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The Financial Situation.

The Treasury Department at Washington is seeking authority from Congress to issue short-term Treasury bills bearing no interest, to be sold on a discount basis, after the manner of short-term financing so long in vogue with the British Treasury. Bills have been introduced in both houses of Congress in accordance with the suggestion—in the Senate by Senator Smoot, Chairman of the Finance Committee, and in the House of Representatives by Congressman Hawley, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee. Statements in support of the new legislation have been put forth by both Mr. Mellon, the Secretary of the Treasury, and by Ogden L. Mills, the Under-Secretary of the Treasury (the latter's comments being made in an address before the Washington chapter of the American Institute of Banking), and likewise by Representative Hawley, all of which are given at length in our news columns on subsequent pages.

On the whole, a pretty good case is made out for the new form of security. Some incidental changes, however, in existing law proposed as part of the new legislation (as revealed by the wording of the bill introduced in identical form in the two Houses) is open to serious objection and should meet with strong objection. At present, the Treasury Department does its short-term financing by means of Treasury Certificates of Indebtedness. Mr. Mellon and Mr. Mills indicate with considerable detail the handicap which this imposes upon the Treasury Department. One of the drawbacks mentioned (perhaps the least of them) is that U. S. Government obligations cannot be disposed of for less than their par value. Great pride has always been taken in the fact that this was so, though the country's experience during the World War, in the repeated floating of huge Liberty Loan issues, made it painfully plain that the putting out of bonds at their

full par value did not prevent their subsequent depreciation away below the issuing price. Still there is a big difference between selling bonds for less than par and seeing them issued at par and then decline below par.

From what has been said it is clear that issuance of Treasury bills on a discount basis, would hence mean departure from long-continued practice. Bearing no interest, the proposed Treasury bills would necessarily all the time sell below par. The matter is of minor consequence, though how it would be received by the public, and how it would work in this country, remains to be seen. No substantial reason appears, however, for opposing the proposed new Treasury obligations on the mere ground of novelty. And as the scheme has distinct advantages, it might be well to give it a trial and see how it works. It might quickly displace the present method of short-term financing (through the issue of certificates of indebtedness) though both Mr. Mellon and Mr. Mills emphatically disclaim any intention of doing away entirely with the issue of these Treasury certificates of indebtedness, which practice they take pains to state has on the whole worked remarkably well. They aver that the intention is merely to supplement the existing method of Government financing, not to supplant it. Thus, Mr. Mills wound up his address in the following words: "In conclusion let me emphasize that there is no intention to undertake anything revolutionary or to overturn a system which has proved so eminently satisfactory in the past, but to supplement it and improve it by rendering it more flexible, more closely adjusted to our current financial needs, and more economical in its general operation."

Secretary Mellon's remarks on that point are to the same effect. After stating that the new Treasury bills would be sold from time to time in the market, whenever funds were needed for cash on a discount basis at the lowest rates bid by prospective purchasers he goes on to say: "It is not the purpose of the Treasury Department, however, to discontinue the present depository method, or system of short-term financing, but rather to supplement it with the new system, using both as may prove to be most advantageous to the interest of the Government."

In proposing the issue of Treasury bills, the Treasury Department is undertaking to conform its methods to British practice and it must be admitted that British financing furnishes a good model to copy, though it cannot be said in advance of trial that it would give equally unqualified satisfaction in this country. Moreover evils and abuses often grow up in connection with the introduction of new banking and financial methods here which never have found or could find a hold on the other side. Yet the experience of Great Britain beckons this country on.

Mr. Mills in his address pointed out that in London the weekly issues of Treasury bills average about £50,000,000 and as the bills are all issued for a three months' period, the aggregate amount outstanding is very large, averaging about £600,000,000, he says. Here, also, Mr. Mills expressly declares that: "It is not our purpose to proceed on anything like the British scale, but we believe the monthly offering of a comparatively small amount of 90-day Treasury bills would offer a number of very definite advantages."

The objection therefore, is not to the scheme itself, but to certain features or new provisions which it is proposed to attach to it, and we wish to direct particular attention to these. They have not as yet attracted any notice and appear likely to be overlooked. It is purposed to make the proposed Treasury bills exempt from income taxes of every sort, Federal and local, even from the surtaxes, which latter exemption was granted only to the first Liberty loan issue and not repeated in any of the subsequent Liberty Loan issues or the Victory Loan bonds. What is more, it is covertly sought to render the certificates of indebtedness also exempt from the surtaxes as well as the ordinary normal taxes. The bill amends Section 5 of the Second Liberty Bond Act as amended, making subdivision (b) read as follows: "All certificates of indebtedness and Treasury bills issued hereunder (after the date upon which this subdivision becomes law) shall be exempt, both as to principal and interest, and any gain from the sale or other disposition thereof shall be exempt from all taxation (except estate or inheritance taxes) now or hereafter imposed by the United States or by any local taxing authority." Under the law as it now stands, it is expressly stated that certificates of indebtedness are *not* exempt either (a) from estate or inheritance taxes or (b) from "graduated additional income taxes, commonly known as surtaxes, and excess profits and war profits taxes." It is now proposed to make them expressly free from the surtaxes.

This attempt to create another class of United States securities wholly tax exempt should be vigorously opposed. There is no warrant or justification for it and, indeed, it is vicious in principle. If Treasury bills are to be authorized, they should be put out on their merits, without adventitious aid of this kind, and the certificates of indebtedness, hereafter issued, should be granted no greater exemption than they now enjoy. To render United States obligations exempt from the normal income taxes is one thing (and in all conscience should be enough) but to grant exemption also from the surtaxes, which run to a maximum of 20%, is quite another thing. The mistake made in the Revenue Act of 1928, of granting tax exemption to bankers' acceptances when held by foreign central banks, should not be repeated. Such exemption was granted on the distinct request of Secretary Mellon, whose argument was that acceptances command very low rates of interest in the market and that, therefore, special inducement should be offered foreign central institutions to buy such acceptances by making them exempt from taxes when purchased and held by them.

To-day these bankers' acceptances are selling on a discount basis of 5½% and higher (90-day acceptances after this week's reduction being quoted at 5½% bid and 5¾% asked and the longer maturities being quoted at 5¾% bid and 5½% asked). Turn-

ing to this week's Federal Reserve statement we find that they show "a contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents," presumably foreign central banks, in a grand aggregate of no less than \$345,317,000. Just think of granting complete tax exemption on this scale to a favored class on the income from gilt-edged paper yielding 5½% and higher. In the case of the new Treasury bills and future certificates of indebtedness the exemption would extend to much larger totals as the bill repeats the limits contained in the existing law and says that Treasury bills and certificates of indebtedness may be issued to a maximum of \$10,000,000,000. In recent years there have always been several billion dollars of short-term obligations outstanding. Congress should put a veto on wholesale tax exemption of this sort.

One other fact should not escape notice. Aside from the relief which the proposed Treasury bills are intended to afford the Treasury, an incidental purpose avowed is to create a new obligation very desirable for short-term investment. Thus Mr. Mills in depicting the merits of the new financing says it would furnish "to the public a new instrument for the employment of temporary surplus funds, which because of the frequent and convenient maturities, should prove most popular." In like manner we find Chairman Hawley saying it "will also afford the investing public a desirable investment for short-term purposes." But why, in view of all this, grant the new Treasury obligations—and future certificates of indebtedness as well—with tax exemption which is not now enjoyed by any Government obligation save only the first Liberty Loan 3½s.

The bill might likewise before receiving Congressional approval be made to cover one other point. Secretary Mellon, in his statement, mentioned as one defect in existing law (which permits only the issue of certificates of indebtedness) that the Treasury Department is obliged to borrow in advance of actual requirements, that the "interest cost on such borrowings has exceeded the interest received on idle Government deposits." "Thus, for instance," he said, "the Government borrows on the 15th of March funds necessary to meet certain definite obligations on the 15th of April and there is necessarily a thirty-day interest loss on the funds borrowed." But is not the low interest rate on Government deposits with the banks of which both the Secretary and Mr. Mills complain, a state thing of which should be corrected either by Treasury action or Congressional legislation?

The United States Treasury is at the present time receiving only 2% interest on Government deposits of all kinds, except that in the case of postal savings deposits the rate is 2½%. Against these Government deposits the banks are not required to hold cash reserves of any kind. Why should not the Government get current market rates on such deposits at all times? It has been possible of late for the banks to loan out their money on the Stock Exchange at all the way from 7@8% up to 16%, and on one occasion up even to 20%. If Treasury bills are to be authorized and to be offered for competitive bidding, why should not Government deposits in like manner be offered for competitive bidding? If that is not feasible, why should not the new legislation provide that Government deposits which, as already stated, require no cash reserve, receive current rates of interest? The item is by no means a small one. On March 20 the reporting member

banks in 101 leading cities throughout the country showed aggregate Government deposits of \$305,000,000 and on March 27 the amount still stood at the same figure, while on April 3 the total was only slightly lower at \$289,000,000, and even on April 10 still stood at \$258,000,000. These are the aggregates merely for the banks which render weekly reports to the Federal Reserve Board. For the whole body of banks in the country the amounts of course would be vastly larger.

Perhaps Government deposits would not be allowed to run as large as this with the Treasury authorized to issue short-term bills, thereby possessing a ready means of quick borrowing. Mr. Mills' comment is to that effect. Even so, however, it is difficult to see how the Government could avoid large accumulations at tax payment dates, and for such accumulations when lodged with the banks, the Treasury ought to receive adequate consideration, which at present is not the case.

The Pennsylvania RR., the present week increased the dividend rate on its capital stock from 7% per annum to 8%. That is a gratifying piece of news, all the more so because it reflects increasing efficiency of operations, net income having improved as a result of the lowering of operating costs, and not as a result of increased revenues. In the calendar year 1928, for instance, net revenues from railway operations rose in amount of \$16,213,321, while gross revenues fell off \$14,283,707, and in 1927, net revenue fell off only \$5,274,511, though gross revenue showed a reduction of \$44,966,427. While the dividend rate has now been raised to 8%, the company earned on its stock in 1928 14.70%.

Another development of the week with reference to the Pennsylvania RR. is of a different character and the import of which is not entirely clear. We allude to the organization of a large-scale securities or investment company. The new company has been organized in Delaware under the name of the Pennroad Corporation. Its purpose is to invest funds in securities of any corporation or other agency, but, without power to operate railroads. The new company will have an authorized capital of 10,000,000 shares of common stock of no par value, of which 5,800,000 shares are to be offered to the stockholders of the Pennsylvania RR. at \$15 a share. The company will thus have \$87,000,000 in its treasury if all stock offered is bought and this amount would be available for the purchase of the greater part of the \$106,000,000 paid for the acquisition of shares in the Lehigh Valley and Wabash RRs. The general supposition is that through the organization of this security or investment corporation, the Pennsylvania RR. will place itself beyond the reach of the Inter-State Commerce Commission and also escape the provisions of the Clayton Act and the Anti-Trust Law in the matter of the acquisition of the two roads mentioned. It is denied, however, that this is the intention and if acquisition of the Lehigh Valley and the Wabash is in conflict with the laws referred to, the courts might hold that these prohibitory statutes applied nevertheless—that while the form of ownership had changed, the substance of control remained the same as before. As a pure investment company, there would be no justification for the Pennsylvania RR. entering into that line of business. Altogether, the future must be left to determine the merit of the undertaking.

The returns of the Federal Reserve banks this week are in line with expectations. Brokers' loans have again increased. This is after four successive weeks of decreases, the last of which was very small, by reason of which fact the fear arose, which has now been realized, that the contraction had reached its limit and that renewed expansion might again be looked for. The increase this week is \$67,000,000. The revival of activity on the Stock Exchange, of course, accounts for it. It follows \$368,000,000 contraction in the previous four weeks. These changes leave the present total of these loans on securities to brokers and dealers by the reporting member banks in New York City at \$5,492,000,000, at which figure comparison is with \$4,144,000,000 a year ago on April 25 1928. In the renewed increase of the past week, the loans made by the reporting member banks for their own account, have shared, rising from \$877,000,000 to \$924,000,000; the loans for account of the out-of-town banks are slightly lower at \$1,652,000,000 April 24, against \$1,662,000,000 April 17, while the loans "for account of others" have taken a turn upward again after last week's slight reduction, showing an increase for the week of \$30,000,000 and raising the total of the loans in this category to \$2,916,000,000. A year ago, on April 25 1928, the total under this heading was only \$1,331,000,000.

As to the Reserve banks themselves, the changes in their different items are not very striking. Member bank borrowing, while still exceptionally heavy, is somewhat smaller, being \$974,513,000 this week, against \$994,296,000 last week; a year ago the amount of these discount holdings was only \$709,073,000. There have been only minor changes in the holdings of acceptances, these being reported, \$141,175,000 this week, against \$141,027,000 last week. Holdings of Government securities have been further reduced and stand at \$149,782,000 this week, against \$161,429,000 last week. Altogether, total bill and security holdings are \$29,561,000 lower than last week, the total at \$1,280,601,000 the present week comparing with \$1,310,162,000 last week. As compared with a year ago, when the aggregate was \$1,380,659,000, there is a reduction of roughly \$100,000,000. The reduction is entirely the result of diminution in the holdings of acceptances and of U. S. Government securities. Acceptances have been reduced from \$365,841,000 April 25 1928 to \$141,175,000 April 24 1929, and holdings of United States securities, from \$304,755,000 to \$149,782,000.

The stock market this week has shown a rising tendency but encountered a setback on Thursday when call rates on the Stock Exchange advanced from 8% to 12%, and suffered a further setback on Friday when call money touched 16%. This produced weakness all around in which a part of the gains established in the early part of the week were lost. The activity and advances have been confined mainly to the specialties, more particularly the high priced specialties. These had pool support and have been vigorously bid up. In stocks of this class not a few new high records for 1929 have been recorded. In the following we show some of the stocks which this week established new high prices for the year. From this an idea can be gained of the stocks that have been leaders in that respect during the week.

STOCKS MAKING NEW HIGH FOR YEAR.

<i>Railroads—</i>	Independent Oil & Gas.
Havana Electric Ry.	Ingersoll-Rand.
N. Y. New Haven & Hartford.	Int. Business Machines.
Pennsylvania.	Kayser Co.
<i>Industrial and Miscellaneous—</i>	Kraft Cheese.
Allis-Chalmers.	Marmon Motor Car.
American Can.	Murray Body.
American Tel. & Tel.	North American Co.
Atlantic Gulf & W. I. SS. Line.	Pan-Amer. Pet. & Transportation.
Atlas Tack.	Republic Iron & Steel.
Bethlehem Steel.	Shattuck (F. G.)
Childs Co.	Simms Petroleum.
Commercial Solvents.	Skelly Oil.
Commonwealth Power.	Stewart-Warner (new stock).
Consol. Film Industry prof.	Texas Corp.
Continental Baking, class A.	Trico Products.
Corn Products Refining.	Union Carbide & Carbon.
Dome Mines.	U. S. Industrial Alcohol.
Equitable Office Building.	Walworth Co.
Federal Light & Traction.	Woolworth Co.
Foundation Co.	Yellow Truck & Coach, class B.
Glidden Co.	Young Spring & Wire.
Hershey Chocolate.	

Trading was on a larger scale the early part of the week when the market showed strength and rising prices, but fell off on Thursday when under the influence of higher money rates the market turned downward. Sales on the New York Stock Exchange on Saturday were 1,292,310 shares; on Monday 3,568,990 shares; on Tuesday 4,131,930 shares; on Wednesday 4,068,200; on Thursday 3,338,010 shares and on Friday 4,011,890 shares. On the New York Curb Market the transactions last Saturday totaled only 592,100 shares; on Monday they were 1,145,700 shares; on Tuesday 1,100,600 shares; on Wednesday 1,025,600 shares; on Thursday 1,034,700 and on Friday 1,119,800 shares.

As compared with Friday last the changes, while quite irregular, are mostly in the direction of higher levels and particularly so in the case of the specialties already referred to. The merchandise stocks were features of strength early in the week but later declined with the general list. Sears Roebuck closed yesterday at 153½ against 154 on Friday of last week, and Montgomery Ward & Co. at 126¼ against 121; Kroger Grocery & Baking closed at 92¼ against 93½, and Safeway Stores at 163⅜ against 166½; Woolworth & Co. closed at 225 against 222¼ last week; American Tel. & Tel. closed at 231⅝ against 225⅜; and Int. Tel. & Tel. at 260 against 258½; Westinghouse Elec. & Mfg. at 152⅛ against 148; while United Aircraft & Transport closed at 121 against 102¾; American Can closed at 141¼ against 136⅜; United States Industrial Alcohol at 164½ against 156⅜; Commercial Solvents at 337¾ against 309¾; Corn Products at 99¾ against 92; Shattuck Co. at 147 against 134, and Columbia Graphophone at 82⅜ against 70⅝.

Adams Express closed yesterday at 739 against 708 on Friday of last week; American Express 341 against bid 340 on Friday of last week; Allied Chemical & Dye at 283¼ against 276; Davison Chemical at 56⅝ against 57; Union Carbide & Carbon at 238⅝ against 223⅞, and E. I. du Pont de Nemours at 177 against 179; Radio Corporation at 101¼ against 100¾; General Electric at 239¼ against 240; National Cash Register at 124 against 126⅜; Wright Aeronautic at 254 against 247; International Nickel at 48¼ against 47½; A. M. Byers at 162⅞ against 159⅞; American & Foreign Power at 96½ against 92; Brooklyn Union Gas at 179 against 176; Consol. Gas of N. Y. at 108½ against 106⅜; Columbia Gas & Elec. (new) at 61⅜ against 58; Public Service Corp. of N. J. at 82⅞ against 81¾; Timken Roller Bearing at 82¼; against 82⅜; Warner Bros. Pictures at 117⅝ against 111; Mack Trucks at 104 against 102⅞; Yellow Truck & Coach

at 48 against 48; National Dairy Products at 131¾ against 130; Western Union Tel. at 188 against 193; Johns-Manville at 181 against 181; National Bellas Hess at 57½ against 54½; Associated Dry Goods at 52 against 54¼; Commonwealth Power at 138½ against 133; Lambert Co. at 144⅜ against 140; Texas Gulf Sulphur at 82¼ against 83½; Kolster Radio at 42¾ against 39⅝.

The copper stocks all developed strength. Anaconda Copper closed yesterday at 142 against 138⅜ on Friday of last week; Kennecott Copper at 87⅞ against 84; Greene-Cananea at 160½ against 157½; Calumet & Hecla at 45 against 46⅝; Andes Copper at 51⅝ against 52; Chile Copper at 103¾ against 101½; Inspiration Copper at 49 against 49¼ & Calumet & Arizona at 134 against 123; Granby Consol. Copper at 83 against 84; American Smelting & Ref. at 105¼ against 102; U. S. Smelting & Ref. & Min. at 60 against 59½.

In the oil group Simms Petroleum has been a feature, 100,000 shares changing hands in a single block at 30, at the opening on Tuesday, M. J. Meehan being the broker, but the name of the purchaser not being disclosed. The stock closed yesterday at 30 against 24¾ on Friday of last week. Skelly Oil was also active and closed yesterday at 44½ against 44¾. Atlantic Refining closed at 61⅞ against 60⅜; Pan American B. at 60½ against 64⅝; Phillips Petroleum at 41⅞ against 42½; Texas Corp. at 65 against 66; Richfield Oil at 44½ against 44¾; Marland Oil at 39¾ against 41½; Standard Oil of N. J. at 57⅞ against 59¾; Standard Oil of N. Y. at 42¾ against 43⅞; Pure Oil at 26½ against 27.

In the steel group some weakness developed notwithstanding the trade is operating to maximum capacity. U. S. Steel closed yesterday at 185¾ against 185¼ on Friday of last week; Bethlehem Steel at 111⅞ against 115½; Republic Iron & Steel at 97⅞ against 98½; Ludlum Steel at 80 against 80⅜; Youngstown Sheet & Tube at 125 against 129⅞. In the motor group General Motors closed yesterday at 85⅞ against 84⅞ of Friday of last week; Nash Motors at 99⅞ against 100; Chrysler at 94⅞ against 93⅞; Packard Motors at 131¾ against 128⅞; Hudson Motor Car at 86¾ against 88½; Hupp Motor at 51⅝ against 55⅞. In the rubber group the tire shares were under pressure early in the week because of the low price of tires, but later recovered. Goodyear Tire & Rubber closed yesterday at 131½ against 130⅜ on Friday of last week; B. F. Goodrich closed at 85 against 85¾, and U. S. Rubber at 56½ against 53⅞, and the pref. at 81 against 81¾.

In the railroad group the feature was the increase in the dividend on Pennsylvania RR. stock from 7% per annum to 8%. The shares closed yesterday at 81⅞ against 76⅞ on Friday of last week. New York Central closed yesterday at 184½ against 182⅞ of Friday of last week; Del. & Hudson at 188 against 187⅞; Baltimore & Ohio at 121⅞ against 121½; New Haven at 101⅞ against 96¾; Union Pacific at 217½ against 214; Canadian Pacific 240 against 235; Atchison at 199½ against 198; Southern Pacific at 126¾ against 127; Missouri Pacific at 83½ against 80½; Kansas City Southern at 85 against bid 83½; St. Louis Southwestern at bid 100 against bid 101½; St. Louis-San Francisco at 113 against 113½; Missouri-Kansas-Texas at 50½ against 47; Rock Island at 124 against 124; Great

Northern at 104 $\frac{1}{2}$ against 104 $\frac{1}{2}$; Northern Pacific at 101 $\frac{3}{4}$ against 101 $\frac{3}{8}$, and Chic., Mil., St. Paul & Pac. pref. at 52 $\frac{5}{8}$ against 53 $\frac{1}{8}$.

European stock markets were dull and dispirited this week, little interest being taken in developments marketwise because of the impending dissolution of the Reparations Conference and the waning of the hopes built around it. Monetary uncertainties also were accentuated during the week, discount rates rising at several centers. The London Stock Exchange opened the week quietly and business continued on a small scale, although prices were well maintained. Gilt-edged securities and industrials were fairly strong for a time, but tapered off later, while home rails were weak throughout. Business Tuesday was so slow, reports said, that some of the largest firms dealt only at long intervals. British funds remained steady and home rails improved somewhat. The volume of trading was again very small Wednesday, but the tone showed some improvement. Copper shares were sharply better just before the closing under the lead of Rio Tinto, which announced a new issue of 50,000 ordinary shares. The dullness and inactivity were again pronounced Thursday with price movements irregular. Gilt-edged securities were firm. The London market remained quiet yesterday, with prices of most stocks showing little change. Home rails were lower but the gilt-edged list was steady. Some irregularity was noted among industrial issues.

The Paris Bourse was firm at the opening Monday, but interest in the trading dropped off steadily and few transactions were recorded in the afternoon. Prices were well maintained, despite the inactivity. Tuesday's session on the Bourse was even slower than that of the preceding day with transactions scarce in all groups. Discouragement over the failure of the Experts' Committee to reach agreement on reparations annuities was an obvious influence, and prices sagged. A stronger tone was noted Wednesday, due to the recovery of coppers in London, but trading remained on a very restricted scale. The news of the increase in the German discount rate Thursday affected all groups on the Paris Bourse, a general decline taking place. Much of the selling was attributed to German account. The market closed with a slightly better tone, however, with Berlin reports telling of a better trend there. The tone of the Paris market was heavy yesterday, little interest being taken in the proceedings by the general public.

The Boerse in Berlin also opened with a tendency toward higher levels Monday, but the general trend soon slackened again owing to apprehensions regarding the Paris conference. Movements were mixed Tuesday, with postponement of the conference break-up causing recovery and more active trading after a weak opening. Depression again followed, Wednesday, prices dropping heavily as rumors of an increase in the discount rate were spread about. Trading was at low levels, however, with the progress of the negotiations at Paris absorbing all attention. The actual increase in the Reichsbank discount rate to 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ % Thursday had a reassuring effect on the market, possibly because it was accompanied by a statement by Vice-President Dreyse of the Reichsbank, emphasizing the soundness of German

currency. Some of the more volatile issues spurted forward. The upward trend was sharply reversed yesterday, prices on the Boerse losing all of Thursday's gains and more besides. A flood of pessimistic rumors accompanied the rush to sell, and the market was left in a nervous and depressed condition at the close.

The Budapest Stock Exchange experienced one of its worst depressions Wednesday, some issues dropping more than thirty points. The market was made nervous by increases in the Hungarian and Austrian discount rates, though the drastic fall of Wednesday was attributed to the financial collapse of Simon Krause of the brokerage firm of Krause & Bethlehem. His liabilities were estimated at \$700,000, all of which will be liquidated by various banks, an Associated Press report from Budapest said.

All that appears to be lacking to make the meeting of the Experts' Committee on German reparations a total failure is a formal statement to that effect, and this seems likely to be issued as soon as a suitable report can be drawn up for submission to the respective governments. The conversations were begun in Paris February 11, with smooth and steady progress reported for more than two months as a result of the conciliatory spirit shown by all the fourteen experts. Ambitious plans were made for the formation of an international bank or clearing house for the payments, with indications that this project was intended eventually to assume tremendous proportions as a central bank for much of the world's gold. The chief problem—that of inserting the actual figures of annuities in the plan—was left to the last, and on this rock the conference was wrecked with results that are sure to prove unfortunate. The conference was ready to break up on April 19, when it appeared that the ideas of the Allied and German delegations were too far apart for any reasonable reconciliation. A respite was occasioned by the death of Lord Revelstoke, the chief British delegate, early on April 19, meetings being postponed until the following Monday. The subsequent deliberations have brought no substantial change.

Although the experts have said very little this week, it may fairly be assumed from their silence that they concur in the numerous reports that the conference is virtually at an end. Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, president of the Reichsbank and head of the German delegation, hurried to Berlin last Saturday to confer with officials of the German Government. In connection with his departure it was reported, but never confirmed, that Owen D. Young in his capacity as Chairman of the meeting had suggested the possibility of a provisional settlement to cover the next ten or fifteen years. These reports were predicated on the comparatively small difference between the first annuities requested by the Allies in their memorandum of April 13 and the offer made by the Germans. The Allies demanded annuities beginning at 1,850,000,000 marks and rising to 2,400,000,000 marks, with an average of 2,200,000,000 marks over a period of 58 years and a present value of 40,000,000,000 marks. Against this, the Germans offered annuities calculated at an average of 1,650,000,000 marks to be paid for 37 years, and

having a present value of 27,000,000,000 marks. Details of the negotiations have not yet been revealed, but it appears that Dr. Schacht demanded a continuation of transfer protection on a great part of the proffered annuities, and also hedged his offer about with conditions which the Allies considered "political" rather than "economic."

After a Cabinet meeting in Berlin last Sunday, which Dr. Schacht attended, an official communication was issued to the effect that the German delegates would be left in full possession of their freedom of action. On leaving Berlin for his return to Paris Sunday night, Dr. Schacht intimated, however, that he would not increase his offer at further meetings of the Experts' Committee. "Germany's ability to pay can be increased only if her ability to produce is increased," he reiterated. In this statement the German expert was apparently referring to the disputed aspects of his offer, which the Germans insist were economic, although the Allies interpreted them with equal definiteness as political. The Paris correspondent of the "New York Herald Tribune," Leland Stowe, secured the exact phraseology of the paragraphs in question last Sunday. "As a result of the war," the German memorandum said, "the interior basis of raw materials has been reduced and Germany has seen herself deprived of the possibility of development of overseas reservoirs of raw materials. These losses have their repercussion in the heavy charges imposed on German commerce, so that, if she must assume the payments quoted in the plan without increasing more heavily her debts to foreign countries, she must be in position to create for herself once more a basis entirely her own for raw materials overseas, which basis Germany will be able to develop with her own production and her own money and under her own responsibility. Concerning the apportionment of food products . . . it must not be lost sight of that on her Eastern border Germany has lost territory which produced an agricultural surplus and that, in addition, one whole Province has been separated from the rest of the Reich. The prosperity of this province declines in such manner that the Reich is obliged to give it regular subsidies. Consequently it is necessary to take measures susceptible of readjustment for these unfavorable conditions which reduce Germany's capacity to pay."

Dr. Schacht reached Paris too late Monday for the plenary session first scheduled for that day and the general meeting was postponed until the following morning. The German expert conferred briefly with Mr. Young, however, and also privately with Emile Moreau, Governor of the Bank of France and leading French expert. These talks gave rise to a brief flicker of hope. Monday, however, saw a development of equal importance in a reiteration by Premier Poincare, of France, of his frequently repeated position that the French Government required payments from Germany equal in amounts and duration with French payments on debts and in addition a definite payment for reconstruction of devastated territories. This statement by M. Poincare was made in the course of a speech at Bar-le-Duc. He revealed that this position had been officially communicated to Germany and her creditors before the meeting of experts and he stated that the experts on the present committee had themselves admitted the justice of the attitude. The grounds for hope that

an equitable solution would rapidly be reached have been rendered illusory by the representatives of Germany, he said. "We would be glad, in the interest of Europe and the world, if these thankless questions of debt and reparations payments were at least to be settled by general consent," the Premier continued. "We have made large concessions in order to bring this about, but if our efforts remain fruitless we will hold, by force of circumstances, to execution of the Dawes plan, which, moreover, thanks to the application of the index of prosperity, will give us an increase over the present annuities."

The plenary session of Tuesday morning apparently brought the delegations no nearer together, and hope for even a temporary settlement was virtually abandoned. The meeting was a brief one, and at its close an official statement was issued which said: "The committee received and ordered to be filed the report of the subcommittee of last week stating that agreement as to figures had not been reached. The committee in plenary session thereupon unanimously decided upon the appointment of a subcommittee to be charged with the work of outlining the chief points to be embodied in a report. The chiefs of each group were designated to act as such committee." Dr. Schacht made no new offer on behalf of the Germans, it was reported, nor did he remove any of the objectionable provisions mentioned in the German memorandum. As a result, the sentiment of the experts was reported in a dispatch to the "New York Herald Tribune" to be "a desire to wind up the conference as speedily as possible." The next plenary session, which it is presumed will be the last, is to be called at Mr. Young's discretion. The only loophole left was a statement that while the delegation chiefs are outlining the points agreed upon, "efforts by all the groups alike will be continued in order to arrive at agreement upon the points on which accord has not yet been reached."

With the unfavorable outcome of the Reparations Conference generally conceded, great concern began to be expressed Thursday regarding the possibility of suspension of Dawes Plan transfers of cash payments by Germany. The Reich has been steadily losing gold in recent months, it was pointed out, and the drain was described Thursday as having reached alarming proportions. The discount rate of the Reichsbank was increased from 6½ to 7½% Thursday. This action was well advertised in advance, giving rise to a report that the Transfer Committee had requested the increase. S. Parker Gilbert, the Agent General for Reparations Payments, officially denied having made such a request. Berlin reports indicated that a greater amount of untransferred payments has now accumulated in the German capital than ever before. The Transfer Committee met in Paris, however, for its regular monthly meeting, Mr. Gilbert remarking thereafter that "the usual monthly transfer on the reparations account" had been authorized. In French circles it was recalled that Dr. Schacht had predicted a break-down of the Dawes Plan, and in consequence he was charged with deliberately trying to effect suspension of the Dawes annuities. The Reichsbank issued a special statement late Thursday, however, in which it was remarked that "depletion of the reserves of gold and foreign exchanges alone is responsible for the Reichsbank's directorate's decision at this time of

trade depression." The statement adds that it is shown once more that "under unnatural compulsion the Reichsbank's discount policy is operating by the necessity of the utilization of foreign capital and the increased call for foreign exchanges to pay reparations."

A statement of the utmost importance on the question of naval armaments limitation and reduction was made at Geneva Monday, by Hugh S. Gibson, United States Ambassador to Belgium and Chairman of the American delegation to the Preparatory Disarmament Conference of the League of Nations. The Conference convened for its sixth session on April 15. Little of significance occurred in the first week of the meeting, so that many of the delegates were frankly disheartened. The entire atmosphere of the Conference was changed by Mr. Gibson, who outlined a new approach to the naval problem in behalf of the United States Government. Not only a new technical manner but also a new political spirit were proposed by the American representative in treating this complicated problem. He made it plain, moreover, that naval armament limitation at present or higher levels was not the furthest that this Government would go, but that real reduction from existing levels was aimed at. More important still, Mr. Gibson said, was the spirit of going about the task. He urged a common sense attitude on the part of the nations and made much of the contention that the Kellogg Treaty had radically altered conditions since the last naval conference. His speech was applauded in all countries and gained particular recognition in Great Britain, where Sir Austen Chamberlain, the Secretary for Foreign Affairs, expressed the appreciation of his Government and the assurance that the suggestions would be received in the same spirit and the earnest wish for complete understanding.

Mr. Gibson began by a rapid division of the armament problem into two parts, land and naval armaments. The question of land armaments was put aside as interesting primarily to other countries. In regard to the naval problem, he continued, "the American Government has found no reason for modifying its view that the simplest, fairest and most practical method is that of limitation of tonnage by categories—a method which was given practical and satisfactory application in the Washington Treaty." Mr. Gibson then referred to a plan proposed by the French delegation in the third session of the Preparatory Commission, which he described as an attempt to combine the original total tonnage proposals with the method of tonnage by categories. Under this method a total tonnage was assigned to each nation, he said, and this total tonnage divided among categories of ships by specified tonnages. Modifications might be arranged, he suggested, providing for a certain amount of exchange of tonnage between categories.

"In the hope of facilitating general agreement as to naval armaments, my Government is disposed to accept the French proposal as a basis of discussion," he continued. "It is, of course, the understanding of my Government that this involves an agreement upon the method alone and not upon any quantitative tonnages or the actual percentages to be transferred from one category to another. All quantitative proposals of any kind should properly be re-

served for discussion by a final conference. My Government is disposed to give full and friendly consideration to any supplementary methods of limitation which may be calculated to make our proposals, the French thesis or any other acceptable to other powers, and, if such a course appears desirable, my Government will be prepared to give consideration to a method of estimating equivalent naval values which takes account of other factors than displacement tonnage alone. In order to arrive at a basis of comparison in the case of categories in which there are marked variations as to unit characteristics, it might be desirable in arriving at a formula for estimating equivalent tonnage to consider certain factors which produce these variations, such as age, unit, displacement and calibre of guns. My Government has given careful consideration to various methods of comparison and the American delegation will be in a position to discuss the subject whenever it comes before the commission."

Emphasis was laid by Mr. Gibson upon the need for clear realization of recent important changes in world conditions. Foremost among these changes he placed the Kellogg Treaty renouncing war as an instrument of national policy, which this Government believes "will advance the cause of disarmament by removing doubts and fears which in the past have constituted our principal obstacle." The technical approach to the problem is not sufficient, he pointed out. "The lessons of the old strategies must be unlearned," the Ambassador added. "If we are honest, if our solemn promise in the past means anything, there is no justification for the continuation of a war-taxed peace. Great armaments are but the relic of another age, but they will remain a necessary relic until the present deadlock is broken, and that can be accomplished only by the decision of the powers possessing the greatest armaments to initiate measures of reduction."

Referring to the naval conference at Geneva in 1927 between the United States, Great Britain and Japan, Mr. Gibson said that the United States is now, as then, ready to agree to any reduction, however drastic, of naval tonnage which leaves no type of war vessel unrestricted and which maintains the relative status of existing treaties with respect to the powers represented at that conference. "My Government believes," he continued, "that there can be no complete and effective limitation of naval armaments unless all classes of war vessels, including cruisers, destroyers and submarines, are limited. The willingness of my Government, I may even say its eagerness, to go to low levels is based upon the fundamental belief that naval needs are relative. . . . In the case of the United States we have already expressed our willingness to agree on a basis that would mean a substantial reduction of our present destroyer and submarine types. In the case of cruisers, it is only possession by others of greatly superior strength in this class which has led to the adoption of the present building program.

"My Government cannot find any justification for the building and maintenance of large naval establishments save on the ground that no power can reduce except as a result of general reduction. Let us ask ourselves honestly what these establishments are for. As regards the relations of the maritime

powers among themselves, there is no such need. Even if the danger of war is admitted, it could be guarded against just as well by the maintenance of relative strength at lower levels as at higher levels. The principal naval powers have nothing to fear from the naval strength of the countries non-signatory to the Washington Treaty. There is no conceivable combination of naval strength among the non-signatory powers which need give concern. As an example, the cruiser strength of all the non-signatory countries in the world does not attain to one-half of the cruiser tonnage of the greatest single fleet. The people of every country are crying out against the burdens of taxation and demanding the suppression of unnecessary expenditure. My Government is convinced that expenditure for disproportionate naval establishments is indefensible in that it can be avoided by a sensible agreement among the naval powers. And we must recognize that the people who pay taxes are bound to feel well-founded resentment against any policy which commits them to needless taxation through failure to reach rational agreements."

This declaration by the Chairman of the American delegation created a profound impression upon the Preparatory Commission. Lord Cushendun, leader of the British delegation, was the first to reply, remarking upon the inability of the members to deal offhand with the statement. "But that declaration strikes me as so important that I would like to make one or two observations upon it without delay," he said. "No one can fail to have been struck with the friendly, conciliatory and helpful spirit of Mr. Gibson's declaration. I should like, so far as I am concerned and speaking on behalf of the British Government, to say that in that spirit we also desire to approach this very complicated and difficult question and that, so far as there are points in dispute, either with the United States or any other State represented here, we shall endeavor to meet them in exactly the same spirit. I can go little further than that. I cannot commit myself at the present moment in regard to any specific proposition contained in that declaration to which we have just listened. We should have to see it in print before we could do that. But as far as any general principle is concerned I think there is nothing Mr. Gibson said with which I cannot express my agreement. Certainly I am in agreement with the generality of the remarks he has made and many of the principles he has laid down."

One point singled out by Lord Cushendun as especially important was the emphasis laid on the Kellogg treaty by Mr. Gibson. The British delegate expressed the opinion that the treaty is "most profoundly important with regard to the whole outlook of the world." He added the opinion that the Kellogg pact has done more to promote the security of the world on which disarmament must proceed than any other event. Another specific point made by Lord Cushendun was the concurrence of the British Government in the desire of the United States Government that not only limitation but actual reduction be applied to all classes of vessels. Although remarking expressly that he could not commit his Government in advance on the question of "equivalent naval values," Lord Cushendun warmly welcomed Mr. Gibson's mention of this factor and added that the British Government has already

taken steps to investigate the possibility of arriving at equivalent values.

Several other delegates also expressed their warm approval of the stand taken by the United States Government, while making the reservation that they could not yet commit their governments by any formal statement. Mr. Sato of Japan, M. Massigli of France and General de Marinis of Italy all made comments to this effect. M. Litvinoff of Russia, whose drastic disarmament proposals were again discountenanced by the Preparatory Commission last week, made personal and Soviet capital out of the transformation wrought in the gathering by Mr. Gibson's statement. He expressed delight that the commission had at last begun "the general discussion of disarmament which the Soviet desired and which was stigmatized by the representative of Great Britain as work not serious and unworthy of this commission." Asserting that all the rules laid down in his own case had been broken in favor of Mr. Gibson, M. Litvinoff stated, nevertheless, that he was gratified to find the American representative "making many statements that his arguments had expounded a few days ago." He was especially glad, he said, that the American agreed with him in condemning limitation and insisting on substantial reduction.

Washington dispatches of Monday made it plain that the offer of the United States to agree to a reduction of naval armaments, however drastic, as made through Mr. Gibson at Geneva is considered in high Administration quarters a "challenge to the sincerity of the world powers in signing the Kellogg-Briand treaty renouncing war as an instrument of national policy." Secretary of State Stimson remarked, a report to the New York "Herald Tribune" said, that the adoption of the pact was an event indicating transformation of the mental attitude of the great nations, and that it seemed the part of wisdom to take full advantage of that situation while the act symbolizing the transfer remained fresh in the minds of the public. In some quarters the statement was viewed as addressed directly to the British Government rather than to the other governments represented in the Commission.

The London reaction was an entirely favorable one, once the feeling of caution regarding the concrete meaning of Mr. Gibson's suggestions was overcome. All the important London journals joined in praise of the step taken at Geneva and the spirit that prompted it. The favorable opinion had crystallized to such an extent by Tuesday that all three political parties in Britain were declared in a London dispatch to the New York "Times" to have taken the position that the proposals "merit the enthusiastic consideration of the British Government." In Tokio, high naval quarters considered the Geneva pronouncement a welcome indication of the disarmament position of the Hoover Administration and a significant promise of new prospects of a limitation agreement. The French press expressed great pleasure that the French naval thesis of 1927 has been adopted as a basis by the United States. Parisian journals viewed it as "completely altering the situation," and as a "great step forward in the achievement of naval disarmament." German official circles gave the proposal unstinted praise as "the most outstanding event since the disarma-

ment debate was set in motion." Only in Rome was there a discordant note, the ultra-Fascist newspapers looking upon Mr. Gibson's words as a convenient camouflage behind which American imperialism lurks.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary of Great Britain, made a formal statement in the House of Commons Wednesday to the effect that the British Government shared fully the hopes and wishes of the United States on disarmament as set forth in Ambassador Gibson's speech. "His Majesty's Government, equally with the Government of the United States, desires not merely a limitation but a reduction of naval armaments," Sir Austen said in reply to a question by Commander Kenworthy, Laborite. He expressed warm appreciation of the cordial conciliatory spirit shown by the American delegates and gave assurance that Britain will consider the suggestions in the same spirit. "As between ourselves and the United States," he continued, "such difference as has hitherto existed has not been concerned with these great principles, not with the relative strength of our respective navies, but with determination of the categories into which ships of war should be divided. On this point his Majesty's Government have noted with interest the new criteria suggested by Mr. Gibson. They attach great importance to the possibilities opened by the greater elasticity given by his suggestion to the adjustment of the agreed naval strength to the different circumstances of the two powers." Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin made a similar declaration at a dinner in London Thursday. Outlining again the American stand not merely for limitation but for reduction of naval armaments, Mr. Baldwin said: "On behalf of His Majesty's Government I make the same declaration. This is and has been throughout our purpose and desire, and we will cooperate cordially with the United States to secure its general acceptance."

In addition to the sweeping proposals on naval disarmament made by the American delegation, several noteworthy approaches to the problems of land and air forces were made by the British, French and German delegations to the Preparatory Disarmament Conference at Geneva in the course of the week. Lord Cushendun of Great Britain stated on April 19 that difficulties still persist as regards naval disarmament, but he saw no reason why the present session of the commission should not get on as far as it can with the other branches of disarmament—with limitation as applied to land and air forces. His own government, he said, was keenly desirous of reaching some sort of agreement at this session. "Unless we effect a good deal during the present session," he added, "we shall most likely fail altogether, and we shall certainly make ourselves the laughing stock of the world, though no doubt that would be most gratifying to the Soviet delegation. Speaking for myself and for the government I represent, I am prepared to make great sacrifices to reach the agreement we desire."

Recalling the strong opinions on land armament which the British Government had previously expressed, Lord Cushendun said that he still considered them sound, but that "we recognize that this branch of the service is not that in which we have the most interest." He urged the land power to

take the lead in settling questions relating to this branch, and concluded with the statement that "we do not intend to add difficulties to agreement by insisting in every case upon our own viewpoint. The all-important consideration to us is the attainment of such an agreement as will make progress possible, and we feel confident that we shall be able to accept any proposals which meet with the general assent of the other powers represented here."

A proposal by the German delegation for the prohibition of aircraft bombing in war-time was unfavorably voted upon by the Commission, April 24, only five national delegations out of the twenty-five in attendance supporting the project. The question came up in connection with a draft treaty which the Commission is formulating. The delegations, however, accepted a subsequent resolution offered by Nicholas Politis of Greece, affirming that they had no intention of authorizing the dropping of bombs on civilian populations. Count von Bernstorff, leader of the German delegation, argued that in a few hours bombing airplanes flying over Paris, Berlin and London could take a toll of half a million lives, with non-combatants the chief sufferers. In the discussion that followed, Russia, China, Sweden and the Netherlands supported the German contentions. The delegations that voted against the proposal did so on the ground that the time had not yet been reached for consideration by the Commission of the question, or else on the plea that no consideration need be given to laying down rules of warfare since all war had been banned by the Kellogg treaty.

With a change in prospect in the status of the naval disarmament problem, it was indicated at Geneva, Thursday, a report to the New York "Times," said that Aristide Briand, Foreign Minister of France, had adopted the viewpoint that a general disarmament conference should be called in 1930. M. Briand, the dispatch said, has instructed Count Massigli to do his utmost to reach agreement both on the aviation chapter of the draft disarmament convention which the preparatory commission is now discussing, and also on the land armament chapter, which comes up next. "This is the first serious indication," the report continued, "that any great power is considering any year whatever for the conference instead of continuing to act on the assumption that the present preparatory period may last for years. The reason for the change is that the French, who have always held that solutions of land and naval questions are inseparable, believe, since Mr. Gibson's statements, that the naval issue is now at last on the road to settlement and consequently they are willing to push on the land issue in which they are most concerned."

An amicable settlement of the controversy between the directors and the American shareholders of the British General Electric Company, Ltd., over the proposed issue of 1,500,000 additional £1 shares to British subjects only, was announced in London late last week. Sir Hugo Hirst, Chairman of the company, issued a circular to stockholders in which he stated that the proposed "British only" stock issue had been abandoned by the company. The plan put forward by the directors some time ago called for the distribution of the new shares by the British Foreign and Colonial Corporation, Ltd., at a price

not to exceed 22 shillings, to British subjects only, notwithstanding the admitted fact that Americans held 60% of the shares. When the announcement of the issue was made, the shares were selling at about 60 shillings each, but no "rights" were given holders of the old shares as had been the previous practice. Sir Hugo Hirst defended his action by declaring that a large body of British shareholders was necessary for the continued prosperity of the Company. An American shareholders protective committee was promptly formed, and Thomas L. Chadbourne and Herbert B. Swope, members of the committee, proceeded to London to discuss the matter with the directors.

In the circular issued April 19, Sir Hugo Hirst remarks that "certain proposals, for which I have made myself responsible, in connection with the finance of the General Electric Co., Ltd., have become subject to an acute controversy on a stage which is wider than that of the company itself. These proposals were made with the sole object of increasing the prosperity of the company of which I have been, for many years, Chairman and Managing Director, and they were prompted by my view that the preponderating interest in our great industry should always be in British hands. I have always held the view that our scheme did not prejudice the property rights of, or act unfairly toward, any of our shareholders. Nothing was further from my mind or the minds of my colleagues and we have no such intention. However, under all the circumstances of the case, with the assistance of the British Foreign and Colonial Corporation, Ltd., it has been decided not to proceed with these proposals. We are certain that the general problem, which such proposals have raised, must receive consideration from eminent financial and economic authorities. This step, therefore, has been taken with a view to enabling that study to take place in a clear and calm atmosphere. I am sure that, ultimately, a way will be found to reconcile the needs of the national industry with requirements of any international obligations."

The members of the American stockholders protective committee in London expressed gratification at this outcome of the discussions. "We have never questioned the sincerity of Sir Hugo's convictions that it is for the best interests of the company to have its shares largely held in the community served by its products," they stated. "We are not at all unsympathetic toward his desire always to have a large number of British stockholders in the company. But we have urged that this must not be done in such a manner as to deprive the existing stockholders of their rights to maintain their relative interest in the company. We have never raised the question of the price at which the proposed issue was to have been made. We have not been contending for a few shillings or for a few dollars or for a few pounds in this situation. We have been insisting upon a property right recognized by every substantial corporation in England and America, the right of all shareholders to maintain their proportionate interests in this company. Although a considerable percentage of the ordinary shares are American owned, neither we nor the other American stockholders we represent have any desire to control the British General Electric Company, Ltd. Indeed, much of our stock was purchased since the

articles of the association were so amended as to limit the voting of the stock to British subject only. Its purchase, under those conditions, was expression of our confidence that the British stockholders could be trusted to manage the property.

"Our negotiations with Sir Hugo and his associates have been uniformly pleasant since our arrival in London, and it is most gratifying to find we are now seeing eye to eye with the leader of the company in which we are so heavily interested and for whose ability and integrity we have the greatest respect."

The twenty-eighth Italian Legislature, first of the "Corporative Parliaments" elected in accordance with Fascist principles, was inaugurated by King Victor Emmanuel in a picturesque ceremony, Monday. The ceremonies included the administering of the oath of office to 400 new deputies. This was done by Premier Mussolini. King Victor Emmanuel began his speech by remarking that the inauguration of the new legislature occurs immediately after two events which "singularly revealed and touched the soul of the Italian people, namely, the election of March 24, which showed on what vast disciplined forces the Fascist Government can count, and conciliation with the Holy See, which by solving and eliminating the Roman question after 63 years has healed the uneasiness of conscience felt by the Italian people and completely achieved the unity of our country, not only territorially but also spiritually." The King then proceeded to outline the duties of the new Legislature and urged the enactment of measures arising from the settlement of the Roman question.

Remarks by the King relating to Italy's military establishment were of special importance, a Rome dispatch to the New York "Times" said. Disarmament conferences have followed each other in recent years, and noble enterprises in this direction have been attempted, he declared. "Men skilled in this matter have met to discuss, but disarmament has remained to this day merely a generous aspiration contradicted by continuous armaments on land, on the sea and in the air," the King continued. "My Government already has made clear through the words of the Minister of Foreign Affairs what the Italian viewpoint is in the matter of disarmament, but since the attempts so far made have had no success it follows that the duty of the Government is to provide in time for the defense of the country. This Legislature will collaborate in the future, as previous Legislatures have done in the past, to secure the application of all measures suggested by my Government to render our armed forces ever more efficient."

Three of the European central banks have this week advanced their discount rates. The Bank of Germany on Thursday raised its rate from 6½% to 7½%; the rate had been lowered to 6½% on Jan. 12. The day before (April 24) the Austrian National Bank had also advanced from 6½% to 7½%, while the Hungarian National Bank moved up from 7% to 8%. Rates continue at 7% in Italy; at 5½% in Great Britain, Holland, Norway and Spain; 5% in Denmark; 4½% on Sweden; 4% in Belgium, and 3½% in France and Switzerland. London open market discounts for short bills are 5@5 1-16% against 5 1-16% on Friday of last week and for long bills,

5 1/8@5 3-16@ the same as the previous Friday. Money on call in London is 4 1/4%. At Paris open market discounts remain at 3 7-16% and in Switzerland at 3 3/8%.

In the statement of the Bank of England this week another increase in gold holdings is reported, this time of £269,558. This increase together with the decrease of £1,663,000 in circulation brought about a rise of £1,933,000 in reserves. Gold holdings now aggregate £156,541,341 as against £156,271,783 last week and £160,463,753 a year ago. Proportion of reserve to liabilities stands this week at 52.72% compared with 49.99% a week ago, and 40.32% this week last year. Loans on government securities and on other securities fell £4,090,000 and £88,000 respectively. "Discounts and advances" and "securities," the items which compose "other securities" both dropped, the former £79,000 and the latter £9,000. Public deposits rose £442,000, whereas other deposits showed a decrease of £2,708,000. Other deposits consist of "bankers accounts" which moved downward £2,347,000, and "other accounts" which showed a loss of £361,000. The rate of discount remains at 5 1/2%. Below we give the details of the different items for five years:

BANK OF ENGLAND'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

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Public deposits.....	18,319,000	17,956,000	10,169,641	18,925,367	17,048,096	94,087,000	94,838,000	98,646,864	95,656,654	105,481,216	58,432,000	35,655,000	44,256,855	29,065,000	47,940,477	39,495,328	36,851,892	26,560,000	55,931,000	42,154,994	67,822,284	76,245,186	Disct. & advances.....	10,949,000	Securities.....	15,612,000	Reserve notes & coin	59,293,000	45,473,000	36,397,709	25,024,851	27,105,359
Other deposits.....	94,087,000	94,838,000	98,646,864	95,656,654	105,481,216	58,432,000	35,655,000	44,256,855	29,065,000	47,940,477	39,495,328	36,851,892	26,560,000	55,931,000	42,154,994	67,822,284	76,245,186	Disct. & advances.....	10,949,000	Securities.....	15,612,000	Reserve notes & coin	59,293,000	45,473,000	36,397,709	25,024,851	27,105,359					
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Reserve notes & coin	59,293,000	45,473,000	36,397,709	25,024,851	27,105,359																											
Coin and bullion.....	156,541,341	160,463,753	154,163,109	146,372,276	155,742,064																											
Proportion of reserve to liabilities.....	52.72%	40.32%	33.45%	21.83%	22 1/2%																											
Bank rate.....	5 1/2%	4 1/2%	4 1/2%	5%	5%																											

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 statement for the week ending last Saturday again shows a gain in gold holdings, this time of 774,632,042 francs, raising the total to 35,097,716,159 francs and establishing a new high for the year. Notes in circulation declined 670,000,000 francs, reducing the total of the item to 62,646,941,160 francs as against 63,316,941,160 francs last week and 64,123,941,160 francs two weeks ago. Creditor current accounts rose 469,000,000 francs and current accounts and deposits increased 539,000,000 francs. There were decreases in French commercial bills discounted of 228,000,000 francs in credit balances abroad of 930,433,838 francs, in advances against securities of 39,000,000 francs and in bills bought abroad of 10,000,000 francs. Below we furnish a comparison of the various items of the Bank's return for the past three weeks:

BANK OF FRANCE'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Changes for Week.			Status as of					
	Apr. 20 1929.	Apr. 13 1929.	Apr. 6 1929.	Apr. 20 1929.	Apr. 13 1929.	Apr. 6 1929.			
Gold holdings.....Inc.	774,632,042	35,097,716,159	34,323,084,117	34,190,819,942	Credit bals. abr'd Dec.	930,433,838	9,388,433,615	10,318,867,453	10,610,478,615
Credit bals. abr'd Dec.	930,433,838	9,388,433,615	10,318,867,453	10,610,478,615	French commercial bills discounted Dec.	228,000,000	5,387,904,092	5,615,904,092	6,054,904,092
French commercial bills bought abr'd Dec.	10,000,000	18,384,958,505	18,394,958,505	18,300,958,505	Adv. agt. securs. Dec.	39,000,000	2,337,794,733	2,376,794,733	2,464,794,733
Adv. agt. securs. Dec.	39,000,000	2,337,794,733	2,376,794,733	2,464,794,733	Note circulation Dec.	670,000,000	62,646,941,160	63,316,941,160	64,123,941,160
Note circulation Dec.	670,000,000	62,646,941,160	63,316,941,160	64,123,941,160	Cred. curr. accts. Inc.	469,000,000	18,466,335,454	17,997,335,454	18,045,335,454
Cred. curr. accts. Inc.	469,000,000	18,466,335,454	17,997,335,454	18,045,335,454	Curr. accts. & dep. Inc.	539,000,000	6,287,253,230	5,748,253,230	6,427,253,230
Curr. accts. & dep. Inc.	539,000,000	6,287,253,230	5,748,253,230	6,427,253,230					

The Bank of Germany in its statement for the third week of April, reports a further decrease in gold and

bullion of 250,968,000 marks reducing the total of that item to 2,178,898,000 marks as compared with 2,030,915,000 marks last year and 1,850,337,000 marks two years ago. Due to a further decrease in notes in circulation of 226,280,000 marks, the item now amounts to 3,918,931,000 marks compared with 3,760,082,000 marks last year and 3,146,678,000 marks two years ago. Bills of exchange and checks rose 118,280,000 marks and other assets gained 52,834,000 marks, while advances decreased 80,091,000 marks and investments dropped 17,000 marks. Reserve in foreign currency gained 16,262,000 marks, silver and other coin rose 19,971,000 marks. Deposits abroad remained unchanged. There were also increases in notes on other German banks of 6,735,000 marks, in other daily maturing obligations of 99,001,000 marks and in other liabilities of 10,285,000 marks. A comparison of the various items of the bank's return for the past three years is shown below:

REICHSBANK'S COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Changes for Week.									
	Apr. 23 1929.	Apr. 23 1928.	Apr. 23 1927.	Apr. 23 1926.	Apr. 23 1925.					
Assets—	Reichsmarks.	Reichsmarks.	Reichsmarks.	Reichsmarks.	Reichsmarks.					
Gold and bullion.....Dec.	250,968,000	2,178,898,000	2,030,915,000	1,850,337,000	Of which depos. abr'd. Unchanged	140,944,000	85,626,000	101,249,000		
Of which depos. abr'd. Unchanged	140,944,000	85,626,000	101,249,000	Res'v'e in for'n curr. Inc.	16,262,000	39,936,000	171,330,000	169,054,000		
Res'v'e in for'n curr. Inc.	16,262,000	39,936,000	171,330,000	169,054,000	Bills of exch. & check Inc.	118,280,000	2,316,084,000	2,035,597,000	1,674,045,000	
Bills of exch. & check Inc.	118,280,000	2,316,084,000	2,035,597,000	1,674,045,000	Silver and other coin. Inc.	19,971,000	153,683,000	83,061,000	113,765,000	
Silver and other coin. Inc.	19,971,000	153,683,000	83,061,000	113,765,000	Notes on oth. Ger. bks. Inc.	6,735,000	29,314,000	27,843,000	21,740,000	
Notes on oth. Ger. bks. Inc.	6,735,000	29,314,000	27,843,000	21,740,000	Advances.....Dec.	80,091,000	40,987,000	35,973,000	16,035,000	
Advances.....Dec.	80,091,000	40,987,000	35,973,000	16,035,000	Investments.....Dec.	17,000	92,964,000	93,993,000	92,890,000	
Investments.....Dec.	17,000	92,964,000	93,993,000	92,890,000	Other assets.....Inc.	52,834,000	541,282,000	542,074,000	548,665,000	
Other assets.....Inc.	52,834,000	541,282,000	542,074,000	548,665,000	Liabilities—	Notes in circulation...Dec.	226,280,000	3,918,931,000	3,760,082,000	3,146,678,000
Liabilities—	Notes in circulation...Dec.	226,280,000	3,918,931,000	3,760,082,000	3,146,678,000	Oth. daily matur. oblg. Inc.	99,001,000	769,295,000	671,063,000	791,392,000
Notes in circulation...Dec.	226,280,000	3,918,931,000	3,760,082,000	3,146,678,000	791,392,000	Other liabilities.....Inc.	10,285,000	262,626,000	190,648,000	182,280,000
Oth. daily matur. oblg. Inc.	99,001,000	769,295,000	671,063,000	791,392,000	182,280,000					
Other liabilities.....Inc.	10,285,000	262,626,000	190,648,000	182,280,000						

Money rates moved swiftly upward in the New York market late this week under the combined influences of a renewed demand for fresh funds for speculative purposes and the customary month-end requirements. Some funds may also have been withdrawn for European account because of the increases in discount rates in three Continental markets, but such withdrawals are not likely to have been large owing to the higher rates prevailing here in the actual market. In the early days of the week, a moderate degree of ease was evident, both time money rates and bankers acceptances moving off slightly. Call loans were 7 1/2% all of Monday. Tuesday's market was a narrow one, with demand loans moving upward from 7 1/2% to 8% on withdrawals by the banks of approximately \$15,000,000. The rate for call money Wednesday was 8% throughout, with very little business reported. Distinct firmness followed in the market Thursday, the call loan rate advancing steadily from 8% to 12%. Withdrawals for the day totaled only \$20,000,000, but the money was taken from a market that was only lightly supplied.

Another whirl upward brought call money to 16% yesterday. This carried the rate into the controversial range that caused so much discussion late in March when 20% was reached. When the rate touched 20% on March 26, Charles E. Mitchell, Chairman of the National City Bank, offered to lend a total of \$25,000,000 in lots of \$5,000,000 at each rise of 1% in the rate above 15%. In apparent reference to this offer of a month ago, Mr. Mitchell said yesterday that the National City Bank was "offering money in the market at progressively higher rates." The market closed, however, at the 16% figure. The feature witnessed a month ago of higher rates in the unofficial or outside market was again in evidence yesterday, as much as 2% above the official Stock Exchange rate being paid at one time. With-

drawals for the day were again about \$20,000,000.

Brokers' loans against stock and bond collateral as reported by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York for the week ended Wednesday night, showed an increase of \$67,000,000, the gain taking place after four successive declines. The expansion marks a resumption, however, of speculative absorption of credit, and it is more than ordinarily significant at this time. Gold movements through the port of New York for the same weekly period consisted of imports of \$8,850,000, and exports of \$50,000.

Dealing in detail with the call loan rates on the Stock Exchange from day to day, all loans on Monday were put through at 7½%, including renewals. On Tuesday after renewals had again been fixed at 7½% there was an advance to 8%. On Wednesday all loans were at 8%. On Thursday the renewal charge was again 8%, but from this there was an advance to 12%. On Friday the renewal charge was fixed at 9% and from this there was a spurt to 16%. Time money after last week's sharp decline has developed firmness again. On Monday 8¼% was bid for all dates from 30 days to six months. On Tuesday and Wednesday 8¼% was bid for 30, 60 and 90 days and 8% for four to six months. On Thursday and Friday the quotation was 8¼@8½% for all dates from 30 days to six months. It was stated that higher figures would have been paid, but that there were no offerings because of the high rates on call. Business in commercial paper continues at a standstill. Nominally rates for names of choice character maturing in four to six months are 6% while names less well known are 6¼%, with New England mill paper quoted at 6%.

Banks' and bankers' acceptances were marked down ⅓ of 1% on Monday in both the bid and the asked columns for all maturities except those for 30 days. The posted rates of the American Acceptance Council are now 5½% bid and 5⅜% asked for bills running 30 days, and also for 60 and 90 days, 5⅝% bid and 5⅞% asked for 120 days, and 5¾% bid and 5½% asked for 150 and 180 days. The Acceptance Council no longer gives the rate for call loans secured by acceptances, the rates varying widely. Open market rates for acceptances have also been marked down and are now as follows:

SPOT DELIVERY.						
	—180 Days—		—150 Days—		—120 Days—	
	Bid.	Asked.	Bid.	Asked.	Bid.	Asked.
Prime eligible bills.....	5¼	5½	5¼	5½	5¼	5½
	—90 Days—		—60 Days—		—30 Days—	
	Bid.	Asked.	Bid.	Asked.	Bid.	Asked.
Prime eligible bills.....	5¼	5½	5½	5⅝	5¼	5½
FOR DELIVERY WITHIN THIRTY DAYS.						
Eligible members banks.....						5¼ bid
Eligible non-member banks.....						5¼ 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 CLASS AND MATURITIES OF ELIGIBLE PAPER.

Federal Reserve Bank.	Rate in Effect on April 26	Date Established.	Previous Rate.
Boston.....	5	July 19 1928	4½
New York.....	5	July 13 1928	4½
Philadelphia.....	5	July 26 1928	4½
Cleveland.....	5	Aug. 1 1928	4½
Richmond.....	5	July 13 1928	4½
Atlanta.....	5	July 14 1928	4½
Chicago.....	5	July 11 1928	4½
St. Louis.....	5	July 19 1928	4½
Minneapolis.....	4½	Apr. 25 1928	4
Kansas City.....	4½	June 7 1928	4
Dallas.....	5	Mar. 2 1929	4½
San Francisco.....	4½	June 2 1928	4

Sterling exchange has been steady and dull, and on the whole shows no material change for the week. The range for the week has been from 4.84¾ to 4.85 for bankers' sight, compared with 4.84¾@4.85½ last week. The range for cable transfers has been from 4.85¼ to 4.85¾, compared with 4.85¼ to 4.85 17-32 the previous week. The underlying factors affecting exchange are hardly different from what they were in the past few weeks. Money rates here continue sufficiently high to attract strongly London and other European funds. There can be no doubt that this attraction of the New York money market has not been as much in evidence this week as during the past few months. Nevertheless it is sufficiently great to prove an obstacle to the foreign currencies. There has been less European money coming over recently, due largely to the fact that Stock Exchange requirements in New York have been greatly reduced, and to the further circumstance that, however attractive the pull of rates here, there is a limit to the amount of European funds that can be employed in a given direction. Sterling shows a decided tendency to sag, although seasonal factors at this time in favor of London should be strongly in evidence, but perhaps not so much so as later in the season. It is evident that the British banking authorities are frequently called upon to support exchange, for, as it is, the rate for sterling is held only just above shipping point for gold from London to New York. The position of sterling is such that there seems to be no longer any prospect of a reduction in the Bank of England rate of discount, but, on the contrary, there are not wanting indications that the rate may be advanced still further, although the ability shown by the Bank to strengthen its gold position through open market purchases may obviate the necessity for increasing the rate. The Bank has been steadily building up reserves according to the pre-war custom of strengthening its position against the autumn drain.

This week the Bank of England shows an increase in gold reserves of £269,558. On Saturday the Bank of England sold £6,859 in gold bars and exported £4,000 in sovereigns. On Monday the Bank received £200,000 in sovereigns from abroad and exported £5,000. On Tuesday the Bank bought £699 in gold bars. On Wednesday the Bank bought £5,112 in gold bars and sold £5,049. A London dispatch on Wednesday stated that a shipment of £1,000,000 in sovereigns was expected in London from Australia at the end of the week. On Thursday the Bank of England bought £260,000 in gold bars. On Friday the Bank bought £14,000 in gold bars, sold £5,116 and exported £5,000 in sovereigns. At the Port of New York the gold movement for the week April 18-April 24, inclusive, as reported by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, consisted of imports of \$8,850,000, of which \$6,437,000 came from Germany, \$2,250,000 from Argentina and \$163,000 from Latin America. Gold exports comprised \$50,000 to Java. There was a net increase of \$5,000 in earmarked gold for foreign account. Montreal funds continue at a discount, having been quoted this week generally at 53-64 and 25-32 of 1%.

Referring to day-to-day rates sterling on Saturday last was steady in a dull market. Bankers' sight was 4.84 25-32@4.85; cable transfers, 4.85¼@4.85 9-32. On Monday sterling showed firmness. The range was 4.84⅞@4.85 for bankers' sight; 4.85¼@4.85 11-32 for cable transfers. On Tuesday sterling

continued to display a better tone. The range was $4.84\frac{7}{8}@4.85$ for bankers' sight and $4.85\ 5-16@4.85\frac{3}{8}$ for cable transfers. On Wednesday the market was steady. Bankers' sight was $4.84\frac{7}{8}@4.85$; cable transfers, $4.85\ 5-16@4.85\frac{3}{8}$. On Thursday sterling was inclined to be irregular. The range was $4.84\frac{7}{8}@4.85$ for bankers' sight and $4.85\ 5-16@4.85\frac{3}{8}$ for cable transfers. On Friday the range was $4.84\frac{3}{4}@4.84\ 15-16$ for bankers' sight and $4.85\frac{1}{4}@4.85\ 5-16$ for cable transfers. Closing quotations on Friday were $4.84\ 15-16$ for demand and $4.85\ 5-16$ for cable transfers. Commercial sight bills finished at $4.84\ 13-16$; 60-day bills at $4.80\frac{1}{4}$; 90-day bills at $4.78\ 3-16$; documents for payment (60 days) at $4.80\frac{1}{4}$; seven-day grain bills at $4.84\frac{3}{4}$. Cotton and grain for payment closed at $4.84\ 13-16$.

The Continental exchanges have been extremely dull and all reflect the credit uncertainties and give indication of a general firming up in money rates. On Thursday the German Reichsbank raised its rate of discount to $7\frac{1}{2}\%$ from $6\frac{1}{2}\%$. The German rate had been at $6\frac{1}{2}\%$ since Jan. 12. The increase in the Reichsbank rate has been expected for several weeks. Foreign exchange circles do not expect any decided firming up of the mark as a result of the increase in the Berlin rate. The effect of the new rate is expected to be largely counteracted by the prospect of a return to the Dawes plan should the Paris conference fail. The consequent heavy transfer operations under the Dawes plan would tend to depress the mark. Berlin reports a decided increase in withdrawals of foreign gold credits in the past few days. While a successful conclusion of the reparations discussions might have been expected to result in an inflow of funds, it is believed that the new rate was put into effect largely with a view to stopping the withdrawals of foreign gold funds, with the consequent denial of necessary credit to do business, rather than with a hope of greatly improving exchange rates for the mark. The increase in the rate was also necessary to bring Berlin into line with the generally higher levels and tendencies of most European centers and to counteract the high interest rates prevailing in New York. The opinion is frequently expressed that it may be necessary for the Reichsbank to increase the rate again before long. Of course, should there be any recession in New York money rates the Reichsbank might find it easier to reverse its course. It is estimated that the Reichsbank has lost approximately \$137,000,000 in gold since the rate was lowered in January to $6\frac{1}{2}\%$. This week the Reichsbank shows a loss in gold of 250,968,000 marks, the total standing at 2,178,900,000 marks as of April 21. The Reichsbank is in a strong position, however, to support exchange. Its gold holdings a year ago were 2,030,915,000 marks. On Friday marks were under sharp pressure, selling as low as 23.60 for cable transfers. This was the lowest quotation for the German unit since stabilization in 1924. The mark is now well under the point necessary to bring gold to New York. The supply of marks on offer is relatively short; a factor favoring recovery to somewhat higher levels. Any official action would be met by quick buying from shorts. Marks were strongly sold in Germany against currencies of the neighboring countries.

French francs have shown a firmer tendency, due largely to active support given to the exchange by

the Bank of France. The Bank of France continues to earmark gold in other countries. This week its sight balances abroad show a decrease of 930,000,000 francs, the total standing at 9,388,000,000 francs, while its gold holdings show an increase of 774,000,000 francs. Italian lire have been firmer and in yesterday's market were quoted at $5.24\frac{1}{2}$ for cable transfers, which was the best rate for the lira in nearly two weeks. The Bank of Hungary increased its rediscount rate on Wednesday to 8% from 7%. The latter rate had been in effect since Oct. 2 1928.

The London check rate on Paris closed at 124.175 on Friday of this week, against 124.24 on Friday of last week. In New York sight bills on the French centre finished at 3.90 9-16 on Friday, against $3.90\frac{1}{2}$ on Friday a week ago; cable transfers at 3.90 13-16 against $3.90\frac{3}{4}$, and commercial sight bills at $3.90\frac{1}{4}$, against $3.90\frac{1}{8}$. Antwerp belgas finished at 13.89 for checks and $13.89\frac{3}{4}$ for cable transfers, as against $13.88\frac{1}{4}$ and 13.89 on Friday of last week. Final quotations for Berlin marks were 23.64 for checks and 23.65 for cable transfers, in comparison with 23.69 and 23.70 a week earlier. Italian lire closed at $5.24\frac{1}{4}$ for bankers' sight bills and $5.24\frac{1}{2}$ for cable transfers, as against $5.23\frac{5}{8}$ and $5.23\frac{7}{8}$, on Friday of last week. Austrian schillings closed at 14.10 on Friday of this week, against $14\frac{1}{8}$ on Friday of last week. Exchange on Czechoslovakia finished at 2.96, against 2.96; on Bucharest at $0.59\frac{1}{2}$, against $0.59\frac{1}{2}$; on Poland at 11.23, against 11.23, and on Finland at 2.52, against 2.52. Greek exchange closed at $1.29\frac{1}{4}$ for checks and $1.29\frac{1}{2}$ for cable transfers, against $1.29\frac{1}{4}$ and $1.29\frac{1}{2}$.

The exchanges on the countries neutral during the War have been noticeably quiet. The Scandinavian exchanges have been very steady. In the Scandinavian exchanges the greater activity has been confined to Swedish exchange, but even here there has been very little change on balance. Holland guilders have pretty well maintained the strength displayed a week ago which resulted somewhat from the increase in the Bank of the Netherlands rate of rediscount, but was due also to the fact that tobacco and other bills arising from products in the Dutch tropical settlements are being paid at this season. On Friday most of the neutrals were stronger as a result of heavy buying and transfers from Berlin of both German and foreign funds, which were taking flight from German cover due to uncertainties over the reparations conference. Spanish pesetas slumped sharply during the week and at one time, in Tuesday's market, sold as low as 14.28, the lowest quotation since April 14 1928, when the currency was at 14.21. Bankers are disinclined to attach much significance to the weakness in Spanish exchange during recent months. No new developments have appeared in the generally unsettled political situation. The weakness at this time it is believed, is due in part at least to the slack demand induced by a natural disinclination to convert more than a minimum of funds in such an uncertain medium. London dispatches on Friday stated that advices from Madrid declare that committee appointed to study question of a return to the gold standard by Spain is expected to report within next two weeks. Meanwhile London foreign exchange brokers state that market for pesetas is sensitive and unstable, lacking government support. There is a large bull account

open in the currency, but the long interests are nervous and inclined to sell when small rate rises present chance of profits.

Bankers' sight on Amsterdam finished on Friday at 40.17, against 40.15½ on Friday of last week; cable transfers at 40.19, against 40.17½, and commercial sight bills at 40.14, against 40.12. Swiss francs closed at 19.25¼ for bankers' sight bills and at 19.26½ for cable transfers, in comparison with 19.24 and 19.25¼ a week earlier. Copenhagen checks finished at 26.66½ and cable transfers at 26.68, against 26.64½ and 26.66. Checks on Sweden closed at 26.70½ and cable transfers at 26.72, against 26.69 and 26.70½, while checks on Norway finished at 26.66½ and cable transfers at 26.68, against 26.65½ and 26.67. Spanish pesetas closed at 14.44 for checks and 14.45 for cable transfers, which compares with 14.74 and 14.75 a week earlier.

The South American exchanges are little changed from the past few weeks. They are extremely dull, and foreign exchange traders say that the business is largely of routine character. The tone of Argentine exchange is on the whole improved and the recent gold shipments from Buenos Aires to New York have helped exchange. The agricultural industry of Argentina is in fairly good shape. General business is active and most trades are prosperous. Argentine paper pesos closed on Friday at 42.08 for checks and compares with 42.08 on Friday of last week and at 42.13 for cable transfers, against 42.13. Brazilian milreis finished at 11.92 for checks and 11.95 for cable transfers, against 11.92 and 11.95. Chilean exchange closed at 12.10 for checks and 12.15 for cables, against 12.10 and 12.15, and Peru at 4.00 for checks and 4.01 for cable transfers, against 4.00 and 4.01.

In the Far Eastern exchanges the point of interest this week is the slight improvement in Japanese yen, reflecting in part a more promising business outlook. The Chinese centers are quoted lower owing to recession in the price of silver.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES CERTIFIED BY FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS TO TREASURY UNDER TARIFF ACTS OF 1922
APRIL 20 1929 TO APRIL 26 1929, INCLUSIVE.

Country and Monetary Unit.	Noon Buying Rate for Cable Transfers to New York; Value in United States Money.					
	April 20, April 21.	April 22.	April 23.	April 24.	April 25.	April 26.
EUROPE—		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Austria, schilling	1.40397	1.40457	1.40436	1.40446	1.40456	1.40418
Belgium, belga	1.38825	1.38825	1.38839	1.38840	1.38847	1.38854
Bulgaria, lev	.007215	.007225	.007202	.007202	.007225	.007215
Czechoslovakia, krone	.029597	.029600	.029600	.029599	.029603	.029599
Denmark, krone	.266504	.266515	.266543	.266552	.266555	.266601
England, pound sterling	1.852356	1.852643	1.853020	1.853177	1.853231	1.852656
Finland, marka	.025163	.025163	.025172	.025164	.025161	.025156
France, franc	.039056	.039065	.039079	.039079	.039079	.039079
Germany, reichsmark	.237030	.237030	.237073	.237071	.237165	.236957
Greece, drachma	.012929	.012925	.012926	.012925	.012928	.012925
Holland, guilder	.401595	.401668	.401717	.401730	.401728	.401790
Hungary, pengo	.174250	.174226	.174240	.174223	.174278	.174268
Italy, lira	.052358	.052358	.052363	.052369	.052395	.052427
Norway, krone	.266620	.266623	.266625	.266630	.266652	.266650
Poland, zloty	.112002	.111982	.111890	.111890	.111930	.111922
Portugal, escudo	.044640	.044640	.044550	.044500	.044600	.044540
Rumania, leu	.005950	.005951	.005955	.005956	.005947	.005947
Spain, peseta	.146760	.146078	.143313	.143445	.144347	.143789
Sweden, krona	.267114	.267131	.267121	.267111	.267128	.267139
Switzerland, franc	.192455	.192455	.192465	.192472	.192483	.192520
Yugoslavia, dinar	.017560	.017563	.017566	.017569	.017539	.017558
ASIA—						
China—						
Cheloo tael	.632291	.633750	.635208	.633750	.631875	.630000
Hankow tael	.625468	.625937	.627656	.627500	.625468	.624062
Shanghai tael	.611339	.610000	.611428	.611160	.609642	.607464
Tientsin tael	.643541	.644583	.645208	.645208	.645208	.640000
Hong Kong dollar	.486714	.486607	.486962	.487125	.486520	.485571
Mexican dollar	.441500	.440125	.442000	.440500	.440000	.439500
Tientsin or Pelyang dollar	.441666	.439375	.440416	.438750	.440000	.437083
Yuan dollar	.438333	.436041	.437083	.435416	.436666	.433750
India, rupee	.362771	.362714	.362950	.362850	.362850	.362545
Japan, yen	.446561	.449275	.446838	.447228	.449078	.449390
Singapore (S.S.) dollar	.559583	.559583	.559583	.559583	.559583	.559583
NORTH AMER.—						
Canada, dollar	.991789	.991805	.991965	.992087	.992036	.992135
Cuba, peso	.999463	.999607	.999485	.999607	.999610	.999610
Mexico, peso	.482225	.482225	.481975	.482175	.482225	.482225
Newfoundland, dollar	.989050	.989235	.989562	.990500	.989300	.989453
SOUTH AMER.—						
Argentina, peso (gold)	.955584	.955438	.955568	.955730	.955473	.955811
Brazil, milreis	.118762	.118727	.118766	.116709	.118750	.118736
Chile, peso	.120621	.120624	.120627	.120561	.120562	.120567
Uruguay, peso	.988426	.988926	.983476	.978629	.970970	.964699
Colombia, peso	.963900	.963900	.963900	.963900	.963900	.963900

tion in the price of silver. Closing quotations for yen checks Friday were 44 13-16@45½, against 44½@44½ on Friday of last week. Hong Kong closed at 48 11-16@48 15-16, against 48¾@49 1-16; Shanghai at 60⅞@61, against 61⅞@61⅞; Manila at 50, against 50; Singapore at 56⅞@56¼, against 56⅞@56¼; Bombay at 36⅞, against 36⅞, and Calcutta at 36⅞, against 36⅞.

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 in 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 April 20.	Monday April 22.	Tuesday April 23.	Wednesday April 24.	Thurs'd'y April 25.	Friday April 26.	Aggregate for Week.
\$ 116,000,000	\$ 112,000,000	\$ 125,000,000	\$ 137,000,000	\$ 117,000,000	\$ 117,000,000	\$ 724,000,000

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	April 25 1929.			April 26 1928.		
	Gold.	Silver.	Total.	Gold.	Silver.	Total.
England	£ 156,541,341	£ —	£ 156,541,341	£ 160,466,753	£ —	£ 160,466,753
France a	205,674,260	(d)	205,674,260	147,141,638	13,717,872	160,859,510
Germany b	108,895,170	c	994,600,109,889,770	100,719,100	994,600,101,713,700	
Spain	102,390,000	28,587,000	130,977,000	104,319,000	27,902,000	132,221,000
Italy	54,916,000	—	54,916,000	49,792,000	—	49,792,000
Netherl'ds	35,206,000	1,743,000	36,949,000	36,264,000	2,149,000	38,413,000
Nat. Belg	25,967,000	1,268,000	27,235,000	21,670,000	1,244,000	22,914,000
Switzerl'd	19,288,000	1,675,000	20,963,000	17,416,000	2,373,000	19,789,000
Sweden	13,054,000	—	13,054,000	12,909,000	—	12,909,000
Denmark	9,593,000	470,000	10,063,000	10,109,000	641,000	10,750,000
Norway	8,157,000	—	8,157,000	8,180,000	—	8,180,000
Total week	739,681,771	34,737,600	774,419,371	668,986,491	49,021,472	718,007,963
Prev. week	738,087,136	34,713,600	772,800,736	665,727,908	49,109,472	714,837,380

a These are the gold holdings of the Bank of France as reported in the new form of statement. b Gold holdings of the Bank of Germany are exclusive of gold held abroad, the amount of which the present year is £2,481,300. c As of Oct. 7 1924. d Silver is now reported at only a trifling sum.

The Disarmament Outlook at Geneva.

Until last Monday, when the views of the American Government were outlined by Hugh S. Gibson, there was little reason to expect that the meeting of the Preparatory Disarmament Commission at Geneva would be any more successful in reaching conclusions than previous sessions had been. The Commission, which had assembled on April 15, had spent a week in aimless and apparently useless debate. A proposal by the Chinese Nationalist Government that conscription and compulsory military training should be abolished had been quietly ignored, some radical Russian proposals looking to an immediate reduction of armaments had been frowned upon and turned over to a committee, and a somewhat elaborate German program involving, among other things, the virtual abandonment of chemical warfare had made no progress because of differences of opinion about procedure in discussing it. The situation at the end of the week seemed to bear out the intimation which appeared in newspaper dispatches from Washington, ten days or

more before the Commission met, to the effect that Washington did not regard the approaching session as of much importance from the American point of view. Baron Cushendun, head of the British delegation, had also been reported as saying, on the eve of his departure for Geneva, that the outlook was not "rosy" for an agreement upon anything.

Mr. Gibson's speech, carefully prepared by himself and others before he left Washington, and later given out by the Department of State, presented, of course, the Administration view of how the Commission might best proceed. The question of land armaments was put aside at the outset by Mr. Gibson with the somewhat cryptic statement that when that question should be reached, the American delegation would be able "to defer to the countries primarily interested in land armaments with such measure of concession as, I trust, will materially facilitate agreement among them." He later clarified this by announcing, on Friday, that the United States would not insist upon limiting the number of trained reserves in considering the reduction of land forces. The American defense problem, however, Mr. Gibson said, was primarily a naval problem. The American Government was still of the opinion that "the simplest, fairest and most practical method is that of limitation by tonnage by categories." Nevertheless, in view of the inacceptability of this proposal to some countries, the United States was prepared to accept, as a basis for discussion, the French proposal, brought forward at the third session of the Commission, embodying "a method which was an attempt to combine its original tonnage proposals with the method of tonnage by categories. Under this method, a total tonnage was assigned to each nation and this total divided among categories of ships by specified tonnages." It was to be understood "that this involves an agreement upon the method alone, and not upon any quantitative tonnages or the actual percentages to be transferred from one category to another. All quantitative proposals of any kind should properly be reserved for discussion by a final conference."

The American Government was further disposed, Mr. Gibson continued, to "give consideration to a method of estimating equivalent naval values which takes account of other factors than displacement tonnage alone. In order to arrive at a basis of comparison in the case of categories in which there are marked variations as to unit characteristics, it might be desirable . . . to consider certain factors which produce these variations, such as age, unit displacement, and calibre of guns." The American Government was also prepared to agree to "any reduction, however drastic, of naval tonnage which leaves no type of war vessel unrestricted." "My Government believes," said Mr. Gibson, "that there can be no complete and effective limitation of armament unless all classes of war vessels, including cruisers, destroyers and submarines, are limited. It could not agree to any method which would result in leaving any class of combatant vessels unrestricted . . . The willingness of my Government—I may even say its eagerness—to go to low levels is based upon the fundamental belief that naval needs are relative, namely, that what we may require for our defense depends chiefly upon the size of the navies maintained by others, aside from the signatories of the Washington Treaty." Since, however,

"there is no conceivable combination of naval power which could threaten the safety of any of the principal naval Powers," "what justification can there be for the Powers which lead in the respective classes of naval vessels to sanction further building programs in those classes? In the case of the United States, we have already expressed our willingness to agree on a basis that would mean a substantial reduction of our present destroyer and submarine types. In the case of cruisers it is only the possession by others of greatly superior strength in this class which has led to the adoption of the present building program."

Precisely how the proposed evaluation of relative naval strength is to be worked out was not made clear by Mr. Gibson in his speech. In a statement made to the press on Monday, following the delivery of the speech, Mr. Gibson is reported to have likened the process to that of determining index numbers. For example (we quote from a report of Mr. Gibson's remarks in the "New York Times"), "if a 10,000-ton cruiser received an arbitrary value of 100, then a 6,000-tonner would get a relative value based on all strategic considerations such as gun power, &c., entering into the question. Its value might be less than 60—the figure which would be reached if tonnage alone were considered as hitherto. A similar system of determining the equivalent values for guns, submarines, other vessels, &c., would be used. Then . . . when the total value for each category of the various navies had thus been determined, it would be the work later of the conference not only to limit but substantially to reduce them on the 5-5-3 Washington Conference basis, fixing the maximum global figure for each navy, and for each category within that navy, according to the above ratio."

It will be clear, at once, to anyone who reads Mr. Gibson's hypothetical explanation, that the American proposal is highly complicated, and that the expert calculations required, not to speak of the reconciliation of conflicting opinions that are certain to arise, will take some time. The cordial reception which was given by Baron Cushendun on Monday to Mr. Gibson's statement must be taken, accordingly, not as a formal acceptance of the American proposals, for Baron Cushendun made it clear that he had no authority to go as far as that, but only as an expression of satisfaction at the willingness of the American Government to modify its original proposals and to concede something to the objections of other Powers. As a matter of fact, if the Commission accomplishes anything at all at its present session, it will probably have Mr. Gibson to thank for the opportunity. Newspaper reports from Geneva indicate that the opposition in the Commission to the disarmament plans of Germany and Russia has been based, not so much on opposition to the suggestions as such, as upon reluctance to act upon suggestions brought forward by those two Powers, each of which, it is frankly admitted, still has something of an "enemy" shadow hanging over it. Under such circumstances a proposal from the United States, even if its adoption would bring about a good deal of what Germany and Russia have asked for, may well have been seized upon with satisfaction by delegates wearied with a week of fruitless debate.

It seems unlikely that the Preparatory Commission, even if it accepts the American proposals in

principle, will be able to do more than to formulate them with more precision and refer them to technical experts to be worked out in detail. A United Press dispatch from Washington on Thursday stated, upon what was declared to be high authority, that Mr. Gibson and his associates "have no detailed proposals for making the general terms of the Hoover formula applicable in technical terms," and that the full conference on disarmament, which will be called by the United States if it is called at all, may not be convened until 1930 or possibly 1931. The latter date would coincide with the meeting of the conference which is to reconsider the Washington Treaty. Mr. Hoover, it is further stated, having in mind the criticism that the former Disarmament Conference in 1927, broke down from lack of suitable preparation, is determined not to summon another until all necessary preparations have been completed.

These are other reasons than technical ones for expecting delay. The British general election has been set for May 30, and neither the Baldwin Government nor the political parties desire to have the disarmament issue added to the other problems with which they are wrestling. The breakdown of the reparations discussion at Paris, whether Dr. Schacht and his associates were mainly responsible for it or not, would leave the question of reparations in the air, keep the war debt settlements in active controversy, and raise the question as to whether or not the Dawes plan will continue to operate after next September. The advance in the discount rate by the Reichsbank on Thursday, following a marked drop in the gold reserve of the bank, lends color to Dr. Schacht's contention that Germany cannot continue to make the payments which the Dawes plan calls for.

The Mussolini Government has all along insisted that Italy must have an adequate army and navy, and has manifested no particular interest in any proposals for the reduction of either land or naval armaments; while France, with a large program of fortifications on its northeastern border actively under way, launched on Wednesday a 10,000-ton cruiser which made the eighth new war vessel launched within a month. The Kellogg pact, too, still awaits the ratifications necessary to make it operative.

All things considered, therefore, it would seem that the reduction or limitation of armaments is still a matter of the rather distant future. Mr. Gibson was right in declaring, at the end of his speech on Monday, that the American Government "has never believed that an effective approach to the problem of disarmament could be made by methods of reduction of armaments alone," but that "it feels that genuine disarmament will follow only from a change of attitude toward the use of force in the settlement of international disputes." The change of attitude is undoubtedly taking place, but it is not a change that will be accomplished in a few weeks or months. The hopeful features of the situation are the cordial interest with which the American proposals have been received, the conciliatory disposition shown on Friday in the discussion of methods of restricting land forces, and the apparent desire to hold the meeting of the full conference in 1930 if the necessary preliminaries can be worked out by that time.

"Business Is Business."

Now that law-making at Washington is in the ascendancy, and the old mill is grinding away as usual, it may not be amiss to state in a kindly, friendly and genial way that business is just that—and nothing more! Business *is* business,—and is not a method of reform, nor a diplomatic mission, nor a means of making good the promises of a political party made in the heat of a campaign. It is a peacemaker and a pacemaker at the same time. It is a legitimate and lineal descendant of barter, which was a way of exchanging goods for goods, products for products, before the invention of money, and after the discovery that the way to get the things you want is to give for them the things you have but do not want. Complexity of modern times does not change its essential nature. It is not related to government, or subsidies, or franchises, or leases, or taxes, and is always able to stand on its own feet—if let alone. It is not intended to continue, extend, stabilize, guaranty, or subsidize "prosperity," which is an incidental result, very acceptable when it follows, though it sometimes fails to follow. Its chief purpose always has been and always will be a means whereby to feed the hungry, clothe the naked and shelter the homeless. Big or little it has the same aim, is employed by the same kind of persons and is the common possession of every tribe, people and country throughout the earth. It does not spring full-armed from the brain of Congress, but develops slowly out of the application of work to production.

And, incidentally at this point, it suffers taxation but does not ask for it. Since it is the result of human energy applied to natural, God-given resources, its prime mission is to create a surplus for rainy days and not to sell the last morsel of bread in the free markets of the world. Inevitably it diversifies profits and is not born to equalize them. It is not dependent on national boundaries and often overflows them—when let alone—which spreads trade over lands and seas, carrying goodwill and creating happiness—since enemies do not draw near to each other in love and kindness but have a tendency to fight in wars and despoil each other by force for gain. And since free governments are sustained by free men there is no mandate from free business to governments to put obstacles in the way. And to lay taxes, levy tribute upon free business for the purpose of equalizing the profits of agriculture and manufacture is a modern triumph in political acrobatics in no way germane to the subject. We have ceased to levy taxes for the pleasure of seeing foreigners pay them; we no longer use them for the wadding to fill neglected dinner pails; we have passed the stage of economics when we hope to measure by them the difference in the cost of production at home and abroad; and it is only recently, in the magic strides of our progress, that we are sure we can bring an equalized prosperity to all men by taking a tithe out of every meal sack and extracting a farthing's worth of energy out of every article made of steel and iron. Business—when let alone—and it satisfies the wants and needs of men by its own powers, travels amain on its own steam, waits for no incentive save the natural appeal of exchange, sets up no hurdles in its own race, requires no credentials or passports to cross the boundaries of nations—when let alone! And

when obstructed it ultimately breaks all walls—but at the cost of much waste and labor.

The flag follows trade—but sundry parliaments insist on heading the procession, to the downbeat of much oratory and the flying banners of much law. Men of wheat and men of rubber meet somewhere on the plains of trade and effect an exchange. Men of cotton and men of corn meet in the same way and have no more trouble in satisfying their needs than the pioneer had in going to mill with a jug of whiskey in one end of the sack and a bushel of wheat in the other. The essentials of big and little business are the same, and if thousands of men produce thousands of things and population spreads from river to river and ocean to ocean causing thousands of complexities and complications the original principles remain the same though the methods change. If in time money and credit come into existence as aids to exchange they are natural helpers and though they accept the sanctions of government they do not wait upon it nor derive their existence from it. Trade is for mutual benefit. It is not for the purpose of furthering science and art, save as it furnishes the sinews for their development and maintenance, which it does with a free and opulent hand in accordance with man's growing aestheticism.

Business is business—when let alone—because food, clothing and shelter are the primal requisites of life. It has no mission, this business, save to sustain men, that they may help each other, that in helping each other they may learn from each other's experiences, and thus learning may set up rules of conduct for the common good, and having reached a tentative code of welfare, may state it in law and guaranty it by the power of an established government created out of common consent. So that business needs no guide, adventures everywhere in its own behalf, civilizes by virtue of spreading intelligence embodied in the countless objects and articles it buys and sells, and helps to unite the peoples of the earth together in bonds of liberty and fraternity, because it is in a last and comprehensive definition, *man in action*. It is not a sage brooding over man's ultimate destiny. It is not a saint seeking his eternal salvation. It is not a missionary seeking to establish a creed or save a soul. It is not a law created by artificial political bodies outside itself—it is its own law; and because exchange is for mutual benefit, the giving of worth for worth, dollar for dollar, of a full day's work for a fair day's pay, are each and all its essential life or it would perish by its own weight.

No, Congress is not a board of directors overseeing, guiding, directing the complex business affairs of a people. It can no more effect a continuance of so-called "prosperity" than it can make a cheap substitute for gasoline or compute the profits of a national bank, or derive gold from seawater. It assumes too much. And the people—the people led away from reason by political sophistry who clamor at its door for stabilization, equalization, protection, are deceiving themselves. For though they may get laws, these are as impotent as the wishes of classes and sections that have no more force than the winds that come and go. And this hoary-headed senility known as the tariff, that sets up custom houses at our ports, that promises all things to all men, that collects a few hundred millions in revenue and pro-

notes the advance of more hundreds of millions in price, who or what gave it the power to "protect, stabilize, equalize," since there is none in government and none in tax? Yet this *power* is invoked in special aid of the farmer—suffering from the deflation of World War and the special protection favors shown to others,—“protection,” that is, which shuts out the goods that must be bought if the goods “protected” are to be sold abroad. Neither agriculture nor manufacture are really asking for this new tariff law—that is to be enacted to keep a political promise. As well build a fox-fire in a swamp and expect to light the hills of home!

Business is business—when let alone—and it makes its own laws. It is self-organized, self-advanced and self-sustained. It is, as said, pacemaker and peacemaker. Out of its evolutionary competition is born its co-operation by means of consolidation. Out of its initiative, enterprise, acumen and energy spring the physical wonders of our civilization, architecture that arouses pride, inventions that amaze, commerce that flows like a river of strength, and finance that beacons like a floodlight. And out of all these, energized by the intellect and sensitized by the feeling heart of man, it builds increasingly those institutions that smooth away the ravages of time upon the unfortunate, that soften the pillows for age and infirmity, that seek to banish disease, and that brighten the knowledge and make specific the wisdom of ages of endeavor. To introduce into this mighty advance, the cause of all true prosperity, this hybrid law of tariff-protection is as futile as to untie a bundle of straws in a cyclone. But it must be done to satisfy a political promise. It would have been done in another political turnover with equal inefficiency. “Business is business.” We intended, when we began, to indulge in a little banter and fun. But the farce is so colossal that it becomes serious, and in false promises takes on the tone of tragedy.

Industry and Statistics.

Statistics are the record of effects. Is it always profitable to turn these effects into a secondary cause? A Washington dispatch, dealing with the Federal Reserve Board action, or inaction, the discount rate and speculation, incidentally has this to say: “According to statistics compiled by the Washington office of the Associated Contractors of America, ‘the back-lash from the diversion of finances of speculative purposes showed its first definitely injurious effects on the construction industry during March.’ . . .” “The figures representing current construction operations of all types, based on shipment of construction materials, show a decrease of 5% in volume of construction performed during March as compared with February,” it was added. “This is a reversal of the usual seasonal trend. . . .” “Contract awards in twenty-seven States during February declined 15% from those of January and were 26% less than in February last year. Thus far the two recorded months this year contract awards show a decline of 15% over the same period last year. . . .” “That the basic cause of this decline has been the rapidly fluctuating money market with its periodical high money rates is indicated by reports of increased contemplated work compiled by F. W. Dodge Corporation. This work has evidently had no opportunity to mature in suf-

ficient quantity to maintain activity at past levels."

Now we do not quarrel with these percentages or the inferences drawn therefrom. Great building projects do *not* proceed into contracts save upon assured credit conditions. But are we warranted in ascribing to this influence "tight money" more than a very small fractional part in the decrease shown in the building industry? Our purpose here is to look upon these statistical compilations in their relation to the even progress of industry in general. It is immaterial whether the industry be that of building or some other. What power have statistics over the initiative and completion of industrial undertakings. We merely use the building industry and its decline as an illustration. In the first place, it does not clearly appear, so far, in our bull market imbroglio, if we except a few crucial days, that there has not been free credit enough to finance all legitimate industry. It is true that industrials and utilities have in many instances resorted to the issuance of stocks rather than bonds, but both are forms of credit as thus used. It is true that diversion of credit into speculation increases the business rate and cramps free access to the fountain head, but if we say that business *has* been retarded by this cause, then our claims for "continued prosperity" are somewhat misleading. And the truth is that they are misleading for "prosperity" is not, and has not been, what to now is claimed for it. But the fundamental causes lie deeper than the lack of, or the cost of, credit sufficient to finance industry.

The fundamental cause of the decline is in the falling off in demand for the industrial output itself—save in a few lines, luxuries and those tending to become so. Now at this point it is pertinent to ask what comparative statistics as to production by year and month are worth in the face of the great underlying force of demand? If we revert to our illustration, "building," is it not apparent that the war dearth must be nearing an end, or at an end, or even showing a surplusage? Who or what can or does attempt to measure by statistics this waning urge. When the falling-off comes it may be told in figures—but these are not sound bases for future action and activity, while the unknown and unmeasurable force of demand in an incontrovertible base. And this base must be sensed and cannot be reduced to statistics, though statistics when they are combined may confirm and may indicate trends. In a word, statistics are not sufficient. The need, the demand must be shown—and these can only be shown by reasoning upon conditions that lie outside in the wants and needs of the people, and the ability of the people from outside sources to supply these demands.

Even the credit, the lack of which is said to cause the diminution in industry, is not an original cause, but a means to an end. Credit plays an enormous part in all business, but it is not the chief cause or the chief means of production. The cause is the need to support life and the means is the labor of head and hand. The farmer plants his crop, though he has to subsist on salt pork and bacon. The merchant carries on, though he has a short stock and a small trade. The manufacturer turns out his supply, though he is uncertain of his market. The beneficence of credit is that it aids and augments. But it has the fatal quality of causing an oversup-

ply when it is too easy—it causes an inflated form of "prosperity." The broad issue, then, at the present time, is not the quantity of credit available but its right employment. And it is hazardous to employ credit in over-production as it is to employ it in speculation. True, the part consumed by speculation is not available for industry; but the part consumed in inflated industry, in industry ministering to extravagance, is not available for normal needs and normal industry.

Hence, if we have been cultivating and even coddling a line of industries unknown 25 years ago we are diminishing the supply of credit for ordinary trade and at the same time making it more costly. Comparative statistics for yearly and five-year periods do not reveal causes that lie in this tremendous fact. It is manifestly impossible that extravagant living can continue on an even ratio, for the necessities, in a way, pay for the luxuries. If the farms and factories that minister to primal needs slow down because of influences that lie in the nature of things, the building and the transport and textile industries will turn from the excessive and abnormal to the actual needs. What matters it how many skyscrapers were erected last year if the actual need for them is satisfied. Statistics of building confirm the fact that the scarcity is assuaged, they indicate no more than this as to the future, and the continuing demand, if there is to be any, rests on the ability of the profits in more fundamental industries to sustain it.

All industry is interdependent and intersupporting. Each buys and sells from and to all the others. If we had not had seven fat years we would have little of our present "prosperity," spotted as it is. Prices are indices only. They vary in response to varying influences. The dollar, under the gold standard, serves all alike. Scarcity and plethora fix price. The dollar, gold dollar, measures price and names it. The true purchasing power is the relation of one product or article to another. The dollar is a medium and common denomination of exchangeable value. Intrinsic value lies in use, exchange value lies in use *and* quantity. Credit is debt. Credit is promise to pay in the future. It issues out of product and its place in trade. It is based on collateral and character. It is the servant of commerce, not its master. It is the agent of investment and speculation as well. If all things in industry were in equilibrium there would be normal credit for building and all else.

Credit issued and projected into future endeavor is yet a mortgage on the present and the past, and though it is based on commodity and character it freely issues, restricted only by values, intrinsic and exchangeable, and is always sufficient unto trade needs according to the normality of conditions. It needs, therefore, no supervision, no guardians, no keeper. It can supply industry, when industry is normal, continuously, and does do so. But commodities may fail and character may die. Then there ensues a stringency. When one generation passes another must pay. When industry lags speculation may dry up, or it may assume the fictitious strength of a fever. But there is always enough, if the freedom of trade and industry is normal, equitable, and exchangeable, and it follows that if Government undertakes to control the natural issue of credit it will succeed only in becoming an obstruc-

tionist. The "life blood of trade" is the product of the whole of industry!

The Retirement of Lord Balfour.

It is doubtful whether any pleasanter or more profitable way of getting a view of a great statesman passing as an octogenarian out of public service can be obtained than is supplied of Lord Balfour in the group of his more recent speeches and addresses collected by his niece at the request of the publishers, Doubleday, Doran & Co. In 1874 a young American visiting Parliament saw a new member evidently younger than himself gain his request when in asking an opposing and quickly obstreperous House to adjourn that the members might attend a garden party given by the Queen at Buckingham Palace, he with a twinkle in his eye referred to it as "presumably respectable." A dozen years later Lord Curzon incidentally said: "A. J. Balfour is as usual cynical and charming. He is one of the most attractive men in society which is at present worshipping intellect." Here we have three outstanding features of Mr. Balfour's character: a bright and ready wit, high intellectuality, and a rare gift for settling controversies.

In 1911, after 37 years of Parliamentary service, he sought release from the party leadership he had held for 20 of those years. The political situation was reconstructive, but in no way critical, and he wanted to anticipate the years when men lose their freshness and mental elasticity. It was granted; but in 1914 the war at once recalled him to renewed and most laborious public service, in the Admiralty and then as head of the Foreign Office. Four years later came the long hard work following the Armistice. Since Nov. 1922 he has been a member of the House of Lords, and now he retires at 80 years of age. The addresses pertain to the distinct periods of Early Memories; Political Questions; The Modern State; Imperial, and International Affairs.

The first tells of the years at Eton, that school of the English thoroughbreds; of the anniversaries observed on the battlefield by Etonians, two of whom were Americans, all filled with the same spirit. Incidentally, it refers to his participation in the two events in Paris when in 1871 the King of Prussia was declared Emperor of Germany, and in 1918 when that Empire was ended in the Treaty of Versailles.

In the second section he testifies to the part Scotchmen have played in English history since the day when two centuries ago the two nations were united. Before that they had fought bitterly; but it had not prevented their overcoming the difficulty of acquiring a new language and proving the possibility of cherishing their own nationalism while joining in the patriotism which unites Canadians, Australians and New Zealanders with them in all abounding loyalty to the Empire; which is their contribution to the development of Europe, and gives promise of a new brotherhood among nations. This, Lord Balfour believes, indicates the method and the spirit by which, in time, Ireland's problems will be solved and despite existing difficulties, she will be heartily joined in the common unity.

He believes that the various peoples of the world are in closer contact with each other than ever in the past. Economic changes, in trade, industry, and ready intercourse have led to this. Agencies of goodwill, conferences, the League, and the World

Court, will promote peace. Elements that are not homogeneous cannot always be separated, and require considerate patience. Party politics, as long treated in England, where the "King's opposition" is recognized as truly as is the "King's Government," work effectually to this result. Free debate should not lose popular support, and with free elections offers the solution of many difficulties. Socialism is radically destructive. No political mistake is so great as the attempt to level downward. Individual ability and devotion must be developed, and every available resource should, like a workman's tools, be kept within reach for the man who can use them. We must avail ourselves of all the machinery of existence the past of human society has produced; and then make it the task of each community, large or small, to be responsible, with mutual co-operation and goodwill, primarily for its own prosperity, the citizens of the town and city, no less than those of the Nation and State.

Discussing the modern state he takes up the human side of industry and the mutual need of industry and science for each other. His latest addresses are on this theme. It is not sufficient to secure outside intelligence in the creation of the machinery of industry. The human element is even more important. Hours of work are hours of life, and surely are not less important than hours of idleness, even from the standpoint of happiness or satisfaction. Here is need for study of the individual; and this is where the community can work together with the employer, and where the employer needs support. Industrial disputes increase difficulties. Differences of opinion are inevitable. Distribution of products is a vital element in continued operation. Outside competition is to be met; and leaders of the unions may easily lose sight of the important facts and greatly complicate the situation. The clamor for artificial protection by tariff and the like, which, at best, can be but partial and limited, diverts attention from the actual industrial conditions which must be met if any business, however independent, can hope to continue. Every effort ought therefore to be devoted to keep the wheels revolving.

Science is to-day playing a large part in the rapid advance of industry. It would be strange if the sweep of science into knowledge of hitherto unknown forces operating in the world about us were not seized upon and applied in industry. Any industry in which this is disregarded is marked for failure.

But the value of industry to science is not as widely recognized. This was the subject of the address to the Society of Chemical Industry in July, 1926. As the head of the Department of the Government concerned with industrial research, Lord Balfour, could show how close is the dependence of the men of advanced science upon the industries. Laboratory experiments are not conclusive. Only when these are applied to full-sized production and work done in the larger form is their value determined. Thereupon factory reorganization must be made, and this followed by the opening of new markets; all of which, often at great cost, is to be done before full fruition is reached for the scientific research. This is the new fact gaining importance daily both for science and for industry.

Social reform, the modern university, and the Civil Service have in turn occupied his attention, and on all he speaks with the maturity of judgment which goes far to explain the high position he holds to-day.

It is not strange therefore that when it comes to Imperial Affairs we find him applying the same wisdom in this direction. The Empire, for example, he shows, speaking in Birmingham, owes to that great industrial city the experience which gave to its one-time mayor and distinguished citizen, Joseph Chamberlain, the qualities which made him more directly effective in the organization of the British Empire than any other statesman.

The work had been in process for thirty years. It was a wholly new experiment and was the third great effort of English speaking people. The first was a slow growth in the British islands. The second was that of the thirteen states of America in the 18th century. This one, the third, is different from them both. It is the welding together of self-contained great communities far apart, accomplished without surrender of freedom and with a unity which is the very life blood and strength of the Empire. This cannot be stated without recognition of the importance of the service of the citizen whose life and work are identified with that of the city which was his home.

In the direct contribution of science to international relations, Lord Balfour enlarges upon the work of scientific research in dealing with tropical disease. This is described as undertaken in Melanesia and, especially in Africa where the greatest of all prehistoric discoveries—the discovery of the domestic animal, or the creation of the domestic animal—over a vast area is rendered impossible by the tsetse fly, and where to-day for the same reason you cannot use domestic animals for the purpose of transport. The scientific efforts to accomplish the solution of this problem and others like it in our own land and others are sufficiently well known.

These references to the volume before us are sufficient to indicate on his retirement the great service that has been rendered by an English statesman, and which are a promise of the further service it is possible he yet may render.

Mr. Balfour's personal charm and his persistent pursuit of peace and goodwill no less than his fine culture and large experience are well known here and abroad. His life history when it is complete, and comes to be written will have a place of its own among the many valuable ones Britain is producing.

Is Not Group Speculating a Conspiracy Making for Sham Prosperity?

ARTICLE VI.—(Communicated).

THE JOY RIDING CONTINUES BUT ANXIETY GROWS TOO.

"The stock market appears to be taking business for a ride." This was the striking comment by a recognized bank authority upon the conditions existing in the United States early in March, being precisely the point of view taken by the author in the first of this series* of articles published last December. In some of its original setting this comment is reviewed more fully below.

Today the stock market, after the severe bump of March 25-26, caused by the attempted curtailing of brokers' loans, relaxes and allows business—notably luxury business with its record-breaking output of autos—to head the joy-riding procession. Turnabout is fair play and events are revolving rapidly here in these days of free and freer spending—for those who have the means (or credit) to pay the piper and buy the gasoline.

STRANGE SPECTACLE IN STOCK MARKET.

An astounding exhibition is that presented at frequent intervals for many months past on the New York Stock

* For this series, see "Chronicle," V. 127, p. 3303, 3461; V. 128, p. 161, 1455, 1624.

Exchange with its intermittent churning of from four to six millions of shares a day by a horde of speculators, big and small, of both sexes, the "little fellows" numbering, first and last, possibly several millions (one writer claims 15,000,000), constantly rallying for new bull movements, yet at short intervals heavily scourged and decimated; while the great operators go on serenely (except when denied bank credit), using millions and tens of millions of borrowed and other funds to manipulate prices for their own exceeding profit.

It is, moreover, a market of such resiliency that with each upset, the prices for favored shares after short delay seem always the more determined to retrieve and improve on their previous record—a market willing to pay 10% or more for fabulous sums of call money and confessing to approximately 6¾ billions of such borrowings on March 31. Hence it is that Senator Capper on April 11, notwithstanding some curtailment of loans, was led to venture the rather daring assertion that Wall Street had or shortly would have 15 billions of dollars tied up in its "speculation-drunk stock market," to the detriment of general business—a business as we have seen already swollen and swelling beyond all precedent, after the manner of inflation.

That this sort of speculating and price boosting actually does coin enormous profits for the lucky ones, enabling them to indulge in boom-making purchases, is disclosed by the income tax returns for the year 1928, a Washington Dispatch to the New York "Times" on April 1 tells us. The largest individual plums continue, of course, to go to the great operators and to investors who sell out after several years ownership; but so long as prices are advancing an unquestionably huge aggregate of prizes also falls to the "small fry" and so with other winnings go largely into luxury purchases.

The losses by the latter contingent in the slump of March 25 and 26 (some 8½ million shares being sold on the latter day or 1¼ million more than the previous record) must have been severe, but it is noteworthy that no large operator and no Stock Exchange house failed to meet commitments; the "little" public, however, was "sold out" in innumerable instances.

As time goes on there is no reason to retract any of the strictures made on the action of the big speculators who take advantage of the present abnormal status of the nation to feather their own nests and, in effect, to fleece the public. To the writer it is inconceivable that any court having jurisdiction would, if invoked, permit the use of enormous sums of banking and other capital whether by groups or individuals, for so mischievous a purpose.

HOW THE BIG OPERATORS MULCT THE PUBLIC.

The too-little considered findings of the Government experts with respect to the manipulation of wheat futures at Chicago from January 1925 to December 1926 proves absolutely that regardless of all other considerations and the normal dealings of the public, a handful of arch conspirators by massing purchases or sales of millions of bushels (or shares) can and actually do overrule the natural market fluctuations and send prices at pleasure up or down several points at a session to their own enrichment, and—"let the devil take the hindmost." For full particulars see Technical Bulletin of Department of Agriculture, No. 79, September 1928, and No. 1479, March 1927.

AMERICAN PUBLIC SUPPLIES THE SINEWS FOR SUCCESSFUL SPECULATION.

But who are responsible for the placing at the disposal of speculators so many billions of dollars, for the "dizzy" prices attained by the luxury and allied stocks and for the still more dizzy pace at which the several businesses back of these stocks are travelling?

What means this extraordinary phenomenon—this tremendous urge to speculate, this bull market with its record-breaking prices, persistently advancing through so many years despite temporary setbacks—this huge wave of speculation with the luxury and allied stocks always uppermost, a wave that all the powers of the Federal Reserve Board,

and the Congress may prove unable to stay permanently so long as the present financial policy as to public outlays, wage increases and the luxury enterprises are pursued.

Is it not daily becoming more evident that these conditions and occurrences are the products of that inflationary machinery set up and operated by the Federal Government for the financing of the greatest of war undertakings and since the termination of the war constantly operated by the people themselves—a large body of them—for their own advantage, regardless of the well-being of the great majority?

Does not this great aggregation of machinery grind out purchasing power of a spurious character in constantly increasing volume for the more fortunate classes, now of wages, now of bank and other credits, now of speculative and other profits?

Is it not plain that this sort of thing is permitted, regardless of consequences, because as a people we are misled by blindly over optimistic leaders and are, ourselves, wilfully blind to the facts, too busily engaged in worshipping at the feet of "the great goddess Prosperity" to realize that we are in fact held fast in the iron grip of a monstrous inflation, as inexorable under present treatment as the paper money inflation which brought low the finances of Germany—at any rate so it appears to the writer.

WHEN THE FEDERAL RESERVE ATTEMPTS TO HOLD BACK.

The plight of a man clinging to the tail of a bear as they chase one another round a tree is the predicament of a nation fully subject to a credit-business inflation. There is no letting go nor any possibility of indefinitely running faster. One kind of artificial buying power begets another—wages, credit, business, dividends, profits in greater and greater volume as the round continues.

To change the metaphor this widespread speculation is a vent on the side of a volcano we call "Business—credit Inflation." To stop the vent means a minor if not a major explosion; hence the attempt to press down brokers' loans, sent up call money on March 26 to 20%, with a collapse of stock prices that threatened a serious panic until the great banks with ample advances at high rates relieved the pressure. The loans held by New York brokers, which were reported by the Federal Reserve Bank Board, at a peak of 5¾ billion (\$5,793,000,000) on March 20 (and on March 30 by the brokers themselves as 6¾ billion (\$6,804,457,408) was thus reduced to 5,425 million dollars on April 24, a pretty small decrease, this \$368,000,000 considering the cost to small speculators and compared also with the advance from \$3,810,023,000 as of January 4 1928.

The writer's impression is that while it should be possible to stop or limit mass speculating, the speculation as a whole, is an inseparable part of the general inflation of credit and business and cannot be got rid of except momentarily or with disastrous results, save as business inflation is suppressed, a painful though in the end necessary measure.

CONFIRMATION FROM LEADING FINANCIERS.

Recent utterances by American financiers of national repute, each from a different viewpoint, indicates their agreement with the writer's contention in this matter of inflation, or rather on some phases of the same, although not as yet perhaps recognizing the action of the vicious circle of inflation in its present exceptionally gradual but none the less effective form. We may be excused for noting the following:

TRAFFIC POLICEMAN BLOWS HIS WHISTLE.

"The Stock Market appears to be taking business for a ride. The Federal Reserve System as traffic policeman has blown its whistle to halt the speeders. So far the warning has gone unheeded, and the stock market and business are spinning along on their speculative way while the Reserve authorities have the appearance of being baffled and perhaps thwarted."

So in brief on March 15 (prior to the recent moderate contraction in credit and its attendant alarming, but tem-

porary, slump in prices on the Stock Exchange) wrote an eminent banker, Col. Leonard P. Ayres, Vice-President of the Cleveland Trust Co. Further developing the thought presented in our first article the Colonel points out how a vigorous bull market of large volume and long duration sustains "prosperity" by (a) maintaining confidence and optimism; by (b) supplying speculative profits in large amounts, easily gained and freely spent; and by (c) creating an abnormal appetite for stock investments, which are issued for new capital and new enterprises and other financing, including the retiring of bond issues.

Somewhat paradoxically Col. Ayres expresses the fear that the heavy loans to brokers (long accumulating in amount) will impede general business, although the iron and steel industry was then (and still is), as Colonel Ayres says, "in the throes and thrills of an ebullient enthusiasm" with steel production practically at capacity and the automobile industry its "most important customer." Burdensome as is a tight money market to industry there may be compensations.

Colonel Ayres also thinks it probable that according as the stock market succeeds "in securing increased loans from corporations and individuals during the next two months will determine whether both business and the stock market are to be subjected to proximate bumps or are to go on until they are the victims of an ultimate crash." As a further deterrent to this combination joy riding, he urges higher rates for rediscounting; but can the undesirable association be so readily terminated?

Extended abstracts from this suggestive statement were in the "Chronicle," of March 23, page 1830.*

THIS JOY RIDE IS A RECIPROCAL AFFAIR OF GROWING IMPORTANCE.

But if this be a joy ride, it is plainly no one-sided "treat," but rather a prolonged exchange of courtesies. All of the several parties—speculation and luxury business, capital and labor, bankers and borrowers—take their turn as it were in attempting to outdo the others in quickening pace and expenditure.

In other words speculation is always a by-product or resultant, never a primary cause—except as sometimes prosecuted by group speculators for their nefarious ends, such as undermining the value of foreign exchange or other markets. We must look therefore, must we not, to the urgent buying by the masses, by all the favored classes, the luxury buying under inflationary conditions with which America has turned from war to peaceful pursuits as the major factor promoting speculation; and yet itself driven faster and harder as speculation mounts?

Thus while the tax authorities are finding profits so dilated by speculation, they also note extraordinary bonuses to employees.

The dividend declarations for March 1929, as compiled by the "Times," aggregated 364 million dollars, being an increase of nearly 50% over March 1928.

While many persons go poorly paid, union wages continue to rise and it is admitted by a spokesman for 8,000 hotel bell boys in Chicago just as they were forming a union, that with pay of only one dollar a day they often earn by tips in the big hotels from \$75 to \$100 a week and sometimes much more (New York "Times", Jan. 28).

THE POWER OF THE PEOPLE TO CREATE INFLATED PURCHASING POWER.

"The public mind does not appear to realize that the creation of an inflated purchasing power is not a monopoly enjoyed by governments"—(such a monopoly, for instance, as Germany exploited with her money printing presses from 1919 to 1925.—A.G.D.).

These words of Paul M. Warburg, Chairman of the Board of the International Acceptance Bank, appear in his annual

*In his later statement of April 15 (cited in "Chronicle" of April 20, page 2555) Colonel Ayres concludes that there is an "intense credit inflation," showing itself more especially in the velocity of turnover of checking accounts—an inflation "closely allied to stock speculation" and using credit "at a rate distinctly more rapid than the rate of growth in the production and consumption of useful goods"—the italics being ours, not his.—A.G.D.

report of March 7, in which he condemns the "orgies of unrestrained speculation." He is referring, as the context shows, to the excessive use on the Stock Exchange of banking and corporate funds "of which \$6,000,000,000 of brokers loans form only a part." In consequence of these loans, he says, there is taking place, "quite unrelated to respective increases in plant, property or earning power," this "stupendous bulge" in market value of American stocks indicated by a rise of 15½ billions for 90 stock issues in the past two years, and this without the inclusion of bank stocks or real estate values both of which have increased enormously in market price.

"Conditions such as these," Mr. Warburg adds, "recall to our minds the painful events of the years of 1919-21. Yet the parallelism between that period and the present does not seem to be properly appreciated by the general public on account of the fact that billions of dollars poured into the Stock Exchange, by domestic corporations and from across the seas are not revealed by the barometer indicating the Federal Reserve System's condition, and because the index does not register the same striking rise in commodity prices shown in the inflation period of 1919 to 1920."

"It should be remembered, however," Mr. Warburg says, "that in those years (1919-20) there prevailed a shortage of commodities and a passionate demand for them, while at present the world is craving the ownership of shares [of stock] and for the satisfaction of new wants."

Whether Mr. Warburg had the fact in mind or not, is it not true that the same reservoir of artificially created income which Mr. Warburg sees the American people are employing for gambling purposes on Wall Street, has long been used by them in meeting the country's increasing bill for luxuries.

In other words, is not this artificially created income responsible for a sham prosperity which goes far to explain our people's increase in aggregate annual income from 30 billion dollars on the average during the years 1910-1914 to more than 100 billion dollars at the present time and still on the jump?"

TWO INFLATIONARY ERAS COMPARED.

The popular notion "that we live in a new era" in which the laws of economics are suspended, in which all financial records are broken and in which an indefinite continuance of the breaking of financial records may be confidently looked forward to," is pretty well riddled (if not "shot to pieces") by the "Two New Eras Compared, 1896-1903 and 1921-1928" setup and demonstrated by that expert in such matters, Dr. Benjamin M. Anderson Jr., Economist of the Chase National Bank of New York City, a document* cited quite fully in the "Chronicle" of Feb. 16 1929, pages 988, 989.

Both eras, it is shown, succeeded an abnormally rapid extension of credit, floating and fixed, made possible by extraordinary gold supplies, world-wide in 1896-1903, strictly American in their excess in the present instance. Both eras also achieved an industrial development so exceptional as to arouse extravagant expectations of "boundless prosperity" and cause an enormous development of bank deposits, bank and other loans, stock flotations (sought of late in preference to bonds) and a spectacular flight of stock prices. The famous Northern Pacific Corner it will be remembered took place during the earlier era, on May 9 1901.

Disillusionment came at last in the earlier period and in its own way and time, as the different circumstances of the case may dictate, it is fair to assume, Dr. Anderson intimates, will probably come sooner or later for the era still current, if matters are allowed to proceed as they have of late through credit expansion.

STRIKING FEATURES OF PRESENT ERA SOMEWHAT DISGUISED.

Dr. Anderson as a banker views the situation from the credit side—too much gold, excessive credit—too great

expectations, over expansion, with the future wrapped in uncertainty. Since his aim is merely to disprove the claim made for our "new era" 1921-1928, that it is a new and abiding kind of prosperity, he hardly gives, it seems to the writer, sufficient emphasis to the fact that this period is manifestly a development of the war and post-war inflation, that it rests on these as its underlying foundation and cannot be measured accurately either in its details or general importance, except as part of those earlier inflationary periods.

For instance, the extent to which bank loans and bank holdings of stocks and bonds have influenced the operation of business during this current period is clouded by the fact that the great sums borrowed by our nation for war purposes are still being liquidated and the proceeds thrown into business, speculation, &c.

Who can doubt the great stimulation of business enterprise by the circumstance that 6½ billions of our national debt incurred on war account, has been paid off since 1918, and that our former Allies and other nations to whom we loaned money because of the war, have returned to us by way of interest and principal one and a half billion dollars, or almost exactly the net amount of our gold imports (\$1,570,585,000) from 1921 to 1926, both inclusive, so that the one may be said to have caused the other?

The apparent decrease, also of 3% noted by Dr. Anderson since June 1921 in commercial loans (which some would take as proving the absence of business inflation) is hardly what it appears to be. On the one hand the great prosperity which has come to many large corporations by reason of the huge popular buying movement, and the power which this prosperity has given these corporations to float large stock issues, has relieved them, and placed upon the people themselves and the municipalities which they constitute, the burden of doing the bulk of the borrowing which this inflationary movement requires.

On the other hand the report of the Federal Reserve Board for the year 1922 ("Chronicle," Jan. 20 1923, p. 228) states that although business revived more promptly following the credit collapse of 1920, the liquidation of the frozen loans resulting from this period of 1919-20 was not completed until the end of 1922. If we compare the commercial bank loans of the latter date, approximately \$7,969,000,000 with those of June 30 1928, we find an increase in the interval of \$776,000,000 or 9.7% instead of a decrease of 3%.

This is relatively a small matter, but it goes to show how intimately the recent era is connected with the previous eras mentioned. The great fact remains, as Dr. Anderson says, that our "new era" so called, is much more a matter of expanding finance than of expanding commerce," most notably so, if we add, of the kind which makes for profit and earnings as distinguished from luxurious living.

SOARING PRICES NOT ALWAYS ESSENTIAL TO INFLATION

To the writer there is nothing more incomprehensible than the manner in which most economists cling to the notion that there can be no real runaway (or walkaway) inflation without the soaring of commodity prices—as if prices were not always, except when artificially controlled, the products of supply and demand. Because of this assumption, the economists would have us believe that whatever else may be wrong in the United States to-day it is not a combined business credit inflation of the progressive type.

This diagnosis flies directly in the face of the facts that we have recited disclosing the presence of substantially all the other leading characteristics of inflation and the further fact that, inflation or no inflation, the country's price level during the past seven years could not by any possibility escape the influence of these extraordinary conditions of over-production, competition and depression in some lines and the great economies and inventions in all lines which owing to the war and its consequences prevail in the United States to-day and have prevailed since our recovery from the foreign-buying boom of 1919-20 and its collapse.

* Published Feb. 1 1929 in the "Chase Economic Bulletin." Other works by the same author of importance on this subject and similarly published are: "Some Side Lights on the Money Situation," Feb. 13 1929; "Brokers Loans and Bank Credit," Oct. 31 1928; "The Autumn Money Market," Sept. 27 1928; "Bank Expansion vs. Savings," June 25 1928; "An Analysis of the Money Market," June 4 1928; "Some Major Forces in the International Money Market," Oct. 29 1927.

As stated by a distinguished foreign economist, discussing foreign finances after the World War, what we know as inflation (the pernicious self-perpetuating expansion of wages, credit, &c.) is bound to occur whenever an eager buyer like a nation going to war (or a vast body of people intent on intemperate spending over long periods) enters industrial markets armed with new credits or new money—in other words, greatly increased artificial purchasing power. The large influx of business and the heavy competition for labor and supplies and the resulting abnormal profits and higher wages so generated, invariably set in motion the dreaded vicious circle, which if shortage of supplies and products arises, will embrace also advancing prices.

But advancing prices are merely incidental. If supplies are kept adequate, if competition is active, and if the purchasing power of the nation or of a substantial part of its population, can be kept on the increase in a manner to promote a rising wave of buying without oft repeated advances in prices; and if as a class, the producers and distributors can under these conditions earn anything like reasonable profits, why then certainly the cyclonic rise of credits, wages, profits, and luxury or other exceptional buying may go on rolling higher and higher, with the raising of price schedules long deferred. This is evidently what has been going on in the United States since 1921; and in addition, purchasing power so far as the rank and file of union labor is concerned, has been effectually increased during this period by the raising coincidentally of union wages and a material subsidence of cost of living.

It surely is not necessary to state more fully than we have already done what causes have from 1921 to date been powerful enough to keep prices from joining the union wages in their upward flight during this inflationary period. Briefly they are:

- (1) Public sentiment and boycotting against profiteering.
- (2) The natural tendency of prices, where conditions permit, to return from inflated to pre-war level.
- (3) Keen competition, foreign and domestic, in the essential lines, especially as to food stuffs, clothing and fuel,—coal and oil, and their substitutes gas and electricity. This competition keeps down prices for these essentials and so mitigates operating and living costs, public and private, in every department.

(4) The excessively low transportation rates forced on the grain carrying roads of the Northwest, and the relatively low rates for other railroad freight and express transportation under (a) State and Commission regulation, and (b) the virtually subsidized competition of highway and postoffice.

(5) The intense desire of the public for luxury products which absorbs spending power and so depresses essential lines, such as clothing and textiles.

(6) Keen competition in the several luxury lines.

(7) The numberless inventions and economies, the new labor saving machinery and the substitute products, for which this decade is famous.

(8) The mass production and its reduction of unit overhead, due to abnormal expansion of home markets.

(9) The greater efficiency and the small turnover of labor heavily committed as it is on building, purchase, insurance and current living accounts.

(10) The excessively low prices for important imports such as sugar, coffee, rubber, tropical fruits, &c., produced by the use or help of low-priced foreign labor.

Subject to such a varied battalion of depressing elements, it is hardly surprising that we have a business credit inflation with the average level of prices up to the present time relatively heavy. It is fortunate that this has been the case, for rising prices greatly complicate and aggravate inflation and render it difficult of readjustment.

On the other hand excessive prices are capable of being rapidly dissipated, if other conditions be set right. But not similarly incidental or easily rectified are the other really essential elements of inflation with which the nation is undoubtedly afflicted to a serious extent at the present time, namely: Inflated union wages, a heavy burden on the community at large; swollen bank deposits on a much diminished proportion of gold; uncommonly heavy fixed charges, municipal and individual; bloated capitalization; plant accounts, swollen far beyond normal needs; dwellings and factories too costly or unsuited in a great number of cases for the more modest demands of normal times.

Marked as has been the relative stability of prices in the United States for seven years past, signs are not wanting that this phase may be drawing to a close. Apparent evidence of such an event is seen in the narrowing margin of profits for many companies—a painfully narrow margin when business falls off even slightly; and also in the many hundred formal demands for higher tariff schedules that have been made in the interest of "prosperity."

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Indications of Business Activity

THE STATE OF TRADE—COMMERCIAL EPITOME.

Friday Night, April 26 1929.

Business has been unfavorably affected by the weather, which in some parts of the country has been too cool and in others too rainy. It has been remarkably cool for this time of the year at the South and there have been tornadoes there which have done considerable damage. There are some fears of flooded rivers later on in the West, if not in the South. Trade in the rural sections has been in some degree lessened. Jobbing trade has been quiet as the spring progresses. The weather has been unfavorable for building, whether of houses or of roads. But it is still none the less true that, taking trade as a whole, it is fair to good. It is certainly unmistakably better than it was at this time last year. The output of steel is still very large. The Western credit situation is better. Naturally enough, with trade retarded here and there by bad weather, the collections are not everywhere prompt. In fact, on the whole they are backward. This of course is a distinct drawback, but it is one that is likely to mend as the weather improves and the turnover of goods increases. Coal has not been in very good demand, with competition sharp for the industrial trade. Returns for March and the first quarter indicate clearly enough that there was great activity in factory and cognate industries. Production of coke in March and the first quarter was on the largest scale in three years. For the first quarter the gain was a little over 12½%, and for March 14½%. Damage to fruit in Florida by the fly pest is feared. Time money has been easier but European bank rates have had an upward tendency. To-day call money here was 16%. In cotton textiles, strikes at the South have naturally

caused more or less decrease in the production, but in some parts of the Carolinas the situation has latterly been rather better. Here coarse cotton goods have declined in response to lower prices for raw cotton. Wool has been dull.

Wheat declined 3 to 5 cents because of favorable crop reports the failure of farm relief to take definite shape and finally the liquidation of May and July. Exporting countries hold very large stocks. There has been a tendency, however, to increase the short account at Chicago. Corn declined 2½c. under the influence of the lower prices for wheat, but has shown less weakness than wheat as cash prices have been rather firm with receipts only moderate and the visible supply sharply reduced. The seeding, too, has been rather slow. Oats have responded, but slightly to the decline in other grain, for cash oats have been at a premium over May and the weather has been bad for seeding. Moreover the acreage may be smaller this year. Rye declined about 2c. net, not always following wheat very readily, for rye is considered cheap and there has been a little export demand. If the stories are true that Russia and Germany will have to buy grain, rye may yet have its day. Provisions declined moderately in company with grain and because of May liquidation, but at the lower prices packers have been good buyers of lard, which at times has been half a cent lower than a year ago, while hogs have been 1½c. higher than then. Rubber has been very irregular, but the factory demand, so-called pool buying, and some covering left the prices about ¼c. higher. London was higher to-day. Nevertheless the rubber shipments from the Far East are large, suggesting that potential sources of supply may be greater than have been suspected. Sugar has latterly been active

at an advance to 1 15-16c. for Cuban raws and futures are higher than a week ago. European consumption is stated as $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ larger than a year ago. Final absorption of so-called distressed lots of duty-free sugar has injected greater strength into the sugar market.

Cotton declined $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ c. under very heavy liquidation due to a growing conviction that the crop prospects were improving, that the acreage will be larger than has been heretofore expected, and finally the decline at times in stocks and wheat. Some think the acreage will be some 50,000,000 acres. In parts of the belt private reports say the acreage will be increased 10%. One report put the average increase at 5%. In Northern and Northwestern Texas the season is reported to be 10 days to three weeks earlier than last year. A break of 50 to 60 points had a distinctly disturbing effect and stop orders have been plentiful. The crop outlook at the moment is called unusually good. Meantime the technical position is better with everybody bearish.

Coffee has advanced about $\frac{1}{4}$ c. on Rio and about half that on Santos, with less uneasiness about Brazilian finances. It is now believed that the Defense Committee will be supplied with ample funds. The Bank of Brazil is said to have arranged for a credit of £5,000,000, supposedly, however, at a high rate. Cocoa is $\frac{1}{4}$ c. lower for May delivery. Tin has dropped nearly $\frac{1}{2}$ c. Copper has been quiet. Iron has been quiet and steel in fair demand with semi-finished rather scarce.

The Stock Market early in the week advanced with money relatively easy, but at one time to-day some shares reacted 1 to 5 points with an increase in brokers' loans of \$67,000,000 and a rise in the call money rate to 16%, as banks called some \$20,000,000. Thereupon the City National Bank offered \$5,000,000, thus preventing a further rise in the rate. This was reminiscent of late March and the opening of April when rates were 15 to 20%, the latter on March 26. The offering of the City National money caused some recovery in stocks. German exchange had a severe decline. The Reichsbank rate of discount is 1% higher at $7\frac{1}{2}\%$.

At Newmarket, N. H., the Newmarket Mill has completely suspended operations indefinitely, and the company seems likely to remove to another town. Recently 200 looms were moved to Lowell and more machinery was moved on the 21st to its Massachusetts plant. Charlotte, N. C., wired late last week that those in closest touch with the strikes at Carolina mills believe that the trouble has dwindled so rapidly that they will end in another week; that communistic activities which began at Gastonia and spread to a limited extent to Pineville and Lexington, are on the wane. The Loray Mill, where the strike started, was practically in full operation again. Latest reports indicate that the Chadwick-Hoskins Mills, Pineville, which were closed indefinitely on account of the strike would reopen within a few days upon petition of the employees, including those who on strike. In South Carolina where several strikes occurred on account of the so-called efficiency systems, the atmosphere was considerably cleared when one mill resumed operations and developments at other plants affected by strikes indicated that a settlement would be reached within a short time. Yesterday, Charlotte, N. C. reported the resumption of operations of the Wennonah Mills at Lexington, N. C. and another walkout at the Laroy Mills of Gastonia. The Wennonah Co., is said to have made a slightly upward revision in the wage scale, but refused recognition of the National Union.

At Manchester, it is stated, the emergency committee of the Federation of Master Spinners has decided to recommend lockout of all federation mills from noon, May 18, unless cardroom operatives, now on strike at the Alma Mill, Oldham, return to work. Nearly two hundred thousand workers will be affected. An extraordinary general meeting of the association has been called for May 3d when members will be asked to approve the recommendation. It appears that the strike arose over an alteration of the rates of pay which meant a reduction in wages. The existing agreement between the federation and Cardroom Operatives Amalgamation provides "that notice to cease work shall not be posted at any mill until the matter in dispute has been considered by the joint committees of the two organizations, both local and central." In the present instance, the Oldham Cardroom Association, posted notices and came out on strike without any joint meeting having been sought. Although their own amalgamation asked them on two occasions to order strikers to return to work they have refused to comply. The federation maintains the important principle of collective bargaining is involved in the controversy.

Over the 20th and 21st inst. tornadoes in the Southwest killed 22 persons and floods did much damage. The Mississippi River levee broke at Canton, Ohio, and swept over 200 homes. Quincy, Ill., faced a flood stage of the Mississippi on the 2d. Heavy rains in the upper Mississippi water shed swelled its tributaries in Iowa, Wisconsin and Illinois. The effect of persistent rains in the East was overflowed streams in Southern New York and Northern Pennsylvania. The Mohawk river was in flood at Schenectady. New York and New Jersey had a severe thunderstorm. Tornadoes killed 16 persons in Arkansas and Mississippi. Kansas City reported tornadoes on the 21st inst. for the third successive day.

Here on the 24th inst. the temperatures were 46 to 63 degrees, at Boston 42 to 68, at Chicago 50 to 56, Cincinnati 50 to 74, Cleveland 46 to 64, Detroit 48 to 62, Kansas City 56 to 66, Milwaukee 42 to 48, St. Paul 50 to 52, Montreal 38 to 62, Omaha 50 to 66, Philadelphia 48 to 68, Portland, Me. 34 to 66, San Francisco 48 to 62, Seattle 42 to 64, St. Louis 54 to 72. In Texas on the 24th inst. 10 were killed by a tornado. Nebraskas towns were damaged by heavy storms. Owing to the recent heavy rains in Central and Northeastern Missouri, revised flood warnings have been issued for the Mississippi and lower Missouri River. Tornadoes are reported to have done considerable property damage in Georgia, South Carolina and Kansas. On Thursday night there was a violent thunderstorm here. To-day the New York temperatures 57 to 65 degrees and the forecast is for fair and cooler to-night and to-morrow. In Chicago yesterday it was 44 to 64.

Secretary of Commerce Lamont Finds Business Situation Favorable—Sees Evidences of Revival of Building Activity.

In viewing the business situation as gratifying, Secretary of Commerce Lamont on April 22 pointed to evidences of a revival in building activities and the record automobile production figures for March and the first quarter of the year. A dispatch from Washington to the New York "Times", in reporting this, added:

The daily average of building contracts in the Eastern States, according to statistics prepared for Mr. Lamont, was \$35,495,000 for the week ended April 13, as compared with \$26,494,000 for the week of April 6; \$21,550,000 for the week of March 30, and \$24,919,000 during the week ended April 14 a year ago.

This steady increase was particularly gratifying, Mr. Lamont said, because of the fact that there had been a decline in building activity as a whole during January, February and March, the first quarter of this year, as compared with the same period a year ago. These losses were attributed in some quarters to a slowing up of speculative building as a result of high interest rates due to speculative activities on the Stock Exchanges.

Mr. Lamont's statement was supplemented by the findings of other Commerce Department experts, who called attention to the fact that the total of \$213,000,000 in building contracts for the week ended April 13 was the largest week's total since the last week of April a year ago.

"In fact, with the exception of the figure for the week ended April 28, 1928, and that for the week ended October 31 1927," the findings said, "the report for this week shows larger building awards in a single week than in any other period since these data became available at the beginning of 1924. The week's contracts were well distributed geographically, with 60% of the total placed in New York State, northern New Jersey and the midwest.

"The large awards of the past week are very significant in that the building industry has for a long time been considered by many business observers as the balance wheel of American industry.

"Since large contracts consume months in fulfillment, the figures on new building awards indicate potential demand for building materials, labor, furnishings and, through the channels of trade, increased consumer-buying."

The automobile production figures to which Mr. Lamont referred showed an output of 584,733 vehicles in March and 1,460,801 for the first quarter, as compared with 413,314 during March, 1928, and 968,838 in the first quarter of that year.

Price Instability Diminished in Past Seven Years, According to Dr. F. C. Mills, in Study Made for President's Committee on Recent Economic Changes.

Evidence that one of the great disturbing factors of business—price instability—has diminished during the last seven and a half years as a vital economic phenomenon is disclosed by Dr. Frederick C. Mills, in a chapter on "Price Movements and Related Industrial Changes" of a survey made for the President's Committee on Recent Economic Changes by the National Bureau of Economic Research. Dr. Mills, who is Associate Professor of Business Statistics at Columbia University, finds that this period has been notable for the fact that business men are looking for profits in other directions than those sought in an era of price fluctuation. In his Chapter, Dr. Mills indicates that the speculative element,

to a large degree, is going out of business; and that present and future profits are largely to be determined by a closer diagnosis of management problems to eliminate wastes and improve efficiency. In his report Dr. Mills says:

During the quarter century preceding the war, commodity prices and the relations among such prices were relatively unstable. The prices of individual commodities were subject to relatively abrupt changes from month to month and from year to year, and the forces tending to alter existing price relations were strong. Both these conditions served to introduce a considerable degree of uncertainty into business operations, and to enhance the speculative features of such operations.

Perhaps more important, however, is the fact that these various measures of economic stability showed a definite tendency to decline during this pre-war period. The variability of individual commodity prices was diminishing and there was less disturbance in price relations.

The level of wholesale prices in the United States has shown no definite tendency either to rise or fall since 1922. The net movement has been slightly downward. There is no evidence, either in domestic or world conditions, that the pre-war rise will be resumed.

War-time developments gave a sharp check to the pre-war tendency toward economic stability as reflected in the declining variability of individual prices and the greater stability of price relations. The extreme war-time disturbances persisted for several years after the war, but since 1922 there have been fewer of those abrupt changes in prices and price relations which characterized the nineties of the last century, and which gave to the war immediate post-war years their distinctive business flavor.

These tendencies toward price stability which have reasserted themselves after the disturbances of the war years will, if they persist, materially affect the economic complexion of the years before us. A tendency toward greater stability of prices and of price relations involves a change in the direction in which business men look for profits. Something of the speculative element goes out of business when such a tendency prevails. The high profits and the great losses which go with extremes in the prices of individual commodities and with changes in the relations among prices, alike tend to disappear. Business and prices both become more stable. There is evidence that our economic system is moving in this direction.

The survey of which Dr. Mills' chapter is a part is the result of extensive researches in progress since January 1928, when the Committee on Recent Economic Changes was appointed. The survey was made for the Committee, which completed its analysis of the survey data on March 2 1929. The Committee's report—appraisal of factors of stability and instability in our economic life—will be published sometime in May. The Committee on Recent Economic Changes is a continuation of the President's Unemployment Conference of 1922-23 which through a Committee on Business Cycles and Unemployment then made a report on booms and depressions based on a survey of the National Bureau of Economic Research. As now constituted the Committee consists of President Hoover, Chairman, Walter F. Brown, Renick W. Dunlap, William Green, Julius Klein, John Lawrence, Max Mason, Adolph C. Miller, Lewis E. Pierson, John J. Raskob, A. W. Shaw, Louis J. Taber, Daniel Willard, George McFadden, Clarence M. Woolley, Owen D. Young and Edward Eyre Hunt, secretary. The work of the experts of the National Bureau of Economic Research was made possible through grants from the Carnegie Corporation of New York and the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial.

Wholesale Prices in March Higher than in February.

The general level of wholesale prices in March was slightly above that of February, according to information collected in representative markets by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor. The Bureau's weighted index number stands at 97.5 for March, compared with 96.7 for February, an increase of approximately 3/4 of 1%. Compared with March 1928 with an index number of 96.0, an increase of over 1 1/2% is shown. Based on these figures, the purchasing power of the dollar in March was 102.6, compared with 100.0 in the year 1926. The Bureau's advices April 18 also state:

Farm products as a group were over 1 1/2% higher than in the preceding month, due to pronounced increases for beef cattle, hogs, sheep and lambs, poultry, and cotton. Grains, eggs, potatoes, and wool, on the other hand, were cheaper than in February.

Among foods there were increases for fresh and cured meats, and decreases for butter and flour. The group as a whole showed no change in the general price level.

Hides and skins advanced slightly, while leather declined sharply, resulting in a net decline for the group of hides and leather products. Boots and shoes showed no change in average prices.

In the group of textile products advances in cotton goods were offset by declines in silk and rayon. Prices of woolen and worsted goods were fairly stable, while prices of other textile products advanced. No change in the group as a whole was reported.

Prices of anthracite and bituminous coal and petroleum products weakened in the month, causing a net decline for the group of fuel and lighting materials.

Among metals and metal products, iron and steel products advanced slightly, while more pronounced increases were recorded for ingot and sheet copper, copper wire, lead, quicksilver, and zinc. The increase for the group as a whole was nearly 2%.

Advancing prices of lumber and shingles caused a small net increase in the group of building materials.

Small decreases were shown for the groups of chemicals and drugs, house-furnishing goods, and miscellaneous commodities.

Raw materials, semi-manufactured articles, and finished products all averaged somewhat higher than in February, as did non-agricultural commodities considered as a whole.

Comparing prices in March with those of a year ago, as measured by changes in the index numbers, it is seen that metals and metal products and building materials were considerably higher, while farm products were somewhat higher. A negligible price increase was shown for foods, while no change in the price level was reported for chemicals and drugs. Small decreases between the two periods took place among textile products, fuel and lighting materials, and housefurnishing goods, and a considerable decrease among hides and leather products and articles classed as miscellaneous.

INDEX NUMBERS OF WHOLESALE PRICES BY GROUPS AND SUB-GROUPS OF COMMODITIES. (1926=100.0.)

Groups and Subgroups.	March 1928.	February 1929.	March 1929.	Purchasing Power of the Dollar, March 1929.
All commodities.....	96.0	96.7	97.5	102.6
Farm products.....	103.5	105.4	107.1	93.4
Grains.....	113.6	102.0	98.2	103.5
Livestock and poultry.....	96.3	101.8	111.0	90.1
Other farm products.....	105.0	109.2	107.5	93.0
Foods.....	98.0	98.1	98.1	101.9
Butter, cheese, and milk.....	104.2	109.9	109.2	91.6
Meats.....	94.7	102.3	108.5	92.2
Other foods.....	97.7	99.9	87.4	114.4
Hides and leather products.....	124.0	109.0	108.3	92.3
Hides and skins.....	157.3	106.4	107.9	92.7
Leather.....	129.3	117.1	112.8	88.7
Boots and shoes.....	109.5	106.6	106.6	93.8
Other leather products.....	108.4	107.6	107.3	93.2
Textile products.....	96.5	96.1	96.1	104.1
Cotton goods.....	100.9	100.8	101.3	98.7
Silk and rayon.....	84.7	83.1	81.9	122.1
Woolen and worsted goods.....	100.6	100.9	100.7	99.3
Other textile products.....	88.6	85.6	86.2	116.0
Fuel and lighting.....	80.8	81.3	80.6	124.1
Anthracite coal.....	94.8	91.6	91.4	109.4
Bituminous coal.....	93.8	93.7	92.0	108.7
Coke.....	84.4	85.1	85.2	117.4
Manufactured gas.....	95.8	92.2	*	---
Petroleum products.....	66.6	68.9	68.5	146.0
Metals and metal products.....	98.4	104.4	106.4	94.0
Iron and steel.....	95.2	96.9	97.1	103.0
Non-ferrous metals.....	90.4	105.0	117.2	85.3
Agricultural implements.....	98.8	98.8	98.8	101.2
Automobiles.....	104.3	111.6	111.6	89.6
Other metal products.....	97.9	98.4	98.4	101.6
Building materials.....	91.0	97.5	97.8	102.2
Lumber.....	88.9	95.0	96.8	103.3
Brick.....	92.3	92.5	92.2	108.5
Cement.....	96.5	94.6	94.6	105.7
Structural steel.....	97.0	97.0	97.0	103.1
Paint materials.....	85.5	86.3	86.7	115.3
Other building materials.....	92.7	108.6	110.5	90.5
Chemicals and drugs.....	95.6	96.1	95.6	104.6
Chemicals.....	101.0	102.4	101.6	98.4
Drugs and pharmaceuticals.....	71.1	71.1	71.1	140.6
Fertilizer materials.....	96.5	94.7	94.7	108.6
Fertilizers.....	96.8	97.1	96.7	103.4
Housefurnishing goods.....	98.3	96.6	96.5	103.6
Furniture.....	97.9	95.0	95.0	105.3
Furnishings.....	98.6	97.6	97.4	102.7
Miscellaneous.....	86.8	80.4	80.0	125.0
Cattle feed.....	154.4	129.3	122.2	81.8
Paper and pulp.....	90.5	87.8	87.8	113.9
Rubber.....	55.0	49.6	50.6	197.6
Automobile tires.....	69.8	56.1	55.9	178.9
Other miscellaneous.....	98.3	100.3	100.2	99.8
Raw materials.....	97.9	98.1	98.9	101.1
Semi-manufactured articles.....	97.8	97.2	99.1	100.9
Finished products.....	94.8	95.9	96.5	103.6
Non-agricultural commodities.....	94.0	94.3	94.9	105.4

* Data not yet available.

Retail Food Prices in March Slightly Under Those of Month Ago—Increase as Compared with March 1928.

The retail food index issued by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor shows for March 15 1929 a decrease of a little less than 1% since Feb. 15 1929, an increase of a little more than 1% since March 15 1928, and an increase of approximately 58% since March 15 1913. The index number (1913=100.0) was 151.4 in March 1928, 154.4 in February 1929, and 153.0 in March 1929. The Bureau's survey, issued April 19 continues:

During the month from February 15 1929, to March 15 1929, 8 articles on which monthly prices were secured decreased as follows: Strictly fresh eggs, 14%; oranges, 11%; bananas, 4%; cabbage, 3%; sugar, 2%; canned red salmon, 1%; and butter and oleomargarine, less than five-tenths of 1%. Seventeen articles increased: Pork chops, 7%; hens, onions and canned tomatoes, 2%; sliced ham, leg of lamb, navy beans, baked beans and prunes, 1%; and sirloin steak, round steak, rib roast, chuck roast, sliced bacon, vegetable lard substitute, tea and coffee, less than five-tenths of 1%. The following 17 articles showed no change in the month: Plate beef, fresh milk, evaporated milk, cheese, lard, bread, flour, cornmeal, rolled oats, corn flakes, wheat cereal, macaroni, rice, potatoes, canned corn, canned peas and raisins.

Changes in Retail Prices of Food by Cities.

During the month from Feb. 15 1929, to March 15 1929, there was a decrease in the average cost of food in 44 of the 51 cities as follows: Birmingham, Cleveland, Columbus, Denver, Little Rock, Memphis, Portland, Ore., and Seattle, 2%; Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston, Bridgeport, Buffalo, Butte, Charleston, Chicago, Cincinnati, Detroit, Houston, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Louisville, Milwaukee, Newark, New Orleans, New York, Peoria, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Portland, Me., Rochester, St. Paul, Salt Lake City, Scranton, Springfield, Ill., and Washington, 1%; and Manchester, Minneapolis, New Haven, Norfolk, Omaha, Richmond and St. Louis, less than five-tenths of 1%. The following four cities increased: Dallas and Providence, 1%; and Jacksonville and Mobile, less than five-tenths of 1%; and in Fall River, San Francisco and Savannah there was no change in the month.

For the year period March 15 1928 to March 15 1929, 39 cities showed increases: Omaha, 5%; Dallas and Louisville, 4%; Atlanta, Butte, Cincinnati, Columbus, Houston, Indianapolis, Little Rock, New Orleans, Pittsburgh, and Salt Lake City, 3%; Charleston, S. C., Chicago, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Memphis, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Peoria, Richmond, St. Louis, and Seattle, 2%; Birmingham, Buffalo, Denver, Detroit, New Haven, Norfolk, Portland, Ore., St. Paul, San Francisco, Savannah,

Springfield, Ill., and Washington, 1%, and Baltimore, Fall River, and New York, less than five-tenths of 1%. Eleven cities showed decreases: Philadelphia and Rochester, 2%; Boston, Bridgeport, Cleveland, Mobile, Newark, and Portland, Me., 1%; and Manchester, Providence, and Scranton, less than five-tenths of 1%. In Jacksonville there was no change in the year.

As compared with the average cost in the year 1913, food on March 15 1929 was 64% higher in Chicago; 61% in Richmond; 59% in Detroit, Scranton, and Washington; 58% in Atlanta, Buffalo, Cincinnati, and Pittsburgh; 57% in Birmingham, Dallas, and St. Louis; 56% in Milwaukee and Minneapolis; 55% in Baltimore, Charleston, S. C., Louisville, New Haven, New York and Providence; 54% in Boston, New Orleans and Philadelphia; 52% in Indianapolis and Kansas City; 51% in Fall River and Manchester; 50% in San Francisco; 49% in Cleveland, Little Rock, and Omaha; 47% in Memphis; 46% in Newark; 44% in Seattle; 42% in Los Angeles; 41% in Jacksonville; 39% in Portland, Ore.; 37% in Denver; and 31% in Salt Lake City. Prices were not obtained in Bridgeport, Butte, Columbus, Houston, Mobile, Norfolk, Peoria, Portland, Me., Rochester, St. Paul, Savannah, and Springfield, Ill., in 1913, hence no comparison for the 16-year period can be given for these cities.

The index numbers follow:

INDEX NUMBERS OF RETAIL PRICES OF THE PRINCIPAL ARTICLES OF FOOD IN THE UNITED STATES (1913=100.0).

Year and Month.	Str-loin steak	Row'd steak	Rib roast	Ch'k roast	Plate beef	Pork chops	Bacon	Ham	Hens	Milk	But-ter	Ch'se
1907	71.5	63.0	76.1	---	---	74.3	74.4	75.7	81.4	87.2	85.3	---
1908	73.3	71.2	78.1	---	---	76.1	76.9	77.6	83.0	89.6	85.5	---
1909	76.6	73.5	81.3	---	---	82.7	82.9	82.0	88.5	91.3	90.1	---
1910	80.3	77.9	84.6	---	---	91.6	94.5	91.4	93.6	94.6	93.8	---
1911	80.6	78.7	84.8	---	---	85.1	91.3	89.3	91.0	95.6	87.9	---
1912	91.0	89.3	93.6	---	---	91.2	90.5	90.6	93.5	97.4	97.7	---
1913	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1914	102.0	105.8	103.0	104.4	104.1	104.6	101.8	101.7	102.2	100.5	94.4	103.6
1915	101.1	103.0	101.4	100.6	100.0	96.4	99.8	97.2	97.5	99.2	93.4	105.0
1916	107.5	109.7	107.4	106.9	106.0	108.3	106.4	109.2	110.7	102.2	103.0	116.7
1917	124.0	129.8	125.5	120.6	129.8	151.7	151.9	142.2	134.5	125.4	127.2	150.4
1918	153.2	165.5	155.1	166.3	170.2	185.7	195.9	178.1	177.0	156.2	150.7	162.4
1919	164.2	174.4	164.1	168.8	166.9	201.4	205.2	198.5	193.0	174.2	177.0	192.8
1920	172.1	177.1	167.7	163.8	151.2	201.4	193.7	206.3	209.9	187.6	183.0	188.2
1921	152.8	154.3	147.0	132.5	118.2	166.2	158.2	181.4	186.4	164.0	145.1	158.9
1922	147.2	144.8	139.4	123.1	105.8	157.1	147.4	181.4	169.0	147.2	125.1	148.9
1923	153.9	150.2	143.4	126.3	106.6	144.8	144.8	169.1	164.3	155.1	135.0	159.7
1924	155.9	151.6	145.5	130.0	109.1	146.7	139.6	168.4	165.7	155.1	135.0	159.7
1925	159.8	158.6	149.5	135.0	114.1	174.3	173.0	195.5	171.8	157.3	143.1	166.1
1926	162.6	159.6	153.0	140.6	120.7	183.1	189.3	213.4	182.2	157.3	138.6	165.6
1927	167.7	166.4	158.1	148.1	127.3	175.2	174.8	204.5	173.2	158.4	145.2	170.1
1928	188.2	188.3	176.8	174.4	157.0	165.7	163.0	196.7	175.6	159.6	147.5	174.2
1929	188.2	188.3	176.8	174.4	157.0	165.7	163.0	196.7	175.6	159.6	147.5	174.2
Jan	174.3	174.4	167.2	150.6	144.6	140.5	161.9	190.3	174.6	160.7	150.9	177.4
Feb	178.3	175.3	167.2	161.3	146.3	136.2	159.3	187.7	174.6	159.6	146.9	174.2
March	176.8	177.6	168.7	163.1	147.9	149.0	158.9	188.1	177.0	158.4	143.9	172.9
April	181.5	181.2	172.2	166.3	150.4	168.6	159.6	190.3	177.0	158.4	142.6	172.4
May	186.6	186.5	175.3	172.5	152.9	165.7	160.0	192.2	174.2	157.3	138.6	172.4
June	195.7	196.9	181.8	180.5	167.9	177.6	162.6	198.5	172.3	158.4	141.8	173.3
July	200.8	202.2	184.8	185.0	162.0	190.0	165.9	204.5	172.8	158.6	145.7	175.3
Aug	203.9	205.4	188.9	190.0	170.2	211.0	168.1	208.2	177.9	159.6	150.4	175.1
Sept	198.0	200.0	185.9	188.8	171.9	179.0	164.8	203.0	178.4	160.7	152.1	175.6
Oct	193.3	194.6	183.3	185.6	171.9	170.0	160.4	198.5	177.9	160.7	154.8	174.2
Nov	189.8	191.5	180.3	181.9	163.6	149.0	160.4	198.5	177.9	160.7	154.8	174.2
Dec	190.6	191.0	180.8	181.3	170.2	153.8	159.3	200.0	184.0	160.7	150.7	173.8
Jan	188.2	189.2	178.8	179.4	167.8	157.1	158.2	199.6	186.4	160.7	152.7	172.9
Feb	188.6	189.2	179.3	180.0	167.8	167.6	158.9	201.9	190.1	160.7	152.2	172.9
March	188.6	189.2	179.3	180.0	167.8	167.6	158.9	201.9	190.1	160.7	152.2	172.9

INDEX NUMBERS OF RETAIL PRICES OF THE PRINCIPAL ARTICLES OF FOOD IN THE UNITED STATES.

Year and Month.	Lard	Eggs	Bread	Flour	Corn meal	Rice	Pota-toes	Sug-ar	Tea	Cof-fee	Weighted Food Index
1907	80.7	84.1	---	95.0	87.6	---	105.3	105.3	---	---	82.0
1908	80.5	86.1	---	101.5	92.2	---	111.2	107.7	---	---	84.3
1909	90.1	92.6	---	109.4	93.9	---	112.3	106.6	---	---	87.3
1910	103.8	97.7	---	108.2	94.9	---	101.0	109.3	---	---	93.0
1911	88.4	93.5	---	101.6	94.3	---	130.5	111.4	---	---	92.0
1912	93.5	98.9	---	105.2	101.6	---	132.1	115.1	---	---	97.6
1913	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1914	98.6	102.8	112.5	103.8	103.4	101.2	108.3	108.2	100.4	99.7	102.4
1915	93.4	98.7	125.0	128.8	108.4	104.3	88.9	120.1	100.2	100.6	101.3
1916	174.9	139.4	164.3	211.2	192.2	119.0	252.7	169.3	106.9	101.4	146.4
1917	210.8	164.9	175.0	203.0	226.7	148.3	188.2	176.4	119.1	102.4	168.3
1918	233.5	182.0	178.6	218.2	213.3	173.6	223.5	205.5	128.9	145.3	185.9
1919	186.7	197.4	205.4	245.5	216.7	200.0	370.6	352.7	134.7	157.7	203.4
1920	113.9	147.5	176.8	175.8	150.0	109.2	182.4	145.5	128.1	121.8	153.3
1921	107.6	128.7	155.4	154.5	130.0	109.2	164.7	132.7	125.2	121.1	141.6
1922	115.9	151.0	167.9	184.8	180.0	127.6	211.8	130.9	138.0	140.0	160.6
1923	138.6	140.6	167.9	181.8	179.0	133.3	238.2	125.5	141.0	171.1	160.6
1924	122.2	131.0	166.1	166.7	173.3	123.0	223.5	132.7	142.5	162.1	155.4
1925	117.7	134.5	162.5	163.6	173.3	117.2	176.5	129.1	142.3	162.8	155.1
1926	115.6	162.0	164.3	160.6	173.3	117.2	176.5	129.1	142.3	163.1	151.6
1927	112.7	108.8	162.5	163.6	176.7	114.9	205.9	129.1	141.9	164.1	152.1
1928	114.6	108.7	162.5	169.7	176.7	114.9	194.1	130.9	141.9	164.4	153.8
1929	115.2	112.5	164.3	172.7	176.7	113.8	170.6	132.7	142.1	165.1	152.6
Jan	116.5	120.6	164.3	169.7	176.7	114.9	135.3	132.7	142.3	165.1	152.8
Feb	118.4	130.4	164.3	163.6	176.7	113.8	129.4	129.1	142.3	165.8	154.2
March	122.2	146.1	162.5	160.6	176.7	114.9	129.4	127.3	142.3	166.1	157.8
Jan	123.4	157.4	162.5	157.6	176.7	113.8	129.4	125.5	142.3	166.4	156.8
Feb	120.9	171.9	162.5	154.5	176.7	112.6	129.4	123.6	142.3	166.8	157.3
March	118.4	169.3	160.7	164.5	176.7	113.8	129.4	121.8	142.1	166.8	155.8
1929	117.1	146.7	160.7	154.5	176.7	112.6	135.3	121.8	142.6	166.1	154.6
Jan	116.5	142.3	160.7	154.5	176.7	112.6	135.3	120.0	142.6	166.1	154.4
Feb	116.5	142.3	160.7	154.5	176.7	112.6	135.3	118.2	142.8	166.4	153.0
March	116.5	142.3	160.7	154.5	176.7	112.6	135.3	118.2	142.8	166.4	153.0

Life Insurance Sales in United States Gain in Quarter—March Sales Reach New High Point.

According to the Life Insurance Sales Research Bureau of Hartford, Conn., the March sales of new ordinary life insurance represent a 6% increase over March 1928 sales and a 2% gain over December 1928—formerly the highest month on record. This gain was shared by 55% of the reporting companies. Of the nine sections in the United States, all but three share in the gain, the losses being slight in the North West Central, South Atlantic and West South Central States. In making this known, the Bureau says:

The quarterly period was also a record breaker for ordinary life insurance. A total volume of \$2,360,337,000 was reported for the quarter—a 9% gain over the same quarter in 1928, which was shared by 58% of the reporting companies. The situation for life insurance sales seems excellent and together with the fact that the proportion of life insurance in force compared to the real needs of the population is very low, the situation is doubly favorable. Because of the inherent strength of life insurance, it is reasonable to assume that further records will be broken this year even though some recession in outside conditions should materialize.

The 12-month period ended March 31 1929 was a successful period for sales of ordinary life insurance throughout the country. The United States as a whole increased sales 6% in these months over the preceding year. These figures represent the experience of 78 companies having in force 88% of the total legal reserve ordinary life insurance outstanding in the United States.

NEW ENGLAND.

The New England States, as a whole, show a gain of 5% over March 1928. Rhode Island leads with a 10% monthly increase. A section gain of 6% is recorded for the quarter, Rhode Island leading with a 12% gain. For the 12-month period just ended, the New England States increased 6% over sales in the preceding months.

MIDDLE ATLANTIC.

The very high monthly increase of 13% was made in the Middle Atlantic section, thus leading all the sections in the country. The three States in this section paid for about 35% of the total insurance sold in the United States in March. All States in this section also show substantial gains for the quarter and for the 12-month period just ended.

EAST NORTH CENTRAL.

The East North Central States record an increase of 8% for the month. All States share this gain for March. For the first quarter of 1929 this section shows the largest increase, a gain of 13% over the same period in 1928. For the 12-month period this section shows an average gain of 9%, which gain is also made in the Middle Atlantic States.

WEST NORTH CENTRAL.

The West North Central States show a slight decrease of 3% over March 1928. Minnesota is the only State to show a monthly increase. For the first three months of the year and for the 12-month period just ended, this section shows gains of 2% and 3%, respectively.

SOUTH ATLANTIC.

This section shows a decrease of 2% over sales in March 1928. A 1% increase is reported for the first three months of 1929 as compared to the same period in 1928. Maryland and District of Columbia show substantial quarterly gains, however. Sales in the 12-month period just ended show a slight loss over those of the preceding 12 months.

EAST SOUTH CENTRAL.

The East South Central States as a whole show a monthly increase of 2%. Tennessee leads the section with an 11% gain. Tennessee also leads this section in its quarterly and 12-month gains. The average volume of business sold in this section for the year is approximately the amount sold last year.

WEST SOUTH CENTRAL.

This section shows a 9% loss in March over March 1928. Louisiana is the only State in the section to record a gain. For the first quarter of 1929 the West South Central States record a 3% decrease over the same period in 1928. For the 12 months just ended this section has a 2% gain over the preceding 12 months.

MOUNTAIN.

A monthly increase of 12% was made in this section—the second largest gain made in March in all the sections of the country. New Mexico leads all States in the United States and records a monthly increase of 41%. For the first quarter of 1929 the Mountain States increased 8% over the same quarter of 1928. For the 12-month period the section increased 6% over the preceding period in 1928—the average for the country as a whole.

PACIFIC.

The Pacific States record a 3% gain for March over March 1928. For the first quarter the Pacific section shows a 9% gain over the same period in 1928. All States share this gain. For the 12-month period just ended, all States also share in the 5% section increase over the preceding 12 months.

Canada Life Insurance Gain is 8% for March—New Life Insurance Increased 11% in Quarter.

Canadian sales of ordinary life insurance increased 8% in March over the volume sold in March 1928. This gain was shared by 60% of the reporting companies. These figures are furnished by the Life Insurance Sales Research Bureau and are based on the experience of companies having in force 84% of the total legal reserve ordinary life insurance outstanding in Canada. The Bureau adds:

The greatest gain for the month was made by Ontario. This Province pays for about 40% of the total new business sold in the Dominion and showed a gain of 14% for the month. The second largest gain was 9% which was made by Alberta.

For the first quarter of 1929 the Dominion as a whole recorded an increase of 11%. Ontario and Quebec both show substantial gains of 13%. An increase of 14% was made in Alberta, leading all the Provinces in the quarterly gain. The colony of Newfoundland, which figures are also reported, showed a 36% increase for the three-month period. New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island are the only Provinces which failed to equal their volume in the first quarter of 1928.

For the 12-month period ended March 31 1929 every Province showed a gain. The Dominion as a whole gained 14% in this period over the preceding 12 months.

The cities continue to show increased sales

at this time. This statement, issued April 18, follows a preliminary statement made April 12. The department's statement of April 18 says:

Ordinarily the board does not report on the probable production of tree fruits at this early date, and the present estimates, it is pointed out, are purely tentative. The probable production of apricots is estimated at the equivalent of 82% of the 1928 production; almonds 45%; cherries 50%; pears 70%; prunes 77%; clingstone peaches 38%; and freestone peaches 68%.

A survey of the damage to California grapes indicates that Thompson's seedless grapes have been damaged to the extent of 30 to 40%; Tokays in the principal areas 40%; Emperors 20%; black juice varieties 10 to 30%; Malagas slight. A combined figure for all grapes is not yet available. Vegetable crops in scattered localities throughout the interior valleys have been damaged, but the extent has not been determined.

Comparable data for other years at this time of the season are not available, so that the board has no means of judging the accuracy of the present report on probable production.

Canadian Trade Conditions as Viewed by Bank of Montreal.

Retail trade in Canada has suffered a slight check in April on account of excessive rainfall in Central Ontario, inclement weather in many parts of Eastern Canada and impassable roads, but no apparent damper has been put on general trade by the sharp decline in the stock market, according to the monthly summary of the Bank of Montreal. In most lines of trade conditions are reported as satisfactory. Production of automobiles continues on a scale above that of any preceding year, and in addition to large domestic buying the foreign field is steadily enlarging. No slowing down has occurred in building construction and engineering works, figures for March being 18.3% greater than for March 1928 and amounting to \$27,125,000.

Annalist's Weekly Index of Wholesale Commodity Prices.

The "Annalist" weekly index for wholesale commodity prices is 145.2. This is a further drop of 0.1 point from last week and marks a new low for the past twelve months. In announcing this the "Annalist" says:

The decline in the farm products group is 1.6 points, or sufficiently large to absorb price advances in other groups. The farm products group has in the main been responsible for the continued drop of wholesale commodity prices, its index having dropped 16.2 points since April 24 1928, whereas the index for all commodities dropped only 4.8 points. This indicates not merely a relative drop of farm group prices but also that other wholesale commodities have risen. Fuels, metals, building materials and miscellaneous groups show these higher price levels. Prices of farm products this week compared with those of last year illustrate the declines. Wheat this week was \$1.40 against \$2.16 last year; corn \$1.05, against \$1.28; oats 59c., against 75c.; rye \$1.01, against \$1.47, and barley 74c., against \$1.12. On the other hand, pork and beef are virtually at the same price level as last year. Changes within the week were typical of the tendency during the year. In the farm products group all grain and cotton prices declined further, while animal products were in a strong price position. The food products group reflected this week the advance of animal products in the farm group. Beef, pork, veal, butter and egg prices advanced.

THE "ANNALIST" WEEKLY INDEX OF WHOLESALE COMMODITY PRICES (1913=100).

	Apr. 24 1929	Apr. 16 1929	Apr. 24 1928
Farm products.....	141.4	143.1	157.7
Food products.....	146.7	144.9	152.1
Textile products.....	151.9	151.9	153.2
Fuel.....	161.5	161.5	156.8
Metals.....	128.3	128.1	120.6
Building materials.....	154.1	154.1	151.7
Chemicals.....	135.2	135.1	134.6
Miscellaneous.....	121.7	120.3	115.6
All commodities.....	145.2	145.3	150.0

Loading of Railroad Revenue Freight Above Both 1928 and 1927.

Loading of revenue freight for the week ended on April 13 totaled 971,730 cars, the Car Service Division of the American Railway Association announced on April 23. Compared with the corresponding week last year, loading of revenue freight for the week was an increase of 59,071 cars, and an increase of 22,169 cars above the corresponding week in 1927. Further details are given as follows:

Miscellaneous freight loading for the week totaled 410,869 cars, an increase of 40,747 cars above the corresponding week last year and 30,440 cars over the same week in 1927.

Coal loading totaled 139,476 cars, a decrease of 1,205 cars under the same week in 1928 and 12,175 cars below the same period two years ago.

Grain and grain products loading amounted to 34,498 cars, a decrease of 2,416 cars below the same week in 1928 but 101 cars above the same week in 1927. In the western districts alone, grain and grain products loading totaled 23,005 cars, a decrease of 2,004 below the same week in 1928.

Live stock loading amounted to 24,210 cars, a decrease of 357 cars below the same week in 1928 and 1,434 cars under the same week in 1927. In the western districts alone, live stock loading totaled 18,693 cars, a decrease of 156 cars under the same week in 1928.

Loading of merchandise less than carload lot freight totaled 266,755 cars, an increase of 7,378 cars above the same week in 1928 and 2,610 cars over the same week in 1927.

Forest products loading amounted to 69,237 cars, 6,812 cars above the same week in 1928 and 1,344 cars above the same week in 1927.

Ore loading amounted to 15,121 cars, 6,456 cars above the same week in 1928 and 2,334 cars over the same week two years ago.

Coke loading totaled 11,564 cars, 1,656 cars above the same week last year, but 51 cars below the corresponding week two years ago.

All districts reported increases in the total loading of all commodities compared with the same week in 1928 while all except the Pocahontas and the Southern districts reported increases compared with the same week in 1927.

Loading of revenue freight in 1929 compared with the two previous years follows:

	1929.	1928.	1927.
Four weeks in January.....	3,570,978	3,448,895	3,756,660
Four weeks in February.....	3,767,758	3,590,742	3,801,918
Five weeks in March.....	4,807,944	4,752,559	4,982,547
Week ended April 6.....	956,364	919,352	953,907
Week ended April 13.....	971,730	912,659	949,561
Total.....	14,074,774	13,624,207	14,444,593

Construction Contracts in March Again Smaller.

Total construction contracts awarded during March in the 37 Eastern States amounted to \$484,847,500, according to statistics compiled by the F. W. Dodge Corp. In March 1928 these construction contracts aggregated \$592,567,000. For the three months of 1929 the contracts awarded foot up \$1,256,089,300, as compared with \$1,485,067,000 in the corresponding three months of 1928.

We give below tables showing the details of projects contemplated in March and for the three months of this year, as compared with the corresponding periods a year ago, following which we give other tables showing the contracts awarded for the same periods. These figures, it is stated, cover 91% of the total United States construction.

Classification.	Month of March.	1929.		1928.		1929.		1928.	
		Number of Projects	Valuation.						
Commercial buildings.....	2,703	\$105,485,200	2,669	\$85,165,300	2,253	\$75,853,800	2,279	\$73,075,300	
Industrial buildings.....	733	36,822,500	653	49,248,200	2,228	39,348,800	317	7,400,400	
Public buildings.....	1,101	106,713,800	1,543	129,407,100	583	77,847,800	674	11,971,800	
Hospitals and institutions.....	139	66,194,800	370	69,297,500	210	2,529,100	209	3,818,500	
Public buildings.....	1,009	87,676,200	605	74,099,600	234	24,317,400	280	2,617,800	
Religious, etc.....	587	42,099,300	630	62,970,700	378	3,089,200	476	6,099,200	
Social, etc.....	811	61,189,900	1,035	101,949,800	478	3,980,800	603	6,378,500	
Non-residential.....	5,218	\$361,088,700	4,812	\$291,816,300	3,711	\$4,927,900	3,836	\$30,807,400	
Residential buildings.....	12,796	874,191,600	13,299	1,119,993,300	8,977	90,050,200	9,497	79,642,900	
Total buildings.....	17,913	\$725,195,800	19,800	\$679,046,800	14,759	\$76,667,200	17,608	\$7,632,500	
Public works, etc.....	2,166	160,879,300	2,471	\$93,562,300	1,036	1,045,900	1,417	1,457,500	
Total construction.....	20,079	\$886,075,100	22,271	\$884,609,100	15,923	\$484,847,500	19,925	\$89,257,000	
Three Months to April 1.....	6,992	\$342,433,900	7,178	\$325,921,500	5,474	\$4,908,200	5,814	\$3,322,500	
Commercial buildings.....	1,959	361,105,000	1,718	242,914,000	1,441	18,358,300	1,441	18,358,300	
Industrial buildings.....	1,101	106,713,800	1,543	129,407,100	583	77,847,800	674	11,971,800	
Educational buildings.....	337	66,194,800	370	69,297,500	210	2,529,100	209	3,818,500	
Hospitals and institutions.....	1,009	87,676,200	605	74,099,600	234	24,317,400	280	2,617,800	
Public buildings.....	857	42,099,300	630	62,970,700	378	3,089,200	476	6,099,200	
Religious, etc.....	587	42,099,300	630	62,970,700	378	3,089,200	476	6,099,200	
Social, etc.....	811	61,189,900	1,035	101,949,800	478	3,980,800	603	6,378,500	
Non-residential.....	12,796	874,191,600	13,299	1,119,993,300	8,977	90,050,200	9,497	79,642,900	
Residential buildings.....	41,899	\$1,931,603,500	49,127	\$2,126,463,500	33,344	188,356,700	41,287	219,770,300	
Total buildings.....	51,153	\$545,377,200	62,627	\$609,823,900	2,440	2,483,900	2,825	2,823,500	
Public works, etc.....	41,899	\$1,931,603,500	49,127	\$2,126,463,500	33,344	188,356,700	41,287	219,770,300	
Total construction.....	47,032	\$2,476,980,700	54,754	\$2,736,287,400	35,884	1,900,840,000	44,092	\$220,654,700	

No General Business Recession in View of Union Trust Co., Cleveland.

Current reports indicate good business throughout the country, and while some seasonal decline from recent peaks is probable for certain industries, no general recession is to be anticipated, according to the Union Trust Co., Cleve-

land. "In spite of the many discussions of the credit situation pro and con, the fact remains that business continues to be able to obtain ample credit for its legitimate needs, at reasonable rates," the banks says in its April business magazine, "Trade Winds." "According to the present outlook, business need have little fear of a credit stringency." The institution adds:

It is true that many banks have endeavored to curtail the granting of credit for speculative purposes—but this has been done in an effort to conserve that credit for strictly commercial needs. While those who seek to make collateral loans for stock market speculation may find money "tight" and rates high, those who seek to borrow for the purposes of operating their businesses in the usual course, are being accommodated insofar as commensurate with good banking practice.

Employment remains at a high level throughout the country. In Cleveland, for instance, the employment index stood at 123.4 in March as compared with 107.8 in March of last year.

It is doubtful, however, as to whether the present rate of industrial activity can be maintained throughout the summer, and while the general volume of business should continue large, a seasonal recession may be anticipated in certain industries, such as automobiles and steel, which have spurred ahead during the spring.

Industrial Situation in Illinois During March—Increase in Employment In Manufacturing Industries—Decline in Wholesale and Retail Lines—Analysis By Cities.

Over 10,000 names were added to the payroll of Illinois manufacturers and contractors during March of this year, but in wholesale and retail trade and in coal mining there was a decline. The month's net gain in employment was 1.1%. Current Illinois employment figures are also higher than those of a year ago by 5.8%, says Sidney W. Wilcox, Chief of the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the Illinois Department of Labor, in furnishing, under date of April 20, in reviewing the industrial situation in Illinois during March. In indicating the situation by industries, Mr. Wilcox says:

In the manufacturing industries the month's percentage increases were 1.7 for male employees, 1.2 for female employees. The largest per cent of gain in employment, 4.8%, was reported by those firms whose payrolls do not indicate the sex of their employees. Often even the number of employees is determined by dividing total man hours by the appropriate working time for one worker. In this case a busy month, with less lost time, cannot be distinguished from a larger working force. After making all allowances the net increase in manufacturing from February to March, for both men and women, was 1.9%. For these workers there was a gain in payroll earnings of 0.9%.

If non-manufacturing industries are included in the reckoning the month's change in earnings is a loss of 1.9% although the change in employment was upward by 1.1%. For several years March has shown an increase in employment accompanied by a decrease in earnings. The industries in which this tendency appeared this year are agricultural implements, furniture, boots and shoes, grocery products, bread and other bakery products and street railways. In February an opposite tendency was noted. Decreased employment with increased average earnings was reported that month in textiles, building construction, road construction, saw and planing mills, metal jobbing houses, hotels and in public utility companies furnishing water, light and power.

The following industries stand out with distinct gains for March in employment or earnings or both; miscellaneous stone and mineral, iron and steel, sheet metal work and hardware, tools and cutlery, cars and locomotives, autos and accessories, machinery, electrical apparatus, instruments and appliances, saw and planing mills, miscellaneous wood products, furs and fur goods, miscellaneous chemicals, knit goods, cotton and woolen goods, thread and twine, women's clothing, women's underwear, dairy products, manufactured ice, ice cream, milk distributing, laundries, building construction and road construction. The most notable reductions were leather, mineral and vegetable oil, printing and paper goods, job printing, edition book binding, lithographing and engravings, overalls and work clothing, fruit and vegetable canning, slaughtering and meat packing, beverages, department stores, the wholesale dry goods stores, wholesale groceries, mail order houses, metal jobbing, hotels and restaurants, water light and power companies, coal mining, and miscellaneous contracting (other than building and road construction).

In the iron and steel industry, the increase in employment for the month was 3.1%. On account of the great size of this industry in Illinois this percentage, though moderate, represents some 2,300 new wage earners. In sheet metal work and hardware the percentage increase was larger, 3.6%, but the number of new employes was only one-fourth as great.

A sharp rate of gain in employment took place both in work on cars and locomotives and in the production of automobiles and accessories, the increases being 10.8% and 10.2% respectively.

The most striking percentage increase was in furs and fur goods with 48.6% more workers than a month ago, but this represents only a few hundred workers.

A marked decline, which affected more workers was in edition book binding where the loss was 33.6%. Job printing suffered a loss of 2.2% and the whole printing and paper goods group of industries contracted working forces by 4.4%.

The clothing and millinery group lost some of its February gains with a net loss of perhaps 100 workers, but the labor turnover in the separate industries comprising this group was much higher. Gains in men's shirts and furnishings, men's hats and caps, women's clothing, and women's underwear to the number of approximately 200 were more than offset by a loss of some 300 in men's clothing, overalls and work clothing and women's hats.

Slaughtering and meat packing normally has a seasonal decline at this time of the year. The falling off in employment was 1.6% and in earnings 4.4%. There were seasonal increases in the lines of dairy products, manufactured ice and ice cream, averaging 5%.

All reporting branches of wholesale and retail trade except milk distributing reduced their forces, with the largest displacement in mail order houses.

Public utilities reported more employees, but a diminution in average payroll earnings

Coal mining declined 2.1% in the number of men and 27.8% in their income.

Building construction and road construction reported sharp seasonal increases. The gains in employment were 2.4% and 62.3% respectively, while the payroll earnings advanced 3.6% and 56.4%.

The statistics follow:

COURSE OF EMPLOYMENT AND EARNINGS IN ILLINOIS DURING MARCH 1929.

Industry.	Employment.			Earnings (Payroll).		
	Per Cent Change from a Month Ago.	Index of Employment (Average 1922=100).		Total Earnings Per Cent. of Chge. from a Month Ago.	"Average" Weekly Earnings for Mar. 1929.	
		Mar. 1929.	Feb. 1929.			Mar. 1928.
All industries.....	+1.1	104.2	103.1	98.4	-1.9	\$28.82
All manufacturing industries.....	+1.9	100.3	98.4	92.4	+0.9	28.92
Stone-Clay-Glass Products.....	+2.0	109.9	107.7	116.1	+1.6	28.16
Miscellaneous stone prod'ts.....	+5.9	93.7	88.5	92.2	+4.8	29.94
Lime-cement-plaster.....	-0.9	109.9	110.9	94.2	+2.0	29.61
Brick-tile-pottery.....	+1.0	81.8	81.0	100.4	+2.1	29.16
Glass.....	+2.2	146.7	143.5	149.0	-0.1	26.54
Metals-Machinery-Convey'ces.....	+3.7	122.2	117.8	101.5	+3.1	30.60
Iron and steel.....	+3.1	136.5	132.4	122.0	+1.2	31.63
Sheet metal work-hardware.....	+3.6	105.1	101.4	96.4	+5.3	27.64
Tools and cutlery.....	+5.7	99.7	54.3	74.2	+6.5	32.99
Cooking-heating apparatus.....	+0.2	111.4	111.2	100.4	+1.4	32.27
Brass-copper-zinc-oth. met.....	+3.5	170.9	165.1	141.2	+1.1	29.55
Cars and locomotives.....	+10.8	42.5	38.4	30.8	+13.1	30.60
Autos-accessories.....	+10.2	152.2	138.1	128.7	+11.6	29.49
Machinery.....	+3.3	162.4	157.2	127.1	+3.4	31.27
Electrical apparatus.....	+6.2	135.4	127.5	96.6	+3.6	29.04
Agricultural implements.....	+0.2	162.3	162.0	137.4	-0.3	30.29
Instruments and appliances.....	+7.4	61.8	57.5	53.4	+7.8	29.14
Watches and jewelry.....	+0.6	116.0	115.3	106.9	-2.7	25.76
All others.....	+1.5	---	---	---	+6.8	26.45
Wood products.....	+3.0	76.5	73.3	81.0	+1.4	27.05
Saw-planing mills.....	+6.6	86.9	82.3	92.4	+12.7	29.86
Furniture-cabinet work.....	+2.7	97.9	95.3	101.9	-1.5	26.74
Pianos-musical instruments.....	+0.4	56.4	56.2	57.1	-2.2	28.21
Miscell. wood products.....	+10.7	53.2	48.1	58.1	+6.6	23.00
Furs and Leather Goods.....	+1.4	110.8	109.3	111.6	-7.1	18.17
Leather.....	-5.4	86.9	91.9	109.7	-6.1	27.74
Furs and fur goods.....	+48.6	59.9	40.3	48.4	+38.6	35.85
Boots and shoes.....	+2.3	119.2	116.5	112.5	-8.5	16.44
Miscellaneous leather goods.....	+3.7	53.1	51.2	69.2	+4.6	19.24
Chemicals-Oils-Colors.....	+2.0	127.0	124.5	116.7	-0.6	27.19
Drugs-chemicals.....	+0.2	95.2	95.0	97.9	-0.5	25.12
Paints-dyes-colors.....	+0.6	142.4	141.6	134.9	-0.7	28.34
Mineral-vegetable oil.....	-1.3	121.9	123.5	117.4	-4.1	29.56
Miscellaneous chemicals.....	+6.2	157.4	148.2	128.9	+3.0	25.53
Printing-Paper Goods.....	-4.4	111.4	116.5	111.9	-1.8	33.66
Paper boxes-bags-tubes.....	+0.1	138.1	138.0	142.3	+3.4	25.91
Miscellaneous paper goods.....	+0.6	122.4	121.7	123.6	+1.4	27.67
Job printing.....	-2.2	107.2	109.6	103.3	-1.6	33.79
Newspapers-periodicals.....	-0.5	138.8	139.5	139.7	+1.7	45.18
Edition bookbinding.....	-33.6	---	---	---	-21.2	35.16
Lithographing & engraving.....	-2.6	---	---	---	-2.4	43.84
Textiles.....	+1.8	97.1	95.4	108.6	+10.0	19.87
Cotton and woolen goods.....	+10.1	147.9	134.3	152.3	+13.5	19.61
Knit goods-hosiery.....	+0.5	84.4	84.0	93.4	+17.5	18.36
Thread-twine.....	+5.2	76.5	72.7	77.4	+5.1	21.13
All other.....	-0.5	89.1	89.5	100.0	+2.7	12.66
Clothing and Millinery.....	-0.3	62.5	62.7	66.4	-1.0	30.68
Men's clothing.....	-0.5	51.4	51.7	54.7	-3.8	33.15
Men's shirts-furnishings.....	+5.2	99.7	94.8	90.7	+1.0	18.55
Overalls-work clothing.....	-20.2	56.7	71.1	74.7	-15.8	18.82
Men's hats and caps.....	+3.8	59.2	57.0	66.0	+1.7	30.63
Women's clothing.....	+3.5	112.5	108.7	126.0	+8.1	21.00
Women's underwear.....	+8.5	113.1	104.2	107.0	+5.6	14.01
Women's hats.....	-3.4	60.6	62.7	103.5	+16.5	28.72
Food-Beverages-Tobaccos.....	-0.8	88.0	88.8	91.1	-3.6	26.12
Flour-feed-other cereals.....	+0.5	91.9	91.4	103.4	-2.0	26.27
Fruit-vegetable canning.....	-17.8	4.5	5.5	13.4	-12.6	19.94
Miscellaneous groceries.....	+1.2	100.3	99.1	98.0	-0.2	28.27
Slaughtering-meat packing.....	-1.6	88.9	90.3	86.9	-4.4	25.48
Dairy products.....	+12.0	105.2	93.8	101.1	+11.4	37.99
Bread-other bakery prod'ts.....	+1.2	83.9	82.9	90.9	-4.8	27.57
Confectionery.....	-2.2	70.6	72.2	74.5	+1.7	23.56
Beverages.....	-0.8	58.8	59.3	65.4	-5.4	27.43
Cigars-other tobacco prod.....	+1.4	81.3	80.2	75.2	-1.6	23.45
Manufactured ice.....	+7.5	52.7	49.0	60.8	+5.2	44.39
Ice cream.....	+3.5	---	---	---	+5.3	41.57
Miscellaneous manufacturing.....	-5.2	---	---	---	-2.4	29.71
Trade-Wholesale-Retail.....	-2.1	67.5	68.9	69.5	-0.7	28.01
Department stores.....	-0.8	126.1	127.1	117.2	-0.3	25.35
Wholesale dry goods.....	-0.8	58.6	59.1	78.0	-0.1	22.88
Wholesale groceries.....	+1.2	80.3	89.2	92.4	-2.5	26.04
Mail order houses.....	-4.5	88.1	92.2	95.1	-3.0	23.12
Milk distributing.....	+6.1	---	---	---	+6.3	49.28
Metal jobbers.....	-1.0	---	---	---	-7.6	27.76
Services.....	-0.9	---	---	---	-0.9	19.48
Hotels and restaurants.....	-2.3	---	---	---	-2.4	19.24
Laundries.....	+4.1	127.5	122.5	122.4	+4.5	20.30
Public Utilities.....	+0.4	139.9	139.3	134.1	-5.2	30.12
Water-light-power.....	-2.0	145.0	143.0	133.7	-3.8	36.99
Telephone.....	+0.9	138.5	137.3	130.6	-5.8	26.13
Street railways.....	+0.8	108.7	107.8	108.4	-7.6	33.03
Railway car repair shops.....	-0.1	52.7	52.8	53.0	+0.7	30.41
Coal Mining.....	-2.1	60.9	62.2	74.8	-27.8	23.96
Building and Contracting.....	+3.2	94.7	91.8	89.7	+3.0	38.88
Building and construction.....	+2.4	68.8	67.2	63.6	+3.6	39.17
Road construction.....	+62.3	128.1	78.9	233.3	+56.4	29.00
Miscellaneous contracting.....	-2.3	135.7	138.9	170.7	-11.4	39.33

Mr. Wilcox also supplies the following analysis of the industrial situation by cities:

From February to March there was a gain in factory employment of 1.9% which means that about 10,000 men and women were added to the payrolls of manufacturing concerns. The corresponding figures for a month ago were +2.2 or 11,000 names added. It was not to be expected that the February-March comparison would show as marked an increase as the January-February comparison since the January figures are depressed by inventory taking and year-end readjustments.

Aurora.—Farm labor came into some demand during March, according to the Aurora free employment office. The outlook for factory labor and the building trades is also favorable. The month's increase in names on the payroll was 8.4%, with a resulting payroll gain of 11.6%. This was the second best showing in the State, Bloomington leading in percentage gains.

Bloomington.—Bloomington led the cities of Illinois in the proportion of gain in employment and payroll earnings during the month of March. If one may trust a sample of only 13 reporting firms, the increase in the number of employees was 17.4% and in payrolls 18.7%. Full time work is the rule in the Chicago and Alton railroad shops and in foundries and certain important manufacturing and machinery concerns. There is a surplus of farm and common labor, but improved conditions are expected with the advancing season and the opening of the water project. No shortage of jobs is indicated by the free employment office ratio of registered applicants to orders for workers which was only 107.9, the most favorable ratio in the State.

Chicago.—Chicago as a labor market made a somewhat more favorable showing during March of this year than Chicago as a producing centre. In spite of a high registration of 10,557 at the free employment offices there were enough orders for workers to bring the ratio of workers to jobs down 12 points from a month ago. But the credit for relieving the unemployment pressure cannot go to local factories in any large measure. They added only 0.9% to their forces and reported a decline of 0.1% in the amount paid out as wages.

The rises and falls of employment in various industries were much the same for Chicago plants as for those in the rest of the State. The healthy condition of the metals industries affected the city favorably; a general though moderate decline in wholesale and retail trade threw many out of work. The recession in the coal industry, however, which was clearly reflected in employment reports from other parts of the State, did not show its affects in the Chicago reports. Building construction in Chicago declined from its own February condition if measured by employment figures, and lagged behind the March record for the rest of Illinois if measured by permits for new work.

Cicero.—Employment conditions continue to be very uneven in different industries and among different firms. A net loss of employed workers occurred in March, in amount 2.6%, but payroll earnings advanced 9.3%. Building prospects are very favorable judging by the value of proposed construction as stated in permits issued. There was a March increase of more than 100% over February, but the first quarter of 1929 is nearly 30% behind the first three months of 1928. Much activity has been taking place in the free employment office, but there are 182 work seekers for every 100 places open. Charity activities continued on a rather large scale.

Danville.—Danville was the third city in the State in the rate of increase in employment from February to March. The gain was 8%. Payroll earnings increased 8.3%. The workers, as a group, were paid \$13 for each \$12 received the month before. The industries reporting the most marked gains were: Brick, tile pottery, overalls, manufactured ice and ice cream. The free employment office reports three applicants for every two jobs. Danville is one of the minority of the cities in Illinois to report a larger volume of building permits issued in 1929 than in the corresponding period of 1928.

Decatur.—The value of building permits issued in March in Decatur exceeded the February permits by 2,000%. The largest permit fee in the city's history was paid in connection with the new building of the A. E. Staley Manufacturing Co. Employment and workers' earnings advanced by 1.9% and 1.3% during the month from February to March. The gains and losses in employment are found in a wide variety of industries, various metal manufacturing plants reporting opposite tendencies, but with an upward swing in certain lines of women's wear, meat packing, dairy products, ice cream, &c.

East St. Louis.—East St. Louis gained both in the number of wage earners and in payroll earnings during March. The increases were 2.9 and 0.5% respectively. Building activities have held up to the mark this year better than for most cities, the figures being \$500,552 of new permits for the first quarter of 1929 as against \$601,789 last year. The free employment office is handling work on a larger scale than in 1928. The number of applicants for each 100 jobs is 118, which is not excessive as judged by unemployment ratios generally.

Joliet.—Joliet experienced a March increase in employment of 3.4%, but a decrease in payroll earnings of 4.3%. The gains were registered in stone, castings, horse shoes, certain food lines and some forms of building equipment. There were losses, however, in fire brick, hardware and some lines of machinery. Building permits, while behind last year's schedule to date, nevertheless scored a notable gain of 118% for March over the preceding month. There were 1,000 applicants for every 560 jobs at the free employment office, or an unemployment ratio of 177. This is not as unfavorable as the ratio of 211 for February, but it is high when compared with the figures of the other offices in the State.

Moline-Rock Island.—In the combined district of Moline-Rock Island there was an increase of 0.7% in employment and 0.5% in payroll earnings for March 1929, as compared with February. There was a moderate but all around industrial activity, with a limited number of calls for skilled and unskilled labor, married and unmarried farm hands, and a number of orders at the free employment office for female labor. Moline and Rock Island are among the minority of cities in Illinois in which the value of building permits for the current year is greater than for the corresponding period of 1928. The aggregate for the first quarter has been half a million, as against \$308,000 from January to March last year. There are three large projects in progress.

Peoria.—Peoria had a gain in factory employment during March of 4.0% to which corresponded a 3.5% gain in payroll earnings. There were on the other hand 208 applicants for work at the free employment office, for every 100 openings listed. This is the highest unemployment ratio among the 13 public employment offices, but the number placed was 721 which is the third largest figure outside of Chicago. It is one of the paradoxes of employment statistics that sometimes the greater the number placed the greater the number of new applicants. Building permits issued the first quarter of this year amounted to \$373,000. This was only two-thirds as great as during the corresponding period last year, but the March permits were over seven times the February figure.

Quincy.—An increase in employment and earnings beginning in February continued in March, but at a reduced rate. The gain in numbers working in factories was 1.8%. They received an additional 2.3% in wages. The building figures a year ago were much larger than now, but the month of March saw five times the volume of building permits which were issued in February. The March permits amounted to \$30,825. All the activities of the free employment office saw large percentage gains. Placements ran to 414 for the month. There were 100 applicants for every 64 jobs.

Rockford.—Rockford was under the necessity of importing skilled workers in the metal trades, especially tools and die makers, pattern makers and molders. Building permits for the first quarter of 1929 mount up to the imposing total of \$1,223,000. In an off year for building construction, it is noteworthy to find a city beating its last year's record two to one. The free employment office handled the largest number of placements outside of Chicago. There were 95 jobs for every 100 applicants.

Springfield.—The volume of factory employment advanced 4.6% from February to March. The change in payroll earnings was +2.2%. Building activity, amounting to \$247,644 in permits for the first quarter of 1929, has been only 54% as great as that of the corresponding period of last year. Announcement has been made of an extension of a tractor and combine plant which will cost \$750,000. The running of the mines causes spending power which was denied the city some time ago.

Sterling-Rock Falls.—During March Sterling-Rock Falls reversed the January-February change in employment. A February pick-up of 2.4% was nearly offset by a March decline of 2.0%. The reorganization of an important canning concern and the leasing of a plant gave encouragement to farmers to make truck gardening a companion to dairying and poultry raising. Ultimately continuous operation of the cannery is expected.

Bricklayers Win \$3,876,000 a Year Pay Rise and Five-Day Week.

The following is from the "Times" of April 25:

The five-day week and a substantial wage increase were the chief demands won by 12,000 bricklayers in their negotiations with the Mason Builders' Association which terminated yesterday. It was announced by John Gill, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Bricklayers' Union.

The terms of the new agreement will be formally signed in a few days, after ratification by the local unions and the entire employers' organization.

The new agreement gives the bricklayers a wage increase of \$1 a day from May 1 to the end of the year and an increase of \$1.40 a day for the remainder of the agreement, which is for a three-year period. Beginning May 1, when the present agreement expires, the wages will be \$15 a day, instead of \$14 on the present contract. After that it will be \$15.40 a day, or a 10% increase.

Using 228 days of work a year as a basis for computation, it was estimated that the wage bill for the union bricklayers will be increased approximately \$3,876,000 a year.

The mechanics demanded a five-day week to replace the 5½ day, a 10% wage increase effective on May 1 and a five-year agreement. The employers offered a three-year agreement, the shorter work week for the three summer months and the 5½-day week for the rest of this year, with the five-day week to follow for the rest of the period.

Negotiations on behalf of about 500 stone setters, whose agreement expires shortly, are being continued and it is believed likely that they will receive terms similar to those of the bricklayers.

The new contract was arranged after six months of conferences between committees representing the employers and employees. The bricklayers' union has had agreements with the mason builders for 45 years.

Union Wage Increases in Springfield, Mass.

Associated Press advices, as follows, from Springfield, Mass., April 25, are taken from the "Evening Post":

Two more unions, the carpenters and hoisting engineers, have joined the number of building trades groups that recently won wage increases. These two unions, like numerous others, will receive 12½ cents an hour additional, bringing their hourly wage to \$1.25. Only the date on which the schedule shall become effective remains to be determined.

Business Trends in Northwest.

Favorable and unfavorable factors in the Northwest are summarized as follows in a "Digest of Business Trends" issued April 15 by four St. Paul, Minn., banking institutions, viz., the First National Bank, the Merchants Trust Co., the First St. Paul Co. and the First Veterans' State Bank:

Favorable Factors in the Northwest.

Heavy snows during the winter and spring have provided ample subsoil and top moisture to assure grain crops of Minnesota, North Dakota, and Montana a healthy start, just as seeding is getting under way in the southern parts of the district. . . . An advance of 25 cents a ton, the first since 1923, for Mesabi Range Bessemer iron ore, coincident with great demand from the steel industry and low stocks of ore at Lake Erie docks and mills, assures greater activity in the iron mining districts of the Lake Superior region. . . . A 3.7% increase in car loadings in the Northwest is forecasted for the second quarter by the Northwest Shippers' Advisory Board. . . . Preliminary estimates indicate a considerable decrease in the number of acres to be planted in potatoes, durum wheat, and flax. . . . This is expected to react favorably on prices to be paid farmers for these products. . . . The daily average of building contracts awarded in March was 27% higher than in the same month of 1928. . . . Contracts awarded in the Northwest in the first quarter of 1929 were 70% more than in the first quarter of 1928. . . . Business failures in 1928 in the Northwest were the fewest of any year since 1922. . . . Prices of durum wheat, rye, flax, butter, milk, poultry, hogs, eggs, and lambs are higher than a year ago.

Unfavorable Factors in the Northwest.

Car loadings registered a decline of 9% for the first two months of 1929 compared with the same period in 1928; but railroad executives say this was largely due to roads being blockaded by snow, and to the fact that farmers were holding grain. . . . Building permits in the Northwest decreased 36%, although building contracts awarded increased substantially. . . . The value of cash crops and hogs sold in the Northwest in February was 19% smaller than in February 1928. . . . The number of hogs on farms in Minnesota, the Dakotas, and Montana is 10% less than a year ago; but prices are higher.

Automotive Parts—Accessory Industry Ends Quarter at Highest Peak on Record.

Manufacturers and wholesalers of automotive parts, accessories and garage equipment had a March business of unparalleled proportions and closed the first quarter of 1929 at levels far in excess of any similar period in the history of the industry, according to the Motor and Equipment Association.

Led by the suppliers of units and parts to the car and truck manufacturers for original equipment, with a tremendous gain over February, manufacturers selling parts, accessories and garage equipment to the wholesale trade also had a volume of business in the first quarter well in excess of previous months this year and, except for accessory sales, better than the same period last year.

With March generally regarded as the peak month, a gradual recession is looked for as a normal course of events during the second quarter, but the orderly slowing up will start from such a high level that business is virtually certain to exceed last year up to the mid-year period at least. Early reports for April, in fact, showed heavy operations being maintained by a large number of manufacturers.

Wholesalers of automotive products enjoyed a splendid gain in business in March over February and also over last year. As compared with the Jan. 1928, base index of 100, wholesaler members of the M. E. A. in the United States and Canada reported sales for March and the preceding two months this year as follows: January, 114; February, 105; March, 121.

Wholesale sales ran ahead in all 12 Federal Reserve Districts in the United States and also in Canada. The report adds:

Aggregate shipments in March of parts, accessories and garage equipment manufacturers to both vehicle makers and the wholesale trade reached an index figure of 241% of the Jan. 1925 base, which is 100, as compared with 212 in February, 188 in January and 207 in March last year.

Manufacturers selling parts and accessories to the car and truck manufacturers had shipments aggregating 275% of the Jan. 1925, base, a new high record as compared with 243 in February, 212 in January and 231 in March last year.

Service parts shipments to the trade were 148%, as compared with 136 in February, 141 in January and 136 in March, 1928.

Accessory shipments were 85% last month as compared with 69 in February, 77 in January and 113 in March, last year.

Shipments of service equipment, that is, repair shop machinery and tools to the wholesale trade, reached 224% of the Jan. 1925, base as compared with 192 in February, 173 in January and 174 in March, last year. Last month's index for shop equipment shipments was the highest on record, the closest approach being April 1927 when the index reached 223.

The Large Automobile Production—March a Record.

March production (factory sales) of motor vehicles in the United States, as reported to the Department of Commerce, was 584,733 of which 513,266 were passenger cars, 69,559 trucks, and 1,908 taxicabs, as compared with 475,373 passenger cars, trucks and taxicabs in February and 413,314 in March 1928. For the first three months of 1929 the product was 1,460,801 vehicles against 968,838 in 1928.

