, and all expenses, equal to a price of 100.034, a basis of about 4.37%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Dec. 1 1927. Due on April 1 as follows: \$5,000 from 1929 to 1933; \$6,000, 1934 to 1938; \$7,000, 1939 to 1943; \$8,000, 1944 to 1948; \$10,000, 1949 and 1950; \$11,000, 1951 to 1953; \$13,000, 1954 to 1958; \$16,000, 1959 to 1963, and \$18,000 from 1964 to 1967, all incl. Interest payable on October and April 1.

HUTCHINSON, Reno County, Kan.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by H. R. Obear, City Clerk, until 4:30 p. m. on Nov. 18, for the purchase of an issue of \$76,716.77 4 1/4% internal improvement refunding bonds. Denoms. \$500 and one for \$216.77. Due serially from 1 to 10 years. City will pay printing expenses. Interest payable semi-annually. A certified check for 2% of the bid is required.

IRONTON, Crow Wing County, Minn.—BOND SALE.—The \$20,000 issue of 5% certificates of indebtedness offered for sale on Oct. 4—V. 125, p. 1740—was awarded to the Drake-Jones Co. of Minneapolis at par.

JACKSON, Hinds County, Miss.—BOND SALE.—The two issues of 4 1/2% bonds, aggregating \$210,000, which were voted on Oct. 8—V. 125, p. 2178—have been purchased by the Mississippi Bond & Securities Co., the Capital National Bank, both of Jackson, and the National City Co. of New York for a price of 100.714, a basis of about 4.43%. The issues are described as follows: \$135,000 miscellaneous purpose bonds and \$75,000 airport bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Nov. 1 1927, and due from Nov. 1 1928 to 1952, incl. Prin. and int. (M. & N.) payable in New York City at the National Park Bank.

JACKSON, Jackson County, Mich.—BOND DESCRIPTION.—The \$70,000 paving bonds awarded as 4 1/4%, to Halsey, Stuart & Co. of Chicago, at 100.17—V. 125, p. 2420—are described as follows: Dated Nov. 15 1927. Coupon bonds in denoms. of \$1,000 and \$500. Due serially from 1928 to 1936, incl. Int. payable A. & O. 15.

JACKSON COUNTY (P. O. Maquoketa), Iowa.—BONDS VOTED.—At a special election held on Nov. 1—V. 125, p. 2296—the voters authorized the issuance of \$1,000,000 in 5% bonds for primary road improvement. The proposition was passed by a count of 4,220 to 2,570.

JEANNETTE SCHOOL DISTRICTS Westmoreland and County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—The \$55,000 4 1/2% coupon school bonds offered on Nov. 7—V. 125, p. 2420—were awarded to Glover & MacGregor, at a premium of \$2,887.50 equal to 105.25. The Mellon National Bank was the only other bidder offering a premium of \$2,645.34.

JEFFERSON COUNTY (P. O. Beaumont), Tex.—BOND ELECTION.—On Dec. 10 the voters will pass upon the proposition of issuing \$5,160,000 in bonds for county wide improvements.

Of the total amount \$4,000,000 will be spent for roads and bridges in the four county precincts; \$50,000 will go for intracoastal canal improvements, and the balance for a new court house and jail, and addition to the tuberculosis hospital.

JEFFERSON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS (P. O. Monticello), Fla.—BOND SALE.—The two issues of 6% school bonds aggregating \$85,000 and offered for sale on Oct. 25—V. 125, p. 2007—were awarded to the G. B. Sawyers Co. of Jacksonville and Bumpus & Co. of Detroit. The issues are described as follows: \$50,000 Ancilla School District bonds and \$35,000 Wacissa School District bonds. Denom. \$500. Dated June 1 1927, and due from 1928 to 1952, incl.

JONES COUNTY ROAD DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Anson), Tex.—BOND SALE.—A \$300,000 issue of 5% road bonds has recently been purchased by Braun, Bosworth & Co. of Toledo at a price of 98.37.

JONESBORO SCHOOL DISTRICT, Clayton County, Ga.—MATURITY.—The \$20,000 issue of 5% school bonds sold recently—V. 125, p. 2562—to J. H. Hillsman & Co. of Atlanta at a price of 101.90, is due and payable on Jan. 1 as follows: \$500 from 1929 to 1944 and \$1,000 from 1945 to 1956, all incl., giving a basis of about 4.84%.

KANAWHA SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Fayetteville) W. Va.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until noon on Nov. 12 by B. E. Claypool, president of the Board of Education, for the purchase of a \$250,000 issue of 5% school bonds. Dated Aug. 1 1927, and due on Aug. 1, from 1928 to 1947 incl.

Prin. and semi-annual int. payable in New York City at the Hanover National Bank. Thomson, Wood & Hoffman, New York attorneys, will furnish legal approval. A certified check for \$1,550 is required.

KAUFMAN COUNTY (P. O. Kaufman), Texas.—BONDS VOTED.—At a special election recently held the voters approved the issuance of \$400,000 in road bonds. The count was 416 to 206, more than double.

KLAMATH COUNTY (P. O. Klamath Falls), Ore.—BOND SALE.—The \$253,000 issue of permanent road bonds offered for sale on Nov. 2—V. 125, p. 2296—was awarded as 4% bonds to the Freeman, Smith & Camp Co. of Portland for a premium of \$3,769, equal to 101.49, a basis of about 3.84%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Nov. 1 1927, and due on Nov. 1 as follows: \$10,000 from 1932 to 1936; \$15,000, 1937 to 1939; \$20,000, 1940 to 1943, all incl.; \$25,000 in 1944 and 1945, and \$28,000 in 1946. The following were the other bidders: C. W. McNear & Co., R. M. Grant Co., Ralph A. Blanchard Co., and A. D. Wakeman Co.

LAFAYETTE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Tippecanoe County, Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$250,000 4 1/2% coupon school bonds offered on Nov. 5—V. 125, p. 2562—were awarded to the City Trust Co. of Lafayette, at a premium of \$18,800 equal to 107.52, a basis of about 3.80%. Dated Oct. 15 1927. Due Jan. and July 15, from 1936 to 1948, incl.

LAKE COUNTY SPECIAL ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT NO. 14 (P. O. Tavares), Fla.—BOND SALE CANCELLED.—The \$600,000 issue of 6% road and bridge bonds which was to have been offered for sale on Nov. 15—V. 125, p. 2420—was refused approval by the Supreme Court of the State, thereby cancelling the sale.

LAKE FERN SPECIAL ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT (P. O. Tampa) Fla.—Bond Offering.—Sealed bids will be received until 2.30 p. m. on Nov. 25 by W. A. Dickenson, Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, for the purchase of a \$306,000 issue of 6% coupon road and bridge bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Sept. 1 1927, and due on Sept. 1 as follows: \$5,000 from 1930 to 1936; \$10,000 1937 to 1945; \$15,000, 1946 to 1956, all incl. and \$16,000 in 1957. Prin. and int. (M. & S.) payable at the National City Bank of New York in gold. Clay, Dillon & Vandewater, New York attorneys, will furnish legal approving opinion. Special bidding forms furnished by the clerk or the Citizens Bank & Trust Co. of Tampa. A certified check for \$6,120, drawn payable to the above named clerk, is required.

LA PORTE COUNTY (P. O. LaPorte), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Fred A. Hausheer, County Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. Dec. 1, for the purchase of an issue of \$8,919.18 6% ditch bonds. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Denom. \$500, one bond for \$419.18. Due Dec. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1928 to 1935 incl., and \$919.18, 1936. Prin. and int. payable at the office of the County Treasurer.

LARAMIE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5 (P. O. Cheyenne) Wyo.—BOND SALE.—The \$10,000 issue of 5% coupon refunding school warrants bonds for sale on Nov. 5—V. 125, p. 2296—was awarded to the American National Bank of Cheyenne at a price of 101.25, a basis of about 4.83%. Denom. \$500. Dated Oct. 15 1927, and due on Oct. 15 1937. Int. payable annually on Oct. 15.

LARCHMONT, Westchester County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—The following issues of coupon or registered bonds aggregating \$70,000 offered on Nov. 7—V. 125, p. 2562—were awarded to the Trust Co. of Larchmont, at 4.20s, at 100.66, a basis of about 4.13%: \$35,000 sewer bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000, Nov. 1 1932 to 1966 incl.

25,000 fire apparatus bonds. Denoms. \$1,000 and \$100. Due Nov. 1 as follows: \$1,200, 1928 to 1946 incl.; and \$2,200, 1947. 10,000 Flint Park Impt. bonds. Due \$1,000, Nov. 1 1928 to 1937 incl. Dated Nov. 1 1927.

Other bidders for 4 1/4% bonds were as follows: Bidder—Sherwood & Merrifield—100.52 Stephens & Co.—100.17 H. L. Allen & Co.—100.38 Larson, Son & Co.—100.15

LAWRENCE COUNTY (P. O. Lawrenceburg), Tenn.—Bond Sale.—An issue of \$100,000 4 1/2% school bonds has recently been purchased by Caldwell & Co. of Nashville. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Aug. 1 1927. Due on Aug. 1 1947. Prin. and int. payable at the county treasurer's office or in New York City at the Hanover National Bank.

LIMA, Allen County, Ohio.—ELECTION RESULTS.—At the general election held on Nov. 8, the voters authorized a \$600,000 hospital bond issue, and rejected a \$50,000 memorial park issue. The results were as follows: for hospital issue 5,312 against hospital issue 3,170; for park issue, 6,607 against park issue 4,753.