The table below is based on figures received from 151 manufacturers in the United States for recent months, 47 making passenger cars and 118 making trucks (14 making both passenger cars and trucks). Figures for passenger cars included taxicabs (until the end of 1928) and those for trucks include ambulances, funeral cars, fire apparatus, street sweepers and busses. Canadian figures have been supplied by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, since January 1923.

AUTOMOBILE PRODUCTION.
(Number of Machines.)

	United States.				Canada.		
	Total.	Passenger Cars.	Trucks.	Taxicabs.	Total.	Passenger Cars.	Trucks.
1928.							
January	231,728	205,646	26,082	b	8,463	6,705	1,758
February	323,796	291,151	32,645	b	12,504	10,315	2,189
March	413,314	371,821	41,493	b	17,469	15,227	2,242
Tot. (3 mos.)	968,838	868,618	100,220	----	38,436	32,247	6,189
April	410,104	364,877	45,227	b	24,211	20,517	3,694
May	425,783	375,863	49,920	b	33,942	29,764	4,178
June	396,796	356,622	40,174	b	28,399	25,341	3,058
July	392,086	338,792	53,294	b	25,226	20,122	5,104
August	461,298	400,593	60,705	b	31,245	24,274	6,971
September	415,314	358,891	56,423	b	21,193	16,572	4,621
October	397,284	340,146	57,138	b	18,536	13,016	5,520
November	*257,140	217,454	*39,686	b	11,769	8,154	3,615
December	*234,116	205,993	*28,123	b	9,425	6,734	2,691
Total (year)	*4,358,759	3,827,849	*530,910	----	242,382	196,741	45,641
1929.							
January	*400,695	*347,047	*51,584	2,064	21,501	17,164	4,337
February	*475,373	*414,740	*58,525	2,108	31,287	*25,584	*5,703
March	584,733	513,266	69,559	1,908	40,621	32,833	7,788
Tot. (3 mos.)	1,460,801	1,275,053	179,668	6,080	93,409	75,581	17,828

* Revised.
a Includes only factory-built taxicabs, and not private passenger cars converted into vehicles for hire. b Included with passenger cars.

Proposed Merger of Interests of Rubber Institute, Inc., and Rubber Association of America, Inc., Into New Co-operative Association.

The following statement was issued jointly by General Lincoln C. Andrews, Director General of The Rubber Institute, Inc., and A. L. Viles, General Manager of The Rubber Association of America, Inc., on April 23:

Special meetings of the respective members of The Rubber Association of America, Inc., and of The Rubber Institute, Inc., have been called for May 10 in New York City, each to take simultaneously proper action looking to merging the interests of the two institutions in a new co-operative association of the rubber manufacturers throughout the whole industry. Such action was recommended last January by Mr. Andrews, Director General of the Institute, in the belief that the purposes of the Institute and the work of the Association would both be thus served more efficiently and economically than by continuing further the operation of the two institutions separately, even in close co-operation. It appears that the Institute has gone as far as it can alone, and should either enlarge its organization, necessarily in duplication of that of the Association, or else the organizations should be merged. In case this constructive step is taken as anticipated as a result of these two meetings on May 10, the Institute and the Association as such pass out of being; and General Andrews withdraws from further official connection with the rubber industry, having accomplished his personal part in the undertakings of the Institute.

Heavy Lumber Demand Reported.

A heavy lumber demand, with increased new business for both hardwood and softwood manufacturers, is indicated in telegraphic reports from 795 mills, for the week ended April 20, to the National Lumber Manufacturers Association. An increased demand of over 40,000,000—10,000,000 hardwood and 30,000,000 softwood—greater than that shown the previous week is indicated, despite the fact that reports received to date are from 24 fewer mills. Total new business thus far reported for the week ended April 20, amounted to 435,677,000, while 819 mills the preceding week gave orders as amounting to 395,664,000 feet.

Unfilled orders at reporting softwood mills were equivalent to 27.7 days average production, a drop of only one-half day from 28.2 days, the high for the year to date, reported for the week ended April 13. New business for reporting hardwood units, for the year to date, amounted to 103% of production. Increased shipments have been indicated in recent weeks, the reporting mills showing shipments of 411,174,000 feet for the week ended April 20, as compared with 419,477,000 feet the week earlier, both of which are high figures. Production was given as 402,010,000 feet, compared with 406,918,000 feet reported the preceding week. The Association statement further says:

Unfilled Orders.

The unfilled orders of 345 Southern Pine and West Coast mills at the end of last week amounted to 1,079,515,000 feet, as against 1,094,626,000 feet for 345 mills the previous week. The 140 Southern Pine mills in the group showed unfilled orders of 231,965,000 feet last week, as against 265,166,000 feet for 141 mills the week before. For the 205 West Coast mills the unfilled orders were 847,550,000 feet, as against 829,460,000 feet for 204 mills a week earlier. Altogether the 540 reporting softwood mills had shipments 103%, and orders 108% of actual production. For the Southern Pine mills these percentages were respectively 107 and 108; and for the West Coast mills 101 and 113. Of the reporting mills, the 520 with an established normal production for the week of 332,370,000 feet, gave actual production 105%, shipments 108% and orders 114% thereof.

The following table compares the lumber movement, as reflected by the reporting mills of eight softwood, and two hardwood regional associations for the two weeks indicated:

	Past Week.		Preceding Week 1929 (Revised).	
	Softwood.	Hardwood.	Softwood.	Hardwood.
Mills (or units).....	520	318	544	335
Production.....	348,922,000	53,088,000	352,776,000	54,142,000
Shipments.....	358,862,000	52,312,000	365,967,000	53,510,000
Orders (new business).....	377,349,000	58,328,000	346,801,000	48,863,000

* A unit is 35,000 feet of daily production capacity.

West Coast Movement.

The West Coast Lumbermen's Association wires from Seattle that new business for the 205 mills reporting for the week ended April 20 totaled 20,123,000 feet, of which 92,439,000 feet was for domestic cargo delivery, and 27,759,000 feet export. New business by rail amounted to 88,458,000 feet. Shipments totaled 197,140,000 feet, of which 75,881,000 feet moved coastwise and intercoastal, and 26,184,000 feet export. Rail shipments totaled 83,608,000 feet, and local deliveries 11,467,000 feet. Unshipped orders totaled 847,550,000 feet, of which domestic cargo orders totaled 326,034,000 feet, foreign 255,006,000 feet and rail trade 266,510,000 feet. Weekly capacity of these mills is 230,006,000 feet. For the 15 weeks ended April 13, 139 identical mills reported orders 10.3% over production and shipments 2.1% over production. The same mills showed a decrease in inventories of 2.8% April 13, as compared with Jan. 1.

Southern Pine Reports.

The Southern Pine Association reports from New Orleans that for 140 mills reporting, shipments were 7% above production, and orders 8% above production and 1% above shipments. New business taken during the week amounted to 68,887,000 feet, (previous week 66,365,000); shipments 68,105,000 feet, (previous week 71,504,000); and production 63,712,000 feet, (previous week 64,556,000).

The Western Pine Manufacturers Association of Portland, Ore., reports production from 35 mills as 36,992,000 feet, as compared with a normal production for the week of 35,162,000. Thirty-two mills the week earlier reported production as 36,075,000 feet. Shipments were somewhat larger last week, while new business showed some reduction.

The California White & Sugar Pine Manufacturers Association of San Francisco, reports production from 22 mills as 22,662,000 feet, as compared with a normal figure for the week of 23,422,000. Eighteen mills the week before reported production as 14,871,000 feet. There were considerable increases in shipments and new business last week.

The California Redwood Association of San Francisco, reports production from 11 mills as 5,861,000 feet, compared with a normal figure of 6,389,000. Thirteen mills the previous week reported production as 8,675,000 feet. There was a nominal decrease in shipments last week, with a slight increase in new business.

The North Carolina Pine Association of Norfolk, Va., reports production from 70 mills as 12,363,000 feet, against a normal production for the week of 12,690,000. Seventy-three mills the preceding week reported production as 10,714,000 feet. Shipments showed approximately 45% increase, and new business 50% increase.

The Northern Pine Manufacturers Association of Minneapolis, Minn., reports production from 9 mills as 8,850,000 feet, as compared with a normal figure for the week of 8,133,000, and for the week earlier 7,525,000. Shipments showed a notable increase last week, while new business showed a marked reduction.

The Northern Hemlock and Hardwood Manufacturers Association of Oshkosh, Wis., (in its softwood production) reports production from 26 mills as 3,804,000 feet, as compared with a normal production for the week of 4,758,000. Thirty mills the week before reported production as 3,792,000 feet. Shipments were slightly larger last week, and new business showed a substantial increase.

Hardwood Reports.

The Northern Hemlock and Hardwood Manufacturers Association of Oshkosh, Wis., reports production from 43 units as 8,905,000 feet, as compared with a normal figure for the week of 10,861,000. Forty-seven units the preceding week reported production as 10,246,000 feet. Shipments showed a small decrease last week, with new business about the same as that reported for the previous week.

The Hardwood Manufacturers Institute of Memphis, Tenn., reports production from 275 units as 44,183,000 feet as against a normal production for the week of 49,538,000. For the preceding week 271 units reported production as 40,296,000 feet. There was a notable increase in shipments while orders were well in advance of those reported for the week before.

Detailed softwood and hardwood statistics for reporting mills of the comparably reporting regional association will be found below:

LUMBER MOVEMENT FOR 16 WEEKS, AND FOR WEEK ENDING APRIL 20 1929.

Association—	Production. Feet.	Shipments. Feet.	Orders. Feet.	Normal Production for Week. Feet.
Southern Pine (16 weeks)	1,049,451,000	1,094,259,000	1,145,624,000	
Weeks (140 mills)	63,712,000	68,105,000	68,887,000	69,271,000
West Coast Lumbermen's (16 weeks)	2,651,506,000	2,645,519,000	2,841,952,000	
Week (267 mills)	194,948,000	197,861,000	220,440,000	172,545,000
Western Pine Mfrs. (16 wks)	450,780,000	507,730,000	547,013,000	
Week (35 mills)	36,992,000	37,363,000	30,889,000	35,162,000
Calif. White & Sugar Pine— (16 weeks)	273,177,000	422,839,000	422,725,000	
Week (22 mills)	22,662,000	24,010,000	24,219,000	23,422,000
Calif. Redwood (16 weeks)	111,643,000	108,660,000	121,944,000	
Week (11 mills)	5,861,000	6,456,000	7,777,000	6,380,000
No. Caro. Pine (16 weeks)	162,121,000	152,814,000	143,967,000	
Week (70 mills)	12,363,000	11,814,000	12,781,000	12,690,000
Nor. Pine Mfrs. (16 weeks)	17,666,000	122,914,000	130,156,000	
Week (9 mills)	8,580,000	9,695,000	8,228,000	8,133,000
No. Hemlock & Hardwood— (Softwoods) (16 weeks)	72,514,000	56,865,000	64,593,000	
Week (26 mills)	3,804,000	3,758,000	4,128,000	4,758,000
Softwoods total (16 wks)	4,842,858,000	5,111,600,000	5,417,974,000	
Week (520 mills)	348,922,000	358,862,000	377,349,000	332,370,000
No. Hemlock & Hardwood— (Hardwoods) (16 weeks)	212,950,000	151,517,000	151,601,000	
Week (43 units)	8,905,000	6,931,000	5,932,000	10,861,000
Hardwood Mfrs. Institute— (16 weeks)	635,174,000	697,408,000	718,730,000	
Week (275 units)	44,183,000	45,381,000	52,396,000	49,538,000
Hardwood total (16 wks)	848,124,000	848,923,000	870,331,000	
Week (318 units)	53,088,000	52,312,000	58,328,000	60,399,000

West Coast Lumbermen's Association Weekly Report.

According to the West Coast Lumbermen's Association, reports from 206 mills show that for the week ended April 13 orders were 0.03% below output, while shipments exceeded production by 2.44%. The association's statement follows:

WEEKLY REPORT OF PRODUCTION, ORDERS, AND SHIPMENTS.

206 mills report for week ended April 13 1929.

(All mills reporting production, orders and shipments.)

Production	196,206,913 feet (100%)
Orders	196,150,232 feet (0.03% under production)
Shipments	200,993,599 feet (2.44% over production)

COMPARISON OF CURRENT AND PAST PRODUCTION AND WEEKLY OPERATING CAPACITY (258 IDENTICAL MILLS).

(All mills reporting production for 1928 and 1929 to date.)

	Feet.
Actual production, week ended April 13 1919	218,908,678
Average weekly production, 15 weeks ended April 13 1929	182,710,933
Average weekly production during 1928	197,072,499
Average weekly production, last three years	199,192,068
Weekly operating capacity	264,206,601

WEEKLY COMPARISON FOR 204 IDENTICAL MILLS—1929.

(All mills whose reports of production, orders and shipments are complete for the last four weeks.)

Week Ended—	April 13.	April 6.	March 30.	March 23.
Production (feet)	195,889,499	188,891,254	190,260,237	185,280,933
Orders (feet)	196,005,398	205,355,387	219,534,004	202,768,320
Rail	81,361,658	88,204,089	89,199,031	84,039,176
Domestic cargo	57,990,869	66,025,056	77,241,005	67,138,897
Export	39,795,887	37,089,534	40,549,440	40,245,965
Local	16,856,984	13,436,708	12,514,528	11,346,282
Shipments (feet)	200,645,027	189,076,514	202,688,725	183,312,962
Rail	64,069,868	77,840,267	84,620,907	78,965,858
Domestic cargo	61,800,613	67,474,454	67,092,892	54,257,927
Export	37,917,562	18,436,708	29,325,085	38,430,398
Local	16,856,984	13,436,708	12,514,528	11,346,282
Unfilled orders (feet)	829,459,792	84,232,630	825,257,930	812,899,035
Rail	264,542,107	272,250,370	282,190,280	259,369,630
Domestic cargo	310,502,597	315,562,684	318,508,800	310,013,428
Export	254,415,088	253,419,576	244,560,820	243,515,977

112 IDENTICAL MILLS.

(All mills whose reports of production, orders and shipments are complete for 1928 and 1929 to date.)

	Week Ended April 13 1929.	Average 15 Weeks Ended April 13 1929.	Average 15 Weeks Ended Apr. 14 1928.
Production (feet)	124,841,349	104,647,291	112,221,750
Orders (feet)	117,159,975	114,169,980	119,026,565
Shipments (feet)	131,668,149	107,205,572	109,334,877

DOMESTIC CARGO DISTRIBUTION WEEK ENDED APR. 6 '29 (112 mills).

Washington & Oregon (15 Mills)—	Orders on Hand Beginning April 6 '29.	Orders Received.	Cancellations.	Shipments.	Unfilled Orders Week Ended April 6 '29.
	Feet.	Feet.	Feet.	Feet.	Feet.
California	110,918,971	18,177,327	50,134	23,930,715	105,115,449
Atlantic Coast	145,602,721	33,625,102	456,328	35,084,600	143,689,695
Miscellaneous	5,785,335	13,960	—	444,338	5,354,987
Total Wash. & Oregon	262,307,027	51,816,389	508,662	59,459,653	254,157,131
Brit. Col. (17 Mills)—					
California	1,545,919	25,000	553,000	—	1,017,919
Atlantic Coast	20,077,038	7,364,740	—	3,932,000	23,509,778
Miscellaneous	5,270,335	2,906,368	2,778	1,044,303	7,129,622
Total Brit. Columbia	26,893,292	10,296,108	555,778	4,976,303	31,657,319
Total domestic cargo	289,200,349	62,112,497	1,062,440	64,435,956	285,814,450

Activity in the Cotton Spinning Industry for March 1929.

The Department of Commerce announced on April 20 that according to preliminary figures compiled by the Bureau of the Census, 35,305,908 cotton spinning spindles were in place in the United States on Mar. 31 1929, of which 31,103,998 were operated at some time during the month, compared with 31,007,936 for February, 30,757,552 for January, 30,622,172 for December, 30,596,840 for November, 30,315,086 for October, and 31,432,840 for March, 1928. The aggregate number of active spindle hours reported for the month was 8,909,996,339. During March the normal time of operation was 26 days, compared with 23 2-3 for February, 26 1/2 for January, 25 for December, 25 1/4 for November, and 26 3/4 for October. Based on activity of 8.88 hours per day the average number of spindles operated during March was 38,591,460 or at 109.3% capacity on a single shift basis. This percentage compares with 110.7 for February, 111.6 for January, 99.1 for December, 108.1 for November, 103.9 for October, and 96.8 for March, 1928. The average number of active spindle hours per spindle in place for the month was 252. The total number of cotton spinning spindles in place, the number active, the number of active spindle hours and the average spindle hours per spindle in place, by states, are shown in the following statement.

State.	Spinning Spindles.		Active Spindle Hours for Mar. h.	
	In Place March 31 1929.	Active During March.	Total.	Average per Spindle in Place.
Cotton growing states	18,736,930	18,097,420	6,002,710,804	320
New England states	15,072,382	11,701,884	2,647,818,551	176
All other states	1,496,596	1,304,694	259,466,984	173
Alabama	1,748,076	1,685,288	517,828,373	296
Connecticut	1,123,100	1,056,650	235,045,181	209
Georgia	3,091,486	2,974,472	951,404,203	308
Maine	1,060,180	842,918	193,941,560	183
Massachusetts	9,053,428	6,714,314	1,494,746,611	165
Mississippi	177,158	147,334	53,664,930	304
New Hampshire	1,413,654	1,038,364	243,535,025	172
New Jersey	378,936	368,430	59,515,297	175
New York	739,520	621,532	129,792,220	175
North Carolina	6,211,360	5,955,104	1,962,321,633	316
Rhode Island	2,305,116	1,932,990	454,665,538	197
South Carolina	5,552,214	5,501,382	2,003,790,119	361
Tennessee	602,386	581,152	199,371,314	331
Texas	281,908	248,144	70,409,452	250
Virginia	709,056	679,250	145,728,170	206
All other states	858,330	756,684	194,096,113	226
United States	35,305,908	31,103,998	8,909,996,339	252

Movement to Control Cotton Exchanges Begun in Senate.

The movement to control the conduct of future cotton exchanges by placing them under the same regulatory powers of the Department of Agriculture as are now the grain futures exchanges has been revived by the introduction of a bill by Senator Tom Connally (Dem.) of Texas, which is a duplicate of that offered by him in the House the last session of Congress. The Washington correspondent of the New York "Journal of Commerce" in reporting this in advices to that paper April 23, says:

A similar bill has been offered in the House by Representative Vinson of Georgia, whose measure passed the House last session but failed in the Senate.

An essential feature of the legislation is that it provides for Southern deliveries on future contracts and names all of the Southern spot markets as delivery points.

The measure provides that such cotton exchanges shall operate under the supervision of the Department of Agriculture and before any exchange may be granted permission to do business it must assure the Secretary of Agriculture that rules and regulations will be adopted preventing "manipulation, straddling or the cornering of the market," which is to the detriment of the producer and the consumer. The Secretary would be empowered to suspend any member of the exchange when the market is being manipulated, together with authority of the Government to scrutinize exchange transactions.

"Under certain transactions large amounts of low grade cotton have been accumulated in New York for tendering purposes," said Senator Connally, "and through fictitious transactions, 'washing the market' and tendering and retendering the same cotton repeatedly without the intention of bona fide sale, certain cotton interests have succeeded at times in driving the market to a point where it caused the producers an arbitrary loss. The result of this, campaigns are deliberately engineered to 'shake out' the spot cotton held by producers. There is no purpose to destroy the exchanges covered by the bill, but would require them to restrict their operations to legitimate purposes."

While there has been a general assault upon future cotton exchanges in Congress for a number of years, the legislation was given considerable impetus a year ago by the Senate committee's investigation of the price prediction report of September 15 1927, issued by the United States Department of Agriculture. In this hearing the cotton firm of Anderson, Clayton & Co., of Houston, featured prominently as having operated at the time of the department's report to the firm's advantage.

The legislation was bitterly opposed by the New York Cotton Exchange, and sought then with some enlargements since to correct some of the features of operation that brought complaint, but has not gone far enough to satisfy the backers of the legislation. Last year legislation was also offered by Senator E. D. Smith of South Carolina, which also carried out.

the Southern delivery idea, but this and the Vinson bills were not pressed in the Senate, because it was stated the New York Exchange, the principal offender, was carrying out remedies.

Senator Caraway, of Arkansas, author of a bill to prevent the sale of cotton and grain futures, opposed the other legislation, pointing out that all the New York Exchange has done is to make it "easier for those who gamble to protect themselves." He contended that the Southern delivery feature "is not in the interest of the cotton grower, but makes it easier for some one to tender cotton and break the price."

Gov. Roosevelt Signs Bill Permitting New York Cotton Exchange to Trade in Cotton Mill Securities.

A bill, passed by the New York Legislature, amending the charter of the New York Cotton Exchange so as to permit it to trade in cotton mill securities, was signed by Gov. Roosevelt on April 10. An Albany dispatch on that date, to the New York "Times" said:

The Act gives the New York Cotton Exchange the power for one thing to eliminate "cotton" from its corporate title and function as "an exchange," with its field of operation extended so as to include foreign as well as domestic securities and trading in cotton, cotton products and by-products and for the purchase and sale of stocks and bonds or other securities issued by corporations engaged in growing, manufacturing, buying, selling or handling cotton, wool, silk, rayon, artificial silk, jute, linen or textiles made in whole or in part of any of these commodities; or manufacturing, buying, selling or handling by-products of them, or maintaining warehouses or other plants to facilitate any of these activities.

Text of the Exchange Act.

The text of the Act, which is regarded as one of the most important measures affecting trading in securities enacted in recent years, is as follows:

AN ACT

to amend Chapter 365 of the laws of 1871, entitled "an act to incorporate the New York Cotton Exchange," to enlarge its purposes by enabling such exchange to provide for trading in cotton, cotton products, by-products and for the purchase or sale of stocks, bonds and other securities.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1.—Section 3 of Chapter 365 of the laws of 1871, entitled, "An Act to incorporate the New York Cotton Exchange," as amended by Chapter 59 of the laws of 1883, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

3. The purposes of said corporation shall be to provide, regulate and maintain a suitable building, room or rooms, for an exchange, in the city of New York, for trading in cotton, cotton products and by-products, and for the purchase or sale of stocks, bonds or other securities issued by corporations, foreign or domestic, engaged in any of the following activities:

Growing, manufacturing, buying, selling or handling cotton, wool, silk, rayon, artificial silk, jute or linen, or textiles made in whole or in part of any of these commodities, or manufacturing, buying, selling or handling the by-products of any said commodities, or conducting warehouses or compresses or other plants or facilities suitable for use in connection with or for the promotion of any of said activities; to adjust controversies between its members, to establish just and equitable principles in the trade in cotton, cotton products and by-products and in the purchase and sale of such stocks, bonds and other securities specified in this section; to maintain uniformity in its rules, regulations and usages, to adopt standards of classification of cotton, cotton products and by-products, to acquire, preserve and disseminate useful information connected with the cotton interests throughout all markets and with the business standing and financial responsibility of the corporations whose stocks, bonds and other securities may be purchased and sold, to decrease the local risks attendant upon the business of buying or selling cotton, cotton products and by-products or such stocks, bonds and securities; and generally to promote the cotton trade of the city of New York, increase its amount and augment the facilities with which it may be conducted, and to facilitate the purchase and sale of such stocks, bonds and securities; and to make provision for the widows and families of deceased members.

The corporation shall have power to make all proper and needful by-laws not contrary to the Constitution and laws of the State of New York or of the United States.

Section 2.—This Act shall take effect immediately.

Reference to the plans of the Exchange was made in our issue of Jan. 26, page 501.

Move Against New Loan Limits of New York Cotton Exchange.

Not effective until May 15, the by-law recently passed by the board of managers of the New York Cotton Exchange, imposing a limit on brokers' loans on cotton futures of \$5 a bale, and of \$10,000 in all to any individual customer, trader or mere speculator in raw cotton futures, has notwithstanding become the object of a petition of protest lodged in the office of the Secretary of the Exchange, according to the New York "Journal of Commerce" on April 23, from which we also take the following:

The new rule was virtually unopposed when passed on March 20. It conforms with the trading policy of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange, which has a similar credit limit, and that it should have aroused a considerable degree of opposition in advance of its tryout has caused some surprise.

Extracts from the protest, already published, are to the effect that on contraction of the trading volume has resulted from the rule and that on subsequent reconsideration by members of the board some of them were less favorably disposed toward it than before. Neither President Gardiner H. Miller nor Vice-President John H. McFadden Jr., was prepared to speak last Saturday for publication on the subject, but an authoritative statement will later on be made by these officials.

When the limit on "cotton loans" was approved by the board last month, it was recalled that prior to February, 1926, there was a general ban on loans to the public. It was then said that since the removal of that complete bar, in so far as public participation went, the exchange has experienced one of the dulllest periods in all its history.

The action of the Board of Managers in limiting the extension of credit was noted in our issue of March 23, page 1827.

Increased Commission Rates on Future Contracts Traded in on New York Cotton Exchange.

An increase in the commission rates on all futures traded in on the New York Cotton Exchange was approved by members of the Exchange on April 11 by a vote of 151 to 67. The new rates which were made effective April 12, provide for a \$15 commission on each 100 bales bought or sold for non-members. This represents an increase of \$2.50 compared with the old rate. The rate on purchases and sales by one member for another was increased from \$1.25 to \$1.50 for each 100 bales, and the rate on clearance by one member for another was increased from 75 cents to 90 cents for each 100 bales.

Members of New York Cotton Exchange Vote to Amend By-Laws Making Mandatory Clearing of Contracts Through Cotton Exchange Clearing House.

Members of the New York Cotton Exchange on April 17 voted to amend Section 33 of the By-Laws regarding the validity of contracts, by making it mandatory for members to offer their contracts for clearance through the New York Cotton Exchange Clearing Association. The by-laws previously read "may offer," and as amended read "shall offer."

Thomas Hale Elected a Member of New York Cotton Exchange.

After having been with the New York Cotton Exchange for more than a quarter century, as Assistant Superintendent, Superintendent and Secretary, Thomas Hale was on April 8 initiated and became a full-fledged broker. Mr. Hale was elected a member of the exchange on April 4, but it was not until April 8 that he ventured on the trading floor. Then Arthur J. Pertsch and William H. Spilger lifted him bodily and deposited him into the center of the ring where the brokers congratulated him on his election. Every new broker attempts to make a speech, but heretofore no one had ever succeeded because of the bedlam. Mr. Hale, however, established a precedent, in making a speech. President Gardiner H. Miller and former Presidents Samuel T. Hubbard Jr., George M. Shutt and Edward K. Cone were among those who witnessed Mr. Hale's initiation. Mr. Hale became associated with the exchange in 1902 as Assistant Superintendent, succeeding the late William V. King as Secretary in 1915. In 1920 the title of the office was changed to Secretary and Mr. Hale has been Secretary since 1921.

Board of Governors of National Raw Silk Exchange Adopt Amendments to By-laws to Provide for 10-Bale Contract.

The Board of Governors of the National Raw Silk Exchange at a special meeting on April 20 adopted a series of proposed amendments to the by-laws and trading and commission rules to provide for the adoption of a 10-bale contract in place of the 5-bale trading unit now in use. The proposed changes will be submitted to the membership for their approval at a special meeting on April 30. In the event that the members approve the change to the 10-bale trading unit, it is expected that trading in the new form of contract will get under way late in May. Trading in the present form of contract, specifying five bales as a unit, would not be discontinued until the close of the current year, however, the exchange trading in "new" and "old" contracts until that time.

Trading in raw silk futures on the National Raw Silk Exchange last week was the heaviest in the history of the Exchange, Paolino Gerli, President, announced on April 20. A total of 1,124 contracts, or 5,620 bales, was traded in during the week. The previous high record for a full week's trading was 950 contracts, or 4,750 bales, in the week ended Jan. 19. Advances of 5 to 8 cents per pound on the nearby positions were attained during the week.

Petroleum and its Products—Individual Conservation Continues as Industry Awaits Otis Survey.

Individual conservation of crude oil, practiced at the source, continued in greater degree during this week, according to reports from the large oil centers of the country. While the industry as a unit is still awaiting a solution of the obstacle placed in the way of the general conservation plan by the United States Government, the object of this plan is being achieved, although on a smaller scale, by individual operators who are holding their production to the 1928 figures, as outlined by the American Petroleum Institute

in its plan, which was stopped by the contention of the Attorney General of the United States that it would constitute a Federal violation.

Interest of the industry centers this week upon the reported merger of the Standard Oil Co. of New York and the Vacuum Oil Co., which is said to be awaiting only the assent of the Department of Justice as to approval of the project. These two organizations, it will be remembered, were both members of the old-line Standard Oil group which was dissolved by court decree.

This merger, if consummated, will bring together total assets of close to \$1,000,000,000 and is considered one of the most important projects in the history of the oil industry. Officials of the companies concerned are reticent in giving official confirmation of the merger, but it is considered practically settled by those well posted on the situation.

Despite the conservation being voluntarily practiced in certain sections, crude oil production last week averaged 2,671,850 barrels daily, an increase of 56,800 barrels over the previous week's averages.

Official recognition of the status of the A. P. I. conservation plan was contained in the action taken Wednesday by Directors of the Institute, who voted to hold in abeyance their plans for oil conservation pending the completion of the survey being made by Dr. George Otis Smith for the Federal Oil Conservation Board. Dr. Smith's investigation is being made on behalf of the Federal Government, which is seeking to establish whether or not the desired conservation could be achieved through an inter-state compact in which the Federal Government would be a party.

While this action of the A. P. I. does not mean that they have decided to abandon their original plan, it does signify that no conservation on a national or international scale can be expected until Dr. Otis completes his work and the results become known.

Prices of Typical Crudes per Barrel at Wells.
(All gravities, where A. P. I. degrees are not shown.)

Bradford, Pa.	\$4.10	Smackover, Ark., 24 and over	\$3.90
Corning, Ohio	1.75	Smackover, Ark., below 24	.75
Cabell, W. Va.	1.35	El Dorado, Ark., 34	1.14
Illinois	1.45	Uranis, La.	.90
Western Kentucky	1.53	Salt Creek, Wyo., 37	1.23
Midcontinent, Oklahoma, 37	1.23	Sunburst, Mont.	1.65
Corsicana, Tex., heavy	.80	Artesia, N. Mex.	1.08
Hutchinson, Tex., 35	.87	Santa Fe Springs, Calif., 33	1.35
Luling, Tex.	1.00	Midway Sunset, Calif., 22	.80
Spindletop, Tex., grade A	1.20	Huntington, Calif., 26	1.09
Spindletop, Tex., below 25	1.05	Ventura, Calif., 30	1.18
Winkler, Tex.	.65	Petrolia, Canada	1.90

REFINED PRODUCTS—U. S. MOTOR GASOLINE HELD ON FIRM BASIS—KEROSENE SALES INCREASE.

Further advances in the price of United States Motor Gasoline are looked for this week-end, when up-state buyers are in the market replenishing stocks depleted during the unexpectedly heavy consuming period of the past two weeks. This situation is obtaining not only in the Metropolitan area, but reports from other areas indicate that the same upturn in consumption has been noted.

Effective Thursday, April 25, Cities Service advanced the price of gasoline delivered in Boston and adjacent points to 10½¢ a gallon, an increase of ½¢. Other companies are quoting this price, while in some quarters 11¢ has been named, although there is reported to be a tendency to shade this high level slightly. Kerosene business is being maintained on a firm basis, and a slight increase in sales is reported. Aside from the improved domestic tone, the export business is improving noticeably. Mid-Continent reports indicate sustained strength in kerosene, and the Atlantic Seaboard reports a steady movement with prices firm. The kerosene movement in Pennsylvania is strong, but a slight drop in demand is noted in Chicago.

Demand for bunker fuel oil has been well sustained, with sizeable contracts keeping refiners busy without seeking new business, although spot demand has improved. Fresh buying in Diesel oil quarters enlivened this branch of the industry during the week. An upward turn in furnace oil consumption is reported. Lubricating oils are holding firm, but with less activity than the previous two weeks.

Gasoline, U. S. Motor, Tankcar Lots, F.O.B. Refinery.

New York (Bayonne) .09	Arkansas .06¾	North Louisiana .07¾
West Texas .06¼	California .08¼	North Texas .06¾
Chicago .07¼	Los Angeles, export .07¾	Oklahoma .07
New Orleans .07¾	Gulf Coast, export .08¾	Pennsylvania .09

Gasoline, Service Station, Tax Included.

New York .19	Cincinnati .18	Minneapolis .182
Atlanta .21	Denver .16	New Orleans .195
Baltimore .22	Detroit .188	Philadelphia .21
Boston .20	Houston .18	San Francisco .215
Buffalo .15	Jacksonville .24	Spokane .205
Chicago .15	Kansas City .179	St. Louis .169

Kerosene, 41-43 Water White, Tankcar Lots, F.O.B. Refinery.

New York (Bayonne) .08¼	Chicago .05¼	New Orleans .07¾
North Texas .05¼	Los Angeles, export .05¼	Tulsa .06¼

Fuel Oil, 18-22 Degree, F.O.B. Refinery or Terminal.		
New York (Bayonne) 1.05	Los Angeles .85	Gulf Coast .75
Diesel 2.00	New Orleans .95	Chicago .55
Gas Oil, 32-36 Degree, F.O.B. Refinery or Terminal.		
New York (Bayonne) .05¼	Chicago .03	Tulsa .03

Gross Crude Oil Stock Changes for March 1929.

Pipe line and tank farm gross domestic crude oil stocks east of Rocky Mountains increased 3,118,000 barrels in the month of March, according to returns compiled by the American Petroleum Institute from reports made to it by representative companies. The net change shown by the reporting companies accounts for the increases and decreases in general crude oil stocks, including crude oil in transit, but not producers' stocks at the wells.

Changes in Stocks at Refineries East of California for March 1929.

The following is the American Petroleum Institute's summary for the month of March of the increases and decreases in stocks at refineries covering approximately 86% of the operating capacity east of California:

	Increase (Bbls. of 42 Gals.)		Increase (Bbls. of 42 Gals.)
Domestic crude oil	1,355,000	Gas and fuel oils	282,000
Foreign crude oil	1,301,000	Lubricating oil	205,000
Gasoline	1,175,000	Miscellaneous	592,000
Kerosene	108,000	Net increase	5,016,000

Crude Oil Output in United States Increases.

The American Petroleum Institute estimates that the daily average gross crude oil production in the United States, for the week ended April 20 1929, was 2,671,850 barrels, as compared with 2,615,050 barrels for the preceding week, an increase of 56,800 barrels. Compared with the output for the week ended April 21 1928, 2,393,750 barrels per day, the current figure shows an increase of 278,100 barrels daily. The daily average production east of California for the week ended April 20 1929, was 1,875,250 barrels, as compared with 1,838,850 barrels for the preceding week, an increase of 36,400 barrels. The following estimates of daily average gross production, by districts, are for the weeks shown below:

DAILY AVERAGE PRODUCTION (FIGURES IN BARRELS).

	Apr. 20 '29	Apr. 13 '29	Apr. 6 '29	Apr. 21 '28
Oklahoma	673,600	648,300	673,700	620,550
Kansas	109,100	105,350	97,850	111,350
Panhandle Texas	64,050	61,700	66,100	69,250
North Texas	83,350	82,900	83,450	69,450
West Central Texas	52,500	52,500	52,350	54,550
West Texas	357,500	354,400	374,550	371,800
East Central Texas	19,050	19,800	19,900	23,700
Southwest Texas	72,850	73,400	71,900	23,600
North Louisiana	35,600	35,600	35,550	47,750
Arkansas	73,500	72,800	73,100	85,200
Coastal Texas	131,150	134,100	130,150	100,600
Coastal Louisiana	19,300	20,400	20,700	16,450
Eastern	110,750	110,500	110,250	107,500
Wyoming	53,650	48,400	51,150	58,750
Montana	9,550	9,650	9,600	11,900
Colorado	6,400	6,500	7,100	6,350
New Mexico	3,350	2,550	3,500	2,200
California	796,600	776,200	777,200	612,500
Total	2,671,850	2,615,050	2,658,100	2,393,750

The estimated daily average gross production for the Mid-Continent Field, including Oklahoma, Kansas, Panhandle, North, West Central, West, East Central, and Southwest Texas, North Louisiana and Arkansas, for the week ending April 20 1929, was 1,541,100 barrels, as compared with 1,506,750 barrels for the preceding week, an increase of 34,350 barrels. The Mid-Continent production, excluding Smackover (Arkansas) heavy oil, was 1,492,650 barrels, as compared with 1,457,600 barrels, an increase of 35,050 barrels.

The production figures of certain pools in the various districts for the current week, compared with the previous week, in barrels of 52 gals. follow:

	—Week Ended—		—Week Ended—
Oklahoma—	Apr. 20 Apr. 13	North Louisiana—	Apr. 20 Apr. 13
Allen Dome	26,300 26,200	Haynesville	5,350 5,400
Bowlegs	34,950 33,000	Uranis	5,900 5,850
Bristow-Slick	19,650 19,550	Arkansas—	
Burbank	21,200 21,300	Champagnolle	10,400 9,150
Cromwell	7,900 7,600	Smackover (light)	6,200 6,200
Earlsboro	60,900 59,250	Smackover (heavy)	48,450 49,150
Little River	73,800 70,450	Coastal Texas—	
Logan County	11,000 11,000	Hull	9,300 9,450
Maud	28,650 26,500	Pierce Junction	15,850 15,700
Mission	29,450 25,200	Spindletop	31,650 32,000
St. Louis	107,300 99,850	West Columbia	6,000 6,250
Searlight	9,500 9,350	Coastal Louisiana—	
Seminole	34,100 31,550	East Hackberry	2,800 2,600
Tonkawa	10,350 10,100	Sulphur Dome	2,400 2,600
Kansas—		Sweet Lake	400 400
Sedgwick County	24,600 23,750	Vinton	4,000 4,200
Panhandle Texas—		Old Hackberry	3,600 4,100
Carson County	6,500 6,300	Wyoming—	
Gray County	28,700 28,150	Salt Creek	35,350 30,100
Hutchinson County	26,300 24,950	Montana—	
North Texas—		Sunburst	5,300 5,300
Archer County	16,650 16,600	California—	
Wilbarger County	26,650 26,750	Dominguez	10,500 10,500
West Central Texas—		Elwood-Goleta	31,500 28,000
Brown County	8,550 8,700	Huntington Beach	46,500 46,500
Shackelford County	13,300 13,250	Inglewood	25,500 25,500
West Texas—		Kettleman Hills	3,500 4,000
Crane & Upton Counties	48,850 49,000	Long Beach	189,500 185,000
Howard County	45,650 42,700	Midway-Sunset	72,500 72,500
Peos County	92,200 88,200	Rosecrans	7,000 7,000
Reagan County	19,150 18,500	Santa Fe Springs	160,000 147,000
Winkler County	139,000 143,200	Seal Beach	48,500 48,500
East Central Texas—		Torrance	14,500 14,500
Corsicana-Powell	8,100 8,150	Ventura Avenue	56,500 55,000
Southwest Texas—			
Laredo District	11,550 11,750		
Luling	12,300 12,450		
Salt Flat	41,400 41,800		

American Petroleum Institute to Co-Operate With Federal Oil Conservation Board in Its Plan For Working Out With State Authorities Oil Conservation Measures.

In an announcement issued under date of April 24 the American Petroleum Institute indicated that it was the unanimous opinion of its directors that the Institute co-operate with the Federal Oil Conservation Board in further efforts toward the Conservation of petroleum. As was noted in our issue of April 13 (page 2382), the Federal Board made known to the Institute early this month, that it considered the real solution of oil restriction rested in action by the different States. The following is the statement issued by the Institute on April 24:

The Board of Directors of the American Petroleum Institute at its meeting to-day gave careful consideration to the proposals of the Federal Oil Conservation Board as contained in its letter of April 8 to R. C. Holmes, Chairman of the General Committee on World Production and Consumption. In this letter the Board stated as follows:

The problem appears to the Board, . . . due to the legal inhibitions, to be one in the real solution of which action must be secured from the different States. The Board recognizes that individual State action without co-ordination would not cover the question, but with view to bringing about such a program and its co-ordination, the Board believes it would be worth while to renew discussion with the State authorities of the three or four principal oil producing States, particularly to learn if it is not possible for them to enter upon an Inter-State Compact under the provisions of the Constitution authorizing such compacts to which the Federal Government through congressional action would be a party. The character of such a compact would need much consideration but it could well comprise creating a joint board for the purposes of constructive conservation and thus secure the nation from the very real peril that will lie in the reckless exhaustion of our oil resources. With this in view, the Board is planning to have Dr. George Otis Smith, on its behalf, visit and interview the Governors of three or four dominating oil producing States and learn their views upon such a proposal.

It believes that the above suggestion, if it can be consummated on constructive lines, should extend the life of our oil resources and give greater stability to the industry, should vastly increase the returns to those States, and at the same time should protect the consumer.

It was the unanimous opinion of the Institute directors that the Institute co-operate with the Federal Oil Conservation Board in the study of its program and in any further efforts toward the conservation of petroleum, and that it should lend its aid in the continued study of any undertaking which promises to bring about this result.

Regarding the opinion of the Board, as announced above, the "Times" of April 25 said:

Forty oil executives, representing nearly all the large producing interests of the Western Hemisphere, attended the meeting at 250 Park Avenue, at which the decision to look further for a solution of the industry's problem was reached. The final agreement to co-operate in the newest effort of the Oil Conservation Board was unanimous, but it was arrived at only after an animated debate in which the suggestion was frequently made that nothing more need be attempted in view of the reception met by the institute's original restriction plan in Washington.

Will Await Dr. Smith's Report.

E. B. Reeser, President of the institute, and other oil operators who participated in the drafting of the conservation program, said after the meeting that the industry was as determined as ever to prevent further waste of oil resources. The industry will not wait, Mr. Reeser said, for the Federal Oil Conservation Board to disclose the results of the conferences which Dr. George Otis Smith, its representative, is holding with the Governors of the principal oil producing States concerning the proposed Inter-State compact.

In the meantime, Mr. Reeser said, the Petroleum Institute's own plan to limit production in 1929 to the 1928 basis, with the approval of the Oil Conservation Board, is in suspense. The plan was to have become operative on April 1. It was held up after a delegation from the Petroleum Institute had gone to Washington for a conference with the Oil Conservation Board and had been informed that United States Attorney General Mitchell had held that the Board was without authority to approve or disapprove the plan or relieve the industry from the possible danger of prosecution under the laws relating to restraint of trade.

After receiving the Attorney General's opinion the Board decided it could not co-operate with the leaders of the industry in the conservation plan then under discussion. Later the Board submitted its suggestion that the problem of curbing oil production should be worked out in co-operation with the authorities of the various States and had Dr. Smith begin a series of conferences with the Governors.

Still for Conservation.

"We are just as strong for conservation as ever," Mr. Reeser said after adjournment of the meeting, which lasted all day. "The decision we have reached is the best that we could reach under the circumstances."

He said another meeting would be held by the directors of the institute on May 28, by which time it is hoped that some definite suggestion will have been received from the Federal Oil Conservation Board.

Asked concerning the differences of opinion that developed at yesterday's meeting, (April 24) Mr. Reeser said some conflict of views was to be expected in a discussion of such a matter as oil conservation in which so many persons were taking part. He emphasized, however, that the decision to co-operate as far as possible with the Federal Government on conservation was unanimous.

"We have no criticism of the Attorney General and we are not disputing with him over the legality of the program we submitted," Mr. Reeser said, adding that the Attorney General had never said the plan was illegal.

Mr. Reeser said the attorneys for some of the oil companies do not believe the plan worked out by the institute would violate the laws against restraint of trade. At the same time, he added, the leaders of the industry are not proposing to cross swords with the Government on this point.

Mr. Reeser pointed out that the proration plans in important oil-producing areas are being continued and with the co-operation of most of the important producing interests. There has been no let-up, he said, in the curtailment efforts that were begun before the Institute adopted its program covering the entire Western Hemisphere. The entire industry, he said, recognized the necessity of preventing excessive production. There will be no change in the industry's attitude as to that, he predicted.

Mr. Reeser announced that the general committee of the institute and the regional groups set up by that body in working out the conservation program would not be discharged, but would wait for further developments.

The Gulf Oil Co., controlled by the Mellon interests of Pittsburgh, was not represented at the meeting. It has been reported that the Gulf officials feel that solution of the problem of overproduction is to be found not through legislation but through co-operation.

Officials of other oil companies who attended yesterday's meeting opposed for a time the suggestion that the Institute's program be scrapped and that an Inter-State compact be sought instead. Some of the speakers, it was understood, favored abandoning the entire conservation effort for the time being. The decision that finally was reached is believed to have been reached after officials of several of the leading companies had advised against any action or utterance that could be construed as indicating loss of interest in the conservation movement. All of the officials present, some of whom are not directors of the institute, were called on to express their views.

The plans of the oil industry to restrict the output of oil production in 1929 to the level of output in 1928 were referred to in these columns March 30, page 1998, and in our issue of April 6, page 2211 we gave the views of the Attorney General, who held that no Federal authority exists to sanction the oil restriction proposal.

Oil Production Cut is Ordered in California—State Umpire's Orders Reduce Daily Output From 794,000 to 648,844 Barrels.

At Los Angeles on April 19, F. C. Van Deirse, State Oil Umpire, issued general orders effective at 7 a. m. April 22, calling for curtailment of oil production covering all fields in California with the exception of the San Joaquin Valley districts. Special advices from Los Angeles to the "Herald Tribune" in announcing this added:

Based on the daily average production for February, 1919, Mr. Van Deirse has ordered a cut of 129,530 in the average daily output of crude oil. Upon the issuance of an order covering the San Joaquin Valley fields an additional cut of 15,626 barrels will be ordered to bring the total cut to 145,156 barrels a day. This will bring the daily output down to 648,844 barrels, compared with the daily average of California fields in February of this year, aggregating 794,000 barrels.

Figures on principal fields follow:

	Alloted production under new order.	Production April 13.
Long Beach	133,962	185,000
Santa Fe Springs	125,000	147,000
Huntington Beach	42,259	46,500
Tottance	13,700	14,500
Dominguez	9,770	10,500
Ingewood	23,480	25,000
Ventura	51,084	55,000
Seal Beach	33,004	48,500
Elwood Goleta	20,000	28,000

Total output for all fields for the week ended April 13 was 776,200 barrels, compared with an ordered output of 648,844 barrels, effective April 22.

In response to the call of Secretary of the Interior Wilbur, operators in the new Kettleman Hills oil field went into session this morning with W. F. Humphreys, President of Tidewater Associated Oil, as temporary chairman. Representatives of the Pacific Western Oil Co. and Kettleman Corporation stated they had just returned from conferences at Washington with Secretary Wilbur and proposed to limit output at Kettleman Hills North Dome to 40,000 barrels daily until June 30 1930. The proposal was debated, but the action was delayed temporarily to allow the operators time to form a permanent organization. Mr. Van Deirse was named chairman of the group. The belief was held by the majority of the operators that a conservation plan, acceptable to the Federal government, could be made effective.

The Wall Street "News" reports the following advices from Los Angeles April 24:

Reports to State Umpire F. C. Van Deirse indicate that every major operating oil company in California has observed the curtailment schedule promulgated in the umpire's recent order, which went into effect last Monday. According to the report some of the companies were not prepared to put the order into effect last Monday but are observing it to-day. Curtailment program for state calls for daily reduction of 145,000 bbls. out of a total of 780,000 bbls. or about 18%. Orders for 15,600 bbls. of this reduction have not yet been issued but will be this week.

American Automobile Association While Favoring Plans for Conserving Petroleum, Opposed to Creation of Artificial Shortage and Raising of Prices.

While favoring a constructive program to conserve the nation's petroleum resources, automobile owners of the country, who spend more than \$2,000,000,000 annually for gasoline and oil, will oppose any move on the part of industry to create an artificial shortage and raise prices, according to a statement made public at Washington by the American Automobile Association on April 20. We quote from a Washington dispatch to the New York "Times" which says:

"The car owners feel," said President Henry of the association, "that they have an unquestioned right to demand that an adequate supply of fuel be maintained, based on consumption, and that the move toward conservation not be made a cloak to cover a boost in price for gasoline and oils."

Mr. Henry said that the American Association was wholeheartedly in accord with the policy of President Hoover as far as the oil resources of the public domain are concerned.

"When it is considered," he said, "that America has only about 18% of the world's oil resources, and in 1928 produced 68.2% of the world's

production, it is time to adopt some means of assuring a supply for the future.

Ready to Fight Price Boost.

"If all elements of the oil industry are sincere in the move to join President Hoover in honest conservation of these resources, there is little danger of unfavorable reaction on the part of the consumers. If, on the other hand, there develops any indication that the oil interests intend to use conservation as a cloak for the creation of an artificial shortage, the organized car owners through their national and local associations will be found ready to do battle."

Mr. Henry cited figures for 1928 to show that there was no unusual excess in the gasoline supply, although there was an over-production of crude oil.

"As a matter of fact," he asserted, "it appeared that refiners did not accumulate sufficient supplies of gasoline during the Spring and were pushed to fill orders in midsummer."

"Gasoline production totaled 377,183,000 barrels, or 15,841,686,000 gallons, in 1928, which represents an increase over 1927 of 14%."

"The indicated domestic demand for gasoline in 1928 amounted to 328,832,000 barrels, or 13,810,944,000 gallons, an increase over 1927 of 11%."

Sees No Over-supply.

"Moreover, figures for 1928 show that the supply in storage varied from one sufficient to meet 47 days' demand in January to 22 days in August, the peak of the motoring season, when there is the greatest demand for motor fuels and lubricants."

"However," it is natural to suppose that if the oil industry succeeds in curtailing the production of crude oil, it will naturally diminish the amount of gasoline."

The association reported that a survey showed that on Feb. 19 1929, 77 different prices for gasoline prevailed in the United States. The lowest price on the date of the check-up was 12 cents for straight run and 15 cents for high test gasoline at Muskogee, Okla., and the highest was 24.5 cents for straight run and 27.5 cents for high test at Wallace, Idaho.

"As in previous check-ups," the statement read, "proximity to sources of supply appeared to be a negligible factor in determining current prices, since prices were in many instances as high close to the oil fields as they were at points to which a long haul was necessary. Prices at tidewater were on the whole as high as those charged at inland points."

Findings of Gasoline Survey.

A summary of the survey, by sections of the country, was as follows:

New England States.—Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut: This section is far from the oil fields and one of the greatest consuming areas. The price of gasoline varied 3 cents for straight-run gasoline, ranging from 16 cents a gallon to 18 cents, and 4 cents for high test gasoline, ranging from 19 cents a gallon to 22 cents.

Middle Atlantic States.—New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania: Gasoline prices varied 6 cents for straight-run gasoline, ranging from 15 cents a gallon to 20 cents, and 7 cents for the high test gasoline, ranging from 19 cents to 25 cents a gallon.

East North Central States.—Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin: Gasoline prices varied 12.5 cents on both varieties of gas, the range in the straight-run being from 13 cents a gallon to 24.5 cents, and high test from 16 cents to 27.5 cents a gallon.

West North Central States.—Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, South Dakota and Nebraska: Gasoline prices varied 5.4 cents for straight-run, ranging from 14.6 cents a gallon to 19 cents, and 4.7 cents for high test, ranging from 17.6 cents to 21.3 cents a gallon. (No reports received from North Dakota and Kansas.)

South Atlantic States.—Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida: Gasoline prices varied 7 cents on both varieties of gasoline, the range in the straight-run being from 14 cents a gallon to 20 cents, and for high test from 17 cents to 23 cents.

"Spread" Large in Southwest.

East South Central States.—Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama and Mississippi: Gasoline prices varied 5 cents on both varieties of gasoline, the range in the straight-run being from 15 cents a gallon to 19 cents, and for the high test from 18 to 22 cents.

West South Central States.—Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Texas: Gasoline prices varied 9 cents on both varieties of gasoline, the range in the straight-run being from 12 cents a gallon to 20 cents, and for the high test from 15 cents a gallon to 23 cents.

Mountain States.—Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah and Nevada: Gasoline prices varied 9.5 cents for straight-run gasoline, ranging from 16 cents to 24.5 cents a gallon, and 7.5 cents for high test gasoline, ranging from 21 cents to 27.5 cents.

Pacific States.—Washington, Oregon and California: Gasoline prices varied 9 cents for straight-run gasoline, ranging from 14 cents to 22 cents a gallon, and 5 cents for high test, ranging from 19.5 cents to 23.5 cents.

Rules Governing Trading in Copper Futures on National Metal Exchange.

Rules to govern trading in copper futures on the National Metal Exchange were announced on April 19 by Erwin Vogelsang, President. The rules, in the form of amendments to the by-laws of the exchange, were approved by the Board of Governors on April 16 and will be submitted to the members for a vote on April 29. Trading in copper futures will begin on the exchange about the middle of May. President Vogelsang's announcement says:

The rules provide for the appointment of a Committee on Copper of five members, at least three of whom shall be members of the Board of Governors. This committee will supervise copper trading and recommend any changes in the by-laws and rules governing copper trading as it may consider necessary.

The copper contract will be for 50,000 pounds, which at present prices (around 18 cents a pound) would make the value of a contract about \$9,000. Fluctuations will be in hundredths of a cent and the limit of fluctuations for any one day will be two cents above or below the previous day's close. Trading will be confined to the current month and the eleven succeeding months.

Contract grades of copper will be prime electrolytic copper and prime lake copper, assaying 99.90% in ingots and (or) bar and (or) wire bars of standard weights and sizes. Discount grades will be best selected copper, assaying 99.80%, casting copper, 99.50%, and casting copper 99%, in

ingots and (or) ingot bars. In addition the rules include as discount grades rough or blister copper in six grades, 94% to 98% inclusive.

Prime electrolytic copper shall be deemed the contract grade, the seller having the option of delivering prime lake copper at the contract price. The seller shall also have the option of delivering any one of the other grades above named at the following discounts from the contract price: Best selected copper, assaying 99.80%, at $\frac{1}{8}$ cents per pound; casting copper, assaying 99.50%, at $\frac{1}{4}$ cent per pound; casting copper, assaying 99%, at $\frac{1}{2}$ cent; rough or blister copper, 98%, at $1\frac{1}{2}$ cents; 97% at $1\frac{3}{4}$ cents; 96% at 2 cents; 95% at $2\frac{1}{2}$ cents, and 94% at 3 cents.

Prime electrolytic copper, lake, best selected and casting copper shall be deliverable from licensed warehouse, but any of the officially listed brands may be delivered from the producing refinery or smelting plant, provided, however, that such refinery or smelting plant is located in New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Missouri or Pennsylvania. All other tenderable grades of copper shall be delivered only from licensed warehouse. When delivery is made from refinery or smelting plant, allowance shall be made in the price by the seller to the buyer for the freight differential from point of delivery to the port of New York.

Minimum commissions are established at \$10 per contract for members of the exchange residing in the United States and Canada, double this rate applying on deals for non-members. For members and non-members living outside the United States and Canada an additional \$1 per contract is provided for. For each contract bought or sold by one member for another, giving up his principal on the day of the transaction, the floor brokerage shall be \$1.50.

Trading in copper futures on the National Metal Exchange will materially broaden the activities of that organization, which previously has traded only in tins futures, says an announcement by the Exchange on April 16, which added:

Current consumption of copper in the United States is now considerably more than double that of pre-war levels. The need for some stabilizing influence, such as is provided by the facilities for futures trading on the National Metal Exchange, has long been felt in the industry, particularly within the past year, when the gain in production has fallen considerably behind the increase in consumption. Domestic copper consumption is now running well in excess of the production of United States mines, with imports from Canada, Chile, Peru, and Mexico making up the deficit, and providing an exportable surplus.

It was announced on April 10 that the Board of Governors of the exchange had voted an amendment to the by-laws increasing the transfer charge on seats from \$300 to \$500 and increasing the number of months for trading in tin from six to 12 months. The plans of the exchange to inaugurate trading in copper futures were referred to in these columns March 16, page 1669.

Copper Prices Steady After Recent Decline.

Business in non-ferrous metals was quiet in the past week. Copper and lead were fairly steady, while zinc was easier and tin dropped to a new low for the movement. "Engineering and Mining Journal" reports, adding:

Though sales of copper during the week have not been large, the tonnage has been fairly well distributed over each day of the week and among the three custom smelters. The market may be described as steady if not firm. Custom smelters are fairly comfortably fixed as to their immediate position and with primary producers maintaining a policy of "hands off" in the domestic market, the future trend of prices must depend largely on the extent of the foreign demand. Producers as a group may be considered well sold into July in the domestic market, but they are not similarly sold in the export market. The domestic price held at 18 cents, delivered Connecticut, with Copper Exporters, Inc., quoting 18.30, c.i.f., usual European destinations. No tendency to defer shipments of copper from refineries is reported and it appears probable that April statistics will reveal a continuation of the high rate of deliveries with little chance for any accumulation of stocks at refineries.

A larger tonnage of lead was sold than last week, but the market cannot yet be characterized as active. The price in the East was unchanged at 7 cents, New York basis. In the Middle West, where most of the business has been done, slight concessions were made by some sellers, the market ranging from 6.80@6.85 cents a pound, St. Louis.

Wages Rise in Lead and Silver Mines—Wages in Utah Coal Mines Cut.

The following is from the New York "Times" of April 25:

Wages of miners in the lead and silver mines of Utah have been advanced about 5%, or 25 cents a day by the larger producers in the district. The increase is retroactive to March 15. Recent improvement in the price of lead made the advance possible.

In the last month wage advances totaling 50 cents a day were made in the lead and silver properties of the Coeur d'Alene district of Idaho in accordance with an agreement made in 1916 and based on the selling price of lead. The present daily wage scale in that district is: Miners, \$5.50; shovelers, \$5; timber helpers, \$5.25; machinists, \$6.25; machinists' helpers, \$5.50; motormen, \$5.25.

Wages in the coal mines of Carbon County, Utah, were cut 25 to 38%, effective on April 1, and are now the same as paid in the coal mines of Montana, Wyoming and Colorado, where a like reduction was made last December.

Anaconda Copper Co. Reduces Miner's Wages in Butte, Mont.

The "Wall Street Journal" of April 26, said:

Anaconda Copper Mining Co. is posting notices at its Butte mines announcing reduction of 25 cents a day in miners' wages effective May 1 1929. This will make miners' pay \$5.75 a day.

The "Wall Street News" announced the following from Butte, April 25:

Wages of employees on the daily payroll of mines in the Butte district will be reduced 25c. per shift on May 1, operators announce. This cut wipes out an increase which became effective April 1, when copper was quoted at 24c. compared with price of 18c. at present time. Underground workers with the new scale in effect will receive \$5.75 per day.

Steel Output Maintained at a Peak Rate—Pig Iron Price Again Advanced—Steel Price Unchanged.

With the steel industry bending all its efforts to produce, operations continue at a peak rate, being restricted only by the strain on equipment and the shortage of semi-finished material, says the "Iron Age" of April 25, which we further quote:

While specifications now tend to fall short of shipments, they have shown no marked decline and in some instances have made fresh gains. Deliveries, which are a good measure of the flow of shipping orders, show little improvement.

With no curtailment in automobile production and with other important steel-consuming lines taking steel at a better rate than usual, any slackening in the present pace of the steel mills is likely to be gradual. Heavy operating schedules until well into June are virtually assured.

Although the backlogs of mills in most steel centers are no longer expanding, exception must still be made for the Chicago district, where a continued excess of specifications over shipments has caused further delays in deliveries. Chicago ingot output has declined to 98% of capacity because of the wear and tear of operations which, for some units, have been 5 to 10% above practical rating.

The advance to \$36 a ton on billets, slabs and sheet bars announced by the leading interest last week has become general. Few producers, however, have semi-finished material to sell. Pittsburgh mills have rejected offers of \$37 for sheet bars for immediate shipment. At least two producers that are ordinarily able to supply their own steel requirements have been forced to place orders for ingots—the first important purchases of that class of material in several years.

In face of the dearth of raw steel, 25,000 tons of sheet bars has been sold for shipment to Japan. This apparent incongruity is probably explained by the fact that a leading American producer maintains a regular allotment of steel for export, from which the Japanese tonnage will doubtless be supplied.

A gain of 85,000 tons in unfilled orders in March, reported by independent sheet mills, was in keeping with the expectations of the trade. The increase in February was 50,000 tons. While mill backlogs are no longer increasing, specifications at second quarter prices are beginning to be received as shipments against previous contracts are being completed. Some mills are committed through the second quarter on automobile body sheets and have taken orders for forward shipment subject to third quarter prices. An inquiry for a round tonnage of hot strip for delivery in the next quarter has been put out by a maker of parts for low-priced automobiles.

In line with the firmness in full finished sheets, extras on metal furniture grades have been advanced. Prices on other finishes are slowly becoming better established, but concessions on black and galvanized have not disappeared.

In plates and shapes, also, deviations from 1.95c., Pittsburgh, are still reported, but the extra for copper-bearing material has been increased from \$2 to \$3 a ton. Similarly the extra for copper-bearing spikes and tie plates has been raised \$1 a ton.

Three pipe makers have shared in the steel for a second gas line to St. Louis, totaling 75,000 tons. Of that amount, 55,000 tons was placed with the Milwaukee pipe maker. This company, which has been the sole fabricator of pipe by electric welding, now has a competitor in the Republic Iron & Steel Co., which is offering sizes up to 7-in. and is about to install equipment to extend the range to 22-in.

Fabricated structural steel orders in March, computed at 358,050 tons, established a new monthly record. Awards for the week, at 34,000 tons, were considerably below recent totals, but a large amount of structural work is awaiting decision.

The Canadian National has placed orders for 2,000 automobile cars with American shops. The Great Northern has bought 6,000 tons of rails and the Nickel Plate has exercised an option on several thousand tons.

The New York Shipbuilding Co. is low bidder on three vessels for the Export Steamship Corp., requiring 27,000 tons of steel.

The opening of the season of navigation was signalized by shipments of ore from the Upper Lakes, steel bars from Cleveland to Detroit and pig iron from Buffalo and Chicago. A cargo of low phosphorus pig iron was loaded in England April 5 for ultimate delivery at Milwaukee.

The pig iron market is devoid of significant new developments. Northern and Eastern furnaces continue to take a stronger price position, while Southern furnaces remain on the aggressive. A New Jersey pipe plant has received a substantial part of 20,000 tons of iron bought from Tennessee and Alabama furnaces.

Heavy melting scrap at Pittsburgh has declined 25c. a ton to \$18.50. Old material is easier in virtually all markets.

Government co-operation with steel manufacturers in research to broaden markets is among the pre-election promises to the Conservative Party in Great Britain. An inquiry into the possibility of protection from iron and steel has also been promised.

The International Tube Cartel, which now includes American manufacturers, will regulate trade in gas, water and oil pipe. An agreement on locomotive and boiler tubes has not yet been reached.

The "Iron Age" composite price for pig iron has advanced from \$18.46 to \$18.54 a ton. Finished steel remains at 2.412c. a lb., as the following table shows:

Finished Steel.				Pig Iron.					
April 23 1929, 2.412c. a Lb.				April 23 1929, \$18.54 a Gross Ton.					
One week ago	.....	2.412c.		One week ago	.....	\$18.46	
One month ago	.....	2.391c.		One month ago	.....	18.38	
One year ago	.....	2.352c.		One year ago	.....	17.67	
10-year pre-war average	.....	1.689c.		10-year pre-war average	.....	15.72	
Based on steel bars, beams, tank plates, wire nails, black pipe and black sheets. These products make 87% of the United States output of finished steel.									
	High.	Low.		High.	Low.				
1929	2.412c.	Apr. 2	2.391c.	Jan. 8	1929	\$18.54	Apr. 9	\$18.29	Mar. 19
1928	2.391c.	Dec. 11	2.314c.	Jan. 3	1928	18.59	Nov. 27	17.04	July 24
1927	2.453c.	Jan. 4	2.293c.	Oct. 25	1927	19.71	Jan. 4	17.54	Nov. 1
1926	2.453c.	Jan. 5	2.403c.	May 18	1926	21.54	Jan. 5	19.46	July 13
1925	2.500c.	Jan. 6	2.396c.	Aug. 18	1925	22.50	Jan. 13	18.96	July 7

By easy stages steel demand is receding from its recent record level, states the "Iron Trade Review" in its weekly summary of iron and steel conditions. Specifications of important producers are averaging 75 to 80% of shipments, a relationship which is unusually good for the season and, considering backlogs, substantiates expectations of a record second quarter output, adds the "Review," which goes on to say:

By districts Chicago is an exception to this trend, as bookings of most products show little change, and by producers subsidiaries of the United

States Steel Corp. are in a slightly better position than independents both as to operating rates and new business.

Seasonal shifts in requirements are taking up some slack. Whatever shrinkage develops in automotive sheet consumption in the next 60 days, for example, will be substantially offset by expanding needs of container manufacturers. Secondary buying of track material is noted, and specifications for tin plate are heavier.

Steelmaking is only fractionally off from the recent peak, though the necessity for repairs caused by capacity operations for a number of weeks becomes more urgent. Some changeover in equipment at Chicago has cut that district's rate from 98 to 95%. Pittsburgh holds at 95% and Buffalo at 90. In the Mahoning Valley 48 independent open hearths out of 51, a gain of two, are active. Steel corporation subsidiaries are close to capacity, and independent producers at 96%.

The price situation generally continues strong, though it would be unusual if declining demand did not exert some pressure. Semi-finished steel is up \$1 to \$2 per ton at Pittsburgh, with little material available. Sheetmakers claim strength for prices on the common grades. Water shipments of finished steel into Detroit, now beginning, take a lower freight than the all-rail movement. Some scrap dealers are beginning to discount a summer dip in consumption and short selling has appeared. A few sales of pig iron in the valley district have carried a 50-cent rise.

Plate requirements continue exceptional at Pittsburgh and Chicago. Specifications prompted by recent freight car and river barge orders, with a fair sprinkling of tank work, equal the volume of a month ago. Capacity demand for all classes of plates has booked Chicago plate mill capacity into July.

Bar demands at Chicago closely approach plates, but in other districts a slight shrinkage is evident. Deliveries at Chicago are as distant as 14 weeks. Backlogs of Pittsburgh makers are lighter as automotive needs are less insistent. Structural steel awards continue to lag despite heavy public work in the East, and at Chicago light shape requirements for cars have filled structural mills. Concrete bar prices waver.

The strength of sheet demand is depicted by the record production and shipments by independent mills in March, leaving unfilled orders April 1 approximately 250% of capacity. Farm implement manufacturers and carbuilders have expanded their orders, offsetting some losses at Pittsburgh from automotive buyers. A shortage of semi-finished steel holds Chicago mills down to 85%. In the Mahoning Valley 117 out of 125 independent sheet mills, or one more than last week, are operating.

Distribution of 3,000 freight cars by the Baltimore & Ohio and 2,500 by the Chicago & North Western, expected shortly, will place over 125,000 tons of steel on mill books. The Canadian National has placed an additional 1,000 freight cars. Including 5 for export, 30 locomotives were placed this week. Secondary rail buying at Chicago includes 10,000 tons of rail and 3,000 tons of fastenings.

Though strip steel specifications are slightly below the March level at Pittsburgh, deliveries have not eased appreciably. Backlogs at Chicago on cold rolled strip extend six to seven weeks. Shipments of cold finished bars are heavier than 60 days ago. Agricultural demand for wire products is somewhat heavier but manufacturers' wire is slower.

As navigation opens pig iron is moving from Lake Erie ports to Chicago, about 30,000 tons having been sold for delivery in that district, and from Buffalo east by barge. High water is expediting barge shipments from the Birmingham district. All valley makers are quoting \$18.50, base, on foundry iron. In most district shipments eclipse bookings. An indication of demand for pig iron is the fact consumption of Lake Superior iron ore is running 700,000 tons a month ahead of 1928.

Cast iron pipe business lags in the New York and Chicago districts, accounting in part for the weakness in Southern pig iron. French makers have been awarded 5,000 tons out of a distribution of 14,000 tons at Detroit.

Advances in semi-finished steel have put the "Iron Trade Review" composite of 14 leading products up 22 cents this week, to \$37.04, the highest point this index has touched since Feb. 1927.

Ingot production of the U. S. Steel Corp. during the past week rose about 4%, with the leading interest now operating at its full rated capacity, reports the "Wall Street Journal" on April 24. This compares with about 96% in the preceding week and 99% two weeks ago. The "Journal" continues:

Independent steel companies have made no change and are still at around 98%. This is due to the let-up in some of the smaller units which are dependent upon outside sources for some of their material. The leading independents have not curtailed to any extent, with the Bethlehem Steel Corp., the second largest steel company, still credited with 100% operations two weeks ago the independents were running at 94%.

For the entire industry the average is now slightly below 98%, the high record for the current year. Last week the industry was running at 96% and two weeks ago the rate was 95½%.

In the corresponding week of last year the ingot production also was moving ahead, and the Steep Corp. was running at better than 89%, with the independents at about 81%, and the average about 85%.

The "American Metal Market" this week says:

The Steel Corp. this week reached a 100% steel ingot operation, the final climb being evidently due to increased production at Duluth to ship semi-finished steel to the Chicago district to help relieve the shortage there. Bethlehem is also reported at 100% and the general average of the steel industry may be estimated at fully 98%. This would seem to make a balance of probability that this month's steel production rate will slightly exceed that of March, leaving April as the peak month as was the case last year, while ordinarily March has been the high month. Estimates continue to be made that seasonal recessions will be milder or later than usual. Allowing for a slight recession the half year will run about 15% over the first half of last year and 11% over the second half.

World Production of Coal in 1928 Estimated at 1,444,000,000 Tons.

The world production of coal of all grades in 1928, according to preliminary figures compiled by the Bureau of Mines, was 1,444,000,000 tons. Of this, approximately 217,000,000 tons, or 15% of the total output, was lignite, and 1,227,000,000 tons was bituminous coal and anthracite. Lignite production was the largest on record and showed an increase of 9% over 1927. The production of anthracite and bituminous coal, however, declined 3.5% in comparison with 1927. Adequate production and stocks characterized the world coal situation throughout 1928.

The following table of production by countries is based upon such official sources as are at present available, supplemented by trade information. The figures are subject to revision:

COAL PRODUCED IN THE PRINCIPAL COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD IN THE CALENDAR YEARS 1926, 1927 AND 1928, IN METRIC TONS. a (Prepared by L. M. Jones, Bureau of Mines.)

Country.	1926.	1927.	1928.
North America:			
Canada—Coal	11,687,032	12,341,000	12,425,808
Lignite	3,261,599	3,468,000	3,468,996
United States—Anthracite	76,599,968	72,661,094	69,612,000
Bituminous and lignite	520,147,061	469,704,558	447,017,000
Other countries	1,310,638	1,034,205	b
South America	2,095,000	2,126,500	b
Europe:			
Belgium	25,259,600	27,573,550	27,542,780
Czechoslovakia—Coal	14,176,998	14,016,300	15,171,403
Lignite	18,515,666	19,620,637	20,709,558
France—Coal	51,421,772	51,779,000	51,370,000
Lignite	1,056,200	1,068,000	1,059,000
Germany—Coal	145,295,724	153,599,355	150,875,814
Lignite	139,150,557	150,503,914	166,224,159
Spain—c	13,680,874	13,595,824	d13,131,000
Hungary—Coal	826,906	784,154	845,000
Lignite	5,822,299	6,243,385	6,488,100
Netherlands—Coal	8,842,687	9,488,412	10,920,000
Lignite	211,194	201,382	b
Poland—Coal	35,747,348	38,084,086	40,599,000
Lignite	76,026	78,484	b
Russia—Coal, e	20,614,717	27,448,262	f34,102,000
Lignite, e	1,605,327	b	b
Spain—Coal	6,586,087	6,562,936	d6,195,000
Lignite	399,830	429,602	d352,000
United Kingdom—Great Britain	128,305,291	255,264,615	241,590,100
Northern Ireland	b	510	b
Other countries	b	b	b
Asia:			
China	b	b	b
India, British	21,336,204	22,436,757	d21,871,000
Japan (incl. Taiwan and Karafuto)	33,496,879	33,400,000	d33,700,000
Coal	161,134	b	b
Lignite	b	b	b
Other countries	b	b	b
Africa:			
Rhodesia, Southern	874,140	908,744	d1,207,000
Union of South Africa	12,949,950	12,580,314	12,570,700
Other countries	473,793	482,115	b
Oceania:			
Australia—New South Wales	11,060,483	11,304,688	9,550,000
Other States	3,400,894	3,914,157	b
New Zealand—Coal	1,215,590	1,299,044	b
Lignite	1,060,361	1,104,142	b
Total	1,365,000,000	1,470,000,000	1,444,000,000

a One metric ton equivalent to 2,204.6 pounds. b Estimate included in total. c Mines under French control. d Estimated on the basis of 11 months' figures. e Data for year ended Sept. 30. f Includes production of Russia in Asia, which in 1927 amounted to 4,502,963 tons of coal and lignite combined.

Monthly Production of Coal by States in March.

The total production of bituminous coal for the country as a whole in March is estimated at 39,347,000 net tons, in comparison with 47,271,000 tons in February, according to the U. S. Bureau of Mines. The average daily rate of output decreased 457,000 tons, or 23.2%, in March.

The production of Pennsylvania anthracite decreased from 6,670,000 net tons in February to 5,044,000 tons in March. The average daily rate decreased 90,000 tons, or 31.7%.

ESTIMATED PRODUCTION OF COAL BY STATES IN MARCH (Net Tons). a

State.	Mar. 1929	Feb. 1929	Mar. 1928	Mar. 1927	Mar. 1923
Alabama	1,400,000	1,540,000	1,512,000	2,137,000	1,902,000
Arkansas	86,000	230,000	111,000	125,000	100,000
Colorado	693,000	1,156,000	748,000	1,016,000	879,000
Illinois	4,400,000	6,710,000	7,481,000	10,036,000	7,576,000
Indiana	1,480,000	1,860,000	2,105,000	3,070,000	2,586,000
Iowa	309,000	480,000	427,000	656,000	551,000
Kansas	196,000	310,000	273,000	501,000	379,000
Kentucky—Eastern	3,390,000	4,040,000	3,673,000	4,104,000	2,524,000
Western	1,020,000	1,505,000	1,714,000	1,782,000	964,000
Maryland	490,000	260,000	234,000	262,000	235,000
Michigan	55,000	65,000	65,000	54,000	144,000
Missouri	270,000	390,000	275,000	337,000	271,000
Montana	240,000	340,000	270,000	233,000	309,000
New Mexico	205,000	235,000	263,000	269,000	239,000
North Dakota	115,000	260,000	130,000	127,000	153,000
Ohio	1,600,000	1,900,000	874,000	3,384,000	3,329,000
Oklahoma	200,000	383,000	184,000	306,000	247,000
Pennsylvania (bituminous)	10,822,000	11,206,000	10,526,000	15,058,000	14,620,000
Tennessee	435,000	493,000	498,000	637,000	532,000
Texas	75,000	84,000	72,000	124,000	87,000
Utah	359,000	610,000	335,000	374,000	306,000
Virginia	1,045,000	1,165,000	983,000	1,145,000	1,035,000
Washington	190,000	265,000	181,000	214,000	333,000
West Virginia	9,840,000	11,140,000	10,470,000	13,270,000	8,501,000
Wyoming	495,000	635,000	535,000	667,000	611,000
Other States, b	6,000	6,000	16,000	23,000	33,000
Total bituminous coal	39,347,000	47,271,000	43,955,000	59,911,000	48,446,000
Pennsylvania anthracite	5,044,000	6,670,000	5,497,000	6,056,000	9,175,000
Total all coal	44,391,000	53,941,000	49,452,000	65,967,000	57,621,000

a Figures for 1927 and 1923 are final. b This group is not strictly comparable in the several years.

Above are given the first estimates of production of bituminous coal, by States, for the month of March. The distribution of the tonnage is based in part (except for certain States which themselves furnish authentic data) on figures for loadings by railroad divisions, courteously furnished to the U. S. Bureau of Mines by the American Railway Association and by officials of certain roads, and in part on reports made by the U. S. Engineer office.

Bituminous Coal and Beehive Coke Output Higher—Anthracite Production Declines.

According to the U. S. Bureau of Mines, the output of bituminous coal for the week ended April 13 totaled 1,375,000 short tons, an increase of 834,000 tons over the corresponding period last year and 608,000 tons over the production for the week ended April 6. The output of Pennsyl-

vania anthracite for the week ended April 13 amounted to 1,141,000 net tons, a decrease of 188,000 tons as compared with the preceding week and 455,000 tons less than the figure for the week ended April 14 1928. The total production of beehive coke for the week ended April 13 1929 is estimated at 105,100 net tons as against 97,500 in the preceding week. The Bureau's statement is as follows:

BITUMINOUS COAL.

The total production of soft coal during the week ended April 13 1929 including lignite and coal coked at the mines, is estimated at 8,249,000 net tons. This is an increase of 608,000 tons, or 8%, over the revised estimate for the preceding week, when output was curtailed by the holiday on April 1.

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

	1929		1928	
	Week. to Date.	Cal. Year	Week. to Date.	Cal. Year
March 30	7,944,000	138,073,000	9,309,000	127,714,000
Daily average	1,324,000	1,807,000	1,552,000	1,676,000
April 6, b	7,641,000	145,714,000	7,158,000	134,872,000
Daily average	1,364,000	1,777,000	1,256,000	1,647,000
April 13, c	8,249,000	153,963,000	7,415,000	142,287,000
Daily average	1,375,000	1,750,000	1,236,000	1,619,000

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 production of soft coal during the present calendar year to April 13 (approximately 88 working days) amounts to 153,963,000 net tons. Figures for corresponding periods in other recent years are given below.

1928	142,287,000 net tons	1926	161,386,000 net tons
1927	183,042,000 net tons	1925	144,423,000 net tons

As shown by the revised figures above, the total production of soft coal for the country as a whole during the week ended April 6 1929, amounted to 7,641,000 net tons as against 7,944,000 tons in the preceding week. Production during the week ended April 6 was partly curtailed by the holiday observance of Eight Hour Day—April 1—in some fields. The following table apportions the tonnage by states and gives comparable figures for other recent years:

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

State	Week Ended				April 1923 Average.
	April 6 1929.	Mar. 30 1929.	April 7 1928.	April 9 1927.	
Alabama	325,000	295,000	341,000	388,000	412,000
Arkansas	11,000	10,000	16,000	18,000	21,000
Colorado	128,000	140,000	142,000	135,000	184,000
Illinois	798,000	866,000	216,000	59,000	1,471,000
Indiana	249,000	296,000	154,000	40,000	514,000
Iowa	57,000	54,000	30,000	13,000	100,000
Kansas	22,000	40,000	63,000	17,000	79,000
Kentucky—Eastern	657,000	557,000	720,000	952,000	620,000
Western	185,000	200,000	328,000	403,000	188,000
Maryland	24,000	34,000	45,000	56,000	52,000
Michigan	11,000	10,000	12,000	14,000	22,000
Missouri	46,000	52,000	38,000	18,000	59,000
Montana	38,000	38,000	34,000	58,000	42,000
New Mexico	45,000	42,000	63,000	55,000	59,000
North Dakota	27,000	30,000	18,000	18,000	16,000
Ohio	319,000	243,000	174,000	132,000	766,000
Oklahoma	24,000	23,000	25,000	64,000	49,000
Pennsylvania (bituminous)	2,153,000	2,420,000	2,181,000	2,461,000	3,531,000
Tennessee	100,000	27,000	108,000	133,000	121,000
Texas	17,000	16,000	12,000	23,000	20,000
Utah	77,000	85,000	70,000	81,000	70,000
Virginia	210,000	213,000	196,000	277,000	249,000
Washington	33,000	39,000	34,000	53,000	35,000
W. Virginia—Southern, b	1,436,000	1,490,000	1,424,000	1,870,000	1,293,000
Northern, c	566,000	580,000	619,000	796,000	741,000
Wyoming	82,000	100,000	92,000	84,000	116,000
Other states	1,000	1,000	3,000	5,000	6,000
Total bituminous coal	7,641,000	7,944,000	7,158,000	8,223,000	10,836,000
Pennsylvania anthracite	1,329,000	1,112,000	1,503,000	1,640,000	1,974,000
Total all coal	8,970,000	9,056,000	8,661,000	9,863,000	12,810,000

a Average weekly rate for entire month. b Includes operations on N. & W. C. & O., Virginian, K. & M., and Charleston Division of the B. & O. c Rest of state, including Panhandle.

PENNSYLVANIA ANTHRACITE.

The total production of Pennsylvania anthracite during the week ended April 13 is estimated at 1,141,000 net tons. Compared with the output in the preceding week, this shows a decrease of 188,000 net tons, or 14.1%. Production during the week in 1928 corresponding with that of April 13 amounted to 1,596,000 tons.

Estimated Production of Pennsylvania Anthracite (Net Tons).

	1929		1928	
	Week. to Date.	Cal. Year	Week. to Date.	Cal. Year
March 30	1,112,000	19,051,000	1,308,000	16,512,000
April 6, b	1,329,000	20,380,000	1,503,000	18,015,000
April 13, c	1,141,000	21,521,000	1,596,000	19,611,000

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

COKE PRODUCTION.

The total production of beehive coke during the week ended April 13 is estimated at 105,100 net tons as against 97,500 tons in the preceding week.

Coke Statistics for March.—The total production of by-product coke in March was 4,613,075 net tons and of beehive coke, 533,500 tons. The consumption of coking coal in March is estimated at 7,486,000 net tons, of which 6,656,000 tons was charged in by-product ovens and 830,000 tons in beehive ovens.

Bituminous coal production for last week showed a gain of about 300,000 tons over the total for the week ended April 13. The estimated production of bituminous coal in the United States for the week ended April 20, calculated from preliminary car loading reports by the National Coal Association, was about 8,550,000 net tons.

Current Events and Discussions

The Week with the Federal Reserve Banks.

The consolidated statement of condition of the Federal Reserve banks on April 24, made public by the Federal Reserve Board, and which deals with the results for 12 Reserve banks combined, shows decreases for the week of \$19,800,000 in holdings of discounted bills and \$11,600,000 in Government securities, and a nominal increase in holdings of bills bought in open market. Member bank reserve deposits decreased \$12,200,000, Government deposits \$14,600,000, and Federal Reserve note circulation \$700,000, while cash reserves increased \$17,400,000. Total bills and securities were \$29,600,000 below the amount held on April 17. After noting these facts, the Federal Reserve Board proceeds as follows:

Holdings of discounted bills decreased \$14,700,000 at the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, \$6,800,000 at St. Louis, \$6,300,000 at Chicago and \$3,700,000 at Richmond, and increased \$4,900,000 at Philadelphia, \$2,900,000 at New York and \$2,400,000 at Kansas City. The System's holdings of Treasury notes declined \$11,500,000, while holdings of U. S. bonds and Treasury certificates and of bills bought in open market were practically unchanged.

Federal Reserve note circulation declined \$700,000 during the week, increases of \$4,200,000 at Cleveland and \$1,900,000 at Chicago, being more than offset by a decrease of \$2,500,000 at San Francisco and smaller decrease at eight other Federal Reserve banks.

* The statement in full, in comparison with the preceding week and with the corresponding date last year, will be found on subsequent pages—namely, pages 2764 and 2765. A summary of the principal assets and liabilities of the Reserve banks, together with changes during the week and the year ended April 24, is as follows:

	Increase (+) or Decrease (—) During		
	Apr. 24 1929.	Week.	Year.
	\$	\$	\$
Total reserves.....	2,973,416,000	+17,443,000	+87,592,000
Gold reserves.....	2,798,581,000	+19,098,000	+75,308,000
Total bills and securities.....	1,280,601,000	-29,561,000	-100,058,000
Bills discounted, total.....	974,513,000	-19,783,000	+265,440,000
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations.....	541,251,000	+7,259,000	+78,480,000
Other bills discounted.....	433,262,000	-27,042,000	+186,960,000
Bills bought in open market.....	141,175,000	+148,000	-224,666,000
U. S. Government securities, total.....	149,782,000	-11,647,000	-154,973,000
Bonds.....	51,602,000	-27,000	-3,635,000
Treasury notes.....	80,326,000	-11,515,000	-27,234,000
Certificates of indebtedness.....	17,854,000	-105,000	-124,104,000
Federal Reserve notes in circulation.....	1,652,561,000	-667,000	+79,949,000
Total deposits.....	2,350,084,000	-29,690,000	-124,535,000
Members' reserve deposits.....	2,290,218,000	-12,174,000	-127,159,000
Government deposits.....	30,854,000	-14,601,000	-2,733,000

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

Beginning with the returns for June 29 1927, the Federal Reserve Board also commenced 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 in 101 cities cannot be got ready.

Below 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 reporting member banks. The grand aggregate of these brokers' loans the present week increased \$67,000,000. This follows a decrease of \$2,000,000 last week, of \$135,000,000 the preceding week, of \$87,000,000 three weeks ago and of \$144,000,000 four weeks ago, but an increase of \$166,000,000 five weeks ago. The amount of these loans on April 24 1929 at \$5,492,000,000 compares with \$5,793,000,000 March 20 1929 (this latter having been the high record in all time) and with \$4,144,386,000 on April 25 1928.

CONDITION OF WEEKLY REPORTING MEMBER BANKS IN CENTRAL RESERVE CITIES.

	New York.		
	Apr. 24 1929.	Apr. 17 1929.	Apr. 25 1928.
	\$	\$	\$
Loans and investments—total.....	7,253,000,000	7,252,000,000	7,145,000,000
Loans—total.....	5,410,000,000	5,398,000,000	5,305,000,000
On securities.....	2,707,000,000	2,682,000,000	2,716,000,000
All other.....	2,702,000,000	2,716,000,000	2,589,000,000
Investments—total.....	1,844,000,000	1,854,000,000	1,840,000,000
U. S. Government securities.....	1,079,000,000	1,089,000,000	1,048,000,000
Other securities.....	765,000,000	766,000,000	792,000,000

	Apr. 24 1929.	Apr. 17 1929.	Apr. 25 1928.
	\$	\$	\$
Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank.....	704,000,000	709,000,000	781,000,000
Cash in vault.....	54,000,000	50,000,000	51,000,000
Net demand deposits.....	5,160,000,000	5,205,000,000	5,559,000,000
Time deposits.....	1,153,000,000	1,147,000,000	1,138,000,000
Government deposits.....	62,000,000	69,000,000	35,000,000
Due from banks.....	93,000,000	98,000,000	117,000,000
Due to banks.....	795,000,000	903,000,000	992,000,000
Borrowings from Federal Reserve Bank.....	177,000,000	179,000,000	172,000,000
Loans on securities to brokers and dealers.....	924,000,000	877,000,000	1,200,000,000
For own account.....	1,652,000,000	1,662,000,000	1,614,000,000
For account of out-of-town banks.....	2,916,000,000	2,886,000,000	1,331,000,000
For account of others.....	5,492,000,000	5,425,000,000	4,144,000,000
Total.....	5,077,000,000	5,023,000,000	3,170,000,000
On demand.....	415,000,000	402,000,000	974,000,000
On time.....	4,662,000,000	4,621,000,000	2,196,000,000
Chicago.			
Loans and investments—total.....	2,027,000,000	2,036,000,000	2,007,000,000
Loans—total.....	1,593,000,000	1,600,000,000	1,492,000,000
On securities.....	890,000,000	908,000,000	822,000,000
All other.....	704,000,000	692,000,000	669,000,000
Investments—total.....	434,000,000	436,000,000	515,000,000
U. S. Government securities.....	187,000,000	184,000,000	228,000,000
Other securities.....	247,000,000	251,000,000	288,000,000
Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank.....	171,000,000	170,000,000	192,000,000
Cash in vault.....	15,000,000	15,000,000	17,000,000
Net demand deposits.....	1,210,000,000	1,213,000,000	1,252,000,000
Time deposits.....	647,000,000	646,000,000	690,000,000
Government deposits.....	16,000,000	18,000,000	9,000,000
Due from banks.....	157,000,000	176,000,000	158,000,000
Due to banks.....	310,000,000	318,000,000	367,000,000
Borrowings from Federal Reserve Bank.....	20,000,000	25,000,000	46,000,000

Complete Returns 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, in 101 cities, cannot be got ready.

Beginning with the statement of Jan. 9 1929, the loan figures exclude "Acceptances of other banks and bills of exchange or drafts sold with endorsement," and include all real estate mortgages and mortgage loans held by the banks; previously acceptances of other banks and bills sold with endorsement were included with loans, and some of the banks included mortgages in investments. Loans secured by U. S. Government obligations are no longer shown separately, only the total of loans on securities being given. Furthermore, borrowings at the Federal Reserve are not now subdivided to show the amount secured by U. S. Government obligations and those secured by commercial paper, only a lump total of the two being given. The figures have also been revised to exclude a bank in the San Francisco district, with loans and investments of \$135,000,000 on Jan. 2, which recently merged with a non-member bank.

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 ended with the close of business Apr. 17:

The Federal Reserve Board's condition statement of weekly reporting member banks in 101 leading cities on April 17 shows declines for the week of \$53,000,000 in loans and investments, \$10,000,000 in time deposits, and \$93,000,000 in Government deposits, and increases of \$66,000,000 in net demand deposits and \$23,000,000 in borrowings from Federal Reserve banks.

Loans on securities declined \$20,000,000 at reporting banks in the New York district, \$11,000,000 in the Cleveland district, and \$25,000,000 at all reporting banks. "All other" loans remained unchanged, reporting banks showing decreases of \$13,000,000 in the Philadelphia district and \$6,000,000 in the Boston district, increases of \$8,000,000 in the New York district, and \$7,000,000 in the Dallas district, and smaller changes in other districts.

Holdings of U. S. Government securities increased \$3,000,000 in the New York and Chicago districts, and decreased \$3,000,000 in the Cleveland, St. Louis and San Francisco districts, and \$4,000,000 at all reporting banks, while holdings of other securities declined \$19,000,000 in the Chicago district, \$4,000,000 in the Cleveland district and \$24,000,000 at all reporting banks.

Net demand deposits, which at all reporting banks were \$66,000,000 above the April 10 total, increased \$24,000,000 in the New York and Cleveland districts, and \$20,000,000 in the Boston and Chicago districts, and declined \$8,000,000 in the Richmond district. Time deposits increased \$8,000,000 each in the Philadelphia and Chicago districts and decreased \$17,000,000 in the New York district, \$8,000,000 in the Cleveland district and \$10,000,000 at all reporting banks.

The principal changes in borrowings from Federal Reserve banks for the week comprise increases of \$16,000,000 at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, \$7,000,000 each at Boston and Atlanta, and \$6,000,000 at

Richmond, and decreases of \$20,000,000 at Cleveland, and \$15,000,000 at Chicago.

A summary of the principal assets and liabilities of weekly reporting member banks, together with changes during the week and the year ending April 17 1929, follows:

	Increase (+) or Decrease (—)		
	Apr. 17 1929.	Apr. 10 1929.	Apr. 18 1928.
Loans and investments—total.....	\$ 22,340,000,000	\$ —53,000,000	\$ +382,000,000
Loans—total.....	16,431,000,000	*—24,000,000	+623,000,000
On securities.....	7,355,000,000	*—25,000,000	+435,000,000
All other.....	9,076,000,000	*.....	+188,000,000
Investments—total.....	5,909,000,000	*—29,000,000	—240,000,000
U. S. Government securities.....	3,020,000,000	—4,000,000	+19,000,000
Other securities.....	2,890,000,000	*—24,000,000	—258,000,000
Reserve with Federal Res'v'e banks	1,671,000,000	—1,000,000	—89,000,000
Cash in vault.....	227,000,000	—11,000,000	—12,000,000
Net demand deposits.....	13,118,000,000	+66,000,000	—737,000,000
Time deposits.....	6,779,000,000	—10,000,000	+13,000,000
Government deposits.....	165,000,000	—93,000,000	—4,000,000
Due from banks.....	1,138,000,000	—13,000,000	—42,000,000
Due to banks.....	2,725,000,000	—1,000,000	—445,000,000
Borrowings from Fed. Res. banks.	729,000,000	+23,000,000	+260,000,000

*April 10 figures revised.

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 April 27 the following summary of market conditions abroad, based on advices by cable and radio:

ARGENTINA.

The general situation has been good although somewhat quieter owing to the close of the fall buying season. Rains throughout the country have made farm conditions nearly normal, but more rains are needed. The quarantine of incoming vessels is still in force. A decree has been issued requiring the broadcasting stations to move outside the city limits within nine months. The special provisions of the decree regarding wave length and other changes will probably cause such stations to require new equipment in the near future.

AUSTRALIA.

Seasonal conditions in Australia have been excellent during the past month, but trade continues quiet. Fairly general rains throughout the Commonwealth have benefitted both pastoral and agricultural production and have given Australia what is considered locally to be the best outlook in many years. Wheat planting has progressed satisfactorily, and an increase in the 1929-30 wool clip is believed practically assured. South Australia, however, continues greatly in need of rain. Trade and industry in all sections of the country remain somewhat depressed, due to lack of business confidence and to labor difficulties with timber and coal workers. These strikes are beginning to affect other industries and to increase unemployment. Railways and factories are feeling somewhat the pinch of a restricted coal supply, and the timber strike is reducing all building operations. There is no present indication of a termination of these strikes.

BRAZIL.

The credit situation continues to be serious with no immediate prospect of improvement and the Bank of Brazil is so far holding its present credit restriction policy. There are an increasing number of failures, including the important Sapopemba Textile Mill, which failed April 18 for approximately \$2,000,000. Its assets are not definitely known, but the mill claims \$3,000,000. Creditors include the Bank of Brazil for \$220,000. The credit curtailment and restriction of Brazilian banks is precipitating a difficult commercial situation from which there has been much protest. The Government of the State of Minas Geraes has enacted legislation for the establishment of a coffee defense institute by which it aims to negotiate agreements with other producing States, to regulate entries at ports, to contract regulatory warehouse space, and to organize a publicity Bureau for the benefit of Minas coffee.

BRITISH MALAYA.

Much trade was quiet, reflecting conditions prevailing in the tin and rubber markets. Uncertainty characterizes rubber circles because of continued heavy exports. Despite general conditions, however, motor car dealers report improvement in sales. The Fiat and several British cars are reported offering competition to American makes. The second outdoor motor regatta to be held at Singapore is planned for July. Funds have been approved for the establishment of a civil airport at Singapore. March textile trade was very quiet, with dealers buying only for immediate use. Prices showed a downward tendency. Sales of American duck continued steady. Iron and steel trade was lower, business reacting to rubber and tin prices. Sales of American leather in this market may benefit by increased local competition from new importers.

CANADA.

Although the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence River are not yet entirely free of ice, grain and package traffic is getting under way gradually with favorable reactions on the commercial turnover in Montreal. The first trans-Atlantic liner of the season will probably reach the port on April 26, and the general opening of navigation is expected to give additional impetus to trade activity, which is already at fair to good levels throughout the Dominion. The trend in carloadings continues upward, in both eastern and western Canada. Retailers report that boot and shoe sales are somewhat more active and grocery demand improved. Price declines observed during the week include vacuum cleaners, some makes of washing machines, and rubber heels. The pig iron market continues outstandingly active, after another advance of fifty cents per ton, and although the output of the Canadian mills in March (86,170 long tons), dropped about 8% from the high February level, production for the first quarter of the year is 29% higher than in the first quarter of 1928. March output of steel ingots and direct castings was 16% over the February figures, and the outturn of 137,580 long tons constitutes the best monthly record since 1918. Copper and copper products continue to maintain their firm tone but lead is weaker. Newsprint mills in March increased their operating schedules about —% of rated capacity over February, with production of 218,000 tons, and shipments of 220,000 tons. Production for the quarter ending in March, 620,000 tons, was 8% over output in the corresponding period of 1928.

DENMARK.

One of the most striking examples of the economic effects of the past winter is shown by Danish foreign trade figures, especially the import totals. During the first two months of 1929 the imports reached an aggregate value of 222,000,000 crowns as compared with 281,000,000 crowns during the same period of the preceding year. Exports for the two months dropped from 230,000,000 crowns in 1928 to 217,000,000 crowns in 1929. The preliminary estimates of the foreign trade for March indicate that imports continued abnormally low, while exports rose to what might be considered a normal volume. The volume of commodity movements for the first quarter of 1929 has, unquestionably been much below the normal level, perhaps as much as 15-20%.

HAWAII.

Weather conditions in Hawaii are normal, favoring current harvests and assuring large crop yields for next season. It is now thought locally the current sugar crop will reach 950,000 short tons, of which 50% had been harvested by mid-April. Early estimates on the pineapple crop are about 4 to 5% higher than last year's, but it is too early as yet to make accurate prediction.

INDIA.

General conditions in India during April have been less satisfactory generally than they were in March. The benefit to trade from adjustment of the Imperial Bank rate was not fully realized, and latest trade returns indicate curtailment of most imports and exports. The general business situation continues to be hampered by labor difficulties and a widespread undercurrent of labor unrest generally. Customs revenue for March was slightly above that for March last year.

IRISH FREE STATE.

The Minister of Finance has been authorized to borrow the sum of £8,100,302.

JAPAN.

Continued progress in negotiations with China, an improvement in the foreign trade balance, quieter political conditions, and greater stability in Japan's industry and commerce, all combine in creating a more optimistic trade outlook in Japan. The actual volume of business thus far shows some increase over last year, with a probability of greater improvement in May. General financial conditions have not changed. Depression continues in the stock market, with a sharp slump in prices as a result of heavy sales. Foreign exchange continues weak despite further rumors of removal of the gold embargo. The Taiwan Electric Power Co. is considering a Government guarantee for foreign loans totaling 49,000,000 yen, about \$21,800,000.

NETHERLAND EAST INDIES.

General business continues satisfactory although retail trade is undergoing seasonal dullness. Import trade in February showed a 10% increase in value over the average monthly import trade last year. Automobile sales continue active, though some difficulty is experienced in disposing of low-priced old models. New models are well received. The textile market continues overstocked and business is slack. Following the Easter holidays, the sugar market became quiet but stronger. Sellers are holding and new crop transactions are featureless. First local estimates place the year's output at 3,030,000 metric tons. The kapok market is very firm. Unsold stocks are reported to be only 2,000 tons. Government forecasts estimate estate production of rubber in 1929 at 149,326 metric tons.

SWEDEN.

Notwithstanding the low bank rate in Sweden as compared with that obtained in the leading international money markets, the Riksbank has found it necessary to sell only very small blocks of foreign exchange during the first quarter of 1929. The money market has continued easy and the crown has been steady. The Riksbank's foreign exchange holdings decreased only 27,000,000 crowns to the end of March as compared with 72,000,000 crowns during the corresponding period of 1928. This is due to a large extent to the improvement in the balance of payments this year. It is assumed that the present bank rate will be maintained for some time.

TURKEY.

Following the close of the holiday season, a slight increase is noted in general commercial activity. The effects of the severe weather of the past winter, however, continue to overshadow all other developments, with the urgent requirements for flour affecting other items of import. Little change is indicated in the stringent credit situation. Turkish exchange fails to record any improvement, recent quotations being around \$0.49. The new customs tariff is expected to be acted upon by parliament soon in order that it may become effective immediately upon the expiration of the tariff provisions of the Treaty of Lausanne on August 6.

The Department's summary also includes the following with regard to the Island possessions of the United States.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

March business was characterized by a feeling of uncertainty but underlying trends were optimistic and general indications point to a satisfactory outlook. The textile market continues overstocked as provincial demand is light. Automotive trade last month was considerably slower, the greatest decline being in sales of higher priced cars. Dealers are offering less generous terms, anticipating curtailed buying power as a result of lower prices for Philippine products. Demand for small cars, however, continues active. Import trade in foodstuffs continues favorable. March trade in fresh apples was the best on record. Sugar output from Negros centrals is estimated locally at 400,000 metric tons and from Luzon mills at 220,000 tons. Demand for abaca slackened in March but production continued heavy. Copra output, on the other hand, was unusually low and increased production is not expected until July.

Stock of Money in the Country.

The Treasury Department at Washington has issued the customary monthly statement showing the stock of money in the country and the amount in circulation after deducting the moneys held in the United States Treasury and by Federal Reserve banks and agents. It is important to note that, beginning with the statement of Dec. 31 1927, several very important changes have been made. They are as follows: (1) The statement is dated for the end of the month instead of for the first of the month; (2) gold held by Federal Reserve banks under earmark for foreign account is now excluded, and gold held abroad for Federal Reserve banks is now included; (3) minor coin (nickels and cents) has

been added. On this basis the figures this [time, which are for March 31 1929, show that the money in circulation at that date (including, of course, what is held in bank vaults of members banks of the Federal Reserve System), was \$4,747,683,122, as against \$4,698,362,323 Feb. 28 1929 and \$4,748,934,015 March 31 1928, and comparing with \$5,-698,214,612 on Oct. 31 1920. Just before the outbreak of the World War, that is, on June 30 1914, the total was only \$3,458,059,755. The following is the statement:

Some Observations on War Debts by Walter Lichtenstein of First National Bank, Chicago.

In presenting "Some Observations on War Debts" at the first session of the annual meeting of American Academy of Political and Social Science held at Philadelphia on April 26, Walter Lichtenstein, Ph.D., of the First National Bank of Chicago, made the statement that "reasonable demands upon Germany on the part of the Allies can only be expected if we are willing to recognize the unavoidable connection between the reparation problem and the debts due us." "Only in that way," he said, "will it be possible to commercialize all this indebtedness and once and for all remove the vexatious problems from the stormy sea of politics to the relatively calm waters of ordinary private fiscal transactions." An abstract of Mr. Lichtenstein's address follows:

Dr. Rowe requested me to say a few words on the war debt situation from the point of view of the United States. As I have been asked to speak about fifteen minutes it is obvious that there can be no thought of anything approaching an exhaustive discussion of the topic. Little more can be done than to review some of the main points and probably no more is needed. After all he would be a remarkable man, indeed, who could find anything new to say in the face of the careful consideration which this whole question has received in the last ten years on the part of politicians, economists and journalists.

The greatest difficulty is due to the fact that the problem is—probably unavoidably—in part political. For reasons of party politics and nationalistic aims our leaders have consistently refused to recognize certain clear economic truths and actually existing conditions. Chief among these I regard the denial of any relationship between the debts owing us and the reparations due from Germany. We pride ourselves on our common sense, but nevertheless insist on saying to our former Allies that there is no connection between their expenditures and their receipts; that they ought not in discussing their capacity to pay consider Germany's capacity to pay them. It is as if a banker in considering how much credit to extend to a corporation were not to take into consideration the real worth of the company's bills receivable. Mr. J. M. Keynes, in a talk broadcast on May 3, 1928, thus summarized the connection:

If Germany were to pay the whole amount of the reparations due from her under the Dawes Scheme, and if the Allies were to use these proceeds to pay what they in their turn owe to the United States under the latest settlements, it would mean that about two-thirds of the proceeds of German reparations would have to be handed on to the United States.

Now, a good many people think that Germany will not, in fact, be able to pay the full amount, and that it will have to be reduced by not less than one-third. She is only paying at present by means of borrowing abroad, and this, it is obvious, cannot go on for ever. If it proves necessary to make such a reduction the United States will, unless she makes further concessions to the Allies, be receiving rather more than the equivalent of the whole amount of German reparations. I put the calculation in this form because it makes very clear why, in the minds of the Allies, the question of granting further relief to Germany is intimately bound up with the question of their own obligations to the United States. The official American attitude that there is no connection between the two is a very hollow pretense. The resettlement of German reparations is one to which the United States must be, in one way or another, a party.

The other curious fact is that we refuse officially to recognize any connection between our debt collecting policy on the one hand, and our tariff policy on the other. To be sure, we are not alone in this respect. One may be permitted, however, to comment on the fact that a book such as the one of Mr. Auld has been well received in some quarters, even in those which have supported the Dawes Report, though the thesis maintained by Mr. Auld is entirely contradictory to the one presented in the Dawes Report.

It might be a thankful undertaking to analyze in detail the economic fallacy of disassociating tariff policy from the question of debt settlements. About all I can do is to repeat here some views expressed in this connection by Professor Cassel and other authorities regarding the whole transfer problem:

Undoubtedly, the domestic purchasing power of fiat money can be regulated by the discount policy of a central bank. But in such an event the international value of such a currency will be determined by its domestic purchasing power and a low domestic purchasing power cannot be coupled with a high international exchange value. In the case of a gold standard currency it is not possible to regulate the domestic purchasing power of the currency. If the domestic price level sinks below the international level a demand for the currency will be created, as its possession will be the means of acquiring commodities cheaply. The increased demand for the currency would cause its international exchange value to rise to a point where gold would flow into the country. The central bank would be compelled to purchase the gold until finally there would be an increase of circulating medium and a consequent rise in the price level. In the use of the reparation payments, at least, it has seemed to have been presumed that Germany would be able to maintain a low price level and then increase its export trade. It may be taken for granted that in the long run Germany's domestic price level cannot be kept below the international price level provided the value of the mark is to be stable. But if it is not possible to keep the price level low, how can German exports be markedly increased in view of the agitation in all nations against imports?

There is no difference between the problem of reparation payments and that of the payment of the debts due us. As long as we are willing and able to lend funds directly to our debtors to pay us or by lending to Germany sufficient amounts to furnish our debtors with the necessary funds, the difficulties can be surmounted. What will happen when the interest payments will absorb all new loans is another question and does not press for an answer in the immediate future. But the contrast between the fiscal policy of demanding a full settlement of all debts on the one hand, and the desire to exclude all foreign goods on the other is something which does not do much credit to the economic sense of our day and generation. How to overcome this is indeed a problem: lower wages and lower overhead might surmount existing tariff barriers, but evidently would lead merely to a further raising of the walls.

To date these difficulties have been avoided because we have lent Germany the funds to pay its creditors to pay us. It is this which has made possible the operation of the Dawes Plan so far and it is the fact that Mr. Gilbert has failed to emphasize this factor sufficiently which has subjected his recent report to much proper criticism. Parenthetically, it may also be noted that Mr. Gilbert's report is very deficient in that it gives no adequate account of the difficulties encountered by the Transfer Committee in

Kind of Money	Money Held in the Treasury		Money Outside of the Treasury		Population of Continental United States (Estimated)
	Total	Am't. Held in Trust against Gold & Silver Certificates (of 1890)	All Other Money	Held by Federal Reserve Banks and Agents	
Gold coin and bullion	\$4,187,884,872	\$1,363,796,509	\$176,879,154	\$595,214,092	3.13
Gold certificates	\$1,363,796,509	\$1,363,796,509	\$1,363,796,509	\$1,363,796,509	7.85
Standard silver dollar	\$539,961,775	\$478,865,781	\$3,641,632	\$13,533,101	3.37
Silver certificates	\$477,576,081	\$478,865,781	\$477,576,081	\$477,576,081	3.27
Treasury notes of 1890	\$1,289,700	\$1,289,700	\$1,289,700	\$1,289,700	.01
Subsidiary silver	\$304,232,370	\$2,657,448	\$2,657,448	\$2,657,448	2.35
Minor coin	\$119,283,701	\$1,746,758	\$1,746,758	\$1,746,758	.95
U. S. notes	\$346,681,016	\$2,243,445	\$2,243,445	\$2,243,445	2.37
F. R. notes	\$2,051,324,115	\$1,146,320	\$1,146,320	\$1,146,320	14.01
F. R. bank notes	\$3,882,751	\$161,123	\$161,123	\$161,123	.03
Nat. bank notes	\$698,675,099	\$12,895,811	\$12,895,811	\$12,895,811	5.41
Tot. Mar. 31 29	\$8,251,925,759	\$3,721,774,148	\$201,371,691	\$1,625,130,779	39.75
Comparative totals:					
Feb. 28 1929	\$8,250,939,222	\$3,720,262,985	\$209,083,297	\$1,645,699,657	39.38
Mar. 31 1928	\$8,253,996,956	\$3,715,453,059	\$198,607,729	\$1,628,283,362	40.24
Oct. 31 1920	\$8,479,620,824	\$2,436,864,530	\$352,850,336	\$1,063,216,060	53.01
Oct. 31 1917	\$5,306,596,677	\$2,952,620,313	\$117,350,216	\$533,321,622	40.23
June 30 1914	\$3,798,453,764	\$1,845,575,888	\$188,397,009	\$3,458,059,755	34.92
Jan. 1 1879	\$1,007,084,483	\$212,420,402	\$90,817,762	\$816,266,721	16.92

a Includes United States paper currency in circulation in foreign countries and the amount held by the Cuban agency of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta.

b Does not include gold bullion or foreign coin other than that held by the Treasury, Federal Reserve banks, and Federal Reserve agents. Gold held by Federal Reserve banks under earmark for foreign account is excluded, and gold held abroad for Federal Reserve banks is included.

c These amounts are not included in the total since the money held in trust against gold and silver certificates and Treasury notes of 1890 is included under gold coin and bullion and standard silver dollars, respectively.

d The amount of money held in trust against gold and silver certificates and Treasury notes of 1890 should be deducted from this total before combining it with total money outside of the Treasury to arrive at the stock of money in the United States.

e This total includes \$13,496,054 of notes in process of redemption, \$156,769,161 of gold deposited for redemption of Federal Reserve notes, \$13,283,833 deposited for redemption of National bank notes, \$2,050 deposited for retirement of additional circulation (Act of May 30 1908), and \$7,499,393 deposited as a reserve against postal savings deposits.

f Includes money held by the Cuban agency of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta.

Note.—Gold certificates are secured dollar for dollar by gold held in the Treasury for their redemption; silver certificates are secured dollar for dollar by standard silver dollars held in the Treasury for their redemption; United States notes are secured by a gold reserve of \$156,039,088 held in the Treasury. This reserve fund may also be used for the redemption of Treasury notes of 1890, which are also secured dollar for dollar by standard silver dollars held in the Treasury. Federal Reserve notes are obligations of the United States and a first lien on all the assets of the issuing Federal Reserve bank. Federal Reserve notes are secured by the deposit with Federal Reserve agents of a like amount of gold or of gold and such discounted or purchased paper as is eligible under the terms of the Federal Reserve Act. Federal Reserve banks must maintain a gold reserve of at least 40%, including the gold redemption fund which must be deposited with the United States Treasurer, against Federal Reserve notes in actual circulation. Lawful money has been deposited with the Treasurer of the United States for retirement of all outstanding Federal Reserve bank notes. National bank notes are secured by United States bonds except where lawful money has been deposited with the Treasurer of the United States for their retirement. A 5% fund is also maintained in lawful money with the Treasurer of the United States for the redemption of national bank notes secured by Government bonds.

attaining its objects. While, for example, the question of deliveries in kind is discussed at length, the fact is glossed over that the cash accumulated in Germany increased from 185,487,192.84 goldmark to 189,488,944.86 goldmark in one year (see Report of Agent General for Reparation Payments of Dec. 22 1928, pp. 176-181), and would have been still greater had it not been that 83 million goldmark were paid for deliveries in kind made in previous years.

Our attitude has done much to delay a final liquidation of the war problems. In the final analysis it is this situation which has compelled the Federal Reserve System to pay so much attention to foreign conditions to the exclusion of consideration of domestic problems. The compulsory excess export of capital from Europe already depleted by the war has prevented a complete recovery in Great Britain and other countries. This is not the place to discuss why we cannot afford a new financial debacle in Europe. I may take it for granted that you will agree with me this is to be averted for our own sake quite as much as for the sake of the welfare of other peoples. Reasonable demands upon Germany on the part of the Allies can only be expected if we are willing to recognize the unavoidable connection between the reparation problem and the debts due us. Only in that way will it be possible to commercialize all this indebtedness and once and for all remove these vexatious problems from the stormy sea of politics to the relatively calm waters of ordinary private fiscal transactions.

Reichstag Approves Loan—Finance Minister Warns Against Creating a Panic by Agitation.

A Berlin message April 25 to the "Times" stated:

The Reichstag endorsed to-day the loan of 200,000,000 marks (about \$48,000,000) the Government concluded with the banks yesterday.

Answering Count Westarp's criticism the Finance Ministers, Dr. Hilferding, agreed with the Nationalist leader that the debt which he inherited from the Nationalist Government should be reduced as soon as possible and that Parliament should awaken to the seriousness of the Reich's financial situation.

On the other hand, he warned against creating a panic by agitating the country, which would be damaging to the Reich's credit and by which ultimately industry would suffer the most.

There was no danger to German exchange, which could not be shaken and all talk of new inflation was nonsense, the Minister said.

German Gold Shipment Will Pay \$6,115,000 Loan.

In its issue of April 21 the New York "Times" said:

The gold covered by the foreign loan of \$6,115,000 announced last week by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York is now on the high seas on the way from Germany to the United States, it was learned yesterday. The loan was made by the Reserve Bank in anticipation of the actual receipt of the gold. The proceeds were used to strengthen German balances here for the protection of the mark.

This is the second time this year that the Federal Reserve Bank has announced "foreign loans on gold," in a transaction with the German Reichsbank. A loan of \$7,500,000 was made in March against gold which was then on its way here from Germany. The latest shipment will make a total of more than \$22,000,000 of gold which has been sent here, and in addition Germany has obtained more than \$53,000,000 of gold which had been held under earmark for the Bank of France at the Federal Reserve Bank, using the proceeds for the protection of the mark.

The German mark was quoted yesterday at 23.69½ cents, against a parity of 23.80 cents, indicating that additional German gold will be drawn here, either through actual shipments or through earmarking transactions.

German Gold to France—Paris Doubts Effectiveness of Reichsbank Rediscount Rate Rise.

The April 26 issue of the "Wall Street Journal" contained the following from its Paris office:

Return of the Bank of France as of April 19 shows an increase of 775,000,000 francs in gold reserves, reflecting the triangular operations between New York Federal Reserve Bank, Bank of France and Reichsbank. Sight liabilities cover is at a new high level at 43.27%. Some fr. 300,000,000 of exchange has been sold by the Bank to protect the franc-dollar rate.

Banks receive reports from Berlin that dollar bills and sterling notes are in unusually popular demand, and that a premium of 0.4% to 0.5% is being paid on them. Nervousness concerning the course of mark exchange on the part of the Germans themselves is believed to be the chief cause of weakness of marks. There is no evidence of any wholesale withdrawal of direct French credits, but these are gradually decreasing as bills mature, in conformity with tightening money conditions at Paris. However, a large part of the French credits are granted indirectly, through London, and are therefore under the control of English banks.

It is doubted here whether an increase in the Reichsbank rate will be effective unless the reparations conference takes a favorable turn.

Dividend for 1928 Declared on Capital Stock of Commerz und Privat Bank, Berlin-Hamburg.

New York & Hanseatic Corporation announce that a dividend of 11% for 1928 will be paid on the capital stock of the Commerz und Privat Bank, A. G., Hamburg and Berlin, upon surrender of coupon No. 2 of shares of R. M. 100 and R. M. 1,000 par value. Dividends, less 10% German capital income tax, may be collected at the office of the New York & Hanseatic Corporation, 37 Wall Street.

International Exposition of Barcelona—Appointment of American Industrial Committee to Act in Advisory Capacity.

With the recent appointment of an American Industrial Committee to act in advisory capacity for the Barcelona International Exhibition which will open May 15th, business and financial leaders of Spain and America will have opportunity to study first hand problems of trade, transportation and tariffs in the interests of mutual good-will and co-opera-

tion. The Committee was appointed by the Marquis de Foronda, President of the Exhibition, after consulting with Ambassador Padilla. The members include: Alfred Sloan, President General Motors Corporation; B. F. Yoakum, President Empire Bond and Mortgage Co.; General Harbord, President Radio Corporation of America; L. A. Osborne, President Westinghouse Electric International Co.; Otto H. Kahn, New York banker; John F. Tinsley, Vice-President and General Manager of Crompton & Knowles Loom Works; Conde Nast, President Conde Nast Publications; P. F. Saylor, President Canadian Dry Ginger Ale; Noble Foster Hoggson, President Hoggson Brothers, Inc., and Alban McCauley, President Packard Motors. An announcement in the matter states:

Delegates will be received in Spain by Baron de Viver, Mayor of Barcelona, the Marquis de Foronda and Santiago Trias, one of Spain's leading textile manufacturers and Treasurer of the Exhibition. The first delegate to sail, Noble Foster Hoggson, left recently on the "Vulcania" to take the initial steps in getting the work of the Committee under way.

American industries represented by contracts which will exhibit at Barcelona include radio and radio supplies, the automotive and electrical industries, farm and industrial machinery, office appliances and typewriters, building materials, textiles, jewelry, paper, pottery, leather, furniture, the decorative arts, and chemical industries. The American Chamber of Commerce in Barcelona has reserved special offices on the Exhibition grounds.

From an industrial point of view, Spain is increasingly interesting as an export market, particularly in view of her tremendous development in transportation, aeronautics and hydro-electric power facilities. With an estimated national wealth of thirty-two billions, she is the second wealthiest country in the world on a per capita gold basis, the Exhibition itself representing the most important economic project of recent times.

Spain's imports have increased in the last years 500% and her industrial enterprises are calculated at eight billions. Exports of industrial machinery from the United States to Spain in the last five years have doubled, following a governmental appropriation in 1926 of six hundred million dollars for a ten year program of public works development.

Senor Ventura, who has been in this country during the past year in the interests of American exhibitors at Barcelona, sails this month for Spain, where he will assist in official capacity in the reception of American visitors and exhibitors.

Report That Brazilians Will Shift Deposits From Foreign Banks to Local Institutions.

A special cablegram, April 18 to the New York "Times" from Sao Paulo, said:

The "Diario Popular" in a dispatch from Rio de Janeiro reports that large commercial houses will remove their deposits from the foreign banks to the national banks as a defensive measure for the exchange.

Credit Situation in Brazil Said to Be Serious.

The New York "Times" reported the following from Washington, April 20:

The credit situation in Brazil is reported to be increasingly serious, in a survey made public by the Department of Commerce. The market has been hard hit by a money shortage aggravated by the accumulation of 20% of the total circulating medium in the hands of the Banco do Brazil, the department said.

General business is suffering from the resent sharp curtailment of credit, the situation being reflected in the increasing number of important failures.

The nominal discount rate is 12%, but it is next to impossible to raise money even on the best collateral. Foreign trade for January shows a favorable balance of £294,000, compared with £742,000 last year.

Coinage of New Vatican Money.

Rome Associated Press advices on April 25 stated:

The Pope has given orders for coinage of new Vatican money. "The Tribuna" says to-day that the first coins will be 20-lira gold and 5-lira silver pieces.

The money will be principally used for the purchase of Vatican stamps at the post office to be established within the Vatican city, for payment of admission charges to art galleries and similar institutions, small fees, &c. The coins will also be used in Papal territory outside of the Vatican. Vatican employees, however, still will be paid in Italian currency.

Stocks Decline on Budapest Stock Exchange.

Associated Press advices from Budapest April 24 stated:

The Budapest Stock Exchange experienced yesterday one of its worst depressions, some of the stocks dropping more than 30 points. It was believed the fall was a consequence of the financial collapse of Simon Krause of the brokerage firm of Krause & Bethlehem. Krause's liabilities were estimated at \$700,000, all of which will be liquidated by various banks.

Dutch Sugar Subsidy—Second Chamber Votes to Aid Beet Industry for One Year.

From the Hague April 19 the New York "Times" announced the following Associated Press advices:

The Second Chamber yesterday, by a vote of 48 to 43, agreed to subsidize the beet sugar industry in Holland for a period of one year beginning September 1929. The proposed bonus will vary according to the price of sugar, being the difference between the market price and the fixed value of 17 florins (about \$6.20) per 100 kilograms, but not to exceed 1.5 florins (60 cents) per 100 kilograms.

It was estimated that the grant may cost the government 4,000,000 florins (\$1,600,000). Beet sugar production in Holland in 1926 was 259,115 tons.

Charles S. Dewey, Financial Adviser to Polish Government, Elected Vice-President Polish American Chamber of Commerce in Warsaw.

Charles S. Dewey, former Under-Secretary of the Treasury and now financial adviser to the Polish Government, has been elected Vice-President of the Polish American Chamber of Commerce in Warsaw, according to a cable received April 19 by the American Polish Chamber of Commerce in New York. Ronald H. Allen, Mr. Dewey's assistant and former American Commercial Attache in Warsaw, was named Assistant Vice-President. Leopold Kotnowski, who is well-known in the United States and who has been President of the Warsaw Chamber for some years, was re-elected. The report for the previous year, it is stated, showed a large increase in the trade relations between the United States and Poland and the consequent widening of the Chamber's activities in furnishing information and opening up new trade channels.

Luncheon to Pablo Ramirez, Minister of Finance of Chile, at Bankers' Club, New York—Greetings Exchanged Between Senor Ramirez and President Ibanez.

The growing interest in trade and relations between Chile and the United States was discussed at a luncheon given to Pablo Ramirez, Minister of Finance of Chile, by officers of the International Telephone & Telegraph Corp., at the offices at 67 Broad St., on April 19. After the luncheon the party visited the cable room of All America Cables and Senor Ramirez carried on a cable conversation with President Ibanez of Chile, who was visiting the All America cable office at Santiago, Chile, for the purpose. The Minister sent the following message to the President:

I take this opportunity to greet Your Excellency and to congratulate you upon the high esteem in which the Government of Chile is held here.

Chilean credit has not suffered in spite of the depression which has affected the other stocks in the New York market.

The nitrate market in the United States offers considerable possibilities. Now it is used chiefly in the cotton district, but we are at present studying the means of extending its use to the wheat and corn belts, with the expectation of quadrupling the sales in a few years.

There is interest in investments in Chile. To encourage this it will be necessary to modernize legislation so that it may be possible to issue bonds of private Chilean companies in the United States market.

The necessity of bringing together Chile and the United States, through communication facilities, is evident. There is a great deal of interest in extending the air mail as far as Valparaiso, which will reduce the time of transportation of the mail from 20 to seven days.

It was my privilege to present your greetings to President Hoover, who remembered you most cordially.

President Ibanez replied as follows:

I am very glad of this opportunity to talk to you. We are indebted to the International Telephone & Telegraph Corp. and to the All America Cables for their courtesy and I hope that, as you tell me, in a little while we may have additional communication facilities, to the great advantage of our relations with the United States and the development of our commerce.

I am pleased with your reference to the possibilities of nitrate, of our bonds and our credit. You know and your country realizes that all this is the result of your success as head of the Ministry of Finance. Once again I thank you for your efficient cooperation.

Your suggestions regarding the modernization of our legislation so as to make it possible to issue bonds by private companies are very interesting. We will look after this and we hope that you will send us the latest information regarding this matter. Your Department and its officials are working with their usual enthusiasm. With cordial regards to you and Ambassador Davila, and warmest regards to our friends.

Draft Plan to List Investment Trusts—New York Stock Exchange Governors Said to Have Agreed on Class of Shares to Be Admitted—Law Body Framing Rules.

From the New York "Times" of April 23 we take the following:

Pressed from many sides by its member firms which have interested themselves in investment trusts to give formal listing privileges to these securities, the New York Stock Exchange authorities are reported to have agreed in principle on the class of such securities which will be admitted to trading. The problem is one of the most important which governors of the Exchange have faced since the war because it involves securities with a market value of upward of \$2,000,000,000. It is an entirely new method of financing in this country. The question has now been passed by the governing committee, after an investigation extending over nearly a year, to the law committee in order that exact regulations may be framed for the admission of investment trust shares.

The definite policy of the Exchange in regard to investment trusts has not been announced, but it is reported in the financial district that a majority of the governors favor the admission to trading on the Exchange of the best class of these issues, taking into consideration the age of the security, its distribution, the trust's holdings and proven earning power, as well as balance-sheet position.

Involves a Precedent.

The importance of listing privileges for this new class of securities, or at least new to American investors, lies in the fact that better distribution can be obtained through trading on the Exchange than in the over-the-counter market, where most of these issues are now dealt in. To the Exchange it involves the establishment of a precedent of great significance,

the setting up of working rules for its Stock List Committee, which would at the same time admit worth-while securities, exclude those of poor distribution or of doubtful character. Investigators for the Stock Exchange have been at work for many months examining the records and dealings of a wide variety of trusts and the results of their investigation are now before the Law Committee, whose task it will be to frame the regulations which will govern the new type of securities.

It is understood that one of the biggest problems which the Exchange faced was whether or not an investment trust would be obliged, in connection with its application for listing, to disclose the character and extent of its holdings, and that on this particular phase of the problem there has been wide differences of opinion. Many of the trusts consider their security holdings and the prices at which they were acquired as features which should not be disclosed and which, under present rules, would represent information that would be available to the public as soon as the listing application was approved.

In the past the Exchange has declined to list investment trust shares of any kind, although recognizing that a great many of them are seasoned securities entitled to investment rating and finding increasing favor with investors. Action has been delayed by the Exchange, it is understood, because of the difficulty of laying down rules under which the Stock List Committee may distinguish between the desirable and undesirable trusts.

Many Requests for Action.

It was estimated yesterday that in the neighborhood of 100 investment trusts would welcome an opportunity to list their shares on the Stock Exchange. A great many requests to list such stocks have been received and the Exchange has been urged by strong financial interests to revise its policy so as to make the better class of investment trusts shares available for trading on that institution. Some of the largest Stock Exchange firms, it is understood, have urged the Governing Committee to take immediate action.

In the last two or three years partners in many Stock Exchange houses have organized their own investment trusts or have taken large participation in others, but always subject to the approval of the Exchange authorities. As a result, the Exchange has been put in the position of sanctioning the formation of trusts or the participation of its members in their activity and at the same time barring the securities of such organizations from its list. The Exchange, it was pointed out yesterday, has not undertaken directly to control the actions of member firms in this direction, but there are requirements to be met which in effect give the governing authorities veto power over any investment trust plans of which they do not approve.

Most of the investment trusts hold and deal in shares listed on the Stock Exchange, which fact has been used as a strong argument in favor of the listing of trust stocks. Advocates of investment trust listing have also contended that some corporations originally organized for other purposes have developed into investment trusts, with their shares still listed on the Stock Exchange.

It is understood the Law Committee will shortly present a plan under which at least some of the many investment trusts now in operation may qualify for listing. Final decision will rest with the Governing Committee. Members of the Exchange who have been especially interested in the matter said yesterday that they had every reason to believe that a policy applicable to trust shares would be adopted soon. They said that the Exchange authorities had held an open-minded attitude on the question.

Representatives of the Exchange have discussed the matter with representatives of the State Attorney-General's office.

Large Corporations—Twenty-three Listed on New York Stock Exchange with Common Stock in Excess of 5,000,000 Shares.

The following is taken from the "Wall Street Journal" of April 22:

There are 23 corporations listed on the Stock Exchange each with a common stock capitalization in excess of 5,000,000 shares. For many years United States Steel led the list, but now, even with its new stock, it will be fourteenth.

United States Steel was a very prosperous company, with earnings running between \$100,000,000 and \$150,000,000 annually, when General Motors was struggling for existence. Some traders were then buying Steel and selling General Motors because they believed motor companies would never become a big commercial proposition.

General Motors now has 43,500,000 shares of common stock outstanding, and heads the list. These shares have a market value of nearly \$3,700,000,000. Steel common has a market valuation of about one-third that amount.

The 23 stocks listed have a market value of \$22,569,816,000, with a total of 252,882,331 shares outstanding, not including the 1,016,605 additional shares to be issued by United States Steel. That amount of new stock will give Steel 8,132,240 shares.

The following table gives the number of shares outstanding of each of the 23 companies together with market valuation:

	Shares Listed.	Market Value.
General Motors.....	43,500,000	\$3,697,500,000
Standard Oil of New Jersey.....	24,775,587	1,486,535,000
Standard Oil of New York.....	17,090,508	751,982,000
American Telephone & Telegraph.....	13,130,393	2,901,816,000
Shell Union Oil.....	13,062,386	404,933,000
Standard Oil of California.....	13,016,435	1,028,298,000
International Nickel, Ltd.....	11,788,644	565,854,000
Pennsylvania RR.....	11,240,979	854,314,000
Consolidated Gas.....	10,395,840	1,091,563,000
Du Pont.....	9,838,675	1,741,445,000
Texas Corp.....	9,346,434	616,864,000
Kennecott.....	9,119,954	774,688,000
Reynolds Tobacco B.....	9,000,000	513,000,000
General Electric.....	7,211,484	1,730,756,000
United States Steel.....	*7,116,235	1,309,387,000
Radio.....	5,777,000	554,592,000
Kresge.....	5,517,608	270,362,000
Sinclair Oil.....	5,494,457	219,778,000
National Power & Light.....	5,428,416	271,420,000
United Cigar Stores.....	5,376,803	112,912,000
North America.....	5,265,063	531,771,000
Public Service of New Jersey.....	5,255,190	420,418,000
Anaconda.....	5,140,240	719,633,000
Totals.....	252,882,331	\$22,569,816,000

* New stock to be issued, 1,016,605 shares.

The market value of the 23 stocks listed calls attention to the brokers' loans situation. Brokers' loans of \$5,425,000,000 are equal to just 24% of the \$22,569,816,000 market valuation of the outstanding common stocks of the 23 companies.

Bond Syndicate Participants—Fifty Houses Appeared in Issues Aggregating \$25,000,000 in First Quarter.

The following is from the "Wall Street Journal" of April 22: Names of 50 houses appeared in new bond offerings aggregating \$25,000,000 or more for the individual firms in the first quarter of this year. That was less than half the number which appeared in new offerings in the first three months of 1928 when the absorptive capacity for bonds was at high water mark and houses were appealing for participations in every direction.

The "Wall Street Journal" already has published the names of houses heading offerings aggregating \$5,000,000 upward in the initial quarter of the year. But as frequently pointed out, a considerable number of houses occupying outstanding positions in the distribution of bonds do not appear prominently in some quarters as syndicate heads in offerings in this market. To show the importance of these organizations in the bond distributing business the following tabulation has been prepared.

National City Heads List.

National City Co. appeared in the largest volume of new offerings in the quarter, \$242,854,000, followed in order by Halsey, Stuart & Co. with \$229,176,000, Harris, Forbes & Co. with \$226,717,500, and E. H. Rollins & Sons with \$202,797,000. Only these four houses appeared in business exceeding the \$200,000,000 mark. In the first quarter of 1928, the Guaranty Co. appeared in new bond syndicates aggregating more than \$326,000,000 while Halsey, Stuart & Co. similarly appeared in \$298,600,000 and the Rollins firm in \$248,193,000 new issues.

In addition to the four houses mentioned as leading the largest participations in the first quarter, six others appeared in groups aggregating more than \$100,000,000. These were: Guaranty Co., \$161,034,000; Lee, Higginson & Co., \$142,650,000; Chase Securities Corp., \$137,375,000; Dillon, Read & Co., \$131,417,000; Brown Brothers & Co., \$126,550,000; Federal Securities Corp., \$116,000,000.

Halsey Stuart Lead in Number.

These figures are not to be regarded as indicating the volume of new bonds which any organization distributed in that period; there is no public record of the obligation assumed by each house in the group as advertised.

Halsey, Stuart & Co. appeared in the largest number of issues in the quarter, 21. Harris, Forbes & Co. appeared in 16 separate offerings, National City Co. and E. H. Rollins & Sons in 15 each, and Brown Brothers & Co. and Chase Securities Corp. in 11 each.

Totals of new bond offerings advertised in this market in the first quarter in which the names of 50 houses appeared follow:

National City Co.-----	\$242,854,000	H. L. Doherty & Co.---	50,000,000
Halsey, Stuart-----	229,176,000	Pearsons-Taft-----	50,000,000
Harris, Forbes-----	226,717,500	Equitable Trust-----	40,500,000
Rollins & Sons-----	202,797,000	Ed. B. Smith & Co.---	40,000,000
Guaranty Co.-----	161,034,000	Pynchon & Co.-----	38,000,000
Lee, Higginson-----	142,650,000	Otis & Co.-----	36,100,000
Chase Securities Corp.---	137,375,000	W. S. Hammons Co.---	36,000,000
Dillon, Read-----	131,417,000	Kidder, Peabody-----	36,000,000
Brown Bros-----	126,550,000	A. G. Becker & Co.---	35,600,000
Federal Securities Corp.---	116,000,000	Commercial Nat. Corp.---	35,000,000
First National Bank-----	96,284,000	Shields & Co.-----	35,000,000
J. P. Morgan & Co.---	91,784,000	III. Merchants Trust---	33,515,000
Kuhn, Loeb & Co.---	86,784,000	Old Colony Corp.---	33,445,000
Lehman Bros-----	86,727,000	Ames, Emerich & Co.---	31,642,000
Un. Trust, Pittsburgh.---	70,000,000	Redmond & Co.---	30,000,000
A. B. Leach & Co.---	65,310,000	Wood, Gundy & Co.---	28,916,000
Blair & Co.-----	65,250,000	H. L. Allen & Co.---	27,419,000
Byllesby & Co.-----	64,000,000	Dewey, Bacon & Co.---	26,846,000
Casatt & Co.-----	62,000,000	Tucker, Anthony & Co.---	26,000,000
Bankers Co.-----	61,780,000	W. A. Harrison & Co.---	25,650,000
West & Co.-----	61,000,000	Spencer Trask & Co.---	25,042,500
Hemphill, Noyes-----	59,300,000	Field, Gloré & Co.---	25,000,000
Bonbright & Co.-----	59,200,000	Lazard Freres-----	25,000,000
Int. Acc. Bank-----	54,000,000	Nickerson & Co.---	25,000,000
Clark, Dodge & Co.---	50,000,000	Scott & Strongfellow---	25,000,000

Market Value of Listed Shares on New York Stock Exchange April 1 \$69,770,122,189—Decrease of \$2,101,767,547 in Month.

The statement issued by the New York Stock Exchange on April 20 regarding the market value of shares listed on the Exchange follows:

On April 1 1929 there were listed 1,205 different stock issues aggregating 862,725,570 shares, as compared with 1,203 stock issues aggregating 842,521,997 shares on March 1 preceding.

Also, on April 1 1929 the total market value of all listed shares was \$69,770,122,189, a decrease of \$2,101,767,547 over the figure of \$71,871,889,736 on March 1.

Over the same period, borrowings in New York on security collateral increased \$125,911,491 from \$6,678,545,917 on March 1 to \$6,804,457,408 on April 1.

The ratio of Exchange member borrowings to listed share values thus increased 0.46%—from 9.29% on March 1 to 9.75% on April 1.

The average market value of all listed shares declined \$4.43 per share, from \$85.30 per share on March 1 to \$80.87 per share on April 1.

Sees Stock Market Linked to Business—Dr. H. Parker Willis Says Changes in One Bound to Affect Other.

Changes in the security markets will necessary have an important effect on the business situation and the two cannot be separated in their future movements, Dr. H. Parker Willis, editor of the "Journal of Commerce," said on April 23, before the Electric Credit Association at the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York. From his paper, we take the following account of Dr. Willis' remarks:

Dr. Willis pointed out that there is a prevailing impression that what is called "Wall Street" is wholly separated from general business, and that ups and downs may occur in the financial field without exerting any general business effect. This point of view, he said, was always erroneous, but there is less basis for it today than ever before, since business is now so largely financing itself through the investment market instead of through the commercial banking machinery.

The speaker sketched the reasons for the general shift from commercial to investment banking as a means of getting the funds for carrying on business and showed some reasons for thinking the development beneficial, as well as some opposite considerations. "Think of it as we may," he said, "the fact is that this change has occurred and that as a result of it a much more intimate relationship has been established between the financial and

industrial mechanisms of the country than any that has ever existed heretofore."

How does "Wall Street" react upon general business? the speaker next inquired. First of all, he answered, its influence is exerted through the change in the supply and cost of capital which is brought about as a result of ups and downs in the "market." Perhaps, said the speaker, this is the most important and serious of all the various aspects of the relationship between business and finance at the present time. Business needs to have a regular, steady supply of capital available and to get it at uniform cost if possible. Wall Street fluctuations tend sometimes to accelerate the flow of capital and at other times to retard it, while at all times they tend to affect the cost of capital, which is an important element in the expense of production. In the second place, said the speaker, changes in the Wall Street situation have an important reflex effect upon the strength of demand and the purchasing throughout the entire country. This is partly psychological and partly real. Strength in the Wall Street with regularity of returns to investors tends to confirm large users of capital in buying strongly, while at the same time they tend to confirm individual consumers in supplying their needs regularly and in developing new ones. In the third place good financial conditions tend to bring about a cheaper and more regular distribution of commodities and to speed up methods of distribution.

Dr. Willis then criticized the present management of the Federal Reserve system, stressing the uncertainty of policy, its lack of consistency, its tendency to be influenced by politics, and its failure to maintain an up-standing independent attitude with respect to the financial world in general. "Fortunately," he concluded, "business in the United States has been amply financed, indeed financed for a considerable time in advance of the present, due to the foresight of business men in general. It is this very largely, which has enabled business to go on steadily increasing and expanding of late months in spite of the handicaps imposed by bad credit policy."

Charles E. Mitchell of National City Bank Again Aids Market As Money Goes to 16%.

In its issue of last night (April 26) the following comments were made by the "Evening Post":

The struggle between the Federal Reserve Board and the stock market was renewed again today when the call money rate was boosted to 16%.

As in the previous money squeeze, Charles E. Mitchell, Chairman of the National City Bank, sent large sums of money over to the Exchange to be put out at progressive higher rates. This prompt action probably prevented the money situation from becoming as acute as it was on March 26, when the rate went to 20%.

Mr. Mitchell declined to comment in regard to the condition of the call money market.

He did say, however, that "owing to withdrawals from the loan market of funds necessary for May 1 disbursement, a periodic scarcity of money naturally reflected in the call loan interest rate is to be expected."

Call money opened at 9% today, with offerings of funds very light. This did not stop the buying movement, which was quite strong and boosted stocks from 1 to 8 points.

The market stubbornly fought the handicap of high money rates as call money was lifted from 9 to 10%, then 12 and later 15 and 16%.

At the 15% rate, bull traders lost heart and stocks retreated all along the line, declining to about last night's closing levels or slightly above. In some instances stocks fell from 1 to 2 points below last night.

The announcement on the news tickers that the National City Bank was sending over funds relieved the tension somewhat and stocks once again went into a fairly sharp rally, regaining much of the early afternoon losses. It was said that \$25,000,000 came into the market to be loaned at 16%.

Rate at 9% in Philadelphia.

In Philadelphia, local banks quoted call money at 9% under the new ruling of the Bankers' Committee, permitting call rates above 6%, which went into effect today.

In Boston the call rate was advanced from 8 to 9%.

A feature in Wall Street today was the sharp break in mark exchange in the foreign exchange market.

German exchange declined about 11½ points from 23.71½ to 23.60. This is the lowest price since the stabilization went into effect in 1924. Marks have been pegged around the stabilized price of 23.80.

Pegging operations in the mark were begun prior to stabilization in October 1924. The break today was accounted for by the withdrawal of foreign credits, following the collapse of reparations negotiations at Paris.

Mr. Mitchell's action of a month ago in aiding the money market was referred to in our issue of March 30, page 2012.

Resolution of Governing Committee of New York Stock Exchange in Recognition of Services of James B. Mabon.

On April 10 the following resolution in tribute to Mr. Mabon's services was adopted at a meeting of the Governing Committee of Stock Exchange:

All associations of men in the business world are largely dependent for their success upon certain gifted individuals, who, in each generation, take a leading part in their affairs. This is true of the Stock Exchange and is illustrated by the career of James B. Mabon. Coming into Wall Street nearly half a century ago, and joining the Exchange in 1891, he was soon recognized by his associates as possessing those high qualities of heart of mind which placed him among their leaders. From that time on he helped to guide the Exchange through the many vicissitudes of the past thirty years.

A great debt of gratitude is owed him by his fellow members, and in heartfelt acknowledgment of this obligation.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Governing Committee of the New York Stock Exchange, deeply conscious of the loss that James B. Mabon's retirement is bringing upon the Exchange, do hereby record their appreciation of the invaluable services that he has rendered, not only on the most important committees for 29 years but as President for two successive terms in critical and troubled times; and that above all they hereby testify to the affectionate regard and admiration which his many fine traits of character have engendered among his fellow members of the Exchange:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and a copy thereof suitably engrossed be transmitted to Mr. Mabon.

Mr. Mabon's resignation was noted in our issue of April 13, page 2392.

Trading on Commercial Exchange of Philadelphia to Begin by June 1—Membership Fixed at 350.

Both listed and unlisted securities will be dealt in on the new Commercial Exchange of Philadelphia, which is scheduled to be in operation by June 1, and to which reference was made in these columns March 23, page 1827. An announcement made by the Exchange says:

The members of the Commercial Exchange of Philadelphia propose trading in all legitimate securities of every character, both unlisted and listed (when the Exchange on which the security is listed has no objection), on or before June 1st.

The membership of the Commercial Exchange is fixed at 350, and trading in securities will be limited to those who qualify under the rules for such purpose.

The qualified members must be licensed as dealers under the Securities Act of Pennsylvania and must be approved as to eligibility and financial standing by a Securities Committee appointed by the Exchange in order to become entitled to deal in securities on the floor of the Exchange.

Membership may be had by corporations as well as firms or individuals, and a qualified member will not necessarily be required to execute orders on the Exchange in person, but such member may deputize a representative, licensed under the Securities Act either as a dealer or salesman. In such case, however, the member will be responsible for all of the acts of his deputy.

It is intended, in addition to the qualified members of the Exchange, to have Associates of the Exchange. These will not have the privileges of the floor and will not be members of the corporation but must do their trading through a qualified member. The Associates doing business in Pennsylvania must be licensed as dealers or as salesmen, under the Securities Act of Pennsylvania. The moderate charge fixed for Associates ought to give active, bright young men an excellent opportunity.

The qualified members will be allowed to split their commissions with an associate, but the Exchange will be in no way responsible for the actions of associates beyond requiring them to have and maintain their license, where necessary, from the Securities Commission.

The Exchange will not require a listing of the securities to be dealt in, but those of every legitimate kind may be traded in, subject to the supervision that the Securities Commission of Pennsylvania has over all of its licensed dealers.

There will also be a corps of experienced traders in both listed and unlisted industrials, public utilities, railroad, bank, trust company and insurance shares, investment trust shares, Canadian securities, foreign stocks and bonds, real estate bonds, oil, and mining securities, who will assist the members in finding markets for their securities either to buy, sell or quote, or they will execute orders for members to other members on the Exchange, but they can in no way take a position or trade for their own account. This should materially assist both the members and the associates in finding markets, more particularly in over-the-counter securities. A small portion of the commission a member receives from his client will be charged—the same as charged by specialists on other Exchanges. An accurate record will be kept of all securities offered or bid for, which will be sent to the qualified members and associates every night, together with the record of sales for the day on the Exchange. This record can be preserved in the offices of the members and associates for reference purposes.

The Exchange has adopted the usual rules and regulations covering transactions in securities.

Many of the largest banks, trust companies and bankers in Philadelphia are members of the Commercial Exchange to-day.

Outstanding advantages of the Commercial Exchange are set out as follows:

The opportunity to deal in all legitimate unlisted securities and receive proper quotations and printed executions of orders.

The opportunity for incorporated firms, bankers, banks and trust companies which they are unable to do on any other Exchange. The largest bondhouses in the country are incorporated.

Qualified members do not have to be on the floor to execute orders but can have their own representatives execute orders for them for whom they are responsible.

Experienced traders in both listed and unlisted industrials, public utilities, railroad, bank, trust company, and insurance shares, investment trust shares, Canadian securities, foreign stocks and bonds, real estate bonds, municipal securities, oil and mining securities, who will assist the members in finding markets for their securities and who will execute orders for members upon request. They will also give quotations not only to members and associates but to any interested parties.

Records of all bids and offers obtainable by the traders will be sent to the members and associates daily thus giving them records not obtainable elsewhere.

Associates on the Exchange with whom qualified members may split commissions thus increasing the interest and business on the Exchange.

The payment of a moderate charge by an associate gives excellent opportunity to active, bright young men for earning commissions and experience.

The officers of the Commercial Exchange are Hubert J. Horan, Pres.; George M. Richardson, Vice-Pres.; Samuel L. McKnight, Treas., and Ambrose B. Clemmer, Sec.

Bill Passed by Pennsylvania Legislature Removing 6% Limit on Call Loans.

It was noted in Associated Press dispatches from Philadelphia last night that for the first time in local banking a charge of 9% was made yesterday (April 26) for brokers' loans in Philadelphia. The dispatch said:

This was the first response to the new Pennsylvania law removing the 6% legal limit. The bill was recently signed by Gov. Fisher. The rate fixed to-day was made by a committee of bankers representing leading national banks and trust companies.

An item regarding the bill appeared in our issue of April 13 (page 2395). The Philadelphia "Ledger" of April 22, referring to its approval by the Governor, stated:

The bill signed by Gov. Fisher removing the 6% restriction on call loans in Pennsylvania is effective at once. Melville C. Baker, President of the Penn National Bank, who was actively interested in the passage of the bill, last night described it as a most constructive piece of legislation from which industry and business in the State should benefit.

Representative McFadden Says Policy of Federal Reserve Board in Attempting to Deflate Broker's Loans Has Tended to Freeze Bank's Assets.

Speaking before the annual dinner of the Association of Stock Exchange Firms at the Hotel Astor, New York, on April 19, Representative Louis T. McFadden declared that the present policy of the Federal Reserve Board "in their attempt to deflate brokers' loans, one of the most liquid assets, has tended to freeze and make non-liquid the total volume of these investment assets which the banks hold." Representative McFadden, continuing said, "I desire to point out the weakest part in our whole financial structure at the present time: I believe it to be the large volume of saving deposits in the banks of the country, which are invested in this class of now frozen securities, made so largely by the constantly changing Federal Reserve System." The full text of the section of Representative McFadden's statement dealing with present financial tendencies, made in an address to members of the Association of New York Stock Exchange Firms, as published in the "United States Daily," follows:

According to the last report of the Comptroller of the Currency, the total amount of investment securities held by the banks of this country as of June 30 1928, is \$18,771,814,000. Because of the fact that a large proportion of this amount is reported in the form of bonds, in which the banks have invested, and which, since the change in the Federal Reserve policy in 1927, have declined in value on an average of 5% the present changed policy of the Federal Reserve Board in their attempt to deflate brokers' loans, one of the most liquid assets, has tended to freeze and make nonliquid the total volume of these investment assets which the banks hold.

Savings Invested in Securities.

I desire to point out the weakest part in our whole financial structure at the present time: I believe it to be the large volume of saving deposits in the banks of the country, which are invested in this class of now frozen securities, made so largely, by the constantly changing of the Federal Reserve system.

The Secretary of the Treasury, for the past several years, has, in his annual reports, directed the attention of the country to the growing tendency toward an increase in investment securities in the Federal Reserve system and an increasing decline in volume of the discountable eligible paper.

The management of the exchanges of this country, noting the great demands and increase of operations because of this great expansion of industry, have been calling attention to the limitations of our financial system in relation to the Federal Reserve system, as regards this constantly growing and increasing class of investment securities.

In England this situation has been set through the use of Lombard loans, by making them eligible in the main credit reservoir. Lombard loans in London are similar to brokers' loans in New York. It is a well-known fact that brokers' loans are secured by safe margins of the stocks and securities of the industries, principally, of this country.

Financing Methods Changed.

The reason that bonds and investment securities were not made eligible to the credit reservoir of the system at the time of the formation of the Federal reserve system, was due to the fact that they were considered at that time as nonliquid, and that such expansion as was deemed to be necessary could be brought about through the discount of eligible paper which could be created as representing the industrial requirements for expansion. In 1913 no such expansion of industry in this country was in contemplation, nor was it supposed that industry would seek a new method of securing its necessary cash and credit requirements other than the handling of eligible paper.

Now we are confronted with a situation which compels a careful analysis, and the business of this country can not wait for a prolonged discussion and analysis of its needs. It seems to me that ready marketability, as produced by an active supply and demand for the class of securities that are now being issued and dealt in in the great market places—the stock exchanges of this class of securities.

One great fear in the minds of the people, as regards making investment securities eligible to the credit reservoir, has been the possibility of misuse which would create inflation through the making liquid of fixed assets. It has been recognized, however, that a limitation as to total volume of this class of securities, which might be made eligible, would guard against such a contingency, so that to-day many minds are of the opinion that a certain degree of eligibility should be provided in our financial system for the handling of this class of securities.

Operation of Plan Explained.

In this connection, it is interesting to contemplate the fact that if such plan were in operation at the present time, the total amount of brokers' loans, now running between \$6,000,000,000 and \$7,000,000,000, might be held directly by the banks of this country in their investment portfolios, and the banks themselves could well feel that such obligations were well secured and among the best assets of their institutions, and the exchanges would be operating with ample credit without having to resort to the extent they now do to the call-loan market.

If the brokers' notes, secured by margins of 40% in securities of the first grade, were made eligible for rediscount by member banks, this would not be legalizing investment securities as eligible to the credit reservoir, and would provide sufficient elasticity to make up for the declining volume of eligible paper and would thus permit such expansion in our financial system as to allow industry to meet the opportunities presented. We need to apply a little common sense to this situation.

I believe that the New York Stock Exchange, as a private association, can better control its own members and its business than it can be controlled by any Federal or State law or by incorporation under State or national law. But, notwithstanding this, improvements in methods of operation are possible; more strict and frequent examination of the assets and liabilities of the members of the exchange should be had, either through independent audit or by the establishment of a system of examination similar to that which is now administered by the Comptroller of the Currency over the operations of national banks; better safeguards of information available to the specialty operators on the exchange should be set up so that important information is not made accessible for their use or for dissemination to other interested buyers or sellers on the exchange, thus giving an advantage not open to the average dealer on the exchange.

Secrecy of Action Favored.

Likewise an important matter in connection with the operation of the Federal Reserve System is the preservation of secrecy in putting into operation any change or movement in Federal Reserve operations that might give one in possession of that information a position of advantage to enable them to profit by the use of such information.

The Federal Reserve system as now constituted is composed of about 150 officers and directors scattered throughout the 12 Federal Reserve Districts. These men all have advance knowledge of any change of policy or information which might affect values of stocks, bonds or commodities. Leakage of information, either on the stock exchange or in the Federal Reserve system, to give an advantage to any individual or group of individuals not entitled thereto, is an element of weakness which should be cured, else it may surround either one of these institutions with a lack of confidence on the part of the public that will tend to destroy either one or both of the organizations.

In further support of the credit situation we should not overlook the important part which the Treasury operations play in sustaining the credit situation. Purchase or sale of Government securities (particularly certificates of indebtedness, of which there are approximately \$2,000,000,000 available) under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury in co-operation with the Federal Reserve management may be used in open market operations as a stabilizing influence.

Treasury Department Plans Issuance of Non-Interest Bearing Tax Exempt Short Term Securities.

Plans of the Treasury Department to seek the enactment of legislation to permit the sale of short term Treasury bills, to be offered for sale on a competitive basis, were made known on April 22, when bills to this end were introduced in both branches of Congress. In the Senate the measure was presented by Senator Smoot, Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, and in the House Representative Hawley, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, was sponsor for the bill. The latter, in a statement regarding the proposed new method of Treasury financing, which it is stated is intended to supplement, and not displace the present method, had the following to say on April 22:

I have introduced to-day a bill to authorize the Treasury to issue a new form of security, namely, Treasury bills. These bills will be a short-term security, with maturities not more than a year and probably of 30, 60, and 90 days, will be issued on a discount basis, rather than with interest coupons, and will be offered on a competitive basis. They are intended to supplement and make more flexible the Government's short-term financing operations.

I believe that the short-term financing under the proposed legislation will be more economical. Competitive bidding will result in the lowest possible interest rates, and the Government will be able to take advantage of seasonal periods of low money rates. The sale of Treasury bills can be made to coincide more exactly with the Government's need for funds, and will also afford the investing public a desirable investment for short-term purposes.

It is hoped that the legislation will be enacted at the present special session.

In addition to the issuance of Treasury bills on a discount basis, and payable at maturity without interest, the proposed legislation will continue the provision in the Liberty Loan Act (the bill simply amends Section 5 of the Second Liberty Bond Act) for the issuance of United States certificates of Indebtedness, at not less than par and at such rate of interest as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe. Both the certificates of indebtedness and Treasury bills, issued under the new legislation, will be exempt from all taxation, except estate or inheritance taxes. With regard to the new method of Government financing, Secretary Mellon on April 22, said:

The present method of financing the requirements of the United States Government was developed as a war measure, and not only served admirably in financing war-time expenditures, but has continued to function satisfactorily up to the present time. The Treasury Department believes, however, that in so far as short-term financing is concerned certain modifications are desirable in the interest of greater economy and of closer adjustment of current borrowings to the immediate needs of the government.

Generally speaking, short-term financing of the Government is carried on by means of Treasury certificates with maturities of from 3 to 12 months, issued quarterly on tax-payment dates and maturing on tax payment dates. These certificates serve a 3-fold purpose:

They maintain a part of the outstanding debt in the form of short-term securities, which, on the whole, has been advantageous from the standpoint of interest charges.

They provide the necessary funds to meet the current obligations of the government.

Since their maturities coincide with the period during which very heavy tax payments are received, they furnish an effective instrument for preventing heavy withdrawals of funds from the market with a consequent serious disturbance every quarter date.

New Method to Correct Defects in Present System and Supplement Latter.

It is not the purpose of the Treasury Department to dispense with this system, to which our people have become accustomed and which has functioned smoothly and efficiently, but rather to correct certain defects which have developed and to supplement it in such a way as will decrease the cost of financing and adjust it more closely to the needs of the Government.

The defects may be briefly described as follows:

1. Since the Government borrows only four times a year, the funds are borrowed in advance of the actual requirements, and the interest cost on such borrowings has exceeded the interest received on idle government deposits. Thus, for instance, the government borrows on March 15 the funds necessary to meet certain definite obligations on April 15 and there is necessarily a 30-day interest loss on the funds borrowed. If, however, the Treasury sold bills on April 14, rather than certificates on a deposit credit basis on March 15, the saving would be immediate and substantial.

2. While the maturing of securities to-day synchronizes in a general way with the collection of income taxes, in practice the redemption of

these securities proceeds more rapidly than income tax checks can be collected. Consequently, at every tax period there is a temporary excess of Treasury disbursements, which necessitates temporary certificates of indebtedness issued to cover overdrafts at the Federal Reserve banks, on which the Treasury Department pays interest in addition to the interest paid on the newly issued securities.

3. Under the present system, where certificates are issued bearing a fixed coupon rate, the Treasury Department is confronted with the difficult task of accurately adjusting the interest rate to current market conditions and while the department has been successful in doing this with great accuracy, nevertheless it would be more desirable to have the market itself fix the rate by competitive bidding.

The Treasury Department, therefore, suggests that the necessary legislative authority be obtained to permit the Treasury to sell short-term bills, with a maturity not greater than a year, on a discount basis, thus furnishing the Government with a new and more flexible type of security.

Such Treasury bills would be sold from time to time in the market whenever funds were needed for cash on a discount basis at the lowest rates bid by prospective purchasers. It is not the purpose of the Treasury Department, however, to discontinue the present depository method, or system of short-term financing, but rather to supplement it with the new system, using both as may prove to be most advantageous to the interests of the Government.

In New Form of Obligation.

Several important advantages may be expected to follow the adoption of this new form of Treasury obligation:

1. Competitive bidding for these bills should enable the Treasury to get the lowest discount rates consistent with current market conditions.

2. The sale of these securities could be timed to coincide almost exactly with the need for funds, thus saving the interest on money borrowed ahead of requirements.

3. Maturities could be timed to correspond closely to the actual collection of income taxes and not all made to fall on the nominal date of tax payments, as at present.

4. They would enable the Treasury to take advantage of periods of seasonal ease for the sale of Treasury bills rather than, as sometimes occurs, compel the Treasury to offer a large issue of securities during a period of temporary stringency and high money rates.

5. The banks and the investing public would be furnished with a new instrument for the investing of temporary surplus funds, with frequent and convenient maturities.

The following is the text of the bill introduced this week by Senator Smoot, being identical with that introduced in the House by Representative Hawley:

S. 310

A BILL to amend section 5 of the Second Liberty Bond Act, as amended.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 5 of the Second Liberty Bond Act, as amended (United States Code, title 31, section 754), is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 5 (a) That in addition to the bonds and notes authorized by sections 1 and 18 of this Act, as amended, the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to borrow from time to time, on the credit of the United States, for the purposes of this Act, to provide for the purchase or redemption before maturity of any certificates of indebtedness or Treasury bills issued hereunder, and to meet public expenditures authorized by law, such sum or sums as, in his judgment, may be necessary, and to issue therefor (1) certificates of indebtedness of the United States at not less than par and at such rate or rates of interest, payable at such time or times, as he may prescribe; or (2) Treasury bills on a discount basis and payable at maturity without interest. Treasury bills to be issued hereunder shall be offered for sale on a competitive basis, under such regulations and upon such terms and conditions as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe, and the decisions of the Secretary in respect of any issue shall be final. Certificates of indebtedness and Treasury bills issued hereunder shall be in such form or forms and subject to such terms and conditions, shall be payable at such time not exceeding one year from the date of issue, and may be redeemable before maturity upon such terms and conditions, as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe. Treasury bills issued hereunder shall not be acceptable before maturity in payment of interest or of principal on account of obligations of foreign governments held by the United States of America. The sum of the par value of such certificates and Treasury bills outstanding hereunder and under section 6 of the First Liberty Bond Act shall not at any one time exceed in the aggregate \$10,000,000,000.

"(b) All certificates of indebtedness and Treasury bills issued hereunder (after the date upon which this subdivision becomes law) shall be exempt, both as to principal and interest, and any gain from the sale or other disposition thereof shall be exempt, from all taxation (except estate or inheritance taxes) now or hereafter imposed by the United States or by any local taxing authority; and no loss from the sale or other disposition thereof shall be allowed as a deduction or otherwise recognized for the purposes of any tax now or hereafter imposed by the United States or any of its possessions.

"(c) Wherever the words 'bonds and notes of the United States,' or 'bonds and notes of the Government of the United States,' or 'bonds or notes of the United States' are used in the Federal Reserve Act, as amended, they shall be held to include certificates of indebtedness and Treasury bills issued hereunder."

Under-Secretary of Treasury Mills on Advantages in Treasury's Proposed Short Term Securities.

The Treasury Department's plans for the issuance of non-interest bearing, short term, tax exempt securities, (details of which are given elsewhere in our issue to-day) were discussed by Under Secretary of the Treasury, Ogden L. Mills, in addressing the Washington Chapter of the American Institute of Banking on April 24. Three main advantages, said Mr. Mills, will result from the Treasury's new system of financing, viz:

First, it makes Government deposits depend, not upon the Secretary of the Treasury, but on the amount of securities any bank sees fit to subscribe for.

Second, it furnishes the Government with a first class primary market for its securities and with the machinery through which a secondary distribution can be effected.

Third, it permits large fiscal operations to be conducted without involving a large transfer or withdrawal of funds on a single date.

In the course of his speech Mr. Mills said:

In London the weekly issues average about £50,000,000, and as the bills are all issued for a three months' period, the aggregate amount outstanding

is very large, averaging about £600,000,000. It isn't our purpose to proceed on anything like the British scale, but we believe that a monthly offering of a comparatively small amount of 90-day Treasury bills would offer a number of very definite advantages.

Mr. Mills' speech, in full, as given in the "United States Daily" follows:

The Treasury Department is the central agency through which the Federal Government conducts its financial affairs. Generally speaking it receives and has the custody of all funds paid to the Government and disburses all moneys in payment of obligations of the Government. One of the primary duties, therefore, of the Treasury Department is to see that the Government always has on hand sufficient funds to meet its obligations, including public debt maturities, and to do so in such a way as to effect a minimum disturbance to money and business conditions.

Receipts and Expenses Vary During Year.

If taxes and receipts flowed uniformly throughout the year, and expenditures ran an even course month by month, there would be no real financing problem, but this is true neither of receipts nor of expenditures. Tax receipts rise to a sharp peak four times a year, while heavy debt maturities and interest payments are not spread out, but come due on single days, and at irregular intervals.

Speaking in general terms, then, in so far as current financing is concerned, our problem and our aim are to synchronize peak tax payments with the maturing of heavy obligations, and, in the intervals, to have in bank no more funds than are needed to meet current expenditures.

Our present method of financing was developed during the war. It was well adapted to meet emergency war conditions, and, generally speaking, has continued to function effectively and smoothly during the post-war period, which has witnessed Government financing of a magnitude second only to that of the war period.

Certain defects have, however, developed, and the Treasury Department feels that they can be remedied and, in addition, that the Treasury will be in a position to conduct financing with greater economy and flexibility if it is authorized to issue a new form of Government security—that is, a Treasury bill, sold on a discount basis.

In order fully to understand the existing situation, it is well to review briefly how the present system came into existence, and just how the current financing mechanism operates to-day.

When the United States entered the war in 1917, the prospective expenditures were so large that it became evident immediately that the previously existing method of financing Government expenditures was wholly inadequate. This method was for the Treasury to invite cash subscriptions for limited amounts of Government obligations, and, in order to avoid disturbances to the money market, to place such part of the proceeds as was not immediately needed on deposit in a comparatively small number of banks designated as Government depositories.

Financing Entrusted to Reserve System.

In 1917, the Federal Reserve System, with its 12 regional banks and additional branch banks, and the contacts which had been established with large numbers of commercial banks in their respective districts, offered a more effective organization through which to enlist the co-operation of the entire banking strength of the Nation. The task of carrying out the program of war finance, therefore, was placed on the Federal Reserve System.

In order to obtain the immense sums needed, it became necessary to devise a plan that would encourage a widespread participation in all new issues. The Treasury and the Federal Reserve System, therefore, inaugurated a program whereby a large number of banks throughout the country could qualify as Government depositories, and such banks in subscribing to new issues could make payment for the securities allotted to them, not in cash, but in book credits—deposits established to the credit of the Government.

Although they were faced with the prospect of the withdrawal of these deposits within a short period, nevertheless the banks as a whole would, as the result of Government expenditures, tend to gain in private deposits practically equal amounts.

For such banks as lost more through Government withdrawals than they gained through Government disbursements, it was now possible to replace their losses by borrowings at moderate rates from the Federal Reserve Banks. In this way, subscriptions could be made by banks in excess of their actual surplus cash.

This system of widespread bank subscriptions to large amounts of short-term Government securities paved the way for even more widespread popular subscription to the subsequent issues of Liberty Loan bonds, which were floated to refund short-term indebtedness and to provide additional funds for war purposes. Just as the banks were encouraged to subscribe for amounts of short-term securities in excess of their surplus cash, so individuals were urged to subscribe to more of the Liberty Loan bonds than they could pay for in cash, and to borrow the remainder from their own banks. The banks, in turn, could, in case of need, fall back upon the support of the Federal Reserve System. In this way the number of subscribers to Liberty Loan bonds was increased from 4,500,000 for the first issue, to 9,500,000 for the second, and over 18,000,000 for the third.

Credited With Success of Wartime Financing.

Altogether, the success of war-time Government financing may be attributed largely to the system which was worked out to facilitate the preliminary short-term financing.

Although this system of Government financing was adopted as a war measure, it has continued to function successfully since. In 1919 the final floatations to cover the cost of our participation in the war were completed, and the total debt of the Government reached its maximum of over \$26,000,000,000. Of that amount, \$21,000,000,000 were in Liberty and Victory Loan and pre-war bonds, \$4,000,000,000 in Treasury certificates of indebtedness, and less than \$1,000,000,000 in Treasury savings securities.

During the subsequent years debt retirement was effected at an average rate of about \$1,000,000,000 a year, but money-market conditions made it advantageous to maintain a considerable part of the outstanding debt in the form of short-term securities. In fact, as the Victory Loan and the Second and Third Liberty Loan bonds matured or became callable, a considerable part of each issue was refunded with short-term securities. These have taken the form of notes, with maturity not exceeding five years, and of Treasury certificates, with maturities of from three to twelve months. Generally speaking, the Treasury certificates are issued quarterly on tax-payment dates. They furnish a convenient instrument for obtaining the necessary funds to meet the current obligations of the Government and, since their maturities coincide with the period during which very heavy tax payments are received, they are the means of preventing heavy withdrawal of funds from the market, with consequent serious disturbance every quarter-day.

Financial Needs Between Quarter Days Considered.

The Federal Reserve banks are the fiscal agents of the Treasury, and its payments are generally made through them. Treasury balances in the Federal Reserve banks represent money withdrawn from the market. In view of the very heavy income tax payments made on the 15th of March,

June, September and December, unless some offset is devised and maintained, cash balances with the Federal Reserve banks would rise to a peak on the quarterly dates, and would drop to a minimum just before the next quarterly date. So, once every three months, great sums of money running as high as \$400,000,000 would be taken from the commercial banks by the taxpayer, and paid into the Federal Reserve banks, to the Treasury's accounts, thereby taking that amount of money out of the money market, with all of the consequences to interest rates that must follow. It would be possible, of course, to meet this situation by redistributing these deposits among the commercial banks upon some arbitrary basis, but this would inevitably subject the Treasury to all manner of pressure in favor of particular banks or particular districts. If, however, on each quarter-day, the certificates mature in an amount approximately equal to tax payments, it is obvious that the two transactions wash. The tax checks drawn upon the commercial banks are deposited with the Federal Reserve banks to the Treasury's account, but, at the same time, there is paid to the commercial banks a like amount in payment of interest and maturing securities.

This, however, is only part of the picture. We have not taken into consideration the Government's financial needs between quarter-days, and if the entire receipts from income taxes are absorbed by maturing certificates, the Government might well find itself short of funds. Quarter-day financing therefore, involves a careful estimate of the amount needed for expenditures of all kinds during the ensuing three months' period. This must be added to the amount necessary to meet maturing certificates, and this sum, less receipts, represents the amount of new certificates that will have to be issued on the quarter-day.

Stated a little differently, tax and other receipts, as a rule, are not sufficient to meet maturing certificates as well as to finance the Governmental needs over the next three months' period. It is necessary, therefore, to issue new certificates which in turn will mature on a future date, when the process will be repeated.

But it may be pointed out that if tax payments and maturing certificates balance so as to involve no withdrawal of funds from the money market, then the sale of additional certificates must result in the withdrawal of funds. This would be so, of course, if the new certificates were sold for cash. They are not, however. As I have already pointed out, the banks pay for them by means of a deposit credit. The bank pays 2% interest on the deposit, and from time to time, as the Government needs cash, a call is made upon the various banks with which the Treasury has deposits.

Three Advantages Result from System.

There result from this system three main advantages: First, it makes Government deposits depend, not upon the Secretary of the Treasury, but upon the amount of securities any bank sees fit to subscribe for. Second, it furnishes the Government with a first class primary market for its securities, and with the machinery through which a secondary distribution can be effected. Third, it permits large fiscal operations to be conducted without involving a large transfer or withdrawal of funds on a single date.

These advantages, however, are not unqualified. It is true that it is of great benefit to the Treasury to have at all times a first-class primary market furnished by the banks. At the same time, a system of payment by deposit credit involves, in effect, an additional charge to the Government. While the Treasury Department has succeeded in borrowing closer and closer to requirements, nevertheless, there is an unavoidable interest cost of funds borrowed in advance of requirements.

It is the existing practice to borrow on quarterly tax dates amounts sufficient to provide for the ordinary expenditures over receipts of the Government during the following quarter which, of course, results in the carrying of large deposits over considerable periods of time. This necessarily means that, until the Government has actual use for the funds borrowed, it loses the difference between the coupon rate of the securities issued and the 2% which it receives from the banks on the deposits.

In the second place, while the maturing certificates, as I have stated, synchronizes, in general, with the collection of income taxes, as a matter of fact, the certificates are for the most part presented for redemption on the due date, whereas the collection of income tax checks is spread over a period of some days. As a result, during every income tax payment period Treasury disbursements exceed receipts, and the Treasury is obliged to borrow temporarily from the Federal Reserve Banks, and, of course, has to pay interest on this temporary borrowing, in addition to the interest on the newly issued securities.

Moreover, with certificates bearing a fixed coupon rate, issued at par, the Treasury Department is called upon four times a year to use its best judgment in adjusting interest rates as accurately as possible to rapidly changing market conditions, I believe that, on the whole, we have been successful, but it seems probable that the interest cost could be more nicely adjusted if the market itself were to fix the rate. And, finally, the issuance of securities on certain fixed dates lacks that flexibility which is desirable to enable the Treasury to take advantage of favorable money conditions.

Removal of Defects in System Sought.

The problem, as we see it, is to maintain the well established advantages of the present system and, at the same time, to cure these defects. We believe that the authority to issue Treasury bills will enable us to do so.

The bill introduced by Senator Smoot and Representative Hawley would authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to issue from time to time Treasury bills on a discount basis, with a maturity not exceeding 12 months, to be sold for cash, under competitive conditions, at the lowest rates bid by prospective purchasers. It should be pointed out that, while this would be a new type of United States Government security, there is nothing novel in the form, in that it would correspond closely to one of the oldest and best types of commercial paper, the bankers' bill.

The Treasury bill has been used for many years by the British Treasury as a most convenient and economical medium to obtain funds to meet current needs. They have so developed the system of financing by means of Treasury bills that, with weekly offerings, daily issues and daily maturities, they have obtained a degree of flexibility that enables the Treasury to adjust its cash positions practically from day to day.

In London the weekly issues average about £50,000,000, and as the bills are all issued for a three months' period, the aggregate amount outstanding is very large, averaging about £600,000,000. It isn't our purpose to proceed on anything like the British scale, but we believe that a monthly offering of a comparatively small amount of 90-day Treasury bills would offer a number of very definite advantages.

In the first place, competitive bidding for these bills should enable the Treasury to get the lowest discount rates consistent with current market conditions, rather than to be obliged to make its best estimate of what a rate should be.

Secondly, certainly as to part of the expenditures that have to be met during each quarterly period—and, notably, interest payments in April and October—the sale of the Treasury bills could be so adjusted as to avoid the borrowing of funds in advance of requirements, with a consequent heavy interest cost. Moreover, there are periods when it is extremely difficult to estimate with accuracy Government receipts.

Under the new system, should Government receipts exceed estimates, the cash position could be promptly adjusted by permitting Treasury bill

to run off without new issues; and, conversely, if receipts fell below estimates, the cash requirements could be met promptly, without the necessity of excessive borrowing in advance to provide a margin of safety.

In the third place, these bills could be made to mature on the actual, rather than the nominal, dates of tax collection.

To illustrate: It should be possible to have adequate bill maturities on the 17th, 18th and 19th of March, for instance, at a time when income tax payments are actually credited to the Treasury at the Federal Reserve Banks, as contrasted with our certificates, all of which mature on the 15th of March, and most of which are presented for payment that day. The effect of this would be to save the money market from the disturbance which would take place every quarter-day were it not for the special intervention of the Federal Reserve Banks.

In the fourth place, the discount rate having been fixed by the market itself, the securities having been bought for cash by those who mean either to hold them as an investment or for secondary distribution, they would not be subjected to the same pressure as our present certificates, which, being paid for by deposit credit, itself an inducement to subscribe, are frequently immediately resold at less than par, with damage to the Government credit.

Fifth, ordinarily it would not be necessary to sell any considerable amount of bills at times of temporary stringency and high money rates, such, for instance, as prevailed in March of this year; and the Treasury would, on the other hand, be in position to take full advantage of periods of ease.

And, finally, the Government would, I think, get the full benefit to be derived from furnishing to the public a new instrument for the employment of temporary surplus funds, which, because of its frequent and convenient maturities, should prove most popular.

In conclusion, let me emphasize that there is no intention to undertake anything revolutionary or to overturn a system which has proved so eminently satisfactory in the past, but to supplement it and improve it by rendering it more flexible, more closely adjusted to our current financial needs, and more economical in its general operation.

The success of our new program will depend, in large measure, on the attitude of the bankers of the country. They have always loyally co-operated with the Treasury in the past, and I trust you will feel that the considerations I have just outlined carry sufficient weight to justify your whole-hearted co-operation and support in the future.

New Treasury Financing Said to Have Approval of Federal Reserve Board—"Mystery" Meeting of Federal Advisory Council a Week Ago.

The Treasury Department's proposed new financing, which was announced this week, and to which we refer elsewhere in this issue, was taken up with the Federal Reserve Board last week and was understood to have the approval of its members, according to a Washington dispatch April 21 to the New York "Journal of Commerce," which said:

The Reserve Advisory Council, which met in a mysterious session here Friday [April 19] also heard a discussion of the new financing plan. Government bonds are handled through the Reserve banks which act as fiscal agents for the Treasury Department.

Council Action Still a Mystery.

The Reserve Advisory Council meeting remained just as much a mystery as ever today and it was stated at the Reserve Board that no statement would be forthcoming. It was generally understood that the council received a detailed report on developments in the credit market since the last meeting in February, and since the Reserve Board started its campaign to check speculative use of bank credit, Feb. 7.

Members of the Council sought complete information as to the results of the board's campaign and as to what future steps were contemplated. The Council will have another meeting in May.

It was understood that the new financing policy to be proposed by Mellon will permit the Treasury Department to work more closely with the Federal Reserve Board in dealing with the credit situation.

Official silence has not been broken relative to the mystery meeting of Friday, but it was generally accepted that the Reserve Council came to Washington to recommend that the Reserve Board permit the establishment of higher rediscount rates.

The resolution, which the Council adopted, presumably reflecting its sentiment as to the discount rate question, has not yet been presented to the Reserve Board. After running up against a stone wall with but one member of the Reserve Board favorable to rate increases, some member of the Advisory Council evidently pocketed the resolution.

The Board itself was considerably mystified because it did not receive the resolution, which one member of the Council declared had been adopted. The board held a special meeting after adjournment of the council for the particular purpose of receiving any communication that might be offered. There was none.

There now seems little probability that the Reserve Board will abandon its policy, enunciated by Governor Roy A. Young in Cincinnati some time ago, of refusing to sanction increases in the rediscount rates except as a last resort. If there should be a heavy expansion in bank credit toward the speculative market it might become necessary for the board to authorize rate increases.

The board's majority feels that higher rates would react unfavorably against business, industry and agriculture. Furthermore, it would have the tendency to pull gold from abroad, and this Government does not wish to upset the international economic equilibrium again by establishing a new magnet for European gold.

Officials pointed out that while in Congress it frequently has been contended that the Board was sacrificing domestic interests for the benefit of England and other European countries, these countries are America's best customers for agricultural and industrial products. It is the interests of the United States to keep European business in a healthy state, these officials said.

Friday's meeting demonstrated fairly clearly that there is a wide divergence of opinion within the Reserve system as to what steps should be taken to reduce the amount of bank credit going into the speculative market. It demonstrated likewise that the Reserve Board apparently is in a powerful position that does not intend to be driven from its policy by the Reserve banks.

Since the Advisory Council members represent the various districts it was assumed that a majority of the banks favor increasing rates. There seems no doubt, however, that some of the banks are with the Federal Reserve Board.

Friday's meeting was attended by representatives of ten Federal Reserve districts. San Francisco and Dallas were not represented.

An item regarding the Advisory Council's meeting with the Board appeared in our issue of April 20, page 2556.

F. J. Thiel Resigns as Assistant Treasurer of the United States.

Frank J. Thiel, Assistant Treasurer, of the United States, has resigned from the Treasury, effective April 30, to become a member of the banking and brokerage firm of M. J. Meehan & Co., members of the New York Stock Exchange. The Associated Press dispatches from Washington April 23, referring to the large amount of money which passed through Mr. Thiel's hands as Assistant Treasurer, said:

At the beginning of the war he handled perhaps the largest gold shipment in history when he transferred \$50,000,000 in new gold coins from the mint at Philadelphia to the Sub-treasury in New York.

President Hoover, Urging Respect for Law Before Associated Press Says Life and Property Are More Unsafe in United States than in any Other Civilized Country.

At the annual luncheon of the Associated Press, held at the Waldorf-Astoria, this city, on April 22, President Hoover discussing the subject of Law Enforcement, which he referred to as "the dominant issue before the American people," declared that what we are facing to-day is "the possibility that respect for law as law is fading from the sensibilities of our people." The President declared that "a surprising number of our people, otherwise of responsibility in the community, have drifted into the extraordinary notion that laws are made for those who choose to obey them. And in addition, our law enforcement machinery is suffering from many infirmities arising out of its technicalities, its circumlocutions, its involved procedures, and too often, I regret, from inefficient and delinquent officials." In his speech the President averred that "life and property are relatively more unsafe than in any other civilized country in the world." "No one," he said, will assert "that such crime would be committed if we had even a normal respect for law and if the laws of our country were properly enforced." In stating that only a small percentage of the crimes can be attributed to the prohibition law, the President said that of the total number of convictions for felony last year only 8% came from that (the 18th Amendment) source. He pointed out that "the duty to enforce the law rests upon every public official, and the duty to obey it rests upon every citizen." The President again drew attention to his proposal "to establish a national commission to study and report upon the whole of our problems involved in criminal law and its enforcement" to which he alluded in his inaugural address, given in our issue of March 9, page 1490. In his address this week he said "possibly the time is at hand for the press to systematically demand and support the reorganization of our law-enforcement machinery—Federal, State and local—so that crime may be reduced, and on the other hand to demand that our citizens shall awake to the fundamental consciousness of democracy which is that the laws are theirs and that every responsible member of a democracy has the primary duty to obey the law."

The President's address before the Associated Press follows:

Mr. Noyes, Members and Friends of the Associated Press:

I have accepted this occasion for a frank statement of what I consider the dominant issue before the American people. Its solution is more vital to the preservation of our institutions than any other question before us. That is the enforcement and the obedience to the laws of the United States, both Federal and State.

I ask only that you weigh this for yourselves, and if my position is right, that you support it—not to support me but to support something infinitely more precious—the one force that holds our civilization together, and that is the law. And I wish to discuss it as law, not as to the merits or demerits of a particular law, but all law, Federal and State, for ours is a government of laws made by our people themselves.

A surprising number of our people, otherwise of responsibility in the community, have drifted into the extraordinary notion that laws are made for those who choose to obey them. And in addition, our law-enforcement machinery is suffering from many infirmities arising out of its technicalities, its circumlocutions, its involved procedures, and too often, I regret, from inefficient and delinquent officials.

Lawlessness in U. S. Compared With That in Other Countries.

We are reaping the harvest of these defects now. More than 9,000 human beings are lawlessly killed in the United States each year. Little more than half as many arrests follow. Less than one-sixth of these slayers are convicted, and but a scandalously small percentage are adequately punished. Twenty times as many people in proportion to population are lawlessly killed in the United States as in Great Britain. In many of our great cities murder can apparently be committed with impunity. At least fifty times as many robberies in proportion to population are committed in the United States as in the United Kingdom, and three times as many burglaries.

Even in such premeditated crimes as embezzlement and forgery our record stands no comparison with other stable nations. No part of the country, rural or urban, is immune. Life and property are relatively more unsafe than in any other civilized country in the world. In spite

of all this we have reason to pride ourselves on our institutions and the high moral instincts of the great majority of our people. No one will assert, however, that such crime would be committed if we had even a normal respect for law and if the laws of our country were properly enforced.

Eighteenth Amendment Responsible for only 8% of Crime.

In order to dispel certain illusions in the public mind on this subject, let me say at once that while violations of law have been increased by inclusion of crimes under the Eighteenth Amendment and by the vast sums that are poured into the hands of the criminal classes by the patronage of illicit liquor by otherwise responsible citizens, yet this is only one segment of our problem. I have purposely cited the extent of murder, burglary, robbery, forgery and embezzlement, because only a small percentage of these can be attributed to the Eighteenth Amendment. In fact, of the total number of convictions for felony last year, less than 8% came from that source. That is, therefore, but a sector of the invasion of lawlessness.

Respect for Law Fading.

What we are facing today is something far larger and far more fundamental—the possibility that respect for law as law is fading from the sensibilities of our people. Whatever the value of any law may be, the enforcement of that law written in plain terms upon our statute books is not, in my mind, a debatable question. Law should be observed and must be enforced until it is repealed by the proper processes of our democracy. The duty to enforce the law rests upon every public official and the duty to obey it rests upon every citizen.

No individual has the right to determine what law shall be obeyed and what law shall not be enforced. If a law is wrong, its rigid enforcement is the surest guarantee of its repeal. If it is right, its enforcement is the quickest method of compelling respect for it. I have seen statements published within a few days encouraging citizens to defy a law because that particular journal did not approve of the law itself. I leave comment of such an attitude to any citizen with a sense of public responsibility.

In my position, with my obligations, there can be no argument on these points. There is no citizen who would approve of the President of the United States assuming any other attitude. It may be said by some that the larger responsibility for the enforcement of laws against crime rests with State and local authorities and it does not concern the Federal Government. But it does concern the President of the United States, both as a citizen and as the one upon whom rests the primary responsibility of leadership for the establishment of standards of law enforcement in our country. Respect for law and obedience to law does not distinguish between Federal and State laws—it is a common conscience.

After all, the processes of criminal-law enforcement are simply methods of instilling respect and fear into the minds of those who have not the intelligence and moral instinct to obey the law as a matter of conscience. The real problem is to awaken this consciousness, this moral sense, and if necessary to segregate such degenerate minds where they can do no future harm.

Problems in Government.

We have two immediate problems in Government before us: First, to investigate our existing agencies of enforcement, and, second, to reorganize our system of enforcement in such manner as to eliminate its weaknesses. It is the purpose of the Federal Administration systematically to strengthen its law-enforcement agencies week by week, month by month, year by year, not by dramatic displays and violent attacks in order to make headlines, not by violating the law itself through misuse of the law in its enforcement, but by steady pressure, steady weeding out of all incapable and negligent officials no matter what their status; by encouragement, promotion and recognition for those who do their duty, and by the most rigid scrutiny of the records and attitudes of all persons suggested for appointment to official posts in our entire law-enforcement machinery. That is administration for which my colleagues and I are as fully responsible as the human material which can be assembled for the task will succeed. Beyond this, I wish to determine and, so far as possible, remove the sources of inherent defects in our present system that defeat the most devoted of our officials.

Every student of our law enforcement mechanism knows full well that it is in need of vigorous reorganization; that its procedure unduly favors the criminal; that our judiciary needs to be strengthened; that the method of assembling our juries needs revision; that justice must be more swift and sure. In our desire to be merciful the pendulum has swung in favor of the prisoner and far away from the protection of society. The sympathetic mind of the American people in its over-concern about those who are in difficulties has swung too far from the family of the murdered to the family of the murderer.

Proposed National Commission to Study Law Enforcement.

With a view to enlisting public understanding, public support, accurate determination of the facts, and constructive conclusions, I have proposed to establish a national commission to study and report upon the whole of our problems involved in criminal law and its enforcement. That proposal has met with fratifying support, and I am sure it will have the co-operation of the bar associations and crime commissions in our various States in the widespread effort now being made by them. I do not propose to be hasty in the selection of this commission. I want time and advice, in order that I may select high-minded men, impartial in their judgement, skilled in the science of law and our judicial system, clear in their conception of our institutions. Such a commission can perform the greatest of service to our generation.

Part Played by Press in Enforcement.

There is another and a far wider field than the nature of laws and the methods of their enforcement. This is the basic question of the understanding the ideals, the relationship of the individual citizen to the law itself. It is in this field that the press plays a dominant part. It is almost final in its potency to arouse the interest and consciousness of the American people. It can destroy their finer sensibilities or it can invigorate them. I am well aware that the great majority of our important journals day by day give support to these high ideals.

I wonder, sometimes, however, if perhaps a little more support to our laws could not be given in one direction. If instead of the glamour of romance and heroism which our American imaginative minds too frequently throw around those who break the law, we would invest with a little romance and heroism those thousands of our officers who are endeavoring to enforce the law it would itself decrease crime. Praise and respect for those who properly enforce the laws would help. Perhaps a little better proportioned balance of news concerning those criminals who are convicted and punished would serve to instill the fear of the law.

I need not repeat that absolute freedom of the press to discuss public questions is a foundation stone of American liberty. I put the question,

however, to every individual conscience, whether flippancy is a useful or even legitimate device in such discussions.

I do not believe it is. Its effect is as misleading and as distorting of public conscience as deliberate misrepresentation. Not clarification, but confusion of issues in the public mind arise from it.

Our people for many years have been intensely absorbed in business, in the astonishing upbuilding of a great country, and we have attempted to specialize in our occupations, to strive to achieve in our own specialties and to respect competency of others in theirs. Unconsciously, we have carried this psychology into a state of mind toward government. We need to regard the making of laws and their administration as a function of a group of specialists in government whom we hired for this purpose and whom we call public servants. After hiring them it is our purpose casually to review their actions, to accept those which we approve and to reject the rest.

This attitude of mind is destructive of self-government, for self-government is predicated upon the fact that every responsible citizen will take his part in the creation of law, and that he will also take his part in the obedience to law and the selection of officials and methods for its enforcement.

Duties of Citizens.

Finally, I wish to reiterate that the problem of law enforcement is not alone a function or business of government. If law can be upheld only by enforcement officers, then our scheme of government is at an end. Every citizen has a personal duty in it—the duty to order his own actions, to so weigh the effect of his example that his conduct shall be a positive force in his community with respect to the law as law.

I have no criticism to make of the American press. I greatly admire its independence and its courage. I sometimes feel that it could give more emphasis to one phase or another of our national problems, but I realize the difficulties under which it operates. I am wondering whether the time has not come, however, to realize that we are confronted with a national necessity of the first degree, that we are not suffering from an ephemeral crime wave but from a subsidence of our foundations.

Possibly the time is at hand for the press to systematically demand and support the reorganization of our law-enforcement machinery—Federal, State and local—so that crime may be reduced, and on the other hand to demand that our citizens shall awake to the fundamental consciousness of democracy, which is that the laws are theirs and that every responsible member of a democracy has the primary duty to obey the law.

It is unnecessary for me to argue the fact that the very essence of freedom is obedience to law; that liberty itself has but one foundation, and that is in the law.

And in conclusion let me recall an oft-repeated word from Abraham Lincoln, whose invisible presence lives hourly at the very desk and in the very halls which it is my honor to occupy. He said:

"Let every man remember that to violate the law is to trample on the blood of his father and to tear the character of his own and his children's liberty. Let reverence for the laws be breathed by every American mother to the lisping babe that prattles on her lap. Let it be taught in the schools, in seminaries, in colleges. Let it be preached from the pulpit, proclaimed in the legislative halls and enforced in the courts of justice, and, in short, let it become the political religion of the nation, and let the old and the young, the rich and the poor, the grave and the gay of all sexes and tongues and colors and conditions sacrifice unceasingly upon its altar."

Former Senator Bruce Takes Issue with President Hoover on Part Played by Prohibition in Lawlessness.

Sharp issue was taken on April 22 by former United States Senator William Cabell Bruce with President Hoover for the latter's use of statistics, in his address at The Associated Press luncheon in New York, purporting to indicate that prohibition plays a minor part in national lawlessness. A New York "Times" despatch from Baltimore on April 22 reports Senator Bruce as saying:

"Perhaps I do not understand just what Mr. Hoover means by saying that of the total number of convictions for felony last year less than 8% came from the source of the dry law.

"He loses sight of the fact, apparently, that except in a State or so violations of prohibition legislation were not felonies until the irrational and monstrous Jones law was passed by Congress a few weeks ago.

"Mr. Hoover should have inquired as to what percentage of crime of every State is made up of convictions for violations of dry laws.

"If I am not mistaken, in some jurisdictions such convictions constitute some 80% of all convictions for crime in the Federal courts.

"It is true that there was too much crime in the United States before the adoption of the Eighteenth Amendment, but beyond all question it is the general spirit of lawlessness bred by such an imbecilic and tyrannous statute as the Volstead act which is responsible for the rampant criminality which prevails throughout the country at present.

"Mr. Collins, the former chief of police of Chicago, expressed the opinion that to prohibition mainly is attributable the frightful prevalence of crime in that city. The gangman, the thug and the ordinary murderer is frequently but a post-graduate bootlegger.

"In stressing general law enforcement, Mr. Hoover simply tries again to sidle away from the stern reality of prohibition.

"Until it came into being, what lawyer or layman ever heard any complaints about the inability of the Federal courts effectively to enforce any law?"

President Hoover Points Out to Senator McNary Ten Weaknesses of Export Debenture Plan in Farm Relief Bill—Proposal A Subsidy Which Would Cost Treasury \$200,000,000 Year.

Ten weaknesses in the export debenture plan embodied in the Senate farm relief bill introduced by Senator McNary of Oregon on April 18, are cited by President Hoover in a letter addressed to Senator McNary on April 20. Features of the plan were indicated in these columns April 20, page 2568. President Hoover declares that "the issue of debentures to export merchants and their redemption in payment of import duties amounts to a direct subsidy from the United

States Treasury." He adds that "if the plan proposed be generally applied, it would cost in excess of \$200,000,000 a year, as it would decrease the Treasury receipts by such an amount." The President also points out that "the plan would require a substantial increase in taxes." It is the opinion of the President "that the theoretical benefits would not be reflected to the American farmer; that it would create profiteering; that it contains elements which would bring American agriculture to disaster." With his letter to Senator McNary, President Hoover also transmitted an analysis of the plan by Secretaries Mellon, Hyde and Lamont of the Treasury, Agricultural and Commerce Departments respectively. These we give elsewhere in this issue of our paper. The following letter addressed by President Hoover to Senator McNary:

THE WHITE HOUSE.

Washington, April 20 1929.

The Honorable Charles L. McNary,
United States Senate.

My Dear Mr. Senator: On April 12th I received a call from yourself and Senators Capper, Heflin, Norbeck and Ransdell, acting as a subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Agriculture, requesting my opinion on the "export debenture plan" for agricultural relief, since it is a complete departure from the principles already debated during the campaign.

I informed the committee that I would request an analysis of the plan by the Departments of Agriculture, Treasury and Commerce, and would transmit them to the committee, together with my conclusions after investigation. The Departments have given it earnest consideration and I have just received and studied these reports which I transmit to you herewith.

The principle of this plan, as set out in the draft bill of your committee, which is before me, is to issue a Government debenture to products in amount of one-half of the tariff on such products—such debentures to be redeemed by presentation for payment of import duties. The assumption is that by creating a scarcity through stimulating exports the domestic price will rise above world prices to the amount of the debenture—that is, if the debenture on wheat exports is 21 cents a bushel, the price of wheat will be 21 cents higher in the domestic market than in the world market.

I am aware of the arguments put forward in favor of the plan by some of our agricultural organizations, and the arguments of other farm organizations in opposition to it. The proposers advance it in the utmost good faith and earnest desire to assist in solution of a great problem, and I regret deeply that I cannot agree that this provision would bring the results expected. On the contrary, I am convinced that it would bring disaster to the American farmer.

The weaknesses of the plan as set forth in the Senate bill may be summarized as follows:

Weaknesses of Plan.

1. The issue of debentures to export merchants and their redemption in payment of import duties amounts to a direct subsidy from the United States Treasury. If the plan proposed be generally applied, it would cost in excess of \$200,000,000 a year, as it would decrease the treasury receipts by such an amount.

2. The first result of the plan, if put into operation, would be a gigantic gift from the Government and the public to the dealers and manufacturers and speculators in these commodities. For instance, in the principal export commodities the value of the present volume of stocks in possession of these trades would, if the plan worked, rise by from \$200,000,000 to \$400,000,000 according to different calculations, without a cent return to the farmer or consumer. Every speculator for a rise in our public markets would receive enormous profits. Conversely, if after this elevation of prices the plan were at any time for any reason withdrawn, the trades would suffer a like loss and a long line of bankruptcies must ensue. But in the meantime the trades, out of fear of withdrawal or of reduction in the subsidy, would not engage in normal purchase and distribution. Either exorbitant margins would be required or, alternatively, the farmer would be compelled to himself hold the nation's stocks until there was a demand for actual consumption.

3. If the increased price did reflect to the farmer, the plan would stimulate overproduction and thereby increase world supply, which would in turn depreciate world prices and consequently decrease the price which the farmer would receive, and thereby defeat the plan. Stimulation of production has been the outstanding experience abroad where export subsidy has been applied. Overproduction will defeat the plan, and then, upon its withdrawal, agriculture would be plunged into a catastrophe of deflation from overexpanded production. The farmers' difficulties to-day are in some part due to this process after the war.

4. The stimulation of production of certain commodities would disturb the whole basis of diversification in American agriculture, particularly in the cotton and wheat sections, where great progress is now being made toward a more stable basis of agriculture.

5. Although it is proposed that the plan should only be installed at the discretion of the Farm Board, yet the tendency of all boards is to use the whole of their authority, and more certainly in this case in view of the pressure from those who would not understand its possibility of harm, and emphatically from the interested dealers in the commodity.

6. It is not proposed to pay the debentures of subsidies to the farmers, but to the export merchants, and it seems certain that a large part of it would not be reflected back to the farmer. It offers opportunity for manipulation in the export market, none of which would be of advantage to the farmer. The conditions of competitive marketing at home and abroad and the increased risks would absorb a considerable part of its effect into the distribution and manufacturing trades. Moreover, the theoretical benefits would be further diminished by the fact that debentures would sell constantly at a discount, for the reason that persons paying duties upon imports would not take the trouble to accumulate the debentures and lose interest on them unless obtainable at a discount.

7. The provision of such an export subsidy would necessitate a revision of the import tariffs. For instance, an export subsidy of 2 cents a pound on raw cotton would mean the foreign manufacturers would be receiving cotton at 2 cents a pound less than the American manufacturers, and the foreigner could ship his manufactured goods back into the American market with this advantage. As the subsidy, in many cases, is larger than the freight to foreign ports and back, it raises large opportunities of fraud in return shipment activities.

8. Export bounties are recognized by many nations as one form of dumping. I am advised that a similar action by another nation would be construed as a violation of our own laws. Such laws are in force in the principal

countries of our export markets and, to protect their own agriculture would probably lead to action which would nullify the subsidy given by us.

9. A further serious question arises again (if the plan did have the effect intended) where the foreign producer of animals would be enabled to purchase feed for less than the American farmer producing the same animals. For instance, the swine growers in Ontario would be able to purchase American corn for less than the American farmer across the border, and it would tend to transfer the production of pork products for export to Europe from the United States to Canada. It would have the same and probably even more disastrous effect in dairy products.

10. The plan would require a substantial increase in taxes, as no such expenditure or depletion of revenues as this plan implies could be paid from marginal income of the Government, more particularly in view of the very large increased expenditures imposed by the naval program, flood control and other branches of farm relief.

Altogether, from the above reasons, it is my opinion that the theoretical benefits would not be reflected to the American farmer; that it would create profiteering; that it contains elements which would bring American agriculture to disaster.

The introduction of such a plan would also inevitably confuse and minimize the much more far-reaching plan of farm relief, upon the fundamental principles of which there has been general agreement.

Yours faithfully,

HERBERT HOOVER.

Secretary of Treasury Mellon in Advances to Senator McNary Likens Export Debenture Plan in Senate Farm Bill to Cash Bounty on Exports—Program Would Depress World Prices and Increase American Prices.

The views of Secretary of the Treasury Mellon on the export debenture proposal contained in the farm relief bill introduced by Senator McNary were set out in a communication addressed to the Senator on April 19, at the instance of President Hoover. "The issuance of a Treasury debenture," says Secretary Mellon, "is indistinguishable in principle and in its effect on the Treasury from a cash bounty on exports." "If issued in large amounts," he says, "it is likely that the debentures will sell at a very considerable discount, which would not only deprive the farmer of a portion of the benefit arising from the debenture rate but represent a bonus to importers and would seriously dislocate the tariff schedules." "The second major question," Secretary Mellon says, "is whether it is economically desirable to pay a cash bounty on the exports of a commodity which is already produced in excess of domestic requirements. I think not. Exports would be stimulated and under the pressure of a consequent decreased domestic supply domestic prices would rise. This would stimulate increased production. In the meanwhile, increased exports dumped on the world markets would depress world prices. * * * There is no doubt, I think, but that the effect of this program would be to depress world prices and to increase domestic prices. * * * As production increased in this country under the stimulus of higher domestic prices there would be a constant tendency for the bounty benefit to melt away." In another item will be found the criticisms of President Hoover, and we are also giving elsewhere in this issue the views of Secretary of Agriculture Hyde and Secretary of Commerce Lamont on the debenture plan, an item regarding which appeared in our issue of April 20, page 2568. Secretary Mellon's views were set out as follows:

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Washington, April 19, 1929.

My dear Senator McNary:

The President has requested me to express to you the opinion of the Treasury Department of the principle underlying the so-called export debenture plan of farm relief.

As outlined in a number of bills which have been introduced in Congress, the general plan provides for the issuance of export debentures by the Secretary of the Treasury to exporters of such agricultural commodities, or products thereof, as are specified in the bills or which may be designated by a proposed farm board. The debenture rates are prescribed by the bills, or the board, with power in the board to change the rates from time to time. The rates fixed by the recent bills are half the existing tariff rates on the same commodities, except that for tobacco and cotton the rates have been fixed at 2 cents a pound. The debentures will be receivable at par within one year of date of issue in payment of customs duties. In some of the bills the total amount of debentures that may be issued in any one year is limited in some manner relative to the customs receipts. In others there is no such limitation.

Generally speaking, the bills also provide for a reduction of the debenture rate, and even for total suspension in the event of a very great increase in domestic production of the commodity in question.

The issuance of a Treasury debenture is indistinguishable in principle and in its effect on the Treasury from a cash bounty on exports. Nor is it apparent that payment in debentures rather than in cash offers any advantages. Quite the contrary, if the bounty is paid in cash, the farmer in whose interests the plan is devised will more nearly get the full benefit, whereas it is inevitable that he will receive considerably less than the face value of the debenture. The debentures must inevitably sell at a discount if for no other reason than that they involve certain inconvenience and will entail a considerable cost in handling and marketing, and, since they do not bear interest must inevitably be charged with the cost of carrying them until presentation at a custom house. Ultimately most of them will find their way to New York, where approximately half of our customs receipts are paid, and presumably they will be

dealt in there at quotations which may vary widely, depending on the amount of debentures issued and the demand therefor, seasonal and otherwise. Machinery will have to be set up for transferring debentures from Galveston, let us say, to New York and for their sale there, which will necessarily involve banking and brokerage charges.

If issued in large amounts, as they may well be, it is likely that the debentures will sell at a very considerable discount, which would not only deprive the farmer of a portion of the benefit arising from the debenture rate, but represent a bonus to importers, and would seriously dislocate the tariff schedules fixed by the Congress. It is not apparent, even admitting the desirability of paying an export bounty, why machinery should be set up the effect of which might be to permit the importation of, let us say, butter from Denmark or wool from Australia at rates lower than those established by law.

Such a method for reducing rates would unquestionably injure some American farmers in order to benefit other farmers, whereas if a cash bounty were paid, the latter would get the full benefit and there would be no dislocation of the tariff schedules, such as might prove injurious to our present manufacturing prosperity, which is an important factor in supporting the farmer's domestic market.

The second major question is whether it is economically desirable to pay a cash bounty on the exports of a commodity which is already produced in excess of domestic requirements. I think not. Exports would be stimulated, and under the pressure of a consequent decreased domestic supply, domestic prices would rise. This would stimulate increased production. In the meanwhile, increased exports dumped on the world market would depress world prices, thus depriving the producer of the full benefit of the contemplated bounty. There is no doubt, I think, but that the effect of this program would be to depress world prices and to increase domestic prices, and to give to the American producer a price higher than he would otherwise obtain, the increase, however, not being by the full amount of the cash bounty. But as production increased in this country under the stimulus of higher domestic prices there would be a constant tendency for the bounty benefit to melt away.

It is true that, recognizing this tendency, the various plans proposed provide, in the event of sharply increased production, for a gradual diminution of the bounty and even its entire suspension. As framed, however, this action would appear to be too long delayed to be truly effective. And there is a very real danger that a substantial increase will take place in domestic production, leading to the automatic suspension of the bounty, and that the farmer will then find himself in a worse situation than he is today.