LIMA LAKE DRAINAGE DISTRICT (P. O. Quincy), Adams County Ill.—Bond Sale.—Taylor, Ewart & Co. of Chicago, were recently awarded an issue of \$427,000 5 1/2% drainage bonds. Dated Feb. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000. Due Aug. 1, as follows: \$28,000, 1931 to 1938 incl.; and \$29,000, 1939 to 1945 incl. Principal and int. payable at the Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago. Legality approved by Chapman, Outler & Parker of Chicago.

LONG BEACH, LaPorte County, Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$20,000 5% school house bonds offered on Oct. 31—V. 125, p. 2296—were awarded to the Meyer-Kiser Bank of Indianapolis, at 100.50 a basis of about 4.95%. Dated Oct. 1 1927. Due \$1,000, Oct. 1 1932 to 1951 incl.

LONG BEACH, Nassau County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—The \$220,000 coupon, series "Q" assessment improvement, grading and paving bonds offered on Nov. 9—V. 125, p. 2563—were awarded to Fairservis & Co. of New York City, as 6s, at 100.035, a basis of about 5.98%. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Due \$22,000, Nov. 1 1928 to 1937 incl.

LOUISVILLE, Stark County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by the Village Clerk, until 12 m. Nov. 19, for the purchase of an issue of \$7,000 5% improvement bonds. Denom. \$700. Due \$700 Jan. 1 1930 to 1939, incl. A certified check payable to the order of the Village Treasurer, for 5% of the bonds offered is required.

MCDONALD, Rawlins County, Kan.—Bond Sale.—The \$10,199.45 issue of 5% curb and gutter improvement bonds offered for sale on Oct. 14—V. 125, p. 2008—was awarded to the Central Trust Co. of Topeka at a price of par. Due serially in from 1 to 10 years. No other bids were submitted.

McGEHEE SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, Desha County, Ark.—BOND SALE.—The \$20,000 issue of 5% school building bonds offered for sale on Nov. 4—V. 125, p. 2421—was awarded to the Merchants & Planters Title & Trust Co. of Pine Bluff at par. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Oct. 1 1927, and due on Oct. 1 1938. Int. payable on Apr. and Oct. 1.

McKEESPORT, Allegheny County, Pa.—BONDS VOTED.—At an election held on Nov. 8, the electors authorized the issuance of \$1,500,000 bonds the proceeds to be used for school and other purposes.

McMINNVILLE, Yamhill County, Ore.—BOND DESCRIPTION.—The \$9,000 issue of 5% street improvement bonds sold recently—V. 125, p. 2297—to the Security Savings & Trust Co. of Portland, at 105.71, is described as follows: coupon bonds. Denom. \$500. Dated Oct. 1 1927, and due from Oct. 1 1947 to 1951. Basis about 4.58%. Int. payable on A. & O. 1.

McPHERSON, McPherson County, Kan.—BOND DESCRIPTION.—The \$95,000 issue of community building bonds which was sold recently—V. 125, p. 2563—is further described as follows: 4 1/4% bonds, due and payable \$4,750 from 1928 to 1947, incl. Price paid was 100.21, a basis of about 4.23%.

MADISON COUNTY (P. O. Madisonville), Texas.—BONDS VOTED.—At a recent election the voters approved the issuance of \$800,000 in road bonds by a large majority.

MARSHALL, Madison County, N. C.—BOND SALE.—The \$15,000 issue of coupon refunding bonds offered for sale on Nov. 7—V. 125, p. 2178—was awarded to the Hanchett Bond Co. of Chicago as 5 1/2% bonds, for a premium of \$190, equal to 101.266, a basis of about 5.33%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Sept. 1 1927, and due \$1,000 on Sept. 1 from 1930 to 1944 incl. The following is a complete list of the bids and bidders:

Table with columns: Bidder's Name, Price, Basis. Includes The Hanchett Bond Co., W. L. Slayton & Co., W. K. Terry & Co., etc.

MARSHALLTOWN, Marshall County, Iowa.—BOND ELECTION.—There will be an election held on Nov. 28, for the voters to decide the issuance of \$125,000 in auditorium construction bonds.

MARYLAND (State of) P. O. Annapolis.—PROPOSED BOND ISSUE.—The State of Maryland, according to the "Baltimore Sun" of Nov. 9, will issue on Feb. 8, next, an issue of \$1,815,000 certificates to be dated Feb. 15, and to bear interest at the rate of 4 1/4% instead of 4 1/2% as has been the custom in the past. The reduction of interest, according to the Governor, was due the fact that in the future, State deposits will draw interest at the rate of 2 1/4% under a recent ruling of the Baltimore Clearing House.

MASON-TAZEWELL SPECIAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT, Ill.—BOND SALE.—Beyer & Dempsey of Pekin, were awarded on Sept. 1, an issue of \$158,000 5 1/2% coupon drainage bonds at par. Dated Sept. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000. Due serially from 1928 to 1937 incl.

MASSACHUSETTS (State of).—Bond Sale.—The two issues of registered serial bonds aggregating \$1,000,000 offered on Nov. 7—V. 125, p. 2421—were awarded to Estabrook & Co. of Boston, at 101.80, a basis of about 3.60%.

\$750,000 3 1/2% Metropolitan additional water bonds. Due \$50,000, Jan. 1 1928 to 1942, incl. 250,000 4% Metropolitan additional water bonds. Due \$50,000, Jan. 1 1943 to 1947, incl.

The following bids were also submitted for the issue. The bidders also agreed to pay accrued interest

Table with columns: Bidder, Rate Bid. Includes E. H. Rollins & Sons, F. S. Moseley & Co., The Atlantic-Merrill Oldham Corp., etc.

MASSENA UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Massena), St. Lawrence County, N. Y.—BIDS.—The following is a complete list of other bidders and bids submitted for the \$300,000 4 1/2% coupon school bonds awarded to Pulley & Co. and E. H. Rollins & Sons, both of New York City, jointly, at 103.26, a basis of about 4.21%—V. 125, p. 2563:

Table with columns: Bidder, Rate Bid. Includes Dewey, Bacon & Co., Rutter & Co., George B. Gibbons & Co., etc.

MEADVILLE, Crawford County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—The Merchants National Bank, and the New First National Bank, both of Meadville, jointly, were recently awarded an issue of \$15,500 4 1/2% street improvement bonds at 100.50, a basis of about 4.44%. Dated July 1, 1927. Due July 1 1957; optional July 1 1942.

MENARD, Menard County, Tex.—BOND SALE.—A \$30,000 issue of 6% city improvement bonds has recently been purchased by the Thomas Investment Co., of Dallas.

MIDDLETOWN HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17 (P. O. Margaretville) Delaware County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—The \$48,000 5% school bonds offered on Nov. 5—V. 125, p. 2421—were awarded to Pulley & Co. of New York City, at 105.66, a basis of about 4.36%. Due \$2,000 Dec. 1 1928 to 1951, incl.

Table with columns: Bidder, Rate Bid. Includes Graham, Parsons & Co., Dewey, Bacon & Co., George B. Gibbons & Co.

MILTON, Norfolk County, Mass.—BOND OFFERING.—Maurice A. Duffy, Town Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m. Nov. 15, for the purchase of an issue of \$12,000 4% coupon sewer bonds. Dated Dec. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$3,000 Dec. 1 1928 to 1931, incl. Principal and interest payable at the First National Bank, Boston. Legality to be approved by Ropes, Gray, Boyden & Perkins of Boston.

Table with columns: Description, Amount. Includes Net valuation for year 1926, Debt limit, Total gross debt including this issue, Exempted Debt: Water bonds.

Table with columns: Description, Amount. Includes Net debt, Borrowing capacity.

MONTEREY, Monterey County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—Bond & Goodwin & Tucker, Inc. of San Francisco, were recently awarded an issue of \$22,000 5% bonds. Due serial from 1928 to 1938, incl.

MONTGOMERY, Lycoming County, Pa.—Bond Sale.—E. H. Rollins & Sons of Philadelphia, were recently awarded the following issues of 4 1/2% bonds aggregating \$8,000 at a premium of \$60.00 equal to 100.75, a basis of about 4.10%: \$6,300 street improvement bonds. 1,700 street cleaning and improvement bonds. Due in 1934, optional in 1929.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY (P. O. Troy), N. C.—BOND SALE.—The two issues of bonds aggregating \$120,000 offered for sale on Nov. 7—V. 125, p. 2421—were awarded to R. S. Dickson & Co. of Gastonia, for a premium of \$2,360, equal to 101.966. The issues are described as follows: \$80,000 4 1/4% school building bonds. Due \$2,000, 1930 to 1939; \$3,000 from 1940 to 1947, and \$6,000 from 1950 to 1954, all incl. 40,000 4 1/4% funding bonds. Due \$2,000 from 1929 to 1933; \$3,000, 1934 to 1938, and \$5,000, 1939 to 1941, all incl. Dated Dec. 1 1927. Int. payable semi-annually.

MONTPELIER, Stutsman County, N. Dak.—BOND SALE.—A \$4,200 issue of 6% light system bonds has recently been purchased at par by the W. B. De Nault Co. of Jamestown. Due semi-annually until 1937.

MONTROSE, Montrose County, Colo.—BOND SALE.—A \$9,000 issue of 6% paving bonds has recently been purchased at par by George W. Valley & Co. of Denver.

MOORESTOWN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Moorestown) Missaukee County, N. J.—BIDS.—The following bids were also submitted for the \$40,000 4 1/4% school bonds awarded to C. C. Collings & Co. of Philadelphia, at 101.24, a basis of about 4.35%—V. 125, p. 2421

Bidder—	Price Bid.	Bidder—	Price Bid.
Graham, Parsons & Co.	\$40,331.16	Moorestown Trust Co.	\$40,222.22
O. W. Whitis & Co.	40,133.00	Rufus Waples & Co.	40,333.20
Boland & Preim	40,112.50	R. M. Grant & Co.	40,071.60
Prudden & Co.	40,067.00		

MORRISVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Polk County, Mo.—BOND SALE.—A \$25,000 issue of school bonds was recently purchased at a price of par by the Board of Education.