The truth is that the real justification for a bounty on exports is to encourage domestic production up to a point where the country will be economically self-sufficient. The principle has no application where a country is already producing more than enough to meet its domestic requirements, and under these circumstances an export bounty would seem to be an illogical and unsuitable instrument for effecting a readjustment of domestic prices.

The experience of European countries with bounties on sugar may be of interest in connection with this proposal for a bounty on American agricultural products. The original purpose of the foreign bounties was to stimulate production rather than to increase the income of the agricultural population. A cash bounty was paid the producers of sugar and the results desired were obtained. In Germany it was planned to cover the costs of the production bounty on sugar by collections from an internal revenue tax on the domestic consumption of sugar, but production increased so far out of proportion to the domestic consumption that within a comparatively few years the net effect was not to produce revenue. Some time thereafter the sugar bounties so far exceeded the revenue from the sugar tax that the Treasury sustained a considerable loss, while sugar was being sold abroad at considerably less than the domestic price, and somewhat less than the actual cost of production. Consequently, the bounties of such sugar production had to be removed. There were no limits to production in the granting of such bounties.

Moreover, it is hardly to be assumed that foreign countries with important agricultural interests to protect will permit their producers to be subjected to a price war subsidized from the United States Treasury without adopting protective measures. It is highly probable, therefore, that they will levy countervailing tariff rates, equal in amount to our export bounty, thus entirely nullifying the effect of the latter as an aid to our producers and drawing the amount of the bounty funds into their own treasuries. The United States was one of the first nations to place countervailing duties against the bounty-produced sugars of the various European countries.

It is apparently contemplated to apply the plan to products of which we produce a surplus and which are on the free list, notably cotton. This must inevitably give rise to insuperable administrative difficulties in order to avoid wholesale fraud. Again, considerable difficulty is now encountered in the administration of the customs laws in determining the component material of chief value in an imported article. In the light of this experience there would be even greater administrative problems in working out the debenture or bounty rate in the case of articles manufactured from agricultural products.

It seems unnecessary to point out that the program will, of course, entail a sharp diminution in customs receipts, accompanied by increased expenses of administration and a corresponding need for supplementing the loss by increased taxation along other lines. This in itself is by no means a serious objection if the plan could fairly be said to promise substantial benefit to American agricultural producers.

Very truly yours,

A. W. MELLON.

Hon. Charles L. McNary, United States Senate.

Analysis by Secretary of Commerce Lamont of Export Debenture Plan in McNary Farm Bill.

In the view of Secretary of Commerce Lamont the total cost to the public of the export debenture plan in the so-called McNary Farm Relief Bill would be approximately \$518,000,000, of which \$369,000,000 would be increased cost on domestic consumption and \$149,000,000 public revenues spent on paying bonds. Secretary Lamont makes the statement that "if there was an increase in production, and assuming that all the increase would be put on the export market, it would no doubt result in some depression of world price levels, and the theoretical gain would not be realized

by the producers nor would the theoretical cost be the same to the consumers." He also says:

The bill provides that when increased acreage of production reaches 15% the debenture plan then becomes inoperative and shall be withdrawn. The effect of this would be to leave the industry with an increased production and no protection. Evidently it is the thought of those who have prepared the bill that some means would be found of both raising the prices and controlling production.

Secretary Lamont's analysis of the plan, was submitted in the form of a memorandum which accompanied the letter addressed to Senator McNary by President Hoover in which the latter drew attention to objectionable features of the plan. The letter of President Hoover will be found under another head in this issue of our paper. Secretary Lamont's memorandum follows:

An analysis of the export debenture scheme as contained in the Ketcham bill H. R. 12892.

John D. Black ("The Annals," Volume OXLII, March 1929, page 381) makes the following statement as to the principles involved in the export debenture plan:

"The essential principle of the export debenture plan is the paying of a bounty on farm products in the form of negotiable instruments called debentures which can be used by importers in paying import duties. The price of domestic farm products would be raised to the extent of the bounty; likewise prices to consumers. The revenues of the government would be reduced by the amount of the export debentures issued. The maximum height of the export bounty is the import duty; otherwise a return-flow of the product would set in."

In the Jones-Ketcham bill the rates which are designated are equivalent to one-half of the present import duties on the commodities named, while in the case of cotton and tobacco a rate of two cents a pound is experienced. To make the debenture plan effective it would be necessary to put a tariff on cotton to prevent a back-flow of the commodity.

The following statistical analysis is a rough estimate of the increase to producers and cost to public, based on estimates by the United States Department of Agriculture, of the quantity sold of each commodity:

THEORETICAL INCREASED COST TO PUBLIC OF SPECIFIED COMMODITIES.

Item—	Quantity Sold, a.	Debent. Rate.	Increased Value.
Hogs (lbs.)	\$12,500,000,000	¼	\$31,000,000
Cattle (lbs.)	\$13,500,000,000	¼	118,000,000
Wheat (bus.)	500,000,000	\$0.07½	37,000,000
Rice (lbs.)	660,000,000	.21	139,000,000
Cotton (lbs.)	1,100,000,000	.01	11,000,000
Tobacco (lbs.)	7,500,000,000	.02	156,000,000
Total	1,300,000,000	.02	26,000,000

Total \$518,000,000
 a Average total quantity sold by farmers in the production years 1925-26, 1926-27, 1927-28. b Average of the rates for cattle weighing less than 1,050 pounds and cattle weighing 1,050 pounds or more.

Theoretical value of debentures, based on three year's exports of specified articles:

Product—	Av. Exports 1925-26-27.	Debenture Rate.	Value of Debenture.
Pork (1,000 lbs.)	\$1,100,000	\$0.00¾	\$4,070,000
Wheat (1,000 bus.)	184,724	.21	38,792,040
Corn (1,000 bus.)	18,087	.07½	1,356,525
Rice (1,000 lbs.)	164,730	.01	1,647,300
Cotton (1,000 lbs.)	4,657,601	.02	93,152,020
Tobacco (1,000 lbs.)	492,137	.02	9,842,740
Cattle (negligible)			
Total			\$148,860,625

If the above estimate on cost to the public were calculated on the total crop produced, instead of the portion going to market, the figures would be approximately 20% higher, due mainly to the fact that only 15% of the corn crop is marketed.

In making this calculation it is assumed that the export bonus would be fully effective in raising the price. The total cost to the public would be approximately \$518,000,000, of which \$369,000,000 would be increased cost on domestic consumption and \$149,000,000 public revenues spent on paying bonds.

The above calculation, of course, is only an estimate and does not represent actually what would happen.

If there was an increase in production, and assuming that all the increase would be put on the export market, it would no doubt result in some depression of the world price levels, and the theoretical gain would not be realized by the producers, nor would the theoretical cost be the same to the consumers. The bill provides that when increased acreage or production reaches 15%, the debenture plan then becomes inoperative and shall be withdrawn. The effect of this would be to leave the industry with an increased production and no protection. Evidently it is the thought of those who have prepared the bill that some means would be found of both raising the prices and controlling production.

It might be observed, also, that it would be much simpler to pay a straight export bounty. It would have the same effect and would cost the public exactly the same amount and be simpler in operation.

Possibility of Retaliation by Foreign Countries Under Anti-Dumping Laws.

It should be pointed out that practically all countries, with two or three exceptions, have anti-dumping laws. It is possible the debenture plan would be interpreted as an export bounty and export dumping, since products would be sold in foreign countries at lower prices than in this country.

Foreign countries have used export certificates, especially Germany, Czechoslovakia and Sweden. In none of the cases is the situation comparable to the proposed debenture plan. In the first place, the export certificates are given on grain, but are only usable for the re-importation of grain.

In both Sweden and Czechoslovakia the scheme apparently is to facilitate the export of certain grades and varieties of grain and imports of other varieties or grades without paying duty.

When the plan was first adopted in Germany the country as a whole was on an import basis when all grains were considered. However, Northeast Germany had a surplus, especially of rye, but in shipping this to Southwest Germany the railway freight and other charges made the prices in Northwest Germany considerably lower than in Western Germany. Originally the idea was to give Northeast Germany world price, plus the tariff, without raising prices in Western Germany, and in this way practically equalizing the price over the whole country. The export certificates issued in Northeast Germany were used to pay import duties on grain into West Germany. However, when production was stimulated in Northeast Germany and the number of certificates exceeded the imports, they provided for a time for using the certificate for paying on both coffee and petroleum.

There was a protest against this, however, as it amounted to using potential public funds for paying a bounty. The new law enacted in 1925 limits the certificates to the payment of duty on grain. There is also in effect in both Norway and France an export certificate scheme applying to wheat, due to the fact that both countries must import certain amounts of hard wheat for blending. They use an export certificate on the exportation of soft wheat, which can be used in turn to pay tariff on the importation of hard wheat.

Objections of Secretary of Agriculture Hyde to Export Debenture Plan in Senate Farm Bill.

In submitting to Senator McNary his views on the workings of the export debenture plan carried in the Senate farm relief measure, Secretary of Agriculture Arthur M. Hyde states that as a consequence of the operation of the plan "there would be a tendency informing to shift from many lines of production toward the production of debenture commodities." "This would," Secretary Hyde observes, "at least temporarily disturb established production programs. Furthermore should the support of prices provided through this plan be removed, the debenture commodities would be left in an overstimulated condition and agriculture would stand to suffer accordingly." Secretary Hyde also contends that an increase in our exports of a commodity would tend to depress world prices. This he argues "would tend to reduce the effectiveness of the debentures and necessitate further increases in debenture rates in order to maintain prices." Other views on the debenture plan—those of President Hoover, Secretary of the Treasury Mellon, and Secretary of Commerce Lamont,—will be found under separate headings in this issue of our paper details of the plan were given in these columns a week ago, page 2568. The following is Secretary Hyde's communication to Senator McNary on the effect of the plan:

Department of Agriculture.
Washington, April 20, 1929.

Hon. Charles L. McNary,
United States Senate.

Dear Senator:

At the request of the President, I am offering you my comments on the export debenture plan in the Ketcham bill, H. R. 12892, Seventieth Congress, first session:

"A bill to foster agriculture and to stabilize the prices obtained for agricultural commodities by providing for the issuance of export debentures upon the exportation of such commodities."

Sections 1 to 4 and 10 to 17 of this bill are in the main similar to other farm relief measures providing for a Federal Farm Board, loans and other encouragement to cooperative marketing associations, price insurance, &c. Sections 5 to 9, to which this analysis will be confined, include the so-called "debenture plan."

The export debenture plan proceeds upon the hypothesis that it should be the policy of the Government to raise the level of domestic prices for farm products and to dispose of the surplus upon the world markets at the Government's expense. The discussion of the plan which follows is based on this hypothesis and logically falls under four heads:

- (1) Would the debenture plan be an effective and convenient means of accomplishing this purpose?
- (2) What would be the probable cost of this plan?
- (3) What would be the probable consequences to agriculture of the operation of this plan?
- (4) What has been the experience of foreign countries that have tried somewhat similar plans?

Before discussing these questions, it is necessary to outline the principal provisions of the debenture plan in this bill.

Section 6 designates swine, cattle, corn, rice, wheat, cotton and tobacco as "debenturable commodities." Other farm products, produced in quantities beyond domestic requirements and on which a tariff is levied, may be added to this list by presidential proclamation, if it is found that the cost of producing the commodity in the United States is greater than the cost of producing such commodity in competing foreign countries.

No attempt will be made here to analyze the possibility of using differences in cost of production as a standard for extending this plan to farm products other than the seven products specified in the bill.

It should be noted, however, that since much time would be required in determining the cost of production here and abroad, it would not be possible to resort to this feature of the plan in time to meet emergencies due to severe depression in the price of a commodity under the weight of an exceptional surplus.

Seven Specified Commodities.

My comments will be confined to the seven specified commodities. The Secretary of the Treasury is directed to issue to any exporter, under regulations prescribed by the Federal Farm Board, export debentures in the form of negotiable certificates upon the exportation of debenturable farm products. The following rates are specified:

- (1) Swine, one-quarter of one cent per pound; fresh pork, three-eighths of one cent per pound; bacon, hams, shoulders and other pork, prepared or preserved, one cent per pound; lard, one-half of one cent per pound.
- (2) Cattle weighing less than one thousand and fifty pounds, three-fourths of one cent per pound; cattle weighing one thousand and fifty pounds or more, one cent per pound; fresh beef and veal, 1½ cents per pound.
- (3) Corn and maize, including cracked corn, 7½ cents per bushel of fifty-six pounds; corn grits, meal and flour and similar products, 15 cents per one hundred pounds.
- (4) Paddy or rough rice, one-half of 1 cent per pound; brown rice (hulls removed), five-eighths of 1 cent per pound; milled rice (bran removed), 1 cent per pound; broken rice and rice meal, flour polish and barn, one one-quarter of a cent per pound.
- (5) Wheat, 21 cents per bushel of sixty pounds; wheat flour, semolina, crushed or cracked wheat and similar wheat products not specially provided for, 52 cents per one hundred pounds.

- (6) Cotton, 2 cents per pound.
- (7) Tobacco, 2 cents per pound.

Debenture Certificates Negotiable and Redeemable at Par.

The debenture certificate would be negotiable and redeemable at par by the bearer in the payment of import duties within one year from the date of issuance. Except in so far as exporters of debenturable commodities are also importers, the certificates necessarily would be sold sufficiently below par to induce importers to use them in preference to cash in the payment of import duties.

Foreign experience shows that import or export certificates usually sell at some discount from par value. To the extent, at least, of such discount, the farmer would lose the full effect of the subsidy in the price he received of the amount of such debenture certificate.

Revenue from import duties would be reduced by the total face value of the debentures issued. The extent of this loss to the Treasury would equal the debenture rate times the quantity exported of each of the debenturable commodities. If the plan had been in operation in the three fiscal years 1926 to 1928 on the basis of the volume of exports in those years, the annual average loss to the Treasury on account of the seven commodities specified in the bill would have been \$153,000,000, or 26.2% of the average of all customs receipts for these years.

In practice, however, the loss to the Treasury would have been greater than indicated in this table because of increased exports. An increase in the price of these products by the amount of the export debenture (less the figure at which the certificates would have sold below par) probably would have stimulated production and would have tended to decrease domestic consumption. The degree to which production might be stimulated, however, would depend upon the level of prices resulting from the use of the debentures and the prospects for increased incomes through the expansion of farm operations.

The administration of the proposed plan would not be difficult. On a strictly theoretical basis it should increase the domestic price of each debenturable farm commodity by the amount of the export debenture, less the discount on the certificate, and provided competition between exporters in bidding up the domestic price was sufficiently effective to hold the full amount of the world price, plus the debenture, less the discount on the certificate.

Applying the debenture rates to the average estimated sales by farmers of debenturable commodities for the three fiscal years 1926 to 1928 gives an annual average increase of \$515,000,000 in the gross value of the seven debenturable products marketed by farmers. As a matter of fact, this sum could hardly be realized because, as already indicated, it is not reasonable to assume that the debenture rate could be translated in full into higher prices to producers, since the debentures would exchange only at some discount. Furthermore, it is possible that exporters may not bid prices up to the full extent of the debenture, less the normal exchange discount on the certificate.

It is therefore possible that exporters might be in a position to derive an extra profit by not reflecting in prices paid to farmers the real value of the debentures. In order to dispose of the surplus, the exporter would have to make some price concessions to meet the competition from other countries, and this would tend to depress world prices.

"As a consequence of an increase in domestic prices of debenturable commodities, production would be stimulated. Production of debenturable commodities has materially increased following the adoption of debenture plans in foreign countries. In an effort to prevent overstimulation in this country H. R. 12892 (Section 8 B) provides for a so-called 'flexible rate' of debentures. If the board should find that the average annual production of any debenturable stock commodity of the average acreage of any other debenturable agricultural commodity for the last two preceding years has exceeded the average annual production or acreage of such commodity from the seventh to the third preceding year, the board may invoke the flexible debenture."

If this increase should be more than 5% but less than 10%, the debenture rate would be reduced 25%. Should the increase be 10% but less than 15%, the reduction would be 50%, and should the increase be 15% or more, the issuance of debentures shall be suspended for a period of one year.

It is very doubtful that the flexible rate provision on the bill would have any material influence in checking the expansion in production. The average annual acreage of wheat harvested in the past five years has been in round figures, 55,500,000 acres.

Under the proposed plan, the producers would be free to increase their average acre in the first two years of this debenture plan by 5% before being obliged to accept a reduction of 25% in the export debenture.

In other words, the farmers could increase the acreage from 55,500,000 to more than 58,000,000 acres before the export debenture of 21 cents would be reduced to 15½ cents. It is hardly reasonable to suppose that the farmers who harvested an annual average of about 55,500,000 acres of wheat in the past five years for an average price of about \$1.20 per bushel would be induced not to expand production by the fear of having to accept an increase of only 15½ cents over this price instead of an increase of 21 cents, the full amount of the debenture.

It appears from our study of the effect of export debentures in other countries that it has operated to increase production. In Germany from 1890-93 to 1909-13, under the operation of the plan, the acreage of wheat remained substantially the same, but the average production increased from 104,000,000 to 152,118,000 bushels, an increase of 46%.

In the same country the acreage in rye increased from 14,203,000 to 15,387,000, whereas the average production increased from 245,449,000 bushels to 445,222,000 bushels, an increase of 81%. Substantially the same results were realized with respect to oats and barley. The experience with it in Sweden has been for a relatively short time, but it appears that the wheat area of that country has expanded from 363,000 acres in 1925 to 574,000 acres in 1927, and that the average production has increased from 13,359,000 bushels to 16,151,000 bushels. This increase in yields, no doubt, was due partly to the increased use of fertilizers and better cultural methods in Germany as in other countries.

As a consequence of the operation of the debenture plan there would be a tendency in farming to shift from many lines of production toward the production of debenturable commodities, especially those with a short production cycle—grain and cotton, for example—the acreage of which could be increased greatly from one year to the next in the expectation of realizing quickly the benefits of the debenture. This would, at least temporarily, disturb established production programs. Furthermore, should the support of prices provided through this plan be removed, the debenturable commodities would be left in an overstimulated condition and agriculture would stand to suffer accordingly.

An inquiry might well be made into the probable effect of the debenture plan upon existing farming. In some sections, notably the South, where leaders of agriculture thought are putting their efforts behind programs

of diversified farming, it might result disastrously by putting a premium upon the one-crop system. The same inquiry might well be made with reference to those States which have made considerable advancement in developing the dairy industry.

It should be noted, also, that an increase in our exports of a commodity would tend to depress world prices. This would tend to reduce the effectiveness of the debentures and necessitate further increases in debenture rates in order to maintain prices.

While the debenture bill provides for flexible debenture rates with respect to an increase in production, it does not provide a means for making debenture rates responsive to changes in world prices. If, for instance, world conditions of competition and demand affecting a debenturable commodity should be such as to raise the world price to a satisfactory level, there is no provision in this bill for reducing debentures. Should the world price level of a commodity rise materially, there would still be an enhancement of the domestic price above the world level by the amount of the effective debenture. This would tend to give an abnormal stimulus to production.

In considering this or any similar plan, it is important to give careful consideration to both sides of the proposal, lest the alluring prospects of an immediate increase in prices of the debenture commodities should obscure the dangers that go with such a plan.

Sincerely yours,

ARTHUR M. HYDE, Secretary.

House Passes Farm Relief Bill—Export Debenture Plan Carried in Senate Bill Not in House Measure.

The House on April 25, by a vote of 367 to 34, passed the Haugen farm relief bill, providing for the appointment by the President of a Federal Farm Board, and making provision for a revolving fund of \$500,000,000 to promote the marketing of agricultural products. The House measure is understood to be in accord with the views of President Hoover, whose objections to the export debenture plan carried in the Senate bill, are noted elsewhere in these columns to-day. In our issue of April 20 (page 2568) we indicated that the Ways and Means Committee of the House had rejected both the export debenture plan and the equalization fee. Despite the objections voiced by President Hoover the Senate Committee on Agriculture on April 22, by a vote of 8 to 6, decided to retain the export debenture plan in the Senate bill. Regarding the Senate bill Associated Press advices from Washington, April 23, stated:

In the Senate the Agricultural Committee's bill containing the debenture section was reported by Chairman McNary with the statement that unless this provision was removed President Hoover would veto the legislation.

Presenting the Senate Farm Bill, which, except for the debenture plan, is similar in general scope to the House measure, Senator McNary declared he would vote against the debenture section because he felt it was a subsidy and because he considered it certain that Mr. Hoover would disapprove any bill which contained it.

Senator Caraway of Arkansas, one of the Democrats who took a leading part in writing the debenture plan into the Senate bill, contended that the arguments set forth by the President in opposition to the plan were similar to those advanced by interests which in the past have desired "to fatten off the seat of agriculture."

The Senate gave close attention to Senator McNary as he detailed the purposes of the Farm Bill under discussion on that side of the Capitol. The Senator asserted that the heart of the measure was the stabilization corporations, one of which would be set up for each crop in need of attention.

The Committee Chairman contended that co-operative marketing had not been as successful as it might have been in the past because when a co-operative lost money the farmers dropped their memberships. Under the present bill, he declared, the Government would underwrite temporary losses and in this way keep the co-operatives going until systematic methods finally brought profit to their operations.

McNary Bill Attacked.

Democratic Senators took the view, however, that the new Farm Bill would make co-operative marketing more difficult of success than under the McNary-Haugen bill. Senator Robinson of Arkansas, the Democratic leader, asserted that the bill's success was predicated on the assumption that co-operatives would flourish. He contended that the measure did not provide for compulsory co-operation. Instead, he said, a farmer would become inclined to stay out of co-operatives because he would receive the benefits of co-operation without any assessment against him such as would have been made by the equalization fee.

This view was also taken by Senators Walsh of Montana, Glass of Virginia, Democrats, and Howell of Nebraska, a Republican, who formerly supported the fee.

Leading the fight for the debenture plan, Senator Caraway contended that the Farm Bill without the proposal would fail to bring relief.

From Washington, April 25, advices to the New York "Journal of Commerce" said:

Defeat in Senate Seen.

Strong indications that the debenture plan is doomed for defeat in the Senate was given today following a caucus of Democratic Senators who met to find some common ground on which they may stand with relation to the pending farm legislation. It appeared that a sufficient number of Democrats would vote against the debenture plan to kill it in the Senate.

No effort was made to bind the Democratic Senators to any provisions of the pending bill or to any measure. Following the conference it was disclosed that many of the Senators favored the debenture plan.

However, while a majority of the Democratic Senators may be expected to vote for the debenture plan in the Senate, there will be an appreciable number who will oppose it.

Six Democratic Senators have indicated clearly that they will not vote for the debenture plan. They are Senators Kendrick of Wyoming and Ransdell of Louisiana, who voted in committee against the debenture plan, and Walsh of Massachusetts, Copeland and Wagner of New York and King of Utah. There are a number of other Democratic Senators who have said they were inclined to vote against the proposal, although they have not fully made up their minds. In this group are Senators Broussard of Louisiana and Hawes of Missouri.

There was some discussion at the conference today of the proposal of Senator Copeland of New York to substitute the old equalization fee plan of the McNary-Haugen bill of the last Congress for the debenture proposition. The sentiment of the majority, however, appeared to be against an attempt to revive the equalization fee on the theory that it was not practicable to write it into law.

The conference of Democrats held today was the first of a series of such conferences. At the conclusion of today's conference, Senator Robinson, the Democratic leader and chairman of the conference, made the following statement:

"The conference was called to discuss the bill now before the Senate relating to farm relief. It is not contemplated that any attempt shall be made to bind the members of the conference to vote for or against any particular provision or measure. The discussion in the conference disclosed the fact that many Senators in attendance believe that the incorporation of the debenture plan will prove immediately helpful.

"The relation of the tariff to the subject of farm relief is recognized in view of the President's purpose to ask revision of some schedule. My personal feeling is that it is probable the farm situation will be made worse as a result of tariff legislation at this time.

"Unless the debenture or some simpler plan is made possible, the result of any tariff revision which may be fairly expected will be to increase the cost the farmers must pay for necessary manufactured commodities. It is expected that further conferences will be held from time to time in order that Democratic Senators become acquainted with the viewpoints of their associates and function as intelligently and effectively as may be practicable.

"The chairman of the conference was authorized to request the co-operation of the Commerce Committee and of other Senators in relation to emergency amendments to the Flood Control Act of 1928, particularly with respect to the provisions relating to compensation for florage rights in spillways and emergency protective works on tributaries.

"While there was some discussion of the equalization fee plan, in my opinion, it was not believed to be practical to secure its incorporation in the pending bill."

The make-up of the present Senate is fifty-five Republicans, thirty-nine Democrats and one Farmer-Labor Senator, Shipstead of Minnesota. The Farmer-Labor Senator will vote for the debenture plan. Polls of the Republican side of the Senate indicate that not more than twelve Republicans will support the debenture plan. This would leave forty-three Republicans voting against the debenture plan, with six Democrats also voting in opposition to that plan. There would be a total of forty-nine votes against it to a possible forty-six in favor of it.

While the Democrats were meeting in party conference, some of the Republican leaders of the Senate met with Senator Watson of Indiana, the Republican Leader, and informally decided to oppose the debenture plan and to do all they could to prevent its final inclusion in the bill.

Associated Press advices from Washington on April 24 regarding the Senate bill said:

The equalization fee figured in the Senate debate on farm relief today as well as in the House. Senator Copeland, Democrat, of New York, proposed it as a substitute for the debenture plan, which, he contended, would be rejected on a Senate vote. The New Yorker took the position that it was necessary to have some method of financing farm relief in any legislation enacted to that end.

Senator Copeland said his amendment proposed the equalization fee in the same language as it stood in the McNary-Haugen bill.

Senator Norris, Republican, of Nebraska, also offered an amendment providing for a decrease of debenture rates whenever the proposed Farm Board found that an excess of any export debenturable product was probable.

In the House on April 24, when general debate on its bill was closed, amendments offered to the bill were noted as follows in the Washington advices to the "Times":

Fee Proposal Ruled Out.

Representative Cannon of Missouri proposed the "equalization fee" as an amendment. This plan, which was adopted by the House three times and was the reason for President Coolidge's vetoes on two occasions, received scant consideration. It was ruled out on a point of order, its rejection being applauded by both sides.

An attempt to lay the groundwork for offering the controversial debenture plan as an amendment to the bill was overwhelmingly defeated. Representative Cannon had proposed that the bill contain a lay-down of the policy that in stabilizing agriculture the board should "make the tariff effective."

Representative Lebach of New Jersey offered an amendment providing that appointments to the establishment to be set up by the farm board be under the Civil Service Commission. It was opposed on the ground that it would restrict the board in seeking the aid of experts and was beaten.

Also the passage of the bill by the House on April 25, by a vote of 367 to 34, we take the following from the Washington advices to the "Journal of Commerce":

In piling up this unprecedented majority, four-fifths of the Democrats joined all Republicans save two. It is believed this support will exert a helpful influence in the Senate, where progressive and Democratic opposition is going after the Hoover plan.

Except for three minor clarifying amendments offered by members of the House Agriculture Committee, the bill as it passed was in the form it came from the committee. Amendment after amendment was rejected with a chorus of "noes" throughout the day, the same as on Wednesday when the reading of the bill was begun.

Pass Up Record Vote.

The export debenture scheme was ruled out on a point of order the same as was the equalization fee provision on the previous day.

When time for the final vote drew near supporters of the bill were so numerous that neither the debenture plan nor the equalization fee advocates sought a test of strength of these proposals. They passed up opportunity to get record vote, which could have been had on a motion to recommit the measure. Instead, Representative Cannon (Dem.) of Missouri, fee proponent, offered a motion with an amendment providing a basis for the Board to fix rate of interest to be charged for loans. On a rising vote the count was 63 to 302 and a roll call was not even demanded.

The bill as passed by the House creates a Federal Farm Board of six members and the Secretary of Agriculture with revolving funds of \$500,000,000 and broad powers to assist farmers in stabilizing prices through their co-operative organization. It is not intended so much as a surplus control act as a merchandising bill. In that respect it differs materially from the Senate bill, which is designated as an "agricultural surplus control act." Representative Mapes (Rep.) of Michigan, presiding, in ruling out the debenture made the point that the House bill "does not deal with surplus, certainly only incidentally."

The House bill now goes to the Senate, where that body already is considering the McNary bill containing the export debenture scheme and several other features objectionable to the Administration. The President's friends are confident that they have the debenture beaten, although realizing a long fight is ahead. They are hopeful that the Senate bill will not be so seriously out of line, but that it can be made to conform to the President's views in conference.

Former President Coolidge to Become Director of New York Life Insurance Co.

It was made known on April 10 that former President Calvin Coolidge is to become a director of the New York Life Insurance Co., succeeding the late Myron T. Herrick Ambassador to France. Darwin P. Kingsley, President of the company, announced that Mr. Coolidge had been nominated to the directorship at a meeting of the board on April 10 and that he would be regularly elected at a meeting of the directors on May 8.

Former President Coolidge Elected a Councillor of National Industrial Conference Board, Inc.—Paul M. Warburg Also Elected a Councillor.

Ex-President Calvin Coolidge has been elected a Councillor of the National Industrial Conference Board, it was announced at the monthly meeting of the Board at the Hotel Astor, on April 18, by the President of the Board, Magnus W. Alexander. The election as Councillors of Dr. Frank Goodnow, President of Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, of Dr. Michael Pupin, Professor at Columbia University, and of Paul M. Warburg, Chairman of the International Acceptance Corporation, New York City, also was announced on this occasion. In addition to those just elected, the following are now serving as Councillors of the Board:

Nicholas Murray Butler, President, Columbia Univ., New York City.
William L. Clause, Chairman, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Philip T. Dodge, Chairman, Mergenthaler Linotype Co., New York City.
Irene du Pont, Chairman Finance Committee, E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Wilmington, Del.
Eugene G. Grace, President, Bethlehem Steel Corp., South Bethlehem, Pa.
Arthur T. Hadley, President Emeritus, Yale University, New Haven, Conn.
Hale Holden, Chairman, Executive Committee, Southern Pacific Co., New York City.
Hon. Alanson B. Houghton, Ambassador to the Court of St. James.
Charles Evans Hughes, Hughes, Schurman & Dwight, New York City.
Samuel Insull, President, Commonwealth Edison Co., Chicago, Ill.
Cornelius F. Kelley, President, Anaconda Copper Mining Co., New York City.
Leonor F. Loree, President, Delaware & Hudson Co., New York City.
Nathan L. Miller, General Counsel, United States Steel Corp., New York City.
Charles Nagel, Nagel & Kirby, St. Louis, Mo.
William H. Nichols, Chairman, Chemical & Dye Corp., New York City.
Silas H. Strawn, Chairman, Montgomery Ward & Co., Chicago, Ill.
Melvin A. Traylor, President, The First National Bank, Chicago, Ill.
George M. Verity, President, American Rolling Mill Co., Middletown, Ohio.
H. Herman Westinghouse, Chairman, Westinghouse Air Brake Co., New York City.
Owen D. Young, Chairman, General Electric Co., New York City.

New York State Attorney General's Office Investigates Foreign Ford Stocks—Examines Firms That Took Deposits for New Offerings—Air Stocks Also Sifted.

The following is from the New York "Times" of April 23:

The Attorney General's office is investigating offerings of stocks of foreign subsidiaries of the Ford Motor Company and in aviation companies, it was revealed yesterday by Watson Washburn, Deputy Attorney General in charge of the Bureau of Securities. Houses that have accepted deposits of cash on foreign Ford stocks and agencies offering aviation securities of doubtful value are the ones on which Mr. Washburn's office is seeking information.

"We have about twenty agencies or firms which have offered foreign Ford stocks under investigation," said Mr. Washburn. "Some of these offered Ford stocks for sale without making very definite moves for its delivery, while others counted on obtaining the stocks from established firms and reselling them at a profit. We have been investigating to see what was done with these deposits. In some cases

we required better bookkeeping. In one case we are investigating further.

"Some of the agencies offering foreign Ford stocks are backed by men with unsavory records, and for this reason alone it would be advisable for us to follow closely what is done with deposits.

Little Chance to Get Stocks.

"We have not found any cases where investors were unable to obtain the return of their deposits against Ford stock purchases. Apparently, it is not generally realized that there are practically no chances that any appreciable amount of these stocks will reach this country. The intent of some of these companies is evidently to persuade investors to invest cash originally deposited for Ford stock, which would be of worth if actually received, in other securities of less certain value. The use of good stocks as a bait to entice investment in doubtful stocks is an old dodge, and the Ford situation has afforded a new variant.

"The great advance in price of Ford of Canada and to a lesser extent of Ford of England, gave the cue to others besides reputable financial houses. Now that Ford of Germany, Ford of Belgium and Ford of France are issuing stock, the undesirables have taken advantage of the situation. They do not make their offers of stocks to persons of foreign derivation but, trading on the name of Ford, to all classes. It is to insure that the substantial amounts of cash deposited for these issues are properly handled that we have started our investigation.

Capitalize Aviation Popularity.

"The popularity of aviation issues affords another example of how the undesirables are quick to follow trends of fashion in the security markets. In this field we find agencies recommending investors to buy certain aeronautical issues of reliable backing which later net them a market profit. Then the investors are in a mood where it is sometimes easy to persuade them to buy aviation issues in which the elements are not so good."

Mr. Washburn said that while the excitement in the foreign Ford stocks might die down as a result of the restrictions against Americans buying them, the future of aviation promised to hold the public's attention for years to come and that therefore aviation stocks would probably give the Bureau more work than the Ford stocks.

Ford Motor Car Co. of Canada to Be Listed.

Toronto (Ontario).—Canadian Press advices, April 22, are taken as follows from the "Times":

Application has been made for the listing of the new Class Z and B shares of the Ford Motor Car Company of Canada, Ltd., on the Toronto Stock Exchange and trading will start in a few days. When the present financing is completed Ford of Canada will have outstanding 100,000 of no par value voting shares and approximately 1,700,000 non-voting no par ordinary shares. The listing of these securities on the local market will mean the passing of the active trading from New York to Toronto.

Steel Pipe of U. S. in European Trust—British and Canadian Manufacturers Also Join International Cartel.

From the "Evening Post" we take the following Associated Press account from Brussels, April 25:

American, British and Canadian manufacturers of piping have joined the international cartel for pipes and tubes, it was announced here today. An agreement has been concluded between these manufacturers and continental producers for the period ending March 31, 1935, but it may be abrogated in March, 1930, if the German Piping Syndicate is not renewed.

The agreement applies to all gas, water and steam pipes, and to pipes for drilling tubes for oil and to conduit pipes. It provides for quotas and fixes maximum prices in certain categories.

The signatories agreed not to export their product into countries adhering to the international agreement. Canada is no longer included in the United States continent, but is reckoned as an independent unit.

Other cartel activities included the international rail cartel which, because Americans have now officially joined the group, one of them becoming a member of the board, will be known as the International Railmakers' Association, instead of European Railmakers' Association.

An agreement concluded last March for renewal of the cartel period of five years has been signed by representatives of the various groups. The next statutory meeting in June will consider the price question.

The international drawn wire cartel will meet this week to discuss a new price list.

The Continental cartel for hoop iron and tube stripe, which is now meeting in Brussels, decided to maintain current prices until the meeting in May reconsiders the question.

Frank H. Warder Resigns As New York State Superintendent of Banks—New Superintendent J. A. Broderick—Robert Moses to Investigate Department Incident to Failure of City Trust Co.—Mutual Trust to Begin Shortly.

Frank H. Warder, whose term of office as New York State Superintendent of Banks would have expired on July 1, tendered his resignation to Gov. Roosevelt under date of April 19; his resignation was accepted by the Governor on April 22, on which date Joseph A. Broderick was sworn in as the new Superintendent. Mr. Broderick, as was stated in these columns March 30, page 2021, was named by Gov. Roosevelt on March 23 to take the place of Mr. Warder as Superintendent, when the latter's term expired two months' hence. Mr. Warder in submitting his resignation to the Governor said:

Honorable Franklin D. Roosevelt,
Governor of the State of New York, The Capitol, Albany, N. Y.
My dear Governor Roosevelt:

As my friends know I had under consideration for some time the matter of tendering my resignation as Superintendent of Banks. However, the closing of the City Trust Company seemed to me to make it imperative that I defer tendering my resignation and that I bend all possible efforts so that depositors of that institution would be paid in full.

Through these efforts and with the co-operation of a number of leading bankers a new institution known as the Mutual Trust Company has been formed with a capital and surplus of \$5,000,000 for the purpose of taking over the affairs of the City Trust Company on condition that the depositors be paid in full.

On Tuesday last Supreme Court Justice McCook signed an order permitting the sale of the assets of the City Trust Company to the Mutual Trust Company, and the organization certificate of the new trust company has been filed in the department and was approved April 19, 1929.

I am officially advised today that the entire capital and surplus of the Mutual Trust Company, \$5,000,000, has been paid in in cash, thereby assuring that the affairs of the City Trust Company will be taken over by strong financial interests and that the depositors will receive full payment of their claims.

Having accomplished this I feel justified in carrying out my previous resolution to resign as Superintendent of Banks and I beg to tender you herewith my resignation to take effect at the earliest date agreeable to you and to my successor.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for the courtesy shown to me during your administration?

Respectfully yours,

FRANK H. WARDER.

A statement given out by Mr. Warder on April 22 is taken as follows from the "Herald Tribune":

"The necessity for closing the City Trust Company and the matters which led to this were most regrettable. The death of the man (Francesco M. Ferrari) who was responsible for the condition of the bank led both to the discovery of these conditions and to the closing of the institution. I at once recognized the complicated state of affairs. I was proud of the fact that for over a dozen years no depositor had lost a dollar through the failure of any incorporated bank or trust company in this State, and in addition I was most anxious that some way be devised so that the tremendous number of small depositors should suffer no loss. The responsibility for handling this situation was mine and I think the result accomplished fully justifies the course I have taken.

"In connection with this matter there has been some clamor in one or two newspapers. The articles may have been sensational, but they did not help the unfortunate depositors who were my main concern. Certain sensational stories have been circulated, such, for illustration, as that my rent had been paid by some one connected with the City Trust Company. This statement is unqualifiedly false. I have my personal records showing the payment by me of the rent monthly, and no one other than myself ever paid or contributed to the payment of my rent in this or any other instance. When renting my apartment references were asked and advice was given that inquiries might be made of any bank or banker. I do not know whether or not such inquiries were made. If any guaranty was given for the payment of my rent it was not done so with my knowledge. Certain other stories are equally false.

"I am gratified that notwithstanding the difficulties of the situation I have been able to render a real service in this unfortunate matter, and I take this opportunity to thank the constructive press of this city for its cooperation."

Announcing that Mr. Broderick had assumed his new duties "with unqualified jurisdiction over his Department" and that the new Mutual Trust Company would shortly begin business, Acting Governor Lehman on April 22 stated:

"In the unfortunate situation which arose through the closing of the City Trust Company, Gov. Roosevelt and I have been very deeply concerned to protect the interests of the many thousand depositors of that institution.

"By the organization of the Mutual Trust Company, the depositors of the City Trust Company are assured of the return to them of their deposits in full on the opening of the new bank. Consummation of the arrangement is an achievement of which the State and those individuals who co-operated in the undertaking may justly feel proud. It not only protects a great many thousands of innocent depositors, but continues unbroken the fine banking record of the State under which no depositor has lost a cent in any bank under the supervision of the department during the past twelve years.

"I am informed that the capital and surplus of the new Mutual Trust Company in the amount of \$5,000,000 has been paid in in cash and that the bank will commence operations some time before May 15 and June 1. In the organization of this bank Mr. Warder was helpful. The new company now having been organized and the capital and surplus paid in, the necessity for his further connection with the banking department no longer remains and he has accordingly resigned as Superintendent of Banks, and his resignation has been accepted by Gov. Roosevelt.

"Mr. Broderick assumes his duties with unqualified jurisdiction over his department. I am confident Mr. Broderick will give to the Banking Department a most efficient, independent and businesslike administration, and if any abuses are disclosed on his examination he will immediately take steps to correct them.

"Charges have been made of criminal acts in connection with the administration of the City Trust Company. I am advised that an investigation of the affairs of the company has been, or is being, made by the district attorneys of the counties in which its operations were conducted. All books, records and employes of the Banking Department are at all times at the disposal of the prosecuting authorities, and such officers will receive the fullest co-operation. If anyone has evidence of criminal acts it is not only his or her privilege but clear duty to submit such evidence immediately to the district attorney."

It was stated in the "Herald Tribune" of April 25 that Acting Gov. Lehman announced at Albany on April 24 that he would appoint a Moreland Act Commissioner to investigate the State Banking Department in connection with the defunct City Trust Company. The paper quoted, said:

The announcement followed a conference of more than an hour yesterday afternoon with Joseph A. Broderick, newly appointed State Superintendent of Banks, in which the collapse of the City Trust Company was discussed. Colonel Lehman would not comment beyond the declaration of his intention to appoint the commissioner, who is said in Albany not yet to have been named.

Previous requests for a Moreland act inquiry were reiterated yesterday in a letter to Mr. Lehman from Leon Leighton, lawyer for City Trust Company depositors.

The appointment of Robert Moses, former Secretary of State, as Commissioner under the Moreland Act to investigate the Banking Department, was announced as follows at Albany by Acting Gov. Lehman:

"I am unwilling to have any question remain respecting any State official or the efficiency of any State Department. That would interfere with the business of the State and lessen the confidence the people have in their Government. I have therefore determined after careful consideration to supplement the investigation now being carried on by the District Attorneys of New York and Kings Counties through the appointment of a Moreland Act Commissioner."

From the "Journal of Commerce" of yesterday (April 26) we take the following:

Through the appointment of a Moreland Act Commissioner, the circumstances surrounding the failure of the City Trust Company and the affairs of the State Banking Department will be subjected to four inquiries. Joseph A. Broderick, the present Superintendent of Banks, will conduct a departmental inquiry, and the district attorneys of Kings and New York Counties will also make investigations. Mr. Broderick stated yesterday that the four investigations will be conducted in close co-operation.

A voluntary petition in bankruptcy was filed yesterday in the Federal Court by the Federal Securities Corporation, organized by the late Frank M. Ferrari and whose assets consisted largely of the stocks of the City Trust Company. Attached to the petition was an affidavit of J. P. Vincent Labate, President of the corporation, asking for the appointment of a receiver.

The Federal Securities Corporation was formed in 1926. The company had planned the offering of \$1,000,000 in securities to consist of 200,000, \$5 par value, Class A stocks. It is understood that the company's liabilities consisted largely in bank loans against the stocks of the City Trust Company. No schedule of assets and liabilities has been filed.

An account of the closing of the City Trust Company appeared in our issue of March 23, page 1840, and the plans to organize the Mutual Trust Company as successor to the City Trust Company were referred to in these columns March 23, page 1841, and April 6, page 2213.

Southern Pacific RR. Grants Wage Increase to Shop Workers.

The following from Ogden (Utah) appeared in the Wal Street "Journal" of April 22:

The Southern Pacific RR. Co. has granted its 12,000 shop employees' 700 of whom work in the company's Ogden shops, the following increases in hourly wages: Mechanics, 5 cents; helper apprentices, regular apprentices and mechanic's helpers, 3 cents; differential helpers, 4 cents; coach cleaners, 2 cents.

Delinquent Corporations in New York State Which Have Failed to Pay Franchise Tax for Five Years Face Dissolution Unless Payment Is Made by June 30.

More than 100,000 business corporations in New York State face dissolution and the revocation of their charters this year, the Tax Commission at Albany announced in a statement released for publication to-day (April 27). The Commission says:

This number comprises the corporations which on June 30 1929 will be delinquent for five years in reporting to the Tax Commission as required by the Corporation Tax Law. Authority for the dissolution of the corporations is contained in chapter 297 of the laws of 1929 which Governor Roosevelt signed April 5. Many of the delinquent corporations are inactive and a large percentage of these includes Realty corporations which apparently have suspended operation.

The Tax Commission is preparing now to certify to the Department of State on June 30 upwards of 100,000 corporations which have not filed an annual franchise tax return and have not paid an annual franchise tax during the period of five consecutive years preceding the date of certification. Under the new law the Secretary of State is directed to make a proclamation as to the corporations whose names are included in the Tax Commission's list, declaring such corporations dissolved and their charters forfeited. A copy of the proclamation is to be published in the December issue of the State Advertising Bulletin. Upon the publication of the proclamation the corporate existence of each company named therein shall immediately cease and the company shall be deemed to be dissolved without further legal proceedings.

The names of these corporations shall be reserved for a period of six months during which no corporation shall be formed under a name the same as any name so reserved, or so nearly resembling it as to be calculated to deceive, nor shall any foreign corporation within six months be authorized to do business in this State under any of these names. After the six months period has expired the names of the corporations dissolved will be released for use of new companies. This will not only be an economy of record keeping in the Department of Taxation and Finance and the Department of State but it will tend to facilitate the organization of new corporations desiring to do business in this state and especially those of foreign corporations who are and have been desirous of locating and incorporating their businesses in New York.

Several of the delinquent corporations have taken steps to avoid dissolution by paying up their taxes, penalties and interest charges for the last five years. This is required to be done before June 30 otherwise the

delinquents will be included in the list certified for dissolution. Even though the revocations are not effective until after the publication of the list in December all those companies which are delinquent June 30 will be subject to dissolution. Six months after the date of the publication and upon the payment of all franchise taxes, penalties and interest charges and the payment of a fee of \$50 to the Secretary of State the proceedings accomplishing the dissolution of any corporation may be annulled and its former corporate powers, rights, duties, and obligations may be restored.

Daylight Saving Time in Effect After Midnight To-Night (April 27).—Announcements by New York and Chicago Federal Reserve Banks.

Daylight saving time will go into effect after midnight to-night (April 27) when the clocks will be set forward one hour. Regarding the change in time the Federal Reserve Bank of New York issued the following notice April 22:

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF NEW YORK.

(Circular No. 908, April 22 1929.)

Daylight Saving Opening and Closing Time for Business to Be Advanced One Hour.

To all Banks, Trust Companies, Savings Banks and Bankers in the Second Federal Reserve District:

During the period beginning Monday, April 29 1929, and ending Saturday, Sept. 28 1929, this bank will open and close for business in accordance with local time in New York City and in the City of Buffalo, which will be advanced one hour at 2 o'clock on Sunday morning, April 28 1929.

Clearings at the New York Clearing House will take place during the same period at 10 o'clock a. m., local time, which will be the equivalent of 9 a. m. Eastern standard time.

Clearings at the Buffalo Clearing House will take place during the same period at 10 o'clock on week days and 9:30 o'clock on Saturdays, local Buffalo time, which will be the equivalent of 9 a. m. and 8:30 a. m. Eastern standard time, respectively.

GEORGE L. HARRISON, Governor.

The Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago issued the following notice April 22:

The daylight saving ordinance in Chicago will again become effective on April 28, and in compliance therewith Chicago banks will advance their clocks one hour for the period April 28 to Sept. 29 1929.

There will be no change in banking hours, which are from 9 a. m. to 2 p. m. daily, except Saturday, when they are from 9 a. m. to 12 m.

ITEMS ABOUT BANKS, TRUST COMPANIES, ETC.

William M. Carson, Jr., of Morewood & Co. has sold his membership on the New York Coffee & Sugar Exchange to Farr & Co. for \$28,000. Last preceding sale \$29,500.

The stockholders of Bank of Commerce in New York have approved the plans to the capital stock from \$25,000,000 to \$30,000,000. The rights to subscribe for the additional stock previously granted to stockholders at the rate of one share for each five shares held, at the price of \$100 per share, expire April 30 1929. The increase in capital is incident to the proposed merger of the bank with the Guaranty Trust Company, the last reference to which in these columns appeared in our issue of April 6, page 2215.

William C. Potter, President of the Guaranty Trust Company of New York, announced on April 22 the appointment of William A. McGregor as Assistant Vice-President of the company.

Andrew W. Robertson, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co., was this week elected a director of the Chase National Bank of New York.

The Irving Trust Co. of New York announced on April 24 the following promotions: Carl A. Miller, Lincoln office, 42nd St. and Park Ave., Assistant Vice-President, to be Vice-President; Hayward S. Kirby, Auditor, to be Vice-President and Auditor; Paul E. Mead, Resident Counsel, to be Vice-President; Stephen G. Kent, Assistant Resident Counsel, to be Resident Counsel.

General Samuel McRoberts, Chairman of the Board of Chatham Phenix National Bank & Trust Co. of New York, was the host at a dinner Wednesday evening April 24 at the Metropolitan Club, constituting an informal reception to Robert P. Brewer of Tulsa, newly elected Vice-President of the Chatham Phenix and formerly Chairman of the First National Bank of Tulsa, President of the Exchange National Bank of Tulsa, Vice-President of the National Bank of Commerce of Kansas City, and organizer and founder of several other Oklahoma banks. Following his graduation from Southwestern University at Georgetown, Texas, Mr. Brewer organized the First National Bank of Checotah, Okla. Being less than 21 years of age, he could not then serve officially as an officer of the bank, of which he subsequently became President. In 1901 he organized the First National Bank of Quinton, Okla., and later organized banks at Indianola and Hannah. From Quinton he went to McAlester, Okla.,

as Cashier, and later President, of the First National Bank. In 1916 he was made the Senior Vice-President of the National Bank of Commerce, now the Commerce Trust Co., of Kansas City, and in 1921 he returned to Oklahoma as the President of the Exchange National Bank of Tulsa. During the three years of his management its deposits increased from \$16,000,000 to \$37,000,000. The Presidency of the First National Bank of Tulsa was tendered to him and accepted by him in 1924. Mr. Brewer is a director of Phillips Petroleum Co., the Kansas City Life Insurance Co., the Mexico & Orient Ry., and the Anchor Life Insurance Co. In 1925 he succeeded Will H. Hays as National President of the Phi Delta Theta.

Allotment of stock in the newly organized Hibernia Trust Co. of New York, which will open for business at 57 William Street about May 15, has been completed on an average of about 10% of the total amount for which subscriptions were received. The work of selecting the official staff for the trust company has been practically completed, it is stated. An item regarding the new institution appeared in our issue of April 20, page 2573.

The annual field day of the Bond Club of New York will be held this year on Friday, May 24, it was announced this week by John D. Harrison, Chairman of the Executive Committee in charge of the event. The outing will take place at the Sleepy Hollow Country Club. The Executive Committee in charge of the Bond Club field day is headed by John D. Harrison of the Guaranty Company of New York as Chairman and includes the following Vice-Chairmen: Frank E. Gernon of Hayden, Stone & Co.; David L. George of George, Haines & Halsey, and Leonard J. Wyeth of the International Manhattan Company. The chairmen of the sub-committees in charge of various activities include:

Attendance, Edward H. Gilbert, Jr., of Grace National Bank; Golf, Frank T. Stanton of Harris, Forbes & Co.; Indoor Sports, Leslie L. Vivian of Bauer, Pogue, Pond & Vivian; Luncheon and Dinner, Ambrose W. Benkert of Ames, Emerich & Co.; Special Sports, Warren W. Ayres of Kean, Taylor & Co.; Publicity, Everett T. Tomlinson, Jr., of Doremus & Co.; Publications, Jacques S. Cohen of Baar, Cohen & Co.; Reception, Robert E. Christie, Jr., of Dillon, Read & Co.; Stock Exchange, Nathaniel F. Glidden, of Glidden, Morris & Co.; Tennis, Harold A. Throckmorton of Charles D. Robbins & Co.; Transportation, Don C. Wheaton of Harris, Forbes & Co.; Trophies, Winthrop Battles of Battles & Co.; Whippet Racing, E. Coe Kerr of Hogue, Underhill & Co.

At a meeting of the Corn Exchange Bank of this city on April 24 the following changes among officials were decided upon in conjunction with the plan to convert the Corn Exchange Bank to the Corn Exchange Bank Trust Co., mention of which was made in our issue of April 20, page 2574:

Walter E. Frew, at present President of the bank, will become Chairman of the Board; Dunham B. Sherer, now Vice-President, will be made Vice-Chairman of the Board; Henry A. Patten, a Vice-President, will succeed Mr. Frew as President of the institution.

All of the present directors will remain on the board with the addition of the following: Richard Whitney, Ethelbert Ide Low, Ralph Peters, Jr., and Mr. Patten. As we indicated in our item of a week ago, the stockholders are to meet May 14 to ratify the proposed conversion and the change in the par value of the stock from \$100 to \$20 per share.

The Bank of United States of New York announced April 24 the promotion of its Cashier, Ralph Henderson, to the position of Vice-President. Mr. Henderson has been with The Bank of United States for nine years and has been its Cashier for the past five years. He will continue to serve the bank as its Cashier with the title of Vice-President and Cashier.

The Irving Trust Company announced on April 11 that it had leased new quarters in the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce Building, at Court and Livingston Streets, Brooklyn, for its Brooklyn office, now at 350 Fulton Street. Alterations to the property will be started in a few days, and it is expected that the new quarters will be ready by August 1. The space leased includes the ground floor of the southern half of the building fronting on both Court and Livingston Streets, with basement and part of the second floor. The total floor space will be 6,500 square feet, as compared to 4,500 square feet occupied by the present Brooklyn office. A complete modern safe deposit vault will be installed. The Brooklyn office of the Irving was originally the National City Bank of Brooklyn, founded in 1850. It entered the premises at 350 Fulton Street in 1893 and was merged with the Irving Trust Company in 1919.

At a meeting this week of the Executive Committee of the Central National Bank of the City of New York, nine new appointments were made to its Advisory Board. The list embraces midtown executives who have been interested in the institution and includes:

Morris Rosenblum, Vice-President and Treasurer, Miller Hosiery Co.; Frank Frohman, Frohman & Altman; Abraham Dunner, President, Fred H. Samuels & Co.; Sidney Davidson, Davidson Bros.; Herbert Solomon, Treasurer, La Rue Dresses, Inc.; Fred Leventhal, Director, C. K. Eagle & Co.; Walter Rosenholz, Vice-President, Roewood Fabrics Corp.; Seymour Wiesen, Vice-President, Max Wiesen Sons & Co.; Benjamin Ribman, Sherman-Solomon-Ribman-Goldring.

Members of the board reappointed are:

Harold A. Lehair, Vice-President, The Paul Cornell Co.; Frederick Lese, New York City; M. Morgenstern, Morgenstern Bros.

The Central National Bank with main office at Broadway and 40th Street was organized three years ago and at this time is operating four branches. It has a capital, surplus and undivided profits of \$3,300,000 and resources of approximately \$20,000,000.

Charles B. Sigler was appointed Assistant Vice-President of the Central Union Trust Company of New York at the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees on April 16. Mr. Sigler has been connected with the company since 1906. He was formerly Assistant Secretary, receiving the appointment in 1920.

Supplementing our item of April 13 (page 2404) with reference to a proposed reduction in the par value of the stock of the First National Bank of Boston from \$100 a share to \$20 a share, the Boston "Transcript" of April 16 stated that a special meeting of the stockholders of the institution has been called for May 16 to vote on the proposed reduction and the issuance of five shares of new stock for each share of the present stock. If the plan is adopted, the number of shares will be increased from 250,000 to 1,250,000. It is proposed, also, according to the paper mentioned, to issue 125,000 additional shares of the new \$20 par value stock under terms and conditions to be determined at the meeting. Action will also be taken at the meeting on the proposal to transfer to trustees all of the capital stock of the First National Corporation "to hold for the ratable benefit of the shareholders of the bank." The corporation is entirely owned by the bank. In its issue of the next day (April 17) the "Transcript" stated that the 125,000 shares of additional stock will be offered at \$60 a share to present stockholders in the proportion of one new share for each ten shares held, subscriptions to be paid for and the stock issued on July 1. The new issue will increase the authorized and outstanding capital to 1,375,000 shares. The capital and surplus of the First National Corporation, it was furthermore stated, will be increased to an aggregate of \$7,500,000, the bank supplying \$3,000,000 of the increase and the balance coming from undivided profits of the corporation.

An application has been made to organize the Bergen Trust Company of Jersey City, N. J. The new institution will have a capital of \$200,000 and surplus of \$100,000. The institution will be located at 2974 Hudson Boulevard.

Stockholders of the Bankers Trust Co. and Empire Title & Trust Co., both of Philadelphia, at special meetings on April 22 approved the consolidation of the two companies as the Bankers Trust Co. of Philadelphia. The capital of the latter was increased to allow for issue of 3,750 additional shares, having par value of \$187,500, to exchange for the 10,000 shares of Empire Title & Trust stock. The merger will take place at close of business to-day (April 27) after which the Bankers Trust Co. will have seven offices, two being added in West Philadelphia. Six additional Assistant Treasurers of the Bankers Trust Co. have been appointed, better to care for its increased business. These: Edward Green, John F. Donnelly and Louis Klingsburf, have been officers of the Empire Title & Trust Co. The other three: Harry J. McGowan, Clinton S. Seltzer and Maynard F. Marsh, Jr., are advanced from clerical positions in the Bankers Trust Co. Four of the new Assistant Treasurers will serve in the three West Philadelphia offices, the other two at 713 Chestnut Street office.

The directors of the Trademens National Bank and Trust Company of Philadelphia have declared a quarterly dividend of \$3 per share on the capital stock, payable May 1 1929 to stockholders of record at the close of business April 27.

Stanley W. Cousley, formerly an Assistant Vice-President of the Fidelity-Philadelphia Trust Co. of Philadelphia, was appointed a Vice-President on Apr. 22, according to the Philadelphia "Ledger" of Apr. 23. Mr. Cousley has been associated with the Fidelity-Philadelphia interests for the past 27 years, starting as a clerk with the Fidelity Trust Co. in 1902. In 1920 he was made Assistant Secretary of the company and one year later was promoted to Secretary. In 1927 he was chosen an Assistant Vice-President, the office from which he has now advanced to a Vice-President. During the last five years Mr. Cousley has specialized in life insurance trust.

At a special meeting on June 21 stockholders of the Northern Central Co. of Philadelphia will vote on a proposed reduction of the par value of the company's shares from \$50 to \$10 a share and will also take action on a proposed increase in the bank's capital from \$700,000 to \$1,000,000 by the issuance of 30,000 shares of new stock of the par value of \$10 a share, as reported in the Philadelphia "Ledger" of Apr. 20.

According to the Philadelphia "Ledger" of Apr. 22, the Northwestern Trust Co. of that city proposed a issue of 5,000 shares of stock of the Northwestern Trust Co. of Philadelphia, par value \$10 a share, will be sold to stockholders of record June 24 at the price of \$200 a share, in the ratio of one share of new stock for each share of old stock held on that date. Of the total received from the sale of the new stock, \$50,000 will be allotted to capital, making the same \$200,000 and \$950,000 to surplus account. The latter at present is \$1,400,000.

Supplementing our item of last week (page 2575) with reference to the proposed merger of the Security Title & Trust Co. of Philadelphia, and the 63d St. Title & Trust Co. of that city, the Philadelphia "Ledger" of Apr. 24 reports that the directors of both institutions have approved the consolidation plan, and special meetings of the respective stockholders have been called for May 6 to vote on the proposal. The Security Title & Trust Co. has an authorized capital of \$1,000,000, of which \$536,450 is at present issued, while the authorized capital of the 63d St. Title & Trust Co. is \$125,000 (all of which is outstanding). The consolidation, it is said, will be brought about by an exchange of each share of stock of the latter company for an equal amount of Security Title & Trust Co. stock. In our previous item we quoted the "Ledger" of Apr. 19 as saying that the par value of the shares of the Security Title & Trust Co. will be reduced from \$50 a share to \$10 a share.

A special meeting of the stockholders of the Frankford Trust Co. of Philadelphia will be held on June 12 to vote on a proposed reduction of the par value of the bank's stock from \$50 to \$10 a share, making the number of shares outstanding 50,000 (\$500,000) instead of 10,000, according to the Philadelphia "News Bureau" of Apr. 19.

Stockholders of the Philadelphia National Bank, Philadelphia, at a special meeting on April 23, approved the proposed organization of the Philadelphia National Company with an authorized capital of 70,000 shares without nominal or par value, the stock to be issued to three trustees, to be held for the beneficial interest of the stockholders of the bank, as reported in the Philadelphia "Ledger" of April 24. From the bank's undivided profits account, \$2,000,000 will be transferred to the new organization to provide its capital and surplus. The stockholders also approved the proposed change in the par value of the bank's stocks from \$100 to \$20 a share. Five shares of the new stock will be issued for each share of the old stock. The capital of the bank is \$14,000,000. In its issue of the following day (April 25) the "Ledger" stated that Joseph Wayne, Jr., President of the Philadelphia National Bank, has been made President of the Philadelphia National Company, other officers being Evan Randolph, Vice-President; J. William Hardt, Secretary, and Rene J. Clark, Treasurer. The Company was organized under the laws of Delaware.

On April 20 the Allegheny Trust Co. of Pittsburgh opened for business its new banking house at 413-415 Federal Street, that city. The formal opening took place the preceding day. The new home occupied the site of the old bank building which marked the establishment and the 28 years of progress of the bank. The building is of Ionic design. The entire

facade is composed of Conway pink granite and finely wrought bronze. The interior is of bronze and marble. The trust company, which dates its establishment from the merging in 1901 of the old Third National Bank of Allegheny and the Nations Bank for Savings, is capitalized at \$700,000 with surplus of \$1,000,000. Its officers are as follows: Charles W. Dahlinger, President; Joseph C. Porter, Henry M. Schmidt and Hugh F. McKnight, Vice-Presidents; John Aufderheide, Secretary and Treasurer, and J. E. Fisher and F. H. Horst, Assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers.

A special meeting of the shareholders of the People's Savings & Trust Co. of Pittsburgh, Pa. has been called for Apr. 30 to take action on a recommendation of the directors that the par value of the bank's shares be changed from \$100 a share to \$20 a share, thereby giving the shareholders five shares of new stock for each now held, according to the Pittsburgh "Post-Gazette" of Apr. 17, which went on to say in part:

Peoples Savings and Trust stock has been selling on the Pittsburgh stock exchange at \$750 per share. The stock sold as high as \$800 per share last December.

Peoples Savings and Trust has outstanding \$4,000,000 capital stock, out of an authorized issue of \$5,000,000. Deposits, as of March 25, 1929, were \$41,439,207, surplus and profits \$10,071,781, and total resources \$57,166,681.

The bank is considered one of the chief institutions in the Hillman group, generally given the name of the Associated Banks. J. H. Hillman, Jr., is Chairman of the Board of Directors.

According to the Baltimore "Sun" of April 23, directors of the Union Trust Co. of that city have approved a plan to reduce the par value of the bank's \$1,500,000 capital stock from \$50 to \$10 a share, and the stockholders of the institution at a special meeting on June 17 will be asked to approve the proposed reduction. By this action the present 30,000 share of the company's stock outstanding will be increased to 150,000 shares. Continuing the paper mentioned says:

Dividends on the new Union Trust stock probably will be in proportion to the rate on the present issue, it was said, but the amount has not yet been determined. Two extras of 2% have been paid so far in 1929 in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 5%, the last payment having been made April 1. The annual regular dividend rate was raised to 20% Jan. 1 after payment of 19% regular and 5% extra for the year 1928. Payments to stockholders have been increased each year for seven years without interruption. The new bill passed by the Maryland Legislature permitting reduction of the par value of trust company stocks from a minimum of \$25 to a minimum of \$10 a share goes into effect June 1 and it is believed several other local trust companies plan similar action.

At stockholders' meetings of the respective banks, held Saturday, Apr. 20 1929, the Norwood National Bank of Norwood, Ohio, and The Hyde Park Savings Bank of Hyde Park, Cincinnati, Ohio, were merged into one institution, to be known as The Norwood-Hyde Park Bank & Trust Co. The capital stock, surplus and undivided profits of the consolidated bank exceed \$700,000, and total resources are over \$7,000,000. The business of the new institution will be conducted at the former banking offices of the Norwood National Bank at the Northeast corner of Main and Bennett Avenues, Norwood, and the Hyde Park Savings Bank at 2710 Erie Avenue (Hyde Park Square), Hyde Park. The officers and employees of both banks have been retained by the consolidated bank and will continue at their respective stations in Hyde Park and Norwood. Reference to the proposed consolidation of these banks appeared in the "Chronicle" of Mar. 23, page 1842.

Pursuant to recommendations of the directors of the Ohio National Bank of Columbus, Ohio, a special meeting of the stockholders of the institution has been called for May 20 to vote on the following propositions:

1. Amending the Articles of Association of The Ohio National Bank of Columbus so as to change the authorized capital stock from 15,000 shares of the par value of \$100 each to 75,000 shares of the par value of \$20 each.

2. Authorizing the incorporation of a Securities Corporation (to be known, it is understood, as the Ohio National Corporation) and requesting the declaration by the Board of Directors of the Bank of a special dividend of \$750,000 to be applied toward the purchase for the shareholders of the Bank of shares of stock of the Securities Corporation in the same number as the outstanding shares of the Bank, after giving effect to the amendment above mentioned, and the issuing of certificates of stock of the Bank in place of outstanding certificates with indorsement thereon of a certificate representing a like number of shares of the Securities Corporation; and to do any and all things which said meeting may deem necessary or proper in connection with either of the purposes aforesaid.

Consolidation of two Otterbein, Ind. banks, viz., the Farmers' & Merchants' State Bank and the State Bank of Otterbein, to form the Union State Bank of Otterbein, was announced on Apr. 16 by Luther F. Symons, State Bank Commissioner, according to the Indianapolis "News" of

Apr. 17. Mr. Symons was reported as saying that the merger was encouraged by the State Banking Department. The new institution is capitalized at \$40,000 with surplus of \$10,000.

The following promotions in the personnel of the Dime Savings Bank, Detroit, Mich., were announced recently, according to the Detroit "Free Press" of Apr. 19: Fred. D. Lorimer, Frank E. O'Brien, Clifford H. Hyett and George M. Scripps, heretofore Assistant Cashiers of the institution, were made Vice-Presidents. Mr. Lorimer has been with the bank for 21 years and has been active in the work of the American Institute of Banking, being at one time President of the Detroit Chapter. The same paper stated that announcement of the appointment of Duncan W. Daker, Vice-President and Cashier of the Dime Savings Bank, member of the Board of Directors, was made by T. W. P. Livingstone, President of the institution. Mr. Daker, who has been with the Dime Savings Bank for 20 years, was formerly Manager of the discount and mortgage department of the Citizens Bank when that institution was merged with the Dime Savings Bank.

G. Hall Roosevelt will become a Vice-President of the American State Bank of Detroit on May 1, according to the Detroit "Free Press" of April 21, which stated that announcement of Mr. Roosevelt's appointment was made by President Robert M. Allan simultaneously with the opening of the American State Bank's new home on Fort Street and the opening of two new branches of the institution. Other Vice-Presidents of the American State Bank are: Gordon Fearnley, Charles P. Larned, A. J. Maynard and Joel Stockard. Mr. Roosevelt, who is a nephew of the late Theodore Roosevelt, received his A.B. degree from Harvard followed by a Master of Engineering degree in 1914. During the World War he taught aviation at Arcadia, Fla., and in Louisiana, and at present is trustee and director of several aviation companies. A few months ago he severed his connection of 14 years' standing with the General Electric Co. in Chicago to go to Detroit to aid in resuscitating the old Detroit United Railroad System. He was made Vice-President of the Eastern Michigan System, which is consolidating the previous electric railroads with buses and transportation systems radiating from Detroit. While retaining this position Mr. Roosevelt will become active in his new office in the banking field "which he regards as a most vital public utility."

That the Fidelity Trust Co. of Detroit will move into handsome new quarters (formerly the home of the Union Trust Co.) at the corner of Griswold and Congress Streets, that city, on Apr. 27, was reported in the Detroit "Free Press" of Apr. 14, which stated that workmen were then engaged in remodeling and decorating the interior of the building which is being completely renovated. The Fidelity Trust Co. plans to occupy the first three floors of the structure, which will be known as the Fidelity Trust Building. The date of the formal opening has been set for May 7. Officers of the Fidelity Trust Co. are as follows: Luther D. Thomas, President; George B. Yerkes (and General Counsel), Richard W. Thomas, Scott E. Lamb, Thomas S. Clayton (and Manager of the bond department), Joseph A. Brandt (and Manager of the mortgage department) and Leverett E. Fitts (and Manager of the business extension department), Vice-Presidents; Roy R. McDonald, Treasurer; Paul W. Eaton and Charles W. Lee, Assistant Vice-Presidents; N. D. Bragg, F. J. Freeman, C. W. Horr, Jr. and John H. Patrick, Trust Officers; Alfred Harris, Assistant Trust Officer; D. J. Milne and Fred L. Day, Assistant Treasurers, and J. L. Brubaker, Assistant Secretary.

Henry Hart, Vice-President of the Detroit & Security Trust Co., Detroit, announces the appointment of J. Derry Kerr as Manager of the Los Angeles office of the Detroit Co., an affiliated organization handling investment securities. Mr. Kerr is a native of Los Angeles, and for the past two years has been San Francisco Manager for the California Securities Co., a subsidiary of the California Bank.

From the Michigan "Investor" of April 13 it is learned that the Industrial Savings Bank of Flint, Mich., and the Union Trust & Savings Bank of that city are shortly to be consolidated. The industrial Savings Bank as of March 27 had combined capital, surplus and undivided profits of

\$1,686,647, total deposits of \$18,459,729 and total resources of \$21,936,376, while the Union Trust & Savings Bank on the same date had combined capital, surplus and undivided profits of \$938,527; combined deposits of \$7,687,520 and total resources of \$9,528,434.

A consolidation has been effected between the Old National Bank of Grand Rapids, Mich., and the Kent State Bank of that city, according to a press dispatch from Grand Rapids on April 20, appearing in the Detroit "Free Press" of the following day. The new organization, under the title of the Old Kent Bank, the dispatch said, opened Monday, April 22, with combined capital and surplus of \$4,000,000 and resources of \$48,000,000. Officers include Henry Idema, Chairman of the Board; Clay H. Hollister, President; Heber W. Curtis, T. W. Hefferan, Eugene Richards, Caspar Baarman, A. W. Hompe and Eugene D. Conger, Vice-Presidents, and J. Clinton Bishop, Cashier. The dispatch furthermore stated that the consolidated bank would operate at the bank buildings formerly owned by the individual corporations.

The final chapter in the consolidation of the Bank of America, Chicago, with the Central Trust Co. of Illinois was completed April 22 when the enlarged Central Trust Co. opened for business in new quarters at 208 South La Salle Street. Although the legal merger of the two banks took place several months ago, their physical merger was deferred until the new quarters were ready. At 208 La Salle Street the Central Trust Co. occupies the street and main banking floors, underground safe deposit floor and parts of several other floors in a building which covers an entire block. Every man and woman on the staff of the two uniting offices was retained when their business was combined. In addition, the Chicago Safe Deposit Co., affiliated with the Central Trust, purchased the business of the Continental National Safe Deposit Co., which had been located at 208 South La Salle, and retained its officers and employees. An announcement by the enlarged bank contains the following resume of matters pertaining to the merger:

A few days before the change in location, Eugene V. R. Thayer, a figure of national prominence in banking, railroad and industrial circles, was added to the directorate of Central Trust Company and was made Chairman of the Executive Committee.

Mr. Thayer, who was formerly President of the Chase National Bank of New York and prior to that, President of the Merchants National Bank of Boston, will resume the role of active banker, taking up his residence in Chicago, after a retirement from direct participation in the field for the last few years, to attend to broad personal interests.

His association with public utility, banking, railroad and industrial activities includes membership of the Board of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, the Chase National Bank of New York, Otis Elevator Company, Stock Yards National Bank of Chicago, Sinclair Consolidated Oil Corporation, Massachusetts Bonding and Insurance Company, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, Fairbanks Company and the following railroads: Pere Marquette, St. Louis-San Francisco, Kansas City, Fort Scott and Memphis. In addition he is chairman of the board of directors of the Punta Alegre Sugar Company and the Stutz Motor Car Company.

C. Howard Marfield, formerly president of the Bank of America, has been elected Chairman of the Discount Committee and Vice-President.

James G. Alexander will continue as Executive Vice-President in addition to which he is scheduled to become President of the Central Securities Company, the investment organization of the consolidated banks. Preparatory to this step it is proposed that the capital of the investment company be materially enlarged in the near future and its activities similarly expanded. In addition to the above men, the ranking officials of Central Trust Company include: Charles G. Daves, Chairman of the Board; Joseph E. Otis, President; M. E. Greenebaum, Vice-Chairman of the Board; Edwin F. Mack, Vice-President and Chairman of the Advisory Committee, and William R. Daves, Vice-President.

Central Trust Company now is the fourth largest bank in Chicago, only the Continental Illinois, the First National and the First Trust & Savings Bank exceeding it in size. It has capital stock of \$10,500,000, surplus of \$7,500,000, deposits of \$128,000,000 and resources of \$160,000,000.

Pursuant to a resolution of the directors, stockholders of the National Bank of the Republic, Chicago, at a special meeting on April 23, authorized an increase of \$500,000 in the bank's capital, raising the same from \$6,500,000 (325,000 shares of the par value of \$20 a share) to \$7,000,000 (350,000 shares), according to the Chicago "Journal of Commerce" of April 24. The additional stock (25,000 shares) is being offered to stockholders of record May 15 at par (\$20 a share) in the ratio of one new share for every thirteen shares held.

An increase of \$1,000,000 in the capital of the Citizens & Southern National Bank (head office Savannah, Ga.), raising the same to \$5,000,000, was decided upon by the directors of the institution on Apr. 17, as reported in the Atlanta "Constitution" of Apr. 18. The new stock, which will become effective July 1, is to be offered to present stockholders at

the price of \$350 a share in the ratio of one new share for each four shares of old stock held. Of the proceeds (\$3,500,000), \$1,000,000 will go to capital account, \$1,000,000 to surplus account, and \$1,500,000 will be for the use of the Citizens & Southern Holding Co., "so as to put it in position to expand its operations when it is found desirable to do so." Coincident with the increase in the capital, the par value of the bank's shares will be reduced from \$100 a share to \$10 a share. A meeting of the stockholders will be called shortly to take action on the proposals.

The establishment of a new bank at Stuart, Fla., to be known as the Stuart Central Farmers Bank, was announced April 20 by Howard W. Selby, President of the Central Farmers Trust Company of West Palm Beach. Application has been made by the latter for the issuance of a charter. Monday, May 6, has been set as the expected date for opening in the quarters formerly occupied by the defunct Stuart Bank & Trust Company. The bank will have a capital stock of \$25,000, with a paid-in surplus of \$5,000. Kennon H. Turner, Assistant Treasurer of the Central Farmers Trust Company, has been named President. Mr. Selby will head the Board of Directors, and the following officers of the Central Farmers Trust Company will occupy similar positions in the new institution: Fred H. Farwell, Vice-President; D. F. Goodell, Vice-President; Judson L. Owen, Treasurer.

A union of the Pacific National Bank and the National Bank of Commerce, Los Angeles institutions, was approved by the directors of the respective institutions on April 26, according to advices from that city on April 25 to the "Wall Street Journal." Stockholders of both banks will meet shortly to ratify the action of their directors and the consolidation is expected to go into effect about July 1. The enlarged bank will be known as the Pacific Bank of Commerce, National Association, and will have resources of approximately \$24,000,000. Including the assets of the Pacific National Co. (the holding company for the Pacific National Bank) the new organization will have total resources in excess of \$32,000,000. The present capital of the Pacific National Bank is \$2,000,000 authorized and outstanding, while that of the National Bank of Commerce is \$500,000 authorized and issued. Under the merger plan, it is understood, the consolidated bank will increase its capital from \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000, \$500,000 of the new stock to be used to acquire National Bank of Commerce stock, and the remaining \$500,000 offered to the shareholders of both banks, at a premium yet to be determined, in the proportion of one new share for every five shares held. Thomas A. Morrissey is President of the Pacific National Bank, while Erle M. Leaf heads the National Bank of Commerce. An item indicating the proposed merger of these institutions appeared in the "Chronicle" of April 6, page 2219.

Effective Mar. 1 1929, the First National Bank of Long Beach, Cal., with capital of \$200,000, was placed in voluntary liquidation. The institution has been absorbed by the Bank of America of California.

The new Central National Bank of Portland, Ore., reference to which was made in our issue of April 6, page 2219, opened auspiciously on April 15, according to the Portland "Oregonian" of the following day. Large quantities of flowers were received from friends and well-wishers of the institution, and according to C. H. Vaughan, the Cashier, a heavy first-day business was transacted. The building occupied by the new bank has been entirely remodeled and renovated, and the main banking room occupies a space of 100 x 40 feet. The institution starts with a capital of \$200,000 and a surplus of \$20,000. It is operated under the general direction of the bankers who dictate the policies of the United States National Bank of Portland, of which it is an affiliation. The personnel is as follows: J. C. Ainsworth, President; Frank C. Hak, Frank S. Meagher and W. L. J. Davies, Vice-Presidents, and C. H. Vaughan, Cashier.

Advices from Spokane, Wash. on Apr. 22, appearing in the "Wall Street News" of Apr. 23, stated that the United Hillyard Bank of Spokane, formed by a merger of the Hillyard State Bank and the First National Bank of Hillyard (Spokane), has begun business with a capital of \$150,000, surplus of \$15,000 and deposits of \$1,500,000. The new organization, which is operating under a State charter, is run under the joint management of Fred Stevens and

H. B. Smead, who were the executive heads of the consolidated banks.

A dispatch from Vancouver, Wash., on April 18, to the Portland "Oregonian", reported the closing on that date of the American Security Bank of Vancouver and the placing of the institution in the hands of the State Banking Department for liquidation. According to C. S. Moody, Assistant State Director of Banking, the bank's reserve was below the legal limit and the assets are of such a character as to preclude realizing a sufficient sum to bring the reserve up within a reasonable time. As of March 27, deposits of the institution were \$307,284 and total resources \$375,387. The capital was \$50,000. C. B. Alexander was President. Later advices from Vancouver to the "Oregonian" (April 19) contained the following:

Rumors that depositors in the defunct American Security Bank will receive about 75% lacked official confirmation today as the State banking officials who are checking up on the assets will not give out any information until the work is completed.

Withdrawing more than \$300,000 from circulation even temporarily will have a depressing effect on business here is the opinion expressed by leading business men and it may be several months before any of the funds can be released.

Sir Charles Gordon, G. B. E., President of the Bank of Montreal, was made a director of the Guarantee Company of North America, Montreal, at a recent meeting of the Board, according to advices from Montreal on Apr. 13, appearing in the "Wall Street News" of Apr. 15. Sir Charles fills the vacancy on the Board caused by the death of Sir Vincent Meredith.

Barclays Bank (Dominion, Colonial and Overseas), New York Agency, announces the following appointments: Gerald R. Macintyre, Local Director; Courtney C. George, Agent; and W. H. W. Rowley and Cecil D. Palmer, Sub-Agents.

The Banca Nazionale di Credito, Milan, one of the leading financial institutions of Italy, announces that Comm. Augusto Castiglioni, one of its Managing Directors, will hereafter be permanently located in this country and has opened offices at 76 William Street, New York, in order to represent the bank in the United States.

THE WEEK ON THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

The New York stock market ruled strong early in the week and in numerous instances new high records for the year were established by some of the more active speculative issues. On Thursday and Friday, however, the market suffered sharp relapses under the influence of high money rates. Among the interesting developments of the week was the reduction in rates for bankers' acceptances (though with the rise in the call loan rate on the Stock Exchange on Friday to 16% this was seen to be not indicative of the real state of the money market), the sharp rise in the New Haven shares which for the first time since the war sold above par, the action of Calumet & Arizona in raising its dividend from a \$6 to \$10 annual basis and the increase in the Pennsylvania Railroad dividend to an 8% basis. Another occurrence that attracted widespread interest was the purchase at the opening on Tuesday of a block of 100,000 shares of Simms Petroleum at a new high for 1929 above 30. The weekly report of the Federal Reserve Bank, made public after the close of business on Thursday showed an expansion of \$67,000,000 in brokers' loans. Call money advanced from 7½% on Monday to 8% on Tuesday and made a further advance to 12% late on Thursday and soared to 16% on Friday due to an unusually heavy demand and comparatively light supply following the calling of \$20,000,000 from the market by the banks.

On Saturday there was a resumption of the advance in some of the more highly speculative issues. Oil shares took a prominent place in the upswing. Texas Corporation being taken in large blocks and closing with a substantial gain in anticipation of increased earnings for 1928. Other strong oil stocks included Phillips Petroleum, Atlantic Refining, Shell Union and Pan American Petroleum all of which were higher by about two points. Graham-Paige was particularly weak and a sharp break occurred in Hupp which sold off to a new low for 1929. Telephone stocks were moderately strong, especially International Tel. & Tel. which at one time bounded forward about six points in addition to a similar gain made on the preceding day. Bethlehem steel at 117 was close to highest since the war and Amer.

Tel. & Tel. raised its top to the highest level in all time. The specialties were represented by F. G. Shattuck, which climbed above 140, and Lambert, which closed above 143, the advance in the latter instance being due in part to the improvement in its earnings which showed an increase of nearly 35% over the corresponding period for 1928.

Stocks generally moved to higher levels on Monday, the noteworthy features being the new high record of Amer. Tel. & Tel. which climbed upward 5½ points to 234¾ and the rapid advance of New Haven to par. Motor stocks moved up with the leaders, Packard shooting up about two points to 131¼ followed by Chrysler with a similar gain but General Motors, Studebaker and Hupp were slightly off at the close. General Electric was the outstanding feature as it bounded forward about three points to 244. American Can also was in strong demand at 140 where it showed a three point gain. Westinghouse Electric closed with an advance of nearly three points. United Aircraft & Transportation advanced into new high ground at 116 and Union Carbide and Carbon moved ahead 11 points to a new high above 237. Public utilities were particularly buoyant, American & Foreign Power leading the upward swing and at one time was about five points higher. American Power & Light, North American, Electric Power & Light and Columbia Gas (new) were also noteworthy for their strength. Radio Corporation was up about four points, Allied Chemical & Dye was up seven points and Bethlehem Steel made a new top for the year but lost its gain in the late profit taking. The market opened higher on Tuesday and under the impetus of a new buying spurt forged ahead to higher levels. The advance, however, was at times somewhat irregular though the turnover was so large that the tickers fell behind at one time nearly 20 minutes. Adams Express shot ahead 19 points and reached a new peak around 750. American Express showed a gain of two points and American Railway Express moved ahead about eight points. Public utilities were the center of keen speculative interest during most of the session, American Telephone & Telephone leading the upward drive to a new high above 238. Commonwealth Power spurred ahead five points and American and Foreign Power above 100 was nearly nine points above the preceding close. Vanadium Steel and Republic Iron and Steel were the outstanding strong issues of the industrial group and United States Steel, common, also improved but to a lesser extent. In the case of General Motors a sudden demand carried the price through 87 a gain of over three points. Railroad stocks were represented on the upside by New Haven which crossed 102 with a gain of over three points and Erie which touched 74 at its high for the day. Aircraft issues attracted a large share of the speculative attention, Curtiss leading the advance at it swung upward seven points to 156¾ followed by Wright which advanced six points to around 251 and United Aircraft which improved a point or more.

Stimulated by the dividend increases of the Pennsylvania Railroad and Calumet & Arizona the market moved upward on Wednesday. The feature of the day was the strength of Allis Chalmers which moved vigorously ahead 15 points to the highest peak in the history of the company. Rubber issues were unusually active and moved forward almost as a unit, probably as a result of the recovery of rubber futures on the preceding day. United States Rubber closed at 56¾ a gain of nearly 2 points and Goodyear followed with a gain of 1½ points. In the oil group Simms Petroleum again lifted its top to another new high at 34½ but failed to hold its gain and closed 2 points lower.

The market on Thursday was inclined to be weak, though there were numerous exceptions to the rule. Columbia Graphophone for instance was one of this class and moved sharply upward 6 or more points at its high for the day. In the railroad list Missouri Pacific closed at 83½ with a gain of 2 points. American Can closed with a gain of about 2 points. In the copper shares the strong features were Kennecott which closed with a gain of 2 points and Anaconda which was in steady demand at higher prices. Motor stocks were down, oil issues were heavy and most of the industrials were lower. On Friday the market opened moderately strong with the call money renewal rate at 9%, but as the rate gradually mounted to 16% the market turned weak and many stocks that were comparatively strong in the early trading sagged and lost all of their early gains, Bethlehem Steel for instance closed at 111¾ with a loss of 1¾ points, Allied Chemical & Dye sold up to 290¼ at its high for the day but closed at 283¼ with a net loss of more than

2 points. In the final hour a few of the leading stocks showed slight improvement, but the list as a whole was lower.

TRANSACTIONS AT THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE DAILY, WEEKLY AND YEARLY.

Week Ended April 26.	Stocks, Number of Shares.	Railroad, &c., Bonds.	State, Municipal & Foreign Bonds.	United States Bonds.
Saturday	1,292,310	\$3,799,000	\$1,079,000	\$186,000
Monday	3,568,990	6,746,000	2,039,500	328,000
Tuesday	4,131,930	7,351,000	2,147,500	378,500
Wednesday	4,068,200	6,092,000	2,302,500	316,000
Thursday	3,338,010	5,743,000	2,281,100	397,000
Friday	4,011,890	6,420,000	1,357,000	213,000
Total	20,411,330	\$36,151,000	\$11,206,600	\$1,818,500

Sales at New York Stock Exchange.	Week Ended April 26.		Jan. 1 to April 26.	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Stocks—No. of shares.	20,411,300	17,736,185	367,708,760	253,307,504
Bonds.				
Government bonds	\$1,818,500	\$3,140,000	\$43,604,600	\$63,130,750
State and foreign bonds	11,206,600	15,396,500	206,869,150	300,990,125
Railroad & misc. bonds	36,151,000	50,081,200	567,394,500	763,230,450
Total bonds	\$49,176,100	\$68,617,700	\$817,868,250	\$1,127,351,325

DAILY TRANSACTIONS AT THE BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA AND BALTIMORE EXCHANGES.

Week Ended April 26 1929.	Boston.		Philadelphia.		Baltimore.	
	Shares.	Bond Sales.	Shares.	Bond Sales.	Shares.	Bond Sales.
Saturday	*27,638	\$16,100	a46,479	\$2,000	51,831	\$23,000
Monday	*57,121	21,000	a134,252	5,000	92,868	19,700
Tuesday	*95,904	65,000	a238,439	23,000	33,776	32,500
Wednesday	*55,309	36,000	a158,867	18,000	54,541	21,000
Thursday	*56,381	51,000	a132,198	15,100	22,820	10,000
Friday	*46,591	84,000	a49,105	-----	62,709	26,200
Total	308,944	\$273,100	779,320	\$63,100	18,545	\$132,400
Prev. week revised			371,023	\$96,500	23,114	\$193,700

* In addition, sales of rights were: Saturday, 14; Monday, 781; Tuesday, 47; Wednesday, 121; Thursday, 60.
 a In addition, sales of rights were: Saturday, 3,100; Monday, 2,904; Tuesday, 1,800; Wednesday, 4,200; Thursday, 5,500.
 b In addition, sales of warrants were: Saturday, 10; Monday, 25; Tuesday, 1½. Sales of rights were: Friday, 200.

THE ENGLISH GOLD AND SILVER MARKETS.

We reprint the following from the weekly circular of Samuel Montagu & Co. of London, written under date of April 10 1929:

GOLD.

The Bank of England gold reserve against notes amounted to £154,045,537 on the 3rd inst. (as compared with £153,331,566 on the previous Wednesday), and represents an increase of £139,222 since April 29 1925, when an effective gold standard was resumed.

In the open market this week about £855,000 bar gold from South Africa was available. The Bank of England secured the bulk of this amount—about £714,000, as shown in the figures below. India took £20,000, the home trade £53,000 and the Continental trade £60,000.

The following movements of gold to and from the Bank of England have been announced, showing a net influx of £963,053 during the week under review:

	Apr. 4.	Apr. 5.	Apr. 6.	Apr. 8.	Apr. 9.	Apr. 10.
Received	Nil	£92	£6,380	£506,000	£714,011	Nil
Withdrawn	£10,000	Nil	1,710	1,720	250,000	Nil

The receipts on the 8th and 9th inst. were in sovereigns and bar gold respectively from South Africa. The withdrawal on the 9th inst. was in sovereigns "set aside," other withdrawals consisting of £10,000 in sovereigns and £3,430 in bar gold.

The following were the United Kingdom imports and exports of gold registered from mid day on the 2d inst. to mid day on the 8th inst.:

Imports.		Exports.	
British West Africa	£ 32,344	Austria	£8,875
British South Africa	799,959	France	9,005
Other countries	22,306	British India	107,254
		Other countries	13,585
	£854,609		£138,719

As surmised in our letter of the 27th ultimo, two of the large recent imports of gold from Holland were in the form of foreign gold coin, for in the official customs figures issued during the week there is an amendment showing that the movements in question should have appeared under the heading "Not of legal tender in the United Kingdom," instead of "Of legal tender in the United Kingdom." The origin of the recent purchase by the Bank of England of foreign gold coin amounting to just under £1,000,000 is thus explained:

The "Times" Berlin correspondent under date of the 9th inst. states that: "The return of the Reichsbank for the week ended April 6 shows a further sale of gold to the amount of 103,000,000 marks, which reduces the bank's bullion stock from 2,682,702,000 to 2,579,525,000 marks. As the gold reserves on deposit in foreign central banks increased in the same period from 129,748,000 to 140,944,000 marks, it seems that the gold sold is taken from Berlin. The Bank has now sold gold to the value of 149,000,000 marks since its first intervention in the exchange market at the beginning of March."

According to a Reuter message from New York dated April 8: "Further purchases by the German Reichsbank of gold held in the Federal Reserve Bank of New York for the account of the Bank of France and the Bank of Belgium are reported in Wall Street. The latest reported purchase of \$11,000,000 in 'earmarked' gold is believed to bring the total bought in this way during March and April to about \$41,000,000. This method of building up credit here and protecting the exchange rates saves expenses and loss of interest in direct transfers of metal across the ocean. Instead of shipping metal to New York the German Bank has been sending it to Brussels or Paris to pay for purchases of 'earmarked gold' in the Federal Reserve Bank."

SILVER.

The week has seen rather a quiet market and movements in the prices have been narrow. The Indian Bazaars being less interested except at lower rates, quotations at first showed some disposition to sag under the influence of some re-selling of silver on China account. On the fall, however, China was more inclined to buy, and, as offerings were small and re-

stricted as to price, the market assumed a steadier tone, although American operators have been generally disposed to offer moderately on most afternoons.

The following were the United Kingdom imports and exports of silver registered from mid-day on the 2d inst. to mid-day on the 8th inst.:

Imports.		Exports.	
Mexico	£107,379	Germany	£62,800
Canada	43,600	British India	50,034
Other countries	8,397	Other countries	8,146
	£159,376		£120,980

INDIAN CURRENCY RETURNS.

(In Lacs of Rupees.)	Mar. 31.	Mar. 22.	Mar. 15.
Notes in circulation	18803	18946	19123
Silver coin and bullion in India	9989	9943	9871
Silver coin and bullion out of India	-----	-----	-----
Gold coin and bullion in India	3222	3222	3222
Gold coin and bullion out of India	-----	-----	-----
Securities (Indian Government)	4323	4327	4327
Securities (British Government)	1069	1054	1053
Bills of exchange	200	400	650

The stock in Shanghai on the 6th inst. consisted of about 78,500,000 ounces in sycee, 122,000,000 dollars and 9,200 silver bars, as compared with about 76,800,000 ounces in sycee, 116,000,000 dollars and 9,320 silver bars on the 28th ult.

Quotations during the week:

	Bar Silver per Oz. Std.	2 Mos.	per Fine Oz.
April 4	25½d.	25½d.	84s. 11d.
April 5	25½d.	25½d.	84s. 11½d.
April 6	25½d.	25½d.	84s. 11½d.
April 8	25 13-16d.	25 13-16d.	84s. 11½d.
April 9	25½d.	25½d.	84s. 10½d.
April 10	25½d.	25½d.	84s. 11d.
Average	25.823d.	25.823d.	84s. 11.08d

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:

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Silver, p. oz. d.	25½	25 11-16	25 11-16	25½	25½	25½
Gold, p. fine oz.	84s. 11½d.	84s. 11½d.	84s. 10½d.	84s. 10½d.	84s. 11d.	84s. 11½d.
Consols, 2½%	54½	54½	55	55	55	54 15-16
British, 5%	103	103	103	103	103	*100¼
British, 4½%	98½	98½	98½	98½	98½	*96¼
French Rentes						
(In Paris) fr.	74.05	73.95	74.20	74.85	73.90	
French War L'n						
(In Paris) fr.	99.75	99.85	99.95	99.66	99.80	

The price of silver in New York on the same days has been:

Silver in N. Y., per oz. (cts.):	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Foreign	55½	55½	55½	55½	55½	55½

* Ex-dividend.

COURSE OF BANK CLEARINGS.

Bank clearings will show a small increase the present week. Preliminary figures compiled by us, based upon telegraphic advices from the chief cities of the country, indicate that for the week ended to-day (Saturday, April 27) bank exchanges for all the cities of the United States from which it is possible to obtain weekly returns will be 1.4% larger than for the corresponding week last year. The total stands at \$11,706,905,350, against \$11,545,772,973 for the same week in 1928. At this centre there is a gain for the five days ended Friday of 1.4%. Our comparative summary for the week follows:

Clearings—Returns by Telegraph. Week Ended April 27.	1929.	1928.	Cent.
New York	\$5,931,000,000	\$5,784,000,000	+2.5
Chicago	506,751,608	508,500,313	-15.3
Philadelphia	487,000,000	400,000,000	+5.9
Boston	396,000,000	436,000,000	-9.2
Kansas City	108,536,516	105,312,100	+3.1
St. Louis	107,000,000	112,400,000	-4.8
San Francisco	155,861,000	177,059,000	-7.4
Los Angeles	166,460,000	166,540,000	-0.1
Pittsburgh	174,160,887	144,697,473	+20.4
Detroit	215,732,733	162,770,335	+32.5
Cleveland	120,583,362	100,516,198	+20.0
Baltimore	72,036,781	81,478,465	-11.6
New Orleans	54,973,145	51,718,082	+6.3
Thirteen cities, 5 days	\$8,406,096,032	\$8,380,992,076	+1.4
Other cities, 5 days	1,092,991,760	998,866,895	+9.8
Total all cities, 5 days	\$9,589,087,792	\$9,379,858,971	+2.2
All cities, 1 day	2,117,817,558	2,165,914,002	-2.2
Total all cities for week	\$11,706,905,350	\$11,545,772,973	+1.4

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 April 13. For that week there is a decrease of 4.2%, the 1929 aggregate of clearings for the whole country being \$12,417,833,481, against \$12,962,609,456 in the same week of 1928. Outside of this city, however, the decrease is only 1.4%, the bank exchanges at this center recording a loss of 5.7%. 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 a decrease of 5.5%, in the Boston Reserve District of 12.8%, and in the Richmond Reserve District of 7.7%. The Philadelphia Reserve District shows a gain of 7.5%, the Cleveland Reserve District of 11.1%, and the Atlanta Reserve District of 1.9%. In the Chicago Reserve District the totals register a decline of 6.4%, in the St. Louis Reserve District of 1.7%, and in the Minneapolis Reserve District of 4.7%. The Kansas City Reserve District shows an increase of 3.0% and the Dallas Reserve District of 28.1%, while the San Francisco Reserve District suffers a loss of 3.9%.

In the following we furnish a summary by Federal Reserve districts:

SUMMARY OF BANK CLEARINGS.

Table with columns: Week End. Apr. 20 1929., 1929., 1928., Inc. or Dec., 1927., 1926. Rows include Federal Reserve Districts (1st Boston, 2nd New York, etc.), Outside N. Y. City, and Canada.

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 April 20., 1929., 1928., Inc. or Dec., 1927., 1926. Rows are organized by Federal Reserve District (First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, etc.) and then by city within each district.

Table with columns: Clearings at—, Week Ended April 20., 1929., 1928., Inc. or Dec., 1927., 1926. Rows are organized by Reserve District (Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth) and then by city within each district.

a No longer report clearings. * Estimated.

THE CURB MARKET.

A general upward movement of prices was in progress in Curb Market trading during the week until to-day when weakness was in evidence. Business was in good volume. Aluminum Co. rose from 180½ to 205. Amer. Rolling Mill, com. after early loss from 112⅞ to 110⅞ sold up to 118⅞, with the final transaction at 118⅞. Deere & Co., com. advanced from 577 to 595, but reacted to-day to 576. Douglas was actively dealt in up from 30⅞ to 36¼, the close to-day being at 34¼. Goldman Sachs Trading lost about five points to 107½, with the close to-day at 107½. Phelps Dodge Corp. moved up from 71¼ to 77 and sold finally at 75⅞. Utilities shared in the general upturn. Amer. Light & Tract., com. advanced from 226 to 251½ and ends the week at 244½. Amer. Superpower, cl. A, rose from 108 to 119½ with the final transaction for the week at 117. The class B stock sold up from 111½ to 121½ and at 118 finally. Electric Bond & Share advanced from 79½ to 84, reacted to 80½ and closed to-day at 81. Electric Investors was up from 96½ to 103⅞ but fell back finally to 100⅞. Penn-Ohio Edison, com. improved from 57 to 64⅞ and sold finally at 62. Rochester Central Power was active and sold up from 36½ to 44½ and at 42½ finally. United Gas Improvement from 178 reached 191½, the close to-day being at 186⅞. Oils were weak. Humble Oil & Ref. sold down from 118⅞ to 113. Ohio oil was off from 72½ to 68⅞ with the final transaction to-day at 70.

A complete record of Curb Market transactions for the week will be found on page 2785.

DAILY TRANSACTIONS AT THE NEW YORK CURB MARKET.

Week Ended April 26	Stocks (No. Shares)		Bonds (Par Value).	
	Stocks	Rights	Domestic	Foreign Government
Saturday	592,100	38,300	\$937,000	\$108,000
Monday	1,145,700	15,550	199,000	351,000
Tuesday	1,100,600	24,100	1,325,000	563,000
Wednesday	1,025,600	7,600	1,188,000	356,000
Thursday	1,034,700	36,500	1,216,000	215,000
Friday	1,119,800	56,900	1,391,000	269,000
Total	6,018,500	178,950	\$7,256,000	\$1,862,000

Commercial and Miscellaneous News

Breadstuffs figures brought from page 2861.—All the statements below regarding the movement of grain—receipts, exports, visible supply, &c., are prepared by us. 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. 196lbs.	bush. 60 lbs.	bush. 56 lbs.	bush. 32 lbs.	bush. 48lbs.	bush. 56lbs.
Chicago	193,000	168,000	744,000	454,000	134,000	60,000
Minneapolis	1,177,000	48,000	447,000	239,000	104,000	104,000
Duluth	638,000	—	—	112,000	50,000	—
Milwaukee	42,000	16,000	82,000	38,000	106,000	5,000
Toledo	—	37,000	39,000	143,000	—	—
Detroit	—	30,000	2,000	28,000	2,000	4,000
Indianapolis	—	31,000	312,000	242,000	—	—
St. Louis	116,000	347,000	445,000	598,000	11,000	—
Peoria	53,000	38,000	342,000	86,000	51,000	—
Kansas City	—	647,000	433,000	82,000	—	—
Omaha	—	183,000	212,000	206,000	—	—
St. Joseph	—	36,000	141,000	42,000	—	—
Wichita	—	146,000	85,000	2,000	—	—
Sioux City	—	58,000	19,000	88,000	—	—
Total wk. '29	404,000	3,552,000	2,904,000	2,456,000	655,000	223,000
Same wk. '28	465,000	4,170,000	3,876,000	2,555,000	555,000	259,000
Same wk. '27	499,000	3,408,000	1,946,000	2,319,000	486,000	285,000
Since Aug. 1						
1928	18,225,000	415,780,000	221,210,000	114,669,000	84,187,000	23,069,000
1927	18,109,000	387,746,000	245,745,000	121,637,000	63,100,000	32,586,000
1926	17,966,000	281,298,000	175,081,000	113,327,000	16,327,000	24,875,000

Total receipts of flour and grain at the seaboard ports for the week ending Saturday, Apr. 20, 1929, follow:

Receipts at—	Flour.	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Barley.	Rye.
	Barrels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
New York	287,000	381,000	15,000	168,000	226,000	23,000
Portland, Me.	—	293,000	—	—	—	—
Philadelphia	34,000	147,000	3,000	18,000	—	—
Baltimore	18,000	17,000	—	42,000	—	—
Norfolk	1,000	—	34,000	—	76,000	—
New Orleans*	45,000	15,000	105,000	12,000	—	—
Galveston	—	13,000	82,000	—	—	—
St. John, N.B.	18,000	553,000	17,000	10,000	30,000	103,000
Boston	28,000	24,000	—	49,000	14,000	—
Total wk. '29	431,000	1,443,000	275,000	299,000	346,000	126,000
Since Jan. 1 '29	8,511,000	45,864,000	13,677,000	5,141,000	8,610,000	2,020,000
Week 1928	403,000	1,953,000	146,000	503,000	81,000	97,000
Since Jan. 1 '28	7,661,000	39,357,000	6,294,000	6,294,000	7,369,000	3,534,000

* 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, Apr. 20, 1929, are shown in the annexed statement:

Exports from—	Wheat.	Corn.	Flour.	Oats.	Rye.	Barley.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
New York	841,000	8,000	102,387	—	17,100	624,500
Portland, Me.	293,000	—	—	—	—	—
Boston	59,000	—	30,000	88,000	—	—
Philadelphia	443,000	—	4,000	135,000	—	29,000
Baltimore	—	—	2,000	—	—	105,000
Norfolk	—	34,000	1,000	—	—	—
Mobile	—	—	1,000	—	—	—
New Orleans	134,000	53,000	19,000	25,000	—	—
Galveston	105,000	52,000	1,000	—	—	15,000
St. John, N. B.	533,000	17,000	18,000	10,000	103,000	30,000
Houston	—	—	3,000	—	—	—
Hallfax	24,000	—	—	—	—	—
Total week 1929	2,432,000	164,000	181,387	258,000	120,100	803,500
Same week 1928	3,102,877	881,075	221,505	116,822	213,000	312,304

The destination of these exports for the week and since July 1, 1928, is as below:

Exports for Week and Since July 1 to—	Flour.		Wheat.		Corn.	
	Week Apr. 20 1929.	Since July 1 1928.	Week Apr. 20 1929.	Since July 1 1928.	Week Apr. 20 1929.	Since July 1 1928.
United Kingdom	45,718	2,812,303	711,000	62,876,726	52,000	9,720,110
Continent	110,815	4,314,339	1,651,000	171,842,959	94,000	17,210,962
So. & Cent. Amer.	2,000	288,000	13,000	346,000	18,000	217,000
West Indies	12,000	394,000	1,000	74,000	—	775,000
Brit. No. Am. Colon.	—	1,000	—	20,000	—	—
Other countries	10,854	1,246,134	56,000	3,340,733	—	2,250
Total 1929	181,387	9,055,776	2,432,000	238,500,418	164,000	27,925,322
Total 1928	221,505	9,442,948	3,102,877	206,037,580	881,075	9,632,285

Cleveland Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Cleveland Stock Exchange, April 20 to April 26, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Stocks—	Friday Last Sale Price.	Week's Range of Prices. Low. High.	Sales for Week. Shares.	Range Since Jan. 1.	
				Low.	High.
Aetna Rubber com. *	15	15 15	100	15	Apr 27
Air-Way Elec Appl pfd. 100	97	97 97	10	96 ¾	Apr 101
Akron Rubber Recl com. *	92	92 92	11	—	—
Allen Industries com. *	8	8 10	190	8	Apr 14 ½
Amer Multigraph com. *	37	37 37 ½	141	35	Mar 40
Amer Ship Building com. 100	86	86 86	50	86	Apr 93
Apex Eleerie com. *	34	34 36	1,555	26 ½	Feb 37
Bishop & Babcock com. *	50	4 ¾	214	4	Mar 7
Bond Stores A	20	4	110	3	Jan 4
B	2 ½	1 ¾	852	1	Jan 2 ½
Bucyrus Incrator com. *	20	20 26	1,174	10 ½	Jan 28 ½
Bullby Building pref. 100	64 ½	64 ½ 64 ½	25	64 ½	Mar 66
Byers Machine A. *	14	14 15	220	9 ½	Feb 20
Central Alloy Steel pref. 100	—	110 ½ 111 ½	130	108 ¾	Mar 113
City Ice & Fuel	—	54 55 ½	254	54	Apr 64
Clark Fred G com. 10	9 ¾	9 ½ 10 ½	335	5	Jan 13 ¾
Clev Autom Mach pf. 100	—	91 95	224	70	Feb 9
Clev Build Sup & Br com. *	—	29 ½ 31	130	28 ½	Mar 35
Clev-Cliffs Iron com. *	210	200 210	312	135	Feb 220
Clev Electric Ill 6% pf. 100	111 ½	112 112	54	110 ½	Mar 112 ½
Clev Railway com. 100	101 ½	100 102	979	100	Apr 110
Clev Sand Brew pr. *	7	7 7	115	7	Apr 7
Clev Stone com. *	71	71 71	50	61	Feb 79
Cleveland Trust	100	460 462	31	398	Jan 470
Clev Un Stockyards com. *	—	21 23	260	21	Apr 25
Clev Worsted Mills com. 100	—	14 15	225	14	Apr 19 ½
Columbia Auto pref. *	—	31 31 ½	100	30 ½	Mar 35
Com'l Bookbinding	—	27 ½ 28	2,450	28	Apr 28
Dow Chemical com. *	273	275	152	200	Jan 270
Elec Controller & Mfg com. *	—	60 60 ½	545	57	Jan 69
Enamel Product	—	30 30	800	30	Apr 34
Falls Rubber com. *	—	6 ¾ 6 ¾	100	5	Jan 11 ¾
Federal Knit Mills com. *	42	42 42	25	35 ¾	Jan 48
Ferry Cap & Set Screws. *	32 ½	32 ½ 34 ¾	1,210	32 ½	Apr 34 ¾
Firestone Tire & R com. 10	269	261 269	192	220	Feb 285
6% preferred	—	108 ½ 110	55	108 ½	Apr 111
7% preferred	—	109 109	735	108	Feb 111
Foot-Burt com. *	—	37 40	235	40	Jan 54 ½
Gen Tire & Rubber pf. 100	37 ½	37 40	465	29	Feb 40
Gen Tire & Rubber pf. 100	—	99 ¾ 99 ¾	40	99 ¾	Jan 102
Glidden prior pref. 100	—	104 ½ 105 ½	51	103 ½	Mar 105
Godman Shoe com. *	—	47 48	204	45 ¾	Apr 54
Greif Bros Cooperage com. *	—	42 ¾ 42 ¾	25	40	Jan 43
Guardian Trust	—	400 400	43	376	Jan 500
Halle Bros	—	44 ½ 45	185	43	Mar 50
Preferred	—	104 ½ 104 ½	64	103 ¾	Jan 105
Harris-Seybold-Potter	—	12 ½ 12 ½	25	12	Apr 15
Highbee 1st pref. 100	—	107 107	31	106 ½	Jan 108 ½
India Tire & Rubb com. *	—	59 60	145	39	Jan 73
Interlake Steamship com. *	—	155 155	87	145	Feb 168
Jaeger Machine com. *	34 ¾	34 ¾ 36	378	32 ¾	Apr 45 ¾
Jordan Motor pref. 100	—	40 50	481	30	Mar 50
Kaynes com. *	34 ¾	34 ¾ 35	430	27	Jan 35
Kelley Is Limb & T com. *	—	57 57	155	56 ½	Feb 60 ½
Lake Erie Bolt & Nut com. *	—	34 34 ¾	405	29	Jan 35
Lamson & Sessions	—	52 ½ 52 ½	560	43	Feb 53 ¾
Marion SS pref. 100	—	88 ¾ 90	170	88 ¾	Apr 105
Maud Miller	—	12 ½ 12 ½	50	12 ½	Apr 14 ½
Midland Ind. 100	425	425 425	23	350	Mar 425
McKee (A G) & Co com. *	—	40 40	75	39 ¾	Mar 43 ¾
Met Paving Brick com. *	—	42 42	15	42	Apr 52
Miller Wholes Drug com. *	39	39 40	285	27	Jan 42
Miller Rubber pref. 100	—	74 ½ 75	40	70 ¾	Mar 85
Mohawk Rubber com. *	62 ½	61 ¾ 65	5,374	63	Mar 65 ¾
Murray Ohio Mfg com. *	—	35 35	15	32 ½	Apr 43
Myers Pump common. *	37 ¾	37 38	1,305	32 ¾	Mar 38 ¾
National City	—	300 300	15	254	Mar 300
National Refining com. 25	—	33 35	60	33	Apr 38
National Tile common. *	34 ¾	34 ¾ 35	1,358	34	Jan 41
National Tool common. 50	—	14 17	75	14	Apr 18
Preferred	—	50 50	40	45	

Stocks (Continued) Par.	Friday Last Sale Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range Since Jan. 1.		
		Low.	High.		Low.	High.	
Stand Textile Prod com.100	11	11	11	68	11	Jan 14	Jan
Preferred A.....100	84	86	86	651	71	Jan 90	Apr
Preferred B.....100	47	47	47 1/2	140	33	Jan 51	Apr
Star Rubber common.*	1/2	1/2	1/2	175	1/2	Apr 1	Apr
Stearns Motor common.*	4	4	4 1/4	570	4	Apr 6 3/4	Jan
Steel & Tubes pref.....100	102	101 1/2	102	447	101	Jan 103 1/2	Feb
Stoffer Corp series A.....*	30 1/2	31	31	250	30	Feb 32 1/2	Apr
Thompson Prods com.....*	55	58	58	55	46 1/2	Jan 68	Jan
Union Metal Mfg com.....*	48	48	48	75	48	Apr 60	Jan
Union Mortgage com.....100	360	340	360 1/2	1,617	307 1/2	Jan 360	Mar
Van Dorn Iron Wks com.....*	13	13	13 1/2	315	6 1/2	Mar 15	Apr
Weinberger Drug.....*	43	43	45	162	24	Jan 48	Apr
Wheeler Prod.....*	34	34	34 3/4	590	32 3/4	Apr 36	Mar
White Motor Secs pref.....100	104	104	104	59	102	Jan 105	Mar
Wildar.....*	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	100	25	Mar 29 1/2	Feb
Wood Chem Prod com.....*	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	100	20 1/2	Apr 23 1/2	Mar
W R I Corp pref.....*	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	160	103	Mar 104	Mar
Bonds—							
Cleveland Ry 5s.....1931	99	99	99 1/2	\$5,000	99	Apr 100 1/2	Feb
Steel & Tubes 6s.....1943	96	96	96	20,000	93	Apr 96	Jan

* No par value.

Pittsburgh Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Pittsburgh Stock Exchange, April 20 to April 26, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Stocks—	Par	Friday Last Sale Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range Since Jan. 1.	
			Low.	High.		Low.	High.
Allegheny Steel com.....*	75	75	80	60	60	Feb 90	Mar
Aluminum Goods Mfg.....*	16 1/2	32	250	29	Mar 39	Feb	
Am Vitripled Prod com.....50	11	16	450	16	Apr 18	Jan	
Am Wind GI Mach pref.100	45	46	100	45	Apr 50	Jan	
Arkansas Gas Corp com.....*	5	5	5 5/8	4,100	3 3/4	Jan 5 1/2	Apr
Preferred.....10	7 1/2	7 1/2	8 1/2	4,163	7 3/4	Jan 8 1/2	Jan
Armstrong Cork Co.....*	70 1/4	69 1/2	73	3,995	61 1/4	Jan 73	Apr
Blaw-Knox Co.....25	41	41	42	655	38 1/2	Feb 45 1/2	Feb
Calorizing pref.....25	11 1/2	12	12	600	8	Jan 12	Apr
Carnegie Metals Co.....10	19	16 1/2	19 1/2	14,200	16 1/2	Apr 20	Jan
Cent Ohio Steel Prod.....*	24 1/2	25	25	135	24	Apr 28	Feb
Citizens Traction.....50	35	35	35	17	35	Apr 35	Apr
Columbia Gas pref.....*	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	50	104 1/2	Apr 104 1/2	Apr
Clark (D L) Co com.....*	17	17	25 1/2	16 1/2	Mar 18 1/2	Apr	
Colonial Trust Co.....100	312	312	2	310	Mar 325	Jan	
Consolidated Ice pref.....50	20	20	139	19 1/2	Mar 26	Feb	
Crandall McKenzie & H.....*	25 1/2	25 1/2	320	25	Mar 29	Jan	
Devonian Oil.....10	7 1/4	6 3/4	7 1/4	975	6	Mar 8	Jan
Dixie Gas & Util com.....*	15	15 1/2	1,420	7 1/2	Jan 16	Apr	
Preferred.....100	75	75	10	70	Jan 76	Feb	
Duff Norton common.....*	42	43	135	42	Apr 43 1/2	Mar	
Exchange Nat Bank.....50	89	89	89	65	89	Apr 92	Feb
Follansbee Bros pref.....100	96	96	25	95	Apr 99 1/2	Jan	
Harb-Walker Ref com.....*	60	60 1/2	380	52	Jan 61	Mar	
Independ Brewing com.....50	1	1	10	1	Feb 1 1/2	Feb	
Preferred.....50	2	2	55	1 1/2	Feb 3	Feb	
Koppers Gas & Coke pref.....*	101 1/2	101	101 1/2	500	101	Mar 103 1/2	Feb
Libby Dairy Prod com.....*	38 1/2	39 1/2	565	25 1/2	Jan 43	Mar	
1st preferred.....100	108 1/2	120	185	104 1/2	Jan 135	Mar	
Lone Star Gas.....25	70	69 1/2	70	2,664	67	Jan 75	Feb
McKinney Mfg common.*	11 1/2	16	1,305	11 1/2	Apr 16 1/2	Mar	
Nat Fireproofing com.....50	15 3/4	15 3/4	16	200	10 1/2	Jan 17	Mar
Preferred.....50	33	33 1/2	33 1/2	160	28 1/2	Jan 35 1/2	Mar
Penn Federal Corp com.....*	4 1/2	4 1/2	45	4 1/2	Feb 5 1/2	Jan	
Peoples Sav & Trust.....100	800	800	14	750	Apr 785	Apr	
Phoenix Oil Co pref.....50	45	45	2,000	30	Mar 75	Jan	
Pittsburgh Brew pref.....10	7 1/4	7 1/4	10	6	Jan 8	Feb	
Pittsburgh Inv Security.....*	31	28 1/2	15,155	25 1/2	Jan 27 1/2	Feb	
Pittsburgh Plate Glass.100	65 1/2	65	66	829	64	Jan 75	Jan
Pitts Steel Fdry com.....*	33 1/2	33 1/2	15	33	Jan 40	Jan	
Pittsburgh Trust Co.....100	287	287	10	275	Jan 287 1/2	Jan	
Plymouth Oil Co.....5	25	25	55	24	Feb 30 1/2	Jan	
Reymers Inc.....*	22 1/2	22 1/2	425	22	Mar 27 1/2	Feb	
Richardson & Boynton pf.*	14	14	85	14	Apr 20	Jan	
Rudd Mfg Co.....*	42 1/2	42 1/2	10	42 1/2	Apr 42 1/2	Apr	
Salt Creek Consol Oil.....10	3 3/4	3 3/4	150	3 1/2	Apr 5 1/2	Jan	
San Toy Mining.....1	6c	5c	6,000	5c	Jan 25c	Jan	
Stand Plate GI pr pref.....100	32 1/2	32 1/2	50	25	Jan 32 1/2	Apr	
Standard Steel Springs.....*	73	74	310	73	Apr 87 1/2	Feb	
Stand Steel Propeller.....*	26 1/2	25 1/2	1,715	25 1/2	Apr 27 1/2	Apr	
Suburban Electric Dev.....*	24	22 1/2	450	22 1/2	Mar 29	Jan	
Third National Bank.....100	150	150	10	150	Feb 150	Feb	
Union Steel Casting com.....*	28 1/2	29	115	20	Feb 31	Apr	
United Eng & Fdry com.....*	47	46 1/2	48 1/2	3,625	38	Jan 49 1/2	Apr
United States Glass.....25	12	12	100	10 1/2	Jan 15	Feb	
Vanadium Alloy Steel.....*	70 1/2	72	140	70	Mar 72	Mar	
Westinghouse Air Brake.....*	48 3/4	49 1/4	125	43 3/4	Apr 54 1/2	Mar	
West Penn Rys pref.....100	94	94	2,100	94	Apr 100 1/2	Jan	
Witherow Steel common.*	54	54	55 1/2	325	31 1/2	Jan 79	Mar
Preferred.....100	74	74	30	71 1/2	Apr 78	Feb	
Zoller (William) common.*	52	52	100	52	Apr 59	Jan	
Unlisted—							
Davidson Coke pref.....	102 1/4	102 1/4	125	102	Apr 102 1/4	Apr	
Hach Linn common.....	18 1/4	18 1/4	50	18	Apr 20	Mar	
National Erie pref A.....	25 1/4	25 1/4	50	25	Apr 26	Mar	
Penna Industries common.....	29	29	100	29	Apr 29	Apr	
Units.....	110	110	110	109	Feb 111	Feb	
Pitts Screw & Bolt Corp.....	27	30 1/4	237	23 1/2	Mar 30 1/4	Apr	
Rudd Manufacturing.....	41	42	225	41	Mar 44	Mar	
Western Public Service v t c	25	25 1/2	1,635	24 1/2	Apr 28 1/2	Mar	

* No par value.

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

APPLICATIONS TO ORGANIZE RECEIVED WITH TITLES REQUESTED.		Capital.
April 19—The City National Bank of Huntington, N. Y.	Correspondent, Wallace E. J. Collins, Huntington, N. Y.	\$100,000
April 20—The Burnside National Bank of New York, N. Y.	Correspondent, Joseph G. Abramson, 122 E. 42d St., New York, N. Y.	200,000
APPLICATIONS TO ORGANIZE APPROVED.		
April 10—The Lehigh National Bank of Philadelphia, Pa.	Correspondent, Charles P. Burke, 1017 East Rittenhouse St., Philadelphia, Pa.	\$200,000
April 13—Fort Greene National Bank in New York, N. Y.	Correspondent, Bennett De Beixodon, 90 West Broadway, New York, N. Y.	500,000
April 19—The Citizens National Bank of Chicago Heights, Ill.	Correspondent, Thomas G. Deering, 208 S. La Salle St., Chicago, Ill.	200,000
APPLICATIONS TO CONVERT APPROVED.		
April 16—The Central National Bank & Trust Co. of Des Moines, Iowa	Conversion of The Central State Bank, Des Moines, Ia.	\$250,000
April 20—First National Bank in Cimarron, Kan.	Conversion of The Gray County State Bank, Cimarron, Kan.	25,000
CHARTERS ISSUED.		
April 16—The Winters National Bank, Winters, Calif.	President, F. M. Wyatt; Cashier, W. W. Stark.	\$50,000

April 19—First National Bank of Lexington, Miss. 50,000
President, W. O. Barrett; Cashier, M. A. Scobey.
April 20—Nanuet National Bank, Nanuet, N. Y. 50,000
President, Geo. M. Edsall; Cashier, Chas. Grosch.

CHANGE OF TITLE.
April 8—The First National Bank of Griffin, Corners, Fleischmanns, N. Y., to "The First National Bank of Fleischmanns."
April 19—The Hyde Park National Bank of Chicago, Ill., to "The Hyde Park-Kenwood National Bank of Chicago."
April 20—The First National Bank of Ann Arbor, Mich., to "The First National Bank & Trust Co. of Ann Arbor."

VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATIONS.
April 8—The Caddo National Bank, Caddo, Okla. \$25,000
Effective April 2 1929. Liq. Agent, W. N. Green, Atoka, Okla.
Absorbed by Atoka State Bank, Atoka, Okla.
April 8—The First National Bank of Valley Mills, Tex. 50,000
Effective April 2 1929. Liq. Agent, Roy S. Pool, Valley Mills, Tex.
Succeeded by The First National Bank in Valley Mills, Tex., No. 13272.
April 9—The First National Bank of Casa Grande, Ariz. 25,000
Effective Dec. 5 1928. Liq. Agent, A. M. Peck, Casa Grande, Ariz.
Absorbed by Arizona Southwest Bank, Casa Grande, Ariz.

April 9—The Liberty National Bank of Tahlequah, Okla. 40,000
Effective March 28 1929. Liq. Agent, J. Robt. Wyly, Tahlequah, Okla.
Absorbed by Liberty State Bank, Tahlequah, Okla.
April 10—The Broadway National Bank of Richmond, Va. 300,000
Effective close of business April 9 1929. Liq. Agents, L. W. Hoffman and H. N. Phillips, Richmond, Va.
Succeeded by a new State bank.
April 10—The First National Bank of Rhome, Tex. 25,000
Effective April 5 1929. Liq. Agent, L. D. Harbin, Rhome, Tex.
Succeeded by The First National Bank in Rhome, Tex., No. 13285.

April 15—First National Trust & Savings Bank of Whittier, Calif. 250,000
Effective Feb. 11 1929. Liq. Agent, Walter O. Marshall, 631 Market St., San Francisco, Calif.
Absorbed by Bank of America of California, Los Angeles, Calif.
April 15—Anadarko National Bank, Anadarko, Okla. 25,000
Effective March 1 1929. Absorbed by Anadarko Bank & Trust Co., Anadarko, Okla.
April 15—The Sonoma County National Bank at Petaluma, Calif. 400,000
Effective March 1 1929. Liq. Agent, Walter C. Marshall, 631 Market St., San Francisco, Calif.
Absorbed by Bank of America of California, Los Angeles, Calif.

April 16—The Bloomfield National Bank, Bloomfield, N. J. 300,000
Effective April 15 1929. Liq. committee, Alison Dodd, Frederick R. Pilch, Bloomfield, N. J., and Lewis K. Dodd, Glen Ridge, N. J.
Absorbed by Bloomfield Trust Co., Bloomfield, N. J.
April 16—The First National Bank of Arlington, So. Dak. 50,000
Effective close of business March 4 1929. Liq. committee, Wm. P. Allen, Wm. Habel, Arlington, So. Dak., and Max Royhl, Huron, So. Dak.
Succeeded by First National Bank in Arlington, So. Dak., No. 13286.
April 20—The Kenwood National Bank of Chicago, Ill. 300,000
Effective April 20 1929. Liq. Agent, Eugene E. Ford, 2350 Lincoln Park West, Chicago, Ill.
Absorbed by The Hyde Park-Kenwood National Bank of Chicago, Ill., No. 13235.

CONSOLIDATION.
April 13—American National Bank of Jamestown, N. Y. \$200,000
The Liberty National Bank of Jamestown, N. Y. 200,000
Consolidated to-day under Act of Nov. 7 1918, under charter and title of "American National Bank of Jamestown," No. 9748, with capital stock of \$300,000.
April 18—The First National Bank of Duluth, Minn. \$2,000,000
American Exchange National Bank of Duluth, Minn. 2,000,000
Consolidated to-day under Act of Nov. 7 1918, under the charter of The First National Bank of Duluth, No. 3626, and under the title "First & American National Bank of Duluth," with capital stock of \$3,000,000.
April 20—American National Bank of Wausau, Wis. 400,000
Marathon County Bank, Wausau, Wis. 200,000
Consolidated to-day under Act of Nov. 7 1918, as amended Feb. 25 1927 under the charter, and title of "American National Bank of Wausau," No. 4744, with capital stock of \$600,000.
April 20—The Security National Bank of Everett, Wash. 150,000
The Citizens National Bank & Trust Co. of Everett, Wash. 100,000
Consolidated to-day under the Act of Nov. 7 1918 under the charter of The Security National Bank of Everett, No. 11693, and under the title "Citizens Security National Bank of Everett," with capital stock of \$200,000.

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:

By Barnes & Lofland, Philadelphia:

Shares.	Stocks.	\$ per Sh.	Shares.	Stocks.	\$ per Sh.
All the right, title & int. of Edward W. Stevenson in the estate of John B. Stevenson, deceased.	5 Penna. Co. for Insur. on Lives.	152 1/2	95 Penna. Co. for Insur. on Lives.		
22 Girard Life Insur. Co., par \$10.	10 Tacony Trust Co.	151 1/2	50 Holmesburg Trust Co., par \$50.	291	
10 Overbrook National Bank	35 Bankers Trust Co., par \$50.	132	10 Frankford Trust Co., par \$50.	300	
11 Bank of No. Amer. & Trust Co.	5 Broadway Merchants Trust Co., Camden, N. J.	301	5 Counties Title & Trust Co., Ardmore, Pa.	160	
100 Bank of No. Amer. & Tr. Co., par 25.	5 Wyoming Bk. & Tr. Co., par \$50.	223	625 Phila. Life Insur. Co., par \$10.	26 1/2	
12 Corn Exchange National Bank & Trust Co. (par \$20).	1625 U. S. Bank & Tr. Co., par \$10.	10	5 Constit'n Indemn'y Co., par \$10.	28 1/2	
35 Corn Exchange National Bank & Trust Co.	10 Guardian Bk. & Tr. Co., par \$50.	80	8 units Fidelity Mtge. Guarantee Co. (unit consists of 1 pref. and 1 common)	103	
5 Wyoming Bk. & Tr. Co., par \$50.	20 Mitten Men & Management Bk. & Trust Co. (stamped).	95	9 Bankers Secur. Corp., com. v. t. c.	131	
5 Trenton Banking Co. (N. J.), par \$50.	20 Jenkintown Bank & Trust Co., par \$10.	195	25 Bankers Sec. Corp., com. v. t. c.	130	
52 Safe Deposit Bank, Pottsville, Pa., par \$50.	5 Trenton Banking Co. (N. J.), par \$50.	295	50 Phila. & Cam. Ferry Co., par \$25.	61	
30 Integrity Trust Co., par \$10.	52 Safe Deposit Bank, Pottsville, Pa., par \$50.	150	5 Phila. & Germantown & Norristown RR., par \$50.	130	
20 Integrity Trust Co., par \$10.	30 Integrity Trust Co., par \$10.	170 1/2	8 Manayunk Quaker City Nat. Bk.	550	
11 Republic Trust Co., par \$50.	20 Integrity Trust Co., par \$10.	170	5 North Bank & Trust Co.	635	
5 Security Title & Tr. Co., par \$50.	11 Republic Trust Co., par \$50.	170	5 Mtge. Co. of Penna., par \$25.	30	
100 Security Title & Tr. Co., par \$50.	5 Security Title & Tr. Co., par \$50.	70	5 National Security Bank	1625	
34 Franklin Trust Co., par \$10.	100 Security Title & Tr. Co., par \$50.	50	20 Bourne, common.	30	
50 Colonial Trust Co., par \$50.	34 Franklin Trust Co., par \$10.	77 1/2	Bonds.		
20 Southwark Title & Trust Co., par \$10.	50 Colonial Trust Co., par \$50.	245	\$1,000 Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks, Gen. Mtge. 6s.	104	104
2 Girard Trust Co.	20 Southwark Title & Trust Co., par \$10.	37 1/2			
30 Real Estate-Land Title & Trust Co., par \$10.	2 Girard Trust Co.	1655			
40 Real-Estate-Land Title & Trust Co., par \$10.	30 Real Estate-Land Title & Trust Co., par \$10.	75 1/2			

By Adrian H. Muller & Son, New York:

Shares.	Stocks.	\$ per share.	Shares.	Stocks.	\$ per share.
20	Joseph Hecht Realty Co.	\$10,000 lot	820	Bertillit Corp., pref.	820 Bertillit Corp., com., no par
58	424 East 57th Street, Inc.	\$5,800 lot			\$70 lot
300	Securities Co. of N. Y.	95			
400	Realty Associates of Miami, Inc.	2 1/2			
200	Mercer Motors Co., com.	no par			
		\$1 lot			
400	Flintlock Corp., Inc	com			

By Wise, Hobbs & Arnold, Boston:

Shares.	Stocks.	\$ per Sh.	Shares.	Stocks.	\$ per Sh.
5	Atlantic National Bank	354	60	Mass. Utilities Associates, class A pref.	\$50
5	First National Bank (old)	599 1/2	100	West Boston Gas Co., v. t. c., par \$25	35 1/2-35 1/2
300	First National Bank (new), when issued, par \$20	123 1/2	11	Post Office Square Co., pref. (certificate of deposit)	2
10	Beacon Trust Co.	275 1/2	12	Hood Rubber Co., 7 1/2% pref.	68-70
15	National Shawmut Bank	377	30	units First People's Trust	40
10	National Bank	215 ex-div.	47	Old Colony Trust Associates	53 1/2-55
7	National Shawmut Bank	380	10	units First People's Trust	40
3	Old Colony Trust Co.	574 3/4	15	North Boston Lighting Properties, com. (undep.)	67
10	United States Trust Co.	457	80-11	Warrants Springfield Gas Light Co. (undeposited)	87c.
15	National Bank	215 ex-div.	2	units First People's Trust	40
3	American Trust Co.	470	10	Atlantic Gas & Elec. Corp., cl. A	48
67	National Shawmut Bank	377-378	200	North Boston Lighting Properties, pref. (undep.)	50
17	Boston Woven Hose & Rubber	96	10	North Boston Lighting Properties, com. (undep.)	67
290	Nashua Mfg. Co., com.	45	200-11	Warrants Springfield Gas Light Co. (undep.)	90c.
30	Nashua Mfg. Co., pref.	86 1/2	80	Mass. Bonding & Ins. Co., par \$25	170 1/2
10	Naumkeag Steam Cotton Co.	130	221	National Service Co., \$3 participating preferred	40
4	Arlington Mills	35	210	National Service Cos., com	4 1/2
10	Tremont & Suffolk Mills	4	70-11	Warrants Springfield Gas Light Co. (undep.)	89c.
22	Naumkeag Steam Cotton Co.	130	8	units First People's Trust	40
28	Boston Woven Hose & Rubber Co., common	96 1/2			
18	Farr Alpaca Co.	108 1/2			
10	Merrimack Chemical Co., par \$50	75			
18	Brockton Gas Light Co., v. t. c., par \$25	38 1/2			
25	Plymouth Cordage Co.	76 1/2			
30	National Fabric & Finishing Co., common	11			
50	Great Northern Paper Co., par \$25	63			

By R. L. Day & Co., Boston:

Shares.	Stocks.	\$ per Sh.	Shares.	Stocks.	\$ per Sh.
10	Flint Nat. Bank	598 1/2	13	Springfield Gas Light Co.	82-87 1/2
15	Atlantic Nat. Bank	352 1/2	20	units Universal Chain Theatres	20
70	Webster & Atlas Nat. Bank	215	10	Metropolitan Ice Co., pref.	85
15	Boston Nat. Bank	215	35	Towle Mfg. Co.	95
10	First Nat. Bank	598 1/2	2	Springfield Fire & Marine Ins. Co., par \$25	202 1/2
40	Nat. Shawmut Bank	376	1	Old Colony Investment Trust	28
4	Old Colony Trust Co.	574	2	North Amer. Edison Co., \$6 pref.	100
50	Central Trust Co., Cambridge	450	2	Amer. Superpower Corp. 1st pfd.	95
2	Pepperell Mfg. Co.	102	1	Amer. G. & El. Co. 6% pref.	102
1	Ipswich Mills, pref.	46 1/2	6	units First Peoples Trust	40
17	Farr Alpaca Co.	107 1/2	6	units First Peoples Trust	40
5	Ludlow Mfg. Associates	181 1/2	40	Charlestown G. & E. Co. (undep)	141
5	New Bedford Cordage Co.	113 1/2	103	Saco Lowell Shops, com	9 1/2
184	Connecticut Mills, com. B. 22 1/2 lot	76 1/2	3	Amer. Glue Co., com.	38 1/2
5	Whitman Mills	18 1/2	5	Amer. Brick Co., pref. par \$25	25
13	Ludlow Mfg. Associates	181	1	Prov. & Wash. Ins. Co. par \$50	940 1/2
10	Saco Lowell Shops 2d pref.	25	36	Old Colony Trust Associates	55
6	units First Peoples Trust	40	34	Quincy Mkt. Cold Storage & Whse. Co., com	34
10	units Thompson's Spa, Inc	100 1/4-103 1/4			
5	Kidder Participation Inc., com. 3	15			
19	Collyer Insulated Wire Co.	300			

By A. J. Wright & Co., Buffalo:

Shares.	Stocks.	\$ per Sh.	Shares.	Stocks.	\$ per Sh.
500	Chaput Hughes, par \$1	7c.	1,000	Corona Mines, par \$1	1 1/2c.
5	Keitor Quallot Inc., par \$20	\$2.25 lot	50	Strab Oil Co., par \$25	\$2.75 lot

DIVIDENDS.

Dividends are grouped in two separate tables. In the first we bring together all the dividends announced the current week. Then we follow with a second table, in which we show the dividends previously announced, but which have not yet been paid.

The dividends announced this week are:

Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed Days Inclusive.
Railroads (Steam).			
Central RR. of N. J. (quar.)	*2	May 15	*Holders of rec. May 6
Delaware & Hudson Co. (quar.)	*2 1/2	June 20	*Holders of rec. May 28a
Hudson & Manhattan, common	*1 1/4	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 16
Long Island (par value \$50)	\$3	May 2	*Holders of rec. Apr. 22
Maine Central, common (quar.)	*1	July 1	*Holders of rec. June 15
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 15
Norfolk & Western, com. (quar.)	*2	June 19	*Holders of rec. May 31
Ontario & Quebec, capital stock	*3	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 1
Debenture stock (quar.)	*2 1/2	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 1
Panama RR. (extra)	*5	Apr. 15	
Pennsylvania RR. (quar.)	*1	May 31	Holders of rec. May 1a
Reading Company, 1st pref. (quar.)	*50c.	June 13	*Holders of rec. May 23
Public Utilities.			
Amer. Gas & Power, \$6 1st pref. (quar.)	\$1.50	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1
\$6 preference (quar.)	\$1.50	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1
Brooklyn Edison Co. (quar.)	2	June 1	Holders of rec. May 10
Central Hudson Gas & Electric, com.	*66 2/3	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Central & S. W. Util., \$7 pref. (quar.)	\$1.75	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 30
Cities Service Power & Light—			
\$6 preferred (monthly)	*50c.	May 15	*Holders of rec. May 1
\$7 preferred (monthly)	*58 1/2	May 15	*Holders of rec. May 1
Connecticut Ry. & Ltg., com. & pf. (qu.)	\$1.12 1/2	May 15	*May 1 to May 15
Consol. Gas of N. Y., com. (quar.)	*75c.	June 15	*Holders of rec. May 10
Empire Pub. Serv., class A (qu.) (No. 1)	0.45c.	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 25
Federal Water Service, class A (quar.)	50c.	June 1	Holders of rec. May 2
Havana Electric Ry., pref. (quar.)	\$1.50	June 1	Holders of rec. May 10
Interstate Rys.—Dividend omitted.			
Los Angeles Gas & Elec., pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	May 15	*Holders of rec. Apr. 30
Louisville Gas & Electric Co. (Del.)—			
Common A and B (quar.)	*43 3/4c.	June 25	*Holders of rec. May 31
Lowell Electric Light (quar.)	*62 1/2c.	June 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Massachusetts Gas Cos., pref.	*\$2	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 1
Mohawk & Hudson Power, 1st pf. (qu.)	*\$1.75	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 19
Nat. Power & Light, com. (quar.)	25c.	June 1	Holders of rec. May 11a
North Amer. Co., com. (in com. stock)	7 1/2	July 1	Holders of rec. June 8
Preferred (quar.)	75c.	July 1	Holders of rec. June 5
North American Edison, pref. (quar.)	\$1.50	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15
North Amer. Utility Sec., 1st pref. (qu.)	\$1.50	June 15	Holders of rec. May 31
First pref. allot. certificates (quar.)	\$1.50	June 15	Holders of rec. May 31
Philadelphia Electric Co (quar.)	*50c.	June 15	*Holders of rec. May 31
Phila. Suburban Water, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	June 1	Holders of rec. May 11a
Pub. Service Corp. of N. J., pf. (mthly.)	*50c.	May 31	*Holders of rec. May 3
Syracuse Lighting, 8% pref. (quar.)	*2	May 15	*Holders of rec. Apr. 30
7% pref. (quar.)	*1 1/2	May 15	*Holders of rec. Apr. 30
6 1/2% preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	May 15	*Holders of rec. Apr. 30
6% preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	May 15	*Holders of rec. Apr. 30
Tampa Electric Co., com. (quar.)	50c.	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 26

Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed Days Inclusive.
Public Utilities (Continued).			
Utica Gas & Elec., \$6 pref. (quar.)	*\$1.50	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 20
United Gas Improvement (quar.)	\$1.12 1/2	June 29	Holders of rec. May 31
Western Power, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	July 15	Holders of rec. July 1
Banks.			
Columbus	*3	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 25
Fire Insurance.			
American Re-Insurance (quar.)	*75c.	May 15	*Holders of rec. Apr. 30
Bankers & Shippers (quar.)	5	May 8	Holders of rec. May 6
Globe & Rutgers (quar.)	*\$6	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 23
Guardian Fire Assurance (quar.)	50c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Pacific Fire (quar.)	\$1.25	May 6	Holders of rec. May 3
Westchester Fire (quar.)	*50c.	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Extra	*10c.	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Miscellaneous.			
Allegheny Steel, com. (monthly)	15c.	May 18	Holders of rec. Apr. 30
American Chiclé, common (quar.)	*50c.	July 1	*Holders of rec. June 12
Amer. Comm'l Alcohol, com. (in stock)	*7100	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 27
Amer. Home Products (monthly)	30c.	June 1	Holders of rec. May 14a
American Metal, common (quar.)	*75c.	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 21
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 21
Amparo Mining (quar.)	*1	May 10	Holders of rec. Apr. 30
Amer. Tobacco, com. & com. B (quar.)	\$2	June 1	Holders of rec. May 10
Amer. Writing Paper, pref. (quar.)	*75c.	June 1	Holders of rec. June 18
Atlas Imperial Diesel Engine (quar.)	*50c.	July 1	*Holders of rec. May 20
Atlas Powder, common (quar.)	*\$1	June 10	*Holders of rec. May 31
Bachmann, Emmerich & Co., Inc.—			
Preferred & 8% pref. A (quar.)	\$2	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Apr. 25
Seven per cent preferred (quar.)	\$7 1/2c.	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Apr. 25
Beatty Bros., conv. pref. (qu.) (No. 1)	*1 1/2	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Berkey & Gay Furniture pref. (quar.)	*1 1/2	May 15	*Holders of rec. May 1
Berland Stores pref. (quar.)	*1 1/2	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Bethlehem Steel common (quar.)	\$1	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. July 19
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	July 1	Holders of rec. June 1
Blauers, common (quar.)	30c.	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1
Preferred (quar.)	75c.	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1
Boss Manufacturing, com.	\$2.50	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 30
Preferred (quar.)	\$1.75	May 15	Holders of rec. May 30
Boston Woven Hose & Rubb., com. (qu.)	\$1.50	June 15	Holders of rec. June 1
Preferred	\$3	June 15	Holders of rec. June 1
Brading Breweries, Ltd.	50c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 23
Branche Drug Co., pf. (quar.) (No. 1)	87 1/2c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 25
Brill (J. G.) Co., common—No action taken			
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 29
Brooklyn Lafayette Corp. class A (qu.)	37 1/2c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 19a
Bruce (E. L.) Co., common (quar.)	62 1/2c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Bruck Silk Mills, Ltd.	25c.	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 30
Burroughs Adding Mach. (quar.)	75c.	June 10	Holders of rec. May 27
Butler Brothers (quar.)	*50c.	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1
Calumet & Archa Mining (quar.)	*\$2.50	June 17	*Holders of rec. May 31
Calumet & Hecla Cons. Copper Co. (qu.)	\$1	June 29	*Holders of rec. May 15
Caterpillar Tractor (quar.)	*75c.	May 25	*Holders of rec. Apr. 25
Cauldfields Dairy Ltd. (quar.)	*25c.	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 25
7% preferred (quar.)	*87 1/2c.	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 25
Childs Company common (quar.)	*60c.	July 10	*Holders of rec. May 24
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	July 10	*Holders of rec. May 24
Chile Copper Co. (quar.)	*87 1/2c.	June 28	*Holders of rec. June 1
Chunglung Corp. common (quar.)	*75c.	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1
City Radio Stores, common (quar.)	37 1/2c.	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15
Columbia Invest., pref. (quar.)	*1 1/2	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 25
Columbia Phonograph, Inc.	\$4	May 25	Holders of rec. May 10a
Consolidated San & Gravel (Toronto) Preference (quar.)	\$1.75	May 15	Holders of rec. May 2
Continental Securities Corp. pref. (qu.)	*\$1.25	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 15
Continental Securities, pref. (quar.)	*\$1.25	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 15
Crown Zellerbach, pref. A & B (quar.)	*\$1.50	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 13
Curtis Publishing, com. (monthly)	*50c.	June 2	*Holders of rec. May 20
Preferred (quar.)	*\$1.75	July 1	*Holders of rec. June 20
Debenhams Securities, Ltd.—			
American shares	*\$1.60		
Diamond Ice & Coal pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 26
Dodge Manufacturing pref. A & B (qu.)	*50c.	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Dow Chemical, common (quar.)	\$1.50	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1
Common (extra)	\$1	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1
Eisemann Magneto, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Eastman common (quar.)	1 1/2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 24
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 24
Fairbanks, Morse & Co. com. (quar.)	*75c.	June 29	*Holders of rec. June 12
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 11
Fashion Park Associates, com. (No. 1)	*62 1/2c.	June 29	*Holders of rec. June 17
Common (payable in com. stock)	*7 1/2	June 29	*Holders of rec. June 17
First Trust Bank-Stock Corp. (quar.)	12 1/2c.	June 1	Holders of rec. June 1
Extra	9 1/2c.	June 1	Holders of rec. June 1
Fisher Brass \$2 A pref. (quar.)	*50c.	May 20	Holders of rec. Apr. 30
Flint Mills (quar.)	*1	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 23
Follansbee Bros. & Co. com. (quar.)	*50c.	June 15	*Holders of rec. May 31
Common (extra)	*25c.	June 15	*Holders of rec. May 31
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	June 15	*Holders of rec. May 31
French Line.			
Furor Brush, class A (quar.)	*20c.	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 25
Class A A (quar.)	*80c.	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 25
General Ass. (alt pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15a
General Box Corp. pref. (quar.)	*1 1/2	June 1	Holders of rec. May 20
Globe Automatic Sprinkler, cl. A (quar.)	*62 1/2c.	May 1	

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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.

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Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed Days Inclusive.	Name of Company.	Per Cent.	When Payable.	Books Closed Days Inclusive.
Public Utilities (Concluded.)				Miscellaneous (Continued.)			
Sierra Pacific Elec. Co., com. (quar.)	50c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	Austrian Credit-Anstalt—			
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	American shares—	\$4.40	May 3	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a
Southern Calif. Edison, com. (quar.)	1 1/2	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a	Automotive Fan Bearing, com. (quar.)	*20c	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Southern California Gas, com. (special)	\$1	Apr. 29	Holders of rec. Apr. 12	Preferred	*4	May 1	
Southern Colorado Pow., com. A (qu.)	50c	May 25	Holders of rec. Apr. 30	Babcock & Wilcox Co. (quar.)	*1 1/4	July 1	*Holders of rec. June 20
Southwest Gas Utilities, pref. (quar.)	\$1.62 1/2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Balaban & Katz, com. (monthly)	*25c	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Standard Pow. & Light, pref. (quar.)	\$1.75	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 16	Common (monthly)	*25c	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 20
Swiss Amer. Elec. Co. (Zurich), pref.	\$3	July 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 23	Common (monthly)	*25c	July 1	*Holders of rec. June 20
Tennessee Pow. & Lt., 5% 1st pf. (qu.)	1 1/4	July 1	Holders of rec. June 15	Bamberger (L.) & Co., 6 1/4% pf. (qu.)	1 1/4	June 1	Holders of rec. May 13a
6% 1st pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	July 1	Holders of rec. June 15	6 1/4% preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 11a
7% 1st preferred (quar.)	1.80	July 1	Holders of rec. June 15	6 1/2% preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 2	Holders of rec. Nov. 12a
6% 1st preferred (monthly)	50c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Bancroft (Joseph) & Sons Co., pref. (qu.)	1 1/4	Apr. 30	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
6% 1st preferred (monthly)	50c	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15	Preferred (quar.)	*32	Oct. 15	*Holders of rec. July 1
6% 1st preferred (monthly)	60c	July 1	Holders of rec. June 15	Preferred (quar.)	*32	Jan 5/30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 30
7.2% 1st preferred (monthly)	60c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Barnsdall Corp., cl. A & B (quar.)	50c	May 6	*Holders of rec. Dec. 31
7.2% 1st preferred (monthly)	60c	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15	Baum (Ludwig) & Co., 1st pref. (qu.)	1 1/4	May 15	Holders of rec. May 3a
7.2% 1st preferred (monthly)	60c	July 1	Holders of rec. June 15	Beading-Corticeo, com. (quar.)	1 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Texas Power & Light, 7% pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 17	Benson & Hedges, pref. (quar.)	*50c	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 20
\$6 preferred (quar.)	\$1.50	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 17	Berkshire Fine Spinning Associates—			
Unif. Lt. & Pow., old cl. A & B com. (qu.)	60c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	Common (quar.)	75c	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15
New class A & B com. (quar.)	12c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	Convertible preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15
Utility Shares Corp., com.	30c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Bessemer Co. (quar.)	75c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Wabash Valley Elec., pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Bethlehem Steel, com.	\$1	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 19a
Western Pow. Lt. & Tel., partic. A (qu.)	*50c	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Bigelow-Hartford Carpet, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 18
West Penn Elec. Co., 7% pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a	Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Aug. 1	*Holders of rec. July 18
6% preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a	Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Nov. 1	*Holders of rec. Oct. 18
West Penn Power, 7% pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 5a	Bird & Sons, Inc., pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 25
6 1/2 cent preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 5a	Birtman Elec. Co., com. (quar.)	*50c	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
York Railways, pref. (quar.)	62 1/2c	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a	\$7 preferred (quar.)	*\$1.75	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Banks.				Bloomington Bros., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a
Amalgamated (quar.)	*2 1/2	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 25	Bohac (H. C.) Co., com. (quar.)	*62 1/2c	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Corn Exchange (quar.)	5	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 30a	First preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Trust Companies.				Bohac Realty Corp., pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Central Union (stock dividend)	*20	May 2	*Holders of rec. May 2	Bon Ami Co., com A (quar.)	\$1	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a
Farmers' Loan & Trust (quar.)	*4	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Bond & Mtge. Guar., new (\$20 par) (qu.)	\$1.25	May 15	Holders of rec. May 7
Kings County (Bklyn.) (quar.)	*20	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 25	British Celanese, Ltd., 1st pref.	\$1.50	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15
Fire Insurance.				Participating preferred	*3 1/2	Apr. 30	
American Equitable Assurance, com. (qu.)	7 1/2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	British Col Pulp & Paper, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Knickerbocker Ins. Co., com. (quar.)	7 1/2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Bright Star Electric Co., class A (quar.)	*50c	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
New York Insurance, com. (quar.)	6	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	British Type Investors, Inc.—			
Rossia (stock div. declared April 22)	*20		Holders of rec. May 4	Class A (bi-monthly)	55c	June 1	Holders of rec. May 1
Miscellaneous.				Broadway Dept. Stores, 1st pf. (qu.)	*1 1/4	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 12
Abbott Laboratories, com. (No. 1)	50c	July 1	Holders of rec. June 20	Brockway Motor Truck, com. (quar.)	75c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a
Abbotts Dairies, com. (quar.)	*\$1	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 15	Brown Shoe, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a
First and second preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 15	Brunswick-Balke-Collender, com. (qu.)	75c	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 25a
Abraham & Straus, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	Buekey Pipe Line (quar.)	\$1	June 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 22
Acme Wire, pref. (quar.)	*2	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 16	Extra	\$1	June 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 22
Adams (J. D.) Mfg., com.	*60c	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Bullocks, Inc., pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 10
Adams Mfg. (quar.)	*60c	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Burke Bros., pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 24
Adams-Mills Corp., com. (quar.)	50c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	Burns Bros., class A (quar.)	2	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1a
First and second pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 18	Burrheads, adding Mach. (quar.)	75c	June 10	Holders of rec. May 27a
Allegheny Corporation, pref. (quar.)	\$1.37 1/2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	Bush Terminal Co., com. (common stock)	50c	May 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 29a
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Common (payable in common stock)	1 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Nov. 15	Byers (A. M.) Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	May 15	Holders of rec. May 31a
Allied Chem. & Dye, com. (qu.)	\$1.50	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 25	California Packing (quar.)	1 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. May 15
Allied Internat. Investing, partic. pref.	\$3	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 25a	Campbell, Wyant & Cannon Fdy. (qu.)	*50c	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15
Allis-Chalmers Mfg., com. (quar.)	\$1.75	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 25	Campe Corp., conv. pref. (quar.)	1.62 1/2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Aluminum Mfrs., com. (quar.)	*50c	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 15	Canadian Bronz, com. (quar.)	62 1/2c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 19
Common (quar.)	*50c	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 15	Preferred (quar.)	*1.75	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 19
Common (quar.)	*50c	Dec. 31	*Holders of rec. Dec. 15	Canadian Car & Fdy., com. (quar.)	1 1/4	May 30	Holders of rec. May 15
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	June 30	*Holders of rec. June 15	Canadian Converters, Ltd. (quar.)	1 1/4	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 30
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 15	Canadian Dredge & Dock com. (quar.)	75c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/4	Dec. 31	*Holders of rec. Dec. 15	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Amerasia Corp. (quar.)	50c	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	Canadian Industries, Ltd. (extra)	*25c	Apr. 30	*Holders of rec. Mar. 30
Amer. Alliance Investing, 1st pref.	75c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Canadian Vickers, Ltd., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Amer. Chatillon, com. (quar.)	75c	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 30a	Canfield Oil, com. & pref. (quar.)	*1.75	June 30	Holders of rec. May 20
Amer. Chlorine Corp., pref. (quar.)	\$1.75	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Common & preferred (quar.)	*1.75	Dec. 31	Holders of rec. Nov. 20
Amer. Coal of Allegheny Co. (quar.)	2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Capital Realty Associates (quar.)	*7 1/4c	May 2	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Amer. Coal of Allegheny Co. (quar.)	2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Capital Securities, Inc., pref. (quar.)	52 1/2c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 22
Amer. Comm'l Alcohol, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 10	Carman & Co., class A (quar.)	50c	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15
Amer. Dept. Stores, 1st pref. (quar.)	\$1.75	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 16	Carrier Engineering conv. pref. (quar.)	50c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 19
Amer. Elec. Securities, partic. pref. (qu.)	37 1/2c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Cartier, Inc., pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	Apr. 30	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Amer. European Securities, pref. (quar.)	\$1.50	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 30	Castle (A. M.) & Co. (quar.)	75c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 19
Amer. Founders Corp.—				Extra	25c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 19
Common (quar.)	12 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Cellulose Corp., 1st partic. pref.	\$1.75	June 1	Holders of rec. May 10
Com. (1-140th share com. stock)	(/)	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Central Utah Pipe (quar.)	15c	May 15	Holders of rec. May 6
Com. (1-10th share com. stock)	(/)	June 10	Holders of rec. May 31	Century Ribbon Mills, pf. (quar.)	\$1.75	June 1	Holders of rec. May 18a
First pref. series A (quar.)	87 1/2c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Cerro de Pasco Copper Corp. (quar.)	\$1.50	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a
First pref. series B (quar.)	87 1/2c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Certo Corporation	\$1	Apr. 29	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a
First pref. series D (quar.)	75c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Charis Corp., com. (quar.)	*50c	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 18
Second preferred (quar.)	37 1/2c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Common (extra)	*25c	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 18
American Glue, pref. (quar.)	2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Charlton Mills (quar.)	*2	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Amer. Home Products Corp. (monthly)	25c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	Chelsea Exchange Corp., cl. A & B (qu.)	25c	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1
Amer. Internat. Corp.—				Cherry Burrell Corp., com. (quar.)	*62 1/2c	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Common (stock dividend)	*2	Oct. 1		Preferred (quar.)	*\$1.75	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Amer. Laundry Mach., com. (quar.)	*\$1	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 20a	Chic. Wilmingt. & Franklin Coal, pf. (qu.)	1 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a
Quarterly	*\$1	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 20	Chicago Yellow Cab (monthly)	25c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 19a
Amer. Machine & Fdy., com. (quar.)	\$1	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 19a	Monthly	25c	June 1	Holders of rec. May 20a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 16a	Chikasha Cotton Oil (quar.)	75c	July 1	Holders of rec. June 10a
American Manufacturing, com. (quar.)	75c	July 1	Holders of rec. June 15	Chrysler Corporation (quar.)	75c	June 29	Holders of rec. May 31a
Common (quar.)	75c	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	Cities Service, common (monthly)	1 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Common (quar.)	75c	Dec. 31	Holders of rec. Dec. 15	Preferred & preference BB (mthly.)	50c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Mar. 31	Holders of rec. Mar. 15	Preference B (monthly)	50c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	July 1	Holders of rec. June 15	Cities Service, bankers' shares	*35.00	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15	City Stores Co., class A (quar.)	87 1/2c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 31	Holders of rec. Dec. 15	Claude Neon Elec. Prod., com. (qu.)	*20c	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 20
American Meter (quar.)	*\$1.25	Apr. 30	*Holders of rec. Dec. 18	Cleveland Stone, common (quar.)	*50c	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 15
American Radiator, com. (quar.)	\$1.50	June 29	Holders of rec. June 17a	Common (quar.)	*50c	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug 15
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	May 15	Holders of rec. May 9a	Clinchfield Coal, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/4	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 25
American Rolling Mill—				Cluett, Peabody & Co., Inc., com. (qu.)	\$1.25	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a
Common (payable in common stock)	*75	July 30	*Holders of rec. July 1	Cockshut Plow Co., Ltd. (quar.)	37 1/2c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Amer. Shipbuilding, com. (quar.)	2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	Cohn-Hall-Marx, com. (quar.)	62 1/2c	July 1	Holders of rec. June 15
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	Colgate Palmolive Peet Co., pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	July 1	Holders of rec. June 8
Amer. Smelt. & Refg., com. (quar.)	\$1	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 12a	Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 7
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	June 1	Holders of rec. May 3a	Columbia Graphophone, Ltd., com.	*15	May 16	
Amer. Solv. & Chem., partic. pf. (extra)	*\$1.50	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Extra	\$1	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 17a
Amer. Thermo Bottle com. A (quar.)	*25c	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Columbus Auto Parts, pref. (quar.)	25c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Amer. Vitrified Products, pref. (quar.)	1 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Community State Corp., A & B (quar.)	50c	May 15	Holders of rec. May 10
Amrad Corp., com. (quar.) (No. 1)	*25c	July 1	*Holders of rec. June 20	Class A & B (quar.)	1 1/4	Sept. 2	Holders of rec. Aug. 28
Anaconda Copper Mining (quar.)	\$1.75	May 20	Holders of rec. Mar. 29a	Class A & B (quar.)	1 1/4	Dec. 31	Holders of rec. Dec. 20
Anaconda Wire & Cable (qu.) (No. 1)	*75c	May 6	*Holders of rec. Apr. 16	Consol. Bond & Share Corp. pf. (qu.)	*1 1/4	May 15	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Andes Copper Mining (quar.)	75c	May 6	Holders of rec. Mar. 29a	Consolidated Chemical Industries—			
Apollo Magneto Corp., pref. (quar.)	\$1.75	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Partic. pref., class A (No. 1)	*41 1/2c	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Archer-Daniels-Midland Co.—				Consol. Cigar Corp., prior pref. (qu.)	\$1.62 1/2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 18a
Common (No. 1)	50c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a	Continental Can, com. (quar.)	62 1/2c	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1a
Preferred (quar.)	1 1/4	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a	Continental Motors Corp. (quar.)	20c	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Apr. 1

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Davis Mills (quar.)	*1	June 22	*Holders of rec. June 8	Hupp Motor Car (quar.)	50c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a
Decker (Alt. & Cohn, com. (quar.))	*50c.	June 15	*Holders of rec. June 5	Stock dividend (quar.)	e2½	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a
Preferred (quar.)	*1¼	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 22	Stock dividend (quar.)	e2½	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a
Preferred (quar.)	*1¼	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 22	Stock dividend (quar.)	e2½	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 15a
Dennison Manufacturing, deb. stk. (qu.)	\$2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Stock dividend (quar.)	e2½	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 15a
Preferred (quar.)	1¼	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Huron & Erie Mortgage (quar.)	*2	July 2	-----
Dexter Company (quar.) (No. 1)	*35c.	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 20	Quarterly	*60c.	Oct. 1	-----
Diamond Match (quar.)	2	June 15	Holders of rec. May 31a	Illinois Brick (quar.)	*60c.	July 15	*Holders of rec. July 3
Direction der Disconto-Gesellschaft (Berl) (in)	10	May 25	Holders of coupon No. 3	Quarterly	*60c.	Oct. 15	*Holders of rec. Oct. 3
Amer. shs (subject to meeting Mar. 25)	75c.	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 30	Imperial Chemical Industries			
Dominion Bridge (quar.)	e1	July 15	Holders of rec. July 1a	Amer. dep. rets. ord. reg. stock	*5	June 7	*Holders of rec. Apr. 18
Dunhill Internat. (stock dividend)	e1	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 1a	Imperial Royalties Co., pref. (mthly.)	1½	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Apr. 25
Stock dividend				Preferred A (quar.)	18c.	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Apr. 25
Eastern Bankers Corp. pref. (quar.)	\$1.75	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 1	Incorporated Investors (stock div.)	*50	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Preferred (quar.)	\$1.75	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 1	Independent Oil & Gas, com. (quar.)	50c.	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a
Preferred (quar.)	\$1.75	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 30	Indiana Pipe Line (quar.)	\$1	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 26
Preferred (quar.)	\$1.75	Feb. 130	Holders of rec. Dec. 31	Extra	\$1	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 26
Eastern Theatres, Ltd., (Toronto), com.	50c.	June 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 30	Industrial Finance Corp., 7% pref. (qu.)	1¼	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 19
Eastern Utilities Associates, com. (qu.)	50c.	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 25a	Six per cent pref. (quar.)	1¼	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 19
Eastern Util. Inv. Corp. partic. pf. (qu.)	\$1.75	May 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 30	International Cigar Machinery (quar.)	\$1	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a
\$6 preferred (quar.)	\$1.50	June 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 30	Internat. Combustion Eng., com. (quar.)	50c.	May 31	Holders of rec. May 15a
\$7 preferred (quar.)	\$1.75	June 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 30	Preferred (quar.)	1¼	July 1	Holders of rec. June 17a
Eaton Axle & Spring, com. (quar.)	75c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	Int. Cont. Chem. Corp com (quar.)	*25c.	July 1	-----
Electric Shovel Coal Corp. partic. pf. (qu.)	\$1	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	International Educational Publishing, pref.	\$1	May 1	Holders of rec. Mar. 30
Elgin National Watch (quar.)	*62½c.	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 16	International Harvester, pref. (quar.)	1¼	June 1	Holders of rec. May 4a
Emporium Capwell, com. (quar.)	50c.	May 1	Holders of rec. June 1	Int. Nickel of Canada, pref. (qu.) (No. 1)	\$1.75	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 2a
Enamel & Heating Products, Ltd., (qu.)	50c.	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1	Internat. Paper Co., com. (quar.)	60c.	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1a
Equitable Casualty & Surety	50c.	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1	Internat. Paper & Power, com. cl. A (qu.)	60c.	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1a
Eureka Pipe Line (quar.)	\$1	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	International Perfume, com. (No. 1)	25c.	June 1	Holders of rec. May 20
Eureka Vacuum Cleaner (quar.)	\$1	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Preferred (No. 1)	64.93c.	May 15	Holders of rec. May 4
Evans Auto Loading, stock dividend.	*e2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20	International Printing Ink, com. (quar.)	62½c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a
Exchange Buffet Corp. (quar.)	37½c.	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	Preferred (quar.)	60c.	May 1	Holders of rec. May 10
Fair (The), com. (quar.)	60c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a	Internat. Safety Razor class A (qu.)	50c.	June 1	Holders of rec. May 10a
Common (quar.)	*60c.	Aug. 1	*Holders of rec. July 20	Class B (quar.)	25c.	June 1	Holders of rec. May 10a
Preferred (quar.)	1¼	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a	Class B (extra)	50c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Preferred (quar.)	*1¼	Aug. 1	*Holders of rec. July 20	International Shoe, pref. (monthly)	*50c.	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 15
Fashion Park Associates, pref. (quar.)	62½c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Preferred (monthly)	*50c.	July 1	*Holders of rec. June 15
Federal Knitting Mills (quar.)	12½c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Preferred (monthly)	*50c.	Aug. 1	*Holders of rec. July 15
Extra	50c.	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Preferred (monthly)	*50c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15
Federated Business Publications pf. (qu.)	37½c.	May 31	Holders of rec. May 15	Preferred (monthly)	*50c.	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 15
Federated Capital Corp., com. (quar.)	72½	May 31	Holders of rec. May 15	Preferred (monthly)	*50c.	Nov. 1	*Holders of rec. Oct. 15
Common (payable in com. stock)	37½c.	May 31	Holders of rec. May 15	Preferred (monthly)	*50c.	Dec. 1	*Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Preferred (quar.)	50c.	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Preferred (monthly)	*50c.	Jan 130	*Holders of rec. Dec. 15
Federated Publications, pref. (quar.)	17½c.	July 15	Holders of rec. July 5	Interstate Dept. Stores, pref. (quar.)	\$1.75	dMay 1	Holders of rec. dApr. 20a
Finance Co. of Amer., com. A & B (qu.)	43¾c.	July 15	Holders of rec. July 5	Intertype Corporation, com. (quar.)	25c.	May 15	Holders of rec. May 15a
First Federal Foreign Bkg. Corp. (qu.)	\$1.75	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1	Jackson & Curtis Investors Assn.			
Fitzsimmons & Connell Dredge & Dock	(f)	June 1	-----	Cts. of beneficial int. (in stock)	*e100	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 22
Com. (1-40th share com. stk.)	(f)	Sept. 1	-----	Joint Security Corp.			
Com. (1-40th share com. stk.)	(f)	Sept. 1	-----	Com (payable in com. stock)	f1	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Com. (1-40th share com. stk.)	(f)	Sept. 1	-----	Com (payable in com. stock)	f1	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 20
Floresheim Shoe, pref. (quar.)	1¼	July 1	Holders of rec. June 15a	Com. (payable in com. stock)	f1	Nov 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 20
Foster & Kleiser Corp., com. (quar.)	*25c.	May 15	*Holders of rec. May 1	Kalamazoo Vegetable Parchment (qu.)	*15c.	June 30	*Holders of rec. June 20
Franklin (H. H.) Mfg., pref. (quar.)	*1¼	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Quarterly	*15c.	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20
Freeport-Texas Co. (quar.)	\$1	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	Quarterly	*15c.	Dec. 31	*Holders of rec. Dec. 21
Fulton Industrial Secur. pf. (qu.) (No. 1)	87½c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Kaufman Dept. Stores com. (quar.)	37c.	Apr. 29	Holders of rec. Apr. 10a
General Alliance Corp. (quar.)	35c.	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 30a	Kawneer Company (quar.)	*62½c.	July 15	*Holders of rec. June 30
General American Tank Car (quar.)	\$1	July 1	Holders of rec. June 13a	Quarterly	*62½c.	Oct. 15	*Holders of rec. Sept. 30
Stock dividend				Quarterly	*62½c.	Jan 30	*Holders of rec. Dec. 31
General Bronze, com. (quar.)	*50c.	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 14	Quarterly	*12½c.	July 1	*Holders of rec. June 20
General Cable Corp., cl. A (quar.)	\$1	June 1	Holders of rec. May 10a	Kayne Co., common (extra)	\$1.25	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a
Preferred (quar.)	\$1.75	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 22a	Kayser (Julius) & Co., com. (quar.)	1¼	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 19
General Cigar, com. (quar.)	\$1	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 16a	Kelsey-Hayes Wheel, pref. (quar.)	\$1.50	June 1	Holders of rec. May 10a
Preferred (quar.)	1¼	June 1	Holders of rec. May 21a	Kendall Co., pref. (quar.)	25c.	June 1	Holders of rec. May 10a
General Mills, Inc., com. (quar.)	75c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	Preferred (participating dividend)	*25c.	June 1	*Holders of rec. June 17
General Motors, 6% pref. (quar.)	1¼	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 8a	Klein (R. C.), Inc., new com. (qu.)	*2	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 20
6% deb. stock (quar.)	1¼	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 8a	Preferred (quar.)	20c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 22
7% pref. (quar.)	1¼	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 8a	Klein (Henry) & Co., Inc., com. (quar.)	30c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 22
Gen. Pub. Serv. Corp. \$5½ pf. (qu.)	*1.37½	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 10	Participating pref. (participating div.)	20c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 22
\$6 preferred (quar.)	*\$1.50	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 10	Participating pref. (quar.)	\$1.75	July 1	Holders of rec. June 15a
General Steel Wares, Ltd., pref. (quar.)	1¼	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Prior preference (quar.)	\$1.75	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15a
General Stock Yards Corp., com. (qu.)	*50c.	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Participating pref. (quar.)	75c.	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15a
Common (extra)	*\$1	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Participating pref. (quar.)	75c.	Sept. 3	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
\$6 preferred (quar.)	*\$1.50	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Participating pref. (quar.)	75c.	Dec. 2	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
General Tire & Rubber common (quar.)	\$1	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 19	Participating pref. (quar.)	*4¾c.	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Gilchrist Company (quar.)	*75c.	Apr. 30	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Kokene (Julian) Co. (quar.)	25c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a
Gillette Safety Razor (quar.)	\$1.25	June 1	Holders of rec. May 1a	Kress (S. H.) & Co. com. (quar.)	*15c.	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Gimbel Bros., pref. (quar.)	1¼	June 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	Special preferred (quar.)	*1¼	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Gladding, McBean & Co., com. (in com. stk.)	*2	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	Kroger Grocery & Baking, 2d pref. (qu.)	*80c.	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 18
Globe Grain & Milling				Lake of the Woods Milling, com. (quar.)	*1¼	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 18
Common (quar.)	*2	July 1	*Holders of rec. June 20	Preferred (quar.)	*50c.	Apr. 30	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
First preferred (quar.)	*1¼	July 1	*Holders of rec. June 20	Lahey Foundry & Mach. (quar.)	*e2½	Apr. 30	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Second preferred (quar.)	*2	July 1	*Holders of rec. June 20	Stock dividend	*e2½	July 30	*Holders of rec. July 15
Godman (H. C.) Co., com. (quar.)	75c.	May 10	Holders of rec. Apr. 25	Stock dividend	*e2½	Oct. 30	*Holders of rec. Oct. 15
First preferred	3	June 1	Holders of rec. May 20	Landay Bros., Inc., cl. A (quar.)	75c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a
Second preferred	\$1.75	June 10	Holders of rec. June 1	Landers, Frary & Clark (quar.)	*75c.	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20
Goldberg (S. M.) Stores Inc. pref. (qu.)	*\$1.75	June 15	*Holders of rec. June 1	Quarterly	*75c.	Dec. 31	*Holders of rec. Dec. 21
Gold Dust Corp. common	%	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 17a	Quarterly	1¼	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Golden State Milk (quar.)	*40c.	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 15	Lane Bryant, Inc., pref. (quar.)	1¼	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Stock dividend	*e1	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 15	Langendorf United Bakeries			
Stock dividend	*e1	Dec. 1	*Holders of rec. Nov. 15	Class A and B (quar.)	*50c.	July 15	*Holders of rec. June 30
Goodrich (B. F.) Co., com. (quar.)	\$1	June 1	Holders of rec. May 10a	Class A and B (quar.)	*50c.	Oct. 15	*Holders of rec. Sept. 30
Preferred (quar.)	1¼	June 1	Holders of rec. June 10	Class A and B (quar.)	*50c.	Jan 30	*Holders of rec. Dec. 30
Graham Mfg. com. (quar.)	50c.	June 1	Holders of rec. May 1	Class A and B (quar.)	1¼	May 31	Holders of rec. May 21a
Common (quar.)	50c.	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 1	Lanston Monotype Machine (quar.)	1¼	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Common (quar.)	50c.	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 1	Lazarus (F. & R.) & Co., 6½ pf. (qu.)	1¼	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Common (payable in common stock)	5	June 1	Holders of rec. May 1	Leath & Co., pref. (quar.)	*87½c.	July 1	*Holders of rec. June 15
First preferred (quar.)	1¼	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15	Preferred (quar.)	*87½c.	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 15
Gotham Silk Hosiery, 7% pref. (quar.)	1¼	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 12a	Lefcourt Realty Corp., com. (No. 1)	*40c.	May 15	*Holders of rec. May 6
Granby Consol. M. Sm. & Pow. (qu.)	\$1.75	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 12a	Lehigh Portland Cement com. (quar.)	62½c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a
Grand (F. & W.) 5-10-25 Cents Stores				Lerner Stores Corp., pref. (qu.) (No. 1)	\$1.62½	May 1	Holders of rec. June 20
Preferred (quar.)	1¼	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 12a	Lincoln Interstate Holding Co	15c.	July 1	Holders of rec. June 20
Great Northern Iron Ore Properties	\$1.25	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Apr. 5a	Lincoln Printing, common (quar.)	*35c.	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 25
Greenway Corp., 5% pref. (quar.)	*75c.	May 15	*Holders of rec. May 1	Preferred (quar.)	*87½c.	June 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 25
5% preferred (quar.)	*75c.	Aug. 15	*Holders of rec. Aug. 1	Link Belt Co. (quar.)	60c.	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15a
5% preferred (quar.)	*75c.	Nov. 15	*Holders of rec. Nov. 1	Link Oil Refining, com. (quar.)	80c.	Apr. 27	*Holders of rec. Mar. 29
Green Watch common (quar.)	*50c.	June 1	*Holders of rec. May 20	Liquid Carbonic Corp. (quar.)	\$1	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a
Common (quar.)	*50c.	Sept. 1	*Holders of rec. Aug. 21	Loew's Boston Theatres (quar.)	*15c.	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Common (quar.)	*50c.	Dec. 1	*Holders of rec. Nov. 20	Loose-Wiles Biscuit common (quar.)	65c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 17a
Common (quar.)	*50c.	M'130	*Holds. of rec. Feb. 18'30	Lord & Taylor, 2d pref. (quar.)	*2	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 18
Preferred (quar.)	*1¼	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Louisiana Oil Refining Corp., pref. (qu.)	1¼	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1a
Preferred (quar.)	*1¼	Aug. 1	*Holders of rec. July 21	Lunkenheimer Co., pref. (quar.)	*1¼	June 29	*Holders of rec. June 19
Preferred (quar.)	*1¼	Nov. 1	*Holders of rec. Oct. 21	Preferred (quar.)	*1¼	Sept. 30	*Holders of rec. Sept. 20
Preferred (quar.)	*1¼	Feb. 130	*Holds. of rec. Jan. 21'30	Preferred (quar.)	*1¼	Dec. 31	*Holders of rec. Dec. 21
Gulf States Steel, pref. (quar.)	1¼	July 1	Holders of rec. June 15a	McCall Corp. (quar.)	\$1	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a
Preferred (quar.)	1¼	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 16a	McCrory Stores Corp., pref. (quar.)	1¼	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a
Preferred (quar.)	*50c.	Jan 230	*Holders of rec. Dec. 16a	McIntyre Porcupine Mines (quar.)	25c.	June 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a
Hale Bros. (quar.)	*50c.	Apr. 30	*Holders of rec. May 15	McKesson & Robbins, Inc., com. (qu.)	87½c.	June 15	Holders of rec. June 1a
Hall (W. F.) Printing common (quar.)	*25c.	Apr. 30	*Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Preferred (quar.)	50c.	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 26a
Hamilton Bank Note Engraving of Ptg.				Maey (R. H.) & Co., com. (quar.)	*75c.	Apr. 30	*Holders of rec. Apr. 18
Common (quar.)	*7½c.	May 15	*Holders of rec. May 1				

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Miscellaneous (Continued).				Miscellaneous (Continued).			
Mohawk Mining (quar.)	\$1.50	June 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 30	Rio Grande Oil	\$1	July 25	Holders of rec. July 5a
Montgomery Ward & Co., com. (qu.)	62½c	July 1	Holders of rec. May 20	Rio Grande Oil	\$1	July 25	Holders of rec. July 5a
Class A (quar.)	75c	May 15	Holders of rec. June 20	Stock dividend	1½c	Oct. 25	Holders of rec. Oct. 5
Moody's Investors Service, part. pf. (qu.)	\$1.50	May 1	Holders of rec. May 10	Riverside Portland Cement, cl. A (quar.)	\$31½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Moore Drop Forge, cl. A (quar.)	50c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 24a	Preferred (quar.)	\$1.50	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Motor Products Corp., com. (quar.)	\$1.25	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 24	Roots Bros., com. (quar.)	\$62½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Preferred (quar.)	\$1.75	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	Root Refining, prior pref. (quar.)	\$1.62½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Mullins Mfg., pref. (quar.)	50c	July 1	Holders of rec. June 15	Cumulative pref. (quar.)	45c	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15
Muncie Gear Co., pref., class A (quar.)	50c	Jan 1	Holders of rec. Dec. 15	Royalty Corp. of Amer., par. pf. (extra)	75c	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15
Preferred, class A (quar.)	50c	Jan 1	Holders of rec. Dec. 15	Russell Motor, com. (quar.)	1½c	May 15	Holders of rec. May 10a
Murphy (G. C.) Co., pref. (quar.)	2	July 2	Holders of rec. June 21	Preferred (quar.)	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Preferred (quar.)	2	Oct. 2	Holders of rec. Sept. 21	Ruud Mfg. (quar. 2)	65c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Nash Motors, com. (quar.)	\$1.50	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a	Ryerson (J. T.) & Sons, com. (quar.)	50c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
National Acme, com. (quar.)	25c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	St. Joseph Lead Co. (quar.)	50c	June 20	June 8 to June 20
National American Co. (quar.)	50c	May 1	Holders of rec. May 16	Extra	25c	June 20	June 8 to June 20
National Bearing Metals, com. (quar.)	75c	June 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 16	Quarterly	50c	Sept. 20	Sept. 10 to Sept. 20
Preferred (quar.)	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 16	St. Lawrence Flour Mills, pref. (quar.)	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Nat. Bellas-Hess, new com. (quar.)	25c	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 1a	Preferred (quar.)	25c	June 1	Holders of rec. May 25
New common (quar.)	25c	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 1a	Salt Creek Producers Ass'n. (quar.)	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 25
New common (quar.)	25c	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 2 30a	Savage Arms, 2d pref. (quar.)	\$1.50	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Stock dividend (quar.)	e1	July 15	Holders of rec. July 1a	Savannah Sugar Ref., com. (quar.)	\$1.50	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Stock dividend (quar.)	e1	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 1a	Preferred (quar.)	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Stock dividend (quar.)	e1	Jan. 15	Holders of rec. Jan. 2 30a	Scher-Hirst Co., class A com. (quar.)	50c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Preferred (quar.)	\$1.75	June 1	Holders of rec. May 21a	Scott Paper			
National Casket, common	82	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1	Com. (in stk. subj. to stkhrs.' approv.)	72	June 30	
Common (payable in common stock)	82	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1	Com. (in stk. subj. to stkhrs.' approv.)	72	Dec. 31	
National Dairy Products (stock div.)	e100	May 20	Holders of rec. Apr. 25a	7% series A, preferred (quar.)	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 16a
Common (payable in common stock)	71	July 1	Holders of rec. June 3a	6% series B pref. (quar.)	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 16a
Common (payable in common stock)	71	Oct 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 3a	Sears-Roebuck & Co. (quar.)	87½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 27
National Dept. Stores, 1st pref. (quar.)	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	Quarterly (payable in stock)	62½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 13a
Second preferred (quar.)	1½c	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15	Quarterly (payable in stock)	e1	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Nat. Fireproofing, pref. (quar.)	62½c	July 15	Holders of rec. July 1	Quarterly (payable in stock)	e1	Nov. 1	Holders of rec. July 15a
Preferred (quar.)	62½c	Oct 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 1	Seaman Brothers, Inc., com. (quar.)	50c	May 1	Holders of rec. Oct. 15a
National Food Products, com. A (quar.)	62½c	May 15	Holders of rec. May 3a	Selby Shoe, common (quar.)	55c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Class B (payable in class B stk.)	2	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Oct. 5	Preferred (quar.)	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
National Lead, pref. cl. A (quar.)	\$1.75	June 15	Holders of rec. May 31z	Service Station Equip., Ltd. (Toronto)			
Preferred, class B (quar.)	\$1.50	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 19a	Preference (quar.)	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Nat. Recording Pump, conv. (quar.)	75c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Seton Leather, com. (quar.)	50c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
National Sashweight, pref. (quar.)	\$87½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 19	Sheaffer (W. A.) Pen Co. (quar.)	\$1	Sept. 19	Holders of rec. Aug. 27
Nat. Securities Invest., pref. (quar.)	\$1.50	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 25	Sheffield Steel			
National Supply, common (quar.)	\$1.25	May 15	Holders of rec. May 4	Common (payable in common stock)	71	July 1	Holders of rec. June 20
National Tea, 5½% pref. (\$10 par) (qu.)	13½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 12a	Common (payable in common stock)	71	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20
National Terminals, part. stk. (quar.)	25c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Shepard Stores, Inc., class A (quar.)	75c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20
National Tile (quar.)	75c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Silver (Isaac) & Bros., pref. (quar.)	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Nauehm Pharmacies, Inc., pref. (qu.)	62½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 19	Stinchell Consol. Oil Corp., pref. (quar.)	2	May 1	Holders of rec. May 15a
Nebel (Oscar) Co., Inc., com. (quar.)	62½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	Skelly Oil (quar.)	50c	June 15	Holders of rec. May 15a
Participating pref. (quar.)	50c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	Skinner Organ (quar.)	62½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 25
Nelsner Bros., Inc., pref. (quar.)	\$1.75	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Smallwood Stone class A (quar.)	62½c	June 15	Holders of rec. June 5
Nestle-LeMur Co., class A (quar.)	50c	May 15	Holders of rec. May 15	Smith (Howard) Paper Mills, pref. (qu.)	1½c	June 1	Holders of rec. May 21
New Amsterdam Casualty (in stk.)	\$1.75	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15	Speigel-May-Stern, Inc., com. (quar.)	75c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a
Newberry (J. J.) Co., pref. (quar.)	\$62½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Preferred (quar.)	\$3	1.62½c	May 1
New England Equity Co., com. (quar.)	2	May 10	Holders of rec. Apr. 26	Spencer Kellogg & Sons, Inc. (quar.)	40c	June 30	Holders of rec. June 15a
New Jersey Zinc (quar.)	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 26	Quarterly	40c	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 14a
New Process Co., pref. (quar.)	\$1.50	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Standard Investing, pref. (quar.)	\$1.37½c	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 25
New River Co., pref. (sect. accum. div.)	\$1.15	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Apr. 5	Stanford Limited, 1st & 2d pf. (qu.)	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Newton Steel, pref. (quar.)	75c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 4a	Steel Co. of Canada, com. & pf. (qu.)	43¾c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 6
New York Air Brake (quar.)	\$1.25	Apr. 29	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Steel & Tubes, Inc., com. B & C (qu.)	\$1.125	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 24
New York Hamburg Corp	2½	Apr. 27	Holders of rec. Apr. 17	Steinberg's Drug Stores, pref. (quar.)	87½c	June 1	Holders of rec. May 20
N. Y. & Honduras Rosario Min. (qu.)	2½	Apr. 27	Holders of rec. Apr. 17	Steinert Radio (quar.)	2½c	July 1	Holders of rec. May 20
Extra	2½	Apr. 27	Holders of rec. Apr. 17	Quarterly	2½c	Oct. 1	
N. Y. Merchandise Corp., com. (quar.)	\$50c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Stewart-Warner Corp.			
Preferred (quar.)	\$1.75	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	New \$10 par stock (quar.) (No. 1)	87½c	May 15	Holders of rec. May 4
Nichols Copper Co., class B	75c	May 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 1	New \$10 par stock (in stock)	e2	Aug. 15	Holders of rec. Aug. 5
Class B	75c	May 1	Holders of rec. Feb. 1	New \$10 par stock (in stock)	e2	Nov. 15	Holders of rec. Nov. 5
Niles-Bennett-Pond, pref. (quar.)	1½c	Nov. 29	Holders of rec. June 15	New \$10 par stock (in stock)	e2	Feb. 5 30	Holders of rec. Feb. 5 30
Noma Electric Co. (quar.)	40c	May 1	Holders of rec. June 15	Stix Baer & Fuller, com. (quar.)	\$37½c	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15
North Amer. Consol. Oil (monthly)	10c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Common (quar.)	\$37½c	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 15
North Central Texas Oil, com. (quar.)	15c	June 1	Holders of rec. May 10	Common (quar.)	\$37½c	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 15
Northern Manufacturing, pref. (quar.)	19c	June 1	Holders of rec. May 10	Stouffer Corp., class A	50½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Preferred (quar.)	19c	Sept. 1		Class B	40c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Preferred (quar.)	19c	Dec. 1		Stover Mfg. & Engine, pref. (quar.)	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 22
Northwest Engineering, com. (quar.)	50c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Strook (S.) Co. (quar.)	75c	July 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Occidental Petroleum	30c	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Quarterly	75c	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 15
Ohio Shares, Inc., pref. (quar.)	50c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Quarterly	75c	Dec. 21	Holders of rec. Dec. 10
Oil Well Supply, pref. (quar.)	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 12a	Studebaker Corp.			
Oliver United Filters, class A (quar.)	50c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 19	Common (payable in common stock)	f1	June 1	Holders of rec. May 10a
Oppenheim, Collins & Co. (quar.)	\$1.25	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 26z	Common (payable in com. stock)	f1	Sept. 1	Holders of rec. Aug. 10a
Otis Elevator, pref. (quar.)	1½c	July 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a	Common (payable in com. stock)	f1	Dec. 1	Holders of rec. Nov. 9a
Preferred (quar.)	1½c	Oct. 15	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a	Sullivan Packing, pref. (quar.)	2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Preferred (quar.)	1½c	Jan 15 30	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a	Supermaid, pref. (quar.)	1½c	June 1	Holders of rec. May 10a
Outlet Company, com. (quar.)	\$1	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a	Sutherland Paper, com. (quar.)	\$30c	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Apr. 25
First preferred (quar.)	\$1.75	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a	Sweets Co. of America (quar.)	25c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Second preferred (quar.)	\$1.50	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Teck-Hughes Gold Mines, Ltd.	15c	May 1	Apr. 17
Pacific Associates (quar.) (No. 1)	50c	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 30	Telautograph Corp., com. (quar.)	25c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 30a
Pacific Coast Biscuit, com. (qu.)	25c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Texas & Pacific Coal & Oil (in stock)	e2½c	June 30	Holders of rec. June 5a
Preferred (quar.)	\$7½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15	Thermold Co., 7% pref. (quar.) (No. 1)	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 11
Pacific Equities, Inc.	10c	July 15	Holders of rec. June 30	Thompson (John R.) Co., (monthly)	30c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 23a
Extra	10c	July 15	Holders of rec. June 30	Monthly	30c	June 1	Holders of rec. May 23a
Packard Motor Car (monthly)	25c	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Apr. 12a	Tidal Osage Oil (special)	\$1	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 18
Monthly	25c	May 31	Holders of rec. May 11a	Tide Water Oil 5% pref. (quar.)	1½c	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 12
Extra	50c	May 31	Holders of rec. May 11a	Tobacco Products Corp., div. ctf.			
Parker Pen, common (quar.)	62½c	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1	Series B for com. stock Un. Clg. Stores	\$1.28	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Apr. 16
Patino Mines & Enterprises (final)	0	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a	Transac & Williams Steel Forg. (quar.)	25c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 25a
Penmans, Limited, com. (quar.)	\$1	May 15	Holders of rec. May 6	Truax Mfg. com., com. (quar.)	\$2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 19
Preferred (quar.)	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 22	Preferred (quar.)	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 19
Perfection Stove (monthly)	\$37½c	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Apr. 18	Truax-Traer Coal, com. (quar.)	40c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 18a
Monthly	\$37½c	May 31	Holders of rec. May 17	Tudor City Second Unit, Inc., pref.	3	May 15	May 1 to May 15
Monthly	\$37½c	June 30	Holders of rec. June 18	Tung Sol Lamp Works, com. (quar.)	20c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Monthly	\$37½c	July 31	Holders of rec. July 18	Class A (quar.)	45c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Monthly	\$37½c	Aug. 31	Holders of rec. Aug. 16	Union Oil, com. (quar.)	50c	May 10	Holders of rec. Apr. 19a
Monthly	\$37½c	Sept. 30	Holders of rec. Sept. 18	United Biscuit of Am., com. (quar.)	40c	June 1	Holders of rec. May 17a
Monthly	\$37½c	Oct. 31	Holders of rec. Oct. 17	Preferred (quar.)	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 17a
Monthly	\$37½c	Nov. 30	Holders of rec. Nov. 18	United Cigar Stores of Amer., pf. (qu.)	\$1.50	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 17a
Monthly	\$37½c	Dec. 31	Holders of rec. Dec. 18	United Electric Coal Co., com. (quar.)	75c	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15a
Petroleum Royalties (monthly)	1	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 25	United Equities (quar.)	\$31.25	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 16
Extra	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 25	United Milk Crats, cl. A (quar.)	50c	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15
Petroleum & Trad. Corp., cl. A (No. 1)	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 19	United Piece Dye Wks., pref. (quar.)	1½c	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 20
Phillippe (Louis), Inc., cl. B (qu.) (No. 1)	25c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 19	Preferred (quar.)	1½c	Jan 2 30	Holders of rec. Dec. 20
Phillips Jones Corp., pref. (quar.)	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a	Preferred (quar.)	1½c	Jan 2 30	Holders of rec. Dec. 20
Pitney-Bowes Postage Meter, new (No. 1)	50c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 17	United Profit Sharing, pref.	50c	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Mar. 30
Pittsburgh Steel Co., pref. (quar.)	1½c	June 1	Holders of rec. May 11a	United Verde Extension Mining (qu.)	\$1	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 4
Postum Co. (quar.)	75c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a	U. S. Asbestos, com. (quar.)	75c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Pressed Metals of Amer., pref. (quar.)	1½c	July 1	Holders of rec. June 12	Preferred (quar.)	1½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Preferred (quar.)	1½c	Oct. 1	Holders of rec. Sept. 12	U. S. & British Int. Co., \$3 pf. (qu.)	75c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Process Corp., com. (quar.)	50c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	U. S. Cast Iron Pipe & Fdy., com. (qu.)	50c	July 20	Holders of rec. Apr. 29a
Procter & Gamble, com. (quar.)	2	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 25	Common (quar.)	50c	Oct. 21	Holders of rec. Sept. 30a
Prudence Co., Inc., pref.	3½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20	Common (quar.)	50c	Jan 20 30	Holders of rec. Dec. 31a
Pub. Util. Securities, partic. pref. (qu.) \$	1.62½c	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 19	First & second pref. (quar.)	30c	July 20	Holders of rec. June 29a
Participating pref. (participating div.)	12½c	May 1	Holders of rec				

Names of Company.	Per Cent	When Payable	Books Closed Days Inclusive
Miscellaneous (Concluded).			
Venezuelan Petroleum (quar.)	*5c.	May 15	*Holders of rec. Apr. 30
Vick Chemical Co. (quar.)	\$1	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15a
Victor Talking Mach., com. (quar.)	\$1	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 14
Vitor preference (quar.)	\$1.75	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 14
Convertible pref. (quar.)	\$1.50	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 14
Volcanic Oil & Gas (quar.)	*35c.	June 10	*Holders of rec. May 31
Extra	*5c.	June 10	*Holders of rec. May 31
Quarterly	*35c.	Sept. 10	*Holders of rec. Aug. 31
Extra	*5c.	Sept. 10	*Holders of rec. Aug. 31
Quarterly	*35c.	Dec. 10	*Holders of rec. Nov. 30
Extra	*5c.	Dec. 10	*Holders of rec. Nov. 30
Waltham Watch, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/2	July 1	*Holders of rec. June 22
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	Oct. 1	*Holders of rec. Sept. 21
Warchell Co., pref. (qu.) (No. 1)	*62 1/2	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Warren (A. D.) Co., pref. (qu.) (No. 1)	\$1.50	May 15	Holders of rec. Apr. 30
Waymarrak Pulp & Paper (quar.)	75c.	June 1	Holders of rec. May 15
Web Holding Corp. (quar.)	*50c.	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Mar. 30
Webfoot Stone, Inc. (quar.)	*40c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
West Va. Pulp & Paper, pref. (quar.)	*1 1/2	May 15	*Holders of rec. May 5
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	Aug. 15	*Holders of rec. Aug. 5
Preferred (quar.)	*1 1/2	Nov. 15	*Holders of rec. Nov. 5
Western Air Express (No. 1)	*14c.	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Western Grocer, com. (quar.)	*37 1/2	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 20
Preferred	3 1/2	July 1	*Holders of rec. June 20
Western Steel Products, pref. (quar.)	1 1/2	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Westinghouse Air Brake (quar.)	50c.	Apr. 30	Apr. 1 to Apr. 9
Westinghouse El. & Mfg. com. (quar.)	\$1	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Mar. 11a
White Sewing Machine, pref. (quar.)	\$1	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 19a
Will & Baumer Candle, com. (quar.)	10c.	May 15	Holders of rec. May 1
Preferred (quar.)	2	July 1	Holders of rec. June 15
Williams (R. C.) Co., Inc. (quar.)	*35c.	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Will-Low Cafeterias, conv. pf. (quar.)	\$1	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a
Willys-Overland Co., com. (quar.)	30c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a
Winless Hosley (quar.)	*2 1/2	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Extra	*1 1/2	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Quarterly	*2 1/2	Aug. 1	*Holders of rec. July 15
Extra	*1 1/2	Aug. 1	*Holders of rec. July 15
Wolverine Portland Cement (quar.)	1 1/2	May 15	Holders of rec. May 4
Woolworth (F. W.) Co., com. (quar.)	\$1.50	June 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 25a
Wright Aeronautical Corp. (stock div.)	*100	Apr. 30	Holders of rec. Apr. 15
Wrigley (Wm.) Jr. Co. (monthly)	25c.	May 1	Holders of rec. Apr. 20a
Monthly	25c.	June 1	Holders of rec. May 20a
Monthly	25c.	July 1	Holders of rec. June 20a
Monthly	25c.	Aug. 1	Holders of rec. July 20a
Zenith Radio Corp. (quar.)	*50c.	May 1	*Holders of rec. Apr. 19
Zonite Products (quar.)	*25c.	May 15	*Holders of rec. May 6

* From unofficial sources. † The New York Stock Exchange has ruled that stock will not be quoted ex-dividend on this date and not until further notice. ‡ The New York Curb Market Association has ruled that stock will not be quoted ex-dividend on this date and not until further notice.

a Transfer books not closed for this dividend. d Correction. e Payable in stock. f Payable in common stock. g Payable in scrip. h On account of accumulated dividends. j Payable in preferred stock.

b National Acme is ex-dividend April 16.

i Common B stockholders of General Gas & Elec. have privilege of applying dividend to purchase of com. A stock at \$25 per share on or before May 10.

n City, Inc. declared a stock dividend of 6%, payable in quarterly installments.

o Stockholders of Empire Public Serv. Corp. have option of applying this dividend to the purchase of com. A stock at \$18 per share.

r Rio Grande Oil stock to be placed on a \$2 per annum basis. The company has declared \$1 payable July 25 and intends to declare another \$1 payable on or before Jan. 25 1930. The stock dividends are 1 1/2 shares on each 100 shares, the first 1 1/2% having been declared payable April 25 with the intention to declare a second 1 1/2% payable on or before Oct. 25.

s Unless instructions are received to the contrary, Pacific Public Service dividend will be applied to the purchase of additional com. A stock or scrip for fractional shares at \$13 per share.

t Patino Mines & Enterprises dividend is 4 shillings per share.

u Dividend of 87 1/2c. on com. stock of Fulton Industrial Securities Co. reported in previous issues was an error. No dividend has been declared, the 87 1/2c. just declared being the initial quarterly dividend on preferred or at rate of \$3.50 per annum.

v American Cities Power & Light dividends are 1-32d share of class B on class A stock and 1% in class B stock on the class B stock, the class A stock having the option of taking cash at rate of 75c. per share.

w Less deduction for expenses of depositary.

x Associated Gas & Elec. dividend payable in class A stock at rate of 2 1/2% of one share for each share held.

y Holders of Federal Water Service class A stock may apply the dividend to purchase of additional class A stock at rate of \$25 per share, receiving 1-50th share for each share held.

Weekly Return of New York City Clearing House.—Beginning with Mar. 31 1928, the New York City Clearing House Association discontinued giving out all statements previously issued and now makes only the barest kind of a report. The new returns show nothing but the deposits, along with the capital and surplus. We give it below in full:

STATEMENT OF THE MEMBERS OF THE NEW YORK CLEARING HOUSE ASSOCIATION FOR THE WEEK ENDED SATURDAY, APRIL 20 1929.

Clearing House Members.	*Capital.	*Surplus & Undivided Profits.	Net Demand Deposits Average.	Time Deposits Average.
Bank of New York & Tr. Co.	6,000,000	13,539,100	60,548,000	9,686,000
Bank of the Manhattan Co.	22,250,000	42,559,300	172,790,000	42,149,000
Bank of America Nat'l Assn.	25,000,000	38,364,400	138,769,000	47,793,000
National City Bank	100,000,000	111,246,500	a880,535,000	160,327,000
Chemical National Bank	6,000,000	20,731,200	134,236,000	8,587,000
Bank of Commerce	25,000,000	49,317,800	293,632,000	34,948,000
Chat. Phex. Nat. Bk. & Tr. Co.	13,500,000	5,698,000	155,127,000	40,638,000
Hanover National Bank	10,000,000	22,812,400	118,400,000	3,021,000
Corn Exchange Bank	12,100,000	21,352,500	172,020,000	32,881,000
Corn Exchange Bank	10,000,000	26,601,000	125,880,000	10,958,000
First National Bank	10,000,000	95,735,400	247,086,000	9,318,000
Irving Trust Co.	40,000,000	55,037,800	363,607,000	44,062,000
Continental Bank	1,000,000	1,550,500	7,609,000	686,000
Chase National Bank	61,000,000	79,908,400	b566,427,000	64,640,000
Fifth Avenue Bank	500,000	3,869,100	26,460,000	1,086,000
Seaboard National Bank	11,000,000	16,614,400	118,788,000	5,876,000
Bankers Trust Co.	25,000,000	77,498,400	c335,068,000	48,183,000
U. S. Mgt. & Trust Co.	5,000,000	6,533,400	54,274,000	5,361,000
Title Guarantee & Trust Co.	10,000,000	23,854,300	34,833,000	2,459,000
Guaranty Trust Co.	40,000,000	65,078,300	d460,867,000	68,995,000
Fidelity Trust Co.	4,000,000	3,812,600	42,096,000	5,154,000
Lawyers Trust Co.	3,000,000	4,160,400	18,400,000	19,302,000
New York Trust Co.	212,500,000	232,041,100	134,108,000	27,597,000
Farmers Loan & Trust Co.	10,000,000	32,212,700	e128,502,000	27,597,000
Equitable Trust Co.	30,000,000	28,625,000	f323,614,000	39,734,000
Com'l Nat. Bank & Trust Co.	7,000,000	7,332,000	30,961,000	1,972,000
Harriman Nat'l Bank & Tr Co	1,500,000	2,840,300	31,202,000	5,635,000
Clearing Non Member.				
Mechanics Tr. Co., Bayonne.	500,000	817,200	3,321,000	5,601,000
Totals	501,850,000	890,743,500	5,179,160,000	749,205,000

*As per official reports: National, Mar. 27 1929; State, Mar. 22 1929; trust companies, Mar. 22 1929. g As of Mar. 30 1929.

Includes deposits in foreign branches: (a) \$297,033,000; (b) \$14,640,000; (c) 64,450,000; (d) \$107,415,000; (e) \$17,685,000; (f) \$114,612,000.

The New York "Times" publishes regularly each week returns of a number of banks and trust companies which are not members of the New York Clearing House. The following are the figures for the week ending April 19:

INSTITUTIONS NOT IN CLEARING HOUSE WITH CLOSING OF BUSINESS FOR THE WEEK ENDED FRIDAY, APRIL 19 1929.

NATIONAL AND STATE BANKS—Average Figures.

	Loans.	Gold.	Oth. Cash, Including Bk. Notes	Res. Dep. N. Y. and Elsewhere	Dep. Other Banks and Trust Cos	Gross Deposits
Manhattan—						
Bank of U. S.	\$ 192,962,000	\$ 32,000	\$ 3,039,600	\$ 29,012,100	\$ 1,919,400	\$ 189,017,000
Bryant Park Bank	2,035,300	91,600	139,800	57,800	—	16,870,940
Chelsea B'ch. Bk.	24,074,000	—	1,798,000	1,671,000	—	23,246,000
Grace National	17,387,600	3,500	108,400	1,490,200	1,683,000	15,723,600
Port Morris	3,890,600	30,000	88,300	216,000	—	3,630,400
Public National	131,348,000	26,000	1,874,000	8,457,000	11,358,000	128,927,000
Brooklyn—						
Nassau National	22,293,000	105,000	289,000	1,785,000	682,000	21,519,000
Peoples National	8,300,000	5,000	117,000	576,000	98,000	8,000,000
Traders National	2,612,500	—	53,500	333,300	32,800	2,181,800

TRUST COMPANIES—Average Figures.

	Loans.	Cash.	Res'ee Dep. N. Y. and Elsewhere.	Depos. Other Banks and Trust Cos.	Gross Deposits
Manhattan—					
American	\$ 53,712,900	\$ 774,700	\$ 10,638,400	\$ 20,700	\$ 52,906,600
Bk. of Europe & Tr.	17,555,646	880,753	57,860	—	16,870,940
Bronx County	21,690,667	581,284	1,719,503	—	21,501,981
Central Union	244,805,000	*35,235,000	4,914,000	3,112,000	255,304,000
Empire	80,183,600	*5,437,200	4,127,400	3,756,600	78,165,200
Federation	17,901,673	226,275	1,353,585	284,466	18,274,745
Fulton	14,542,600	*1,936,100	269,700	—	14,045,200
Manufacturers	388,468,000	3,275,000	57,360,000	2,189,000	361,378,000
Municipal	65,914,200	1,804,800	5,123,700	94,000	63,609,300
United States	74,020,970	3,783,333	6,855,277	—	59,204,468
Brooklyn—					
Brooklyn	118,441,700	2,834,100	18,712,000	—	112,820,000
Kings County	27,716,253	1,898,741	2,227,840	—	25,369,217
Bayonne, N. J.—					
Mechanics	9,204,559	232,807	797,628	319,984	9,303,109

*Includes amount with Federal Reserve Bank as follows: Central Union, \$34,233,000; Empire, \$3,832,000; Fulton, \$1,817,500.

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.

	April 26 1929	Changes from Previous Week	April 19 1929	April 12 1929
Capital	\$ 86,550,000	Unchanged	86,550,000	86,550,000
Surplus and profits	116,024,000	Unchanged	116,024,000	116,024,000
Loans, disc'ts & invest'ts	1,125,237,000	-3,645,000	1,128,882,000	1,134,042,000
Individual deposits	674,775,000	-1,187,000	675,962,000	656,867,000
Due to banks	133,108,000	+426,000	132,682,000	135,991,000
Time deposits	265,847,000	-2,725,000	268,570,000	273,420,000
United States deposits	8,095,000	-3,375,000	11,470,000	13,801,000
Exchanges for Clg. House	34,019,000	+1,020,000	32,999,000	30,820,000
Due from other banks	84,995,000	-1,798,000	86,793,000	79,021,000
Res'ee in legal depositors	81,657,000	-132,000	81,789,000	80,867,000
Cash in bank	8,087,000	-63,000	8,150,000	8,145,000
Res'ee excess in F. R. Bk.	1,308,000	+128,000	1,180,000	1,337,000

Philadelphia Banks.—The Philadelphia Clearing House return for the week ending April 20, 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."

Beginning with the return for the week ending May 14 1928, the Philadelphia Clearing House Association discontinued showing the reserves and whether reserves held are above or below requirements. This will account for the queries at the end of the table.

Two Clghers (00) omitted.	Week Ended April 20 1929.			April 13 1929.	April 6 1929
	Members of F. R. System	Trust Companies	Total.		
Capital	\$ 59,983.0	\$ 7,500.0	\$ 67,483.0	\$ 67,483.0	\$ 67,483.0
Surplus and profits	190,044.0	16,097.0	206,141.0	206,141.0	206,077.0
Loans, disc'ts, & invest.	1,084,338.0	72,211.0	1,156,549.0	1,158,513.0	1,153,322.0
Exch. for Clear. House	40,737.0	333.0	41,070.0	41,475.0	46,776.0
Due from banks	102,389.0	13.0	102,402.0	96,371.0	103,198.0
Bank deposits	125,816.0	901.0	126,717.0	125,951.0	129,340.0
Individual deposits	643,935.0	32,722.0	676,657.0	668,470.0	667,773.0
Time deposits	219,696.0	19,145.0	238,841.0	230,810.0	229,918.0
Total deposits	989,447.0	52,768.0	1,042,215.0	1,025,231.0	1,027,031.0
Res with legal depos.	—	5,332.0	5,332.0	5,002.0	8,001.0
Res with F. R. Bank.	69,920.0	—	69,920.0	69,263.0	67,907.0
Cash in vault*	10,450.0	1,565.0	12,015.0	12,191.0	11,750.0
Total res. & cash held.	80,380.0	6,897.0	87,277.0	86,455.0	87,658.0
Reserve required	?	?	?	?	?
Excess reserve and cash in vault	?	?	?	?	?

* 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, April 25 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 2732, 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 APR. 24 1929.

	Apr. 24 1929.	Apr. 17 1929.	April 10 1929.	April 3 1929.	Mar. 27 1929.	Mar. 20 1929.	Mar. 13 1929.	Mar. 6 1929.	Apr. 25 1928.
RESOURCES.									
Gold with Federal Reserve agents.....	\$ 1,279,901,000	\$ 1,288,060,000	\$ 1,273,428,000	\$ 1,235,237,000	\$ 1,271,104,000	\$ 1,300,376,000	\$ 1,213,407,000	\$ 1,183,910,000	\$ 1,207,703,000
Gold redemption fund with U. S. Treas.	68,466,000	70,573,000	67,075,000	64,432,000	66,785,000	70,707,000	64,353,000	62,119,000	59,090,000
Gold held exclusively agst. F. R. notes	1,348,367,000	1,358,633,000	1,340,530,000	1,299,669,000	1,337,889,000	1,371,583,000	1,277,760,000	1,246,029,000	1,266,793,000
Gold settlement fund with F. R. Board	682,613,000	674,560,000	706,899,000	727,685,000	709,176,000	675,996,000	767,446,000	788,107,000	835,001,000
Gold and gold certificates held by banks	767,601,000	746,290,000	727,380,000	676,758,000	662,195,000	664,434,000	654,919,000	648,701,000	621,479,000
Total gold reserves.....	2,798,581,000	2,779,483,000	2,774,782,000	2,719,212,000	2,709,260,000	2,712,013,000	2,700,125,000	2,682,837,000	2,723,273,000
Reserves other than gold.....	174,835,000	176,490,000	175,764,000	173,309,000	169,755,000	165,778,000	160,264,000	152,755,000	162,551,000
Total reserves.....	2,973,416,000	2,955,973,000	2,950,546,000	2,892,521,000	2,879,015,000	2,877,791,000	2,860,389,000	2,835,592,000	2,885,824,000
Non-reserve cash.....	78,988,000	77,102,000	80,463,000	75,924,000	77,510,000	78,307,000	78,312,000	75,231,000	65,499,000
Bills discounted:									
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations.....	541,251,000	533,992,000	540,454,000	610,418,000	621,980,000	588,439,000	583,135,000	606,053,000	462,771,000
Other bills discounted.....	433,262,000	460,304,000	423,078,000	419,434,000	402,150,000	354,298,000	372,488,000	381,919,000	246,302,000
Total bills discounted.....	974,513,000	994,296,000	963,532,000	1,029,852,000	1,024,130,000	942,737,000	955,623,000	987,972,000	709,073,000
Bills bought in open market.....	141,175,000	141,027,000	157,317,000	174,703,000	208,427,000	236,838,000	283,101,000	304,644,000	365,841,000
U. S. Government securities:									
Bonds.....	51,602,000	51,629,000	51,612,000	51,609,000	51,611,000	51,611,000	51,618,000	51,594,000	55,237,000
Treasury notes.....	80,326,000	91,841,000	91,951,000	91,417,000	91,190,000	90,904,000	90,502,000	90,671,000	107,560,000
Certificates of indebtedness.....	17,854,000	17,959,000	22,526,000	26,032,000	27,509,000	42,836,000	23,177,000	20,699,000	141,958,000
Total U. S. Government securities.....	149,782,000	161,429,000	166,089,000	169,058,000	170,310,000	185,351,000	165,297,000	162,964,000	304,755,000
Other securities (see note).....	7,398,000	7,295,000	6,845,000	6,845,000	6,845,000	6,845,000	10,250,000	10,250,000	990,000
Foreign loans on gold.....	7,735,000	6,115,000	-----	-----	-----	-----	7,562,000	-----	-----
Total bills and securities (see note).....	1,280,601,000	1,310,162,000	1,293,783,000	1,380,458,000	1,409,712,000	1,371,771,000	1,421,833,000	1,467,030,000	1,380,659,000
Gold held abroad.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Due from foreign banks (see note).....	724,000	723,000	722,000	722,000	723,000	723,000	724,000	725,000	570,000
Uncollected items.....	680,417,000	803,693,000	661,234,000	730,174,000	673,689,000	747,690,000	754,786,000	678,483,000	633,613,000
Bank premises.....	58,739,000	58,733,000	58,729,000	58,693,000	58,693,000	58,691,000	58,691,000	58,660,000	59,489,000
All other resources.....	7,780,000	7,700,000	8,576,000	8,483,000	7,970,000	8,010,000	8,255,000	8,062,000	9,677,000
Total resources.....	5,080,665,000	5,214,086,000	5,054,053,000	5,146,975,000	5,107,312,000	5,143,043,000	5,182,990,000	5,123,783,000	5,035,251,000
LIABILITIES.									
F. R. notes in actual circulation.....	1,652,561,000	1,653,228,000	1,657,719,000	1,663,649,000	1,652,879,000	1,641,577,000	1,650,009,000	1,666,567,000	1,572,612,000
Deposits:									
Member banks—reserve account.....	2,290,218,000	2,302,392,000	2,301,940,000	2,335,304,000	2,332,181,000	2,339,544,000	2,362,567,000	2,350,497,000	2,417,377,000
Government.....	30,854,000	45,455,000	4,721,000	16,900,000	23,405,000	4,570,000	7,773,000	21,577,000	33,587,000
Foreign banks (see note).....	9,856,000	10,163,000	9,327,000	10,558,000	6,058,000	6,047,000	5,834,000	9,766,000	5,377,000
Other deposits.....	19,156,000	21,764,000	23,850,000	19,715,000	21,742,000	20,149,000	20,611,000	20,704,000	18,278,000
Total deposits.....	2,350,084,000	2,379,774,000	2,339,838,000	2,382,477,000	2,383,386,000	2,370,310,000	2,396,785,000	2,402,544,000	2,474,619,000
Deferred availability items.....	643,581,000	748,167,000	624,251,000	669,514,000	640,280,000	701,967,000	708,172,000	628,729,000	600,791,000
Capital paid in.....	155,851,000	155,133,000	154,886,000	154,307,000	154,310,000	153,730,000	152,521,000	152,118,000	137,613,000
Surplus.....	254,398,000	254,398,000	254,398,000	254,398,000	254,398,000	254,398,000	254,398,000	254,398,000	233,319,000
All other liabilities.....	24,190,000	23,386,000	22,961,000	22,630,000	22,059,000	21,061,000	21,105,000	19,427,000	16,297,000
Total liabilities.....	5,080,665,000	5,214,086,000	5,054,053,000	5,146,975,000	5,107,312,000	5,143,043,000	5,182,990,000	5,123,783,000	5,035,251,000
Ratio of gold reserves to deposits and F. R. note liabilities combined.....	69.9%	68.9%	69.4%	67.2%	67.1%	67.8%	66.7%	65.9%	67.3%
Ratio of total reserves to deposits and F. R. note liabilities combined.....	74.3%	73.3%	73.8%	71.5%	71.3%	71.7%	70.7%	69.7%	71.3%
Contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents.....	345,317,000	347,390,000	347,652,000	338,287,000	332,165,000	329,194,000	306,944,000	303,397,000	261,543,000
Distribution by Maturities—									
1-15 days bills bought in open market.....	\$ 66,626,000	\$ 62,231,000	\$ 67,504,000	\$ 79,288,000	\$ 93,984,000	\$ 124,186,000	\$ 148,860,000	\$ 145,352,000	\$ 129,797,000
1-15 days bills discounted.....	803,341,000	830,046,000	797,619,000	855,144,000	865,446,000	776,069,000	787,080,000	818,385,000	585,962,000
1-15 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness.....	5,450,000	5,010,000	1,650,000	2,420,000	2,940,000	19,275,000	794,000	1,705,000	4,100,000
1-15 days municipal warrants.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
16-30 days bills bought in open market.....	28,011,000	28,503,000	38,010,000	41,937,000	52,370,000	54,169,000	64,002,000	81,997,000	68,806,000
16-30 days bills discounted.....	45,367,000	40,490,000	44,841,000	45,810,000	40,319,000	42,865,000	45,414,000	43,094,000	26,741,000
16-30 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
16-30 days municipal warrants.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
31-60 days bills bought in open market.....	34,266,000	34,736,000	29,495,000	27,855,000	33,147,000	36,423,000	51,249,000	61,804,000	83,644,000
31-60 days bills discounted.....	67,741,000	68,164,000	65,934,000	70,143,000	65,365,000	73,860,000	69,663,000	70,834,000	59,317,000
31-60 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness.....	290,000	930,000	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	15,242,000
31-60 days municipal warrants.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
61-90 days bills bought in open market.....	9,557,000	13,048,000	20,370,000	23,489,000	26,164,000	19,123,000	14,613,000	11,504,000	82,147,000
61-90 days bills discounted.....	41,501,000	41,955,000	43,969,000	48,324,000	42,679,000	39,763,000	44,156,000	47,483,000	31,899,000
61-90 days U. S. certif. of indebtedness.....	-----	6,000	120,000	80,000	128,000	39,000	-----	-----	-----
61-90 days municipal warrants.....	102,000	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Over 90 days bills bought in open market.....	2,715,000	2,509,000	1,938,000	2,134,000	2,762,000	2,937,000	4,377,000	3,927,000	10,447,000
Over 90 days bills discounted.....	16,563,000	13,641,000	11,169,000	10,431,000	10,321,000	10,180,000	9,370,000	9,376,000	14,154,000
Over 90 days certif. of indebtedness.....	12,114,000	12,013,000	20,756,000	23,532,000	24,441,000	23,522,000	22,383,000	18,994,000	122,616,000
Over 90 days municipal warrants.....	300,000	300,000	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
F. R. notes received from Comptroller.....	\$ 2,818,819,000	\$ 2,835,968,000	\$ 2,852,048,000	\$ 2,859,913,000	\$ 2,867,384,000	\$ 2,873,578,000	\$ 2,882,693,000	\$ 2,890,834,000	\$ 2,795,282,000
F. R. notes held by F. R. Agent.....	757,167,000	767,927,000	778,767,000	796,307,000	816,637,000	824,062,000	833,452,000	823,632,000	845,835,000
Issued to Federal Reserve Banks.....	2,061,652,000	2,068,041,000	2,073,281,000	2,063,606,000	2,050,747,000	2,049,516,000	2,049,241,000	2,067,202,000	1,949,447,000
How Secured—									
By gold and gold certificates.....	\$ 366,195,000	\$ 366,995,000	\$ 366,595,000	\$ 367,595,000	\$ 367,195,000	\$ 363,195,000	\$ 363,195,000	\$ 362,645,000	\$ 415,242,000
Gold redemption fund.....	92,793,000	89,649,000	86,965,000	95,491,000	97,659,000	97,222,000	99,244,000	87,479,000	91,083,000
Gold fund—Federal Reserve Board.....	820,913,000	831,416,000	819,868,000	772,151,000	806,250,000	840,459,000	750,968,000	733,786,000	701,378,000
By eligible paper.....	1,070,905,000	1,085,927,000	1,074,128,000	1,150,767,000	1,178,676,000	1,130,676,000	1,183,273,000	1,256,975,000	1,024,456,000
Total.....	2,350,806,000	2,373,987,000	2,347,556,000	2,386,004,000	2,449,980,000	2,431,552,000	2,396,880,000	2,440,885,000	2,232,159,000

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 Federal Intermediate Credit 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 provision of Sections 13 and 14 of the Federal Reserve Act, which, it was stated, are the only items included therein.

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	\$ 7,396.0	\$ 613.0	\$ 1,495.0	\$ 401.0	\$ 846.0	\$ 356.0	\$ 302.0	\$ 1,060.0	\$ 309.0	\$ 2,000.0	\$ 1,500.0	\$ 1,250.0	\$ 750.0
Foreign loans on gold	7,735.0	613.0	2,717.0	796.0	846.0	356.0	302.0	1,060.0	309.0	2,000.0	1,500.0	1,250.0	750.0
Total bills and securities	1,280,601.0	103,151.0	312,753.0	144,392.0	119,958.0	61,649.0	79,908.0	144,203.0	57,028.0	40,355.0	61,396.0	46,422.0	109,386.0
Due from foreign banks	724.0	53.0	221.0	69.0	74.0	33.0	28.0	99.0	29.0	18.0	24.0	24.0	52.0
Uncollected items	680,417.0	68,587.0	186,535.0	56,700.0	68,163.0	47,944.0	21,569.0	82,872.0	30,591.0	12,718.0	36,830.0	30,792.0	87,116.0
Bank premises	58,739.0	3,702.0	16,087.0	1,762.0	6,535.0	3,575.0	2,744.0	8,529.0	3,929.0	2,110.0	4,140.0	1,922.0	3,704.0
All other	7,780.0	63.0	906.0	160.0	1,282.0	556.0	1,923.0	518.0	292.0	887.0	320.0	374.0	493.0
Total resources	5,080,665.0	379,452.0	1,515,846.0	370,907.0	499,295.0	202,983.0	237,813.0	787,323.0	188,887.0	140,046.0	204,113.0	152,608.0	401,392.0
LIABILITIES.													
F. R. notes in actual circulation	1,652,561.0	133,130.0	289,096.0	140,405.0	209,344.0	68,016.0	132,796.0	302,818.0	57,120.0	63,516.0	65,775.0	37,709.0	152,836.0
Deposits:													
Member bank—reserve acct.	2,290,218.0	143,715.0	903,642.0	134,701.0	178,489.0	66,276.0	65,563.0	340,857.0	78,080.0	52,563.0	89,071.0	66,483.0	170,778.0
Government	30,854.0	2,303.0	8,054.0	2,549.0	906.0	2,551.0	797.0	4,944.0	1,399.0	1,388.0	1,753.0	2,504.0	1,706.0
Foreign bank	9,856.0	429.0	5,813.0	57.0	592.0	267.0	226.0	795.0	232.0	145.0	191.0	191.0	418.0
Other deposits	19,156.0	48.0	7,165.0	29.0	1,137.0	69.0	82.0	670.0	247.0	203.0	163.0	27.0	7,089.0
Total deposits	2,350,084.0	146,495.0	924,674.0	137,836.0	181,124.0	69,163.0	66,668.0	347,266.0	82,185.0	54,299.0	91,178.0	69,205.0	179,991.0
Deferred availability items	643,681.0	65,514.0	168,551.0	51,933.0	65,003.0	45,874.0	20,723.0	76,998.0	32,069.0	11,030.0	32,929.0	31,862.0	38,095.0
Capital paid in	155,851.0	10,306.0	55,821.0	15,133.0	15,076.0	6,176.0	5,331.0	19,471.0	5,424.0	3,089.0	4,293.0	4,476.0	11,255.0
Surplus	254,398.0	19,619.0	71,282.0	24,101.0	26,345.0	12,399.0	10,554.0	36,442.0	10,820.0	7,082.0	9,086.0	8,690.0	17,978.0
All other liabilities	24,190.0	1,388.0	6,422.0	1,499.0	2,403.0	1,355.0	1,741.0	4,328.0	1,269.0	1,030.0	852.0	666.0	1,237.0
Total liabilities	5,080,665.0	379,452.0	1,515,846.0	370,907.0	499,295.0	202,983.0	237,813.0	787,323.0	188,887.0	140,046.0	204,113.0	152,608.0	401,392.0
Memoranda.													
Reserve ratio (per cent)	74.3	70.6	79.7	59.5	76.7	61.2	63.5	83.5	66.4	70.2	63.3	65.4	74.0
Contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondents	345,317.0	25,675.0	103,488.0	33,308.0	35,389.0	15,960.0	13,531.0	47,533.0	13,878.0	8,674.0	11,450.0	11,450.0	24,981.0
F. R. notes on hand (notes rec'd from F. R. Agent less notes in circulation)	409,091.0	24,567.0	121,438.0	38,866.0	31,184.0	19,370.0	31,288.0	32,934.0	10,737.0	8,837.0	11,616.0	9,376.0	68,878.0

FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE ACCOUNTS OF FEDERAL RESERVE AGENTS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS APRIL 24 1929.

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	2,818,819.0	219,772.0	734,649.0	211,171.0	270,475.0	107,457.0	219,644.0	413,872.0	80,147.0	89,497.0	101,801.0	62,217.0	308,114.0
F. R. notes held by F. R. Agent	757,167.0	62,075.0	324,115.0	31,900.0	29,950.0	20,071.0	55,560.0	78,120.0	12,290.0	17,144.0	24,410.0	15,132.0	86,400.0
F. R. notes issued to F. R. Bank	2,061,652.0	157,697.0	410,534.0	179,271.0	240,528.0	87,386.0	164,084.0	335,752.0	67,857.0	72,353.0	77,391.0	47,085.0	221,714.0
Collateral held as security for F. R. notes issued to F. R. Bk.													
Gold and gold certificates	366,195.0	35,300.0	171,880.0	8,800.0	47,200.0	6,690.0	24,350.0	-----	8,050.0	14,167.0	-----	14,758.0	35,000.0
Gold redemption fund	92,793.0	18,625.0	14,323.0	11,214.0	12,205.0	6,729.0	4,134.0	1,246.0	3,503.0	1,884.0	3,304.0	2,812.0	12,814.0
Gold fund—F. R. Board	820,913.0	23,000.0	95,000.0	51,257.0	95,000.0	24,000.0	61,000.0	266,000.0	8,000.0	33,000.0	46,360.0	6,000.0	112,296.0
Eligible paper	1,070,905.0	98,039.0	272,169.0	108,751.0	90,698.0	55,777.0	75,376.0	114,973.0	48,675.0	29,150.0	49,309.0	33,077.0	94,911.0
Total collateral	2,350,806.0	174,964.0	553,372.0	180,022.0	245,103.0	93,196.0	164,860.0	382,219.0	68,228.0	78,201.0	98,973.0	56,647.0	255,021.0

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 member banks in 101 cities 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 3475. The comment of the Reserve Board upon the figures for the latest week appears in our department of "Current Events and Discussions," on page 2732 immediately preceding which we also give the figures of New York and Chicago reporting member banks for a week later.

Beginning with the statement of Jan. 9 1929, the loan figures exclude "Acceptances of other banks and bills of exchange or drafts sold with endorsement," and include all real estate mortgages and mortgage loans held by the bank. Previously acceptances of other banks and bills sold with endorsement were included with loans, and some of the banks included mortgages in investments. Loans secured by U. S. Government obligations are no longer shown separately, only the total of loans on securities being given. Furthermore, borrowings at the Federal Reserve are not any more subdivided to show the amount secured by U. S. obligations and those secured by commercial paper, only a lump total being given. The number of reporting banks is now omitted; in its place the number of cities included has been substituted. The figures have also been revised to exclude a bank in the San Francisco district, with loans and investments of \$135,000,000 on Jan. 2, which recently merged with a non-member bank. The figures are now given in round millions instead of in thousands.

PRINCIPAL RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES OF WEEKLY REPORTING MEMBER BANKS IN EACH FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICT AS AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON APRIL 17 1929. (In millions 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	\$ 22,340	\$ 1,506	\$ 8,511	\$ 1,261	\$ 2,197	\$ 680	\$ 647	\$ 3,319	\$ 710	\$ 381	\$ 685	\$ 500	\$ 1,943
Loans—total	16,431	1,120	6,329	937	1,522	522	512	2,593	529	254	448	365	1,301
On securities	7,355	471	3,106	521	699	196	149	1,230	237	82	145	105	413
All other	9,076	649	3,224	415	823	326	363	1,363	292	173	303	259	887
Investments—total	5,909	386	2,181	325	676	158	135	726	181	127	237	135	643
U. S. Government securities	3,020	187	1,191	105	325	73	65	342	71	69	113	95	382
Other securities	2,890	198	990	220	350	85	70	385	109	58	124	40	260
Reserve with F. R. Bank	1,671	98	772	81	122	40	40	249	45	24	57	35	109
Cash in vault	227	16	63	14	28	11	9	36	6	6	11	8	19
Net demand deposits	13,118	901	5,804	710	1,019	353	329	1,844	380	215	492	302	770
Time deposits	6,779	466	1,701	285	962	242	228	1,234	232	131	179	143	976
Government deposits	165	7	2	8	13	5	8	20	2	1	2	11	16
Due from banks	1,138	52	148	64	105	48	74	248	56	45	107	58	134
Due to banks	2,725	112	959	159	204	97	106	439	116	76	187	85	186
Borrowings from F. R. Bank	729	50	209	69	72	31	45	87	36	18	27	15	69

*Subject to correction.

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 April 24 1929, in comparison with the previous week and the corresponding date last year:

	Apr. 24 1929.	Apr. 17 1929.	Apr. 25 1928.		Apr. 24 1929.	Apr. 17 1929.	Apr. 25 1928.
Resources—				Resources (Concluded)—			
Gold with Federal Reserve Agent	\$ 281,203,000	\$ 281,344,000	\$ 228,393,000	Gold held abroad	-----	-----	-----
Gold redemp. fund with U. S. Treasury	12,037,000	12,608,000	16,294,000	Due from foreign banks (See Note)	221,000	220,000	217,000
Gold held exclusively agst. F. R. notes	293,240,000	293,952,000	244,687,000	Uncollected items	186,535,000	227,407,000	173,644,000
Gold settlement fund with F. R. B. and	148,267,000	167,376,000	314,345,000	Bank premises	16,087,000	16,087,000	16,548,000
Gold and gold certificates held by bank	473,348,000	469,035,000	387,244,000	All other resources	906,000	920,000	1,896,000
Total gold reserves	914,855,000	930,363,000	946,276,000	Total resources	1,515,846,000	1,561,955,000	1,583,825,000
Reserves other than gold	52,170,000	52,977,000	32,966,000	LIABILITIES—			
Total reserves	967,025,000	983,340,000	979,242,000	Fed'l Reserve notes in actual circulation	289,096,000	289,592,000	335,683,000
Non-reserve cash	32,319,000	30,711,000	19,762,000	Deposits—Member bank, reserve acct.	903,642,000	905,479,000	971,935,000
Bills discounted	175,218,000	150,882,000	173,310,000	Government	8,054,000	14,772,000	3,970,000
Secured by U. S. Govt. obligations	87,651,000	109,121,000	69,307,000	Foreign bank (See Note)	5,813,000	6,120,000	714,000
Other bills discounted	262,869,000	260,003,000	242,617,000	Other deposits	7,165,000	7,365,000	8,881,000
Total bills discounted	282,869,000	260,003,000	242,617,000	Total deposits	924,674,000	933,736,000	985,500,000
Bills bought in open market	25,999,000	20,093,000	95,264,000	Deferred availability items	168,551,000	205,161,000	152,881,000
U. S. Government securities—				Capital paid in	55,821,000	55,830,000	42,545,000
Bonds	1,384,000	1,384,000	1,434,000	Surplus	71,282,000	71,282,000	63,007,000
Treasury notes	10,239,000	13,137,000	14,742,000	All other liabilities	6,422,000	6,354,000	4,209,000
Certificates of indebtedness	5,450,000	5,010,000	38,459,000	Total liabilities	1,515,846,000	1,561,955,000	1,583,825,000
Total U. S. Government securities	17,073,000	19,531,000	54,635,000	Ratio of total reserves to deposit and Fed'l Reserve note liabilities combined	79.7%	80.4%	74.1%
Other securities (see note)	1,495,000	1,495,000	-----	Contingent liability on bills purchased for foreign correspondence	103,489,000	105,561,000	72,730,000
Foreign Loans on Gold	2,717,000	2,148,000	-----				
Total bills							

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Railroad and Miscellaneous Stocks.—The review of the Stock Market is given this week on page 2753.

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

Table with columns: STOCKS, Week Ended Apr. 26, Sales for Week, Range for Week (Lowest, Highest), Range Since Jan. 1. (Lowest, Highest). Includes sections for Railroads, Indus. & Misc., and Bank, Trust & Insurance Co. Stocks.

New York City Realty and Surety Companies.

Table with columns: Bid, Ask, Company Name, Bid, Ask. Lists various realty and surety companies like Allance R'ty, Amer Surety, Bond & M.G., etc.

New York City Banks and Trust Companies.

Table with columns: Bid, Ask, Company Name, Bid, Ask. Lists various banks and trust companies like Banks-N.Y., Ameria, Amer Union, etc.

*State banks. †New stock. ‡Ex-dividend. §Ex-stock div. ¶Ex-rights.

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.

Table with columns: Daily Record of U. S. Bond Prices, Apr. 20, Apr. 22, Apr. 23, Apr. 24, Apr. 25, Apr. 26. Includes sections for First Liberty Loan, Second converted, Fourth Liberty Loan, and Treasury.

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

Table with columns: Maturity, Price, Volume. Shows sales for 6 1st 4 1/8s and 1 4th 4 1/8s.

Foreign Exchange.

To-day's (Friday's) actual rates for sterling exchange were 4.84 1/2 @ 4.84 15-16 for checks and 4.85 1/2 @ 4.85 3/4 for cables. Commercial on banks sight, 4.84 1/2 @ 4.84 13-16; sixty days 4.80 1/2; ninety days, 4.78 1/2 @ 4.78 3-16 and documents for payments, 4.79 1/2 @ 4.80 1/4. Cotton for payment, 4.83 1/2, and grain for payment, 4.83 1/4.

The Curb Market.—The review of the Curb Market is given this week on page 2756.

A complete record of Curb Market transactions for the week will be found on page 2785.

Quotations for U. S. Treas. Cfts. of Indebtedness, &c.

Table with columns: Maturity, In't. Rate, Bid, Asked, Maturity, In't. Rate, Bid, Asked. Lists various Treasury certificates.

Report of Stock Sales—New York Stock Exchange

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For sales during the week of stocks not recorded here, see preceding page.

HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT.

Saturday, April 20.	Monday, April 22.	Tuesday, April 23.	Wednesday, April 24.	Thursday, April 25.	Friday, April 26.
\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share
1984 1984	1984 1984	1984 1984	1984 1984	1984 1984	1984 1984
*103 103	*103 103	103 103	103 103	103 103	103 103
*179 180	179 180	179 180	179 180	179 180	179 180
121 121	121 122	121 122	121 122	121 122	121 122
*78 79	*78 79	78 79	78 79	78 79	78 79
65 65	65 66	65 66	65 66	65 66	65 66
106 106	*106 107	107 107	107 107	106 106	*106 107
85 85	86 86	86 86	86 86	87 87	88 88
65 65	65 66	66 66	65 66	65 66	65 66
*85 87	*84 87	*78 86	*80 87	*80 87	*80 87
28 28	28 28	29 31	30 31	29 29	30 30
*62 70	*62 70	65 72	*62 72	*62 72	*62 72
*55 58	*55 58	*55 58	*55 58	*55 58	*55 58
235 236	236 240	238 240	239 240	239 241	238 241
98 98	98 98	98 98	99 99	*98 99	*98 99
225 225	225 225	225 225	224 225	224 225	225 225
15 15	*15 15	15 15	15 15	*14 15	*14 15
18 18	18 19	19 19	18 19	19 19	19 19
*32 40	*34 40	*32 40	*32 40	*32 40	*32 40
*52 60	*54 60	*56 60	*55 60	*52 56	*54 54
18 18	18 19	18 19	18 18	18 18	18 18
51 51	52 53	52 53	52 53	51 52	51 52
32 32	31 32	32 32	31 32	31 32	31 32
53 53	53 54	53 54	53 54	53 53	53 54
83 83	84 84	84 84	85 85	84 84	83 84
*130 134	*130 134	*130 134	134 134	136 136	*135 140
*125 126	126 126	125 126	125 125	125 125	124 125
*106 107	106 106	*106 107	107 107	*106 107	*106 107
*100 101	100 100	100 100	101 101	100 100	100 100
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*77 79	*77 79	77 79	77 79	77 79	77 79
70 70	70 71	71 71	*68 71	68 71	68 71
*62 65	*62 65	63 63	64 64	63 63	63 63
*70 75	70 70	*68 70	*68 70	*68 70	*68 70
187 188	186 187	187 189	186 188	186 187	187 190
*124 124	124 124	124 125	123 124	124 124	123 123
*65 67	*65 67	67 68	68 70	68 68	69 69
*3 4	*3 4	*3 3	*3 3	*3 3	*3 3
*5 6	*5 6	*5 6	*5 6	*5 6	*5 6
70 71	71 72	71 73	72 73	71 72	71 73
60 60	60 60	60 60	60 60	60 60	60 60
*57 58	58 58	58 59	58 59	58 58	58 58
*104 105	*103 104	104 104	105 105	104 105	104 105
*103 105	103 104	103 103	*102 103	103 103	103 103
45 45	45 47	*46 47	46 47	46 47	48 49
*96 98	*96 98	*96 98	98 98	97 98	99 99
111 111	*108 112	*108 108	110 113	*10 112	108 108
*73 80	*74 80	73 73	*74 80	*74 74	*74 75
*400 410	*382 400	*395 410	*382 410	*395 410	*395 410
*42 43	42 42	41 42	42 42	43 44	42 43
*74 76	*74 76	74 76	74 76	74 74	74 74
*186 187	186 187	186 187	187 187	187 187	187 187
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*43 46	*43 46	*43 46	*43 46	*43 46	*43 46
*73 74	*73 74	*74 74	*74 74	*74 74	*74 74
*31 34	*31 34	*31 34	31 32	*31 32	*31 32
83 85	83 83	84 85	85 85	84 85	84 85
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33 34	34 35	35 36	36 37	35 37	35 37
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*36 40	*36 42	*36 42	*36 42	*36 42	*36 42
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46 46	46 47	47 47	49 51	50 52	48 49
103 103	104 104	104 104	104 104	104 107	106 106
79 81	80 81	80 82	80 82	81 83	82 85
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190 191	192 194	191 191	*191 191	193 193	191 191
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*134 136	135 136	137 138	138 139	137 137	137 138
*107 108	107 108	108 108	108 108	108 108	108 108
*300 310	300 310	*300 310	305 310	*300 315	*300 315
98 98	97 100	99 102	100 102	99 102	100 103
116 116	116 117	117 118	117 118	117 118	117 118
27 27	27 28	27 28	28 28	27 27	27 29
*5 6	*5 6	*5 6	*5 6	*5 6	*5 6
*24 30	*23 30	25 25	*25 26	24 24	24 24
*38 42	*38 41	40 40	41 42	*38 40	39 39
196 196	196 196	197 197	197 198	196 196	196 196
*84 86	*84 86	84 84	84 86	84 85	84 86
101 102	102 102	102 103	102 103	101 103	101 103
100 100	100 100	100 101	100 101	101 101	100 101
*28 32	*28 32	*28 32	*28 32	*28 32	*28 32
*30 44	*35 44	*38 43	*38 44	*38 44	*38 44
*29 30	29 30	29 30	29 30	29 30	29 30
76 77	77 77	77 78	78 81	81 83	81 82
*28 33	*28 32	*28 32	*28 32	*28 32	*28 32
*155 160	155 159	*155 160	159 159	159 159	159 159
*97 99	*97 98	98 98	*97 98	98 98	98 99
*90 93	*90 93	*92 93	93 93	93 93	94 94
*49 51	*49 51	*49 51	*49 51	*49 51	*49 51
130 131	128 130	129 129	129 132	130 131	129 130
105 106	106 107	107 108	106 108	106 108	105 108
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*44 45	*45 47	*45 47	*45 47	*45 47	*45 47
*65 68	67 67	*67 69	67 68	*67 68	*67 68
113 113	112 112	113 113	113 113	113 113	113 113
93 94	93 94	93 94	94 95	95 95	95 95
101 101	*101 101	100 103	*102 102	102 102	*100 101
*91 93	*92 93	*92 93	*92 93	93 94	94 94

STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE	Shares	PER SHARE Range Since Jan. 1. On basis of 100-share lots		PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1928	
		Lowest	Highest	Lowest	Highest
Ach Topeka & Santa Fe.....	100	20 1/2	20 1/2	18 1/2	20 1/2
Preferred.....	100	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Atlantic Coast Line RR.....	100	16 1/2	16 1/2	15 1/2	16 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio.....	100	11 1/2	11 1/2	10 1/2	11 1/2
Preferred.....	100	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2
Bangor & Aroostook.....	50	65	65	65	65
Preferred.....	100	105	105	110 1/2	104 1/2
Boston & Maine.....	100	85	85	85	85
Bklyn-Manh Tran v t c.....	No par	64	64	81 1/2	53 1/2
Preferred v t c.....	No par	84	84	92 1/2	82
Brunswick Term & Ry Sec.....	100	25 1/2	25 1/2	44 1/2	14 1/2
Buffalo & Susquehanna.....	100	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2
Preferred.....	100	53 1/2	53 1/2	65 1/2	38
Canadian Pacific.....	100	25 1/2	25 1/2	26 1/2	19 1/2
Car Clinch & Ohio cts' d 100	100	97	97	97	98
Chesapeake & Ohio.....	100	210	210	229 1/2	175 1/2
Preferred.....	100	213 1/2	213 1/2	216	216
Chicago & Alton.....	100	11 1/2	11 1/2	19 1/2	5 1/2
Preferred.....	100	16	16	25 1/2	7 1/2
Chic & East Illinois RR.....	100	34	34	43	37
Preferred.....	100	54 1/2	54 1/2	66 1/2	58
Chicago Great Western.....	100	14 1/2	14 1/2	23 1/2	9 1/2
Preferred.....	100	46 1/2	46 1/2	63 1/2	20 1/2
Chicago Milw St Paul & Pac.....	100	31	31	39 1/2	22 1/2
Preferred new.....	100	50 1/2	50 1/2	63 1/2	37
Chicago & North Western.....	100	8 1/2	8 1/2	9 1/2	7 1/2
Preferred.....	100	134	134	145	135
Chicago Rock Isl & Pacific.....	100	122 1/2	122 1/2	139 1/2	106
7% preferred.....	100	105 1/2	105 1/2	108 1/2	105
6% preferred.....	100	100	100	102 1/2	99 1/2
Colorado & Southern.....	100	109 1/2	109 1/2	122	105
First preferred.....	100	75	75	80	67
Second preferred.....	100	64	64	72	59
Consol RR of Cuba pref.....	100	62 1/2	62 1/2	70 1/2	58 1/2
Cuba RR pref.....	100	70	70	81	79
Delaware Lack & Western.....	100	182	182	207 1/2	163 1/2
Delaware Lack & Western.....	100	123 1/2	123 1/2	134 1/2	125 1/2
Deny & Rio Gr West pref.....	100	54 1/2	54 1/2	77 1/2	50 1/2
Duluth So Shore & Atl.....	100	3	3	4 1/2	3
Preferred.....	100	5	5	7 1/2	4 1/2
Erie.....	100	64	64	78	48 1/2
First preferred.....	100	57	57	64	50
Second preferred.....	100	56	56	60 1/2	49 1/2
Great Northern preferred.....	100	102	102	115 1/2	93 1/2
Pref certificates.....	100	100 1/2	100 1/2	112	91 1/2
Gulf Mobile & Northern.....	100	43 1/2	43 1/2	59	43
Preferred.....	100	97 1/2	97 1/2	103	99
Havana Electric Ry.....	No par	7	7	11 1/2	7
Preferred.....	100	55	55	73	51
Hocking Valley.....	375	78	78	85	73

For sales during the week of stocks not recorded here, see second page preceding.

Table with columns: HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT. (Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, April 20-26); Sales for the Week; STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE (Railroads (Con.), Industrial & Miscellaneous); PER SHARE Range Stocks Jan. 1. (Lowest, Highest); PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1928 (Lowest, Highest). Rows list various stocks like Seaboard Air Line, Southern Pacific Co., etc.

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. z Ex-dividend. y Ex-rights.

For sales during the week of stocks not recorded here, see third 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 rows for various stock prices per share.

Main table listing stock companies (e.g., Art Metal Construction, Associated Oil, Atlas Powder) with columns for Shares, Stock Exchange, Per Share (Lowest/Highest), and Per Share Range for Previous Year (Lowest/Highest).

* Bid asked price; no sale on this day. † Ex-dividend of 100% in com. stock. ‡ Ex-dividend. § Ex-rights. ¶ Shillings. †† Ex-div. and ex-rights.

For sales during the week of stocks not recorded here, see fourth page preceding.

Table with columns: HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT. (Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, April 20-26); Sales for the Week; STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE (Indus. & Miscel. (Con.) Par); PER SHARE Range Since Jan. 1. (Lowest, Highest); PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1928 (Lowest, Highest). Rows list various stocks like Consolidated Textile, Container Corp, Class B voting, etc.

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. z Ex-dividend. y Ex-rights.

For sales during the week of stocks not recorded here, see fifth page preceding

HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT.

Table with columns for days of the week (Saturday to Friday) and price ranges per share. Includes various stock symbols and prices.

Table with columns for 'STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE' and 'PER SHARE Range Since Jan. 1.' and 'PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1928'. Lists various stocks and their price ranges.

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. Ex-dividend. Ex-rights. Old stock.

For sales during the week of stocks not recorded here, see sixth page preceding.

Table with columns: HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT. (Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday); STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE; PER SHARE Range Since Jan. 1.; PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1928. Includes stock names like Loose-Wiles Biscuit, Lorillard, and various oil and metal stocks.

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. s Ex-dividend. g Ex-rights. o Old stock. d Ex-dividend 300% in stock.

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For sales during the week of stocks not recorded here, see seventh 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. On basis of 100-share lots		PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1928	
Saturday, April 20.	Monday, April 22.	Tuesday, April 23.	Wednesday, April 24.	Thursday, April 25.	Friday, April 26.		Shares	Indus. & Miscell. (Con.) Par	Lowest	Highest	Lowest	Highest
\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share					\$ per share	\$ per share	\$ per share
16 1/8	17 1/2	17 3/8	17 3/8	17 3/8	17 3/8	1,900	Peerless Motor Car.....50	22 1/2	Jan 11	14 1/8	Sept 25 1/2	
56 1/8	57 5/8	56 3/4	54 1/2	55 1/2	53 1/2	12,700	Penick & Ford.....No par	38	Jan 2	22 1/2	Jan 11	
*105 1/4	108 7/8	*106	105 1/4	105 1/4	108 7/8	20	Preferred.....100	110	Apr 2	103	Oct 11 1/2	
20 1/4	20 3/4	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	900	Penn Coal & Coke.....50	8 1/8	Mar 28	8	Aug 14 1/2	
83	83	*82 1/2	81 1/2	82 1/2	81 1/2	13,500	Penn-Dixie Cement.....No par	17	Mar 26	14 1/2	July 31 1/2	
*258	262	*260 1/2	*260 1/2	*260 1/2	259 1/2	100	Preferred.....100	94	Jan 22	75	Sept 9 1/2	
*34	35	*34 3/5	35	35 1/2	*35 1/2	2,900	People's G L & C (Chgo).....100	208	Jan 11	287 1/2	Mar 14	
*158	162	*158 1/2	*155 1/2	*159 1/2	*157 1/2	500	Philadelpia Co (Pittsb).....50	33 1/2	Apr 10	45 1/2	Jan 3	
*49	49 1/2	*49	49	49	49	20	5% preferred.....50	48 1/2	Jan 15	49	Mar 16	
52 1/2	52 1/2	*52 1/2	52 1/2	52 1/2	52 1/2	700	6% preferred.....50	51	Apr 1	54	Mar 18	
20 1/4	20 1/2	20 1/4	20 1/4	20 1/2	20 1/2	6,900	Phila & Read C & I.....No par	20 1/8	Apr 19	34	Jan 8	
15 1/4	16 1/8	15 1/2	15 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	12,900	Phillip Morris & Co., Ltd.....100	14 1/4	Apr 26	23 1/2	Feb 25	
*82 1/2	90	*85	90	90	90	140	Phillips Jones pref.....100	88 1/4	Jan 17	92	Apr 23	
42 1/2	44 3/8	42 1/2	43 1/2	42 1/2	43 1/2	20,500	Phillips Petroleum.....No par	37 1/2	Mar 8	47	Jan 3	
*25	28	*24	27 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	400	Phoenix Hosiery.....5	25	Apr 11	37 1/2	Jan 22	
*94	96 1/2	*94	96 1/2	95	95	130	Preferred.....100	95	Apr 25	100	Jan 6	
31 1/8	31 7/8	32 1/4	32 1/4	32 3/8	32 3/8	14,800	Pierce-Arrow Class A.....No par	27 1/2	Mar 25	37 1/2	Jan 9	
*83 1/4	83 1/2	83	84 1/8	84	84 1/4	8,500	Preferred.....100	72 1/2	Jan 2	86 1/2	Jan 9	
2 1/8	3	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	9,100	Pierce Oil Corporation.....25	2 1/4	Feb 8	3 1/2	Mar 18	
*46	48	46	46 1/2	45 1/2	46 1/2	1,400	Preferred.....100	30	Jan 8	51 1/2	Mar 18	
4 1/8	5	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	26,100	Pierce Petrol'm.....No par	43	Apr 25	57 1/2	Jan 15	
51	51 1/8	50 7/8	51 1/4	51 1/2	51 1/2	6,700	Pillsbury Flour Mills.....No par	48 1/4	Mar 26	63 1/2	Jan 15	
							Preferred.....100	150 1/4	Jan 14	108	Jan 14 1/2	
*62 1/2	62	*61	62 1/2	61 1/2	62 1/2	300	Pittsburgh Coal of Pa.....100	61	Mar 27	83 1/4	Jan 9	
*87	89	*87	89	*87	88	200	Preferred.....100	87	Apr 26	100	Jan 5	
*20	25	*20	25	*20	25	200	Pitts Terminal Coal.....100	24	Apr 6	34 1/2	Jan 9	
*52 1/2	59 1/2	*52 1/2	59 1/2	*52 1/2	59 1/2		Preferred.....100	60	Apr 2	78 1/4	Jan 9	
87	87 1/4	87 1/8	89	86 1/2	88 1/2	2,100	Porto Rican-Am Tob cl A.....100	77	Jan 11	95 1/4	Mar 15	
45 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2	46 1/4	45	46	5,800	Class B.....No par	36	Jan 4	50 1/4	Jan 2	
*102	102 3/4	102 1/2	102 3/4	102 1/2	102 1/2	500	Postal Tel & Cable pref.....100	102	Mar 26	105	Jan 31	
71	71 3/4	71 3/4	73 1/8	73 1/8	74 1/8	376,500	Postum Co, Inc.....No par	62 1/4	Mar 26	78 1/2	Jan 2	
60 1/2	61 1/4	61 1/8	61 1/4	60 1/4	61 1/4	8,100	Prairie Oil & Gas.....25	58	Jan 30	65 1/2	Jan 2	
56 1/2	57	56 1/2	56 7/8	57	56 1/2	43,700	Prairie Pipe & Line.....25	53 1/2	Jan 14	60	Feb 25	
21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	10,700	Pressed Steel Car.....No par	19 1/2	Feb 18	25 1/2	Mar 22	
79 1/2	79 1/2	80	79	80	79 1/2	4,500	Preferred.....100	74 1/2	Feb 16	81	Mar 27	
22	23 1/2	22	22 1/2	21 1/2	22 1/2	4,800	Producers & Refiners Corp.....50	18 1/4	Feb 16	25 1/2	Jan 3	
*41 1/4	44	*40 1/2	43	43	43	220	Preferred.....100	38 1/4	Feb 20	46 1/2	Mar 21	
*60 1/8	63	*60 1/8	63	65	63	62,500	Publ Corp of N J.....No par	59	Mar 16	82 1/4	Jan 14	
81 1/8	82 1/2	83	84 1/2	83 1/2	85 1/2	600	6% preferred.....100	104	Jan 5	108 1/2	Feb 5	
104 1/4	104 1/4	104	104 1/4	104 1/4	104 1/4	1,300	7% preferred.....100	118	Apr 26	124 1/2	Jan 3	
119 7/8	119 7/8	119	120	119	120	800	8% preferred.....100	145	Apr 17	150 1/2	Mar 15	
*107 1/2	108	*107 1/2	109	108 1/2	108 1/2	200	Pub Serv Elec & Gas pref.....100	105 1/2	Apr 3	109 1/2	Mar 28	
83	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 3/8	83	84 1/8	31,400	Pullman Inc.....No par	79 1/2	Mar 26	91 1/2	Jan 9	
*17	18	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	16 1/2	17	Punta Arenas Sugar.....50	15 1/2	Feb 18	21 1/4	Jan 14	
27 1/2	28	27 1/2	28 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	78,700	Pure Oil (The).....25	23 1/2	Feb 16	28 1/2	Jan 3	
113 1/2	113	*112 1/2	114	113 1/2	113 1/2	430	8% preferred.....100	112	Jan 14	116	Feb 25	
125 1/2	127 1/4	125 1/2	128 1/2	126	127	13,400	Purity Bakeries.....100	115	Mar 26	139 1/2	Feb 4	
							Preferred.....100	68 1/4	Feb 18	109 1/2	Mar 16	
*55	55 1/2	54 1/2	55 1/2	55	55 1/2	700	Preferred.....50	54	Apr 2	57	Jan 3	
30 1/2	31 1/4	31 1/4	31 1/4	30 3/8	30 3/8	56,900	Radio Keith-Orp cl A.....No par	19	Mar 26	46 1/2	Jan 4	
74 1/2	75 1/4	75	76	73 1/2	73 1/2	3,900	Real Silk Hosiery.....10	57	Jan 7	84 1/2	Mar 4	
*98	98 1/2	98 1/4	98 1/4	98	98 1/4	50	Preferred.....100	97	Jan 5	102 1/2	Feb 8	
*12	12	12	12 1/2	12	12 1/2	300	Reis (Robt) & Co.....No par	70	Jan 28	108 1/2	Feb 6	
*70	71	*71	71	*71	71	22,100	Remington Rand.....No par	90	Mar 26	35 1/2	Feb 4	
31 1/2	31 3/4	32	31 1/4	31 1/2	31 1/2	1,100	Second preferred.....100	93	Mar 20	99 1/2	Feb 19	
*94	94 1/4	*94	94 1/4	94	94	18,700	Reo Motor Car.....100	25 1/2	Mar 26	31 1/2	Jan 3	
*94 1/2	100	*95	99 1/2	95	94 1/2	56,700	Republic Iron & Steel.....100	79 1/4	Feb 8	102 1/2	Apr 23	
28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2	27 3/4	28 1/2	27 3/4	800	Preferred.....100	108 1/2	Jan 7	115 1/2	Feb 27	
98	98 1/4	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	3,300	Reynolds Spring.....No par	7 1/2	Mar 26	12 1/4	Jan 16	
115 1/2	115	*110	113 1/2	112	112	900	Reynolds (R J) Top class B.....10	53	Mar 26	66	Jan 11	
9 1/8	9 1/8	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	300	Class A.....10	70	Apr 24	80	Mar 15	
55 1/4	56 1/2	56	56 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2	700	Rhine Westphalia Elec Pow.....50	53	Feb 26	64	Jan 2	
*70	74	*70	74	*70	75	43,700	Richfield Oil of California.....25	39 1/2	Feb 16	49 1/2	Jan 3	
44 1/2	45	44 1/2	45 1/2	45	46 1/2	35,200	Rio Grande Oil.....No par	33 1/2	Feb 21	42 1/2	Mar 28	
38 1/2	38 1/2	37 1/2	38 1/2	36 1/2	37 1/2	200	Rossia Insurance Co.....25	226	Feb 18	310	Mar 16	
*276	284	*270	281	280 1/2	279	80,600	Royal Baking Powder.....No par	30	Mar 26	43 1/4	Jan 2	
35	36 1/2	35	36 1/4	34 3/4	35	100	Preferred.....100	99 1/2	Mar 25	103 1/2	Jan 21	
52 1/2	52 1/2	52 1/2	52 1/2	51 1/2	52 1/2	4,500	Royal Dutch Co (N Y shares).....10	49 1/2	Feb 19	55 1/4	Jan 5	
67	67 1/2	67	68 1/2	67	68 1/2	12,000	St. Joseph Lead.....10	62	Jan 7	94	Jan 21	
163 1/2	164	164	166 1/2	164 1/2	166 1/2	13,900	Safeway Stores.....No par	157	Mar 26	195 1/4	Jan 4	
*95	95 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2	95	95 1/2	1,200	Preferred (7).....100	93	Apr 4	97	Jan 16	
*104 1/2	105	*104 1/2	106	104 1/2	104 1/2	1,100	Preferred (6).....100	102	Jan 16	108 1/2	Feb 6	
43	43 1/2	42 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	42 1/2	42,300	Savage Arms Corp.....No par	38 1/4	Mar 26	41 1/2	Jan 24	
23 1/2	24	23 1/2	23 1/2	21	21 1/2	610	Schultz Retail Stores.....No par	21	Apr 24	41 1/2	Jan 8	
100	101	99 1/2	100	98 1/2	97 1/2	8,600	Seagrave Corp.....No par	15 1/2	Jan 2	22 1/4	Apr 12	
17 1/2	18 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	18 1/2	48,900	Sears, Roebuck & Co.....No par	139 1/4	Mar 26	181	Jan 2	
154	157	153 1/2	160 3/8	156 1/2	157 1/2	6,500	Seneca Copper.....No par	5 1/2	Jan 2	10 1/2	Mar 20	
6 1/2	7	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6,500	Shattuck (F G).....No par	123 1/2	Jan 8	149 1/2	Apr 25	
135 1/4	140 3/8	140	143 3/8	140 1/4	143 3/8	57,700	Shell Transport & Trading.....£2	43	Jan 25	55 1/4	Jan 10	
*45 1/2	48 1/2	*46	46 1/4	*45 1/2	48 1/2	3,100	Shubert Theatre Corp.....No par	54 1/2	Mar 26	74 1/2	Jan 24	
30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2	29 1/4	29 1/4	36,400	Simmons Co.....No par	75	Mar 26	116	Jan 31	
60	60 1/4	59	62	60	62 1/2	106,710	Simms Petroleum.....10	18 1/2	Mar 26	34 1/4	Apr 24	
84 1/4	84 1/4	83 1/4	91 1/4	87 1/4	90 1/4	134,100	Sinclair Cons Oil Corp.....No par	35 1/2	Mar 26	45	Jan 2	
25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	29	30	32 1/2	800	Preferred.....100	109	Mar 26	111	Jan 29	
39 1/4	40 1/4	39 1/2	40 1/8	39	40 1/2	103,400	Skelly Oil Co.....25	32 1/2	Mar 7	46 1/4	Apr 24	
109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 3/8	109 1/2	109 1/2	100	Sloss-Sheffield Steel & Iron.....100					

For sales during the week of stocks not recorded here, see eighth page preceding.

Table with columns: HIGH AND LOW SALE PRICES—PER SHARE, NOT PER CENT. (Saturday, April 20 to Friday, April 26); Sales for the Week; STOCKS NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE; PER SHARE Range Since Jan. 1; PER SHARE Range for Previous Year 1928. Rows list various stocks like Indus. & Miscel. (Con.) Par, Teun Copp & Chem., Texas Oil, etc., with their respective prices and ranges.

* Bid and asked prices; no sales on this day. z Ex-dividends. a Ex-rights. * No par values. y Ex-rights.

Table with columns for Bond Type (e.g., Railroad, Bonds), Price (Bid, Ask, Low, High), Week's Range or Last Sale, Bonds Sold, Range Since Jan. 1, and Interest Period. The table is split into two main sections: 'BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week Ended April 26.' and 'BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE Week Ended April 26.'.

Table of N. Y. Stock Exchange bonds, Week Ended April 26. Columns include Bond description, Interest Period, Price (Bid/Ask), Week's Range (Low/High), Bonds Sold, and Range Since Jan. 1.

Table of N. Y. Stock Exchange bonds, Week Ended April 26. Columns include Bond description, Interest Period, Price (Bid/Ask), Week's Range (Low/High), Bonds Sold, and Range Since Jan. 1.

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Main table containing bond listings with columns for Bond Description, Interest Period, Price (Bid/Ask), Week's Range, Range Since Jan 1, and various other details. The table is split into two main sections: 'BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE' and 'BONDS N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE'.

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Table with columns for Bond Type (e.g., N. Y. Stock Exchange, Industrials), Price (Friday, April 26), Week's Range or Last Sale, Bonds Sold, Range Since Jan. 1, and various bond descriptions with their respective prices and terms.

BONDS										BONDS									
N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE										N. Y. STOCK EXCHANGE									
Week Ended April 26.										Week Ended April 26.									
Interest Period	Price Friday April 26.	Week's Range or Last Sale.	Bonds Sold.	Range Since Jan. 1.		Interest Period	Price Friday April 26.	Week's Range or Last Sale.	Bonds Sold.	Range Since Jan. 1.		Interest Period	Price Friday April 26.	Week's Range or Last Sale.	Bonds Sold.	Range Since Jan. 1.			
				Low	High					Low	High					Low	High		
Lower Austrian Hydro El Pow—	1944	F A	83	Sale	83	84	7	81	87 1/2	Purity Bakeries a f deb 5s—	1943	J N	92 1/2	Sale	92 1/2	92 1/2	22	89 1/2	95
1st s f 6 1/2s—	1944	F A	83	Sale	83	84	7	81	87 1/2	Remington Arms 6s—	1937	M J	97 1/2	Sale	97 1/2	98 1/2	13	97 1/2	101
McCroskey Stores Corp deb 5 1/2s—	1944	J D	99	Sale	99	99 3/4	21	98	99 3/4	Rem Rand deb 5 1/2s with war '47	1947	M S	93 1/2	Sale	92 1/2	94	44	92 1/2	95 1/2
Manhat Ry (N Y) cons g 4s—	1942	A O	60 1/2	Sale	60 1/2	61 1/2	30	59 3/4	100 1/2	Republic Brass 6s—	1945	M S	103 1/2	Sale	103 1/2	103 1/2	11	102	103 1/2
Manhat Ry (N Y) cons g 4s—	1940	A O	60 1/2	Sale	60 1/2	61 1/2	30	59 3/4	100 1/2	Repub I & S 10-30-yr 6s s f—	1940	A O	101 3/4	102 1/2	101 3/4	Apr 29	---	100 1/2	103 1/4
2d 4s—	2013	J D	59 7/8	Sale	58 3/4	Apr 29	---	58 3/4	60 1/2	Ref & gen 5 1/2s series A—	1953	J A	102	102 1/2	102	104	10	101	104
Manila Elec Ry & Lts f 6s—	1953	M S	102 3/8	104 1/4	102 1/2	Apr 29	---	97 1/2	104 1/2	Reinebe Union 7s with war. 1946	1946	J J	101 1/2	101 3/4	102 1/2	103 3/8	6	101 1/4	104 1/2
Marion Steam Shove s f 6s—	1947	A O	93	95	94	Apr 29	---	94	99 1/2	Without stk purch war—	1946	J J	94 1/2	Sale	94	94 3/4	58	94	98
Mfrs Tr Co cots of partic in	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	Rhine-Main-Danube 7s A—	1950	M S	101	Sale	101	102 1/2	6	97 1/2	102 3/4
A I Namm & Son 1st 6s—	1943	J D	101 3/4	102 1/8	102	102 1/4	8	102	105	Rhine-Westphalia Elec Pow 7s '50	1950	M N	100	Sale	100	101 1/4	8	100	102
Market St Ry 7s ser A April 1940	1940	Q J	89 3/4	Sale	89 3/4	90 1/4	17	80	97 3/8	Cons m 6s of 1928—	1953	F A	91	Sale	91	92 1/2	51	90	95 3/4
Meridional El 1st 7s—	1957	A O	96	96 1/2	95 1/2	96 1/2	4	93	97 1/2	Rima Steel 1st s f 7s—	1945	M S	93 1/2	93 3/4	93 3/4	93 3/4	9	91	95 1/2
Met Ed 1st & ref 6s ser C—	1953	J A	101 1/2	Sale	101 1/2	101 1/2	22	99 1/2	108	Rochester Gas & Ed 6s A—	1948	M S	107 1/2	Sale	107 1/2	108 1/2	7	107	110
Met West Side El (Chlo) 4s—	1938	F A	74 1/4	76	73 3/4	74	10	72	80 1/4	Gen mtg 5 1/2s series C—	1948	M S	105 1/2	106	105 1/2	105 1/2	2	103 1/2	107
Mlag Mill Mach 7s with war—	1956	J D	92 1/2	98	92 1/2	92 1/2	1	85	94 1/2	Gen mtg 4 1/2s series D—	1977	M S	100	100 1/2	99 7/8	99 7/8	1	95 1/2	100 1/2
Without warrants—	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	Roch & Pitts C & I p m 5s—	1946	M N	90	90	90	Dec 28	---	---	---
Mid-Cont Petrol Co 6 1/2s—	1940	M S	99 3/4	Sale	98 3/4	99 3/4	157	97	100 1/8	St Jos Ry Lt & Pr 1st 5s—	1937	M N	94	96	94	94	3	94	99 1/4
Midvale Steel & Co 4s ser 2—	1936	M S	98 3/4	Sale	98 3/4	98 3/4	4	97 1/2	99 1/8	St Joseph Stk Yds 1st 4 1/2s—	1930	J J	---	---	99	Feb 29	---	---	
Milw El Ry & Lts ref & ext 4 1/2s 3/1	1951	J J	99 3/4	Sale	100	98 3/4	4	100	103	St L Rock Mt & P 5s stmpd. 1955	1955	J J	68 1/2	70	70	70	4	66 7/8	77
General & ref 5s series A—	1951	J D	101 1/2	103	101	Apr 29	---	97	103	St Paul City Cable cons 5s—	1937	J J	---	93 3/8	92	Apr 29	---	---	
1st & ref 6s series B—	1961	J D	101	103	100	101 1/2	47	100	103 1/8	San Antonio Pub Serv 1st 6s. 1952	1952	J J	105 1/8	108	105 1/8	105 1/8	1	101 1/2	106 1/8
Montana Power 1st 6s A—	1943	J J	101	Sale	101	101 1/4	43	99 1/4	104	Saxon Pub Wks (Germany) 7s '45	1945	F A	98 1/2	Sale	98 1/2	99	27	96	100 1/8
Deb 6s series A—	1962	J D	99 1/4	Sale	98 3/4	99 3/8	20	97	101	Gen ref gar 6 1/2s—	1951	M N	91	Sale	91	92 1/4	30	91	94 1/4
Montecatini Min & Agric—	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	Schulco Co guar 6 1/2s—	1946	J J	91	91 1/8	92	92	1	92	101
Deb 7s with warrants—	1937	J J	112 3/4	Sale	111 1/2	113 1/4	5	111 1/2	127	Guar s f 6 1/2s series B—	1946	A O	90	Sale	90	91 7/8	9	91	100
Without warrants—	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	Sharon Elec Hoop s f 5 1/2s—	1940	M N	95 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2	14	94 1/2	97 1/2
Montreal Tram 1st & ref 6s—	1941	J J	95 1/4	95 3/4	95 1/4	95 3/4	25	95	95 3/4	Shell Pipe Line f deb 6s A—	1952	M N	95 1/2	Sale	95 1/2	95 1/2	51	93 3/8	97
Gen & ref s f 6s series A—	1955	A O	93 3/8	98	95 1/2	Apr 29	---	97	98 1/4	Shell Union Oil f deb 6s—	1947	M N	97 1/4	Sale	97 1/4	98	114	94 1/2	98 3/8
Series B—	1955	A O	93 3/8	98	95 1/2	Apr 29	---	97	98 1/4	Shinyetsu El Pow 1st 6 1/2s—	1952	J D	---	---	88 1/8	89 1/4	3	85	94
Morris & Co 1st s f 4 1/2s—	1930	F A	87 1/4	87 1/2	87	87 1/4	13	86 1/4	88 1/2	Shubert Theatre 6s. June 15 1942	1942	J D	82 1/4	83 1/2	83	83 1/2	2	82	91 1/2
Mortgage Bond Co 4s ser 2—	1942	J J	77 1/4	81 1/2	81 1/2	Jan 29	---	81 1/2	81 1/2	Siemens & Halske s f 7s—	1935	J J	100	101 1/2	100	100	3	99 1/2	105
10-25-year 6s series B—	1932	J J	96	96 3/4	95 3/4	Apr 29	---	99	97 1/2	Deb s f 6 1/2s—	1951	M S	103 1/2	Sale	103 1/2	104 3/4	64	102	108
Murray Body 1st 6 1/2s—	1934	J D	92	98 7/8	99	Apr 29	---	99	102	S f 6 1/2s allot cts 50% pd—	1951	M S	103 1/2	104	103	Apr 29	---	---	
Mutual Fuel Gas 1st gtr 5s—	1947	M N	106 1/2	103 3/4	102 1/2	Apr 29	---	102 1/2	104	Sierra & San Fran Power 6s. 1949	1949	F A	98 1/8	Sale	98 1/8	99 1/8	8	96 5/8	101
Mut Un Tel gtd 6s ext at 5% 1941	1941	M N	98	98	98	Feb 29	---	98	98	Silesian-Am Exp coll tr 7s—	1941	F A	96 3/4	Sale	96 3/4	97	9	96 1/4	99
Namm (A I) & Son—See Mfrs Tr	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	Sinmsl Petrol 6 1/2% notes—	1929	M N	99	99 1/2	99	99	23	99	100
Nassau Elec guar gold 4s—	1951	J J	56 3/4	57	57	57	2	55	64	Sinclair Cons Oil 15-year 7s—	1937	M N	102 3/8	Sale	101 1/2	102 1/8	120	98 1/2	100
Nat Acme 1st s f 6s—	1942	J D	101 1/4	102	101 1/4	101 1/4	1	101 1/4	102 1/4	1st lien 6 1/2s series D—	1930	M S	99 1/4	Sale	99	99 1/4	87	99	101 1/4
Nat Dairy Prod deb 5 1/2s—	1948	F A	96 3/8	Sale	95 3/4	97 3/8	372	101	101 1/2	Shellcr Pipe Line s f 6s—	1942	A O	94	Sale	93 3/4	94 1/4	23	94 1/2	97 3/4
Nat Enam & Stamp 1st 5s 1929	1929	J D	101	101	101	Jan 29	---	70 1/2	82 1/4	Shellcr Crude Oil 5 1/2s ser A—	1938	J J	96 7/8	Sale	96 3/4	97 1/4	32	94 7/8	97 3/4
Nat Radiator deb 6 1/2s—	1947	F A	73	Sale	72 1/2	74 1/2	10	70	82 1/4	Shellcr Pipe Line s f 6s—	1942	A O	94	Sale	93 3/4	94 1/4	23	94 1/2	97 3/4
Nat Starch 20-year deb 5s—	1930	F J	98 1/2	100	98	Jan 29	---	98	98 3/8	Skelly Oil deb 5 1/2s—	1939	M S	94 1/4	Sale	94	95 1/4	41	92	95 1/2
National Tube 1st s f 6s—	1932	M N	102 7/8	104	103 1/2	103 1/2	5	100 3/8	104 5/8	Smith (A O) Corr 1st 6 1/2s—	1933	M N	101 1/2	Sale	100 3/4	101 1/2	5	99 7/8	102 1/8
Newark Consol Gas cons 5s—	1948	J D	102	Sale	102	102	1	100 1/2	103 1/2	South Porto Rico Sugar 7s—	1941	J D	105	Sale	105	105	1	102	107
New England Tel & Tel 5s A—	1952	J D	105 1/2	Sale	105	105 1/2	6	104	107	South Bell Tel & Tel 1st s f 5s 1941	1941	J J	103 3/4	Sale	102 1/4	102 3/4	7	101	104 1/4
1st g 4 1/2s series B—	1961	M N	98 5/8	99 1/2	98 3/4	99	17	97	100 1/4	Southern Colo Power 6s A—	1947	J J	102 3/4	Sale	102 3/4	102 1/2	6	101 1/8	104 1/2
New Ork Pub Serv 1st 5s A—	1952	A O	94	Sale	93 1/2	94 1/2	41	91 1/8	96 3/4	S'west Bell Tel 1st & ref 5s—	1954	F A	103 3/8	Sale	103	103 3/8	62	101 1/2	105 1/4
1st & ref 5s series B—	1955	J D	95 1/4	Sale	94 1/4	95 1/4	31	90	90	Spring Val Water 1st g 6s—	1943	M N	97 1/4	100	98 7/8	Apr 29	---	---	
N Y Dock 50-year 1st g 4s—	1951	F A	81 1/2	83 1/2	81	82	24	81	87 3/4	Standard Milling 1st 6s—	1930	M N	99	Sale	98 3/4	99	2	98 3/4	102
Serial 5% notes—	1935	A O	84 1/2	Sale	84 1/2	87	5	80	90	1st & ref 5 1/2s—	1945	M S	101 1/2	102 1/8	102	Apr 29	---	---	
N Y Edison 1st & ref 6 1/2s A—	1941	A O	113	Sale	113	113 3/8	36	112 3/8	115 3/4	Stand Oil of N J deb 5s Dec 15 '46	1946	F A	102 1/2	Sale	102	102 1/2	57	100 1/2	103 3/8
1st lien & ref 6s series B—	1944	A O	103	Sale	103	103	18	102	105	Stand Oil of N Y deb 4 1/2s—	1951	J J	96 1/2	Sale	96 1/4	96 3/4	102 1/2	95 1/2	98
N Y Gas El Lt H & Pr 6s—	1948	J D	105	107	105	105	8	103 1/2	107 1/2	Stevens Hotel 1st 6s series A—	1945	J J	97 1/2	98	97 3/8	98	13	96	100
Registered—	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	Sugar Estates (Oriente) 7s—	1942	M S	93	Sale	93	93	13	90	98
Purchase money gold 4s—	1949	F A	92 1/8	Sale	91 3/4	92 1/8	9	91 1/2	94	Syncau Lighting 1st g 6s—	1951	J D	104 1/2	105	104 1/2	104 1/2	5	104 1/2	107
N Y L E & W C & RR 5 1/2s—	1942	M N	98 3/4	102	98	Mar 29	---	98	98	Tenn Coal Iron & RR gen 6s. 1951	1951	J J	102 1/2	---	103	Apr 29	---	---	
N Y L E & W C & RR 6s—	1943	F A	98 3/4	102															

Outside Stock Exchanges

Boston Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at the Boston Stock Exchange, Apr. 20 to Apr. 26, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

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). Rows include Railroad, Boston & Albany, Boston Elevated, Preferred, 1st preferred, 2d preferred, Boston & Maine, Ser A 1st pref unstd, Ser B 1st pf unstd, Preferred stamped, Prior preferred std, Ser A 1st pf std, Ser "B" 1st pf std, Ser C 1st pref std, Ser D 1st pf std, Boston & Providence, Chic Jct & U S Y pf, Conn & Pass Riv pf, East Mass St Ry Co, 1st preferred, Preferred B, Adjustment, Maine Central, Preferred, N Y N H & Hartford, Nor New Hampshire, Old Colony, Pennsylvania R.R., Miscellaneous—, Air Investors Inc., American Brick Co., Amer Chattillon Corp., Amer Cities Pr Lt Corp., Class A, Amer & Gen Sec Corp., Amer Pneumatic Service, Preferred, 1st preferred, Amer Tel & Tel, Amoskeag Mfg Co., Bkelow-Hartl Carpet, Preferred, Brown & Co., Capital Adm Co Ltd., Columbia Graph, Continental Securities Corp., Credit Alliance Corp, Crown Cork & Seal Co, Ltd, East Boston Land, Eastern Manufacturing, Eastern SS Lines Inc., Preferred, 1st preferred, Eastern Utility Inv Corp., Economy Grocery Stores, Eglee Elec Illum, Elee Shareholdings Corp., Preferred, Empj Group Assoc., Galv-Houston Elec., Preferred, General Alloys Co., Georgian Inc (The), Preferred class A, German Credit & Inv Corp, 25% 1st pref., Gilchrist Co., Gillette Safety Razor Co., Greenfield Tap & Die, Greif Bros Coop'g class A, Hathaways Bakeries class B, Preferred, Hood Rubber, Hyvred Lamp Co., Preferred, Insurance Sec Inc., Insuranshares Corp of A., Int But Hole Sew Mach., International Com., Int Hydro El Syst of A., Kidder Peab accep A pf 100, Libby McNeill & Libby, Loew's Theatres, Massachusetts Gas Co, Preferred, Mass Utilities Assn com, Mergenthaler Linotype, Mortgage Bk of Colombia, American shares, National Leather, Nat Mfrs & Stores Corp., Nat Service Co., Nelson Crp (Herman) tr etfs, New Engl Equity Corp, Preferred, New Eng Pub Service, New Eng Pub Serv pr pf, New Eng Tel & Tel., North Amer Aviation Inc., North Texas Elec pref, Pacific Mills, Plant (Thos G), 1st pf 100, Reece But Hole M Co, Reece Folding Machine, Reliance Management Corp, Roosevelt Field Inc, Shawmut Assn Con Stk., Sher Sec Corp pf allot etfs, Swift & Co., Torrington Co., Tower Mfg., Traveler Shoe Co., Tri-Continental Corp., Preferred, Union Copper Land & Min, Union Twist Drill, United Shoe Mach Corp, Preferred, U S-Brit Int \$3 pf, U S & Int'l Sec Corp., Utility Equities Corp pref, Venezuelan Mx Oil Corp 10, Waldorf Watch Inc., Waltham System pref., Waltham Watch—, Preferred, Walworth Co.

Table with columns: 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 Warren Bros, 1st preferred, Whitnights, Inc., Mining—, Areadlan Cons Min Co., Arlsona Commercial, Arnold Mining Co., Bingham Mines, 'sismet & Hecla, Cliff Mining Co., Copper Range Co., East Butte Copper Min., Franklin Mining Co., Hancock Consolidated, Helvetia, Island Creek Coal, Keweenaw Copper, Lake Copper Corp., Mason Valley, Mass Consolidated, Mayflower & Old Colony, New Central Copper, New Dominion Copper, Nipissing Mines, North Butte, Ojibway Mining, Old Dominion Co., P. C. Pochontas Co., Quincy, St Mary's Mineral Land, Utah Apex Mining, Utah Metal & Tunnel, Victoria Copper Min Co., Bonds—, Amoskeag Mfg 6s, Ernesto Bredo Co 7s., Chic Jct Ry & U S Y 5s, East Mass Street RR—, 4 3/8 series A, 5s series B, FoxNewEngTheatr's 6 1/2s, Gannet Co Inc 6 1/2s, Good Hope St & Ir 7s, Hood Rubber 7s, Int Hydro-Elec Syst 6s, Karstadt (Hud) Inc 6s, Mass Gas Co 5 1/2s, Miss River Power 6s, New Eng T & T 5s, P C Pochob Co 7s deb., Reliance Management 5s, Swift & Co 5s., Western Tel & Tel 5s, Whitnights Inc 6 1/2s.

* No par value. † Ex-dividend.

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Stocks (Continued) Par	Friday Last Sale Price	Week's Range of Prices		Sales for Week Shares	Range Since Jan. 1.		Stocks (Concluded) Par	Friday Last Sale Price	Week's Range of Prices		Sales for Week Shares	Range Since Jan. 1.			
		Low.	High.		Low.	High.			Low.	High.		Low.	High.		
Chain Belt Co com	46 1/2	47	300	46 1/2	Apr 59 1/2	Jan	Peoples L & Pr Co A com	47	47	48	350	47	Apr 58	Feb	
Cherry Burrell Corp com	49	50 1/2	250	49	Apr 58 1/2	Jan	Perfect Circle (The) Co	47	47	49	350	47	Apr 60	Jan	
Chic City & C Ry par sh	2 1/2	2	550	1 1/2	Jan 3 1/4	Mar	Pines Winterfront								
Preferred	22	25	900	18	Jan 31	Mar	Common new	75	68 1/2	75	1,950	66	Apr 75	Apr	
Certificates of deposit	22 1/2	22	700	16	Jan 25	Mar	Rights	126	116	126	400	108	Apr 126	Apr	
Chicago Corp com	26 1/2	26	8,650	18	Feb 34	Feb	Poor & Co class B com	28 1/2	27	29 1/2	5,900	22 1/2	Mar 34	Mar	
Units	66 1/2	66	33,600	65	Mar 7 1/2	Feb	Potter Co (The) com	31	30	31	650	27	Mar 40 1/2	Jan	
Chic Towel Co conv pref	95	96	200	94	Mar 97	Feb	Process Corp com	18 1/2	18	20	550	18 1/2	Apr 33	Jan	
City Radio Stores com	25	25	50	25	Apr 37	Feb	Pub Serv of Nor Ill com 100	242 1/2	242 1/2	243	90	205	Jan 245	Feb	
Club Alum Utel & St com	30	29	16,450	26 1/2	Mar 34 1/2	Feb	Common	245	241 1/2	245	226	205	Jan 245	Feb	
Coleman Lamp & St com	70	70	50	70	Apr 80	Feb	Q-R-S-De Vry Corp (The)								
Commonwealth Edison 100	236 1/2	235	237	855	209	Jan 252	Mar	Rights	3	3	3	650	3	Apr 3 1/2	Apr
Commonw Utel Corp B	37	37	38	150	35	Jan 43 1/2	Jan	New	46 1/2	45 1/2	46 1/2	3,700	45	Apr 46 1/2	Apr
Community Tel Co cum pf	27	27	50	27	Apr 35 1/2	Feb	Quaker Oats Co com	320	316	320	329	300	Apr 369	Feb	
Consol Film Ind Inc pref	30	30	100	30	Apr 30	Apr	Saytheon Mfg Co	76	69	81 1/2	19,700	53	Mar 81 1/2	Apr	
Cons Serv Co (The) etf dep	35	35	1,300	35	Mar 35	Mar	Reliance Mfg com	24	24	26	3,650	20	Mar 30 1/2	Jan	
Construction Material	32	31 1/2	1,400	27	Mar 38	Feb	Richards (Elmer) Co pref	24	24	24	200	24	Apr 28 1/2	Jan	
Preferred	46 1/2	45	46 1/2	1,500	43 1/2	Mar 55	Feb	Russ Gear & Tool com	53 1/2	49	56	5,565	45	Jan 67	Feb
Consumers Co common	10	8	10 1/2	7,350	7	Mar 13 1/2	Jan	Roed Mfg Co, com	42	42	43	550	41	Mar 44 1/2	Mar
Warrants	4	3	4 3/4	1,600	3	Mar 6 1/2	Jan	Ryan Car Co (The) com 25	12 1/2	12 1/2	100	8	Jan 18	Jan	
Crane Co, common	46	46	46	150	46	Jan 48 1/2	Jan	Sayson & Son Inc com	29	29	33 1/2	400	38	Jan 46	Feb
Curtis Mfg Co	32	32	100	30	Mar 37	Jan	Sally Frocks, Inc, com	28 1/2	28	30	1,400	28	Mar 31 1/2	Mar	
Davis Indus Inc A	10 1/2	10 1/2	1 1/2	7 1/2	Mar 17 1/2	Jan	Sangamo Electric Co	40	37 1/2	42	2,150	35 1/2	Jan 31 1/2	Jan	
Decker (Alb) & Co Inc	20	18	200	17	Apr 27	Jan	Signode Steel Strap Co	18	17 1/2	18	1,500	16 1/2	Apr 20 1/2	Jan	
De Mets, Inc, pref w th	30	30	100	30	Apr 37 1/2	Feb	Preferred	30	29	29	450	26 1/2	Apr 32 1/2	Jan	
Eddy Paper Corp (The)	25 1/2	26	150	24 1/2	Jan 28	Jan	Purchase warrants	2	2	2	250	2	Mar 4 1/2	Jan	
El Bruce Co	43	41	43	450	41	Apr 43	Apr	Monatun Tube Co com	34 1/2	33	36 1/2	23,600	27 1/2	Mar 44 1/2	Feb
El Household Utel Corp 10	44 1/2	42	45	3,850	30	Jan 49	Mar	So Solo Pow El A com 25	24	24	24	50	23	Mar 24 1/2	Feb
Elec Research Lab Inc	10 1/2	10	11 1/2	9,300	7	Mar 22 1/2	Jan	Southwest Gas & El Co							
Empire G & F Co 6% pf 100	90 1/2	90 1/2	91	250	90 1/2	Apr 96 1/2	Jan	7% preferred	100	96 1/2	96 1/2	50	96 1/2	Apr 101	Jan
6 1/2% preferred	93	93	93	50	93	Apr 97	Jan	Southwest Lt & Pow pf 100	92 1/2	94	268	87 1/2	Jan 95	Apr	
7% preferred	95 1/2	95 1/2	96	400	95 1/2	Mar 98 1/2	Mar	Spiegel, May Stern							
8% preferred	108	108	100	107 1/2	Apr 110 1/2	Jan	6 1/2% preferred	100	88	88	300	88	Apr 95	Feb	
Emp Pub Service A	25	25	26	1,400	25	Apr 26 1/2	Apr	Standard Pledge conv pf	33	32	33	1,800	28	Mar 41	Feb
Fabrics Finish'g Corp com	19	20	200	19	Apr 34 1/2	Jan	Common	31 1/2	29	32	4,750	26	Mar 39 1/2	Mar	
Federated Public's S2 pf	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	50	25	Jan 28 1/2	Mar	Standard Pub Service A	25	25	25	100	25	Apr 33 1/2	Feb
Jtz Simmons & Connel Dk								Steinbe Radio Co	34	33 1/2	35 1/2	8,550	25	Mar 49	Jan
& Dredge Co, com	61	61	62 1/2	155	57	Apr 83 1/2	Feb	Sterling Motor, pref	30	31	32	1,100	30	Mar 36	Feb
Foots Bros G & M Co	22 1/2	22 1/2	24 1/2	500	22	Mar 30	Jan	Storkline Fur conv pref 25	24	24	200	23	Mar 30	Jan	
Foote-Burt Co (The) com	49	49	50	600	47	Mar 53	Mar	Studebaker Mail or com 6	18	20	3,150	13 1/2	Jan 22	Feb	
Gen Spring Bumper A	54	52 1/2	61	13,600	38 1/2	Mar 61	Apr	Class A	25	24 1/2	26	1,500	24	Apr 30	Jan
Class B	53	52	59 1/2	8,150	37 1/2	Mar 59 1/2	Feb	Super Malt Corp com	62 1/2	61	64 1/2	1,050	50	Mar 74	Jan
Gerlach Barklow com	19	19	19	100	19	Apr 26	Feb	Sutherland Paper Co com 10	14 1/2	14 1/2	100	14 1/2	Apr 21	Jan	
Preferred	24 1/2	24 1/2	26 1/2	450	24	Mar 30	Feb	Swift & Co	130	130	130 1/2	950	129	Mar 140	Jan
Gleaner Com Harv Corp								Swift International	15	32 1/2	33 1/2	2,250	30 1/2	Mar 37 1/2	Jan
Common	100 1/2	100	101	550	90	Mar 125	Jan	Tenn Prod Corp, com	25	25	26 1/2	4,800	21	Feb 28 1/2	Jan
Godebux Sugar, Inc, et B	27 1/2	27 1/2	28	150	24	Jan 38	Feb	Time-O-St Controls "A"	32 1/2	29	32 1/2	2,550	25	Mar 39 1/2	Jan
Goldblatt Bros Inc com	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2	50	28	Mar 36	Jan	Urb St Store (The) pf 100	47	22	23	100	22	Mar 39 1/2	Jan
Great Lakes Aircraft A	24 1/2	23 1/2	25 1/2	21,700	15 1/2	Mar 32	Jan	United Chemicals Inc pf	47	47	48	850	45	Mar 67 1/2	Mar
Great Lakes Aircraft A com	24 1/2	23 1/2	25 1/2	21,700	15 1/2	Mar 32	Jan	Unit Corp of Am pref	27	27	28	250	23	Mar 37 1/2	Jan
Grishy-Grunow Co	42	42	42	100	39 1/2	Feb 42 1/2	Mar	United Dry Dks, Inc com	19 1/2	17	20	5,350	15 1/2	Apr 23	Jan
Common (new)	122	119	135	46,550	119	Apr 179 1/2	Mar	United Gas Co com	29 1/2	29 1/2	31 1/2	2,200	25	Apr 39 1/2	Jan
Gnd Grp Sh Co, Inc com	36 1/2	36 1/2	37 1/2	200	35	Feb 42 1/2	Mar	Un Repro Corp part pf A	27 1/2	27	30 1/2	1,100	23	Apr 42 1/2	Jan
Hall Printing Co com	27	26 1/2	27 1/2	1,100	23	Mar 35 1/2	Jan	U S Gypsum	20	60 1/2	61 1/2	2,450	55	Mar 72 1/2	Jan
Hart-Carter Co conv pf	27	26 1/2	27 1/2	950	24	Mar 34 1/2	Jan	25% cald	46 1/2	46 1/2	48 1/2	1,550	42	Mar 53	Feb
Hartford Times part pref	43	43	50	42	Jan 45	Feb	U S Lines Inc pref	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	2,000	17 1/2	Apr 18 1/2	Apr	
Hart Schaffner & Marx 100	174	174	20	171	Mar 190	Feb	U S Radio & Telev com	78 1/2	75	84	13,650	44 1/2	Jan 141	Feb	
Hormel & Co (Geo) com A	50	48	50	1,250	33 1/2	Jan 57 1/2	Feb	Utah Radio Products com	21 1/2	21	23	5,550	18	Mar 56	Jan
Howard-Hershey Corp A	42	40 1/2	45	8,100	34	Mar 59 1/2	Feb	Ut & Ind Corp, com	22	21 1/2	23	22,550	20 1/2	Feb 31	Feb
Class B	41 1/2	40 1/2	44	8,550	30 1/2	Mar 59	Feb	Conv, pref	27	26 1/2	27 1/2	10,900	25	Feb 31	Feb
Illinois Brick Co	26	32 1/2	33	250	32 1/2	Apr 38	Jan	Van Stocken Corp part pf A	30	29 1/2	30	450	29	Mar 36 1/2	Jan
Inland WI & Cable com 10	79	80	450	70 1/2	Mar 86	Mar	Vesta Battery Corp com 10	10	10	10	450	10	Apr 15	Jan	
Insull Util Invest Inc	41 1/2	40 1/2	42 1/2	7,650	30	Jan 53	Feb	Vogt Mfg common	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2	50	29 1/2	Mar 35	Feb
5 1/2% pref preferred	210 1/2	210 1/2	250	376	125	Jan 250	Feb	Vorelone Corp part pref	42	42	44 1/2	150	37	Mar 67 1/2	Jan
Internat Pwr Co Ltd com	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	50	27 1/2	Mar 31	Jan	Wahl Co com	19	19	19	250	19	Apr 27	Jan
Iron Fireman Mfg Co com	29 1/2	29 1/2	32 1/2	7,050	24 1/2	Jan 34 1/2	Feb	Walgreen Co 6 1/2% pf 100	102 1/2	104	100	102 1/2	Apr 105	Feb	
Irving Air Chute Co Inc								Com stock purch warr	55	55	55	50	53	Apr 78	Feb
Common	29 1/2	24 1/2	30	1,150	23 1/2	Mar 30	Apr	Warchel Corporation	23	22 1/2	24 1/2	1,060	16 1/2	Apr 26	Jan
Jackson Motor Shaft Co	31 1/2	29	32 1/2	2,050	25	Apr 40 1/2	Feb	Preferred	29	29	31	1,050	28 1/2	Mar 36	Jan
Jefferson Electric Co com	53	55	1,050	45 1/2	Jan 59	Mar	Ward (Montgomery) & Co								
Kalamazoo Stove com	96	96	104 1/2	2,750	95	Mar 131	Jan	Class A	134	134	168	50	131	Jan 134	Apr
Kellogg Switchbd com 10	14 1/2	14 1/2	17	7,050	10 1/2	Mar 19 1/2	Jan	Waynesha Motor Co com	165	168	72	165	Feb 210	Mar	
Ken-Rad Tube & Lp A com	26	23 1/2	26	7,900	20	Mar 42	Feb	Wayne Pump Co							
Keystone St & Wl com	45	46	800	40	Mar 58	Jan	Convertible preferred	38	36 1/2	38	300	35	Mar 46	Jan	
Kirsch Co conv pref	26 1/2	27	100	26 1/2	Apr 38	Jan	Westark Rad Sta Inc, com	43 1/2	43 1/2	47 1/2	2,950	38	Jan 65 1/2	Jan	
Lafayette Est Inv Co com 10	3 1/2	40 1/2	3 1/2	2,250	3 1/2	Apr 5 1/2	Jan	West P Chem & Tel part pf A	32 1/2	32 1/2	34	1,200	31 1/2	Apr 35 1/2	Jan
Lane Drug com pref	17 1/2	16	17 1/2	3,450	16	Apr 29 1/2	Jan	Wielandt Stores Inc	43	43	46	650	43	Apr 57	Jan
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Table of stock prices for various companies including Insurance Co of N A, Keystone Wash Case, Lake Superior Corp, etc. Columns include Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), and Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High).

Baltimore Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at Baltimore Stock Exchange, April 20 to April 26, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Table of stock prices for Baltimore Stock Exchange, listing companies like Arundel Corporation, Atl Coast Line (Conn), Baltimore Gas & Electric, etc. Columns include Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), and Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High).

Table of stock prices for San Francisco Stock Exchange, listing companies like Colonial Trust w i, Bonds, Baltimore City Bonds, etc. Columns include Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), and Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High).

San Francisco Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at San Francisco Stock Exchange, April 20 to April 26, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Table of stock prices for San Francisco Stock Exchange, listing companies like American Co., Anglo Calif Trust Co., Anglo & London P Nt Bk, etc. Columns include Stock Name, Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices (Low, High), Sales for Week (Shares), and Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High).

Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded) Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High).

Los Angeles Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at the Los Angeles Stock Exchange, April 20 to April 26, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Table with columns: Stocks— Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High).

Table with columns: Stocks— Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High).

* No par value.

St. Louis Stock Exchange.—Record of transactions at St. Louis Stock Exchange, April 20 to April 26, both inclusive, compiled from official sales lists:

Table with columns: Stocks— Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High).

Table with columns: Stocks (Concluded) Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High).

* No par value.

Cincinnati Stock Exchange.—Record April 20-26:

Table with columns: Stocks— Par, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1. (Low, High).

* No par value. Cleveland Stock Exchange.—See page 2756. Pittsburgh Stock Exchange.—See page 2757.

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 (April 20) and ending the present Friday (April 26). 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 April 26, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1., Stocks, Friday Last Sale Price, Week's Range of Prices, Sales for Week, Range Since Jan. 1. The table lists various stocks and their performance metrics.

Stocks (Continued) Par.	Friday Last Sale Price.	Week's Range of Prices		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range Since Jan. 1.		Stocks (Continued) Par.	Friday Last Sale Price.	Week's Range of Prices		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range Since Jan. 1.		
		Low.	Hgh.		Low.	Hgh.			Low.	Hgh.				
Hartman Tobacco com.	10	20	20	100	20	Jan 22	New Mex & Ariz Land.	100	7 1/4	7 1/4	2,200	7 1/4	Apr 9 1/2	
Hart-Parr Co com.	10	92 1/2	98 1/2	800	63 1/2	Jan 98 1/2	New Ori Gt Nor RR.	100	24	24	100	24	Apr 32	
Haystack Corp.	25	83 1/2	75 1/2	22,000	46	Jan 82 1/2	Newton Steel new.	100	101 1/4	114 1/4	12,000	66 1/4	Jan 105 1/2	
Hazel-Atlas Glass.	25	100	100	100	100	Apr 105	N Y Auction com.	100	19	19 1/4	300	18 1/4	Apr 24 1/2	
Hesseltine Corp.	25	44 1/2	49	1,200	41	Apr 54	N Y Investors.	100	43 1/2	46	3,000	36 1/2	Apr 48 1/2	
Helena Rub'ndt Inc com.	20	19	21	3,000	19	Apr 26 1/4	Niagara Share Corp.	100	41	40 1/4	3,500	25	Jan 47 1/2	
Hellman (Richard) warr.	100	119	119	10	96 3/4	Jan 130	Nichols & Shepard Co.	100	125 1/2	126 1/2	1,300	76	Jan 117 1/4	
Hercules Powder com.	100	119	119 1/2	80	115	Feb 121 1/4	Stock purchase warrants	100	103	106	300	55	Jan 106	
Preferred	100	28	28	100	19 1/2	Feb 30	Niles-Bem't-Pond com.	100	54 1/2	52 1/2	11,400	36 3/4	Mar 58 1/4	
Heyden Chemical.	100	24 1/2	24 1/2	100	23 1/2	Jan 25 1/2	Nineteen Hundred Washer	100	29	29	300	25	Mar 29 1/2	
Hires (Chas E) Co com.	100	48 1/2	49 1/2	200	33 1/2	Jan 57	Class A.	100	23	21 1/2	6,200	17	Mar 25 1/2	
Hormel (Geo A) & Co com.	100	31	31	100	30 1/2	Apr 47	Noma Electric Corp com.	100	16 1/2	16 1/2	30,000	14	Mar 24	
Horn (A C) Co com.	100	46	46	100	43 1/2	Mar 46 1/2	North American Avlation.	100	39	39	1,400	8 1/2	Apr 13	
7% 1st preferred.	50	55	55	100	55	Apr 61 1/2	North Amer Cement.	100	39	39 1/2	600	39	Mar 45 1/2	
Horn & Hardart com.	100	47 1/2	49	1,600	45	Mar 50 1/2	Northwest Engineering.	100	37 1/2	38 1/2	700	37	Apr 48 1/2	
Preferred.	100	26 1/2	26 1/2	500	23 1/2	Apr 32	Novadef-Agne common.	100	24 1/2	24 1/2	200	22 1/2	Feb 31 1/2	
Hous'd Finance part pf 50	100	90 1/2	91 1/4	200	90 1/4	Apr 100 1/4	Ohio Brass class B.	100	80 1/4	82 1/2	375	80 1/4	Apr 92	
Huyler's of Del com.	100	91 1/4	91 1/4	200	90 1/4	Apr 100 1/4	Oil Stocks Ltd.	100	15	14 1/2	1,800	14 1/2	Apr 19 1/4	
Hygrade Food Prod com.	38	37	40	2,100	34 1/2	Jan 49 1/4	Class A without warr.	100	51 1/2	58 1/2	30,300	37 1/2	Mar 58 1/2	
Imperial Chem Industries—							Oliver Farm Equip com.	100	97 1/2	100 1/2	8,200	97 1/2	Mar 104 1/2	
Am dep rets ord shs reg £1	100	8 1/4	8 1/4	100	8 1/4	Apr 11 1/4	Conv partie. stk.	100	13 1/2	14 1/2	2,000	11	Apr 14 1/2	
Imp Tob & G B & Ire.	100	27	27	200	23 1/2	Apr 33 1/2	Conv pref of A warr.	100	21	19 1/2	3,000	18 1/2	Apr 21 1/2	
Indus Finance com v t c.	100	32	38	500	32	Apr 53 1/2	Outbd Mfg Corp com.	100	13 1/2	12 1/2	14 1/2	2,000	11	Apr 14 1/2
7% cum ref.	100	78	78	75	78	Apr 91 1/2	Conv pref of A.	100	21	19 1/2	3,000	18 1/2	Apr 21 1/2	
Insur Co of North Amer.	100	80 1/2	80 1/2	2,900	77 1/2	Feb 90 1/2	Pacific Coast Biscuit pref.	100	46 1/4	44	46 1/4	300	42	Jan 46 1/4
Insurance Securities.	100	28 1/2	28 1/2	2,800	28 1/2	Mar 33 1/4	Paramount Cab Mfg com.	100	28 1/2	26 1/2	29	3,700	23	Mar 43 1/4
Internat Perfume com.	100	17 1/2	17 1/2	1,100	16 1/4	Mar 24 1/4	Parke Davis & Co.	100	49 1/2	50	400	48 1/2	Apr 58 1/2	
Internat Products com.	100	10 1/2	10 1/2	600	9 1/2	Mar 14 1/4	Parmelee Transport com.	100	24 1/2	24 1/2	7,100	24 1/2	Apr 25 1/2	
Internat Projector.	100	67	100	18,400	12 1/4	Jan 100	Pender (D) Groc cl A.	100	65	62 1/2	65	500	58 1/2	Mar 65
New when issued.	100	19 1/2	20 1/2	7,700	19 1/2	Apr 20 1/2	Penny (J C) Co com.	100	345	345	351	9,990	330	Apr 412
Internat Safety Razor B.	100	27	36 1/4	3,500	25	Feb 46	Class A preferred.	100	99 1/2	97 1/2	99 1/2	460	97 1/2	Apr 102 1/2
International Shoe com.	100	64 1/2	65	200	60	Feb 74 1/2	Penrod Corp com v t c.	100	21 1/2	21	25	20,100	21	Apr 25
Internat Text Book.	100	22	22	25	20	Jan 22	Peoples Drug Stores Inc.	100	80	81	80	600	74 1/2	Feb 84
Interstate Hosiery Mills.	100	30	30 1/2	400	30	Mar 32 1/2	Pepperell Mfg.	100	100 1/2	100 1/2	200	95	Mar 113 1/2	
Irving Air Chute com.	100	29 1/2	23 1/2	27,300	23	Apr 30 1/2	Perfect Circle Co com.	100	50	50	100	45	Apr 61 1/4	
Isotta Fraschini.	100	11	10 1/2	300	10 1/2	Apr 14 1/2	Perryman Elec.	100	20 1/2	20 1/2	13,000	20 1/2	Apr 24 1/2	
Johnson Motor.	100	51 1/2	52 1/2	1,200	33 1/2	Jan 60	Phelps Dodge Corp.	100	298	302	250	199 1/2	Jan 375	
Jonas & Naumburg com.	100	14 1/2	14 1/2	2,900	14	Apr 20	New.	100	75 1/2	71 1/2	77	42,400	70 1/4	Apr 89
\$3 cum conv pref.	100	47	47	900	47	Apr 59	Phillippe(Louis) Inc A com.	100	27	26 1/2	28	1,100	24 1/4	Apr 30
Karstadt (Rudolph) Am shs	100	20 1/2	20 1/2	900	20 1/2	Mar 24 1/2	Common class B.	100	25 1/2	25	26 1/2	1,300	23 1/2	Apr 29 1/2
Ken Rad Tube & L A.	100	16 1/4	16 1/4	100	12	Mar 17	Phil Morris Com Inc com.	100	2 1/4	2 1/4	2 1/4	1,400	2 1/4	Apr 4 1/4
Keystone Aircraft Corp.	100	39	38 1/2	5,400	31 1/2	Mar 50	Class A.	100	9	9	100	8 1/2	Jan 9 1/4	
Kimberly-Clark Corp com.	100	49	49 1/2	200	45 1/4	Apr 53 1/2	Pick (Albert), Barth & Co	100	15	15	15	6,000	15	Mar 19
Klein (D Emil) Co com.	100	24 1/2	24 1/2	100	23 1/2	Mar 28 1/2	Pref class A (partie pf).	100	80	77	81	425	53 1/2	Jan 81
Klein (H) & Co partie pf 20	100	19 1/2	20	700	19	Mar 24 1/2	Piedmont & Nor Ry.	100	3	5	200	3	Apr 5	
Kolster-Brandes, Ltd.—							Pierce Butl & Pierce Mfg 25	100	30 1/2	31 1/2	1,100	30	Mar 38 1/2	
Amer shares.	100	6 1/2	5 1/2	21,900	5 1/2	Apr 12 1/4	Pierce Governor Co.	100	49	49	49	1,000	45	Feb 52
Lackawanna Securities.	100	39 1/2	38 3/4	5,000	38 3/4	Apr 45 1/4	Piggly-Wigly Corp com.	100	27 1/2	26 1/4	29 1/2	32,100	13 1/4	Mar 30 1/4
Lake Superior Corp.	100	22 1/2	19 1/2	9,500	16 1/2	Jan 41 1/2	Peter Bowes Postage.	100	143 1/2	145	200	135 1/2	Mar 156 1/2	
Lakey Foundry & Mach.	100	30 1/2	30 1/2	2,300	30 1/2	Jan 35 1/4	Pitts & L Erie RR com.	100	66 1/2	66 1/2	100	64	Jan 76 1/4	
Land Co of Fla.	100	5 1/4	5 1/4	200	5 1/4	Jan 13	Pitts Plate Glass com.	100	27 1/2	27	31 1/2	8,200	23	Mar 31 1/2
Lazarus (F & H) & Co com.	100	41 1/2	40 1/2	1,100	38 1/2	Feb 49	Pitts Screw & Bolt.	100	5 1/2	6 1/4	400	5 1/2	Jan 7	
Leath & Co com.	100	37 1/2	37 1/2	400	36 1/2	Mar 39	Potrero Sugar com.	100	71 1/4	71 1/4	73	400	63 1/2	Jan 85
Preferred.	100	152	161 1/4	4,200	149	Apr 172	Procter & Gamble com.	100	347	347	349	200	281	Jan 370
Lehigh Coal & Nav.	100	152	161 1/4	4,200	149	Apr 172	Propper Silk Hosiery Inc.	100	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2	600	33 1/4	Apr 43
Leonard Fitzpatrick &	100	23 1/2	23	500	23	Apr 37	Pvrene Manufacturing.	100	8 1/2	7 3/4	8 1/2	700	7	Apr 9 1/4
Mueller Stores com.	100	45 1/2	46 1/2	600	44	Feb 48 1/2	Rainbow LuminousProd A.	100	35	33 1/2	35 1/2	6,400	32 1/2	Apr 85
Lerner Stores Corp com.	100	57 1/2	57 1/2	100	57	Apr 64 1/2	Reliance Bronze & Stl com.	100	22 1/2	22 1/2	23 1/2	9,000	22 1/2	Apr 23 1/2
Ley (Fred T) & Co Inc.	100	11 1/2	11 1/2	1,100	11 1/2	Mar 15	Realtors Int'l.	100	4	3 1/2	4 1/2	14,900	656	Jan 5
Libby, McNeill & Libby.	100	184	184	190 1/2	184	Apr 220 1/2	Republ Motor Tr v c.	100	42	42	43 1/2	1,700	31 1/4	Jan 52 1/2
Libby Owens Sheet Glass 25	100	19 1/2	18 1/2	4,800	18 1/2	Apr 23 1/2	Preferred.	100	73	71 1/2	73	1,400	63	Jan 79
Lily-Tulip Corp.	100	20 1/2	21	200	19	Apr 26 1/4	Richman Bros Co.	100	360	386 1/2	90	330	Mar 394	
Lit Brothers Corp.	100	15 1/2	15 1/2	200	15 1/2	Apr 22 1/2	Richmond Radiator com.	100	13 1/2	13 1/2	14 1/4	800	10 1/4	Jan 19 1/4
London Tin Syndicate.	100	12 1/2	9 1/2	18,900	9 1/2	Apr 14 1/2	7% cum conv pref.	100	32	32 1/2	1,200	29	Jan 38 1/2	
Am dep rets ord reg.	100	35 1/2	35 1/2	1,000	35	Apr 36 1/4	Riverside Forg & Mach.	100	20	20	200	20	Apr 20	
Louisiana Land & Explor.	100	36	36	100	36	Apr 38 1/4	Rolls Royce Ltd.—							
MacMarr Stores com.	100	8 1/2	9 1/4	700	8 1/2	Apr 9 1/4	Amer dep receipts reg stk	100	10 1/4	11 1/4	1,600	9 1/4	Mar 15 1/2	
Magnin (L) & Co com.	100	33 1/2	33 1/2	1,500	33 1/2	Apr 35 1/4	Roosevelt Field Inc.	100	56	55 1/2	56	7,100	15 1/2	Apr 18
Malacca Rub Plantation.	100	102 1/2	102 1/2	200	102	Apr 103	Ross Gear & Tool com.	100	8 1/2	8 1/2	200	8	Apr 29 1/2	
Am dep rets ord sh reg £1	100	19	19	200	17 1/2	Jan 20 1/2	Ross Stores Inc.	100	102 1/2	102 1/2	175	81	Jan 106	
Mangel Stores com.	100	12	12	100	12	Apr 13 1/2	Royal Typewriter com.	100	101	102 1/2	175	81	Jan 106	
6 1/2% pf with conv pur w	100	39 1/2	39 1/2	100	38 1/2	Apr 56 1/2	Rubber Planta Invest Tr.	100	10 1/2	10 1/2	600	9 1/2	Apr 10 1/2	
Manning Bowm & Co A.	100	28 1/2	28 1/2	600	28 1/2	Apr 56 1/2	Am dep rets ord sh reg £1	100	42 1/2	41 1/4	42 1/2	1,000	40 1/4	Apr 42 1/4
Class B.	100	8 1/2	8 1/2	8,600	7 1/2	Apr 11	Russeks Fifth Ave Inc.	100	35	35	35	1,500	35	Apr 35 1/4
Mapes Consol Mfg.	100	22	22	300	22	Apr 31 1/2	Safety-T-Stat Co common.	100	32 1/2	31 1/2	34 1/2	12,100	17	Feb 37 1/2
Marlon Steam Show com.	100	47	46	49	46	Apr 59	Safety Car Htg & Ltg.	100	207 1/2	208 1/2	75</			

Stocks (Concluded) Par	Friday	Week's Range		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range Since Jan. 1.		Public Utilities (Concl.) Par	Friday	Week's Range		Sales for Week. Shares.	Range Since Jan. 1.				
	Last Sale Price.	Low.	High.		Low.	High.		Last Sale Price.	Low.	High.		Low.	High.			
Stein (A) & Co com	30 3/4	30 1/2	31 1/4	1,600	28	Apr	38 1/2	Feb	110	112	100	110	Apr	114	Feb	
Preferred	93	92	93 1/2	1,000	91	Apr	99 1/2	Feb	75 1/2	69 1/2	78 3/4	31,300	52 1/2	Jan	113 1/2	Feb
Sterchl Bros Stores	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2	200	28 1/2	Apr	29	Apr	145 1/2	143	150	4,200	128	Jan	192 1/2	Jan
Sterling Securities allot cts	32 1/2	31 1/4	32 1/2	2,600	30 1/2	Mar	34 1/2	Mar	244 1/2	225 1/2	251 1/2	2,100	104	Feb	109 1/2	Jan
Stinnes (Hugo) Corp	10	10	11 1/4	200	9 1/2	Jan	16 1/2	Feb	108	108	108	1,125	205	Mar	269 1/2	Mar
Strauss (Nathan) Inc com	27 1/2	27 1/2	29	500	26 1/2	Mar	36 1/2	Feb	13 1/2	11	13 1/2	600	11	Jan	115 1/2	Mar
Strook & Co	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2	100	42 1/2	Mar	61 1/2	Feb	27	26 1/2	27	700	26 1/2	Mar	27 1/2	Jan
Stutz Motor Car	17 1/2	17 1/2	19 1/2	1,800	15 1/2	Apr	34	Jan	117	107	119 1/2	71,800	62 1/2	Jan	134 1/2	Jan
Superheater Co	160	160	160	50	159 1/2	Jan	176	Jan	118	111 1/2	121 1/2	10,700	68	Jan	133	Jan
Swift & Co	129 1/2	129 1/2	129 1/2	350	129	Apr	139 1/2	Jan	98	97 1/2	99 1/2	1,300	97 1/2	Apr	100 1/2	Feb
Swift International	32 1/2	32 1/2	33 1/2	4,500	29 1/2	Mar	37 1/2	Jan	90	89 1/2	90	700	89 1/2	Apr	91	Jan
Syrac Wash Mach B com	18	17 1/2	18 1/2	600	16 1/2	Mar	23 1/2	Jan	57 1/2	55 1/2	58 1/2	35,700	49 1/2	Jan	64 1/2	Mar
Taggart Corp common	46 1/2	45 1/2	49	5,800	43 1/2	Apr	59 1/2	Feb	59 1/2	59 1/2	60 1/2	400	53	Mar	70	Mar
Tennessee Prod Corp com	25	25	25 1/2	400	24	Jan	27	Feb	8 1/2	8	8 1/2	11,300	7 1/2	Apr	11 1/2	Jan
Thermoid Co com	29 1/2	29 1/2	30 1/2	2,000	25	Feb	35 1/2	Mar	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	3,700	8	Apr	10 1/2	Mar
7% Cum conv pref	100	98	99	200	90	Feb	105	Mar	65 1/2	63	65 1/2	2,100	49 1/2	Jan	79 1/2	Jan
Thompson Prod Inc cl A	57 1/2	54	58 1/2	4,100	46	Jan	69 1/2	Jan	53 1/2	51	55	2,300	49 1/2	Jan	72 1/2	Jan
Thompson Starrett pref	51 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2	100	51 1/2	Apr	58 1/2	Jan	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	1,000	25 1/2	Apr	26 1/2	Jan
Tishman Realty & Constr	24 1/2	24 1/2	27	5,800	20 1/2	Mar	36 1/2	Jan	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	100	35 1/2	Apr	35 1/2	Apr
Tobacco & Allied Stocks	60 1/2	56 1/2	60 1/2	800	49 1/2	Jan	64 1/2	Jan	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	9,400	35	Jan	45	Mar
Tobacco Products Exports	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2	300	54 1/2	Feb	55 1/2	Jan	16 1/2	14 1/2	16 1/2	1,700	13	Feb	19 1/2	Apr
Todd Shipyards Corp	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	100	2 1/2	Apr	3 1/2	Jan	101	101	101	100	100 1/2	Mar	101	Apr
Toddy Corp cl A com	60 1/2	60 1/2	66 1/2	2,000	59	Apr	76 1/2	Jan	154 1/2	154 1/2	156	200	116	Jan	159	Apr
Trans-America Corp	134 1/2	134 1/2	135 1/2	12,300	125	Feb	143 1/2	Mar	78	77 1/2	78	1,800	73 1/2	Mar	80	Mar
Transcont Air Transp	28	26 1/2	28 1/2	5,000	24 1/2	Feb	30 1/2	Feb	111 1/2	113 1/2	113 1/2	300	103 1/2	Jan	122	Jan
Trans-Lux Pet Screen	14 1/2	14 1/2	16 1/2	8,000	5 1/2	Jan	24	Mar	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2	100	83	Mar	87 1/2	Feb
Class A common	14 1/2	14 1/2	16 1/2	8,000	5 1/2	Jan	24	Mar	131 1/2	131 1/2	132 1/2	1,600	97	Jan	133 1/2	Apr
Travel Air Co	47	47	51 1/2	700	45 1/2	Apr	61	Jan	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	200	94 1/2	Jan	97 1/2	Jan
Tri-Continental Corp com	33	32 1/2	33 1/2	22,400	30	Jan	43 1/2	Feb	106 1/2	106 1/2	106 1/2	200	106 1/2	Apr	107 1/2	Jan
8% cum pref with war 100	104 1/2	104	104 1/2	1,600	104	Apr	107 1/2	Jan	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	200	94 1/2	Jan	96 1/2	Jan
Triplex Safety Class	23 1/2	23 1/2	27	1,400	22 1/2	Jan	33 1/2	Feb	61	61	61	100	61	Apr	75	Feb
Am rets for ord sh reg	46 1/2	46 1/2	49	600	45	Apr	60 1/2	Jan	59 1/2	59 1/2	60	500	56	Mar	72 1/2	Jan
Trunz Park Stores	370 1/2	370 1/2	389	80	365	Apr	596	Jan	234 1/2	234 1/2	236 1/2	440	215	Jan	258	Jan
Tubize Artificial Silk cl B	24 1/2	24	25	2,300	15	Jan	32	Mar	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	1,060	99 1/2	Mar	103 1/2	Jan
Tung-Sol Lamp Wks com	23 1/2	23 1/2	33 1/2	800	24 1/2	Feb	35	Apr	96	95 1/2	97 1/2	4,800	88 1/2	Apr	112	Jan
Class A	23 1/2	23 1/2	33 1/2	800	24 1/2	Feb	35	Apr	100	100	102 1/2	100	100	Apr	102 1/2	Jan
Unlon Amer Investment	55 1/2	54	56 1/2	1,100	52 1/2	Apr	72 1/2	Feb	102 1/2	102 1/2	103 1/2	175	101 1/2	Apr	104 1/2	Jan
Un Carbide & Carb	80	75 1/2	81 1/2	159,800	68	Mar	81 1/2	Apr	169	159	159	125	155	Jan	210	Jan
Unlon Tobacco	10 1/2	10 1/2	11 1/2	2,200	10 1/2	Apr	20	Jan	46 1/2	46 1/2	49	2,300	42 1/2	Feb	58 1/2	Feb
Unlon Twist Drill	38	38	38	100	26	Feb	38	Apr	106	105 1/2	106 1/2	1,400	105 1/2	Mar	107 1/2	Mar
Unlon Carbon v t c	64	63 1/2	66 1/2	2,700	46	Jan	76	Feb	100 1/2	98 1/2	99	300	99 1/2	Mar	101	Feb
Preferred	99	98	99	1,000	92	Jan	102 1/2	Mar	99 1/2	99 1/2	100	300	99 1/2	Mar	101	Feb
United Chemists com	100	100	100	100	100	Apr	115	Mar	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	6,000	28 1/2	Jan	46 1/2	Mar
3% cum partic pref	46 1/2	46 1/2	49	4,500	44	Mar	61 1/2	Feb	99 1/2	99 1/2	100	300	99 1/2	Mar	103	Mar
United Corp	54 1/2	53 1/2	55 1/2	124,600	53 1/2	Apr	55 1/2	Apr	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	10,300	77 1/2	Jan	101	Feb
Preferred	44 1/2	43 1/2	44 1/2	26,600	43 1/2	Apr	44 1/2	Apr	99	98 1/2	99	300	97 1/2	Mar	101	Feb
United Dry Docks com	19 1/2	17 1/2	20 1/2	9,100	16 1/2	Apr	20 1/2	Apr	43 1/2	41 1/2	43 1/2	6,000	28 1/2	Jan	46 1/2	Mar
United Milk Prod com	13	10 1/2	13 1/2	900	10	Apr	20 1/2	Apr	95 1/2	95 1/2	96	200	95 1/2	Apr	98 1/2	Jan
7% cum pref	100	70	76	225	70	Apr	80 1/2	Jan	44 1/2	40 1/2	45 1/2	9,500	39	Mar	59	Feb
Un Plece Dye Wks	103 1/2	103 1/2	104	300	103 1/2	Apr	106 1/2	Feb	24 1/2	24 1/2	26	1,100	23	Mar	35	Jan
6 1/2% preferred	100	103 1/2	104	300	103 1/2	Apr	106 1/2	Feb	49 1/2	48 1/2	50 1/2	6,200	40 1/2	Apr	63 1/2	Feb
United Porto Ric Sug com	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2	100	39 1/2	Mar	42 1/2	Apr	100	100 1/2	100	200	100	Jan	102	Mar
United Profit Shar com	7 1/2	7	9 1/2	5,300	7	Apr	11	Mar	39 1/2	37 1/2	41 1/2	9,300	27	Jan	44	Jan
Preferred	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	1,200	11 1/2	Apr	12	Mar	100	100	100	200	99 1/2	Apr	106 1/2	Feb
Un Retail Chemists B vtc	3	3	3	100	1 1/2	Apr	3	Apr	87 1/2	86	89 1/2	106,900	74 1/2	Mar	94 1/2	Mar
United Shoe Mach com	25	23 1/2	25 1/2	200	22 1/2	Apr	25 1/2	Apr	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2	3,400	42 1/2	Mar	44 1/2	Jan
Class B	25	23 1/2	25 1/2	200	22 1/2	Apr	25 1/2	Apr	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2	3,400	14 1/2	Mar	22 1/2	Jan
US Dalry Prod class A	49 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2	100	48 1/2	Jan	53 1/2	Mar	96	96	96	200	93	Feb	100	Jan
US Foll class B	63	58 1/2	63	4,900	57	Jan	74 1/2	Feb	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	500	4 1/2	Jan	11	Jan
US & Foreign Sec com	50	49 1/2	50	600	47 1/2	Apr	65 1/2	Feb	15 1/2	14 1/2	15 1/2	1,800	11 1/2	Jan	18 1/2	Jan
8% preferred	90	90	90	300	87 1/2	Apr	95 1/2	Jan	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	1,000	5 1/2	Jan	15	Jan
US Freight	94 1/2	92 1/2	95	3,900	87 1/2	Apr	95 1/2	Jan	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	50	103	Jan	105	Apr
US Gypsum common	20	20	20	4,400	20	Apr	20 1/2	Apr	9	9	9	30	4	Jan	9	Apr
US Lines w t c	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	7,000	17 1/2	Apr	18 1/2	Apr	57	50	59 1/2	2,900	48 1/2	Apr	67 1/2	Feb
US Rubber Reclaiming	27	27	28 1/2	1,100	16	Jan	31	Mar	109 1/2	110	110	40	108 1/2	Jan	113	Mar
Universal Aviation	17 1/2	17	18 1/2	6,000	15 1/2	Mar	27 1/2	Apr	21	21	22	32,600	19 1/2	Mar	28	Jan
Cfs of deposit	17 1/2	16	18 1/2	2,000	15	Apr	18 1/2	Apr	8	7 1/2	8	15,200	7 1/2	Feb	10 1/2	Jan
Universal Insurance	25	23 1/2	25 1/2	100	20 1/2	Apr	27 1/2	Apr	21	21	22	32,600	19 1/2	Mar	28	Jan
Universal Pictures	28	25 1/2	26 1/2	1,500	18 1/2	Jan	29	Apr	8	7 1/2	8	15,200	7 1/2	Feb	10 1/2	Jan
Van Camp Pack com	30 1/2	28 1/2	30													

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		Low.	High.		Low.	High.				Low.	High.
Anglo-Amer Oil (vot sh) .21	15 1/4	15	16 1/4	3,800	14 1/4	Jan 18 1/2	19c	19c	2,000	11c	Jan 32c
Voting stock cts of dep. .14	14 1/4	14 1/4	15 1/4	800	14 1/4	Jan 18	44	43 1/2	45	1,900	38 1/2
Non-voting shares .21	14 1/4	14 1/4	15 1/4	400	14 1/4	Jan 17	20	19 1/2	20 1/2	4,800	18
Non-voting cts of dep. .13	13 1/4	13 1/4	14 1/4	100	13 1/4	Jan 16	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	3,400	2 1/2
Borneo-Serwms Co .100	38	40	40	150	38	Mar 46 1/2	9 1/4	9 1/4	9 1/4	300	8 1/4
Buckeye Pipe Line .60	69 1/2	71 1/4	71 1/4	1,400	67	Jan 74 1/4	81c	81c	81c	100	90c
Cheesbrough Mfg .25	168	170	170	300	140 1/4	Jan 170	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	2,300	2 1/2
Continental Oil v t e .10	23	22 1/2	24 1/2	37,800	17 1/2	Jan 29	17 1/4	17 1/4	18 1/4	6,800	15 1/2
Cumberland Pipe Line .100	64 1/2	65	65	100	62	Jan 75 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	2 1/2	2,800	1 1/2
Galena Signal Oil com cts of deposit .5	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	100	5 1/2	Mar 6 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	2 1/2	7,600	80c
New pref cts of dep .75	75	75	75	10	75	Apr 78	5	4 1/2	4 1/2	2,200	3 1/2
Humble Oil & Refining .25	113	113	118 1/4	28,900	89 1/2	Feb 119 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	800	2 1/2
Illinois Pipe Line .100	315	325	350	285	285	Jan 325	75c	77c	77c	2,200	75c
Imperial Oil (Canada) com .114 1/4	114 1/4	117	117	2,000	88	Mar 119 1/2	109 1/2	106	110 1/2	98,000	98 1/2
New w l .29	28 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2	8,900	27 1/2	Apr 30 1/2	135	129	138 1/2	183,000	99 1/2
Indiana Pipe Line .50	201	91	92 1/2	900	81 1/4	Feb 97	113	109 1/2	115	116,000	94 1/2
National Transi .12.50	24 1/2	23 1/2	25	4,800	21 1/2	Mar 25 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	99,000	105
New York Transi .100	77	78 1/2	78 1/2	250	72	Jan 85	96 1/2	95 1/2	96 1/2	53,000	94
Northern Pipe Line .100	52 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2	100	52 1/2	Apr 63	96 1/2	95 1/2	96 1/2	33,000	92
Ohio Oil .25	70	68 1/2	72 1/2	2,800	64 1/2	Jan 74 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	7,000	114
Penn-Mex Fuel .25	31	31	31 1/2	1,000	30	Mar 44 1/2	96	95	96	9,000	94
Solar Refining new .44	44	44	44	100	38 1/2	Mar 50	99	98 1/2	99 1/2	123,000	87 1/2
South Penn Oil New .58 1/2	58 1/2	60 1/4	60 1/4	20,600	40 1/2	Feb 60 1/4	95 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	2,000	95 1/2
Southern Pipe Line .10	19 1/2	19	19 1/2	1,100	13	Feb 22 1/2	103 1/2	101 1/2	102 1/2	12,000	99 1/2
Sou West Pa Pipe Lines 100	59 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2	31,100	56	Mar 63	86 1/2	86 1/2	86 1/2	9,000	86 1/2
Standard Oil (Indiana) new .59 1/2	59 1/2	60 1/2	60 1/2	31,100	56	Mar 63	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	51,000	17
Standard Oil (Kansas) .25	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	1,000	18	Jan 21 1/2	89 1/2	89 1/2	90 1/2	7,000	89 1/2
Standard Oil (Ky) new .39 1/4	39 1/4	40 1/4	40 1/4	6,700	38	Mar 45 1/4	103	103	103	12,000	102
Standard Oil (Neb) .25	48 1/4	48 1/4	48 1/4	100	45 1/2	Feb 49 1/2	111 1/2	111 1/2	112 1/2	35,000	106
Standard Oil (O) com .25	124	121	125 1/4	1,900	110 1/4	Feb 127 1/2	100	100	100	8,000	99 1/2
Preferred .116 1/4	116 1/4	119	119	140	116 1/4	Jan 124 1/4	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	73,000	99 1/2
Swan Finch Oil Corp .25	15	15	15	100	15	Mar 18	91	91	91	17,000	98 1/2
Vacuum Oil new .125 1/4	125 1/4	129 1/4	129 1/4	7,400	105 1/2	Jan 133 1/4	99	99	99	4,000	97 1/2
Other Oil Stocks—											
Allen Oil .75c	75c	75c	75c	200	75c	Apr 75c	95	95	95	1,000	95
Amer Contr Oil Fields .1	51c	50c	50c	2,900	45c	Mar 72c	109 1/2	106	110 1/2	98,000	98 1/2
Amer Maracaibo Co .5	5	4 1/2	5	8,900	4 1/2	Mar 8 1/2	135	129	138 1/2	183,000	99 1/2
Argo Oil Corp .10	4	3 1/2	4	13,000	1 1/2	Feb 4	113	109 1/2	115	116,000	94 1/2
Arkansas Gas Corp com .5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	30,900	3 1/2	Jan 5 1/2	86 1/2	86 1/2	86 1/2	9,000	86 1/2
Preferred .10	8	7 1/2	8	4,300	7 1/2	Mar 9	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	51,000	17
Atlantic Lobos Oil com .*	2	2 1/4	2 1/4	600	2	Jan 2 1/2	89 1/2	89 1/2	90 1/2	7,000	89 1/2
Carib Syndicate new com .*	3 1/2	3	3 1/2	1,300	2 1/2	Feb 4 1/2	103	103	103	12,000	102
Colon Oil .*	9 1/2	9 1/2	10	1,200	8 1/2	Mar 15	111 1/2	111 1/2	112 1/2	35,000	106
Consol Royalty Oil .1	9	8 1/2	8 1/2	400	8 1/2	Jan 11 1/2	101	101	101	8,000	98
Creole Syndicate .9	1 1/2	1 1/2	2 1/4	20,000	8 1/2	Mar 11 1/2	100	100	100	5,000	99 1/2
Crown Cent Petrol Corp .*	1 1/2	1 1/2	2 1/4	4,500	1 1/2	Feb 2 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	73,000	99 1/2
Crystal Oil Ref com .*	17	17	17 1/2	100	8	Feb 11 1/2	91	91	91	135,000	91
Darby Petroleum Corp .*	4	3 1/2	4 1/2	300	17	Mar 26	101 1/2	101 1/2	101 1/2	1,000	100 1/2
Derby Oil & Ref com .*	27	27	27	200	20 1/2	Jan 27 1/2	101	99	101	17,000	98 1/2
Preferred .25	158	157 1/2	160 1/4	6,100	142 1/4	Jan 167	99	99	99	4,000	97 1/2
Gulf Oil Corp of Penna .25	4 1/2	4 1/4	4 1/2	4,200	4 1/4	Apr 7 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	34,000	92
Houma Oil .4	18	17	19 1/2	6,900	15	Apr 22	107 1/2	107	108	7,000	107 1/2
International Petrol .10	2	1 1/2	2 1/2	46,900	1 1/2	Feb 2 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2	18,000	96 1/2
International Petroleum .*	53 1/2	53 1/2	56 1/4	7,500	48 1/2	Mar 65 1/2	99	99	99 1/2	74,000	99 1/2
New w l .28 1/2	28 1/2	29	29	500	28	Apr 29	99	99	99	13,000	99
Kirby Petroleum .*	2	2	2 1/4	2,400	1 1/2	Mar 3 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2	25,000	85 1/2
Leonard Oil Developm't .25	36 1/2	34	36 1/2	1,800	5	Jan 6 1/2	91 1/2	90 1/2	91 1/2	12,000	90 1/2
Lion Oil Ref .*	60c	60c	65c	2,900	60c	Jan 1 1/2	81 1/2	80 1/2	81 1/2	6,000	98 1/2
Lone Star Gas Co .25	69 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2	300	67	Jan 74 1/2	81	82	82	8,000	77 1/2
Magdalena Syndicate .*	60c	60c	65c	2,900	60c	Jan 1 1/2	87	87	87	29,000	87
Margay Oil .*	25	25	25	200	25	Apr 38 1/2	94	94	94 1/2	43,000	93
Mexico-Ohio Oil Co .5	5	4 1/2	5	1,900	3 1/2	Jan 6 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	45,000	94
Mo Kansas Pipe Line .33	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	10,900	15 1/2	Jan 40	87	88 1/2	88 1/2	40,000	87
Mountain & Gulf Oil .1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	2,900	1 1/2	Feb 1 1/2	90 1/2	90 1/2	91	37,000	89 1/2
Mountain Prod Corp .10	19 1/2	18 1/2	19 1/2	2,300	18 1/2	Mar 22 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	95 1/2	14,000	94
Nat Fuel Gas new .25	25 1/2	24 1/2	25 1/2	3,500	24 1/2	Apr 27 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	45,000	94
New Bradford Oil .5	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	2,700	3 1/2	Apr 5 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	45,000	94
New Engl Fuel Oil .*	3	3	3	300	3	Mar 3 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	2,000	104
N Y Petrol Royalty .20 1/2	19 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	2,600	16	Feb 24 1/2	96	96	97 1/2	8,000	95 1/2
Nor Cent Texas Oil Co .*	11 1/2	11 1/2	11 1/2	2,000	8 1/2	Mar 11 1/2	94	94	94	1,000	92
Pacific Western Oil .19	19	20 1/2	20 1/2	2,800	18 1/2	Feb 24 1/2	94	94	94	1,000	92
Pandon Oil Corp .2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	4,200	2	Jan 3 1/2	86 1/2	86	86 1/2	24,000	86
Panetpec Oil of Venezuela .*	8	7 1/2	8	5,600	7 1/2	Mar 10 1/2	97	97	97 1/2	6,000	96
Penrock Oil Corp .*	30	29 1/2	30 1/2	21,500	28 1/2	Apr 34 1/2	105	105	105	6,000	105
Petroleum (Amer) .25	24 1/2	24 1/2	25 1/4	2,100	23	Feb 30	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	28,000	99 1/2
Plymouth Oil .14	13 1/2	14	14	400	11 1/2	Apr 16	89 1/2	89 1/2	90	5,000	90
Reiter Foster Oil Corp .5 1/2	5 1/2	5	5 1/2	4,300	5	Feb 8 1/2	90 1/2	90 1/2	90 1/2	72,000	85
Richfield Oil Co pref .25	24 1/2	24 1/2	25 1/4	2,700	24 1/2	Mar 25 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2	96	48,000	93
Rio Refining Co pref .27 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	27 1/2	2,700	23 1/2	Apr 27 1/2	95 1/2	95 1/2	96	9,000	96
Royal Canadian Oil .7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	1,000	7	Apr 11	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	6,000	107 1/2
Ryan Consol Petrol .10	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	100	3 1/2	Apr 5 1/2	97 1/2	97 1/2	98 1/2	17,000	97
Salt Creek Consol Oil .10	21 1/2	21 1/2	22 1/2	3,500	21 1/2	Apr 25 1/2	99	99	100	2,000	97 1/2
Salt Creek Consol Oil .10	19 1/2	19 1/2	20 1/2	2,500	19 1/2	Apr 24 1/2	82	80	82 1/2	29,000	80
Southland Royalty Co .20 1/2	19 1/2	21	21	12,200	16 1/2	Jan 23	100	99 1/2	100 1/2	29,000	98
Tealton Oil & Land new w l .14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	15 1/2	1,000	10 1/2	Jan 16 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	5,000	105
Tidal Osage Oil non-vt stk .84	84	84	100	80	80	Mar 89	89 1/2	86	89 1/2	31,000	84
Transect Oil 7 1/2 pref .100	84	84	100	80	80	Mar 89	86	86	86	33,000	70
Venezuela Petroleum .5	4 1/2	4 1/2	5	4,100	4 1/2	Feb 6 1/2	80				

Bonds (Continued)—	Friday Last Sale Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week.	Range Since Jan. 1.		Bonds (Concluded)—	Friday Last Sale Price.	Week's Range of Prices.		Sales for Week.	Range Since Jan. 1.	
		Low.	High.		Low.	High.			Low.	High.			
Hanover Credit 5 1/2% 1949	95	91	91	6,000	91	Apr	Sou Calif Edison 5% 1951	102	101 1/2	102 1/2	48,000	99	Mar
Harpen Mining 6% 1949	95	94 1/2	95	11,000	93 1/2	Jan	Gen & refunding 5% 1944	101 1/2	101 1/2	2,000	100	Mar	
With warrants	86 1/2	86 1/2	88 1/2	43,000	86 1/2	Apr	Refunding 5% 1952	102	101	102	27,000	99 1/2	Mar
Hood Rubber 7% 1936	89 1/2	89 1/2	91 1/2	4,000	89 1/2	Jan	Sou Calif Gas 5% 1937	92 1/2	93	93	31,000	92	Mar
10-yr conv 5 1/2% 1936	87 1/2	74 1/2	75	3,000	74 1/2	Apr	With warrants	99 1/2	98	99 1/2	30,000	98	Apr
Houston Gulf Gas 6 1/2% '43	87 1/2	85 1/2	87 1/2	26,000	80 1/2	Apr	S'west G & E 5% A 1957	94	94	95 1/2	10,000	91 1/2	Apr
6% 1943	86	86 1/2	86 1/2	21,000	83	Mar	So'west L & Pow 5% 1957	92 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	2,000	92 1/2	Apr
Ill. Pow & Lt 5 1/2% ser B 1954	92 1/2	99 1/2	100 1/2	10,000	97	Apr	S'west Pow & Lt 6% 2022	103	102	103	36,000	99 1/2	Apr
5 1/2% May 1957	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2	2,000	92 1/2	Apr	Staley (A E) Mfg 6% 1942	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	20,000	97 1/2	Jan
Indep Oil & Gas deb 6% 1939	113 1/2	113	119 1/2	328,000	102 1/2	Feb	Standard Investm't 5% 1937	127	127	127	2,000	126	Jan
Ind' polls P & L 5% ser A '57	98 1/2	98 1/2	99	108,000	97 1/2	Mar	With warrants	99	98 1/2	99 1/2	80,000	96 1/2	Mar
Int'l Pow Secur 7% ser E 1957	95 1/2	95 1/2	96 1/2	25,000	91 1/2	Mar	Stand Pow & Lt 6% 1957	99	98 1/2	99 1/2	2,000	99 1/2	Jan
Internat Securities 5% 1947	87 1/2	87 1/2	88	18,000	85	Mar	Stinnes (Hugo) Corp—	92 1/2	90	93	130,000	88 1/2	Jan
Interstate Nat Gas 6% 1936	103	103	103	15,000	103	Apr	7% Oct 1 '36 without warr	86	86	87	12,000	86	Jan
Without warrants	93	92 1/2	94	19,000	90	Apr	Straus (Nathan) 6% 1938	120	116 1/2	120 1/2	1,000	116 1/2	Apr
Interstate Power 5% 1957	93	93	94	4,000	91 1/2	Apr	Stutz Motor (Am) 7 1/2% '37	100	100	1,000	100	Apr	
New	91 1/2	91 1/2	92 1/2	16,000	91 1/2	Apr	Sun Oil 6 1/2% 1939	100 1/2	101	101	7,000	100	Feb
Debenture 6% 1952	93 1/2	93 1/2	94	1,000	96	Mar	Swift & Co 5% Oct 15 1932	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	62,000	98 1/2	Mar
Interstate P Ser 5% ser D '56	93 1/2	93 1/2	94	2,000	87	Feb	Texas Citles Gas 5% 1948	83 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	6,000	83 1/2	Apr
4 1/2% series F 1958	90 1/2	90 1/2	90 1/2	1,000	96 1/2	Feb	Texas Pacific Ry 5% 1979	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	27,000	98 1/2	Apr
Invest Co of Am 5% A 1947	95 1/2	95 1/2	96 1/2	27,000	95	Apr	Texas Power & Lt 6% 1956	98 1/2	97 1/2	98 1/2	35,000	96	Mar
Without warrants	79 1/2	79 1/2	80	14,000	78	Jan	Thermold Co 6% w w 1934	105	105	105	23,000	100	Feb
Investors Equity 5% A 1947	107	107	107	2,000	105	Jan	Trans Lux Dayl Pict Ser'n	99 1/2	98	99 1/2	12,000	90	Jan
With warrants	93	92 1/2	93 1/2	34,000	90 1/2	Mar	6 1/2% without warr 1932	99 1/2	98	99 1/2	12,000	90	Jan
Iowa-Neb. L & P 5% 1957	87 1/2	87 1/2	89	6,000	86 1/2	Feb	Ulen Co 6 1/2% Nov 1 1936	101 1/2	97	97 1/2	7,000	97	Apr
Isarop Hydro Elec 7% 1952	87 1/2	87 1/2	89	6,000	86 1/2	Feb	Union Amer Invest 5% 1948	101 1/2	101	102	25,000	100	Mar
Isotta Fraschini 7% 1942	97	99	99	3,000	95	Apr	United Oil Prod 8% 1931	070	070	070	1,000	070	Jan
With warrants	90 1/2	90 1/2	90 1/2	2,000	87	Jan	United El Serv (Utes) 7% 56	90	90	90 1/2	4,000	88	Apr
Without warrants	78	75 1/2	78	149,000	75	Mar	Without warrants	85	85	87	11,000	84	Apr
Italian Superpower 6% 1963	104	104	104	3,000	103 1/2	Mar	United Industrial 6 1/2% 1941	90 1/2	91 1/2	91 1/2	36,000	86 1/2	Mar
Without warrants	100	100	101	5,000	98	Apr	United Lt & Ry 5 1/2% 1952	99 1/2	99 1/2	100 1/2	15,000	99 1/2	Apr
Jeddo Highland Coal 6% '41	77	75	78 1/2	95,000	70	Apr	6% series A 1952	84 1/2	84 1/2	85 1/2	21,000	83	Apr
Kansas Gas & Elec 6% 2022	100	100	101	5,000	98	Apr	United Steel Wks 6 1/2% 1947	84 1/2	84 1/2	85 1/2	21,000	83	Apr
Kelvinator Co 6% 1936	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	44,000	98	Feb	With warrants	84 1/2	84 1/2	85 1/2	21,000	83	Apr
Without warrants	103 1/2	103 1/2	104 1/2	74,000	102 1/2	Mar	U S Rubber—	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	2,000	98 1/2	Jan
Koppers G & C deb 5% 1947	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	5,000	98 1/2	Apr	Serial 6 1/2% notes 1930	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	1,000	98	Jan
Laclede Gas Light 5 1/2% '35	103 1/2	103 1/2	104 1/2	74,000	102 1/2	Mar	Serial 6 1/2% notes 1931	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	1,000	98	Jan
Lehigh Pow Secur 6% 2026	103 1/2	103 1/2	104 1/2	74,000	102 1/2	Mar	Serial 6 1/2% notes 1932	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	2,000	97	Jan
Leonard Tlets Inc 7 1/2% '46	100	100	100 1/2	3,000	100	Apr	Serial 6 1/2% notes 1933	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	6,000	96 1/2	Jan
Without warrants	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	9,000	90 1/2	Feb	Serial 6 1/2% notes 1934	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	2,000	96 1/2	Jan
Libby McN & Libby 5% '42	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	24,000	96	Mar	Serial 6 1/2% notes 1935	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	7,000	96	Jan
Loe Star Gas Corp 5% 1942	98	98 1/2	98 1/2	24,000	96	Mar	Serial 6 1/2% notes 1936	99	99	99	2,000	97 1/2	Jan
Long Island Ltg 6% 1945	103 1/2	103 1/2	105	15,000	103	Apr	Serial 6 1/2% notes 1937	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	2,000	97	Jan
Louisiana Pow & Lt 5% 1957	93	92 1/2	93 1/2	4,000	90 1/2	Apr	Serial 6 1/2% notes 1938	99	99	99	7,000	96 1/2	Jan
New	92 1/2	92 1/2	93 1/2	13,000	90	Apr	Serial 6 1/2% notes 1939	98 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	10,000	96	Jan
Manitoba Power 5 1/2% 1951	99	99	100	19,000	98 1/2	Apr	Serial 6 1/2% notes 1940	99	99 1/2	99 1/2	7,000	97	Jan
Mansfield Min & Smelt	102 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2	22,000	96	Mar	U S Smelt & Ref 5 1/2% 1935	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	21,000	103	Mar
7% with warrants 1941	94	94	94	1,000	93	Mar	Utilities Pr & Lt 5% 1959	98	98	98	47,000	98	Feb
7% without warrants 1941	103 1/2	103 1/2	104 1/2	17,000	102 1/2	Feb	Valvoline Oil 7% 1937	103 1/2	103 1/2	103 1/2	1,000	103	Mar
Mass Gas Cos 5 1/2% 1946	93	93 1/2	93 1/2	5,000	93	Apr	Van Camp Packing 6% 1948	84	84	84	2,000	84	Mar
McCord Rad & Mfg 6% 1943	93	93 1/2	93 1/2	5,000	93	Apr	Virginia Elec Pow 5% 1955	99 1/2	98 1/2	99 1/2	20,000	96 1/2	Apr
Memphis Nat Gas 6% 1943	99	98	99	19,000	96 1/2	Jan	Webster Mills 6% 1933	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2	6,000	87 1/2	Apr
With warrants	99 1/2	99 1/2	97 1/2	23,000	93 1/2	Mar	West Texas Util 5% 1957	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	3,000	92	Mar
Metrop Edison 4 1/2% 1968	91	90 1/2	91	14,000	89	Apr	Western Power 5 1/2% 1957	120 1/2	116 1/2	121	279,000	109 1/2	Jan
Millwaukee Gas Lt 4 1/2% '67	91	90 1/2	91	14,000	89	Apr	Westvaco Chlorine 5 1/2% '37	100 1/2	100 1/2	101	6,000	99 1/2	Mar
Minn Pow & Lt 4 1/2% 1978	91	90 1/2	91	14,000	89	Apr	Wheeling Steel 4 1/2% 1953	87	86 1/2	87 1/2	46,000	86 1/2	Apr
Montreal L H & P col 5% '61	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	1,000	96 1/2	Apr	Wise Central Ry 5% 1930	97	97	98	6,000	96 1/2	Jan
Morris & Co 7 1/2% 1930	99 1/2	99 1/2	100	8,000	99 1/2	Mar	Foreign Government and Municipalities—						
Narragansett Elec 5% A '57	99 1/2	99 1/2	100	18,000	97	Mar	Agricul Mtze Bk Rep of Col	96	95	96	2,000	95	Mar
Nat Distillers Prod 6 1/2% '35	104	103 1/2	104	34,000	102	Mar	20-yr 7% Jan 15 1946	95	95	97 1/2	2,000	94	Apr
Nat Pow & Lt 6% A 2026	81 1/2	81 1/2	82 1/2	35,000	79	Mar	20-yr 7% Jan 15 1947	92 1/2	92 1/2	93 1/2	15,000	89 1/2	Apr
Nat Trade Journal 6% 1938	90 1/2	87	90	45,000	87	Apr	Antwerp (City) 6% 1958	96	96	97 1/2	4,000	92 1/2	Mar
Nebraska Power 6% A 2022	106	106	106	106	102	Apr	Baden (Germany) 7% 1951	96	96	97 1/2	4,000	95	Mar
Nelson Realty deb 6% 1948	104	104	104	2,000	102	Apr	Bank of Prussia Landowners	97 1/2	97	97 1/2	6,000	95	Jan
New Eng G & El Assn 5% '47	92	92	93 1/2	11,000	89	Mar	Ass'n 6% notes 1930	103 1/2	102 1/2	103 1/2	72,000	100	Apr
5% 1948	93	92 1/2	93 1/2	15,000	87 1/2	Apr	Buenos Aires (Prov) 7 1/2% '47	100	100	100 1/2	13,000	99 1/2	Mar
N Y & Foreign Invest—							7% 1952	100	100	100 1/2	13,000	99 1/2	Mar
5 1/2% A with warr 1948	89 1/2	88 1/2	89 1/2	75,000	88 1/2	Apr	Cauca Valley (Dept) Co-	89	89 1/2	89 1/2	5,000	87	Apr
N Y P & L Corp 1st 4 1/2% '67	93 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2	86,000	90	Mar	lombia ext'l 1 7% 1948	85	84 1/2	86	29,000	83	Apr
Niagara Falls Pow 6% 1950	105 1/2	105 1/2	107	6,000	104 1/2	Jan	Cent Bk of German State &	85	85	85	1,000	84	Apr
Nichols & Shepard 6%	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	1,000	99 1/2	Apr	Prov Banks 6% B 1951	85	85	86	29,000	83	Apr
Without warrants 1957	99 1/2	99 1/2	99 1/2	1,000	99 1/2	Apr	6% serial A 1952	85	85	86	1,000	84	Apr
Nippon Elec Pow 6 1/2% 1953	88	88	89	4,000	87	Apr	Danish Cons Munic 5 1/2% '55	99 1/2	99	99 1/2	4,000	98 1/2	Mar
North Ind Pub Serv 6% 1966	100 1/2	100 1/2	100 1/2	25,000	98	Mar	Danzig P & Waterway Bd	85 1/2	85	86	5,000	81	Jan
North States Pow 6 1/2% 1933	101 1/2												

Quotations of Sundry Securities

All bond prices are "and interest" except where marked "r".

Main table containing various security categories: Public Utilities, Railroad Equipments, Chain Store Stocks, Investment Trust Stocks and Bonds, Short Term Securities, Standard Oil Stocks, and Tobacco Stocks. Each entry includes a company name and its corresponding price and interest rate.

* Per share. † No par value. ‡ Basis. § Purchaser also pays accrued dividend. ¶ Last sale. ** Nominal. †† Ex-Dividend. ‡‡ Ex-rights. ††† Canadian quotation. †††† Sale price

Latest Gross Earnings by Weeks.—In the table which follows we sum up separately the earnings for the third week of April. The table covers three roads and shows 11.58% increase over the same week last year.

Thrd Week of April.	1929.		1928.		Increase.	Decrease.
	\$	%	\$	%		
Canadian Pacific	3,942,000		3,505,000		437,000	
St Louis Southwestern	482,300		443,753		38,547	
Western Maryland	350,414		337,771		12,643	
Total (3 roads)	4,774,714		4,286,524		488,190	
Net increase (11.58%)					488,190	

In the table which follows we complete our summary of the earnings for the second week of April.

Second Week of April.	1929.		1928.		Increase.	Decrease.
	\$	%	\$	%		
Previously reported (3 roads)	8,711,209		7,997,265		713,944	
Georgia & Florida	31,000		23,000		8,000	
Mobile & Ohio	336,014		299,976		36,038	
St Louis Southwestern	471,000		466,400		4,600	
Southern Railway System	3,817,011		3,724,847		92,164	
Western Maryland	338,146		337,771		375	
Total (8 roads)	13,704,380		12,849,259		855,121	
Net increase (6.65%)					855,121	

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

Week.	Current Year.	Previous Year.	Increase or Decrease.	Per Cent.
1st week Dec. (12 roads)	15,877,441	14,501,895	+1,175,546	9.49
2d week Dec. (12 roads)	15,642,128	14,280,804	+1,361,324	9.53
3d week Dec. (12 roads)	15,776,100	14,365,208	+1,410,892	9.82
4th week Dec. (10 roads)	12,177,506	12,061,018	+116,488	0.96
1st week Jan. (11 roads)	11,317,960	11,212,753	+105,207	0.94
2d week Jan. (11 roads)	12,137,810	12,721,605	-583,795	4.60
3d week Jan. (10 roads)	12,730,980	12,905,285	-174,303	0.97
4th week Jan. (11 roads)	19,183,384	18,082,346	+1,101,038	6.08
1st week Feb. (11 roads)	12,955,515	13,296,256	-340,741	2.56
2d week Feb. (11 roads)	13,630,111	13,598,284	+31,827	0.23
3d week Feb. (11 roads)	13,368,600	13,226,590	+142,011	1.06
4th week Feb. (11 roads)	14,482,134	15,431,548	-949,414	6.15
1st week Mar. (11 roads)	13,838,516	13,385,303	+453,213	3.38
2d week Mar. (11 roads)	14,087,158	13,715,106	+372,052	2.70
3d week Mar. (11 roads)	14,485,650	13,818,627	+667,023	4.82
4th week Mar. (9 roads)	19,580,198	20,378,281	-798,083	3.93
1st week Apr. (9 roads)	14,258,006	13,394,590	+863,416	6.45
2d week Apr. (8 roads)	13,704,380	12,849,259	+855,121	6.65
3d week Apr. (3 roads)	4,774,714	4,286,524	+488,190	11.58

We also give the following comparisons of the monthly totals of railroad earnings, both gross and net (the net before the deduction of taxes), both being very comprehensive. They include all the class 1 roads in the country.

Month.	Gross Earnings.			Length of Road.	
	1928.	1927.	Inc. (+) or Dec. (-).	1928.	1927.
	\$	\$	\$	Miles.	Miles.
Jan	456,520,897	486,722,646	-30,161,749	239,476	238,608
February	455,681,258	468,532,117	-12,850,859	239,584	238,731
March	504,233,099	530,643,758	-26,410,659	239,649	238,729
April	473,428,231	497,865,380	-24,437,149	239,852	238,964
May	509,746,395	518,569,718	-8,823,323	240,120	239,079
June	501,676,771	516,448,211	-14,871,440	240,302	239,066
July	512,145,231	508,811,736	+3,333,495	240,433	238,906
August	556,908,120	556,743,013	+165,107	240,724	239,205
September	554,440,941	564,421,630	-9,980,689	240,693	239,205
October	616,710,737	579,954,887	+36,755,850	240,661	239,602
November	530,909,223	503,940,776	+26,968,447	241,138	239,982
December	484,848,952	458,060,736	+26,788,216	237,234	236,094
January	486,201,495	457,347,810	+28,853,685	240,833	240,417
February	474,780,516	456,487,931	+18,292,585	242,884	242,668

Month.	Net Earnings.		Inc. (+) or Dec. (-).	
	1928.	1927.	Amount.	Per Cent.
	\$	\$	\$	%
January	93,990,640	99,549,436	-5,558,796	-5.58
February	108,120,729	107,579,051	+541,678	+0.50
March	131,840,275	135,874,542	-4,034,267	-2.96
April	110,907,453	113,818,315	-2,910,862	-2.56
May	128,780,393	126,940,076	+1,840,317	+1.44
June	127,284,367	129,111,754	-1,827,387	-1.41
July	137,412,487	125,700,631	+11,711,856	+9.32
August	173,922,684	164,087,125	+9,835,559	+5.99
September	180,359,111	178,647,780	+1,711,331	+0.96
October	216,522,015	181,084,281	+35,437,734	+19.56
November	157,140,516	127,243,825	+29,896,691	+23.49
December	133,743,748	87,551,700	+46,192,048	+52.74
January	117,730,186	94,151,973	+23,578,213	+25.04
February	126,368,848	108,987,455	+17,381,393	+15.95

Net Earnings Monthly to Latest Dates.—The table following shows the gross, net earnings and net after taxes for STEAM railroads reported this week to the Inter-State Commerce Commission:

	Gross from Railway—		Net from Railway—		Net after Taxes—	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Akron Canton & Youngstown	331,631	282,465	150,932	96,802	131,911	83,360
March	945,868	777,256	423,627	251,374	362,967	210,757
From Jan 1.						
Brooklyn E D Terminal	138,647	49,497	57,993	41.0	47,530	
March	125,492	373,756	152,325	155,622	127,060	129,485
From Jan 1.						
Buffalo Roch & Pitts	1,432,000	1,449,876			b243,544	b264,570
March	4,208,277	4,200,569			b731,021	b747,135
From Jan 1.						
Buffalo & Susquehanna	137,921	137,921			b39,184	b17,714
March	155,970	408,139			b147,275	b53,903
From Jan 1.						
Central RR of N J	4,526,139	4,664,875			b469,283	b673,708
March	13,496,313	12,923,940			b1,870,712	b1,715,479
From Jan 1.						
Chesapeake & Ohio Lines	10,311,909	10,279,167	3,176,054	2,988,520	2,481,445	2,318,130
March	31,332,792	29,772,362	10,092,065	8,179,230	8,008,507	6,169,655
From Jan 1.						
Chicago & East Ill	2,095,061	2,191,940			b165,433	b221,608
March	6,218,267	6,232,614			b494,126	b343,737
From Jan 1.						

	Gross from Railway—		Net from Railway—		Net after Taxes—	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Chic Milw St Paul & Pac	13,722,122	14,231,148			b2,193,300	b3,367,286
March	38,707,485	28,894,359			b5,046,370	b7,138,668
From Jan 1.						
Chicago & Northwestern	11,622,611	12,082,737			b1,220,696	b1,432,362
March	33,421,516	33,478,839			b3,030,383	b3,595,322
From Jan 1.						
Chic Rock Island Lines	12,016,903	11,711,292			b1,749,036	b2,166,933
March	34,897,171	32,923,240			b4,598,143	b5,069,281
From Jan 1.						
Chic St Paul Minn & Omaha	2,095,561	2,300,714			b199,186	b324,330
March	6,136,557	6,523,675			b321,605	b584,880
From Jan 1.						
Delaware & Hudson	3,154,000	3,054,723	421,762	312,998	332,762	225,498
March	9,647,789	8,959,764	1,472,925	827,003	1,205,468	562,774
From Jan 1.						
Delaware Lack & Western	6,142,000	6,348,000			b826,000	b917,000
March	19,304,000	18,380,000			b3,335,000	b2,575,000
From Jan 1.						
Erle Railroad	3,996,012	8,944,855	2,054,991	1,842,461	1,572,898	1,478,683
March	26,984,192	24,913,613	5,832,072	4,131,688	4,538,658	3,026,107
From Jan 1.						
Chicago & Erie	1,422,864	1,263,166	725,855	519,703	669,750	467,599
March	3,853,590	3,454,657	1,754,887	1,216,456	1,586,548	1,061,357
From Jan 1.						
Florida East Coast	2,034,000	1,687,000			b874,000	b381,000
March	5,240,000	4,796,000			b1,925,000	b1,025,000
From Jan 1.						
Great Northern	10,077,074	8,602,668			b2,837,326	b1,507,228
March	24,904,971	22,998,174			b3,554,168	b2,982,681
From Jan 1.						
Gulf Coast Lines	1,569,762	1,526,681			b380,796	b369,446
March	4,183,910	4,045,569			b816,371	b764,384
From Jan 1.						
Internat Gt Northern	1,577,591	1,488,476			b131,392	b119,637
March	4,557,959	4,274,641			b333,344	b274,158
From Jan 1.						
Kansas Okla & Gulf	297,752	247,270	137,967	68,005	117,908	56,695
March	891,780	745,143	408,284	252,382	347,746	219,859
From Jan 1.						
Lake Terminal	71,305	78,674	-1,275	-13,528	-6,302	-13,053
March	212,972	225,740	-8,931	-37,430	-24,008	-49,256
From Jan 1.						
Lehigh Valley	5,630,021	5,424,920	1,182,041	1,024,527	900,823	761,574
March	16,594,659	15,556,181	3,564,477	1,791,634	2,693,911	1,158,918
From Jan 1.						
Midland Valley	253,463	281,887	96,849	117,236	810,021	100,947
March	852,492	831,038	361,774	352,779	312,363	301,617
From Jan 1.						
Minneapolis & St Louis	1,190,000	1,294,000			b70,000	b134,000
March	3,439,000	3,462,000			b130,000	b120,000
From Jan 1.						
Missouri Pacific	11,442,570	11,042,137			b1,740,719	b1,673,790
March	32,767,675	31,266,411			b5,193,292	b4,693,534
From Jan 1.						
Mobile & Ohio	1,474,768	1,573,384	355,509	389,283	275,613	306,028
March	4,133,485	4,300,009	845,873	935,023	583,171	685,155
From Jan 1.						
Monongahela Connecting	234,511	155,059	85,836	33,525	73,033	27,647
March	621,314	449,363	174,253	82,154	143,489	62,937
From Jan 1.						
Montour	126,560	117,406				

Ann Arbor.

	—Month of March—		—Jan. 1 to March 31—	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Operating revenues	\$ 576,105	\$ 527,913	\$ 1,565,344	\$ 1,418,179
Operating expenses	401,865	380,672	1,131,318	1,069,441
Net railway operating income	17,239	97,276	270,987	204,382
Gross income	120,034	99,862	279,021	211,746
Net corporate income	82,258	54,968	165,871	79,034

Erie Railroad Co.

(Incl. Chicago & Erie RR. Co.)

	—Month of March—		—Jan. 1 to Mar. 31—	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Operating revenues	\$ 10,818,875	\$ 10,208,022	\$ 30,837,781	\$ 28,368,270
Operating expenses and taxes	8,576,228	8,261,380	24,712,575	24,280,806
Operating income	2,242,647	1,946,641	6,125,205	4,087,463
Hire of equip. & joint facility rents—Net debit	346,139	331,178	1,137,423	1,108,617
Net railway oper. income	1,896,507	1,615,462	4,987,782	2,978,846
Non-operating income	275,396	358,709	820,771	1,073,210
Gross income	2,171,903	1,974,172	5,808,553	4,052,057
Interest, rentals, &c.	1,218,505	1,221,726	3,665,714	3,690,285
Net income	953,397	752,446	2,142,839	361,771

International Railways of Central America.

	—Month of March—		—Jan. 1 to Mar. 31—	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Gross revenues	\$ 857,476	\$ 846,373	\$ 2,597,588	\$ 2,420,330
Oper. expenses and taxes	422,241	468,250	1,307,124	1,352,733
Inc. applic. to fixed charges	435,235	378,123	1,290,464	1,067,597

Interoceanic Railway of Mexico.

	—Month of January—		—Jan. 1 to Dec. 31—	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1927.
Gross earnings	Pesos. 1,093,128	Pesos. 1,063,508	Pesos. 12,359,416	Pesos. 11,563,597
Operating expenses	1,044,772	1,079,959	12,272,723	13,576,232
Net earnings	48,355	—16,451	86,692	—2,012,634
Percentage exps. to earnings	95	101	99	117
Kilometers	1,644	1,646		

Maine Central Railroad.

	—Month of March—		—Jan. 1 to March 31—	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Freight revenue	\$ 1,188,616	\$ 1,289,039	\$ 3,506,913	\$ 3,798,626
Passenger revenue	257,372	275,393	724,935	803,249
Railway operating revenues	1,592,750	1,708,532	4,630,245	4,997,454
Surplus after charges	71,850	147,257	168,749	305,658

Minneapolis St. Paul & Sault Ste Marie Ry. Co.

	—Month of March—		—Jan. 1 to Mar. 31—	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Freight revenue	\$ 1,706,407	\$ 1,768,478	\$ 4,691,425	\$ 4,842,085
Passenger revenue	194,227	209,188	630,795	709,445
All other revenue	167,845	180,952	472,899	474,395
Total revenues	2,068,880	2,158,619	5,795,120	6,025,927
M. of W. & S. expenses	282,154	273,551	792,206	794,434
Maintenance of equipment	477,077	476,702	1,362,275	1,356,555
Traffic expenses	45,182	43,498	127,008	128,055
Transportation expenses	786,054	814,554	2,392,467	2,399,060
General Expenses	76,355	75,422	204,852	216,233
Total expenses	1,666,824	1,683,729	4,878,810	4,894,439
Net railway revenues	402,055	474,889	916,309	1,131,487
Taxes & uncoll. ry. revenue	158,301	128,969	450,749	383,843
Net after taxes	Cr243,754	Cr345,920	Cr465,560	Cr747,644
Hire of equipment	Dr8,554	Cr5,394	Cr13,720	Cr2,820
Rental of terminals	Dr7,239	Dr6,809	Dr24,906	Dr25,154
Net after rents	Cr227,960	Cr344,505	Cr454,374	Cr725,310
Other income—Net	Cr37,559	Cr20,945	Cr99,401	Cr77,962
Interest on funded debt	Dr419,125	Dr418,748	Dr1223,074	Dr1234,494
Net	Dr153,605	Dr53,297	Dr669,298	Dr431,221

Missouri-Kansas-Texas Lines.

	—Month of March—		—Jan. 1 to March 31—	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Mileage operated (average)	\$ 3,188	\$ 3,188	\$ 3,188	\$ 3,188
Operating revenues	4,595,731	4,365,627	13,334,133	12,744,743
Operating expenses	3,115,357	2,948,282	9,283,792	8,957,215
Available for interest	1,057,890	1,068,202	2,828,364	2,780,626
Interest charges incl. adjustment bonds	429,784	475,873	1,295,872	1,493,336
Net income	628,106	592,328	1,532,492	1,287,289

New York New Haven & Hartford Railroad Co.

	—Month of March—		—Jan. 1 to March 31—	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Gross earnings	\$ 11,199,245	\$ 11,116,902	\$ 31,867,628	\$ 31,420,615
Net from railroad	3,667,192	3,170,564	9,913,575	8,030,241
Operating expenses	2,968,120	2,551,407	7,712,644	6,129,401
Net after taxes	2,463,066	2,034,947	6,244,136	4,638,004
*Fixed charges	998,256	1,098,144	3,019,755	3,376,964
Balance	1,464,810	936,803	3,224,381	1,261,040
Guarantees & pref. div. requ.	1,102,608	578,966	2,137,904	188,686
Inc. aft. guar. & pref. divs.	362,202	357,837	1,086,477	1,072,354
* Includes other income debits or credits.				

New York Ontario & Western.

	—Month of March—		—Jan. 1 to Mar. 31—	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Operating revenues	\$ 829,682	\$ 828,262	\$ 2,508,776	\$ 2,310,721
Operating expenses	768,093	754,589	2,324,018	2,256,168
Net rev. from railway oper.	61,589	73,672	184,758	54,552
Railway tax accruals	45,000	50,000	135,000	150,000
Uncollectible railway revs.	48	16	49	266
Total railway oper. income	16,540	23,656	49,708	—95,713
Equip. & jt. facil. rents (net)	—46,129	—43,358	—132,884	—129,176
Net operating income	—29,588	—19,702	—83,176	—224,889
Other income	30,191	30,245	92,043	89,093
Total income	602	10,543	8,867	—135,795
Deductions	122,728	121,825	364,912	362,360
Net income	—122,126	—111,282	—356,044	—498,156

National Railways of Mexico.

	—Month of January—		—Jan. 1 to Dec. 31—	
	1929.	1928.	1928.	1927.
Gross earnings	Pesos. 9,308,500	Pesos. 9,255,861	Pesos. 112,624,723	Pesos. 111,056,003
Operating expenses	7,652,299	8,294,624	99,903,467	104,448,240
Net earnings	1,656,201	961,236	12,721,255	6,607,762
Percentage exps. to earnings	82%	89%	88%	94%
Kilometers	11,395	11,803		

St. Louis-San Francisco.

(Including Subsidiary Lines.)

	—Month of March—		—Jan. 1 to Mar. 31—	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Operated mileage	\$ 5,819	\$ 5,561	\$ 5,819	\$ 5,542
Freight revenue	5,618,721	5,542,422	15,875,598	15,790,331
Passenger revenue	851,617	926,193	2,663,305	2,880,975
Other revenue	561,900	541,112	1,573,129	1,477,384
Total operating revenue	7,032,239	7,009,728	20,112,033	20,148,691
Maint. of way and structures	1,008,527	791,972	2,553,300	2,337,691
Maintenance of equipment	1,378,427	1,385,901	3,877,100	4,130,764
Transportation expenses	2,399,077	2,431,222	7,177,785	7,137,131
Other expenses	349,080	290,727	1,057,560	920,529
Total operating expenses	5,134,112	4,899,812	14,665,747	14,526,117
Net railway operating income	1,535,137	1,716,705	4,412,354	4,536,019
Bal. avail. for interest	1,678,425	1,992,093	4,839,537	5,178,626
Surplus after all charges	638,542	587,534	1,705,202	1,205,345

Seaboard Air Line Railway Co.

	—Month of March—		—Jan. 1 to Mar. 31—	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Total operating revenues	\$ 5,892,056	\$ 5,511,506	\$ 16,403,599	\$ 15,773,511
Total operating expenses	4,088,632	3,817,282	11,768,371	11,603,558
Net revenue	1,803,424	1,694,224	4,635,228	4,169,953
Taxes & uncoll. ry. revs.	354,286	320,513	1,027,372	963,134
Operating income	1,449,137	1,373,701	3,607,855	3,206,819
Equip. & jt. fac. rents, net dr.	247,372	157,901	596,702	387,742
Net railway operating inc.	1,201,765	1,215,800	3,011,153	2,819,077
Other income	78,436	152,033	312,694	583,093
Gross income	1,280,201	1,367,833	3,323,847	3,402,170
Int. and other fixed charges (excl. of int. on adj. bonds)	928,439	1,036,187	2,787,595	3,001,983
Balance	351,761	331,666	536,251	400,186

Southern Pacific Lines.

	—Month of March—		—Jan. 1 to Mar. 31—	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Avg. miles of road operated	\$ 13,613	\$ 13,508	\$ 13,613	\$ 13,512
Revenues—				
Freight	19,229,278	17,943,854	53,229,199	49,144,226
Passenger	4,237,224	4,161,200	12,227,066	12,172,061
Mail	450,382	360,515	1,265,112	1,063,953
Express	619,920	573,892	1,535,578	1,429,558
All other transportation	774,234	701,238	2,202,129	2,049,576
Incidental	665,453	581,516	1,927,900	1,698,892
Joint facility—Cr	38,159	46,551	93,344	88,655
Joint facility—Dr	—124,330	—124,080	—345,230	—333,196
Ry. operating revenues	25,890,322	24,243,689	72,135,191	67,313,728
Expenses—				
Maint. of way and structures	3,390,888	3,182,943	9,411,887	9,196,257
Maintenance of equipment	4,599,289	4,379,710	13,296,949	12,629,352
Traffic	586,736	640,977	1,868,902	1,885,110
Transportation	8,640,416	8,344,857	25,158,498	24,334,581
Miscellaneous	469,189	397,792	1,326,703	1,141,809
General	879,251	951,221	2,812,961	2,917,045
Transp. for investment—Cr	—134,431	—134,731	—300,375	—308,778
Ry. operating expenses	18,431,339	17,762,771	53,575,527	51,795,379
Income				
Net rev. from ry. operations	7,458,983	6,480,917	18,559,664	15,518,349
Railway tax accruals	1,793,601	1,695,385	5,233,600	4,936,376
Uncollectible ry. revenues	12,924	5,788	21,285	1,073,977
Equipment rents (net)	745,174	468,088	1,842,380	1,270,207
Joint facility rent (net)	3,072	—287,501	—12,148	—291,756
Net ry. operating income	4,904,209	4,599,156	11,474,545	9,584,140

Union Pacific System.

	—Month of March—		—Jan. 1 to Mar. 31—	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Operating Revenues—				
Freight	13,648,553	13,048,915	38,994,623	36,485,866
Passenger	1,976,526	1,937,353	5,735,560	

Western Maryland Railway Co.

	—Month of March—		—Jan. 1 to Mar. 31—	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Operating revenues	1,530,014	1,629,913	4,494,850	4,751,824
Total operating expenses	1,042,252	1,110,919	3,086,721	3,286,052
Net operating revenue	488,762	518,994	1,408,129	1,465,772
Taxes	80,000	85,000	240,000	255,000
Operating income	408,762	433,994	1,168,129	1,210,772
Equipment rents	88,149	37,059	185,131	140,664
Joint facility rents—Net	—17,116	—15,981	—51,857	—48,830
Net railway oper. income	479,795	455,072	1,301,403	1,302,606
Other income	12,828	12,424	46,643	32,601
Gross income	492,623	467,496	1,348,046	1,335,207
Fixed charges	249,441	252,047	748,067	758,278
Net income	243,182	215,449	599,979	576,929

Wisconsin Central Railway Co.

	—Month of March—		—Jan. 1 to Mar. 31—	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Freight revenue	1,186,101	1,283,902	3,318,727	3,503,157
Passenger revenues	157,188	162,703	461,335	487,488
All other revenues	87,385	96,610	252,875	268,676
Total revenues	1,430,674	1,543,216	4,032,938	4,259,321
Maint. of way & struct. exp.	186,223	188,770	530,832	533,988
Maint. of equipment exp.	263,645	318,447	801,237	856,783
Traffic expenses	34,153	33,990	96,377	97,510
Transportation expenses	646,158	691,648	1,964,148	2,040,288
General expenses	58,195	59,542	175,134	182,541
Total expenses	1,188,376	1,292,399	3,567,729	3,711,113
Net railway revenue	242,298	250,817	465,209	548,208
Taxes & uncoll. revenues	80,476	83,274	233,943	244,184
Net revenue after taxes, &c.	Cr161,821	Cr167,542	Cr231,265	Cr304,023
Hire of equipment	Dr54,626	Dr86,271	Dr155,070	Dr181,274
Rentals of terminals—Dr	52,018	52,774	160,751	161,959
Net after rentals	Cr55,176	Cr28,496	Dr84,557	Dr39,209
Other income—net	Dr23,051	Dr22,407	Dr77,000	Dr66,590
Interest on funded debt	Dr176,863	Dr172,819	Dr514,397	Dr503,276
Net income	Dr144,738	Dr166,729	Dr675,954	Dr609,076

Electric Railway and Other Public Utility Earnings.
—Below we give the returns of ELECTRIC railway and other public utility companies making monthly returns which have reported this week:

Atlantic Gulf and West Indies Steamship Lines.

(And Subsidiary Steamship Companies.)

	—Month of February—		—2 Mos. End. Feb. 28.	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Operating revenues	3,284,194	3,054,299	6,402,298	6,008,226
Net revenue from oper. (incl. depreciation)	686,866	390,465	1,102,309	629,109
Gross income	765,777	460,564	1,266,259	766,576
Interest, rents and taxes	212,215	209,253	432,231	427,724
Net income	553,561	251,310	834,028	338,852

Bangor Hydro-Electric Co.

	—Month of March—		—12 Mos. End. Mar. 31.	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Gross earnings	165,925	162,377	1,987,700	1,884,474
Operating expenses and taxes	77,617	78,343	905,749	864,171
Gross income	88,308	84,034	1,081,951	1,020,303
Interest, &c.	18,429	23,226	243,287	305,131
Net income	69,879	60,808	838,664	715,172
Preferred stock dividend			260,599	232,936
Depreciation			123,867	115,009
Balance			454,198	367,227
Common stock dividend			255,132	188,466
Balance			199,066	178,761

Birmingham Electric Co.

(National Power & Light Company Subsidiary.)

	—Month of January—		—12 Mos. Ended Jan. 31.	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Gross earnings from oper.	955,027	948,106	10,729,931	10,139,704
Oper. expenses & taxes	602,058	594,952	6,721,074	6,669,953
Net earns. from operation	352,969	353,154	4,008,857	3,469,751
Other income	1,699	50	32,023	6,602
Total income	354,668	353,204	4,040,880	3,476,353
Interest on bonds	77,168	71,684	843,519	861,540
Other interest & deductions	10,260	14,136	168,653	98,239
Balance	267,240	267,384	3,028,708	2,516,574
Dividends on preferred stock			397,203	356,054
Balance			2,631,505	2,160,520

Brazilian Traction, Light & Power Co., Ltd.

	—Month of March—		—Jan. 1 to Mar. 31—	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Gross earnings from operation	3,928,550	3,390,396	11,577,092	9,910,375
Operating expenses	1,718,395	1,456,516	4,992,538	4,225,682
Net earnings	2,210,155	1,933,880	6,584,554	5,684,693

Brooklyn-Manhattan Transit System.

	—Month of March—		—9 Mos. End. Mar. 31.	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Total operating revenues	4,222,985	4,068,867	36,023,524	35,404,376
Total operating expenses	2,638,395	2,625,563	23,254,505	22,906,048
Net rev. from operation	1,584,590	1,443,304	12,769,019	12,498,328
Taxes on operating properties	292,481	301,074	2,511,749	2,544,230
Operating income	1,292,108	1,142,229	10,257,269	9,954,097
Net non-operating income	168,177	142,238	771,448	795,022
Gross income	1,460,286	1,284,467	11,028,718	10,749,119
Total income deductions	747,469	672,399	6,331,042	5,984,419
Net income	712,816	612,068	4,697,675	4,764,700

Broad River Power Co.

(Subsidiary of General Gas & Electric Corp.)

	—Month of March—		—12 Mos. End. Mar. 31 '29.	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Operating revenue	184,881	173,400	2,207,645	
Operating expenses and taxes				860,576
Maintenance and depreciation				297,893
Total oper. exp., maint., depr. & taxes	89,886	83,739	1,158,469	
Operating income	94,994	89,661	1,049,176	398,583
Other income				
Total income				1,447,759
Deductions from Income—				
Interest on funded debt				682,561
Other deductions from income				87,068
Total deductions from income				769,629
Net income				678,129
Provision for dividend on preferred stock				266,735
Balance of net income				411,394

Central Illinois Light Co.

(Subsidiary of Commonwealth Power Corp.)

	—Month of March—		—12 Mos. End. Mar. 31—	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Gross earnings	422,688	410,381	4,853,178	4,491,111
Operating expenses, including taxes and maintenance	265,817	250,400	2,856,778	2,704,675
Gross income	156,871	159,981	1,996,400	1,786,535
Fixed Charges			361,434	389,511
Net income			1,634,965	1,397,024
Dividends on preferred stock			407,490	412,490
Provision for retirement reserve			309,300	268,800
Balance			918,175	715,733

Dallas Power & Light Co.

(Electric Power & Light Corp. Subsidiary)

	—Month of January—		—12 Mos. End. Jan. 31—	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Gross earnings from operation	447,580	423,590	4,771,758	4,438,700
Operating expenses and taxes	197,269	185,842	2,190,698	2,244,364
Net earns. from operation	250,311	237,748	2,581,060	2,194,336
Other income	7,046	1,630	41,242	26,330
Total income	257,357	239,378	2,622,302	2,220,666
Interest on bonds	58,125	58,125	697,500	682,499
Other int. and deductions	3,411	3,557	21,600	26,730
Balance	195,821	177,696	1,903,202	1,511,437
Dividends on preferred stock			245,000	245,000
Balance			1,658,202	1,266,437

Florida Public Service Co.

(Subsidiary of General Gas & Electric Corp.)

	—Month of March—		—12 Mos. End. Mar. 31.	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Operating revenue	212,566	204,976	2,095,332	1,953,996
Oper. expenses and taxes			937,803	940,616
Maintenance and deprec'n.			138,065	70,549
Total oper. exp., maint., depreciation and taxes	104,699	94,004	1,075,868	1,011,165
Operating income	107,867	110,972	1,019,464	942,831
Other income			87,208	124,269
Total income			1,106,673	1,067,100
Deductions from Income—				
Interest on funded debt			596,054	528,507
Other deductions from income			238,135	181,075
Total deductions from income			834,190	709,583
Net income			272,482	357,517
Provision for dividend on preferred stock			149,044	144,472
Balance of net income			123,437	213,044

General Gas & Electric Corp.

(And Subsidiary Companies.)

	—Month of March—		—12 Mos. Ended Mar. 31.	
	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Operating revenue	658,810	1,937,024	19,509,441	23,830,216
Operating expenses & taxes	328,586	811,024	8,249,148	10,468,447
Maintenance	66,693	212,828	2,006,106	2,404,377
Depreciation	28,247	110,174	1,430,241	1,562,804
Rentals	25,863	31,944	362,837	382,471
Total oper. exp., maint., deprec., taxes & rentals	449,392	1,165,972	12,048,334	14,818,101
Operating income	209,418	771,052	7,461,106	9,012,115
Other income	*391,756	90,805	1,817,318	946,132
Total income	601,175	861,857	9,278,425	9,958,247
Deductions—				
Interest on funded debt	113,537	271,263	3,068,650	3,826,861
Other deductions from income	19,695	66,904	380,052	538,317
Prof. stk. divs. of subsidiaries	41,550	178,191	1,742,078	2,105,630
Minority interests	10,406	31,742	203,653	235,577
Total deductions	185,189	548,100	5,394,436	6,706,385
Balance	415,985	313,756	3,883,989	3,251,861
General Gas & Electric Corp. dividends:				
\$8 cumul. pref. stock, class A			500,808	500,808
\$7 cumul. pref. stock, class A			280,000	280,000
Cumul. pref. stock, class B			303,793	303,793
Common stock, class A			715,570	505,414
Common stock, class B			432,362	306,099
Dividend participations			190,160	
Total dividends			2,422,696	1,896,116
Balance			1,461,292	1,355,745

*Includes income from investment of proceeds of additional stock issued during March 1929.

Fort Worth Power & Light Co.
(Southwestern Power & Light Company Subsidiary.)

	—Month of January— 1929.	1928.	—12 Mos. End. Jan. 31— 1929.	1928.
Gross earns. from operation	305,674	277,145	3,241,045	3,026,584
Operating expenses and taxes	147,684	146,777	1,662,679	1,592,672
Net earns. from operation	157,990	130,368	1,578,366	1,433,912
Other income	2,331	1,951	27,480	21,947
Total income	160,321	132,319	1,605,846	1,455,859
Interest on bonds	14,542	14,542	174,500	174,500
Other int. and deductions	2,577	2,469	30,948	30,844
Balance	143,202	115,308	1,400,398	1,250,515
Dividends on preferred stock			160,832	160,832
Balance			1,239,566	1,089,683

Houston Lighting & Power Co.
(National Power & Light Company Subsidiary.)

	—Month of January— 1929.	1928.	—12 Mos. End. Jan. 31— 1929.	1928.
Gross earnings from oper	644,508	568,107	7,276,198	6,257,481
Operating expenses & taxes	345,414	331,495	4,101,341	3,637,043
Net earnings from oper	299,094	236,612	3,174,857	2,620,438
Other income	2,371	2,779	34,427	45,373
Total income	301,465	239,391	3,209,284	2,665,811
Interest on bonds	70,012	62,512	767,898	709,039
Other interest and deduct.	13,072	10,402	128,679	87,475
Balance	218,381	166,477	2,312,707	1,869,297
Dividends on preferred stock			210,000	210,000
Balance			2,102,707	1,659,297

Illinois Power Co.
(Subsidiary of Commonwealth Power Corp.)

	—Month of March— 1929.	1928.	—12 Mos. End. Mar. 31— 1929.	1928.
Gross earnings	259,833	247,532	2,786,520	2,662,593
Operating exps., incl. taxes and maintenance	157,154	155,526	1,794,435	1,809,496
Gross income	102,679	92,006	992,084	853,096
Fixed charges			384,050	396,958
Net income			608,034	456,138
Dividends on preferred stock			230,898	224,077
Provision for retirement reserve			150,000	150,000
Balance			227,136	82,060

Illinois Power & Light Corp.
(And Subsidiaries)

	—Month of February— 1929.	1928.	—12 Mos. End. Feb. 28— 1929.	1928.
Gross earns. from operation	3,173,312	2,871,735	35,439,684	31,521,742
Operating exps. and maint.	1,572,108	1,435,929	18,491,423	17,624,728
Taxes	167,230	115,921	1,592,127	1,240,353
Total exps. and taxes	1,739,339	1,551,851	20,083,550	18,865,081
Earnings from operation	1,433,973	1,319,884	15,356,134	12,656,658
Less rentals	74,816	54,965	767,591	289,964
Add other income	37,381	43,681	488,469	314,745
Total net earnings	1,396,537	1,308,600	15,077,011	12,681,442
Less Prior Charges of:				
Iowa Power & Light Co.				
The Kansas Power & Light Co.			1,357,516	1,019,130
Total earnings avail. for bond interest			13,719,494	11,662,311
Twelve months' interest on Illinois Power & Light Corp. mortgage debt			5,635,234	5,155,911

Interborough Rapid Transit Co.
Net Earnings of the Interborough System Under the "Plan."

	—Month of March— 1929.	1928.	—9 Mos. Ended Mar. 31— 1929.	1928.
Gross rev. from all sources	6,283,363	6,037,424	51,596,670	50,269,496
Expend. for oper. & maint. the property	3,695,957	3,700,925	31,789,327	29,498,572
Taxes pay. to city, State and the United States	2,687,406	2,336,498	19,807,343	20,770,923
Available for charges	2,483,209	2,091,621	17,999,624	18,246,419
Rentals pay. to city for original subways	221,478	221,848	1,990,263	1,992,583
Rentals pay. as int. on Manhattan Railway bonds	150,686	150,686	1,356,180	1,356,180
Div. rental at 7% on Manh'n Ry. stk. not assenting to "Plan of Readjustment"	25,380	25,380	228,427	228,427
Miscellaneous rentals	28,746	25,127	225,784	212,166
	426,292	423,041	3,800,656	3,789,356
	2,056,916	1,668,580	14,198,968	14,457,063
Int. pay. for the use of borrowed money & sink. fund requirements:				
Int. on I. R. T. 1st mtg. 5% bonds	699,359	699,643	6,277,987	6,277,599
Int. on I. R. T. 7% sec. notes	192,355	194,508	1,736,652	1,756,246
Int. on I. R. T. 6% 10-year notes	48,428	47,420	432,982	423,856
Int. on equip. trust cdfs	2,850	8,837	51,675	111,162
Sink. fund on I. R. T. 1st mortgage bonds	190,973	194,935	1,744,531	1,768,441
Other items	8,822	6,844	64,384	59,926
	1,142,790	1,146,390	10,308,214	10,347,234
Bal. bef. deduct. 5% Manh'n div. rental	914,126	522,190	3,890,754	4,109,829
Div. rental at 5% on Manh'n modified guar. stk. (pay. if earned)	231,870	231,870	2,086,837	2,086,837
Bal. aft. deduct. 5% Man. div. rental (subject to readjustment) (see note)	682,255	290,320	1,803,916	2,022,992

Note.—The above stated results from the subway and also from the system operations are on the basis of the preferential deficits as computed by the company and are, consequently, considered to be only preliminary and tentative because they are subject to such readjustment as may be necessitated by the final adjudication of objections made by the Transit Commission to certain items in the accounting under the contract with the city. Such adjudication may show that a portion of the "Balance" on the subway is payable to the city with a corresponding change in that balance on the System.

Kansas Gas & Electric Co.
(American Power & Light Company Subsidiary)

	—Month of January— 1929.	1928.	—12 Mos. End. Jan. 31— 1929.	1928.
Gross earns. from operation	490,380	479,750	5,428,812	5,039,063
Operating exps. and taxes	243,712	254,711	2,956,874	2,929,664
Net earns. from operation	246,668	225,039	2,471,938	2,109,399
Other income	34,565	28,557	419,315	324,609
Total income	281,233	253,696	2,891,253	2,434,098
Interest on bonds	85,000	85,000	1,020,000	1,020,000
Other int. and deductions	5,545	14,698	122,563	147,881
Balance	196,688	153,998	1,748,690	1,266,217
Dividends on preferred stock			464,578	463,170
Balance			1,284,112	803,047

Kansas City Power & Light Co.

	—Month of March— 1929.	1928.	—12 Mos. End. Mar. 31— 1929.	1928.
Gross earns. (all sources)	1,197,120	1,138,517	13,976,935	13,025,021
Operating exps. (incl. maint., general and income taxes)	618,767	574,277	7,144,687	6,614,053
Net earnings	578,352	564,239	6,832,248	6,410,968
Interest charges	97,542	111,026	1,187,944	1,339,270
Balance	480,810	453,213	5,644,303	5,017,698
Amort. of disc. and prems.	15,429	15,429	185,149	184,451
Balance	465,381	437,783	5,459,154	4,887,247
Dividends first pref. stock	20,000	77,776	240,000	877,066
Surplus earns. avail. for depreciation and com. stock dividends	445,381	360,007	5,219,154	4,010,181

Memphis Power & Light Co.
(National Power & Light Company Subsidiary)

	—Month of January— 1929.	1928.	—12 Mos. End. Jan. 31— 1929.	1928.
Gross earns. from operation	564,157	593,907	5,990,183	5,725,505
Operating exps. and taxes	315,664	321,249	3,471,578	3,294,866
Net earns. from operation	248,493	272,658	2,518,605	2,430,639
Other income	11,014	7,887	318,959	263,380
Total income	259,507	280,545	2,837,564	2,694,019
Interest on bonds	58,172	48,483	608,646	582,994
Other int. and deductions	4,714	12,618	114,456	113,204
Balance	196,621	219,444	2,114,462	1,997,821
Dividends on preferred stock			249,519	232,603
Balance			1,864,943	1,765,218

Minnesota Power & Light Co.
(American Power & Light Company Subsidiary)

	—Month of January— 1929.	1928.	—12 Mos. End. Jan. 31— 1929.	1928.
Gross earns. from operation	542,214	522,274	6,057,574	5,882,418
Operating exps. and taxes	197,702	198,164	2,159,047	2,207,879
Net earns. from operation	344,512	324,110	3,898,527	3,674,539
Other income	11,558	18,429	218,773	227,276
Total income	356,070	342,539	4,117,300	3,901,815
Interest on bonds	129,362	138,363	1,577,599	1,628,806
Other int. and deductions	5,388	3,708	65,825	65,076
Balance	221,320	200,468	2,468,876	2,209,933
Dividends on preferred stock			817,544	639,487
Balance			1,651,332	1,570,446

Nebraska Power Co.

	—Month of January— 1929.	1928.	—12 Mos. End. Jan. 31— 1929.	1928.
Gross earns. from operation	516,286	462,197	5,384,258	4,924,066
Operating exps. and taxes	244,889	229,839	2,775,634	2,569,639
Net earns. from operation	271,397	232,358	2,608,624	2,354,427
Other income	9,539	10,355	188,741	180,385
Total income	280,936	242,693	2,797,365	2,534,812
Interest on bonds	67,250	67,250	807,000	807,000
Other int. and deductions	16,987	14,544	191,005	140,724
Balance	196,699	160,899	1,799,360	1,587,088
Dividends on preferred stock			364,000	364,000
Balance			1,435,360	1,223,088

The Nevada-California Electric Corp.
(And Subsidiary Companies.)

	—Month of March— 1929.	1928.	—12 Mos. End. Mar. 31— 1929.	1928.
Gross operating earnings	488,829	475,899	5,525,911	5,220,237
Oper. and gen. exps. & taxes	266,139	194,245	2,505,297	2,289,742
Operating profits	222,690	281,654	3,020,614	2,930,494
Non-operating earns. (net)	11,104	7,933	138,700	83,944
Total income	233,794	289,587	3,159,314	3,014,439
Interest	122,781	122,737	1,472,968	1,396,652
Balance	111,012	166,849	1,686,346	1,617,786
Depreciation	54,453	46,643	615,790	592,139
Balance	56,559	120,206	1,070,556	1,025,647
Disc. & expense on secur. sold	7,958	7,949	97,173	93,762
Misc. add'ns & deducts. (net Credit)	x7,974	x288	33,035	7,854
Surp. avail. for redemp. of bonds, dividends, &c.	40,626	111,967	1,006,417	939,739
x Net debit.				

New York Dock Co.

	—Month of March— 1929.	1928.	—3 Mos. End. Mar. 31— 1929.	1928.
Revenues	290,584	342,970	801,253	945,693
Expenses	163,212	184,891	426,150	500,245
Net revenues	127,371	158,079	375,103	445,448
Less—Taxes, Int., &c.	74,635	104,454	241,832	283,389
Net income	52,736	53,624	133,271	162,059

The Ohio Edison.

(Subsidiary of Commonwealth Power Corp.)

	—Month of March— 1929.	1928.	—12 Mos. End. 1929.	Mar. 31— 1928.
Gross earnings	\$ 187,327	\$ 176,358	\$ 2,181,608	\$ 1,967,629
Operating exps., incl. taxes and maintenance	91,070	92,895	1,060,316	1,056,697
Gross income	96,256	83,463	1,121,291	910,931
Fixed charges			189,267	144,645
Net income			932,024	766,285
Dividends on preferred stock			163,040	151,307
Provision for retirement reserve			153,000	129,750
Balance			615,983	485,228

Pacific Power & Light Co.

(American Power & Light Co. Subsidiary.)

	—Month of January— 1929.	1928.	—12 Mos. End. 1929.	Jan. 31. 1928.
Gross earnings from operation	\$ 393,772	\$ 334,937	\$ 4,653,186	\$ 3,782,868
Operating expenses & taxes	214,210	184,886	2,437,650	2,201,674
Net earns. from operation	179,562	150,051	2,215,536	1,581,194
Other income	9,510	816	45,449	9,863
Total income	189,072	150,867	2,260,985	1,591,057
Interest on bonds	37,996	37,996	455,950	455,950
Other interest & deductions	72,260	43,139	732,167	334,548
Balance	78,816	69,732	1,072,868	800,559
Dividends on preferred stock			406,439	405,984
Balance			666,429	394,575

Pennsylvania Coal & Coke Corp.

(And Subsidiaries)

	—Month of March— 1929.	1928.	—Jan. 1 to 1929.	March 31— 1928.
Gross earnings	\$ 354,408	\$ 405,407	\$ 1,203,589	\$ 1,151,104
Operating expenses & taxes (not incl. Federal taxes)	341,652	446,350	1,123,967	1,314,104
Net operating income	12,756	—40,943	79,622	—163,000
Miscellaneous income	11,105	11,880	34,238	40,090
Gross income	23,861	—29,063	113,861	—122,910
Charges to income	10,824	96,424	109,615	112,797
Net inc. before Fed. taxes	13,037	67,361	4,245	—235,707

Pennsylvania Power & Light Co.

(Lehigh Power Securities Corporation Subsidiary)

	—Month of January— 1929.	1928.	—12 Mos. End. 1929.	Jan. 31— 1928.
Gross earns. from operation	\$ 2,755,819	\$ 1,980,695	\$ 27,389,883	\$ 21,549,760
Operating exps. and taxes	1,337,369	1,022,890	13,713,911	11,546,760
Net earns. from operation	1,418,450	957,805	13,675,972	10,003,000
Other income	47,590	47,156	936,011	1,464,231
Total income	1,466,040	1,004,961	14,611,983	11,467,231
Interest on bonds	425,762	243,303	4,655,775	2,924,110
Other int. and deductions	27,894	23,463	313,689	249,163
Balance	1,012,384	738,195	9,642,519	8,293,958
Dividends on preferred stock			3,065,468	2,998,616
Balance			6,577,051	5,295,342

Portland Electric Power Co.

	—Month of March— 1929.	1928.	—12 Mos. End. 1929.	Mar. 31. 1928.
Gross earnings	\$ 1,077,706	\$ 1,062,741	\$ 12,600,992	\$ 12,224,228
Operating expenses and taxes	620,539	636,465	7,485,115	7,218,814
Gross income	457,167	426,276	5,115,877	5,005,414
Interest, &c.	213,028	213,456	2,574,757	2,577,367
Net income	244,139	212,820	2,541,120	2,428,047
Dividends on prior preference stock			465,590	475,219
Dividends on first preferred stock			777,122	692,110
Dividends on second preferred stock			330,000	302,500
Balance			968,408	958,218
Depreciation			778,752	759,770
Balance			189,656	198,448

Portland Gas & Coke Co.

(American Power & Light Co. Subsidiary.)

	—Month of January— 1929.	1928.	—12 Mos. End. 1929.	Jan. 31. 1928.
Gross earnings from operation	\$ 432,886	\$ 450,651	\$ 4,468,431	\$ 4,509,445
Operating expenses & taxes	288,603	303,853	2,912,058	2,955,912
Net earns. from operation	144,283	146,798	1,556,373	1,553,533
Other income	4,283	1,878	55,151	30,269
Total income	148,566	148,676	1,611,524	1,583,802
Interest on bonds	40,604	35,479	483,500	425,750
Other interest & deductions	4,045	18,246	72,183	259,070
Balance	103,917	94,951	1,055,841	898,982
Dividends on preferred stock			381,586	381,077
Balance			674,255	517,905

Public Service Corp. of New Jersey.

	—Month of March— 1929.	1928.	—12 Mos. End. 1929.	Mar. 31. 1928.
Gross earnings	\$ 11,177,402	\$ 10,237,040	\$ 127,702,531	\$ 117,941,186
Oper. exp., maint., taxes & depreciation	7,732,107	7,261,977	89,796,232	84,167,602
Net income from oper.	3,445,294	2,975,063	37,906,298	33,773,583
Other net income	5,319	400,609	2,449,932	1,293,676
Total	3,450,614	3,375,672	40,356,231	35,067,260
Income deductions	1,288,331	1,631,824	16,053,496	18,654,942
Bal. for divs. & surplus	2,162,283	1,743,847	24,302,734	16,412,417

Reading Transit Co.

(And Subsidiary Companies.)

	—Month of March— 1929.	1928.	—12 Mos. End. 1929.	Mar. 31. 1928.
Operating revenue	\$ 244,126	\$ 244,301	\$ 2,769,403	\$ 2,853,226
Operating expenses & taxes			1,551,602	1,613,756
Maintenance & depreciation			640,260	628,750
Rentals			313,189	316,169
Total oper. exp., maint., deprec., taxes & rentals	219,134	219,315	2,505,051	2,558,676
Operating income	24,992	24,985	264,351	294,550
Other income			17,285	18,607
Total income			281,637	313,158
Deductions from income—				
Interest on funded debt			87,831	87,992
Other deductions from income			5,648	18,035
Total deductions from income			93,480	106,028
Net income			188,157	207,130
Provision for dividends on preferred stock			119,145	119,145
Balance of net income			69,012	87,985

Southern California Edison Co.

	—Month of March— 1929.	1928.	—3 Mos. Ended 1929.	Mar. 31. 1928.
Gross earnings	\$ 2,972,704	\$ 2,644,925	\$ 8,959,349	\$ 7,814,705
Total expenses & taxes	1,812,095	1,632,705	5,523,700	5,118,955
Balance	1,280,581	1,199,858	3,905,020	3,795,907

Southern Canada Power Co., Ltd.

	—Month of March— 1929.	1928.	—6 Mos. End. 1929.	Mar. 31— 1928.
Gross earnings	\$ 170,102	\$ 158,678	\$ 1,062,068	\$ 889,370
Operating expenses	59,297	49,128	354,156	289,208
Net earnings	110,805	109,550	707,912	600,162

Southern Indiana Gas & Electric Co.

(Subsidiary of Commonwealth Power Corp.)

	—Month of March— 1929.	1928.	—12 Mos. End. 1929.	Mar. 31— 1928.
Gross earnings	\$ 288,885	\$ 269,064	\$ 3,237,586	\$ 3,066,102
Operating exps., incl. taxes and maintenance	166,973	153,121	1,864,240	1,750,625
Gross income	121,911	115,942	1,373,346	1,315,477
Fixed charges			304,031	334,662
Net income			1,069,314	980,815
Dividends on preferred stock			391,635	363,763
Provision for retirement reserve			245,000	224,695
Balance			432,679	392,456

Southwestern Power & Light Co.

(And Subsidiary Companies.)

	—Month of January— 1929.	1928.	—12 Mos. End. 1929.	Jan. 31. 1928.
Gross earnings all subsidiaries	\$ 1,684,883	\$ 1,427,464	\$ 18,984,771	\$ 16,296,888
Bal. of subsidiaries' earns. after all exp., applic. to S. P. & L. Co.	567,620	449,723	6,666,814	5,591,996
Expenses of S. P. & L. Co.	19,168	12,630	162,861	143,608
Balance	548,452	437,093	6,503,953	5,448,388
Interest on secured bonds	57,488	57,488	689,850	605,314
Int. on 6% debenture bonds	25,000	25,000	300,000	300,000
All other interest	Cr. 313	Cr. 7,258	Cr. 109,795	Cr. 311,667
Balance	466,277	361,863	5,623,898	4,854,741
Dividends on preferred stock			587,090	587,090
Balance			5,036,808	4,267,651

The Tennessee Electric Power Co.

(Including Nashville Railway & Light Co.)

	—Month of March— 1929.	1928.	—12 Mos. End. 1929.	Mar. 31. 1928.
Gross earnings	\$ 1,179,227	\$ 1,122,292	\$ 13,626,112	\$ 12,760,388
Operating expenses and taxes	613,112	594,585	6,981,651	6,947,090
Gross income	566,115	527,707	6,644,461	5,813,298
Interest, &c.			2,166,539	2,201,903
Net income			4,477,922	3,611,395
Preferred stock dividend			1,338,323	1,286,656
Balance			3,139,599	2,324,739
Depreciation			1,014,722	957,860
Balance			2,124,877	1,366,879

Texas Power & Light Co.

(Southwestern Power & Light Co. Subsidiary.)

	—Month of January— 1929.	1928.	—12 Mos. End. 1929.	Jan. 31. 1928.
Gross earns. from operation	\$ 800,686	\$ 873,623	\$ 9,644,726	\$ 9,397,679
Operating expenses & taxes	413,866	486,459	4,930,841	5,255,537
Net earns. from operation	386,820	387,164	4,713,885	4,142,142
Other income	9,215	7,316	190,045	136,801
Total income	396,035	394,480	4,903,930	4,278,943
Interest on bonds	157,521	155,854	1,884,139	1,730,250
Other interest & deductions	11,189	11,014	135,490	142,617
Balance	227,325	227,612	2,884,301	2,406,076
Dividends on preferred stock			518,500	455,000
Balance			2,365,801	1,951,076

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 first 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 April 6. The next will appear in that of May 4.

Union Pacific Railroad.

(32d Annual Report—Year Ended Dec. 31 1928.)

The text of the report, signed by Chairman Robert S. Lovett, together with comparative income accounts, comparative balance sheet as of Dec. 31 and other statistical tables, will be found on subsequent pages of this issue.—V. 127, p. 2814.

Chicago Rock Island & Pacific Railway Co.

(49th Annual Report—Year Ended Dec. 31 1928.)

The joint remarks of President J. E. Gorman and Chairman Charles Hayden, together with the comparative balance sheet and income account, will be found under "Reports and Documents" on subsequent pages. Our usual comparative tables were published in V. 128, p. 2291.

GENERAL STATISTICS FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

Table with 4 columns: 1928, 1927, 1926, 1925. Rows include Freight Traffic (Average miles operated, Tons carried, Rev. for tons carried, etc.), Revenue Pass. Traffic (No. of pass. carried, Rev. for pass. carried, etc.), and Wash Railway Company (13th Annual Report—Year Ended Dec. 31 1928.).

Wash Railway Company.

(13th Annual Report—Year Ended Dec. 31 1928.)

The remarks of President J. E. Taussig, together with comparative income account and balance sheet for the year 1928, will be found under "Reports and Documents" on subsequent pages.

GENERAL STATISTICS FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

Table with 4 columns: 1928, 1927, 1926, 1925. Rows include Freight (Fr't (tons) car'd 1 m. (000), Aver. rev. per ton per m., Freight carried (tons), etc.), Passengers (Passengers carried, Pass. carried 1 mile, Rev. per pass. per mile), and Income Account Years Ended Dec. 31.

INCOME ACCOUNT YEARS ENDED DEC. 31.

Table with 4 columns: 1928, 1927, 1926, 1925. Rows include Total oper. revenues, Expenses (Maint. of way & struct., Traffic, Transportation, etc.), Total oper. income, Net rev. from ry. oper., Tax accruals, etc., and Balance surplus.

Standard Gas & Electric Co.

(Annual Report—Year Ended Dec. 31 1928.)

The remarks of President John J. O'Brien, together with income accounts, balance sheets and other statistical tables, will be found under "Reports and Documents" on subsequent pages.

INCOME ACCOUNT YEARS ENDED DEC. 31 (COMPANY ONLY)

Table with 4 columns: 1928, 1927, 1926, 1925. Rows include Income Credits (Int. on bonds owned, Int. on notes & accts. rec., etc.), Expenses (Gen. exps. and taxes, Int. on funded debt, etc.), Net income, Dividends paid, Balance surplus, and Surplus for year.

shares of common stock without par value for shares of par value, and the debt discount and expense incurred during 1926 having been credited with the net premium on preferred capital stocks for that period. x Includes interest on bonds converted into common stock.

BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31 (COMPANY ONLY).

Table with 4 columns: 1928, 1927, 1928, 1927. Rows include Assets (Secured owned, Sec. to be rec., etc.), Liabilities (7% pr. pf. stk., 6% non-cum. pf. stock, etc.), and Total.

a Represented by 1,418,946 shares of no par value. b Represented by 656,850 no par \$4 cum. pref. shares in 1928 and by 8% cum. pref. stk. (par \$50) in 1927. Note.—The company was contingently liable at Dec. 31 1928 on account of a note discounted for a subsidiary company in the amount of \$100,000.—V. 128, p. 2463.

Pacific Gas & Electric Company.

(23d Annual Report—Year Ended Dec. 31 1928.)

The remarks of President A. F. Hockenbeamer are cited on subsequent pages, together with the income account, balance sheet as of Dec. 31 1928, and other statistical tables.

CONSOLIDATE INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

Table with 4 columns: 1928, 1927, 1926, 1925. Rows include Gross oper. rev., incl. other income, Oper. & admin. exp., taxes (incl. Fed.) maint., uncoll. accts. & exps., Bond int., disc. & exps., Reserve for deprec'n, Net income, Divs. pd. on pref. stk., Common dividends, Balance surplus, Earnings per sh. on average stock outst. pref., Common (par \$25), x Shares of \$100 par.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.

Table with 4 columns: 1928, 1927, 1928, 1927. Rows include Assets (Plant & prop's, Discount and expenses on capital stock, Investments, etc.), Liabilities (Common stock, 1st pref. stock, Sub. co. stock, etc.), and Total (ea. side).

Cities Service Co., New York.

(19th Annual Report—Year Ended Dec. 31 1928.)

On subsequent pages will be found the remarks of President Henry L. Doherty, in addition to the 18-year comparative income account of Cities Service Co., the consolidated income account, including all subsidiary companies for 1928, and the consolidated balance sheet, including subsidiary companies, as of Dec. 31 1928.

GENERAL STATISTICS DECEMBER 31.

Table with 4 columns: 1928, 1927, 1926, 1925. Rows include Electric Properites (Kilowatt hrs. s'ld., capacity, Customers, etc.), Sales (cubic ft.), 24-hour capacity, Customers, Mains (miles), Populat'n served, Natural Gas, Oil, Gas sold, Artificial Gas, Customers, Populat'n served, Consolidated Income Account for Calendar Years (CO. & SUBS.), Gross earnings, Net earnings, Interest charges, Net to stock & reserves, Pref. stk. divs., Net to com. stock & res.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31.
[Inter-company items eliminated.]

Assets—	1928.		1927.	
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Plant & investment	723,833,858	650,510,511		
Cash dep. for retire		14,204,973		
Sinking fund	6,374,113	6,287,174		
Cash	49,863,701	29,435,485		
Securities owned	973,496	1,027,329		
Bills receivable	1,087,684	1,190,353		
Accts. receivable	35,288,841	32,595,471		
Oil in stock	30,674,283	26,940,088		
Materials & supplies	10,278,710	10,997,068		
Payments in advance	1,513,460	993,207		
Disc't on bonds	39,334,417	28,572,486		
Special deposits	2,835,294	247,707		
Notes & accts. receivable	1,782,529	1,027,680		
Prop'ty amortiz. acct.	4,416,535			
Deferred charges	5,335,341	4,976,822		
Total (ea. side)	913,592,354	809,036,357		
Contingent Liability.—Guarantee by Cities Service Co. of \$2,030,000 Cities Service Tank Line Co. 5% equip't trust certificates, due serially to 1935.—V. 128, p. 2269.				

Norfolk Southern Railroad Co.

(19th Annual Report—Year Ended Dec. 1928.)

TRAFFIC STATISTICS—YEARS ENDED DEC. 31.