MOUNTAIN LAKES, Morris County, N. J.—PRICE PAID.—The price paid for the \$102,000 4½% gold notes awarded to Harris, Forbes & Co. of New York City.—V. 125, p. 2463—was par. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Due Nov. 1 1928. Principal and int. payable at the office of the United States Mtg. & Trust Co., New York City.

MOUNT MORRIS SCHOOL DISTRICT, Mich.—BOND SALE.—The following bonds aggregating \$76,000 were recently awarded as stated below:
 \$66,000 school bonds to the Detroit Trust Co., of Detroit.
 \$10,000 school bonds to the Genesee County Savings Bank, of Flint.

NASHVILLE, Davidson County, Tenn.—BOND SALE.—The \$300,000 issue of series B coupon sanitary sewer bonds offered for sale on Nov. 8—V. 125, p. 2421—was awarded to the Harris Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago as 4½% bonds for a premium of \$2,769, equal to 100.923, a basis of about 4.18%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Nov. 1 1927 and due on Nov. 1 as follows: \$4,000, 1928 to 1932; \$5,000, 1933 to 1937; \$6,000, 1938 to 1942; \$7,000, 1943 to 1947; \$8,000, 1948 to 1952; \$9,000, 1953 to 1957; \$10,000, 1958 to 1962, and \$11,000, 1963 to 1967, all incl. Principal of bonds may be registered. Prin. and int. (M. & N.) payable in New York City at the National Park Bank or at the office of the city treasurer. The following is a complete list of the other bids and bidders:

Bidder—	Rate.	Amount Bid.
Dewey, Bacon & Co.	4½%	\$309,111.00
The National City Co., J. W. Jakes & Co.	4½%	308,429.70
Fourth & First National Bank	4½%	306,867.00
Detroit Trust Co., Little, Wooten & Co.	4½%	308,856.00
Howe, Snow & Co., Second Ward Securities Co.	4½%	306,258.00
Kaufman, Smith & Co., Mississippi Valley Trust Co.	4½%	309,357.00
E. H. Rollins & Sons, A. B. Leach & Co.	4½%	300,267.00
J. C. Bradford & Co.	4½%	300,810.00
Caldwell & Co., American National Co.	4½%	300,833.00
Commerce Union Bank	4½%	301,320.00

NEW BRITAIN, Hartford County, Conn.—BOND OFFERING.—E. F. Hall, President of the Board of Finance and Taxation, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. Nov. 21, for the purchase of the following bonds bearing interest at the rate of 4%, aggregating \$575,000:
 \$200,000 school bonds. Due \$10,000 Aug. 1 1928 to 1947, incl.
 \$200,000 water fund bonds. Due \$10,000 Aug. 1 1928 to 1947, incl.
 \$100,000 sewer bonds. Due \$5,000 Aug. 1 1928 to 1947, incl.
 \$75,000 subway fund bonds. Due \$3,000 Aug. 1 1928 to 1952, incl.
 Dated Feb. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000. Prin. and int. (F. & A.) payable at the New Britain National Bank, New Britain. Legality to be approved by Storey, Thordike, Palmer & Dodge of Boston.

Debt Statement, City of New Britain, Oct. 24 1927.

Gross debt, including these issues	\$7,259,000.00
Less: Water debt, bonds	\$1,090,000.00
Subway bonds	376,000.00
Sinking fund, not incl. water or subway sinking funds	365,413.42
Total net debt	\$5,427,586.58
Water sinking fund	\$125,874.53
Assessed valuation	\$127,448,693.00
Population, census, 1920, 59,316.	

NEW CASTLE AND MOUNT PLEASANT CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4 (P. O. Chappaqua) Westchester County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Amy T. Page, District Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. Nov. 21, for the purchase of an issue of \$325,000 4½% coupon or registered school bonds. Dated Dec. 1 1926. Denom. \$1,000. Due Dec. 1, as follows: \$5,000, 1928; and \$10,000, 1930 to 1961 incl. Prin. and int. (J. & D.) payable in gold at the Equitable Trust Co., New York City. A certified check, payable to the order of the Board of Education, for 2% of the bonds offered, is required. Legality approved by Hawkins, Delafield & Longfellow, of New York City. The bonds issued will be the "Certified Bond" of the United Bond & Bank Note Co., New York City.

NEW HEBRON SCHOOL DISTRICT, Lawrence County, Miss.—BOND DESCRIPTION.—The \$50,000 school bonds purchased recently—V. 125, p. 2179—by Caldwell & Co. of Nashville is more fully described as follows: 5¼% bonds, dated Oct. 1 1927 and due in 1952. Premium paid was \$725, equal to 101.45, a basis of about 5.13%.

NORTH BERGEN TOWNSHIP (P. O. North Bergen) Hudson County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—Edward A. Ryan, Township Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. Nov. 22, for the purchase of an issue of 4½% coupon or registered school bonds not to exceed \$1,240,000, no more bonds to be awarded than will produce a premium of \$1,000, over \$1,240,000. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000. Due Nov. 1, as follows: \$25,000, 1929 to 1933 incl.; \$30,000, 1934, and \$35,000, 1935 to 1965 incl. Prin. and int. (M. & N.) payable in gold at the Stenec Trust Co., Hoboken. The United States Mtg. & Trust Co., N. Y., will certify as to the genuineness of the bonds. A certified check, payable to the order of the Township, for 2% of the bonds offered is required. Legality to be approved by Hawkins, Delafield & Longfellow, of New York City.

NORTH BRUNSWICK TOWNSHIP (P. O. New Brunswick), Middlesex County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by Isaac V. Williamson, Township Treasurer, until 8 p. m., Nov. 21, for the purchase of the following issues of 4½, 4¾ or 5% coupon or registered bonds aggregating \$225,000, no more bonds to be awarded than will produce a premium of \$1,000 over each of the issues given below:
 \$145,000 temporary sewer bonds. Due Dec. 1, as follows: \$15,000, 1928 to 1932 incl.; and \$14,000, 1933 to 1937 incl.
 80,000 sewer bonds. Due \$4,000, Dec. 1 1928 to 1947 incl.
 Dated Dec. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000. Prin. and int. (J. & D.) payable in gold at the United States Mortgage & Trust Co., N. Y. City; the said Trust Co. will also supervise the preparation of the bonds and will certify as to the genuineness of the signatures of the officials and the seal impressed thereon. A certified check for 2% of the bonds bid for is required. Legality to be approved by Caldwell & Raymond, New York City.

Financial Statement.

Assessed valuation of taxable property, 1927	\$2,727,918.00
Outstanding bonded debt consisting entirely of Water bonds	77,000.00
Present population, estimated on basis of votes cast at last election	3,000

NORTH OLMSTEAD VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—C. J. Oetzel, Clerk Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. (eastern standard time) Nov. 19, for the purchase of an issue of \$15,697 5% school bonds. Dated Oct. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000. one bond for \$697. Due Oct. 1, as follows: \$697, 1928; and \$1,000, 1929 to 1943 incl. Prin. and int. payable at the North Olmstead Bank Co., North Olmstead. A certified check payable to the order of the School District, for 5% of the bonds offered, is required.

NORTH TARRYTOWN, Westchester County, N. Y.—BOND SALE. The First National Bank of North Tarrytown, was awarded on Oct. 4, an issue of \$8,000 5% village bonds at par.

NOVI TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8, Oakland County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—The Detroit Trust Co. of Detroit was recently awarded an issue of \$55,000 4½% bonds at par, and agreed to print the bonds and furnish legal opinion.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Oklahoma County, Okla.—BOND ELECTION.—At the city wide election to be held on Nov. 29—V. 125, p. 2564—the voters will also be called to pass upon the question of issuing \$1,700,000 in bonds to bring the city's school system up to current needs.

OBION COUNTY (P. O. Union City), Tenn.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until Nov. 18 by Henry C. Stanfield, County Judge, for the purchase of a \$645,000 issue of 4½% road bonds. Denom.

\$1,000. Dated Oct. 1 1927 and due on Oct. 1, 1947. Prin. and semi-annual int. payable at the office of the county treasurer.

OLD FORGE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Lackawanna County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—Frank T. Mullin & Co. of Philadelphia, were awarded on May 13 an issue of \$185,000 5% coupon school bonds at a premium of \$225, equal to 100.12, a basis of about 4.97%. Dated April 1 1927. Due April 1, as follows: \$65,000, 1932; and \$60,000, in 1937 and 1942.

ONANCOCK, Accomac County, Va.—BOND SALE.—A \$15,000 issue of 5% fire and water equipment bonds has recently been purchased by Davis & West of Norfolk. Dated Oct. 15 1927 and due and payable in 1947.

ORLANDO, Orange County, Fla.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 10 a. m. on Nov. 30 by J. A. Stinson, City Clerk, for the purchase of two issues of 5% coupon bonds, aggregating \$155,000, as follows:

\$85,000 series L paying bonds. Dated Oct. 1 1927 and due serially in from 1 to 10 years.
 70,000 series H paying, sewer and sidewalk bonds. Dated Dec. 1 1927, and due serially in from 1 to 10 years.

Prin. and semi-annual int. payable in New York City at the Hanover National Bank. Thomson, Wood & Hoffman, New York attorneys, will furnish legal approval. A certified check for \$1550 is required.