	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Average miles operated	931.52	931.78	931.88	931.88
Passenger Traffic				
No. of passengers carried	667,361	823,396	1,152,545	1,334,231
No. pass. carr. 1 mile	16,827,762	21,367,591	27,993,516	32,752,047
No. pass. carr. 1 m. per mile of road	18,065	22,932	30,040	35,146
Av. dist. car. each pass.	25.22	25.95	24.29	24.55
Av. amt. rec. from each passenger (cts.)	74.979	79.074	74.404	75.667
Av. receipt per passenger per mile (cts.)	2.974	3.047	3.063	3.082
No. of tons carried	4,189,243	4,675,719	4,587,109	4,015,534
No. of tons carr. 1 mile	482,154,459	476,105,606	515,428,579	455,757,809
per mile of road	517.600	510.064	553.106	489.073
Av. dist. hauled each ton	115.09	101.83	112.36	113.50
Av. amt. rec. fr. each ton	1.924	1.786	1.889	1.892
Av. recpt. per ton per mile (cts.)	1.671	1.754	1.681	1.667
Net oper. rev. per train mile (cts.)	115.13	120.78	121.79	102.59

OPERATING STATISTICS AND REVENUES FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
All Lines (incl. Electric)				
Freight revenue	\$8,058,745	\$8,359,412	\$8,666,126	\$7,595,416
Passenger revenue	500,382	651,090	857,544	1,009,569
Mail and express	272,537	270,149	251,729	294,670
All other transportation	290,652	293,370	291,088	232,224
Total oper. revenue	\$9,122,317	\$9,567,021	\$10,066,487	\$9,131,878
Maint. of way & struct.	1,207,794	1,202,581	1,327,276	1,191,523
Maint. of equipment	1,282,532	1,483,413	1,672,702	1,320,534
Traffic	329,345	308,930	289,747	281,681
Transportation	3,370,289	3,473,414	3,499,543	3,552,143
Miscellaneous	353,308	359,630	348,431	340,208
Total oper. expenses	\$6,543,270	\$6,827,968	\$7,137,700	\$6,686,088
Net rev. from ry. oper.	2,579,048	2,739,053	2,928,787	2,445,790
Tax accruals, &c.	729,147	646,066	676,596	545,702
Total oper. income	1,849,899	\$2,093,047	\$2,252,191	\$1,900,888
Deduct—Equip. rents	281,581	353,782	443,894	368,210
Joint facility rents	22,710	21,082	22,210	23,421
Net oper. income	\$1,545,608	\$1,718,182	\$1,786,087	\$1,508,456

INCOME ACCOUNT—YEARS ENDED DEC. 31.

	1928.		1927.	
	Steam.	Electric.	Total.	Total.
Operating Revenue—				
Freight trains	\$7,845,942	\$212,802	\$8,058,745	\$8,352,411
Passenger trains	431,901	68,481	500,382	651,090
Miscellaneous	421,040	136,584	557,625	557,395
Joint facility	5,564		5,564	6,125
Total oper. revenue	\$8,704,448	\$417,868	\$9,122,317	\$9,567,021
Operating Expenses—				
Maint. of way & struct.	\$1,144,859	\$62,935	\$1,207,794	\$1,202,581
Maint. of equipment	1,249,440	33,092	1,282,532	1,483,413
Traffic expense	313,107	16,238	329,345	308,930
Transportation expense	3,203,698	189,547	3,393,154	3,570,917
General expense	337,517	15,791	353,308	359,630
Transpt. for invest. cr.	22,748	118	22,865	97,503
Total oper. expense	\$6,225,784	\$317,486	\$6,543,270	\$6,827,968
Net rev. from oper.	2,478,664	100,383	2,579,047	2,739,052
Less—Ry. tax accruals	697,087	27,984	725,072	643,161
Uncollectible Ry. rev.	3,352	724	4,077	2,845
Net oper. income	\$1,778,224	\$71,674	\$1,849,899	\$2,093,047

COMPARATIVE INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Net operating income	\$1,849,899	\$2,093,047	\$2,252,191	\$1,900,888
Other Income—				
Hire of equipment (net)	1,500	1,165	1,250	1,260
Joint facility rent income	10,611	13,626		
Miscell. rent income	13,830	10,619	12,357	12,325
Misc. non-op. phys. prop	4,329	4,520	4,545	4,712
Dividend income	30,862	15,449	12,849	12,887
Income from funded secs	11,515	3,820	3,820	3,820
Income from unfunded securities and accounts	28,687	25,428	31,301	12,739
Income from sinking and other reserve funds	2,818	11,869	13,484	15,566
Miscellaneous income	590	344	305	
Total non-oper. inc.	\$104,744	\$86,841	\$79,909	\$63,310
Gross income	\$1,954,643	\$2,179,888	\$2,332,100	\$1,963,398
Deductions from Income—				
Hire of equipment	\$283,081	\$354,947	\$445,144	\$369,470
Joint facility rents	33,320	34,708	22,210	23,422
Rent for leased roads	167,102	167,102	167,102	167,102
Miscellaneous rents	1,277	1,566	1,051	1,256
Interest on funded debt	823,800	843,099	851,219	857,380
Int. on unfunded debt	10,413	11,251	4,765	5,823
Amortization of discount on funded debt	20,801	18,974	19,145	18,145
Miscell. income charges	7,920	7,886	7,886	8,276
Total deductions	\$1,347,716	\$1,439,533	\$1,518,523	\$1,450,874
Net income year ended Dec. 31	\$606,927	\$740,355	\$813,578	\$512,524
Dividends (\$2 1/4)	360,000			
Balance	\$246,927	\$740,355	\$813,578	\$512,524
Shares of capital stock outstanding (par \$100)	160,000	160,000	160,000	160,000
Earns. per sh. on cap. stk.	\$3.79	\$4.62	\$5.08	\$3.20

BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.

Assets—	1928.		1927.	
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Road & equip't	34,444,760	34,185,075		
Real est. not used in operation	182,703	186,277		
Imp'ts. on leased property	257,382	230,348		
Leased rail, &c.	54,359	48,883		
Securities of under-lying & other cos	4,755,284	4,842,484		
Invest. in affil. cos	1,703,740	1,523,157		
Cash	774,381	904,243		
Depos. with trust.	57,750	69,875		
Sinking funds	204,030	153,330		
Notes receivable		92		
Misc. accts. receiv.	126,276	102,590		
Balance from agts.	38,982	47,681		
Materials, &c.	733,428	718,421		
Wkg. fd. adv., &c.	3,983	131,619		
Deferred assets	133,822	96,381		
Unadj. debits	1,052,870	978,969		
Accrued income	375,719	13,804		
Total	44,899,500	44,233,232		
Includes road, \$27,706,819, and equipment, \$6,236,804, and \$501,136 general expenditures.—V. 127, p. 3087; V. 128, p. 881.				

Pennsylvania Company.

(57th Annual Report—Year Ended Dec. 31 1928.)

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Dividend income	\$10,182,019	\$7,555,748	\$7,117,425	\$6,235,162
Miscell. rent incomes	11,339			
Income from funded secs	267,771	82,167	57,792	248,855
Income from unfunded securities & account	297,347	120,468	105,477	216,309
Income from sinking and other reserve funds		915,515	201,998	11,901
Gross income	\$10,758,476	\$8,673,898	\$7,482,691	\$6,712,227
Deductions—				
Tax accruals	\$313,463	227,449	583,546	423,821
Int. on funded debt	924,852	667,699	716,847	792,484
Int. on unfunded debt	2,467,358	672,027	158	
Maint. of invest. organ.	38,295	30,100	26,034	19,361
Miscell. income charges	6,672	5,680	6,191	7,045
Total deductions	\$3,750,639	\$1,602,955	\$1,332,776	\$1,242,711
Net income	7,007,837	7,070,943	6,149,915	5,469,516
Inc. appl. to sinking and other reserve funds		1,098,035	281,442	18,391
Balance transferred to credit of prof. & loss	\$7,007,837	\$5,972,908	\$5,868,473	\$5,451,125
Previous surplus	28,162,330	28,731,351	31,036,116	37,672,419
Sundry net credits during year	11,596,664			45,015
Total surplus	\$46,766,831	\$34,704,259	\$36,904,589	\$43,168,559
Less div. approp. (6%)	6,138,750	4,800,000	4,800,000	4,800,000
Sundry net debits	1,741,928	2,373,239	2,373,239	2,373,239
Approp. to gen. fund.		1,000,000	7,332,442	
P. & L. Surp. Dec. 31	\$40,628,082	\$28,162,330	\$28,731,351	\$31,036,116

BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.

Assets—	1928.		1927.	
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Misc. phys. prop	4,376,935	4,383,533		
Inv. in affil. cos:				
Stock	95,026,691	95,832,810		
Bonds	2,546,385	630,783		
Notes	1	1		
Advances	1,489,685	1,489,685		
Other invest.:				
Stocks	151,419,310	25,587,066		
Bonds	408,001	1		
Notes	3,325	4,627		
Miscellaneous	24	24		
Cash	2,022,951	2,017,807		
Special deposits	32,778	59,193		
Time drafts & deposits	750,000			
Misc. accts. rec.	21,618	27,602		
Int. & divs. rec.	2,300,837	1,957,732		
Deferred assets		6,464,811		
Unadj. debits	226,396	672,382		
Total	260,624,936	139,128,108		
—V. 128, p. 2625.				

Liabilities—	1928.		1927.	
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Com. stk.	124,625,000	80,000,000		
4% gold loan of 1906 certifs.	16,689,000	16,689,000		
4 3/4% gold bonds	50,000,000			
Loans & bills pay	26,750,000			
Aud. accts. and wages payable	1,132	200		
Misc. accts. pay	34,6			

CONSOLIDATED GENERAL BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31.

	1928.	1927.	1926.	a1925.
Assets—	\$	\$	\$	\$
Plant, prop., rights, franchise, &c.	\$213,981,291	208,022,831	201,297,308	195,318,566
Stock disc. expenses	7,988,299	7,277,224	6,282,863	5,466,638
Sink funds and other deposits	655,141	565,914	398,235	459,299
Investments—stks. and bonds of other cos., associations, &c.	478,782	419,521	422,649	413,192
Bal. of unamort. disc. & exp. since Dec 31 '24.	346,667	400,712	361,689	56,343
Prepaid insur. & int.	106,116	112,434	121,915	138,096
Rate invest. expenses	—	98,857	140,514	193,087
Exp. & adv. on purch. of property	78,093	60,397	66,416	86,715
Undis. exp. in connection with water power, dams, &c.	—	—	—	164,160
Misc. def. & unadjusted items	228,378	363,900	406,782	191,188
Cash	4,333,654	2,576,194	2,203,998	\$13,245,067
Call loans	4,000,000	—	—	—
Cash dep. for bond int.	x151,280	153,360	153,360	120,614
Cash dep. for futr. const.	—	—	—	3,065,000
Notes receivable	115,674	76,918	55,157	56,680
Accts. receivable	y2,665,446	2,844,385	2,781,528	2,591,935
Unbilled and electricity	1,326,867	1,218,767	913,888	833,388
Rec on sale of prof. stk.	153,096	153,096	609,766	769,876
Due from affil. cos. on open acct.	—	—	43,360	4,278,975
Materials & supplies	2,866,422	3,045,408	3,068,797	2,754,547
Total assets	239,475,208	227,952,099	219,328,222	230,203,365
Liabilities—	1928.	1927.	1926.	a1925.
7% cumul. pref. stk.	43,846,500	49,022,500	50,507,300	49,180,400
6% cumul. pref. stk.	27,321,900	18,017,000	5,377,200	—
Class A com. stock	29,276,100	21,924,600	17,967,600	17,658,200
Class B com. stock	x6,250,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000
Cap. stk. of subs. in hands of pub.	651,300	669,000	717,800	4,279,630
Funded debt	104,139,963	106,668,103	110,772,694	109,230,874
Deferred liabilities	463,667	500,118	—	—
Notes payable	—	—	3,502,293	4,376,342
Amt. due on prop. purch comm'ts	—	—	—	14,467,849
Accounts payable	1,112,285	909,778	931,778	1,023,193
Accrued int.	1,155,156	1,177,669	1,235,248	1,194,932
Accrued taxes	2,855,585	3,367,277	3,053,910	2,684,389
Accr. pref. stks. divs.	1,180,933	1,132,051	968,711	873,428
Com. stk. divs. payable	710,642	538,652	459,512	444,324
Consums. & other depos.	—	—	476,046	449,357
Sundry cur. liabilities	—	183,427	119,195	104,009
Deprec. (retire.) reserve	12,930,089	12,925,480	13,121,185	15,078,161
Miscel. reserve	181,245	186,525	133,170	88,765
Miscel. unadj. cred.	35,982	—	—	—
Contrib. for line extens.	211,927	207,346	195,562	151,844
Reser. for contingencies	1,285,243	350,000	350,000	—
Sur. on books of cos. acq. at date of acquisition thereof	700,692	700,692	689,894	628,299
Earned surplus	5,165,997	4,471,878	3,749,127	3,289,368
Total liabilities	239,475,208	227,952,099	219,328,222	230,203,365

a After giving effect to the acquisition as of Dec. 31 1925 of the physical property and other assets and assumption of the liabilities and preferred stock of the St. Paul Gas Light Co. and its affiliated companies.
 x Represented by 625,000 shares of no par value.
 y After deducting \$267,599 reserve for uncollectible accounts.—V. 128, p. 2462.

Chicago Great Western Railroad.

(19th Annual Report—Year Ended Dec. 31 1928.)

Chairman Samuel M. Felton, Chicago, April 2, reports in substance:

Total Operating Revenues.—The total revenue derived from the operation of the railroad was \$24,871,023, an increase of \$426,270, or 1.74% over the preceding year. While this is less than the high level reached in 1926, it was larger by \$126,695, or .51%, than the average yearly returns for 1921 to 1927.

Passenger Traffic.—The volume of passenger traffic, as well as the revenue from that source, continued the decline which had been characteristic of that portion of the railroad business for the past several years. The decline was more pronounced last year due to severe competitive conditions, the continued and expanding use of motor bus lines and of private automobiles. Business to Texas and California was also less than last year. The practice of substituting motor trains for steam trains wherever the local service has been so reduced as to justify it, has been continued and during the year the company rebuilt and materially strengthened some of the existing motor car equipment to insure dependable operation. The revenue last year was \$2,935,709 which is \$312,623, or 9.62%, below 1927, and it was \$1,019,152, or 25.77%, less than the average annual revenue for the years 1921 to 1927, inclusive.

Operating Expenses.—With an increase over 1927 of \$426,270 in total operating revenues, the expense account was so controlled that a decrease of \$295,683 was effected. This result was not obtained at the expense of the property. The ratio of total operating expenses to total operating revenues was 78.11% in 1928 and 80.65% in 1927, a decrease of 2.57%. In 1926 the ratio was 78.98%, and the annual average 1921 to 1927, incl., was 83.10%.

Taxes.—The tax bill for 1928 was \$1,076,255, compared with \$1,042,859, an increase of \$33,397, or 3.20% over 1927 and of \$93,700, or 9.54% over the annual average of the years 1921 to 1927. Unfortunately this does not afford evidence of approaching relief from the ever-growing burden of taxes. In 1928 company spent \$4.33 in taxes for every \$100 of revenue it collected. In 1927 the expenditure was \$4.27 and the average for the years 1921 to 1927 was \$3.97.

Capital Stock.—Exchanges of securities with Mason City & Fort Dodge bondholders and adjustments during the year decreased the preferred stock outstanding by \$300 and brought the total Mason City & Fort Dodge 1st mtge. bonds surrendered from \$11,887,000 as of Dec. 31 1927, to \$11,888,000 as of Dec. 31 1928, leaving \$112,000 yet to be acquired.

Federal Valuation.—Two years have passed since the hearing was held on the protest against the tentative valuation placed on the properties by the I.-S. C. Commission, and the final value as of June 30 1916, has not yet been decided by the Commission. In the meantime company has received orders from the Commission to prepare data for bringing the valuation to a later date, namely Dec. 31 1927. This, of course, is in addition to the work of reporting the physical changes and costs as now required by valuation orders. The work under these orders is being carried on as rapidly as circumstances will permit. In Jan. 1929, the United States Supreme Court received oral argument on the appeal of the St. Louis & O'Fallon Railway from the lower court's decision, wherein the I.-S. C. Commission was sustained in its efforts to collect excess earnings from the O'Fallon road, based on the Commission's value of its property. It is hoped that the Supreme Court will define some of the principles upon which the proper value may be based and its ruling is awaited with interest throughout the railroad world.

Payrolls.—A comparison of pay-rolls follow:

	Total Compensation of Employees.	Number of Employees.	Average Pay per Person.
Year ended Dec. 31 1916.	\$6,662,427	7,899	\$843
Annual average, yrs. 1916 to 1927, incl.	11,748,891	7,909	1,486
Year ended Dec. 31 1928.	12,294,887	7,139	1,722

Rates.—Rates prescribed by the I.-S. C. Commission in the Consolidated Southwestern cases, involving rates within, to and from the Southwest, with certain exceptions, took effect during the year. The carriers are still engaged in revising many commodity rates in harmony with the principles of this decision. The effect of this decision upon the revenues of this company cannot be accurately estimated until these revisions have been completed, but is not expected to reflect more than a slight increase.

During the year the I.-S. C. Commission brought to a close hearings in the Western Class Rate case and in the General Grain and Live Stock Investigations conducted under the Hoch-Smith Resolution. These proceedings are of unusual interest to this company and it is hoped will result in establishing a basis of rates on a substantial part of the traffic carried that will materially improve its revenues.

The Southwestern Divisions case, mentioned in the previous annual report, was decided by the I.-S. C. Commission on Dec. 10 1928. The Commission laid down a formula for determining divisions of joint rates between Western Trunk Line and Southwestern territories and directed the carriers to proceed with the working out of new divisions. Conferences between the two groups of carriers are being arranged, but until their work is brought to a conclusion no definite estimate can be formed of the extent to which this may increase the revenues of this company, nor the date upon which the new divisions can be put into effect.

To illustrate the serious effect of the low rate situation (revenue per ton mile was only 9½ mills in the year ended Dec. 31 1928, because the average level of the freight rate structure in the territory traversed by your railroad is on a depressed basis and lower than the level prevailing in any other territory in the United States west of Lake Michigan and the Mississippi River to the Pacific coast), it may be stated that if the revenue per ton mile had been equal to the average of the road's direct competitors last year, there would have been earned 4% on the preferred stock and approximately 5% on the common. Even if the average revenue per ton mile had been equal to that of your road in the year 1921, which resulted from efforts of the I.-S. C. Commission to comply with the law requiring it to fix rates to produce a fair return upon the value of the property, the company would have earned 4% on the preferred stock and about 6% on the common. As a matter of fact, there is an accumulation of unpaid dividends amounting to 51% on the preferred stock that must be taken care of before regular dividends can be resumed on this stock.

TRAFFIC STATISTICS CALENDAR YEARS.

	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Miles of road operated	1,495	1,496	1,496	1,496
Revenue tonnage	7,289,091	6,897,361	7,169,345	6,601,962
Revenue ton miles	208,996,819	199,730,610	208,898,772	196,689,541
Av. rev. per ton per mile	0.950 cts.	0.961 cts.	0.959 cts.	0.958 cts.
Passengers carried	743,621	889,997	931,880	1,065,691
Pass. carried one mile	93,684,763	106,603,023	105,482,412	127,197,078
Av. rev. per pass. per mile	3.134 cts.	3.047 cts.	3.207 cts.	2.860 cts.

INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Operating Revenue—	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Freight	\$19,891,568	\$19,187,732	\$20,031,749	\$18,844,285
Passenger	2,935,709	3,248,333	3,382,716	3,637,611
Mail and express	1,050,269	1,018,577	987,151	948,401
Miscellaneous	578,387	577,046	533,874	619,446
Incidental	237,802	238,516	247,010	271,508
Joint facility	177,288	172,549	176,500	181,509
Total ry. oper. rev.	\$24,871,023	\$24,444,753	\$25,359,000	\$24,502,760
Operating Expenses—	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Maint. of way & struct.	\$3,294,815	\$3,374,710	\$3,422,674	\$3,442,378
Maint. of equipment	4,357,831	4,639,132	4,991,567	4,849,979
Traffic	974,242	933,838	921,447	884,102
Transp.—Rail line	9,969,368	9,952,921	9,854,747	9,803,838
Miscellaneous operations	159,845	162,353	156,118	174,221
General	690,242	692,437	705,586	672,533
Transp. for invest.—Cr.	20,421	33,181	24,643	14,333
Total oper. expenses	\$19,426,521	\$19,722,210	\$20,027,496	\$19,812,718
Net rev. from ry. oper.	5,444,502	4,722,543	5,331,504	4,690,042
Railway tax accruals	1,076,255	1,042,859	1,129,183	1,000,262
Uncoll. railway revenues	3,847	3,964	6,120	3,849
Railway oper. income	\$4,364,400	\$3,675,720	\$4,196,201	\$3,685,931
Non-Operating Income—	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Hire of equipment	\$1,611,491	\$1,646,874	\$1,619,016	\$1,736,930
Joint facility rent inc.	102,170	94,178	93,965	94,210
Misc. non-oper. phy. prop.	1,373	1,092	1,407	1,339
Miscell. rent income	84,342	81,482	78,769	86,407
Dividend income	5,152	13,882	5,569	134,844
Inc. from funded secur.	107,885	109,941	106,360	87,879
Inc. from unfunded securities & accounts	41,139	31,647	41,184	48,043
Miscellaneous income	329	406	509	332
Gross income	\$6,318,228	\$5,655,223	\$6,142,971	\$5,875,914
Deductions—	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Int. on funded debt	\$1,705,661	\$1,706,220	\$1,698,304	\$1,709,840
Int. on unfunded debt	15,936	9,519	13,384	19,483
Hire of equipment	2,586,053	2,460,653	2,481,686	2,438,464
Joint facility rents	981,614	960,801	960,350	990,693
Rent for leased roads	78,540	77,690	44,818	45,021
Miscellaneous rentals	7,395	8,182	9,249	9,672
Miscell. tax accruals	2,591	430	1,258	1,870
Amortization of discount on funded debt	13,547	13,886	13,883	13,853
Miscell. income charges	19,134	17,442	18,636	18,098
Net income	\$907,811	\$400,398	\$901,405	\$628,920
Earn. per share on pref.	\$1.93	\$1.85	\$1.95	\$1.34

Notes.—In June 1925 cloudbursts and heavy rains put entirely out of service about 41 miles of co.'s railroad between Dubuque and Oelwein, Ia. The I.-S. C. Commission has authorized the distribution of these extraordinary flood damage expenses in equal portions to the accounts of 36 months beginning July 1 1925. The total amount expended to the end of Dec. 1925 for repairs of damages and other extraordinary expenses in consequence of the flood was \$314,894, of which the final one-sixth has been charged in the accounts for the year as follows: To maintenance of way and structures, \$40,031; to transportation, \$12,450.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31.

	1928.	1927.	1928.	1927.
Assets—	\$	\$	Liabilities—	\$
Inv. road & eq't.	140,384,306	140,030,562	Common stock	45,210,513
Misc. phys. prop.	223,453	145,339	Pref. stock	47,132,702
Impts. on leased railway prop.	61,516	61,516	C. G. W. 1st 4s.	35,484,000
Inv. in affil. cos.	—	—	Minn. Term. 3½s	500,000
Stocks	1,405,625	1,405,625	M.C. & Ft. D. 4s.	112,000
Bonds	212,000	172,000	Misc. oblig. &c.	4,629,753
Notes	224,625	242,050	Loans & bills pay	4,750
Advances	292,903	296,195	Traffic, &c., bal.	796,212
Other investm'ts	6,561	8,079	Audited accounts and wages	1,072,850
Cash	2,113,236	1,761,488	Misc. accts. pay	46,175
U. S. Govt. sec.	2,206,988	2,108,489	Interest matured	—
Loans & bills rec	279	305	unpaid	45,143
Traffic, &c., bal.	242,491	227,756	Unmatured int. accrued	501,834
Net balance from agts. & conduc	116,448	121,736	Unmatured rents accrued	58,688
Misc. accts. rec.	615,568	602,308	Divs. matured unpaid	1,272
Material & supp	1,160,887	1,613,102	Other curr. liab.	142,810
Int. & divs. rec.	74,328	54,246	Deferred liab'l's	14,317
Other curr. assets	21,509	30,570	Tax liability	922,500
Work'g fund advances	46,507	80,272	Depreciation	2,596,720
Other def. assets	12,201	10,329	Other unadjusted credits	710,213
Unadjust. debits	1,270,375	1,520,247	Corp. surplus	10,714,107
Total	150,691,811	150,492,214	Total	150,691,811

—V. 128, p. 2267.

Ann Arbor Railroad.

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	1928.	1927.
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INCOME ACCOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Freight	\$5,512,998	\$5,129,191	\$5,371,430	\$5,327,943
Passenger	223,374	262,608	296,890	320,629
Mail, express, &c.	229,300	223,311	213,974	219,120
Total operating revs.	\$5,965,673	\$5,615,112	\$5,882,293	\$5,867,692
Maint. of way & struct.	1,221,133	663,500	626,365	615,110
Maint. of equipment	1,292,441	1,199,675	1,219,934	1,171,277
Traffic expenses	166,033	154,348	143,598	129,076
Transportation expenses	2,226,531	2,194,564	2,325,431	2,328,358
General expenses	136,072	139,704	155,501	194,903
Miscel. operations	2,932	1,495	229	49
Trans. for investment	Cr.19,657	Cr.20,956	Cr.25,799	
Total oper. expenses	\$4,425,486	\$4,332,331	\$4,445,258	\$4,438,783
Net operating revenue	\$1,540,186	\$1,282,781	\$1,437,035	\$1,428,909
Taxes, &c.	323,243	296,977	289,749	267,617
Operating income	\$1,216,943	\$985,804	\$1,147,286	\$1,161,291
Other oper. income	84,474	82,928	96,529	91,026
Total oper. income	\$1,301,418	\$1,068,732	\$1,243,816	\$1,252,318
Hire of freight cars Dr.	258,269	198,387	203,569	210,556
Other ded. from op. inc.	107,836	90,164	70,763	12,225
Net oper. income	\$935,312	\$780,182	\$969,493	\$1,028,837
Non-operating income	25,902	22,816	17,804	18,217
Gross income	\$961,215	\$802,997	\$987,298	\$1,047,054
Interest on funded debt	426,971	433,769	442,984	491,894
Int. on unfunded debt	38,399	83,883	95,495	67,317
Other ded. from gr. inc.	24,357	28,557	25,854	28,163
Net income	\$471,488	\$256,787	\$422,964	\$459,679
Earns. per sh. on 40,000 shs. pf. stk. (par \$100)	\$17.78	\$6.42	\$10.56	\$11.49

COMPARATIVE GENERAL BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.

	1928.	1927.	1928.	1927.
Assets—			Liabilities—	
Investment in road and equipment	22,781,659	22,734,636	Preferred stock	4,000,000
Misc. phys. prop.	27,562	27,563	Common stock	3,250,000
Deposited in lieu of mtge. prop. sold		4,000	Long term debt	12,516,900
Investment in affiliated companies	937,501	869,446	Non-neot'ble debt	
Sinking fund	57,064	42,472	to affiliated cos.	756,400
Other investments	50	50	Loans & bills pay.	312,000
Int. & div. recvd.	896	638	balances payable	220,534
Cash	504,990	369,890	Audited accounts & wages payable	694,238
Special deposits	14,735	17,105	Misc. accts. pay'le	22,604
Traffic & car serv. balances recvd.	222,786	164,220	Int. mat'd unpaid	328,635
Agents and conductors' balances	1,508	4,310	Funded debt mat'd unpaid	14,000
Misc. accts. recvd.	259,951	201,045	Unmat. int. acer'd	29,604
Material supplies	472,225	500,445	Other curr. liab'l's	17,171
Other curr. assets	2,962	27,839	Other deferred liab	33,675
Working fund advs	3,493	1,370	Tax liability	307,370
Rents & insurance premium prep'd.	135,187	138,299	Insur. & car serv. Acct. depr. equip.	1,280,418
Other unadj. debits	3,729,929	3,505,200	Other unadj. cred.	197,948
			Add'n to property through income and surplus	767,061
Total (each side)	29,171,503	28,908,531	Profit & loss cr. bal	4,734,740
				4,270,076

Eastman Kodak Company & Subsidiaries.

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	Net Profits	Preferred Dividends	Common Dividends	Reserve Fund	Surplus
1902, 6 mos.	1,488,295	162,366	856,930		468,999
1904	3,339,148	369,347	1,921,019		1,057,781
1906	5,415,700	369,942	3,418,260	500,000	1,127,498
1908	7,472,519	369,942	3,904,140	1,000,000	2,198,437
1910	8,975,177	369,942	4,808,390		798,845
1912	13,999,047	369,942	7,807,957	500,000	5,321,143
1914	11,313,012	369,942	5,859,840		5,083,230
1916	17,289,206	369,942	13,674,635		3,244,629
1918	14,051,969	369,942	8,792,280		4,889,747
1920	18,566,211	369,942	7,865,840		10,330,429
1921	14,105,861	369,942	7,953,215		5,782,704
1922	17,952,555	369,942	12,574,962		5,007,650
1923	18,877,229	369,942	15,678,337		2,828,950
1924	17,201,815	369,942	16,267,400		564,473
1925	18,467,114	369,942	16,231,640	113,800	1,751,732
1926	19,860,635	369,942	16,167,880	227,600	3,095,213
1927	20,142,161	369,942	16,209,200	227,600	3,335,419
1928	20,110,440	369,942	16,224,700	227,600	3,288,198
27 1/2 years	344,796,635	9,764,655	235,193,623	6,046,600	93,791,757
Deduct—Reserve required in addition to previous reserves and appropriations to offset entire book value of goodwill & patents					15,798,081
					\$77,993,676

	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.	1924.	1923.
Earns. per share on common	\$9.59	\$9.61	\$9.50	\$8.84	\$8.26	\$9.13

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31 (INCLUDING SUB. COS.).

	1928.	1927.	1928.	1927.
Assets—			Liabilities—	
Real est., build- ings, &c.	60,727,875	52,894,566	Common stock	20,562,190
Supplies, &c.	29,795,327	28,517,344	Preferred stock	6,165,700
Accounts & bills receiv'le (net)	10,684,929	10,737,135	Notes payable	3,475,000
Call loans	1,000,000		Acct's pay., incl. provision for Federal taxes	11,811,823
U. S. obligations	10,662,593	12,542,644	Pref. div. Jan. 1	92,485
Other mark. sec.	8,057,372	5,243,163	Com. div. Jan. 1	2,534,711
Cash	9,902,159	14,624,167	Extra	1,520,827
Prepd. items, &c.	555,488	680,466	Conting. reserve	7,329,334
			Surplus	77,993,676
Total	131,485,746	125,239,457	Total	131,485,746

a Includes real estate, buildings, plant, machinery and capital investments at cost less depreciation reserve. b 2,500,000 shares of no par value authorized. 11,100 shares of no par value issued in 1924 for cash at \$10 per share. 8,240 shares of no par value issued to employees in 1925 for cash at \$10 per share. 5,120 shares of no par value issued to employees in 1926 for cash at \$10 per share and 5,745 shares of no par value issued to employees in 1927 at \$10 per share. Of the foregoing shares of common stock 28,450 are claimed by the Allen Property Custodian and the issue thereof is in litigation; there remains to be issued 505 shares of common stock of no par value under plan for sale to employees, as approved by the stockholders April 6 1920.—V. 128, p. 1062.

Delaware & Hudson Company.

(99th Annual Report—Year Ended Dec. 31 1928.)

TRAFFIC STATISTICS FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
No. tons carr. (rev. frt.)	23,557,354	24,981,012	26,794,153	22,353,063
No. tons carr. 1 mile	329,189,361	353,579,944	377,381,004	338,995,384
Av. rev. per ton per mile	\$0.1020	\$0.1025	\$0.1062	\$0.1026
Frt. rev. per mile road op.	\$37,779.08	\$40,428.29	\$44,693.17	\$38,785.84
Trainloads in tons (revenue freight)	846.96	837.09	838.35	793.13
No. passengers carried	3,622,504	3,255,178	3,560,497	3,710,463
No. pass. carried 1 mile	106,895,399	108,895,212	113,657,792	113,899,537
Av. amt. per pass. mile	\$0.328	\$0.332	\$0.328	\$0.325
Pass. rev. per mile road	\$4,204.51	\$4,335.43	\$4,470.68	\$4,441.68
Av. no. pass. per tr. mile	44.45	45.47	47.47	47.82

INCOME STATEMENT FOR CALENDAR YEARS.

	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Transportation of mdse.	\$17,595,393	\$17,921,407	\$18,308,677	\$17,007,189
Transportation of coal	16,068,791	18,322,959	21,767,237	17,772,850
Passengers	5,693,854	5,637,298	5,784,215	5,752,360
Miscellaneous	927,458	871,862	573,561	1,237,092
Total oper. revenue	\$40,285,496	\$42,753,526	\$46,433,690	\$41,769,491
Maint. of way & c.	740,694	5,713,637	5,373,037	4,713,894
Maint. of equipment	9,388,659	11,384,973	11,506,764	11,121,308
Traffic	661,348	639,573	614,518	609,370
Transportation	14,713,567	15,024,743	15,411,348	15,499,877
General & miscellaneous	2,205,867	2,012,958	2,045,182	2,097,835
Transp. for invest. (Cr.)	14,406	19,782	14,030	12,158
Total oper. expenses	\$31,685,730	\$34,656,101	\$34,941,819	\$34,030,126
Net earn. before taxes	8,599,765	8,097,424	11,491,871	7,739,365
Other Income—				
Hire of freight cars	177,160	130,136	37,018	194,512
Rent freight equipment	194,066	224,397	196,848	175,837
Joint facility rents	164,817	180,364	185,981	178,725
Gross ry. op. income	\$9,135,808	\$8,632,322	\$11,911,717	\$8,288,439
Railway tax accruals	1,122,128	1,471,158	1,688,168	1,136,746
Uncollectible ry. rev.	11,059	686	Cr.7,866	3,754
Rent for equipment	80,171	68,292	55,927	58,331
Joint facility rents	379,020	502,404	400,673	374,165
Net ry. oper. income	\$7,543,429	\$6,589,782	\$9,774,816	\$6,715,442
Non-oper. Income—				
Income from leased road	113,308	112,911	91,401	91,395
Miscell. rent income	84,883	87,902	81,400	73,422
Misc. non-op. phys. prop.	Dr1,362	Dr284,925	1,971,475	1,265,865
Dividend income	1,199,455	1,258,440	1,335,309	1,279,236
Inc. from fund. secs. and unfund. secs. & acc'ts.	2,308,731	621,784	559,800	516,672
Miscellaneous income	124,075	915,794	1,820,740	2,186,009
Gross income	\$11,372,520	\$9,301,687	\$15,634,941	\$12,128,041
Deductions—				
Rent for leased roads	1,883,867	1,915,545	1,962,169	1,904,152
Int. on funded debt	2,931,614	3,266,625	3,641,312	3,602,113
Int. on unfunded debt	145,324	441,475	223,206	183,985
Misc. tax accruals	9,900	584,995	1,483,196	1,182,940
Miscellaneous	43,054	55,743	447,613	347,142
Net income	\$6,358,759	\$3,037,304	\$7,877,445	\$6,907,708
Dividends paid	4,641,651	4,251,958	3,836,902	3,825,270
Balance, surplus	\$1,717,108	\$1,214,654	\$4,040,543	\$1,082,438
Shares of capital stock outstanding (par \$100)	515,739	515,739	430,927	425,030
Earns. per sh. on cap. stk.	\$12.33	\$5.88	\$18.28	\$11.54

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31.

	1928.	1927.	1928.	1927.
Assets—			Liabilities—	
Invest'm't in road & equipment	77,040,171	76,678,960	Capital stock	51,573,900
Impts. on leased railway prop'y	13,472,213	12,826,209	Premium on capital stock	4,535,450
Deposited in lieu of mtgd. prop. sold		497	Funded debt unmatured	60,202,450
Misc. phys. prop.	6,472	12,885	Loans & bills pay. Traffic & car serv. vice bals. pay	528,275
Inv. in affil. cos.	30,880,522	36,336,357	Audited accts. & wages payable	583,060
Other invest'm'ts	4,762,884	45,151,940	Misc. accts. pay'le	5,647,843
Cash	2,250,012	4,466,089	Int. mat. unpaid	225,127
Demand loans & deposits	8,041,745	4,000	Divs. mat. unpd.	47,500
Special deposits	361,768	218,462	Funded debt matured unpaid	111,505
Time drafts & deposits	45,000,000		Unmatured int. accrued	7,100
Loans & bills rec.	870,000		Unmatured rents accrued	463,873
Traffic & car serv. vice bals. rec.	1,034,793	1,034,053	Other curr. liab'l's	115,832
Agents' & conductors' bals.	156,967	109,814	Deferred liab'l's	1,683,317
Misc. accts. rec.	3,743			

Freight Cars and Locomotives on Order on April 1.—Freight cars on order on April 1 1929 by the railroads of this country totaled 42,561 compared with 25,248 on the same date last year, according to reports received from the carriers by the car service division of the American Railway Association. On March 1 this year 37,820 freight cars were on order. Of the freight cars on order on April 1, reports showed 18,108 were box cars, an increase of 9,569 compared with the same date last year. Coal cars for which orders have been placed number 18,997, an increase of 9,912 compared with the number of such cars on order on April 1 last year. Reductions, for the most part small, were reported in the number of refrigerator, stock and flat cars on order this year compared with one year ago.

Locomotives on order on April 1 this year numbered 372 compared with 137 on the same day in 1928.

New or rebuilt freight cars placed in service in the first three months of 1929 totaled 8,544, of which box cars totaled 3,992; coal cars, 2,232; flat cars, 762; refrigerator cars, 1,343, and stock cars, 155. Sixty cars of other classes were also installed in service.

New or rebuilt locomotives placed in service in the first three months of 1929 totaled 118.

Freight cars or locomotives leased or otherwise acquired are not included in the above figures.

Alton & Southern RR.—Operation.

The I.-S. C. Commission on March 30 issued a certificate authorizing the company to operate over certain railroad tracks, aggregating 4.44 miles, in and owned by the city of St. Louis, Mo., and over the municipal bridge between St. Louis, Mo., and East St. Louis, Ill., and its approaches, also owned by the city.—V. 128, p. 1222.

Baltimore & Ohio RR.—Hearing in Fall.

Hearings upon the railroad unification proposals of the Baltimore & Ohio and the Chesapeake & Ohio railroads will not be held before the I.-S. C. Commission until September, according to press reports, since neither the Baltimore & Ohio nor the Chesapeake & Ohio will be prepared to proceed with the hearings before that time.—V. 128, p. 2623.

Canadian Pacific Ry.—Final Installment.

Due to a typographical error in last week's "Chronicle" page 2623, the amount of the final installment of the subscription price for the additional ordinary stock was given as \$30.55. This should have read \$39.55.—See V. 128, p. 2623.

Chesapeake & Ohio RR.—Hearing in Fall.

See Baltimore & Ohio RR. Above.—V. 128, p. 2623.

Chicago & North Western Ry.—Construction of Extension.

The I.-S. C. Commission on April 10 issued a certificate authorizing the company to construct an extension of its so-called Winner Line from Winner northwesterly to Wood, a distance of 33.7 miles in Tripp and Mellette Counties, S. Dak.—V. 128, p. 2617, 2623.

Chicago St. Louis & New Orleans RR.—Abandonment.

The I.-S. C. Commission on April 12 issued a certificate authorizing abandonment by the Chicago St. Louis & New Orleans RR., and abandonment of operation by the Illinois Central RR. extending from Deer to Tiger Tail, and from Stevens Junction to Minglewood, a distance of 16.38 miles, all in Dyer County, Tenn.—V. 121, p. 1345.

Detroit & Mackinac Ry.—Abandonment of Branch.

The I.-S. C. Commission on April 5 issued a certificate authorizing the company to abandon its Rockport branch in Alpena County, Mich., 11.64 miles.

The Commission also issued a certificate authorizing the abandonment by the company of part of its Hillman branch in Alpena and Montmorency Counties, Mich., 12.93 miles, and a side track mileage of 1.43 miles.—V. 128, p. 1391.

Houston & Texas Central RR.—Abandonment of Branch Line.

The I.-S. C. Commission on April 11 issued a certificate authorizing the company and the Texas & New Orleans RR. to abandon a branch line of railroad in McLennan County, Tex., extending from a point near Waco, about 4 miles north from the company's freight station in that city, in a general northerly direction to the end of the line, near Ross station, about 7.48 miles.—V. 124, p. 369.

Indianapolis Union Railway.—Earnings.

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Operating revenues	\$398,520	\$404,012	\$416,225	\$420,899
Amt. contr. by ten. rds.	2,497,128	2,533,574	2,433,692	2,480,214
Total revenue	\$2,895,648	\$2,937,586	\$2,849,917	\$2,901,113
Operating expenses	1,889,461	1,915,051	1,837,253	1,844,915
Taxes &c.	323,597	297,844	357,376	328,977
Net operating income	\$682,588	\$724,691	\$655,288	\$727,222
Other income (net)	18,323	35,530	84,772	81,821
Gross income	\$700,911	\$760,221	\$740,060	\$809,043
Ded. from gross income	454,553	480,597	539,074	489,625
Net income	\$246,358	\$279,624	\$200,986	\$319,418
Other approp. of income	88,583	109,377	72,851	56,110
Net income	\$157,775	\$170,247	\$128,135	\$263,307
Dividends	69,503	30,515	55,777	19,183
Balance, surplus	\$88,272	\$139,732	\$72,358	\$244,124

—V. 126, p. 3112.

Louisville & Nashville RR.—Abandonment of Branch Line.

The I.-S. C. Commission on April 13 issued a certificate authorizing the company to abandon its so-called Halsey branch which extends from a connection with its Knoxville division at Keswick in an easterly direction to Myrlin, a distance of 1.39 miles, in Whitley County, Ky.—V. 128, p. 2623.

Maryland & Pennsylvania RR.—Earnings.

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Total operating revenue	\$881,588	\$947,124	\$960,027	\$965,497
Total operating expenses	615,099	644,770	666,662	685,244
Other operating charges	88,587	107,845	107,271	103,531
Net ry. operat. income	\$177,901	\$194,508	\$186,094	\$176,722
Non-operating income	16,416	12,730	11,219	10,513
Gross income	\$194,318	\$207,238	\$197,313	\$187,235
Rentals, int. and misc. income charges	87,267	90,831	87,433	86,836
Approp. for additions to property	91,070	65,157	107,521	113,464
Balance, surplus	\$15,981	\$51,250	\$2,359	def. \$13,065

—V. 126, p. 2472.

Michigan Central RR.—Bonds.

The I.-S. C. Commission on April 12 authorized the company to issue not exceeding \$7,634,000 refunding and improvement mtg. bonds, series C, to be sold at not less than 96 and int. and the proceeds used to retire \$7,634,000 20-year 4% gold debentures of 1909 which matured April 1 1929, or to reimburse its treasury for expenditures made in retiring these bonds. The report of the Commission says:

"No arrangement for the sale of the bonds has been made but the applicant requests authority to sell them for cash at not less than 96%, which would make the average annual cost approximately 4.709%.—V. 128, p. 1223, 1723.

Missouri Pacific RR.—Stock Ex-Rights on April 25.

The Committee on Securities of the New York Stock Exchange this week ruled that the common and preferred stocks be quoted ex-rights on April 25. (See offering of 20-year 5½% convert. gold bonds; series A, in V. 128, p. 1723.)

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of an additional 463,920 shares common stock (par \$100) on official notice of issuance upon conversion of 20-year 5½% conv. gold bonds, series A, making the total amount of common stock to be listed 1,292,315 shares.

The New York Stock Exchange has also authorized the listing of \$46,392,000 20-year 5½% convertible gold bonds, series A, due May 1 1949.—V. 128, p. 2455, 1901.

Panama RR.—5% Extra Dividend.

The company has declared an extra dividend of 5% payable out of the net earnings of the company during the fiscal year beginning July 1 1928. An announcement just made by the Department of War follows: A check for \$350,000, representing the amount of the dividend on a capital stock of \$7,000,000, all of which is owned by the United States, has been transmitted for deposit to the Secretary of the Treasury by the Secretary of War. The dividend is an advance dividend for the current fiscal year. It is believed that another dividend will be declared after the close of the current fiscal year, making a total of 10% for the year.

The following is a statement of the dividends declared by the company and deposited in the U. S. Treasury since Aug. 5, 1923: Aug. 15 1923, 10%; April 15 1924, 5%; April 8 1925, 5%; Sept. 24 1925, 5%; Sept. 22, 1926, 5%; Sept. 16 1927, 5%; April 2 1928, 5%; Oct. 3 1928, 5%; total, \$3,150,000.—V. 127, p. 2362.

Pennrod Corporation.—Pennsylvania RR. Forms New Investment Unit—New Company to Deal in Transportation Securities—Rights to Pennsylvania RR. Stockholders.

The directors of the Pennsylvania RR. have approved a proposal to incorporate in Delaware The Pennrod Corporation, an investment company with broad powers, among others to invest its funds in securities of any corporation or other agency, including those engaged in transportation of any description—on land, water, or by air—but without power to operate railroads. It is stated that it is not the present intention that the new corporation shall acquire existing investments of the Pennsylvania Co., such as Lehigh Valley, Wabash, and Norfolk & Western securities, but rather to have its resources available for new investments.

The new company will have an authorized issue of 10,000,000 shares of common stock without par value, of which 5,800,000 shares will be immediately offered to stockholders of Pennsylvania RR. in the ratio of one share for each two shares held, at \$15 a share.

The following is from the Philadelphia "News Bureau" April 25:

Directors and Officers.

It is announced that the first board of directors of the Pennrod Corp., the newly created investment corporation, comprises W. W. Atterbury, Effingham B. Morris, Charles E. Ingersoll, Levi L. Rue, Jay Cooke, R. H. Mellon and A. J. County, all of whom are directors of the Pennsylvania RR., and Henry H. Lee, who has been elected President of the new corporation.

The board of the Pennrod Corp. may be increased later by the addition of other prominent business men and business financiers, as the business of the corporation may require.

Mr. Lee, who has been Treasurer of the Pennsylvania RR. since June 1924, has resigned that office and all affiliations with the Pennsylvania RR. system in order to accept his new post as President of the Pennrod Corp.

Other officers of the Pennrod Corp. have been elected as follows: Samuel H. Ogden, Vice-Pres. & Treas.; William U. Moyer, Sec. & Asst. Treas.; C. Biddlingmeyer, Asst. Sec. & Asst. Treas.; and Robert P. Andrews, Auditor. All of them have severed their connections with the Pennsylvania RR. to devote their whole time to the business and interest of the Pennrod Corp.

Stock to Be Paid in Full June 14.

Stockholders of the Pennsylvania RR. Stockholders.—Notices will be mailed to stockholders of the Pennsylvania RR. the end of this week officially advising them of the formation of the Pennrod Corp. and calling attention to circular which will be enclosed of the Pennrod Corp., in which latter corporation will offer privilege to Pennsylvania stockholders to subscribe to its stock. Offering of subscription to stock will be made by the Pennrod Corp. and not by the Pennsylvania RR.

Stockholders of the Pennsylvania RR. of record May 10 will be given the privilege of subscribing to Pennrod Corp. stock and warrants, for full and fractional amounts, will be mailed on May 14 or soon thereafter. Payment of subscription price of \$15 is to be made in full on June 14. (Stock of the Pennrod Corp. is selling on the New York Curb on a when, as and if issued basis, the high for the week being \$25 and the low \$21 per share.) Offering will be made to the 157,000 stockholders of the Pennsylvania RR. and also to the 100,000 employees who subscribed under the offering of 350,000 shares made direct by the company one year ago. The latter stock is being paid for on the basis of 10 or 25 monthly installments, but all employees who so subscribed will be included in offering of its stock by the Pennrod Corp.

To Be Separate Corporate Entity—Voting Trust.

The Pennrod Corp. will be a separate corporate entity from the Pennsylvania RR., and although all of its officers have been selected from among officials of the Pennsylvania RR., they have severed their connections with the railroad and will devote all of their time to the interests of the new investment company. Although the Pennsylvania RR. will not have any stock interest in the new company, all of the stock of the Pennrod Corp. will be placed in a voting trust for 10 years, the three voting trustees being stockholders of the Pennsylvania RR. Subscription privilege which the Pennrod Corp. will offer to stockholders of the Pennsylvania RR. will be to these voting trust certificates.

Although it is officially stated that it is not the present intention of the new investment company to acquire existing investments of the Pennsylvania Co., such as Lehigh Valley, Wabash and Norfolk & Western securities, it is noted that statement says "not the present intention," which does not bind action of company in the future. It is believed, however, that management has some definite plans in mind for investment of part of \$87,000,000 in cash which it will receive June 14, although there is no official intimation of plans being considered. New company will also maintain separate offices from the railroad company.

To Start with \$87,000,000 Cash.

Of the proceeds of the Pennrod Corp. common stock to be issued, \$10 per share is to be capital and remainder paid-in surplus, not available for dividends on the common stock. The new company will thus start with \$87,000,000 of cash in its treasury, if all the stock now offered is subscribed, which will be available for investment as opportunities may develop.

In view of the constant emergence of novel opportunities for investment in the field of transportation and in enterprises closely related thereto, the directors of the Pennsylvania RR. have reached the conclusion that it would be of material advantage to the company and its stockholders for its stockholders to unite in establishing a corporation so organized as to be able to make investments on a much broader basis than is possible under the limited powers of a railroad company. The directors are of opinion that such an independent instrumentality would effectively supplement the activities of the stock of the Pennsylvania RR. interests of its stockholders.

The capital stock of the Pennsylvania RR. consists of approximately 11,600,000 shares (par \$50) or a total of \$580,000,000 par value. There are over 157,000 holders of stock of the Pennsylvania RR., the individual holdings of over 80% of whom amount to 100 shares or less. In addition, there are approximately 100,000 employee stock subscribers.

The wide diversification of the ownership of Pennsylvania RR. stock, not only in this country but abroad, indicates that there will be a correspondingly wide distribution of the stock of the new corporation.

Pennsylvania Co.—Listing.—New Directors.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of \$50,000,000 35-year 4½% secured gold bonds, due Nov. 1 1963.

Edgar O. Felton of Philadelphia has been elected a director to succeed the late Samuel Rea.—V. 128, p. 2625.

Pennsylvania RR.—Dividend Rate Increased.—The directors on April 24 declared a quarterly dividend of 2% (\$1

per share) on the capital stock, par \$50, payable May 31 to holders of record May 1. From Nov. 30 1926 to Feb. 28 1929, incl., quarterly dividends of 1 3/4% (87 1/2 cents per share) were paid. Record of distributions made since 1900 (in per cent) follows:

1900-'05.	'06.	'07.	1908-20.	'21.	'22.	1923-25.	'26.	1927-28.	x'29.
6 yrly.	6 1/2	7	6 yrly.	4 1/2	4 1/2	6 yrly.	6 1/4	7 yrly.	3 3/4

x Including dividend of 2% payable May 31.

Organizes Pennrod Corp., an Investment Company—Stockholders Receive Rights to Subscribe to New Company's 5,800,000 Shares at \$15 per Share—Officers of New Company Sever Connections with Pennsylvania RR.—See Pennrod Corp.—V. 128, p. 2455.

Pittsburgh Cincinnati Chicago & St. Louis RR.—Capitalization Increased—New Directors.—

The stockholders on April 24 increased the authorized capital stock, par \$100, from \$100,000,000 to \$125,000,000. George J. Adams and Arthur B. Ayres have been elected directors to succeed the late Samuel Rea and George D. Dixon, resigned.—V. 128, p. 1223.

Richmond Fredericksburg & Potomac RR.—Earnings.—

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Railway oper. revenues	\$11,035,433	\$11,595,722	\$12,801,738	\$12,891,176
Ry. oper. expenses	7,800,240	8,438,157	8,656,356	8,155,041
Ry. tax accruals	618,419	669,451	858,762	787,962
Uncollectible ry. revs.	227	66	379	180
Equip. & joint facility rts	604,668	612,400	623,285	670,308
Net ry. oper. income	\$2,011,878	\$1,875,647	\$2,662,956	\$3,277,685
Non-operating income	192,321	210,957	262,849	201,846
Gross income	\$2,204,199	\$2,086,603	\$2,925,805	\$3,479,530
Int. on funded debt	350,724	356,345	361,967	367,589
Other deductions	13,242	20,504	90,501	212,119
Net income	\$1,840,233	\$1,709,754	\$2,473,338	\$2,899,821
Income applied to sink- & other reserve funds				200,000
Cash dividends	1,071,949	1,015,273	1,505,341	1,505,341
Balance, surplus	\$768,284	\$694,481	\$967,997	\$1,194,480

—V. 126, p. 2473.

San Luis Valley Southern Ry.—Construction of Extension.—

The I.-S. C. Commission on April 15 issued a certificate authorizing the company to construct an extension of its line of railroad from its southern terminus, on the boundary line between Colorado and New Mexico, in a southerly direction to a point near Questa, in the southeast quarter of section 19, township 29, range 13 east, New Mexico principal meridian, a distance of 18 miles, all in Taos County, N. M.—V. 127, p. 405.

Southern Pacific Co.—Bonds.—

The I.-S. C. Commission on April 16 authorized the company to issue \$65,166,000 4-year 4 1/2% gold bonds of 1929, and not exceeding \$19,549,800 of common capital stock, consisting of 195,498 shares (par \$100); the bonds to be sold at not less than 94 and int., and the stock to be sold at not less than par. The report of the Commission, says in part:

The applicant has outstanding \$53,815,760 4% 20-year convertible gold bonds, which were issued under an indenture dated June 1 1909. Under this indenture there were issued \$81,814,000 of bonds, of which \$27,319,240 were converted into stock and \$679,000 were purchased by the applicant out of income, and are now in its treasury and will be canceled. The outstanding bonds will mature June 1 1929.

The applicant shows that on Jan. 20 1926, it expended \$6,660,225 to acquire complete control of the Houston & Texas Central RR. by purchasing 24,219 additional shares of stock of that company (par \$100 each); that on March 30 1928, pursuant to authority granted by our order of Feb. 11 1928, it acquired the outstanding stock, bonds, and open-account indebtedness of the Texas Midland RR. for \$2,250,000 cash; and that on Jan. 17 1929, pursuant to authority granted by our order of Dec. 14 1928, it expended \$3,660,260 to acquire one-half the capital stock of the Northwestern Pacific RR. which was held by the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway thus securing complete control of that carrier.

The bonds aggregating \$53,815,760 which will be retired by the new bond issue, and the stock purchases totaling \$12,570,485, an aggregate total of \$66,386,245 are offered as a basis of capitalization to support the proposed bond issue of \$65,166,000.

The proposed bonds will be issued under a proposed indenture, to be dated May 1 1929, authorizing the issue of \$65,166,000 of bonds. They will be dated May 1 1929, will bear interest from May 1 1929, at the rate of 4 1/2% per annum, payable semi-annually on Nov. 1 and May 1, will mature May 1 1969, and will be issued in the denom. of \$1,000 each in coupon form and may be registered as to principal. The bonds may be called as an entirety on May 1 1934, or on any interest date thereafter to and incl. May 1 1964, at 105 and int., or thereafter on any int. date at par plus a premium of 1/2 of 1% for each 6 months between the redemption date and the date of maturity, together with accrued int. Each bond will have attached thereto a warrant, non-detachable until exercised, entitling the bearer, or, if registered, the registered owner thereof, to purchase at any time on or before May 1 1934, 3 shares of common stock at \$145 a share, plus divs. at the then current rate, with appropriate adjustment of the purchase price of the stock, in case of the issue of additional common stock at less than \$145 a share, or as a stock dividend, but the purchase price will in no event, so long as the common stock has a par value, be less than such value.

The applicant's stockholders will be permitted to subscribe at 94 and int. before 3 p. m. New York time, May 15 1929, for a principal amount of the proposed bonds equal to 17 1/2% of the par value of the capital stock of the applicant registered in their respective names on its books at 3 p. m., New York time, April 8 1929. Warrants will be issued only for amounts of \$1,000 of bonds or multiples thereof, but fractional warrants will be issued for subscription privileges involving a fraction of a \$1,000 bond. After 3 p. m., New York time, May 14 1929, all fractional warrants will be void. The proposed bond issue will be underwritten by Kuhn, Loeb & Co., which will take so much of the bonds as may not be subscribed by the stockholders on the same terms as offered to them, viz. 94 and int. The commission for underwriting the bonds will be 2 1/2% of the principal amount thereof, which will make the average annual cost to the applicant 4.993%. The proceeds from the sale of the bonds will be used to pay or redeem the \$53,815,760 of convertible gold bonds heretofore described, and for the financial requirements of the applicant and its system lines.—V. 128, p. 2457, 2268.

Southern Railway.—Asks Dismissal of Anti-Trust Charge—Alleged Illegal Acquisition of Stock Declared to Antedate Passage of Clayton Act.—The company has filed with the I.-S. C. Commission a motion to dismiss the latter's complaint against it, alleging violation of the Clayton anti-trust law by reason of its acquisition of stock of the Mobile & Ohio and New Orleans & Northeastern railways.

The Southern says that its acquisition of control of the Mobile & Ohio was in the year 1901, many years before the Clayton Act was enacted, and that the Act is not retroactive. To require the Southern to divest itself of all interest in the stock or bonds of the Mobile & Ohio, it says, would be to impair a right acquired prior to the passage of the Clayton Act and contrary to the express terms of part of section 7 of that Act.

It is also contended that Count 2 of the complaint, referring to the acquisition of control of the New Orleans & Northeastern, is based upon Paragraph 2 of section 7 of the Act, which is directed against the acquirement of stock in two or more corporations, "and it appears on the face of

Count 2 that the acquirement of the stock and bonds of one of said corporations, viz., the Mobile & Ohio RR. was prior to the passage of the Clayton Act.

Another contention of the Southern is that the New Orleans & Northeastern is so located as to be a necessary feeder to its lines, and is therefore within the exemptions of paragraph 4 of section 7 of the Clayton Act.

"The Commission will take judicial cognizance," the motion says, "of the fact that competition in this South Central region, in the sense sought to be preserved by Congress, is between the Southern Railway System—which includes the New Orleans & Northeastern RR., the Louisville & Nashville System and the Illinois Central System, and that the retention of the New Orleans & Northeastern by the Southern Railway is essential to the effective continuance of that competition."

"The New Orleans & Northeastern is an extension of other lines of Southern Railway, so located as to be a necessary feeder to these lines, and therefore within the exceptions of paragraph 4 of section 7 of the Clayton Act, which reads as follows:

"Nor shall anything herein contained be construed to prohibit any common carrier subject to the laws to regulate commerce—from extending any of its lines through the medium of the acquisition of stock or otherwise of any other such common carrier where there is no substantial competition between the company extending its lines and the company whose stock, property or an interest therein is so acquired."

The carrier further represents that the charges made by the Commission "fall for want of jurisdiction, since the complaint shows on its face that the Southern Railway acquired the stock and bonds of the Mobile & Ohio in 1901 and said Clayton Act does not apply thereto."

With respect to the charge that the acts alleged restrain commerce in certain sections and communities, the company maintains that the Commission's complaint "shows on its face that if any commerce be restrained, which is denied, it is not in any section or community but is as between two communities."—V. 128, p. 2457.

Tennga Railroad.—Stock.—

The I.-S. C. Commission on April 15 authorized the company to issue not exceeding \$500 capital stock (par \$100) to be sold at par and the proceeds used in connection with the acquisition of certain railroad property and equipment.—V. 128, p. 1223.

Terminal RR. Assoc. of St. Louis (& Affil. Cos.).—

Earnings, Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.	1926.	*1925.
Switching	\$12,154,505	\$12,643,851	\$12,924,964	\$12,599,181
Special service train			2,360	
Incidental	268,741	1,012,295	1,016,199	935,891
Joint facility	Cr354,368	Dr386,060	Dr405,708	Dr367,360
Total ry. oper. revs.	\$12,777,614	\$13,270,086	\$13,537,818	\$13,166,732
Expenses—				
Maint. of way & struc.	\$2,054,548	\$2,261,960	\$2,204,231	\$2,298,851
Maint. of equipment	1,042,515	1,183,595	1,129,856	1,115,426
Traffic	29,633	26,813	27,491	29,444
Transport n.—rail line	5,401,818	5,312,348	5,142,027	5,201,275
Miscell. operations	39,388	39,868	42,829	41,510
General	355,421	343,334	264,211	246,154
Transp. for inv.—Cr	16,892	2,952	3,608	
Total ry. oper. exp.	\$8,906,414	\$9,164,967	\$8,807,037	\$8,932,659
Net rev. freight ry. oper.	3,871,182	4,105,118	4,730,781	4,234,072
Railway tax accruals	1,169,275	1,134,520	1,347,419	1,273,046
Uncoll. railway revs.	279	264	583	1,372
Railway oper. income	\$2,701,626	\$2,970,335	\$3,382,778	\$2,959,655
Net rev. from misc. oper	loss32,660	loss40,558	loss33,274	loss31,135
Taxes on misc. op. prop.	933	468	1,003	1,142
Total oper. income	\$2,668,032	\$2,929,808	\$3,348,500	\$2,927,378
Total non-oper. income	1,815,548	1,731,043	1,801,851	1,646,926
Gross income	\$4,483,580	\$4,660,852	\$5,150,352	\$4,574,304
Hire of freight cars—deb	171,449	174,981	119,493	130,384
Joint facility rent	26,566	22,778	11,780	18,276
Rent for leased roads	696,900	696,899	696,901	697,733
Miscellaneous rents	381,192	348,293	330,019	332,486
Miscell. tax accruals	153,481	137,633	158,537	125,870
Int. on funded debt	1,821,233	1,822,601	1,823,969	1,825,337
Int. on unfunded debt	18,498	10,521	1,668	468
Amort. of disc. on fd. dt.	25,769	25,758	26,130	22,277
Misc. income charges	12,800	13,522	13,405	14,543
Inc. appl. to sk., res. fds	100,000	100,000	100,000	241,771
Income balance	\$1,075,692	\$1,307,863	\$1,868,449	\$1,164,859
Earns. per sh. on 30,879				
shs. cap. stk. (par \$100)	\$38.07	\$42.35	\$60.51	\$37.72

* Figures for 1925 revised to compare with 1926.—V. 128, p. 1724.

Vicksburg Shreveport & Pacific Ry.—Refunding.—

The refunding & improvement mortgage bonds series A, have been called for redemption as of May 1 1929, and will be superseded by an issue of series B bonds in the amount of \$1,845,000 to bear date of May 1 1929, to mature Nov. 1 1973, and to bear interest at the rate of 5%, payable on May 1 and Nov. 1. These bonds will be redeemable on any interest date on and after May 1 1934, at 105 and int. up to and incl. 1963 and at 1/4 of 1% less for each succeeding 6 months, the redemption to be in accordance with the provisions of the mortgages.

The bonds will be delivered at par to the Yazoo & Mississippi Valley Ry. in reimbursement for funds advanced for the redemption of the Vicksburg bonds. The issuance of the bonds has been approved by the I.-S. C. Commission.—V. 128, p. 2086.

Waycross & Southern RR.—Abandonment of Line.—

The I.-S. C. Commission on April 9 issued a certificate authorizing the company to abandon, as to interstate and foreign commerce, its line of railroad extending from Hebardville to Hopkins, a distance of about 20 miles in Ware County, Ga.—V. 124, p. 1217.

PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Matters Covered in "Chronicle" of April 20.—Electricity cost drops 12.5% in last 16 years—commodity prices show increase of 70% in same period according to W. B. Foshay Co.—p. 2539.

American States Public Service Co.—To Offer Class A

Common Stock.—New Director.—

Pynchon & Co., it is understood, are forming a distributing group, to offer 25,000 shares common stock class A at \$27 per share. The common stock, class A, is listed on the New York Curb Market and the Chicago Stock Exchange and application has been made to list this additional stock.

The company, through its subsidiaries, owns and operates properties supplying water, and (or) artificial gas to 38 cities and towns in California, including certain parts of Los Angeles, a substantial part of the city of Sacramento, Calif., and the city of Kellogg, Idaho. The total population to be served is estimated in excess of 260,000 including approximately 48,500 customers, a portion of which are large industrial consumers.

Company also owns all of the outstanding stock of American States Electric Co. which owns and operates (through wholly-owned subsidiaries) properties furnishing electric light and power to the City of Sault Ste. Marie and surrounding communities in Michigan and water and electric services in Indiana.

Capitalization Giving Effect to the Present Issuance of 25,000 Shares of Class A Stock.

	Authorized.	Outstanding.
1st lien 5 1/2% gold bonds due 1948	x	\$5,550,000
6% convgt. gold debenture & series A	x	2,000,000
\$6 dividend preferred stock (no par)	20,000 shs.	16,000 shs.
Common stock class A (no par)	y250,000 shs.	85,000 shs.
Common stock class B (no par)	100,000 shs.	100,000 shs.

x Issuance of additional bonds restricted by the conservative provisions of the trust indenture. y 60,000 shares of common stock class A reserved for conversion of 6% convertible gold debenture bonds, series A.

Earnings.—The combined earnings of the properties now owned or controlled (regardless of the dates of acquisition and excluding any earnings from properties presently to be acquired) for the year ended Oct. 31 1928, (as qualified below*) are as follows:

Gross revenue	\$1,487,230
Operating expenses, maint., renewals & replacements, and taxes	781,209
Net income from operation before interest, &c	\$706,021
Annual int. requirements on outstanding funded debt	425,250

Balance	\$280,771
Annual dividend requirements on outstanding preferred stock	96,000

Balance	\$184,771
Balance of earnings as shown above, is equivalent to \$2.17 per share on 85,000 shares of common stock class A.	

* Earnings reported are historical except for certain adjustments amounting to \$71,014 submitted by the company's engineers as non-recurring. Deductions for maintenance, renewals and replacements equal 10% of the gross operating revenues in accordance with the indenture securing the first lien 5½% gold bonds.

Purpose.—Proceeds will be used in connection with the acquisition of additional properties and for other general corporate purposes.

Louis Davis, Jr., President of the L. L. Davis Co., has been elected chairman of the board.—V. 128, p. 882, 1050.

Alabama Water Service Co.—Earnings.

Years Ended Feb.—	1929.	1928.
Operating revenues	\$774,805	\$707,042
Operating expense	296,063	236,521
Maintenance	33,694	35,207
Taxes (excl. Federal income tax)	74,601	65,985

Net earnings from operation	\$370,447	\$369,329
Other income	1,317	1,048

Gross corporate income	\$371,764	\$370,376
Annual int. req. on total funded debt	193,000	

—V. 128, p. 2625.

American Light & Traction Co. (& Subs.)—Report.

Comparative Consolidated Income Account for Calendar Years.

Subsidiary operating companies:	1928.	1927.
Gross revenues	\$41,214,012	\$35,596,684
General operating expenses	19,409,363	16,599,222
Provision for retirement on general plant	2,483,471	1,921,855
Maintenance	2,802,322	2,516,675
General & Federal income taxes	4,555,787	4,302,965
Interest & divs. on bonds, preferred stock & notes owned by public	4,107,038	3,332,104
Amortization of bond discount & expense	150,452	133,855
Profit applic. to minority interest	40,258	40,110

Balance applic. to American Light & Traction Co	\$7,665,320	\$6,749,898
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Subsidiary investment companies:	1928.	1927.
Gross revenues	\$1,885,461	\$1,040,864
General expenses (including taxes)	22,027	11,604
Interest	40,670	

Balance applic. to American Light & Traction Co	\$1,822,764	\$ 1,029,259
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Total accruing to American Light & Traction Co. from subs	\$9,488,084	\$7,779,158
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American Light & Traction Co.:	259,799	145,761
Interest & dividends	136,246	7,953
Miscellaneous income		

Total income accruing to American Light & Traction Co.	\$9,884,128	\$7,932,873
General expenses (including taxes)	403,147	586,794
Reserve for contingencies	80,000	
Interest	175,822	103,897
Balance—transferred to surplus account	\$9,225,159	\$7,242,182

Consolidated Balance Sheet December 31 1928.

Assets—	Liabilities—
Properties, franchises, organization, &c	Amer. Light & Traction Co.:
Unamort. bond discount and stock expense	Preferred stock
Inv. in other public utilities	Common stock
Other securities	Common stock warrants
Cash	Paid-in surplus (excess paid in over par value of common stock)
Accounts receivable	Subsidiary companies:
Notes receivable	Preferred stock
Int. and dividends receivable	Common stock
Inventories (materials, supplies and appliances)	Paid-in surplus (premium on preferred stock)
Prepaid expenses	Surplus applicable to minority interest
Special funds on deposit	Funded debt of sub. cos
	Notes payable
	Accounts payable
	Interest
	Dividends
	Federal taxes (estimated)
	General taxes
	Miscellaneous
	Deferred liabilities
	Items in suspense
	Retirement—General plant
	Retirement—Utility equip.
	Contributions for extensions
	Maint. & other oper. res'v'es
	General contingencies
	Surplus

Total (each side) \$230,278,824

—V. 128, p. 246.

American Water Works & Electric Co., Inc.—Output.

The company reports power output of 471,740,298 k.w.h. for the first 3 months of 1929, an increase of 9% over the output for the first quarter of last year, which amounted to 433,925,171 k.w.h.

The March output totaled 160,191,357 k.w.h., an increase of 7% over the output for March, 1928, which was 149,358,698 k.w.h.—V. 128, p. 1902, 1393.

Associated Gas & Electric Co.—Conversions.

Conversions and exchanges of Associated Gas & Electric securities have had a marked effect upon its capital structure since Dec. 31 1927, the date of its last complete annual statement. On that date there were outstanding 143,975 shares of the original series of preferred stock, with a preference value in liquidation of \$50 per share, whereas now this amount is 59,318 shares, a decrease of 59%. The corresponding figure for \$100 preferreds are: \$7 dividend stock, reduction from 96,236 shares to 28,870 shares, or 70%; \$6.50 dividend stock, reduction from 254,926 shares to 121,266 shares, or 51%; \$6 dividend stock, reduction from 143,354 shares to 70,572 shares, or 51%. Equally great changes have taken place in the funded debt. A year ago, this time, there were marketed to the stockholders and to the general public through bankers \$63,000,000 of 4½% due 1948, convertible into the class A stock of the Associated company. Of this amount of bonds there now remains outstanding only \$7,515,790. Similarly there now remain of the original issue of \$40,000,000 of the 5½% convertible bonds, due 1977, only \$3,780,000. Conversions of these two latter issues are now progressing at a rate such that shortly these issues will have entirely disappeared.

Practically all of these reductions in "prior charge" securities have been accomplished through the issuance of class A stock of which approximately 3,500,000 shares are now outstanding in the hands of nearly 60,000 shareholders.

Consolidated Statement of Earnings and Expenses of Properties Since Dates of Acquisition.

12 Months Ended Feb. 28—	1929.	1928.	Increase—	%
Gross earnings & other income	\$47,437,778	\$40,208,589	\$7,229,189	18
Oper. exp., maint., all taxes, &c	26,174,840	22,191,237	3,983,603	18

Net earnings	\$21,262,938	\$18,017,352	\$3,245,586	18
Underlying pref. divs. & int.	4,032,053	5,721,298	*1,689,245	*30

Balance	\$17,230,885	\$12,296,054	\$4,934,831	40
All other interest	7,388,408	4,083,892	3,304,516	81

Balance for divs. & deprec.	\$9,842,477	\$8,212,162	\$1,630,315	20
Prov. for replacements, renewals & ret. of fixed cap. (deprec.)	2,885,189	1,968,445	916,744	47

Balance for divs. & surplus	\$6,957,288	\$6,243,717	\$713,571	11
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*Decrease.—V. 128, p. 2625.

Atlantic Public Utilities, Inc. (& Subs.)—Earnings.

Consolidated Income Account for the Year Ended Dec. 31 1928*.

Gross earnings (including other income)	\$7,866,093
Operating expense	4,297,001
Maintenance	635,313
Taxes	309,213

Gross income	\$2,624,566
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Subsidiary companies prior charges:	
Annual interest on funded debt	1,658,019
Annual dividend on preferred stock	429,110
Minority common stockholders' interests	67,091

Balance avail. for int. charges of Atlantic Public Utilities, Inc., Federal inc. taxes, gen. amort. & divs.	\$470,346
Int. charges of Atlantic Public Utilities, Inc.	113,000

Annual div. requirement on pref. stock of Atlantic Public Utilities, Inc.	\$357,346
Balance	\$283,461

* Earnings of properties now owned, irrespective of dates of acquisition, and after eliminating certain non-recurring items and deducting annual charges on securities outstanding.—V. 127, p. 3241.

Bangor (Me.) Hydro Electric Co.—New Common Stock Placed on a \$2 Annual Dividend Basis.

The directors have declared a quarterly dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock, par \$25, payable May 1 to holders of record April 10. This is equivalent to \$2 per share on the old common stock of \$100 par value on which quarterly dividends of \$1.50 per share had been paid, the last payment at this rate having been made on Feb. 1 1929.—V. 128, p. 2458.

Birmingham Water Works Co.—Bonds Offered.—W. C. Langley & Co. and Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., are offering at 97½ and interest, an additional issue of \$2,000,000 1st mtge. 5% gold bonds, series C, at 97½ and interest. Dated Oct. 1 1924; due Feb. 1 1957.

Issuance.—Authorized by the Alabama P. S. Commission.

Data from Letter of D. M. Watt, President of the Company.

Company.—Incorporated under a special act of the Legislature of Alabama, Feb. 13 1885. Supplies water for domestic, municipal and commercial purposes in Birmingham, Ala. and its environs. The total population served is estimated to exceed 400,000.

Purpose.—Proceeds will be used to reimburse the company in part for expenditures for additions, extensions and improvements to the properties of the company and for other corporate purposes.

Earnings—Twelve Months Ended March 31.

Gross earnings	\$1,589,003	\$1,729,701
Operating expenses, maint. and taxes	595,596	584,130

Net earnings (avail. for int., Federal taxes, &c.)	\$993,407	\$1,145,571
Annual interest on entire funded debt (incl. this issue)		525,500

Net earnings, as shown above, for the 12 months ended March 31 1929, were equal to over 2.1 times the annual interest charges on the entire funded debt, including this issue.

Capitalization Outstanding upon Completion of Present Financing.

First mortgage gold bonds:	
5½% series A, due 1954	\$5,500,000
5% series B, due 1954	460,000
5% series C, due 1957 (incl. this issue)	4,000,000
Cumulative preferred stock	2,500,000
Common stock	2,501,700

Management.—All of the common stock, except directors' shares, is owned by American Water Works & Electric Co., Inc.—V. 128, p. 556.

Brooklyn Edison Co., Inc.—Acquires New Distribution System.

Matthew S. Sloan, President of the New York Edison Co. and affiliated electric companies, announced on April 25 that the Brooklyn Edison Co., Inc., has acquired the electric distribution system and business of the Gerritsen Electric Co. and will take over the supplying of electric service to Gerritsen Beach on May 1.

The purchase now consummated makes it possible for the Brooklyn Edison Co. to supply directly all the property owners of Gerritsen Beach at the same rates for electric service as are charged in the rest of Brooklyn, N. Y.—V. 128, p. 1389.

California Oregon Power Co.—Earnings.

Calendar Years—

	1928.	1927.	1926.
Gross earnings	\$3,384,861	\$2,913,081	\$2,502,003
Oper. expenses, mainten. and taxes	1,177,394	1,125,341	1,071,690
Other income	32,185	6,202	12,476

Net earnings, includ. other income	\$2,239,652	\$1,793,442	\$1,442,879
Bond interest	597,838	601,160	602,883
Note interest	220,000	15,278	
General interest	13,519	150,737	83,784
Less interest charges to construction	Cr. 58,587	Cr. 99,101	Cr. 13,441

Balance	\$1,466,883	\$1,125,368	\$769,653
Preferred dividends	463,686	354,727	304,326

Balance for retirem't res. (deprec.) amort., com. divs. and surplus	\$1,003,198	\$770,641	\$465,427
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—V. 128, p. 2459.

California Water Service Co.—Earnings.

Years Ended Feb.—

	1929.	1928.
Operating revenues	\$2,072,287	\$1,962,437
Operating expense	799,442	844,308
Maintenance	87,178	136,138
Taxes (excl. Federal income tax)	145,532	123,523

Net earnings from operation	\$1,030,142	\$858,469
Other income	20,879	11,721

Gross corporate income	\$1,051,021	\$870,189
Annual int. req. on total funded debt	348,600	

—V. 128, p. 2626.

Carolina Power & Light Co.—Bonds Offered.—W. C. Langley & Co., Bonbright & Co., Inc. and Old Colony Corp.

are offering at 99 and int. an additional issue of \$8,000,000 1st & ref. mtge. gold bonds 5% series of 1956. Dated April 1 1926; due April 1 1956.

Trustee, Irving Trust Company, New York.
Data from Letter of P. A. Tillery, Vice-Pres. & Gen. Mgr. of Co.
Business.—Company supplies, directly or indirectly, electric power and light service in 208 communities in North Carolina and South Carolina, including Raleigh, Asheville, Goldsboro, Henderson, Rockingham, Canton, Hamlet, Oxford and Sanford, North Carolina, and Florence, Sumter, Darlington, Marion, Hartsville and Cheraw, South Carolina, and also supplies the electric railway and gas service in Raleigh and Asheville. The total population served is estimated at 398,000.

Purpose.—Proceeds will be used to reimburse the company for expenditures made for additions to property and for other corporate purposes.
Security.—Bonds are secured by a first mortgage on the major portion of the property of the Company and are further secured by a direct mortgage on the remainder thereof, subject to \$7,995,000 of divisional bonds outstanding with the public.

Earnings.—The earnings for the last 6 calendar years as previously reported, and earnings derived for the 12 months ended Feb. 28 1929, from properties now owned, were as follows:

Calendar Year	Gross Income	Net Income	Interest on Bonds	Balance.
1923	\$5,278,820	\$2,399,521	\$781,660	\$1,617,861
1924	6,020,989	2,884,785	926,575	1,958,210
1925	7,219,327	3,260,832	949,538	2,311,294
1926	8,576,538	4,247,562	1,166,348	3,081,214
1927	9,514,050	4,711,918	1,496,049	3,215,869
1928	9,683,643	5,308,212	1,855,643	3,532,569
a1929	9,725,025	5,471,339	1,856,908	3,614,431

a Twelve months ended February 28.
 Net income, as shown above, for the 12 months ended Feb. 28 1929, was over 2.3 times the total annual interest requirements of \$2,329,700 on the entire outstanding funded debt of the company, including this issue.

Supervision.—From the standpoint of its electric power and light business company, is the second largest and second most important subsidiary of National Power & Light Co. The operations of the latter company and its subsidiaries are supervised by the Electric Bond & Share Co.—V. 128, p. 1552.

Chester Water Service Co.—Earnings.

Years Ended Feb.—	1929.	1928.
Operating revenues	\$527,575	\$512,369
Operating expense	133,284	147,331
Maintenance	25,455	29,255
Taxes (excl. Federal income tax)	12,446	17,723

Net earnings from operation	\$356,389	\$318,061
Other income	6,563	9,352
(Gross corporate income)	\$362,953	\$327,414
Annual interest req. on total funded debt	135,000	

—V. 128, p. 2626.

Chicago South Shore & South Bend RR.—Certificates.
 The Indiana P. S. Commission has authorized the company to issue \$810,000 of equipment trust certificates at not less than 95 3/4.—V. 128, p. 2267.

Edison Electric Illuminating Co. of Boston.—Sells \$16,500,000 Short Term Notes.—The company has sold \$16,500,000 notes to the Old Colony Trust Co. and others. The notes consist of \$8,000,000 running 6 months dated April 25 and due Oct. 25 which have been resold on a 6 1/4% discount basis and \$8,500,000 6% one-year notes dated April 30 1929 and due April 30 1930, which have been resold at 99 3/4, or a 6 1/4% basis.

Proceeds of this financing are to take care of \$14,800,000 notes falling due May 2 1929, and for other corporate purposes. Of these maturing notes only \$12,000,000 are held by the public.—V. 128, p. 1893.

Empire Public Service Corp.—Initial Div.—Directors.
 The directors have declared an initial quarterly dividend of 45c. per share on the class A common stock, no par value, payable May 15, to holders of record April 25. Upon application to the company holders can apply this dividend to the purchase of additional class A common stock at \$18 per share, thus giving the holder 1-40th of a share for each share held. (For offering, see V. 128, p. 883.)

First public announcement of the men comprising the board of directors of the corporation, organized early this year to acquire control of public utilities in 7 states with assets of more than \$35,000,000 was made this week. The board follows: A. S. Deering (Professor of Economics, Harvard University, Boston); W. Findlay Downs (President of Day & Zimmerman, Inc., Philadelphia); E. A. Feldtkeller (Vice-Pres. of Empire Corp.); Richard C. Hunt (of Chadbourne, Hunt, Jaekel & Brown, New York); J. A. W. Inglehart (of J. A. W. Inglehart & Co., Baltimore); C. S. Newhall (Vice-Pres. of The Pennsylvania Co. for Insur. on Lives & Granting Annuities, Philadelphia); W. Bruce Pirnie, Robert W. Rea, Ezra Whitman, Floyd W. Woodcock (President), H. C. Yeager and F. W. Young (V.-Pres.), —V. 128, p. 1725.

Engineers Public Service Corp.—To Increase Stocks.—The stockholders will vote May 20 on increasing the authorized common stock (no par value) from 3,000,000 shares to 4,000,000 shares, and the authorized preferred stock (no par value) from 700,000 shares to 1,000,000 shares. No immediate offering of the new stock is contemplated.—V. 128, p. 1725.

Fall River (Mass.) Electric Light Co.—New Control—Exchange Offer Made—Adjustment Dividend of 75c.—

Roy F. Whitney, President and General Manager, announced last week that a controlling interest in this company has been acquired by the New England Power Association and the Eastern Utilities Associates, acting jointly. The Eastern Utilities Associates controls a power plant at Brockton, Mass., one in the Blackstone Valley and has a large interest in another at Montauk, R. I., just across the river from Fall River.

In connection with this acquisition of control, the New England Power Association and Eastern Utilities Associates have made a joint offer for the outstanding shares of the Fall River company. The holder of each share of Fall River common stock is offered either two-thirds of a share of New England Power Association 6% pref. stock or \$66.66 2-3 principal amount of 3-year 4 1/2% conv. notes of the Eastern Utilities Associates. Rights expire on May 15.

The 4 1/2% notes of the Eastern Utilities Associates will be issued shortly in denominations of \$1,000 and \$100 and will mature July 1 1932. The conversion feature will allow for the exchange of each \$100 par value of bonds after July 1 1930, into two common shares and one convertible share of Eastern Utilities Associates.

In a statement issued by Roy F. Whitney, President of the Fall River Electric Light Co., he says: "The voting trustees of the Fall River company and its management believe that the affiliation of this company with these large power systems will aid materially in the work of industrial readjustment that Fall River is now going through."

"The New England Power Association will bring to the situation its power resources and its organized facilities for aiding and encouraging industries in the territory it serves, among which may be mentioned textile industrial engineers, including specialists in textile work. The present management will continue, with the aid of the organization of the association."

"The Eastern Utilities Associates, of which system the Brockton Edison and Blackstone Valley companies are a part, together with the Fall River Electric Light Co., owns Montauk Electric Co., located near Fall River, and their participation will contribute to the power resources of the Fall River Electric Co."

The directors have declared an adjustment dividend of 75 cents per share, payable on May 15.—V. 128, p. 2628.

Federal Water Service Corp.—New Control—Rights to Subscribe to Stock of New Company.

United Power Gas & Water Corp. (see below) has been organized to acquire not less than 79% of the outstanding class B stock of Federal Water Service Corp. and all of the outstanding class B common stock of Peoples Light & Power Corp.

Each holder of class A stock of record March 30 1929, will be entitled to purchase one share of common stock of United Power Gas & Water Corp. for each 6 shares of class A stock held, at \$35 per share.

Each holder of preferred stock of record, March 30 1929, will be entitled to purchase one share of preferred stock of United Power Gas & Water Corp. for each four shares of preferred stock held, at \$47 per share.

In order to exercise these rights, the class A and preferred stockholders must execute the purchase forms on the reverse of the purchase warrant and deliver the same to Central Union Trust Co., New York, as agent of United Power Gas & Water Corp., 80 Broadway, New York City, on or before the close of business on April 30, accompanied by payments in full. Unless such purchases are made, in accordance with the above terms, on or before April 30 1929, the purchase warrants will become void.

Certificates for stocks of United Power Gas & Water Corp. will be delivered to purchasers on or about May 10.

Fractional purchase warrants may be bought or sold through G. L. Ohrstrom & Co., Inc., 44 Wall St., New York City.

G. L. Ohrstrom & Co., Inc., have underwritten the purchase of 100,000 shares of common stock and 45,000 shares of preferred stock of United Power Gas & Water Corp.

Initial Class B Dividend—Increased Distribution on Class A Shares—Earnings.

The directors have declared a dividend on the class B stock and an increased distribution to class A stockholders. Beginning with the payment of the Sept. 1 1929 dividend, the regularly quarterly dividend of 50c. per share and an extra dividend of 10c. per share will be paid on the class A stock. Stockholders may apply the regular quarterly dividend to the purchase of additional shares of class A stock at a price which will give to stockholders exercising this privilege 1-54th of a share for each share owned. At present class A stockholders have the option of receiving 1-50th of a share of class A stock for each share owned, which is at the rate of 3% in stock, while under the new policy, 1-54th of a share plus the 10c. extra dividend in cash will afford a return of more than 8.2% at the present market price of class A stock. Holders of class B stock will be entitled to the extra quarterly dividend of 10c. a share which will be paid in cash.

At their meeting on April 22 the directors declared the usual quarterly dividend of 50c. a share on the class A stock, payable June 1 to holders of record May 2. The ex-dividend date will be May 2 instead of May 8 as heretofore, in order to facilitate dividend disbursement work.

Consol. Earns.—Years Ended Month of Feb.—

	1928.	1929.
Gross revenues (including other income)	\$13,761,428	\$15,198,886
Operation	4,475,873	4,345,511
Maintenance & deprec. as prov. in subs. cos' mtg.	1,280,669	1,378,823
Taxes (excluding Federal income tax)	888,571	1,015,749

Gross corporate income	\$7,116,314	\$8,458,802
Annual int. req. on funded debt of subs.		3,983,072
Annual div. req. on pref. stock of subs.		1,170,914
Reserve for miscellaneous charges		290,000

Balance	\$3,014,815
Annual div. req. on 155,500 shs. of Fed. Water Service Corp. pref. stock	991,929

Balance	\$2,022,886
* Includes 8 months increased earnings from a rate increase granted to Scranton-Spring Brook Water Service Co.	

Due to a typographical error in last week's "Chronicle" on page 2628 the earnings for the 12 months ended Jan. 31 were erroneously stated. Those appearing under the heading 1929 should have appeared under the 1928 column and vice-versa.—V. 128, p. 2628.

General Gas & Electric Corp.—Transfer of Control Explained.—H. C. Hopson, Vice-Pres. & Treas. in a letter to the stockholders dated April 19 says:

As you have already been advised, W. S. Barstow & Co. Inc., has become part of the Associated Gas and Electric System. The W. S. Barstow organization participated in the formation of your company in 1925 and with its predecessor, is and has been, under contracts of long standing, the operating manager of your company's utility subsidiaries. As such it is entitled to the credit for the successful development of the enterprise as a whole, making possible the continuance and steady appreciation in the market value of the stocks of this company which you hold.

W. S. Barstow & Co., Inc., and affiliated interests, at the time of this acquisition by Associated Gas & Electric Co., owned, among other assets, a substantial majority of the class B common stock of your company, which possesses the sole voting power for the management of your company, Messrs. W. S. Barstow and William Buchsbaum, who were President and Vice-President respectively and directors of your company, have since become directors of Associated Gas & Electric Co. Part of the negotiations during the late summer and early fall of last year resulted in a signed agreement under date of Oct. 30 1928, between representatives of W. S. Barstow & Co., Inc., and United Gas Improvement Co. contemplating the purchase by the latter company, for 317,295 shares of its stock, of the stock of W. S. Barstow & Co., Inc., carrying control of your company. This transaction was not consummated, but it developed immediately before the record date for the Jan. 1 1929, dividend that United Gas Improvement Co. through a subsidiary had acquired large amounts of class A and B common stocks and dividend participations, pre-eminently with the aid of lists of stockholders obtained during the negotiations referred to above.

These acquisitions continued with increasing vigor after public announcement of the successful consummation of the sale of W. S. Barstow & Co., Inc., to its present owners. The dangerous possibilities of these large outstanding concentrated holdings made it appear imperative that the financial strength of your company be promptly improved in view of its current and prospective obligations.

The original time for the taking over of W. S. Barstow & Co., Inc., was April 19 1929, but in view of the activities referred to and other imminent possibilities, including the necessity of providing for the construction budget for 1929, this date was considerably advanced. As soon as the advanced date had been definitely arranged, the Associated Gas & Electric Co. was asked to acquire additional authorized but unissued class B common stock and on March 4, on its own behalf and for affiliated interests, it took, for permanent investment, further interest in the junior equity stock in your company, purchasing 170,000 shares of class B common stock at \$95 per share. This price was substantially above the current market price on the New York Stock Exchange for a considerable time previous and took no account of the wholesale character of the transaction, although the sale for cash of a block of stock of this size for distribution by investment bankers would have involved a substantial discount below the prevailing quoted market, and, in view of the concentrated holdings in the hands of another, would have been practically impossible without the aid and acquiescence of such holder.

In view of the conditions then existing the directors regarded it as a desirable transaction distinctly in your interest. The funds procured were immediately used for the current needs of the corporation, being advanced principally to operating subsidiaries to provide for their 1929 construction requirements.

The continued acquisition, after public announcement of the change in ownership and management of your company, and the resulting concentration of large blocks of the equity stocks of this company by a competing interest, caused your directors to question whether it would be possible for your company permanently to finance the requirements of all of its operating subsidiary companies to enable them to meet demands for public service which are continuous, constantly increase and cannot be postponed without endangering their business. It also seemed to your directors that the public interests would be advanced by a closer affiliation of the properties of some of the operating companies with those of other companies with which they were or could be naturally and physically connected. Your directors, therefore, negotiated the sale of the securities of the operating companies in question to Associated Gas & Electric interests which are amply able to finance their future requirements and with whose properties the properties of these operating companies had previously been connected or were in process of connection. This was consummated on a basis which we believe to have been very attractive to your company from every standpoint.

The price was well in excess of double the value at which such securities had been carried on the books of your company. The cost substantially exceeded the reproduction value of the physical properties of all of the companies including the most liberal allowances for overheads and intangibles of every sort. Ownership of these securities will be profitable to the purchaser over a period of years only if there are invested large amounts

of additional capital with the assiduous attention to minute details of management so as to serve the public beyond question in the manner to which it is entitled.

The interests so disposed of were those theretofore owned in the Binghamton Light, Heat & Power Co., Metropolitan Edison Co., New Jersey Power & Light Co., Northern Pennsylvania Power Co., and certain small companies in process of being merged into them.

As a result of this sale your company now owns securities of established marketability, the current income from which is over double that heretofore actually received from those previously owned. This income also substantially exceeds the total delectable net earnings of the companies upon the stocks which were disposed of.

All of these transactions involved a great deal of detailed study and mechanical work, but have now been fully completed and an audit thereof by the regular auditors of your company, Haskins & Sells, is now being made. Immediately upon its completion a balance sheet of your company in the usual form as it appears in the regular annual report will be distributed to the stockholders and given out for publication. We are, however, pleased to state that these figures will show that your company will have upon the successful completion of the offering of stock which is now under way (payment for which is assured, under an underwriting agreement with Associated Gas & Electric Securities Co., Inc., at a reasonable underwriting commission), assets in excess of \$100,000,000 represented by capital stock and surplus and subject to no funded debt or other interest bearing obligations. This figure represents a very substantial increase of well over 200% in excess of the book value at Dec. 31, last.

Special Stockholders' Meeting Postponed.

The special stockholders' meeting scheduled for April 26 for the purpose of approving a proposed increase in the company's capitalization was adjourned until a later date, according to an announcement made by H. C. Hopson, Vice-President and Treasurer. It was intimated that the adjourned special meeting will be held about May 1.

The annual meeting has been postponed until May 4. The proposal to be voted upon by the stockholders includes an increase in the authorized class A common stock of the General Gas & Electric Corp. from 800,000 to 2,000,000 shares and the class B common from 400,000 to 1,500,000 shares.—V. 128, p. 2452.

Great Lake Utilities Corp.—Stock Increased.

The company has filed a certificate at Dover, Del., increasing its authorized capital stock, no par value, from 140,000 shares to 280,000 shares.—V. 126, p. 251.

Havana Electric Ry. Co.—Earnings.

3 Months Ended March 31—	*1929.	1928.
Operating revenue	\$1,377,748	\$1,367,984
Operating expenses, including taxes	1,124,020	1,162,432
Net operating revenues	\$253,728	\$205,552
Non-operating revenue	7,164	12,546
Gross corporate income	\$260,892	\$218,098
Interest & other charges	160,973	160,964
Surplus (before deducting depreciation)	\$99,919	\$57,134

—V. 128, p. 725.

Illinois Bell Telephone Co.—New Director.

Fred W. Sargent, President of the Chicago & Northwestern Ry., has been elected a director, succeeding Robert P. Lamont, now Secretary of Commerce of the United States.

The directors have approved the expenditure of \$1,076,992 for new plant and extensions. This makes a total of \$9,934,448 approved so far this year.—V. 128, p. 2088.

Illinois Water Service Co.—Earnings.

Years Ended Feb.—	1929.	1928.
Operating revenues	\$595,121	\$531,097
Operating expense	234,936	246,475
Maintenance	25,937	31,966
Taxes (excl. Federal income tax)	48,902	42,399
Net earnings from operation	\$285,346	\$210,256
Other income	959	1,834
Gross corporate income	\$286,306	\$212,091
Annual int. req. on total funded debt	125,000	—

—V. 128, p. 2628.

Interstate Rys.—No Action on Dividend.

The directors have taken no action on the declaration of a dividend, which would ordinarily be payable May 1, and it is not expected any dividend will be paid at that time. The company has been paying 1 1/2 cents a share at quarterly periods since and incl. Aug., 1928. From May, 1926, to Feb., 1927, incl., quarterly cash dividends of 30 cents per share were paid on this issue and from May, 1927, to May, 1928, incl., quarterly cash distributions of 35 cents per share were made. Further dividends will probably depend on future course of earnings.—V. 128, p. 1554.

Ithaca (N. Y.) Street Ry.—Formerly Owned Properties Sold.

See Borg-Warner Corp., under "Industrials" below.—V. 97, p. 950.

Kansas City Power & Light Co.—Stock Approved.

The stockholders on Mar. 25 approved the issuance of 11,000 additional shares of common stock (no par value) at \$100 per share. There are outstanding (not incl. the above) 502,000 shares of common stock out of a total authorized issue of 600,000 shares.—V. 128, p. 1892.

Keystone Telephone Co.—Earnings of System.

Period End. Mar. 31—	1929.—3 Mos.	1928.—12 Mos.	1929.—12 Mos.	1928.—12 Mos.
Gross earnings	\$540,233	\$530,243	\$2,162,554	\$2,114,099
Oper. exp., maint. & tax.	273,615	278,038	1,101,886	1,093,239
Int. on bonds	145,437	145,188	581,831	558,779
Other int. charges	7,973	378	21,281	10,500
Bal. avail. for res., Fed. tax divs. & surplus.	\$113,208	\$106,639	\$458,056	\$451,581

—V. 128, p. 2461.

Massachusetts Gas Companies.—No Change in Control.

President J. L. Richards on April 22 made public a statement he had addressed to stockholders and employees, in which he states that there has been no change in the control of the company, but admitted that negotiations were pending for the purchase of its stock.

The statement by Mr. Richards follows: "No new interest has secured the control of the Massachusetts Gas Cos., as stated in the newspapers. Certain people have purchased in the open market a substantial amount of Massachusetts Gas stock and at present hold, in my opinion, about 20% (one-fifth) of the total voting power. Other interests are negotiating at the present time for the purchase of the stock of this company.—V. 128, p. 2461.

Michigan Gas & Electric Co.—Earnings.

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Gross earnings (incl. other income)	\$1,242,407	\$1,148,307	\$1,027,021	\$882,094
Oper. exp., taxes, &c.	832,125	783,651	731,279	669,040
Interest on funded debt.	138,527	137,138	118,335	109,158
Gen'l int., amort., dict., &c.	28,212	34,086	33,865	15,852
Net income	\$243,543	\$193,433	\$143,541	\$88,043
Prior lien dividends	65,072	62,449	57,943	39,599
Preferred dividends	24,000	24,000	24,000	24,000
Common dividends	113,230	93,360	38,250	—
Balance, surplus	\$41,241	\$13,624	\$23,348	\$24,444

—V. 127, p. 2526.

Michigan RR.—Time For Deposits.

The holders of the 1st mtge. 5-year 6% gold bonds, due May 1 1924, have been notified that the bondholders' protective committee for this issue, comprising Allen G. Hoyt, Stanley A. Russell and William W. Bride, will be prepared to receive deposits of these bonds under the deposit

agreement dated Oct. 23 1924, until the close of business on May 10 1929. Bondholders failing to deposit their bonds on or before that date will not be entitled to become parties to the agreement or to share in the benefits thereof, and will acquire no rights thereunder. Bonds should be deposited with The National City Bank of New York, 55 Wall St., depository for the committee.—See also V. 128, p. 2628.

Missouri Hydro-Electric Power Co.—Options on Stock.
See North American Co. below.—V. 122, p. 1917.

Mountain States Power Co.—Earnings.

12 Mos. End. Dec. 31—	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Gross earnings	\$2,997,296	\$2,748,174	\$3,137,169	\$2,676,518
Op. exp., maint. & taxes	1,822,883	1,715,119	1,956,240	1,718,949
Interest	649,702	682,638	672,475	540,431
Net earnings	\$524,711	\$350,416	\$508,453	\$417,138
Other income	78,500	171,727	20,738	—
Total income	\$603,211	\$522,143	\$529,191	\$417,138
Preferred dividends	356,826	317,911	219,914	157,578
Balance for retire. res., com. divs., amort., &c.	\$246,384	\$204,232	\$309,277	\$259,560

—V. 128, p. 2462.

National Water Works Corp.—Revised Circular.

A revised circular issued by Detwiler & Co., Inc., in connection with the offering of the \$3.50 cummul. pref. stock, series A (no par) and class A com. stock, series 1 (no par) affords the following:

Holdings.—The corporation now owns, controls and operates, or has in process of acquisition, (one under option) 15 companies furnishing water, at wholesale or retail, for domestic, industrial and municipal purposes to 32 communities located in the States of Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Tennessee.

Among the companies referred to above is a Pennsylvania group consisting of the Reading Suburban Water Co.; Sinking Spring Water Co., Wyomissing Water Co., Girard Water Co., Hammond Water Co., Shenandoah Citizens' Water Co., Lehigh Water Co., Weissport Water Co., Mauch Chunk Water Co., Hegins Water Co., Citizens' Water Co. of Lower City, Williams Valley Water Co., Freeland Water Co.; in the State of New Jersey the Washington Water Co.; and in the State of Tennessee the Ingleside Water Co.

Capitalization—	Authorized.	Outstanding.
Collateral trust conv. 6% gold bonds, series A	a	\$1,600,000
Cumul. pref. stock (no par)	b	500,000 shs.
Class A com. stock (no par)—series 1	c	200,000 shs.
Series 2	d	800,000 shs.
Class B com. stock (no par)	e	500,000 shs.

a Issuable in series. The issuance of additional bonds will be restricted by the provisions of the Trust agreement. b Preferred stock is issuable in series, the authorized amount of Series A being limited to 50,000 shares entitled to \$3.50 cumulative dividends per annum. Representing the properties described above, there have been issued 17,800 shares of \$3.50 cummul. pref. stock series A, and 17,800 shares of class A com. stock, series 1. c Includes 80,000 shares reserved to provide for conversion of \$1,600,000 collateral trust conv. 6% gold bonds, series A. d Entire amount under contract of purchase by the bankers.

Earnings.—The consolidated earnings of the corporation and its subsidiaries after adjustment for certain non-recurring charges, and additional revenues now in effect, are as follows:

Gross revenues	\$541,702
Oper. exp., maint. & taxes (except Federal taxes) and interest on funded debt of subsidiaries	320,564
Net earnings	\$221,138
Annual int. on collateral trust conv. 6% gold bonds, series A	96,000
Balance before reserves, Federal taxes and dividends	\$125,138
Annual dividend requirement on 17,800 shares of \$3.50 cummul. pref. stock, series A	62,300
Bal. applicable to the 17,800 shs. class A com. stk., series 1	\$62,838

The offering price of the units (consisting of one share \$3.50 cummul. pref. stock, series A, and one share class A com. stock, series 1) is now \$67.50 per unit. Compare also V. 128, p. 2628.

The board of directors of the National corporation has been increased by the addition of N. M. Argabrite, Vice-President of the American Gas & Electric Co. and the Appalachian Electric Power Co. See also V. 128, p. 2628.

New York Railways Corp.—Earnings.

Calendar Years—	1927.	1926.
Five-cent cash fares	\$5,967,783	\$6,252,640
Two-cent revenue transfers	120,716	138,514
Other transfer fares	892	1,086
Total	\$6,089,390	\$6,392,240
Other operating revenues	461,293	515,679
Total operating revenues	\$6,550,683	\$6,907,920
Total operating expenses	5,215,648	5,421,255
Taxes	466,452	478,191
Operating income	\$868,583	\$1,008,475
Non-operating income	130,988	102,923
Gross income	\$999,571	\$1,111,398
Interest on funded debt	251,075	268,010
Controlled companies, account oper.	420,243	501,513
Other deductions	201,468	213,089
Net inc. avail. for other chgs., &c.	x\$126,784	x\$357,368

x Excludes accumulated and unpaid interest on income bonds which interest has not been declared due and payable, claims of minority stockholders in controlled companies, if any, and non-operating income of controlled companies.—V. 127, p. 1675.

New York Telephone Co.—Expenditures Authorized.

President J. S. McCulloch announced on April 25 that the board of directors at their meeting held April 24, authorized the additional expenditure of \$13,140,780 for new construction in various parts of the territory served by the company. This brings the total appropriations made for this purpose since Jan. 1 to \$43,200,535, of which \$39,242,575 has been set aside for enlargement of facilities in the Metropolitan area.

Keith S. McHugh, of Brooklyn, N. Y., was appointed a Vice-President at a meeting of the board of directors held April 24. In this capacity, he will generally direct and co-ordinate the public relations activities and the publicity of the company.—V. 128, p. 2462.

New York Water Service Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings.

Years Ended Feb.—	1929.	1928.
Operating revenues	\$2,481,432	\$2,202,035
Operation expense	711,433	701,250
Maintenance	92,589	93,228
Taxes (excl. Federal income tax)	222,686	203,616
Net earnings from operation	\$1,454,724	\$1,203,940
Other income	40,784	18,500
Gross corporate income	\$1,495,509	\$1,222,445
Ann'l int. req. on total funded debt	620,250	—

—V. 128, p. 2629.

North American Co.—New Hydro-Electric Developments.

—President F. L. Dame, says: One of the largest hydro-electric developments in the Middle West will follow the acquisition by the Union Electric Light & Power Co., a subsidiary, of options on the stock of the Missouri Hydro-Electric Power Co., which owns the 60,000-acre site of the proposed development on the Osage River, at Bagnell, Mo., about midway between St. Louis and Kansas City. The Union Electric Light & Power Co. and subsidiaries furnish electric service to an area of 2,700 square miles with a population of 1,300,000 in Missouri, Illinois and Iowa.

This project, to cost in excess of \$30,000,000 and requiring two years to complete, is in line with the established practice of North American subsidiaries to insure the availability of facilities as service demands increase by anticipating the needs of the territories they serve.

Construction of an earth and concrete dam 100 feet in height will begin shortly at Bagnell, giving employment to 5,000 workmen. The power plant will have an initial generating capacity of 120,000 kilowatts, with provision for additional generating units up to a total of 160,000 kilowatts capacity. With the completion of the Osage project the Union Electric system will have total generating capacity of 750,000 kilowatts.

Two steel tower transmission lines will connect the Osage River hydro-electric development with St. Louis and the lead belt centering in Crystal City. These lines will tie together two hydro-electric plants fed from two distinct water sheds, the other being the Mississippi River plant at Keokuk, Ia., as well as the Cahokia steam-generating power plant of 195,000 kilowatts present capacity, located on the Mississippi River opposite St. Louis. Coincident with the announcement of the Osage River hydro-electric development, a striking illustration of the growing needs of the territory served by the Union Electric System is furnished by the long term contract which the Union company has just signed to supply all the power required by the St. Joseph Lead Co. This is one of the largest power contracts ever closed in the United States between a public utility and an industrial corporation, calling initially for 150,000,000 k.w.h. per year, an amount substantially equal to the electricity used in 250,000 homes.

The Union company has purchased the St. Joseph Lead Co.'s power plant at Riverines, Mo., retaining it for the present to supplement its facilities, pending completion of the Bagnell plant and the transmission lines which will insure to the Union Electric System's entire territory, including the lead district, an abundant supply of power fed from the Mississippi and Osage hydro-plants and the steam plant at Cahokia.

Usual Common Stock Dividend.

The directors have declared the regular quarterly dividends, the 101st consecutive quarterly dividend on common stock and the 32nd consecutive quarterly dividend on preferred stock since it was first issued, about eight years ago. Both dividends are payable July 1 to holders of record June 5. The common dividend of 2 1/2% in common stock is at the rate of 1-40th of a share for each share held.

Consolidated Income Account 12 Months Ended March 31.

	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Gross earnings	\$141,515,694	\$122,906,742	\$117,694,136	\$99,702,637
Oper. exp., maint. & tax.	74,175,601	64,884,827	65,349,794	57,699,606
Net income from oper.	\$67,340,093	\$58,021,914	\$52,344,343	\$42,003,031
Other net income	4,233,047	3,001,249	3,677,448	4,048,060
Total	\$71,573,140	\$61,023,163	\$56,021,790	\$46,051,091
Interest charges	18,542,977	17,650,949	16,694,340	14,228,042
Pref. divs. of subs.	10,268,429	9,052,713	8,492,898	5,850,403
Minority interest	2,090,996	1,445,005	1,332,695	1,274,418
Appr. for deprec. res.	14,916,420	12,665,481	12,143,932	10,185,840
Balance	\$25,754,318	\$20,209,015	\$17,357,925	\$14,512,388
Divs. of No. Am. pf. stk.	1,820,034	1,820,024	1,820,007	1,782,484
Div. on No. Am. com. stk.	4,933,845	4,450,265	4,030,954	3,422,634
Balance, surplus	\$19,000,439	\$13,938,725	\$11,506,964	\$9,307,269

Net earnings available for common stock for the 12 months ended March 31 1929 amounted to \$23,934,284. These earnings are an increase of 30.16% over those for the 12 months ended March 31 1928, and are equal to \$4.84 per share on the average number of shares of No. American com. stock outstanding during the year ended March 31 1929, compared with \$4.12 per share of the average number of shares outstanding during the same previous period.—V. 128, p. 2629.

North American Light & Power Co. (& Subs.).—Earnings.

	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Combined gross earnings	\$42,342,001	\$38,120,057	\$34,175,901	\$32,303,853
Less inter-co. items	445,441	502,496	487,445	188,145
Gross earnings, fr. oper.	\$41,896,560	\$37,617,560	\$33,688,456	\$32,115,708
Exps., maint. & taxes	23,504,919	22,117,030	20,551,778	20,058,863
Net earnings, fr. oper.	\$18,391,641	\$15,500,529	\$13,136,678	\$12,056,845
Other income	Dr. 761,155	236,738	169,310	486,979
Total net earnings	\$18,315,486	\$15,737,267	\$13,305,988	\$12,543,825
Int. on bonds, ac., and amort. of debt disc't.	\$9,155,450	\$8,246,940	\$7,140,231	\$6,718,828
Div. on pf. stks. sub. cos.	3,720,249	3,390,176	2,727,870	2,051,152
Allow. for minor stk. int.	1,528	43,944	1,455	3,844
Balance	\$5,438,259	\$4,056,205	\$3,436,431	\$3,770,000
Appropriat'd for deprec., retirements, &c.			309,093	824,636
Mtge. requir. of subs.	2,480,951	2,007,129	1,561,315	1,464,881
Add'l appropriations				
Bal. avail. for divs. on Nor. Am. Lt. & Power Co. stocks	\$2,957,308	\$2,049,076	\$1,566,023	\$1,480,483
Divs. on N. A. Lt. & Pr. Co. pref. stock	847,317	721,281	405,469	301,492
Surplus after pref. div.	\$2,109,991	\$1,327,795	\$1,160,554	\$1,178,991

x After reclassification of inter-company items eliminated for 1925.—V. 127, p. 1104.

North American Utility Securities Corp.—Earnings.

	1928.	1927.
Gross earnings	\$1,116,112	\$1,147,198
Expenses, interest & taxes	59,940	50,585
Net income	\$1,056,172	\$1,096,613
Dividends paid on 1st pref. stock	331,843	360,121
Dividends paid on 2nd pref. stock	420,000	420,000
Balance carried to undivided profits	\$304,328	\$316,492

—V. 128, p. 557.

Northern Indiana Public Service Co.—Stock Auth.

The Indiana P. S. Commission has authorized the company to issue \$1,000,000 5 1/2% pref. stock at not less than 90.—V. 128, p. 2091.

Oklahoma Gas & Electric Co.—Earnings.

[Including all properties for the periods operated only.]

	1928.	1927.	1926.
12 Months Ended Dec. 31—			
Gross earnings	\$12,003,353	\$9,791,816	\$10,888,761
Operating exp. maint & taxes	6,301,272	5,163,387	6,901,101
Net earnings	\$5,702,081	\$4,628,429	\$3,987,660
Other income	722,758	811,483	74,259
Total income	\$6,424,840	\$5,439,912	\$4,061,919
Lease rentals	65,625		
Bond interest	1,416,353	1,375,000	1,301,134
Note interest	516,953	552,297	545,749
General interest	*37,947	*60,797	288,543
Total	\$2,036,879	\$1,988,094	\$2,135,426
Less int. charge to construction	90,885	83,869	52,432
Net interest charges	\$1,945,994	\$1,904,225	\$2,082,994
Balance	\$4,478,846	\$3,535,687	\$1,978,925
Preferred dividends	1,326,301	*1,079,331	869,131
Bal. for retire. (depreciation), reser. com. divs. and surplus	*\$3,152,545	*\$2,456,356	\$1,109,794
Shares com. outst. (par \$100)	100,000	100,000	75,000
Earnings per share	\$31.53	\$24.56	\$14.80

*Interest and dividends on securities converted into common stock included in common dividends.—V. 128, p. 2462.

Ohio Water Service Co.—Earnings.

	1929.	1928.
Years Ended Feb.—		
Operating revenues	\$508,824	\$489,009
Operation expense	133,414	141,728
Maintenance	28,009	27,099
Taxes, excl. Federal income tax	48,379	45,746
Net earnings from operation	\$299,021	\$274,436
Other income	21,872	22,553
Gross corporate income	\$320,893	\$296,989
Ann'l int. req. on total funded debt	150,000	

—V. 128, p. 2629.

Oklahoma Railway.—Acquisition of Control.

The I.-S. C. Commission on March 29 authorized the acquisition by the company (1) of control, by lease, of the railroad of the Oklahoma City Junction Ry., and (2) of control of the Oklahoma Belt Ry., by purchase of the capital stock and by lease of its railroad.

The report of the Commission says in part: The applicant was approached by the owners of the Belt Company and an agreement was entered into under date of April 20 1928, leasing the latter company's line for a period of 10 years from May 1 1929. Under this lease the applicant agrees to pay an annual rental of \$15,000, to maintain the property, to pay all taxes, to operate the line by electric motive power, the necessary electrical features to be satisfactory to the Santa Fe, the Frisco and the Belt Company, and to be liable for all loss or damage arising out of its operations. Additions and betterments are to be made by the Belt Company or by the applicant at the Belt Company's expense. It was testified that this lease was not entered into until applicant had ascertained what could be done with reference to the acquisition of substantially all of the capital stock of the Belt Company. The owners thereof were originally interested in a certain packing plant, and, having disposed of their interest therein, were anxious to withdraw from the transportation business. The Belt Company has a capital stock of 6,000 shares of the par value of \$100 each. It is claimed that the property is worth in the neighborhood of \$200,000, but because of the owners' desire to get out of the railroad business, the applicant succeeded in acquiring 5,910 shares of the stock at \$25 a share. When the leasing of the Belt Company's property and the acquisition of its capital stock were taken under consideration the applicant's general counsel and also special counsel advised that in their opinion we had no jurisdiction over the proposed transactions. The applicant upon learning that these opinions were subject to question, immediately filed the application now before us.

Under agreement dated April 21 1928, the Junction Company authorizes the applicant, for a period of 99 years from May 1 1929, to use its tracks on the following bases: For each car for which a tariff charge is now made of \$2.25 or over hauled by the applicant from the Junction Company's line and which also moves over the Belt Company's line or the applicant's line, the applicant is to pay to the Junction \$1.25; for cars which do not move over the Belt Company's or applicant's line the applicant is to pay \$1 per car; the sums per cars shall be subject to increase at such time as there shall be increases in the switching charges charged by the applicant where such increases are not entirely and exclusively due to increases in operating expenses; no charge is to be made by the applicant for switching on the Junction Company's track of empty cars between certain railroads, 'industrials' or car-owners storage tracks and industrials' or car-owners' loading, unloading, &c., tracks; for any other switching between any two locations in the yard of an industrial plant, or plant owned by car owners, a charge of \$3.15 per car will be made, except when cars are moved for the purpose of weighing on private scales within the switching yards of the company owning the scales a charge of 61 cents will be made. The Junction Company agrees to maintain its tracks in safe operating condition, to pay taxes on its property, and to bear any loss or damage due to its failure to keep its tracks in safe operating condition. The applicant is to pay any additional taxes levied because of its electrical installations, and to bear any loss or damage caused by such electrical equipment. The charges in the contract are the same as those in the M.-K.-T. lease which expires on May 1 1929.—V. 126, p. 3298.

Oregon-Washington Water Service Co.—Earnings.

	1929.	1928.
Years Ended Feb.—		
Operating revenues	\$585,993	\$547,382
Operation expense	220,420	197,575
Maintenance	30,189	28,421
Taxes (excl. Federal income tax)	69,411	64,188
Net earnings from operation	\$265,972	\$257,199
Other income	2,636	2,225
Gross corporate income	\$268,608	\$259,424
Annual int. req. on total funded debt	137,730	

—V. 128, p. 2629.

Peoples Light & Power Corp.—Control Passes to United Power, Gas & Water Corp.—Common and Preferred Stockholders Receive Rights to Subscribe to Stock of New Company.

See United Power, Gas & Water Corp. below.—V. 128, p. 2630.

Peninsular Telephone Co.—Tenders.

The Irving Trust Co., 60 Broadway, N. Y. City, has notified holders of 1st mtge. bonds, 5 1/2% series, due 1951, that it will receive tenders for the sale of these bonds to the sinking fund to the extent of \$24,765, no later than noon May 10 1929.—V. 128, p. 2462.

Philadelphia Rapid Transit Co.—Sale of Half Interest in Interstate Bus Route.

See Public Service Co-ordinated Transport below.—V. 128, p. 2630.

Pittsburgh Suburban Water Service Co.—Earnings.

	1929.	1928.
Years Ended Feb.—		
Operating revenues	\$306,107	\$301,341
Operation expense	112,750	122,523
Maintenance	19,861	23,809
Taxes (excl. Federal income tax)	5,560	5,019
Net earnings from operation	\$167,935	\$149,990
Other income	871	2,189
Gross corporate income	\$168,806	\$152,180
Annual int. req. on total funded debt	85,000	

—V. 128, p. 2630.

Public Service Coordinated Transport.—Acquisition.

This company is reported to have purchased a half interest in the Pen Jersey Rapid Transit Co., owned by the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Co., under an agreement signed on April 13. The price was not made public, but the Pen Jersey company's rolling stock and other equipment is valued at approximately \$3,000,000. The sale of its holdings in the bus lines operating between Camden and suburban points in New Jersey and Philadelphia marks the withdrawal of P. R. T. from the inter-city bus field, as the latter company previously disposed of 75% of its interest in other out-of-town lines to the Pennsylvania R.R.—V. 128, p. 1905.

Puget Sound Power & Light Co.—Sells Traction Prop.

Announcement was made April 18 that the company's traction railway lines between Chehalis and Centralia, Wash., had been sold to local interests. A new corporation it is said will be organized to operate the lines. W. E. Brown of Chehalis will be president of the new company.—V. 128, p. 2092.

Radio Corp. of America.—New Subsidiary Organized—Over 99% of Victor Talking Machine Co. Common Stock Deposited Under Unification Plan.

Formation of the Radio-Victor Corp. of America, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Radio Corp. of America, was announced this week by General James G. Harbord, president of R. C. A. The new company, incorporated in Maryland, will take over the sales activities of the Radio Corp. of America and the Victor

Talking Machine Co. Over 99% of the common stock of the Victor Talking Machine Co. has been deposited by Victor stockholders pursuant to the unification plan announced last January.

The announcement further states:

On the board of directors of the new company are representatives of General Electric, Westinghouse and the Radio Corp. They include H. P. Davis, General James G. Harbord, J. L. Ray, Andrew W. Robertson, David Sarnoff, Edward E. Shumaker, Gerard Swope and Owen D. Young. The officers will be David Sarnoff, Chairman of the Board; J. L. Ray, President; I. E. Lamber, Vice-President & General Counsel; A. E. Reoch, Vice-President in charge of production, service and traffic; H. C. Grubbs, Vice-President of Victor talking machine division; Quinton Adams, Vice-President of engineering products division; Meade Brunet, Vice-President of radiotron division; E. A. Nicholas, Vice-President of radiola division; E. C. Grimley, Treasurer and Comptroller, and Francis S. Kane, Secretary.

The Radio-Victor Corp. welds into a compact unit the entire R. C. A. sales organization, with branches in New York, Chicago, San Francisco, Dallas and Atlanta and its foreign sales activities, and the Victor sales organization with its Camden offices, a nation-wide system of distribution, and branch connections through subsidiary companies. "The world-wide sales organizations of Victor and the Radio Corp.," said General Harbord, "will be brought together under one management. The personnel of both will be retained."

The unified laboratory, factory and sales facilities of the new company will result in a more complete service to the trade and to the public, according to J. L. Ray, who will head the Radio-Victor Corp. Mr. Ray said that the Radio-Victor Corp. would market this year a number of new models of radio sets and talking machines, with both the Victor and RCA trademarks, developed in the laboratories of the two organizations, and embodying radically new principles of design.—V. 128, p. 2092.

Rhine-Westphalia Electric Power Corp. (Rheinisch-Westfalisches Elektrizitätswerk Aktien-Gesellschaft).

Listing.
The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of \$19,900,000 consol. mtge. gold bonds, 6% series of 1928, due Aug. 1 1953, (with stock purchase warrants attached).—V. 127, p. 2684, 1948.

San Diego Consolidated Gas & Electric Co.—Earnings.

	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Gross earnings	\$6,834,773	\$6,564,213	\$5,753,392	\$5,381,701
Oper. exp., maint. & tax	3,632,989	3,496,898	3,150,931	3,120,934
Interest	702,708	692,798	665,095	633,537
Net earnings	\$2,499,076	\$2,374,517	\$1,937,367	\$1,627,230
Other income	2,868	5,045	6,164	-----
Total income	\$2,501,944	\$2,379,562	\$1,943,531	\$1,627,230
Preferred dividends	440,475	440,475	440,475	440,475
Bal. for retirem't res., com. divs., amort. & surplus	\$2,061,468	\$1,939,087	\$1,503,056	\$1,186,755

San Francisco-Sacramento RR.—Construction.

The I.-S. C. Commission on April 6 issued a certificate authorizing the construction and operation by the company, or its successors, of an extension of its Pittsburgh branch easterly a distance of 0.88 mile in Contra Costa County, Calif.—V. 127, p. 2529.

Scranton Spring Brook Water Service Co.—Earnings.

	1929.	1928.
Operating revenues	\$5,015,103	\$4,186,134
Operation expense	1,147,019	1,165,639
Maintenance	361,838	387,625
Taxes (excl. Federal income tax)	167,592	117,318
Net earnings from operation	\$3,338,654	\$2,515,552
Other income	10,862	15,598
Gross corporate income	\$3,349,516	\$2,531,150
Annual int. req. on total funded debt	1,629,075	-----

Southern California Edison Co.—Listing.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 256,000 additional shares of common stock (par \$25) on official notice of issuance and payment in full, pursuant to offer to stockholders making the total amount applied for to date 2,719,058 shares. See also V. 128, p. 1905.

Southern Colorado Power Co.—Earnings.

	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Gross earnings	\$2,290,899	\$2,327,653	\$2,420,650	\$2,338,641
Op. exp., maint. & taxes	1,217,837	1,310,318	1,350,868	1,347,651
Net earnings	\$1,073,062	\$1,017,335	\$1,069,782	\$990,990
Other income	7,548	13,172	17,378	-----
Total income	\$1,080,610	\$1,030,508	\$1,087,159	\$990,990
Bond interest	413,580	413,580	413,580	423,358
General interest	19,394	20,389	28,673	-----
Total	\$432,974	\$433,969	\$442,253	\$423,358
Less int. chgd. to const.	413	784	10,617	-----
Net interest charged	\$432,561	\$433,185	\$431,636	\$423,358
Balance	\$648,049	\$597,323	\$655,524	\$567,632
Preferred dividends	297,865	293,061	258,513	207,208
Bal. for retirem't res. (deprec.) com. div. & surplus	\$350,183	\$304,262	\$397,011	\$360,424

Southern Sierras Power Co.—May Issue Bonds.

The company has applied to the California RR. Commission for authority to issue and sell \$708,500 of its 1st & ref. mtge. bonds. The proceeds would be used to reimburse the treasury for expenditures used in additions and betterments.—V. 123, p. 2262.

State Line Generating Co.—Notes Approved.

The Indiana P. S. Commission has approved the issuance of \$7,000,000 of 2-year 5½% notes at not less than 95. See V. 128, p. 2271.

Twin State Gas & Electric Co. (& Subs.).—Report.

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Gross earnings, including merchandise sales	\$2,238,420	\$2,010,356	\$1,908,668	\$1,705,771
Oper. exp., incl. taxes & depreciation	1,397,670	1,198,693	1,186,305	1,056,560
Int., amortization, discount & exps. on bds.	304,015	298,514	300,101	258,101
Net income	\$536,735	\$513,149	\$422,263	\$391,110
Previous surplus	248,719	114,757	85,480	80,049
Contrib. from Nat. Lt., Heat & Power Co. for 1927 flood losses	76,000	-----	-----	-----
Total surplus	\$861,454	\$627,906	\$507,743	\$471,159
Prior lien dividends	176,248	176,058	171,929	164,623
Preferred dividends	77,625	77,625	77,625	77,625
Common dividends	197,219	125,503	143,432	143,432
Approp. for 1927 flood losses & expenses	106,640	-----	-----	-----
Adjustments	8,863	-----	-----	-----
Profit & loss surplus	\$294,859	\$248,719	\$114,757	\$85,480
Sbs. com. stk. outstand. (par \$100)	17,929	17,929	17,929	17,929
Earns. per share	\$15.78	\$14.48	\$9.63	\$8.30

—V. 127, p. 2957.

Toho Electric Power Co., Ltd. (Toho Denryoku Kabushiki Kaisah).—Consolidated Earnings.

	1928.	1927.	1926.
For 12 Months Ended Oct. 31—			
Gross operating earnings	\$24,275,435	\$22,519,083	\$21,393,356
Oper. expenses, maint., tax. & deprec.	17,183,230	15,759,232	14,045,567
Net operating earnings	\$7,092,205	\$6,759,851	\$7,347,789
Other income	3,305,252	3,571,163	2,605,125
Gross income available for interest	\$10,397,457	\$10,331,014	\$9,952,914
Interest	3,865,444	3,622,694	3,211,464

Balance for dividends, reserves, &c. \$6,532,013 \$6,708,320 \$6,741,450 [Figures converted into dollars at 50 cents per yen].—V. 127, p. 1391.

Union Electric Light & Power Co., St. Louis., Mo.—New Hydro-Electric Developments.

See North American Co. above.—V. 127, p. 2821.

Union Electric Light & Power Co. of Illinois.—Earnings. Calendar Years—

	1928.	1927.
Gross earnings	\$3,602,923	\$3,068,842
Operating expenses	22,708	17,981
Operating income	\$3,580,215	\$3,050,861
Appropriations for retirement reserve	933,822	791,774
Gross income	\$2,646,393	\$2,259,087
Interest charges	1,095,215	838,555
Net income	\$1,551,177	\$1,420,532

Union Traction Co. of Philadelphia.—New Pres., &c.

A. Balfour Brehman has been elected President, filling the vacancy caused by the death of Jeremiah J. Sullivan. Several changes in the corporate organization of the company were also made at the meeting of the board held on April 17. A new office of Chairman of the Board of Directors was created and Arthur V. Morton, Vice-President of the Pennsylvania Co. for Insurances on Lives, &c., was elected to that post. In addition an executive committee of the board was formed, composed of Edward M. Story, Chairman; Joseph Gillfillan, Arthur V. Morton, John H. Mason, Sr., and John J. Sullivan. Officers of the company are ex-officio members of this committee. The creation of the office of Chairman and the formation of an executive committee are understood to have been deemed advisable owing to recent increased subjects for consideration by the board in connection with the proposed condemnation and acquisition of the company by the city of Philadelphia.—V. 123, p. 2903.

Union Water Service Co. (& Subs.).—Earnings.

Years Ended Feb.—	1929.	1928.
Operating revenues	\$401,412	\$383,379
Operation expense	107,759	106,735
Maintenance	16,998	17,364
Taxes (excl. Federal income tax)	48,778	46,583
Net earnings from operation	\$227,877	\$212,696
Other income	55,529	55,372
Gross corporate income	\$283,406	\$268,068
Annual int. req. on total funded debt	146,529	-----

United Gas Co.—Constructing New Pipe Line.

The company has let a \$2,750,000 contract and construction has commenced on the 110-mile 16-inch pipe line from its Refugio natural gas fields to San Antonio and Austin, Tex. The line will have a daily capacity of 60 million cubic feet, most of which already has been contracted for to meet the increasing population needs of those two cities. It will also serve nine intermediate communities with aggregate population of 25,000 and supply fuel for a number of large adjacent industries. Among those with which contracts have already been signed, are the San Antonio Cement Co., San Antonio Sewer Pipe & Tile Co., and Smith Bros. Cement Co. The line is being constructed by the United Gas Engineering Co. and will be operated by the South Texas Pipe Line Co., both subsidiaries of the United Gas Co. Delivery of gas will start about July 15.

The Duval Texas Sulphur Co., the United Gas Co.'s sulphur producing subsidiary, has made an exclusive contract with the Ashcraft Wilinson Co. of Atlanta, Ga., to handle the entire output of its sulphur mines. Delivery of sulphur will commence June 1, on the completion of the San Diego & Gulf RR., now being built by the Duval Co., to provide an outlet from its sulphur holdings, 65 miles inland from Corpus Christi, Tex. The Port Commissioners of Corpus Christi have agreed to construct modern terminal facilities to handle sulphur shipments of approximately 150,000 tons annually for the sulphur company. Construction on 4 months' loading terminal will start at once, to be completed within 4 months, when the company's production will have reached 500 tons daily, according to present plans. Other Texas Gulf ports will be used by the Duval company pending completion of its Corpus Christi terminal.—V. 128, p. 2631.

United Power Gas & Water Corp.—Formed as Holding Company to Acquire Voting Control of Federal Water Service and Peoples Light & Power Corp.—Rights Offered to Stockholders of These Public Utilities.

A new holding company, United Power Gas & Water Corp., has been organized to acquire not less than 79% of the outstanding Class B common stock of Federal Water Service Corp., and all of the outstanding Class B common stock of Peoples Light & Power Corp. It was announced this week. The new concern will thus own the controlling voting interests in both of these corporations whose subsidiaries show annual gross earnings of over \$22,000,000 and combined assets of approximately \$200,000,000.

Through their respective constituent companies, Federal Water Service Corp. and Peoples Light & Power Corp. supply electric light and power, artificial and natural gas, and water service in territories having a total estimated population in excess of 2,800,000. Besides this diversification of public utility service, the various operating subsidiaries of these corporations are located in 21 States and include Green Mountain Power Corp., New York Water Service Corp., Alabama Water Service Co., California Water Service Co., Scranton-Spring Brook Water Service Co., Arizona Edison Co., West Virginia Water Service Co. and Wisconsin Hydro Electric Co.

On completion of financing to be undertaken in the near future, the outstanding capitalization of United Power Gas & Water Corp. will consist of \$4,000,000 5% convertible gold debentures, Series due May 1 1979; 45,000 shares (no par) pref. stock, \$3 Series (with common stock purchase privilege); and 100,000 shares (no par) common stock.

Present financial requirements of the new company have been underwritten by G. L. Ohrstrom & Co., Inc., and associates, and rights to purchase United Power Gas & Water Corp. common stock have been issued to common stockholders of Federal Water Service Corp. and Peoples Light & Power Corp., while rights to purchase its preferred stock have been given to the holders of preferred stocks of these two companies.

Each holder of Class A common stock of Federal Water Service Corp. and of Peoples Light & Power Corp. at the close of business on March 30 1929, is entitled to purchase one share of United Power Gas & Water Corp. common stock for every six shares of Class A common stock of these companies, at \$35 per share.

Preferred stockholders of the two companies, as of March 30 1929, are given the right to purchase one share of United Power Gas & Water Corp. preferred stock for every four shares of preferred stock of the Federal and Peoples corporations, at \$47 per share.

Both the common and preferred stock purchase rights must be exercised on or before April 30 1929.

The holder of each share of United Power Gas & Water Corp. \$3 cumulative preferred stock will be entitled subsequent to Nov. 30 1930, to purchase one share of the corporation's common stock at \$35 per share to and including Dec. 31 1933, and thereafter to and incl. Dec. 31 1938, at \$50 per share, this stock purchase privilege becoming void after the latter date. For the year ended Feb. 28 1929, consolidated earnings of subsidiaries to be presently controlled by United Power Gas & Water Corp., after deducting all prior charges and after giving effect to the investment by the corporation and its subsidiaries to proceeds from the sale of securities thereof to be issued shortly, are equivalent to more than \$3 a share on the common stock of the corporation to be presently outstanding.

The President of United Power Gas & Water Corp. is George L. Ohrstrom of L. Ohrstrom & Co., Inc., who have been actively identified with public utility interests for some time past.

The securities to be issued soon by United Power Gas & Water Corp. and their proceeds will first be used to acquire 79% of the outstanding Class B stock of Federal Water Service Corp. and all the outstanding Class B common stock of Peoples Light & Power Corp. After acquiring these Class B stocks, the new corporation will have a substantial amount of cash available for investment. A large part of this cash, it is announced, will be used to acquire additional Class B common stock of the Federal and Peoples Corp., thus materially increasing the common stock equity in these two companies.

After making these investments, United Power Gas & Water Corp. will have approximately \$1,700,000 cash in its treasury available for other investments; under its charter, the corporation is authorized to own securities of public utility holding and operating companies generally. The present owners of the Class B stocks are retaining a substantial interest in the new corporation and have agreed to accept, in payment of a large part of the purchase price thereof, 175,000 shares of United Power Gas & Water Corp. common stock which will be delivered to them from time to time in the future and only when the earnings of the corporation have shown a considerable increase.

Utilities Power & Light Corp.—To Create New Common.

A special meeting of stockholders will be held May 22 1929, for the purpose of considering and voting on an amendment to the charter, creating an authorized issue of 5,000,000 shares of common stock, without par value, in addition to the present authorized stocks of the company.

It is proposed to reclassify the class B stock by issuing one share of the new common stock to the holder of each share of class B stock. The class B stock and the new common stock will share together as a class in respect to the payment of dividends and the distribution of assets. The class B stock, however, will retain its exclusive voting power.

The new common stock will be issued to registered holders of class B stock as at the close of business May 31 1929.

It is proposed to apply to list the new common stock on the Chicago Stock Exchange and the New York Curb Market.

Through its control of The Greater London & Counties Trust, Ltd., a British corporation, the Utilities Power & Light Corp. now is an outstanding international factor of the public utility industry. In addition to serving more than half a million customers in 19 of the United States, the Utilities Power & Light system also furnishes electricity without competition in 95 cities and towns in England and Scotland. The British subsidiary, furthermore, is cooperating with several governmental bodies and industrial associations in furthering the employment of labor and the electrification of industry. It also owns a substantial interest in one of the largest statutory companies supplying electricity in London's metropolitan and suburban area.—V. 128, p. 2450.

Western United Corp. (& Subs.).—Earnings.—

Income Account for the Year Ended Dec. 31 1928.
(Inter-Company Accounts Eliminated.)

Operating revenues	\$7,658,796
Operating expenses (incl. retirement expense \$760,719)	4,152,492
Net operating revenues	\$3,506,304
Uncollectible bills	37,024
Taxes	311,537
Net operating income	\$3,157,744
Other income	237,939
Gross income	\$3,395,684
Deductions from gross income	179,390
Interest on funded debt	1,601,333
Net income	\$1,614,961
Previous surplus	1,906,415
Total surplus	\$3,521,376
Less dividends paid & accrued:	
Western United Corp.—Pref. stock	422,366
Western United Gas & Elec. Co.—Pref. stock	582,161
Western United Corp.—Class A com. stock	108,044
Profit & loss surplus	\$2,408,805

—V. 125, p. 3483.

Western United Gas & Electric Co. (& Subs.).—

Income Account for the Year Ended Dec. 31 1928.

Operating revenues	\$7,652,157
Operating expenses (incl. retirement expense \$710,056)	4,251,711
Net operating revenues	\$3,400,445
Uncollectible bills	37,024
Taxes	294,831
Net operating income	\$3,068,590
Other income	120,880
Gross income	\$3,189,470
Deductions from gross income	179,500
Interest on funded debt	1,411,500
Net income	\$1,598,470
Surplus as at Dec. 31 1927	5,879,680
Total surplus	\$7,478,150
Preferred dividends	582,161
Common dividends	800,000
Profit & loss surplus	\$6,095,988

—V. 125, p. 3064.

West Virginia Water Service Co.—Earnings.—

Years Ended Feb.—	1929.	1928.
Operating revenues	\$774,496	\$758,561
Operation expense	293,899	308,438
Maintenance	39,325	54,348
Taxes (excl. Federal income tax)	82,755	77,299
Net earnings from operation	\$358,515	\$318,475
Other income	3,091	3,334
Gross corporate income	\$361,606	\$321,809
Annual int. req. on total funded debt	176,100	

—V. 128, p. 2632.

Wisconsin Public Service Corp.—Earnings.—

12 Months Ended Dec. 31—	1928.	1927.	1926.
Gross earnings	\$4,994,239	\$4,676,216	\$4,454,565
Oper. expenses, mainten. & taxes	2,790,344	2,791,602	2,608,345
Net earnings	\$2,203,895	\$1,884,614	\$1,846,221
Other income	12,817	10,317	3,648
Total income	\$2,216,712	\$1,894,930	\$1,849,868
Bond interest	802,885	804,465	793,992
General interest	34,091	108,866	234,376
Total	\$836,977	\$913,330	\$1,028,368
Less interest charged to construction	56,727	105,472	125,701
Net interest charges	\$780,249	\$807,859	\$902,667
Balance	\$1,436,462	\$1,087,072	\$947,201
Preferred dividends	548,027	427,898	283,344
Balance for retirem't res. (deprec.) amortiz., com. div. & surplus	\$888,435	\$659,173	\$663,857

—V. 128, p. 2464.

Wisconsin Valley Electric Co. (& Subs.).—Earnings.—

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.	1926.
Gross earnings	\$1,681,955	\$1,616,839	\$1,555,403
Oper. expenses, mainten. & taxes	993,861	836,741	818,699
Net earnings	\$688,093	\$780,098	\$736,703
Other income	20,464	9,058	9,900
Net earnings, incl. other income	\$708,558	\$789,156	\$746,603
Bond interest	\$193,100	\$193,100	\$167,790
General interest	86,554	46,456	49,401
Interest charged to construction	Cr. 31,157		
Total interest charges	\$248,498	\$239,556	\$217,191
Balance	\$460,060	\$549,599	\$529,411
Preferred dividends	84,000	84,000	84,000
Balance for retirem't (deprec.) res., amort., com. divs. and surplus	\$376,060	\$465,599	\$445,411

—V. 128, p. 2464.

INDUSTRIAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.

Bricklayers Win 5-Day Week and Increase in Wages.—Negotiations between the Bricklayers' Union and the Mason Builders' Association were concluded April 24 with an increase of wages and a 5-day week allowed the 12,000 bricklayers of New York City. The agreement is for a 3-year period and grants the bricklayers the 5-day week and an increase in wages of \$1 a day from May 1 to the end of the year, and an increase of \$1.40 a day for the remainder of the agreement. This will raise the wages of the bricklayers from \$14 a day to \$15 and to \$15.40 a day after the first of next year, a 10% increase. N. Y. "Sun," April 25, page 15.

Wages Rise in Lead Mines.—Wages of miners in the lead and silver mines of Utah have been advanced about 5% or 25c a day, by the larger producers in the district. The increase is retroactive to March 15.—New York "Times," April 25, page 6.

Grain Rate Changes are Recommended.—I. S. C. Commission Examiners urge more equitable redistribution in Middle West. Report finds farm depression still exists within meaning of Hoch-Smith Resolution.—New York "Times," April 21, page 24.

Matters Covered in "Chronicle" of April 20.—(a) Strikers in Southern Textile Mills, unwise interference by American Federation of Labor. (Editorial), p. 2532; (b) Industrial wage earner's income at highest point since 1920, p. 2537; (c) Beet sugar production over 1 billion short tons, p. 2543; (d) Coal mine wages cut reduction made by 2 bituminous companies in Pennsylvania, p. 2548; (e) President Hoover issues order directing publicity of tax refunds in excess of \$20,000, p. 2571.

Acme Steel Co.—Earnings.—

Quarter Ended March 31—	1929	1928.
Net income after charges	\$788,034	\$460,576
Shares cap. stk. outstand. (par \$25)	274,437	182,958
Earnings per share	\$2.87	\$2.51

Note.—A 50% stock dividend was paid Feb. 1 1929.—V. 128, p. 2271.

Adams Express Co.—Rights, &c.—President William M. Barrett, April 22, says in substance:

On April 2 1929, the company purchased from the American Express Co. 122,710 shares of American Railway Express stock which gives it in excess of 75% of the entire outstanding stock of the latter company. To provide the company with additional funds for its general purposes an offer will be made to common stockholders of record May 3 1929, giving them the right, for each four shares of common stock then held, to purchase one unit, consisting of two shares of 5% cumulative preferred stock and one share of common stock of the company, at a price of \$600 for each such unit of three shares. Payment of the subscription price must be made in full at the time of subscription on or before May 24 1929.

The company has an authorized capital stock of 100,000 shares of 5% cumulative preferred stock and 120,000 shares of common stock, par \$100 per share. There are now outstanding 52,447 shares of preferred stock and 66,209 shares of common stock. After this financing there will be outstanding \$5,549.2 shares of preferred stock and \$2,761.25 shares of common stock.

Hayden, Stone & Co. who are represented on the Board of Managers, have agreed for compensation to underwrite the shares of stock so to be offered to common stockholders.

Subscription Warrants.—Warrants will be mailed to each common stockholder of record at the close of business May 3 1929, specifying the number of units for which such stockholder will be entitled to subscribe under this offer.

Warrants will be of two kinds: (1) Full unit warrants entitling the holder to subscribe for one or more full shares of common stock and twice that number of shares of preferred stock.

(2) Fractional unit warrants covering the right to subscribe to one or more fourths of one full share of common stock and twice that amount of preferred stock, as shown thereon.

Subscriptions are payable in full in New York current funds, to the Chase National Bank, 18 Pine St., N. Y. City All stock so subscribed and paid for will be issued as of the date of payment.—V. 128, p. 2271.

Aircraft Finance Corp. of America.—New Financing.—

Public offering of securities in connection with the formation of this recently announced \$30,000,000 corporation in Los Angeles will be made shortly by a nation-wide syndicate of investment banking houses, according to announcement of A. O. Hunsaker, President. The offering will consist of both preferred and common stock of the corporation.

Corporation is the first of its kind in the United States and will function in the field of aviation as the large acceptance corporations now function in the automobile field. Capitalization consists of \$20,000,000 8% cum. preferred stock (par \$10); \$10,000,000 8% class A non-cum. common stock (par \$10), and 1,000,000 shares of class B common stock (no par). Class A and B common stocks are voting and represent control of the corporation.—V. 128, p. 2093.

Air Reduction Co.—Earnings.—

3 Mos. End. Mar. 31—	1929.	1927.	1926.
Gross income	\$4,732,385	\$3,503,522	\$3,365,862
Operating expenses	2,894,520	2,285,634	2,226,913
Addition to reserves	431,670	488,947	455,587
Net pref. bef. Fed. tax	\$1,406,195	\$728,940	\$683,362
Cap. stk. outst. (no par)	738,364	676,203	224,597
Earnings per share	\$1.90	\$1.07	\$3.04

—V. 128, p. 2632.

Allegheny Steel Co.—Earnings.—

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.	1926.
Gross earnings	\$20,358,090	\$16,770,598	\$16,261,365
Operating expenses (including selling and administrative expenses)	17,799,650	14,636,463	14,180,288
Operating profit	\$2,558,440	\$2,134,136	\$2,081,077
Other income (net)	266,645	166,037	175,710
Total	\$2,825,085	\$2,300,172	\$2,256,787
Depreciation	354,093	335,498	375,179
Federal income taxes	277,758	253,475	236,456
Net profit	\$2,193,235	\$1,711,199	\$1,645,152
Surplus as at beginning of period	5,667,948	4,981,160	4,509,048
Adj. of Federal tax prior years	Cr. 39,006		
Total surplus	\$7,900,189	\$6,692,359	\$6,154,199
Dividends (preferred and common)	1,163,573	1,018,587	1,170,033
Sundry deductions		5,824	3,007
Surplus as at end of period	\$6,736,616	\$5,667,948	\$4,981,160

*Includes dividends declared on pref. stock for entire year 1928.

Comparative Balance Sheet as at Dec. 31.

Assets—	1928.	1927.	Liabilities—	1928.	1927.
Real estate, plant and equipment	14,574,156	13,489,220	Preferred stock	3,323,400	3,190,100
Cash	1,162,475	1,295,489	Common stock	3,355,437	3,322,013
U. S. Govt. secur.	1,737,000	1,312,000	Trade accts. pay.	767,171	518,915
Uth. market secur.	730,322	611,954	Misc. accts. pay.	193,032	194,203
Notes receivable	264,808	262,929	Federal tax	292,268	253,472
Accts. receivable	1,931,079	1,305,233	Reserve for deprec.	3,848,774	5,848,147
Inventories	2,148,322	2,192,811	Workmen's compensation insur.	238,020	258,035
Investments	426,859	259,710	Employees' contr.	43,524	44,325
Patents, patterns and good-will	1	1	Capital surplus	4,388,345	1,655,590
Deferred charges	211,565	232,403	Earned surplus	6,736,616	5,667,948
Total	23,186,589	20,961,750	Total	23,186,589	20,961,750

—V. 128, p. 1907.

Air-Way Electric Appliance Corp.—Earnings.—

Quarter Ended March 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.
Operating income	\$487,695	\$364,196	\$147,130
Deprec. & Federal taxes	67,465	51,220	23,300
Net profit	\$420,230	\$312,976	\$123,830
Preferred dividends	35,000	15,880	
Common dividends	250,000	100,000	45,450
Surplus	\$135,230	\$197,096	\$78,380
Shs. com. stk. outstanding. (no par)	400,000	100,000	100,000
Earns. per sh.	\$0.96	\$2.97	\$1.24

—V. 128, p. 2632.

Allied Motor Industries, Inc. (& Subs.)—Earnings.—

Earnings Year Ended Dec. 31 1928.	1929.	1928.
Gross operating income	\$574,952	
Sell. general, and administrative expenses	435,048	
Net operating income	\$139,904	
Additions to income (net)	7,302	
Total income	\$147,206	
Non-recurring expenses	53,182	
Prov. for Federal taxes (est.)	8,156	
Net earnings	\$85,867	
Earnings for 3 Months Ended March 31.		
Net profit before Federal taxes	\$171,082	\$123,985

—V. 127, p. 3543.

Alliance Realty Co.—Listing.—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 132,000 shares of common stock without (par value) on official notice of issuance in exchange for the outstanding shares of its capital stock. The common stock is relisted solely because of an amendment to its certificate of incorporation, which provided that the authorized capital stock be reclassified through the changing of the name thereof to common stock.—V. 128, p. 1057.

Allied Aviation Industries, Inc.—Stock Offered.—Love, Bryan & Co., Inc. and Augustine & Co., St. Louis are offering at \$14.50 per share 110,000 shares capital stock (with non-detachable stock purchase warrants).

Transfer Agents: Chemical National Bank, New York; and St. Louis Union Trust Co., St. Louis. Registrars: Guaranty Trust Co., New York; and Mississippi Valley Trust Co., St. Louis.

Capitalization—Authorized. Outstanding. Capital stock (no par) 500,000 shs. 110,000 shs.

A Not including 100,000 shares for sale under options granted, or to be granted, to the operating management, directors and bankers at \$14.50 per share to Dec. 31 1929, at \$16 per share during 1930, at \$18 per share during 1931, and at \$20 per share during 1932, subject to certain restrictions; and 55,000 shares reserved for the exercise of stock purchase warrants.

Stock Purchase Warrants.—Each certificate representing shares included in this offering will, upon the original issuance thereof, be accompanied by a non-detachable stock-purchase warrant entitling the holder to purchase, at the same price applying to stock purchase options as above scheduled, one-half share of the capital stock for each share represented by said certificate.

Data from Letter of D. A. Luscombe, Vice-Pres. of the Company

Company.—Will acquire, through binding contracts now effective, the aircraft engine business of the Velle Motors Corp., of Moline, Ill., and the assets of Mono Air-Craft, Inc., of Moline, Ill., for its wholly owned subsidiary companies, as follows: Lambert Aircraft Engine Corp., Mono Aircraft Corp., Aviation Accessories Corp. The company plans also to develop other activities in the field of aviation.

Lambert Aircraft Engine Corp. will acquire the aircraft engine business of the Velle Motors Corp., of Moline, Ill. The manufacture of aircraft engines was undertaken in April, 1928, and since that time 325 engines were sold. Approximately 90% of small planes, in the 60 h.p. class, produced and sold in this country during 1928 were powered with the predecessor company's engines.

Mono Aircraft Corp. will acquire all the assets of Mono Air-Craft, Inc., of Moline, Ill., and will continue the manufacture of the well-known line of monoplane previously manufactured by that company. The manufacture of these planes was started in Feb., 1928, since which time 240 planes have been sold with only a moderate expenditure for advertising and sales promotion.

Aviation Accessories Corp., which has recently been organized, will manufacture and distribute accessories and equipment for aircraft.

Earnings.—The manufacture of engines and planes was reported by the predecessor companies to have shown a small profit. This is considered a very favorable record for the initial period of operations, when considerable time and money were expended in design, development and testing.

As of March 1 1929, distributors' contracts called for in excess of 300 planes and 300 engines, of which it is expected that more than 100 planes and 100 engines will be shipped in the near future.

Purpose.—Proceeds of the sale of this issue of stock will be used in acquiring assets of the predecessor companies and Aviation Accessories Corp.; and to provide adequate working capital. For the present, manufacturing operations will continue in the factory at Moline, Ill., which the company has under lease.

Assets.—The consolidated balance sheet, as of Jan. 31 1929, after giving effect to the present financing, shows: current assets, \$809,814; current liabilities, \$45,706; and net current assets, \$764,108; cash, \$535,927, equivalent to \$4.87 per share of stock to be presently outstanding; net worth, \$1,165,441, equivalent to \$10.59 per share.

Directors.—Floyd Augustine, E. G. Burkham, Hugh E. Curtis, W. C. Ferguson, Russell E. Gardner, Jr., Warren Goddard, Foster Holmes, S. B. Lambert, John A. Love, D. A. Luscombe, Seth Low, B. O. Mahaffey, Thomas S. McPheeters, J. Ferd. Oberwinder, Seth L. Pierrepont.

Listing.—Application will be made to list stock on the New York Curb Market and the San Francisco and Los Angeles Curb Exchanges.

Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Co.—Earnings.—

Quarter Ended March 31—	1929.	1928.
Orders booked	\$13,260,192.41	\$8,370,537.85
Average per month	4,420,064.14	2,790,179.28
Sales billed	9,942,853.28	8,415,253.42
Net profit	1,013,374.80	675,600.25
Earns. per sh. on com. stock	\$3.65	\$2.60

—V. 128, p. 1892.

Alpine Montan Steel Corp. (Austria)—Production.—

According to cable advices received from the company at Vienna by F. J. Lisman & Co., members of the New York Stock Exchange, the figures for production, shipments and orders received, of the Alpine corporation, are as follows:

Quarter Ended March 31—	1929.	1928.
Production—	Tons	Tons
Coal	311,000	287,040
Iron ore	421,000	425,000
Pig iron	122,300	117,700
Steel ingots	111,500	109,300
Rolled iron	88,900	92,000
Workshop manufacture	4,200	4,000
Shipments—		
Coal to customer other than subsidiaries	149,500	138,100
Pig iron	31,800	28,100
Rolled iron	80,600	81,000
Orders Received—		
Pig iron	167,300	123,300
Steel ingots	33,300	25,400
Total outgoing invoices	\$4,725,000	\$4,333,000

At the end of March there were at work in the company's various plants 7,730 miners and 5,668 mill hands—a total of 13,398 men.—V. 128, p. 1907.

Aluminum Industries, Inc.—Stock Offered.—An issue of 40,000 shares (no par) common stock is being offered at \$26.50 per share by W. E. Hutton & Co., Cincinnati.

Transfer agents: First National Bank of Cincinnati, and Chase National Bank of New York. Registrars: Central Trust Co., Cincinnati, and Commercial National Bank & Trust Co., New York.

Capitalization—Authorized. Outstanding. Common stock (no par) 100,000 shs. 100,000 shs.

Data from Letter of John Eckerle, President of the Company.

Company.—Incorporated in Ohio, Jan. 10 1927, by officers and directors of the Kant-Skore Piston Co., and Robert J. Anderson, Inc., to further develop the fields opened up by these two companies. The Kant-Skore Piston Co. had been in business since 1921, and was engaged in the manufacture primarily of aluminum alloy pistons.

Company makes aluminum alloy pistons and various other aluminum alloy parts for automobiles, airplanes, machinery, buses and vacuum cleaners, as well as kitchen ware, &c., both by the permanent mold and sand casting processes. Company, it is said, is the largest manufacturer of replacement aluminum alloy pistons in the world and is one of the three companies in the United States licensed to make aluminum alloy pistons by the permanent mold process. Main properties located at Cincinnati, Ohio. Buildings occupy about 4½ acres of ground.

Purpose.—Proceeds are to be used for the acquisition of additional plant facilities and working capital.

Earnings.—Combined net income of company and predecessors after deducting all charges were as follows for years ended Dec. 31 1928:

1925.	1926.	1927.	1928.
\$24,396	\$45,608	\$21,534	\$193,416

x Deficit. In 1927 earnings were materially reduced by the slowing down of business incident to consolidation and moving into a new plant.

For the first two months of 1929 the books of the company indicate a substantial increase in net sales and earnings over the first two months of 1928.

Dividends.—Directors intend to inaugurate dividends on the common stock at the rate of \$1.50 a share per annum, payable 37½c. quarterly, beginning June 15 1929.

Listing.—Company has agreed to make application to list the stock on the Cincinnati Stock Exchange and the New York Curb Market.—V. 128, p. 2465.

American Brown Boveri Electric Corp.—Earnings.—

Quarter Ended March 31—	1929.	x1928.
Net operating income	\$601,722	\$167,382
Other income	59,632	65,213
Total income	\$661,354	\$232,595
Interest on notes & bonds	82,856	76,459
Cash discount on sales	1,238	5,572
Depreciation	142,382	149,218
Miscellaneous	8,475	31,543
Net income	\$426,402	loss\$30,196
Earnings, per sh. on 30,000 shs. pref. stock	\$14.21	Nil

x Includes operations of the Moloney Electric Co. and the Scintilla Magneto Co.—V. 128, p. 2465.

American Cirrus Engines, Inc.—Receives Order.—

The corporation announces that it has signed an order with the Whittlesley Manufacturing Co. of Bridgeport, Conn., for 500 engines to be delivered before Dec. 31 1929. At a retail value of \$1,600 an engine, the order totals \$800,000. The Whittlesley company has the rights in this country for the British Avro twin plane. This order, coupled with others recently received, will absorb practically all of the scheduled Cirrus output for the year, at the present rate of 10 engines a day. Plans are under way, however, according to Vice-Pres. A. C. Hoffman, to increase the plant's facilities in the near future to meet the steadily growing demand for Cirrus engines.—V. 128, p. 2633.

American Diatom Co. (N. J.) Phila.—New Director.—

Craige M. Snader has been elected a director.—V. 128, p. 2093.

American Discount Co. of Georgia.—Stocks Offered.—

Fourth National Co., Atlanta, Ga. are offering \$300,000 6½% cumulative convertible preferred stock and 3,000 shares (no par) common stock in units of 1 share of each at \$58 per unit.

Preferred stock dividends are cumulative and are payable Jan. 1, and July 1. Red. all or part, or for sinking fund, on any div. date on 30 days' notice at \$53.50 and divs. Transfer Agents: Courts & Co., Atlanta. Registrar: Fourth National Bank of Atlanta. Exempt from city, state and county taxes in Georgia and dividends free from normal Federal income tax.

Capitalization—Authorized. Outstanding. 6½% cum. convert. pref. stock (par \$50) 500,000 \$300,000 Common stock (no par) 100,000shs. 50,000shs.

Data of letter of G. B. Ryman, President of the Company.

Company incorp. in Georgia in 1919, is engaged in handling installment notes on automobiles, the larger part of which are purchased from automobile dealers, the balance being loans made direct to car owners.

Earnings.—Messrs. Ernst & Ernst have certified that the net earnings available for dividends for the past 3 years and 5 months after eliminating non-recurring interest charges have been as follows:

Year ended Aug. 31 1926	\$49,049
Year ended Aug. 31 1927	53,326
Year ended Aug. 31 1928	62,599
Period Aug. 31 1928 to Feb. 4 1929	24,928

Net earnings as shown above have averaged 2.86 times dividend requirements on the preferred stock to be presently outstanding. It is expected that with this additional capital, net earnings available for dividends will be substantially increased.

Assets.—Net tangible assets after giving effect to this financing as of Feb. 4 1929, were \$615,072, which is equivalent to 205% of the par value of preferred stock to be presently outstanding.

Conversion.—Preferred stock is convertible at the option of the holder to July 1 1934 into 3 shares of common stock for each share of preferred and thereafter up to Jan. 1 1939 into 2 shares of common for each share of preferred.

Sinking Fund.—A sinking fund is provided, beginning Jan. 1 1930, to retire annually 2½% of the maximum amount of preferred stock that may have been outstanding at any time.

American Express Co.—Certificates Listed.—

The New York Stock Exchange has admitted to trading deposit certificates representing shares of the company which have been deposited under the plan recently announced for its affiliation with the Chase National Bank and the Chase Securities Corp.

Under the plan, each shareholder of American Express Co., who deposits his stock on or before April 30 is given the opportunity of exchanging his shares for those of the Chase institutions on the basis of five shares of new \$20 par Chase National Bank and new no par Chase Securities Corp. stock for each three shares of American Express Co. American Express Co. stockholders, through becoming shareholders of the two Chase institu-

tions, will continue to have an interest in the business of the American Express Co., while at the same time participating in the activities of a large bank and an established securities corporation. Depositories are the Bankers Trust Co., New York; the Continental Illinois Bank & Trust Co., Chicago, and the Old Colony Trust Co., Boston.—V. 128, p. 2465.

American Hide & Leather Co.—Earnings.—

Period End. Mar. 9 1929—	12 Weeks.	36 Weeks.
Operating loss after charging repairs, deprec., int. on loans, & reserve for taxes	\$523,414	\$985,888
Loss on sale of fixed assets	17,761	40,271
Total loss	\$541,175	\$1,026,159

—V. 128, p. 2272.

American Home Products Corp.—Larger Dividend.—

The directors have declared a monthly dividend of 30 cents per share on the outstanding capital stock (no par value), payable June 1 to holders of record May 14. This compares with monthly dividends of 20 cents per share paid regularly from May 1 1926 to April 1 1928, incl., and 25 cents per share monthly from May 1 1928 to May 1 1929, incl.

Earns. Years Ended Dec. 31—	1928.	1927.	1926.
Net profits	\$3,344,857	\$2,272,126	\$1,278,415
Estimated income tax	424,061	305,856	167,899
Dividends paid to minority stockholders in subsidiary companies	3,661	3,352	1,433
Net income	\$2,917,135	\$1,962,918	\$1,109,083
Dividends	1,662,350	862,600	600,000
Surplus adjustments (net)	Dr. 86,814	Dr. 52,707	Dr. 24,182
Previous balance	1,532,512	484,901	
Total surplus	\$2,700,483	\$1,532,512	\$484,901
Shares of capital stock (no par)	599,000	534,000	300,000
Earnings per share	\$4.87	\$3.67	\$3.69

Balance Sheet December 31.

1928.		1927.		1928.		1927.	
\$		\$		\$		\$	
Assets—				Liabilities—			
Land, buildings, equipment, &c.	1,056,422	874,311	Capital stock	15,453,939	14,349,682		
Cash	2,890,338	1,942,247	Min. stockholders' int. in sub. cos.	485	485		
U. S. Treas. cfts.	500,000		Accounts payable	378,773	296,525		
Investments	142,324	132,212	Notes payable	83,433	60,000		
Accts. & notes rec.	1,537,231	1,109,409	Property purchase obligations		30,172		
Inventories	1,236,215	778,580	Dividend payable	299,500	194,400		
Prepaid expense	78,026	50,834	Res. for Federal and State taxes	464,342	407,688		
Good-will, trade-marks	12,131,299	12,133,870	Res. for conting.	190,900	150,000		
			Surplus	2,700,483	1,532,512		
Total	19,571,855	17,021,464	Total	19,571,855	17,021,464		

x Represented by 599,000 shares no par value. y After depreciation of \$424,655.—V. 127, p. 1678.

American Ice Co.—Earnings.—

Quarter Ended March 31—	1929.	1928.
Net earn. after int. but before deprec. & Fed. taxes	\$338,007	\$284,403

—V. 128, p. 2094.

American I. G. Chemical Corp.—Debentures Sold.—

The National City Co., International Manhattan Co., Inc., Lee, Higginson & Co., Harris, Forbes & Co., Brown Brothers & Co., Bankers Co. of New York, the Equitable Trust Co. of New York and Continental Illinois Co., have sold at 95 and int., to yield 5.93%, \$30,000,000 guaranteed 5½% convertible debentures. Principal and interest and premium, if any, upon redemption unconditionally guaranteed by endorsement on each debenture by I. G. Farbenindustrie Aktiengesellschaft (I. G. Dyes) Frankfurt on the Main, Germany.

Dated May 1 1929; due May 1 1949. Both principal and interest payable in United States gold dollars of the present standard of weight and fineness, at the head office of the National City Bank of New York also collectible at the option of the holder either at the City office of the National City Bank of New York, in London, Eng., in pounds sterling, or at the Deutsche Laenderbank, Berlin, in Reichsmarks, in each case at the then current buying rate of the respective banks for sight exchange on New York. Denom. \$1,000. Red. all or part on any int. date upon 60 days' notice, at 110 an int., if red. on or before Nov. 1 1938, and at 100 and int. thereafter. Conversion rights on any debentures called for redemption may be exercised up to and including the sixth day prior to the date fixed for redemption. National City Bank of New York, trustee.

Data from Letter of Geheimrat Dr. Hermann Schmitz and Dr. Wilfrid Greif, Managing Directors of the I. G. Dyes.

I. G. Farbenindustrie Aktiengesellschaft.—This company (I. G. Dyes) is one of the largest and most successful corporations in the world engaged in chemical and allied industries. In Nov. 1925 it adopted the corporate name of I. G. Farbenindustrie Aktiengesellschaft and exchanged certain of its shares for all of the shares of five other large chemical concerns, thereby assembling in one corporate structure six of the most important chemical manufacturers in Germany. Since that time I. G. Dyes has acquired controlling interests in a number of other important concerns and now comprises the principal chemical enterprises of Germany, with long histories of successful operation. I. G. Dyes manufactures and distributes practically every chemical product required to cover the ever-increasing demands of modern commerce, industry and agriculture. The more important products include:

Dye stuffs	Light metals (elektronmetals)
Pharmaceutical products, insecticides and fungicides	Photographic articles and films
Organic and inorganic chemical products	Artificial silk
Solvents and lacquers	Synthetic nitrogen, fertilizer and other nitrogen products
	Synthetic gasoline

The annual capacity of the synthetic nitrogen plants is over 600,000 tons of pure nitrogen, or over one-third of the present total world consumption. Within the last few years I. G. Dyes has also evolved a process (the so-called hydrogenation process) of making synthetic gasoline from coal, and is actually producing and marketing this product in Germany in increasing quantities.

In 1927, I. G. Dyes entered into a contract with the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey for the joint exploitation in the United States of this hydrogenation process for treating crude oil. Negotiations are now proceeding looking to a broader working arrangement between the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey and I. G. Dyes.

I. G. Dyes, directly or through its affiliated or constituent companies, controls supplies of the principal raw materials needed in its manufacturing processes. Its real estate aggregates nearly 20,000 acres, including the sites of its great factories and brown coal mines with an annual production of about 20,000,000 tons. It has 478 miles of private railway lines on which it operates over 12,000 privately-owned freight cars and locomotives. Total employees number over 140,000.

Capital Structure of the I. G. Dyes on Dec. 31, 1928.

	Authorized.	Outstanding.
Convertible debentures, variable int.	Rm. 250,000,000	*Rm. 249,823,600
	\$59,523,810	\$59,481,810
6% pref. stock series A (Rm. 100,000,000 held for account of company)	Rm. 100,000,000	None
	28,809,524	None
3½% pref. stock series B	Rm. 40,000,000	Rm. 40,000,000
	\$9,523,810	\$9,523,810
Common stock (Rm. 160,702,200 held for account of company)	Rm. 960,000,000	Rm. 799,297,800
	\$228,571,429	\$190,309,000

* Entire 250,000,000 issued, but 176,400 already converted.

The present market value of the outstanding common stock of I. G. Dyes is approximately \$450,000,000.

As a result of the development of its world-wide activities, I. G. Dyes has found it expedient and desirable to cause a corporation to be organized in the United States under the name of

American I. G. Chemical Corp.—This corporation, the American I. G., is to be incorporated in Delaware and endowed with broad corporate powers to foster and finance the development of chemical and allied industries in the United States of America and elsewhere. All of its common stock to be presently outstanding will be issued against cash, or for the acquisition of stocks of certain American chemical companies, including substantial interests in

(1) **Agfa-Ansco Corporation**, incorporated in New York and engaged in the manufacturing and selling of films, photographic materials and apparatus an in this line the second largest enterprise in the United States. Company has factories in Binghamton, Johnson City and Afton, N. Y., and is now completing the construction of a large modern film plant in Binghamton. It has acquired all the assets of Ansco Photo Products, Inc., at Binghamton, and of Agfa Photo Products of N. Y. City, and, further, the entire capital stock of Agfa Raw Film Corp. of N. Y. City. Under a contract with I. G. Farbenindustrie Aktiengesellschaft (I. G. Dyes), Agfa-Ansco has the sole right in the United States to manufacture all photographic products developed by I. G. Dyes.

(2) **General Aniline Works, Inc.** (formerly Grasselli Dyestuff Corporation) engaged in the manufacture of synthetic organic chemicals and dyestuffs. Company has a plant in Albany, N. Y., and in Linden, N. J., where it manufactures a great variety of dyestuffs. Production has shown steady and consistent growth, so that during the past two years the plant equipment had to be considerably increased.

Under a contract with I. G. Dyes it has the permanent right to exploit in the United States all dyestuff patents and inventions developed by the plants of I. G. Dyes. Company's products are sold by the General Dyestuff Corp., New York, which maintains branches and warehouses in the industrial centres of the country. The corporation is also the beneficiary of profits derived from the manufacture and sale of medicinal and pharmaceutical products.

American I. G. intends to participate in other chemical enterprises, especially in the development of new fields of chemical activity.

Security.—Upon completion of the present financing, the American I. G. will own assets valued in excess of \$60,000,000, against which its only outstanding debt will be these \$30,000,000 guaranteed 5½% convertible debentures. These debentures will be the direct and unconditional obligations of the American I. G., which will covenant not to pledge any of its assets, except for short term debts in the ordinary course of business, without granting ratable security to these debentures.

Capital Structure of the American I. G.

	Authorized.	Issued.
Guaranteed 5½% convertible debentures	\$30,000,000	\$30,000,000
Common "A" shares (no par)	3,000,000 shs.	400,000 shs.
Common "B" shares (no par)	3,000,000 shs.	3,000,000 shs.

Common Shares.—A sufficient number of the common A shares will be at all times reserved to provide for the conversion rights of the convertible debentures. In addition, the I. G. Dyes is to be granted an option exercisable from time to time prior to Jan. 1 1935, to purchase as a whole or in part from the American I. G. common A shares, the aggregate of any such purchase or purchases not to exceed 1,000,000 shares, at the current conversion price or prices of each \$1,000 debenture set forth in the "conversion privilege." Any available balance of the authorized amount of common A shares may be issued upon such terms as the board of directors of the American I. G. may determine from time to time, subject to suitable provisions in the convertible debenture trust agreement designed to protect the value of the conversion rights of the debentures.

Neither the holders of common A shares nor the holders of common B shares will have any pre-emptive right to subscribe for any common A shares issued in the future. Both classes of stock have the same voting rights per share.

From any sums declared as dividends by the directors, each common A share will be entitled to receive dividends at the rate of \$1 for each 10 cents paid on each common B share. In case of voluntary or involuntary liquidation, common A shares are entitled to receive \$75 per share before any payment is made upon common B shares. After the A shares have received \$75 per share in liquidation, the balance of the surplus funds and property of the corporation must be distributed in equal parts per share to A and B shares.

Common A shares will be redeemable at the option of the company, as a whole or in part, at the market price for such common A shares as shown by the average quotation for such shares on any recognized stock exchange, during the 30 days next preceding such call for redemption, but in no event at a less price than \$10 per share in excess of the last price at which any guaranteed 5½% convertible debentures shall have been converted into common A shares.

Conversion Privilege.—Each \$1,000 guaranteed 5½% debenture may be converted into common A shares on the following terms:

At any time up to and including Dec. 31 1931, into 17 common A shares; 1932, into 16 common A shares; 1933, into 15 common A shares; 1934, into 14 common A shares; 1935, into 13 common A shares; 1936, into 12 common A shares; 1937, into 11 common A shares, and 1938, into 10 common A shares.

Conversion rights on any debentures called for redemption may be exercised up to and including the sixth day prior to the date of redemption.

Earnings Available for Interest Guarantee.—It is expected that the net earnings of the American I. G. from the securities to be acquired by it, together with an amount equal to 6% interest upon the initial cash funds in its treasury, will amount to more than double the amount necessary for the payment of debenture interest.

The net earnings of the guarantor company, I. G. Dyes, available for depreciation and dividends upon its stock, averaged during the three years 1925, 1926 and 1927, approximately \$45,947,000, or over 25 times the maximum interest requirements (\$1,650,000) on these convertible debentures. For the year 1927, such earnings amounted to over 30 times such interest requirements, and it is expected that the final figures for 1928 will be at least as favorable as those of 1927.

Directors.—The board of directors will include, among others: Prof. Dr. Carl Bosch, Chairman of the Board of the Exec. Committee, I. G. Farbenindustrie; Walter Teagle, President, Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey; Charles E. Mitchell, Chairman, National City Bank, New York; Edsel B. Ford, President, Ford Motor Co.; Paul M. Warburg, Chairman, International Acceptance Bank, Inc.; Adolf Kuttroff; H. A. Metz, President, General Aniline Works, Inc.; W. E. Weiss, Vice-Pres., Drug, Inc.; Dr. Hermann Schmitz, member executive committee, I. G. Farbenindustrie; Dr. Wilfrid Greif, member executive committee, I. G. Farbenindustrie.

[All conversions of Rm. have been made at the rate of exchange of Rm. 4.20 to the dollar.]

American Locomotive Co.—Operations.—

The company is operating at over 50% capacity at the present time, as compared with the average operation of all locomotive companies in 1928 of approximately 20% capacity, according to a special analysis by Pearl & Co., members of the New York Stock Exchange. The company began 1929 with nearly \$20,000,000 in new business compared with about \$2,600,000 at the beginning of 1928. At this time, it is estimated, that unfilled orders exceed \$30,000,000.—V. 128, p. 1559.

American, London & Empire Corp.—Earnings.—

The corporation reports total net profits, before taxes, of \$304,237 for the quarter ended March 31 1929, equivalent to 3¼ times the quarterly dividend requirements on the \$5,000,000 6% preferred shares. Earnings for the quarter were equal to \$2.29 a share or at an annual rate of \$9.16 a share on the 100,000 shares participating common stock outstanding. Total resources of the corporation were \$8,627,884 on March 31.—V. 127, p. 2532.

American Rolling Mill Co.—Listing.—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 1,351,342 shares of common stock (par \$25) on official notice of issuance in exchange for present outstanding certificates, with authority to admit to the list. 424 shares of common stock on official notice of issuance upon consolidation of outstanding scrip, and 67,588 shares of common stock on official notice of issuance as a stock dividend.

The directors Jan. 22 1929 authorized the issuance of a 5% stock dividend payable July 30 1929 to holders of record July 1 1929. To cover this stock dividend, a total of not exceeding 67,588 shares of common stock will be required. This dividend will be capitalized at par from capital surplus.—V. 128, p. 1898.

American Shares, Inc.—Registrar.

The Chase National Bank has been appointed registrar for 150,000 shares of common stock, no par value, and 75,000 shares of class A cum. pref. stock, no par value.

American Steel Car Lines, Inc.—Equip. Trusts Offered.

An issue of \$450,000 5% equip. trust gold certificates series D is being offered by First Illinois Co. at prices to yield 6%.

Principal and dividends unconditionally guaranteed by the American Steel Car Lines, Inc. To be issued under the Philadelphia plan. Old Dearborn State Bank, Chicago, trustee.

Dated March 1 1929. Payable semi-annually in serial installments, \$200,000 each, March 1 1930 to March 1 1932, both inclusive, and \$25,000 each, Sept. 1 1932 to March 1 1939, both inclusive. Denom. \$1,000. Principal and div. payable without deduction of the normal Federal income tax not in excess of 2% per annum, and corporation agrees to reimburse certificate holders resident in Penna. for all taxes (other than succession or inheritance taxes) and the Mass. income tax not in excess of 6% per annum, upon application as set forth in the lease and agreement. Redeemable in whole or in part on any div. date at 101 and divs. Certificate and dividend warrants (March & Sept. 1st) payable at office of the Trustee.

Security.—These certificates are to be issued against 359 all-steel standard tank cars, title to which is to be vested in the trustee, for the benefit of the certificate holders, described as follows: 100 tank cars of 10,000 gallon capacity, and 259 tank cars of 8,000 gallon capacity. An appraisal of these cars has been completed as of Feb. 21 1929, placing a current valuation on this equipment in excess of \$600,000, or more than 125% of the principal amount of the entire certificate issue.

Company.—Is engaged primarily in the ownership, operation, renting and leasing of steel cars to railroads, refiners, manufacturers, and their various related industries, and to all classes of shippers requiring steel car equipment. The cars are used in the transportation of edible and inedible products, including molasses, syrups, cocoanut oil, cotton seed oil, gas oil, gasoline, fuel oils, paint products, etc. All of the above 359 cars are to be used exclusively in the service of the Continental Oil Co.

American Stores Co.—Listing.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 1,642,941 1-3 shares of common stock (without par value), and 118,462 shares of common stock on official notice of issuance and payment in full under the employees' stock purchase plan, making the total amount applied for 1,761,403 1-3 shares.—V. 128, p. 2466.

American Sumatra Tobacco Co.—Agent Appointed.

The Empire Trust Co. has been appointed agent for the redemption of the 7% cum. pref. stock.—V. 128, p. 2633, 2272.

American Zinc, Lead & Smelting Co.—Earnings.

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Operating profit	\$908,468	\$287,710	\$502,973	\$549,691
Interest on bonds, &c.	47,310	26,724	29,230	50,865
Balance, surplus	\$861,158	\$260,985	\$473,743	\$498,826
Previous surplus	1,705,081	1,923,252	x1,930,789	1,926,655
Deduct—Depreciation & depletion reserves	379,687	479,157	481,280	511,067
Adjust. in invest. of own pref. stock	644,578			
Spec. res. for Silver Dyke loss	518,885			
Surplus adjustments	Cr. 15,275			
Total surp., Dec. 31.	\$1,038,364	\$1,705,081	\$1,923,253	\$1,914,415
x Adjusted.				

Earnings Quarter Ended March 31.

	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Net profits before depreciation and depletion	\$314,908	\$180,284	\$96,492	\$118,008

—V. 127, p. 2368.

Arkansas Natural Gas Corp. (& Subs.).—Earnings.

Consolidated Earnings Statement for 12 Months Ended Dec. 31 1928. [Including earnings of predecessor companies for first 3 months of 1928.]

Gross operating revenue	\$8,536,978
Operating expenses, maintenance and all taxes	4,747,703
Net operating revenue	\$3,789,275
Non-operating income	132,536
Total income	\$3,921,811
Interest on funded debt	646,085
Interest on floating debt	157,312
Amortization of bond discount and expense	73,029
Net income	\$3,045,385
Ark. Nat. Gas Corp. 6% cum. pref. stock dividends	\$1,314,906
Reserve Natural Gas Co. of Louisiana 7% cum. pref. stock divs.	29
Balance, surplus	\$1,730,450

—V. 128, p. 2094.

Arrow Aircraft & Motors Corp.—Stock Sold.

Woods, Faulkner & Co., Inc., Chicago, have sold 45,000 shares common stock (no par value) at \$12.50 per share.

Transfer agent: Central Trust Co. of Illinois, Chicago. Registrar Harris Trust and Savings Bank, Chicago.

Data from Letter of Mark W. Woods, President.

Company.—Organized Oct. 22 1928, in Delaware to acquire the business and assets of the Arrow Aircraft Co., and to acquire all of the capital stock of the Patriot Manufacturing Co. The Arrow Aircraft Co. for more than three years had been manufacturing and developing the airplane which is now known as the Arrow Sport. More than \$50,000 has been expended in the experimental development of the plane.

The company, through its subsidiary, the Patriot Manufacturing Co. owns a completely equipped factory building at Havelock, a suburb of Lincoln, Neb. This modern, 2-story, concrete building contains more than 400,000 sq. ft. Adjoining the factory is a fly-away field of 65 acres.

Product.—The present model, Arrow Sport plane, a side by side, two place, bi-plane, embodies construction and design giving the utmost in safety, efficiency and performance. Its most outstanding feature, among its many good qualities is its non-spinning characteristic, from a "stall" or with a dead engine. Powered with a 60 h.p. Le Blond air cooled radial engine, with a high speed of 108 miles per hour, and a landing speed of 30 miles per hour, the Arrow Sport is listed at \$2,945.

Within 90 days after the Arrow Sport was first offered to the public, a total of 223 planes were sold; and, to date, orders for 155 additional planes have been offered to the company but have not yet been accepted. The production of planes is now one per day and production is being increased as rapidly as is consistent with proper methods, so that it should reach two planes per day by June 1 1929.

Other models are being developed with a view to supplying the demand for mail, transport, and military types. Close contact is being maintained with operators of air lines, schools and pilots generally, so that the trend of development of the aviation industry may be gauged intelligently.

Capitalization.—Corporation has an authorized capitalization of 100,000 common shares of no nominal par value.

Estimated Net Profits.—Based on a production of 500 airplanes for the year 1929, for 223 of which orders have already been received and accepted, the profits for the year should be \$303,600 or \$3.04 per share on the stock of the company.

Earnings estimated by the company on the sale of combined products of Arrow Aircraft & Motors Corp. and its subsidiary, Patriot Manufacturing Co., during the first year's operation are computed as follows:

Sales, including 500 airplanes at \$2,945 (list price)	\$1,772,500
Cost: direct production cost, \$1,304,000; factory burden, \$32,100	1,336,100
Sales expenses	47,400
Administration expenses	44,000
Federal income taxes	41,400
Net profit available for dividends	\$303,600

Purpose.—Proceeds will be used to retire funded indebtedness and to provide additional working capital.

Pro Forma Consolidated Balance Sheet.

Assets—		Liabilities—	
Cash	\$325,294	Accounts payable	\$27,217
County warrants, &c. at cost	3,288	Deposits on stock subscrip.	10,358
Receivables, less reserve	26,281	Accruals	5,470
Inventories	137,691	Capital stk. & capital surplus	x1,052,417
Prepaid insurance & advances	2,928		
Prepaid notes receivable	2,328		
Plant & equipment	556,283		
Patents, patterns and designs at cost	26,628		
Deferred operating expenses	9,049		
Organization expense	5,693	Total (each side)	\$1,095,463

x Represented by common stock—authorized 100,000 shares of no par value of which 87,500 shares are to be presently issued.—V. 128, p. 2466.

Art Metal Construction Co.—Earnings.

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.	1926.
Sales	\$8,011,985	\$7,786,918	\$8,033,949
Cost of sales	7,163,556	6,924,409	6,983,253
Net profit before taxes	\$848,429	\$862,509	\$1,050,695
Estimated taxes	101,811	92,568	143,829
Net profit	\$746,617	\$769,941	\$906,866
Dividends	480,855	520,926	480,855
Surplus	\$265,762	\$249,015	\$426,011
Adjustment to surplus	18,223	Cr. 42,029	Cr. 57
Total to surplus	\$247,539	\$291,045	\$426,068
Shares of cap. stk. outst. (par \$10)	320,570	320,570	320,570
Earnings per share	\$2.33	\$2.40	\$2.82

Balance Sheet as of Dec. 31 1928.

Assets—	1928.	1927.	Liabilities—	1928.	1927.
Plant & property	x2,100,597	\$2,152,915	Capital stock	\$3,205,700	\$3,205,700
Patents, less depreciation	y484,076	501,488	Mortgage, N. Y. office building	81,000	82,000
Cash	1,336,194	828,092	Accounts payable	221,388	217,726
Accts. & bills rec.	1,702,842	1,616,844	Res. for erection & delayed charges	78,107	94,773
Inventories	1,772,588	2,009,138	Res. doubtful accts	217,173	178,269
Investments	12,000	12,000	Reserve for taxes	148,401	138,565
Deferred charges	42,964	48,497	Surplus	3,499,490	3,251,950

Total (each side) \$7,451,260 \$7,168,975
x After deducting \$1,300,123 reserve for depreciation. y After deducting \$191,885 reserve for depreciation.—V. 127, p. 2687.

Art Metal Works, Inc.—Organizes British Subsidiary.

The corporation announce the formation of a new British subsidiary to be known as *Ronson Art Metal Co., Ltd.*, for the purpose of carrying on the company's operations throughout Europe and the various British dominions. The plans for the new company call for the immediate establishment of a factory in London, but in the meantime shipments of products will be made from the factories in this country.

Of the stock of the new British company, 50% will be owned by the parent American company and the remainder will be owned by the Cadogan Co. of England, which is a trading company operating closely with prominent merchandising concerns in all parts of the world. In addition to its share in the profits of the British company, the parent corporation will receive a royalty of 5% on gross sales for the use of all patents owned by the American organization.

In addition to the establishment of the British subsidiary, announcement was made that the Cadogan Co. has completed negotiations for the retail distribution of Art Metal products through more than 1,000 stores. These stores correspond to the United Cigar Stores chain in the United States.

The increasing volume of business received from foreign countries, Secretary Alexander Harris, said, is chiefly responsible for the establishment of the British subsidiary. The formation of the British company, stated Mr. Harris, will result in a large increase in the sales of Art Metal products abroad.—V. 128, p. 730, 252.

Asper-Lax, Inc.—Stock Offered.

Olsen & Co. recently offered 20,000 shares (no par) common stock at \$20 per share.

Company was incorp. in Del. Aug. 3 1927. Produces a new aspirin tablet that contains ingredients calculated to offset the depressive effect of the common aspirin tablet and to soothe and cleanse the system of the congestion that caused the disturbance. During the first quarter of 1929 the company has been enabled to place its product in 2,000 additional drug stores in New York City. A nation-wide advertising campaign is now being planned.

Capitalization consists of 50,000 shares of no par value common stock authorized and presently to be outstanding.

Associates Investment Co.—Earnings.

The company reports for the quarter ended March 31 1929, net profit of \$156,527 after interest, expenses and reserve for Federal taxes, equivalent after dividend requirements on 7% preferred stock to \$1.72 a share earned on 77,542 shares of no-par common stock.—V. 128, p. 1230.

Atlantic Coast Fisheries Co.—Rights, &c.

The common stockholders of record April 25 have been given the right to subscribe on or before May 18 for additional common stock (no par value) at \$30 per share on the basis of one new share for each share owned.

The preferred stockholders will receive a special right to exchange their holdings for common stock.

It is expected that if all the preferred is not exchanged under this plan it will be retired at an early date.

The board will also authorize the calling of \$750,000 5% gold notes due June 1 1930.

The stockholders approved an increase in the common stock from 135,000 to 350,000 shares, to provide for rights and in part for the acquisition of the Maritime Fisheries Corp. of Montreal and the National Fisheries, Ltd., of Halifax and the possible acquisition of an additional company with which merger negotiations are being carried on.—V. 128, p. 888.

Atlas Imperial Diesel Engine Co.—Regular Dividend Rate Increased—No Extra Dividend.

The directors have declared quarterly dividend of 50c. per share on the class A and B stocks, payable June 1 to holders of record May 20. Previously the company paid regular quarterly dividends of 37½c. per share, and in addition on March 1 last paid an extra dividend of 12½c. per share. The company reports for the 4 months ended March 31, last, a net profit of \$159,309 after taxes and depreciation. Net for the month of March was \$73,018.—V. 128, p. 1559.

Atlas Plywood Corp.—Earnings.

The corporation reports for the first quarter of 1929 consolidated net sales of \$998,736, and net profit, after all expenses, bond interest and estimated Federal taxes, of \$69,436, equivalent to \$1.14 per share on the 60,600 shares of capital stock outstanding. For the half year ended June 30 1928, net sales were \$1,623,911, and net profit \$100,011, equivalent to \$1.95 per share on average stock outstanding during that period.

Balance sheet as of March 31 1929 shows total assets of \$6,278,111, of which total current assets amount to \$1,781,945, against total current liabilities of \$385,315. Surplus is \$245,771.—V. 128, p. 2467.

Austrian Credit-Anstalt (Oesterreichische Credit-Anstalt fur Handel und Gewerbe), Vienna, Austria.—Dividend of 4 Shillings.

A dividend of 4 shillings per share has been declared for the year ended Dec. 31 1928. This is the same dividend as was declared last year and is equivalent to \$4.49 per "American" share. The dividend on the "American" shares will be paid by the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York on May 3 1929, to stockholders of record April 29, 1929.—V. 126, p. 4085.

Automotive Standards, Inc.—Co-registrar.

The Riverside Trust Co. of Hartford, Conn., has been appointed co-registrar of the capital stock.—V. 128, p. 2634.

Auto-Strop Safety Razor Co., Inc.—Earnings.—

3 Months Ended March 31—	1929.	1928.
Net income from operations	\$287,076	\$250,605
Other income	24,484	26,047
Total income	\$311,559	\$276,652
Other deductions	17,258	14,745
Interest paid	689	—
Provision for depreciation	34,961	34,740
Income tax	38,605	39,580
Net income	\$220,047	\$187,587
Portion of earnings appld. to minority holds. of Auto Strop Safety Razor Co., Ltd., London	20,021	28,239
Net profit for period	\$200,027	\$159,347
Earnings per sh. on 87,500 cl. A stk. (no par)	\$2.28	\$1.82

—V. 128, p. 1732.

Babcock & Wilcox Co.—Annual Report.—

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Gross profits	\$1,695,427	\$1,666,890	\$1,701,497	\$1,102,974
Other income	833,067	980,714	939,520	852,677
Total income	\$2,528,494	\$2,647,604	\$2,646,017	\$1,955,651
Depreciation, &c.	411,681	393,058	434,104	414,900
Federal taxes	57,904	185,000	175,397	95,000
Loss on sale of investm'ts	3,829	—	—	3,486
Net income	\$2,055,080	\$2,069,546	\$2,036,516	\$1,442,264
Dividends paid (3 1/2%)	794,500	794,500	841,750	700,000
Divs. declared pay. Jan. 2 and Apr. 1 (3 1/2%)	794,500	794,500	794,500	700,000
Surplus	\$466,080	\$480,546	\$400,266	\$42,264
Profit and loss surplus	6,721,239	6,255,160	6,205,999	5,804,733
Shares capital stock outstanding (par \$100)	227,000	227,000	227,000	200,000
Earnings per share	\$9.05	\$9.11	\$8.88	\$7.21
Unfilled orders at Dec. 31 1928 amounted to \$9,647,411 as compared with \$10,985,507 at Dec. 31 1927, and \$8,683,858 in 1926, and \$8,112,984 at Dec. 31 1925.				

Balance Sheet Dec. 31.

	1928.	1927.	1928.	1927.
Assets—	\$	\$	\$	\$
Real estate, mach., equipment, &c.	5,587,357	5,876,235	22,700,000	22,700,000
Dies, patt. & draw.	228,000	228,000	465,630	509,361
Cash	3,279,063	2,143,480	25,936	18,535
Notes & accts. rec., &c. (less reserve)	6,059,088	5,672,541	794,500	794,500
Deferred assets	450,986	—	220,223	165,792
Other market sec.	1,742,788	183,099	253,387	322,740
Inventories	3,530,372	5,262,854	187,000	185,791
U. S. Gov't securities	3,304,358	2,604,358	2,500,000	2,500,000
Accrued interest on bonds & notes	63,181	32,881	6,721,239	6,255,160
Inv. in other cos.	8,671,410	8,716,135		
Cash advanced to affiliated cos.	892,784	1,448,087		
Foreign rights	—	577,520		
Deferred charges	58,528	77,688		
Total	33,867,917	33,451,880		

—V. 128, p. 2467.

Balaban & Katz Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings.—

Years Ended—	Dec. 28 '28.	Jan. 1 '28.	Jan. 2 '27.	Jan. 3 '26.
Net operating income	\$2,705,747	\$2,777,584	\$2,728,241	\$2,198,696
Miscellaneous income	615,536	297,032	221,099	8,427
Total income	\$3,321,283	\$3,074,616	\$2,949,340	\$2,287,122
Interest charges	336,813	185,835	242,926	146,906
Depreciation and amort.	865,361	593,057	562,153	411,059
Federal tax reserve	258,310	274,631	286,559	225,466
Net income	\$1,860,798	\$2,021,092	\$1,857,701	\$1,503,690
Preferred dividends	199,591	199,591	199,591	199,591
Common dividends	792,618	792,618	792,618	792,618
Surplus	\$868,589	\$1,028,883	\$865,492	\$511,481
Profit and loss surplus	5,161,115	4,124,266	3,183,136	2,417,643
Earnings per sh. on 264,206 com. stock (par \$25)	\$6.28	\$6.89	\$6.28	\$4.93

—V. 128, p. 404.

Bayuk Cigars, Inc.—Earnings.—

3 Mos. End. Mar. 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Net after Fed. taxes, &c.	\$196,767	\$263,032	\$209,933	\$169,529
Other income	Cr. 10,238	Cr. 8,781	Cr. 22,680	Cr. 18,285
Reserves	71,828	72,654	39,482	32,909
Net income	\$135,178	\$199,159	\$283,130	\$154,905
Preferred dividends	76,839	101,790	70,308	53,555
Common dividends	49,424	—	—	—
Surplus	\$8,914	\$97,369	\$212,822	\$101,350
Shares common stock outstanding (no par)	98,848	78,106	77,121	77,121
Earnings per share	\$0.59	\$1.25	\$2.76	\$1.32

—V. 128, p. 1058.

Beatrice Creamery Co. (& Subs.)—Annual Report.—

Fiscal Years Ended—	Feb. 28 '29.	Feb. 29 '28.	Feb. 28 '27.	Feb. 28 '26.
Tot. inc. from sources	\$3,036,957	\$1,954,339	\$1,460,018	\$1,513,570
Res. for depreciation	336,320	487,150	342,493	390,989
Res. for Federal taxes	232,490	167,239	112,000	120,047
Appraisal, &c.	—	78,929	—	—
Minority interests	55,646	77,320	—	—
Net income	\$1,912,501	\$1,143,701	\$1,005,525	\$1,002,534
Prof. dividends (7%)	416,580	329,000	274,502	245,000
Com. dividends	(8%) 564,101	(10) 612,500	(10) 612,500	(10) 612,500
Balance, surplus	\$931,820	\$202,201	\$118,523	\$145,034
Shares of com. outst'd'g (par \$50)	175,223	134,265	122,500	122,500
Earnings per share on com. x After deducting all expenses incident to operations, incl. those for ordinary repairs, and maintenance, int. and exp. pertaining to the distribution of the company's products.	\$8.54	\$6.06	\$5.97	\$6.18

—V. 126, p. 3594.

Beech Nut Packing Co.—Earnings.—

3 Mos. End. Mar. 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Net profits	\$654,406	\$744,580	\$511,042	\$672,796
Dividends	318,328	255,079	242,500	242,500
Balance, surplus	\$335,578	\$489,501	\$268,542	\$430,296
Earnings per sh. on 425,000 shs. com. stk. (par \$20)	\$1.37	\$1.51	\$1.20	\$1.35

Condensed Balance Sheet March 31.

	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Assets—	\$	\$	\$	\$
Real estate, build- ings, &c.	5,501,113	5,316,774	8,500,000	8,500,000
Mtges. and secured loans on real est.	98,757	110,823	4,500	4,500
Patents, tr.-mks.	1	—	80,083	112,753
Securities owned	1,528,157	1,811,259	318,829	255,078
Cash	1,848,003	1,418,169	321,350	315,901
Cash for red. notes	18,999	27,437	2,111,820	1,908,016
Securities	64,934	56,670	179,258	141,370
Accts. & notes rec.	1,615,546	1,271,839	18,999	622
Inventories (cost)	8,238,850	7,820,684	Res. for red. stock	26,804
Due from sub. cos.	255,135	260,675	Other reserves	1,336,368
Deferred assets	822,591	193,135	Surplus paid in	1,450,700
			Earned surplus	5,670,181
Total	19,992,088	18,287,457	Total	19,992,088

—V. 128, p. 1401.

Beatty Bros., Ltd.—Initial Preferred Dividend.—
The directors have declared an initial quarterly dividend of 1 1/2% on the 6% cum. com. 1st pref. stock, series A, par \$100, payable May 1 to holders of record April 15. See also offering in V. 128, p. 1733.

Bellaire Building, Inc., San Francisco.—Bonds Offered.—Franklin Flicke & Co., San Francisco, recently offered \$550,000 1st mtge. 6 1/2% serial coupon gold bonds at 100 and int.

Dated Oct. 1 1928; due serially 1930-1940. Interest payable A. & O. Int. without deduction for normal Federal income tax up to 2% exempt from Calif. personal property tax. Denoms. \$1,000, \$500. Pacific National Bank of San Francisco, trustee.

Security.—Direct obligation of Bellaire Building, Inc. (organized in California), and secured by a closed first mortgage on land owned in fee, having a street frontage of approximately 60 feet on Green St. and 87 feet 6 inches on Leavenworth St., including a perpetual easement over a strip of land 6 feet wide along the westerly line of said lot, together with a modern 20-story class A steel and concrete, fireproof apartment building to be erected thereon. These bonds, upon completion of the building, will also be in effect a first lien on the net earnings of the property. The building, when completed, will be a strictly high grade, steel and concrete, class A, 20-story, fireproof building.

Bethlehem Steel Corp.—To Change Common Shares From \$100 to No Par—to Increase Authorized Common Shares to 5,000,000—600,000 New Common Shares Offered to Stockholders at \$85 per Share.—The stockholders will vote May 29 on changing the authorized common stock from 2,700,000 shares, par \$100 to 5,000,000 shares of no par value. At present there are 1,800,000 shares of \$100 par common stock outstanding, in exchange for which new no par stock will be issued on a share for share basis. The common stockholders of record May 29 will be given the right to subscribe on or before June 18 for additional common stock (no par value) at \$85 per share on the basis of one new share for each three shares owned. Following is the text of the letter sent to the holders of the 7% cumulative preferred and common stocks:

The directors, at a meeting held April 25, approved a plan involving (1) the change of the common stock from shares of \$100 each to the same number of shares without par value, (2) the increase of the authorized common stock without par value from 2,700,000 shares to 5,000,000 shares, and (3) subject to the approval by the stockholders of such change and increase, the offer to common stockholders of the right to subscribe, on or before June 18 for 600,000 shares of the new common stock without par value at \$85 per share, at the rate of one share of the new common stock for each three shares of common stock held by such common stockholders of record at the close of business on May 29 1929.

The directors have called a special meeting of the stockholders to be held on May 29 1929 for the purpose of authorizing such changes in the certificate of incorporation as are necessary to carry out the plan. The corporation's bankers have underwritten the sale of this stock. Upon the issue of the shares included in the offering the corporation will have outstanding in the hands of the public 1,000,000 shares of 7% cum. pref. stock (par \$100) and 2,400,000 shares of common stock without par value. The balance of the authorized common stock will be available for future requirements. It is planned to make a limited amount available for sale from time to time to employees.

The proceeds of the sale of the 600,000 shares of new common stock to be offered to the stockholders as above outlined will be used for the further development of the properties and business of the corporation. The large expenditures made over the last five years were, in the main, for the rebuilding and modernizing of plants and properties to accomplish operating economies and not for increased steel-producing capacity. At certain plants of the corporation the demand is in excess of capacity and to provide for this increased business it is necessary to provide additional facilities.

Subject to the approval by the stockholders of the proposed change and increase in the common stock at the meeting to be held on May 29 1929, warrants will be mailed as soon as practicable thereafter to each holder of common stock of record at the close of business on the date of the meeting, specifying the number of shares of new common stock to which the stockholder will be entitled to subscribe. Warrants must be returned to the corporation on or before June 18 1929 by the respective stockholders, or their assignees, accompanied by payment of the full subscription price.

The new common stock included in the offering to stockholders will be entitled to receive the dividend of \$1 per share on the common stock declared payable on Aug. 15 1929 to holders of record on July 19 1929. [Signed Charles M. Schwab, Chairman, and Eugene G. Grace, President.]

Report for First Quarter of 1929.
E. G. Grace, President, says: "The value of orders on hand March 31 1929 was \$62,702,683, as compared with \$59,040,202 at the end of the previous quarter, and \$61,393,488 on March 31 1928. Operations averaged 91.9% of capacity during the first quarter as compared with 83.7% during the previous quarter, and 79.5% during the first quarter of 1928. Current operations are at the rate of approximately 102% of capacity."

Earnings for Quarter Ended March 31.

	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Total income of corp. & its subsidiaries	\$15,245,471	\$9,574,948	\$11,757,289	\$11,973,038
Interest charges	2,780,575	2,838,145	2,883,958	3,065,032
Prov. for depl., deprec. and obsolescence	3,419,306	3,352,085	3,255,293	3,042,156
Net income for period	\$9,045,590	\$3,384,718	\$5,618,038	\$5,865,850
Preferred dividends	1,750,000	1,697,500	1,697,500	1,688,795
Common dividends	1,800,000	—	—	—
Surplus for the period	\$5,495,590	\$1,687,218	\$3,920,538	\$4,177,055
Earnings per share on com.	\$4.05	\$0.94	\$2.18	\$2.32

—V. 128, p. 2467.

Biltmore Hats Ltd.—Preferred Stock Offered.—Fry, Mills, Spence & Co., Toronto, recently offered \$300,000 7% sinking fund cumulative preferred shares at (par \$100) and div., with a bonus of 1/2 share of no par value common stock.

Transfer agent: Toronto General Trusts Corp. Registrar: The Canadian Bank of Commerce. Preferred shares are fully paid and non-assessable; preferred as to dividends and assets. Dividends payable Q.-M. Callable all or part at 110 and divs. on 60 days' prior notice, or company may purchase for redemption in the market, or by tender, at a price not exceeding 110 and divs. Provision is made for an annual sinking fund of 10% of the net earnings available after making provision for preferred share dividends, depreciation and income tax.

Capitalization.—Authorized \$300,000. Outstanding 20,000 shs. Common shares (no par value) 20,000 shs.

Data from Letter of F. R. Ramsey, Pres. of the Company.
Property and Business.—Biltmore Hats Ltd. is acquiring as a going concern, all the assets and business of the old company of the same name. Biltmore Hats Ltd. and its predecessors have been manufacturing men's hats since 1917 in Guelph, Ont. Company owns a thoroughly modern plant for the manufacture of men's fur felt and velour hats, and employs 160 persons.

Earnings.—The average annual net earnings for 2 years ended Nov. 30 1928, after depreciation and after making provision for Government taxes at the present rate were, \$75,374, which is at the rate of 25.12% per annum on the preferred shares, or 3.59 times the preferred dividend requirement. Net earnings for the 12 months period ended Nov. 30 1928, on the same basis, were, \$86,779, which is at the rate of 28.92% per annum on the preferred shares, or 4.13 times the preferred dividend requirement.

and at the rate of \$3.28 per share per annum on the present no par value common shares, after provision for dividend on the preferred shares.

Sinking Fund.—For the redemption of the 7% preferred shares, provision is made for an annual sinking fund of 10% of net earnings for the preceding fiscal year, after providing for depreciation, income tax, and dividends on the preferred shares.

(H. C.) Bohack Co., Inc.—Earnings.

Years Ended—	Feb. 2 '29	Jan. 28 '28	Jan. 29 '27	Jan. 30 '26
Stores	461	417	391	352
Sales	\$26,168,158	\$24,733,554	\$21,159,069	\$19,395,241
Operating expense	25,104,296	23,643,984	20,481,832	18,653,337
Operating income	1,063,861	1,089,570	\$677,237	\$741,904
Other income	148,072			
Total income	\$1,211,934	\$1,089,570	\$677,237	\$741,904
Depreciation	345,727	303,493	278,838	223,340
Extraordinary charges		68,935	32,350	87,222
Subs. int. & divs.	139,844			
Federal and state taxes	133,608	137,443	93,384	92,105
Net income	\$592,755	\$579,699	\$272,665	\$339,235
Prof. divs. paid	219,000	219,000	149,000	149,032
Com. divs. paid	213,906	185,000	185,000	185,000
Surplus for year	\$159,849	\$175,699	def\$61,335	\$5,204
Earn. per sh. 1st pref.	\$19.55	\$19.32	y\$13.63	\$16.96
Earn. per sh. 2d pref.	\$25.54	\$246.45	\$88.45	\$126.82
Earn. per sh., common	4.04	19.50	6.69	10.29

Based on stock before increase of \$1,000,000 pref. at Jan. 29 1927.

Balance Sheet

Assets—	Feb. 2 '29	Jan. 28 '28	Liabilities—	Feb. 2 '29	Jan. 28 '28
Property, plant and equip.	\$3,209,583	\$3,217,591	1st pref. stk, 7%	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000
Bohack real corp.	1,244,507	50,000	2d pref. stk., 6%	150,000	150,000
Cash	907,984	986,906	Bohack real corp stock	950,000	
Merchandise	2,558,674	2,366,497	Accts. pay.	463,156	483,675
Accts. rec.	143,285	131,909	Notes pay.		500,000
Int. rec.	3,762		Deposits	10,063	5,210
Notes rec.		30,000	Resv. for taxes	88,995	94,664
Mtges. rec.	183,950	2,000	Com. stk.	y2,775,000	1,850,000
Unexp. ins., &c.	105,216	6,842	Surplus	969,747	773,571
Life ins.	50,000	37,245			
Def. chgs.		8,220	Tot. (ea. side)	\$8,406,962	\$6,837,120

x After deducting \$1,733,272 depreciation. y Represented by 92,500 no par share.—V. 126, p. 3123.

Borden Co.—To Increase Capital Stock—Listing.

The directors have called a special meeting of stockholders for May 28 to vote on a proposal to increase the authorized capital stock from 4,000,000 shares to 8,000,000 shares, par \$25. It is understood that present and prospective commitments in connection with the acquisition of new businesses and properties and, as well, future financing render this increase advisable. The stockholders recently voted to reduce the par value from \$50 to \$25 per share and to issue two shares of new stock for each share of the old.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 2,884,168 shares capital stock (par \$25) on official notice of issuance, in exchange for 1,442,084 shares of capital stock (par \$50) on the basis of two shares of its capital stock of \$25 par value for one share of its capital stock of \$50 par value.

The Exchange has also authorized the listing of (1) not exceeding 126,022 additional shares of its capital stock (par \$25); 77,210 shares thereof, on official notice of issuance, in part payment for the assets and business of Dairy Dale Co., and not exceeding 48,812 shares thereof, on official notice of issuance, in liquidation of 146,436 shares of the class A stock of said Dairy Dale Co. in the ratio of one share of the capital stock of the company (par \$25 each) for each 3 shares of said Class A stock (the acceptance of the company's stock in liquidation of class A stock being at the option of the holders of class A stock in lieu of the liquidation of such class A stock in cash).

(2) Not exceeding 50,000 additional shares of such capital stock, on official notice of issuance, in full payment for the assets and business of Walker-Gordon Laboratory Co., or, in the alternative, in exchange for not less than 51% of the common stock and 95% of the preferred stock of Walker-Gordy Laboratory Co. outstanding on the date of the agreement between the company and Walker-Gordon Laboratory Co., plus 95% of all preferred stock issued, and 95% of all common stock issued on conversion of Preferred stock subsequent to the date of said agreement, in the ratio of 4 shares of such capital stock of the company for each share of stock, common or preferred, of Walker-Gordon Laboratory Co. so exchanged.

(3) 26,290 additional shares of such capital stock, on official notice of issuance, in exchange for all the issued and outstanding capital stock, of Sharpless-Hendler Ice Cream Co.

(4) 16,600 additional shares of such capital stock, on official notice of issuance, in full payment for the assets and business of Hammond Dairy Co.

(5) 8,000 additional shares of such capital stock, on official notice of issuance, in full payment for the assets and business of the Springfield Dairy Products Co.

(6) 5,000 additional shares of capital stock, on official notice of issuance, in full payment for the assets and business of A. H. Barber & Co.; and

(7) 1,100 additional shares of such capital stock, on official notice of issuance, in full payment for the assets and business of the Purity Ice Cream & Dairy Co.

The directors, at a meeting held on Feb. 5 1929, adopted resolutions authorizing a change in the par value of the share of the company from \$50 par to \$25 par value per share and authorizing a change in the number of shares authorized by charter from 2,000,000 shares (par \$50) to 4,000,000 shares (par \$25). The stockholders on April 17 approved the change.

Pro Forma Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31 1928.
[After giving effect to the acquisition of properties and businesses of certain companies.]

Assets—	Liabilities—		
Property, plant & equip.	\$74,278,390	Mortgages	\$734,443
Cash	14,276,686	Notes & accts. payable	11,656,279
Receivables	11,214,537	Income taxes (estimated)	1,593,461
Marketable securities	10,772,500	Other items	2,980,430
Inventories	12,897,398	Deferred credits	112,371
Prepaid items & miscellaneous assets, &c.	782,022	Capital stock	71,839,900
Trade marks, patents & good-will	7,000,000	Res. for conting., &c.	11,686,038
Total	\$130,921,533	Surplus	30,313,609
		Total	\$130,921,533

—V. 128, p. 1560.

Borg Warner Corp.—Acquires Morse Chain Co.

The corporation has completed negotiations through which it will acquire a very substantial control of the Morse Chain Co. of Ithaca, N. Y., one of the largest and oldest companies in its industry. It is officially announced. By this transaction the corporation adds substantially to its earning power, further diversifies its products and gains additional stability through the fact that the Morse Chain Co. operates extensively in the industrial field, aside from the automobile industry.

The Borg Warner Corp. will exchange its own stock for stock of the Morse Chain Co. the actual amount depending upon final determination of the value of certain assets not being acquired.

The Morse company has over \$8,000,000 in assets, is the undisputed leader in the manufacture of timing chains and sprockets for automobiles and conducts an extensive business in the manufacture of power transmission chains and gearing for industrial purposes.

In the year ended Dec. 31 1928 the Morse Chain Co. earned a net income of \$1,346,252 after depreciation and taxes and other charges as well as adjustment to eliminate the subsidiaries not being acquired.

In this consolidation the Borg Warner Corporation is not acquiring the aircraft, adding machine, typewriter and electric clock divisions, which do not fit into its present corporate structure.

In the consolidation, the Borg Warner Corp. will acquire the Morse Chain Co. two large plants in the United States, the Ithaca plant with approximately 100 acres of land and 405,000 square feet of floor space and the Detroit plant which occupies 5 acres and has 115,000 square feet of floor space. The English company—Morse Chain Co., Ltd., and properties formerly owned by the Ithaca Street Ry., Co., will also be acquired. The Ithaca Street Ry. Co. properties are acquired because of valuable hydraulic

power rights included and which it is purposed to develop for furnishing power to the Ithaca plant.

Balance Sheet of the Morse Chain Co., Incl. Subsidiaries, as of Dec. 31 1928.

Assets—	Liabilities—		
Cash	\$895,049	Accounts payable	\$163,290
Marketable securities	199,181	Accrued wages, &c.	19,403
Accounts receivable	445,207	Provision for Federal taxes	124,993
Inventories	1,387,576	Due affiliated cos.	26,400
Prop., plants mach. (less depreciation)	4,294,116	20-year debentures, due 1948	1,792,500
Patents (less amortization)	33,180	Capital stock	2,880,530
Invest. in affil. cos. (net)	833,842	Surplus	3,115,010
Other investments	2,398		
Deferred charges	31,576	Total (each side)	\$8,122,127

—V. 128, p. 2635.

Botany Consolidated Mills, Inc.—Earnings.

Calendar Years	1928.	1927.
Gross profit from operations, exclusive of deprec. loss	\$162,316	\$372,926
Other income credits—interest, discounts, &c.	144,309	284,319
Gross income, exclusive of depreciation	loss\$18,007	\$657,245
Interest—on bank loans, &c.	275,218	430,727
On bond indebtedness of subsidiary company	44,948	52,635
On bond indebtedness of parent company	569,453	579,828
Amort. of organization exp. & bond discount	61,237	61,237
Provision for depreciation	420,161	448,161
Miscellaneous	72,758	24,343

Net loss	\$1,461,783	\$939,686
Profit and loss credits	615,461	323,301
Deficit for the year	\$846,322	\$616,385
Less portion applic. to minority int. in subsidiary	1,855	466
Deficit for the year applic. to parent company	\$844,467	\$615,918

—V. 127, p. 3402.

Bowman Biltmore Hotels Corp.—Earnings.

Years Ended Dec. 31—	1928.	1927.
Inc. from rentals, rest. sales, privileges, &c.	\$12,571,913	\$12,840,596
xNet income after expenses, &c.	1,874,460	2,398,297
Depreciation and amortization	395,024	385,901
Interest	423,455	407,251
Federal taxes		65,000

Net profit	\$1,055,981	\$1,540,145
First preferred dividends	117,786	y462,869
Second preferred dividends		678,600

Surplus	\$938,195	\$398,676
Profit & loss surplus	\$6,075,167	\$7,666,927
Shares com. stock outstanding (no par)	406,860	406,840
Earns. per share	Nil	\$0.98

x Includes interest accrued on advances to subsidiaries. y Includes dividend adjustment on shares issued for shares of predecessor constituent companies.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31.

Assets—	1928.	1927.	Liabilities—	1928.	1927.
Building	x 7,072,153	7,202,422	7% pref. stock	6,744,700	6,641,900
Furnit. & fixt.	x 1,575,751	1,561,871	First pref. certifi.	3,571,000	3,569,000
Leaseholds	y 2,765,818	2,836,638	Sec. pref. certifi., z	679,720	679,570
Cash	947,316	592,170	Common stock, a	2,034,300	2,034,200
Accts. receivable	401,921	400,774	Funded debt	6,321,400	5,565,800
Inventories	269,584	341,088	Building loan	3,888,258	4,090,869
Cash value life ins.	205,774	184,667	Dividends payable		794,518
Other assets	331,725	628,492	Reser. for conting.	2,687,806	595,173
Cap. stk. of sub. cos.	12,411,611	12,409,610	Deferred income	11,700	21,445
Sub. notes rec. & accrued int.	5,922,567	6,213,942	Accounts payable	170,760	522,395
Sub. accts. receiv.	500,031	159,201	Accrd' int. tax, &c.	419,040	438,570
Deferred charges	199,605	154,494	Federal taxes		65,000
			Paid-in surplus	3,114,187	5,638,570
Total	32,603,851	32,685,367	Earned surplus	2,960,980	2,028,357

—V. 127, p. 685.
xLess depreciation. y After amortization. z Represented by 135,944 no-par shares. a Represented by 406,860 no-par shares.—V. 127, p. 685.

Briggs Mfg. Co.—Earnings.

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Gross profit	\$6,611,838	\$3,225,309	\$12,223,529	\$11,998,100
Other income (net)	648,334	385,714	755,759	639,874
Total income	\$7,260,172	\$3,611,023	\$12,979,288	\$12,637,974
Expenses & depreciation	2,406,889	2,305,295	3,533,775	3,208,318
Federal taxes	540,000	150,000	1,267,000	1,288,000

Net income	\$4,313,282	\$1,155,728	\$8,178,513	\$8,141,656
Dividends		3,004,837	6,009,675	7,499,863

Balance, surplus	\$4,313,282	df\$1,849,109	\$2,168,838	\$641,793
Earned per sh. on 2,003,225 shares of common.	\$2.15	\$0.57	\$4.08	\$4.07

—V. 127, p. 2823.

Brill Corp.—Annual Report.

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.
Net income	\$572,316	\$555,294
Preferred dividends	260,288	260,288
Class A dividends	271,610	217,288
Surplus	\$40,418	\$77,712
Earns. per sh. on 217,288 shs. cl. A stock (no par)	\$1.44	\$1.30

Balance Sheet December 31.

Assets—	1928.	1927.	Liabilities—	1928.	1927.
Cash	72,721	330,736	Preferred stock	3,718,400	3,718,400
Call loans	300,000		xClass A & B stock	12,649,625	12,649,625
Inv. in other cos.	15,780,314	15,779,104	Accounts payable		144
Organization exp.	99,476	99,477	Prof. stk. warrants		300
Liberty bonds	515,592	518,814	Prof. divs. payable	65,072	65,072
Accr. int. on bonds	4,427	4,427	Accrued taxes	1,800	1,800
			Surplus	337,634	297,216
Total	16,772,531	16,732,558	Total	16,772,531	16,732,558

x Represented by 217,288 shares of no par class A and by 400,000 shares of no par class B.—V. 128, p. 891.

Bronx Fire Insurance Co.—New Directors.

James Reeves, President of Daniel Reeves, Inc., has been elected a director.—V. 126, p. 3760.

Bucyrus-Erie Co.—Earnings.

Income Account for Year Ended Dec. 31 1928.	1928.
Gross earnings	\$2,979,405
Other income, &c.	144,524

Gross income	\$3,123,929
Reserve for Federal & state income taxes	436,751

Net earnings	\$2,687,178
Preferred dividends	474,730
Convertible preference dividends	1,047,930
Common dividends	480,000

Balance, surplus	\$684,787
Profit and loss, surplus	\$8,665,409
Earned per sh. on 480,000 shs. of com. stock (par \$10)	\$2.43

—V. 127, p. 826.

Brooklyn Fire Insurance Co.—New Directors.—At the annual stockholders' meeting, provision was made to increase the board of directors from 35 to 36, the following being elected: Charles A. Angell (President of Cranford Co.), Joseph Huber, Herman A. Metz, John A. Campbell (Vice-President and director of American Equitable Assurance Co. of New York), John A. Eckert, James F. Corroon (President of R. A. Corroon & Co.), Manasseh Miller (President of National Title Guaranty Co.), W. J. Weller, and Louis C. Wills. George R. Holahan, Jr., attorney, of Hutton & Holahan, counsel for the company, has been elected Vice-President.—V. 128, p. 2467.

Bulova Watch Co., Inc.—Sales for First Quarter.—Sales for the three months ended March 31 were larger than for any first quarter in the history of the company, running more than one-third ahead of sales for the corresponding period of 1928, Vice-President Arde Bulova announced.—V. 128, p. 1402.

Burroughs Adding Machine Co.—Overseas Order.—This company reports that the Midland Bank, Ltd., has placed with the English Burroughs Co. current orders for ledger posting machines which bring the value of this bank's machine purchases in the past 12 months up to \$646,000. The Midland Bank, with its 2,450 branches, is the largest bank in the British Empire. The initial order for posting machines was placed with the Burroughs Co. in May, 1928, since which time the bank has reordered as rapidly as it can make installations. The headquarters of the bank in London, and 45 branches are now operating on machine method.—V. 128, p. 2635.

Bush Terminal Co.—Listing.—The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing on or after May 1, of 3,450 shares common stock (without par value), on official notice of issuance as a stock dividend making the total amount applied for 233,845 shares.—V. 128, p. 2273.

By-Products Coke Corp.—Quarterly Earnings.

	1929.	1928.	1927.
3 Months Ended March 31—			
Operating profit	\$751,219	\$582,545	\$575,157
Non-operating income	74,220	70,898	81,763
Total income	\$825,439	\$653,443	\$656,920
Depreciation	206,406	177,060	136,584
Interest	117,153	109,647	84,066
Net income	\$501,880	\$366,736	\$436,270
Preferred dividends	—	—	34,250
Common dividends	190,088	94,967	94,967
Surplus	\$311,792	\$271,769	\$307,054
Shs. com. stock outstand. (no par)	189,936	189,936	189,931
Earnings per share	\$2.64	\$1.93	\$2.11

—V. 128, p. 1402.

Calumet & Arizona Mining Co.—New Common Stock Placed on a \$10 Annual Dividend Basis.—The directors on April 24 declared an initial quarterly dividend of \$2.50 per share on the new \$20 par value capital stock, payable June 17 to holders of record May 31. This stock was issued on a share-for-share basis in exchange for the \$10 par stock of the old Calumet company. On the latter issue, quarterly dividends of \$1.50 per share had been paid, the last payment at this rate having been made on March 25 of this year. In addition, an extra dividend of \$1 per share was paid on Dec. 17 1928.

For record of dividends paid by the old Calumet company, see the Industrial Number of the "Railroad and Industrial Compendium," of Dec. 12 1928, page 39.

The stockholders have been informed that the New Cornelia Copper Co. is now an integral part of the new Calumet company, and that no further dividends will be paid on New Cornelia shares.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 842,857 shares capital stock (1,000,000 authorized) par \$20 to be issued on official notice of issuance in exchange for 642,757 shares of outstanding capital stock of the Calumet & Arizona Mining Co. (par \$10) and for 1,800,000 shares of outstanding capital stock of New Cornelia Copper Co. (par \$5). For details of plan of consolidation see V. 128, p. 1734.

Organization.—Calumet & Arizona Mining Co. (present company) was organized by consolidation, under the laws of Delaware, April 24 1929, of Calumet & Arizona Mining Co. (predecessor company) and New Cornelia Copper Co., both Delaware corporations. Agreement of consolidation was adopted by stockholders of New Cornelia Copper Co. on April 8 1929 and by stockholders of Calumet & Arizona Mining Co. on April 15 1929. The agreement was duly certified and recorded on April 24 1929.

The period of its charter is perpetual. Under its charter the company takes over all of the property and assets, and assumes the liabilities of the two constituent companies. It is an operating company for mining, smelting and refining and is authorized to purchase ores and other mine products; to contract with other corporations or persons for mining, smelting, refining or selling its products and to purchase and hold the stock of other corporations.—V. 128, p. 2273, 1911.

Campbell, Wyant & Cannon Foundry Co.—Earnings.

	1928.	1927.
Calendar Years—		
Net sales—castings	(not stated)	\$6,509,465
Net profit from operations after depreciation	\$1,656,477	1,333,910
Net profit after provision for Federal taxes	1,574,308	1,242,756
Reorganiz. exp., prem., unamort. disc. & int. paid on bonds ret., & Federal inc. tax for prior period	—	92,412
Net profit	\$1,574,308	\$1,150,344
Dividends paid	419,621	170,428
Carried to surplus	\$1,154,688	\$979,916
Shares capital stock outstanding (no par)	315,000	209,548
Earnings per share	\$4.99	\$5.90

Earnings Quarter Ended March 31.

	1929.	1928.
Net income after depreciation & Federal taxes	\$475,600	\$435,064
Shares capital stock outstanding (no par)	315,000	209,548
Earnings per share	\$1.51	\$2.08

—V. 127, p. 3250.

Canadian Eagle Oil Co., Ltd.—Pref. Dividend.—See Mexican Eagle Oil Co., Ltd. below.—V. 126, p. 2652.

Canadian General Electric Co., Ltd.—Annual Report.

	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Calendar Years—				
Operating income	\$4,434,665	\$2,903,053	\$1,870,618	\$1,617,093
Depreciation	800,000	800,000	700,000	600,000
Aprop. plant adjust.	2,865,871	1,352,888	497,139	—
Interest	—	—	—	\$3,342
Prem. on debts retir.	—	—	—	375,000
Net income	\$828,794	\$750,164	\$673,479	\$558,751
Preferred dividends	599,042	599,043	599,043	553,542
Common dividends	—	—	—	—
Surplus	\$229,752	\$151,121	\$74,436	\$5,209
Previous surplus	2,974,874	2,823,751	2,749,315	2,744,105
Total surplus	\$3,204,626	\$2,974,872	\$2,823,751	\$2,749,315
Shs. com. stk. outstand- ing (par \$50)	188,845	188,845	188,845	188,845
Earnings per share	\$1.22	\$0.80	\$0.39	\$0.03

—V. 128, p. 1233.

Capital Management Corp.—Debentures Offered.—Coffin & Burr, Inc., are offering \$500,000 convertible 5% debentures at 100 and interest.

Dated March 1 1929; due March 1 1939. Interest payable (M. & S.) 1 New York. Red. all or part on 60 days' notice, at 105 and int. until Dec. 31 1932, at 102 and int. during 1933; at 101½ and int. during 1934; at 101 and int. during 1935 and 1936; at 100½ and int. during 1937 and 1938; and thereafter at 100 and int. Denom. \$1,000. United States Trust Co., New York, trustee.

Conversion Privilege.—Each \$1,000 debenture may be converted, into 24 shares of common stock (present stock, \$25) at any time to and incl. Dec. 31 1929; during 1930 into 21 shares; during 1931 into 18 shares; during 1932 into 15 shares. Indenture contains provisions to protect the conversion privilege in certain cases.

Company.—Organized in New York, May 18 1928, with powers to purchase, hold, sell and otherwise deal in corporate, governmental and other securities and also to engage in other undertakings, either domestic or foreign.

Capitalization.—

Capital stock (\$25 par)	*120,000 shs.	40,000 shs.
10-year conv. 5% gold debentures	\$500,000	\$500,000

* Of these sufficient shares are to be reserved for conversion of debentures.

Investment Regulations.—By resolution of the board of directors, the following regulations are now used as a guide for the purchase of securities:

Not more than 10% of the funds shall be invested in any one security.

Not more than 2% of the outstanding securities of any one company shall be owned at any one time.

Not more than 33 1/3% of the funds shall be invested in the securities of corporations engaged in any one class of business or the securities of foreign Governments.

At least 50% of the invested funds shall be invested in securities listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

None of the foregoing restrictions shall apply to United States Government securities.

Purpose.—The purpose of this issue of debentures is to provide the corporation with additional capital.

Executive Committee.—Roscoe C. Ingalls, Chairman; Alton S. Keeler, J. Edgar Morris, Henry B. Pennell, Jr., John T. Snyder.

Directors.—John T. Snyder (Pres.), Roscoe C. Ingalls (1st Vice-Pres.), J. Edgar Morris (2nd Vice-Pres.), Henry B. Pennell, Jr. (Sec. & Treas.), Albert C. Field, Edward A. Fitch, Allen S. Hubbard, Alton S. Keeler, Fred I. Kent, Henry S. Snyder, Wallace D. Strack, and William B. Warner.

Agent.—Corporation has retained Inalls & Snyder as its agent and as such they maintain a statistical organization, keep the books of the corporation, &c. For their services as such agent they receive a sum equal to 8% of the net profits of the corporation. This is in addition to the customary commissions on purchases or sales made through them.

As compensation for their services, the directors are credited on the books of the corporation with a sum equal to 8% of the net profits computed after deducting the compensation due to the agent. This sum will not be paid, however, until stockholders shall receive in dividends a sum equal to at least twice the amount to be paid to the directors.

Caulfield's Dairy, Ltd.—Initial Dividends.—

Initial dividends of 87½ cents per share on the 7% pref. stock and 25 cents per share on the no par common stock have been declared, payable May 1 to holders of record April 25. See also V. 128, p. 2468.

Central Alloy Steel Corp.—Earnings.—New Direct r.

	1929.	1928.
Quarter Ended March 31—		
Net income after charges & Federal taxes	\$1,431,343	\$975,128
Earns. per share on 1,296,371 shares com. stock	\$0.97	\$0.62

H. G. Dalton has been elected a director to fill a vacancy.—V. 128, p. 1403.

Central National Corp.—Earnings.—

The corporation reports for the quarter ended March 31 1929, of \$173,183 before Federal taxes, comparing with \$141,852 in preceding quarter and \$30,013 for quarter ended Sept. 30 1928.—V. 128, p. 1735.

Century Ribbon Mills, Inc.—Earnings.

(Company and Century Factors, Incl.)

	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
3 Mos. End. Mar. 31—				
Net profits	\$53,577	\$80,933	\$101,282	\$92,055
Divs. paid on pref. stk.	25,331	27,081	30,458	31,185
Common divs. (50c.)	—	—	—	50,000

Balance, surplus \$28,246 \$53,852 \$70,824 \$10,870

Earns. per sh. on 100,000 shs. com. stk. (no par) \$0.28 \$0.53 \$0.71 \$0.61

Consolidated Balance Sheet March 31.

	1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Assets—			Liabilities—	
Plant, equip., &c.	\$2,202,075	\$2,237,422	Preferred stock	\$1,417,500
Investments	3,100	19,700	Common stock	2,536,814
Treasury stock	—	11,110	Notes payable	1,125,000
Cash	438,559	515,179	Due Cent. Factors	—
Notes & tr. accept.	1,700,365	1,629,409	Inc	416,678
Inventories	2,103,372	2,144,290	Acceptance against letters of credit	145,035
Other curr. assets	50,919	52,315	Accounts payable	12,283
Prepaid expenses	32,147	38,042	Surplus	877,227
Total	\$6,530,537	\$6,647,467	Total	\$6,530,537

x Represented by 100,000 shares of no par value. y After deducting reserve for depreciation.—V. 128, p. 1735.

Cerro de Pasco Copper Corp. (& Subs.)—Earnings.

Calendar Years—

	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Sale of copper, silver, &c.	\$25,261,249	\$20,510,755	\$26,072,580	\$19,962,342
Divs. & int. received	1,347,315	685,900	848,535	590,845
Miscellaneous receipts	—	1,261,195	1,682,694	1,414,014
Inventory Dec. 31	6,736,020	7,468,781	5,668,005	8,194,704

Total \$33,344,585 \$29,936,631 \$34,271,816 \$30,161,904

Smelt. refin. & gen. exp. 12,052,286 11,645,264 12,207,101 11,217,005

Inventory previous year 7,468,781 5,668,005 8,194,704 4,863,822

Customs ores 2,792,015 3,850,230 3,507,310 2,510,933

U. S. and foreign taxes 840,636 952,104 1,007,640 1,232,524

Net profit \$10,190,867 \$7,821,026 \$9,355,061 \$10,337,615

Dividends paid 4,107,122 4,491,368 5,614,210 5,614,060

Balance, surplus \$6,083,745 \$3,329,658 \$3,740,851 \$4,723,555

Previous surplus 505,403 1,620,098 def1,365,333 def1,767,437

Adjustments Cr4,309,350 aDr287,604 bCr4,048,802

Total \$10,898,498 \$4,662,150 \$6,424,320 \$2,956,118

Deprec. & depletion 4,434,539 4,156,747 4,804,223 4,321,451

Balance, profit & Loss, Dec. 31 \$6,463,959 \$505,403 \$1,620,097 def1,365,333

a For income taxes, &c., as of Dec. 31 1926. b Adjustment of "Reserves for Depreciation and Depreciation" and taxes necessitated by change in depreciation rate resulting from revaluation of properties made for tax purposes.—V. 128, p. 2274.

Chicago Chain Store Terminal (R. D. Brown Properties, Inc.)—Bond Offered.—Robert Garrett & Sons, Baltimore, are offering at 100 and int. \$225,000 1st mtge. coll. trust 6% sinking fund gold bonds (with non-detachable stock purchase warrants).

Dated April 1 1929, due Oct. 1 1927, int. payable A. & O., Mercantile Trust Co., of Baltimore, Md., corporate trustee.

Lease.—The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. has leased the entire property for an annual rental of \$22,550. (The total rental is assigned as security for the payment by the corporation, of \$19,200 per annum, payable in monthly installments, to provide for interest and sinking fund. The lease of the property extends beyond the maturity of these bonds.)

Warrants.—These bonds will carry non-detachable warrants entitling the holder of each \$1,000 or \$500 bond to purchase 10 or 5 shares, respectively, of class A stock of the R. D. Brown Building Corp. (Ill.), at \$5 per share at any time prior to Oct. 1 1933, or prior to the date fixed for redemption of any bond.

Location of Property.—The property consists of one building, part of which is 4 stories and part one story in height, and land, owned in fee simple by the R. D. Brown Building Corp. It is located on the southwest corner of

57th St. and Grove Ave., Chicago. The site consists of approximately 28,000 sq. ft., being an entire city block.
 The principal part of the building is a terminal and bakery of 4 stories, approximately 80 x 147 ft., with a floor area of about 47,000 sq. ft., and a content of about 728,000 cu. ft. It is a fireproof structure of re-reinforced concrete, with brick elevations on three sides, and equipped with modern freight elevators, plumbing, heating and wiring systems.
Security.—Bonds are secured by deposit with the trustee of 1st mtg. notes of the R. D. Brown Building Corp., which are a first lien on the above-mentioned property, and improvements thereon, subject to the lease to The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co., the total rental from which will be assigned as security for the prompt payment of interest and sinking fund, the corporation, however, being authorized to collect the rentals as agent for the trustee, so long as it is not in default under the terms of its mortgage.

Chesebrough Mfg. Co. (Consolidated).—Earnings.—

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Earnings for the year	\$1,269,628	\$1,018,516	\$967,190	\$1,003,033
Previous surplus	1,318,977	1,126,671	855,663	1,742,491
Total surplus	\$2,588,605	\$2,145,187	\$1,822,853	\$2,745,524
Dividends paid	720,000	660,000	540,000	427,500
Appropriated to reserves	148,082	166,209	156,498	1,336,484
Preferred stock red.	—	—	Cr316	Dr125,877
Surplus as at Dec. 31	\$1,720,524	\$1,318,978	\$1,126,671	\$855,663
Earns. per sh. on 120,000 com stock (par \$25)	\$10.58	\$8.49	\$8.06	\$8.36

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31.

Assets—	1928.	1927.	Liabilities—	1928.	1927.
Plants, warehouses & real estate	\$1,511,655	\$1,558,516	Common stock	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000
Incomplete constr.	1,811	5,824	Accounts payable	167,435	113,425
Furn. & fixtures	24,874	23,282	Deferred credits	7,382	6,423
Autos, trucks and stable equip.	5,126	6,505	Red. of pref. stock	112	4,162
Oil prop., less depl. & depreciation	8,560	35,729	Sundry reserves	1,807,272	1,659,191
Cash	131,961	56,715	Surplus	1,720,524	1,318,977
Accts. receivable	347,166	260,181			
Notes receivable	10,000	10,500			
Investments	3,309,077	2,533,010			
Inventories (mdse.)	1,271,941	1,517,175			
Red. of pref. stock deposit account	112	4,162			
Deferred charges	80,441	90,580			
			Tot. (each side)	\$6,702,726	\$6,102,178

x After deducting depreciation.—V. 128, p. 1233.

Childs Co.—Earnings.—

Quar. End. Mar. 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Gross income	\$7,220,774	\$7,377,062	\$7,789,806	\$6,525,020
Expenses and taxes	6,684,719	6,964,421	6,928,999	5,929,580
Operating income	\$536,055	\$412,640	\$860,807	\$595,440
Other income	69,243	39,033	47,239	38,696
Total income	\$605,298	\$451,673	\$908,046	\$634,136
Depreciation, &c.	436,378	395,192	363,113	279,784
Special deduction	97,862	—	—	—
Net income	x\$71,058	\$56,481	\$544,933	\$354,352
Shs. com. stk. outstand.	362,046	360,742	346,825	333,909
Earns per share	Nil	Nil	\$1.31	\$0.79

x This is after deducting \$97,861. of expenses incurred before recent change in control and which present management is considering making subject of court action. If this deduction were not made, net profit would be \$168,919, equal after preferred dividend requirements to 22 cents a share on 362,046 shares of common stock.—V. 128, p. 2636.

Chrysler Corporation.—Quarterly Report.—

Three Months Ended March 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.
Net sales	\$99,831,619	\$43,503,918	—
Cost of sales	81,734,918	34,141,635	—
Gross profit	\$18,096,701	9,362,283	—
Interest and brokerage	920,271	340,538	—
Total income	\$19,016,972	\$9,702,821	—
Expenses	8,029,179	4,247,745	—
Interest paid & accrued	917,889	31,993	—
Profit after charges	\$10,069,903	\$5,423,084	\$5,078,031
Estimated Federal taxes	1,231,730	720,618	685,463
Net profit	\$8,838,173	\$4,702,466	\$4,392,568
Preferred dividends	—	431,108	429,502
Common dividends	3,308,992	2,037,810	2,030,310
Surplus	\$5,529,181	\$2,233,548	\$1,932,756
Shares com. stk. outstdg. (no par)	4,411,990	2,717,080	2,707,080
Earnings per share	\$2.00	\$1.57	\$1.46

—V. 128, p. 2636.

Clark, Howe, Waters & Knight Bros., Ltd.—Pref. Stock Offered.—Societe Generale de Finance, Inc., Barrett & Wood, Ltd., La Corporation d'Obligations Ltee, Montreal; Cooper and Mackenzie, Toronto; Louis Normand, Inc., Three Rivers, and Gerard Brunelle, Montreal, are offering \$500,000 7% cum. pref. stock at 100 and div., carrying a bonus of 1/2 share no par common stock with each pref. share.
 Preference shares are fully paid and non-assessable; preferred as to assets and dividends; entitled to divs. at rate of 7% per annum accruing from Jan. 1 1929 and payable Q.-J.; red. by purchase in the open market or on call in whole or in part at \$105 per share and divs. on 30 days' notice; convertible on or prior to Jan. 1 1932, unless previously called, at the option of the holder into 2 1/2 shares of common stock; non-voting except while divs. are in arrears to an amount equivalent to 8 quarterly dividends.
 Transfer Agent, Montreal Trust Co.

Capitalization—

Authorized.	To be Issued.
Preference shares	\$500,000
Common shares (no par)	50,000 shs.

Sufficient common shares are to be retained unissued to provide for conversion of preference shares.

Data from Letter of A. E. Clark, President of the Company.
Company.—Is one of the largest Canadian concerns operating in its particular line and some of the company's predecessors have been carrying on the businesses continuously since 1865. Company is now acquiring the businesses and properties of the Knight Brothers Co., Ltd., Burks Falls, Ont.; Edward Clark & Sons, Ltd., Toronto; Canoe Lake Lumber Co., Ltd., Canoe Lake, Ont., and Waters, Martin & Baechler, Ltd., Toronto. The combined timber holdings and limits of the new company are approximately 200 square miles, most of which is virgin timber.
Purpose.—Proceeds will be used to purchase the shares, assets and undertakings of the amalgamating companies and for the purpose of furnishing the company with working capital as well as capital necessary for expansion.
Conversion.—Preferred stock is convertible at the holder's option up to and including January 1932, unless previously called for redemption, into common stock on the basis of 2 1/2 shares of no par value common stock for one share of preferred stock.
Earnings.—The combined net earnings of Knight Brothers, Co., Ltd., Edward Clark & Sons, Ltd., Canoe Lake Lumber Co., Ltd., and Waters, Martin & Baechler, Ltd., after providing for depreciation and for income tax at the current rate and after the elimination of certain non-recurring items, for the undermentioned periods were as follows: 1927, \$74,029; 1928, \$80,073.
 These earnings were more than twice the preferred dividend requirements on the total preference shares of the company. The net earnings for 1929 are estimated at \$110,000, representing over three times the preferred stock requirements or about \$3 for each share of common stock after payment of preferred dividend.

Listing.—Application will be made in due course to list the preferred and common shares of this company on the Montreal Curb Market.

Claude Neon Lights, Inc.—Office Change.—The corporation announces its removal to new offices at 41 East 42d St., N. Y. City, on the 22d floor of the Liggett Building. New space has been acquired in the Ever Ready Building on Thompson Ave., Long Island City, N. Y., where the new laboratory is being installed, comprising the former equipment at the Long Island City factory and at some of the other laboratories on the Pacific Coast and in the Middle West.—V. 128, p. 2468.

Cohn-Hall-Marx Co.—Stock Increased.—The stockholders on April 24 increased the authorized common stock (no par value) from 100,000 shares to 125,000 shares.—V. 127, p. 3251.

Colorado Fuel & Iron Co.—Earnings.—

Quar. End. Mar. 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Gross receipts	\$11,396,438	\$11,471,531	\$11,642,979	\$10,363,570
Operating expenses	9,321,094	9,774,236	8,991,043	8,475,201
Net earnings	\$2,075,344	\$1,697,295	\$2,651,936	\$1,888,369
Inc. from other sources	32,198	29,098	55,268	55,638
Total	\$2,107,542	\$1,726,394	\$2,707,204	\$1,944,007
Bond int., taxes sinking fund, &c.	515,026	542,443	519,260	455,333
Depreciation	673,839	661,930	568,587	534,426
Surplus	\$918,677	\$522,021	\$1,619,348	\$954,248
Earns. per sh. on 340,505 shs. com. stk. (par \$100)	\$2.58	\$1.41	\$4.63	\$2.68

—V. 128, p. 2096.

Collins & Aikman Corp.—Earnings.—

Period—	Year Ended Feb. 28 '29.	9 Mos. End. Mar. 3 '28.
Gross profit	\$2,950,080	\$2,397,977
Depreciation	712,769	499,854
Interest, &c.	81,755	—
Federal tax reserve	250,000	244,500
Net income	\$1,905,555	\$1,653,623
Preferred dividends	810,133	608,435
Common dividends	—	1,380,809

Balance.—\$1,095,422 def \$335,621
 Earns. per sh. 597,000 shs. com. stk. (no par) \$1.84 \$1.75
 Surplus account Dec.-Feb. 28 1929: Profit and loss surplus March 3 1928, \$1,619,307; surplus for year ended Feb. 28 1929, after preferred dividends, \$1,095,422; miscellaneous adjustments \$28,944; total surplus \$2,743,673; deduct: Reserve appropriated for changes in and disposal of plant and equipment \$728,465; adjustment on inventories \$290,621; profit and loss surplus Feb. 28 1929, \$1,724,587.

Comparative Balance Sheet.

Assets—	Feb. 28 '29.	Mar. 3 '28.	Liabilities—	Feb. 28 '29.	Mar. 3 '28.
Real estate, build- ings, plant, &c.	12,583,432	13,666,102	Preferred stock	10,930,000	11,760,000
Cash	508,161	198,300	Common stock	x10,000,000	10,000,000
Accts. receivable	1,999,308	2,592,434	Notes payable	—	875,000
Notes receivable	—	625	Res. for Fed. taxes	250,000	425,111
Cash surr. val. life insurance	145,767	—	Other curr. liab.	720,275	871,126
Market'le sec'ties.	—	39,183	Mortgages payable	10,500	—
Invest. in subs.	—	15,994	Sundry reserves	68,009	—
Inventories	8,087,448	8,552,515	Surplus	1,724,587	1,619,807
Deferred assets	379,254	485,392			
			Total (each side)	23,703,373	25,550,544

x Represented by 597,000 shares of no par value.—V. 128, p. 254.

Columbia Phonograph Co., Inc.—\$4 Dividend.—The directors have declared a dividend of \$4 per share on the capital stock, payable May 25 to holders of record May 10. An initial dividend of like amount was paid on April 25 1928.—V. 126, p. 3597.

Conde Nast Publications, Inc.—Annual Report.—

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Gross rev. from sales of domestic publications, advertising patterns, printing, &c.	\$8,485,930	\$7,798,859	\$7,015,214	\$6,126,467
Produc., sell. gen. & adm. exp. (inc. chgs. for depreciation)	6,637,921	6,373,481	5,715,172	5,070,440
Interest paid	34,890	42,937	58,865	64,751
Proportion of bond com- mission & expenses	11,682	13,650	15,645	17,588
Propor. part of profits & losses (net) of foreign subsidiary companies	165,742	Cr.14,585	15,819	14,732
Provision for Federal & States taxes	244,295	171,316	198,472	155,696
Loss on stk. purch.	—	35,289	—	—
Int. received	Cr.33,676	Cr.37,134	—	—
Profit	\$1,425,076	\$1,213,903	\$1,011,240	\$803,260
Previous surplus	897,848	242,715	887,419	359,015
Total	\$2,322,924	\$1,456,618	\$1,898,659	\$1,162,275
Prov. for prem. on ins. policies	—	—	130,108	130,000
Prem. paid on pref. stk. purch.	38,760	—	—	—
Loss thru liquid. of for. subs.	—	32,246	—	—
Divs. on pref. stock	Cr.6,087	55,783	52,072	42,690
Divs. on common stock	638,888	470,741	102,166	102,166
Surplus at end of year	\$1,639,208	\$897,848	x\$1,614,312	\$887,419
Earns per sh. on 320,000 shs. com. stk. (no par)	\$4.43	\$3.62	\$2.99	\$2.38

x Entries incident to financing: Cash surrender value of 10-year endowment insurance (premiums in connection therewith have been charged above), \$141,115; total, including \$1,614,312 surplus (as above), \$1,755,427. Less, loss on sale of stock of Park Ave. and 86th St. Corp., and studio and apartment, construction, fittings and alterations, \$216,812; provision for employees bonus paid in stock in January 1927, \$45,900; Dividend on common stock paid in stock of Montrose Development Corp., \$1,250,000, operating surplus at Dec. 31 1926, after giving effect to financing, \$242,715.—V. 127, p. 2536.

Congress Cigar Co.—Earnings.—

Quar. End. Mar. 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.
Net after all charges including Federal taxes	\$456,293	\$421,737	\$569,843
Earns. per sh. on 350,000 shs. no par stock	\$1.30	\$1.20	\$1.62

—V. 128, p. 1736.

Consolidated Aircraft Corp. of Buffalo.—Orders.—Major R. H. Fleet, President of the corporation, announces that the company now has orders on its books for over 300 commercial airplanes.—V. 128, p. 1912.

Consolidated Automatic Merchandising Corp.—To Install Change Makers in New York Department Stores.—The corporation announces that it has received orders from Lord & Taylor and Arnold-Constable Co. for the installation of its change makers which change dimes and quarters into nickels. Other orders in the past week include one from the Hengerer Department Store, Buffalo, N. Y., for 24 cigarette units and 5 change makers; from Park Amusement Co., Willow Grove Park, Pa., for 12 cigarette and candy units; from L. Klein (Co. department store), Chicago, for three 8-inch cigarette units; and from the Dorney Park Conster Co., Allentown, Pa., for ten 8-inch cigarette units and one change maker.—V. 128, p. 2636.

Consolidated Film Industries, Inc.—Earnings.—

Quarter Ended Mar. 31—	1929.	1928.
Net profit after deprec. Federal taxes, &c.-----	\$576,853	\$351,344
Earnings per sh. on combined 300,000 no par shs. partic. pref. 400,000 no par shs. com. stk.-----	\$0.82	\$0.50

—V. 128, p. 2468.

Consolidated Textile Corp.—Annual Report.—

Consolidated Income Account (Incl. Consolidated Selling Co., Inc.)

Years Ended—	Dec. 31 '28	Dec. 31 '27.	Jan. 1 '27.	Jan. 2 '26.
Profit from operations—	\$715,192	\$1,335,882	\$546,230	\$648,680
Depreciation—	248,592	247,847	247,847	252,614
Interest on bonds & bills payable, &c.-----	849,196	781,733	875,608	901,404
Amortiz. of disc. & com. on bonds & notes-----	29,036	36,301	46,960	50,509
1st pref. div. on Consol. Sell. Co., Inc.-----	64,000	64,000	64,000	64,000

Balance—def\$475,632 sur\$206,000 def\$688,186 def\$619,848
 a Including \$53,006 written back for interest provided in prior years on 5 yr. 6% income subordinated convertible debentures converted into stock during the year. b Including \$100,000 profit from sale of investments. x After deducting adm., selling and gen. expenses.

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31.
 (Including Consolidated Selling Co., Inc.)

	1928.	1927.		1928.	1927.
Assets—	\$	\$	Liabilities—	\$	\$
Land, bldgs., &c.-----	9,795,882	9,939,854	Cap. stk. (no par, see Note b)-----	6,260,308	6,396,866
Good-will, &c.-----	1	1	1st M. 8% bonds-----	3,170,700	3,370,200
Inventories-----	5,789,361	5,613,241	5-year 7% notes-----	6,569,500	6,569,500
Adv. to outside mills-----	11,496	11,496	5-year 6% notes-----	33,000	206,000
Accts rec., less res.-----	2,890,402	2,356,599	Consol. Sell. Co., 8% 1st pref. stk.-----	800,000	800,000
Mortgages receiv.-----	40,000	40,000	Notes payable-----	1,700,000	500,000
Cash-----	738,843	449,939	Accounts payable-----	626,475	442,300
Disc. & comm. un-amortized-----	120,552	173,939	Accrued interest-----	264,956	300,925
Prepd. ins., int., &c.-----	49,896	48,715	Res. for Fed. taxes-----	47,995	-----
Inv. B. & R. K. Corp.-----	1	1	Tot. (each side)-----	19,424,939	18,633,785

a Land, buildings, machinery, equipment, &c. \$11,798,124, less \$2,002,242 reserve for depreciation. b Authorized capital, 2,000,000 shares of no par value; outstanding, 1,515,289 shares without par value, representing capital and capital surplus. c 26,974 sh. of cl. B com. stk., carried at nominal value of \$1.—V. 127, p. 957.

Container Corp. of America.—Earnings.—

Quarter Ended March 31—	1929.	1928.
Net income after int., deprec. & Fed. taxes-----	\$35,399	\$376,561

—V. 128, p. 1736.

Continental Can Co., Inc.—Rights.—
 The directors have authorized the sale to stockholders of approximately 152,917 shares of common stock at \$60 per share. Both preferred and common stockholders of record May 3 1929 will be entitled to subscribe until May 23 1929, to 10% of their holdings. The company has arranged for the underwriting of this offering with Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Lehman Bros. so that the company will acquire approximately \$8,900,000 of additional working capital.
 Due to the acquisition of various properties throughout the United States during the past year, the business has grown to such proportions and the prospective developments are such that directors have decided that the company should have the additional working capital to be obtained through the sale of this stock.—V. 128, p. 1561.

Credit Alliance Corp.—Earnings.—

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Notes & oblig. purchased-----	\$50,134,033	\$34,334,407	\$20,709,238	\$8,217,080
Gross profits-----	3,432,805	2,181,657	1,434,692	651,134
Expenses, int., &c.-----	2,224,788	1,222,268	651,263	302,454
Net prof. before taxes-----	\$1,208,017	\$959,389	\$783,429	\$348,679

—V. 128, p. 2274.

Crown Cork & Seal Co., Inc.—
Earnings for Year Ended Dec. 31 1928.

Gross sales-----	\$11,164,619
Returns, cost of sales, selling & general expense-----	8,913,537
Depreciation charged to operations-----	449,467
Amortization of patents-----	246,035
Other ordinary expenses less net of other ordinary income-----	36,532
Profit before extraordinary items, bond interest & discount, profit of subsidiary companies & Federal income taxes-----	\$1,519,049
Net extraord. items incl. net profit on sales of invest. after deduct. of losses on sale of securities & on scrapping of mach. & equip., moving expenses & rental of vacant space-----	550,664
Total profit-----	\$2,069,713
Interest on bonds-----	329,795
Amortization of bond debt discount & expense-----	49,088
Profit before profits of foreign subs. & Federal taxes-----	\$1,690,829
Proport. share of profits of foreign subs. more than 50% owned-----	301,798
Profit before allowance for Federal taxes-----	\$1,992,628
Earnings per sh. on 268,765 shs. com. stock (no par)-----	\$5.95

—V. 128, p. 2274.

Cuneo Press Inc. (& Subs.)—Annual Report.—

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.	1926.
Gross profit on sales-----	\$1,924,830	\$1,623,983	\$1,624,559
Selling, shipping and delivery-----	437,136	465,652	463,937
General and administrative-----	579,871	487,150	279,269
Net profit from operations-----	\$907,824	\$671,182	\$881,354
Other income-----	194,385	87,291	77,842
Total-----	\$1,102,209	\$758,474	\$959,196
Interest-----	99,332	83,621	39,352
Bond amortiz. & moving exp.-----	40,159	25,576	27,444
Provision for Federal taxes-----	85,000	92,000	124,000
Net profits-----	\$877,718	\$557,276	\$881,354
Net prof. of cos. acq. appl. to Cuneo-----	29,559	351,740	-----
Balance, surplus-----	\$907,277	\$909,017	\$768,400
Shs. com. stk. outstand. (no par)-----	171,500	172,500	100,000
Earnings per share-----	\$4.34	\$4.45	\$6.20

a Net profit is after deducting depreciation of \$221,073, based on cost. In addition, depreciation of \$102,603, to provide for exhaustion of value in excess of cost, was charged directly to surplus.—V. 126, p. 3252.

Demery & Co.—Bonds Offered.—Livingstone, Crouse & Co., Detroit, are offering \$225,000 1st mtg. leasehold 6% sinking fund gold bonds at par and int.
 Dated April 1 1929; due April 1 1939. Int. payable A. & O. at the Detroit & Security Trust Co., Detroit, trustee, without deduction for Federal income tax not to exceed 2%. Denoms. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100 c.
 Red. all or part upon 30 days' notice on any date at 102 and int.
 Company.—Incorp. in Michigan in 1912; owns and operates a department store engaged in the distribution of general merchandise.
 Security.—Bonds are specifically secured by a direct pledge and a lien upon Demery & Co.'s interest in the leasehold estate, which expires May 1 1965. Lucian S. Moore, Jr., Vice-Pres. of Wormer & Moore, has appraised the leasehold estate in land and building upon completion at \$413,000.
 Earnings.—Earnings, after ground rental, taxes, insurance, and all other charges, available for interest and Federal Taxes, for the fiscal years ending Feb. 10 1927-28, and Jan. 31 1929, were as follows:

Earnings After All Charges Available for Interest and Federal Taxes.

Year Ending—	
Feb. 10 1927-----	\$37,905
Feb. 10 1928-----	41,925
Jan. 31 1929-----	41,323

Based on the above figures the average annual net earnings available for interest and Federal taxes amounted to \$40,384, equivalent to approximately 3 times the maximum interest charges on this issue of 1st mtg. leasehold sinking fund gold bonds.
 Purpose.—Proceeds will provide funds for the completion of the company's new building to be erected on a portion of the property.
 Guaranty.—Bonds are unconditionally guaranteed both as to principal and interest by Michael J. Demery, whose sworn statement discloses a net worth substantially in excess of this issue of bonds.
 Sinking Fund.—Indenture provides for a sinking fund payable monthly, sufficient in amount to retire 76.5% of this issue prior to maturity.

Diamond Electrical Manufacturing Co.—Status.—
 C. C. Streeter & Co., members of the Los Angeles Stock Exchange, in a recent circular, states:
 This company is a consolidation of the Safety Electrical Products Corp., and Brown & Pengilly, Inc., both of whom were engaged in the electrical equipment, manufacture, and supply business, effected in June, 1927. The Safety Electric Products Corp. was founded in 1920 by H. B. Woodill and associates. Property at the time of consolidation was a factory site of 430 feet frontage on East 16th St. and 500 feet east of Central Ave., Los Angeles. Brown & Pengilly, Inc., were successors to the business of Vernon Brown in 1919, and occupied a factory on East 9th St. in Los Angeles, and a branch was owned in San Francisco. In the consolidation it is understood that the holders of Safety Electric Products received approximately 2,000 shares of preferred and 8,588 shares of common stock of the new company. Brown & Pengilly, Inc., received approximately the same amount of stock.
 Both companies manufactured a fairly complete line of switchboards, panel boards, motor control and switching equipment, as well as wiring specialties of various kinds. The two companies were in competition in most of their products. During the past year a number of improvements in design of products have been introduced, and another new piece of apparatus has just been placed on the market.
 The board of directors consists of Paul D. Howse, President; Vernon Brown, Vice President; J. H. Pengilly, Secretary-Treasurer; Luther J. Lee, F. B. Lewis, Morris B. Miller and H. B. Woodill.

Listed—Los Angeles Curb Exchange.

Capitalization—		Authorized.	Outstanding.
7% pref. stock, par \$100-----		\$1,000,000	\$524,600
Common stock, no par value-----		30,000 shs.	19,492 shs.

The company pays cash dividends at the rate of \$2 per share per annum on the common stock, the last quarterly payment of 50 cents per share having been made on March 31 1929 to holders of record March 24.
 Earnings for—
 Net income after deducting taxes & deprec.-----
 Surplus at beginning of period-----

	Year End. Dec. 31 '28.	7 Mos. End. Dec. 31 '27.
Net income after deducting taxes & deprec.-----	\$118,482	\$42,602
Surplus at beginning of period-----	21,598	-----

Gross surplus----- \$140,080 \$42,602
 Preferred dividends----- 36,722 16,139
 Common dividends----- 19,492 4,865
 Deferred moving expenses written off----- 10,947 -----

Surplus at end of period----- \$72,919 \$21,598
 The net income for the year 1928 after deducting for preferred dividend requirements was equivalent to \$4.195 per share on the outstanding common stock.

Balance Sheet—Dec. 31.

	1928.	1927.		1928.	1927.
Assets—			Liabilities—		
Current assets-----	\$353,050	\$286,689	Current liabilities-----	\$54,831	\$56,595
Invest. (Texas)-----	15,692	-----	Mtge. note pay-----	47,500	50,000
Property (deprec.)-----	323,298	330,881	Empl. stk. subs.-----	7,013	-----
Good will-----	4,500	4,500	Res. for addit. cost of sales-----	2,359	393
Deferred charges-----	22,429	39,246	Pref. stock-----	524,600	523,000
			Com. stock-----	9,746	9,730
			Surplus-----	72,919	21,598
Total-----	\$718,969	\$661,316	Total-----	\$718,968	\$661,316

Distributors Group, Inc.—Sales of North American Trust Shares.—
 At a meeting April 21 of member houses comprising Distributors Group, Inc., a country-wide dealer organization for North American Trust Shares, W. W. Watney, of West & Co., President of the group, reported on the progress of the trust since its organization Jan. 15 1929. Mr. Watney said that in the 90 day period of the trust's operation the group had distributed more than \$7,000,000 of North American Trust Shares which is stated to constitute a record for this particular (fixed) type of security. Actual sales since the public offering on Feb. 19 were 675,710 shares, or \$7,011,604, leaving a reserve on deposit with the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York of \$404,400.
 The following directors were elected as members of the board of Distributors Group, Inc.: Randolph F. Tucker (Pearson, Erhard & Co.), Boston; Henry Lay Duer (W. W. Lanahan & Co.), Baltimore; Tom K. Smith (Kauffman, Smith & Co., Inc.), St. Louis; Bernard B. Robinson (Banks, Huntley & Co.), Los Angeles; John S. Myers (Hughes, Schurman & Dwight, attorneys), New York; W. W. Watney Jr. (West & Co.), Philadelphia; Robert H. Gibson (Gibson & Gradison), Cincinnati; Thomas F. Lee (Lee Stewart & Co.), New York; Frederick A. Mayfield (Mayfield-Adams Co.), Akron, Ohio; W. Bruce Pirnie (Pirnie, Simons & Co., Inc.), Springfield, Mass.; W. E. Stewart (Lee Stewart & Co.), New York.—V. 128, p. 1061.

Dodge Mfg. Co., Toronto.—Initial Dividend.—
 The directors have declared an initial quarterly dividend of 50 cents per share on both the class A cum. convert. \$2 pref. stock and the class B common stock, payable May 1 to holders of record April 20. See offering in V. 128, p. 1562.

Dome Mines, Ltd.—Earnings.—
Approximate Statement—Three Months Jan. 1 to March 31.

	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Average recovery (\$7.535 per ton in 1929)-----	\$1,030,042	\$960,258	\$971,666	\$1,024,094
Oper. & gen. costs (\$3.782 per ton in 1929)-----	517,013	552,013	533,537	611,838
Est. Domin. income tax-----	26,183	20,925	24,738	26,600
Net income-----	\$486,846	\$387,320	\$413,392	\$385,656
Miscellaneous earnings-----	66,564	60,665	71,428	43,556
Total income-----	\$553,410	\$447,985	\$484,820	\$429,212
Earnings per sh. on 953,334 shs. cap. stk. (no par)-----	\$0.58	\$0.47	\$0.51	\$0.45

In the above figures no allowance is made for depreciation or depletion.—V. 128, p. 2097.

Dominion Coal Co., Ltd.—Bonds Called.—
 The company has called for redemption as of May 1 next \$242,500 of 5% 1st mtg. sinking fund gold bonds, due May 1 1940, at 105 and int. Payment will be made at the Royal Trust Co., 105 St. James St., Montreal, Canada.—V. 127, p. 1395.

Dominion Bridge Co., Ltd.—Larger Dividend.—
 The directors have declared a quarterly dividend of 75 cents per share, payable May 15 to holders of record April 30. The last previous quarterly payment was 65 cents per share, made on Feb. 15, last. During 1928, four quarterly dividends at the latter rate were paid, and, in addition, an extra distribution of 20 cents per share was made on Nov. 15, last.—V. 128, p. 408.

Dominion Stores, Ltd.—Listing.—
 The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 272,250 shares of ordinary stock (without par value) on official notice of issuance in exchange for the present outstanding certificates for ordinary stock.

Earnings Years Ended Dec. 31.				
	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Sales	\$23,257,508	\$19,280,716	\$15,256,878	\$12,616,588
Cost of sales	19,053,849	15,607,417	12,237,011	10,124,052
Gross profit	\$4,203,658	\$3,673,299	\$3,019,867	\$2,492,536
Other income	189,227	134,942	89,129	64,283
Gross income	\$4,392,885	\$3,808,241	\$3,108,995	\$2,556,819
Store expense	2,599,836	2,147,175	1,746,266	1,465,693
Depreciation	60,271	52,166	42,535	37,467
General overhead	1,133,959	1,077,755	907,949	761,809
Federal income tax	47,905	42,829	33,708	26,332
Net profit	\$550,914	\$488,316	\$378,537	\$265,516
Previous surplus	781,239	481,922	389,042	219,454
Total surplus	\$1,332,152	\$970,239	\$767,579	\$484,970
Preferred dividends			16,822	48,562
Common dividends	266,062	189,000	177,000	46,866
Miscel. deductions			91,835	500
Profit & loss surplus	\$1,066,090	\$781,239	\$481,922	\$389,042
Shs. com. stk. outstand.	90,750	82,500	75,000	60,000
Earnings per share	\$6.07	\$5.92	\$4.82	\$3.62

(E. I.) Du Pont de Nemours & Co.—Listing.
 The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 47,208 additional shares of non-voting debenture stock and not to exceed 452,508 additional shares of voting common stock, both on official notice of issuance and payment in full, making the total amounts applied for respectively 957,945 shares of 6% non-voting debenture stock, and not to exceed 10,291,183 shares of common stock.

The issue of the forementioned classes of stock was authorized by the directors at their meeting on March 18 1929, for the purpose of acquiring the minority interests in the Du Pont Rayon Co. and the Du Pont Cellulose Co., both of which companies heretofore have been controlled by E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.

Consolidated Income Account 3 Months Ended March 31.				
	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Inc. fr. oper., incl. co.'s eq. in earnings of con. cos.	\$7,442,844	\$3,977,713	\$3,287,771	\$3,321,983
Inc. from investment in General Motors	17,466,131	14,974,930	11,977,865	8,984,263
Inc. from miscell. sec., &c.	1,096,119	3,208,707	525,526	2,359,661
Total income	\$26,005,094	\$22,161,350	\$15,791,162	\$14,665,907
Prov. for Fed. taxes	744,560	625,729	310,830	410,017
Int. on funded debt	20,689	21,423	22,064	30,121
Net income	\$25,239,845	\$21,514,198	\$15,458,268	\$14,225,769
Divs. on deb. stock	1,392,168	1,209,711	1,198,988	1,176,431
Amt. earned on com. stk.	\$23,847,677	\$20,304,487	\$14,259,280	\$13,049,338
Amt. earned per sh. on com. stk. outstanding March 31	\$2.42	\$2.18	\$1.91	\$1.87

Surplus Account.				
	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Surp. at beginning of yr.	\$105,710,319	\$97,785,244	\$66,417,566	\$62,669,541
Net income 3 months	25,239,845	21,514,198	15,458,268	14,225,769
Surp. res't'g fr. rev. of Surp. Mot. inv. (see note)	24,953,050	19,962,440	26,184,371	
Total	\$155,903,214	\$139,261,882	\$108,060,205	\$76,895,310

Divs. on deb. stock \$1,392,168 1,209,711 1,198,988 1,176,431
 Divs. on com. stock \$19,819,672 \$16,634,718 \$13,307,545 \$9,979,645

Surplus at March 31 \$134,691,374 \$121,417,453 \$93,553,672 \$65,739,234
 x Amount earned per share on basis of shares of \$20 par value common stock outstanding March 31 (9,838,675 shs. on 1929; 9,315,803 shs. in 1928.)
 y Earnings per sh. on 2,661,658 shs. of no par value. a Includes \$9,981,220 in 1929 and 1928, representing an extra div. of General Motors Corp. com. stock as against \$7,985,976 in 1927 and \$6,654,145 in 1926. b Includes extra divs. on com. amounting to \$9,981,220 in 1929 and 1928, \$7,984,976 in 1927 and \$6,654,145 in 1926. c Includes approximately \$2,286,000 representing profit received from sale of 114,000 shares of U. S. Steel Corp. common stock. d Includes approximately \$2,000,000 representing interest received from the Government on account of the refund of taxes overpaid for the years 1915 to 1924 inclusive.

Note.—The value of du Pont Co.'s investment in General Motors Corp. common stock was adjusted on the books of the company in March 1928 to \$139,737,080 and in March 1929 to \$164,690,130 which closely corresponded to its net asset value as shown by the balance sheets of the General Motors Corp. at Dec. 31 1927 and Dec. 31 1928, respectively. On the basis of the 9,981,220 shares of \$10 par value now owned, the present figure represents a valuation of \$16.50 per share compared to the previous valuation of \$14 per share.—V. 128, p. 1236.

(Otto) Eisenlohr & Bros., Inc.—Earnings.—				
	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Gross profit	\$1,394,551	\$1,614,878	\$1,476,442	\$1,526,978
Selling, adm. & gen. exp.	1,068,549	1,264,272	981,946	1,084,506
Misc. charges or income	Dr. 61,312	Cr. 11,396	Cr. 15,314	Dr. 73,178
Fed'l inc. tax, estimated	33,000	49,000	10,200	
Net profit	\$231,691	\$313,002	\$499,609	\$369,293
Preferred divs. (7%)	142,800	148,837	154,425	157,801
Balance, surplus	\$ 88,891	\$164,165	\$345,185	\$211,492
Shs. com. outstg. (par\$25)	240,000	240,000	240,000	240,000
Earns. per sh. on com.	\$0.37	\$0.68	\$1.44	\$0.88

Electric Auto-Lite Co.—Earnings.—				
	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Quarter Ended Mar. 31—				
Profit after depreciation	\$4,361,269	\$1,424,950	\$1,003,471	
Expenses, &c.	932,040	218,721	204,987	
Interest	30,145	4,716	22,535	
Profit before Federal tax	\$3,399,084	\$1,201,513	\$775,949	

The net earnings of \$3,399,084 is equal to \$3.74 per share on the common stock after providing for preferred stock dividend requirement. This compares with \$1.69 per share common stock for the first quarter of 1928, computed on the same basis. If the company's proportionate earnings in Eclipse Machine Co. and Columbus Auto Parts Co. were included in the first quarter earnings it would bring the earnings per common share up to \$4.10 from \$3.74.

C. O. Miniger, Pres., states that "shipments for April and shipping specifications for balance of second quarter justify the prediction that second quarter earnings will exceed the first quarter by a substantial margin."—V. 128, p. 2470.

Electric Boat Co. (& Subs.).—Earnings.—				
(Exclusive of New London Ship & Engine Co.)				
	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Gross income from oper.	\$3,235,983	\$3,863,716	\$5,095,911	\$5,189,591
Cost of operation	2,549,864	2,762,383	3,559,888	4,129,992
Gross profit	\$686,119	\$1,101,333	\$1,536,023	\$1,059,510
Exps. not appor. to cost.	631,224	656,478	623,735	615,796
Net profit	\$54,895	\$444,856	\$912,288	\$443,713
Other income	1,096,485	177,820	98,627	90,495
Gross income	\$1,151,380	\$622,676	\$1,010,915	\$534,208
Interest, discount, &c.	209,567	139,658	74,284	10,558
Depreciation			63,958	
Balance, surplus	\$941,813	\$483,018	\$872,672	\$523,650
Shs. cap. stk. out. (no par)	800,000	766,932	766,932	766,932
Earns. per sh. on cap. stk.	\$1.17	\$0.63	\$1.14	\$0.68

x Subject to amortization of patents and additional depreciation.

The New London Ship & Engine Co. for the year ended Dec. 31 1928 reports a net loss of \$683,882 after interest, depreciation, &c., comparing with net profit of \$2,078 the previous year.—V. 128, p. 2638.

Emporium Capwell Corp. (& Subs.).—Earnings.—			
	1929.	1928.	1927.
Years Ended Jan. 31—			
Net sales of merchandise	\$27,653,712	\$24,146,093	
Sales of tenants' departments	2,302,341	2,168,755	
Net sales—Own departments	\$25,351,371	\$21,977,338	
Cost of sales	16,689,648	14,540,023	
Gross profit on sales	\$8,661,723	\$7,437,315	
Income from tenants' departments and other rentals earned	653,307	542,561	
Gross profit	\$9,315,030	\$7,979,876	
Operating expense	7,833,842	6,556,090	
Operating profit	\$1,481,188	\$1,423,786	
Other income (net)	384,040	384,081	
Net profit	\$1,865,228	\$1,606,867	
Depreciation and amortization	263,129	233,698	
Interest paid	463,573	243,399	
Provision for Federal income tax	60,000	103,150	
Consolidated net profit	\$1,078,526	\$1,026,619	
Previous surplus	1,277,878	986,862	
Increment resulting from acquirement, during the year, of 181 shares of Emporium's capital stock held by minority stockholders at Jan. 31 1927—		3,906	
Adjustment of carrying charges	38,142		
Adjustment of provision for inc. taxes prior years	20,582		
Total surplus	\$2,415,129	\$2,017,386	
Common dividends	705,716	706,805	
Preferred dividends	18,221	18,221	
Additional Federal income tax for prior year		14,483	
Consolidated profit & loss surplus Jan. 31	\$1,691,192	\$1,277,878	
Earns. per sh. on 360,000 shs. com. stock (no par)	\$2.94	\$2.80	

Evans Auto Loading Co.—Earnings.—			
(Including Lumber Products Corp.)			
	1929.	1928.	1927.
Quarter Ended Mar. 31—			
Gross profit after depreciation	\$515,314	\$316,581	
Expenses	124,866	72,810	
Operating profit	\$390,448	\$243,771	
Other income	16,481	17,659	
Total income	\$406,929	\$261,430	
Interest	12,923	1,168	
Federal taxes	47,281	35,136	
Net profit	\$346,725	\$225,131	
Earns. per sh. on 239,700 shs. com. stk. (par \$5)	\$1.45	\$0.94	

Evans Wallower Lead Co.—Earnings.—			
	1929.	1928.	1927.
Quarter Ended Mar. 31—			
Net inc. after deprec. but before depletion	\$168,896	\$80,281	

Fairbanks, Morse & Co. (& Subs.).—Earnings.—				
Calendar Years—				
	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Net shipments	\$30,542,421	\$28,391,417	\$31,550,385	\$29,357,668
Operating profit	3,819,422	3,266,967	4,387,228	4,525,838
Depr. on bldgs. & equip.	857,778	898,750	856,085	950,349
Interest on loans	393,333	342,222	248,684	
Federal taxes	289,174	256,204	427,690	449,145
Contrib. to pension fund	154,955	128,184	114,381	110,094
Net income	\$2,124,182	\$1,641,607	\$2,740,387	\$3,016,250
Surp. and undiv. profit brought forward	\$12,929,889	13,698,974	12,676,464	11,145,378
Net profit of Municipal Acceptance Corp.	37,490			
Total surplus	\$15,091,561	\$15,340,581	\$15,416,851	\$14,161,628
Prep. on redemp. of pf.	7,165	14,476	17,691	
Adjustments	91,306	155,905	8,278	Cr. 1,444
Pats., good-will, written off subsidiaries			70,000	
Disc. & int. on 15-yr. 5% debenture issue		457,255		
Wisconsin tax settlement		173,208		
Preferred dividends	492,541	503,321	515,426	526,825
Div. pref. stock Moline Scale Co.				717
Common dividends	1,106,613	1,106,526	1,106,483	959,064
do rate	(\$3)	(\$3)	(\$3)	(\$2.60)
Balance of surplus and undiv. profits	\$13,393,935	\$12,929,889	\$13,698,974	\$12,676,464
Shs. com. outst. (no par)	368,977	368,977	368,977	368,977
Earns. per sh. on com.	\$4.52	\$3.08	\$6.03	\$6.74

a Including \$2,081,472 undivided profits of subsidiaries.—V. 127, p. 2691.

Fashion Park Associates, Inc.—Initial Dividends.
 The directors on April 25 declared a cash dividend of 62½c. per share and a stock dividend of ¼ of 1% on the common stock, payable on June 29 to holders of record June 17.

A statement of the company's dividend policy follows:
 "Inasmuch as the common stock of Fashion Park Associates, Inc., is now distributed among those who were formerly common stockholders of Fashion Park, Inc., the Stein-Bloch Co. and Weber & Heilbronner, Inc. (each of which companies had a different dividend rate), the directors concluded that an early statement of the company's dividend policy should be made to stockholders.

"Although, in due course, the quarterly dividend upon the common stock of the company is not payable until the end of June, the board declared a cash dividend of 62½c. per share and a stock div. of ¼ of 1% payable in common stock, which is at the rate of \$2.50 per share per annum in cash, and 3% per annum in stock. Both dividends are payable June 29 1929 to stockholders of record June 17 1929. Transfer books will not close, but checks and stock and (or) scrip will be mailed to stockholders in due course.

At the annual meeting of stockholders, the authorized number of directors was increased to 20, and the following were elected to the board for the ensuing year: Louis M. Weiller, George G. Goldberg, David C. Barry, Herbert H. Maass, Monroe C. Gutman, Edward R. Rosenberg, George H. Harris, Dan C. Lippmann, Meyer F. Lang, Simon N. Stela, Maurice Newton, James H. Becker, George Lytton, Harry C. D'Annunzio, Herman Levi, Sidney H. Rhodes and John C. Mayer.

The following officers were elected: Louis M. Weiller, Chairman of the Board; Edward R. Rosenberg, President; David C. Barry, Vice-President; Dan C. Lippmann, Vice-President; George G. Harris, Treasurer; Herbert H. Maass, Secretary, and John C. Mayer, Assistant Secretary.—V. 128, p. 2275.

Federated Publications, Inc.—Earnings.—			
Earnings Year Ended Dec. 31 1928.			
	1928.	1927.	1926.
Operating revenues	\$2,202,778		
Operating expenses	1,659,605		
Interest	150,000		
Other expenses	32,664		
Depreciation	40,767		
Federal taxes	38,369		
Net profit	\$281,372		
Earns. per share on 50,000 shares common stock (no par)	\$3.54		

—V. 127, p. 3547.

Ferro Enameling Co.—Earnings.
The company reports for the 3 months ended March 31 1929 net profit of \$105,395. After reserve for Federal taxes and commission to Ferro Enamel Supply Co., less net non-operating revenues, there was a balance of \$78,318 available for dividends on the class A preferential stock, equivalent to \$3.13 a share. Company is said to be the largest manufacturer of porcelain enamel for distribution in the world.—V. 128, p. 1914.

Ferro Realty Co.—Bonds Offered.—First National Bank, Cincinnati, recently offered \$525,000 10-year 6% bonds at 99 and interest.

Dated Jan 1 1929; due Jan. 1 1939. Denom. \$1,000. First National Bank of Cincinnati, trustee. Interest payable J.-J. at First National Bank, Cincinnati. Red. all or part on any interest date upon 30 days notice at 103 on or before July 1 1933, and at 102 thereafter.

Guaranty.—Each bond bears the endorsement of the Ferro Concrete Construction Co., which has guaranteed the payment of principal and interest on this issue.

History and Business.—Company was founded in 1922. Business consists largely in providing funds for buildings erected by the Ferro Concrete Construction Co., one of Cincinnati's outstanding builders of commercial structures. These buildings are generally built to order and leased on long-term leases to responsible concerns, with or without privilege of purchase.

Purpose.—Proceeds will be used to refund the company's current obligations and to provide additional working capital.

Rentals.—The properties securing this issue yield annually \$54,483 at present rentals, which is more than 10% on the bonds to be presently issued.

(Wm.) Filene's & Sons Co.—Earnings.

Years Ended Jan. 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Net sales	\$34,173,186	\$30,372,457	\$28,473,566	\$26,299,754
Cost of sales	22,388,484	19,829,259	18,718,484	17,422,351
Operating expenses	9,435,308	8,480,848	7,821,712	7,636,902
Depreciation—Real estate, fixtures & equip.	52,865	33,878	37,160	39,669
Net income from oper.	\$2,296,529	\$2,028,471	\$1,896,209	\$1,200,830
Other income	283,226	313,700	209,558	137,148
Total income	\$2,579,755	\$2,342,171	\$2,105,768	\$1,337,978
Miscellaneous expense	3,295	48,367	—	—
Interest paid	27,258	17,051	42,257	7,281
Income taxes (estimated on basis of 12%)	279,797	212,462	202,335	139,624
Net profit for period	\$2,269,405	\$2,064,292	\$1,861,176	\$1,191,074

—V. 128, p. 2470.

(M.H.) Fishman & Co., Inc. (5c. to \$1 Stores)—Registrar
The Chase National Bank has been appointed registrar for 75,000 shares of common stock, not par value, and 3,780 shares of 7% cum. conv. pref. series A stock, par \$100.—V. 128, p. 2638.

Fisk Rubber Co.—Listing.
The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 852,158 shares of common stock (without par value) on official notice of issuance making the total amount applied for 1,966,022 shares. See V. 128, p. 1563, 2098.

Fleischmann Company.—Earnings.

Quar. End. Mar. 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Net sales	\$14,707,091	\$15,510,911	\$15,130,160	\$14,984,387
Costs and expenses	16,322,347	10,546,071	10,343,185	10,387,859
Operating profit	\$4,384,744	\$4,964,840	\$4,786,975	\$4,596,528
Other income	409,801	270,069	221,263	178,643
Gross income	\$4,794,545	\$5,234,909	\$5,008,238	\$4,775,171
Charges & Federal taxes	580,550	701,917	667,742	643,793
Net income	\$4,213,995	\$4,532,992	\$4,340,496	\$4,131,378
Prof. dividends	18,330	18,330	18,333	18,522
Com. dividends	3,375,000	3,375,000	3,375,000	2,250,000
Surplus	\$820,665	\$1,139,662	\$947,163	\$1,862,856
Profit & loss, credit	—	—	8,049	7,689
Ins. fund & profit & loss charges	28,198	57,279	41,907	262,186
Net surplus	\$792,467	\$1,082,383	\$913,305	\$1,608,359
Earns. per sh. on 4,500,000 shs. com. (no par)	\$0.93	\$1.04	\$0.96	\$0.91

V. 128, p. 876.

Flintkote Co.—Earnings.

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Sales	\$12,022,166a	\$14,352,666	\$9,020,663	\$7,948,820
Net profit	702,062	729,589	715,323	512,515

a Equal, after preferred dividends to \$4.51 on the average amount of common stock outstanding during the year. a Includes the Richardson Co. and the Chatfield Manufacturing Co., both acquired as of Jan. 1 1927.—V. 128, p. 737.

Follansbee Brothers Co.—Extra Common Dividend.
The directors have declared the regular quarterly dividend of 50c. per share and an extra cash dividend of 25c. per share on the common stock, also the regular quarterly cash dividend of 1 1/2% on the preferred stock, all payable June 15 to holders of record May 31. Like amounts were paid on Dec. 15 1928 and on March 15 last. On Sept. 15 1928 a quarterly dividend of 50c. per share was made on the common stock, compared with a dividend of 37 1/2c. per share in June of last year.—V. 128, p. 2470.

Foundation Co.—Earnings for Calendar Years.

	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Gross income	\$1,415,714	\$1,792,476	\$2,237,089	\$2,067,222
Federal taxes	—	—	50,000	35,000
Expenses, &c.	1,105,507	1,309,977	1,180,709	1,022,661
Net income	\$310,207	\$483,378	\$1,006,380	\$1,009,561
Common divs. (cash) do stock	—	449,955	799,604	687,792
Surplus	\$310,207	\$33,423	\$86,495	\$321,769
Shs. of cap. out. (no par)	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Earns. per sh. on com	\$3.10	\$4.83	\$10.06	\$10.09

Balance Sheet Dec. 31.

Assets—	1928.	1927.	Liabilities	1928.	1927.
Cash	\$482,917	\$383,515	Capital stock	\$6,795,000	\$6,795,000
Short-term secur. accrued interest	—	85,296	Accounts payable	673,745	489,130
Notes receivable	121,675	174,211	Accepts. payable	4,930	104,823
Current accts. rec.	1,961,059	2,356,334	Bank loans	370,445	698,985
Value of life insur.	3,179	79,201	Res. for conting.	300,000	300,000
Accts. rec. (to be sec. by real est. mortgage)	734,400	726,570	Oth. accts. accts.	27,373	21,912
Notes & accts. rec.	206,972	157,206	Mtge. on Founda- tion Building	381,000	388,000
Adv. on contracts	346,066	77,264	Surplus	504,535	419,438
Materials on hand	565,421	552,971			
Prep. & def. accts.	95,565	46,397			
Real est. & bldgs., plant & equip.	2,014,381	2,027,623			
Stock of affil. cos.	1,332,732	1,332,732			
Oth. stk. & bonds	417,518	430,323			
Good-will & pat's	675,145	675,145			
Stock issue expense	100,000	112,500			

Tot. (each side) \$9,057,029 \$9,217,290

a Represented by 100,000 shares of no par value. b Consisting of real estate and buildings, \$1,135,991 plant and equipment, \$1,732,563; furniture and fixtures, \$39,089; less depreciation of \$893,262.—V. 128, p. 1237.

Franklin Surety Co.—New Director.
Irwin S. Chanin has been elected a director.—V. 127, p. 1813.

(Chas.) Freshman Co., Inc. (& Sub. Co.)—Earnings.

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.
Operating profit	loss \$52,976	\$1,365,020
Selling and advertising expenses	1,243,641	1,044,950
General and administrative expenses	428,549	427,313
Discount and miscell. charges, less sundry income	82,558	136,138
Royalties	123,606	217,157
Inventories, adjustments, special rebates, &c.	654,837	—

Loss for the year	\$2,586,169	\$460,539
Balance Jan. 1	754,939	1,837,018
Royalties and other expense applicable thereto	338,848	621,540
Sundry charges not applicable to current operations	Dr 1,964	—
Capital surplus	2,300,000	—

Balance Dec. 31 \$805,654 \$754,939
Note.—The loss for the year 1927 includes an amount of \$224,304 representing obsolete and inactive materials written off at the close of the year.—V. 128, p. 410.

General Bronze Corp.—New Directors.
Julius H. Barnes and Everett B. Swezey have been elected directors. Mr. Barnes was formerly president of the United States Chamber of Commerce.—V. 127, p. 2828.

General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y.—Earnings.

Earns. for Quar. End. March 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.
Orders received	\$101,365,208	\$79,925,840	\$77,550,581
Net sales billed	83,385,015	71,640,790	72,474,474
Cost of sales billed, incl. oper., maint. & deprec. chgs., res. & prov. for all taxes	73,206,207	63,404,808	63,641,301
Net income from sales	\$10,178,808	\$8,235,983	\$8,833,173
Oth. inc. less int. paid & sund. chgs.	4,327,178	3,669,504	2,888,558
Profit available for dividends	\$14,505,986	\$11,905,487	\$11,671,731
Cash dividends on special stock	643,688	643,644	643,587
Profits avail. for divs. on com. stock	\$13,862,298	\$11,261,843	\$11,028,144
Earns. per sh. on 7,211,482 shs. com. stock (no par)	\$1.92	\$1.56	\$1.53

—V. 128, p. 2639.

General Mills, Inc.—Listing.
The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of (1) 6,308 additional shares of 6% cumulative preferred stock (par \$100) and 7,900 additional shares of common stock (without par value) upon official notice of issuance in partial exchange for the assets and business of the Larrowe Milling Co., (2) 31,283 additional shares of preferred stock and 1,185 additional shares of common stock (without par value) upon official notice of issuance and payment in full making a total amount applied for to date; 250,000 shares of preferred stock, and 675,096 shares of common stock.
By resolutions of the board of directors adopted March 30, the officers were authorized to issue shares of its preferred stock and common stock, as follows:
6,308 shares of preferred stock and 7,900 shares of common stock upon the acquisition of substantially the entire business and assets of the Larrowe Milling Co. as part of the consideration therefor.
1,185 shares of common stock, to be issued to General Mills Securities Corp., upon the payment therefor in cash at a price equal to 60% of the market price at the time of issue.
31,283 shares of preferred stock, to be issued and sold for cash, and (or) for first mortgage bonds of Sperry Flour Co. issued in connection with the retirement thereof.

Pro Forma Consolidated Balance Sheet as at May 31 1928.

Assets—	Liabilities—		
Cash	\$7,495,217	Notes payable	\$11,755,200
Inv. in marketable securities	252,995	Savings accts. of off. & empl.	2,224,695
Drafts	2,068,391	Accounts payable	1,715,910
Notes & accounts receivable	6,422,032	Acct. exp., local taxes, &c.	487,068
Advances on grain	1,164,815	Prov. for Federal tax	1,715,054
Inventories	27,005,269	Divs. accr. or payable (pre- Mrtgs. & notes rec. (Sperry)	383,408
Deferred charges & prep. exps.	209,125	Reserve for organz. exp.	200,000
Miscellaneous assets	704,194	Special & contingent reserves	2,456,000
Land, bldgs. & equip.	23,301,534	Preferred stock	25,000,000
Water power rights, goodwill, &c.	1	Common stock	16,946,408
		Initial surplus	6,157,288
Total	\$69,041,031	Total	\$69,041,031

Note.—Above balance sheet gives effect to the retirement on June 1 1929 of the first mortgage 6% sinking fund gold bonds (\$4,410,500) of the Sperry Flour Co. outstanding and assumed by General Mills, Inc., and to the issue and sale of 31,283 shares of preferred stock.—V. 128, p. 2639.

General Motors Corp.—First Quarter Earnings Shows Decrease as Compared with Similar Period of 1928.—Pres. Alfred P. Sloan, announced April 25, the following:

Net earnings of General Motors Corp., including equities in the undivided profits of subsidiary and affiliated companies not consolidated, for the first quarter, ended March 31 1929, were \$61,910,987, which compares with \$69,468,576 for the corresponding period a year ago. After deducting dividends on preferred and debenture stocks amounting to \$2,351,770, there remains \$59,559,217, being the amount earned on the common shares outstanding. This is equivalent to \$1.37 per share on the common stock, as against \$1.54 per share for the first quarter of 1928, calculated on a comparable basis.

Abnormal expense due to major year-end model changes in certain important divisions had an important influence on earnings and although sales, both to dealers and users, exceeded the corresponding period of the previous year, they did not reflect the full demand for the corporations' products due to a shortage of cars, particularly Chevrolet. Total stocks in the hands of dealers at March 31 1929 were subnormal and substantially lower than at the corresponding date in 1928.

For the three months ended March 31, retail sales by General Motors dealers to users were 448,176 cars, compared with 423,013 cars in the corresponding period of 1928, an increase of 5.9%. General Motors sales to dealers for the three months totaled 523,119 cars, compared with 492,234 cars in the corresponding period of 1928, an increase of 6.3%.
Cash, U. S. Government and other marketable securities, at March 31 1929, amounted to \$181,963,199. Bank loans were \$30,000,000. Current conditions are satisfactory.

Overseas Organizations.
In the year ended Dec. 31 1928, the wholesale value of General Motors sales overseas approximated \$252,000,000, or over 17.3% of the total business of the corporation. Its exports in 1927 were 172 millions; in 1926 they were 98 millions; in 1925 they were 77 millions; and in 1924, over 50 millions.

Pres. Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., says: "General Motors is truly becoming international in scope and character. At strategic centers of world trade, we now have 24 subsidiary operations that are assembling cars and selling them through distributors and dealers in more than 100 countries. General Motors has made an investment overseas of over 65 million dollars in plant, equipment, inventories and working capital. General Motors is not merely selling its cars in these markets, but is in business in those countries and is making itself a part of the economic life of those nations." A booklet, just issued by the corporation, gives a brief outline of the corporation's overseas operations. It says in part:

The corporation owns all of the stock of the General Motors Acceptance Corp. except directors' qualifying shares. In every overseas country where General Motors has assembly plants and warehouses there is a branch of the Acceptance Corporation which furnishes a financial service (1) to the assembly plants, (2) to the overseas dealers and (3) to the retail buyers.

From the beginning of the overseas department of the Acceptance Corporation in 1919 to the end of 1928, this department has purchased ob-

ligations of overseas dealers and retail buyers totalling \$384,772,708, of which \$127,968,262 was in 1928.

Since the year 1920, nearly 850,000 General Motors cars and trucks have been sold in the overseas markets of the world. For the past 3 years, the value of General Motors cars and trucks sold abroad has exceeded the value of sales of any other manufacturer, and in 1928 General Motors unit volume in export was over twice as great as that of its nearest competitor.

Sales overseas by the export organizations of General Motors follows:

Year	No. of Cars & Trucks		Net Sales Wholesale		
	No. of Cars & Trucks	Net Sales Wholesale	No. of Cars & Trucks	Net Sales Wholesale	
1922	21,872	\$19,875,015	1926	118,791	98,156,088
1923	45,000	39,193,869	1927	193,830	171,991,251
1924	64,845	50,929,322	1928	282,157	252,152,284
1925	100,894	77,109,696			

The personnel of the export organizations of General Motors total over 18,000 people. More than 100 countries, from Iceland in the north to New Zealand in the south, and from Peru in the west to Japan in the east are served by these export operations through distributors and dealers, and through countless service stations.

The overseas organizations of General Motors are: (1) General Motors Export Co., New York, which distributes General Motors cars and trucks in overseas territories not covered by General Motors overseas operations, and has zone offices in 14 cities abroad; (2) General Motors Ltd., London, England, which distributes cars and trucks in Great Britain and Ireland, and has an assembly plant at London; (3) General Motors International, A-S, Copenhagen, Denmark, which distributes cars and trucks in Denmark, Norway, Estonia, Iceland, Latvia and Lithuania, and has an assembly plant at Copenhagen; (4) General Motors Nordiska, A-B, Stockholm, Sweden, which distributes cars and trucks in Sweden and Finland, and has an assembly plant at Stockholm; (5) General Motors w Polsce Sp. z o.o., Warsaw, Poland, which distributes cars and trucks in Poland and Danzig Free State, and has an assembly plant at Warsaw; (6) General Motors Continental, S. A., Antwerp, Belgium, which distributes cars and trucks in Belgium, Holland and Switzerland, and has an assembly plant at Antwerp; (7) General Motors G. m. b. H., Berlin, Germany, which distributes cars and trucks in Germany, Austria, Czechoslovakia, Hungary and European Russia, and has an assembly plant at Berlin; (8) General Motors (France) S. A., Paris, France, which distributes cars and trucks in France, Algeria, French Morocco and Tunisia, and has a warehouse at Le Havre; (9) General Motors Peninsular, S. A., Madrid, Spain, which distributes cars and trucks in Spain, Portugal, Spanish Morocco, Canary Islands and Gibraltar, and has a warehouse at Madrid; (10) General Motors Near East, S. A., Alexandria, Egypt, which distributes cars and trucks in Egypt, Greece, Italy, Bulgaria, Arabia, Hejaz, Iraq, Italian Africa, Aden, Syria, Persia west of 56° E. L., Palestine, Jugoslavia, Roumania and Turkey, and has a warehouse at Alexandria; (11) General Motors Argentina, S. A., Buenos Aires, Argentina, which distributes cars and trucks in Argentina and Paraguay, and has an assembly plant at Buenos Aires; (12) General Motors or Brazil, S. A., Sao Paulo, Brazil, which distributes cars and trucks in Brazil, and has an assembly plant at Sao Paulo, and branch warehouses at Recife and Porto Alegre; (13) General Motors Uruguay, S. A., Montevideo, Uruguay, which distributes cars and trucks in Uruguay, and has an assembly plant at Montevideo; (14) General Motors South African, Ltd., Port Elizabeth, South Africa, which distributes cars and trucks in the Union of South Africa, Rhodesia, British Southwest Africa, Portuguese East Africa, Nyasaland, Bechuanaland and the Katanga district of the Belgian Congo, and has an assembly plant at Port Elizabeth; (15) General Motors (Australia) Pty. Ltd., Melbourne, Australia, which distributes cars and trucks in Australia, and has assembly plants at Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth and Sydney; (16) General Motors New Zealand, Ltd., Wellington, New Zealand, which distributes cars and trucks in New Zealand, and has an assembly plant at Wellington; (17) General Motors Japan, Ltd., Osaka, Japan, which distributes cars and trucks in Japan, Korea, China and Manchuria, and has an assembly plant at Osaka; (18) N. V. General Motors Java, Batavia, Java, which distributes cars and trucks in the Dutch East Indies, French Indo-China, Siam and the Straits Settlements, and has an assembly plant at Batavia; (19) General Motors India, Ltd., Bombay, India, which distributes cars and trucks in British India, Ceylon and Persia east of 56° E. L., and has an assembly plant at Bombay; (20) Vauxhall Motors, Ltd., Luton, England, which manufactures Vauxhall motor cars and handles their sale in Great Britain and Ireland, and has a plant at Luton; (21) Delco-Remy & Hyatt, Ltd., London, England, which handles sales and service on all corporation accessory products in the British Isles and on the Continent of Europe, and has technical and service headquarters at London; (22) Overseas Motor Service Corp., New York, which handles sales and service overseas on all corporation accessory products.

Note.—All stock of Nos. 1 to 19 incl., and No. 21, is owned by General Motors Corp.; all common stock of No. 20 is owned by General Motors Corp.; and all stock of No. 23 is owned by General Motors Export Co.—V. 128, p. 2639, 2264, 2099.

General Railway Signal Co.—Earnings.—

Quarter Ended March 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Net earnings, after depr., Fed. tax., &c.	\$314,331	\$214,730	\$715,373	\$966,705
Shs. com. stk. outstanding (no par)	357,500	357,500	325,000	325,000
Earnings per share	\$0.76	\$0.48	\$2.08	\$2.85

—V. 128, p. 897.

General Refractories Co.—Earnings Increase.—

President Burrows Sloan in a statement says in part: "The earnings for the first quarter of 1929 were greater than for any quarter during the company's existence and the unusually high activity of iron and steel, copper, and other industries this year to date should result in continued large demand for refractories."

"The company's export trade is developing steadily, its products are becoming more widely known and the steady increase in the number of its customers, as well as the growing diversity of the industries using its products, all point to a continued growth of its markets."

"The company has favorable contracts with a number of leading concerns in many industries. It has secured contracts with a number of the leading railroads of the United States."

"On Monday, April 8, 1929, the company retired all its outstanding bonded indebtedness, thereby adding to its earnings for future months the interest on such debt. After this refinancing the company's balance sheet shows current assets to current liabilities in a ratio in excess of \$10 to \$1. It has a considerable cash balance on hand has no floating or bonded debt, no preferred stocks and there is nothing whatever ahead of the common stock. As at March 31, 1929, its accumulated undistributed earnings, available for dividends, were in excess of \$3,000,000 and the company should therefore be able to maintain its present rate of extra and regular dividends indefinitely."—V. 128, p. 2277.

Glidden Company.—Earnings.—Acquisition.—

Period End, March 31—	1929—Month—	1928.	1929—5 Mos.—	1928.
Net profit after int. depreciation & Fed. taxes	\$357,357	\$202,651	\$921,772	\$515,985

The company has acquired the vegetable oil refinery and food products plant of the Palmolive-Peet Co. at Portland, Ore.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 100,000 additional shares of common stock (without par value) upon official notice of issuance and payment in full upon subscription by stockholders at \$35 per share and 5,276 additional shares of prior preference stock (par \$100) upon official notice of issuance and payment in full for the purpose of acquiring an interest in the capital stock of Metals Refining Co.

(Consolidated Balance Sheet Feb. 28 1929 Giving Effect to New Financing.)

Assets—		Liabilities—	
Land, buildings &c.	\$11,194,229	7% prior preference stock	\$7,444,300
Good-will, trade-marks, &c.	2,803,643	6% pfd. stk. Metals Ref. Co.	500,000
Cash	764,543	Common stock	2,000,000
Customers' notes & acc. rec.	4,357,593	Notes payable	1,800,000
Misc. current notes, accts., &c.	425,075	Accounts payable	1,138,808
Inventories	6,532,840	Dividends payable	371,042
Other assets	1,518,927	Accrued taxes, int., &c.	470,541
Deferred assets	454,752	Mtge. for prop. purchase	150,000
		Bonded debt, subsidiary	355,000
		Res. for general contingencies	354,242
		Capital surplus	7,566,884
		Unearned surplus	1,439,893
		Earned surplus	3,460,891
Total	\$28,051,602	Total	\$28,051,602

a 600,000 shares, no par value.—V. 128, p. 2099, 2639.

General Spring Bumper Corp.—Stock Distribution.—

The stockholders will vote May 15 on approving a plan whereby one-half share of class B stock will be distributed to the stockholders for each share of class A or B stock held.—V. 128, p. 2099.

(B. F.) Goodrich Co.—Listing.—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 207,728 additional shares of common stock (without par value) upon official notice of issuance and payment in full, pursuant to offering to stockholders or sale to bankers, making the total amount applied for 1,053,638 shares.—V. 128, p. 2640.

Gould Coupler Co.—Earnings.—

Quarters End, Mar. 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Net profit after deprec., Federal taxes, &c.	\$100,048	\$145,185	\$134,624	\$209,101
Other income	25,600	10,899	14,750	11,521
Total	\$125,648	\$156,084	\$149,374	\$220,622
Interest	69,000	70,591	72,250	72,376
Net profit	\$56,648	\$85,492	\$77,124	\$148,246
Earns. per share on class A stock	\$0.32	\$0.48	\$0.44	\$0.85

V. 128, p. 2277.

Graham-Paige Motor Corp.—Rights.—

The directors have voted to offer the common and 2nd pref. stockholders of record April 29, the right to subscribe pro rata to 283,758 additional shares of no par common stock at \$25 per share. This will provide subscription rights on the basis of 1 1/2 shares for each share of 2nd pref. stock and 1 1/2 shares for each 10 shares of common stock held.

The Graham brothers, in behalf of the Graham Bros. Corp. of New York, have agreed to purchase at \$25 per share all such additional shares as may not be subscribed by the stockholders. "The new stock," says President Joseph B. Graham, "is to provide additional capital to handle our steadily increasing production which is now running in excess of 500 cars."

Quarter Ended March 31—

Net profit after chgs. & Federal taxes	1929.	1928.
	\$523,641	\$257,783
Shares common stock outstanding	1,442,343	1,052,926
Earns. per share	\$0.29	\$0.15

—V. 128, p. 2640.

(F. & W.) Grand 5-10-25 Cent Stores, Inc.—Listing.—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 21,000 additional shares of common stock (without par value) upon official notice of issuance upon the conversion of the 6% convertible sinking fund gold debentures of the F. & W. Grand Properties Corp., making the total amount applied for 314,532 shares.—V. 128, p. 2277.

Grand Rapids Varnish Corp.—Earnings.—

Quarter Ended March 31—	1929.	1928.
Gross sales	\$376,808	\$323,797
Net profit	54,898	38,181

—V. 128, p. 738.

Grand Union Co.—Merger with Royal Importing Co.—

The company has acquired the business of the Royal Importing Co., a large distributor of tea, coffee, &c., in the Middle West. The latter company, whose business was established about 20 years ago, has 84 advance premium routes in operation in and around Buffalo, Cleveland, Detroit, Milwaukee and St. Louis. Sales in 1928 amounted to approximately \$1,000,000.—V. 128, p. 2472.

Granger Trading Corp.—Earnings Favorable.—

Earnings during February and March were at the rate of 20% on the capital employed, according to an announcement by the board of directors. The corporation has been employing a substantial proportion of its funds in the call money market and arbitrage field, which has made possible the excellent rate of earnings during a period of extreme irregularity in the general stock market. It is expected that an initial dividend will be declared at the May meeting of the board of directors, covering the first fiscal quarter.—V. 128, p. 1564.

Granite Mills of Fall River.—Receivership.—

Judge Cox of the Mass. Superior Court has appointed Thomas B. Bassett as permanent receiver. The judge directed the receiver not to sell the finished goods of the mills below the market value, saying: "I do not think insolvent concerns should be allowed to dump goods on the market and spoil the market for other going concerns." The court was informed that the finished goods on hand were worth about \$20,000.

According to information given the court, the mill owes \$750,000, and the whole plant might bring between \$500,000 and \$700,000. It is assessed for \$1,250,000. Operation of the plant was permanently suspended about two weeks ago.—V. 125, p. 2537.

Graton & Knight Co.—Earnings.—

The company reports for the year ended Dec. 31 1928, net profits after interest, taxes and extraordinary expenditures, of \$226,101, equal to 98 cents per share on 83,046 common shares after allowance for full year's 7% dividends on 20,580 preferred shares. Appropriation of \$397,690 to increase the special inventory reserve resulted in a deficit for the year's operations of \$171,589. Before setting aside inventory reserves and appropriation for development purposes, profits amounted to approximately \$400,000.—V. 126, p. 2978.

Graybar Electric Co.—Enters Into New Contract.—

Arrangements have been completed for the national distribution by this company of the street lighting equipment of the Union Metal Manufacturing Co., of Canton, O. In making the foregoing announcement the company stated it would continue to act as distributor for the street lighting equipment of the King Co., Sheffield, Ala., as well.—V. 127, p. 2692.

Graymur Corp.—Stock Offered.—G. M.-P. Murphy & Co. are offering up to 300,000 shares of common stock, no par value, at \$53 per share.

Transfer agent, Guaranty Trust Co. of New York, Registrar, the New York Trust Co. Company.—Has been organized in Delaware, with broad powers, to acquire, hold, sell and generally to deal in, stock and other securities and to participate in syndicates, underwritings and other financial operations.

Capitalization.—Corporation has an authorized capitalization of 375,000 shares (no par value), all of the same class. Corporation is to enter into a contract with G. M.-P. Murphy & Co., as bankers, pursuant to which the bankers are to be entitled to acquire from, or sell for, the corporation up to 300,000 shares on or before June 30 1929 at a price to the corporation of not less than \$50 per share. Corporation will commence business with at least 100,000 shares outstanding, to yield to the corporation not less than \$5,000,000 net. The bankers are to pay all expenses incidental to the organization of the corporation.

Corporation is to grant to the bankers options, protected against dilution, entitling the bankers or their assigns to purchase one share for each four shares acquired or sold by the bankers pursuant to their contract, at \$55 per share to and incl. May 1 1932 and at \$60 per share thereafter and to and incl. May 1 1935.

Management.—The funds and investments of the corporation are to be managed by G. M.-P. Murphy & Co., under a management contract which is to be subject to termination by the managers in case at any time persons designated by the managers are not elected as directors, or by the corporation at the option of the holders of a majority of the stock of the corporation.

G. M.-P. Murphy & Co. will make no charges for their services as managers under the management contract. Corporation will not acquire from the managers any securities now owned by the managers. The managers may deal with the corporation as principals, agents and brokers, but will accept responsibility for the fairness of any transaction between them and the corporation.

The corporation is to agree to keep a copy of the management contract on file for the inspection of stockholders at its principal office in Wilmington, Del. The original board of directors is to be composed of the general and special partners of G. M.-P. Murphy & Co., who, with those

closely associated with them, will have a substantial investment in the stock of the corporation.

Stockholders' Pre-emptive Rights.—The certificate of incorporation is to provide that the stockholders shall have pre-emptive rights to subscribe for any additional authorized shares of this stock, but shall not have any pre-emptive rights as to any preferred stocks or securities convertible into stock. These provisions of the certificate of incorporation may be amended upon vote of the holders of a majority of the stock of the corporation.

Listing.—Corporation is to agree to make application to list this stock on the New York Curb Market.

Hayes Body Corp.—Transfer Agent.

The Chatham Phenix National Bank & Trust Co. has been appointed transfer agent of 500,000 shares of common stock, no par value.

The heaviest business in its history is reported by the Hayes Body Corp., with all departments on a 5 1/2 days per week basis and night shifts in the metal stamping and still manufacturing departments. April sales are reported as running over \$1,000,000 above those for March.

The Grand Rapids plant, devoted exclusively to Chrysler work, is turning out 650 bodies per day, and the company executives announce that this schedule will be maintained or increased for the balance of this month and through May.

The schedule at the Indianapolis plant, now on Roosevelt work, calls for the production of 300 bodies per day during May, an increase of over 100% over the March total of 3,700 bodies, which was the greatest in the history of this plant. The April schedule is being maintained at the rate of 5,400 bodies for the month.

The Ionia plant is producing 70 bodies per day for the balance of the month and through May for Marmon, Chrysler and Reo.—V. 128, p. 2472.

Hershey Chocolate Corp. (& Subs.).—Earnings.

Earnings for the Year Ended Dec. 31 1928.

Net sales	\$38,130,511
Cost of sales	28,792,674
Shipping, selling & administrative expenses	2,715,588
Net profits from operations	\$6,622,249
Other income, less miscellaneous charges	450,329
Total profits	\$7,102,578
Provision for Federal income tax	646,189
Net profits	\$6,456,388
Earned surplus at December 31 1927	461,235
Total surplus	\$6,917,623
6% cum. prior pref. stock dividends	769,693
\$4 conv. pref. stock dividends	1,400,000
Premium on 4,500 shares prior pref. stock retired	12,117
Earned surplus, December 31 1928	\$4,735,813
Earnings per share on 650,000 shares com. stock (no par)	\$6.05
Earnings Quarter Ended Mar. 31—	
Sales	\$11,180,223
x Cost of goods sold	7,864,825
Expenses	676,873
Operating profit	\$2,638,525
Other income	155,080
Total income	\$2,793,605
Cash discount, &c.	219,582
Federal taxes	308,883
Net income	\$2,265,140
Dividends paid and accrued	506,431
Surplus	\$1,758,709
Earns. per sh. on 650,000 shs. com. stock (no par)	\$2.57
x Includes reserve for adjustment of inventory fluctuations.	\$1.52

Consolidated Balance Sheet March 31.

Assets—		Liabilities—	
1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Land, buildings, machinery, &c.	15,281,806	14,769,472	14,550,000
Cash	1,195,792	4,219,690	350,000
Accounts receiv.	2,051,820	1,895,559	350,000
Inventories	5,505,257	6,885,384	1,267,141
Investments	5,500,000	—	793,553
Preferred stock in treasury	4,686,176	1,117,135	685,535
Deferred assets	363,029	134,698	287,500
Total (each side)	34,583,880	29,021,938	2,389,826
x Represented by 350,000 no-par no-par shares.—V. 127, p. 2375.			2,280,808
			1,052,443

Hotel Pierre, Inc., N. Y. City.—Bonds Offered.—S. W. Straus & Co., Inc., are offering \$6,500,000 1st mtg. leasehold 6 1/4% sinking fund gold bonds at par and interest.

Dated April 1 1929; due April 1 1949. Interest payable A. & O. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500 c*. Principal and interest payable at the office of S. W. Straus & Co., Inc., in New York City. Red. for sinking fund at 101 and interest. Callable except for sinking fund at 103 and interest. Federal income tax paid by the borrowing corporation up to 2% of interest per annum as to bondholders resident in the United States and up to 5% of interest per annum as to bondholders not resident in the United States. Minn. 3 mills tax; Mont. 3 1/2 mills tax; Penn., Conn., Vermont, Calif. and Okla. 4 mills tax; Maryland and W. Virginia 4 1/2 mills tax; Dist. of Columbia, Mich., Colo., Kansas, Kentucky, Wyoming, Nebraska and Virginia 5 mills tax; Iowa 6 mills tax; New Hampshire state income tax up to 3% of interest per annum and Mass. state income tax up to 6% of interest per annum refunded. Straus National Bank & Trust Co., New York, trustee.

Hotel Pierre, Inc., has been incorp. by a group of leading New York capitalists who plan to make Hotel Pierre the principal social center of N. Y. City. Overlooking Central Park and standing on the site of the old Elbridge T. Gerry mansion on the south corner of Fifth Avenue and 61st St., Hotel Pierre will be 41 stories in height.

Mortgaged Property.—The bonds will be secured by a direct closed 1st mtg. on the leasehold estate in the land on the south corner of Fifth Ave. and 61st St. and Hotel Pierre to be constructed thereon. The plot fronts 100 ft. on Fifth Avenue and 270 feet on 61st St. The hotel will contain 738 rooms of exceptionally large size. There will be a large grill in the basement. The ground floor, mezzanine and first floor will contain two public restaurants, together with private dining rooms, a large ballroom and two small ballrooms. The foyer and the dining room on the first floor will be 2 stories in height and the ballroom foyer on the first floor will also be 2 stories in height, extending through the floor above. The remainder of the building above the public floors will contain rooms divided into suites of convenient size, flexible in arrangement, intended for both permanent and transient guests. The 40th floor will contain foyers and serving kitchen for use of the large roof garden on the 41st floor.

Total Value of Completed Leasehold Property.

Appraiser—	
Pease & Elliman, Inc.	\$11,000,000
Cushman & Wakefield, Inc.	11,060,000
Based on the lower of these appraisals, this bond issue is less than 60% of the value of the property.	

Earnings.—It is estimated that the annual net earnings of the hotel available for interest and sinking fund, applicable to the payment of these bonds, will be in excess of \$1,475,000. This is more than 3 times the greatest annual interest charge and greatly in excess of the greatest principal and interest requirements taken together.

Leasehold Estate.—The company holds the property under long term lease from The Gerry Estates, Inc. Under the terms of the lease the net ground rent will be \$39,000 until Oct. 31 1929, increasing on a sliding scale to \$355,000 net per annum to Oct. 31 1950, the average for the term being \$322,619. The lessee corporation has the option of two renewals, each for 20 years, on a basis of 5 1/2% of the then appraised value of the land.

Howe Sound Co.—Quarterly Statement.

Production Quarter Ended	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
March 31—				
Gold (ounces)	3,454	3,050	2,566	1,844
Silver (ounces)	700,446	802,151	694,696	576,922
Copper	10,214,981	9,438,600	8,391,336	8,227,371
Lead (pounds)	20,456,992	19,560,036	14,733,053	12,748,969
Zinc (pounds)	17,317,282	14,260,462	12,865,737	9,517,392
Earnings—				
Value of metals produced	\$4,450,583	\$3,594,968	\$3,304,503	\$3,317,347
Operating expenses	3,323,742	2,910,426	2,597,382	2,476,457
Operating income	\$1,126,842	\$684,542	\$707,321	\$840,890
Other income	99,755	93,283	105,388	38,583
Total income	\$1,226,597	\$777,826	\$813,210	\$879,473
Depreciation	236,312	218,630	231,970	184,942
Net inc. before depl.	\$990,285	\$559,195	\$581,240	\$694,531
Earnings per share on 496,038 shs. cap. stock (no par)	\$1.99	\$1.12	\$1.17	\$1.40
—V. 128, p. 1565.				

Hudson Motor Car Co.—Earnings.

Quarters Ended—	Mar. 31 '29.	Mar. 31 '28.	Mar. 31 '27.	Feb. 28 '26.
Net inc. after deprec., Fed. tax prov. & all charges	\$4,567,783	\$4,207,373	\$4,026,515	\$2,746,023
Shares capital stock outstanding (no par)	1,596,660	1,596,660	1,596,660	1,330,050
Earnings per share	\$2.86	\$2.63	\$2.52	\$2.06
Pres. W. J. McAneeny says: "Not only were our earnings for January, February and March the largest first quarter total we ever have known, but our present sales situation and our prospects for the year are correspondingly favorable. Since the middle of February our plants have been operating at their top capacity of 1,900 cars a day, or around 45,000 a month, and yet a survey of stocks of cars in the hands of distributors and dealers shows that the number is below normal.				
"A year ago there were 33,000 Hudson and Essex cars on hand in the field. Today, with business far more active and the demand higher, there are only 30,000 cars. Usually we consider that a normal stock of cars in the field is a month's supply, which would be around 45,000. Thus we have today 15,000 less than a normal stock of cars in the country, and the active buying season is just about to open. In a number of important buying centers there is today a shortage of Hudson and Essex cars for delivery to the public.				
"Not only have domestic sales reached a new high record, but our shipments of 11,585 cars overseas and 6,178 to Canada were the best we ever have known in a first-quarter period.				
"Because of this strong stock situation and the increasing Spring demand for our cars we feel conservative in expecting that our shipments for the second quarter will be from 120,000 to 125,000 cars, or more. This will prove the largest quarterly volume ever done by the company. Earnings may be expected to reflect three month's steady operations at a high rate of production.				
"Our judgment of this year's automobile market is that it is highly selective, with business largely awarded by the public to companies with products of particular appeal. Planning for this sort of year last autumn we made our cars better and more completely equipped than ever before, yet priced more moderately. Undoubtedly the present business done by ourselves and our distributors and dealers is the result of this policy."				
—V. 128, p. 2278.				

Hudson River Navigation Corp.—New Director.

Harrington Mills has been elected a director. Following the decision of the I.-S. C. Commission that the railroads which make connection with the barge lines on the Mississippi and Warrior rivers establish combination barge-rail rates, Col. E. C. Carrington, President of the Hudson River Night Line this week requested the Delaware & Hudson and Erie railroads to join with him in establishing differential rates on through freight, moving to and from New York into territory served by these roads. The differential, it is understood, may amount to as much as 20% under the all-rail rate and would include all commodities.—V. 128, p. 2641.

Hupp Motor Car Corp.—Listing.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing on or after May 1, up to \$542,720 additional of common stock (par \$10) on official notice of issuance as a stock dividend, making a total amount applied for of \$1,051,877.

Quar. End. Mar. 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Net sales	\$13,998,820	\$19,009,279	\$12,783,161	\$14,437,698
Operating costs	12,468,417	17,281,524	12,290,889	12,400,468
Expenses	—	—	—	y 914,918
Depreciation	125,456	116,155	112,032	—
Federal taxes	204,763	252,134	75,784	—
Operating profit	\$1,200,184	\$1,359,466	\$304,455	\$1,122,307
Other income	301,411	256,062	181,123	—
Net profit	\$1,501,595	\$1,615,528	\$485,578	\$1,122,307
Common dividends	est. 681,249	703,633	est. 351,816	228,452
Surplus	\$820,346	\$911,895	\$133,762	\$893,855
Profit & loss surplus	17,250,164	11,477,094	9,638,362	8,841,808
Shs. com. stk. out. (par \$10)	1,362,498	1,005,159	1,005,159	913,509
Earns. per share	\$1.10	\$1.61	\$0.48	\$1.22
x Includes depreciation. y Includes taxes.				

Consolidated Balance Sheet March 31.

Assets—		Liabilities—	
1929.	1928.	1929.	1928.
Property account (less deprec'n)	7,327,102	7,362,752	13,624,980
Acc'ts receivable	2,534,304	4,022,827	4,267,578
Inventories	7,941,658	6,047,843	5,329,248
Cash	10,135,218	6,380,544	—
Govt. securities	8,566,303	5,182,176	84,186
Investments	2,968,758	1,021,842	153,895
Good-will, &c.	1	1	351,817
Deferred charges	80,892	62,122	1,321,729
			552,134
			Reserve for int. cont'g., &c.
			1,150,000
			1,404,176
			Stock div. reserve
			342,729
			251,298
			Other reserves
			1,199,135
			312,099
			Dealers' deposits
			159,840
			150,961
			Surplus
			17,250,164
			11,477,094
Total	39,554,236	30,080,107	Total
			39,554,236
			30,080,107
			—V. 128, p. 1917.

Illinois Glass Co.—Merger Ratified.

See Owens Bottle Co. below.—V. 128, p. 2473.

Ilseeder Steel Corp. (Ilseeder Hutte).—Listing.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of \$10,000,000 gold mtg. 6% bonds, series of 1928, due Aug. 1 1948.—V. 128, p. 1240.

International Combustion Engineering Corp.—Rights.

President George E. Learnard announces that the directors have voted to offer 60,000 shares of 7% conv. pref. stock now in the treasury of the company to preferred and common stockholders of record April 26 1929, at 100 and divs., on the basis of 1-20th of a share for each share of common and preferred stock now held. Mr. Learnard stated further that "the business of the corporation in this country so far this year is over 50% ahead of the same period in 1928, and the outlook for the remainder of the year is excellent. The net earnings for 1928, which will be released about April 30, will show a very material advance over the previous year.

"The plant for the distillation of coal at low temperature at New Brunswick, N. J., has been in continuous operation for over 90 days, and the results being obtained are far in excess of what was anticipated. On the basis of the present operations, and taking into consideration the quality of the products being produced, the net earnings from this plant will be much greater than originally calculated. On a similar plant at Coatesville, Pa., construction is proceeding rapidly, and negotiations are being actively carried on for other similar installations. The plants under con-

struction in England and France are rapidly reaching completion, and it is expected they will start operating within 30 days.

A subsidiary-company, International Combustion Tar & Chemical Co., formerly the F. J. Lewis Mfg. Co., has extended its plants and business, and is now treating the tar from New Brunswick plant at its Newark plant.—V. 128, p. 2101.

International Paper & Power Co.—Capital Increased.—

At the first annual meeting held on April 24, the directors approved an issue of 2,000,000 additional shares of class C common stock. The directors have no present plans for the issue of this additional stock. The present common stock capitalization is now 5,000,000 shares or class A common of which 1,000,000 have been issued and over 900,000 shares are reserved for conversion of preferred stock; 3,000,000 shares of class B common of which 1,000,000 shares have been issued; and 5,000,000 shares of class C common of which 2,500,000 shares have been issued.

At the annual meeting a report was presented covering Nov. and Dec. 1928, and showing income received from dividends on International Paper Co. stock of \$2,157,517 and balance after expenses of \$2,146,204. Dividends paid amounted to \$2,150,518 and surplus at the close of the year was \$18,114,657. Pres. A. R. Graustein stated that deposits of International Paper Co. stock since the close of the year bring total deposits to more than 99% of the aggregate common stock and 94% of the 7% preferred shares. He explained that there was no underwriting expense in connection with the recent issuance of 1,500,000 class C shares due to the fact that stockholders subscribed to over 98% of the total and International Securities Co. underwrote the remainder. The International Hydro Electric System, he said, owns now more than 82% of New England Power Association and nearly all the stock of Canadian Hydro-Electric System.

Makes High Electric Energy Output Records.—

The production of electric energy in March 1929, by the International Paper & Power Co. system was 363,636,000 k.w.h. 43% greater than the output of the system in March 1928. For the first three months of this year the company produced 1,086,986,000 k.w.h., an increase of 37% over that of the corresponding period of last year.

Included in the output figures are those of New England Power Association, of Canadian Hydro-Electric Corp., Ltd.—controlling Gatineau Power Co. and Saint John River Power Co.—and of the hydro-electric plants of the International Paper Co. group.

The production of electric energy in March of this year of International Hydro-Electric System—controlling Canadian Hydro-Electric Corp., Ltd., and New England Power Association—was 61% greater than that of the System in March 1928; and for the first quarter of this year it was 52% over that of the first quarter of 1928. The International Hydro-Electric System is the new company recently formed as a subsidiary of International Paper & Power Co. to control New England Power Association, serving the heart of industrial New England, and Canadian Hydro-Electric Corp., Ltd., operating in a thriving and rapidly growing section in Quebec and the eastern part of Ontario between Ottawa and Montreal, and also in the Province of New Brunswick.

The New England Power Association in March of this year produced 123,960,000 k.w.h. of electric energy, an increase of 14% over the output of the Association in March 1928 and 34% over that of March 1927. In the first three months of this year, the production of New England Power Association was 376,924,000 k.w.h., 14% greater than in the corresponding period of 1928, and 44% greater than in the first three months of 1927.

The Canadian Hydro-Electric Corp., Ltd., produced 166,904,000 k.w.h. of electric energy in March, two and one-third times the output of the corporation in March 1928, and the second highest production for a single month, being exceeded only by that in January. In the first quarter of this year, the corporation generated 496,039,000 k.w.h., over twice its output in the first quarter of last year, and the greatest for any quarter in its history.—V. 128, p. 2473

Interstate Department Stores, Inc.—Listing.—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 1,500 additional shares of common stock (without par value) on official notice of issuance and sale to employees, making the total amount applied for 238,386 shares of common stock.

Consolidated Income Account for Calendar Years.

	1927.	1928.
Net sales	\$21,544,423	\$17,939,789
Cost of sales	15,769,481	13,191,116
Total expenses	4,681,755	3,851,805
Net profit on sales	\$1,093,186	\$896,821
Leased department income	311,248	218,383
Net profit	\$1,404,435	\$1,115,204
Net profit—wholesale business	108	43,789
Use and occupancy insurance recovered	40,308	—
Consolidated net profit	\$1,444,850	\$1,158,994
Non-recurring items organization exp. written off	39,811	—
Net adjustment for officers' and managers' salaries	—	36,500
Federal taxes	171,844	151,537
Consolidated net profits—as adjusted	\$1,233,194	\$970,957
Earned per share common	\$4.81	\$3.64

Investment Managers Co.—Removal of Offices.—

The company announces the removal of its offices on April 29 1929 to 63 Wall Street, New York City.—V. 128, p. 2473.

Irving Air Chute Co., Inc.—Initial Dividend.—

The directors have declared an initial dividend of 50 cents per share on the common stock, no par value, payable July 1 to holders of record June 15. (For offering, see V. 128, p. 1409.)

An announcement says: Parachutes already shipped and present unfilled orders are 36% greater than total 1928 United States shipments. Production is being stepped up 40% at the company's Buffalo plant. The directors have also authorized the opening of two additional plants, one in California and the other in Central Europe, all to be financed out of current earnings. The output of the company's English plant has been sold out for the entire year.—V. 128, p. 2473.

Island Creek Coal Co.—Quarterly Earnings.—

Quar. End. Mar 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Net profit after deprec., deple. & Fed. taxes	\$818,154	\$679,075	\$861,500	\$597,804
Shs. com. stk. out. (par \$1)	594,005	594,005	594,005	118,801
Earnings per share	\$1.29	\$1.03	\$1.32	\$4.42

Isle Royale Copper Co.—50c. Dividend.—

The directors have declared a dividend of 50 cents per share on the outstanding \$3,750,000 capital stock, par \$25, payable June 29 to holders of record May 31.

Dividends paid during 1928 follow: 50c. per share on March 15, 75c. per share on Sept 15, and 50 cents per share on Dec. 15, making a total of \$1.75 per share for that year as compared with a total of \$1 per share in each of the three preceding years.—V. 128, p. 1742.

Isotta Fraschini (Fabrica Automobili Isotta Fraschini), Italy.—Rights, &c.—

The directors have authorized a 20% stock allotment which will bring the outstanding stock to 450,000 shares from 375,000 shares, par value 200 lira. The 75,000 additional shares are to be offered to stockholders in proportion of one new share for each 5 shares held at 210 lira per share payable at time of subscription. The new stock carries the dividend from Jan. 1 1929 which is payable next year, dividends being paid annually. Subscription may be exercised from April 22 to April 27, inclusive, against the presentation of the old stock for stamping. Rights expire on April 27. Rights for fractional shares will also be issued on the basis of 1-5 of a new share and on the presentation of 5 such fractional certificates before May 15 1929, will entitle the holder to subscribe for one new share. Fractional certificates will expire after May 15. Subscribers for new stock will receive provisional certificated before May 31 1929.

The new stock issue has been underwritten by a group of Italian and American bankers, the latter headed by E. H. Rollins & Sons, who have acted as bankers for the company in this country. American holders of Italian bearer shares may enter their subscriptions through the New York office of Banca Commerciale, Italiana.

The stock offering is being made under authority conferred upon the directors by the stockholders at a meeting on May 30 1927, authorizing an increase in the capital to 90,000,000 from 75,000,000 lira, to be issued at the discretion of the board.—V. 126, p. 1822.

Jackson & Curtis Investment Associates.—Dividends.

In addition to the 100% stock dividend recently declared, it is stated that a cash dividend of \$1 per share will be paid on the present old stock, payable the same dates, issued beneficial interest certificates on May 1 to holders of record April 22. The stock dividend, it is stated will increase the outstanding shares from 17,652 to 35,304.—V. 128, p. 2642.

Johns-Manville Corp.—Earnings.—

Quarter Ended March 31—	x1929.	1928.
Sales	\$13,023,884	\$10,038,574
Cost & expenses	11,785,230	9,158,951
Federal taxes	132,565	106,918
Net profit	\$1,106,089	\$772,705
Earns. per sh. on 750,000 shs. com. stk. (no par)	\$1.30	\$0.85

x Including earnings of Celite Co., Banner Rock Products Co. and Weaver Henry Co.—V. 128, p. 1409.

Joint Security Corp.—Earnings.—

Earnings Year Ended Dec. 31 1928.	
Gross income	\$180,991
Net earnings after all charges	\$4,334
Earns. per sh. on 31,313 shs. com stk.	\$2.33

The corporation reports for the quarter ended March 31 1929, net income of \$29,177 after all charges except Federal taxes. This compares with net income on the same basis, of \$14,815 for the corresponding period of last year.—V. 127, p. 3408.

Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp.—Extra Dividend.—

The directors have declared an extra dividend of \$1 per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of \$1.25 per share on the common stock, par \$100, both payable June 1 to holders of record May 13. Quarterly dividends of \$1.25 per share have been paid regularly on the common stock since Sept. 1 1926, inclusive, and in addition, the company on Dec. 1 last, paid an extra dividend of \$1 per share.

Three Months Ended March 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.
Net after taxes	\$6,907,587	\$4,325,204	\$5,085,291
Depreciation and depletion	1,495,610	1,259,616	1,227,989
Interest	157,798	162,131	198,578
Net income	\$5,254,179	\$2,903,457	\$3,658,724
Preferred dividends	1,027,514	1,020,806	1,012,718
Common dividends	720,400	720,400	716,650
Surplus	\$3,506,265	\$1,162,251	\$1,929,356
Shares of com. outstanding (par \$100)	573,320	573,320	573,320
Earnings per share on common	\$7.37	\$3.28	\$4.61

Jordan Motor Car Co., Inc.—Stock Increased—Listing.

The stockholders on April 24 increased the authorized common stock no par value, from 300,000 shares to 500,000 shares. See also V. 128, p. 2423. The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 150,000 additional shares of common stock (without par value) on official notice of issuance and payment in full, making the total amount applied for 450,000 shares of common stock.

Income Account for Calendar Years.

	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Number of automobiles sold	3,785	6,640	8,026	8,324
Net value of automobiles sold	\$4,206,595	\$8,247,690	\$11,180,954	\$13,036,924
Net value of parts sold	297,338	332,903	442,130	474,563
Total net value of sales	\$4,503,934	\$8,580,593	\$11,623,084	\$13,511,488
Int. earned and oth. inc.	8,871	19,957	697	18,169
Total income	\$4,512,804	\$8,600,551	\$11,632,781	\$13,529,656
Cost of goods sold	4,496,857	7,731,539	10,191,808	11,639,369
Selling, adm. & gen. exps., including other charges against income	580,589	1,767,986	1,110,426	1,336,661
Depreciation	231,347	a526,779	233,753	120,387
Federal tax provision	—	—	—	63,000
Net loss	\$795,988	\$1,425,753	prof. \$96,794	prof. \$370,239
Profit & loss deficit	\$2,395,256	\$1,550,692	sur. \$385,851	sur. \$734,091

Note a.—Depreciation in 1927 includes charge for obsolete dies and tools and for additional amortization of body tools in the amount of \$330,781.

Earnings for Quarter Ended March 31 1929.

Sales	\$1,015,682
Gross profit	161,336
Operating profit	62,500
Interest and charges	19,675
Balance	\$42,825
Other income, incl. discounts on purchases	14,683
Net profit before Federal taxes	\$57,508

Joske Bros. Co.—37½c. Dividend.—

The directors have declared a dividend of 37½ cents on the capital stock, no par value, payable April 29, to holders of record April 26.—V. 125, p. 2274.

(Julius) Kayser & Co.—50% Stock Dividend.—

The directors have declared a 50% stock dividend on the common stock no par value, payable in voting trust certificates on July 1 to holders of record June 10. At last accounts there were outstanding 266,243 shares of common stock.

It is the intention of the directors to place the increased stock on a \$4 annual dividend basis. The present outstanding stock is on a \$5 annual basis. A quarterly dividend of \$1.25 per share is payable on May 1.—V. 128, p. 259, 740.

Kelsey Hayes Wheel Corp.—Merger Approved.—

The stockholders of this corporation and of the Wire Wheel Corp. of America, on April 25, approved the plan for the merger of the two companies into a new corporation to be known as the Kelsey Hayes Wheel Corp.

Under the plan of consolidation the stock of the two companies will be exchanged for the new company's stock as follows: preferred and common stock of the Kelsey Hayes Wheel Corp. will be exchanged for 2nd preferred and common stocks of the new company on a share-for-share basis; preferred stock of the Wire Wheel Corp. will be exchanged for the 7% preferred stock of the new company on a share-for-share basis; class A stock of the Wire Wheel Corp. will be exchanged for preferred stock of the new company on the basis of 5-7 of a share of new stock for each share of class A stock; common stock of the Wire Wheel Corp. will be exchanged for the common stock of the new company on a basis of 59-100 of a share of new stock for each share of Wire Wheel common. The class A stockholders of the Wire Wheel Corp. will receive \$1.66 2-3 in cash as a dividend adjustment on each share for the period from Jan. 1 to April 30 1929.—V. 128, p. 2102.

(G. R.) Kinney Co., Inc.—Statement on Rights.—

The Plaza Investing Corp. April 23 issued the following statement: There has been some confusion about the rights on the G. R. Kinney Co stock, listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

The notice to the stockholders of the Kinney Co. states that the present shares will be split, two for one, and an additional share of no par value common stock, will be forwarded to shareholders as of record April 22 on May 10. It furthermore states that 40,000 shares will be offered to shareholders at \$26 per share in the ratio of one new share for every three shares of the new common stock held, and warrants will be issued on this basis.

Further trading on the stock exchange continues on the old stock up until May 10; therefore, the old stock carried with it two rights per share.

The rights that are quoted on the Stock Exchange are the rights on the new stock, and not on the old stock. That is why the quotation is at around \$2 per share. (See also V. 128, p. 2642.)

Stock Div. Ruling.

The Committee on Securities of the New York Stock Exchange recently ruled that the common stock be not quoted ex- the 100% stock dividend on April 22 and not until May 13 and that the same stock be quoted ex-rights on April 22.

Quarter Ended March 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.
Net profit after chgs. & Federal taxes	\$120,184	\$24,129	loss\$31,358

—V. 128, p. 2642.

(Henry) Klein & Co., Inc.—Dividends.

The directors have declared a regular quarterly dividend of 30c per share on the outstanding 50,000 shares of participating preference stock as well as a participating dividend of 20c per share, payable May 1, to holders of record April 22. A dividend of 20c per share on the outstanding 100,000 shares of common stock was also declared, payable on the same date.

Similar distributions were made on the respective issues on Feb. 1 last.—V. 128, p. 569.

Knox Hat Co., Inc.—Recapitalization Approved.

An increase in the common stock from 50,000 shares to 300,000 shares, of which 150,000 shares will be class A common, and 150,000 shares new ordinary common without par value, has been approved by the stockholders. The new stock will be issued to pay dividends on the present common and participating preference shares at the rate of 25 shares of new common stock for each 100 shares of the old common and 6 1/4 shares of the new common for each 100 shares of participating preference stock. Holders of participating preference stock may exchange their stock for the new common on the basis of 1 1/4 shares of the former for one of the latter.

Holders of the present common shares of record April 22, may subscribe for new common stock at \$110 a share on the basis of one new share for each old share held. The new common stock will possess no voting power.

The company will redeem its \$819,500 outstanding 1st mtg. bonds at 102 1/2 and int., and will also retire its prior preference stock at 110 and divs.

The stockholders also authorized an increase in the board of directors from 12 to 14 members. The 2 additional directors will be elected later.—V. 128, p. 2473.

Kraft-Phenix Cheese Corp.—Sales.

Quarters Ended March 31—	1929.	1928.
Sales	\$16,293,740	\$15,526,951

—V. 128, p. 1387.

(S. S.) Kresge Co.—Earnings.

Quarter Ended Mar. 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Sales	\$31,360,267	\$28,832,418	\$25,447,778	\$23,419,154
Net earnings	3,611,342	3,398,011	2,900,133	2,882,748
Federal taxes	433,361	458,732	391,515	389,171
Balance after taxes	\$3,177,980	\$2,939,279	\$2,508,618	\$2,493,577
Preferred dividends	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000
Balance for common	\$3,142,980	\$2,904,279	\$2,473,618	\$2,458,577
Shares com. stock outstanding (par \$10)	5,517,929	3,678,619	3,678,619	3,678,619
Earnings per share	\$0.57	\$0.79	\$0.67	\$0.66

—V. 128, p. 2279.

Lake Erie Bolt & Nut Co.—New Director.

A. G. Bean has been elected a director succeeding C. C. Bolton.—V. 126, p. 4093

Larowe Milling Co.—Stockholders Receive \$6,500,000.

The Commerce Guardian Trust & Savings Bank Co., acting as agents for this company and for the General Mills, Inc., which has acquired the business and Toledo plant of the Larowe company on April 19, began the distribution to the stockholders of \$6,500,000 in cash under the terms of the sale.

The stockholders had the option, also, of taking either preferred or common stocks of General Mills, Inc., and in addition to the cash distribution there was the distribution of these stocks to security holders. See also V. 128, p. 2642.

(F. & R.) Lazarus & Co.—Dividend Dates.

The initial quarterly dividend of 1 1/2% declared last week on the 6 1/2% pref. stock is payable May 1, to holders of record April 20 (not April 30 as previously reported).—V. 128, p. 2642.

Lincoln Aircraft Co., Inc.—Sales.

For the week ended April 20 1929 the corporation reports the sale of 35 Lincoln-Page Trainer planes, bringing total sales to 239 planes for the current year.—V. 128, p. 2474.

Lincoln Printing Co.—Earnings.

Quarter Ended March 31—	1929.	1928.
Net income after charges	\$197,187	\$162,491

—V. 128, p. 2280.

McKesson & Robbins, Inc.—Listing.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 569,794 additional shares of common stock and 4,168 additional shares of preference stock upon official notice of issuance; such shares to be issued as part consideration to acquire all of the outstanding capital stock of certain companies.—V. 128, p. 2474.

Magma Copper Co.—Earnings.

Quarter Ended Mar. 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Copper produced (lbs.)	\$9,722,101	\$8,049,539	\$7,386,059	\$7,115,386
Net earn. after exp. but bef. deprec. & taxes	x992,037	440,970	389,515	422,826
Earns. shs. on 408,155 shs. cap. stk.	\$2.43	\$1.08	\$0.95	\$1.03

x After depreciation.—V. 128, p. 2475.

Mangel Stores Corp.—Initial Preferred Dividend.

An initial quarterly dividend of 1 1/2% on the 6 1/2% cumul. pref. stock has been declared, payable June 1 to holders of record May 15. (For offering see V. 128, p. 1918.)—V. 128, p. 2474.

Margarine Union, Ltd.—6% Final Dividend.

The directors have recommended the distribution of a final dividend of 6% on the ordinary shares for the year 1928, making total dividends for the year 10%.

The combined net profits of Margarine Union, Ltd., and N. V. Margarine Unie for the year ended Dec. 31 last was \$1,666,848. The combined capital and general reserves after appropriations to the general reserve funds, amount to \$13,816,264.—V. 128, p. 742.

Martin-Parry Corp.—Earnings.

	—3 Mos.—		—6 Mos.—	
Period—	Feb. 28, '29.	Feb. 29 '28.	Feb. 28 '29.	Feb. 29 '28.
Net sales	\$880,749	\$415,495	\$1,674,249	\$1,141,105
Cost of goods sold	929,949	584,264	1,761,485	1,359,907
Operating loss	\$49,200	\$168,770	\$87,236	\$218,802
Other income	5,679	39,693	10,534	96,968
Total loss	\$43,521	\$129,076	\$76,702	\$121,834
Fed. tax & misc. deduct.	9,692	69,322	14,164	119,968
Net deficit	\$53,213	\$198,398	\$90,866	\$241,802

—V. 128, p. 414.

Mathieson Alkali Works.—Listing.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 441,246 shares common stock (without par value) on official notice of issue as a stock dividend making the total applied for 592,503 shares common stock.—V. 128, p. 2643.

Merchants & Manufacturers Fire Insurance Co., Newark, N. J.

An initial quarterly dividend of 5%, or 25c. per share has been declared on the 200,000 shares of \$5 per value common stock outstanding, payable May 10 to holders of record April 30.

The proposal to increase the authorized capital stock from \$1,000,000 to \$5,000,000 to consist of 200,000 shares of \$5 per value 6% preferred stock and 800,000 shares of \$5 par value common stock and to provide for voting rights among the preferred and common stockholders share for share was also approved at the annual meeting.—V. 127, p. 2380.

Mexican Eagle Oil Co., Ltd.—Prof. Dividend.

This company has declared a dividend of 2s. 9.6d. on each 10 shares of 1st preference stock of 4 pesos par value.

The Canadian Eagle Oil Co., Ltd., has declared a dividend of 4s. 2.4d. on each 10 shares of its 1st preference \$3 par value stock.

A year ago the Mexican Eagle Oil Co., Ltd., paid a dividend of 5s. 6.83d. on each 10 preference shares, while the Canadian Eagle Co. paid 5s. 17d. on each 10 preference shares.—V. 127, p. 1261.

Mexico-Ohio Oil Co.—Rights.

The stockholders of record April 20 have been given the right to subscribe on or before May 4 to additional capital stock (no par value) at \$5 a share in the ratio of one new share for each four held.

The company has an authorized capital of 500,000 shares of no par value of which 400,000 shares are outstanding. The Ohio Oil Co. owns 170,700 shares of the outstanding stock.—V. 123, p. 2787.

Milnor, Inc.—Initial Dividend.

The directors have declared an initial quarterly dividend of 25 cents per share on the capital stock, no par value, payable July 1 to holders of record June 15. For offering, see V. 128, p. 2475.

Mock, Judson, Voehringer Co., Inc.—Common Div.

The directors have declared a quarterly dividend (No. 2) of 50 cents a share on the common stock, no par value, payable May 15 to holders of record May 1. An initial quarterly dividend of like amount was paid on this issue on Feb. 15 last.—V. 128, p. 1920.

Mohawk Rubber Co.—Initial Common Dividend.

The directors have declared an initial dividend of 75c. per share in cash and 1% in stock on the no par value common stock, payable May 20, holders of record May 10.—V. 128, p. 1569.

Monsanto Chemical Works.—To Increase Capitalization —2 for 1 Split up—To Place New Common Stock on an Annual \$1.25 Cash and 6% Stock Dividend Basis.

A special meeting of the stockholders has been called for July 2 to vote on increasing the authorized common stock (no par value) from 160,000 shares to 500,000 shares and on approving the distribution of 2 new shares for each old share on July 20 to holders of record July 10.

The directors announced that they propose to place the new stock on a \$1.25 annual cash basis, which is equivalent to the \$2.50 basis paid on the present stock. In addition the directors propose to pay quarterly stock dividends of 1 1/2%. The first stock dividend on the new stock will be paid on Aug. 1 to holders of record July 20.

On April 1 last, the company paid on the present common stock a 10% stock dividend in addition to regular quarterly cash dividend of 6 1/2% cents per share.

President Edgar M. Queney states that sales of the company for the first quarter of 1929 show an increase of more than 30% and net profits show a very substantial increase over the figures for the corresponding quarter of last year. Investment in plant made during 1928 for improvements and development of new products contributed substantially to this showing. The outlook is for continued good business. The directors intend to publish a financial statement as of June 30 1929, it is announced.—V. 128, p. 1743.

Morse Chain Co., Ithaca, N. Y.—New Control.

See Borg Warner Corp. above.—V. 126, p. 2157.

Morse Twist Drill & Machine Co.—Larger Dividend.

The directors have declared a quarterly dividend of \$1.50 per share, payable May 15 to holders of record April 25. From Feb. 1 1927 to Feb. 1 1929, both incl., quarterly dividends of \$1.25 per share had been paid.—V. 128, p. 1569.

Moth Aircraft Corp.—Chairman of Board, &c.

Richard F. Hoyt, of Hayden, Stone & Co. has been elected Chairman of the board of directors. The corporation, which last month introduced the first American built Moth plane with newly designed steel fuselage, reports that orders on hand are sufficient to keep the plant operating at capacity well into the Fall season and that plans are now being laid to double the present output.—V. 128, p. 261.

Moto Meter Co., Inc.—Proposed Consolidation.

Announcement is made of the formation of the Moto Meter Gauge & Equipment Corp. organized in Delaware, for the purpose of acquiring the business and assets of the Moto Meter Co., Inc. and the Safe-T-Stat Co. The details of the plan, which will be announced within a few days, have been worked out by a committee headed by George W. Davison, President of the Central Union Trust Co. of New York.

The new company will manufacture a complete plant equipment for automotive, marine and aeronautical uses, consisting of heat indicators, oil and gasoline pressure gauges, ammeters, horns, spark plugs and Bakelite parts. The authorized capitalization will consist of 750,000 shares of common stock, of which 512,500 shares will be outstanding upon completion of present plans. The acquisition is to be effected by an exchange of stock of the Moto Meter and Safe-T-Stat companies for the stock of the new company, and, at the same time stockholders will be given the opportunity of subscribing to 137,000 additional shares of the new company. The new capital is to be used to retire certain underlying securities of the subsidiary companies and to provide additional working capital.

The pro forma balance sheet of the new company as of Dec. 31 1928, after writing down all patents, rights, licenses, trade-marks and good-will to \$1, shows current assets of \$3,597,253, as against total current liabilities of \$832,682, or a ratio of about 4.32 to 1. The total sales of the combined companies for 1928 amounted to more than \$5,296,400.

The Safe-T-Stat Co., organized in 1923, has an authorized capitalization of 250,000 shares of common stock, no par value, all of which is outstanding. The company has no funded debt or preferred stock, and owns all of the outstanding stock of the Nagel Electric Co., Inc. of Toledo, O., which is its operating subsidiary. To meet the needs of an increasing volume of business, its production capacity was substantially increased in 1928 by the erection of new buildings and installation of automatic equipment, but in spite of this increase the company was unable to fulfill all orders, it is stated.

The Moto Meter Co., Inc., incorporated in 1912, has an authorized capitalization of 200,000 shares of class A stock and 200,000 shares of class B stock, all of which is outstanding. The company has no bonds or preferred stock and owns all of the outstanding stock of the National Gauge & Equipment Co., which it acquired in 1926.

Application will be made to list the new stock on the New York Stock Exchange.

The directors of both companies have unanimously approved a plan and agreement dated April 15 1929.

Holders of the common stock of the Safe-T-Stat Co. and of the class A stock of the Moto Meter Co., Inc., will be entitled to participate in the benefits of the plan and become parties thereto by depositing their stock with the Central Union Trust Co. as depositary, 80 Broadway, N. Y. City, on or before May 8 1929.

Certificates of deposit will be issued by the depositary for stock deposited under the plan. Certificates of deposit representing deposited common stock of the Safe-T-Stat Co. will bear detachable participation warrants and certificates of deposit representing deposited class A stock of the Moto Meter Co., Inc., will bear detachable purchase certificates, in each case conferring the right provided in the plan and agreement to purchase stock of the new company upon payment of the purchase price at the time and upon the terms and conditions therein set forth. Further details will be given next week.—Ed.

The committee consists of George W. Davison, Chairman; Graham Adams (of J. A. Sisto & Co.); Victor O. Bell (of Mendes, Bell & Whitney, Inc.); Dewees W. Dilworth (of E. F. Hutton & Co.); E. F. Gillespie (of E. F. Gillespie & Co., Inc.); Frederico Lage (of Lage & Co.), and John S. Snelham (of Deloitte, Plender, Griffiths & Co.) with C. E. Sigler, 80 Broadway, N. Y. City, as Secretary, and Larkin, Rathbone & Perry as Counsel.—V. 127, p. 2545.

Moto Meter Gauge & Equipment Corp.—Consolidation.—
See Moto Meter Co., Inc. above.

Mullins Manufacturing Co.—Earnings.—

3 Mos. Ended Mar. 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Net earns. after all chgs. except tax.	\$183,414	\$169,193	\$150,081	\$107,016
—V. 128, p. 901.				

National Air Transport, Inc.—Co-Registrar.—
The Bank of America N. A. has been appointed co-registrar of 650,000 shares of capital stock.—V. 128, p. 743.

National Assets Corp.—Registrar.—
The Chatham Phenix National Bank & Trust Co. has been appointed registrar of 600,000 shares of cum. preferred stock, par \$25, and 1,000,000 shares of common stock without par value.

National Dairy Products Corp.—Listing, &c.—
The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of a \$650,000 5 1/4% gold debentures due Feb. 1 1948, upon official notice of issuance as part consideration for the property and assets of J. D. Roszell Co., Simmons & Hammond Manufacturing Co. and the Jersey Ice Cream Co., making the total amount of 5 1/4% gold debentures due 1948 applied for to date \$47,665,000.

The Exchange has also authorized the listing of 50,491 shares of common stock (without par value) upon official notice of issuance in connection with the acquisition of the entire assets of J. D. Roszell Co. certain assets of Simmons & Hammond Mfg. Co., the entire outstanding common stock of The Clover Dairy Co., the entire assets of National Creamery Co. and of The Jersey Ice Cream Co., certain assets of John H. Muller Dairies, Inc., and Fred H. Muller, Inc., and the entire assets of The Shtetler Ice Cream Co.; and the listing on and after July 1 1929 of 505 additional shares, and on and after Oct. 1 1929 of 509 additional shares of its common stock, upon official notice of issuance from time to time as stock dividends.

- The 50,491 shares will be issued as follows:
- 17,400 shares par value together with \$250,000 5 1/4% gold debentures as part consideration for the entire properties and assets of J. D. Roszell Co., (Ill.), the remaining consideration being the assumption by the company of the liabilities and obligations of said J. D. Roszell Co.
 - 3,500 shares together with \$240,000 5 1/4% gold debentures as part consideration for certain assets of Simmons & Hammond Mfg. Co. (Maine), the remaining consideration being the assumption by the company of the liabilities and obligations of Simmons & Hammond Mfg. Co.
 - 16,493 shares in exchange for the entire authorized and issued common stock of The Clover Dairy Co. (Del.).
 - 2,020 shares in exchange for the entire properties and assets of National Creamery Co. (Mass.), the remaining consideration being the assumption by the company of the liabilities and obligations shown on its balance sheet as at Jan. 1 1929.
 - 4,628 shares together with \$160,000 5 1/4% gold debentures as part consideration for the entire properties and assets of The Jersey Ice Cream Co. (Mass.).
 - 6,000 shares in exchange for certain assets of John H. Muller Dairies, Inc., and Fred H. Muller, Inc., New York corporations; and
 - 450 shares in exchange for the entire properties and assets of The Shtetler Ice Cream Co. (Ohio).—V. 128, p. 2476.

National Distillers Products Corp.—Initial Dividend.—
The directors have declared an initial quarterly dividend of \$1.75 per share on the pref. stock, no par value, payable Aug. 1 to holders of record July 15. This stock becomes cumulative at the rate of \$7 per share per annum after May 1 1929.

Consolidated Income Account.

Quarters Ended March 31—	1929.	1928.
Operating profit	\$319,663	\$15,950
Interest and discount	55,547	58,982
Depreciation	31,837	48,484
Profit before Federal taxes	\$232,279	loss \$91,516
—V. 128, p. 1744.		

National Motor Service Corp.—Stock Offered.—Furlaud & Co., Inc., recently offered 64,500 shares no par value common stock.

The corporation, organized in Delaware, was recently formed to acquire motor service companies to operate, directly or through subsidiaries, in the principal cities throughout the United States. Upon completion of present financing the corporation, it is said, will own the capital stock of Imperial Motor Corp., a New York corporation, said to represent the consolidation of 18 long-established motor service enterprises, which will function as a subsidiary.

Imperial Motor, it is stated, operates a fleet of 300 automobiles in New York City, with 8 modern garages and 2 repair and maintenance stations. Consolidated net earnings after depreciation, Federal income tax and expenses and charges, for the year ended Dec. 31, last, amounted to \$364,455, or \$3.64 a share.—V. 128, p. 1745.

(J. J.) Newberry Co.—50% Stock Div.—Rights.—
The directors have declared a 50% stock dividend on the common stock, no par value, payable to holders of record May 1.

The company will also issue rights to stockholders of record May 1 to purchase additional common stock at \$60 per share in the ratio of one new share for each 10 shares held. The 50% stock dividend will also carry the right to subscribe. Rights will expire May 31. No fractional shares will be issued, cash being paid for fractions on the basis of the average price of the stock on May 1.

The directors also voted to call a special stockholders' meeting in the near future to vote on increasing the authorized common stock from 400,000 shares to 800,000 shares. At Dec. 31 last, there were outstanding 239,620 shares of this issue.—V. 128, p. 1745.

New Cornelia Copper Co.—Consolidation Plan Approved.—
—See Calumet & Arizona Mining Co. above.—V. 128, p. 2283.

New York & Foreign Investing Corp.—Debentures.—
The Interstate Trust Co. announces that definitive 20-year 5 1/4% gold debentures, series A, with warrants attached, are now ready for delivery at their office, 59 Liberty St., N. Y. City, in exchange for and upon surrender of temporary debentures. (See offering in V. 127, p. 3411).—V. 128, p. 573.

Neve Drug Stores Inc.—Equipped with Sanitary Machines
The 70 stores of this corporation in the New York Metropolitan area have been equipped with Sanitary Postage Machines, it is announced by the Consolidated Automatic Merchandising Corp., manufacturers of the machines. Installation of the machines comes as a result of the new policy of the Neve Stores to discontinue the sale of stamps over the counter.—V. 128, p. 572, 262.

New Haven Clock Co.—To Finance Through Stock Offering.
The company, it is announced, is about to finance its needs through an offering of 6 1/4% cum. conv. preferred stock, series A, and a limited amount of common stock. Proceeds from the sale of securities will be used for the purpose of retiring the present outstanding preferred stock and for other corporate purposes. Under present plans an offering of the company's securities will be made shortly by George H. Burr & Co., Thompson, Fenn & Co. and Charles W. Scranton. Application will be made to list the common stock on the New York Curb.

Under the proposed recapitalization program the company will have an authorized issue of \$1,500,000 cumulative preferred, of which \$750,000 will be outstanding, and 150,000 shares authorized no par common stock of which 71,960 shares will be outstanding.

Company, organized in 1857, is an outgrowth of Jerome & Co., which was established in 1817. The company, through modern production and merchandising methods, has increased its business substantially during recent years. Sales for 1928 aggregated \$4,270,240 and net profits were \$295,076 after expenses and taxes. The latter was equal to 6.05 times preferred dividend requirements and earnings after preferred dividends, based upon the new capitalization, were equal to \$3.42 a share on the outstanding common stock.—V. 112, p. 854.

Newton Steel Co.—Listing.—
The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 240,000 shares of common stock (without par value).

Income Account for Calendar Years.

	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Gross profit after cost of sales	\$2,142,528	\$1,008,827	\$1,161,822	\$1,489,126
Depreciation	231,275	207,065	193,657	179,669
Gross profit on sales	\$1,911,253	\$801,761	\$968,165	\$1,309,457
Miscellaneous income	54,148	18,733	13,218	11,786
Gross income	\$1,965,401	\$820,495	\$981,383	\$1,321,243
Admin. & gen. exp.	217,794	163,052	153,378	121,705
Selling & adv. exp.	165,141	137,993	138,266	158,494
Prov. for doubtful acctg.	3,978	11,348	2,400	2,400
Loss on securities		11,549	10,000	
Amortiz. of bond disc. & expenses		3,726	14,701	7,804
Loss on equip. sold, &c.	43,747	2,932	2,326	41
Interest on bonds		32,127	39,440	4,096
Federal income taxes	177,808	49,547	76,670	1,5,804
Net profit	\$1,356,933	\$408,222	\$544,301	\$82,900
No. com. shs. outsd' d'g.	200,000	100,000	100,000	103,000
Earned per sh. on com. on basis of no. of shs. of pref. & con. outsd'g Dec. 31	\$6.13	\$2.87	\$4.20	4.37
—V. 128, p. 1922.				

North American Car Corp.—Equip. Trusts Offered.—
Freeman & Co. and Blyth & Co. are offering \$700,000 5% equipment trust gold certificates series K at prices to yield 5.20%. Principal and dividends to be unconditionally guaranteed by the corporation. Issued under the Philadelphia plan.

Fidelity-Philadelphia Trust Co., Philadelphia, trustee. Dated May 1 1929. Principal to be payable semi-annually in serial instalments of \$23,000 each from Nov. 1 1929 to May 1 1939, both inclusive, and \$24,000 each from Nov. 1 1939 to May 1 1944, both inclusive. Denom. \$1,000. At the option of the corporation, certificates are red. on any div. date at 101 and divs. Both principal and divs. are to be paid without deduction of normal Federal income tax not in excess of 2% per annum. Certificates and dividend warrants (M. & N. 1), to be payable at the principal office of the trustee in the City of Philadelphia, or at the principal office of its agency, the Bankers Trust Co., New York. The corporation agrees to reimburse to the holders of these certificates the Penn. state tax (not to exceed 4 mills annually) upon application as set forth in the agreement.

Data from Letter of H. H. Brigham, Pres. of the Corporation.
These certificates are to be secured through assignment to the trustee of title to the following equipment: 500 new all-steel 8,000-gallon capacity tank cars. These cars are to cost \$875,000 or 125% of the face value of the certificates to be issued.

Company.—North American Car Co. commenced business in 1908 and on Feb. 1 1926, all the assets owned by it were acquired by the North American Car Corp. Its business consists primarily in the ownership, operation and leasing of tank cars, refrigerator cars and Palace Poultry cars. These cars are leased to and used by many of the larger railroad systems, large independent meat packers, poultry shippers, refiners of petroleum oils, shippers of gasoline and burning oils, manufacturers of chemicals and acids and the large dealers in molasses, alcohol, turpentine, creosote, tar roofing, road building and maintenance material, cotton seed oil, vegetable oil, greases, tallow and soap stocks, and mineral water. The corporation and its controlled subsidiaries, the Palace Poultry Car Co. and North American Equipment Corp. now own 3,186 tank cars (including the 500 cars under this trust), 1,969 refrigerator cars and 600 palace poultry cars. In addition the corporation owns well equipped car building and repair shops at Chicago, Coffeyville, Kan., West Tulsa, Okla., and North Judson, Ind. Corporation also operates oil storage facilities at West Tulsa, Okla., and at Chicago, having a capacity of 10,920,000 gallons.

Earnings.—The net earnings of the corporation for the years ending Jan. 31 1927 and 1928 and for the 11 months ended Dec. 31 1928, available for fixed charges, depreciation and taxes were:

Years Ended Jan. 31—	11 Months.	
1927.	1928.	
Net earnings (as above)	\$618,635	\$1,096,300
	\$1,279,469	

Capitalization.—Corporation has outstanding 20,000 shares of \$6 1st pref. stock, series A, (no par) and 113,849 shares common stock, (no par) upon which annual dividends are being paid at the rate of \$2.50 per share. Common stock is listed on the Chicago Stock Exchange and is now selling at approximately \$50 per share, representing a value of in excess of \$5,692,450.—V. 128, p. 2477.

North Butte Mining Co.—Rights.—
The stockholders of record April 30 will be given the right to subscribe on or before May 20 for additional capital stock (par \$2.50) at \$8 per share, to the extent of 10% of their holdings.—V. 128, p. 1243.

Northwestern Casualty & Surety Co.—New Vice-Pres.
Lewis F. Koppang, Comptroller of the Union Indemnity Co., Northwestern Casualty & Surety Co., and the other companies of the Insurance Securities Group, has been elected Vice President of the Union Indemnity Co., Northwestern Casualty & Surety Co., La Salle Fire Insurance Co., and Union Title Guarantee Co.—V. 126, p. 3135.

Ohio Shares, Inc.—Initial Common Dividend.—
The directors have declared an initial quarterly dividend of 50 cents per share on the no par value com. stock, payable May 1 to holders of record, April 20.—V. 125, p. 3358.

Old Colony Investment Trust.—Larger Dividend.—
The directors have a semi-annual dividend of 40 cents per share on the common stock, no par value, payable May 15 to holders of record May 1. An initial semi-annual dividend of 30 cents per share was paid on this issue in Nov. 1928.—V. 126, p. 3770.

Oliver Farm Equipment Co.—Listing.—
The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 200,000 shares (no par value) prior preferred stock, series A and with and without stock purchase warrants; (b) 432,274 shares (without par value) convertible participating stock; (c) 310,372 shares (without par value) common stock with authority to admit (a) 39,628 shares common on official notice of issue in connection with the acquisition of the business and properties of Hart-Parr Co. or Nichols & Shepard Co. upon the exercise of conversion rights of outstanding cumulative preferred stock \$6.50 convertible series A of Hart-Parr Co. or outstanding warrants to purchase common stock of Hart-Parr Co. or common stock of Nichols & Shepard; (b) 250,000 shares, common, on official notice of issue upon the exercise of outstanding stock purchase warrants; (c) 75,000 shares, common, on official notice of issue upon the exercise of certain outstanding options; and (d) 500,000 shares, common, on official notice of issue upon conversion of the 500,000 shares of convertible stock.—V. 128, p. 2477.

Otis Elevator Co.—Earnings.—

Quar. Ended Mar. 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Operating earnings	\$1,922,506	\$2,085,505	\$1,559,792	\$1,438,201
Reserve for pensions	25,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
Conting. reserve			100,000	
Federal tax reserve	205,000	260,000		See x
Net income	\$1,692,506	\$1,750,505	\$1,384,792	\$1,363,201
Shs. com. stk. outstand. (par \$50)	496,996	432,181	430,637	343,003
Earnings per share	\$3.21	\$3.82	\$2.99	\$3.69
x After Federal taxes.				
—V. 128, p. 2477.				

Owens-Illinois Glass Co.—Merger Ratified.—
See Owens Bottle Co. above.—V. 128, p. 2646.

Owens Bottle Co., Toledo, O.—Merger Ratified.—A \$20,000,000 merger of the Illinois Glass Co., of Alton, Ill., with the Owens Bottle Co., of Toledo, was unanimously approved, and some important additions in the official management of the new combination announced at the annual meeting of Owens Bottle stockholders April 17.

[The name given in last week's "Chronicle," page 2646, reading "Owens Bottle Co." should have read "Owens Bottle Co."]
With the ratification of the merger by the stockholders, the new organization will be known as the Owens Illinois Glass Co., and headquarters will be continued in Toledo, it was announced. It will give to the Owens Company the world's largest bottle making plant at Alton, besides other large plants distributed throughout the United States, and makes the company the largest of its kind in the world, the announcement adds.

The directors elected W. H. Boshart President of the merged organization, while William E. Levis, of Alton, President and General Manager of the Illinois Glass Co. was elected Vice President and General Manager of the combination. H. G. Phillips of Toledo was elected Vice President and Treasurer, and John H. McNeerney, Secretary. These men also were elected Vice Presidents: R. H. Levis of Alton, W. J. Crane of Toledo, James Morrison of Toledo and Charles Boldt of New York.

William E. Levis and R. H. Levis were elected to the board of directors, while William Ford of Toledo was reelected chairman of the board. These directors were reelected: W. H. Boshart and Harry E. Collin of Toledo, Marshall Field, Charles H. Sabin, E. P. Currier, Francis H. McAadoo, Charles Boldt and Fred Schwenck, all of New York.

Through the deal the Illinois Glass Co. now will receive from the Owens Bottle Co. cash and securities as follows: \$5,000,000 in cash, \$5,000,000 of 5% unsecured debentures, \$8,000,000 of 6% preferred stock, redeemable at 110, and 20,000 shares of common stock. There will be no offering of the new securities, either to the stockholders or the public as all the debentures and stock to be issued are to be delivered to the Illinois company, and will be held by it as a permanent investment. (See further details in V. 128, p. 2478.)

Pointing to the fact that the Owens Bottle Co. for several years has become concerned chiefly with the manufacture of bottles rather than with licensing machines on a royalty basis, President Boshart, in his address to the stockholders, said:

"The Illinois Glass Co., as a licensee, has been for a long period of years a substantial contributor to our royalty income. The principal patents included in its license from us will expire within the next few years, when your company will necessarily face the loss of this substantial revenue. By the acquisition and consolidation now to be effected, we will more than replace this large royalty income through manufacturing profits to be derived from the operation of the Illinois Glass Co.'s business.

"Increasing use is being made of glass bottles which are displacing containers made of other materials. It is my judgment that the present volume of the business represents far from the limit of what the ultimate development of the industry promises. Your company will enter upon its enlarged field of activities with an increased working capital to meet these conditions and with an organization thoroughly acquainted with the business through many years of experience.

"The plants of the Illinois Glass Co. are well situated with respect to large markets where a very considerable development is expected in the future in bottle consumption. Inspection of these properties by our engineers discloses that they are in excellent physical condition. Much money has been spent in recent years in the development and improvement of their mechanical equipment which is now modernized to the best standards. Their plant at Chicago Heights, Ill., is especially adapted to the production of high grade perfume and toilet bottles, in which lines we have not largely operated. This plant is adapted to the making of relatively small orders of bottles for which there is a good and stable demand. The plant at Alton, Ill., is the largest single bottle manufacturing plant in the world. Its other plants at Gas City, Ind., and Bridgeton, N. J., are well located, and are equipped with the most modern manufacturing facilities. We will also get back the exclusive right to manufacture large size water bottles, denture joints and carbons on Owens machines, which this company granted to Illinois Glass Co. years ago and which has turned out to be very profitable. The Illinois Glass Co. also manufactures large quantities of fruit jars for household preserving, which our company has heretofore not manufactured.

"I feel justified in placing emphasis on the value of the good will that rests in the Illinois Glass Co. and which we will acquire. To gain the full effect of the good will, the name of our company will be changed to Owens Illinois Glass Co. It remains the same company under a new name, reflecting the history and properties of the two companies. There is also an intangible but very considerable good will value in the Levis name associated for so many years with the Illinois Glass Co. that will ultimately reflect itself in an increasing public confidence in our company.

"We believe that the interest rate on the debenture and the dividend rate carried by the preferred stock, are quite favorable to your company in view of the current high rates for money. Had these terms not been agreed upon before the development of the present money situation, it would probably have been impossible to have financed this purchase so advantageously to our company."

Income Account for Calendar Years of Owens Bottle Co.

	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Mfg. profit & royalties	\$7,019,838	\$7,141,999	\$8,550,974	\$7,489,282
Other income	454,579	888,479	2,362,891	734,575
Total income	\$7,474,417	\$8,030,479	\$10,913,865	\$8,223,856
Expenses, &c., charges	2,960,097	2,781,709	2,728,186	2,314,173
Federal taxes	503,000	643,000	1,257,022	858,633
Net profit	\$4,011,319	\$4,605,771	\$6,928,657	\$5,051,052
Preferred divs. (7%)	123,461	472,778	563,861	575,360
Com. dividends (18%)	3,413,355	(21)3834,072	(20)3479,825	(16)2643,554
Balance, surplus	\$474,503	\$298,921	\$2,884,971	\$1,832,138
Profit & loss, surplus	\$9,186,540	\$9,539,299	\$9,288,332	\$8,204,892
Shares of common outstanding (par \$25)	768,846	732,245	695,100	661,128
Earns. per sh. on com.	\$5.06	\$5.65	\$9.16	\$6.77

Stock dividends of 5% each were paid Jan. 1 1928, 1927 and 1926.—V. 128, p. 2646.

Packard Motor Car Co.—Production Increased.—Period End. Mar. 31—1929—Month—1928. 1929—3Mos.—1928. Cars produced (No.) 4,790 4,699 14,088 13,098 In February last 4,394 units were produced.

The April production schedule calls for an output of 4,600 cars. Factory officials report retail deliveries are at the highest level in the company's history.—V. 128, p. 2478, 2105.

Palmolive-Peet Co., Chicago.—Sale of Plant.—See Glidden Co. above.—V. 127, p. 696.

Paramount Cab Mfg. Corp.—Earnings.—The company reports profit for the quarter ended March 31 1929 of \$507,353 after all charges except Federal taxes, equal to \$2.03 on 250,000 capital stock.—V. 128, p. 1244.

Philadelphia Co. for Guaranteeing Mortgages, Phila., Pa.—Shares Split-Up on a 5-for-1 Basis.—At the special meeting of the stockholders held April 15 approval was given to decrease the par value of the stock to \$20 per share from \$100. Each stockholder is entitled to receive five shares of new stock of \$20 par value in exchange for each share of \$100 per stock now held.—V. 128, p. 1069.

Pierce-Arrow Motor Car Co. (& Subs.).—Earnings.—Earnings for Quarter Ended March 31 1929.

Sales—less returns & allowances	\$5,409,416
Cost of sales, incl. sell., advert. & adm. exp. & all cost of mfg. &c.	5,080,431
Reserve for depreciation	55,464
Net profits on sales	\$273,521
Interest, cash discount, &c.	234,738
Dividends on stock in other corporations	22,500
Total profits	\$530,759
Interest on debentures, &c.	\$2,227
Net profits for quarter	\$448,532
Surplus at Dec. 31 1928	1,092,901
Total surplus March 31 1929	\$1,541,433

Net profits of \$448,531 compare with a loss of \$359,763 in the corresponding period of 1928. This equals \$2.07 per share on the class A com. stock after reserving for one month's preferred dividends, which were cumulative from March 1 only. The earnings are equivalent to \$1.66 per share on class A stock, after reserves of preferred dividends for the full quarter and indicate substantial earnings on the class B stock owned by Studebaker.

A. R. Erskine, Chairman of the Board, announced that sales in the first quarter were 1,979 cars against 1,224 cars last year, a gain of 61%. Production and sales are now exceeding 60 cars per day and 1,300 cars are estimated for April. Unfilled orders are in excess of 2,000 cars.

The losses sustained in 1928, substantially reduced if not entirely offset the income taxes of the company for 1929.

Initial Dividend of 1½% Declared on Preferred Stock.—

At their meeting in Buffalo April 23 the directors placed the preferred stock on a regular dividend basis by declaring 1½% payable June 1 to holders of record May 10, covering the period from March 1 to May 31.—V. 128, p. 2479.

Pittsburgh Steel Co.—Earnings.—

Period End. March 31 1929—	3 Mos.	9 Mos.
Net income after deprec. & Federal taxes	\$1,333,661	\$3,076,932
Earns. per sh. on 253,500 shs. com. stk.	\$4.54	\$9.96

—V. 128, p. 745.

Poor & Co.—Stock Increased—New Directors.—

The stockholders this week voted to increase the authorized no par value class B stock from 320,000 shares to 500,000 shares.

H. L. Baylies, H. C. Lutkin and H. C. Holloway have been elected directors, succeeding R. N. Baylies, F. N. Baylies and D. J. Evans.—V. 127, p. 2548.

Postum Co., Inc. (& Subs.).—Earnings for 1st Quarter.—

Quar. Ended March 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Sales	\$32,048,827	\$21,139,535	\$12,704,761	\$11,451,888
Total exp., less miscell.	26,176,284	16,624,561	8,839,035	7,860,028
Income	704,159	604,814	520,592	485,539
Income tax				
Net income	\$5,168,384	\$3,910,160	\$3,345,134	\$3,106,321
Shs. of com. outstanding (no par)	4,695,222	1,735,047	1,468,096	1,370,000
Earns. per sh. on com.	\$1.10	\$2.25	\$2.26	\$2.02

—V. 128, p. 2648.

Pullman, Inc.—Obituary.—

President Edward F. Carry died at Chicago on April 24.—V. 128, p. 2105.

Radio-Victor Corp. of America.—Organized.—

See Radio Corp. of America under "Public Utilities" above.

Rainier Pulp & Paper Co.—Listing.—

The San Francisco Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 100,000 shares of class A common stock, no par value.—V. 128, p. 1245, 1069, 575; V. 127, p. 2697, 2972, 2382; V. 125, p. 1592.

Reliance Bronze & Steel Corp.—Debentures Sold.—J. A.

Sisto & Co., and William R. Compton Co. have sold at 99½ and interest, \$1,000,000 15-year convertible 6% sinking fund debentures.

Common Stock Sold.—Jerome B. Sullivan & Co., and E. F. Gillespie & Co., Inc., announce the sale at \$21.50 per share of 25,000 shares common stock.

Bonds are dated April 1 1929; due April 1 1944. Denom. \$1,000*. Interest payable A. & C. at Empire Trust Co., New York, trustee, without deduction for Federal income tax not exceeding 2% per annum. Company will reimburse the holder for the amount of any personal property or similar tax (not exceeding 5½ mills per annum) and any State income tax (not exceeding 6% per annum) in the States of Penn., Conn., Mass., Mich., Maryland and the District of Columbia. Red. (otherwise than through the sinking fund) as a whole or in part on any int. date upon 30 days' notice at 105 and int., with right to convert debentures into stock continuing to redemption date.

Conversion Privilege.—Debentures will be convertible at the option of the holder into shares of common stock at the rate of 40 shares for each \$1,000 of debentures at any time on or before April 1 1934 (being at the rate of \$25 per share). On all debentures presented for conversion adjustment of interest will be made. The indenture provides equitable adjustment of conversion rate in the event of any change in capitalization, consolidation, Capitalization—Authorized. Outstanding.

15-year convertible 6% sinking fund debentures. \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000
Common stock (no par) *200,000 shs. 75,000 shs.
*40,000 shares have been reserved for conversion of the debentures.

Data from Letter of J. A. Rappaport, Pres. of the Company.

Business and History.—Corporation has been incorp. in New York, to acquire, own and operate the properties and businesses of Reliance Fireproof Door Co. of Brooklyn, N. Y., United Pressed Steel Products Corp. of College Point, L. I. and Knoburn Products Corp. of Hoboken, N. J. These companies (including predecessors) have been successfully engaged for the past 19 to 22 years in the manufacture of fireproof kalamein doors and windows of bronze or steel; hollow metal doors, frames and trim of bronze and steel; combination bucks, frames and trim; and ornamental bronze work, for office buildings, apartments, residences, banks, theatres, churches, schools, hospitals, libraries, &c. The new company will, it is said, constitute the largest single unit in the United States.

Sales.—The approximate sales of the three companies have increased from \$327,080 in 1919 to \$3,193,232 in 1928. Orders on the books of the three constituent companies were \$1,182,840 on Dec. 31 1928. Orders booked in Jan., Feb. and March 1929 were \$1,106,231. Sales billed for the same period were 14.3% larger than in 1928.

Earnings.—The combined earnings of the constituent companies for the four years ended Dec. 31 1928 averaged \$249,348 and for 1928 were \$285,856; after depreciation and before charging interest and Federal income tax. Non-recurring charges, eliminated from these earnings figures, for salaries, withdrawals, discontinued operations and other items, averaged \$37,991 during the said four years and were \$36,231 in 1928. The average earnings for the four years were equivalent to over four times interest requirements on this issue and earnings for 1928 were equivalent to 4.8 times interest requirements.

Purpose.—Proceeds of this issue will be used for working capital and to pay off previously existing indebtedness of the constituent companies, and as part of the purchase price for the properties acquired.

Sinking Fund.—Debentures are to be entitled to a semi-annual sinking fund beginning April 1 1930, payable in cash or debentures, calculated to be sufficient to retire by maturity 50% of the debentures issued. Debentures may be redeemed by lot at 105 and accrued interest or may be purchased at lesser prices and tendered to the sinking fund.

Listing.—Company has agreed to make application to list both its debentures and its common stock on the New York Curb Market.

Republic Iron & Steel Co.—Earnings.—

3 Mos. End. Mar. 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Net earnings	\$4,107,576	\$1,227,380	\$1,879,061	\$2,172,091
Depreciation & renewals	765,916	495,936	581,250	459,216
Exhaustion of minerals				94,302
Interest charges	464,533	244,113	253,389	296,727
Net income	\$2,877,127	\$487,332	\$1,044,421	\$1,321,846
Prof. dividends (1¼%)	437,500	437,500	437,500	437,500
Com. dividends (1%)	804,568	300,000	300,000	500,000
Balance, surplus	\$1,635,059	def\$250,168	\$306,921	\$884,346
Shs. com. stk. outstand.				
(no par)	804,568	x300,000	x300,000	x300,000.
Earns. per share	\$3.03	\$0.16	\$2.02	\$2.95

a After deducting charges for maintenance and repairs of plants (amounting to \$1,702,757 in 1928) and provision for Federal taxes. x Par \$100.
Unfilled orders as of March 31 1929 amounted to 425,569 tons as compared with 405,929 tons Dec. 31 1928 and 170,671 tons March 31 1928. V. 128, p. 1893.

Rio Tinto Co., Ltd.—Acquires 49% of Stock of Swiss Silica-Gel Co.—
See Silica-Gel Corp. below.—V. 128, p. 2480.

Rossia Insurance Co. of America, Hartford, Conn.—Capitalization Increased—Rights—20% Stock Dividend.—
The stockholders on April 22 increased the authorized capital stock from \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000, reduce the par value of the shares from \$25 to \$10, approved the issuance of 2½ new shares in exchange for each old share and ratified the distribution of a 20% stock dividend to holders of record May 4. The stockholders are requested to send their certificates of \$25 par value for exchange to the New York Trust Co., 100 Broadway, N. Y. City.

The stockholders of record May 15 are to be given the right to subscribe on or before June 15 for 60,000 of the new shares (par \$10) at \$30 per share on the basis of 1 new share for each 4 shares held.—V. 128, p. 1750, 1923

Stutz Motor Car Co. of America.—Rights.—
The stockholders of record May 8, will be given the right to subscribe on or before May 29 for additional capital stock (no par value) at \$20 per share to the extent of 10% of their holdings.—V. 128, p. 1575.

Superior Steel Corp.—Rights.—
The Irving Trust Co., 60 Broadway, N. Y. City, is receiving subscriptions for capital stock at \$40 per share on the basis of 15 new shares for each 100 shares of record April 15 1929. The right to subscribe expires May 9 1929.—V. 128, p. 1926.

Ruud Manufacturing Co.—Initial Dividend.—
The directors have declared an initial quarterly dividend of 65 cents per share on the no par value com. stock, payable May 1 to holders of record, April 20. See offering in V. 128, p. 1415.

Safe-T-Stat Co.—To Merge With Moto Meter Co., Inc.—
See latter above.—V. 127, p. 2838.

Schletter & Zander, Inc.—Earnings—Initial Dividend.—
Net earnings after taxes for the first quarter ending March 31 1929 were \$279,112, or 92 cents per common share outstanding. This compares with \$248,803 for the corresponding period in 1928, a gain of 12.5%.

In view of this showing, the directors have declared an initial dividend on the common stock of 50 cents per share, payable June 29 to holders of record June 15.

For this period sales were 25% ahead of the corresponding period in 1928. The company is in an exceptionally strong position, with no mortgages or indebtedness other than current liabilities, and at present has cash on hand of over \$457,000, compared with \$411,000 on Dec. 31.

Under their agreement with the Brown Durrell Co., Schletter & Zander have first call on all Brown Durrell's hosiery production requirements, which to-day are more than 100% in excess of their capacity. This contract frees them from sales expense and credit losses, as Brown Durrell pays each month for shipments. Their product is tagged as "Gordon Hosiery."—V. 128, p. 1070, 1415.

Schulte-United 5c. to \$1 Stores, Inc.—Sales.—
This corporation, now operating 51 stores, reports March sales of \$1,015,160, an increase of 40% over sales for the month of February amounting to \$630,490.

During the month of March 5 new stores were opened in New Haven, Conn.; Camden, N. J.; Bay City, Mich.; Streator, Ill.; and Hamilton, Ontario. These new stores were not included in the latter part of the month so the result of their operation is not fully reflected in the sales for March. The 46 stores already in operation showed an increase in March sales of 27% over sales for February.—V. 128, p. 2106.

Sherwin-Williams Co., Cleveland.—Extra Div. 25c.—
An extra dividend of 1% has been declared on the outstanding \$14,861,125 common stock, par \$25, in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 3%, both payable May 15 to holders of record April 30. Like amounts were paid on this issue, Nov. 15 1928 and on Feb. 15 1929. An extra dividend of ½% was paid on Nov. 15 1927, and on Feb. 15, May 15 and Aug. 15 1928. From Nov. 1925 to Aug. 1927 incl., the company paid an extra dividend of 1% and a regular dividend of 2% each quarter.

The directors have also declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1½% on the pref. stock, payable June 1 to holders of record May 15.

The directors have approved the retirement of an additional \$375,000 of pref. stock on June 1.—V. 128, p. 747.

Shubert Theatre Corp.—Stock Increased.—
The stockholders on April 23 voted to increase the authorized capital stock from 250,000 shares (of which 217,340 shares have been issued) to 500,000 shares.—V. 128, p. 2481.

Silica-Gel Corp.—Organizes Swiss Subsidiary.—
President C. Wilbur Miller on April 22, announced the formation of the Silica Gel Holding Co., S. A., of Geneva, Switzerland, with a capital of £1,000,000 sterling, or approximately \$5,000,000.

The controlling interest, or 51% of the stock of the Swiss holding company, has been vested in the Silica Gel Corp. of Baltimore. The remaining 49% of the stock is held by the Rio Tinto Co., Ltd. of London.

The Swiss holding company, Mr. Miller said, owns all the stock of the English, French and German companies, controlling operations of Silica Gel everywhere except in North America.

A managing board for the Silica Gel Holding Co. has been formed and is composed of Sir Auckland Geddes, Chairman of the Rio Tinto Co.; the Hon. R. N. Preston, managing director of the Rio Tinto Co.; C. Wilbur Miller, President of the Silica Gel Corp. and E. B. Miller, Vice-President of that corporation.

All stock of the holding company is in the hands of a voting trust and Sir Auckland Geddes and C. Wilbur Miller are the sole voting trustees.—V. 126, p. 3774.

(H.) Simon & Sons, Ltd.—Initial Dividend.—
The directors have declared an initial dividend of 50c. per share on the common stock, payable June 1 to holders of record May 17.—V. 126, p. 2805.

Southern Air Transport.—Earnings.—
Period Ended March 31 1929— 3 Mos. 12 Mos.
Net profits after taxes & depreciation— \$69,872 \$295,707
Earnings per sh. on 300,000 shs. cap. stock— \$0.23 \$0.98
—V. 128, p. 1924.

Southern Pipe Line Co.—Proposed Sale, &c.—In response to a number of inquiries received in reference to the proposed sale of a part of the lines of this company to the Manufacturers Light & Heat Co., President Forrest M. Towl, April 24, says:

The total amount to be received, subject to correction for distance, is \$955,056. This will probably be about the depreciated value as shown by our books.

Proxies have already been received representing more than 63% of the stock.

There is also collectible, from sale of a small part of our lines, \$50,000, so that the \$10 per share referred to in my letter of April 12 will not require the sale of any of our securities (see last week's "Chronicle," page 2650).

There are remaining two systems of pipes extending all the way from the West Virginia-Pennsylvania State line to Millway, Pa. Each of these systems has a capacity to transport more than twice as much oil as we are now carrying.—V. 128, p. 2650.

South Penn Oil Co.—Expansion by Subsidiary.—
Additions are being made to the plant of the Pennzoll Co., a subsidiary, at Oil City, Pa., by the construction of two additional stills and four large filter presses.—V. 128, p. 1416.

Sparks Withington Co.—To Increase Common Stock—May Pay 300% Stock Dividend.—
The stockholders will vote May 11 on increasing the authorized common stock (no par value) from 400,000 shares to 1,000,000 shares. If the increase is approved the directors plan to pay a 300% stock dividend. At Jan. 31, last, there were outstanding 165,979 shares of common stock.—V. 128, p. 2287.

Standard Investing Corp.—To Increase Common Stock—To Pay Regular Quarterly Stock Dividends of 1½% Each.—
To provide for the inauguration of regular quarterly stock dividends at the rate of 6% a year on the common stock, the directors will submit to the stockholders at their annual meeting on May 6 a proposal to increase the authorized common stock to 250,000 shares from 185,000 shares. This investment trust was organized in Jan., 1927, and finished the fiscal year ending Feb. 28 1929, with assets totaling over \$11,000,000. At present the directors do not contemplate the issue of further common stock except in connection with the payment of stock dividends.

In his letter to the stockholders explaining the stock dividend policy, President Ray Morris says: "The total profit and loss surplus reported as of the close of the last financial year, Feb. 28 1929, amounted to \$1,017,048. In view of such satisfactory and substantial earnings for the two years of operation which have now been concluded, the directors believe that some recognition should be given to the common stock in respect of these earnings attributable to such stock. The directors do not, however, consider it wise now to initiate cash disbursements by way of dividends on the common stock, feeling that the interests of the common stockholders will, in the long run, be advanced by retaining current profits in the business, to serve as additional working funds and as an increasing equity behind the debentures and preferred stock. Particularly do they feel this to be so where, as here, the earned surplus attributable to the common stock largely arises from realized trading profits rather than from current return on investments."

"In order, however, that the common stockholders may receive some recognition without reducing the company's working capital, the directors have, in principle, approved of paying common stock dividends on the outstanding common stock, at such times and amounts as in their opinion conditions may warrant, and it is proposed to initiate this policy by the declaration of a quarterly common stock dividend of 1½% if and when additional common stock is made available for this purpose by appropriate stockholders' action."—V. 127, p. 1821.

Standard Milling Co.—Changes in Personnel.—
George K. Morrow (Pres. of Gold Dust Corp.) has been elected President, succeeding A. P. Walker, who has been elected Chairman. J. A. Neville, formerly Secretary and Treasurer, has resigned.—V. 128, p. 905, 1071.

Fred L. Rodewald is reported to have deposited his Standard Milling stock in exchange for stock of the Gold Dust Corp. He originally opposed the merger.—(See V. 128, p. 748.)—V. 128, p. 1071.

Standard Oil Co. of Indiana.—New Director, &c.—
Bruce Johnstone has been elected a director, succeeding Dr. Wm. M. Burton.

In regard to rumors of an offer to exchange Standard Oil Co. of Indiana stock for Pan-American Petroleum & Transport Co. stock, President E. G. Seubert stated that such reports were without foundation.—V. 128, p. 1925.

Standard Oil Co. of New York.—Earnings.

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Total earnings—	\$80,821,895	\$52,934,400	\$71,646,813	\$72,175,827
Deprec. and insurance—	36,213,355	35,778,775	35,909,557	28,480,563
Interest on bonds—	4,963,312	5,740,737	2,960,755	2,114,878
Net profits—	\$39,645,228	\$11,414,888	\$32,776,502	\$41,580,386
Previous surplus—	86,758,712	94,651,701	158,963,802	116,321,195
Magnolia Petr. surplus—				14,177,728
Mag. Petr. sur. of subs.—				2,908,659
General Petr. Corp. sur.—			929,262	
Ins. res. prior yrs. in excess of requir. restored—		4,756,985		
Prem. on capital stock—	2,069,488	2,733,000		
Adjustments—	Dr321,488	Cr393,228	Dr2,869,971	Dr547,057
Total surplus—	\$128,151,937	\$113,949,802	\$189,799,595	\$174,436,911
Cash divs. paid—	27,530,290	27,191,090	23,456,792	14,345,486
Dividend rate—	(6-2-5%)	(6-2-5%)	(6%)	(5-3-5%)
Capital distribution—			71,691,103	1,127,623
Profit & loss surp.—y	\$100,571,647	\$86,758,712	\$94,651,701	\$158,963,802
Shares of capital stock outstanding (par \$25)—	17,363,783	17,118,931	16,809,928	11,459,264
Earnings per sh. on cap. stock—	\$2.28	\$0.66	\$1.95	\$3.63
x Total earnings are after deducting expenses incident to operations, incl. taxes. y Capital surplus, \$26,187,773; earned surplus, \$74,383,874.				

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31.

	1928.	1927.	1928.	1927.
Assets—	\$	\$	\$	\$
Real est., mach. and vessels—	x451,200,920	443,367,687	434,094,575	427,973,275
Inv. in oth. cos.—	8,051,059	8,327,152	103,897,044	107,857,640
Inventories—	161,199,291	156,733,294	6,735,811	6,159,988
Cash—	20,136,680	14,040,705	35,848,032	35,398,825
Accts. & notes receivable—	47,000,796	44,953,218	7,709,734	7,909,067
Marketable securities—		3,003,182	3,528,933	6,031,286
Deferred assets—	7,797,030	7,663,537	100,571,647	86,758,712
Total—	695,385,776	678,088,775	695,385,776	678,088,775

x After deducting \$308,517,429 reserve for depreciation and depletion. y As follows: (a) 4½% serial gold debentures (completely maturing in 1948), \$20,000,000; (b) 4½% gold debentures (maturing in 1951), \$50,000,000; (c) Magnolia Petroleum Co. 4½% serial gold debentures (completely maturing in 1935), \$10,500,000; (d) General Petroleum Corp. of Calif. 5% 1st mtge. sinking fund gold debentures (maturing in 1940), \$20,935,000; (f) General Petroleum Corp. of Calif. purchase money obligations (of which \$1,264,596 mature in 1929), \$2,462,044.—V. 128, p. 748.

Stanley Co. of America.—Offer Extended.—
See Warner Bros. Pictures, Inc., below.—V. 128, p. 2650.

(The) Starrett Corp.—New Director, &c.—
Arthur B. Walsh, who as Vice-President and director of the National City Realty Corp., has handled negotiations for the purchase and sale of real estate in this and other countries involving many millions of dollars, has been elected a director of The Starrett Corp. and Vice-President and director of the Starrett Investing Corp., with headquarters at 101 Park Ave., N. Y. City. He has resigned from the National City Realty Corp., and also from the U. S. R. Management Corp., which is the managing company for the joint real estate enterprises of the National City Co. and the United States Realty & Improvement Co.

The Starrett Investing Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Starrett Corp., was organized to finance real estate operations in the principal metropolitan centers of the United States; among other activities, it will underwrite, hold and deal in mortgages secured by real estate, including leaseholds. As recently announced, Starrett Bros., Inc., another subsidiary, will construct the new Bank of Manhattan Building, which will be the highest bank and office building in the world, and will occupy most of the block bounded by Wall, Nassau, Pine and William Sts., in the center of the financial district.—V. 128, p. 1574.

State Title & Mortgage Co.—Offers Certificates.—
The company is offering \$500,000 guaranteed first mortgage participation certificates secured by mortgage on the land and modern 16-story building located at 259-61 West 30th St., N. Y. City. The certificates mature serially from July 1 1929 to Jan. 1 1939 and are offered to yield 5.50%. Principal and interest are guaranteed by the company.—V. 128, p. 2650.

Studebaker Corp. of America.—Costs Cut By Move.—

Material progress toward the saving of \$3,000,000 and \$4,000,000 per year in operating costs of the enlarged Studebaker plant in South Bend, Ind., through the transfer of major operations from Detroit to the central factory, will be made during this month (April), President A. R. Erskine stated on April 23.—V. 128, p. 2651.

Submarine Boat Corp.—Annual Report.—

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Gross earnings from oper.	\$2,669,377	\$4,199,873	\$3,403,185	\$4,029,140
Cost of operations	2,966,949	4,871,505	3,393,799	3,810,004
General expenses	158,606	152,961	202,436	—
Exp. not appor'd to cost.	—	—	—	361,359
Net loss	\$456,178	\$824,595	\$193,050	\$142,222
Other income	16,602	26,284	89,799	7,086
Gross loss	\$439,576	\$798,310	\$103,251	\$135,136
Other deductions	—	Cr234,772	102,200	111,990
Balance, deficit	\$439,576	\$563,538	\$205,451	\$247,126
Previous deficit	821,988	765,252	309,430	x48,457
Bad debts written off	—	115,408	—	—
Add Fed. tax prior years	—	—	134,962	—
Adjust. to surplus	Cr. y140,778	Cr. y647,579	—	deb.34,069
Dividends paid	—	—	—	76,692
Loss on sale of ships, &c.	320,428	—	—	—
Loss on sale of treas. stk.	6,509	—	—	—
Profit and loss, deficit	\$1,447,723	\$681,211	\$765,252	\$309,430
x Surplus. y Appreciation of investments.	—	—	—	V. 128, p. 2482.

Sun Investing Co., Inc.—Stocks Offered.—Details of a private offering of 85,000 units, at \$75 per unit are announced by L. F. Rothschild & Co., and the Herrick Co. Each unit consists of one share of preferred stock \$3 convertible series and one share of common stock. Each share of preferred stock will be convertible after May 1 1930, until April 30 1934, into 1½ shares of common stock and after May 1 1934 until April 30 1938 into one share of common.

The company has been formed in Delaware to do an international investment business. The banking firms and associated interests are paying \$750,000 in cash for 30,000 shares of common stock purchased at \$25 per share, and will receive option warrants entitling them to purchase up to 80,000 additional shares of common stock on or before May 1 1939, at \$27 per share, and upon every sale of common stock prior to May 1 1939, (other than that to be issued presently or upon any exercise of said option warrants), will be entitled to further options, running in each case for two years from their date, to purchase shares of common stock up to a number equal to 30% of the number then being sold and at the then issue price.

An international portfolio will be established with investments distributed in the United States, Canada and abroad. Application will be made to list the company's shares on the New York Curb. Compare also V. 128, p. 2482.

Superior Steel Corp.—Listing.—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing on and after May 10 of 15,000 additional shares of its common stock (par \$100) on official notice of issuance and payment in full, pursuant to offering to common stockholders, making the total amount applied for 115,000 shares.—V. 128, p. 1926.

Sweets Co. of America, Inc.—Earnings.—

Quar. End. Mar. 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Net profit after deprec., reserve, &c.	\$24,613	x\$26,520	x\$10,798	loss\$5,584
x Before deducting depreciation.	—	—	—	V. 128, p. 1925.

Symington Co.—Earnings.—

Quar. Ended Mar. 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Net after depreciation, Federal taxes, &c.	\$59,093	\$75,164	\$74,204	\$218,519
Other income	9,477	4,330	5,785	5,345
Total income	\$68,570	\$79,494	\$79,989	\$223,864
Interest	—	12,500	15,000	25,487
Net income	\$68,570	\$66,994	\$64,989	\$198,377
—V. 128, p. 2288.	—	—	—	—

Telaugraph Corp., N. Y.—Exchange Offer Made.—

The Irving Trust Co., 60 Broadway, N. Y. City, has been appointed agent to receive preferred stock in exchange for common stock on the basis of five shares of common for each share of preferred surrendered. The exchange may be made between April 25 and May 25 1929.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 37,500 additional shares of common stock (without par value) on official notice of issuance in exchange for outstanding 7% cumulative preferred stock, making the total amount applied for 229,500 shares.—V. 128, p. 2107.

Texas Gulf Sulphur Co., Inc.—Earnings.—

Quar. End. Mar. 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Net earnings	\$3,880,261	\$3,087,840	\$2,854,631	\$1,930,624
Dividends paid	2,540,000	2,540,000	2,540,000	1,587,500
Balance, surplus	\$1,340,261	\$547,840	\$314,631	\$343,124
Sur. & res'v for depl'n	—	—	—	—
Earns. per sh. on 2,540,000 shs. capital stock (no par)	\$1.57	\$1.21	\$1.12	\$0.76

During the first three months of 1929 the company decreased its reserves for depreciation, &c., and for Federal taxes accrued, &c., by \$157,194 making a total of these reserves of \$11,502,007 at March 31 1929. All assets subject to depreciation in connection with operations at Gulf, Texas, are now entirely offset in these reserve accounts.—V. 128, p. 551.

Texas Pacific Coal & Oil Co.—2½% Stock Dividend.—

The directors have declared a 2½% stock dividend, payable June 30 to holders of record June 5. A similar stock dividend was paid on March 20 last. (Compare V. 128, p. 418). R. E. Harding has been elected a member of the executive committee.—V. 128, p. 1926.

Tilo Roofing Co.—Transfer Agent.—

The National City Bank of New York has been appointed transfer agent for 20,000 shares of cum. pref. stock, series A, and 125,000 shares of common stock.

Title Guarantee & Trust Co.—Loans Approved.—

At the meeting of the Mortgage Committee held April 17, the company approved 228 loans amounting to \$2,791,550. They were distributed as follows: In Manhattan and in Bronx, \$736,700; in Brooklyn, Queens, Nassau and Suffolk, \$1,718,950; and in Staten Island, \$335,900.—V. 128, p. 2651.

Timken-Detroit Axle Co.—Listing.—

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 968,881 shares (par \$10) common stock, which is issued and outstanding with authority to add to the list from time to time an aggregate of 23,215 shares, common stock, at present under contract of sale to certain employees, making the total applied for 992,096 shares.

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Net after depreciation & Federal taxes	\$1,738,337	\$1,540,530	\$1,772,460	\$1,382,065
Preferred dividends	257,633	269,344	284,238	305,283
Common dividends	645,105	643,086	558,391	—
Balance, surplus	\$835,599	\$628,100	\$929,831	\$1,076,782
Shares of com. stock outstanding (par \$10)	834,596	832,073	827,345	823,920
Earnings per share	\$1.77	\$1.53	\$1.80	\$1.30

Balance Sheet Dec. 31.

Assets—	1928.	1927.	Liabilities—	1928.	1927.
Land, bldgs, &c. x	5,990,101	6,037,334	7% preferred stock	3,842,100	3,966,500
Goodwill & pat'ts.	1	1	Com. stk. (par \$10)	8,345,960	8,320,730
Cash	1,103,977	1,059,298	Federal tax (est.)	331,598	200,000
Notes & accts. rec.	2,112,681	1,006,469	Accounts payable	—	—
Inventories	4,869,658	4,173,941	not due	1,187,578	717,434
Sinking fund	229,000	187,357	Accrued dividends	—	—
Munici. & Gov. sec	2,537,231	2,584,808	and expenses	21,070	19,112
Other assets	1,719,192	1,529,418	Other reserves	302,015	237,379
Deferred assets	277,527	219,236	Deferred income	658,817	—
			Surplus	4,150,221	3,316,708
Total	18,839,367	16,777,864	Total	18,839,367	16,777,864

x After \$4,568,099 reserve for depreciation.—V. 128, p. 1575.

Tonopah Mining Co.—May Change Name.—

President Walter L. Haehtlen, in a special notice to the stockholders, says: "The directors believe that there may be some misunderstanding in the minds of the stockholders and others, as to the present status of the company.

"The company was incorporated in Delaware in July 1901 for the purpose of operating a mining property located at Tonopah, Nev. Since that time this property has been a wonderful producer, and has paid to the stockholders, up to Dec. 31 1928, the sum of \$16,725,000 in dividends, and it is still producing profitably, but how long it will be able to continue doing so it is impossible to determine. The entire mining property and mill at Tonopah are carried on the books of the company at \$66,691, a figure less than the salvage value.

"This company is now a mining investment corporation, having large cash resources and investments in other mining properties and other companies, showing encouraging prospects for the future.

"The management is giving consideration to a proposal to change the name of the company to *Tonopah Mining Investment Corp.* or some other name that may carry the impression that its resources are not confined only to the old mine in Nevada.

"We will be pleased to receive any suggestion from the stockholders on this subject, or any other matters that may be of benefit to the company."—V. 126, p. 3316.

Union Bag & Paper Corp.—Earnings.—

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Net earnings	\$597,112	\$717,518	\$527,876	\$931,746
Depreciation	257,109	261,205	254,030	359,273
Repairs & maint.	298,952	444,320	448,736	—
Interest	y	4,535	5,150	349,390
Profit	\$41,051	\$7,459	loss\$180,039	\$223,083
Inv. adjust (net)	x8,731	369,687	—	—
Amort of disc.	182,733	182,733	182,733	—
Net loss	\$150,413	\$544,961	\$362,772	prof\$223,083
Previous surplus	372,276	917,237	1,280,009	1,164,042
Total surplus	\$221,863	\$372,276	\$917,237	\$1,387,125
Prior year tax	—	—	—	107,116
Profit & loss surplus	\$221,863	\$372,276	\$917,237	\$1,280,009
Shs. com. stk. outstdg (par \$100)	146,074	146,044	146,044	146,044
Earns. per share	Nil	\$0.05	Nil	\$1.53

x After credit of \$144,424 net profit from sale of capital assets. y Interest on \$3,000,000 Union Bag & Paper Power Corp. bonds, less income from funds in escrow, etc., together with amortized portion of bond discount have been charged to new construction.—V. 128, p. 2482.

Union Carbide & Carbon Corp. (& Subs.).—

Quars. End. Mar. 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Earns. (after prov. for inc. & other tax)	\$9,646,500	\$8,329,468	\$7,571,152	\$8,014,561
Int. on funded debt & divs. on pref. stock of sub. cos.	309,752	295,675	299,763	306,439
Deprec. & other charges (estimated)	2,132,802	2,029,661	1,925,060	1,926,126
Balance, surplus	\$7,203,946	\$6,004,132	\$5,346,329	\$5,781,995
Shs. com. stk. outstand. (no par)	2,752,072	2,659,733	2,659,733	2,659,733
Earnings per share	\$2.61	\$2.25	\$2.01	\$2.17
—V. 128, p. 2652.	—	—	—	—

—V. 128, p. 2652.

Union Twist Drill Co.—Earnings.—

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.
Net income after depreciation, Fed. taxes, &c.	\$782,741	x\$308,242
Balance after preferred dividends	678,888	x288,419
Earns. per sh. on 200,000 shs. com. stk. (par \$5)	\$3.39	\$1.44
x Before taxes.	—	—

Balance Sheet Dec. 31.

Assets—	1928.	1927.	Liabilities—	1928.	1927.
Cash	\$257,826	\$325,397	Preferred stock	\$3,129,600	\$3,129,600
Accts & notes rec.	431,509	312,712	Common stock	1,000,000	1,000,000
Inventories	1,633,096	1,553,196	Accts payable	77,593	79,489
Other accts rec.	38,270	71,724	Accrd expenses	28,182	21,553
Investments	150,412	150,538	Res. for Fed. & Can inc. txs.	97,000	49,000
Plant & equip.	3,147,396	3,118,474	Notes payable	68,500	68,500
Gdwill & pat's, &c.	742,555	742,555	Reserve for S F pref stock	500,764	438,172
Sink fund pref stock	1,802,253	1,349,847	Surplus	3,340,279	2,965,509
Treas. stk. com.	—	89,910			
Prepaid exps.	38,601	37,470			
Total	\$8,241,918	\$7,751,823	Total	\$8,241,918	\$7,751,823

—V. 126, p. 3612.

United Corp., Seattle, Wash.—60c. Extra Dividend.—

The directors announce that at the meeting held April 17 1929, an extra dividend of 60c. per share was declared, payable May 25, to participating preference stockholders of record April 25. Cash dividends declared since organization of the company July 10 1928, amount to \$1.60 per share. In addition, rights with cash value equivalent to 75c. per share have been issued. Thus, total returns to original stockholders have been equivalent to \$2.35 per share, it is announced. The corporation now has over 1,000 stockholders situated in 14 states of the United States, and in Canada, Alaska, England, and Honolulu.

President Ban B. Ehrlichman, says in part: "In the near future and as soon as final details are worked out the board expects to announce certain developments which will be interesting and constructive."

Proposal to Increase Common and Preferred Stocks.—

The directors have recommended to the stockholders that the company's capitalization be increased from 150,000 to 1,000,000 preference shares and from 30,000 to 200,000 common shares. Part of additional shares will be issued at this time, the stockholders receiving rights to subscribe at prices under the present market. According to Mr. Ehrlichman, the primary reason for the increase in capitalization is that connections with eastern capital for investment in the Pacific Northwest are being considered.—V. 128, p. 1417.

United Dyewood Corp.—Earnings.—

Consol. Income Account (Subsidiary Companies) for Calendar Years.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Net profit from oper.	\$932,802	\$940,135	\$703,012
Other income	51,338	31,585	75,561
Total income	\$984,141	\$971,720	\$778,572
Deprec., int., Federal taxes, &c.	291,640	285,504	314,446
General reserves	142,777	152,118	142,873
Net income	\$549,723	\$534,098	\$321,253
Dividends	296,403	340,642	387,825
Balance	sur\$253,320	sur\$193,456	df.\$66,572
Profit & loss surplus	x\$3,375,345	\$2,318,018	\$2,284,252
x Equity of United Dyewood Corp. amounted to \$3,361,208.	—	—	—
—V. 126, p. 3141.	—	—	—

—V. 126, p. 3141.

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UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY.

THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT—YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31 1928.

New York, N. Y., April 11 1929.

To the Stockholders of Union Pacific Railroad Company:

The Board of Directors submits the following report of the operations and affairs of the Union Pacific Railroad Company for the calendar year ended December 31 1928, including the Oregon Short Line Railroad Company, whose entire Capital Stock is owned by the Union Pacific Railroad Company, the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation Company, whose entire Capital Stock (except fifteen qualifying shares held by Directors) is owned by the Oregon Short Line Railroad Company, and the Los Angeles & Salt Lake Railroad Company, whose entire Capital Stock is owned, one-half each, by the Union Pacific Railroad Company and the Oregon Short Line Railroad Company. For convenience, the four companies are designated by the term "Union Pacific System."

INCOME.

The operated mileage at close of year and income for the calendar year 1928, compared with 1927, after excluding all offsetting accounts between the Union Pacific Railroad Co., Oregon Short Line Railroad Co., Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation Co. and Los Angeles & Salt Lake Railroad Co., were as follows:

	Calendar Year 1928.	Calendar Year 1927.	Increase.	Decrease.
Operated Mileage at Close of Year.				
Miles of road.....	9,857.53	9,676.81	180.72	
Miles of additional main track.....	1,547.16	1,526.31	20.85	
Miles of yard tracks and sidings.....	3,919.82	3,842.05	77.77	
Total Mileage Operated.....	15,324.51	15,045.17	279.34	
Transportation Operations.				
Operating revenues.....	\$215,169,245.62	\$203,891,622.46	\$11,277,623.16	
Operating expenses.....	146,256,488.06	140,334,442.20	5,922,045.86	
Revenues over expenses.....	\$68,912,757.56	\$63,557,180.26	\$5,355,577.30	
Taxes.....	15,978,221.79	15,985,844.32		\$7,622.53
Uncollectible railway revenues.....	9,647.37	17,073.98		7,426.61
Railway Operating Income.....	\$52,924,888.40	\$47,554,261.96	\$5,370,626.44	
Rents from use of joint tracks, yards, and terminal facilities.....	1,064,656.17	1,667,282.32		\$ 602,626.15
	\$53,989,544.57	\$49,221,544.28	\$4,768,000.29	
Hire of equipment—debit balance.....	\$7,965,912.58	\$6,954,515.26	\$1,011,397.32	
Rents for use of joint tracks, yards, and terminal facilities.....	2,204,636.96	2,783,638.76		\$579,001.80
	\$10,170,549.54	\$9,738,154.02	\$432,395.52	
Net Income from Transportation Operations.....	\$43,818,995.03	\$39,483,390.26	\$4,335,604.77	
Income from Investments and Sources other than Transportation Operations.				
Dividends on stocks owned.....	\$11,369,984.81	\$10,276,593.57	\$1,093,391.24	
Interest on bonds, notes, and equipment trust certificates owned.....	6,430,397.51	6,195,669.48	234,728.03	
Interest on loans and open accounts—balance.....	1,485,134.28	1,011,533.99	473,600.29	
Rents from lease of road.....	127,164.17	122,174.11	4,990.06	
Miscellaneous rents.....	612,123.23	528,587.43	83,535.80	
Miscellaneous income.....	321,754.13	301,070.99	20,683.14	
Total.....	\$20,346,558.13	\$18,435,629.57	\$1,910,928.56	
Total Income.....	\$64,165,553.16	\$57,919,019.83	\$6,246,533.33	
Fixed and Other Charges.				
Interest on funded debt.....	\$17,573,934.29	\$17,744,850.84		\$170,916.55
Miscellaneous rents.....	35,387.97	39,004.85		3,616.88
Miscellaneous charges.....	449,358.76	469,928.92		20,570.16
Total.....	\$18,058,681.02	\$18,253,784.61		\$195,103.59
Net Income from All Sources.....	\$46,106,872.14	\$39,665,235.22	\$6,441,636.92	
DISPOSITION OF NET INCOME.				
Dividends on Stock of Union Pacific Railroad Co.:				
Preferred stock:				
2 per cent paid April 2 1928.....	\$1,990,862.00			
2 per cent paid October 1 1928.....	1,990,862.00			
Common stock:				
2½ per cent paid April 2 1928.....	\$5,557,290.00			
2½ per cent paid July 2 1928.....	5,557,290.00			
2½ per cent paid October 1 1928.....	5,557,290.00			
2½ per cent payable January 2 1929.....	5,557,290.00			
	22,229,160.00	22,229,160.00		\$16.00
Total Dividends.....	\$26,210,884.00	\$26,210,900.00		\$16.00
Total Appropriations of Net Income.....	\$26,210,884.00	\$26,210,900.00		\$16.00
Surplus, Transferred to Profit and Loss.....	\$19,895,988.14	\$13,454,335.22	\$6,441,652.92	

The increase of \$11,823,027.64 or 7.5 per cent in "Freight Revenue" was due to an increase of 8.7 per cent in net ton miles of revenue freight carried, partially offset by a decrease of 1.1 per cent in average revenue per ton mile, due in part to a 7½ per cent reduction in rates on all deciduous fruits, except apples, from California and Utah, effective February 10 1928. There were substantial increases in the movement of grain, fresh vegetables, canned vegetables and fruits, and fresh deciduous fruits, due chiefly to: (1) large hold-overs from 1927 crops of wheat in the Northwestern States, of corn in Nebraska and Kansas and of potatoes in Idaho, and (2) increased acreage and production of vegetables and better crops of deciduous fruits in States west of the Rocky Mountains. The movement of citrus fruits decreased because of smaller orange crop. Live-stock moved in greater volume principally because of favorable market prices. Business conditions generally were good throughout System territory and consequently there were increased shipments of manufactures and miscellaneous commodities, particularly automobiles and parts, and of lumber from Pacific Northwest mills, while an improved metal market resulted in a heavier movement of lead, zinc and copper from smelters in Utah, Idaho and Montana. Larger production in Kansas, Colorado and Wyoming oil fields, increased output from refineries in System territory and a greater demand for gasoline in all sections caused an increase in the transportation of petroleum and refined oils, although residual petroleum oils moved in less volume due to a lessened demand for their use in road improvements. There were decreases in the movement of stone and coal, attributable respectively to the completion during the year of breakwater at Long Beach, California, and to milder weather conditions during the winter months and termination of the miners' strike in Colorado, which resulted in a reduction in long-haul shipments from Wyoming and Utah mines and a resumption of short-haul shipments from Colorado mines.