ORLEANS PARISH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. New Orleans), La.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—The \$2,000,000 issue of not exceeding 5% coupon school bonds offered for sale on Nov. 8—V. 125, p. 2298—was not sold as all bids submitted thereon were rejected. The bonds will be re-offered and they are described as follows: Denom. \$1,000. Dated Dec. 1 1927 and due on Dec. 1 as follows: \$29,000 in 1936, \$30,000 in 1937, \$32,000 in 1938, \$33,000 in 1939, \$34,000 in 1940, \$36,000 in 1941, \$38,000 in 1942, \$40,000 in 1943, \$42,000 in 1944, \$44,000 in 1945, \$46,000 in 1946, \$48,000 in 1947, \$50,000 in 1948, \$52,000 in 1949, \$54,000 in 1950, \$56,000 in 1951, \$58,000 in 1952, \$61,000 in 1953, \$64,000 in 1954, \$67,000 in 1955, \$70,000 in 1956, \$73,000 in 1957, \$76,000 in 1958, \$80,000 in 1959, \$84,000 in 1960, \$88,000 in 1961, \$91,000 in 1962, \$95,000 in 1963, \$100,000 in 1964, \$105,000 in 1965, \$110,000 in 1966, and \$114,000 in 1967. Principal of bonds may be registered. Interest rate to be stated in multiples of ¼ of 1%. Principal and semi-annual interest payable in gold in New York City, Chicago or New Orleans. Thomson, Wood & Hoffman of New York City will furnish the legal approving opinion.

OTAY SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. San Diego), San Diego County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—The \$7,000 issue of 5½% coupon school bonds offered for sale on Oct. 17—V. 125, p. 2180—has been awarded to the Elmer J. Kennedy Co. of Los Angeles for a premium of \$175, equal to 102.50, a basis of about 5.22%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Sept. 19 1927 and due \$1,000 from Sept. 19 1936 to 1942, incl. The following is a complete list of the other bids and bidders:

Bidder—	Premium.
Border Bank, San Ysidro	\$175.00
Wm. R. Staats Co.	159.00
Fidelity National Co., Kansas City	108.50

OXFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT, Mich.—BOND SALE.—The \$175,000 school bonds offered on Nov. 4—V. 125, p. 2422—were awarded to Hill, Joiner & Co. of Detroit, as 4¾%, at a premium of \$540, equal to 100.30, a basis of about 4.22%. Due March 1, as follows: \$4,000, 1929 to 1935 incl.; \$5,000, 1936 to 1941 incl.; \$6,000, 1942 to 1946 incl.; \$7,000, 1947 to 1951 incl.; \$8,000, 1952 to 1956 incl., and \$12,000, 1957.

PALESTINE, Anderson County, Tex.—BOND SALE.—The \$125,000 issue of sewer system operation bonds voted on Oct. 22—V. 125, p. 2422—has been purchased by Garrett & Co. of Dallas as 6% bonds at par.

PALM BEACH COUNTY (P. O. West Palm Beach), Fla.—BOND SALE.—The \$500,000 issue of 6% Board of Public Instruction funding bonds offered for sale on Nov. 1—V. 125, p. 2422—has been awarded to a group composed of Morris, Mather & Co., Inc., Rogers, Caldwell & Co., Inc., and the Wells-Dickey Co. Due and payable as follows: \$25,000 in 1930 and 1931 and \$30,000 from 1932 to 1946, incl.

PARMA VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by the Board of Education until 1 p. m. (Eastern standard time) Nov. 18 for the purchase of an issue of \$464,000 school building bonds, interest rate not to exceed 4¾%. Dated Nov. 15 1927. Denom. \$1,000. Due as follows: \$10,000, April and Oct. 1 1928 to 1946, incl., and \$10,000, April and Oct. 1 1947 to 1950, incl. Prin. and int. (A. & O.) payable at the Pearl Street Savings & Trust Co. of Cleveland. Any bidder desiring to do so may present a bid for such bonds based upon their bearing a different rate of interest than that specified above, provided that when a fractional rate is bid such fraction shall be ¼ of 1% or multiples thereof. If bids are received based on a different rate of interest than that specified above, the bonds will be awarded to the highest responsible bidder offering not less than par and accrued interest, based upon the lowest rate of interest. A certified check, payable to the order of the Clerk Board of Education for \$10,000, is required. Legality approved by Squire, Sanders & Dempsey of Cleveland. These are the bonds originally scheduled for sale on Nov. 15—V. 125, p. 2422.

PENBROOK (P. O. Harrisburg) Dauphin County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—The \$35,000 4½% coupon Main Street improvement bonds offered on Sept. 29—V. 125, p. 1614—were awarded to the Palmyra Bank & Trust Co., Palmyra, at a premium of \$26,000, equal to 100.07, a basis of about 4.49%. Due Nov. 1, as follows: \$800, 1928 to 1930 incl.; \$1,200, 1931 to 1942 incl., and \$1,300, 1943 to 1956 incl. The bonds are registerable as to principal only.

PENDER COUNTY (P. O. Burgaw), N. C.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by Geo. F. Lucas, Clerk at the Board of Commissioners, until noon of Nov. 21, for the purchase of three issues of bonds aggregating \$286,000 as follows:

\$250,000 road and bridge funding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due on Nov. 15 as follows: \$6,000 from 1928 to 1932; \$7,000 from 1933 to 1942 and \$10,000, 1943 to 1957, incl.
 30,000 Union Special School Taxing District bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 from Nov. 15 1928 to 1957, incl.
 6,000 Burgaw Special School Taxing District bonds. Denom. \$500. Due \$500 from Nov. 15 1950, to 1956, incl., and \$2,500 in 1957.

Prin. and int. (M. & N. 15), payable at the Hanover National Bank, New York City.
 Bonds will be prepared under the supervision of the United States Mortgage and Trust Company, which will certify as to the genuineness of the signatures of the county officials and the seal of the county impressed thereon. The unqualified approving opinion of Messrs. Caldwell & Raymond, of New York City, as to the legality of the bonds, will be furnished to the purchasers without charge. Bids to be on forms furnished by above clerk or by the U. S. Mortgage & Trust Co. Bonds will be delivered to spot set by purchaser, on or about Nov. 30. A certified check for 2% of face value of bid, payable to the county, is required.

PENDLETON, Umatilla County, Ore.—BOND ELECTION.—There will be an election held on Nov. 25, for the voters to approve or reject the proposition of issuing \$175,000 refunding bonds.

PHILLIPSBURG, Warren County, N. J.—BOND SALE.—The issue of coupon or registered school bonds offered on Nov. 9—V. 125, p. 2298—was awarded to Barr Bros. & Co. of New York City, as 4¾%, taking \$599,000 bonds (\$600,000 offered) paying 100.22 a basis of about 4.22%. Dated December 1 1927. Due Dec. 1, as follows: \$12,000, 1929 to 1936, incl.; \$15,000, 1937 to 1954, incl.; \$18,000, 1955 to 1966, incl.; and \$13,000, 1967. The following is a complete list of other bidders:

Bidder—	Bids Bid For.	Int. Rate (%)	Price Bid.
Phillipsburg National Bank & Trust Co.	599	4.25	\$600,243.22
H. L. Allen & Co.	600	4.25	600,750.00
Batchelder-Wack Company	596	4.20	600,589.20
Graham Parsons & Company	599	4.30	600,054.00
George B. Gibbons & Company	599	4.30	600,166.25
Phillipsburg Trust Company	597	4.40	600,641.10
E. H. Rollins & Sons	600	4.25	600,204.00
Second National Bank	100	4.25	100,000.00
Guaranty Co. of N. Y.	598	4.40	600,111.00
Harris Forbes & Co.	600	4.30	600,714.10

PHOENIX, Maricopa County, Ariz.—BOND AWARD POSTPONED—The two issues of not to exceed 5% bonds, aggregating \$515,000 offered for sale on Nov. 9—V. 125, p. 1743 and 1872—have not yet been awarded.

PICAYUNE, Pearl River County, Miss.—BOND SALE.—An \$80,000 issue of 6% grammar school building bonds has recently been sold. Dated Feb. 2 1928, and due from 1929 to 1938, incl.

PINAL COUNTY ELECTRICAL DISTRICT NO. 2 (P. O. Casa Grande), Ariz.—BOND SALE.—The \$10,000 issue of 6% power bonds which was offered for sale on Nov. 3—V. 125, p. 2009—has been awarded to the First National Bank of Casa Grande on their bid of par. Due on July 1 1943.

PINELLAS COUNTY SPECIAL ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICTS (P. O. Clearwater), Fla.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by K. B. O'Quinn, Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, until 2 p. m. on Dec. 6 for the following five issues of 6% coupon bonds: \$150,000 St. Petersburg Special Road and Bridge District No. 13 bonds.

75,000 Special Road and Bridge District No. 4 bonds. Dated Dec. 1 1927 and due on Dec. 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1930 to 1932; \$3,000, 1933 to 1935; \$4,000, 1936 to 1939; \$5,000, 1940 to 1943 and \$6,000, 1944 to 1947, all incl.

35,000 Special Road and Bridge District No. 7 bonds. Dated July 1 1927 and due on July 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1930 to 1935; \$2,000, 1936 to 1942, and \$3,000, 1943 to 1947, incl.

25,000 Special Road and Bridge District No. 2 bonds. Dated July 1 1927 and due on July 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1930 to 1940 and \$2,000, 1941 to 1947, all incl.

20,000 Special Road and Bridge District No. 8 bonds. Dated Dec. 1 1927 and due on Dec. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1930 to 1945, and \$2,000, 1946 and 1947, all incl.

Denom. \$1,000. Principal of bonds may be registered. Chester B. Masslich, New York attorney, will furnish legal approval. Prin. and int. payable in New York City in gold. The above named clerk will furnish required forms.

PLAINFIELD, Union County, N. J.—BOND SALE.—The \$95,000 coupon or registered school bonds offered on Nov. 7—V. 125, p. 2422—were awarded to Phelps, Fenn & Co. of New York City, as 4 1/4s, at a premium of \$678.30, equal to a basis of about 4.15%. Dated Dec. 1 1927. Due \$5,000, Dec. 1 1929 to 1947, incl.

PLYMOUTH, Wayne County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—The following issues of bonds aggregating \$34,000 offered on Nov. 7—V. 125, p. 2422—were awarded to the Security Trust Co. of Detroit, as 4 1/4s, at a premium of \$468, equal to 101.37:

\$25,000 water improvement bonds
9,000 sewer and paving bonds
Dated Nov. 15 1927. Due serially from 1928 to 1941, incl.

POMEROY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Meigs County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$20,000 school bonds offered on Nov. 7—V. 125, p. 2264—were awarded to Seasongood & Mayer of Cincinnati, as 4 1/4s, at a premium of \$10.50. Due, \$1,000, Mar. and Sept. 1, 1929 to 1938 incl.

PORTAGE COUNTY (P. O. Ravenna) Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—R. I. Linton, Clerk Board of County Commissioners, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. Nov. 28, for the purchase of an issue of \$59,665.90 5% assessment improvement bonds. Dated Dec. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000, one bond for \$65.00. Due as follows: \$2,665.90, April 1 1929; \$3,000, Oct. 1 1929, and \$3,000, Apr. and Oct. 1 1930 to 1938 incl. A certified check, payable to the order of the County Treasurer, for \$3,000, is required.

PORTAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Cambria County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—E. H. Rollins & Sons of Philadelphia, were recently awarded an issue of \$50,000 4 1/4% school gymnasium and auditorium bonds.

PORT CLINTON, Ottawa County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The two issues of 5 1/4% bonds aggregating \$19,000, offered on Nov. 8—V. 125, p. 2298—were awarded to the Citizens Banking Co. of Sandusky, at a premium of \$930, equal to 104.89, a basis of about 4.62%:

\$11,000 Jefferson Street bonds. Due Sept. 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1929 and 1930; \$2,000, 1931; \$1,000, 1932 and 1933; \$2,000, 1934; \$1,000, 1935 and \$2,000, 1936.
8,000 Adams Street bonds. Due \$1,000, Sept. 1 1929 to 1936, incl.
Date Sept. 1 1927.

POLK COUNTY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 13 (P. O. Fisher) Minn.—BOND SALE.—A \$20,000 issue of 4 1/4% school bonds has recently been purchased by the State of Minnesota, paying par or the issue.

PUTMAN COUNTY (P. O. Brewster), N. Y.—BOND SALE.—The \$39,000 (series 15) 4 1/4% coupon or registered county office building bonds offered on Nov. 10—V. 125, p. 2564—were awarded to Sherwood & Merrifield, Inc., of New York City, at 101.60, a basis of about 4.03%. Dated Sept. 1 1927. Due March 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1928, and \$2,000, 1929 to 1947, incl.

RACINE, Racine County, Wis.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$1,046,000 4 1/4% coupon or registered refunding water works revenue bonds has recently been awarded to C. W. McNear & Co. of Chicago. The bonds are described as follows: Denom. \$1,000. Dated Nov. 1 1927 and due on Nov. 1 as follows:

Table with 4 columns: Year, Amount, Year, Amount. Rows include 1928-1952 amounts for various bond issues.

Prin. and int. (M. & N. 1) payable in gold at the city treasurer's office, or at the Farmers Loan & Trust Co. in New York City.

RIDGEWOOD, Township School District (P. O. Ridgewood) Bergen County, N. J.—FINANCIAL STATEMENT.—The following statement has been submitted to us for publication in connection with the proposed sale on Nov. 14, of \$435,000 4 1/4% coupon or registered school bonds full particulars of which appeared in our issue of Sept. 24—V. 125, p. 1744.

Financial Statement table for Ridgewood, N. J. showing Gross Debt, Deductions, Net Debt, and Bond Issuance details.

RAVENSWOOD WATER WORKS DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Redwood City), San Mateo County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—The \$30,000 issue of 6% water works bonds offered for sale on Nov. 7—V. 125, p. 2565—was awarded to Neale, Kelty & Supple of San Francisco for a \$35 premium, equal to 100.116, a basis of about 5.98%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Sept. 15 1927 and due \$1,000 from Sept. 15, 1928 to 1932; \$2,000 from 1933 to 1943 incl. and \$3,000 in 1944.

RIDLEY PARK, Delaware County, Pa.—ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.—We are now informed by E. H. Rollins & Sons of Philadelphia, that the principal and interest (M. & S.) of the \$25,000 4 1/4% bonds awarded to them at 106.13, a basis of about 4.13%—V. 125, p. 2423—is payable at the Lansdowne National Bank, Lansdowne. The bonds mature Sept. 1 1956, and are callable by lot Sept. 1 1946, at 102 and interest.

Financial Statement table for Ridley Park, Pa. showing Real value, Assessed valuation, Total debt, Sinking fund, and Net debt.

ROCHESTER, Monroe County, N. Y.—NOTE SALE.—The following notes aggregating \$1,815,000 offered on Nov. 7—V. 125, p. 2564—were awarded to the National Bank of Rochester, on a 3.388% discount basis:

\$250,000 general revenue \$100,000 school construction
750,000 local improvement 350,000 transit subway
250,000 local improvement 60,000 water works improvement
20,000 municipal bldg. constn. 25,000 Winton Road subway
10,000 municipal land purchase.

Dated Nov. 10 1927. The general revenue and school revenue notes mature on Jan. 10 1928, the other issue on Feb. 10 1928.

The following is a complete list of other bidders:

Bidders table for Rochester, N. Y. listing Salomon Bros. & Hutzler, S. N. Bond & Co., and Barr Bros. & Co. with Premium and Disc. Basis.

ROCKY RIVER, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—A E. Aub & Co. of Cincinnati, were awarded on Nov. 7, the following issues of bonds as 4 1/4s, at a premium of \$143.00, equal to 100.35:

\$83,400 4 1/4% property owners' portion impt. bonds. Denom. \$1,000, one bond for 400. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$8,000 in each of the years 1929, 1930, 1932, 1933, 1935, and 1936; \$9,000, 1931, 1934, and 1937, and \$8,400, 1938.

13,600 5% property owners' portion sewer and water lateral curb construction bonds. Denom. \$500, one for \$100. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$2,500, 1929, 1930, and 1932; \$3,000, 1931, and \$3,100, 1933.

20,200 improvement bonds. The bonds mature serially from 1928 to 1936 inclusive.

SALUDA COUNTY (P. O. Saluda) S. C.—BOND SALE.—The \$54,000 issue of coupon highway bonds offered for sale on Oct. 18—V. 125, p. 2180—was awarded as 4 1/4% bonds to Prudden & Co. of Toledo, for a premium of \$927.60, equal to 101.71.

St. CLAIR SHORES (P. O. Mount Clemens) Macomb County, Mich.—BOND OFFERING.—Ben H. DeClerck, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. (eastern standard time) Nov. 15, for the purchase of an issue of \$210,000 special assessment water works bonds interest rate not to exceed 6%. Dated Dec. 1 1927. Due \$42,000 Dec. 1 1929 to 1933, incl. Successful bidder to furnish printed bonds and legal opinion as to their legality. A certified check payable to the order of the Village Treasurer, for \$5,000 is required.

ST. JOHNS COUNTY SPECIAL TAX SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 (P. O. St. Augustine), Fla.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by Robert B. Meserve, Superintendent of the Board of Public Instruction, until noon of Nov. 29, for the purchase of a \$30,000 issue of 5 1/4% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Aug. 1 1927 and due \$2,000 from Aug. 1 1930 to 1944, incl. Prin. and int. (F. & A.) payable in New York City, at the Chase National Bank. Thomson, Wood & Hoffman of New York City will furnish legal approval. A certified check, payable to the Board of Public Instruction, for 5% of the bid, is required.

ST. JOHNS TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. St. Johns), Lake County, Ind.—BOND SALE NOT CONSUMMATED.—We are now informed by the Fletcher American Co. of Indianapolis, that the sale of the \$50,000 4 1/4% school bonds at 103.37—V. 125, p. 2423—was not consummated as their attorneys refused to approve the issue.

SARASOTA, Sarasota County, Fla.—MATURITY.—The \$160,000 issue of 6% street impt. bonds sold recently—V. 125, p. 2565—to Farson, Son & Co. of New York at 96 is due and payable from 1928 to 1937 incl. Basis of about 6.93%.

SAVANNAH, Chatham County, Ga.—BOND SALE.—The \$550,000 issue of 4 1/4% so-called refunding notes offered for sale on Nov. 8—V. 125, p. 2565—was awarded to the Citizens and Southern Co. of Atlanta at a price of 102.66, a basis of about 3.98%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Aug. 1 1926. Due \$50,000 from Aug. 1 1928 to 1938 incl.

SHAKER HEIGHTS (P. O. Cleveland) Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—E. P. Rudolph, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. Nov. 17, for the purchase of an issue of \$168,650 4 1/4% coupon special assessment improvement bonds. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000, one bond for \$750. Due Oct. 1, as follows: \$18,750, 1928; \$18,000, 1930; \$19,000, 1931 to 1933 incl.; \$18,000, 1934, and \$19,000, 1935 to 1937 incl. Bids may be submitted for bonds bearing a different interest rate than stated above provided that such rate is stated in a multiple of 1/4 of 1%. Prin. and int. payable at the Village Treasurer's office. A certified check, payable to the order of the Village Treasurer for 5% of the bonds offered, is required.