Operating results for year 1928 compared with year 1927:

	Calendar Year 1928.	Calendar Year 1927.	Increase.	Decrease.	Per Cent.
Average miles of road operated.....	9,813.48	9,677.63	135.85	-----	1.4
Operating Revenues—					
1. Freight revenue.....	\$169,568,273.35	\$157,745,245.71	\$11,823,027.64	-----	7.5
2. Passenger revenue.....	26,886,972.96	28,452,380.42	-----	\$1,565,407.46	5.5
3. Mail revenue.....	4,680,872.46	4,343,021.79	337,850.67	-----	7.8
4. Express revenue.....	4,347,280.52	3,981,604.43	365,676.09	-----	9.2
5. Other passenger-train revenue.....	3,877,439.45	4,010,507.56	-----	133,068.11	3.3
6. Other train revenue.....	74,667.03	85,588.75	-----	10,921.72	12.8
7. Switching revenue.....	1,302,709.49	1,320,080.58	-----	17,370.69	1.3
8. Water line revenue.....	80,459.55	66,828.17	13,631.38	-----	20.4
9. Other revenue.....	4,350,570.81	3,886,365.45	464,205.36	-----	11.9
Total operating revenues.....	\$215,169,245.62	\$203,891,622.46	\$11,277,623.16	-----	5.5
Operating Expenses—					
11. Maintenance of way and structures.....	\$28,243,556.89	\$27,991,232.06	\$252,324.83	-----	.9
12. Maintenance of equipment.....	39,054,207.81	37,393,403.04	1,660,804.77	-----	4.4
13. Total maintenance expenses.....	\$67,297,764.70	\$65,384,635.10	\$1,913,129.60	-----	2.9
14. Traffic expenses.....	4,638,306.39	4,579,355.41	58,950.98	-----	1.3
15. Transportation expenses—rail line.....	61,713,749.85	58,373,993.60	3,339,756.25	-----	5.7
16. Transportation expenses—water line.....	61,979.82	58,560.47	3,419.35	-----	5.8
17. Miscellaneous operations expenses.....	4,679,814.51	4,400,306.53	279,507.98	-----	6.4
18. General expenses.....	7,920,081.94	7,560,762.02	359,319.92	-----	4.8
19. Transportation for investment—Credit.....	55,209.15	23,170.93	32,038.22	-----	138.3
20. Total operating expenses.....	\$146,256,488.06	\$140,334,442.20	\$5,922,045.86	-----	4.2
21. Revenues over expenses.....	\$68,912,757.56	\$63,557,180.26	\$5,355,577.30	-----	8.4
22. State and county.....	\$11,433,374.14	\$11,852,812.46	-----	\$419,438.32	3.5
23. Federal income and other Federal.....	4,544,847.65	4,133,031.86	\$411,815.79	-----	10.0
24. Total taxes.....	\$15,978,221.79	\$15,985,844.32	-----	\$7,622.53	--
25. Uncollectible railway revenues.....	\$9,647.37	\$17,073.98	-----	\$7,426.61	43.5
26. Railway operating income.....	\$52,924,888.40	\$47,554,261.96	\$5,370,626.44	-----	11.3
27. Equipment rents (debit).....	7,965,912.58	6,954,515.26	1,011,397.32	-----	14.5
28. Joint facility rents (debit).....	1,139,980.79	1,116,356.44	23,624.35	-----	2.1
29. Net railway operating income.....	\$43,818,995.03	\$39,483,390.26	\$5,335,604.77	-----	11.0
Per cent—Operating expenses of operating revenues.....	67.97	68.83	-----	.86	1.2
Freight Traffic (Commercial Freight only)—					
Tons of revenue freight carried.....	35,717,820	34,785,587	932,233	-----	2.7
Ton-miles, revenue freight.....	14,301,827,671	13,157,043,050	1,144,784,621	-----	8.7
Average distance hauled per ton (miles).....	400.41	378.23	22.18	-----	5.9
Average revenue per ton-mile (cents).....	1.168	1.181	-----	.013	1.1
Average revenue per freight-train mile.....	\$7.46	\$7.57	-----	\$.11	1.5
Passenger Traffic (Excluding Motor Car and Motor Coach)—					
Revenue passengers carried.....	3,091,964	3,494,825	-----	402,861	11.5
Revenue passengers carried one mile.....	889,651,207	931,033,103	-----	41,381,896	4.4
Average distance hauled per passenger (miles).....	287.73	266.40	21.33	-----	8.0
Average passengers per passenger-train mile.....	47.23	48.93	-----	1.70	3.5
Average revenue per passenger-mile (cents).....	2.942	2.991	-----	.049	1.6
Average revenue per passenger-train mile, passengers only.....	\$1.39	\$1.46	-----	\$.07	4.8
Average total revenue per passenger-train mile.....	\$2.06	\$2.10	-----	\$.04	1.9

The decrease of \$1,565,407.46 or 5.5 per cent in "Passenger Revenue" was due to decreases of 4.4 per cent in revenue passengers carried one mile and of 1.6 per cent in average revenue per passenger mile. The decrease in revenue passengers carried one mile was occasioned by the continued diversion of short-haul business to motor vehicles.

The increase of \$337,850.67 or 7.8 per cent in "Mail Revenue" was due chiefly to an increase of approximately 15 per cent in mail pay rates effective August 1 1928.

The increase of \$365,676.09 or 9.2 per cent in "Express Revenue" was due principally to a substantial increase in the movement by express of carload shipments of early fruits from California and the Pacific Northwest because of improved crops.

The increase of \$464,205.36 or 11.9 per cent in "Other Revenue" was due principally to increases in hotel and restaurant revenues because of increased travel through Southern Utah Parks, and in joint facility revenues on account of heavier movement of logs on the Camas Prairie Railroad (operated as a joint facility with the Northern Pacific), resulting from the opening for operation on January 1 1928 of an extension from Orofino to Headquarters, Idaho, and because of increase in our proportion of earnings of certain passenger trains operated in pool service between Portland, Oregon, and Seattle, Washington (this increase was offset by decrease in earnings of other passenger trains in the pool service which are included in other accounts).

The increase of \$252,324.83 or 0.9 per cent in "Maintenance of Way and Structures Expenses" was due to ordinary fluctuations in repairs and renewals.

The principal track materials used during the year in making renewals were as follows:

New steel rails.....	232.60 track miles
Second-hand steel rails.....	72.21 " "
Total.....	304.81 track miles

excluding yard tracks and sidings, equivalent to 2.9 per cent of the track miles in main track at the beginning of the year. Ties 2,645,731 (98.3 per cent treated), equivalent to 6.8 per cent of all ties in track at the beginning of the year. Tie plates 1,515,092 and continuous rail joints 102,917.

The increase of \$1,660,804.77 or 4.4 per cent in "Maintenance of Equipment Expenses" was due principally to heavy repairs to locomotives and freight-train cars because of increased use resulting from improvement in traffic and to retirement of obsolete locomotives and passenger cars. Freight-locomotive mileage increased 8.3 per cent and freight-train car mileage increased 12 per cent.

The increase of \$3,339,756.25 or 5.7 per cent in "Transportation Expenses—Rail Line" was due principally to increases in engine and train crews and station forces, and in quantities of fuel consumed by locomotives, resulting from an increase of 2.7 per cent in tons of revenue freight hauled and of 11.1 per cent in freight gross ton miles, and to an increase of approximately \$1,450,000 in wage schedules of enginemen, trainmen and station employees.

The increase of \$279,507.98 or 6.4 per cent in "Miscellaneous Operations Expenses" was due principally to increased operations of hotels in Southern Utah Parks area.

The increase of \$359,319.92 or 4.8 per cent in "General Expenses" was due principally to increases in wages, pension payments and premiums on employees' group insurance.

An analysis by classes of the net decrease of \$7,622.53 in "Taxes" is shown in the table. The decrease in State and county taxes resulted from decreases in several States in both assessments and tax levies. The increase in Federal income and other Federal taxes was due to increase in taxable income, partially offset by a decrease in the income tax rate from 13½ to 12 per cent under the "Revenue Act of 1928."

The increase of \$1,011,397.32 or 14.5 per cent in "Equipment Rents (Debit)" was due chiefly to increase of 15.5 per cent in mileage payments on refrigerator cars, there having been a substantial increase in number of carloads of perishable commodities handled.

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET—ASSETS.

(Excluding all offsetting securities and accounts between the Union Pacific Railroad Co., Oregon Short Line Railroad Co., Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation Co., and Los Angeles & Salt Lake Railroad Co.)

	December 31 1928.	December 31 1927.	Increase.	Decrease.
Investments:				
Road and Equipment	\$898,463,640.88	\$885,182,950.60	\$13,280,690.28	
Less				
Receipts from improvement and equipment fund	\$23,823,091.13	\$23,823,091.13		
Appropriations from income and surplus prior to July 1 1907, credited to this account	13,310,236.52	13,310,236.52		
Total	\$37,133,327.65	\$37,133,327.65		
701. Investment in road and equipment	\$861,330,313.23	\$848,049,622.95	\$13,280,690.28	
702. Improvements on Leased Railway Property		\$21,520.37		*\$21,520.37
704. Deposits in Lien of Mortgaged Property Sold	\$254,239.88	216,249.21	\$37,990.67	
705. Miscellaneous Physical Property	2,104,473.34	1,968,779.50	135,693.84	
Total	\$2,358,713.22	\$2,206,549.08	\$152,164.14	
706. Investments in Affiliated Companies:				
Stocks	\$20,596,514.46	\$20,495,548.46	\$100,966.00	
Bonds, notes and equipment trust certificates	26,549,446.13	26,078,444.69	471,001.44	
Advances	12,148,264.88	9,186,119.02	2,962,145.86	
Total	\$59,294,225.47	\$55,760,112.17	\$3,534,113.30	
707. Investments in Other Companies:				
Stocks	\$96,473,909.93	\$93,904,166.63	\$2,569,743.30	
Bonds, notes and equipment trust certificates	75,891,234.76	76,627,577.36		\$736,342.60
Total	\$172,365,144.69	\$170,531,743.99	\$1,833,400.70	
United States Government Bonds and Notes	\$32,013,361.56	\$32,013,361.56		
703. Sinking Funds	\$149,316.72	\$143,039.63	\$6,277.09	
Total Investments	\$1,127,511,074.89	\$1,108,704,429.38	\$18,806,645.51	
Current Assets:				
708. Cash	\$7,229,822.31	\$6,920,270.84	\$309,551.47	
709. Demand Loans and Deposits	27,000,000.00	22,500,000.00	4,500,000.00	
710. Time Drafts and Deposits	150,000.00	150,000.00		
711. Special Deposits	185,316.60	75,367.44	109,949.16	
712. Loans and Bills Receivable	6,102,131.44	6,601,102.17		\$498,970.73
713. Traffic and Car Service Balances Receivable	5,122,044.43	4,581,668.39	540,376.04	
714. Net Balance Receivable from Agents and Conductors	1,309,889.34	1,184,377.22	125,512.12	
715. Miscellaneous Accounts Receivable	4,456,631.99	4,181,303.04	275,328.95	
716. Material and Supplies	15,996,104.08	16,002,243.47		6,139.39
717. Interest and Dividends Receivable	1,916,294.24	1,803,201.07	113,093.17	
718. Rents Receivable	173,793.36	167,068.76	6,724.60	
719. Other Current Assets:				
Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Co. capital stock applicable to payment of extra dividend of 1914	129,338.20	131,702.20		2,364.00
Miscellaneous items	131,950.87	51,332.00	80,618.87	
Total Current Assets	\$69,903,316.86	\$64,199,636.60	\$5,703,680.26	
720. Working Fund Advances	\$76,076.13	\$67,643.09	\$8,433.04	
722. Other Deferred Assets:				
Land contracts, as per contra	48,414.39	62,378.08		\$13,963.69
Miscellaneous items	3,619,868.86	3,758,629.44		138,760.58
Total Deferred Assets	\$3,744,359.38	\$3,888,650.61		\$144,291.23
Unadjusted Debits:				
723. Rents and Insurance Premiums Paid in Advance	\$7,253.01	\$4,170.96	\$3,082.05	
725. Discount on Funded Debt	1,016,850.92	1,048,544.96		\$31,694.04
727. Other Unadjusted Debits	1,532,008.94	1,268,762.60	263,246.34	
Total Unadjusted Debits	\$2,556,112.87	\$2,321,478.52	\$234,634.35	
Grand Total	\$1,203,714,864.00	\$1,179,114,195.11	\$24,600,668.89	

* Transferred to account 701.

The increase in "Investment in Road and Equipment" is made up as follows:

Extensions and Branches		\$2,292,028.92
Additions and Betterments, excluding Equipment		8,491,755.62
Equipment		6,029,755.52
Total Increase		\$16,813,540.06
From which there was deducted:		
Cost of property retired from service and not to be replaced	\$208,244.40	
Cost of real estate retired	12,076.68	
Cost of equipment retired from service	3,312,528.70	
Total Deductions		3,532,849.78
Net Increase in "Investment in Road and Equipment"		\$13,280,690.28

The North Platte Cut-off, approximately 54 miles, between Egbert, Wyoming, on the main line, 32 miles east of Cheyenne, and Creighton, Wyoming, near the westerly end of the North Platte Branch, which will provide a shorter route from the west and south to points on the North Platte Branch, and also develop new territory in southern Wyoming, of which part is a rich agricultural region and the remainder well adapted to the raising of livestock, as mentioned in last year's report, was completed and placed in operation September 27 1928.

In 1926 the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation Company and the Northern Pacific Railway Company arranged for the construction of a line of railroad from Orofino, Idaho, on a branch of the Northern Pacific, a distance of 41 miles to a point called Headquarters, Idaho, to serve an extensive and hitherto undeveloped territory containing approximately 10,400,000,000 feet of white pine timber and about 70 square miles of pasture and agricultural land, approximately 56% of the timber being owned by the Clearwater Timber Company (Weyerhaeusers). It was agreed that the Northern Pacific should construct and own the line and that the O-W R. & N. should be granted joint and equal use thereof, and, in order that the O-W R. & N. might avail itself of this right, that it be granted also joint and equal use of the Northern Pacific line between Spalding and Stites, Idaho, approximately 66 miles; these lines to be included, for operation for joint account of the O-W R. & N. and the Northern Pacific by the Camas Prairie Railroad Company (jointly owned), with the O-W R. & N., line between Riparia, Washington, and Lewiston, Idaho, and the Northern Pacific line between Lewiston and Grangeville, Idaho, so operated since 1909. The Clearwater Timber Company constructed a lumber mill with an annual capacity of 200,000,000 feet B.M. Logs are transported from the new line to Lewiston and the lumber manufactured there is shipped via the O-W R. & N. and the Northern Pacific. The new line was completed and placed in operation on January 1 1928.

An issue of \$20,000,000 face value debenture bonds, known as Union Pacific Railroad Company Forty-Year Four Per Cent Gold Bonds, was made under an indenture dated June 1 1928, and sold on that date for the purpose of retiring and refunding \$20,000,000 face value of Union Pacific Railroad Company Ten-Year Six Per Cent Secured Gold Bonds which matured on July 1 1928. These bonds mature on June 1 1968 and bear interest at the rate of four per cent per annum from June 1 1928, payable semi-annually on June 1 and December 1 in each year. They are redeemable as a whole only, upon not less than sixty days' previous notice, on June 1 1933, or any semi-annual interest date thereafter, at their principal amount and accrued interest to date designated for redemption. The discount and expense incident to the sale of these bonds was charged to Profit and Loss.

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET—LIABILITIES.

(Excluding all offsetting securities and accounts between the Union Pacific Railroad Co., Oregon Short Line Railroad Co., Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation Co., and Los Angeles & Salt Lake Railroad Co.)

	December 31 1928.	December 31 1927.	Increase.	Decrease.
751. Capital Stock:				
Common stock.....	\$222,293,100.00	\$222,293,100.00	-----	
Preferred stock.....	99,543,100.00	99,543,500.00	-----	\$400.00
Total Capital Stock	\$321,836,200.00	\$321,836,600.00	-----	\$400.00
755. Funded Debt	409,356,215.00	411,317,075.00	-----	1,960,860.00
Total	\$731,192,415.00	\$733,153,675.00	-----	\$1,961,260.00
754. Grants in Aid of Construction	\$756,688.08	\$395,596.73	*\$361,091.35	
Current Liabilities:				
759. Traffic and Car Service Balances Payable.....	\$1,805,897.68	\$1,731,091.66	\$74,806.02	
760. Audited Accounts and Wages Payable.....	11,025,835.40	11,850,172.26	-----	\$824,336.86
761. Miscellaneous Accounts Payable:				
Due to affiliated companies.....	16,938,938.09	12,884,974.17	4,053,963.92	
Other accounts payable.....	238,015.58	170,335.01	67,680.57	
762. Interest Matured Unpaid:				
Coupons matured, but not presented.....	158,852.29	137,031.59	21,820.70	
Coupons and interest on registered bonds, due first proximo.....	4,516,507.40	5,116,439.00	-----	599,931.60
763. Dividends Matured Unpaid:				
Dividends due but uncalled for.....	123,881.50	129,942.50	-----	6,061.00
Extra dividend on common stock declared January 8 1914, payable to stockholders of record March 2 1914, unpaid.....	139,424.24	141,819.63	-----	2,395.39
Dividend on common stock payable second proximo.....	5,557,290.00	5,557,290.00	-----	
764. Funded Debt Matured Unpaid.....	133,900.00	136,400.00	-----	2,500.00
766. Unmatured Interest Accrued.....	1,715,793.77	1,668,114.16	47,679.61	
767. Unmatured Rents Accrued.....	550,318.95	482,164.70	68,154.25	
768. Other Current Liabilities.....	174,368.09	153,152.41	21,215.68	
Total Current Liabilities	\$43,079,022.99	\$40,158,927.09	\$2,920,095.90	
Deferred Liabilities:				
770. Other Deferred Liabilities:				
Principal of deferred payments on land contracts, as per contra.....	\$48,414.39	\$62,378.08	-----	\$13,963.69
Contracts for purchase of real estate.....	1,660,000.00	1,660,000.00	-----	
Miscellaneous items.....	7,932,045.80	7,903,882.93	\$28,162.87	
771. Tax Liability.....	10,216,988.90	9,879,165.77	337,823.13	
Total Deferred Liabilities	\$19,857,459.09	\$19,505,426.78	\$352,032.31	
Unadjusted Credits:				
773. Insurance Reserve:				
Reserve for fire insurance.....	\$3,303,755.81	\$2,863,207.16	\$440,548.65	
776. Reserve for Depreciation.....	69,313,093.01	65,140,992.96	4,172,100.05	
778. Other Unadjusted Credits:				
Contingent interest.....	678,366.09	678,366.09	-----	
Miscellaneous items.....	2,903,226.05	3,140,527.88	-----	\$237,301.83
Total Unadjusted Credits	\$76,198,440.96	\$71,823,094.09	\$4,375,346.87	
Total Liabilities	\$871,084,026.12	\$865,036,719.69	\$6,047,306.43	
Surplus:				
Appropriated for Additions and Betterments.....	\$30,373,965.02	\$30,309,935.20	*\$64,029.82	
Reserve for Depreciation of Securities.....	34,972,570.88	34,972,570.88	-----	
Funded Debt Retired Through Income and Surplus.....	536,828.66	536,828.66	-----	
Sinking Fund Reserves.....	152,221.43	145,239.43	6,982.00	
Total Appropriated Surplus	\$66,035,585.99	\$65,964,574.17	\$71,011.82	
784. Profit and Loss—Credit Balance.....	234,922,375.67	216,440,025.03	18,482,350.64	
Total Surplus	\$300,957,961.66	\$282,404,599.20	\$18,553,362.46	
As this consolidated balance sheet excludes all intercompany items, securities of the Los Angeles & Salt Lake Railroad Company owned by other System companies are not included. The difference between the par and face value of such securities as carried on the books of the Los Angeles & Salt Lake (less unextinguished discount on the bonds and discount charged to Profit and Loss but added back in consolidating the accounts) and the amounts at which the securities are carried on the books of the owning System companies is set up here to balance.				
Grand Total	\$1,203,714,864.00	\$1,179,114,195.11	\$24,600,668.89	

* These amounts respectively represent donations made during the year by Federal Government, States, counties and municipalities and by individuals and companies in part payment for improvements, such as road crossings, drainage projects, and industry spur tracks, the cost of which was charged to "Investment in Road and Equipment." These amounts are so accounted for to conform with regulations of the Inter-State Commerce Commission.

CURRENT NOTICES.

—"The Stock Exchange Official Intelligence" for 1929 (Vol. 47) has just been published. This volume contains a larger proportion of new companies (613 in number) than any issue since 1911, and also contains particulars of 42 new loans (for a total sum of £298,544,058) which have been raised by various Governments and other public authorities during the past year. In addition to 2,050 pages of detailed information concerning the many thousands of securities, native and otherwise, that are known in the United Kingdom, there will be found in the book the list of brokers who are members of the London Stock Exchange, the statistics relating to municipal finance, county finance, Dominion and Colonial finance, and British and foreign finance, and the special articles on Indian finance, war debts and company law, the last-mentioned dealing with recent legal decisions affecting companies and containing explanatory references to the Act of 1928. The volume also gives data regarding stamp duties, trustee investments, income tax, bank reserve, &c., &c. It is edited by the Secretary of the Share and Loan Department of the London Stock Exchange and is published by Spottiswoode, Ballantyne & Co., Ltd., 1 New Street Square, London, E. C. 4, England.

—The new investment house of Cammack, Clark & Co., Inc., is located at 208 South La Salle St., Chicago. The officers of the new firm are: Herbert M. Cammack, President; Walter Leroy Krouskup, Vice-President and Secretary; Kenneth K. Cox, Treasurer, and Ernest P. Clark, Vice-President. The associates are: John W. Pain, Samuel M. Fitch, Alfred N. Carstensen and Chester O. Abramson. This new organization will conduct a general investment business, handling both stocks and bonds, and will eventually do considerable underwriting. At the present time this house has a broad list of securities, but is specializing particularly in such issues as Cities Service, Associated Gas & Electric, Electric Light and Power shares, Superpower Corp., Basic Industry shares, and Central Public Service.

Mr. Cammack, President of the company, has been in the investment business for nineteen years. His early training was with the Central Trust Co. of Chicago. Upon leaving the Central Trust Co., Mr. Cammack went into business for himself and is said to have enjoyed a series of uninterrupted successes. He has specialized in the field of public utilities and a few of his underwritings are: The Elk River Power 1st mtg. 6s; Southwest Ice Co. 1st mtg. 6½s; Allegan County Gas 1st mtg. 6s; West Coast Power 1st mtg. 6½s; Southwestern States Telephone Co. 1st mtg. 6s.

—Adams & Peck, 20 Exchange Place, this city, have issued an analysis Western Air Express Corporation which points out that with one exception the company receives the highest revenue per mail plane mile of any air mail operator.

—Formation of The Dominion Securities Corp., representing The Dominion Securities Corp., Ltd. of Toronto, in the United States, has been announced. The corporation is opening offices at 40 Exchange Place, New York, and will transact a general investment banking business corresponding to that of the parent company in Canada. G. P. Rutherford, Vice-President of the new corporation, who has had charge of the American activities of Dominion Securities since 1921, will continue in this capacity. He has been associated with Dominion Securities Corp., Ltd., for the past ten years. Established in 1901, the Dominion Securities Corp., Ltd., is one of the best known investment banking houses in Canada, having specialized for many years in the underwriting and distribution of government, municipal and corporation securities. Its head office is in Toronto and branch offices are maintained in London (England), Montreal, Winnipeg, Vancouver, Hamilton, Ottawa, Kitchener, London (Ont.) and Kingston. E. R. Wood is President of the parent company as well as being Vice-President of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, among many other important connections.

—The partnership of W. A. Harriman & Co. announces a change in the name of the firm to Harriman Brothers & Co., effective May 1. The announcement states that the change is being made to avoid the confusion caused by the similarity of the present name of the partnership which does a current commercial banking and acceptance business, and that of W. A. Harriman & Co., Inc., whose principal business is wholesaling and retailing of bonds and other securities. The partnership remains unchanged in all other respects, and there will be no break in the continuity of its business. The partners are W. A. Harriman, E. R. Harriman, G. H. Walker, D. M. Parker and Knight Woolley.

—Sterling Pile, President of Insuranshares Corp. of New York, announces that Nathan D. McClure, who has been in charge of the Chicago office of the company, will assume the duties of Asst. Gen. Sales Mgr. in the head office at New York. Mr. McClure was formerly connected with the Chicago office of Lee, Higginson & Co., and subsequently with Mitchell, Hutchins & Co. of that city. During the three years prior to his association with Insuranshares Corp., he was manager of the Chicago office of The Detroit Co. Mr. McClure will be succeeded in Chicago by Rodney M. Bliss.

—F. A. Willard & Co. announce the admission of Waldorf B. Welton to the firm as a general partner. Mr. Welton has been associated with Howe Snow & Co. since 1925 as sales director. The following have become associated with the firm in its sales department: Walter C. Adams, Alva P. Baker, Earl M. Dixon, Albert Ficks Jr., Joseph P. Heuer, Grandin W. Schenck, Willard A. Von Hagen and Reginald L. Walsh. Alfred J. Mayer has joined the Paterson office of the company.

THE CHICAGO ROCK ISLAND AND PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY. AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES

FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT—FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31 1928

To the Stockholders of the Chicago Rock Island and Pacific Railway Company:

Your Directors submit herewith the Annual Report for year ended December 31 1928:

INCOME ACCOUNT.

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31 1928, COMPARED WITH PREVIOUS YEAR.

	1928.	1927.	Increase.	Decrease.
Operating Revenues	\$141,232,603.95	\$140,086,990.58	\$1,145,613.37	
Operating Expenses	103,266,340.36	103,333,049.94		\$66,709.58
Revenues over Expenses	\$37,966,263.59	\$36,753,940.64	\$1,212,322.95	
Taxes	8,379,348.29	7,935,957.17	443,391.12	
Uncollectible Railway Revenues	73,710.84	44,047.20	29,663.64	
Railway Operating Income	\$29,513,204.46	\$28,773,936.37	\$739,268.19	
Rents from use of joint tracks, yards, and terminal facilities	1,214,579.48	1,210,835.79	3,743.69	
Hire of equipment—debit balance, and rents for use of joint tracks, yards and terminal facilities	\$30,727,783.94	\$29,984,772.06	\$743,011.88	
	6,461,268.80	6,548,049.17		\$86,780.37
Net Railway Operating Income	\$24,266,515.14	\$23,436,722.89	\$829,792.25	
Income from investments and sources other than transportation operation	961,921.10	1,166,995.17		\$205,074.07
Total Income	\$25,228,436.24	\$24,603,718.06	\$624,718.18	
Deduct:				
Interest and Other Charges	12,060,739.37	12,038,887.75	21,852.12	
Net Income from All Sources	\$13,167,696.87	\$12,564,830.31	\$602,866.06	
DISPOSITION OF NET INCOME—				
Dividends on Preferred Stock:				
7% Preferred	\$2,059,547.00	\$2,059,547.00		
6% Preferred	1,507,638.00	1,507,638.00		
	\$3,567,185.00	\$3,567,185.00		
Surplus for Common Stock	\$9,600,511.37	\$8,997,645.31	\$602,866.06	
Per cent earned	12.91	12.10	.81	
Dividends on Common Stock	4,461,480.00	3,717,900.00	743,580.00	
Surplus, Transferred to Profit and Loss	\$5,139,031.37	\$5,279,745.31		\$140,713.94

The net income for the year available for dividends and other corporate purposes, after the payment of interest, rentals, taxes and other fixed charges, was \$13,167,696.37—the largest in its history; exceeding by 4.8% the net income for 1927—the highest previous year, which was \$12,564,830.31.

After paying the full dividends of 7% and 6% upon the preferred stock, there remained \$9,600,511.37, equal to \$12.91 per share on the common stock outstanding. Dividends at the rate of 6% per annum were paid on the common stock outstanding during the year, after which there remained for the year's operations, to be carried to profit and loss, \$5,139,031.37 which was invested in additions and betterments to the company's property.

(The quarterly dividend paid March 30 1929 was 1½% on the common stock—an increase over last year's quarterly payment which was 1½%.)

The property has been well maintained and is in good physical condition. The outstanding feature of the income account is the fact that traffic representing an increase of over \$3,500,000 in gross freight revenue, was handled with a reduction of over \$400,000 in transportation expenses, due principally to economies in operation produced by improvements to facilities, and improved condition of the equipment. The higher wage rates paid during the 1928 over 1927 increased the transportation expenses \$1,095,761; otherwise, the transportation expenses would have shown a decrease of \$1,496,885 under the previous year.

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES.

The increase during the year in Investment in Road and Equipment amounted to \$8,186,984.33, as follows:

Expenditures for road extensions	\$1,386,382.16
Expenditures for rolling stock	2,934,487.47
Expenditures for other additions and betterments	9,281,793.20
Total expenditures	\$13,602,662.83
Less:	
Property retired and equipment vacated	5,415,678.50
Net increase in Investment in Road and Equipment	\$8,186,984.33

To accommodate increased business we have ordered:

Freight train cars	2,600
Passenger train cars	27
Gas-electric motor cars	10

The estimated cost of this equipment is \$7,539,759.00

In addition the following equipment is on the 1929 budget, but is not yet ordered:

Locomotives	30
Gas-electric motor cars	2
Company service equipment	2

The estimated cost of equipment for which order has not been placed is \$3,318,750.00

The most important project which we have in immediate contemplation is the construction of a low grade line from Coburn, Missouri,—about 12 miles southwest of Trenton, to a connection with the Wabash, the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific and Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad Companies' lines at Birmingham, Missouri, just across the Missouri River from Kansas City. Our present route into Kansas City from the east is via our own line to Cameron Junction, thence via the Burlington's line, the trackage agreement covering about fifty miles. The distance from Trenton to Birmingham via the new line will be approximately 85 miles as compared with about 91 miles via the present line. This will afford the Rock Island a continuous line of its own from Trenton via Birmingham into Kansas City, and avoid the heavy grades and curvature in the line now used, and give the company a much better entrance into Kansas City from the east. It is estimated that the new line will result in a very substantial saving in fixed charges and in maintenance and operating expenses.

Extension of Amarillo Line,—Stinnett to Gruver, Texas, a distance of 33.79 miles was started April 7 1928, and the line will be completed on April 1 1929. Further extension of this line from Gruver to Liberal, a distance of 61 miles, has been authorized and grading was started February 6 1929. Construction will be carried on south from Liberal and north from Gruver, and construction from each end will proceed to the Beaver River. This section will be completed about July, in time for the handling of the 1929 wheat crop. The gap of eight miles at the Beaver River will be completed by September 1 1929.

For many years the Rock Island and other roads at Oklahoma City were confronted with the necessity of elevating their tracks and improving their passenger station facilities. Our main line tracks went through the heart of the City crossing the principal streets, and our passenger station was altogether inadequate. The improvements demanded would have required an expenditure on the part of the Rock Island of approximately \$3,000,000. In order to avoid this we concluded an agreement with the City whereby the Rock Island agreed to abandon 77-100 of a mile of its main track and sidings through the business section of the City,—the balance of the track to be retained for industrial purposes; and to construct an entirely new line, 5.97 miles in length, around the southerly side of the City. The abandoned right of way was sold to the City for \$2,200,000, and this payment has been made. The cost of the new line around the City, plus our proportion of a new joint station with the St. Louis-San Francisco Railway Company will amount to approximately \$2,378,000. Work is now in progress on construction of the new line.

We also have in contemplation the construction of a new line in the Texas Panhandle from a point on the Amarillo line east of Amarillo in a southeasterly direction to a connection with a new line being constructed by the St. Louis, San Francisco & Texas. A trackage right over the latter, together with a trackage right over the Gulf, Texas & Western to Jacksboro, a point on our Graham branch, will give the Chicago, Rock Island and Gulf a much shorter line through the

Texas Panhandle between Amarillo and Dallas, a territory within which the agricultural and commercial development has been very rapid during the past ten years. The existing route from Amarillo via El Reno to Fort Worth is 457.6 miles. The proposed new route will shorten this distance from 90 to 100 miles.

2—PROFIT AND LOSS.

Credit balance, December 31 1927			\$31,821,561.82
Surplus, after dividends for year ended December 31 1928		\$5,139,031.37	
Sundry credit adjustments, etc., not affecting current fiscal year		24,401.34	
		\$5,163,432.71	
Less:			
Depreciation on equipment sold, dismantled and destroyed	\$558,896.95		
Loss on tracks removed	113,215.46		
Loss on structures sold, removed and destroyed	175,442.04		
Property abandoned—Reasonor to Monroe, Iowa	40,648.07		
Expenses in connection with issuance of securities	53,311.76		
Premium paid on:			
Five year secured gold notes due July 1 1929, paid January 1 1928	50,000.00		
Five year secured gold notes due September 1 1929, paid March 1 1928	25,000.00		
Sundry debit adjustments, etc	214,645.13	1,231,159.41	3,932,273.30
Credit balance, December 31 1928			\$35,753,835.12

ROCK ISLAND LINES.
3—CONDENSED GENERAL BALANCE SHEET.
DECEMBER 31 1928 AND COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS YEAR.

ASSETS.	1928.	1927.	Increase.	Decrease.
Investments:				
Investment in road and equipment (see page 17, pamphlet report)	\$442,700,241.78	\$437,213,752.14	\$5,486,489.64	
Improvements on leased railway property (see page 18, pamphlet report)	782,124.22	710,029.99	72,094.23	
Miscellaneous physical property (see page 33, pamphlet report)	2,275,852.54	2,363,603.14		\$87,750.60
Investments in affiliated companies (see pages 31 and 32, pamphlet report):				
Stocks	2,820,643.48	2,822,292.48		1,649.00
Bonds	6,788,004.11	6,703,951.48	84,052.63	
Notes and advances	11,262,511.38	8,841,034.95	2,421,476.43	
Other investments (see page 32, pamphlet report):				
Stocks	2,937.00	2,728.00	209.00	
Bonds	39,100.00	42,100.00		3,000.00
Notes and advances	602,474.27	653,803.19		51,328.92
Total investments	\$467,273,888.78	\$459,353,295.37	\$7,920,593.41	
Current Assets:				
Cash	\$7,361,228.26	\$8,291,603.85		\$930,375.59
Time drafts and deposits		7,000,000.00		7,000,000.00
Special deposits	1,131,876.84	12,046,244.99		10,914,368.15
Loans and bills receivable	5,176.36	28,788.26		23,611.90
Traffic and car service balances receivable	1,802,967.99	1,157,471.28	\$645,496.71	
Net balance receivable from agents and conductors	989,510.44	869,768.80	119,741.74	
Miscellaneous accounts receivable	2,855,390.65	3,104,434.99		249,044.34
Material and supplies	8,850,907.07	8,866,374.06		15,466.99
Interest and dividends receivable	193,628.62	153,804.60	39,824.02	
Rents receivable	52,051.10	55,244.34		3,193.24
Other current assets	529,359.94	603,633.67		74,273.73
Total current assets	\$23,772,097.27	\$42,177,368.74		\$18,405,271.47
Deferred Assets:				
Working fund advances	\$50,024.01	\$43,169.17	\$ 6,854.84	
Other deferred assets	44,157.86	31,393.99	12,763.87	
Total deferred assets	\$94,181.87	\$74,563.16	\$19,618.71	
Unadjusted Debits:				
Rents and insurance premiums paid in advance	\$134,608.87	\$11,253.24	\$123,355.63	
Other unadjusted debits	1,971,039.14	2,433,903.08		\$462,863.94
Securities issued or assumed—				
1928.	\$20,168,477.50	\$11,666,477.50		
1927.				
Unpledged (see page 32, pamphlet report)	45,035,000.00	52,535,000.00		
Securities issued or assumed—				
Pledged (see page 32, pamphlet report)				
Total unadjusted debits	\$2,105,648.01	\$2,445,156.32		\$339,508.31
Grand total	\$493,245,815.93	\$504,050,383.59		\$10,804,567.66
LIABILITIES.				
Stock:				
Capital Stock:				
7% Preferred	\$29,422,189.00	\$29,422,189.00		
*6% Preferred	25,127,300.00	25,127,300.00		
Common	75,000,000.00	75,000,000.00		
Total	\$129,549,489.00	\$129,549,489.00		
Less held in treasury. Common (see page 32, pamphlet report)	517,477.50	517,477.50		
Total outstanding in hands of the public	\$129,032,011.50	\$129,032,011.50		
Funded Debt:				
Funded debt unmatured (see page 20, pamphlet report)	\$336,389,835.00	\$352,233,030.00		\$15,843,195.00
Less held in treasury (see page 32, pamphlet report)	64,686,000.00	63,684,000.00	\$1,002,000.00	
Total outstanding in hands of the public	\$271,703,835.00	\$288,549,030.00		\$16,845,195.00
Non-negotiable debt to affiliated companies (see page 30, pamphlet report)	12,100.00	87,100.00		75,000.00
Total funded debt	\$271,715,935.00	\$288,636,130.00		\$16,920,195.00
Total capital liabilities	\$400,747,946.50	\$417,668,141.50		\$16,920,195.00
Current Liabilities:				
Loans and bills payable (see page 30, pamphlet report)	\$5,000.00	\$623,000.00		\$618,000.00
Traffic and car-service balances payable	2,006,708.78	1,770,239.20	\$336,469.58	
Audited accounts and wages payable	7,334,629.09	7,185,220.45	149,408.64	
Miscellaneous accounts payable	180,151.83	211,368.32		31,216.49
Interest matured unpaid	1,092,143.10	1,345,730.57		253,587.47
Dividends matured unpaid	4,404.75	3,954.75	450.00	
Funded debt matured unpaid	14,000.00	5,000.00	9,000.00	
Unmatured interest accrued	2,416,196.08	2,528,171.82		111,975.74
Unmatured rents accrued	460,925.52	489,638.63		28,713.11
Other current liabilities	882,220.88	883,589.61		1,368.68
Total current liabilities	\$14,396,380.03	\$14,945,913.25		\$549,533.22
Deferred Liabilities:				
Other deferred liabilities	\$498,702.02	\$643,953.99		\$145,251.97
Total deferred liabilities	\$498,702.02	\$643,953.99		\$145,251.97
Unadjusted Credits:				
Tax liability	\$5,864,175.64	\$5,448,580.68	\$415,594.96	
Accrued depreciation—Equipment	32,168,349.68	29,897,627.91	2,270,721.77	
Other unadjusted credits	2,708,895.53	2,563,173.59	145,721.94	
Total unadjusted credits	\$40,741,420.85	\$37,909,382.18	\$2,832,038.67	
Corporate Surplus:				
Additions to property through income and surplus	\$1,107,531.41	\$1,061,430.85	\$46,100.56	
Profit and Loss: Credit balance (see page 13, pamphlet report)	35,753,835.12	31,821,561.82	3,932,273.30	
Total corporate surplus	\$36,861,366.53	\$32,882,992.67	\$3,978,373.86	
Grand total	\$493,245,815.93	\$504,050,383.59		\$10,804,567.66

(See pages 33 and 34, pamphlet report, for indirect obligations.)

NOTE.—In stating the assets and liabilities of the companies forming the Rock Island Lines, the holdings of The Chicago Rock Island and Pacific Railway Company in the bonds and capital stock of the auxiliary lines, together with loans between the various companies, have been eliminated from the liabilities and a like reduction made in the assets pertaining thereto; the figures shown, therefore, represent the book value of the assets and the liabilities without duplication.

* Under the final decree in the receivership cause, \$10,000,000.00 6% preferred stock was reserved to be issued in settlement of such claims as might be allowed by the Special Master. Up to December 31 1928 \$127,300 of this stock had been issued.

TAXES.

Taxes continue to increase. State and local taxes have gone up from \$5,478,969 in 1920 to \$6,537,718 in 1928, and the total accruals for taxes has increased from \$5,894,857 in 1920 to \$8,472,599 in 1928. During the year just past the Company accrued for taxes, \$5.91 out of every \$100 taken in, while only \$5.60 went to the stockholders for dividends.

GENERAL.

In previous years there has been submitted a comparison of certain selected statistics, and, for your information, the 1928 figures are added:

	1912.	1922.	1926.	1927.	1928.
Total tons carried (thousands).....	18,969	25,939	33,786	34,335	35,449
Average miles hauled per ton.....	242.46	256.39	246.15	250.17	258.92
Tons hauled per mile of road.....	572,340	819,416	1,036,501	1,066,730	1,135,621
Freight Service: Cars per train.....	25.8	30.7	38.1	39.9	40.3
Gross tons per train.....	840	1,161	1,388	1,451	1,480
Net tons per loaded car.....	348	455	536	555	565
Net tons per mile of road per day.....	18.6	21.2	21.9	22.3	22.6
Per cent loaded of total car miles.....	2,016	2,540	3,183	3,296	3,427
Per cent east-bound of total loaded car miles.....	72.6	69.9	64.3	52.3	62.0
Per cent east-bound of total car miles.....	46.9	55.6	54.7	55.3	55.8
Car miles per car day.....	48.9	49.7	48.8	49.7	49.5
Pounds of coal per 1,000 gross ton miles (excluding locomotive and tenders).....	*286	207	170	160	161
Passenger Service: Passenger train cars per train.....	5.4	5.9	6.5	6.6	6.8
Ratio of passenger train to freight train mileage.....	109.51	99.95	91.07	92.05	87.76
Number revenue passengers per train.....	51.2	55.5	50.0	47.6	43.7
Number revenue passengers per passenger car.....	13.5	14.0	11.6	11.1	10.2
Pounds of coal per 100 car miles.....	*2,051	1,975	1,644	1,506	1,517

*Based on year ended June 30 1912.

Cheerful acknowledgment is made of the most competent counsel and assistance of Mr. E. N. Brown, Chairman of the Executive Committee.

The Board acknowledges the faithful and loyal service of the officers and employees, and again urges you as stockholders to take an active interest in the affairs of the Company and in matters pertaining to railroads in general.

By order of the Board of Directors. Respectfully submitted,
 CHARLES HAYDEN, *Chairman of the Board.*

J. E. GORMAN, *President.*

ROCK ISLAND LINES.

1—INCOME ACCOUNT.

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31 1928, COMPARED WITH PREVIOUS YEAR.

	1928.	1927.	Increase.		Decrease.	
			Amount.	Per Cent.	Amount.	Per Cent.
Operating Revenues:						
Freight revenue.....	\$108,758,903.49	\$105,256,592.91	\$3,502,310.58	3.33	-----	-----
Passenger revenue.....	20,059,597.87	22,791,552.52	-----	-----	\$2,731,954.65	11.99
Mail revenue.....	2,808,303.05	2,631,856.39	176,446.66	6.70	-----	-----
Express revenue.....	3,543,458.71	3,375,111.45	168,347.26	4.99	-----	-----
Other transportation revenue.....	2,804,178.90	2,753,898.15	50,280.75	1.83	-----	-----
Dining and buffet car revenue.....	826,537.46	805,834.10	20,703.36	2.57	-----	-----
Miscellaneous revenue.....	2,431,624.47	2,472,145.06	-----	-----	40,520.59	1.64
Total railway operating revenue.....	\$141,232,603.95	\$140,086,990.58	\$1,145,613.37	82	-----	-----
Operating Expenses:						
Maintenance of way and structures.....	\$19,173,523.93	\$18,585,992.99	\$587,530.94	3.16	-----	-----
Maintenance of equipment.....	26,598,095.36	27,586,674.71	-----	-----	\$988,579.35	3.58
Traffic.....	3,146,389.41	3,012,323.65	134,065.76	4.45	-----	-----
Transportation.....	50,233,183.04	50,634,306.87	-----	-----	401,123.83	.79
Miscellaneous operations.....	1,125,876.42	1,112,072.55	13,803.87	1.24	-----	-----
General.....	4,140,849.91	3,969,557.19	171,292.72	4.32	-----	-----
Transportation for investment—Cr.....	1,151,677.71	1,567,878.02	416,300.31	26.55	-----	-----
Total railway operating expenses.....	\$103,266,340.36	\$103,333,049.94	-----	-----	\$66,709.58	.06
Net revenue from railway operations.....	\$37,966,263.59	\$36,753,940.64	\$1,212,322.95	3.30	-----	-----
Railway tax accruals.....	8,379,348.29	7,935,957.17	443,391.12	5.59	-----	-----
Uncollectible railway revenue.....	73,710.84	44,047.20	29,663.64	67.35	-----	-----
Total railway operating income.....	\$29,513,204.46	\$28,773,936.27	\$739,268.19	2.57	-----	-----
Other Income:						
Rent from equipment (other than freight cars).....	\$518,347.10	\$482,875.47	\$35,471.63	7.35	-----	-----
Joint facility rent income.....	696,232.38	727,960.32	-----	-----	\$31,727.94	4.36
Miscellaneous rent income.....	238,840.21	278,295.30	-----	-----	39,455.09	14.18
I come from lease of road.....	24,795.48	31,159.46	-----	-----	6,373.98	20.45
Miscellaneous income.....	698,285.41	857,530.41	-----	-----	159,245.00	18.57
Total other income.....	\$2,176,500.58	\$2,377,830.96	-----	-----	\$201,330.38	8.47
Total income.....	\$31,689,705.04	\$31,151,767.23	\$537,937.81	1.73	-----	-----
Deductions from income (excepting interest):						
Hire of freight cars—debit balance.....	\$3,926,907.01	\$4,104,905.31	-----	-----	\$177,998.30	4.34
Rent for equipment (other than freight cars).....	513,211.44	512,884.31	\$327.13	.06	-----	-----
Joint facility rents.....	2,021,150.35	1,930,259.55	90,890.80	4.71	-----	-----
Miscellaneous rents.....	5,002.95	4,670.53	332.43	7.12	-----	-----
Rent for leased roads.....	156,301.20	158,056.97	-----	-----	1,755.77	1.11
Other income charges.....	183,899.64	168,188.38	15,711.26	9.34	-----	-----
Total.....	\$6,806,472.59	\$6,878,965.05	-----	-----	\$72,492.46	1.05
Balance before deduction of interest.....	\$24,883,232.45	\$24,272,802.18	\$610,430.27	2.51	-----	-----
Interest on bonds and long term notes.....	\$10,442,533.23	\$10,174,263.26	\$268,269.97	2.64	-----	-----
Interest on equipment notes.....	1,227,125.00	1,110,086.29	117,038.71	10.54	-----	-----
Interest on bills payable and accounts.....	45,877.85	423,622.32	-----	-----	\$377,744.47	89.17
Total interest.....	\$11,715,536.08	\$11,707,971.87	\$7,564.21	.06	-----	-----
Net income from all sources.....	\$13,167,696.37	\$12,564,830.31	\$602,866.06	4.80	-----	-----
DISPOSITION OF NET INCOME—						
Dividends on Preferred Stock:						
7% Preferred.....	\$2,059,547.00	\$2,059,547.00	-----	-----	-----	-----
6% Preferred.....	1,507,638.00	1,507,638.00	-----	-----	-----	-----
Surplus for common stock.....	\$9,600,511.37	\$8,997,645.31	\$602,866.06	6.70	-----	-----
Per cent. earned.....	12.91	12.10	.81	4.71	-----	-----
Dividends on common stock.....	4,461,480.00	3,717,900.00	743,580.00	20.00	-----	-----
Balance surplus (carried to profit and loss).....	\$5,139,031.37	\$5,279,745.31	-----	-----	\$140,713.94	2.67

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AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.

March 25 1929.

We have audited the books and accounts of The Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway Company and Subsidiary Companies for the year ended December 31 1928, and certify that the annexed balance sheet and relative income and profit and loss accounts are in accordance therewith and exhibit, in our opinion, a true and correct view of the financial position of the Company at the date stated and of the operations of the system for the year then ended.

Touche, Niven & Co., *Public Accountants.*

WABASH RAILWAY COMPANY.

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT—FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31 1928.

To the Stockholders of the Wabash Railway Company:

The Board of Directors submit the following report of the operations for the year ended December 31, 1928:

	1928.	1927.	Increase.	Decrease.
Average mileage operated.....	2,524.20	2,524.20		
Operating revenues (see below).....	\$71,072,991.07	\$67,108,153.52	\$3,964,837.55	
Operating expenses (see pages 21 to 24 pamphlet report).....	52,411,567.67	51,379,146.87	1,032,420.80	
Net operating revenue.....	\$18,661,423.40	\$15,729,006.65	\$2,932,416.75	
Railway tax accruals.....	\$3,052,356.85	\$2,787,694.52	\$264,662.33	
Uncollectible railway revenue.....	13,667.03	9,672.17	3,994.86	
Total.....	\$3,066,023.88	\$2,797,366.69	\$268,657.19	
Operating income.....	\$15,595,399.52	\$12,931,639.96	\$2,663,759.56	
Other operating income:				
Rent from Locomotives.....	\$70,342.19	\$82,045.90		\$11,703.71
Rent from Passenger-Train Cars.....	59,257.32	71,603.48		12,346.16
Rent from Floating Equipment.....	85,939.69	57,880.69	\$28,059.00	
Rent from Work Equipment.....	22,349.60	22,258.06	91.54	
Joint Facility Rents.....	457,118.19	446,877.56	10,240.63	
Total.....	\$695,006.99	\$680,665.69	\$14,341.30	
Total operating income.....	\$16,290,406.51	\$13,612,305.65	\$2,678,100.86	
Deductions from operating income:				
Hire of Freight Cars—Debit Balance.....	\$2,171,711.31	\$1,933,814.40	\$237,896.91	
Rent for Locomotives.....	114,753.20	96,741.29	18,011.91	
Rent for Passenger-Train Cars.....	65,865.66	74,340.34		\$8,974.98
Rent for Work Equipment.....	48,596.97	52,963.52		4,366.55
Joint Facility Rents.....	1,939,440.01	1,842,258.57	97,171.44	
Total.....	\$4,340,367.15	\$4,000,628.42	\$339,738.73	
Net Operating Income, Section 422 Transportation Act 1920.....	\$11,950,039.36	\$9,611,677.23	\$2,338,362.13	
Non-operating Income:				
Income from Lease of Road.....	\$27,841.19	\$21,718.50	\$6,122.69	
Miscellaneous Rent Income.....	265,185.61	210,358.46	54,827.15	
Miscellaneous Non-operating Physical Property.....	68,152.32	35,447.47	32,704.85	
Dividend Income.....	947,800.75	1,359,387.47		\$411,586.72
Income from Funded Securities.....	83,478.58	81,911.25	1,567.33	
Income from Unfunded Securities and Accounts.....	239,679.14	270,348.11		30,668.97
Income from Sinking and other Reserve Funds.....	212.50	212.50		
Miscellaneous Income.....	3,505.72	1,813.93	1,691.79	
Total.....	\$1,635,855.81	\$1,981,197.69		\$345,341.88
Gross Income.....	\$13,585,895.17	\$11,592,874.92	\$1,993,020.25	
Deductions from Gross Income:				
Rent for Leased Roads.....	\$363,633.53	\$364,948.24		\$1,314.71
Miscellaneous Rents.....	21,189.00	23,370.16		2,181.16
Miscellaneous Tax Accruals.....	84,985.09	30,538.65	\$54,446.44	
Interest on Funded Debt.....	5,936,108.95	5,496,348.20	439,760.75	
Interest on Unfunded Debt.....	665,664.87	814,331.28		148,666.41
Amortization of Discount on Funded Debt.....	109,235.68	94,703.90	14,531.78	
Miscellaneous Income Charges.....	3,801.04	5,024.26		1,223.22
Total.....	\$7,184,618.16	\$6,829,264.69	\$355,353.47	
Net Income.....	\$6,401,277.01	\$4,763,610.23	\$1,637,666.78	

OPERATING REVENUES.

The operating revenues for the Year 1928 compare with 1927 as follows:

	1928.	1927.	Increase or Decrease.	Per Cent Inc. or Dec.
Freight.....	58,840,270.65	53,992,504.52	4,847,766.13	8.98
Passenger.....	7,194,988.17	8,153,605.96	958,617.79	11.76
Mail.....	853,779.83	785,579.86	68,199.97	8.68
Express.....	1,553,661.48	1,538,874.08	14,787.40	.96
Miscellaneous.....	2,630,290.94	2,637,589.10	7,298.16	.28
Total.....	71,072,991.07	67,108,153.52	3,964,837.55	5.91

A comparison of freight revenue by general classes of traffic follows:

	1928.	1927.	Increase or Decrease.
Products of Agriculture.....	\$9,194,074.91	\$8,089,620.27	\$1,104,454.64
Products of Animals.....	6,540,103.67	6,699,960.82	159,857.15
Products of Mines.....	8,335,955.57	8,171,430.48	164,525.09
Products of Forests.....	2,281,052.30	2,258,558.97	22,493.33
Manufactures and Miscell.....	24,762,214.51	21,410,947.04	3,351,267.47
Merchandise.....	7,726,869.69	7,361,986.94	364,882.75
Total.....	\$58,840,270.65	\$53,992,504.52	\$4,847,766.13

The decrease in passenger revenue of \$958,617.79 was due to extension of motor bus lines and increased use of private automobiles.

OPERATING EXPENSES.

The operating expenses for the year 1928 compare with 1927 as follows:

	1928.	1927.	Increase or Decrease.	Per Cent Inc. or Dec.
Maint. of Way & Struct.....	9,496,663.03	9,340,819.52	155,843.51	1.67
Maint. of Equipment.....	11,815,468.66	11,880,995.35	65,526.69	.55
Traffic.....	2,037,900.66	1,969,161.07	68,739.59	3.49
Transportation-Rail Line.....	26,784,642.81	25,924,498.81	860,144.00	3.32
Miscellaneous Operations.....	421,650.43	404,023.14	17,627.29	4.36
General.....	2,223,050.89	2,193,047.57	30,003.32	1.37
Transp. for Investment-Cr.....	367,808.81	333,398.59	34,410.22	10.32
Total Oper. Expenses.....	52,411,567.67	51,379,146.87	1,032,420.80	2.01

The ratio of operating expenses to revenues for the year 1928 was 73 74% as compared with 76.56% for the year 1927, a decrease in the per cent of 2.82.

The increase in Maintenance of Way and Structures expense is due to the increase in rail laid, ballast inserted, and roadway maintenance in connection therewith, as well as the general repairs to freight stations at St. Louis and Detroit.

TRANSPORTATION AND TRAFFIC STATISTICS.

The details of Transportation, Freight and Passenger Statistics relating to train and car loading and commodities handled are fully shown on pages 25, 26, 27 and 28.

FINANCIAL.

CAPITAL STOCK.

The par value of Capital Stock issued to December 31 1928, was \$138,492,967.17, there having been no change during the year.

Under the Articles of Incorporation, the holders of the Five Per Cent Convertible Preferred Stock B, may, at any

time after August 1 1918, and up to thirty days prior to any date fixed for the redemption of the entire issue of Five Per Cent Profit Sharing Preferred Stock A, convert the same into, and exchange the same for, Five Per Cent Profit Sharing Preferred Stock A and Common Stock of the corporation, such conversion to be at the rate of \$50.00 par value of Five Per Cent Profit Sharing Preferred Stock A and \$50.00 par value of Common Stock for each \$100.00 par value of Five Per Cent Convertible Preferred Stock B, with a proper adjustment of declared and unpaid dividends.

Since August 1 1918, Five Per Cent Convertible Preferred Stock B of a par value of \$46,266,100.00 has been surrendered and exchanged for \$23,133,050.00 par value of Five Per Cent Profit Sharing Preferred Stock A and \$23,133,050.00 par value of Common Stock. During the year no Five Per Cent Convertible Preferred Stock B was converted into Five Per Cent Profit Sharing Preferred Stock A and Common Stock.

FUNDED DEBT.

The total funded debt on December 31 1928, was \$127,705,187.97, a net increase of \$15,659,180.38 as compared with December 31 1927. This increase was due to issuing certain obligations and retiring others as follows:

<i>Issued During the Year.</i>	
Refunding and General Mortgage Bonds, Series C.....	\$17,867,000.00
<i>Retired During the Year.</i>	
Equipment Trust of 1920—6% Certificates.....	\$755,400.00
Equipment Trust of 1922—5% Certificates.....	283,000.00
Equipment Trust of 1923—Series C.....	134,000.00
Equipment Trust of 1924—Series D.....	166,000.00
Equipment Trust of 1924—Series E.....	171,000.00
Equipment Trust of 1925—Series F.....	279,000.00
Equipment Trust of 1927—Series G.....	175,000.00
Gondola Car Agreement of 1924.....	102,419.62
Kansas City, Excelsior Springs and Northern Railway Company First Mortgage Bonds.....	100,000.00
Detroit & Chicago Extension First Mtge. Bonds.....	42,000.00
	2,207,819.62
Net Increase.....	\$15,659,180.38

The issue of \$17,867,000.00 par value Refunding and General Mortgage Bonds, Series C, was dated April 1 1928, bearing interest at the rate of four and one-half per cent per annum, payable semi-annually on April 1st and October 1st of each year, and will mature April 1 1978. This issue was used to reimburse the Treasury of the Company for capital expenditures heretofore made, purchase of capital stock of The Ann Arbor Railroad Company, and to provide additional funds for capital purposes.

ROAD AND EQUIPMENT.

The more important items are as follows:

ROAD.	
Land for yard and terminal extensions.....	\$489,319.36
Grade separation.....	577,147.22
River protection.....	118,029.59
Signals and interlockers.....	110,265.67
Crossings and signs.....	63,834.70
Train yards.....	145,061.01
Passing and other track additions and extensions	311,349.21
Bridges, trestles and culverts.....	189,114.61
Rail and other track material.....	457,368.44
Ballast.....	801,360.77
Widening cuts and fills.....	59,203.83
Freight & passenger stations & other buildings.....	654,815.12
Grain elevators.....	60,319.67
Special assessments.....	44,029.80
Roadway machines.....	12,327.60
Shop tools and power plant machinery.....	58,441.64
Application of tie plates.....	62,697.39
	\$4,214,685.63
EQUIPMENT.	
New:	
10 coal cars.....	\$21,344.43
3 wheel cars.....	3,359.23
1 locomotive crane.....	14,826.78
	18,186.01
	\$39,530.44

The following is a general description of the expenditures enumerated:

The policy of improving condition of ballast in main tracks was continued by applying 105,366 cubic yards of washed gravel, 273,638 cubic yards of crushed rock and 24,398 cubic yards of burnt clay.

One hundred nine miles of new 110 lb. rail was laid, replacing lighter weights.

A combination pile, stone and wire mattress 2,500 feet long was placed in the Missouri River at DeWitt, Mo., for bank protection.

For more efficient and economical handling of fruit and vegetables, a new concrete and brick fruit auction house with appurtenances, was constructed at St. Louis, Mo. A new brick passenger station was erected at Huntington, Ind.

The program for the replacing of pile and temporary bridges with permanent structures was continued.

The work of eliminating grade crossings at State Highway No. 47, Warrenton, Mo., State Highway No. 3, Udell, Ia., Seventh Street, Decatur, Ill.; Loomis Street, Chicago, Ill.; Raupp Road and Livernois Avenue, Detroit, Mich., and Delmar Avenue, St. Louis, Mo., was completed. Work was well under way on the separation of grades at Hastings and Russell Streets, Detroit, Mich., West Fort Street, Detroit, Mich., and State Highway No. 6, Moravia, Ia.

A new 150 foot double track concrete and steel bridge was constructed over North Broadway, St. Louis, Mo., to replace a 74-foot single track masonry and steel bridge, made necessary as result of widening street.

Automatic block signals were installed between Granite City and Edwardsville, Ill., and between Litchfield and Mt. Olive, Ill., making a total of 634.15 miles of track now protected by automatic block signals. Automatic signals at crossing with the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad at Golden, Ill., were installed.

Crossing signals for protection of highway traffic were installed at the following points: Hannibal, Mo.; Chillicothe, Mo.; Mt. Olive, Ill.; Manhattan, Ill.; Riverton, Ill.; Litchfield, Ill.; Tolono, Ill.; Williamsport, Ind.; Wabash, Ind., and Napoleon, Ohio.

FEDERAL VALUATION.

Final briefs in the Federal Valuation Case were filed and oral argument had with the Interstate Commerce Commission during the early part of the year. Since that time the Interstate Commerce Commission has been reviewing the evidence submitted, as well as the briefs filed, and is now engaged in the process of preparing a final valuation of the Company's properties.

DEVELOPMENT.

The Company purchased 63.50 acres of land at Lafayette, Ind., 3.96 acres at Toledo, Ohio, and 2.70 acres at Detroit, Mich., for the enlargement of terminal facilities, also 38.56 acres of land at Delta, Ohio, for additional interchange facilities.

There were one hundred and fifteen new industries located on the tracks of your Company.

GENERAL REMARKS.

In the latter part of the year the Company entered into agreements with the American Car and Foundry Company and the Pullman Car and Manufacturing Corporation, for the building of 2,000 40-ton capacity, steel frame, single sheathed automobile cars, for delivery the early part of the coming year.

By orders of the Board of Directors.

J. E. TAUSSIG,
President.

WABASH RAILWAY COMPANY PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT DECEMBER 31, 1928

CREDITS:			
Credit Balance December 31 1927.....			\$39,537,449.94
Balance Transferred from Income (see above).....	\$6,401,277.01		
Profit on Road and Equipment Sold.....	241.40		
Donations.....	114,217.56		
Miscellaneous Credits.....	59,475.26	\$6,575,211.23	
LESS:			
Dividend Appropriations of Surplus.....	\$3,576,920.00		
Surplus Appropriated for Investment in Physical Property.....	114,217.56		
Loss on Retired Road and Equipment.....	89,010.16		
Miscellaneous Debits.....	7,642.44	3,787,790.16	2,787,421.07
Credit Balance December 31 1928.....			\$ 42,324,871.01

WABASH RAILWAY COMPANY

CONDENSED GENERAL BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1928, COMPARED WITH PREVIOUS YEAR

ASSETS.	1928.	1927.	Increase.	Decrease.
Investments:				
Investment in Road and Equipment.....	\$281,230,395.75	\$277,102,749.44	\$4,127,646.31	
Sinking Funds.....	62.51	359.18		\$296.67
Miscellaneous Physical Property.....	2,008,497.26	2,003,409.80	5,087.46	
Investments in Affiliated Companies.....	9,577,050.06	9,197,607.65	379,442.41	
Other Investments.....	23,672,961.56	23,635,784.31	37,177.25	
Total.....	\$316,488,967.14	\$311,939,910.38	\$4,549,056.76	
Current Assets:				
Cash.....	\$3,719,323.82	\$2,698,072.03	\$1,021,251.79	
Special Deposits.....	4,467,717.87	2,325,903.72	2,141,814.15	
Loans and Bills Receivable.....	1,553,217.30	908,915.55	644,301.75	
Traffic and Car-Service Balances Receivable.....	2,163,546.91	1,271,671.28	896,875.63	
Net Balance Receivable from Agents and Conductors.....	318,744.43	280,326.02	38,418.41	
Miscellaneous Accounts Receivable.....	1,862,884.86	2,122,936.30		\$260,051.44
Material and Supplies.....	4,691,575.26	4,805,118.41		113,543.15
Interest and Dividends Receivable.....	324,251.89	283,655.93	40,595.96	
Rents Receivable.....	94,517.50	70,651.48	23,866.02	
Other Current Assets.....	60,805.44	48,364.49	12,440.95	
Total.....	\$19,261,615.28	\$14,815,615.21	\$4,446,000.07	
Deferred Assets:				
Working Fund Advances.....	\$214,039.99	\$212,982.99	\$1,057.00	
Insurance and Other Funds.....	46,621.50	43,544.36	3,077.14	
Other Deferred Assets.....	11,500.45	11,232.73	267.72	
Total.....	\$272,161.94	\$267,760.08	\$4,401.86	
Unadjusted Debits:				
Rents and Insurance Premiums Paid in Advance.....	\$79,404.48	\$77,272.01	\$2,132.47	
Discount on Funded Debt.....	3,454,194.23	2,274,733.42	1,179,460.81	
Other Unadjusted Debits.....	1,565,769.28	758,192.55	807,576.73	
Securities Issued or Assumed—Unpledged.....	999,406.63	1,041,286.63		\$41,880.00
Securities Issued or Assumed—Pledged.....	1,037,924.00	1,037,924.00		
Total.....	\$7,136,698.62	\$5,189,408.61	\$1,947,290.01	
Total Assets.....	\$343,159,442.98	\$332,212,694.28	\$10,946,748.70	
LIABILITIES.				
Stock:				
Capital Stock.....	\$138,492,967.17	\$138,492,967.17		
Long-Term Debt:				
Funded Debt Unmatured.....	\$127,705,187.97	\$112,046,007.59	\$15,659,180.38	
Current Liabilities:				
Loans and Bills Payable.....		\$1,500,000.00		\$1,500,000.00
Traffic and Car-Service Balances Payable.....	\$1,698,287.22	1,539,774.03	\$158,513.19	
Audited Accounts and Wages Payable.....	5,170,106.08	5,832,514.67		662,408.59
Miscellaneous Accounts Payable.....	291,498.17	297,703.72		6,205.55
Interest Matured Unpaid.....	255,902.00	253,554.50	2,347.50	
Dividends Matured Unpaid.....	4,268.75	4,292.50		23.75
Funded Debt Matured Unpaid.....	5,200.00	200.00	5,000.00	
Unmatured Interest Accrued.....	1,649,369.29	1,480,734.28	168,635.01	
Unmatured Rents Accrued.....	260,884.23	259,100.96	1,783.27	
Other Current Liabilities.....	222,164.73	211,055.10	11,109.63	
Total.....	\$9,557,680.47	\$11,358,929.76		\$1,801,249.29
Deferred Liabilities:				
Other Deferred Liabilities.....	\$7,150,422.17	\$15,208,272.81		\$8,057,850.64
Unadjusted Credits:				
Tax Liability.....	\$2,392,148.71	\$2,174,148.18	\$218,000.53	
Insurance and Casualty Reserves.....	118,589.88	103,475.48	15,114.40	
Accrued Depreciation—Equipment.....	12,085,738.23	10,483,379.66	1,602,358.57	
Other Unadjusted Credits.....	2,378,433.74	1,968,787.62	409,646.12	
Total.....	\$16,974,820.56	\$14,729,790.94	\$2,245,029.62	
Corporate Surplus:				
Additions to Property.....	\$953,493.63	\$839,276.07	\$114,217.56	
Profit and Loss Balance.....	42,324,871.01	39,537,449.94	2,787,421.07	
Total.....	\$43,278,364.64	\$40,376,726.01	\$2,901,638.63	
Total Liabilities.....	\$343,159,442.98	\$332,212,694.28	\$10,946,748.70	

CURRENT NOTICES.

—Sellsberg & Co., members of the New York Stock Exchange, announce the removal of their main office from 71 Broadway, where they have been located for more than 20 years, to 50 Broad St., New York, where they will occupy the entire second floor.

—R. Paul Weingarten and Louis F. Fechheimer announce the establishment of the firm of Weingarten & Fechheimer with offices at 2 Rector St., New York. Mr. Weingarten and Mr. Fechheimer are both members of the New York Curb Market.

—Furlaud & Co., Inc., of New York announce that Arthur J. Cook, Franklin T. Price, Thomas F. Rutledge, Chester Slabaugh, John H. Helmken and Preston Hill Well have become associated with the firm in its retail sales organization.

—DuBosque, DeWitt & Co. announce that H. C. Reilly Jr., formerly with Howe Snow & Co., Inc., and P. Joseph Ryder, formerly with Stone & Webster and Blodget, Inc., have become associated with the sales department of the firm.

—James L. Rainey of St. Louis, supervisor of agencies for the Missouri State Life Insurance Co., has accepted a position of Sales Supervisor with Caldwell & Co., which is affiliated with Rogers Caldwell & Co. of New York.

—Redmond & Co., announce the appointment of James M. Hocart as manager of their sales department in New York. Mr. Hocart has been with the National City Company in New York for the past ten years.

—Stone & Webster and Blodget, Inc., announce the removal of their Rochester office to the Lincoln Alliance Bank Building. Joseph F. Dryer and McC. Hazelton Brown will be in charge of the Rochester office.

—Field, Gore & Co., Inc. have removed their offices to temporary quarters at 63 Wall St., pending completion of the new Bank of Manhattan Building to be constructed on its former location at 38 Wall St.

—Day & Co., Inc., Colorado Springs, Col., announce the opening of offices for the purpose of acting as dealers in miscellaneous securities and for the underwriting and distribution of general market securities.

—Tooker & Co. announce the opening of an uptown New York office in the Guaranty Trust Bldg., 522 Fifth Ave., under the management of Allyn C. Donaldson, a partner in the firm.

—Lee, Stewart & Co., Inc., and Distributors Group, Inc., have taken larger quarters at 63 Wall St., New York, which will be the permanent offices of North American Trust Shares.

—The "Monthly Review" of B. H. Roth & Co., 52 Wall St., New York, discusses the changes during the first quarter of this year in the financial institutions in New York.

—J. R. Schmeitzer & Co., members New York Stock Exchange, announce the removal of their offices from 14 Wall St. to the Standard Oil Building, 26 Broadway, New York.

—Wood, Gundy & Co. have prepared for distribution a pamphlet entitled "Canadian Prosperity," which deals with Canada's economic expansion in the post-war period.

—Clark Williams & Co., members of the New York Stock Exchange, 160 Broadway, New York, have issued a special review of the General Motors Corporation.

—Roy S. Monger, formerly associated with F. J. Lisman & Co., has joined the organization of J. A. Ritchie & Co., Inc., to become syndicate manager of that firm.

—Scovell, Wellington & Co., Accountants-Engineers, announce the removal of their New York offices from 270 Madison Ave. to larger quarters at 10 East 40th St.

—Potter & Co., members of the New York Stock Exchange, 5 Nassau St., New York City, have issued a special circular on Standard Oil Co. of California.

—Eastman, Dillon & Co. announce that George Gazzera, formerly with Howe Snow & Co., has joined their Philadelphia retail sales department.

—Tamburro & Co. of Philadelphia, announce the opening of a Bank Stock Department under the management of James M. Dungan.

—Walker Brothers, members New York Stock Exchange, 71 Broadway, New York, have issued an analysis of the Nash Motors Co.

—Investment Managers Company announces the removal of its offices to 63 Wall St., New York. Telephone Bowling Green 7220.

—Prince & Whitely, with headquarters at 25 Broad St., New York, are distributing an analysis of Kennecott Copper Corp.

—The Empire Trust Co. has been appointed transfer agent for the capital stock of the Hibernia Investing Co., Inc.

—Henry J. Zehder, formerly of Henry J. Zehder & Co., has become associated with McCabe & Fradley, New York.

—Hornblower & Weeks, 42 Broadway, New York, have issued a circular on New York New Haven & Hartford R.R.

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT—FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31 1928.

San Francisco, Calif., April 1 1929.

To the Stockholders:

Your Directors submit herewith a report of the 1928 operations of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company and of its wholly owned subsidiary companies. Mt. Shasta Power Corporation, Sierra and San Francisco Power Company and California Telephone and Light Company.

Formal transfer to the Pacific Company of the properties of the Western States Gas and Electric Company and Coast Valleys Gas and Electric Company, control of which was acquired on May 1 1927, was effected during 1928, and these companies are now in process of dissolution. The revenues and expenses of the acquired properties are included under the appropriate items of the following income statement for the year 1928 and, for comparative purposes, are also included in the preceding year's statement for the eight months period from the date of acquisition of the controlling stock interest in these companies until the close of the year.

CONSOLIDATED INCOME ACCOUNT.

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES.

	1928.	1927.	Increase.	Decrease.
(1) Gross Operating Rev....	\$61,449,592	\$57,893,181	\$3,556,411	-----
<i>Deduct:</i>				
(2) Operating & Administrative Expenses and Taxes.....	\$27,126,832	\$26,295,702	\$831,130	-----
(3) Maintenance.....	3,318,039	3,159,825	158,214	-----
(4) Insurance and Other Reserves.....	1,314,334	1,141,318	173,016	-----
(5) Total Deductions.....	\$31,759,205	\$30,596,845	\$1,162,360	-----
(6) Net Earnings from Operation.....	29,690,387	27,296,336	2,394,051	-----
(7) Add: Miscell. Income.....	338,487	502,631	-----	\$164,144
(8) Total Net Income.....	\$30,028,874	\$27,798,967	\$2,229,907	-----
(9) Bond and Other Interest.....	10,130,901	10,472,974	-----	\$342,073
(10) Balance.....	\$19,897,973	\$17,325,993	\$2,571,980	-----
(11) Bond Discount and Expense.....	528,315	561,398	-----	\$33,083
(12) Balance.....	\$19,369,658	\$16,764,595	\$2,605,063	-----
(13) Reserve for Deprecia'n.....	5,967,320	5,378,545	588,775	-----
(14) Surplus.....	\$13,402,338	\$11,386,050	\$2,016,288	-----
(15) Dividends Paid on Preferred Stock (6%).....	4,601,630	4,384,858	216,772	-----
(16) Balance.....	\$8,800,708	\$7,001,192	\$1,799,516	-----
(17) Divs. Paid on Common Stock (8%).....	5,550,574	4,892,352	658,222	-----
(18) Balance.....	\$3,250,134	\$2,108,840	\$1,141,294	-----

CUSTOMERS.

The month of November 1928 witnessed the placing in service on the Company's lines of the millionth customer's meter. The five hundred thousandth meter was set during September 1919, the number of customers served having doubled in approximately nine years.

At the close of the year there were 1,004,340 consumers receiving electric, gas, water or steam service, a net gain of 36,623 within the year. The growth of population reflected in this increased number of customers was well distributed, each of the Company's districts participating in this increase. The following summary shows the departmental increase in 1928 and during the last ten years in the number of consumers served:

NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS.

	At December 31			Net Gain.	
	1928.	1927.	1918.	In 1928.	In 10 Years.
Gas Customers.....	466,628	453,132	254,432	13,496	212,196
Electric Customers.....	529,306	506,987	209,412	22,319	319,894
Water Customers.....	7,762	6,974	12,705	788	*4,943
Steam Customers.....	644	624	463	20	181
Total Customers.....	1,004,340	967,717	477,012	36,623	527,328

* Decrease due to sale of water properties.

NOTES ON INCOME ACCOUNT.

(1) GROSS OPERATING REVENUES—\$61,449,592.

Gross operating revenue from all departments during 1928 aggregated \$61,449,592, thus for the twenty-third consecutive year since the Company's incorporation establishing a new peak in the volume of business and exceeding by \$3,556,411 the corresponding figure for 1927.

Reduced rates for both gas and electric service, resulting in a saving to our customers exceeding \$2,300,000 annually were placed in effect during the year. Of this amount, approximately \$2,000,000 represented voluntary reductions in electric rates, particularly in domestic, agricultural and street lighting schedules, the major portion of such reductions becoming effective March 1 1928. Our gas customers also benefitted to the extent of upwards of \$300,000 annually through a general lowering of rates following reduced operating costs resulting from lower oil prices.

With minor exceptions, the Company's top rate for electric energy for domestic purposes is now 5 cents per kilowatt hour in all cities and towns in which it operates, and 6 cents per kilowatt hour in all rural territory, with graduated reductions down to 1½ cents per kilowatt hour for larger usage. In the confidence that these low rates, coupled with a generally high level of purchasing power and the steadily increasing demand for household conveniences and labor saving devices, would encourage a more liberal utilization of electrical appliances and the acceptance by our customers of improved and more adequate standards of lighting, the Company, coincident with the reduction in rates, inaugurated the most vigorous and comprehensive load building campaign in its history, involving the expenditure of almost one million dollars for advertising and sales work. The results of this campaign justified expectations, contracts for new business yielding an estimated annual revenue of \$4,579,298 being signed in 1928, exclusive of routine applications for service. This increased business was only partially reflected in our 1928 earnings.

A summary showing in comparative form the gross revenue received from each branch of the Company's operations during the past two years is given below. Revenue from electric sales in 1928 increased \$2,705,962, and from gas sales \$943,267, these departments contributing 63.57% and 33.93% respectively of total gross operating revenue. The aggregate income from the remaining activities in which the Company is engaged, namely the sale of water and steam, and street railway operation, constituted only 2.50% of its business last year. The small decreases shown in the revenue from several minor departmental activities are attributable to the sale of certain properties and, in the case of the steam sales department, to a downward adjustment of rates following a reduction in the cost of fuel oil to the Company.

GROSS OPERATING REVENUE BY DEPARTMENTS.

	1928.	1927.	Increase	Per Cent of whole Contributed by Each Department.
Electric Department.....	\$39,059,071	\$36,353,109	\$2,705,963	63.57%
Gas Department.....	20,850,005	19,906,738	943,267	33.93%
Street Railway Dept.....	695,343	683,641	11,702	1.13%
Water and Irrigation Department.....	437,647	529,689	*92,042	.71%
Steam Sales Dept.....	407,526	412,122	*4,596	.66%
Telephone Dept.....	-----	7,882	*7,882	-----
Total Gross Operating Revenue.....	\$61,449,592	\$57,893,181	\$3,556,411	100.00%

* Decrease.

(2) OPERATING AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES AND TAXES—\$27,126,832.

The expenses of operation, exclusive of maintenance and reserves, increased \$831,130, or 3.1%. Excluding taxes the increase was only \$618,594. This additional operating cost is relatively small in comparison with the substantially greater volume of the Company's business, as reflected in increases of approximately 107,800,000 kilowatt hours, or 6.5% in sales of electricity, 844,000,000 cubic feet, or 4.2% in gas sales, and 36,623 in the number of customers connected to our lines. The downward trend of operating and administrative expenses, as related to gross operating revenue, has continued without interruption for several years, as indicated by the following table:

Year.	Gross Operating Revenue.	Operating and Administrative Expenses and Taxes.	Per Cent of Expenses to Gross.
1925.....	\$47,729,079	\$24,785,076	52%
1926.....	50,960,571	25,560,951	50%
1927.....	57,893,181	26,295,702	45%
1928.....	61,449,592	27,126,832	44%

Taxes in 1928 aggregated \$6,419,673, or \$212,536 more than in 1927, and constituted, aside from the wages paid to approximately ten thousand employees, the largest single item of operating expense. A decrease in Federal taxes resulting from the lower percentage of corporation net income collected by the United States Government was more than offset by larger State taxes, which are based upon a percentage of gross operating revenue.

(3) MAINTENANCE—\$3,318,039.
(13) RESERVE FOR DEPRECIATION—\$5,967,320.

These items, representing the amount expended or set aside out of the Company's income to provide for the upkeep of its properties, aggregated last year \$9,285,359, or 15.1% of gross operating revenue. The practice of making adequate provision for the preservation of its properties in a condition of first class operating efficiency has been uniformly pursued for many years, the average upkeep provision during the past thirteen years exceeding 16% of total operating revenue. The Company continues to eliminate systematically from its plant account all unused, replaced, abandoned or obsolete portions of its physical properties, approximately \$33,000,000 having been so written off within a period of twenty years. At the close of 1928, the unappropriated balance in depreciation reserve was \$21,926,722.

(4) INSURANCE AND OTHER RESERVES—\$1,314,334.

These reserves, representing the provision made out of revenue for uncollectible accounts and for contingencies such as fires and injuries to workmen or to the public, registered an increase during 1928, after all charges, of \$772,977, and aggregated at the close of the year \$2,261,637, as follows:

	Balance in Reserves at Dec. 31 1928.
Insurance Reserve.....	\$1,497,824
Casualty Reserve.....	456,814
Uncollectible Accounts Reserve.....	306,999
Total.....	\$2,261,637

A large portion of the Company's properties are of steel and concrete construction, thus minimizing the fire hazard. All properties are also subjected to thorough periodical inspections with a view to maintaining the highest standards of fire protection. The adequacy of these protective measures may be inferred from the statement that the Company's loss from fires during 1928, together with the payment of insurance premiums aggregating \$27,980, amounted to only \$60,716, or less than one dollar for each six thousand dollars of investment in physical properties, including upwards of 2,700 buildings, together with an extensive network of transmission and distribution lines situated, in a large measure, in remote and inaccessible sections of the country.

Accident and damage payments resulting from injuries incurred during the year were, in proportion to gross revenue, lower than for several years, reflecting the cumulative effect of sustained accident prevention work, the primary benefits of which, however, are to be measured in avoidance of the suffering and disability occasioned by injuries rather than the cost in dollars to the Company.

(6) NET EARNINGS FROM OPERATION—\$29,690,397. (7) MISCELLANEOUS INCOME—\$338,487. (8) TOTAL NET INCOME—\$30,038,874.

Upwards of two-thirds of the gain in gross operating revenue was converted to net, which in 1928 reached a new peak of \$29,690,387, or \$2,394,051 in excess of the corresponding figure in 1927. This increase in net operating revenue is particularly satisfactory in view of the reductions in rates to which reference has previously been made, and reflects the results of lower unit costs incident to operations on a continuously larger scale, the adoption wherever feasible of improved methods of operation, and the larger average utilization per customer induced by vigorous sales effort and lower rate schedules.

After the addition of \$338,487 of miscellaneous income, total net income available for depreciation and for a return on the capital invested in the business, amounted to \$30,028,874, exceeding by \$2,229,907 the corresponding figure in the preceding year.

(9) BOND INTEREST—\$10,130,901. (11) BOND DISCOUNT AND EXPENSE—\$528,315.

These items aggregated \$10,659,216, a decrease of \$375,156. This substantial reduction in fixed charges resulted from bond refunding operations under which an aggregate of \$35,000,000 par value of the Company's First and Refunding Mortgage Series "E" 4½% Bonds were sold in September 1927 and February 1928 on an average basis of 4.85%, primarily for the purpose of retiring obligations bearing higher interest rates, as follows:

	Par Value Retired.
Bonds bearing annual interest rate of 7%.....	\$10,720,000
Bonds bearing annual interest rate of 6%.....	16,093,000
Bonds bearing annual interest rate of 5%.....	5,013,000
Total.....	\$31,826,000

The following table shows that since the execution of the Company's First and Refunding Mortgage in 1920, net income increased \$18,500,723, compared with an increase in interest charges of only \$5,619,650. During this period a large part of the Company's expansion has been financed by means of stock issues, thus largely increasing the equities and earning power underlying its bonds.

BONDS—MARGIN OF EARNINGS OVER INTEREST CHARGES.

Year Ended Dec. 31.	Net Income Available for Fixed Charges and Depreciation	Interest Charges.	Balance.	Number of Times Interest Earned.
1920.....	\$11,528,151	\$4,511,251	\$7,016,900	2.56
1921.....	13,230,622	4,797,782	8,432,840	2.76
1922.....	15,787,729	5,148,614	10,639,115	3.07
1923.....	16,478,332	6,165,817	10,312,515	2.67
1924.....	16,731,587	6,261,528	10,470,059	2.67
1925.....	19,168,185	7,078,183	12,090,002	2.71
1926.....	21,471,515	7,926,006	13,545,509	2.71
1927.....	27,798,967	10,472,974	17,325,993	2.65
1928.....	30,028,874	10,130,901	19,897,973	2.96
Increase in 8 yrs	\$18,500,723	\$5,619,650	\$12,881,073	

At the close of 1928 the book value of the Company's properties, including net current assets, exceeded by \$173,211,445 the total face value of all bonds held by the public. A summary showing the relationship of funded debt to physical assets during recent years follows:

BONDS—INCREASING EQUITY IN PHYSICAL ASSETS.

Year Ended Dec. 31.	Book Value of Fixed and Working Capital.	Par Value of All Bonds Outstanding with Public.	Excess of Physical Equity Over All Bonds.
1920.....	\$170,963,558	\$95,758,600	\$75,204,958
1921.....	197,720,932	113,495,700	84,225,232
1922.....	208,664,818	111,700,700	96,964,118
1923.....	232,235,281	126,592,600	105,642,681
1924.....	263,676,639	153,357,300	110,319,339
1925.....	279,840,173	161,852,800	117,987,373
1926.....	302,402,941	170,209,800	132,193,141
1927.....	371,813,711	208,631,500	163,182,211
1928.....	381,094,445	207,883,000	173,211,445
Increase in 8 years.	\$210,130,887	\$112,124,400	\$98,006,487

(14) SURPLUS—\$13,402,338. (15) PREFERRED STOCK DIVIDENDS—\$4,601,630. (17) COMMON STOCK DIVIDENDS—\$5,550,574.

After the deduction of all prior charges, there remained a surplus of \$13,402,338 available for dividend disbursements to the Company's 49,068 stockholders in return for their investment in the property. Preferred stock dividends absorbed \$4,601,630 of the year's surplus, the balance of \$8,800,708 being equivalent to \$3.17 per share upon the average common stock outstanding during the year, and to \$3.05 per share upon the total outstanding and subscribed common at December 31 1928.

The following table presents a record of surplus earned and dividends paid since 1920:

STOCK—SURPLUS EARNED AND DIVIDENDS PAID.

Year Ended Dec. 31.	Surplus After All Prior Charges, Including Depreciation and Federal Taxes.	Preferred Stock Dividend (6%).	Balance for Common.	Common Stock Dividends.	
				Amount.	Rate %.
1920.....	\$3,919,959	\$1,779,933	\$2,142,026	\$1,700,846	5% Cash
1921.....	4,969,230	2,132,283	2,836,947	2,380,859	5% Cash 2% Stock
1922.....	6,587,156	2,574,156	4,013,003	2,513,662	5% " "
1923.....	6,756,294	3,103,847	3,652,447	2,310,499	6½% Cash
1924.....	7,028,349	3,244,608	3,783,741	3,040,123	8% " "
1925.....	7,851,357	3,265,434	4,585,923	3,624,337	8% " "
1926.....	8,859,240	3,488,880	5,370,360	4,119,970	8% " "
1927.....	11,386,050	4,384,858	7,001,192	4,892,352	8% " "
1928.....	13,402,338	4,601,630	8,800,708	5,550,574	8% " "
Increase in 8 years.	\$9,482,379	\$2,821,697	\$6,658,682	\$3,849,728	

After the payment of dividends, there was carried to undistributed surplus a balance of \$3,250,134, or \$1,141,294 in excess of the preceding year.

The increasing surplus available for dividend payments has been accompanied by substantial reductions in the cost of service to our patrons. Since 1920, three major reductions have been made in electric rates, representing, on the basis of present business, an aggregate saving to our electric customers exceeding ten million dollars annually. This is equivalent to almost twice the present annual dividends upon the outstanding common stock. In addition, several adjustments of gas rates in conformity with the practice established by the State Railroad Commission in 1921 of raising or lowering schedules to conform to fluctuations in fuel oil prices, resulted in net decreases during this period varying from 13 cents to 23 cents per thousand cubic feet of gas. The aggregate of these reductions in gas rates represents an additional saving to our customers of several millions of dollars per annum.

It is gratifying to the management that the Company's steadily strengthening financial position has been achieved with equally beneficial results to the owners of the Company and to its customers. An important contributing factor, aside from the obvious advantages of a larger business volume, technical improvements in production and distribution, smaller average overhead, and decreasing cost of capital, has been the conservative policy pursued for many years of reinvesting in the business a portion of annual earnings.

In the twenty-three years since organization, the balance of earnings after the deduction of operating and maintenance costs, taxes and interest charges, aggregated \$162,767,000. Of this amount only \$73,722,000, or 45.3%, was

disbursed in cash dividends, the remainder being used to retire bonds or reinvested in the property, as shown by the following summary:

DISPOSITION OF BALANCE REMAINING AFTER OPERATING COSTS AND INTEREST CHARGES SINCE ORGANIZATION OF COMPANY.

Cash Dividends.....	\$73,722,000
To Retire Bonds.....	24,684,000
Reinvested in the Property.....	25,401,000
For Replacements and Rehabilitation.....	34,937,000
Other Purposes.....	4,023,000
Total.....	\$162,767,000

BALANCE SHEET ITEMS.
CURRENT FINANCIAL CONDITION.

Working assets at December 31 1928, including \$17,064,445 advanced from working capital for construction purposes and not then reimbursed through the sale of securities, aggregated \$38,238,694, or nearly three times the \$13,614,690 of current liabilities including in the latter, \$7,300,622 interest and taxes accrued but not due. Net working assets amounted to \$24,624,004, or \$1,899,984 more than at the close of the preceding year. As for many years past, the Company has no floating debt. Its liquid position enabled it to take advantage of all cash discounts offered for the prompt payment of material and supply bills, and a saving of \$98,518 from this source was effected during the year.

CURRENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

	December 31 1928.	December 31 1927.	Increase.	Decrease.
Current Assets:				
Bond Redemption Funds...	\$203,251	\$3,916,370	-----	\$3,713,119
Material and Supplies...	5,092,744	5,294,073	-----	201,329
Bills and Accounts Receivable (Less Reserve for Uncollectible Accounts)...	6,775,652	5,761,443	\$1,014,209	
Due on Stock Subscriptions	952,352	1,884,245	-----	931,893
Underlying Bonds bought in advance for Sinking Funds	1,076,000	1,365,500	-----	289,500
General and Refunding 5% Bonds issued against Construction	975,000	975,000	-----	
Cash	5,866,250	8,390,271	-----	2,524,021
Interest accrued on Investments	2,372	4,204	-----	1,832
Other Investments	230,628	140,233	90,395	
Advances for Construction, Leased Properties	4,323,597	4,452,783	-----	129,186
Advances for Construction including Construction Materials and Supplies...	12,740,848	5,424,590	7,316,258	
Total Assets.....	\$38,238,694	\$37,608,712	\$629,982	
Current Liabilities:				
Bonds Called but not Redeemed	\$195,910	\$3,516,010	-----	\$3,320,100
Accounts Payable	2,728,423	1,634,290	\$1,094,133	
Drafts Outstanding	393,583	444,506	-----	50,923
Meter and Line Deposits	1,076,950	1,029,704	47,246	
Unpaid Coupons	477,349	420,311	57,038	
Interest accrued but not due	1,989,454	2,184,483	-----	195,029
Taxes accrued but not due	5,311,168	4,229,321	1,081,847	
Dividends declared	1,441,853	1,426,067	15,786	
Total Liabilities.....	\$13,614,690	\$14,884,692	-----	\$1,270,002
Net Working Assets.....	\$24,624,004	\$22,724,020	\$1,899,984	

PLANTS AND PROPERTIES.

At the beginning of the year the cost of the Company's properties (excluding investments and current assets) as shown in the item "Plants and Properties" on its balance sheet was \$300,434,895. Gross expenditures for additions, betterments and improvements during 1928 amounted to \$17,599,694. Less charges against depreciation reserve created by annual appropriations out of operating revenues for property renewed or replaced or otherwise disposed of as being of no further service \$4,146,336 \$13,453,358

There was added through acquisition of the properties of Western States Gas and Electric Company, Coast Valleys Gas and Electric Company, and minor concerns \$31,831,711. Sierra and San Francisco Power Company plant and properties included in consolidated balance sheet \$29,865,922 \$75,150,991

Total plant and properties as shown by consolidated balance sheet, December 31 1928 \$375,585,886

In conformity with the Company's long-established policy of maintaining the utmost simplicity in its operating and financial structures, the properties of the Western States Gas and Electric Company and Coast Valleys Gas and Electric Company, control of which was acquired on May 1 1927, were formally transferred to the Pacific Company at the close of June 1928.

A construction program in keeping with the traditional policy of providing for future demand was continued throughout the year, the largest single item of expenditure being incurred in connection with the Salt Springs project on the Mokelumne River.

The capacity of the Company's electric generating system was increased by 71,046 horsepower, of which 32,842 horsepower of hydro-electric capacity was added through the enlargement of the Drum-Spaulling group of power plants and the balance of 38,204 horsepower by means of an additional unit of the most modern type in Station "C," Oakland, where two new boilers and a steam turbine were installed at a cost of \$3,000,000. The new unit ranks among the most efficient in the country.

The efficiency of steam stations burning fuel oil or natural gas for the generation of electric energy has been notably improved during recent years, and large plants of this

character within, or close to, centers of distribution are able to compete in comparable unit costs at load centers with all but the most economical hydro-electric installations. The trend of engineering practice in California, particularly in view of the present relatively low price of fuel oil and the availability of natural gas as a boiler fuel, is toward the establishment of larger proportions of steam electric generating capacity. In recognition of this development, and of the fact that the Company's present extensive hydro-electric generation and transmission system lends itself admirably to economical co-ordinated operation with steam plants, the Company is now planning to rebuild its steam Station "A" in San Francisco to an ultimate capacity of 300,000 horsepower, or approximately three times that of the largest single hydro-electric plant now on its system. The enlarged plant will be utilized not merely for standby and peak load purposes, but also to carry a substantial proportion of base load.

No additional production capacity was necessary in the gas department, the existing plants being sufficient to take care of the increase in business. The practice of supplying several communities with gas from a few strategically located plants was, however, extended through the construction of additional high pressure mains.

The properties of the Tuolumne County Electric Power and Light Company and the Novato Utilities Company, two relatively small distribution systems which had previously purchased electric energy at wholesale from this Company, were acquired during the year.

A record showing the annual additions to the Company's plant account in each of the twenty-three years since its organization follows:

Year.	Construction.	Other Properties Acquired.	Total.
1906.....	\$3,860,243.84	\$13,820,125.00	\$17,680,368.84
1907.....	3,674,474.69	47,861.17	3,722,335.86
1908.....	2,099,996.91	-----	2,099,996.91
1909.....	1,746,705.64	90,632.46	1,837,338.10
1910.....	2,879,158.45	593,766.29	3,472,924.74
1911.....	2,248,521.31	4,768,949.31	7,017,470.62
1912.....	7,495,763.69	404,285.15	7,900,048.84
1913.....	7,406,415.80	389,208.36	7,795,624.16
1914.....	2,733,949.35	4,181.50	2,738,130.85
1915.....	2,039,447.17	120,478.44	2,209,925.61
1916.....	3,658,426.33	12,681.31	3,671,107.64
1917.....	2,781,530.08	1,797,061.50	4,578,591.58
1918.....	1,818,704.32	*6,405.91	1,825,110.23
1919.....	3,181,909.23	11,556,299.37	14,738,208.60
1920.....	10,600,208.89	1,210.60	10,601,419.49
1921.....	18,040,060.51	333.00	18,040,393.51
1922.....	16,422,278.07	1,132,581.99	17,554,860.06
1923.....	17,044,713.40	1,724,585.09	18,769,298.49
1924.....	29,937,667.89	220,407.70	30,158,075.59
1925.....	24,607,647.60	29,768.58	24,637,416.18
1926.....	15,793,347.44	1,092,084.39	17,485,431.83
1927.....	12,587,530.85	b3,453,735.76	16,041,266.61
1928.....	13,453,357.84	61,697,633.38	75,150,991.22
Total.....	\$206,162,059.30	\$96,643,992.92	\$302,806,052.22

* Decrease. b After deducting water and telephone properties sold.

CAPITALIZATION.

The Company's financial structure was simplified during the year by the retirement of practically the entire capitalization of the recently acquired Western States Gas and Electric Company (of California), Western States Gas and Electric Company of Delaware, and Coast Valleys Gas and Electric Company, consisting of four issues of bonds, four of preferred stock, and three of common stock, as more fully outlined in the following sections. These particular refinancing operations also saved the Company approximately \$300,000 per annum in fixed charges and preferred stock dividends.

The aggregate of all securities outstanding in the hands of the public at the close of 1928 was \$358,968,303, a net increase of \$4,746,075, as follows:

	Par Value Outstanding with Public.	Increase.	Decrease.
Bonds of P. G. & E. Co. and Subsidiary Companies.....	\$187,207,700	\$17,863,000	
* Bonds of Affiliated Companies.....	20,675,300	-----	\$18,611,500
Preferred Stock of P. G. & E. Co.....	78,892,907	7,126,825	-----
Preferred Stock of Companies in Process of Dissolution.....	25,800	-----	7,891,675
Common Stock of P. G. & E. Co.....	72,142,340	6,428,175	-----
Common Stock of Companies in Process of Dissolution.....	24,256	-----	168,750
Total.....	\$358,968,303	\$4,746,075	

* Entire outstanding capital stock of these companies owned by P. G. & E. Co.

FUNDED DEBT.

An issue of \$20,000,000 par value of First and Refunding Mortgage Series "E" 4 1/2% Bonds was sold in February 1928, the cost of this money to the Company, approximately 4 3/4%, being the lowest since its organization. The proceeds of this sale were utilized to retire all of the secured obligations of the Western States and Coast Valleys Gas and Electric Companies, with a resultant substantial saving in annual fixed charges.

At December 31 1928, the total par value of bonds outstanding in the hands of the public was \$207,883,000, a net decrease, after giving effect to this refunding operation and to the purchase of bonds for sinking fund purposes and the maturity of a small divisional issue, of \$748,500.

SINKING FUNDS.

Sinking fund operations during 1928 resulted in the retirement of \$1,816,000 par value of bonds, representing a net annual saving in interest charges aggregating \$89,680. In

In addition, there was an increase of \$33,319 in the uninvested cash and accrued interest in sinking funds, the relative status of these funds at the close of each of the past two years being summarized as follows:

Character of Sinking Fund Assets.	December 31 1928.	December 31 1927.	Additions During 1928.
Bonds of Company—at par—Cash and Accrued Interest—not yet invested—	\$26,963,290.00	\$25,147,290.00	\$1,816,000.00
	219,953.55	186,634.19	33,319.36
Total Assets—	\$27,183,243.55	\$25,333,924.19	\$1,849,319.36
Net Annual Interest Saving—	\$1,360,843.50	\$1,271,163.50	\$89,680.00

The \$26,963,290 par value of bonds held in Sinking Funds at the close of 1928 was acquired by the following means:

	Bonds Held in Sinking Funds
From Revenues—	\$25,429,090
In Exchange for Overlying Bonds—	493,000
From proceeds of sale of Common Stock—	1,041,200
	\$26,963,290

RECLASSIFICATION OF CAPITAL STOCK.

The Company's stockholders at a special meeting held on February 13 1928, authorized an increase in the capital stock from \$160,000,000 to \$400,000,000, classified as follows:

	Par Value of Stock.
6% First Preferred of the par value of \$25 per share—	\$140,000,000
5½% First Preferred of the par value of \$25 per share—	40,000,000
5% First Preferred of the par value of \$25 per share—	20,000,000
Common Stock of the par value of \$25 per share—	200,000,000

The reasons for this increase in and reclassification of authorized capital stock were outlined in the following paragraphs of circular letter of December 15 1927, addressed to all of the Company's stockholders, as follows:

The Company's growth requires the continuous investment of new capital for additions, betterments and improvements. The aggregate amount of preferred and common stock now outstanding has approached so closely to the limit authorized by the Company's stockholders on October 23 1911, that an increase must now be authorized to enable your Company to raise, by the sale from time to time of both common and preferred stock, such proportion of the new capital as may be necessary to maintain its present sound financial structure, to preserve its excellent credit, and to obtain such new capital on the most advantageous terms.

Your Company's first preferred stock, largely by reason of the policy pursued for some years of financing a substantial proportion of its capital needs by the sale of common stock, has attained a strong investment position with respect to earnings, assets and marketability. In order that advantage may be taken of this situation, and so that your Company may also better adapt its offerings of preferred stock to investment market conditions, the classification above shown provides for two new classes of preferred stock bearing dividend rates of 5½% and 5% respectively, in addition to the present 6% class which is retained in the new classification.

Authorization was secured from the State Railroad Commission on September 21 1928, for the issuance and sale of \$10,000,000 par value of the new 5½% preferred stock. None of this stock was, however, sold in 1928, the Company's construction program being financed from the sale of common stock under Par Offering No. 3 and from working capital.

PREFERRED STOCK.

During 1928, the holders of \$7,227,625 par value of the 7% preferred stock of the Western States Gas and Electric Company (of California), Western States Gas and Electric Company of Delaware and Coast Valleys Gas and Electric Company, availed themselves of the Company's offer to exchange their holdings, prior to the institution of dissolution proceedings, for an equal par value of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company's 6% preferred stock, the market value of the latter being considerably in excess of the par value to which the holders of the Western States and Coast Valleys Companies were, under the articles of incorporation of these companies, entitled in liquidation.

The relatively small balance of 7% stock of the companies in question which was not exchanged within the time specified is being liquidated at par and accrued dividends in pending dissolution proceedings, only \$25,800 of this preferred stock remaining outstanding at the close of the year.

The whole of a small issue of \$419,000 of 6% preferred stock of the Coast Valleys Gas and Electric Company has been liquidated at its par value, as provided in the articles of incorporation.

At the close of 1928, \$78,892,907 par value of the 6% preferred stock of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company was outstanding or subscribed for, its ownership being vested in 30,506 stockholders, of whom 26,711, or 87.6%, were residents of California.

COMMON STOCK.

The Company's common stockholders of record at the close of business February 17 1928, were offered the right to purchase, at its par value of \$25 per share, additional common stock in the proportion of one new share for each ten shares held on that date. Subscriptions were received for \$6,428,975 par value, or 99.54% of the \$6,458,350 common stock so offered. In addition, \$100,000 par value of common stock was issued in connection with the acquisition of the entire outstanding stock of the Novato Utilities Company.

Another offering of rights, constituting the fourth at approximately annual intervals, was made early in the current year to stockholders of record on February 8 1929.

DISTRIBUTION OF STOCK OWNERSHIP.

At December 31 1928, the ownership of the Company was vested in 49,068 shareholders, of whom 30,506 held preferred stock and 18,562 common stock.

As indicated by the following table, 4,304 stockholders own small blocks of from one to five shares each, and 38,304,

or 78% of all stockholders, own not to exceed one hundred shares, or \$2,500 par value.

SUMMARY SHOWING DISTRIBUTION OF STOCK.

Size of Holdings.	Number of Stockholders.		
	Preferred.	Common.	Total.
Stockholders owning or subscribing for:			
1 to 5 shares of the par value of \$25	2,505	1,799	4,304
6 to 10 shares of the par value of \$25	2,277	2,047	4,324
11 to 100 shares of the par value of \$25	18,996	10,680	29,676
101 to 1,000 shares of the par value of \$25	6,508	3,683	10,191
Over 1,000 shares of the par value of \$25	220	353	573
Total—	30,506	18,562	49,068

The numerical preponderance of women over men stockholders, to which we called attention last year, continued to increase, there being now 20,975 of the former compared with 19,592 of the latter, an increase during the year of 1,693 women and 476 men. In addition, our list of stockholders at the close of 1928 included 7,557 joint tenancies (usually husband and wife) and 944 associations, insurance companies and other institutions.

California stockholders numbered 39,680, or 80.9%, less than one-fifth of all stockholders residing outside of the State.

OPERATING DEPARTMENTS.

Matters relating to the operating departments are more fully dealt with in the following abstract of report presented at the annual meeting of stockholders by Mr. F. A. Leach, Jr., First Vice-President and General Manager:

REPORT OF FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER.

From the standpoint of current operations, the year's work was featured by reduced operating costs, the advantages of which were shared with our customers through the establishment of lower rate schedules; by augmented sales activities; by a satisfactory expansion of business, with every prospect of a sustained growth in 1929; and by tangible evidence of intelligent and co-operative effort on the part of all employees as revealed in improved operating efficiencies, diminishing losses from fires and personal injuries, and generally satisfactory relations with consumers throughout our territory.

Each year develops its special problems and accomplishments. While our electric engineering and construction departments were carrying on the great construction work of the Mokelumne project at Salt Springs dam, our gas engineers were studying the development of a natural gas supply in the San Joaquin Valley, concerning which additional details are given on pages 20-21 [pamphlet report]. The advent of natural gas to our territory will be of inestimable value in the promotion of all lines of manufacturing industry, as well as of interest to the domestic consumer who will be furnished gas of higher heating value for all household purposes.

The Salt Springs dam, when completed, will be the largest of its kind in existence, containing approximately three million cubic yards of rock. This dam will rise to a height of 324 feet from bed rock, with a base thickness of 900 feet and a length across the crest of 1,300 feet. To gain access to the damsite for the hauling of equipment a road was constructed twenty-nine miles in length, the cost of this and certain other minor roads aggregating \$600,000. The first unit of 75,000 horsepower will be ready for operation in 1931 and ultimately a total of 175,000 horsepower of additional hydro-electric energy will be developed in connection with this project.

A new power house, Spaulding No. 3, was built on the Drum development. Spaulding Plant No. 1 was reconstructed and enlarged and Spaulding No. 2 was rebuilt and the generator replaced. On this work the Company spent \$1,125,000. An additional \$500,000 was expended in enlarging and improving the Drum canal, and \$720,000 in installing a fourth unit in the Drum power house.

The steam generating plant at Station "C," Oakland, was modernized and enlarged. Twelve boilers were replaced by but two, and these the largest constructed anywhere up to the present time. These boilers rise to a height of a five story building, an automatic elevator being used to reach their several operating levels. Filled with water they weigh one million pounds each. Sixty thousand gallons of water a minute are utilized in the condensers, a volume sufficient to supply the domestic requirements of a city of one million inhabitants.

In the gas department a 16-inch gas main was constructed, at a cost of \$465,000, from the Potrero gas plant in San Francisco to Lomita Park in San Mateo County, a distance of 16 miles. This new main connects with the San Francisco-San Jose high pressure line, and furnishes an additional supply to the rapidly growing communities of the Peninsula district.

High pressure mains were also extended from Hayward, at a cost of \$175,000, to several communities not previously supplied with gas; a 22-mile extension was built from the Marysville-Oroville main to Chico, and an additional main constructed to connect the Marysville gas plant with the Oroville-Chico line.

Other items of construction included a new office building at Auburn, the erection of several new sub-stations, the construction of a 110,000 volt high tension power line from Newark to Morgan Hill, and similar items made necessary or desirable by the development of our business.

A contract negotiated some years ago with the Nevada Irrigation District became effective during the year through the delivery of water to Lake Spaulding. Substantial payments for use of this water, and the transportation of the District's water through our system, are a part of this Company's co-operative effort with land owners of the Irrigation District.

During the past year the Company, in co-operation with the United States Department of Commerce, built extensions to supply 44 airway beacons located on the San Francisco-Seattle, San Francisco-Los Angeles and transcontinental air routes. The lighting of air ports and airway beacons is a development of modern transportation which will provide an increasingly important additional source of revenue to the Company.

ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT.

The Company operates 32 hydro-electric plants with a total installed capacity of 654,055 horsepower, and nine steam electric generating stations with an installed capacity of 244,470 horsepower. The aggregate installed capacity of the 41 plants in service at the close of 1928 was 898,525 horsepower.

Electric service is furnished directly to 313 and indirectly to 36 cities and towns, and to an extensive rural area in Northern and Central California.

Sales of electricity during 1928 aggregated 1,765,767,000 kilowatt hours, an increase of 107,802,000 kilowatt hours compared with 1927.

At the close of the year, the connected load of the 529,306 electric customers receiving service from the Company aggregated 2,129,860 horsepower, an increase of 175,043 horsepower during the year. The chart on page 30 [pamphlet report] indicates graphically the marked expansion of the electric load during the past ten years. The Company's field of operations is not only growing in population at a rate considerably exceeding that of the average for the country, but is developing even more rapidly as an industrial area, as indicated by the significant increase in the power load from 381,413 horsepower in 1918 to 1,444,087 horsepower at the close of 1928. The value of the State's manufactures aggregates almost three billions of dollars annually, and is increasing at the rate of approximately one hundred million dollars a year. This healthy industrial expansion is paralleled by, and is to a large extent dependent upon, a proportionately rapid growth of the power supply.

Following is a brief summary of electric transmission and distribution facilities owned or operated by the Company at December 31 1928:

Miles of 220,000 volt lines.....	278.85	
Miles of 110,000 volt lines.....	834.19	
Miles of 60,000 volt lines.....	2,456.40	
Miles of 30,000 volt lines.....	154.70	
Total high tension lines.....		3,724.14 miles
Miles of overhead distribution lines (less than 20,000 volts).....	14,420.80	
Miles of underground distribution.....	222.38	
Total distribution.....		14,643.18 miles
Total transmission and distribution system.....		18,367.32 miles

There are 73,831 transformers connected with the distribution system, having a capacity of 914,065 kilowatts.

GAS DEPARTMENT.

Gas sales in 1928 aggregated 21,058,368,700 cubic feet, an increase of 843,534,100 cubic feet. There were 466,628 gas meters in active service at the close of the year.

There are 19 gas plants in service with an aggregate generating capacity of 118,668,000 cubic feet per day. The plant at Lodi was dismantled during the year, the city now being supplied with gas transmitted through high pressure mains from the larger and more efficient Stockton plant.

The Company's gas distribution system embraces 5,227 miles of mains ranging in diameter from two inches to 36 inches, operated under pressures ranging from one quarter of a pound to 100 pounds per square inch. Expressed in terms of pipe averaging three inches in diameter, the length of the Company's transmission and distribution mains would aggregate upwards of 24,000 miles.

By-products from gas manufacture including sulphur, benzol and tar, produced in 1928 a revenue of \$41,292.

NATURAL GAS.

Your management for some years has been alert to the possibility of bringing natural gas from the southern end of the San Joaquin Valley to the large centers of population in the San Francisco Bay region, but it was not until the proving-up of the dry gas area in the Buttonwillow section and subsequent developments which appear to indicate beyond reasonable doubt that the Kettleman Hills, located about 200 miles south of San Francisco, constitute the greatest oil and gas field so far discovered in the State of California, that it decided that such a project was commercially feasible and should be undertaken for purposes of conservation, to protect and augment its large existing artificial gas business in the San Francisco Bay area, to give its customers the benefit of lower fuel costs, and to aid the industrial development of this territory.

Following the completion of contracts to assure the successful operation of the projected pipeline, surveys and acquisition of the necessary right-of-way were actively prosecuted in 1928, and the actual construction of this transmission line is now sufficiently well advanced to practically assure its completion in the latter part of 1929. This pipe-

line will require, including 18,000,000 cubic feet of additional holder capacity and other necessary terminal expenditures, an investment of approximately thirteen million dollars. Its total length, including a twenty-inch branch into San Francisco and a twenty-inch branch into Oakland and other East Bay cities, will be 282 miles. The main portion of the line will have a diameter of twenty-two inches. Its initial capacity will be 65,000,000 cubic feet per day, which, through the installation of additional compressor stations, can be increased to 125,000,000 cubic feet per day.

Domestic and commercial consumers in San Francisco, Oakland and many other communities will be served with a mixture of natural and artificial gas, containing 700 heating units (B. T. U.'s) per cubic foot, as against 550 carried by the artificial gas now being distributed. Large industries in proximity to the pipe lines, which will traverse the principal industrial areas, will be supplied with straight natural gas, with a heating content of approximately 1,100 B. T. U.'s.

Natural gas is a cheap, flexible and highly efficient fuel which can be utilized in industry with a minimum of labor. Its introduction to Northern California is easily the most significant economic development which has occurred in this region within recent years. Its most direct and immediate result will be a saving to the Company's gas customers, due primarily to the higher heating content of the new fuel, of between two and three millions of dollars annually.

An even more important, though more indirect result, will be the strong stimulus imparted to industrial enterprise in this region, which is already unusually well endowed with the advantages of an equable climate, strategic geographic location, unexcelled transportation facilities by rail and water, cheap and ample power supply and a great variety of mineral and agricultural resources. The impetus to manufacturing and commercial development will not only react to the advantage of your Company, in common with other business undertakings, by providing employment for a larger population, but will also increase the demand for electric power for industrial purposes.

SALES ACTIVITIES.

The Company's sales force was considerably enlarged early in 1928, and an energetic and comprehensive sales campaign was conducted which gained steadily in momentum and attained its maximum effectiveness toward the close of the year. The additional business secured not only offset the loss of revenue incident to the reductions in rate schedules, but enabled the Company to establish new records in gross earnings of both the electric and gas departments.

The augmented sales force included more than 400 employees, the total expenditure for sales and promotional work during the year aggregating \$825,277. Contracts were signed yielding an estimated annual revenue of \$4,579,298, or \$5.55 of additional annual revenue for every dollar of sales expense. Of the total business secured, 85.3% required no extension of the Company's existing distribution facilities.

The Company has made a uniform practice of co-operating with and encouraging the efforts of appliance dealers, and as a corollary to its advertising and the solicitation of its appliance salesmen, which resulted incidentally in the direct sale of \$1,629,542 worth of appliances, sales by local dealers also substantially increased.

The Company has not engaged in the direct sale of electric refrigerators, leaving that field to dealers and manufacturers in accordance with its established policy of "dealer co-operation." A careful survey, however, indicates that there were 33,429 refrigerating machines in use on the Company's lines at the close of the year, yielding an estimated annual revenue exceeding a quarter of a million dollars. The increasing popularity of these installations for domestic and commercial purposes is indicated by the following summary showing the number of refrigerators used by our customers at the close of each of the last five years:

	Number of Refrigerators Added.	Total Number in Use.
December 31 1924.....	1,100	1,100
December 31 1925.....	1,750	2,850
December 31 1926.....	2,800	5,650
December 31 1927.....	7,576	13,226
December 31 1928.....	20,203	33,429

Increases of 13.04% in kilowatt hour sales for street lighting purposes, and 10.76% in the consumption of electricity for commercial and residential lighting, reflect in some measure the result of intensive sales effort in these particular branches of the Company's business.

PERSONNEL.

Employees' Service Record—

At the close of the year there were 9,370 employees on the Company's payroll, of whom 4,424, or 47%, have a service record of five years or more of continuous employment, indicating an unusual degree of stability in the Company's personnel. A record of employees holding service badges follows:

Number of employees holding 5-year badges.....	2,833
Number of employees holding 10-year badges.....	677
Number of employees holding 15-year badges.....	549
Number of employees holding 20-year badges.....	178
Number of employees holding 25-year badges.....	107
Number of employees holding 30-year badges.....	43
Number of employees holding 35-year badges.....	26
Number of employees holding 40-year badges.....	11
Total.....	4,424

Accident Prevention—

A statistical analysis of accidents to employees during 1928 shows a marked reduction in comparison with preceding years. In 1927 there were 6.56 lost time accidents per hundred employees. This was reduced to 4.56 in 1928, a decrease of over 30%. The number of days lost, per hundred employees, was 807 in 1927 and 434 in 1928, reduction of over 46%. The gas departments of five divisions had no lost time accidents during 1928, and no lost time accident has occurred in Fresno Division since October 1926.

The accident prevention program of the Company has been brought to the attention of employees in such a manner as to challenge their best efforts, particular attention having been directed to the education of the supervisory force, and the results attained reflect the hearty co-operation of all employees.

Distinguished Service Medals—

In 1927 the Company established the policy of definitely recognizing unusual and particularly meritorious service on the part of individual employees. This recognition has taken the form of the John A. Britton Medal for Distinguished Service, gold or silver medals being awarded according to the degree of accomplishment. Seven such medals were awarded in 1927 and 1928.

Research—

All employees are encouraged to submit to a Research Committee, appointed by the management for that purpose, any suggestions for the betterment of service which may occur to them. Awards are made for meritorious suggestions, and the interest of employees in this phase of our operations, gauged by the number of ideas submitted, is increasing year by year.

Employees' Association—

At the close of 1928, 7,553 of the Company's employees were members of the Pacific Service Employees' Association, a purely voluntary organization whose activities are devoted to educational and social work among employees, the payment of death benefits, and the rendering of temporary financial assistance in case of need. An employees' disability plan, with a present membership of 4,692, is conducted in connection with the Association, the amount paid in benefits during 1928 aggregating \$54,476.65.

Payroll—

The expenditure for salaries and wages, including both operating and construction forces, aggregated last year \$17,599,562. The average monthly wages of all employees was \$149.96 per month, a slight increase over 1927, and 66% in excess of the pre-war average.

Pensions—

The Company many years ago placed in effect a pension system under which approximately \$600,000 has been paid to superannuated employees in the past sixteen years. At December 31 1928, there were 97 pensioners on the payroll, pension disbursements last year amounting to \$70,771.

Good Housekeeping Awards—

With the object of encouraging among employees an active interest in the efficient operation and the general appearance of offices, electric generating stations, gas plants, warehouses, and similar structures, a system of "good housekeeping" awards was established during recent years, which has proven very efficacious.

In closing this report, I desire to express to the officers and employees who have shared with me the responsibility of conducting the Company's affairs, my sincere appreciation of their loyal and effective service.

For the Board of Directors,

A. F. HOCKENBEAMER, President.

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME AND PROFIT AND LOSS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31 1928.

Gross Operating Revenue	\$61,449,592.39
Operating Expenses:	
Maintenance.....	\$3,318,038.99
Operating, distribution, and administration expenses.....	22,021,493.23
Taxes.....	6,419,673.01
Depreciation.....	5,967,320.00
Total	37,726,525.23
Net Operating Revenue	\$23,723,067.16
Miscellaneous Income.....	338,486.93
Gross Income	\$24,061,554.09
Deduct:	
Interest on Bonds.....	\$10,811,056.44
Miscellaneous Interest.....	104,742.40
Total	\$10,915,798.84
Less Interest charged to Construction.....	784,898.25
Remainder.....	\$10,130,900.59
Amortization of Bond Discount and Expenses.....	528,315.28
Total	10,659,215.87
Net Income	\$13,402,338.22

Surplus, January 1 1928—Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Mt. Shasta Power Corporation, California Telephone and Light Company, Sierra and San Francisco Power Company, and Del Monte Light and Power Company	13,085,878.83
Gross Surplus	\$26,488,217.05
Less Profit and Loss Charges:	
Premium paid on Bonds reacquired or redeemed.....	\$413,906.42
Undistributed Net Earnings for 1928 of Subsidiary Companies whose properties were acquired during the year, the amount of these earnings having been absorbed in the liquidation of their affairs.....	316,235.04
Miscellaneous adjustments.....	77,547.36
Total	807,688.82
Surplus Before Deducting Dividends	\$25,680,528.23
Dividends:	
On Pacific Gas and Electric Company Capital Stocks:	
Preferred.....	\$4,576,507.74
Common.....	5,550,574.13
On Preferred Capital Stocks of Subsidiary Companies.....	25,122.21
Total	10,152,204.08
Surplus, December 31 1928	\$15,528,324.15

CERTIFICATE OF AUDIT.

We have made a general audit of the accounts of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company and subsidiary companies for the year ended December 31 1928, and

WE HEREBY CERTIFY that in our opinion the above consolidated statement of income and profit and loss is correct.

HASKINS & SELLS.

San Francisco, March 30 1929.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31 1928.

ASSETS.	
Plants and Properties	\$375,585,885.94
Discount and Expenses on Capital Stocks	9,284,633.91
Investments	230,627.76
Trustees of Sinking Funds (excluding Company Bonds in Sinking Funds):	
Cash.....	\$135,756.28
Accrued interest on bonds held in Sinking Funds.....	194,774.46
Total Trustees of Sinking Funds	330,530.74
Current Assets:	
Cash.....	\$5,866,250.36
Cash on deposit with trustee for redemption of bonds.....	203,250.50
Notes receivable.....	\$634,310.32
Accounts receivable.....	6,448,340.86
Total	\$7,082,651.18
Less reserve for doubtful accounts and notes.....	306,998.74
Installments receivable from subscribers to first preferred and common capital stocks	952,352.18
Materials and supplies.....	5,092,743.57
Accrued interest on investments.....	2,372.28
Total Current Assets	18,892,621.33
Deferred Charges:	
Unamortized bond discount and expenses.....	\$9,562,327.33
Unexpired taxes and undistributed suspense items.....	31,452.32
Total deferred charges	9,593,779.65
Total	\$413,918,079.33

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stocks of Pacific Gas and Electric Company (including Stocks subscribed for but not fully paid):	
First Preferred Capital Stock.....	\$78,892,906.91
Common Capital Stock.....	\$72,190,773.33
Less Owned by Subsidiary Company.....	48,433.33
Total Capital Stocks of Pacific Gas and Electric Company	\$151,035,246.91
Capital Stocks of Subsidiary Companies Not Held by Pacific Gas and Electric Company	50,056.26
Funded Debt:	
Pacific Gas and Electric Co. bonds.....	\$155,785,000.00
Bonds of Subsidiary Companies.....	52,098,000.00
Total Funded Debt	207,883,000.00
Current Liabilities:	
Bonds called but not redeemed.....	\$195,910.00
Accounts payable.....	2,728,423.18
Drafts outstanding.....	393,582.82
Meter and Line Deposits.....	1,076,949.52
Dividends.....	1,441,852.55
Bond Interest due.....	477,349.37
Accrued Interest—not due.....	1,989,453.67
Accrued Taxes—not due.....	5,311,168.48
Total Current Liabilities	13,614,689.59
Reserves:	
For Northern California Power Company Consolidated Plant Adjustments and Accrued Depreciation.....	\$1,647,970.05
Depreciation.....	21,926,721.86
Insurance—Casualty and other.....	2,232,070.51
Total Reserves	25,806,762.42
Surplus	15,528,324.15
Total	\$413,918,079.33

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HASKINS & SELLS.

San Francisco, March 30 1929.

CITIES SERVICE COMPANY

ANNUAL REPORT TO STOCKHOLDERS—FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31 1928.

Your Board of Directors submits herewith the nineteenth annual report of the Company.

The consolidated gross revenues were \$167,255,673 for the year as compared with \$158,028,258 for the preceding year. The net earnings available for interest charges, dividends and reserves were \$64,048,047, as compared with \$60,117,992 for the previous year.

The consolidated current assets of the Company and its subsidiaries were \$129,680,266 as compared with \$103,229,002 in the previous year, an increase of \$26,451,264. The excess of current assets over current liabilities was \$67,094,466 as compared with \$52,932,860 in 1927.

The financial operations in the year were of unusual importance. It has been a continuing policy of your officers to improve the capital structure and in previous years attention was devoted to the subsidiary companies. During the past year, however, attention has been directed primarily to your Company's capital structure, not only from the viewpoint of further reduction in interest rates but of establishing its securities in a better ratio. As a result of this policy there was sold in April \$50,000,000 principal amount of 5% debentures, the proceeds from which were used entirely for the purpose of eliminating higher interest or dividend bearing securities of your Company and subsidiaries. Again in October \$30,000,000 principal amount of 5% debentures of another series were sold having stock purchase warrants attached, entitling the debenture holders to purchase within specified periods and at specified prices fifteen shares of the common stock of Cities Service Company for each \$1,000 debenture held. This offering was to supply a part of the new capital to take care of the Company's expansion programs.

To provide additional capital for the further expansion of the Company's holdings, an offering was made on March 9 1928 to stockholders which entitled them to buy additional shares of common stock at \$45 per share in the ratio of one share for each ten held on March 28. The results of this offering were very gratifying and demonstrated a keen interest in the Company's securities. A similar announcement was made in December that common stockholders would have the right to purchase additional shares of common stock at \$65 a share in the ratio of one share for every ten shares owned on January 8 1929.

PUBLIC UTILITY PROPERTIES.

The year 1928 was the most satisfactory in the history of the public utility division of Cities Service Company. Both gross and net earnings of the companies increased satisfactorily in total as well as individually.

New Business efforts were directed to obtain new classes of business productive of the greatest profit for the smallest outlay of capital. The total merchandise sales for the year amounted to more than \$10,000,000, the largest in the history of the organization. Included in this business were 5,984 central househeating plants, 6,440 electric refrigerating installations, and many thousands of various types of electrical and gas appliances. Installations of this character have brought about a substantial increase in domestic consumption, much of which has necessitated practically no additional investment in transmission and distribution facilities.

Further progress has been made in the matter of reducing the unit cost of producing both electrical energy and gas. In some instances the savings resulting from these efforts have brought about a reduction of from as much as 10% to 20% over the preceding year. These results were attained by the

installation of more efficient equipment, and through successful efforts to stimulate a greater interest on the part of plant operators in improved operating results. Greater care in purchasing of fuel and lower fuel costs generally have contributed. Very marked improvement in practically all other operating costs have contributed to the increase in net earnings.

It is to be noted in this connection that while the net earnings from public utility operations have materially increased, substantial savings to many of our customers have been effected through voluntary rate reductions. In every case where rate changes have been made, it has been the policy of your subsidiaries to establish the soundest form of rate base, in the formulation and application of which the management of your Company has been a pioneer. The installation of such rate forms has resulted in reduced unit cost to the customer and has had a far-reaching effect in stimulating the use of gas and electric service.

The public utility division has been extremely active in extending its lines and stimulating business in the rural territories adjacent to the larger communities served. Present indications are that it will require only a short period of time until the entire rural areas in the territories of the companies will be served.

During the course of the year an agreement was entered into between Community Traction Company and the municipal authorities in Toledo, Ohio, whereby competition from independent bus operators was eliminated. Service of this company was largely extended by the inauguration of bus routes serving as feeders to the railway system. Railway equipment was materially improved, with the result that transportation revenue reflected a greater increase over the previous year than that in any other metropolitan area in the United States.

Property Acquisitions.—The general policy of enlarging the public utility holdings was continued during 1928.

The Tennessee Eastern Electric Company, control of which was acquired during the year, supplies electric service in Johnson City and a number of neighboring communities in eastern Tennessee, and will be operated in connection with your Company's subsidiaries in Bristol and Elizabethton, Tennessee. This company owns a hydro-electric plant with a capacity of 12,000 kilowatts on the Nolichucky River and a modern steam plant with a capacity of 8,000 kilowatts at Watauga. The company also controls overflow lands and dam site on the Holston River, on which it proposes to erect a plant with an ultimate capacity of 30,000 kilowatts. The territory served by these properties in eastern Tennessee is growing at a very rapid rate. Several artificial silk plants that have located near Elizabethton, expanded their operations during the past year.

The Toledo Edison Company acquired the Archbold Electric Service Company and several other distribution systems in the vicinity of Toledo, Ohio. The Ohio Public Service Company acquired the distribution systems in Cortland and Justus, Ohio. The Public Service Company of Colorado acquired the Estes Park Electric Company and the distribution system in La Jara.

The control of the Tecumseh Electric Company, which serves several communities in southern Michigan, was acquired during the year. These communities will be connected by transmission lines with the Citizens Light and Power Company, which supplies Adrian.

Construction.—To provide for the growing needs of the public utilities, the policy of extending transmission facilities, rather than the construction of numerous power stations, was continued. This permits the concentration of generating equipment in large and efficient plants and facilitates interconnection with neighboring power systems.

Nearly 200 miles of 132,000 volt steel tower transmission lines have been constructed in Ohio, including the interconnection of the Ohio Public Service and Toledo Edison companies. The completion during 1928 of this construc-

tion, begun several years ago, unifies and completes a system of steel tower transmission lines extending through the heart of the Ohio industrial territory from Warren, Ohio, on the east, to Adrian, Michigan, on the west, a distance of approximately 250 miles.

An additional interconnection near Shelby, Ohio, has been arranged with the Ohio Power Company. This is a valuable interconnection for both companies, providing double circuit transmission facilities in this territory.

The Toledo Edison Company commenced the installation in its Aeme plant during the year of an additional 35,000 kilowatt turbine in an extension which is designed to house ultimately three 35,000 kilowatt units.

The Empire District Electric Company completed a transmission line interconnecting its steam plant at Riverton, Kansas, with the Neosho plant of the Kansas Gas and Electric Company, and installed a 25,000 kilowatt frequency changer in an addition to the present plant. There was also constructed a steel tower transmission line from its main plant at Riverton to Joplin, Missouri, as a part of the plan to supply the entire district with 60-cycle service.

The Public Service Company of Colorado completed an extensive construction program in order to change from manufactured to natural gas service, which commenced in June, 1928. This company also made a number of extensions to its electric transmission lines, one of the most important being an extension to Gilman, Colorado, to supply power to the New Jersey Zinc Company. A new central store room and service shop were completed at a cost of approximately \$500,000.

NATURAL GAS PROPERTIES.

The year 1928 was one of progress and accomplishment in the natural gas division. Developments included the acquisition of new properties and the extension of gas lines from new producing areas to new domestic and industrial gas markets.

Property Acquisitions.—Gas transportation and distribution companies in Louisiana, Arkansas and Texas were acquired and consolidated with Natural Gas and Fuel Corporation, to form Arkansas Natural Gas Corporation, control of which is held by your Company. This property supplies natural gas service to approximately 75,000 customers and operates 1,834 miles of natural gas pipeline. The principal cities served are Shreveport, Louisiana; Little Rock, Hot Springs, Texarkana, El Dorado, Pine Bluff and Arkadelphia, Arkansas, and Texarkana, Texas.

The St. Joseph Gas Company was purchased during 1928 and natural gas turned into its distribution system in January, 1929. There are 10,000 customers in St. Joseph, and a rapid expansion of the business is anticipated.

Construction.—Additional compressor station capacity of 12,000 horsepower was placed in service along the pipeline from Pampa, Texas, to Ottawa, Kansas, during the year, thereby improving facilities for supplying gas to Kansas City, Topeka, Lawrence, Leavenworth, Atchison and St. Joseph. The 20-inch line from the Texas Panhandle to Wichita was extended to Ottawa, a distance of 132 miles, and an additional 16-inch pipeline was built from Ottawa to Kansas City, thus providing three 16-inch lines to that market.

To supply the newly acquired distribution system in St. Joseph, Missouri, with natural gas, Cities Service Gas Company constructed 27 miles of 12-inch pipeline from a point on the main line system near Leavenworth, Kansas.

A distribution system at Girard, Kansas, was completed. A system is in course of construction at Neosho, Missouri, and franchises have been secured in Monett, Pierce City, and Marionville, Missouri, where distribution systems will be built in 1929. To supply gas to these communities and Springfield, Missouri, a 10-inch pipeline is under construction to connect with the system of Cities Service Gas Company.

A 12-inch line is under construction for a distance of 57 miles from El Dorado to Emmett, Arkansas. This will provide a direct pipeline connection from the Monroe, Richland and Champagnolle gas fields to the main line system of the Arkansas Natural Gas Corporation. Engineering work has been completed for the construction of a 20-inch pipeline from the Monroe and Richland fields to Shreveport, Louisiana. To safeguard and increase the gas supply to Texarkana, Arkansas, and Texarkana, Texas, 16 miles of 10-inch line were built from the main pipeline system of the Arkansas Natural Gas Corporation.

Drilling operations in the northwest Arkansas field developed new gas areas and construction was completed on 93

miles of 10-inch pipeline from this development to Little Rock, Arkansas, to make available an adequate supply for this city and to reach additional markets in Russellville, Atkins, Morrillton and Conway along this line. Distribution systems in these towns have been completed or are under construction.

During the year a 22-inch pipeline, in which your Company has an interest, was constructed from the Texas Panhandle gas fields to Pueblo, Colorado, and a 20-inch line from Pueblo to Denver to serve the company's distribution systems in those communities. These lines were completed in June, 1928, and began the delivery of gas to these distribution properties under favorable long term contracts.

It is planned that during 1929 the pipeline of the Colorado Interstate Gas Company, which supplies gas at wholesale to Public Service Company of Colorado, will be connected with the pipeline of your Company's subsidiary, the Colorado-Wyoming Gas Company, serving Fort Collins, Colorado, and Cheyenne, Wyoming. This project will not only add to and safeguard the gas supply of this subsidiary, but will make natural gas available for Golden, Boulder, Greeley, Loveland and Longmont, Colorado.

Perhaps the most important phase of the Cities Service Gas Company activities during 1928 was that of developing large additional reserves of natural gas for future requirements. The completion of extensive new pipelines has made available to your subsidiaries in the Mid-Continent the largest gas reserves in their history. A continued growth in earnings of the natural gas subsidiaries is expected.

PETROLEUM PROPERTIES.

General Conditions.—The conditions in the petroleum industry for 1928 were marked by a continuation of overproduction of crude petroleum with resultant declining prices. Notwithstanding sporadic efforts to curtail development in new areas, the production of crude oil in the United States was almost identical with that in the preceding year. Imports increased, the total available supply of oil being 1,037,000,000 barrels, an increase of 2.25% over 1927.

Stocks of crude petroleum and its refined products increased 4.23% to the record figure of 614,500,000 barrels, notwithstanding the fact that there was an increased demand of 7.02%.

The average price of Mid-Continent crude oil in 1928 was \$1.31 a barrel, a decrease of 7 cents from the average of 1927. This price is the lowest that has obtained for the past 12 years. The year 1929 opens with current crude oil production at record levels, and with imports on the rise. The Federal Oil Conservation Board, taking cognizance of the situation, has recently pointed out to the President of the United States the necessity of conserving and preventing the waste of this natural resource.

Your President has for years publicly advocated the unit operation of pools as the solution for uneconomic and extravagant production methods. It is hoped that sufficient support can soon be secured to make this plan effective, thereby conserving the resources of petroleum and putting the production of petroleum on an economic and rational basis.

Oil Production.—The oil production subsidiaries of your Company confined their operations as far as possible to the blocking out of new reserves for future use, drilling only such other wells as were necessary to protect their properties under prevailing leasehold conditions. The oil produced by the various domestic properties reached a total of 19,921,350 barrels as compared with 28,300,731 barrels in 1927 and 12,065,000 barrels in 1926. At the close of the year the current daily output averaged 52,000 barrels.

During the year 138 producing oil wells were completed, a reduction of 62½% from the preceding year and at the end of the year the company had 48 wells in the process of drilling. Drilling operations in 1928 resulted in the discovery of oil on 35 new leases, which, in the aggregate, are believed to assure the largest potential productive area that has heretofore been proved by the company in any one year. Of particular significance was the completion of wells discovering the Hillsboro Pool in Marion County, Kansas; the southeast extension of the Burbank Pool, and the Oklahoma City Pool, Oklahoma; and pools in Gonzales and Winkler Counties, Texas, and Lea County, New Mexico. The leases held surrounding each of these wells vary from 1,000 to 10,000 acres each and aggregate 18,000 acres.

At the close of the year the domestic subsidiaries owned 5,375 producing oil wells on 748 leases. In addition, royalty rights are owned where oil is now being produced on 12,290

acres. During the year the number of producing leases increased 31.5%, the producing wells 14.8%, and the producing royalty acreage 190%. The scientific geological work conducted in past years permitted the expansion of leasing activities in 1928 with the result that the lands held under lease by your subsidiaries in the United States increased from 1,432,000 acres to 2,270,790 acres, and royalty interests increased from 124,000 acres to 266,000 acres.

Oil Pipeline and Crude Oil Storage.—During the year very little change took place in the crude oil stocks of your subsidiaries, the amount held in storage on December 31 1928 being 12,826,000 barrels.

The pipeline transportation subsidiaries enjoyed one of their most prosperous years, showing a marked improvement in the amount of oil transported for others in addition to taking care of their customary intercompany business. In the Mid-Continent section, construction work was begun before the close of the year on a trunk oil pipeline to be jointly owned with the Texas Corporation. The line will be 12 inches in diameter and 600 miles in length, starting from Cushing, Oklahoma, and extending to East Chicago, Indiana. At Lockport, Illinois, it will serve a refinery of the Texas Corporation and at East Chicago a refinery now under construction for one of your subsidiaries. An 8-inch branch line will extend to Lawrenceville and Stoy, Illinois, where it will connect with the Tidewater Pipeline system, which extends to the Atlantic Seaboard. In addition, an 8-inch pipeline 32 miles long has been built, connecting the new Oklahoma City pool with the main pipeline system. Other extensions are being made which will connect all the subsidiaries' producing leases in the State of Kansas with this system.

In Pennsylvania major extensions were made to pipeline facilities of Crew Leveck Company to meet the requirements of its refinery at Titusville.

Marketing and Refining.—The results of operations in 1928 were more satisfactory in the refining and marketing divisions than in 1927. Increased consumption, lower inventories, and a closer relation of gasoline production to sales demand, especially in the Mid-Continent areas, were productive of a much better situation in our marketing territory.

The seven territories operated by your subsidiary companies refined 13,896,184 barrels of crude oil during the year as compared with 10,816,940 barrels in 1927. The gasoline produced and casinghead gasoline purchased for blending purposes totaled 241,927,638 gallons in 1928, as compared with 204,666,505 gallons the previous year.

During the early part of 1928 the construction of cracking units for the distillation of heavy oils at the Ponca City and Gainesville refineries was completed. Toward the end of the year construction of similar facilities, which will be completed in the near future, was begun at the Boston and Philadelphia refineries.

Other refinements in the distillation equipment, together with the normal additions of tankage and handling facilities, have been made to keep plants abreast of the latest technical practices, and to lower the cost of operation.

The retail division has been enlarged considerably during the year. New construction and purchase of gasoline stations during the first half of the year averaged about five a month. During the last half of the year about fifteen stations a month were either purchased or erected. The majority of these additions and acquisitions were made adjacent to territories served by your subsidiaries. Wholesale activities in all parts of the marketing territories are being co-ordinated where possible to supplement retail distribution.

Retail marketing facilities have been expanded in both England and France. The export division is also distributing, through dealers handling Cities Service products exclusively, in Finland and in Argentine, Uruguay, Paraguay and Brazil.

The marketing subsidiaries sold over 814,300,000 gallons of oil products in 1928, as compared with approximately 684,000,000 gallons in 1927, of which gasoline alone amounted to more than 436,500,000 gallons in 1928, as compared with about 312,700,000 gallons in 1927.

Transportation.—In 1928 the fleet of tankers transported 6,146,000 barrels of petroleum and its products, and traveled a total of 468,533 miles. The demands of the two east coast refineries were so large that it was necessary to charter outside tankers. During the latter part of 1928 an additional tanker was purchased and christened "Cities Service Empire." The fleet now consists of eight vessels having a total cargo capacity of 635,000 barrels.

Foreign.—The earnings of the Mexican subsidiaries in 1928 showed a decrease over the year 1927, mainly on account of lower oil prices.

The total production from the properties was 3,668,816 barrels, of which your subsidiary companies' proportion was 1,598,599. All production and development costs in connection with this production are borne by outside interests. Toward the close of the year similar arrangements were made with outside interests for the drilling of a limited number of wells on land controlled by your subsidiaries in northern Mexico.

The barging of oil on the Panuco River and the terminal activities continued at a profitable rate, as did the operations of buying and selling outside oil.

Exploratory drilling on leases in Alberta, Canada, was in progress during the year and is being continued. Exploration activities in other foreign countries was continued and toward the end of the year options on very large blocks of prospective oil lands were acquired in Venezuela, where geologists are now making examinations. The total foreign holdings of prospective oil lands now exceed 3,000,000 acres.

GENERAL.

During the year an effective advertising program was again carried on through the mediums of radio broadcasting, newspapers and magazines, as an aid to the organization in expanding its sales.

It has always been a policy of your Board and the officers of your Company to encourage the broadest possible distribution of the securities of the Company as well as its subsidiaries, and there is much cause for satisfaction in the results obtained. The year 1928 witnessed the greatest increase in security holders covering all sections of the United States, and particularly the various sections served by your subsidiary companies. The total number of all classes of security holders is now more than 450,000. The Cities Service Company stockholders now number 205,000, including 83,000 holders of preferred stocks and 122,000 holders of common stock, having increased from 77,000 holders of preferred stocks and 70,000 holders of common stock a year ago.

All security holders are again invited to avail themselves of the facilities of the Security Holders Service Bureau for information about the Company and its affairs.

Respectfully submitted,
 BOARD OF DIRECTORS,
 by HENRY L. DOHERTY,
 President.

EARNINGS STATEMENT.

Year Ended Dec. 31st	Gross Earnings.			Expenses.	Net Earnings.	Interest and Discount.	Net to Stocks and Reserves.	Preferred Dividends.	Number of Times the Preferred Dividends.	Net to Common Stock and Reserves.	Per Cent on Average Common Stock Outstanding.
	Public Utilities.	Oil Operations.	Total.								
1911	\$ 965,876.11	\$	\$ 965,876.11	\$ 43,843.52	\$ 922,032.59	---	\$ 922,032.59	\$ 521,387.09	1.77	\$ 400,645.50	8.23
1912	1,190,766.80	---	1,190,766.80	77,034.19	1,113,732.61	---	1,113,732.61	605,873.79	1.84	507,858.82	9.29
1913	2,172,411.11	---	2,172,411.11	85,347.95	2,087,063.16	123,062.27	1,964,000.89	908,777.60	2.16	1,055,223.29	10.71
1914	3,934,453.37	---	3,934,453.37	116,908.29	3,817,545.08	420,000.00	3,397,545.08	1,635,993.50	2.07	1,761,551.58	11.28
1915	4,266,012.60	213,787.84	4,479,800.44	172,856.15	4,306,944.29	490,000.00	3,816,944.29	1,570,005.00	2.43	2,246,939.29	15.27
1916	5,573,116.29	4,537,226.61	10,110,342.90	239,389.70	9,870,953.20	258,960.44	9,611,992.76	2,409,690.92	3.99	7,202,301.84	36.74
1917	4,742,651.79	14,509,841.05	19,252,492.84	357,229.09	18,895,263.75	2,861.74	18,892,402.01	3,712,695.15	5.09	15,179,706.86	60.73
1918	4,229,663.15	18,050,504.02	22,280,067.17	521,485.59	21,758,581.58	700,472.70	21,058,108.88	4,034,274.50	5.32	17,024,834.38	61.67
1919	4,655,945.26	15,321,605.51	19,977,550.77	703,835.08	19,273,715.69	1,922,861.17	17,350,854.52	4,215,264.40	4.12	13,135,590.12	39.09
1920	4,609,911.85	20,088,127.58	24,698,039.43	700,472.70	23,997,566.73	1,941,628.22	22,055,938.51	4,685,474.90	4.71	17,370,463.61	43.09
1921	6,918,740.77	6,543,029.36	13,461,770.13	517,054.25	12,944,715.88	2,098,130.67	10,846,585.21	4,856,631.50	2.23	5,989,953.71	13.04
1922	8,347,546.20	6,311,424.61	14,658,970.81	453,296.38	14,205,674.43	2,358,555.34	11,847,119.09	4,917,517.30	2.41	6,929,661.79	14.88
1923	11,278,508.39	5,324,053.55	16,602,561.94	508,945.50	16,093,616.44	2,624,856.43	13,468,760.01	4,987,976.60	2.70	8,480,783.41	18.28
1924	11,559,318.01	5,903,899.70	17,463,217.71	659,473.36	16,773,744.35	1,927,970.61	14,845,773.74	5,109,697.10	2.90	9,736,076.64	21.14
1925	12,255,184.18	7,509,791.86	19,764,976.04	775,904.58	18,989,071.46	2,252,141.54	16,736,929.92	5,240,029.50	3.10	11,496,900.42	*15.24
1926	12,475,529.16	12,962,833.82	25,438,362.98	975,700.68	24,462,662.30	2,658,390.28	21,804,272.02	6,192,805.55	3.52	15,611,466.47	20.03
1927	12,877,601.38	20,183,460.88	33,061,062.26	1,108,110.67	31,952,951.59	2,640,119.84	29,312,831.75	6,807,906.05	4.32	22,604,925.70	27.34
1928	16,630,193.48	18,114,403.91	34,744,597.39	1,160,132.02	33,584,465.37	3,934,505.93	29,649,959.44	6,773,204.45	4.38	22,876,754.99	23.98

* Represents percentage on the increased amount of common stock which became outstanding as the result of the redemption at par of stock \$ 100.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET—CITIES SERVICE COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES—DECEMBER 31 1928

Inter-Company Items Eliminated.

ASSETS.

Capital Assets—
 Plant and Investment.....\$723,833,858.50
 Sinking Funds.....6,374,113.48
 Total Capital Assets.....\$730,207,971.98

Current Assets—
 Cash.....\$49,863,790.62
 Securities Owned.....973,496.23
 Bills Receivable.....1,087,684.41
 Accounts Receivable.....35,288,841.58
 Crude and Refined Oil Stocks.....30,674,283.05
 Materials and Supplies.....10,278,709.99
 Payments Made in Advance.....1,513,460.39
 Total Current Assets.....\$129,680,266.27

Other Assets—
 Deferred Charges.....\$5,335,340.77
 Discount on Bonds, Debentures, &c.....39,334,416.99
 Special Deposits.....2,835,294.28
 Notes and Accounts Receivable (Not Current).....1,782,528.86
 Property Amortization Account.....4,416,534.94
 Total Other Assets.....\$53,704,115.84

Total Assets.....\$913,592,354.09

The above statement shows the financial position of the Company and its subsidiaries, all inter-company items having been eliminated.

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stocks Outstanding—
 Cities Service Co. Preferred Stock.....\$103,495,124.36
 Cities Service Co. Preference Stocks.....9,271,984.75
 Cities Service Co. Common Stock.....101,232,721.31
 Additional Common Stock, since issued, for Warrants exercised to date.....3,354,900.00
 * *Subsidiary Stocks Outstanding—*
 Preferred Stocks.....\$119,237,811.42
 Common Stocks.....6,287,462.44
 Total Capital Stocks.....\$342,880,004.28

Bonds and Funded Notes Outstanding—
 Cities Service Co. Debentures.....\$100,840,807.00
 Subsidiary Bonds and Funded Notes.....235,586,512.72
 Subsidiary Securities in Sinking Fund.....6,147,700.00
 Total Bonds and Funded Notes.....\$342,575,019.72

Current Liabilities—
 Bills Payable.....\$38,774,347.03
 Accounts Payable.....14,599,795.48
 Taxes, Royalties & Miscellaneous Accruals.....4,625,231.56
 Interest Accrued.....4,586,425.75
 Total Current Liabilities.....62,585,799.82

Other Liabilities—
 Customers' Deposits.....\$3,641,037.72
 Accounts Payable (Not Current).....248,606.61
 Total Other Liabilities.....3,889,644.33

Surplus and Reserves—
 Depreciation and Other Reserves.....\$94,795,405.29
 Surplus.....66,866,480.65
 Total Surplus and Reserves.....\$161,661,885.94

Total Liabilities.....\$913,592,354.09

Contingent Liability.—Guarantee by Cities Service Company of \$2,030,000 Cities Service Tank Line Co. 5% Equipment Trust Certificates, due serially to 1935.

The above statement shows the financial position of the Company and subsidiaries, all inter-company items having been eliminated.
 * Stocks of subsidiary companies not owned.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF EARNINGS—CITIES SERVICE COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARIES—YEAR ENDED DEC. 31 1928.
 Inter-company earnings eliminated.

Gross Earnings.....\$167,255,672.91
 Operating Expenses, Maintenance and Taxes.....103,207,625.65
 Net Earnings.....\$64,048,047.26
 Interest Charges.....21,727,358.79
 Net to Stocks and Reserves.....\$42,320,688.47
 Preferred Stock Dividends.....14,714,364.96
 Net to Common Stocks and Reserves.....\$27,606,323.51

SUMMARY—CAPITAL STOCKS AND FUNDED DEBT OF SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES.

Common Stocks—
 Owned directly by Cities Service Company.....\$161,350,601.00
 *Inter-company, being securities owned by subsidiary companies.....230,666,190.00
 Outstanding in hands of the public.....6,287,462.44
 \$398,304,253.44

Preferred Stocks—
 Owned directly by Cities Service Company.....\$19,618,240.00
 *Inter-company, being securities owned by subsidiary companies.....29,232,531.00
 Outstanding in hands of the public.....119,237,811.42
 \$168,088,582.42

Bonds and Funded Notes—
 Owned directly by Cities Service Company.....\$23,460,351.00
 *Inter-company, being securities owned by subsidiary companies.....38,267,835.00
 Bonds in Sinking Fund.....6,147,700.00
 Outstanding in hands of the public.....235,586,512.72
 \$303,462,398.72

*The securities of operating companies which are owned by subsidiary companies are referred to above as inter-company securities. Such subsidiary companies are Cities Service Power & Light Company, Empire Gas and Fuel Company (Del.), &c.

GENERAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1928.

Oil and Refineries.

Barrels of Oil Produced (Domestic).....19,921,350
 Number of Oil Wells Owned.....5,375
 Miles of Oil Pipelines.....1,235
 Daily Refining Capacity (Barrels of Crude Oil).....39,000
 Oil Storage Capacity in Barrels.....21,110,000
 Number of Tank Cars Owned and Leased.....3,032
 Communities Served by Distributing Stations.....4,058
 Marine Equipment Capacity (Barrels).....774,500

Manufactured and Natural Gas.

Sales in Cubic Feet.....93,622,345,000
 Number of Customers.....445,583
 Number of Gas Wells Owned.....1,698
 Miles of Gas Mains Owned.....11,236
 Casinghead Gasolene Produced (Gallons).....68,854,495
 Population Served.....2,896,000

Electric Properties.

Kilowatt-hours Sold.....1,421,670,000
 Kilowatts Installed Capacity.....534,880
 Number of Customers.....401,069
 Population Served.....1,850,000

CAPITAL STATEMENT DECEMBER 31 1928.

	Par Value.	Shares Authorized.	Full Shares Outstanding.
Preferred Stock \$6 Cumulative.....	None	1,500,000	1,034,951
Preference B Stock 60c. Cumulative.....	None	4,000,000	296,660
Preference BB Stock \$6 Cumulative.....	None	600,000	63,053
Common Stock.....	\$20	20,000,000	5,061,636
Convertible Debentures Series A 5%.....			\$13,257
Convertible Debentures and Refunding Debentures (called for redemption).....			509,950
Refunding 5% Gold Debenture Bonds 1966.....			20,317,600
5% Gold Debentures 1958.....			50,000,000
5% Gold Debentures 1963.....			30,000,000

TRANSFER AGENTS.

Henry L. Doherty & Company (All Stocks).....New York, N. Y.
 The Huntington National Bank (All Stocks).....Columbus, Ohio
 Old Colony Trust Company (All Stocks).....Boston, Mass.
 Commerce Trust Company (All Stocks).....Kansas City, Mo.
 The International Trust Company (Pfd. & Com.).....Denver, Colo.
 Bank of Italy National Trust and Savings Association (Pfd. & Com.).....San Francisco, Cal.

REGISTRARS.

Guaranty Trust Company of New York (Pfd. & Com.).....New York, N. Y.
 Bankers Trust Company (Preference B and BB).....New York, N. Y.
 The Commercial National Bank (All Stocks).....Columbus, Ohio
 State Street Trust Company (All Stocks).....Boston, Mass.
 Fidelity National Bank and Trust Company of Kansas City (All Stocks).....Kansas City, Mo.
 The First National Bank (Pfd. & Com.).....Denver, Colo.
 Crocker First Federal Trust Company (Pfd. & Com.).....San Francisco, Cal.

United States Asbestos Co.—Earnings.—

Years End.	Dec. 31—1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.
Sales	\$3,528,507	\$2,889,037	\$2,379,930	Not stated.
Net earn. aft. deprec. & Federal taxes	\$596,569	\$335,021	\$182,675	\$126,575

Sales for the first three months of 1929 amounted to \$941,148 as compared with \$785,441 for the corresponding period of 1929.—V. 127, p. 3418.

United States Cast Iron Pipe & Foundry Co.—New Name Approved—Changes in Personnel.—

The stockholders on April 25 approved a change in the name of the company to *United States Pipe & Foundry Co.*
 Charles R. Rauth, Secretary, has been elected Secretary and Treasurer, and B. F. Haughton, Vice-President and Treasurer, became Vice-President.—V. 128, p. 1899.

United States Leather Co.—Earnings.—

Quar. End.	Mar. 31—1929.	1928.	a1927.	a1926.
*Net profit.....	loss \$865,799	\$1,581,847	\$790,835	\$363,420
Interest and discount.....			222,360	239,020
Income from invest.....	Cr22,124	Cr47,597		
Net income.....	loss \$843,674	\$1,629,444	\$568,475	\$124,400

* After all charges (except interest) and reserve for depreciation. a Central Leather Co.—V. 128, p. 2289.

United States Pipe & Foundry Co.—New Name, &c.—
 See United States Cast Iron Pipe & Foundry Co. above.

United States Playing Card Co.—Earnings.—

Earnings Year Ended Dec. 31 1928.	
Gross earnings.....	\$2,675,572
Reserves for depreciation.....	245,662
Reserves for taxes.....	270,825
Net earnings.....	\$2,159,085
Earnings per share on 360,000 shares capital stock (par \$10).....	\$5.99

Consolidated Balance Sheet Dec. 31.

1928.		1927.	
Assets—	\$	\$	
Cash & securities.....	4,198,130		
Notes & accts. rec.....	1,433,131	5,550,016	
Raw materials, &c.....	4,576,007	4,547,926	
Land, bldgs., mach & equipment.....	3,646,532	3,621,137	
Good will.....	1	1	
Total.....	13,853,803	13,719,082	
Liabilities—	\$	\$	
Accounts payable.....	657,872	720,968	
Res. for Fed. taxes.....	270,825	315,862	
Divs pay. Jan. 1.....	720,000	720,000	
Surplus.....	8,605,105	8,362,250	
Capital stock.....	3,600,000	3,600,000	
Total.....	13,853,803	13,719,082	

—V. 127, p. 2554.

United Engineering & Foundry Co.—20c. Extra Div.—

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 20c. per share and the regular quarterly dividend of 40c. per share on the common stock, payable May 10 to holders of record April 30. Three months ago the 20c. extra dividend was omitted, prior to which time it had been paid regularly each quarter. The regular quarterly dividend of 1 3/4% on the preferred stock was also declared, payable May 10 to holders of record April 30.—V. 127, p. 562.

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY.

NINETEENTH ANNUAL REPORT—FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31 1928.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
231 South La Salle Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

April 15 1929.

To the Shareholders of
Northern States Power Company:

The nineteenth annual report of your Company is submitted herewith. Comparative earnings were as follows:

	1928.	1927.
Gross earnings.....	\$31,339,721.01	\$29,803,157.97
Operating Expenses, Maintenance and Taxes.....	15,242,341.01	14,710,989.76
Net Earnings.....	\$16,097,380.00	\$15,092,168.21
Other Income.....	572,872.31	60,848.57
Net Earnings including Other Income.....	\$16,670,252.31	\$15,153,016.78
Bond Interest.....	\$5,020,174.38	\$5,036,143.84
Note Interest.....	*718,079.63	*844,767.15
General Interest.....	34,042.17	141,150.72
Total.....	\$5,772,296.18	\$6,022,061.71
Less Interest Charged to Construction.....	194,377.52	115,445.81
Net Interest Charges.....	\$5,577,918.66	\$5,906,615.90
Balance.....	\$11,092,333.65	\$9,246,400.88
Preferred Dividends.....	4,739,735.38	4,221,825.22
Balance.....	\$6,352,598.27	\$5,024,575.66
Appropriation for Retirement (Depreciation) Reserve.....	2,750,000.00	2,200,000.00
Balance for Amortization, Common Dividends and Surplus.....	*\$3,602,598.27	*\$2,824,575.66

* Interest on securities converted into common stock included in common dividends.

Gross earnings increased \$1,536,563.04, or 5.16%, and net earnings increased \$1,005,211.79, or 6.66%.

Your Company's activity in promoting the use of additional residential, commercial and industrial lighting and the use of industrial power, and the more favorable business conditions throughout the Northwest were responsible for the increased earnings. The ratio of operating expenses to gross earnings was 48.64% for 1928, compared with 49.36% in 1927 and with 50.04% in 1926. The sale of electricity for power and lighting accounted for 82.69% of your Company's gross earnings, and for 91.56% of the net earnings.

Substantial rate reductions which will result in savings to the customers of your Company of approximately \$1,000,000 annually were made during the year 1928.

NEW PROPERTIES.

Twenty communities were added to the system in 1928, making a total of 588 communities now served by your Company. During 1928 your Company concentrated on improving service and developing business on existing lines rather than on territorial expansion.

CHANGES IN CAPITAL STRUCTURE.

During the year your Company retired \$2,236,740 face value of funded debt which included \$1,686,200 face value convertible 6½% gold notes, due 1933, converted into Class "A" common stock, increasing the amount of that class of stock outstanding by a like amount. During the year, \$9,304,900 par value 6% cumulative preferred stock was sold from the treasury and the Company reacquired \$291,400 face value funded debt and \$5,193,700 par value 7% preferred stock. As a result of the rights given to common stockholders as of January 3 1928, the Company issued and sold \$5,665,300 par value Class "A" common stock and 125,000 shares Class "B" common stock.

In December 1928 the Company offered holders of its Class "A" common stock the privilege of subscribing to additional Class "A" stock at \$100 per share to the extent of one-sixth of their holdings as of January 7 1929. At the same time holders of the Class "B" common stock were offered the right to subscribe to additional Class "B" stock to the same extent. Subscription rights on both classes of stock expired February 7 1929. For this purpose the Board of Directors authorized the issuance of additional Class "A" and Class "B" common stocks to the extent of one-sixth of the aggregate amounts outstanding as of January 7 1929.

As of December 31 1928 your Company had a total of approximately 65,000 preferred shareholders, exclusive of those acquiring stock on the monthly investment plan, which represents an increase of approximately 2,000 shareholders for the year. Most of these shareholders are customers served by your Company.

DEVELOPMENT OF BUSINESS.

Business connected to your Company's lines increased at a satisfactory rate over 1927. Excluding the customers served indirectly through wholesale contracts, your Company furnished service to a total of 450,579 customers of all classes at December 31 1928, a gain of 13,805 customers, or 3.16% over 1927.

Electric connected load, or business served, increased from 918,678 kilowatts to 962,312 kilowatts, or 4.75% over 1927. Electric energy output increased 8.27% to a total of 908,760,906 kilowatt-hours. Gas output increased from 3,847,717,000 cubic feet in 1927 to 3,996,528,000 cubic feet in 1928, a gain of 3.87%.

It is the policy of your Company to promote the maximum sale and use of electric and gas appliances, and to this end it cooperates with local dealers selling this class of merchandise. The results have shown a steady increase in the sale of such appliances both by the dealers and your Company.

Your Company now serves approximately 3,000 farms with electricity.

1928 CONSTRUCTION.

Net construction expenditures for additions and improvements to properties during 1928 amounted to \$6,788,285.

The Chippewa Falls hydro-electric plant, with a capacity of 21,600 kilowatts, was completed ahead of schedule, and was in operation in June 1928. A 110,000 volt transmission line was completed connecting this plant with the Wisconsin plant, and with the existing 110,000 volt transmission system.

The construction of a twelve-story addition to your Company's office building in Minneapolis, begun in May 1928, will be completed in April 1929. The additional space provided will make possible the consolidation of the different departments in one building and will eliminate the necessity of rented, scattered quarters which have been in use for several years, all of which will further increase the efficiency of the various departments, as well as add materially to the convenience of the customers of your Company. A new office building was built at Montevideo, Minnesota, which is the Southwestern Division headquarters.

Additional electric generating capacity was installed at Grand Forks and Minot, North Dakota, in order to accommodate the rapidly growing business in these districts.

Your Company spends a substantial amount each year for extensions and improvements to its distribution systems in order to take on new business, and in 1928 these expenditures represented a large portion of the construction budget.

1929 CONSTRUCTION.

The estimated net capital requirements for 1929 as shown by the construction budget totals \$7,546,000. The greater part of the expenditure will be for extensions and improvements to the distribution systems in order to provide for additional business, and it is anticipated that there will be substantial development in service to the agricultural districts.

Construction of an alternating current underground network in the downtown district of St. Paul will start in 1929. This development is in line with modern practice and has already been carried out successfully to a considerable extent in Minneapolis.

Your Company has under consideration the erection of a new office building in St. Paul, in which all departments of the St. Paul Division may be centralized.

CONCLUSION.

The territory in which your Company operates is showing signs of increased prosperity. The results of last year's harvesting of the crops were favorable and the outlook for agriculture is better than it has been for many years past. This, of course, reacts favorably on the business development of the cities and towns served by your Company.

The relations of your Company with the communities served are excellent. We look forward to a continuance of the sound business conditions which will reflect favorably on the earnings of your Company.

The Board of Directors desires to express its appreciation to the shareholders and customers of the Company for their cooperation. Sincere acknowledgment is made to the loyal and efficient force of employes and executives, whose constant efforts have aided in the steady improvement of the service rendered the public.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

JOHN J. O'BRIEN,
President.

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY OF DELAWARE AND SUBSIDIARIES.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31 1928.

ASSETS.	
Plant, Property, Rights, Franchises, &c.....	\$213,981,290.91
Preferred and Common Stock Discount, Premium and Expense (Net).....	7,988,299.34
Cash Sinking Funds and Other Deposits.....	655,141.19
Investments in Stocks and Bonds of Other Companies, Associations, &c.....	478,781.57
Balance of Unamortized Debt Discount and Expense Incurred Since December 31 1924.....	346,667.30
Prepaid Accounts and Deferred Charges:	
Prepaid Insurance, Rent, &c.....	\$106,116.48
Expenses and Advances on Purchase of Properties.....	78,093.71
Miscellaneous Deferred and Unadjusted Items.....	228,377.91
	412,588.10
Current Assets:	
Cash in Banks and on Hand.....	\$4,333,654.20
Cash on Call Loans.....	4,000,000.00
Bond Interest and Other Cash Deposits.....	151,280.00
Notes Receivable.....	115,673.73
Accounts Receivable.....	\$2,933,045.39
Less—Reserve for Uncollectible Accounts.....	267,599.48
Unbilled Electricity and Gas.....	2,665,445.91
Receivable on Sale of Preferred Stock.....	1,326,867.00
Materials and Supplies.....	153,096.40
	2,866,422.28
	15,612,439.52
Total.....	\$239,475,207.93

LIABILITIES.	
Capital Stock of Northern States Power Company of Delaware Outstanding:	
7% Cumulative Preferred, 438,465 Shares, par value \$100.00 each.....	\$43,846,500.00
6% Cumulative Preferred, 273,219 Shares, par value \$100.00 each.....	27,321,900.00
Class "A" Common, 292,761 Shares, par value \$100.00 each.....	29,276,100.00
Class "B" Common, 625,000 Shares, of no par value.....	6,250,000.00
	\$106,694,500.00
Capital Stock of Subsidiaries in Hands of Public:	
7% Cumulative Preferred.....	\$649,300.00
Common.....	2,000.00
	651,300.00
Total Capital Stock Outstanding.....	\$107,345,800.00
Funded Debt.....	104,139,963.57
Current Liabilities:	
Accounts Payable.....	\$1,112,284.82
Accrued Interest.....	1,155,155.73
Accrued Taxes.....	2,855,585.55
Accrued Preferred Stock Dividends.....	1,180,932.75
Common Stock Dividends Payable.....	710,641.80
	7,014,600.65
Deferred Liabilities:	
Customers' Deposits.....	463,667.55
Miscellaneous Unadjusted Credits.....	35,982.29
Reserves:	
Retirement (Depreciation) Reserve.....	\$12,930,088.92
Operating Reserves.....	181,245.69
Contributions for Line Extensions.....	911,927.55
Reserve for Contingencies.....	1,285,243.27
	14,608,505.43
Capital Surplus:	
Surplus on Books of Subsidiary Companies at Dates of Acquisition Thereof.....	700,691.70
Surplus.....	5,165,996.74
Total.....	\$239,475,207.93

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.

We have examined the accounts of the Northern States Power Company of Delaware and Subsidiaries for the year ended December 31 1928. As of December 31 1924, the Byllesby Engineering and Management Corporation appraised the properties of the Company and subsidiaries (including water power rights and going concern value) and determined the cost of reproduction and accrued depreciation at the date of the appraisal. On the companies' books and in the balance sheet above, the property and retirement reserve accounts as of the date mentioned have been adjusted to give effect to this appraisal. Subsequent additions have been accounted for at cost, and in the case of major acquisitions of new properties include cost over appraisal value with retirement reserves stated at amounts determined by appraisals of such new properties. The property retirements during the years 1925 to 1928, inclusive, less the provision therefor, have been applied against the retirement (depreciation) reserve balance arising from these appraisals. On the foregoing bases, we certify that, in our opinion, the above consolidated balance sheet and the accompanying consolidated income and surplus accounts correctly reflect the financial position of the companies at December 31 1928, and the results of their operations for the year ended that date.

ARTHUR ANDERSEN & CO.

Chicago, Illinois, March 19 1929.

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY OF DELAWARE AND SUBSIDIARIES.

CONSOLIDATED INCOME ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31 1928.

AND SUMMARY OF CONSOLIDATED SURPLUS ACCOUNT.

Gross Earnings:		\$25,915,676.64
Electric Department.....		4,309,540.76
Gas Department.....		723,028.18
Steam Department.....		261,315.49
Transportation Department.....		130,159.94
Telephone and Water Departments.....		130,159.94
Total Gross Earnings.....		\$31,339,721.01
Operating Expenses and Taxes:		
Operating.....	\$10,887,407.05	
Maintenance.....	1,593,713.19	
Taxes.....	2,761,220.77	
Total Operating Expenses and Taxes.....		15,242,341.01
Net Earnings before Appropriation for Retirement (Depreciation) Reserve.....		\$16,097,380.00
Other Income.....		572,872.31
Net Earnings including Other Income.....		\$16,670,252.31
Interest Charges:		
Bond Interest.....	\$5,020,174.38	
Note Interest.....	718,079.63	
General Interest.....	34,042.17	
Total.....	\$5,772,296.18	
Less Interest Charged to Construction.....	194,377.52	
Net Interest Charges.....		5,577,918.66
Balance of Income Before Deducting Interest on Notes Converted into Common Stock, Appropriation for Retirement (Depreciation) Reserve, &c.....		\$11,092,333.65
Deduct:		
Preferred Stock Dividends.....		4,739,735.38
Remainder.....		\$6,352,598.27
Common Stock Dividends—Including Interest on Notes Converted into Common Stock.....		2,833,479.99
Remainder.....		\$3,519,118.28
Appropriation for Retirement (Depreciation) Reserve.....	\$2,750,000.00	
Appropriation for Amortization of Debt Discount and Expense.....	75,000.00	
		2,825,000.00
Balance—Carried to Surplus.....		\$694,118.28
Surplus Balance at January 1 1928.....		4,471,878.46
Total Surplus at December 31 1928.....		\$5,165,996.74

* The companies on their books charged against capital surplus arising from an appraisal of their properties as of December 31 1924, the unamortized debt discount and expense at that date, and a portion of the debt discount and expense incurred since that date. Accordingly no charge has been made above for the portion of discount and expense charged off which was applicable to the year ended December 31 1928.

STANDARD GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY.

NINETEENTH ANNUAL REPORT—FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31 1928.

231 South La Salle Street
Chicago, Illinois.

April 17 1929.

To the Stockholders:

The nineteenth annual report of your Company is submitted herewith. Actual earnings for the year 1928 compare with those for 1927 as follows:

	1928.	1927.
Gross Revenue	\$13,291,762.70	\$13,124,130.96
Net Revenue	13,149,526.17	12,881,008.22
Interest Charges and Amortization of Debt Discount and Expense	2,441,306.45	2,605,998.18
Balance	10,708,219.72	10,275,010.04
Preferred Dividends	3,825,562.04	3,629,857.67
Balance for Common Stock Dividends	6,882,657.68	6,645,152.37
Common Dividends	4,959,746.36	4,386,560.73
Surplus	1,922,911.32	2,258,591.64

The gross revenue is that actually received or in process of collection, and does not include the Company's interest in the undistributed surplus earnings of the subsidiary and affiliated companies.

The above balance of actual earnings available for common stock dividends was equivalent to \$4.85 a share on the 1,418,946 shares of common stock outstanding December 31 1928. This compares with a balance equivalent to \$4.68 a share on the 1,418,803 shares of common stock outstanding December 31 1927.

Consolidated earnings as follows afford comparison with other public utility holding companies reporting only on that basis.

Consolidated earnings of Standard Gas and Electric Company and subsidiary and affiliated companies for the year ended December 31 1928, compare with consolidated earnings for the year ended December 31 1927, as follows:

	1928.	1927.
<i>Twelve months ended December 31—</i>		
(To afford comparative figures, Gross Earnings, Operating Expenses and Net Earnings for each period are for properties now comprising the system. Net Earnings of properties disposed of are included in Other Income.)		
Gross Earnings:	\$	\$
Public Utility Companies	147,570,502.06	141,298,821.77
Shaffer Oil and Refining Company	17,813,404.94	16,950,719.98
Totals	165,383,907.00	158,249,541.75
Operating Expenses, Maintenance and Taxes:		
Public Utility Companies	79,097,191.38	78,947,642.03
Shaffer Oil and Refining Company	13,775,795.55	13,943,935.66
Totals	92,872,986.93	92,891,577.69
Net Earnings:		
Public Utility Companies	68,473,310.68	62,351,179.74
Shaffer Oil and Refining Company	4,037,609.39	3,003,784.32
Totals	72,510,920.07	65,357,964.06
Other Income, less expenses of Standard Gas and Electric Company and subsidiary and affiliated companies, including dividends on outside investments, engineering (reflected in capital accounts of subsidiary and affiliated companies), supervision, profits on investments, and other operations	7,068,065.97	8,130,482.32
Net Earnings including Other Income	79,578,986.04	73,488,446.38
Interest and Dividend Charges on securities of subsidiary and affiliated companies in hands of public, reserves, minority interests' proportion of undistributed surplus earnings, rentals and sundry expenses	46,346,318.75	43,038,460.23
Retirement (Depreciation) and Depletion Reserves and Amortization of Debt Discount and Expense of subsidiary and affiliated companies (year 1927 includes \$918,000.00 additional provision not accrued)	17,645,006.59	15,970,489.99
Totals	63,991,325.34	59,008,950.22
Balance of earnings before deduction of Standard Gas and Electric Company's income and dividend charges	15,587,660.70	14,479,496.16
Standard Gas and Electric Company's interest charges and amortization of debt discount and expense	2,433,400.83	2,574,607.01
Balance	13,154,259.87	11,904,889.15
Standard Gas and Electric Company's Preferred Stock Dividends:		
Cumulative Prior Preference	1,438,702.06	1,470,000.00
Cumulative Preferred	2,326,859.98	2,099,857.67
Non-Cumulative	60,000.00	60,000.00
Totals	3,825,562.04	3,629,857.67
Balance	9,328,697.83	8,275,031.48

The balance of \$9,328,697.83 is equivalent to \$6.57 a share on the 1,418,946 shares of common stock outstanding December 31 1928. The balance of \$8,275,031.48 for the year 1927 was equivalent to \$5.83 a share on the 1,418,803 shares of common stock outstanding December 31 1927.

Consolidated gross and net earnings of all subsidiary and affiliated public utility companies now comprising the system compare as follows:

	1928.	1927.
Gross Earnings	\$147,570,502.06	\$141,298,821.77
Net Earnings before Appropriation for Retirement (Depreciation) and Depletion Reserves	68,473,310.68	62,351,179.74

Gross earnings increased \$6,271,680.29, or 4.43%, and net earnings, before appropriation for retirement (depreciation) and depletion reserves, increased \$6,122,130.94, or 9.81%.

The growth and condition of your Company and subsidiary and affiliated companies are described in the accompanying balance sheets, earnings statements and tabulated information.

COMMON STOCK DIVIDENDS.

Quarterly cash dividends were declared regularly on the common stock at the rate of \$3.50 a year.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At the regular meeting of the Board of Directors on September 20 1928, there was created a finance committee, to have supervision over all financial affairs of the Company, consisting of Messrs. B. W. Lynch, chairman, Robert J. Graf, J. H. Briggs and M. A. Morrison.

CHANGES IN CAPITAL STRUCTURE.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of STANDARD GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY on May 16 1928, an amendment to the certificate of incorporation was approved, whereby the authorized amount of the class of stock formerly designated "Seven Per Cent Prior Preference Stock" was changed from 500,000 shares of \$100 par value to 750,000 shares without par value, the shares of stock theretofore outstanding as "Seven Per Cent Prior Preference Stock" remaining outstanding as a series designated "Prior Preference Stock, \$7.00 Cumulative," with the same preferences in amount as to dividends and assets, and redeemable at the same price, as theretofore, and the remainder of the authorized shares of Prior Preference Stock being issuable from time to time in that series, or in one or more other series with such designation, preferences and rights, within the limitations specified in the amendment, as determined by the Board of Directors; the authorized amount of the class of stock formerly designated "Eight Per Cent Cumulative Preferred Stock" was changed from 600,000 shares of \$50 par value to 1,500,000 shares without par value, and this class of stock was designated "\$4.00 Cumulative Preferred Stock," with the same preferences in amount as to dividends and assets, and non-callable, as theretofore. The terms and conditions of the Six Per Cent Non-Cumulative Stock and the Common Stock of the Company were not changed.

As the result of the exercise of rights offered during the year to holders of the \$4.00 Cumulative Preferred Stock of the Company, the amount of this class of stock outstanding was increased from 525,480 shares to 656,850 shares. Proceeds from the sale of the additional \$4.00 Cumulative Preferred Stock were used for additional investments in securities of public utility companies and for other corporate purposes. The amount of the Company's Common Stock outstanding increased during the year from 1,418,803 shares to 1,418,946 shares.

During 1928 Standard Gas and Electric Company increased its investment in Pacific Gas and Electric Company Common Stock from 260,000 shares to 286,000 shares.

SUBSIDIARY AND AFFILIATED COMPANIES.

Improved efficiency of operation was responsible for the successful results shown by the subsidiary and affiliated public utility companies during the year 1928, despite numerous rate reductions. The properties have been maintained in excellent physical condition and are operated at a high standard of efficiency.

During 1928 rate reductions totaling approximately \$4,820,000 annually in savings to customers of the subsidiary and affiliated public utility companies were placed in effect or announced for the near future. These rate reductions represent the effect of operating economies and advantageous financing.

Duquesne Light Company at Pittsburgh introduced new rate schedules early in 1928 involving reductions in revenue amounting to approximately \$700,000 annually, and this was followed early in January, 1929, by further modification of schedules applying to industrial power which are expected to produce an estimated annual saving to this class of customers of \$1,600,000.

Reductions announced by the Northern States Power Company during the year amounted to approximately \$1,000,000. Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company made changes in rates resulting in an estimated saving of \$600,000 annually to its customers. The reductions of San Diego Consolidated Gas and Electric Company totaled approximately \$410,000. Other companies which made rate reductions effective in varying amounts were Louisville Gas and Electric Company, The California Oregon Power Company, Mountain States Power Company, Wisconsin Public Service Corporation, Wisconsin Valley Electric Company and Southern Colorado Power Company.

Inasmuch as rate changes occurred at various times throughout the year, their effect is not fully reflected in 1928 operations. A substantial stimulation of the sale of energy is expected to follow these changes.

Eighty communities were added during the year to the properties now comprising the system. At the close of the year the number of communities served was 1,514, having an estimated combined population of over 6,000,000. Many of the subsidiary and affiliated public utility companies made important extensions of their transmission and distribution facilities to serve rural territories. As of December 31 1928, a total of 1,529,617 customers of all classes was served, an increase during the year of 71,543 customers, or 4.91%. Electric connected load, or business served, increased 256,144 kilowatts, or 9.97%, to a total of

2,825,452 kilowatts. Electric energy output for 1928 amounted to 4,137,752,254 kilowatt hours, an increase of 12.70%, while gas output for 1928 amounted to 43,188,485,000 cubic feet, compared with 43,851,693,000 cubic feet for 1927. The sale of domestic electric and gas appliances and the continued development of new business added a large amount of revenue-producing load to the system's lines.

Net construction expenditures of the subsidiary and affiliated public utility companies during 1928 totaled \$33,198,116. Electric generating capacity aggregating 214,148 kilowatts was added; of this amount 201,530 kilowatts represent capacity added through construction activities, and 12,618 kilowatts represent capacity added through the acquisition of properties.

There were nine projects involving additions to electric generating capacities completed during the year, four hydro and five steam. The largest installation completed was the 80,320 kilowatt capacity Ohio Falls hydro-electric development on the Ohio river at Louisville, by Louisville Hydro-Electric Company, a subsidiary of Louisville Gas and Electric Company.

New hydro-electric stations were completed during the year or The California Oregon Power Company—the Prospect No. 2 station, in Oregon, with a capacity of 32,000 kilowatts; and for Northern States Power Company—the Chippewa Falls plant on the Chippewa river, in Wisconsin, with a capacity of 21,600 kilowatts.

A new 30,000 kilowatt capacity steam electric turbine was installed in the Horseshoe Lake station of Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company at Harrah, near Oklahoma City, and the capacity of San Diego Consolidated Gas and Electric Company's station "B" was increased by the addition of a 28,000 kilowatt capacity steam electric turbine. Additional capacity also was installed for Northern States Power Company at St. Paul, Minnesota, Grand Forks and Minot, North Dakota, and for Mountain States Power Company in the hydro-electric station near Big Fork, Montana. December 31 1928, the aggregate capacity of the generating plants of the subsidiary and affiliated public utility companies was 1,366,544 kilowatts.

The construction budget for 1929 is estimated at \$55,822,350, of which \$39,011,390 is for new projects, while \$16,810,960 is for completion of construction projects started prior to January 1 1929. The largest item of construction planned for the year is the James H. Reed steam electric station to be built on Brunot Island, Pittsburgh, for Duquesne Light Company. This plant, which will have an initial capacity of 60,000 kilowatts, with provision for a second unit of the same size, is scheduled for completion in 1930.

Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company will construct a 15,000 kilowatt capacity steam electric station on the Arkansas river, near White Eagle, Oklahoma, to be known as the Lincoln Beerbower station. Mountain States Power Company will install an additional steam electric turbine unit of 10,000 kilowatt capacity, together with the necessary boilers, in its plant at Marshfield, Oregon, and will install additional boiler capacity at this plant to increase the capacity of the present turbine from 4,000 kilowatts to 5,000 kilowatts.

The California Oregon Power Company will provide additional hydro-electric generating capacity and will construct a 110,000 volt transmission line from a point near Roseberg, Oregon, to connect with the Marshfield plant of Mountain States Power Company to provide a more extensive interchange of electric energy between the two systems. Louisville Gas and Electric Company will install additional boiler capacity in the Waterside steam electric station at Louisville. Wisconsin Public Service Corporation will erect a modern coal gas manufacturing plant of 1,500,000 cubic feet daily capacity at Sheboygan, Wisconsin. The completion of the twelve-story addition to the office building of Northern States Power Company in Minneapolis is included in the budget for 1929.

During the year the gas properties of Fort Smith Light and Traction Company and Southwestern General Gas Company were sold to other interests, and the electric properties of Fort Smith Light and Traction Company and Mississippi Valley Power Company were acquired by Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company and are now operated as a part of that Company's system. The street railway properties of Fort Smith Light and Traction Company are now owned and operated by Fort Smith Traction Company, which was organized during the year for that purpose.

Shaffer Oil and Refining Company reported satisfactory progress for 1928. Higher market prices for refined products resulted in increased earnings as compared with 1927. Although crude oil production was curtailed slightly the refinery was operated at capacity during the entire year, with operating costs the lowest on record. The Company continued its policy of acquiring desirable acreage for drilling.

Byllesby Engineering and Management Corporation, whose entire earnings accrue to Standard Gas and Electric Company, continued to show growth consistent with the development of the subsidiary and affiliated companies.

CUSTOMER OWNERSHIP.

Sales of preferred stock by the subsidiary and affiliated companies of Standard Gas and Electric Company direct to their customers on the customer ownership plan were somewhat smaller during the year, due to the more limited

capital requirements of the operated companies and the fact that a substantial portion of the funds necessary were provided through the sale of common stocks or other securities. The contraction in customer ownership sales implies no lessening of interest on the part of the management in this proven method of equity financing. Sales totaled \$13,192,700 par value, represented by 16,621 separate transactions, the average sale being \$793.

The approximate number of shareholders of the subsidiary and affiliated companies at the close of the year was 148,000, of which the customer or home shareholders are estimated to number in excess of 118,000.

In addition to the shareholders of the subsidiary and affiliated companies, Standard Gas and Electric Company had over 43,000 shareholders at the close of the year.

CONCLUSION.

The directors of Standard Gas and Electric Company feel that substantial progress was made during the year in the administration of the subsidiary and affiliated companies and confidently look toward a continuance of their growth and usefulness.

The development of the subsidiary and affiliated companies is proceeding along consistent lines, active commercial methods being applied towards steady increases in business. The reputation of the subsidiary and affiliated companies for fair dealing in all contacts with individuals and communities continues to be reflected in amicable public relations.

Standard Gas and Electric Company showed total assets on its consolidated balance sheet as of December 31 1928, of \$1,054,363,782.31.

The Board of Directors is deeply appreciative of the loyal and efficient services of the able force of employes and executives.

By order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN J. O'BRIEN, *President.*

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Chicago, Illinois, April 15 1929.

John J. O'Brien, Esq., *President, Standard Gas and Electric Company, Chicago, Illinois.*

Dear Sir:—I beg to submit herewith summary of Income and Profit and Loss for the year ended December 31 1928, and Balance Sheet at December 31 1928, of Standard Gas and Electric Company, prepared by Haskins & Sells, certified public accountants.

The figures given in the audit are the amounts actually received or in the process of collection by the Company, and do not include its interest in the undistributed surplus earnings of the subsidiary and affiliated companies.

Dividends were paid at the rate of \$7 a share on the cumulative prior preference stock, \$4 a share on the cumulative preferred stock, 6% on the non-cumulative stock and \$3.50 a share on the common stock. The balance, after preferred dividends, of \$6,882,657.68 available for common dividends was equivalent to \$4.85 a share on the 1,418,946 shares of common stock outstanding December 31 1928. This compares with a balance equivalent to \$4.68 a share on the 1,418,803 shares of common stock outstanding December 31 1927.

The consolidated earnings of Standard Gas and Electric Company and subsidiary and affiliated companies for the twelve months ended December 31 1928, submitted herewith, show a balance of \$9,328,697.83, equivalent to \$6.57 a share on the 1,418,946 shares of common stock outstanding December 31 1928. The balance for the year 1927 was equivalent to \$5.83 a share on the 1,418,803 shares of common stock outstanding December 31 1927.

Immediately following the certified audit report will be found statements of securities owned and capitalization, as well as balance sheets, earnings statements and statistical data of the subsidiary and affiliated companies.

Respectfully yours,
M. A. MORRISON, *Treasurer.*

STANDARD GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY.

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31 1928.

ASSETS.

Securities Owned.....		\$146,939,611.21
Securities to be Received from Subsidiary Company, when acquired, and if Issued.....		6,544,791.56
Reacquired Securities:		
Twenty-Year 6% Gold Notes, due October 1 1935, \$642,000.00 face value.....	\$659,847.60	
6% Gold Debentures, Series "A," due February 1 1951, \$1,049,000.00 face value.....	1,090,015.90	
6% Gold Debentures, Series "B," due December 1 1966, \$627,000.00 face value.....	656,406.30	
Prior Preference Stock, \$7.00 Cumulative, 10,452 shares without par value.....	1,189,693.10	
Cash.....		3,595,962.90
Call Loans.....		2,607,023.79
Accounts Receivable:		
Subsidiary and Affiliated Companies.....	\$5,409,821.39	
Sundry Debtors.....	387,698.22	
		5,797,519.61
Accrued Accounts:		
Interest on Bonds Owned.....	\$7,637.50	
Dividends on Stocks Owned.....	3,516,632.98	
		3,524,270.48
Office Furniture and Fixtures.....		1.00
Prepaid Insurance.....		1,575.42
Discount and Expense, Subsequent to De- cember 31 1928:		
Unamortized Debt Discount and Expense	\$1,612,635.08	
Less Net Premium on Preferred Capital Stock.....	545,059.55	
		1,067,575.53
Total.....		\$172,403,331.50

LIABILITIES.	
Funded Debt:	
Twenty-Year 6% Gold Notes, due October 1 1935	\$15,000,000.00
6% Gold Debentures, Series "A," due February 1 1951	15,000,000.00
6% Gold Debentures, Series "B," due December 1 1966	10,000,000.00
Accounts Payable:	\$40,000,000.00
Subsidiary and Affiliated Companies	\$736,017.72
Sundry Creditors	39,675.59
Accrued Liabilities:	775,693.31
Interest on Funded Debt	\$611,010.00
Taxes	85,478.45
Accrued Dividends:	696,488.45
Preferred Capital Stock	\$583,225.00
Common Capital Stock	1,241,618.92
Miscellaneous Unadjusted Credits	1,824,843.92
Miscellaneous Reserves	135,000.00
	1,371,488.29
Preferred Capital Stock:	
Prior Preference, \$7.00 Cumulative—210,000 shares without Par Value	\$21,000,000.00
\$4.00 Cumulative Preferred—656,850 shares without Par Value	34,813,050.00
6% Non-Cumulative, Par Value	1,000,000.00
Common Capital Stock—1,418,946 shares without Par Value	56,813,050.00
Surplus, per Accompanying Summary	56,697,320.40
	14,089,447.13
Total	\$172,403,331.50

Note.—Standard Gas and Electric Company was contingently liable at December 31 1928, on account of a note of a subsidiary company discounted, in the amount of \$100,000.00.

CERTIFICATE.

We have made a general audit of the accounts of Standard Gas and Electric Company, Chicago, Illinois, for the year ended December 31 1928. The amounts included in the accompanying balance sheet, December 31 1928, for securities owned are those shown by the accounts of the Company without consolidation to reflect the underlying asset valuations of subsidiary companies.

We hereby Certify that, on the above-stated basis, the accompanying balance sheet and summary of income and profit and loss, in our opinion, correctly set forth, respectively, the financial condition of the Company at December 31 1928, and the results of operations for the year ended that date.

Chicago, March 28 1929.

HASKINS & SELLS.

STANDARD GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY
SUMMARY OF INCOME AND PROFIT AND LOSS FOR THE YEAR
ENDED DECEMBER 31 1928.

Income Credits:	
Interest on Bonds Owned	\$171,663.32
Interest on Notes, Accounts Receivable, Call Loans, etc.	813,925.66
Dividends on Preferred and Common Stocks Owned—Public Utility Companies, Byllesby Engineering and Management Corporation, etc.	11,286,165.80
Net Profit on Securities Sold	1,020,007.92
Total	\$13,291,762.70
General Expenses and Taxes	142,236.53
Net Income Credits Available for Interest and Other Charges	\$13,149,526.17
Interest:	
Funded Debt, including Amortization of Debt Discount and Expense	\$2,402,183.71
Miscellaneous	39,122.74
Total	2,441,306.45
Net Income	\$10,708,219.72
Dividends on Preferred Capital Stock:	
Cumulative Prior Preference	\$1,438,702.06
Cumulative Preferred	2,326,859.98
Non-Cumulative	60,000.00
Total	3,825,562.04
Remainder	\$6,882,657.68
Dividends on Common Capital Stock	4,959,746.36
Surplus for the Year	\$1,922,911.32
Surplus, December 31 1927	12,166,535.81
Surplus, December 31 1928	\$14,089,447.13

STANDARD GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY
and
SUBSIDIARY AND AFFILIATED COMPANIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
DECEMBER 31 1928.

ASSETS.	
Plant, Property, Rights, Franchises, &c.	\$913,903,375.41
Investments in Other Companies, Associations, &c.	14,176,527.24
Cost of Inter-Company Owned Bonds and Stocks over book value thereof	12,816,505.70
Reacquired Securities	3,595,962.90
Sinking Funds and Other Deposits	2,665,164.35
Current and Working Assets:	
Cash	\$22,656,226.88
Call Loans	8,900,000.00
Cash on Deposit for Bond and Note Interest, &c.	1,307,337.51
Accounts and Notes Receivable:	
Customers and Others (less reserves for bad debts)	17,041,743.27
Due from Sale of Securities	412,705.42
Inventories—Materials and Supplies	15,914,131.05
Total	66,232,144.13
Deferred Charges:	
Prepaid Accounts and Unexpired Insurance	\$1,396,954.56
Deferred Expenses and Charges in Process of Amortization	5,704,750.58
Unamortized Debt Discount and Expense	33,872,397.44
Total	40,974,102.58
Surplus of subsidiary and affiliated companies at dates of acquisition by Standard Gas and Electric Company	\$24,511,055.43 (Contra)
Total	\$1,054,363,782.31

This Balance Sheet does not include operated lessor companies of subsidiary and affiliated companies, none of the capital stock of said lessor companies being owned by subsidiary and affiliated companies. The outstanding securities of said lessor companies at December 31 1928, were: capital stock \$16,779,000, and bonds \$8,594,000, certain of which are guaranteed as to dividends, principal and interest.

LIABILITIES.	
Funded Debt—Bonds, Debentures and Notes:	
Standard Gas and Electric Company:	
Twenty-year 6% Gold Notes, due October 1 1935	\$15,000,000.00
6% Gold Debentures, Series "A," due February 1 1951	15,000,000.00
6% Gold Debentures, Series "B," due December 1 1966	10,000,000.00
Subsidiary and Affiliated Companies	441,657,735.35
Current Liabilities:	\$481,657,735.35
Notes Payable	\$2,434,628.89
Accounts Payable	7,534,229.22
Accrued Liabilities:	9,968,858.11
Taxes	\$12,206,070.40
Interest	6,879,969.25
Dividends	5,508,607.49
Other	252,684.43
Deferred Liabilities:	24,845,331.57
Municipal Assessments	\$536,072.44
Customers' Deposits, etc.	2,546,641.16
Miscellaneous Unadjusted Credits	
Reserves:	
Retirement (Depreciation) and Depletion	\$68,573,062.11
Contingencies, etc.	19,005,374.92
Preferred Capital Stock, with and without Par Value:	
Standard Gas and Electric Company:	
Prior Preference, \$7.00 Cumulative—210,000 shares without Par Value	\$21,000,000.00
\$4.00 Cumulative Preferred—656,850 shares without Par Value	34,813,050.00
6% Non-Cumulative, Par Value	1,000,000.00
Subsidiary and Affiliated Companies	227,587,119.70
Subscriptions—Subsidiary and Affiliated Companies	243,300.00
Total	284,643,469.70
Common Capital Stock, with and without Par Value:	
Standard Gas and Electric Company:	
1,418,946 shares without Par Value	\$56,697,320.40
Subsidiary and Affiliated Companies	57,972,515.41
Surplus:	114,669,835.81
Standard Gas and Electric Company	\$14,089,447.13
Subsidiary and Affiliated Companies	52,175,854.68
Total	\$66,265,301.81
Distributable as follows:	
Minority Interests	\$15,162,432.61
Standard Gas and Electric Company, including its proportion of surplus of Subsidiary and Affiliated Companies since dates of acquisition	26,591,813.77
Surplus of Subsidiary and Affiliated Companies at dates of acquisition by Standard Gas and Electric Company	24,511,055.43 (Contra)
Total	\$66,265,301.81
Capital Surplus of Subsidiary and Affiliated Companies arising from Revaluation of Property	4,053,132.97
Total	\$1,054,363,782.31

STANDARD GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY
and
SUBSIDIARY AND AFFILIATED COMPANIES
CONSOLIDATED EARNINGS STATEMENT TWELVE MONTHS
ENDED DECEMBER 31 1928.

Gross Earnings:	
Public Utility Companies:	
Electric Department	\$87,660,714.88
Gas Department	23,914,883.63
Steam Department	1,771,979.55
Telephone Department	200,117.18
Transportation Department	33,120,344.80
Water Department	311,449.82
Ice Department	365,076.64
Oil Department	225,935.56
Total	\$147,570,502.06
Shaffer Oil and Refining Company	17,813,404.94
Total	\$165,383,907.00
Operating Expenses:	
Public Utility Companies:	
Operating	\$59,118,972.55
Maintenance	10,084,907.09
Taxes	9,893,311.74
Total	\$79,097,191.38
Shaffer Oil and Refining Company	13,775,795.55
Total	92,872,986.93
Net Earnings:	
Public Utility Companies:	
Electric Department	\$50,852,906.50
Gas Department	8,316,583.38
Steam Department	656,916.99
Telephone Department	75,857.63
Transportation Department	8,253,099.41
Water Department	137,482.14
Ice Department	53,670.55
Oil Department	126,794.08
Total	\$68,473,310.68
Shaffer Oil and Refining Company	4,037,609.39
Total	\$72,510,920.07
Other Income, less expenses of Standard Gas and Electric Company and subsidiary and affiliated companies, including dividends on outside investments, engineering (reflected in capital accounts of subsidiary and affiliated companies), supervision, profits on investments, and other operations	7,068,065.97
Net Earnings including Other Income	\$79,578,986.04
Interest and Dividend Charges on securities of subsidiary and affiliated companies in hands of public, reserves, minority interests' proportion of undistributed surplus earnings, rentals and sundry expenses	\$46,346,318.75
Retirement (Depreciation) and Depletion Reserves and Amortization of Debt Discount and Expense of subsidiary and affiliated companies	17,645,006.59
Total	63,991,325.34
Balance of earnings before deduction of Standard Gas and Electric Company's income and dividend charges	\$15,587,660.70
Standard Gas and Electric Company's interest charges and amortization of debt discount and expense	2,433,400.83
Balance	\$13,154,259.87
Standard Gas and Electric Company's Preferred Stock Dividends:	
Cumulative Prior Preference	\$1,438,702.06
Cumulative Preferred	2,326,859.98
Non-Cumulative	60,000.00
Total	3,825,562.04
Balance	\$9,328,697.83

STANDARD GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY			
SECURITIES OWNED DECEMBER 31 1928.			
	With Par Value (Amount)	Without Par Value (Shares)	
Madison Light and Railway Company First Mortgage 6% Bonds, due 1942	\$93,000.00		
Preferred Stocks—			
Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company	\$335,800.00		
Shaffer Oil and Refining Company		1,969	
Standard Power and Light Corporation		80,000	
Standard Power and Light Corporation, Participating Preferred		2,997,014	
Totals	\$335,800.00	3,078,983	
			Common Stocks— Byllesby Engineering and Management Corp.----- California Power Corporation----- Fort Smith Traction Company----- Louisville Gas and Electric Company (Delaware), Class "B"----- Mountain States Power Company----- Northern States Power Company (Delaware), Class "B"----- Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company----- Pacific Gas and Electric Company----- San Diego Consolidated Gas and Electric Co----- Shaffer Oil and Refining Company----- Southern Colorado Power Company, Class "B"----- Wisconsin Public Service Corporation----- Wisconsin Valley Electric Company----- Sundry----- Totals -----

SUBSIDIARY AND AFFILIATED COMPANIES OF STANDARD GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY.
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF GROSS EARNINGS FOR YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31.
(Figures for Each Period are for Properties Now Comprising the System)

GROSS EARNINGS.

Company, Including Subsidiary and Affiliated Companies.	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.	1924.
California Power Corporation	\$3,384,861.93	\$2,913,081.34	\$2,502,003.04	\$2,178,762.02	\$1,710,822.60
Fort Smith Traction Company	180,310.52	206,230.44	220,845.05	237,778.22	244,986.66
Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company	2,153,782.36	223,450.65			
Louisville Gas and Electric Company (Delaware)	9,685,999.09	8,817,922.59	8,654,574.72	7,903,898.59	7,268,599.98
Mountain States Power Company	2,997,295.73	2,748,173.63	2,624,925.54	2,539,526.62	2,464,209.41
Northern States Power Company (Delaware)	31,339,721.01	29,803,692.71	28,275,647.52	26,391,363.42	24,840,459.36
Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company	12,606,571.57	10,654,743.50	7,836,270.54	7,535,139.34	6,779,290.54
San Diego Consolidated Gas and Electric Company	6,834,772.80	6,564,212.75	5,753,391.75	5,381,701.12	4,710,808.20
Southern Colorado Power Company	2,290,899.21	2,327,653.40	2,433,339.57	2,372,870.80	2,231,526.50
Standard Power and Light Corporation	71,742,617.04	71,105,341.84	71,376,076.79	68,707,646.01	66,194,793.03
Wisconsin Public Service Corporation	4,994,239.08	4,676,215.80	4,454,565.42	4,007,992.37	3,660,557.70
Wisconsin Valley Electric Company	1,681,955.40	1,616,839.40	1,555,403.13	1,405,665.40	1,284,997.52
Totals—Public Utility Companies	\$149,893,025.74	\$141,657,558.05	\$135,687,043.07	\$128,662,343.91	\$121,391,051.50
Less—Inter-Company Eliminations	2,322,523.68	358,736.28	137,672.83	147,926.27	144,318.91
Totals—Public Utility Companies	\$147,570,502.06	\$141,298,821.77	\$135,549,370.24	\$128,514,417.64	\$121,246,732.59
Shaffer Oil and Refining Company	17,813,404.94	16,950,719.98	21,910,697.88	15,297,880.23	10,570,279.38
Totals	\$165,383,907.00	\$158,249,541.75	\$157,460,068.12	\$143,812,297.87	\$131,817,011.97

Earnings of Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company included from date company commenced operation, December 1 1927.

NET EARNINGS.

Company, Including Subsidiary and Affiliated Companies.	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.	1924.
California Power Corporation	\$2,189,630.35	\$1,774,268.94	\$1,420,222.84	\$1,337,109.97	\$1,002,642.31
Fort Smith Traction Company	21,626.91	7,672.54	13,820.01	43,213.24	39,528.88
Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company	1,085,150.39	142,028.92			
Louisville Gas and Electric Company (Delaware)	4,989,704.19	4,552,966.21	4,370,309.91	4,092,030.58	3,556,730.48
Mountain States Power Company	1,174,412.78	1,033,054.44	1,046,283.67	972,294.67	914,133.23
Northern States Power Company (Delaware)	16,097,350.00	15,092,232.16	14,128,774.71	12,400,423.97	11,347,806.61
Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company	5,923,206.16	4,922,337.55	3,555,465.05	3,371,949.01	2,705,502.83
San Diego Consolidated Gas and Electric Company	3,201,733.71	3,067,314.56	2,602,461.16	2,260,767.18	1,925,847.49
Southern Colorado Power Company	1,073,032.13	1,017,335.32	1,075,132.11	1,002,465.95	910,567.84
Standard Power and Light Corporation	29,825,365.18	28,077,257.38	27,237,308.28	26,070,615.89	22,905,313.93
Wisconsin Public Service Corporation	2,203,894.90	1,884,613.59	1,846,220.55	1,670,531.93	1,472,678.35
Wisconsin Valley Electric Company	688,093.98	780,098.13	736,703.24	649,751.72	580,610.52
Totals—Public Utility Companies	\$68,473,310.68	\$62,351,179.74	\$58,032,701.53	\$53,871,154.11	\$47,361,362.47
Shaffer Oil and Refining Company	4,037,609.39	3,006,784.32	6,045,575.17	4,428,406.13	2,438,640.58
Totals	\$72,510,920.07	\$65,357,964.06	\$64,078,276.70	\$58,299,560.24	\$49,800,003.05

Earnings of Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company included from date company commenced operation, December 1 1927.