SHELBY COUNTY (P. O. Sidney), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—C. M. Fogt, County Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. Nov. 12 (to-day) for the purchase of an issue of \$17,500 5 1/4% road improvement bonds. Dated Sept. 1 1927. Denom. \$500. Due \$1,500, March, and \$2,000, Sept. 1 1928 to 1932 incl. A certified check payable to the order of the County Auditor, for 3% of the bonds offered, is required.

SHENANDOAH, Page County, Iowa.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 7.30 p.m. on Nov. 15 by Nellie Mygatt, City Clerk, for the purchase of a \$5,100 issue of cemetery bonds.

SOMERSET COUNTY (P. O. Somerset) Pa.—BOND SALE.—Harrison, Smith & Co. of Philadelphia, were awarded on Nov. 4, an issue of \$200,000 4 1/4% county bonds at a premium of \$8,650, equal to 104.32, a basis of about 3.97%. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Due \$50,000, Nov. 1, in each of the years, 1942, 1947, 1952 and 1957.

SOUTH FORK, Cambria County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—The \$25,000 4 1/4% coupon or registered improvement bonds offered on Oct. 29—V. 125, p. 2299—were awarded to E. H. Rollins & Sons of Philadelphia, at 105.44, a basis of about 4.09%. Dated Aug. 1 1927. Due \$5,000, on Sept. 1 in each of the years, 1939, 1945, 1950, 1954 and 1957.

Bidders table for South Fork, Pa. listing S. M. Vockel & Co., Prescott, Lyon & Co., M. M. Freeman & Co., J. H. Holmes & Co., and Glover & McGregor & Co.

SOUTH ORANGE, Essex County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—Phillip N. Miller, Chairman Finance Committee, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. Nov. 21, for the purchase of the following bonds aggregating \$823,000 to bear interest at the rate of 4 1/4%, no more bonds to be awarded than will produce a premium of \$1,000 over each issue:

\$268,000 general impt. bonds. Due Dec. 1, as follows: \$10,000, 1928 to 1936 incl.; \$15,000, 1937; and \$15,000, 1938 to 1948 incl.
264,000 sewer bonds. Due Dec. 1, as follows: \$6,000, 1928 to 1959 incl.; and \$9,000, 1960 to 1967 inclusive.
206,000 temporary street impt. bonds. Due Dec. 1, as follows: \$25,000, 1928 and 1929; \$20,000, 1930 to 1935 incl.; and \$18,000, 1936 and 1937.
85,000 water bonds. Due Dec. 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1928 to 1962 incl.; and \$3,000, 1963 to 1967 inclusive.

Dated Dec. 1 1927. Coupon or registered in \$1,000 denoms. Prin. and int. (J. & D.) payable in gold at the U. S. Mtgo. & Trust Co., N. Y.; the

said Co. will also certify as to the genuineness of the bonds. A certified check payable to the Village Treasurer, for 2% of the bid is required. Legality to be approved by Caldwell & Raymond of New York city.

SPARTANBURG COUNTY (P. O. Spartanburg) S. C.—LIST OF BIDDERS.—The following is a complete list of the bidders and the bids submitted by them on Nov. 4—V. 125, p. 2565—for the purchase of the \$454,000 issue of 4 3/4% coupon highway bonds:

1. Mississippi Valley Trust Co., St. Louis, Mo.	\$458,721.60
2. Caldwell & Co. and Kountze Bros., Nashville, Tenn.	457,911.40
3. South Carolina National Bank, Greenville, S. C., Bankers Trust Co., New York	457,672.86
4. A. B. Leach & Co., by Bk. of Com., Spartanburg, S. C.	457,537.00
5. Harris, Forbes & Co. and Nat. City Co., by A. M. Law & Co., Spartanburg, S. C.	457,082.66
6. Prudden & Co., Toledo, Ohio; W. L. Slayton & Co., Toledo, Ohio; First Nat. Bank, Detroit, Mich.	456,783.80
7. Guaranty Co. of New York; Hannahs, Ballin & Lee; Peoples Securities Co., Charleston, S. C., by Central National Bank, Spartanburg, S. C.	456,624.12
8. Otis & Co., and Guardian Detroit Co.	456,452.00
9. Morris, Mather & Co., R. W. Pressprich & Co., by Alester G. Furman Co., Greenville, S. C.	456,270.00
10. Braun Brothers Co., Detroit Trust Co.	456,129.26
11. Stranahan, Harris & Otis Co.	455,770.60

*Successful bid.

STAMFORD, Fairfield County, Conn.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—The First Stamford National Bank, was awarded on Nov. 4, a \$300,000 temporary loan on a 3.46% discount basis plus a premium of \$7.00.

STARKE, Bradford County, Fla.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by City Clerk C. A. Futch, until 8 p.m. on Nov. 15 for the purchase of a \$36,000 issue of 6% street improvement bonds. Prin. and semi-annual int. payable in New York City at the Hanover National Bank.

SUMMIT COUNTY (P. O. Akron), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Estelle Wood, Assistant Clerk Board of County Commissioners, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m. (eastern standard time) Nov. 25, for the purchase of the following 5% bonds, aggregating \$369,100: \$145,000 special assessment road impt. bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due April 1 as follows: \$15,000 in even years from 1928 to 1936, incl., and \$14,000, in odd years, from 1929 to 1937, incl.

136,600 special assessment road impt. bonds. Due April 1 as follows: \$14,000, 1928 to 1930, incl.; \$13,000, 1931; \$14,000, 1932; \$13,000, 1933; \$14,000, 1934; \$13,000, 1935; \$14,000, 1936 and \$13,600, 1937.

78,500 special assessment road impt. bonds. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$13,000, 1928 to 1932, incl., and \$13,500, 1933.

9,000 bridge No. 21 bonds. Due \$1,000 April 1 1928 to 1936, incl. Dated Oct. 1 1927. Bids for bonds bearing a different rate of interest stated in a multiple of 1/4 of 1% will also be considered. Principal and int. payable at the office of the County Treasurer. A certified check payable to the order of the Board of County Commissioners, for 5% of the bonds offered is required.

SUNNYSIDE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Cochise County, Ariz.—BOND DESCRIPTION.—The \$27,500 issue of 5 1/4% school bonds awarded on Oct. 11—V. 125, p. 2300—to the Valley Bank of Phoenix is detailed as follows: coupon bonds. Denom. \$500. Dated Sept. 1 1927, and due on Sept. 1 1947. Premium paid was \$341, equal to 101.24, a basis of about 5.14%. Int. payable on March & Sept. 1.

SUSSEX, Sussex County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—Charles H. Writer, Borough Clerk, will receive sealed bids until Nov. 21, for the purchase of an issue of 4 1/4% coupon or registered borough hall bonds not to exceed \$20,000, no more bonds to be awarded than will produce a premium of \$1,000 over \$20,000. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$4,000, Nov. 1 1928 to 1932, incl. A certified check payable to the order of the borough, for 2% of the bonds bid for is required.

TAYLOR TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5 (P. O. Dearborn, R. F. D. No. 1) Wayne County, Mich.—BOND OFFERING.—Hersey Hunt, Secretary Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 8 p.m., Nov. 22, for the purchase of an issue of \$80,000 coupon school bonds. Int. rate not to exceed 5%. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000. Due Feb. 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1929; \$3,000, 1930 to 1936 incl.; \$4,000, 1937 to 1941 incl.; \$5,000, 1942 to 1946 incl., and \$6,000, 1947 and 1948. A certified check for 5% of the bonds offered is required. Bid to state where payment of prin. and int. is to be made.

TENAFLY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Bergen County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—N. M. Dennis, District Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8.30 p. m. Nov. 15, for the purchase of an issue of 4 3/4% coupon or registered school bonds no more bonds to be awarded than will produce a premium of \$1,000 over \$37,000. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000. Due Nov. 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1928 to 1945, incl., and \$1,000, 1946. Principal and interest payable at the Tenafly Trust Co., Tenafly. A certified check payable to the order of the Custodian of School Moneys, for 2% of the bonds bid for is required.

TEXAS, STATE OF (P. O. Austin)—BONDS REGISTERED.—G. N. Holtor, State Comptroller, has registered the following issues of serial bonds during the week ending Nov. 5.

Amount.	Purpose.	Int.
\$40,000	Big Springs Paving	5
5,000	Cuero Auditorium	5
32,000	Cuero W. W. improvement	5
216,200	McAllen Refdg. warrants	6
150,000	McAllen St. Imp.	6
75,000	McAllen Sewer Ext.	6
50,000	McAllen Refdg. warrants	6
182,333	City West Refrd. warrants	5 3/4
56,000	City Comanche Refdg. bond	5
150,000	Coryell Co. C. S. D. No. 73	5
100,000	Chambers Co. R. Dist. No. 2	5
100,000	Sanford I. S. D.	6

THROCKMORTON COUNTY (P. O. Throckmorton), Tex.—BOND ELECTION.—On Nov. 19 there will be an election held for the voters to approve or reject the proposition of issuing \$650,000 5 1/2% road bonds.

TIPTON, Tillman County, Okla.—BONDS VOTED.—At an election held recently the voters approved the issuance of \$10,000 water bonds. The actual count was 43 to 15.

TRUMBULL COUNTY (P. O. Warren), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—David H. Thomas, Clerk Board of County Commissioners, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m. Nov. 14, for the purchase of an issue of \$22,300 4 3/4% Brookfield Township road bonds. Dated Dec. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000, one bond for \$300. Due as follows: \$1,300, April and \$1,000, Oct. 1 1929; \$1,000, April and Oct. 1 1930 to 1937, incl., and \$2,000, April and Oct. 1 1938. Bids for bonds bearing a different rate of interest than stated above will also receive consideration. Principal and interest payable at the office of the County Treasurer. A certified check payable to the order of Frank P. Musser, County Treasurer for \$1,000 is required.

UNIVERSITY PLACE, Austin County, Tex.—BOND ELECTION.—On Nov. 12 a special election will be held for the purpose of having the voters pass on an \$80,000 bond issue for the construction of a new junior high school.

UVALDE COUNTY (P. O. Uvalde), Tex.—Bond Offering.—Sealed bids will be received until 11 a. m. on Nov. 15 by Green B. Fenley, Jr., County Judge, for the purchase of an issue of \$150,000 5 1/4% highway bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Aug. 15 1927. Due as follows: \$4,000 from 1928 to 1937; \$5,000, 1938 to 1947; \$6,000 from 1948 to 1957, all incl. Prin. and int. payable in New York City at the Hanover National Bank. A \$7,500 certified check, payable to the County Judge, is required.

WADSWORTH, Medina County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The Wadsworth Savings Bank & Trust Co., was awarded on Nov. 5, an issue of \$6,265 5 1/4% special assessment street improvement bonds at par. Dated Oct. 1 1927. Denom. \$500, one bond for \$265. Due Oct. 1, as follows: \$500, 1928 to 1932, incl.; \$1,000, 1933 to 1935 incl., and \$765, 1937.

UVALDE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Uvalde) Tex.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 11 a. m. Nov. 16, by G. B. Fenley, President of the Board of Education, for an issue of \$150,000 5% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated June 15, 1927. Due on

June 15 as follows: \$3,000 from 1928 to 1937, and \$4,000 from 1938 to 1967, all incl. Prin. and int. (J. & D.) payable in New York City. T. J. Sluder, of San Antonio will furnish legal opinion. A \$7,500 certified check, is required. (This is a more detailed report than that given in V. 125, p. 2565.)

WALPOLE, Norfolk County, Mass.—BOND SALE.—The two issues of 3 3/4% bonds aggregating \$269,500 offered on Nov. 8—V. 125, p. 2565—were awarded to Stone & Webster and Blodgett, Inc., of Boston, at 100.72: \$157,500 school bonds. Due serially from 1928 to 1942, incl. 112,000 school bonds. Due serially from 1928 to 1941 incl.

Dated Nov. 15 1927. The following is a complete list of other bidders for the issue:

Bidder	Price Bid.
Curtis & Sanger	100.69
Atlantic-Merrill Oldham Corp.	100.60
National City Co.	100.579
R. L. Day & Co.	100.549
Estabrook & Co.	100.52
E. H. Rollins & Sons	100.51
Old Colony Corp.	100.507
Merchants National Bank	100.48
Wise, Hobbs & Arnold	100.47
Harris, Forbes & Co.	100.435

WARRINGTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Warrington), Bucks County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—Washington Caddwalader, Secretary of School Board, will receive sealed bids at the office of Boyer & Vanartsdalen, Doylestown, until 7.30 p. m. Nov. 25, for the purchase of an issue of \$15,000 4 1/4% coupon or registered school bonds. Dated Dec. 1 1927. Denom. \$500. Due Dec. 1, as follows: \$4,000, in 1937; 1942 and 1947; and \$3,000, 1952. A certified check for 5% of the bonds offered is required.

WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY DISTRICT, Md.—BOND SALE.—The \$250,000 series "Q", 4 1/4% water bonds offered on Nov. 9—V. 125, p. 2424—were awarded to Frank Rosenberg & Co., and Jenkins, Whitebe & Poem, both of Baltimore, jointly, at 105.61, a basis of about 4.16%. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Due Nov. 1 1977; optional after Nov. 1 1957.

The following is a complete list of other bidders:

Bidder	Rate Bid.
Mercantile Trust & Deposit Co., and Stein Bros. & Boyce	104.27
Estabrook & Co., and associates	103.34
Bankers Trust Co., and associates	103.26
Dewey, Bacon & Co.	104.76

WATTER, Pa.—BONDS VOTED.—The electors authorized the issuance of \$550,000 bonds at an election held on Nov. 8.

WAUWATOSA, Milwaukee County, Wis.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 7.30 p. m. on Nov. 15 by City Clerk A. V. Brigham for a \$30,000 issue of 4 3/4% coupon sewer bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Sept. 15 1927. Due on March 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1928 to 1937, and \$2,000, 1938 to 1947 incl. The furnishing of blank bonds by the bidders will have weight in the decision to award. Prin. and int. (M. & S.) payable at the Wauwatosa State Bank or at the First National Bank of Wauwatosa.

WAVERLY DISTRICT SCHOOL (P. O. Stockton), San Joaquin County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 11 a. m. on Nov. 14 by County Clerk Eugene D. Graham, for a \$10,500 issue of 5% school bonds. Denom. \$500. Dated Dec. 1 1927 and due on Dec. 1 as follows: \$500 from 1928 to 1946 and \$1,000 in 1947. A certified check, payable to the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, for 5% of the bid, is required.

WEBSTER, Monroe County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—The \$17,500 coupon or registered bonds offered on Nov. 9—V. 125, p. 2566—were awarded to George B. Gibbons & Co., of New York City, as 4 1/2s, at 101.37, a basis of about 4.37%. Dated Aug. 1 1927. Due \$500, Aug. 1 1928 to 1962 incl.

The following bids were also submitted:

Bidder	Int. Rate.	Rate Bid.
R. F. DeVoe & Co.	100.76	4.50%
Farson, Son & Co.	100.15	4.90%
Shawwood & Merrifield, Inc.	100.77	4.50%
Pulley & Co.	100.06	4.70%
Myson W. Greene	101.30	4.50%

WEBSTER PARISH SUB ROAD DISTRICT NO. 5 (P. O. Minden), La.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by J. H. Nelson, President of the Police Jury, until 1.30 p. m. on Dec. 6 for the purchase of an issue of \$115,000 road bonds. Int. rate not to exceed 6%. Due on 15 years. No bid for less than par will be considered. A certified check for 5% is required.

WEESAW TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3 (P. O. New Troy) Berrien County, Mich.—BOND OFFERING.—A. G. English, Secretary Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. Nov. 15, for the purchase of an issue of \$75,000 5% coupon school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due Feb. 1, as follows: \$1,000, 1929; \$2,000, 1930 to 1939 incl., and \$3,000, 1940 to 1957 incl. Prin. and int. (F. & A.) payable at the Bridgman State Bank, Bridgman. A certified check payable to the order of the School District for \$3,000, is required.

WEST HOMESTEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT, Allegheny County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by the Secretary Board of Education until 7 p. m. (eastern standard time) Dec. 5, for the purchase of an issue of \$30,000 4 1/4% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$5,000 on Nov. 1, in each of the years 1931, 1936, 1941, 1946, 1951 and 1956. A certified check payable to the order of the School Treasurer, for \$500 is required.

WEST LAWN, PA.—BOND OFFERING.—John J. Knappenberg, Borough Secretary, will receive sealed bids until 6 p. m. Dec. 7, for the purchase of an issue of \$25,000 4 1/4% coupon borough bonds. Dated Dec. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$5,000, on Dec. 1, in each of the years, 1937; 1942; 1947; 1952, and 1957. The bonds may be registered as to principal. A certified check payable to the order of the Borough Treasurer, for 3% of the bonds offered is required. The bonds are being issued subject to the favorable opinion of Townsend, Elliott & Munson, of Philadelphia, as to their legality.

WESTON, Umatilla County, Ore.—Price Paid.—The \$10,000 issue of 6% water works improvement bonds recently purchased.—V. 125, p. 2424—was awarded to the Farmers Bank of Weston at par, paying legal and printing expenses.

WEST SALEM, Wayne County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—G. F. Read, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. Dec. 3, for the purchase of an issue of \$3,000 5% special assessment impt. bonds. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Denom. \$500. Due \$500, Sept. 1 1928 to 1933 incl. A certified check payable to the order of the Village Treasurer, for 5% of the bonds offered is required.

WESTWEGO, Jefferson County, La.—BOND SALE.—The \$20,000 issue of coupon improvement bonds offered for sale on Nov. 4—V. 125, p. 2300—was awarded to Caldwell & Co. of Nashville, as 4 3/4% bonds for a premium of \$4,300, equal to 102.15. Int. due semi-annually.

WICHITA FALLS, Wichita County, Tex.—PRE-ELECTION SALE.—A \$2,000,000 issue of 4 3/4% water works bonds was recently purchased by Eldredge & Co. of New York subject to an election to be held soon.

WINNETKA, Cook County, Ill.—Price Paid.—The price paid for the \$63,000 coupon library addition bonds awarded to the First Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago, as 4s, in—V. 125, p. 2566—was 99.50 (not 100.48 as reported in the above reference). Due July 1, as follows: \$3,000, 1928 to 1939, incl.; \$4,000, 1940; \$5,000, 1941 to 1944, incl.; and \$3,000, 1945. A complete list of other bids submitted appeared in—V. 125, p. 2566.

WOODCLIFF LAKE, Bergen County, N. J.—Bond Sale.—The \$21,000 5% coupon or registered street paving bonds offered on November 2—V. 125, p. 2301—were awarded to Rufus Waples & Co., of Philadelphia, at a premium of \$113.40, equal to 100.54, a basis of about 4.85%. Dated Nov. 1 1927. Due \$3,000, Nov. 1 1928 to 1934, incl. The above supersedes the report given in—V. 125, p. 2566—as the New Jersey Fidelity & Plate Glass Insurance Co., of Newark, which was high bidder withdrew its bid and the bonds were subsequently awarded as stated above. The First National Bank of Westwood, was the only other bidder offering 100.16.

WYANDOTTE COUNTY (P. O. Kansas City), Kan.—Bond Sale.—The \$20,000 issue of 4 1/4% coupon general obligation bonds offered for sale on June 30—V. 124, p. 3810—has since been purchased by the Prescotts, Wright & Co., of Kansas City for a premium of \$44.10, equal to 100.21, a basis of about 4.23%. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$1,000 from Jan. 1 1928 to 1944, incl., and \$2,000 in 1945 and 1946.

Bond Sale.—The two issues of 4½% coupon road bonds, aggregating \$134,400 offered for sale on June 20—V. 124, p. 3533—were recently awarded to the Commerce Trust Co. of Kansas City as follows: \$115,700 special improvement road bonds. Premium paid was \$2,152.02, equal to 101.86, a basis of about 4¼%. Due on July 1 as follows: \$6,700 in 1928; \$7,000, 1929 to 1931 and \$8,000 from 1932 to 1942, incl.
18,700 special improvement road bonds. Premium paid was \$336.06, equal to 101.80, a basis of about 4¼%. Due on July 1 as follows: \$7,000 1928; \$1,000, 1929 to 1938, incl., and \$2,000 from 1939 to 1942, incl.

WYOMING COUNTY (P. O. Warsaw), N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Charles B. Smallwood, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 11 a. m. Nov. 16 for the purchase of an issue of \$130,000 4% highway bonds. Dated Dec. 1 1927. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$10,000, Dec. 1 1934 to 1946 incl. Prin. and int. (J. & D.) payable in gold at the Wyoming County National Bank, Warsaw. A certified check for 3% of the bonds offered is required. Legality approved by Clay, Dillon & Vandewater of New York City.

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ARVIDA, Que.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by the School Trustees, until 8 p. m. Dec. 6, for the purchase of the following two issues of 5% twenty-year serial bonds, aggregating \$110,000: \$70,000 bonds in denoms. of \$1,000, and payable at Quebec, Montreal and Arvida.
40,000 bonds in \$1,000 denoms., and payable at Quebec, Montreal and Arvida.
The bonds are dated Oct. 1 1927.

ETOBICOKE TOWNSHIP, Ont.—BOND SALE.—Wood, Gundy & Co. was recently awarded an issue of \$110,000 5% thirty-installment debentures guaranteed by York County, Ont., and \$60,645 5% 10- and 20-installment debentures, taking both issues at 100.15. The following bids were also submitted:

Bidder—	Rate Bid.	Bidder—	Rate Bid.
A. E. Ames & Co., Ltd.	100.07	Dyment, Anderson & Co.	99.50
C. H. Burgess & Co.	100.03	Bell, Gouinlock & Co.	100.019
McLeod, Young, Weir & Co.	99.79	Fry, Mills, Spence & Co.	99.641
Gardner & Co.	99.67		

FOREST HILL, Ont.—BOND SALE.—Bell, Gouinlock & Co., were recently awarded an issue of \$50,000 5% thirty-year installment debentures at 99.70, a basis of about 5.04%. Other bids were as follows:

Bidder—	Rate Bid.	Bidder—	Rate Bid.
MacKay-MacKay	99.52	Wood, Gundy & Co.	99.21
Mathews & Co.	99.32	McLeod, Young, Weir & Co.	99.18
R. A. Daly & Co.	99.29	Dyment, Anderson & Co.	99.17
Fry, Mills, Spence & Co.	99.26	C. H. Burgess & Co.	99.03

GREENFIELD PARK, Que.—Maturity.—The \$95,000 5½% bonds awarded to Bray, Caron & Dube of Quebec at 100.11—V. 125, p. 2425— a basis of about 5.47% mature May 1, as follows: \$500, 1928; \$600, 1929; \$700, 1930; \$800, 1931 and 1932; \$900, 1933 and 1934; \$1,000, 1935 and 1936; \$1,100, 1937 and 1938; \$1,200, 1939 and 1940; \$1,300, 1941 and \$81,900, 1942.

LES ESCOUMAINS, Que.—BOND SALE.—The \$18,100 5½% twenty-five year serial bonds offered on Oct. 31—V. 125, p. 2425—were awarded to the Credit Anglo Francais, Inc., of Montreal, at 98.82, a basis of about 5.60%. The bonds are dated Aug. 1 1927.

MANITOBA DRAINAGE DISTRICT, Canada.—BOND SALE.—Mead & Co., and Oldfield, Kirby & Gardner & Co., jointly, were recently awarded an issue of \$45,000 4¼% thirty-year bonds, at 96.90, a basis of about 4.69%.

MONTREAL, Quebec.—BOND OFFERING.—P. Collins, Assistant City Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. Nov. 14, for the purchase of the following bonds to bear interest at the rate of 4½%, aggregating \$5,100,000:
\$3,000,000 local improvement bonds. Due Dec. 1 1947.
2,100,000 sinking fund bonds. Due Dec. 1 1967.
Dated Dec. 1 1927. Prin. and int. payable at the City Treasurer's office; or at the agency of the Bank of Montreal, New York City. A certified check for \$51,000 is required.

ROBERVAL, Que.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by the School Commissioners, until 8 p. m. Nov. 18 for the purchase of an issue of \$32,000 5% 22-year serial bonds, dated Nov. 1 1927 in \$500 and \$100 denominations and payable at Roberval and Queoec.

ST. CATHARINES, Ont.—BOND SALE.—Wood, Gundy & Co., were recently awarded two issues of 4½% bonds aggregating \$246,000 at 97.09 a basis of about 4.85%. The bonds are described as follows: \$188,000 10-year bonds, and \$58,000 15-year sinking fund debentures. The following is a complete list of other bidders:

Bidder—	Rate Bid.
Bell, Gouinlock & Co.	96.28
Mathews & Co.	96.26
C. H. Burgess & Co., McDonagh, Someis & Co. and J. L. Graham & Co.	96.08
Fry, Mills, Spence & Co.	96.07
Royal Securities Corp.	96.07
Dyment, Anderson & Co.	96.00
Imperial Bank of Canada	95.88
A. E. Ames & Co., Ltd.	95.85
McLeod, Young, Weir & Co.	95.44
Gardner & Co.	95.40

ST. DOMINIQUE DE JONQUIERES, Que.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by the Trustees of the Parish, until 8 p. m. Nov. 14, for the purchase of an issue of \$172,000 5% 45-year serial bonds dated Oct. 1 1927.

SALABERRY DE VALLEYFIELD, Que.—BOND SALE.—The \$50,000 5% 32-year serial bonds offered on Oct. 26—V. 125, p. 2301—were awarded to Dyment, Anderson & Co., at 99.77, a basis of about 5.03%. The bonds are dated Nov. 1 1927 and are payable at Salaberry de Valleyfield and Montreal. The following is a complete list of other bidders:

Bidder—	Rate Bid.
Credit Anglo-Francaise, Ltd.	99.72
Versailles, Vidricaire & Boulais, Ltd.	99.57
Wood, Gundy & Co.	99.45
Dominion Securities Corp.	99.27
Mead & Co.	99.27
Societe Generale de Finance, Inc.	99.08
A. E. Ames & Co., Ltd.	99.037
L. G. Beaubien & Co.	98.57

SASKATCHEWAN, Sask.—DEBENTURES SOLD.—The following is a list of debentures reported sold by the Local Government Board from Oct. 15 to 22:

School Districts: Empress, \$850, 5¼% 8 years, to Regina Public School Sinking Fund; Spruce Lake, \$7,000, 5¼% 15 years, to Houston, Willoughby & Co.; Horton, \$2,500, 6% 10 years, to H. M. Turner & Co.; Waivie Bank, \$4,000, 5¼% 15 years, to H. M. Turner & Co.; Aschdell, \$3,000, 6% 15 years, to H. J. Birkett & Co.; Vaberville, \$1,800, 5¼% 10 years, to H. M. Turner & Co.; Gopherdale, \$3,400, 5¼% 5 years, to G. Moorhouse & Co.; Milan, \$3,500, 5¼% 15 years, to H. M. Turner & Co.
Villages: Loreburn, \$1,300, 7% 10 years, locally; Vanguard, \$5,000, 5¼% 15 years, to H. J. Birkett & Co.; Lafleche, \$1,500, 5¼% 7 years, to C. C. Cross & Co.; Lafleche, \$3,500, 5¼% 15 years, to C. C. Cross & Co.

AUTHORIZATION.—The following authorizations have been granted by the Local Government Board from Oct. 15 to 22:
School Districts: Rockglen, \$9,500, not exceeding 7% 20 years; Brenner, \$1,000, not exceeding 6¼% 10 years; Blue Bell, \$1,000, not exceeding 7% 5 years; Hoodoc, \$500, not exceeding 7%, 5 installments; Bronhead, \$4,000, not exceeding 7%, 10 installments.
Town of Vanda, \$5,800, 6% 15 years.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—BOND SALE.—Dillon, Read & Co. of New York City, and the Dominion Securities Corp. of Toronto, jointly, were awarded on Nov. 10 the following issues of 4¼% debentures aggregating \$1,135,000, at 97.27:

\$365,000 technical school bonds. Due August 1 1967.
270,000 school bonds. Due August 1 1967.
250,000 school bonds. Due August 1 1942.
250,000 street bonds. Due August 1 1942.
Dated August 1 1927. Prin. and int. (F. & A.) payable in the United States or Canada.

WEST VANCOUVER DISTRICT, B. C.—BONDS DEFEATED.—At an election held recently the rate-payers defeated a proposition calling for the issuance of \$220,000 roadway and bridge bonds.

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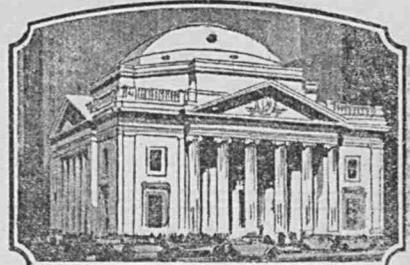
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