SUBSIDIARY AND AFFILIATED COMPANIES OF STANDARD GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY.
CAPITALIZATION OUTSTANDING, DECEMBER 31 1928.

COMPANY. Including Subsidiary and Affiliated Companies.	Outstanding (Less Inter-Company Holdings).		Owned by Standard Gas and Electric Company.		Outstanding in Hands of Public.	
	Face Value.	Shares.	Face Value.	Shares.	Face Value.	Shares.
Funded Debt—						
California Power Corporation	\$19,244,500				\$19,244,500	
Louisville Gas and Electric Company (Delaware)	28,624,400		\$93,000		28,531,400	
Mountain States Power Company	10,308,650				10,308,650	
Northern States Power Company (Delaware)	104,139,963				104,139,963	
Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company	36,684,600				36,684,600	
San Diego Consolidated Gas and Electric Company	13,868,000				13,868,000	
Southern Colorado Power Company	6,893,000				6,893,000	
Standard Power and Light Corporation	192,729,620				192,729,620	
Wisconsin Public Service Corporation	14,180,200				14,180,200	
Wisconsin Valley Electric Company	3,726,827				3,726,827	
Totals—Public Utility Companies	\$430,399,760		\$93,000		\$430,306,760	
Shaffer Oil and Refining Company	11,350,975				11,350,975	
Totals	\$441,750,735		\$93,000		\$441,657,735	
Preferred Stocks—						
California Power Corporation	\$5,983,000				\$5,983,000	
Louisville Gas and Electric Company (Delaware)	21,030,300				21,030,300	
Mountain States Power Company	5,217,500				5,217,500	
Northern States Power Company (Delaware)	71,817,700				71,817,700	
Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company	18,571,000		\$335,800		18,235,200	
San Diego Consolidated Gas and Electric Company	6,292,500				6,292,500	
Southern Colorado Power Company	4,253,900				4,253,900	
Standard Power and Light Corporation	70,591,650	3,177,014		3,077,014	70,591,650	100,000
Wisconsin Public Service Corporation	8,881,700				8,881,700	
Wisconsin Valley Electric Company	1,200,000				1,200,000	
Totals—Public Utility Companies	\$213,839,250	3,177,014	\$335,800	3,077,014	\$213,503,450	100,000
Shaffer Oil and Refining Company		50,000		1,969		48,031
Totals	\$213,839,250	3,227,014	\$335,800	3,078,983	\$213,503,450	148,031
Common Stocks—						
Byllesby Engineering and Management Corporation		100,000		100,000		
California Power Corporation	\$3,000,000		\$3,000,000			
Fort Smith Traction Company		25,000		25,000		
Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company		25,000				25,000
Louisville Gas and Electric Company (Delaware)	8,600	765,337		236,880	\$8,600	528,457
Mountain States Power Company		142,500		88,120		54,380
Northern States Power Company (Delaware)	29,278,100	625,000		624,907	29,278,100	93
Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company	10,000,000		10,000,000			
San Diego Consolidated Gas and Electric Company	7,032,500		6,950,300			82,200
Southern Colorado Power Company	2,750,000	75,000		75,000	2,750,000	
Standard Power and Light Corporation	8,490,610	440,000			8,490,610	440,000
Wisconsin Public Service Corporation	5,650,000		5,650,000			
Wisconsin Valley Electric Company	1,260,000		1,260,000			
Totals—Public Utility Companies	\$67,469,810	2,197,837	\$26,860,300	1,149,907	\$40,609,510	1,047,930
Shaffer Oil and Refining Company		589,000		569,448		19,552
Totals	\$67,469,810	2,786,837	\$26,860,300	1,719,355	\$40,609,510	1,067,482

SUBSIDIARY AND AFFILIATED PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANIES OF STANDARD GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY.
COMPARATIVE STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

(Figures for Each Period are for Properties Now Comprising the System.)

At December 31—	1928.	1927.	1926.	1925.	1924.
Electric Customers	1,061,361	1,004,710	936,463	872,288	803,133
Gas Customers	448,915	435,105	421,227	403,940	385,013
Water Customers	11,225	10,605	10,290	9,774	8,616
Steam Customers	1,660	1,685	1,654	1,490	1,514
Telephone Subscribers	6,456	5,969	5,615	5,018	4,816
Totals	1,529,617	1,458,074	1,375,249	1,292,510	1,203,092
Kilowatt Lighting Load	1,417,548	1,282,839	1,139,166	1,030,216	937,524
Kilowatt Power Load	1,320,538	1,204,211	1,121,580	1,041,098	940,332
Kilowatt Railway Load	87,366	82,258	67,640	68,016	67,094
Total K.W. Connected	2,825,452	2,569,308	2,328,386	2,139,330	1,944,950
Kilowatt Hour Output*	4,137,752,254	3,671,607,161	3,365,677,488	3,083,154,735	2,745,332,634
Gas Output (Cu. Ft.)*	43,188,485,000	43,851,693,000	47,977,397,000	46,507,624,000	49,321,570,000

* For calendar years.

Universal Gypsum & Lime Co.—Receivership.

Eugene Holland, Pres. of the company, and Abel Davis, were appointed receivers April 22. The appointments were made by Judge James H. Wilkerson in the U. S. District Court at Chicago.

The receivership proceedings were instituted by the International Copage Co. An intervening petition filed by Attorneys Henry K. Urion and Henry W. Drucker in behalf of the State Bank of Chicago, alleged default in the payment of interest and sinking fund provisions on the \$1,754,000 of 6% first mortgage bonds of the company, due Mar. 1.

A letter which has been sent to the stockholders' protective committee sets forth that "it has been determined that an immediate operating receivership is advisable in order to avoid closing the plants of the company which, in the present condition of the industry, would come at an unfavorable time.—V. 125, p. 111.

U S L Battery Corp.—New Chairman, &c.—

C. O. Minkler, President of the Electric Auto-Lite Co., has been elected Chairman of the board, to succeed the late E. H. Gold.

Daniel H. Kelly, formerly executive vice-president, was elected President. All of the stock of the U. S. L. Battery Corp. is owned by the Electric Auto-Lite Co.—V. 126, p. 3468.

Viau Biscuit Corp., Ltd.—Earnings.—

Period End. Dec. 31—	12 Mos. '28	12 Mos. '27	13 Mos. '26
Net profit from operations	\$239,637	\$189,651	\$192,460
Bond interest	28,301	29,227	31,134
Other interest & exchange	18,186	16,295	13,971
Reserve for depreciation	33,000	30,000	35,000
Reserve for bad debts	12,000	10,000	7,000
Res. for inc. taxes	7,000	—	—
Loss on sale of fixed assets	—	3,294	—
Loss result. from write down of inv.	—	26,386	—
Net income	\$141,149	\$74,447	\$105,355
First preferred dividends	75,833	70,000	70,000
Second preferred dividends	35,641	—	32,900
Balance, surplus	\$29,674	\$4,447	\$2,455

—V. 126, p. 2811.

Virginia Iron, Coal & Coke Co.—Earnings.—

Quar. End. Mar. 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Gross operating revenue	\$668,632	\$613,652	\$789,964	\$920,607
Operating expenses	632,099	591,909	803,688	868,677
Net operating revenue	\$36,533	\$21,743	def\$13,724	\$51,930
Rev. from other sources	59,503	28,009	23,208	22,558
Total net revenue	\$96,036	\$49,753	\$9,484	\$74,489
Bond interest, &c.	62,988	70,709	71,923	84,506
Net loss	prf.\$33,048	\$20,956	\$62,439	\$10,017

—V. 128, p. 1547.

Vulcan Detinning Co.—4 1/4% Back Dividend.—

The directors have declared the regular quarterly dividends of 1 1/4% on the pref. and pref. A stocks, and an accumulated div. of 4 1/4% on each class reducing arrears on these issues to 8%. Dividends are payable July 20 to holders of record July 9. On April 20 last, a dividend of 3% on account of accumulations was paid on the pref. stock.—V. 128, p. 1753.

Wagner Electric Corp.—Earnings—Divs.—

Calendar Years—	1928.	1927.
Gross profit on sales, after deduct. all costs of mfg., main. chgs. & deprec. of plant & equip.	\$3,067,988	\$1,561,170
General, selling & administrative expenses	1,460,477	1,059,952
Net income	\$1,607,511	\$501,217
Interest received	20,693	25,765
Miscellaneous income	25,780	18,035
Total	\$1,653,984	\$545,017
Interest paid on bonded indebtedness	134,402	157,157
Prem. on bonds retired	5,750	—
Provision for Federal & State income taxes	233,812	48,633
Net profit for year	\$1,280,019	\$339,227
Preferred dividends	105,000	105,000
Common dividends	313,030	—
Balance surplus	\$861,989	\$234,227
Shares common stock outstanding (par \$15)	391,388	x78,278
Earnings per share	\$3.00	\$2.99

P. B. Postethwalke, President, says in part:

On Aug. 1 1928, the \$550,000 1st mtge. bonds were redeemed and paid. The balance of the outstanding bond issue, in the amount of \$1,599,200, was retired Feb. 1 1929, as a result of the refinancing program, which was approved Nov. 27 1928.

Dividends, in the amount of \$105,000, were paid on the outstanding shares of 7% cum. pref. stock, and dividends, in the amount of \$313,030, were paid on the old no par value common shares. A dividend of 3 1/2% c. a share was declared for the first quarter of 1929 on the outstanding new \$15 par common stock and paid March 1 and at the same time there was paid an extra dividend of 50c. a share on the new \$15 par common shares.—V. 127, p. 2976.

(Hiram) Walker-Gooderham & Worts, Ltd.—Rights, &c.—

The directors on April 23 announced that it is proposed to subdivide each existing share into three, and to give shareholders the right to subscribe for one additional share at the price of \$15 in respect of each old share held.

A special general meeting of shareholders will be called as practicable to approve the plan.

It is proposed to place the new shares on a quarterly dividend basis of 25 cents a share.—V. 127, p. 2841.

Warner Bros. Pictures, Inc.—Extends Offer.—

Details of the offer of this corporation to acquire the minority common stock of the Stanley Co. of America were announced on April 22 by Albert Warner, Vice President of the Warner company. Holders of common stock of the Stanley Co. may exchange their stock on or before May 20, next, for the common stock of Warner Bros., on the basis of 3 shares of Stanley common stock for each share of Warner common. Common stock of Warner Bros. will be available for prompt delivery upon receipt of the Stanley stock for such exchange at the office of the New York Trust Co., which is acting as agent for the Warner Corporation.—V. 128, p. 2653.

Waltham Watch Co.—Earnings.—

Net profits after taxes, interest, prior preference dividends, allowance for depreciation and paying for new machinery were \$806,966 for the calendar year 1928, or \$65,337 less than earned during 1927.

Gross sales were \$1,057,253 less than 1927, and inventories are \$214,807 less than a year ago. Dividends upon the preferred and class A shares have been paid and \$453,999 carried to profit and loss.

Balance Sheet Dec. 31.

Assets—	1928.	1927.	Liabilities—	1928.	1927.
Plant	\$3,471,410	\$3,471,410	7% prior pref. stk.	1,700,000	1,700,000
Mdse. & stock in process	1,029,953	1,244,760	6% pref. stock	5,000,000	5,000,000
Cash	414,068	2,138,103	5-yr. 6% deb. notes	3,000,000	3,000,000
Notes & accts. receivable	1,720,230	1,375,447	Res. for bad debts	159,504	159,504
Cost of bonds and debens. purch'd	1,277,354	2,802,108	other taxes	363,492	412,736
Cost of shs. bought	2,526,003	1,286,658	Res. for discounts	106,674	83,326
Trade-marks, patents, &c.	2,290,090	2,290,090	Res. for deprec'n.	530,000	265,000
			P. & L. surplus	1,869,438	1,428,009
Total	12,729,108	14,608,577	Total	12,729,108	14,608,577

x Represented by 25,000 shares of class A and 70,000 shares of class B common stock of no par value.—V. 126, p. 2164.

Westchester Fire Insurance Co.—Extra Dividend.—

The directors have declared an extra dividend of 10 cents per share in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 50 cents per share, both payable May 1 to holders of record April 20.—V. 127, p. 563.

Westvaco Chlorine Products Corp.—33 1-3c. Dividend.

The directors have declared a dividend of 33 1-3c. per share on the common stock, no par value, covering a period of two months, payable June 1 to holders of record May 2. Hereafter quarterly dividends at the rate of \$2 per annum will be paid on this issue. An initial dividend of 50 cents per share was paid on the common stock on April 1 see V. 128, p. 1076.—V. 128, p. 2483.

Williams Steamship Co.—To Retire Bonds.—

The F. J. Lisman & Co. has been advised that the Williams Steamship Co., 1st mtge. 7 1/2% marine equipment serial gold bonds, dated Nov. 1 1922, and due after May 1 1929 will be called for redemption at 103 1/2 and int. on June 1 1929.

It is also their understanding that the Bankers Trust Co., upon receipt of the funds, will be authorized to and will purchase any of the above-mentioned bonds at any time prior to June 1 1929 at 103 1/2 and int. to date of surrender for purchase.

Winn & Lovett Grocery Co. (Fla.)—Sales.—

Month of—	1929.	1928.	Increase.
January	\$489,098	\$394,276	24%
February	516,107	387,867	33%
March	608,146	403,103	50%
Total for quarter	\$1,613,351	\$1,185,246	36%

—V. 128, p. 1928.

Wire Wheel Corp. of America.—Merger Approved.—

See Kelsey Hayes Wheel Corp. above.—V. 128, p. 2109.

(William) Wrigley, Jr. Co.—Earnings.—

Quar. End. Mar. 31—	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Net profits	\$4,676,439	\$4,857,652	\$4,440,673	\$4,530,888
Expenses	1,706,367	1,961,629	1,526,843	1,608,370
Depreciation	135,105	105,303	136,029	140,911
Federal taxes (est.)	313,068	357,650	355,683	375,517
Net profit	\$2,521,899	\$2,433,069	\$2,422,118	\$2,406,091
Earns. per sh. on 1,800,000 shs. cap. stk. (no par)	\$1.40	\$1.35	\$1.34	\$1.33

—V. 128, p. 1753.

Wright Aeronautical Corp.—Increased Capital Stock

Placed on a \$2 Annual Dividend Basis—Listing.—

The directors have declared a quarterly cash dividend of 50 cents per share on the capital stock, to be outstanding upon the payment April 30 next of the 100% stock dividend. The cash dividend is payable May 31 to holders of record May 15 and is equivalent to the rate of \$4 per share per annum on the old capitalization on which quarterly dividends of 50 cents per share were also paid from Feb. 29 1928 to Feb. 28 1929, incl.

The New York Stock Exchange has authorized the listing of 300,000 additional shares of stock without par value on official notice of issuance as a 100% stock dividend, making the total amount applied for 600,000 shares. The stock to be so issued will be capitalized at \$5 per share.—V. 128, p. 2291.

Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co.—New Director.—

Harris Creech, of Cleveland, has been elected a director to succeed the late Harry Couby.—V. 128, p. 2109.

CURRENT NOTICES.

—Schoellkopf, Hutton & Pomeroy, Inc., announce the removal of their New York office to 63 Wall Street.

—Mansfield & Co., 50 Broadway, this city, have issued an analysis of the Irving Trust Co. of New York.

—Hanson Bros., Inc., announce that they now occupy their new building at 255 St. James St., Montreal.

—Vanderhoef & Robinson announce the removal of their offices to 63 Wall St., New York City.

—Samuel Ptashnik has become associated with Harvey-Kahn Co., Inc., of this city.

—Jackson & Curtis announce the removal of their New York office to 115 Broadway.

—Chase, Falk & Richardson announce the removal of their offices to 63 Wall St.

—Robt. Maynard & Co. have moved their offices to 160 Broadway, New York.

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 this paper immediately following the editorial matter, in a department headed "INDICATIONS OF BUSINESS ACTIVITY."

Friday Night, Jan. 00 1929.

COFFEE on the spot was quiet with Santos 4s 24 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 24 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; Rio 7s 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 17 $\frac{3}{4}$ c. and Victoria 7-8s 17 $\frac{1}{4}$ c. Robustas were quoted at 19 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 20c. Later Rio 7s were quoted at 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; Santos 4s 24 to 24 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; Victoria 7-8s at 17 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; Robustas 19 $\frac{3}{4}$ c. Fair to good Cucuta 23 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 23 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; Ocana 22 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 23 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; Bucaramanga, Natural 23 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 24 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; washed 24 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 25c.; Honda, Tolima and Giradot 24 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 25c.; Medellin 25 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 26 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; Manizales 24 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 25c.; Mexican washed 25 to 26 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; Surinam 22 to 23c.; Ankola 30 to 35c. Mandheling 35 to 38c.; Genuine Java 33 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 34 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; Robusta washed 20 to 20 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; Mocha 27 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 28 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; Harra 26 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 27c. Guatemala, prime 25 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 26 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; good 25 to 25 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; Bourbon 24 to 24 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; Trie-ala-main 23 to 23 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.

On the 22nd inst. cost and freight offers from Brazil were lower on the average, but buyers did not seem to be attracted. Early cost and freight offers on the 24 inst. were unchanged or lower. They included for prompt shipment Santos Bourbon 3s at 24.10c.; 3-4s at 22.90 to 23 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; 3-5s at 22.45 to 22.60c.; 4-5s at 21.80 to 23 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; 5s at 21 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 22.10c.; 5-6s at 21.30 to 21.85c.; 6s at 20.20 to 21c.; 6-7s at 20 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 20 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; 7s at 20.30c.; 7-8s at 15 to 20.15c.; part Bourbon 3s at 23.20 to 24.05c.; 3-4s at 22.95 to 23 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; 3-5s at 22.95c.; 4-5s at 21.85c.; Peaberry 4s at 22.30c.; 4-5c 22.30c.; 5s at 22.15c.; 6-7s at 19.05c.; Rain-damaged 5-6s at 19.70c.; 6-7s at 19.30c.; 7-8s at 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 16.30c.; Rio 2-3s at 17.90c.; 7s at 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 16.70c.; 7-8s at 16.10 to 16.45c.; Victoria 4s at 17.35c.; 5s at 16.90c.; 6s at 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; 7s at 16.20c.; 7-8s at 16 to 16.15c. To-day cost and freight offers from Brazil were about steady. For prompt shipment, Santos Bourbon 2-3s were here at 24.20c.; 3s at 23.95c.; 3-4s at 22.90 to 23.60c.; 3-5s at 22.40 to 23.35c.; 4-5s at 21.80 to 22 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; 5s at 21.95 to 22.10c.; 5-6s at 20.40 to 21.70c.; 6-7s at 19.35 to 20.70c.; 7s at 20.15c.; 7-8s at 20c.; part Bourbon 3-5s at 21 to 22.60c.; 7-8s at 15c.; Peaberry 4s at 22.30s.; 5s at 22.15c.; Rain-damaged 3-5s at 19.20c.; 4-5s at 21 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; 5-6s at 18.05c.; 6s at 19.30c.; 7-8s at 15.80 to 16.95c.; Peaberry 7-8s at 17.45c.; Rio 7s at 16.60c.; 7-8s at 16.20c.; Victoria 7-8s at 16c.

Futures on the 22nd inst. closed 16 to 24 points lower for Santos with sales of 28,000 bags and 9 to 18 lower for Rio with sales of 14,500 bags. The cables were not stimulating. Europe was understood to be selling. Santos cabled as to the credit situation in Brazil, that the only affected bodies seem to be foreign banks that have practically no capital in Brazil adding that others have all the money needed for their business. Concerning reports current here that shipments of coffee from the interior to the regulating warehouses during May and June have been prohibited, the explanation is given that the crop year begins July 1st, ending June 30th in the following year, and that owing to certain zones producing earlier than others, the later maturing districts are at a disadvantage. On the 25th inst. futures advanced 4 to 11 points on Santos with sales of 22,250 bags and 8 to 16 on Rio with transactions of 39,250 bags. Brazil seemed to be giving support. European cables were rather better. Shorts in May Rio covered. Today futures closed 2 to 12 points higher on Rio with sales of 17,600 bags and 3 points lower to 8 points higher on Santos with sales of 23,000 bags. For the week final prices show an advance on Rio of 8 to 25 points while Santos is 11 points lower on May and 3 to 11 points higher on other months.

Rio coffee prices closed as follows:

Spot unofficial	17 $\frac{1}{2}$	July	15.48@ nom	Dec	14.48@
May	16.25@	Sept	14.83@13.85	Mar	14.03@

Santos coffee prices closed as follows:

May	22.32@22.35	Sept	20.83@20.85	Mar	19.76@ nom
July	21.66@	Dec	20.26@20.28		

COCOA today closed 1 to 2 points higher. May ended at 10.17, July at 10.52c. and Sept. at 10.88c. or 11 to 24 points lower than last Friday.

SUGAR.—Prompt Cuban raw sugar early in the week was quiet at 1 $\frac{7}{8}$ c. c.&f., with duty free afloat and for early arrival 3.61c. equal to 1 27/32c. c.&f. Later trade was active at a rise to 1 15/16c. It is said that 50,000 tons sold to Russia and France at 1.75c to 1.78c. f.o.b. The California & Hawaiian and Great Western have reduced the basis freight rate to Chicago from 49 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 40c. per 100 pounds, which is equivalent to 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ point decline in the price of refined sugar in the Chicago and Western districts. Refined was 4.90c. with little new buying. On the 22nd inst. private cables from London reported an easier market for raw sugars with June shipment Cubas pressing for sale at 9s

2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d, or equal to 1 $\frac{7}{8}$ c. f.o.b. Futures on the 22nd inst. closed unchanged to 2 points net lower with sales of 55,750 tons European selling followed lower prices in London.

On the 23rd inst. 2,000 tons of Philippines afloat nearby sold at 3.61c. delivered, or 1 27/32c. c.&f. On the 23rd inst. Europe showed a rather keen interest in May-June shipment Cubas for which bids of 9s were submitted it is understood to be unwilling to sell or make firm offers at present. It might be possible, it is said, to buy in other quarters at 9s 3d. On the 24th inst. 4,000 tons of Philippine raw sugars which are now at Philadelphia sold to an operator at 3.58c. delivered, equivalent to 1 13/16c. c.&f. This seems to have left the market entirely bare of all firm offerings. Cubas for prompt shipment might be bought at 1 15/16c. c.&f., but operators seemed disinclined to bid over 1 $\frac{7}{8}$ c. Refiners continue to hold off. One explanation of the lack of tenders on the 24th was that there was congestion of raw sugars in the port of New York, it being practically impossible to obtain weighers and other men necessary for the proper delivery of sugar. On the 25th inst. there were May 12 notices issued.

Washington wired: "After hearing reports on the present condition of the American beet-sugar industry, the United States Beet Sugar Association at its annual meeting on the 25th inst. formulated a program of increased duties which it will seek to have incorporated in the tariff bill now being drafted by the House Ways and Means Committee. The program calls for higher duties both on foreign and Cuban imports, and a restriction on Philippine free sugar shipments into this country. The association would have the present 2.20c. per pound duty on foreign sugar raised to 3c.; an increase from 1.76 to 2.40c. in the Cuban preferential tariff and the limiting of Philippine free imports to 500,000 long tons, with the full 3-cent duty imposed on additional shipments."

Receipts at Cuban ports for the week were 191,524 tons against 142,366 in the same week last year; exports 138,223 tons against 107,622 in same week last year; stocks (consumption deducted) 1,479,877 tons against 1,299,484 last year; centrals grinding 95 against 53 last year. Of the exports 80,636 went to Atlantic ports, 15,584 to New Orleans, 2,316 to Interior United States; 6,423 to Savannah; 8,666 to Galveston, 61 to South America and 24,537 to Europe. Receipts at United States Atlantic ports for the week were 114,649 tons against 122,685 in the previous week and 74,396 last year; meltings 70,728 tons against 74,918 in previous week and 54,500 same week last year; importers' stock 283,445 tons against 265,030 in previous week and 320,468 last year; refiners' stocks 248,235 against 222,729 in previous week and 147,559 last year; total stocks 531,680 tons against 487,759 in previous week and 468,027 last year.

Havana cabled that the production of 65 mills which have finished grinding current sugar crop aggregated 8,122,040 bags against early estimates of 8,487,000 bags. Out of 163 Cuban centrals that started grinding this season, 70 have finished with a total production of about 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % under Guma-Mejer's estimates. The total outturn of these mills is 8,699,504 bags. On the 25th inst. futures closed 2 points lower to 2 higher with sales of 38,200 tons. Sales of 250,000 bags of Cubas for prompt shipment to refiners and operators were made at 1 15/16c. on the 25th inst.

Today prices closed 3 points lower to 1 point higher with sales of 42,250 tons. Final prices show an advance for the week of 1 to 4 points except on September which is 2 points lower.

Spot unofficial	1 15-16	Sept	2.02@2.03	Jan	2.11@
May	1.89@	Dec	2.09@	Mar	2.15@
July	1.97@1.98				

LARD on the spot was steady with prime Western 12.25 to 12.35c.; refined Continent 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; South America 13 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; Brazil 14 $\frac{1}{4}$ c. Later refined was $\frac{1}{4}$ c. lower. On the spot on the 23rd inst. prime Western was firmer at 12.20 to 12.30c.; refined Continent 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; South America 13c.; Brazil 14c. Prime Western was 12.15 to 12.25c.; refined Continent 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; South America 13 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; Brazil 14 $\frac{1}{4}$ c. again. Futures on the 20th inst. declined 2 to 5 points. Hogs were steady. Hog receipts were 30,700 against 44,200 in the previous week and 26,500 last year.

Futures on the 23rd inst. advanced 12 to 18 points on good buying, packers taking the offerings by Eastern and foreign interests. Clearances on the 22nd inst. were 2,700,000 lbs. from New York. Futures on the 24th inst. advanced 2 to 10 points. The strength of the grain markets especially corn had its influence. Cash markets were firm. There was no active buying of lard however. Ribs were dull and hogs were lower. On the 25th inst. futures declined 5 to 7 points. To-day futures closed 5 points lower. Final prices show a decline for the week of 12 to 17 points.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF LARD FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
May delivery	11.75	11.52	11.70	11.72	11.65	11.60
July delivery	12.10	11.87	12.05	12.10	12.05	12.00
September delivery	12.45	12.25	12.37	12.47	12.40	12.35

PORK steady but quiet; Mess \$32.50; family \$35; fat back \$27 to \$30. Ribs, Chicago 13c. Beef steady; Mess \$26; packet \$25 to \$27; family \$28.50 to \$30; extra India mess \$42 to \$45; No. 1 canned corned beef \$3.10; No. 2 six pounds, South America \$16.75; Pickled tongues \$75 to \$80. Cut meats quiet; pickled hams 10 to 20 lbs. 21 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; pickled bellies 6 to 12 lbs. 18 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 19 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; bellies, clear, dry salted, boxed 18 to 20 lbs. 15 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; 14 to 16 lbs. 15 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; Butter, lower grades to high scoring 43 to 46 $\frac{3}{4}$ c. Cheese, flats 22 to 29 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; daisies 23 to 28c. Eggs, medium to extras 25 to 30 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; closely selected 31 to 32 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.

OILS—Linseed was in fair demand. Crushers were quoting 10.2c. for carlots but would accept, it is intimated, 10c. on a firm bid. Paint and linoleum interests were inquiring more freely. Consumption is holding up well despite the unfavorable weather of late. Cocoanut, Manila coast, tanks 7 $\frac{3}{8}$ to 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; spot N. Y. tanks 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. Corn, crude, bbls., tanks, f.o.b. mill 8 $\frac{1}{8}$ c. Olive, Den. \$1.35 to \$1.40. Chinawood, N. Y. drums, carlots, spot 14 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; Pacific Coast tanks, futures 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ c. Soya Bean, bbls., N. Y. 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; tanks, coast 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. Edible, corn, 100 bbl. lots 12c.; Olive 2.25 to 2.30c. Turpentine 53 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 58 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. Rosin \$7.35 to \$10.10. Cottonseed oil sales today including switches 14,200 bbls. P. Crude S. E. nominal. Prices closed as follows:

April	9.75@	July	10.00@10.01	Oct.	10.18@10.23
May	9.73@	Aug.	10.10@10.15	Nov.	10.00@10.15
June	9.78@ 9.99	Sept.	10.20@10.23		

PETROLEUM.—Gasoline continues to improve. The tone was firmer. U. S. Motor in tank cars local refineries ranged from 9 to 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. and in tank cars delivered to nearby trade 10 to 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. The Gulf market was firm and reports stated that European buyers were more interested. Bunker oil was in good demand and firm at \$1.05 at refineries and \$1.10 f.a.s. New York harbor. Diesel oil was fairly active and steady at 2 to 2.10 local refineries. Gas oil demand improved a little with refiners asking 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ c. in bulk refineries. Furnace oil was in fair demand at 6 to 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. in bulk at refineries. Kerosene buying was a little better at 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ for 43-45 water white in tank cars at refineries and 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. in tank cars delivered to nearby trade. Tank wagon prices were steady. There was a better export demand. Lubricating oils were somewhat more active and steady. Cylinder stocks were steady. Gasoline late in the week was advanced $\frac{1}{8}$ c. by the Cities Service Co. to 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. in tank cars delivered at Boston and adjacent points. Several other companies are quoting this price while one is asking 11c.

*Tables of prices usually appearing here will be found on an earlier page in our department of "Business Indications," in an article entitled "Petroleum and Its Products."

RUBBER—On the 22nd inst. New York advanced 10 to 40 points, the latter on May, with London's stock showing an increase last week of only 57 tons, and a rise there to 10d an early feature. But on the rise profit-taking set in and prices reacted. They ended unchanged to 20 points lower in some cases though early 1930 deliveries closed 10 points higher. On the 23rd inst. prices advanced 70 to 90 points on futures and $\frac{1}{2}$ c. on spot prices. The sales of futures were 856 lots or 2,140 tons. London advanced $\frac{1}{4}$ c. on near deliveries. So-called pool operators were said to be buying freely. Trade brokers bought. The technical position was evidently stronger. Much liquidation had recently been done. New York ended on the 23rd inst. with May 20.30 to 20.40c.; July 20.80 to 20.90c.; Sept. 21.20 to 21.30c.; Oct. 21.30c.; Dec. 21.50 to 21.60c.; Jan. 21.70c. and March 22 to 22.10c. Outside prices: Smoked sheets, spot and April 20 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; May-June 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 20 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; July-Sept. 21 to 21 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; Oct.-Dec. 21 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 21 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. Spot, first latex crepe 20 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 21c.; clean thin brown crepe 18 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 18 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; rolled 13 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; No. 2 amber 18 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 18 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; No. 3, 18 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 18 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; No. 4, 18 to 18 $\frac{1}{4}$ c. Paras, upriver, fine spot 21 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 21 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; coarse 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; Acre, fine spot 22 to 22 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; Caucho Ball-Upper 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ c. London spot, April and May 10 $\frac{1}{8}$ d; June 10-5/16. Singapore May 9-11/16d.

On the 24th inst. came a decline of 50 to 70 points with the trade a heavy seller. London though up early 1/16d to 10-5/16d spot April and May reacted later to 10 $\frac{1}{8}$ d. The sales here were 837 lots or 2,092 tons. London, it was said, reacted on New York reports that steps were being taken by the pool managers to distribute its holdings among the members. The story could not be confirmed here, although it was said that pool operators were moderate sellers of actual rubber in the outside market. Dealers outside lowered their prices $\frac{5}{8}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ c. on spot and forward deliveries of standards ribs and latex, offering April arrival of the standard at a shade below 20c. and May-June at 20 $\frac{1}{4}$ c. Manufacturers for once, it was said, bought on the decline on a rather liberal scale. New York on the 24th inst. closed with May 19.70 to 19.80c.; July 20.30 to 20.40c.; September 20.60 to 20.70c.; October 20.70c.; Dec. 20.90 to 21c.; Jan. 21c. Outside prices: Ribbed smoked sheets spot and April 19 $\frac{5}{8}$ to 19 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; May-June 20 to 20 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; July Sept. 20 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 20 $\frac{1}{2}$. Spot, first latex crepe 20 $\frac{3}{8}$ to 20 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; clean thin brown crepe 18 to 18 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; No. 2 amber 18 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 18 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; No. 3, 18 to 18 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; Paras,

up-river fine spot 21 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 21 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; coarse 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ c. Singapore, May 9-13/16c.

Rubber invoiced for shipment to the United States for the week ended April 20, according to visa figures of the Department of Commerce totalled 9,601 tons, or an increase of 147 tons over the previous week. Details: Week ending April 20, British Malaya 6,863 tons, Ceylon 740 tons, Netherland East Indies 1,886, London and Liverpool 112; total 9,601 tons. Week ending April 13: British Malaya 7,061 tons, Ceylon 458 tons, Netherland East Indies 1,935 tons; total 9,454 tons. Week ending April 6th: British Malaya, 9,234 tons, Ceylon 1,037 tons, Netherland East Indies 1,975 tons, London and Liverpool 10; total 12,256 tons. British capitalists who have extensive rubber holdings in Central and South America are reported planning to seek concessions from the Mexican government to exploit rubber in that country. They are expected to invest upward of \$20,000,000 in plantations in Mexico, presumably on the Isthmus of Tehuantepec in the States of Tobasco and Chiapas. The three capitalists, Charles Hudon, J. L. Graham and E. E. Park, will spend several weeks in Mexico City and then visit prospective rubber producing ones.

New York on the 25th inst. declined 30 points with sales of 2,077 tons. London was $\frac{1}{4}$ d lower. Long liquidation was a factor. They say factories bought rather freely on a decline of $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{3}{8}$ c. May ended here at 19.40 to 19.50c.; June 19.70c.; July 20 to 20.40c.; August 20.20c.; Sept. 20.30 to 23.40; Oct. 20.40c.; Nov. 20.50c.; Dec. 20.60c.; Jan. 20.80 to 20.90c. Outside prices: Smoked sheets, spot and April 19 $\frac{3}{8}$ to 19 $\frac{5}{8}$ c.; May-June 19 $\frac{3}{8}$ to 19 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; July-Sept. 19 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 20 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; Oct.-Dec. 20 $\frac{1}{8}$ to 20 $\frac{3}{8}$ c. Spot, first latex, crepe 20 to 20 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; clean thin brown crepe 17 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 18c.; rolled 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 13c.; No. 2 amber 18 to 18 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; No. 3, 17 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 18c.; No. 4, 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 17 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; Paras, upriver fine spot 21 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 21 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; coarse 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; Acre, fine spot 22 to 22 $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; Caucho, Ball-Upper 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ c. London on the 25th inst. closed with spot and May 9 $\frac{7}{8}$ d; June 9-15/16d and July-Sept. 10 $\frac{1}{8}$ d. Singapore ended on the 25th with May 9 $\frac{1}{8}$ d; July-Sept. 9-11/16d and Oct.-Dec. 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ d. To-day prices closed 20 to 40 points higher with sales of 714 lots. Final prices for the week are unchanged to 20 points higher. Singapore and London today advanced 1/16 to $\frac{1}{8}$ d respectively. Spot May at London ended at 9-15/16d; June 10d; July-Sept. 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ d and Oct.-Dec. 10-11/16d. London stocks are expected to increase 500 tons by the trade here. At the beginning of the current week the stock abroad was 30,503 tons.

HIDES.—Recent sales include 1,000 Swift La Plata steers at \$40. or 18 $\frac{1}{4}$ c. River Plate steers are said to be increasing rapidly and are now estimated at around 65,000 Argentine steers. Some are looking for lower prices suggesting the possibility of 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. though no sales were reported at that price. It is stated that late last week one of the local packers sold April branded hides, including 2,000 butt brands at 14c.; 3,000 Colorados at 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; 9,500 March native steers at 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. and 1,300 April native steers at 15c. Common dry hides have been quiet. Country hides were rather unsettled. Common, Cucutas 25c.; Orinocos 23 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 24c.; Laguayra, Maracaibo and Santa Marta 23 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; Central America 23c.; Savanillas 22 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.

OCEAN FREIGHTS.—Business was disappointing. Later business increased.

CHARTERS included grain, from Montreal, April 25-May 6, to Bordeaux-Dunkirk range 15c. and 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. 24,000 qrs. Montreal, May 8-20, to Antwerp or Rotterdam 18c.; 37,000 qrs. Montreal, May 15-25, to Mediterranean basis 18 $\frac{1}{2}$ c., Spain $\frac{1}{2}$ c. more; Gulf, May, to Spanish Mediterranean 19c.; 32,000 qrs. New York to Antwerp or Rotterdam, May 15-28, 11c.; 35,000 qrs. Montreal May 15-25, to Antwerp or Rotterdam 18c. Sugar:—Cuba transatlantic, figured at around 18s. Lumber:—Gulf, May-June, Buenos Aires \$16.25 $\frac{1}{2}$, Buenos Aires and Rosario \$16.50. Gulf, May to Rosario 15s. Coal:—Hampton Roads, first half of June, to Santos \$3.75. Tankers:—Gulf, June, to Steilene 19s 3d; Batoum-Venice, 18s clean, April; Constanza-Alexandria 8s clean, May; Batoum-London 17s, second trip Black Sea-United Kingdom Continent 18s, lubricating, April-May; Constanza-Havre 16s, fuel and/or gas and/or diesel, June; Batoum or Novorissisk-Piome 11s 6d, clean, April-May; Black Sea, May-June lubricating to U.K.-Continent 16s 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; Gulf, April, lubricating oil to 2 north of Hatteras ports 35c., one port 2c. less; Gulf, May, clean to U.K.-Continent 17s 6d. Time:—Continuation, South American round, prompt \$1.15; delivery San Francisco, redelivery United States North of Hatteras, April-May, \$1.45; May delivery, U. S. redelivery, E. C. United Kingdom \$1.75, if United Kingdom Continent \$2; prompt delivery trip across \$1.85; round trip, South America, continuation \$1.12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.; prompt North Hatteras, West Indies round \$1.22 $\frac{1}{2}$. Sulphur:—April, Gulf to Hamburg, \$3.50.

COAL.—Railroad demand has been smaller. Export demand has been rather slack and prices seemed inclined to sag. It appears that discussion of a \$1. export coal rail differential has been revived. That reduction would continue to impose a considerable freight handicap in competition with the short rail run of Welsh coal, but some contented in the export trade that it would eventually add 10,000,000 tons to the American export of coal. Pittsburgh reported production lower and demand small. Prices show little change: Western Pennsylvania grades of run-of-mine coal were quoted per net ton as follows: steam \$1.25 to \$1.75; coking coal \$1.50 to \$1.75; gas coal, \$1.65 to \$1.75; steam slack 80 cents to 90 cents and gas slack \$1. to \$1.10.

TOBACCO was reported in rather better demand here. Sumatra is obtainable here now and fine grades are in very moderate demand and well taken. For Connecticut shade there is some demand at about unchanged prices. Mayfield, Ky., to the U. S. Tobacco Journal: "The un-

usually light deliveries during the week in the Western fired dark district indicate crop has been sold, and as a result auction sales will be had at Mayfield, Paducah and Murray. Deliveries were also light at Hopkinsville, which market will close May 3rd. At Springfield and Clarksville where the growers have been somewhat indifferent about making deliveries, offerings were about normal. No announcement has been made as to the date these markets will close. Mayfield: Sales for week 12,995 lbs. at an average of \$8.26; week's average \$1.56 lower. Murray: Sales 35,850 lbs., average \$7.85; week's average \$3.99 lower. Hopkinsville: Sales 508,625 lbs. average \$12.05; week's average 98c. lower. Clarksville: Sales 1,224,965 lbs. average \$12.95; week's average 38c. higher. Springfield: Sales 1,039,825 lbs., average \$14.25; week's average 38c. higher.

COPPER was firmer at 18c. delivered to Connecticut Valley and 18.30c. for export. Demand at best was only fair. Buyers and sellers are awaiting developments. In London on the 24th inst. spot standard dropped 5s to £77 10s at the first session, futures were off 2s 6d to £74 12s 6d; sales 100 tons spot and 700 futures. Spot electrolytic declined 5s; futures off 5s to £84 5s. At the second session sales were 50 tons of spot and 50 futures. Later trade was slow at 18c. for domestic and 18.30c. for Europe. In London on the 25th inst. spot standard fell 5s to £77 5s; futures sagged 7s 6d to £74 5s; sales 800 tons futures. Spot electrolytic declined 5s to £83 15s; futures unchanged at £84 5s; sales 800 tons futures. At the second session standard copper ended at £77 7s 6d for spot and £74 7s 6d for futures.

TIN was rather quiet. Sales of Straits and other specific brands were not more than 50 tons on the 24th inst. Straits sold at 44.85c. On the Exchange prices advanced 20 to 25 points with sales of 235 tons. At London on the 24th inst. sales were 700 tons. American tin deliveries in April are expected by some to be 8,500 tons which would be a record. Here on the 24th inst. May ended at 44.55c, July at 44.60c. and September at 44.60c. London on the 24th inst. advanced £1 2s 6d in the first session to £203 7s 6d; futures up £1 to £205; sales 20 tons spot and 430 futures. Spot Straits up £1 2s 6d to £204 17s 6d; Eastern c.i.f. London advanced £2 to £206 on sales of 125 tons. At the second session standard spot was off 2s 6d and futures 5s. Later trade was quiet and weak at 44 7/8c. for Straits. Futures closed 80 to 95 points lower. In London on the 25th inst. spot standard fell £2 2s 6d at the first session to £201 5s; futures off £2 5s to £103; sales 60 tons spot and 340 futures; spot Straits declined £2 2s 6d to £202 15s; Eastern c.i.f. London advanced 5s to £206 5s on sales of 275 tons. At the second session spot standard dropped £1 10s; futures off £1 5s to £201 15s; total sales 740 tons.

Today prices closed 25 to 35 points lower with sales of 240 tons. May ended at 43.31c., July 43.40c. and Sept. 43.40c. For the week final prices are 35 to 44 points lower.

LEAD was in good demand early in the week but later the buying fell off somewhat. Prices were steady at 6.85c. East St. Louis and 7c. New York. Most of the inquiry was for small lots. On the 24th inst. London fell 1s 3d at the first session to £24 13s 9d for spot and £24 2s 6d for futures; sales 500 tons futures. At the second session spot was £24 12s 6d; futures £24 1s 3d with no sales. Latterly New York has been steady at 7c and East St. Louis at 6.85c but with little business. In London on the 25th inst. spot declined 5s to £24 8s 9d; futures down 2s 6d to £24; sales 400 tons.

ZINC was rather weak. Producers are reported to have sold at as low as 6.60c. while second hands are down to 6.55c. Some of the large producers however cling to the 6.75 to 6.90c. range but were not supposed to be doing much if any business. In London on the 24th inst. prices fell 5s to £26 6s 3d for spot and £26 3s 9d for futures; sales 600 tons futures. Of late prices have been quoted, singular to say, at 6.55 to 6.75c. but nobody pretends that there is any business at 6.75c. Shipments are good, but new sales small. In London on the 25th inst. spot unchanged at £25 18s 9d; futures off 7s 6d to £25 16s 3d; sales 650 tons futures.

STEEL has been in only fair demand where it has not been quiet. At Pittsburgh most finished steel was reported steady, i.e. hot rolled strips, cold finished steel, bars and shafting. Bolts, nuts and rivets prices, it is stated are being maintained at advanced quotations, as first quarter orders are being liquidated. Sheets are quoted at \$2.95 Pittsburgh for black; \$3.70 Pittsburgh for galvanized and \$2.20 base for blue-annealed. Semi-finished steel is reported scarce. But demand has recently been lessening. The United States Steel Corporation is said to have produced steel ingots at 100 per cent., owing to increase in production at Duluth, in order to ship semi-finished steel to Chicago and relieve the shortage there. In Chicago there is apparently a better business than at some other centers.

PIG IRON has been quiet everywhere. New England reported recent sales of Buffalo iron there it seems at as low as \$18. at the furnace at a time when \$19 was quoted. Now the range is called \$17.50 to \$18. It is stated that about 30,000 tons of iron have been booked for water shipment from Buffalo to the Great Lakes district. The water movement for iron East will start before long. It is also stated consumption of Lake Superior iron ore is

700,000 tons monthly, a suggestive hint as to the size of the production of pig iron this year. Despite the scarcity of semi-finished steel, there is an ample supply of pig iron. Stocks in the East at furnace yards are said to be the smallest since 1923. Alabama is said to have sold at \$15. to \$15.50.

WOOL.—Boston has been less active. Finer grades are said to be somewhat steadier as stocks of such wool decreased. But in the main trade is very dull. Ohio and Penn. fine delaine 40 to 41c.; 1/2 blood 45c.; 3/8 blood 47 to 48c.; 1/4 blood 46 to 47c. The government report of April 25th said: "Trading in Western grown wools on this market is very slow and consists principally of fine and half blood 58-60 strictly combing wools. The volume of the sales is unusually small, with limited inquiries from manufacturers. Fine strictly combing territory wools have been sold at around \$1.02 to \$1.03 scoured basis and the 58-60s brought about \$1 scoured basis." The next big event will be the London auction sales which will open next Tuesday, April 30th. In Liverpool on April 23rd the East India wool auction prices were steady on all wools and up 1/2d to 1d on white vicianeres. All carpet wools were firm. Melbourne has closed for the season except for an unscheduled clean-up sale at Geelong, April 23rd. With prices steady on an indifferent selection, there was a fair selection in the Geelong sale. There was good competition and prices were firm, while Sydney with the Continent still taking the bulk of the wool, which was Continental styled, was unchanged. Cables from London predicted firm prices in London next Tuesday when the third Colonial auction series of the year begins.

SILK to day ended 4 points lower to 5 points higher with sales of 420 bales. May ended at 5.15 to 5.17c.; July 5.06c. and Sept. 4.86c. to 4.87c.

COTTON

Friday Night, April 26 1929.

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 56,917 bales, against 57,351 bales last week and 48,659 bales the previous week, making the total receipts since Aug. 1 1928 8,702,934 bales, against 7,654,224 bales for the same period of 1927-28, showing an increase since Aug. 1 1928 of 1,048,710 bales.

Receipts at—	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Total.
Galveston	634	1,948	3,167	1,911	1,182	761	9,603
Texas City	---	---	---	---	---	---	176
Houston	1,612	4,278	2,266	977	1,105	2,026	12,264
New Orleans	2,348	2,725	2,892	4,224	4,159	2,217	18,565
Mobile	619	204	227	3,217	311	328	4,906
Savannah	683	184	939	434	1,090	---	3,310
Charleston	49	92	630	575	27	215	1,588
Wilmington	582	59	102	158	125	20	1,046
Norfolk	215	124	172	210	208	285	1,214
New York	325	312	---	736	---	---	2,070
Boston	---	---	44	---	---	---	44
Baltimore	---	---	---	---	---	2,131	2,131
Totals this week.	7,047	9,926	10,439	12,442	8,207	8,856	56,917

The following table shows the week's total receipts, the total since Aug. 1 1928 and the stocks to-night, compared with last year:

Receipts to April 26.	1928-29.		1927-28.		Stock.	
	This Week.	Since Aug 1 1928.	This Week.	Since Aug 1 1927.	1929.	1928.
Galveston	9,603	2,720,905	33,846	2,069,770	299,146	307,968
Texas City	176	175,432	189	88,916	14,271	28,578
Houston	12,264	2,802,926	13,625	2,438,940	517,843	511,237
Corpus Christi	---	266,831	---	176,961	---	---
Port Arthur, &c.	---	15,915	---	2,444	---	---
New Orleans	18,565	1,497,205	19,036	1,369,038	262,211	342,951
Gulfport	---	498	---	---	---	---
Mobile	4,906	260,740	4,940	259,202	22,882	11,697
Pensacola	---	12,373	112	12,494	---	---
Jacksonville	---	186	---	8	674	582
Savannah	3,310	349,375	8,763	588,904	25,414	29,658
Brunswick	---	---	---	---	---	---
Charleston	1,588	162,147	3,737	239,985	22,008	24,742
Lake Charles	---	5,505	---	756	---	---
Wilmington	1,046	124,167	3,737	121,169	30,524	29,444
Norfolk	1,214	221,156	2,735	207,806	67,557	65,048
N'port News, &c.	---	92	---	---	---	---
New York	2,070	45,754	140	6,439	156,037	135,259
Boston	44	3,207	991	6,754	3,450	3,666
Baltimore	2,131	48,509	527	64,483	1,056	1,558
Philadelphia	---	11	---	155	4,647	5,853
Totals	56,917	8,702,934	92,378	7,654,224	1,427,720	1,498,241

In order that comparison may be made with other years, we give below the totals at leading ports for six seasons:

Receipts at—	1928-29.	1927-28.	1926-27.	1925-26.	1924-25.	1923-24.
Galveston	9,603	33,846	12,762	19,366	13,293	13,436
Houston*	12,264	13,625	16,566	37,582	25,846	15,268
New Orleans.	18,565	19,036	21,678	26,302	12,658	19,576
Mobile	4,906	4,940	2,940	2,260	690	841
Savannah	3,310	8,763	11,104	13,291	3,220	6,811
Brunswick	---	---	---	---	---	---
Charleston	1,588	3,737	7,453	2,203	1,133	1,575
Wilmington	1,046	3,737	4,819	1,217	433	1,105
Norfolk	1,214	2,735	5,326	9,398	5,676	4,869
N'port N., &c.	---	---	---	---	---	---
All others	4,421	1,959	3,488	3,739	1,070	1,302
Tot. this week	56,917	92,378	86,136	115,448	64,025	64,783
Since Aug. 1	8,702,934	7,654,224	11,959,762	8,829,885	8,767,620	6,224,637

* 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 84,195 bales, of which 16,089 were to Great Britain, 3,013 to France, 10,320 to Germany, 10,093 to Italy, 26,520 to Russia, 13,500 to Japan and China and 4,660 to other destinations. In the corresponding week last year total exports were 113,061 bales. For the season to date aggregate exports have been 7,059,808 bales, against 6,196,392 bales in the same period of the previous season. Below are the exports for the week:

Week Ended Apr. 26 1929. Exports from—	Exported to—							Total.
	Great Britain.	France.	Germany.	Italy.	Russia.	Japan & China.	Other.	
Galveston.....	4,912	---	2,268	2,169	---	4,904	---	14,253
Houston.....	---	---	2,681	3,974	14,283	5,740	---	26,678
Texas City.....	774	---	---	---	---	---	---	774
New Orleans.....	50	2,988	---	3,850	12,237	---	3,754	22,879
Mobile.....	2,385	---	---	---	---	---	---	2,385
Savannah.....	53	25	2,580	---	---	---	546	3,204
Charleston.....	1,618	---	1,842	---	---	---	---	3,460
Norfolk.....	328	---	149	---	---	---	110	587
New York.....	10	---	350	100	---	---	250	710
Los Angeles.....	3,250	---	316	---	---	2,756	---	6,322
San Diego.....	2,441	---	---	---	---	---	---	2,441
San Francisco.....	268	---	134	---	---	100	---	502
Total.....	16,089	3,013	10,320	10,093	26,520	13,500	4,660	84,195
Total 1927-28.....	25,302	6,943	22,637	16,170	25,900	9,378	6,731	113,061
Total 1926-27.....	18,599	8,132	37,905	3,886	18,733	46,675	36,173	170,193

From Aug. 1 1928 to Apr. 26 1929. Exports from—	Exported to—							Total.
	Great Britain.	France.	Germany.	Italy.	Russia.	Japan & China.	Other.	
Galveston.....	372,286	297,329	555,995	178,849	15,798	548,024	350,875	2,319,156
Houston.....	392,002	271,679	514,468	197,229	79,763	427,450	153,921	2,036,522
Texas City.....	34,615	12,068	38,866	1,616	---	9,682	11,117	107,964
Corpus Christi.....	46,405	41,940	89,541	21,624	4,904	55,036	27,781	287,231
Port Arthur.....	680	2,430	8,310	650	---	---	3,845	15,915
Lake Charles.....	1,296	---	1,161	3,250	---	---	---	6,027
New Orleans.....	386,005	89,355	212,956	116,315	81,677	148,192	101,383	1,133,733
Mobile.....	85,001	1,943	73,177	3,398	---	10,300	4,570	178,389
Pensacola.....	4,348	---	5,775	750	---	1,400	100	12,373
Savannah.....	151,998	49	111,295	2,622	---	10,600	3,767	280,331
Gulport.....	498	---	---	---	---	---	---	498
Charleston.....	57,739	777	57,519	---	---	1,150	13,545	130,730
Wilmington.....	33,800	---	9,842	39,000	---	---	3,400	86,042
Norfolk.....	70,572	1,038	23,903	2,374	---	5,900	1,965	105,752
Newport News.....	92	---	---	---	---	---	---	92
New York.....	22,685	3,984	25,430	13,089	---	6,010	14,320	85,518
Boston.....	1,284	---	1,442	---	---	---	3,564	6,290
Baltimore.....	---	2,629	---	1,549	---	---	---	4,178
Philadelphia.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	233
Los Angeles.....	65,874	13,799	36,014	5,935	---	72,868	110	194,390
San Diego.....	6,607	1,948	4,296	---	---	---	600	13,451
San Fran.....	9,676	250	6,789	200	---	17,170	675	34,960
Seattle.....	---	---	---	---	---	18,073	---	18,073
Total.....	1,743,445	741,228	1,776,770	588,450	182,642	1,331,855	696,018	7,059,808
Total 1927-28.....	1,215,648	793,696	1,859,050	542,875	214,267	854,870	715,986	6,196,392
Total 1926-27.....	2,342,515	916,356	2,591,361	665,366	252,470	1,577,609	1,062,005	9,407,682

Note.—Exports to Canada.—It has never been our practice to include in the above table reports of cotton shipments to Canada, the reason being that virtually all the cotton destined to the Dominion comes overland and it is impossible to get returns concerning the same from week to week, while reports from the customs districts on the Canadian border are always very slow in coming to hand. In view, however, of the numerous inquiries we are receiving regarding the matter, we will say that for the month of March the exports to the Dominion the present season have been 24,143 bales. In the corresponding month of the preceding season the exports were 18,857 bales. For the eight months ended March 30 1929 there were 198,509 bales exported, as against 171,163 bales for the corresponding eight months of 1927-28.

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:

April 26 at—	On Shipboard Not Cleared for—					Total.	Leaving Stock.
	Great Britain.	France.	Germany.	Other Foreign.	Coast-wise.		
Galveston.....	5,600	5,200	6,800	20,000	4,500	42,100	257,046
New Orleans.....	5,453	2,202	1,303	6,491	176	15,625	246,586
Savannah.....	---	---	---	---	200	200	25,214
Charleston.....	---	---	---	---	615	615	21,393
Mobile.....	950	---	---	1,200	4,250	6,400	16,482
Norfolk.....	---	---	---	---	---	---	67,557
Other ports*.....	2,500	1,500	5,000	24,000	---	33,000	695,502
Total 1929.....	14,503	8,902	13,103	51,691	9,741	97,940	1,329,780
Total 1928.....	20,959	9,762	14,435	41,888	2,850	89,894	1,408,347
Total 1927.....	25,039	13,708	22,484	73,807	3,692	138,730	1,911,807

* Estimated.

Speculation in cotton for future delivery was more active and after an early decline in prices they suddenly took an upward course on Wednesday with the market strengthened by the recent drastic liquidation at home and abroad and the accumulation of a very considerable short account. Moreover the weather has been too cold and in some parts of the belt there has been too much rain. In some others the soil has been too wet for planting. Later, however, prices collapsed under very heavy liquidation with the weather generally good and talk of a larger acreage than has been generally expected. Yet on the 20th inst. prices fell 25 to 30 points on heavy liquidation with Liverpool down and the weather over much of the belt favorable. Also there was a fear of the May notices to be issued on the 25th inst. May liquidation was a feature. The West, Wall Street, the wire houses and New Orleans sold. Shorts covered on a liberal scale and the trade bought May but the stress was on the selling side, especially on the old crop. Much switching was done by selling May and July and buying December and other new crop months. The belt was too cool and the Southwest had rainfalls of 1 1/4 to 3 1/2 inches. But the private crop advices were in the main good. Planting was making rapid progress.

On the 22d inst. prices fell some 20 points owing to liquidation of the old crop, particularly May. Liverpool and Alexandria prices were falling. The weather in the Atlantic States at least was favorable. May was down to 19.67c. and July to 19c. In southern Texas 75% of the planting,

it is said, has been done and in central Texas 30%. The feeling was that liquidation, heavy as it had been recently, had not been completed. On the other hand, the short account had increased materially. The technical position from every point of view was better. The forecast was better. That seemed to atone for rains of 1 1/2 to 2 inches in the central and eastern Gulf States and Arkansas and more or less in the Atlantic belt. It was too cool in the Southwest, with minimum temperatures there as low as 34 to 36 degrees. It was said that planting in northern Texas was to the extent of only 5%. But these were treated as minor considerations.

On the 24th inst. prices advanced 26 to 36 points. Liquidation of May had to all appearance about run its course. Liverpool prices were higher than expected. The demand for May and July increased. Chicago and Wall Street bought July very freely. Covering in the whole list of months was active. The transactions, estimated at nearly 500,000 bales, were the largest for some time past. The trade called May on a considerable scale. Undesirable rains up to 3 inches fell in Oklahoma. In Texas there were rains that were not wanted. Storm warnings were up for the Gulf of Mexico. The forecast was for colder and even freezing temperatures in parts of Texas and Oklahoma and showers over the rest of the belt. The weekly report said that in the Eastern half of the belt the nights had been rather too cool for the best germination and growth of early seeded cotton and planting had been delayed in parts of the Carolinas, Oklahoma, Mississippi and Arkansas by wet weather. Recent heavy rains in some parts of Texas necessitated re-planting as well as in southeastern Alabama. Recent floods prevented cultivation in Tennessee. In Mississippi germination and growth are mostly poor, owing to frequent rains and cool nights. In the Carolinas the progress in planting has latterly been slow owing to the low temperatures and the wetness of the soil. And the closing was at very near the top for the day although the belt as a whole was clear if too cool. The weekly report had favorable features which were not lost sight of, although the technical position and heavy covering directed the course of prices upward. The weekly report said that planting made mostly satisfactory advance. Early plantings have been nearly completed in South Carolina and progressed rapidly in Georgia, except in the northern part, with plants ready to chop out as far north as Macon. Louisiana conditions were generally good with stand excellent. In Arkansas very good progress in planting was reported in western and some northern sections. In Oklahoma planting has become general in the southeast and south central portions and has begun in the north and west. In Texas growth and stands are mostly good and the general condition ranges from fairly good to excellent. One estimate put the increase in acreage 5%. Some private reports say it will be larger than had been generally supposed in the Eastern belt.

On the 25th inst., after a brief and very moderate advance, prices suddenly turned downward 38 to 56 points from the early high as the demand to cover flagged, new "long" buying of importance failed to appear and the buying by spinners and other seemed to be inadequate to absorb the offerings. The "notices" were for 52,000 bales. Wall Street, the West, Memphis, New Orleans, and local operators sold freely. Stop orders were of course uncovered on a decline of roughly \$2 to \$3 a bale. There were rainfalls of 1 1/4 to 3 inches in the belt, but they had little or no influence for the forecast was more cheerful. It pointed to fair weather all over the belt and warmer temperatures in Texas, Oklahoma, and Arkansas. It is true that the prediction for the rest of the belt was for colder weather. But in the bearish mood of the time this counted for nothing. Stocks, grain and cotton were all lower. Call money was up to 12% and the Reichsbank of Germany raised its discount rate 1%, making it 7 1/2%. Meantime in some of some of the private reports it is said that in Mississippi for instance the acreage in parts of that State will be increased 10%. Some others stated that the acreage in the Eastern belt will be larger than is commonly expected. Spot markets on Thursday declined 35 to 50 points and the sales were much smaller than on the same day in 1928. The exports were negligible. On the other hand, the trade is buying on a scale down.

To-day prices were somewhat irregular and at one time 25 to 30 points lower, with Liverpool depressed and the weather in the main favorable, in spite of undesirable rains in Georgia. The forecast was for generally fair weather and in Texas higher temperatures. The "Dallas News" crop report was in the main favorable, showing that in the northern part of that State the season is 10 days to three weeks earlier than last year. In other parts of Texas planting is well advanced; the only trouble is that the days and nights have been too cool. Otherwise the germination would have been better. Wall Street, the West and the South all sold. Long liquidation was heavy enough to drive prices down to stop orders. The decline in stocks had some effect, with money up to 16%. Exports for the week make a poor exhibit. Worth Street was dull. In Manchester prices were low enough to attract a larger amount of business. On the other hand, however, the weevil emergency in Texas is said to be heavy. One report put the total there up to April 16 at 2.24%, against .37 for the same time last year. The technical position is better. Long liquidation has been very severe. Prices are down sharply. A period of bad weather

under the circumstances, it is believed, would have a good deal of effect. A rally later in the day left the net decline on most months 16 points. The trade was a steady buyer. There was more or less foreign buying. The West covered. Wall Street, it is said, bought July and October to some extent. Spot cotton fell 15 points to 19.75c. for middling, a decline for the week of 55 points. On futures the week's net decline is 64 to 73 points, the latter on July.

Staple Premiums 60% of average of six markets quoting for deliveries on May 2 1929.		Differences between grades established for delivery on contract May 2 1929. Figured from the April 25 average quotations of the ten markets designated by the Secretary of Agriculture.	
15-16 Inch.	1-Inch & longer.		
.20	.61	Middling Fair.....White.....	.80 on Mid.
.20	.61	Strict Good Middling.....do.....	.60 do
.20	.61	Good Middling.....do.....	.42 do
.20	.64	Strict Middling.....do.....	.29 do
.23	.64	Middling.....do.....	76 off
.21	.60	Strict Low Middling.....do.....	1.61 do
.21	.60	Low Middling.....do.....	.42 on do
		Good Middling.....Extra White.....	.29 do
		Strict Middling.....do.....	.29 do
		Middling.....do.....	even do
		Strict Low Middling.....do.....	.76 off do
		Low Middling.....do.....	1.61 do
.21	.58	Good Middling.....Spotted.....	.24 9n do
.21	.58	Strict Middling.....do.....	.01 off do
.20	.59	Middling.....do.....	.76 do
.20	.53	Strict Good Middling.....Yellow Tinged.....	.04 off do
.20	.53	Good Middling.....do.....	.45 do
.20	.53	Strict Middling.....do.....	.92 do
.20	.53	Good Middling.....Light Yellow Stained.....	1.08 off do
.20	.53	Good Middling.....Yellow Stained.....	1.42 off do
.19	.50	Good Middling.....Gray.....	.69 off do
.19	.50	Strict Middling.....do.....	1.08 do

The official quotation for middling upland cotton in the New York market each day for the past week has been:

April 20 to April 26—	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Middling upland.....	20.05	19.85	19.85	20.25	19.90	19.75

NEW YORK QUOTATIONS FOR 32 YEARS.

1929	1928	1927	1926	1925	1924	1923	1922	1921	1920	1919	1918	1917	1916	1915	1914	1913	1912	1911	1910	1909	1908	1907	1906	1905	1904	1903	1902	1901	1900		
19.75c.	21.60c.	15.10c.	18.90c.	24.45c.	30.50c.	28.85c.	18.60c.	12.30c.	42.00c.	29.50c.	28.15c.	20.15c.	12.10c.	10.60c.	13.25c.	11.85c.	11.75c.	15.35c.	15.25c.	10.90c.	10.10c.	11.30c.	11.75c.	18.55c.	17.75c.	10.50c.	9.69c.	8.31c.	9.81c.	6.12c.	6.44c.

MARKET AND SALES AT NEW YORK.

	Spot Market Closed.	Futures Market Closed.	SALES.		
			Spot.	Contr't	Total.
Saturday	Quiet, 25 pts. decl.	Easy	100	---	100
Monday	Quiet, 20 pts. decl.	Barely steady	---	---	---
Tuesday	Quiet, unchanged.	Steady	1,230	---	1,230
Wednesday	Steady, 40 pts. adv.	Firm	900	---	900
Thursday	Quiet, 35 pts. decl.	Barely steady	400	---	400
Friday	Quiet, 15 pts. decl.	Steady	---	---	---
Total	---	---	2,630	---	2,630
Since Aug. 1	---	---	157,657	400,900	558,557

FUTURES.—The highest, lowest and closing prices at New York for the past week have been as follows:

	Saturday, April 20.	Monday, April 22.	Tuesday, April 23.	Wednesday, April 24.	Thursday, April 25.	Friday, April 26.
April—						
Range	19.80	19.60	19.62	---	---	---
Closing	19.80	19.60	19.62	---	---	---
May—						
Range	19.90-20.11	19.67-19.90	19.65-19.86	19.76-20.02	19.60-20.11	19.35-19.62
Closing	19.90-19.93	19.70-19.72	19.72-19.74	19.98-20.02	19.64-19.66	19.48-19.49
June—						
Range	---	---	---	19.82	---	---
Closing	19.43	19.27	19.33	19.88	19.54	19.38
July—						
Range	19.23-19.42	19.00-19.22	19.06-19.25	19.21-19.44	18.90-19.53	18.62-18.91
Closing	19.23-19.26	19.07-19.09	19.13-19.15	19.42-19.44	18.91-18.96	18.75-18.76
Aug.—						
Range	---	---	---	19.50	---	---
Closing	19.24	19.15	19.19	19.50	18.95	18.77
Sept.—						
Range	---	---	---	19.54	---	---
Closing	19.24	19.15	19.25	19.55	18.97	18.79
Oct.—						
Range	19.29-19.50	19.15-19.25	19.23-19.35	19.36-19.60	19.09-19.68	18.80-19.07
Closing	19.33-19.34	19.22	19.31	19.60	19.08-19.09	18.84
Oct. (new)						
Range	19.25-19.48	19.05-19.21	19.12-19.31	19.29-19.55	18.97-19.60	18.70-19.00
Closing	19.25-19.26	19.12-19.15	19.22	19.52-19.55	18.98-19.02	18.82-18.83
Nov.—						
Range	---	---	---	19.18	---	---
Closing	19.28	19.13	19.24	19.57	19.05	18.87
Nov. (new)						
Range	---	19.09-19.16	19.18	---	---	---
Closing	19.31	19.10	19.18	19.58	19.04	18.85
Dec.—						
Range	19.36-19.59	19.19-19.32	19.27-19.43	19.42-19.68	19.09-19.72	18.87-19.11
Closing	19.38-19.40	19.23	19.34-19.35	19.65-19.68	19.13-19.15	18.97
Jan. (1930)						
Range	19.31-19.53	19.12-19.28	19.24-19.36	19.38-19.68	19.09-19.69	18.87-19.10
Closing	19.31-19.32	19.15-19.16	19.30-19.32	19.66-19.68	19.10-19.12	18.95-18.99
Feb.—						
Range	---	---	---	19.69	---	---
Closing	19.39	19.22	19.36	19.69	19.14	19.03
Mar.—						
Range	19.45-19.67	19.26-19.42	19.34-19.46	19.48-19.74	19.18-19.76	19.00-19.22
Closing	19.47-19.48	19.30	19.43	19.72-19.74	19.18-19.20	19.11

Range of future prices at New York for week ending April 26 1929 and since trading began on each option:

Option for—	Range for Week.	Range Since Beginning of Option.
Apr. 1929	19.35 Apr. 26	17.72 Sept. 19 1928
May 1929	20.11 Apr. 26	18.00 Aug. 13 1928
June 1929	19.82 Apr. 24	17.12 Sept. 19 1928
July 1929	18.62 Apr. 26	18.62 Apr. 26 1929
Aug. 1929	19.53 Apr. 25	19.50 Dec. 6 1928
Sept. 1929	19.24 Apr. 22	18.08 Nov. 5 1928
Oct. 1929	18.70 Apr. 26	18.70 Apr. 26 1929
Nov. 1929	19.09 Apr. 22	18.89 Jan. 7 1929
Dec. 1929	18.87 Apr. 26	18.87 Apr. 26 1929
Jan. 1930	18.87 Apr. 26	18.87 Apr. 26 1929
Feb. 1930	19.00 Apr. 26	19.00 Apr. 26 1929
Mar. 1930	19.76 Apr. 25	19.00 Apr. 26 1929

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.

	1929.	1928.	1927.	1926.
Stock at Liverpool.....bales.....	966,000	773,000	1,415,000	800,000
Stock at London.....	103,000	78,000	182,000	80,000
Stock at Manchester.....	---	---	---	---
Total Great Britain.....	1,069,000	851,000	1,597,000	880,000
Stock at Hamburg.....	---	---	---	---
Stock at Bremen.....	487,000	481,000	661,000	192,000
Stock at Havre.....	235,000	284,000	290,000	210,000
Stock at Rotterdam.....	14,000	11,000	18,000	6,000
Stock at Barcelona.....	80,000	104,000	125,000	96,000
Stock at Genoa.....	44,000	34,000	42,000	19,000
Stock at Ghent.....	---	---	---	---
Stock at Antwerp.....	---	---	---	---
Total Continental stocks.....	860,000	914,000	1,136,000	1,523,000
Total European stocks.....	1,929,000	1,765,000	2,733,000	110,000
India cotton afloat for Europe.....	180,000	171,000	80,000	279,000
American cotton afloat for Europe.....	269,000	385,000	524,000	95,000
Egypt, Brazil, &c., afloat for Europe.....	106,000	95,000	93,000	276,000
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt.....	391,000	364,000	397,000	838,000
Stock in Bombay, India.....	1,217,000	1,004,000	669,000	999,509
Stock in U. S. ports.....	1,427,720a	1,498,241a	2,050,537	1,479,275
Stock in U. S. interior towns.....	a615,322	a737,026	a824,696	5,823
U. S. exports to-day.....	75	3,629	8,838	---

Total visible supply.....6,135,117 6,022,896 7,380,071 5,485,607
Of the above, totals of American and other descriptions are as follows:

American—
Liverpool stock.....bales..... 654,000 554,000 1,072,000 514,000
Manchester stock..... 72,000 59,000 160,000 64,000
Continental stock..... 794,000 865,000 1,078,000 463,000
American afloat for Europe..... 269,000 385,000 524,000 279,000
U. S. port stocks..... a1,427,720a 1,498,241a 2,050,537 999,509
U. S. interior stocks..... a615,322 a737,026 a824,696 1,479,275
U. S. exports to-day..... 75 3,629 8,838 5,823

Total American.....3,832,117 4,101,896 5,718,071 3,804,607

East Indian, Brazil, &c.—
Liverpool stock..... 312,000 219,000 343,000 286,000
London stock..... 31,000 19,000 22,000 16,000
Manchester stock..... 66,000 49,000 58,000 60,000
Continental stock..... 180,000 171,000 80,000 110,000
Indian afloat for Europe..... 106,000 95,000 93,000 95,000
Egypt, Brazil, &c., afloat..... 391,000 364,000 397,000 276,000
Stock in Alexandria, Egypt..... 1,217,000 1,004,000 669,000 838,000
Stock in Bombay, India..... 1,217,000 1,004,000 669,000 838,000

Total East India, &c.....2,303,000 1,921,000 1,662,000 1,681,000
Total American.....3,832,117 4,101,896 5,718,071 3,804,607

Total visible supply.....6,135,117 6,022,896 7,380,071 5,485,607
Middling uplands, Liverpool..... 10,231 11,611 8,351 9,941
Middling uplands, New York..... 19.75c. 21.85c. 15.30c. 18.90c.
Egypt, good Sakel, Liverpool..... 19.15c. 22.40c. 16.30c. 17.50c.
Peruvian, rough good, Liverpool..... 14.50c. 13.75c. 10.50c. 18.00c.
Broach, fine, Liverpool..... 8.65c. 10.00c. 7.55c. 8.60c.
Tinnevely, good, Liverpool..... 9.80c. 10.95c. 8.00c. 9.15c.

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 132,000 bales. The above figures for 1929 show a decrease from last week of 224,705 bales, a gain of 113,221 over 1928, a decrease of 1,244,954 bales from 1927, and a gain of 649,510 bales over 1926.

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 Apr. 26 1929.				Movement to Apr. 27 1928.			
	Receipts.		Shp- ments.	Stocks Apr. 26.	Receipts.		Shp- ments.	Stocks Apr. 27.
	Week.	Season.			Week.	Season.		
Ala., Birmingham	421	52,632	1,493	3,343	1,108	88,495	1,578	8,467
Eugaula	126	14,344	911	3,124	159	19,317	1,190	6,573
Montgomery	79	56,059	776	12,807	767	75,293	1,453	16,427
Selma	130	57,282	1,005	12,267	143	58,283	2,049	12,130
Ark., Blytheville	134	87,649	464	10,400	364	78,440	503	9,885
Forest City	309	28,470	400	3,634	31	36,905	447	8,682
Helena	27	57,011	576	6,421	---	51,245	605	9,719
Hope	17	37,156	446	1,381	227	48,649	754	2,569
Jonesboro	45	33,244	191	1,493	48	31,983	923	2,091
Little Rock	577	117,225	1,021	10,135	368	106,414	222	11,904
Newport	14	47,767	196	1,949	21	48,569	---	2,632
Pine Bluff	269	141,698	2,087	9,235	125	124,246	1,510	19,193
Walnut Ridge	9	39,052	757	1,831	5	35,430	198	1,306
Ga., Albany	40	28,728	225	6,040	64	50,699	1,150	5,272
Athens	1,731	126,102	3,047	33,494	1,179	122,065	1,701	27,537
Augusta	1,738	235,632	3,722	66,989	4,322	261,297	5,206	55,665
Columbus	1,200	49,879	200	10,433	84	50,887	258	658
Macon								

121,704 bales less than at the same time last year. The receipts at all the towns have been 2,416 bales more than the same week last year.

OVERLAND MOVEMENT FOR THE WEEK AND SINCE AUG. 1.—We give below a statement showing the overland movement for the week and since Aug. 1, as made up from telegraphic reports Friday night. The results for the week and since Aug. 1 in the last two years are as follows:

	1928-29		1927-28	
	Week	Since Aug. 1	Week	Since Aug. 1
Shipped—				
Via St. Louis	7,464	416,981	5,675	330,551
Via Mounds, &c.	575	78,470	1,920	231,406
Via Rock Island	—	5,397	62	13,382
Via Louisville	490	40,221	243	28,442
Via Virginia points	4,131	186,375	3,831	212,270
Via other routes, &c.	13,865	541,357	8,883	344,094
Total gross overland	26,525	1,268,801	20,614	1,160,145
Deduct Shipments—				
Overland to N. Y., Boston, &c.	4,245	96,572	1,658	77,831
Between interior towns	545	17,242	533	18,970
Inland, &c., from South	15,021	571,188	12,243	543,187
Total to be deducted	19,811	685,002	14,434	639,988
Leaving total net overland*	6,714	583,799	6,180	520,157

*Including movement by rail to Canada.

The foregoing shows the week's net overland movement this year has been 6,714 bales, against 6,180 bales for the week last year, and that for the season to date the aggregate net overland exhibits an increase over a year ago of 63,642 bales.

	1928-29		1927-28	
	Week	Since Aug. 1	Week	Since Aug. 1
In Sight and Spinners' Takings.				
Receipts at ports to April 26	56,917	8,702,934	92,378	7,654,224
Net overland to April 26	6,714	583,799	6,180	520,157
Southern consumption to April 26	115,000	4,291,000	100,000	4,181,000
Total marketed	178,631	13,577,733	198,558	12,355,381
Interior stocks in excess	*31,559	360,971	*33,372	367,177
Excess of Southern mill takings over consumption to April 1	—	691,759	—	210,534
Came into sight during week	210,190		165,186	
Total in sight April 26	14,630,463		12,933,092	
North spinners' takings to April 26	25,657	1,146,821	14,570	1,229,400

* Decrease.

Movement into sight in previous years:

Week	Bales.	Since Aug. 1—	Bales.
1927—April 30	177,199	1927	17,880,264
1926—May 1	169,901	1926	15,183,874
1925—May 1	82,074	1925	13,983,348

QUOTATIONS FOR MIDDLING COTTON AT OTHER MARKETS.—Below are the closing quotations for middling cotton at Southern and other principal cotton markets for each day of the week:

Week Ended April 26.	Closing Quotations for Middling Cotton on—					
	Saturday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed. day	Thurs. day	Friday
Galveston	19.15	Holiday	18.95	19.25	18.85	18.65
New Orleans	18.98	18.79	18.87	19.12	18.77	18.59
Mobile	18.75	18.60	18.60	18.85	18.50	18.35
Savannah	19.01	18.82	18.83	19.12	18.75	—
Norfolk	19.19	19.00	19.00	19.25	18.94	18.81
Baltimore	19.90	19.65	19.60	19.60	19.75	19.45
Augusta	18.81	18.50	18.63	18.88	18.44	18.25
Memphis	18.30	18.10	18.10	18.40	17.90	17.75
Houston	19.10	Holiday	19.00	19.25	18.75	18.55
Little Rock	18.40	18.20	18.20	18.50	18.15	18.00
Dallas	18.55	Holiday	18.35	18.65	18.30	17.95
Fort Worth	—	Holiday	18.35	18.65	18.30	17.95

NEW ORLEANS CONTRACT MARKET.—The closing quotations for leading contracts in the New Orleans cotton market for the past week have been as follows:

	Saturday, April 20.	Monday, April 22.	Tuesday, April 23.	Wednesday, April 24.	Thursday, April 25.	Friday, April 26.
May	19.10-19.14	18.93-18.94	19.02-19.03	19.27	18.91-18.92	18.74
June	—	—	—	—	—	—
July	19.14-19.15	18.98-18.99	19.06	19.32-19.33	18.89-18.90	18.69-18.70
August	—	—	—	—	—	—
September	—	—	—	—	—	—
October	19.12-19.15	18.99-19.00	19.08	19.36-19.38	18.90-18.92	18.69-18.70
November	—	—	—	—	—	—
December	19.17-19.19	19.04-19.06	19.14-19.15	19.45-19.46	19.00-19.12	18.80
Jan. (1930)	19.20	Bid 19.05	Bid 19.15	Bid 19.46	Bid 19.03	Bid 18.83
February	—	—	—	—	—	—
March	19.28	19.15	Bid 19.26-19.29	19.54	Bid 19.08	Bid 18.87
April	—	—	—	—	—	—
Time—	Quiet	Steady	Steady	Steady	Steady	Quiet
Spot	Easy	Barely st'y	Steady	Very st'dy	Steady	Steady
Options	—	—	—	—	—	—

ACTIVITY IN THE COTTON SPINNING INDUSTRY FOR MARCH.—Persons interested in this report will find it in our department headed "Indications of Business Activity," on earlier pages.

EFIM Y. BELITZSKY ELECTED AS MEMBER OF NEW YORK COTTON EXCHANGE.—The election of Efim Y. Belitzsky of the All-Russian Textile Syndicate to membership in the New York Cotton Exchange was announced Saturday, April 20.

STANDARDS FOR AMERICAN EGYPTIAN AND EXTRA WHITE COTTONS REVISED.—An order promulgating revised standards for American Egyptian cotton and for Upland cotton of Extra White color has been issued by Secretary of Agriculture Hyde.

A need for the new standards for American Egyptian cotton was found to exist since changes in the color and preparation of the American Egyptian crop during recent years have been such that the present standards were no longer representative of American Egyptian cotton as now produced, according to the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, which administers the Cotton Standards Act.

The Extra White standards apply in the grade classification of Upland cotton, wherever grown. The Upland cottons, employing the term Upland in its accepted botanical sense, include all of the American commercial

production of cotton except the American Egyptian and Sea Island types. As repromulgated, the Extra White standards conform with the white grades in leaf and preparation and exemplify primarily the color differences. The revised American Egyptian and Extra White standards were exhibited in tentative form to representatives of interested groups of farmers, merchants and manufacturers, who were in attendance at the Universal Cotton Standards Conference in March of this year. These representatives were unanimous in expressing a desire that the proposed revision and re-promulgation be made by the Department of Agriculture. The new standards, both American Egyptian and Extra White, will become officially effective August 1 1930, but under the terms of the order of promulgation, they may be used meanwhile permissively in the purchase and sale of spot cottons of these descriptions, when specific reference is made to them in descriptions and when specific reference is made to them in descriptions that it is prepared to furnish practical forms of the revised standards at the usual rate, f. o. b. Washington, for each grade.

WEATHER REPORTS BY TELEGRAPH.—Reports to us by telegraph this evening indicate that rain has fallen in many sections of the South, but precipitation as a rule has been light. Planting has made satisfactory progress except in some localities where the soil is too wet. In the eastern section the nights have been too cool for best germination and growth of early seeded cotton. Early planted cotton is up to good stands in many parts.

Texas.—Growth and stand of cotton are mostly good and the general condition ranges from fairly good to excellent. Some replanting will be necessary where heavy rains occurred last week.

Mobile, Ala.—Heavy rain the early part of the week retarded farm work and rivers are rising slightly. Weather has been cool, but cotton is coming up nicely. Early cotton has been chopped out and stands are good.

Memphis, Tenn.—It has been too wet for plowing and practically no cotton has been planted in Memphis territory. River is 1.2 feet above flood stage and falling slowly.

	Rain.	Rainfall.	Thermometer		
Galveston, Tex.	2 days	0.03 in.	high 83	low 61	mean 72
Ahilene, Tex.	1 day	0.04 in.	high 86	low 46	mean 66
Brenham, Tex.	1 day	1.04 in.	high 92	low 48	mean 70
Brownsville, Tex.	1 day	0.02 in.	high 88	low 68	mean 78
Corpus Christi, Tex.	1 day	0.01 in.	high 86	low 68	mean 77
Dallas, Tex.	3 days	0.87 in.	high 86	low 50	mean 60
Henrietta, Tex.	1 day	0.54 in.	high 90	low 44	mean 67
Kerrville, Tex.	2 days	0.12 in.	high 90	low 40	mean 65
Lampasas, Tex.	4 days	0.40 in.	high 92	low 40	mean 65
Longview, Tex.	1 day	1.98 in.	high 92	low 50	mean 71
Luling, Tex.	1 day	0.10 in.	high 92	low 54	mean 73
Nacogdoches, Tex.	1 day	1.96 in.	high 84	low 48	mean 68
Palestine, Tex.	1 day	0.68 in.	high 86	low 50	mean 68
Paris, Tex.	1 day	0.40 in.	high 88	low 48	mean 68
San Antonio, Tex.	2 days	0.02 in.	high 94	low 56	mean 75
Taylor, Tex.	1 day	0.18 in.	high 88	low 58	mean 68
Weatherford, Tex.	2 days	0.56 in.	high 84	low 44	mean 64
Altus, Okla.	—	dry	high 87	low 49	mean 68
Muskogee, Okla.	1 day	0.10 in.	high 84	low 42	mean 63
Oklahoma City, Okla.	2 days	0.46 in.	high 83	low 42	mean 63
Brinkley, Ark.	2 days	1.49 in.	high 81	low 44	mean 63
Eldorado, Ark.	2 days	1.67 in.	high 84	low 43	mean 64
Little Rock, Ark.	2 days	3.09 in.	high 82	low 48	mean 65
Pine Bluff, Ark.	5 days	2.70 in.	high 77	low 50	mean 64
Alexandria, La.	1 day	1.07 in.	high 89	low 57	mean 66
Amite, La.	3 days	1.85 in.	high 86	low 55	mean 71
New Orleans, La.	1 day	1.31 in.	high	low	mean 73
Shreveport, La.	4 days	0.92 in.	high 83	low 52	mean 68
Columbus, Miss.	2 days	2.85 in.	high 85	low 46	mean 66
Greenwood, Miss.	3 days	2.35 in.	high 85	low 48	mean 67
Natchez, Miss.	3 days	2.48 in.	high 81	low 52	mean 67
Decatur, Ala.	2 days	1.54 in.	high 86	low 56	mean 72
Montgomery, Ala.	3 days	0.98 in.	high 81	low 45	mean 63
Selma, Ala.	2 days	3.70 in.	high 82	low 54	mean 68
Gainesville, Fla.	2 days	2.91 in.	high 86	low 54	mean 70
Madison, Fla.	1 day	0.09 in.	high 88	low 58	mean 73
Savannah, Ga.	2 days	0.30 in.	high 86	low 53	mean 72
Athens, Ga.	3 days	1.29 in.	high 84	low 48	mean 66
Augusta, Ga.	1 day	0.52 in.	high 86	low 48	mean 67
Columbus, Ga.	3 days	1.09 in.	high 87	low 54	mean 71
Charleston, S. C.	2 days	0.47 in.	high 85	low 54	mean 70
Greenwood, S. C.	3 days	1.46 in.	high 85	low 42	mean 64
Columbia, S. C.	4 days	1.37 in.	high 82	low 46	mean 69
Charlottesville, N. C.	2 days	0.92 in.	high 84	low 40	mean 62
Charlotte, N. C.	4 days	0.43 in.	high 80	low 42	mean 63
Newbern, N. C.	2 days	0.91 in.	high 81	low 40	mean 61
Weldon, N. C.	2 days	0.36 in.	high 77	low 33	mean 55
Memphis, Tenn.	4 days	2.34 in.	high 79	low 50	mean 65

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:

	April 26 1929	April 27 1928
New Orleans	Above zero of gauge.	18.3
Memphis	Above zero of gauge.	36.2
Nashville	Above zero of gauge.	10.4
Shreveport	Above zero of gauge.	13.0
Vicksburg	Above zero of gauge.	52.7

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		
	1929.	1928.	1927.	1929.	1928.	1927.	1929.	1928.	1927.
Jan.	151,177	122,216	296,254	1,161,140	1,217,543	1,487,981	108,858	78,070	274,402
18.	171,761	120,405	258,932	1,118,699	1,180,096	1,467,429	129,320	82,958	238,380
25.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Feb.	155,773	139,567	235,198	1,072,678	1,134,087	1,404,189	109,710	93,558	171,958
1.	135,078	111,823	228,441	1,007,913	1,087,654	1,350,179	70,313	65,392	174,431
8.	81,579	107,419	206,770	966,412	1,049,180	1,305,580	40,069	68,945	162,171
16.	80,866	75,323	210,193	936,027	1,023,120	1,279,191	50,481	49,263	144,507
23.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mar.	91,438	62,281	196,159	906,387	987,384	1,224,580	61,798	26,545	141,545
1.	89,941	70,755	217,975	849,195	941,043	1,168,286	29,749	24,434	161,681
8.	105,350	73,234	227,560	814,522	916,246	1,097,531	71,677	48,437	156,805
15.	97,085	76,637	185,888	781,667	887,170	1,036,360	64,230	47,561	124,717
22.	78,041	88,473	168,766	752,959	863,788	984,188	49,333	65,091	116,594
Mar.	59,884	80,232	140,928	711,349	835,361	922,735	18,274	51,805	79,475
5.	48,659	73,019	131,290	679,205	803,203	889,925	16,615	40,861	98,792
12.	57,351	72,882	102,307	646,881	773,381	1,541,773	25,027	45,060	38,190
19.	56,917	92,378	86,136	615,322	737,026	824,696	25,358	59,006	50,162
26.	—								

The above statement shows: (1) That the total receipts from the plantations since Aug. 1 1928 are 8,970,115 bales; in 1927-28 were 8,013,389 bales, and in 1926-27 were 11,966,908 bales. (2) That, although the receipts at the outports the past week were 56,917 bales, the actual movement from plantations was 16,515 bales, stocks at interior towns having decreased 25,358 bales during the week. Last year receipts from the plantations for the week were 59,006 bales and for 1927 they were 50,162 bales.

WORLD'S SUPPLY AND TAKINGS OF COTTON.

Cotton Takings, Week and Season.	1928-29.		1927-28.	
	Week.	Season.	Week.	Season.
Visible supply Apr 19	6,359,832		6,098,695	
Visible supply Aug. 1		4,175,480		4,961,754
American in sight to April 19	210,190	14,630,463	165,186	12,933,092
Bombay receipts to April 25	110,000	2,684,000	102,000	2,666,000
Other India ship'ts to April 25	11,000	520,000	7,000	499,500
Alexandria receipts to April 24	22,000	1,521,200	19,000	1,198,800
Other supply to April 24 *b	8,000	532,000	7,000	485,000
Total supply	6,721,012	24,063,143	6,398,881	22,744,206
Deduct				
Visible supply April 26	6,135,117	6,135,117	6,022,896	6,022,896
Total takings to April 26 a	585,895	17,928,026	375,985	16,721,310
Of which American	380,895	12,939,826	274,985	12,210,950
Of which other	205,000	4,988,200	101,000	4,510,360

* This embraces receipts in Europe from Brazil, Smyrna, West Indies, &c. a This total embraces since Aug. 1 the total estimated consumption by Southern mills, 4,291,000 bales in 1928-29 and 4,181,000 bales in 1927-28—takings not being available—and the aggregate amounts taken by Northern and foreign spinners, 13,637,026 bales in 1928-29 and 12,540,310 bales in 1927-28, of which 8,648,826 bales and 8,029,950 bales American. b Estimated.

INDIA COTTON MOVEMENT FROM ALL PORTS.

April 25. Receipts at—	1928-29.		1927-28.		1926-27.	
	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.	Week.	Since Aug. 1.
Bombay	110,000	2,684,000	102,000	2,666,000	77,000	2,498,000

Exports from—	For the Week.				Since August 1.			
	Great Britain.	Continent.	Japan & China.	Total.	Great Britain.	Continent.	Japan & China.	Total.
Bombay—								
1928-29	4,000	27,000	31,000	48,000	615,000	1,270,000	1,933,000	
1927-28	2,000	10,000	56,000	68,000	63,000	453,000	893,000	
1926-27	1,000	7,000	22,000	30,000	7,000	273,000	1,301,000	
Other India—								
1928-29	4,000	7,000	11,000	88,000	432,000		520,000	
1927-28	1,000	6,000	7,000	89,500	410,000		499,500	
1926-27		4,000	4,000	31,000	309,000		340,000	
Total all—	8,000	34,000	42,000	136,000	1,047,000	1,270,000	2,453,000	
1928-29	3,000	16,000	56,000	75,000	152,000	863,000	893,000	
1927-28	3,000	16,000	56,000	75,000	152,000	863,000	893,000	
1926-27	1,000	11,000	22,000	34,000	38,000	582,000	1,301,000	

According to the foregoing, Bombay appears to show an increase compared with last year in the week's receipts of 8,000 bales. Exports from all India ports record a decrease of 33,000 bales during the week, and since Aug. 1 show an increase of 544,500 bales.

ALEXANDRIA RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS.

Alexandria, Egypt, April 24.	1928-29.	1927-28.	1926-27.
Receipts (cantars)—			
This week	110,000	95,000	95,000
Since Aug. 1	7,590,098	5,651,833	7,545,787
Export (bales)—			
This Week.	Since Aug. 1.	This Week.	Since Aug. 1.
To Liverpool	3,000 148,863	2,750 120,972	197,995
To Manchester, &c	140,022	6,500 133,436	155,346
To Continent and India	7,000 394,879	11,500 326,765	6,250 316,322
To America	1,000 158,232	200 100,574	113,472
Total exports	11,000 841,996	20,950 681,747	6,250 783,205

Note.—A cantar is 99 lbs. Egyptian bales weigh about 750 lbs. This statement shows that the receipts for the week ending Apr. 24 were 110,000 cantars and the foreign shipments 11,000 bales.

MANCHESTER MARKET.—Our report received by cable to-night from Manchester states that the market in both yarns and cloths is quiet. Demand for India is improving. We give prices to-day below and leave those for previous weeks of this and last year for comparison:

	1929.				1928.			
	32 Cop Twists.	8 1/4 Lbs. Shrtngs. Common to Finest.	Cotton Midd'l Up'ds.	32s Cop Twists.	8 1/4 Lbs. Shrtngs. Common to Finest.	Cotton Midd'l Up'ds.	32s Cop Twists.	8 1/4 Lbs. Shrtngs. Common to Finest.
Dec.—	d. d.	s. d.	s. d.	d. d.	s. d.	s. d.	d. d.	s. d.
18	15 1/4 @ 16 1/4	13 3 @ 13 5	10.63	15 1/4 @ 16 1/4	13 7 @ 14 1	10.62		
25	15 1/4 @ 16 1/4	13 3 @ 13 6	10.48	15 @ 16 1/4	13 6 @ 14 0	10.32		
Feb.								
1	15 1/4 @ 16 1/4	13 3 @ 13 6	10.35	14 1/2 @ 15 1/2	13 5 @ 13 7	9.79		
8	15 @ 16	13 3 @ 13 5	10.34	14 1/2 @ 15 1/2	13 5 @ 13 7	10.07		
15	15 1/4 @ 16 1/4	13 3 @ 13 6	10.43	14 1/2 @ 15 1/2	13 6 @ 14 0	10.25		
22	15 1/4 @ 16 1/4	13 3 @ 13 6	10.49	14 1/2 @ 15 1/2	13 6 @ 14 0	10.40		
Mar.								
1	15 1/4 @ 16 1/4	13 4 @ 13 7	10.75	15 @ 16 1/4	13 5 @ 13 7	10.63		
8	15 1/4 @ 16 1/4	13 4 @ 13 7	11.12	15 @ 16 1/4	13 5 @ 13 7	10.54		
15	15 1/4 @ 16 1/4	13 4 @ 13 7	11.14	15 @ 16 1/4	13 5 @ 13 7	10.77		
22	15 1/4 @ 16 1/4	13 4 @ 13 7	11.10	15 1/2 @ 17	13 6 @ 14 0	10.96		
29	15 1/4 @ 16 1/4	13 4 @ 13 7	10.96	15 1/2 @ 17	13 6 @ 14 1	10.86		
April								
5	13 1/4 @ 15 1/4	13 3 @ 13 6	10.73	15 1/2 @ 17	13 7 @ 14 1	10.91		
12	15 1/4 @ 16 1/4	13 2 @ 13 4	10.89	15 1/2 @ 17 1/4	14 0 @ 14 2	11.11		
19	15 1/4 @ 16 1/4	13 2 @ 13 4	10.69	15 1/2 @ 17 1/4	14 0 @ 14 2	11.25		
26	15 @ 16	13 0 @ 13 0	10.23	16 @ 17 1/2	14 1 @ 14 3	11.61		

SHIPPING NEWS.—As shown the exports of cotton from the United States the past week have reached 84,195 bales. The shipments in detail, as made up from mail and telegraphic reports, are as follows:

	Bales.
MOBILE—To Liverpool—April 15—West Hardaway, 1,473	1,473
To Manchester—April 15—West Hardaway, 912	912
SAN FRANCISCO—To Liverpool—April 18—Skegness, 268	268
To Bremen—April 20—Eemdijk, 134	134
To China—April 22—Bintang, 100	100
HOUSTON—To Murmansk—April 18—Ootmarsum, 14,283	14,283
To Japan—April 19—Boston Maru, 1,864	1,864
April 17—Havana Maru, 2,226	4,090
To China—April 17—Havana Maru, 1,650	1,650
To Naples—April 19—Labette, 680	680
To Venice—April 19—Labette, 679	679
To Genoa—April 20—Ida Zo, 2,615	2,615
To Bremen—April 22—Crotafels, 1,871	1,871
To Hamburg—April 22—Crotafels, 810	810
NEW YORK—To Bremen—April 24—Stuttgart, 150	150
To Liverpool—April 19—Scythia, 10	10
To Rotterdam—April 19—Veendam, 100	100
To Genoa—April 19—Conte Grande, 100	100
To Antwerp—April 17—Laplant, 150	150
To Bremen—April 23—George Washington, 200	200
NEW ORLEANS—To Guatemala—April 11—Castilian, 20	20
To Dunkirk—April 19—Caroline, 800	800
To Havre—April 19—Caroline, 1,688	1,688
April 20—Cranford, 500	2,188
To Antwerp—April 20—Cranford, 150	150
To Vera Cruz—April 25—Boja California, 2,750	2,750
To Ghent—April 20—Cranford, 432	432
To Genoa—April 24—Monbaldo, 3,850	3,850
To Guayaquille—April 20—Nosa Chief, 100	100
To Barcelona—April 24—Ogontz, 100	100
To Bolivia—April 20—Lopez, 100	100
To Murmansk—April 25—Nicolini Maersk, 12,237	12,237
To Rotterdam—April 22—Manhanada, 92	92
To London—April 13—West Hematte, 50	50
To La Guayra—April 22—Betty Maersk, 10	10
NORFOLK—To Liverpool—April 22—Clairton, 252	252
To Rotterdam—April 26—City of Alton, 75	75
To Manchester—April 22—Welchman, 76	76
To Antwerp—April 22—Junoko, 35	35
To Bremen—April 24—Westport, 149	149
LOS ANGELES—To Japan—April 19—Takaoka Maru, 2,106	2,106
April 20—Taiyo Maru, 400	2,506
To Liverpool—April 20—Lochmamar, 534; Skegness, 2,334	2,868
To Manchester—April 20—Skegness, 382	382
To China—April 20—Taiyo Maru, 250	250
To Bremen—April 22—Saale, 250; Eemdijk, 66	316
SAN DIEGO—To Liverpool—April 20—East Lynn, 2,441	2,441
CHARLESTON—To Hamburg—April 20—Lubeck, 1,842	1,842
To Liverpool—April 22—Darian, 231	231
To Manchester—April 22—Darian, 1,387	1,387
To Antwerp—April 23—Lubeck, 53	53
SAVANNAH—To Hull—April 23—Liberty Glo, 65	65
To Ghent—April 25—Liberty Glo, 65	65
To Rotterdam—April 23—Lubeck, 229	229
To Bremen—April 25—Liberty Glo, 600	600
To Amsterdam—April 23—Lubeck, 50	50
To Havre—April 25—Liberty Glo, 25	25
To Hamburg—April 23—Lubeck, 395	395
April 25—Liberty Glo, 1,585	1,980
To Antwerp—April 25—Liberty Glo, 202	202
GALVESTON—To Venice—April 19—Labette, 809	809
To Genoa—April 23—Ida Zo, 880	880
To Trieste—April 19—Labette, 350	350
To Naples—April 19—Labette, 130	130
To Bremen—April 20—Crotafels, 2,268	2,268
To Japan—April 19—Boston Maru, 4,904	4,904
To Liverpool—April 20—Lucille de Larrinaga, 948	948
To Manchester—April 20—Lucille de Larrinaga, 3,964	3,964
TEXAS CITY—To Liverpool—April 19—Lucille de Larrinaga, 170	170
To Manchester—April 19—Lucille de Larrinaga, 604	604
	84,195

COTTON FREIGHTS.—Current rates for cotton from New York, as furnished by Lambert & Burrows, Inc., are as follows, quotations being in cents per pound:

	Hth Density.	Stand. ard.	Hth Density.	Stand. ard.	Hth Density.	Stand. ard.	
Liverpool	.45c.	.60c.	Oslo	.50c.	.65c.	Shanghai	.70c. .85c.
Manchester	.45c.	.60c.	Stockholm	.60c.	.75c.	Bombay	.60c. .75c.
Antwerp	.60c.	.60c.	Trieste	.50c.	.65c.	Bremen	.45c. .60c.
Havre	.31c.	.46c.	Flume	.50c.	.65c.	Hamburg	.45c. .60c.
Rotterdam	.45c.	.60c.	Lisbon	.45c.	.60c.	Piraeus	.75c. .90c.
Genoa	.50c.	.65c.	Oporto	.60c.	.75c.	Salonica	.75c. .90c.
			Barcelona	.30c.	.45c.	Venice	.50c. .65c.
			Japan	.65c.	.80c.		

LIVERPOOL.—By cable from Liverpool we have the following statement of the week's sales, stocks, &c., at that port:

	April 5.	April 12.	April 19.	April 26.
Sales of the week	16,000	36,000	32,000	27,000
Of which American	10,000	22,000	20,000	18,000
Sales for export		1,000	1,000	1,000
Forwarded	50,000	69,000	65,000	53,000
Total stocks	1,012,000	977,000	965,000	966,000
Of which American	710,000	682,000	670,000	654,000
Total imports	73,000	42,000	42,000	77,000
Of which American	49,000	31,000	27,000	30,000
Amount afloat	180,000	182,000	200,000	185,000
Of which American	96,000	94,000	100,000	86,000

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.	Quiet.	More demand.	Quiet.	Dull.
Mid. Up'ds	10.60d.	10.48d.	10.40d.	10.51d.	10.58d.	10.23d.
Sales	3,000	5,000	5,000	6,000	5,000	4,000
Futures, Market opened	Quiet decline.	Quiet decline.	Steady to 1 pt. adv.	Q't but st'y decline.	Very st'y advance.	Steady decline.
Market, 4 P. M.	Q't but st'y decline.	Barely st'y decline.	Steady to 1 pt. adv.	Q't unch'd decline.	Barely st'y advance.	Barely st'y decline.

Prices of futures at Liverpool for each day are given below:

	Sat.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
April 20 to April 26.	12.15 12.30	12.15 12.15	4.00 12.15	4.00 12.15	4.00 12.15	4.00 12.15
April	d. d.	d. d.	d. d.	d. d.	d. d.	d. d.
10	10.29	10.18	10.11	10.10	10.21	10.20
11	10.37	10.24	10.17	10.16	10.25	10.24
12	10.28	10.16	10.10	10.11	10.18	10.18
13	10.33	10.21	10.15	10.16		

BREADSTUFFS

Friday Night, April 26, 1929.

Flour prices were reduced 5 to 15c. early in the week owing to lower prices for wheat. Business as usual, however, kept to its old rut regardless of the decline of prices generally. Exports from New York last week were 142,609 sacks against 131,415 in the previous week. Yet City and Western mil-feed broke \$1 early in the week. Latterly prices have again weakened though there has been some decrease in stocks.

Wheat declined on good weather and heavy liquidation and latterly dullness of the export trade though at one time it was active. On the 20th inst. prices ended 1¼ to 1½c. lower with May down to a new low for the season. Reports of Russian purchases of Manitoba in Liverpool were not confirmed. Also beneficial rains fell in both the winter and spring wheat belts. Prospects of farm relief measures being passed at an early day by Congress seem more and more remote. The whole matter may be the subject of prolonged debate. Liverpool stated the world's visible supply of wheat and floor April 1 at 496,960,000 bushels against 526,630,000 as of March 1 and 381,250,000 on April 1 last year. The crop in the central provinces of India was estimated at 19,464,000 bushels against 22,896,000 last year. Export business was only 450,000 bushels. On the 22nd inst. prices ended 1⅞ to 2¼c. lower with reports of dissensions in the Canadian wheat pool and the prospect of stout opposition in Congress to measures for so-called farm relief. President Hoover attacked the debenture plan. Some of the private crop reports were favorable. The United States visible supply decreased last week, 3,003,000 bushels against 1,207,000 in the same week last year. The total was 118,246,000 bushels against 65,150 a year ago. One comment on the 22nd inst. was: "Wheat made the lowest record seen in the last five years, and does not seem to have any friends at this time. The bearish fundamental conditions still prevail."

On the 23rd inst. prices advanced ½c. and reacted ending ½c. lower to ⅝c. higher. Export sales were estimated at 2,000,000 to 3,000,000 bushels. Winnipeg wired that reports of dissensions among the Canadian pool managers were ridiculously false; that never before had such harmony prevailed. Winnipeg reported a good demand for No. 2 Manitobas and the lower grades; also that there was some fresh export inquiry. Canadian country marketings on Monday were 320,000 bushels. The world's visible supply for the week decreased 16,408,000 bushels with the total now in sight 363,000,000 bushels against 273,000,000 in the same week last year. It is predicted that Germany and Russia will have to buy considerable wheat. A Winnipeg Grain Exchange seat was reported to have sold on the 25th inst. at \$16,100, a new high record. This was net to the buyer.

On the 24th inst. prices ended 1¼ to 2c. higher on a good export demand, stronger cables, and too much rain in the central and southwestern sections of the winter wheat belt. The Government weekly report was rather unfavorable as to winter wheat. It was bearish, however, as to spring wheat. Export sales were estimated at 2,000,000 to 3,000,000 bushels and since Monday they are said to be around 7,000,000 bushels. Most of this was Manitobas. Foreign advices reported large sales of Plate wheat to Spain and a good Continental demand for North American grades. The Continent needs good spring rains in order to allow for rapid farm work.

An Associated Press dispatch from Lincoln, Neb., said that 300 wheat growers of Nebraska and Wyoming had effected organization of a wheat pool, giving it the name of the Mid-West Market Association, non-stock, co-operative. The pool was said to represent 13,000 grain growers in the two States and was declared the largest in existence in the Middle West. J. W. Brinton, Director of the Nebraska Wheat Growers Association, said: "The Farm Relief Measure being formulated in Congress will organize farmers from the bottom, instead of the top. The Government will lend you funds for the constructing of respectable elevators and facilities, but if you will not use the aid offered you will be no better off."

On the 25th inst. prices fell 1¾ to 2c., reaching new lows for the season. Liquidation was heavy by Eastern and other interests. Some feared further and important liquidation of the May delivery. Export demand fell off after total export sales on the 22nd and 23rd inst. of 7,000,000 bushels to England and the Continent. Liverpool declined ¾ to 1d. Crop news from the winter wheat territory was favorable. The Kansas and Oklahoma State reports said that the condition of the crop was excellent. Private advices from Nebraska, Illinois and Indiana were also favorable. Frost was indicated for Kansas, Nebraska, Missouri, Illinois and

Iowa, but the general impression was that this would hardly do much harm. Seeding has been delayed in the American and Canadian Northwest.

Today prices closed ⅛ to ¼c. higher. Early prices were down to a new low for the season. There was some May liquidation. The open interest is gradually decreasing. At one time May was 4¾c. under July or the widest on the crop. Some frost was predicted but it is not expected to prove injurious to the crop, for it is not jointed as yet. But the technical position was better after the recent very drastic liquidation and sharp decline. After the low touched early in the day there was a rally of roughly 1 to 1½c. on short covering, due to the passage of the Farm Relief Bill in the House of Representatives at Washington yesterday. At one time there was a good deal of selling today by the Northwest. Crop reports from the Southwest were generally very favorable. Some are talking of a crop of 650,000,000 bushels. North American shipments, according to Bradstreet, this week were 6,375,000 bushels, pointing to a total for the world of about 13,000,000 bushels. This may mean a decrease in the stocks afloat of something like \$7,000,000 bushels. Final prices show a decline for the week of 3¼ to 4¼c.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT IN NEW YORK.

No. 2 red	Sat. 143¾	Mon. 140¾	Tues. 140	Wed. 141¼	Thurs. 139¾	Fri. 139¾
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DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

May delivery	Sat. 115½	Mon. 113½	Tues. 113½	Wed. 114¾	Thurs. 112½	Fri. 112½
July delivery	119½	117½	117½	118¾	116¾	116¾
September delivery	120¼	120¼	120¾	122¼	120¾	120¾

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF WHEAT FUTURES IN WINNIPEG.

May delivery	Sat. 123	Mon. 120	Tues. 120	Wed. 121¾	Thurs. 120½	Fri. 120½
July delivery	124¾	122¾	122	123¾	122¾	123
October delivery	124¼	121¾	122	123¾	122¾	123¾

Indian corn declined, following wheat, though not so weak as wheat, because there was a good demand on declines and seeding is rather late. On the 20th inst. prices ended ¾c. lower, although at times during day, especially early in the trading, the tone was one of independent strength. For the receipts were small, country offerings light, the cash demand fair and the weather rainy. That seemed to presage a continuance of the small crop movement. But later corn followed wheat downward. It fell 1½c. from the high of the morning. Following its own bent corn was inclined to advance or at least to maintain prices at a steady level. On the 22nd inst. prices advanced ⅛ to ⅝c. early but broke later with wheat and ended ⅞ to ¾c. lower. Again, however, it showed at times not a little independent strength. The belt was wet. Receipts were small. The United States visible supply decreased last week 2,617,000 bushels against 1,261,000 a year ago. The total is 30,853,000 bushels against 40,059,000 last year. Chicago's stock decreased 2,745,000 bushels. The grain trade is looking for noteworthy reduction in stocks of corn at Chicago, providing the boats now loading, clear before Saturday night.

On the 23rd inst. prices ended 1 to 2c. lower with the weather ideal for the movement and seeding. Foreign markets were easier with River Plate and South African offerings at lower prices. No aggressive support appeared, though the forecast was for rains in many States. On the 24th inst. prices advanced 1¼ to 1¾c. with the weather unfavorable. Further rains, it is said, will bring about a late season for the completion of corn. Cash markets were generally firm. There was a better demand from the Eastern industry. On the 25th inst. prices finally decline 1c. under the influence of wheat. There was scattered liquidation of May which affected distant months. December showed relative steadiness owing to some delay in seeding in some parts of the Southwest and constant rains created the fear that there may be a delay in planting in the central section. The shipping demand was active and there were sales of about 300,000 bushels at Chicago. Country offerings were very small and a light movement is looked for until after planting is completed. The weather was too wet for a large movement of corn. Kansas reports seeding delayed.

To-day prices ended ⅞ to 1½c. higher with the weather still unfavorable for farm work and there are fears of delayed planting. There was good commission house buying. Cash demand was good. Omaha reported heavy sales on the best basis of the crop. Country offerings were light. The movement was small. Cash interests were said to be switching from May to September on a considerable scale. Final prices show a decline for the week of 1¾ to 2½c.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN IN NEW YORK.

No. 2 yellow	Sat. 109¾	Mon. 107¾	Tues. 105¾	Wed. 106¾	Thurs. 105¾	Fri. 106¾
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DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF CORN FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

May delivery	Sat. 90¾	Mon. 90	Tues. 87¾	Wed. 89¾	Thurs. 88¾	Fri. 89¾
July delivery	94¾	93¾	91½	92¾	91¾	92¾
September delivery	95¾	94¾	92¾	94½	93¾	94¾

Oats sympathized only slightly with the decline in other grain. Like corn they showed independent steadiness with seeding delayed and the demand not unimportant. On the 20th inst. prices closed ¼ to ⅝c. lower in response to the decline in other grain but like corn, oat prices left to

themselves would probably have advanced rather than declined. In fact, at one time on the 20th they were 1/4 to 3/8c. net higher. On the 22nd inst. prices closed 1/2 to 3/4c. lower in sympathy with the decline in other grain. The United States visible supply decreased last week 626,000 bushels. The total is now 10,404,000 bushels against 13,576,000 a year ago. On the 23rd inst. prices ended practically unchanged after an early advance of 1/2 to 3/4c. May was not freely offered. The Northwest and cash interests bought. The country movement was still small.

On the 24th inst. prices ended 3/8 to 7/8c. higher in sympathy with other grain. The unfavorable weather was also a factor. It is expected to result in a smaller acreage. Some export business in Canadian oats was reported. On the 25th inst. prices declined 1/4 to 1/2c. Seeding, however, it is said, will be later in Nebraska. In fact, it has been delayed in many parts of the belt. The acreage may be reduced. No great selling pressure appeared. But the cash demand was not brisk and the influence of prices for other grain was apparent. Today prices advanced 1/4 to 3/8c. on the strength of corn and bad weather. There is a fear that the unfavorable weather conditions might cause a shortage in acreage. Little was heard of export business. Final prices show a decline for the week on May and July of 1/8 to 7/8c., while September is 1/8c. higher.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS IN NEW YORK.

No. 2 white.....	Sat. 60 3/4	Mon. 60	Tues. 60	Wed. 60 1/2	Thurs. 60 1/2	Fri. 60 3/4
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DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

May delivery.....	Sat. 47 3/4	Mon. 46 3/4	Tues. 46 3/4	Wed. 47 1/4	Thurs. 46 3/4	Fri. 47 1/4
July delivery.....	45 1/2	44 3/4	44 3/4	45 1/2	45	45 3/4
September delivery.....	43 3/4	43 3/4	43 3/4	43 3/4	43 3/4	43 3/4

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF OATS FUTURES IN WINNIPEG.

May delivery.....	Sat. 51 3/4	Mon. 49	Tues. 49 3/4	Wed. 50	Thurs. 49 1/4	Fri. 48 3/4
July delivery.....	52 1/2	50	50 3/4	51 3/4	50 3/4	50 3/4
October delivery.....	50 3/4	48	49	50	49 3/4	49 3/4

Rye declined only moderately in response to the lower prices for other grain. On the 20th inst. prices ended 1 1/2c. lower on considerable liquidation in a listless market. Aggressive support was absent. On the 22nd inst. prices closed 3 to 3 1/4c. lower at new low levels for the season. May rye fell 6c. at Winnipeg. The visible supply of the United States last week increased 10,000 bushels against 141,000 in the same week last year. On the 23rd inst. prices ended 1/4 to 7/9c. higher though at one time rather weaker, on liquidation. But in the end there was enough demand to take the offerings quite well, even though there was nothing said about export business.

On the 24th inst. prices were up to 2 1/2 to 2 3/4c. in response to the rise in wheat and there were reports of some export business. The weather was bad. On the 25th inst. export demand was lacking and this and the lower prices for other grain affected rye. Prices fell 1 1/4 to 2c. On the decline, however, the buying was of a good character. Today prices closed 3/8 to 1 1/2c. higher in sympathy with other grain. No export business was reported. Final prices show a decline for the week of 1 1/8 to 2 1/8c.

DAILY CLOSING PRICES OF RYE FUTURES IN CHICAGO.

May delivery.....	Sat. 93 3/4	Mon. 90 3/4	Tues. 91 1/4	Wed. 94 1/4	Thurs. 93	Fri. 94
July delivery.....	95 3/4	92 1/2	92 1/2	95 1/2	94 3/4	95
September delivery.....	96 1/2	93 1/4	93 1/4	96 1/4	94 3/4	96 1/2

Closing quotations were as follows:

GRAIN.

Wheat, New York—	Oats, New York—	No. 2 white.....	60 1/4
No. 2 red, f.o.b.....	No. 2 white.....	No. 3 white.....	59 1/2
No. 2 hard winter, f.o.b.....	Rye, New York—	No. 2 f.o.b.....	1.06
Corn, New York—	Barley, New York—	Malting.....	83
No. 2 yellow.....			
No. 3 yellow.....			

FLOUR.

Spring pat. high protein.....	\$6.35 @ \$6.95	Rye flour, patents.....	\$6.45 @ \$6.70
Spring patents.....	5.80 @ 6.20	Semolina No. 2, pound.....	3 3/4
Cleats, first spring.....	5.20 @ 5.60	Oats goods.....	2.75 @ 2.80
Soft winter straights.....	5.70 @ 6.05	Corn flour.....	2.60 @ 2.65
Hard winter straights.....	5.95 @ 6.45	Barley goods—	
Hard winter patents.....	5.05 @ 6.45	Coarse.....	3.60
Hard winter clears.....	5.10 @ 5.55	Fancy pearl Nos. 1, 2,	
Fancy Minn. patents.....	7.65 @ 8.25	3 and 4.....	6.50 @ 7.00
City mills.....	7.80 @ 8.50		

For other tables usually given here, see page 2756.

The visible supply of grain, comprising the stocks in granary at principal points of accumulation at lake and seaboard ports Saturday, Apr. 20, were as follows:

GRAIN STOCKS.

United States—	Wheat, bush.	Corn, bush.	Oats, bush.	Rye, bush.	Barley, bush.
New York.....	152,000	11,000	86,000	52,000	163,000
Boston.....	—	—	5,000	4,000	—
Philadelphia.....	293,000	86,000	66,000	8,000	16,000
Baltimore.....	870,000	173,000	98,000	3,000	136,000
Newport News.....	5,000	—	—	—	—
New Orleans.....	294,000	212,000	92,000	41,000	2,000
Galveston.....	720,000	159,000	—	—	51,000
Fort Worth.....	2,218,000	383,000	208,000	3,000	43,000
Buffalo.....	3,440,000	2,262,000	1,153,000	57,000	275,000
a float.....	173,000	451,000	—	—	12,000
Toledo.....	2,622,000	29,000	215,000	12,000	22,000
Detroit.....	182,000	27,000	28,000	21,000	—
Chicago.....	13,905,000	12,433,000	1,689,000	2,680,000	664,000
Milwaukee.....	588,000	2,049,000	395,000	550,000	312,000
a float.....	—	—	322,000	—	—
Duluth.....	28,058,000	1,114,000	913,000	2,044,000	2,177,000
a float.....	351,000	—	—	—	—
Minneapolis.....	29,675,000	1,010,000	2,154,000	1,422,000	3,518,000
St. Louis.....	372,000	696,000	267,000	—	8,000
St. Paul.....	3,084,000	1,294,000	366,000	10,000	95,000
Kansas City.....	18,284,000	3,225,000	10,000	32,000	14,000
Wichita.....	3,611,000	246,000	15,000	—	4,000

United States—	Wheat, bush.	Corn, bush.	Oats, bush.	Rye, bush.	Barley, bush.
St. Joseph, Mo.....	1,415,000	884,000	—	—	3,000
Peoria.....	12,000	45,000	215,000	—	13,000
Indianapolis.....	357,000	1,373,000	761,000	—	—
Omaha.....	7,565,000	2,341,000	1,343,000	36,000	86,000
On Lakes.....	—	350,000	—	—	—
Total April 20 1929.....	118,246,000	30,853,000	10,404,000	6,975,000	7,852,000
Total April 13 1929.....	121,249,000	33,470,000	11,110,000	6,965,000	8,004,000
Total April 21 1928.....	63,620,000	37,388,000	12,490,000	5,410,000	2,676,000

Note.—Bonded grain not included above: Oats, New York, 242,000 bushels; Boston, 21,000; Philadelphia, 4,000; Baltimore, 45,000; Buffalo, 124,000; Duluth, 14,000; total, 450,000 bushels, against 28,000 bushels in 1928. Barley, New York, 67,000 bushels; Boston, 109,000; Philadelphia, 114,000; Baltimore, 158,000; Buffalo, 817,000; Duluth, 114,000; on Lakes, 266,000; total, 1,645,000 bushels, against 717,000 bushels in 1928. Wheat, New York, 2,894,000 bushels; Boston, 1,495,000; Philadelphia, 3,277,000; Baltimore, 3,618,000; Buffalo, 8,884,000; Duluth, 281,000; on Lakes, 361,000, total, 20,810,000 bushels, against 9,432,000 bushels in 1928.

Canadian—	Wheat, bush.	Corn, bush.	Oats, bush.	Rye, bush.	Barley, bush.
Montreal.....	9,627,000	—	579,000	351,000	399,000
Ft. William & Pt. Arthur.....	66,119,000	—	6,321,000	2,118,000	7,265,000
Other Canadian.....	7,729,000	—	2,249,000	221,000	1,187,000
Total April 20 1929.....	83,475,000	—	9,149,000	2,688,000	8,851,000
Total April 13 1929.....	91,380,000	—	9,331,000	2,829,000	9,327,000
Total April 21 1928.....	76,773,000	—	2,413,000	3,305,000	3,978,000

Summary—

American.....	118,246,000	30,853,000	10,404,000	6,975,000	7,852,000
Canadian.....	83,475,000	—	9,149,000	2,688,000	8,851,000
Total April 20 1929.....	201,721,000	30,853,000	19,553,000	9,663,000	16,703,000
Total April 13 1929.....	212,629,000	33,470,000	20,441,000	9,794,000	17,331,000
Total April 21 1928.....	140,393,000	37,388,000	14,903,000	8,715,000	6,654,000

The world's shipments of wheat and corn, as furnished by Broomhall to the New York Produce Exchange, for the week ending Friday, Apr. 19, and since July 1 1928 and 1927, are shown in the following:

Exports.	Wheat.			Corn.		
	1928-29.		1927-28.	1928-29.		1927-28.
	Week Apr. 19.	Since July 1.	Since July 1.	Week Apr. 19.	Since July 1.	Since July 1.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
North Amer.....	5,617,000	455,128,000	401,124,000	225,000	32,434,000	13,835,000
Black Sea.....	8,000	2,216,000	9,450,000	—	1,827,000	19,029,000
Argentina.....	5,124,000	159,961,000	137,491,000	4,902,000	191,709,000	217,329,000
Australia.....	3,920,000	93,568,000	55,055,000	—	—	—
India.....	—	1,112,000	8,312,000	—	—	—
Oth. countr's.....	744,000	38,036,000	26,672,000	230,000	25,540,000	22,941,000
Total.....	15,413,000	750,021,000	638,134,000	5,357,000	251,510,000	273,134,000

WEATHER BULLETIN FOR THE WEEK ENDED APRIL 16.—

The general summary of the weather bulletin, issued by the Department of Agriculture, indicating the influence of the weather for the week ended April 16 follows:

The storm that was central off the middle Atlantic coast at the close of last week moved slowly northeastward and brought rain or snow to most sections of the Northeast. Temperatures were generally seasonable in western districts and precipitation was widely scattered. General rains were reported over north-central areas and the extreme West on the 19th, and a reaction to cooler had set in over the more eastern States. A rather shallow depression was central over Oklahoma on the 20th, and as it moved eastward widespread precipitation occurred in the East, with numerous thunderstorms, severe locally. There were some heavy rains during the passage of this storm, particularly in the extreme South and in the Eastern Lake region.

Temperatures were generally moderate in most areas east of the Mississippi River during the latter part of the week, except for a reaction to cooler on the 22d, and it was rather cool for the season in some parts of the West on one or two days, but warmer weather prevailed toward the close. Precipitation was widespread over western sections on the 20th, but toward the close of the period it was largely local in character.

Chart I shows that the week, as a whole, was considerably cooler than normal from the Ohio Valley northward and eastward, and that near-normal warmth prevailed in nearly all other sections of the country. In the former area the mean temperatures ranged from 3 degrees to as much as 8 degrees below normal, with the greatest minus departures in the Appalachian Mountains, the lower Lake region, and the northern part of the middle Atlantic area. In the South temperatures averaged from 1 deg. to 2 deg. above normal to a like amount below, with most stations showing slight excesses. They were slightly above normal in most parts of the Great Plains and Rocky Mountain States, except the extreme northern districts of the latter, and were mostly somewhat below normal farther west.

Some low temperatures occurred the latter part of the week in Appalachian Mountain sections, with freezing extending as far south as extreme southwestern Virginia, and 6 deg. below freezing at Elkins, W. Va. In the interior temperatures as low as freezing were confined to the more northern districts, while in the South the lowest reported ranged from about 40 deg. to 60 deg.

Chart II shows that precipitation during the week was widespread, and was heavy in the middle and north Atlantic areas, the lower Lake region, and in the central trans-Mississippi States, with northeastern Kansas and northwestern Missouri receiving like amounts. In the Southern States rainfall was mostly light to moderate in amount, though a few rather heavy local falls were reported, but it was substantial in the central Rocky Mountain area.

The continuation of rather frequent rains in the interior valleys and many northern districts caused further interruptions to field operations, and seasonal activities are now considerably behind an average in most places; in some sections they are from ten days to three weeks late. In the middle and north Atlantic areas, the Ohio and middle and upper Mississippi Valleys, and the Lake region some plowing and seeding were accomplished, but field work, in general, is still inactive because of wetness. It was again cool over these sections and growth of vegetation was checked, but in this respect the season is still well advanced.

As stated in previous bulletins, fruit trees were unfavorably advanced through the influence of the heavy warm weather during parts of March and earlier in April, and, consequently, the heavy to killing frosts during the week have done considerable harm in many places, especially in Appalachian sections. In the Lake region and Ohio Valley the damage was generally local and mostly light, but in the Virginias it was more extensive. Much harm was done in West Virginia Friday morning, when a temperature as low as 26 deg. was reported at Elkins, and, as the week closed, like conditions again prevailed, while at the same time freezing extended southward to extreme southwestern Virginia. Fruit in some Atlantic sections was damaged also by the severe storm the first part of the week.

In the South conditions were generally favorable, and rainfall was mostly seasonable, except for some rather cool nights, and rainfall was mostly light to moderate, permitting active field operations in most places, and promoting satisfactory growth. Crops have improved in Florida since the rains of last week, and moisture is mostly ample throughout the South, except in western Texas and New Mexico; a few sections are still too wet. Except for wetness in a few places, conditions were generally favorable also in the Great Plains, with much seeding accomplished in the North.

In some western mountain sections and the eastern Great Basin cold rain, or snow, was unfavorable for livestock, especially for young lambs and calves, with considerable loss reported from some places. In the more western States the weather was mostly favorable, except that rain is still needed in parts of the interior of the Pacific Northwest, and frost did considerable injury to peaches and cherries in Oregon; commercial pears were saved by heating.

SMALL GRAINS.—The weather of the past week was rather unfavorable for growth of winter wheat in the Ohio Valley and it made only fair progress but the condition remains generally very good to excellent, except for some local yellowing due to too much rain. Growth was variable in the

trans-Mississippi States, varying from poor in Minnesota to very good to excellent in Missouri; warmth and sunshine would be beneficial in Iowa, while there were a few complaints of too rank growth in Missouri. Very good advance was made in the Great Plains, with plants jointing in eastern Kansas and the crop doing well in most western sections. Marked improvement was shown in Washington, although there was little or no stooling; some advance was made in Oregon. Winter wheat was favored in the East and South, except for some poor progress in dry sections of Texas.

Seeding spring wheat made rapid advance in North Dakota, except in the Red River Valley; this work progressed well the latter part of the week in other northern parts of the belt, but some sections were still too wet. Spring wheat was showing better germination and growth in Washington, but warm weather is needed generally and more moisture in eastern parts. Oat seeding was rather slow in some central-northern areas, especially in Iowa where much was broadcast; there were some complaints of yellowing in Illinois, but progress and condition were generally satisfactory. Oats were heading in some sections of the South and harvesting has begun in Florida. Rice planting is well advanced in Louisiana, with very good germination, and this work progressed in the Sacramento Valley of California.

CORN.—Except in the Great Plains States and in the South, the preparation of seed beds and the planting of corn made slow progress during the week because of continued wet soil, though fair advance was made in some Ohio Valley sections, particularly in parts of Kentucky. Very little preparation was possible in Iowa, while in Missouri plowing was resumed only in the southern part. Except for wetness in northeastern Oklahoma, the eastern half of Kansas, and southeastern Nebraska, seeding made good progress in the Plains States, with some corn plants as far north as southwestern Nebraska, though very little was accomplished in Kansas. Planting was well advanced in Oklahoma, with the early crop up to generally good stand and some cultivation. In the Southern States conditions were generally favorable.

COTTON.—In the eastern half of the Cotton Belt the nights were rather too cool for best germination and growth of early-seeded cotton, but planting made mostly satisfactory advance, except where wet soil interfered, principally in parts of the Carolinas and Mississippi. Early plantings have been nearly completed in South Carolina, with some cultivation, and seeding progressed rapidly in Georgia, except in the northern part, with plants ready to chop out as far north as Macon. In Louisiana conditions were generally favorable, with stands good and looking well. Very good progress in planting was reported from western Arkansas and parts of the north, but slow elsewhere because of wetness. In Oklahoma planting has become general in the southeast and south-central portions and begun in the north and west. In Texas growth and stands are mostly good and the general condition ranges from fairly good to excellent, though some replanting will be necessary where heavy rains occurred last week, and cultivation is backward in some wet areas.

The Weather Bureau also furnishes the following resume of the conditions in the different States:

Virginia.—Richmond: Cloudy, wet, and cool. Frost on Friday did slight damage to truck; heavy frost at close of week in west. Favorable for wheat, pastures, and meadows. Wet weather retarded farm work, which is behind in some localities. Generally unfavorable for early crops and for fruit.

North Carolina.—Raleigh: Rain early in week beneficial, though delaying work to some extent in central and east; considerable plowing done in west. Some frost damage to tender truck, strawberries, and apples. Slow progress in further planting of corn and cotton account wet soil and coolness. Considerable tobacco transplanted in east. Wheat, rye, oats and clover doing well.

South Carolina.—Columbia: Generally favorable, but some nights too cool, and rains at beginning and end of week further retarded spring plowing in northwest where work is backward and only small part of cotton and corn planted. Elsewhere early corn and cotton planting nearing completion, with germination improving and some cultivation. Winter cereals, truck, and forage improved; oats and rye headed in large areas.

Georgia.—Atlanta: Cool weather checked growth and germination, but a sense of general rains favored rapid advance of farm work. Planting cotton, corn, and numerous minor crops proceeded actively. Cotton suffering somewhat from cool weather, necessitating moderate amount of replanting; ready to chop up as far north as Macon, but planting slow in extreme north. Much corn up to good stands and doing well.

Florida.—Jacksonville: Progress and condition of cotton good, but nights too cool. Rain of previous week improved truck, corn, melons, tobacco, and citrus, but some damage on lowlands, and hail on 15th damaged truck, melons, and tobacco beds locally in north and central. Oats being harvested. Satsumas in west doing well.

Alabama.—Montgomery: Locally heavy rains Saturday; otherwise dry; moisture mostly beneficial. Progress and condition of oats, truck, pastures, and fruit mostly fair to good. Planting corn and potatoes continues; early-planted generally coming up nicely. Bedding sweets practically finished. Good progress planting cotton in south and some central sections and commencing in extreme north; stands of early-planted somewhat irregular, but mostly fair to good; some replanting in southeast; choppings progressing locally in south.

Mississippi.—Vicksburg: Planting cotton and corn made slow advance and germination and growth mostly poor due to frequent rains and cool nights; much up to fair stands. Progress of gardens, pastures, and truck fair to good.

Louisiana.—New Orleans: Weather favorable for crops, except some nights too cool for best growth. Good progress in planting cotton and corn and cultivating early-planted, with stands good and looking well; hail caused slight damage in northwest. Rice planting well advanced, with germination very good. Sugar cane, pastures, potatoes, truck, and fruits doing well.

Texas.—Houston: Warmth, with light or no rain, generally favorable for plant growth and field work, except conditions droughty in portions of west and soil too wet for planting and cultivation in upper coast and parts of central and southwest. Local hail damage in central and northeast. Progress and condition of winter wheat, oats, pastures, and truck mostly very good, except poor in droughty sections; oats heading in south and east. Progress and condition of corn very good, but fields grassy in wetter sections. Progress and stands of cotton mostly good; condition fairly good to excellent; some replanting necessary where excessive rains last week and cultivation backward in wetter areas.

Oklahoma.—Oklahoma City: Favorable for plowing and planting, except in northeast portion where work further delayed by heavy to excessive rains. Progress and condition of winter wheat and oats generally good to excellent. Corn planting well advanced; early-planted generally up to good stands, with some cultivated. Cotton planting general in southeast and south-central and beginning in north and west.

Arkansas.—Little Rock: Very good advance in planting cotton in most of west and locally in northeast where light rains; progress rather poor elsewhere, due to wet, cloudy weather; crop up in parts of central and south. Still planting corn in most portions; much yet to plant in north and east. Very favorable for growth of cotton, corn, wheat, oats, meadows, pastures, potatoes, truck, fruit, and strawberries.

Tennessee.—Nashville: Week excellent for farm work and much done, but too cool for vegetation. More rain in some sections would be beneficial, but recent flood prevented cultivation. Little cotton planted, but considerable corn seeded. Oats started well. Progress of winter wheat excellent under favorable weather.

Kentucky.—Louisville: Mostly cool; rain heavy in extreme west; otherwise light to moderate. Favorable for soil preparation until near end. Corn planting made fair progress in southwest and commenced in north and central, but awaiting warmer weather. Tobacco plants fine and plentiful. Oats average to large size. Progress and condition of winter wheat mostly excellent; knee-high in west and jointing generally.

THE DRY GOODS TRADE

New York, Friday Night, April 26 1929.

The general attention of textile interests is being directed to the activity of the Wool Institute in the study of style tendencies. At a meeting held at the Institute on Tuesday, details of a projected systematized study of style trends were submitted and a conference composed of retailers, mill-men, and cutters-up was announced for the purpose of discussing its possibilities. Using the Institute as a sort of

headquarters to which information about fashion trends will be gathered, it is planned to digest this information by means of charts which will show a clear comparison of the various tendencies of demand and indicate which fashions are dead or dying, which growing stronger, and so forth. The contention is that a scientific analysis of style trends may lead to alleviation of the losses and wastes which result from the inability to accurately anticipate demand. It is hoped that the breadth and scope of the proposed analysis will enable estimates to be made with sufficient accuracy to give style creators reliable indicators of the direction of demand, so that they may base new creations on a sounder foundation than has been hitherto possible. Cotton goods markets continue to move into distribution in good volume, with the future made uncertain by the dangers which attend the current high rate of production. The apparently unaffected popularity of silk prints is promoting favorable sentiment among factors concerned with their production. Demand continues active, and further improvement in styling is asked for rather urgently.

DOMESTIC COTTON GOODS.—While rumor and report so far this month have not generally painted activity in cotton goods markets as very great, factors are apparently expecting that aggregate business will approximate good proportions. The high volume of business which has occupied print cloths and wash goods mills for some time past has been well maintained, and if reports from other places, such as the sheetings division, are not so satisfactory, and indeed are a source of real disquietude to some factors, total business for the month is still expected to register a favorable figure. The price situation continues uncertain. There are instances of price shading in various quarters, and while the general opinion seems to be that quotations are now as low as they well may be, it is a moot point what might result, for instance, if heavy orders of sheetings became obtainable at concessions. With regard to the latter, some constructions are now quoted at the lowest level since last year, and similar easiness in other lines is said to be partly a reflection of this state of affairs. Although some wash goods mills have experienced a slight slackening of business of late which has enabled them to catch up on deliveries, they are in a good statistical position. In most instances they are well sold ahead, and are continuing to contract a good volume of orders. Wash goods factors are successfully resisting suggestions of concessions, even where large orders are involved, and are benefiting by the stress which demand is laying on fine qualities. It is said that buyers are showing a gratifying willingness to lend their support to the higher standards of offerings. A rather quiet primary market during the middle of the week was relieved by reports of large foreign demand for the finer constructions of rayon and cotton mixtures. Lines of staple ginghams for the Fall season are priced so attractively that it is expected that orders will begin to be placed for them earlier than might otherwise be expected. The opening of the Amoskeag Company's Fall lines at prices corresponding to those quoted on Spring offerings is one of the encouraging features of the week; Print cloths, 28-inch 64x60's construction are quoted at 5¼c., and 27-inch 64x60's at 5½c. Grey goods, 39-inch 68x72's construction are quoted at 8¾c., and 39-inch 80x80's at 10½c.

WOOLEN GOODS.—Owing to further unfavorable weather business in woolens and worsteds has not outgrown the quiet conditions which have been general during the past two weeks or so. Spring and Summer goods are selling in retail stores, but demand lacks impetus while the weather continues uncertain. However, it is expected that the first fine spell should bring crowds of buyers into the stores, and that the fresh public demand will be reflected in an increased volume of orders placed with mills. Meanwhile, duplicate goods are being asked for steadily, if in moderate quantity, and the favorable position of the primary industry as a whole is enabling most factors to weather the present comparative quiet without too much discomfort. Production continues in a fairly good relation to sales, and this circumstance, coupled with general faith in the policies of the Wool Institute, is helping manufacturers to retain their optimistic attitude. While many worsted manufacturers are complaining of the narrow margin of profit obtainable on sales, they are in a better position for combating conditions of this nature than are cotton goods manufacturers who are hampered by a more intensive production. The possibilities of a strike on a large scale are not being regarded with very great apprehension. It is thought improbable that such a strike will start before June, nor last longer than a month, and since June is the month which is customarily given over to the viewing of Fall offerings by buyers, and the production end of the trade is necessarily quiet at that time, it is not expected that manufacturers will suffer unduly from it.

FOREIGN DRY GOODS.—Linen is practically featureless. Business is a matter of steady trading and moderate volume, with such changes as do occur characterized by extreme slowness. The position in Belfast is hopeful according to reports, with factors bringing system to bear on the analysis of costs, and expecting to inaugurate a somewhat more profitable price basis with the appearance of a better demand. Burlap buyers are exhibiting great uncertainty and showing little inclination to buy even at the low prices current at this time. Light weights are quoted at 6.60c. and heavies at 9.00c.

State and City Department

NEWS ITEMS

Delaware, State of.—Legislative Session Closes.—The 102d session of the State Legislature adjourned at 5.15 p. m. on April 19 after the Senate had defeated two measures which had been introduced by Senator Virdin, relating to the primary elections and a complete change in the State registration laws.

Florida, State of.—\$50,000,000 Bond Issue Bill Introduced in House.—Frank J. Booth, the Representative from Pinellas County, introduced a joint resolution in the House on April 18 providing for a constitutional amendment authorizing a \$50,000,000 bond issue to be used for the stabilization of finances in heavily bonded counties, completion of the primary and secondary road systems of the State and increased revenue for schools, according to the Florida "Times-Union" of April 19. The paper goes on to say:

The Penellas County representative stated that the bonds could be retired in about 25 or 30 years in this manner. The license tax sales now produce \$4,888,000 annually he pointed out, and probably will increase. If more money than this is needed for maintenance of highways, the personal tax on automobiles, or filling station taxes, could be appropriated for the purpose he stated.

To Be Voted in 1930.

The proposed amendment specifies that not more than \$10,000,000 shall be issued during any one year and that the bonds shall not bear more than 4 1/2% interest. The amendment would be voted on in the general election in 1930. The resolution provides.

The \$50,000,000 would complete both the primary and secondary preferential roads of the State, Representative Booth stated, and give Florida the finest road system in the nation.

This would give the State lasting relief from present taxation problems, the Pinellas county representative stated. Taxpayers of the State should not view the size of the proposed bond issue with alarm, he said, as the provisions for spreading the issuance of bonds over a period of years will minimize the expense.

Resolution in Full.

The resolution follows in full: "A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 6, of Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to the power of the legislature to provide for the issuance of bonds.

"Be it resolved by the legislature of the State of Florida: "That the following amendment to Section 6, of Article IX, of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to the power of the legislature to provide for the issuance of bonds is hereby agreed to and shall be submitted to the electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the next general election of representatives, to be held of the year A. D. 1930, that is to say, said section shall be amended to read as follows:

"Section 6, the legislature shall have power to provide for issuing State bonds only for the purpose of repelling invasion or suppressing insurrection or for the purpose of refunding or refunding bonds already issued at a lower rate of interest, or for the purpose of construction or completing the State highway system. Provided that the bonds issued for the construction or completion of a State highway system shall not exceed in the aggregate the sum of fifty million (\$50,000,000) dollars, and not more than ten million (\$10,000,000) dollars in bonds shall be issued in any one year, and no bonds shall be issued that will bear interest at a greater rate than 4 1/2% per annum, and they shall be offered for public sale at not less than par and accrued interest."

House Approves Navigation District Bonds.—The Florida "Times-Union" of April 19, states that the House passed Senate Bill No. 138, ratifying the \$1,887,000 bond issue of the Florida Inland Navigation District. It is said that the proceeds of this bond issue are to be used to purchase the right-of-way for the East Coast canal.

Bill Introduced to Abolish Bond Trusteeships.—The following report is taken from the "Wall Street Journal" of April 23:

New bill introduced in the Florida Legislature by Representative W. B. Moon would abolish the office of bond trustees in all counties, districts and municipalities, and substitute the State Treasurer to handle all details of bond issues. The bill is a companion to one introduced in the Senate requiring registration of all bonds with the State Treasurer, and money for interest and sinking fund to be deposited with that official, who shall pay out interest and principal when due.

Hidalgo County Water Control and Improvement District No. 7, Tex.—Suit Brought to Validate Bonds.—Our western correspondent informs us that the above named district has filed a mandamus action in the Travis County district court at Austin in order to compel the attorney general to approve \$2,750,000 in bonds for canal improvements that were voted at an election held on Feb. 19—V. 128, p. 1437.

Municipal Borrowing Expected on Large Scale.—Several large offerings of municipal bonds are expected to be floated within the next few weeks, according to the "Herald-Tribune" of April 25. Unofficial advices state that a Detroit, Mich. bond issue of between \$15,000,000 and \$20,000,000 is scheduled to be marketed shortly. The State of New York and the Port Authority of New York are also rumored to be contemplating financing improvement programs. The State financing it is said, will not take the form of a public offering. It is understood that notes will be issued amounting to about \$20,000,000, which it is stated have already been subscribed for by various banking institutions. The "Tribune" goes on to say:

It is particularly difficult at this time for any one to predict a municipality's intentions as to financing. This is largely because of the fact that with the money market situation so uncertain, municipal bond houses themselves are hesitant to give advice to would-be borrowers on this point. Said the head of one municipal department yesterday: "The situation is a distinctly new one for us. In former years we always have been glad to have municipalities come to us for advice, for the trend of bond prices has usually been quite clearly established. Now there is no way of predicting what bonds will do. Bond prices are dependent upon the vagaries of the money market, and the money market's trend is inextricably intertwined with that of the stock market, whose future is of course an uncharted sea of conjecture."

Ohio, State of.—Governor Cooper Signs Four Cent Gasoline Tax Measure.—On April 16 Governor Myers Y. Cooper signed the Sullivan-Bostwick Act, increasing the tax on gasoline from 3 to 4 cents, reports the Cleveland "Plain-Dealer" of April 17. The Act became a law at midnight, going into

effect when the Governor had signed it and filed it with the Secretary of State.

BOND PROPOSALS AND NEGOTIATIONS.

ADAIR COUNTY (P. O. Greenfield) Iowa.—BOND SALE POSTPONED.—We are now informed that the sale of the \$200,000 issue of annual primary road bonds scheduled for April 18—V. 128, p. 2330—has been postponed until May 3 awaiting the ruling of Chapman & Cutler of Chicago, as to legality. Dated May 1 1929. Due \$20,000 from May 1 1935 to 1944, incl. Optional after 5 years.

ADAMS COUNTY (P. O. Decatur), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The following issues of 4 1/2% bonds aggregating \$9,800 offered on April 18—V. 128, p. 2506—were awarded to the First National Bank of Decatur: at par plus a premium of \$4.90, equal to 100.054, a basis of about 4.49%: \$4,120 D. S. Bebolt macadam road, Jefferson Township bonds. 3,040 Myers and Oakley macadam road, Blue Creek Township bonds. 2,640 Hoffman and Irelan macadam road, Blue Creek Township bonds. Dated April 15 1929. Due May and Nov. 15 1930 to 1939 inclusive.

AKRON, Summit County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—E. C. Galler, Director of Finance, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. (Eastern time), May 20, for the purchase of the following issues of 5 1/2% special assessment bonds aggregating: \$288,334.43 street improvement bonds. Due as follows: \$57,334.43, Oct. 1 1930; \$57,000, Oct. 1 1931; and \$58,000, Oct. 1 1932 to 1934 incl. 246,870.06 street improvement bonds. Due Oct. 1 as follows: \$24,870.06, 1930; \$24,000, 1931 to 1933 incl.; and \$25,000, 1934 to 1939 incl.

Dated May 1 1929. Prin. and int. (A. & O. 1) payable at the National Park Bank, New York. Bids for bonds to bear a different interest rate are also invited. Should a fractional rate be offered such fraction is to be stated in a multiple of 1/4 of 1% or multiples thereof. Bids must be for "all or none." A certified check payable to the order of the above-mentioned official for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for is required. Successful bidder to furnish legal opinion.

ALLEGHENY COUNTY (P. O. Pittsburgh), Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—Robert G. Woodside, County Comptroller, is reported to be receiving sealed bids until 10 a. m. (daylight saving time), May 14, for the purchase of \$5,100.00 1/2% bonds consisting of \$2,550,000 series 9-A, Court House Extensions, .000,000 series 34-A2 roads, \$1,000,000 series 1A, airport and \$550,000 series 4-c Court House Extension bonds. Obligations are dated March 1 1929. Denominations \$1,000. Due serially in 30 years. A certified check for \$102,000 must accompany each proposal.

ALLEN COUNTY (P. O. Fort Wayne), Ind.—NO BIDS.—No bids were received on April 15 for the purchase of the following issues of 4 1/2% bonds aggregating \$476,000, scheduled to have been sold—V. 128, p. 2507—Unless the bonds are disposed of shortly, the county commissioners are to request the State Tax Board to permit them to be offered on a 5% coupon rate.

\$293,500 L29 Road construction bonds. Denom. \$1,000 and \$337.50. Due \$7,337.50 May and Nov. 15 1930 to 1949 incl.

182,500 Tonkel Road construction bonds. Denoms. \$1,000 and \$562.50. Due \$4,562.50, May and Nov. 15 1930 to 1949 incl.

Both issues are dated April 15 1929. Int. payable on May and Nov. 15. Legality to be approved by Smith, Remster, Hornbrook & Smith of Indianapolis.

ASHLAND, Boyd County, Ky.—BOND SALE.—The \$200,000 issue of 5% semi-annual sewer bonds offered for sale on April 2—V. 128, p. 2150—was awarded to the Harris Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago, for a premium of \$3,186, equal to 101.598.

ASHTABULA COUNTY (P. O. Jefferson), Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$12,780 coupon road improvement bonds offered on April 22—V. 128, p. 2331—were awarded to the First-Citizens Corp. of Columbus, as 5 1/2%, at par plus a premium of \$44.73, equal to 100.35, a basis of about 5.17%. Bonds are dated May 15 1929, due \$710, April and Oct. 1 1930 to 1938 incl. The following bids were also submitted:

Bidder	Int. Rate.	Prem.
Ryan, Sutherland & Co.	5 1/2%	\$13.20
Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co.	5 1/2%	5.00
N. S. Hill & Co.	5 1/2%	42.17
Seasongood & Mayer	5 1/2%	39.00
Wall, Roth & Irving Co.	6%	128.00
Siler, Carpenter & Roose	6%	13.00

ATCHISON COUNTY (P. O. Atchison), Kan.—BOND SALE.—The \$140,000 issue of 4 1/2% coupon refunding bonds offered for sale on Apr. 23—V. 128, p. 2507—was awarded to the Prescott, Wright, Snider & Co. of Kansas City, at a price of 97.65, a basis of about 4.71%. Dated July 1 1929. Due \$14,000 from July 1 1930 to 1939 incl.

ATHENS, McMinn County, Tenn.—BOND ELECTION.—A special election has been called for May 11 in order to approve a proposition calling for the issuance of \$25,000 in bonds for special paving assessment purposes.

AVON UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Avon), Lexington County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—C. T. Davin, Clerk Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 7:30 p. m., April 30, for the purchase of \$95,000 coupon or registered school bonds, rate of interest not to exceed 6%, and to be stated in a multiple of 1-10th or 1/4 of 1%. Dated May 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due May 1, as follows: \$3,000, 1930 to 1954, incl.; and \$4,000, 1955 to 1959, incl. Prin. & int. (M. & N.) payable at the State Bank of Avon. A certified check payable to the order of Agnes Curran F. Davin, District Treasurer, for \$1,900 must accompany each proposal. Legality to be approved by Clay, Dillon & Vandewater of New York City.

BALTIMORE COUNTY (P. O. Towson), Md.—BOND OFFERING.—John R. Haut, Chief Clerk, Board of County Commissioners, will receive sealed bids until 11 a. m. (eastern standard time), May 22, for the purchase of all or any part of \$1,000,000 of an authorized amount of \$2,000,000 4 1/2% coupon school bonds. Dated June 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due June 1, as follows: \$65,000, 1930 to 1944, incl.; and \$25,000, 1945. Prin. and int. (J. & D. 1) payable at the order of the County Commissioners for 1% of the check payable to the order of the County Commissioners for 1% of the amount of bonds bid for is required. Legal opinion, if requested, of Elmer J. Cook, Towson, will be furnished. Offering advertisement says:

"The full faith and credit of Baltimore County is pledged for the payment of the principal and interest of said loan, which is authorized by Chapter 30 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1929. The loan is exempt from state, county and municipal taxation in the State of Maryland, and from Federal taxation. Baltimore County has no incorporated towns, and has an assessable basis of at least \$216,000,000. The total indebtedness of the County is \$256,000 Serial Sewer Certificates, for which the Towson Sewerage Area is primarily liable, and the issue of the Public Road and School Bonds of Baltimore County, amounting to \$3,000,000, of which \$25,000 was paid Feb. 1 1924; \$30,000, Feb. 1 1925; \$35,000, Feb. 1 1926; \$40,000, Feb. 1 1927; \$45,000, Feb. 1 1928; and \$50,000, Feb. 1 1929; and \$1,500,000 public school bonds, of which \$10,000 was paid Feb. 1 1927; \$12,000 Feb. 1 1928; and \$14,000 Feb. 1 1929, and \$1,500,000 public road bonds, of which \$40,000 was paid April 1 1928, and \$40,000 April 1 1929, and \$5,000,000 Metropolitan District bonds, for which the properties benefitted will be assessed to repay this loan; the faith and credit of the whole Metropolitan District and of Baltimore County is pledged for the payment of this loan. The tax rate of Baltimore County for 1929 is \$1.65. Total State and county rate is \$1.90 74-100.

BARRINGTON, Camden County, N. J.—BOND SALE.—The Suburban National Bank of Barrington, purchased on Feb. 28, and issue of \$13,000 6% coupon park bonds at a price of par. Bonds are dated April 1 1929, denom. \$1,000 and \$500, and mature serially on April 1 1931 to 1939 inclusive. Int. payable April and October.

Additional Information.—The \$358,000 sewer bonds awarded to the above-mentioned institution in—V. 128, p. 2685—at par, are dated April 1 1929, and mature serially on April 1, from 1931 to 1939 incl. Int. payable on April and Oct. 1. This issue was also purchased on Feb. 28.

BEACHWOOD, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Frank C. Marous, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. April 30, for the purchase of the following issues of 5% bonds aggregating \$179,583:

\$103,309 Property Owners' portion, st. improvement bonds. Due Oct. 1, as follows: \$10,309, 1930; \$10,000, 1931 and 1932; \$11,000, 1933; \$10,000, 1934 and 1935; \$11,000, 1936; \$10,000, 1937 and 1938; and \$11,000, 1939.

59,900 Property Owners' portion, st. impt. bonds. Due Oct. 1, as follows: \$4,900, 1930; \$6,000, 1931 to 1933, incl.; and \$7,000, 1939.

16,374 Property Owners' portion, st. impt. bonds. Due Oct. 1, as follows: \$1,374, 1930; \$2,000, 1931; \$1,000, 1932; \$2,000, 1933 and 1934; \$1,000, 1935; \$2,000, 1936 and 1937; \$1,000, 1938 and \$2,000, 1939.

Three issues are dated May 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000 and multiples thereof. Bids for bonds to bear an interest rate other than the one specified will also be considered; provided, however, that where a fractional rate is bid, such fraction shall be stated in a multiple of 1/4 of 1% of multiples thereof. A certified check payable to the order of the Village Treasurer, for 5% of the amount of bonds bid for is required. Separate bids must be made for each issue.

BEAVER COUNTY (P. O. Beaver), Pa.—BOND SALE.—The \$200,000 coupon road bonds offered on April 25—V. 128, p. 2507—were awarded as 4 1/4s to R. M. Snyder & Co., Philadelphia, at par plus a premium of \$860, equal to a price of 100.43, a basis of about 4.20%. Due \$10,000, Dec. 1 1930 to 1949, incl. The following bids were also submitted:

Bidder	Premium.
M. M. Freeman & Co., Philadelphia	\$738
W. H. Newbold's Son & Co., Philadelphia	659
Guaranty Co. of New York	658
National City Co., New York	198
Graham, Parsons & Co., New York	120
Union Trust Co., Pittsburgh	53

BEAVER DAM, Dodge County, Wis.—BOND SALE.—The \$25,000 issue of 4 1/2% street improvement bonds offered for sale on April 22—V. 128, p. 2685—was awarded to the Milwaukee Co. of Milwaukee, at par. Dated May 1 1929. Due from Feb. 1 1930 to 1949, incl. No other bids were submitted.

BENTON COUNTY (P. O. Winton), Iowa.—BOND SALE.—The \$79,000 issue of 4 1/4% coupon or registered county road bonds offered for sale on April 18—V. 128, p. 2507—was sold to the Carleton D. Beh Co. of Des Moines, for a premium of \$697, equal to 100.88, a basis of about 4.58%. Dated May 1 1929. Due from May 1 1931 to 1936.

BOERNE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Boerne), Kendall County, Tex.—BOND SALE.—A \$40,000 issue of 5 1/4% school bonds has been purchased by the B. F. Dittmar Co. of San Antonio, for a premium of \$2,100, equal to 105.25, a basis of about 4.83%. Due in from 1 to 40 years.

(This report corrects that given in—V. 128, p. 2150.)

BOSTON, Suffolk County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—The Old Colony Corporation and the Shawmut Corp., both of Boston, purchased on April 26, a \$2,500,000 temporary loan. Interest rate 5.59%. Loan is dated April 29 1929 and is payable on Oct. 2 1929.

BREVARD COUNTY (P. O. Titusville), Fla.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until April 30, by the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, for the purchase of an issue of \$1,250,000 road and bridge bonds.

BRIDGEWATER, Plymouth County, Mass.—BOND SALE.—The Old Colony Corporation of Boston, bidding 101.67, purchased on April 24, \$58,000 4 1/4% coupon water bonds. Interest cost basis about 4.10%. Bonds are dated May 1 1929 in denom. of \$1,000, and mature \$2,000, May 1 1930 to 1958, incl. Prin. and int. (May and Nov. 1) payable at the First National Bank, Boston. The Bank will also supervise the preparation of the bonds and will certify as to their genuineness. Legality to be approved by Ropes, Gray, Boyden & Perkins of Boston. These are the bonds offered in—V. 128, p. 2685 erroneously captioned Bridgeport. The following bids were also submitted:

Bidder	Rate Bid.
R. L. Day & Co.	101.09
Estabrook & Co.	101.02
E. H. Rollins & Sons	100.47
F. S. Moseley & Co.	100.51
Harris, Forbes & Co.	100.00

Financial Statement, April 5 1929.	
Net valuation for year 1928	\$5,480,344.25
Debt limit	162,589.28
Total gross debt including this issue	\$27,000.00
Exempted debt—	
Water bonds	\$432,000.00
School bonds	60,000.00
	\$492,000.00
Net debt	\$35,000.00
Borrowing capacity April 5 1929	\$127,589.28

BROOKLYN HEIGHTS, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Harvey Betschler, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. (central standard time), May 6, for the purchase of \$4,635 6% improvement bonds. Dated April 1 1929. Due April 1, as follows: \$135, 1931; and \$500, 1932 to 1940, incl. Int. payable (A. & O. 1). Prin. and int. payable at the Pearl Street Savings & Trust Co., Cleveland. A certified check payable to the order of the Village Treasurer, for 10% of the amount of bonds bid for must accompany each proposal.

BUCHANAN COUNTY (P. O. Independence), Iowa.—BOND SALE.—The \$200,000 issue of registered primary road bonds offered for sale on April 19—V. 128, p. 2331—was awarded to the Carleton D. Beh Co. of Des Moines, as 4 1/4s, for a premium of \$860, equal to 100.43, a basis of about 4.66%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated May 1 1929. Due \$20,000 from May 1 1935 to 1944, incl. Optional after 5 years. Int. payable on May 1.

BURLINGTON, Chittenden County, Vt.—BOND SALE.—The following issues of 4 1/4% coupon or registered refunding bonds aggregating \$60,000 offered on April 25—V. 128, p. 2685—were awarded to the Burlington Savings Bank, at par plus a premium of \$6, equal to 100.01: \$30,000 Memorial Bldg. bonds. Dated April 1 1929. Due Oct. 1 1949. \$30,000 Memorial Bldg. bonds. Dated May 1 1929. Due Nov. 1 1949. The following bids were also submitted:

Bidder	Rate Bid.
E. H. Rollins & Sons	98.72
Harris, Forbes & Co.	97.25
R. L. Day & Co.	98.89
Old Colony Trust Co.	99.20
Stone & Webster and Blodget, Inc.	99.08

BUTLER COUNTY (P. O. Allison), Iowa.—BOND SALE.—The \$150,000 issue of coupon primary road bonds offered for sale on April 18—V. 128, p. 2150—was awarded to the Carleton D. Beh Co. of Des Moines, as 4 1/4s, for a premium of \$580, equal to 100.386, a basis of about 4.67%. Due from 1935 to 1944 and optional after 5 years. The other bids were as follows:

Bidders	Rate Bid.	Prem.
Geo. M. Bechtel & Co.	4 3/4%	\$579.00
White-Phillips Co.	5%	1,499.00
Jackley-Wiedman Co.	5%	1,255.00

CAMP HILL SCHOOL DISTRICT, Cumberland County, Pa.—PRICE PAID.—E. H. Rollins & Sons of Philadelphia, paid par plus a premium of \$143.00, equal to 100.26, for the \$55,000 4 1/2% coupon school bonds reported sold in V. 128, p. 2685. Interest cost basis about 4.46%. Bonds are dated May 1 1929 and mature May 1, as follows: \$6,000, 1932 and 1933; \$4,000, 1934; \$2,000, 1935; \$4,000, 1936; \$6,000, 1937; \$4,000, 1939; \$3,000, 1940 and 1941; \$5,000, 1942; \$2,000, 1943 to 1946 incl.; \$1,000, 1948 and \$3,000, 1949. As previously noted the purchasers are reoffering the issues for public investment, priced to yield 4.25%.

CANTON, Stark County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Samuel E. Barr, City Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m. (eastern standard time), May 6, for the purchase of the following issues of 4 1/2% bonds aggregating \$53,853.41:

\$18,169.38 Property Owners' portion, st. impt. bonds. Due Jan. 1, as follows: \$1,669.38, 1931; \$2,000, 1932; \$500, 1933; \$2,000, 1934; \$500, 1935; \$2,000, 1936; \$500, 1937; \$2,000, 1938 to 1940, incl.

12,968.04 Property Owners' portion, st. impt. bonds. Due March 1, as follows: \$1,468.04, 1931; \$1,000, 1932; \$1,500, 1933; \$1,000, 1934; \$1,500, 1935; \$1,000, 1936; \$1,500, 1937; \$1,000, 1938; and \$1,500, 1939 and 1940.

9,149.46 Property Owners' portion, st. impt. bonds. Due Feb. 1, as follows: \$1,049.46, 1931; and \$900, 1932 to 1940, incl.

8,161.53 Property Owners' portion, st. impt. bonds. Due March 1, as follows: \$661.53, 1931; \$1,000, 1932 to 1934, incl.; \$500, 1935; \$1,000, 1936; \$500, 1937; \$1,000, 1938; \$500, 1939; and \$1,000, 1940.

5,405.00 Jackson Park Swimming Pool impt. bonds. Due March 1, as follows: \$605, 1931; \$500, 1932; \$600, 1933; \$500, 1934; \$600, 1935; \$500, 1936; \$600, 1937; and \$500, 1938 to 1940, incl.

Five issues are dated March 1 1929. Prin. and int. payable at the office of the City Treasurer. Bid for a lesser or a higher coupon rate will be considered. A certified check for 5% of the amount of bonds bid for is required.

CARTERET COUNTY (P. O. Beaufort), N. C.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by W. J. Plint, Register of Deeds, until noon on May 6, for the purchase of a \$515,000 issue of 5 1/4% funding bonds. Dated Mar. 1 1929 and due on Mar. 1, as follows: \$16,000, 1934 to 1948 and \$25,000 from 1949 to 1959, all incl. Prin. and semi-annual int. payable at the Hanover National Bank in New York City. Chapman & Outler of Chicago will furnish the legal approval. Issued under authority of: H. B. No. 874, Sen. bill 1022, Acts of the Gen. Ass. of 1929. A certified check for 2% of the bid, payable to the County, is required.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Linn County, Iowa.—PRICE PAID.—The \$160,000 issue of water works bonds that was purchased by the White-Phillips Co. of Davenport, as 4 3/8s—V. 128, p. 2685—was awarded at par. Due from April 1 1930 to 1939, incl.

CHARLESTON TOWNSHIP, Coles County, Ill.—BOND SALE.—The Harris Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, recently purchased an issue of \$100,000 5 1/2% coupon road bonds. Dated April 15 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Bonds are registered as to principal. Due Dec. 15, as follows: \$6,000, 1931; \$7,000, 1932; \$8,000, 1933 and 1934; \$9,000, 1935; \$11,000, 1936; \$12,000, 1937 and 1938; \$13,000, 1939; \$14,000, 1940. Prin. and int. (June and Dec. 15) payable at the Continental Illinois Bank & Trust Co., Chicago. Bonds, in the opinion of counsel, are direct general obligations of the entire township and are payable from taxes levied against all the taxable property therein. Successful bidder is re-offering them for investment priced to yield from 4.80 to 4.60%.

Financial Statement. (As officially reported.)

Assessed valuation for taxation	\$5,036,905
Total debt (this issue included)	\$15,000
Population, estimated 8,500; population, 1920 census 7,589; population, 1910 census 6,802.	

* The above statement does not include obligations of other municipal corporations which have taxing power against property within the township.

CHESTER, Delaware County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—S. P. Gray, Superintendent of Accounts and Finance, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m. (eastern standard time) May 21, for the purchase of \$550,000 4 or 4 1/4% coupon Sewer and Pumping Station bonds. Dated July 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due July 1 as follows: \$10,000, 1931, and \$20,000, 1932 to 1958, incl. Principal and interest payable in Chester. A certified check payable to the order of the City for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for is required. Bonds issued subject to favorable opinion of Townsend, Elliott & Munson of Philadelphia, as to their legality.

CHICAGO SOUTH PARK DISTRICT (P. O. Chicago), Cook County, Ill.—OTHER BIDS.—The following tenders were also submitted on April 12 for the \$3,500,000 4% building bonds awarded to a syndicate headed by Ames, Emrich & Co., Chicago, at 95.548, a basis of about 4.60%.—V. 128, p. 2686.

Bidder	Rate Bid.
First Trust & Savings Bank	95.45
Halsey, Stuart & Co.	95.10

CLAIRTON, Allegheny County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—The \$70,000 coupon bonds offered on April 23—V. 128, p. 2508—were awarded as 4 1/4s, to the Mellon National Bank of Pittsburgh, at par plus a premium of \$133, equal to 100.19, a basis of about 4.48%. Bonds are dated April 1 1929 and mature April 1 as follows: \$6,000, 1935 to 1941, incl., \$9,000, 1942 and 1943, and \$10,000, 1944. Other bidders were:

Bidder	Prem.
Prescott, Lyon & Co., Pittsburgh	\$72.00
J. H. Holmes & Co., Pittsburgh	78.00

CLEVELAND, Bradley County, Tenn.—BOND SALE.—A \$25,000 issue of 5% refunding bonds has been purchased by the Cleveland National Bank.

CLEVELAND HEIGHTS (P. O. Cleveland) Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The following issues of bonds aggregating \$529,070 offered on April 22—V. 128, p. 2331-2680—were awarded as 5s to the Detroit & Security Trust Co. Detroit, at par plus a premium of \$3,491.86, equal to 100.51, a basis of about 4.93%: \$472,770 special assessment street improvement bonds. Due October 1 as follows: \$46,770, 1930; \$47,000, 1931; \$48,000, 1932; \$47,000, 1933 to 1935 incl.; \$48,000, 1936; \$47,000, 1937 and 1938; and \$48,000, 1939.

56,300 impt. bonds. Due Oct. 1, as follows: \$5,300, 1930, \$6,000, 1931 and 1932; \$5,000, 1933; \$6,000, 1934; \$5,000, 1935; \$6,000, 1936; \$5,000, 1937; and \$6,000, 1938 and 1939.

Both issues dated May 15 1929. Harris, Forbes & Co., bidding for both issues offered par plus a premium of \$1,106. Braun, Bosworth & Co., Toledo, for both issues as 5 1/4s, bid par plus a premium of \$4,077. For \$472,770 bonds as 5s they offered par plus a premium of \$236, and for \$56,300 bonds as 6s they offered par plus a premium of \$28. The Guardian Trust Co., Detroit, for the \$472,770 issue and the \$56,300 issue, offered premiums of \$808 and \$96, respectively.

CLIFFSIDE PARK (P. O. Cliffside) Bergen County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—Arthur H. Abrams, Borough Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8:30 p. m. (daylight saving time) May 7, for the purchase of \$298,000 4 1/4, 5 1/4, 5 1/2, 5 3/4 or 6% coupon or registered assessment bonds. Dated March 1 1929. Due March 1 as follows: \$25,000, 1930 to 1935, incl., and \$37,000, 1936 to 1939, incl. Principal and interest (March and September) payable at the Cliffside Park National Bank, Cliffside Park. No more bonds to be awarded than will produce a premium of \$1,000 over the amount of the offering. A certified check payable to the order of the Borough for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for is required. Legality to be approved by Reed, Hoyt & Washburn of New York. No bids were submitted for this issue on Feb. 26 when it was offered with a coupon rate of 4 1/4%—V. 128, p. 1435.

COCHISE COUNTY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 9 (P. O. Tombstone), Ariz.—ADDITIONAL DETAILS.—The \$70,000 issue of school bonds that was awarded to the Bank of Bisbee, of Bisbee, at a price of 107.50—V. 128, p. 2508—bears int. at 6%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated April 1 1929, and due on April 1, as follows: \$2,000, 1930 and \$4,000 from 1931 to 1947, incl., giving a basis of about 5.01%.

COLDWATER, Mercer County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by U. A. Decurtins, Village Clerk, until 12 m. May 11 for the purchase of \$6,844.31 5 1/2% special assessment street improvement bonds. Dated Jan. 1 1929. Due as follows: \$350, Jan. and July 1 1929 to 1938, incl.; and \$194.31, Dec. 1 1938. A certified check payable to the order of the Village Clerk for \$500 must accompany each proposal.

COLLINGSDALE, Delaware County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by Joseph McDougall, Borough Secretary, until 8 p. m. June 10 for the purchase of \$15,000 4 1/2% coupon borough bonds. Dated June 1 1929 and payable in 1959. Bonds are registerable as to principal.

COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, Meigs County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—H. W. Dugoon, Clerk Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. (eastern standard time) May 4, for the purchase of \$12,000 5 1/2% school improvement bonds. Dated April 1 1929. Denom. \$600. Due \$600, April and Oct. 1 1930 to 1939, incl. Prin. and int. (A. & O. 1), payable at the office of the District Treasurer. A certified check payable to the order of the Board of Education for \$500 is required. Any bidder desiring to do so may submit a tender based on a coupon rate other than the one stated above.

CORPUS CHRISTI INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Corpus Christi), Nueces County, Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.—The \$100,000 issue of 5% serial school bonds that was recently sold—V. 128, p. 2508—was registered by the State Comptroller on April 19.

CORPUS CHRISTI, Nueces County, Tex.—PRICE PAID.—The \$22,435 issue of 6% storm sewer warrants that was purchased by the J. E. Jarratt Co. of San Antonio—V. 128, p. 2331—was awarded at par. Due from July 1 1933 to 1948.

COTTLE COUNTY (P. O. Paducah), Tex.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until May 17, by James M. Whately, County Judge, for the purchase of two issues of bonds aggregating \$350,000, divided as follows:

\$200,000 5% road, series C bonds. Dated March 1 1927. Due serially. These bonds are a part of an \$800,000 issue voted on Jan. 15 1927, of which \$262,000 have already been sold.

150,000 court house bonds. The issuance of these bonds is dependent upon an election to be held May 11, and should they be approved they will bear 5% interest and mature serially.

A certified check for 2 1/2% must accompany the bid.

COTTONPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 12 (P. O. Marksville), Avoyelles Parish, La.—BOND SALE.—The \$60,000 issue of school bonds offered for sale on April 23—V. 128, p. 2509—was awarded to the Peoples Savings Bank & Trust Co. of Mansura, as 5s, for a premium of \$87.50, equal to 100.145, a basis of about 4.98%. Due from April 1 1930 to 1949, incl.

CRANE COUNTY (P. O. Crane), Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.—A \$300,000 issue of 5 1/2% serial road, series of 1928 bonds was registered on April 18 by the State Comptroller.

CRANE COUNTY (P. O. Crane), Tex.—BOND SALE.—A \$300,000 issue of highway bonds has been purchased at par by the Dallas Union Trust Co. of Dallas.

CRANE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3 (P. O. Crane), Stone County, Mo.—MATURITY.—The \$28,500 issue of 5 1/2% school bonds that was purchased by the Prescott, Wright, Snider Co., of Kansas City, at a price of 101.842—V. 128, p. 2509—is due from 1931 to 1949, giving a basis of about 5.30%.

CROCKETT COUNTY (P. O. Alamo), Tenn.—BOND ELECTION.—On May 11 a special election is scheduled in order to have the voters pass judgment on a proposed bond issue of \$750,000 for road improvements.

CUYAHOGA FALLS, Summit County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The following bond issues aggregating \$779,401.60 offered on April 23—V. 128, p. 2332—were awarded as 5 1/2s, to Braun, Bosworth & Co., Toledo, at par plus a premium of \$2,189, equal to 100.28, a basis of about 5.19%: \$764,192.60 improvement bonds. Due as follows: \$39,192.60, April and \$39,000, Oct. 1 1930; \$38,000, April and Oct. 1 1931 to 1938 inclusive, and \$39,000, April and Oct. 1 1939.

15,209.00 improvement bonds. Due Oct. 1, as follows: \$3,209, 1930, and \$3,000, 1931 to 1934 incl.

Issues dated May 1 1929.

DAVISON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10, Genesee County, Mich.—NO BIDS.—Anna E. Thomas, Clerk Board of Education, reports that no bids were received on March 28 for the \$22,000 school bonds offered for sale (V. 128, p. 1959). Bonds mature on May 1 as follows: \$500 1931 to 1936 incl., \$700 1937 to 1941 incl., \$900 1942 to 1946 incl., and \$1,000 1947 to 1957 incl.

DEBACA COUNTY MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 20 (P. O. Fort Sumner), N. Mex.—BOND SALE.—The \$40,000 issue of school bonds originally scheduled for sale on May 1—V. 128, p. 2686—will not be sold until 1 p. m. on May 20. Int. rate is not to exceed 6%. Dated May 1 1929. Due \$2,500 from May 1 1932 to 1947 incl.

DELAWARE COUNTY (P. O. Media), Pa.—BIDS UNOPENED.—George T. Wadas, County Comptroller, reports that all bids received on April 23, for the \$600,000 4 1/2% coupon bonds offered for sale—V. 128, p. 2686—were not opened, owing to an error in the advertisement. Bonds are dated May 1 1929. Due \$20,000, May 1 1930 to 1959 incl.

BOND OFFERING.—George T. Wadas, County Comptroller, is receiving sealed bids until 10 a. m. (standard time) May 14 for the purchase of the above issue of \$600,000 4 1/2% bonds. Dated May 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$20,000 May 1 1930 to 1959 incl. A certified check, payable to the order of the county, for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for is required. Bonds to be sold subject to favorable opinion of Townsend, Elliott & Munson of Philadelphia as to their legality.

DENVER (City and County), Colo.—BOND CALL.—We are in receipt of the following statement from Geo. D. Begole, City Auditor, relative to the proposed redemption of an issue of \$71,000 4 1/2% municipal water bonds, series 1918:

"Whereas, the City and County of Denver, in the State of Colorado, has on hand to the credit of the sinking fund for the redemption of that certain issue of bonds known as City and County of Denver Municipal Water Bonds, Series 1918, the sum of \$71,000, and accrued interest, and desires to purchase for redemption as many of said bonds as may be offered not to exceed said sum, at a price of not more than principal and accrued interest.

"Now, Therefore, notice is hereby given, pursuant to Section 238 of the Charter of said City and County of Denver, that said city and county will until 10 o'clock in the forenoon of May 3 1929, receive written proposals for the surrender and redemption of said bonds at a price not more than principal and accrued interest and will, to the extent of said sum of \$71,000 and accrued interest, purchase for redemption the bonds offered at the lowest price or prices. As between bonds offered at the same price, the city reserves the right to select the bonds to be purchased by lot or by apportionment. Proposals should be addressed to the Board of Water Commissioners, 1509 Cleveland Place, Denver, Colo., and marked plainly on the outside of the envelope: "Proposal for surrender of bonds for redemption." Those whose proposals are accepted will be advised promptly that their bonds will be purchased by the City Treasurer for redemption upon presentation to him on or before May 23 1929, in accordance with their respective proposals. If said sum of \$71,000 and accrued interest in the sinking fund is not exhausted by the purchase of bonds so presented on or before May 23 1929, the city reserves the right after May 23 1929, in its discretion, to purchase any and all bonds offered at any time at a price not more than principal and accrued interest until said sinking fund is exhausted."

DE PERE, Brown County, Wis.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by the City Clerk until 4 p. m. on May 6 for the purchase of a \$50,000 issue of 4 1/2% annual serial construction bonds. Denom. \$500. Dated March 1 1929. Due \$2,500 in from 1 to 20 years. A certified check for \$100 must accompany the bid.

DODGE COUNTY (P. O. Juneau), Wis.—BOND SALE.—The \$114,000 issue of 4 1/2% coupon highway, series B bonds offered for sale on April 18—V. 128, p. 2332—was awarded to the First Wisconsin Co. of Milwaukee, for a 907 premium, equal to 100.796, a basis of about 4.35%. Due on May 1 1948. The other bids were as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder and Premium. Harris Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago: \$727.00; Continental Illinois Co., Chicago: 690.00; A. B. Leach & Co., Chicago: 377.00; The Milwaukee Co., Milwaukee: 342.00.

DOLORES, Montezuma County, Colo.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by John R. Becher, Town Clerk, until May 6, for the purchase of a \$10,000 issue of 5 1/2% semi-annual municipal auditorium bonds. Due in 15 years and optional after 5 years.

DRYDEN TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1, Lapeer County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—The \$50,000 school bonds offered on April 11—V. 128, p. 2332—were awarded to the Detroit & Security Trust Co., Detroit, at par plus a premium of \$1,080, equal to 102.16. Interest rate not stated. Bonds are dated April 1 1929 and mature April 1 as follows: \$1,000, 1932 to 1946 incl.; \$2,000, 1947 to 1951 incl.; and \$3,000, 1952 to 1959 incl. The following bids were also submitted:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder and Premium. Bank of Detroit: \$1,075; Bumpus & Co.: 680; Whittlesley, McLean & Co.: 602.

DURHAM, Durham County, N. C.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 8 p. m. on May 6, by C. B. Alston, City Clerk, for the purchase of six issues of coupon or registered bonds aggregating \$1,085,000, divided as follows:

\$200,000 street improvement bonds. Due on Jan. 1 as follows: \$11,000, 1931 to 1940 and \$10,000 from 1941 to 1949, all incl.

100,000 street widening and extension bonds. Due on Jan. 1, as follows: \$2,000, 1932 to 1975, and \$3,000, 1976 to 1979, all incl.

300,000 sewer bonds. Due on Jan. 1 as follows: \$5,000, 1932 to 1940; \$7,000, 1941 to 1947; \$8,000, 1948 to 1955; \$10,000, 1956 to 1962 and \$12,000, 1963 to 1968, all incl.

350,000 water bonds. Due on Jan. 1 as follows: \$6,000, 1932 to 1942; \$8,000, 1943 to 1950; \$10,000, 1951 to 1957; \$12,000, 1958 to 1962 and \$15,000, 1963 to 1968, all incl.

50,000 cemetery bonds. Due on Jan. 1 as follows: \$1,000 1932 and 1933, and \$2,000 from 1934 to 1957, all incl.

85,000 underpass bonds. Due on Jan. 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1932 to 1940; \$3,000, 1941 to 1949, and \$4,000, 1950 to 1959, all incl.

The rate of interest is to be named by the bidder. Dated May 1 1929. Prin. and int. (J. & J.) payable in gold in New York. The U. S. Mortgage & Trust Co. of New York will supervise the preparation and certify the bonds. Marshall & Mitchell of New York will furnish the legal approval. The city clerk or the above named trust company will furnish the required bidding forms. A \$21,700 certified check must accompany the bid. (This report supplements that given in V. 128, p. 2687.)

EAST CHICAGO SCHOOL CITY, Lake County, Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$175,000 school bonds offered on April 24—V. 128, p. 2332—were awarded to the Fletcher-American Co. of Indianapolis at par plus a premium of \$200, equal to a price of 100.11. Rate of interest not given. Bonds are dated June 1 1929 and mature June 1 as follows: \$25,000, 1945 to 1948 incl., and \$75,000, 1949.

EAST LIVERPOOL, Columbiana County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—W. M. McGraw, City Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. (eastern standard time) May 10, for the purchase of \$3,381.40 5% street improvement bonds. Dated May 1 1929. Denoms. \$700, one bond for \$581.40. Due Sept. 1, as follows: \$700, 1930 to 1933, incl. and \$581.40, 1934. Int. payable on March and Sept. 1. A certified check payable to the order of the City Treasurer for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for is required.

EDGECOMBE COUNTY (P. O. Tarboro), N. C.—BOND SALE.—The \$60,000 issue of coupon school bonds offered for sale on April 25—V. 128, p. 2509—was awarded for a premium of \$245 on 5% bonds, equal to 100.408, a basis of about 4.97%. Dated Jan. 1 1929 and due on Jan. 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1930 to 1956 and \$3,000 in 1957 and 1958.

ELKHART COUNTY (P. O. Goshen), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$12,000 4 1/2% road improvement bonds offered on April 24—V. 128, p. 2687—were awarded to the Salem Bank & Trust Co. and the City National Bank, at par plus a premium of \$11, equal to 100.09, a basis of about 4.49%. Bonds are dated April 15 1929 and mature \$300 May and Nov. 15 1930 to 1949, incl. No other bid submitted.

FAYETTE COUNTY (P. O. West Union), Iowa.—BOND SALE.—The \$200,000 issue of annual primary road bonds offered for sale on April 11—V. 128, p. 2152—was awarded to Stranahan, Harris & Oatis, Inc., of Toledo, as 6s. Due \$20,000 from May 1 1935 to 1944, incl. Optional after 5 years.

FAYETTEVILLE, Cumberland County, N. C.—BOND SALE.—The two issues of bonds aggregating \$137,000, offered for sale on Mar. 23—V. 128, p. 1775—were awarded to Stranahan, Harris & Oatis, Inc., of Toledo, as 5 1/2s, for a premium of \$1,479.60, equal to 101.08, a basis of about 5.14%. The issues are as follows: Due from April 1 1931 to 1949. \$87,000 street improvement bonds. Due from April 1 1932 to 1965. 50,000 sewer bonds. Due from April 1 1932 to 1965.

FLATHEAD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 58 (P. O. Olney), Mont.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 4 p. m. on May 10, by Nellie J. Johnson, District Clerk for the purchase of a \$3,500 issue of school bonds. A \$25 certified check must accompany the bid.

FLINT SCHOOL DISTRICT, Genesee County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—The \$1,100,000 series A of 1929, 4 1/2% school building bonds offered on April 24—V. 128, p. 2687—were awarded to Stone & Webster and Blodgett, Inc., of New York, at par plus a premium of \$750, equal to 100.068, a basis of about 4.49%. Bonds are dated March 1 1929 and mature \$55,000, March 1 1930 to 1949, incl.

The Fidelity Trust Co., Detroit, was associated with the above-mentioned concern in the purchase of the bonds. The successful bidders are recon-offering them for public investment priced to yield 5 to 4.35%, according to maturity.

FLORA, Madison County, Miss.—BOND SALE.—A \$15,000 issue of sewer bonds has recently been purchased by local investors.

FORD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, Armstrong County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—The \$80,000 4 1/2% coupon school bonds offered on April 25—V. 128, p. 2509—were awarded to A. B. Leach & Co. of Philadelphia, at a price of 100.60 a basis of about 4.43%. Bonds are dated April 1 1929 and mature April 1, as follows: \$10,000, 1934 to 1939, incl.; and \$5,000, 1944; 1949; 1954 and 1959. Other bidders were

Table with 2 columns: Bidder and Premium. W. H. Newbold's Son & Co.: \$404.00; Prescott, Lyon & Co.: 55.00; J. H. Holmes & Co.: 37.00; Mellon National Bank: 452.96.

FORT MYERS, Lee County, Fla.—MATURITY.—The \$150,000 block of the 5 1/2% refunding, series B bonds purchased by the Brown-Crummer Co. of Orlando, at a price of 95.12—V. 128, p. 2152—is due from March 20 1932 to 1953, giving a basis of about 6.03%.

FREDERICK, Frederick County, Md.—BOND OFFERING.—A. N. Nicodemus, City Register, will receive sealed bids until 7:30 p. m. May 15, for the purchase of \$250,000 4 1/2% coupon water works and public improvement bonds. Dated June 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due June 1, as follows: \$2,000, 1931 \$3,000, 1932 \$4,000, 1933 \$5,000, 1934 and 1935 \$6,000, 1936 to 1938, incl. \$7,000, 1939 to 1941, incl. \$8,000, 1942 to 1944, incl. \$9,000, 1945 to 1947, incl. \$10,000, 1948 to 1950, incl. \$11,000, 1951 to 1953, incl. \$12,000, 1954 to 1956, incl. \$13,000, 1957 \$14,000, 1958 and \$15,000, 1959. The bonds may be registered as to principal only. A certified check payable to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, for 5% of the amount of bonds bid for is required.

FREMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Fremont), Carter County, Mo.—BOND SALE.—A \$19,000 issue of school bonds has been purchased by the Fremont State Bank.

GATES (P. O. Coldwater) Monroe County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Mary R. Harrington, Town Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. (Eastern standard time) May 3, for the purchase of \$44,000 series No. 3, coupon or registered street impt. bonds—rate of interest not to exceed 6% and to be stated in a multiple of 1/4 of 1%. Dated April 1 1929. Denominations \$1,000. Due April 1, as follows: \$4,000, 1930 to 1935 incl.; \$3,000, 1936 to 1939 incl.; and \$2,000, 1940 to 1943 incl. Prin. and int. (April and October) payable at the Union Trust Co., Rochester. A certified check payable to the order of the Town for \$500 is required. Legality to be approved by Clay, Dillon & Vandewater of New York City.

GEAUGA COUNTY (P. O. Chardon), Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The Detroit & Security Trust Co., Detroit, on April 15, purchased 3 issues of special assessment improvement bonds aggregating \$155,962.28 at par plus a premium of 904.00 equal to a price of 100.58. The award consists of 3 issues which were taken as 5 1/2s. Due serially from 1930 to 1938, incl.

An official list of the bids submitted follows:

Table with 4 columns: Bidder, Rate Prem., Rate Prem., Rate Prem. Includes bidders like Blanchet Bowman & Wood, Title Guarantee & Trust Co., Seasongood & Mayer, Detroit & Security Trust Co., First Citizens Corp., Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co., N. S. Hill & Co., Ryan, Sutherland Co., W. L. Slayton Co.

GIBSONBURG, Sandusky County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$5,500 coupon Public Cemetery bonds offered on April 22—V. 128, p. 2509—were awarded as 6s, to the Home Banking Co., Gibsonburg, at par plus a premium of \$15, equal to 100.27, a basis of about 5.90%. Dated April 1 1929. Due \$1,100, 1930 to 1934, incl. One other bid was submitted by the Gibsonburg Banking Co.

GIBSON COUNTY (P. O. Princeton), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Carl L. Woods, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. May 10, for the purchase of \$11,600 5% C. B. Smith et al., Montgomery Township road improvement bonds. Dated April 15 1929. Denom. \$930. Due \$2,790, May and Nov. 15 1930 to 1949, incl. Int. payable on May and Nov. 15.

GILBOA, BLENHEIM, BROOME AND CONESVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 (P. O. Gilboa), Schoharie County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—The \$160,000 coupon or registered school bonds offered on April 20—V. 128, p. 2332—were awarded as 4.90s. to Barr Bros. of New York; at a price of 100.91, a basis of about 4.82%. Dated May 1 1929. Due Nov. 1, as follows: \$3,000, 1930 to 1934 incl.; \$5,000, 1935 to 1939 incl.; and \$6,000, 1940 to 1959 incl.

Other bidders were:

Bidder	Rate.	Premium.
Dewey, Bacon & Co.	4.90%	\$1,168.00
Kissel, Kinnicut & Co.	4.90%	1,119.00
Parson, Son & Co.	5.00%	833.20
George B. Gibbons & Co.	4.90%	868.00
Manufacturers & Traders Trust Co., Buffalo	4.90%	640.00

GOLIAD COUNTY (P. O. Goliad), Tex.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by J. A. White, County Judge, until 2 p. m. on May 13 for the purchase of an issue of \$125,000 5½% coupon special road, series B bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated March 1 1929 and due on March 1, as follows: \$9,000, 1935; \$11,000, 1939; \$12,000, 1941; \$13,000, 1942; \$16,000, 1947; \$19,000, 1950; \$22,000, 1953 and \$23,000 in 1954. Prin. and int. (M. & S. 1) payable at the Hanover National Bank in New York City. Chapman & Cutler of Chicago will furnish the legal approval. A certified check for 2% is required. The following statement is furnished.

Financial Statement.

Bonded indebtedness:	
Sept. 1 1921, 20 years, \$45,000, 5½%—Special Road bonds	
Jan. 1 1928, serial, \$144,000 4½%—serial A road bonds	
July 10 1925, serial, \$135,000 5½%—R. & B. funding.	
Oct. 10 1925, serial, \$5,850, 5½%—Bridge Refunding.	
Warrant indebtedness:	
April 10 1922, serial, \$20,000, 6%—Tick eradication.	
Sept. 15 1923, serial, \$5,000, 6%—Tick eradication.	
Total bond and warrant indebtedness	\$354,850.00
Less sinking fund this date	25,000.00
Net indebtedness	\$329,850.00
Assessed valuation 1928, \$8,382,447, actual value over \$25,000,000.	
Population over 10,000.	

CONZALES COUNTY (P. O. Gonzales), Tex.—WARRANT SALE.—A \$60,000 issue of 6% permanent impt. bridge warrants has recently been purchased by H. D. Crosby & Co. of San Antonio. Denom. \$1,000. Dated May 15 1929. Due from 1930 to 1950.

GRANTS UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Los Lunas) Valencia County, N. Mex.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by Perfecto Gaba on, County Treasurer, until 11 a. m. on May 21, for the purchase of a \$50,000 issue of school bonds. Int. rate is not to exceed 6%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated May 1 1929. Due \$5,000 from May 1 1932 to 1941, incl. Prin. and int. (J. & J.) payable at the office of the State Treasurer or at the National Bank of Commerce in New York City. A certified check for 5%, payable to the County Treasurer, is required.

GRANT TOWNSHIP, Benton County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—James Dewey, Township Trustee, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. May 4, for the purchase of \$40,000 4½% school building bonds. Dated May 1 1929. Denoms. \$1,800 and \$700. Due \$1,400, July 1 1930 \$1,400, Jan. & July 1 1931 to 1942, incl and \$1,400, Jan. 1 1943. Int. payable on (J. & J. 1)

GRANT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Pringhar) O'Brien County, Iowa.—BOND SALE.—The \$17,000 issue of 4½% semi-annual school bonds offered for sale on April 8—V. 128, p. 2153—was awarded to Mr. J. Arnold, of Pringhar, for a premium of \$185, equal to 101.09, a basis of about 4.30%. Due \$1,700 from April 1 1930 to 1939 incl.

GREEN LAKE COUNTY (P. O. Green Lake), Wis.—BOND SALE.—The \$312,000 issue of 4½% coupon highway bonds offered for sale on April 23—V. 128, p. 2333—was awarded to the First National Bank of Berlin, for a premium of \$1,547, equal to 100.492, a basis of about 4.42%. Dated April 1 1929. Due from April 1 1933 to 1938.

The other bidders and their bids were as follows:

Bidder	Price.
Green Lake State Bank	\$313,280
Marksean State Bank	311,400
Channer Securities Co., Chicago	312,165

GREENE, Chenango County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—The \$20,000 registered street pavement bonds offered on April 19—V. 128, p. 2688—were awarded to the Binghamton Savings Bank, as 6s. at a price of par. Bonds are dated May 1 1929 and mature \$2,000 May 1 1930 to 1939, incl.

HANCOCK COUNTY (P. O. Findlay), Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—G. R. Morehart, County Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. (Eastern standard time) May 1, for the purchase of \$3,875 5½% Amanada Township road construction bonds. Dated Mar. 1 1929. Denoms. \$1,000 and \$875. Due Sept. 1 as follows: \$875, 1930; and \$1,000, 1931 to 1933 incl. Prin. and int. (M. & S. 1) payable at the office of the County Treasurer. Bids for bonds to bear a different coupon rate are also invited. A certified check for \$250 is required.

HEBRON, Thayer County, Neb.—BOND SALE.—A \$30,000 issue of water system bonds has been purchased by the First National Co. of Lincoln. Due in 1949 and optional after 1934.

HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10 (P. O. Baldwin), Nassau County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Charles L. Wheeler, District Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. (daylight saving time) April 30, for the purchase of \$200,000 coupon or registered school bonds, rate of interest not to exceed 6%, and to be stated in a multiple of 1-10th or ¼ of 1%. Dated April 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$10,000, April 1 1930 to 1949, incl. Prin. and int. (A. & O.) payable in gold at the National Park Bank, New York. A certified check payable to the order of Herman Sessler, Treasurer, for \$4,000 must accompany each proposal. Legality to be approved by Clay, Dillon & Vandewater of New York City.

HEMPSTEAD UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 15 (P. O. Lawrence), Nassau County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—The \$135,000 coupon or registered school bonds offered on April 24—V. 128, p. 2688—were awarded as 4½s. to Roosevelt & Son of New York at a price of 101.275, a basis of about 4.63%. Bonds are dated Jan. 1 1929 and mature \$5,000 Jan. 1 1931 to 1957 inclusive.

HENDERSON COUNTY (P. O. Henderson), Ky.—ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.—We are now informed that since the offering of the \$200,000 issue of 4½% semi-annual road and bridge bonds on April 15 was unsuccessful—V. 128, p. 2688—the County Judge has appointed a committee to attempt to sell the issue at private sale as soon as possible.

HENRY COUNTY (P. O. New Castle), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Joe R. Leakey, County Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. May 15, for the purchase of \$38,985.45 6% Charles Mendemhall et al. drainage bonds. Dated May 15 1929. Denoms. \$500 and \$398.55. Due \$3,898.55, Nov. 15, from 1929 to 1938, incl. Int. payable (M. & N. 15).

HENRY TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Newcastle), Henry County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—James O. Crim, Township Trustee, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. May 8 for the purchase of \$9,000 4½% school bonds. Dated July 15 1929. Due as follows: \$500 Jan. 15 and July 15 1931 and 1932; \$500 Jan. 15 and \$1,000 July 15 1933; \$1,000 Jan. 15 and \$500 July 15 1934, and \$1,000 Jan. 15 and July 15 1935 and 1936. Prin. and int. payable at the Citizens State Bank, Newcastle. A certified check for 5% of the amount of bonds bid for is required.

HILLSIDE TOWNSHIP (P. O. Hillside), Bergen County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—Howard J. Bloy, District Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. (daylight saving time) May 1, for the purchase of \$1,500,000 coupon or registered, temporary improvement bonds. Dated May 1 1929. Due in not less than 6 months nor more than 3 years. Bidders to state rate of interest and maturity desired. Award to be based on proposal most advantageous to the Township irrespective of the conditions therein. A certified check payable to the order of the Township Treasurer, for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for is required. Proceedings incident to the issuance of these bonds have been conducted under the supervision of Whittemore and McLean of Elizabeth.

HUMBLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Humble) Harris County, Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.—The \$140,000 issue of 5% school bonds that was purchased on April 5—V. 128, p. 2510—was registered on April 19 by the State Comptroller.

HUTCHINSON, Reno County, Kan.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by H. R. Obee, City Clerk, until 4 p. m. on April 30 for the purchase of two issues of 4½% semi-annual bonds aggregating \$113,500 as follows:

\$75,000 airport park bonds. Due serially in from 1 to 10 years. Denom. \$500.

38,500 swimming pool bonds. Due serially in from 1 to 10 years. Denom. \$1,000.

Dated Mar. 1 1929. The bonds will be printed by the city. A certified check for 2% of the bid is required.

INDEPENDENCE, Polk County, Ore.—BOND SALE.—Of the two issues of bonds, aggregating \$12,000, offered for sale on Apr. 18—V. 128, p. 2333—the \$6,000 issue of public library bonds was awarded to the Independence National Bank, as 6s. at par. Due in from 1 to 12 years. We have not been informed as to the disposition of the remaining \$6,000 issue of not to exceed 6% street improvement bonds.

IONIA COUNTY (P. O. Ionia), Mich.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by the Board of County Road Commissioners until 1 p. m. (Eastern standard time) May 7 for the purchase of \$72,000 Road Assessment District No. 32 bonds, and \$49,900 Road Assessment District No. 33 bonds. Bonds are to mature in from one to eight years. Rate of interest is not to exceed 6%. Bids will be received at the same time for approximately \$2,200 Assessment District Road No. 44 bonds, and \$7,500 Assessment District No. 43 bonds. These bonds are to mature in from one to five years. A certified check for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for is required.

IRVING, BOWNE, CAMPBELL, FRACTIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 9, Mich.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by F. G. Hynes, Secretary Board of Education, until 8 p. m. (Eastern standard time) April 30, for the purchase of \$15,000 school bonds, to bear a coupon rate of 5%.

JACKSON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Millerton) Tioga County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—Richard Myfelt, Secretary Board of Directors, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. May 13, for the purchase of \$5,000 4½% coupon school bonds. Dated July 15 1929. Denoms. \$500. Due \$500 Jan. 1 1932 to 1941, incl. Principal and interest payable at the Merchants National Bank & Trust Co., Elmira, N. Y.

JAMESTOWN, Newport County, R. I.—BOND SALE.—The \$20,000 4½% coupon sewer bonds offered on April 22—V. 128, p. 2688—were awarded to John T. Weston of New York, at par plus a premium of \$21 equal to 100.10, a basis of about 4.46%. This was the only tender submitted. Bonds are dated May 1 1929 and mature \$1,000, May 1 1930 to 1949 incl.

JOHNSON CITY, Washington County, Tenn.—BOND SALE.—A \$65,000 issue of 5% coupon school funding bonds has been purchased by Caldwell & Co. of Nashville. Denom. \$1,000. Dated March 1 1929. Due from March 1 1931 to 1959 incl. Prin. and int. (M. & S.) payable at the Chase National Bank in New York. Legality approved by Chapman & Cutler of Chicago.

JOHNSTOWN, Fulton County, N. Y.—SALE POSTPONED.—Webster J. Eldridge, City Chamberlain, states that the offering scheduled for May 3 of \$145,000, not to exceed 5% bonds—V. 128, p. 2688—has been indefinitely postponed.

JOHNSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT, Cambria County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—The \$260,000 4½% coupon school bonds offered on April 22—V. 128, p. 1961—were awarded to the Guaranty Co. of New York, at a price of 100.277, a basis of about 5.22%. Bonds are dated April 1 1929 and mature April 1 as follows: \$8,000, 1930 to 1939 inclusive, and \$9,000, 1940 to 1959 inclusive.

The following bids were also submitted:

Bidder	Prem.
Graham, Parsons & Co.	\$194.74
National City Co.	153.40
C. H. Newbold's Son & Co.	52.00

KEENE, Cheshire County, N. H.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—Salomon Bros. & Hutzler of Boston, purchased on April 19, a \$100,000 temporary loan, on a discount basis of 5.625%. Loan matures in about 8 months. Other bidders were:

Bidder	Discount Basis.
Merchants National Bank, Boston	5.65%
Old Colony Corp.	5.70%
S. N. Bond & Co.	5.88%

KEMPSVILLE MAGISTERIAL ROAD DISTRICT (P. O. Princess Anne), Princess Anne County, Va.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by Geo. W. Dawley, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, until noon on May 8, for the purchase of a \$293,000 issue of 5% coupon road bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated April 1 1929 and due on April 1, as follows: \$8,000, 1934; \$10,000, 1935 to 1949; \$15,000, 1950 to 1954 and \$20,000, 1955 to 1957, all incl. Prin. and int. (A. & O.), payable in Norfolk or at the office of the County Treasurer. Caldwell & Raymond of New York will furnish the legal approval. A \$3,000 certified check payable to the above chairman must accompany the bid.

KENTUCKY, State of.—BOND AWARD POSTPONED.—The \$10,767,000 issue of bridge bonds offered for sale on April 23 (V. 128, p. 2333) was not definitely awarded as the Bridge Commission took the bids under advisement. We quote from the New York "Herald Tribune" of April 24 as follows:

"The third attempt on the part of the Highway Commission of the State of Kentucky to sell its \$10,767,000 bridge bonds was made yesterday and brought six tenders, five of them for all the bonds and the sixth for three issues only. The Bridge Commission announced that it would take the bids under consideration to-day.

"Stifel, Nicolaus & Co., St. Louis, Mo., according to advices from Frankfort, offered to pay 92 for the bonds, to bear 4½% interest, up or down, using the United States 4% certificate as a barometer, the price always to be 10 points below the Government certificates.

"C. W. McNear & Co., Chicago, offered to take the bonds at 5.85% interest. Three Cincinnati concerns—Well, Roth & Irving, Walter, Woody & Heimerding and the Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co., submitted bids to buy the bonds for the Clay's Ferry, Rio and Munfordville bridges. They offered to pay 92.13 for 4% obligations. The bonds to be sold for the Clay's Ferry bridge totaled \$205,000 and the Rio and Munfordville bridges \$283,000. The three concerns specified that the bonds would have to mature in 13 years, that the State would have to carry satisfactory insurance, that there must be no competing structures within a radius of ten miles, except the Boonesboro bridge, near Clay's Ferry, and that the State must maintain sufficient funds to retire the bonds.

"The Merritt, Chapman & Scott Corporation of New York, says the dispatch from Frankfort, offered to accept the bonds at par at 6% interest. Poor & Co., Cincinnati, offered to buy all of the bonds at par at 5½% interest and to pay one-fourth of 1% on all bonds delivered. They would first take over the Rio and Munfordville bridges.

"Under their bid Stranahan, Harris & Oatis agreed to pay 90.50 for 6s. with the exception of the bonds for the Henderson-Evansville bridge over the Ohio River, for which they would pay 92.15 a bond."

KERMIT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Kermit), Winkler County, Tex.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$100,000 5½% school bonds has recently been purchased at par by the State Permanent School Fund.

KING COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 51 (P. O. Seattle), Wash.—MATURITY.—The \$25,000 issue of semi-annual school bonds awarded on April 6, to the State as 6s. at par—V. 128, p. 2510—is due from 1931 to 1952 and optional after 1939.

LAKE COUNTY (P. O. Crown Point), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—William E. Whitaker, County Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 1 p. m. April 30, for the purchase of \$425,000 5% Dickey Place Bridge construction bonds. Dated Jan. 1 1929. Denoms. \$1,000 and \$625. Due on Jan. and July 1. Last maturity Jan. 1 1949. Int. payable semi-annually at the office of the County Treasurer. A certified check payable to the order of the Board of Commissioners, for 3% of the amount of bonds bid for is required. Legality to be approved by Matson Carter, Ross & McCord of Indianapolis.

LAKEWOOD, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.—AWARD TO BE MADE MAY 6.—A. I. Kauffman, Director of Finance, states that the \$70,000 issue of 4½% grade crossing elimination bonds offered on April 20 (V. 128, p. 2334) will not be awarded until May 6. Mr. Kauffman sends us the following list of the bids submitted:

Bidder	Premium.	Rate of Int.
Assel, Goetz & Moerlein, Cincinnati	\$1,180.00	5%
Detroit & Security Trust Co., Detroit	532.00	5%
Guardian Trust Co., Cleveland	64.00	4 3/4%
First National Co. of Detroit, Detroit	380.00	5%
Herrick Company, Cleveland	366.00	5%
N. S. Hill & Co., Cincinnati	1,190.00	5%
Provident Savings Bank & Trust Co., Cincinnati	91.00	4 3/4%
Prudden & Co., Toledo	1,353.00	5%
Ryan, Sutherland & Co., Toledo	379.00	5%
Seasongood & Mayer, Cincinnati	1,472.00	5%
Stranahan, Harris & Oatis, Toledo	1,176.00	5%
The First Citizens Corporation, Columbus	384.00	5%
Well, Roth & Irving, Cincinnati	431.00	5%

L'ANSE GRISE GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 11 (P. O. Ville Platte), Evangeline Parish, La.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until May 18 by the District Clerk for the purchase of a \$9,000 issue of 6% drainage bonds. Dated June 1 1929. Due from 1930 to 1954.

LANSING, Ingham County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—The \$225,000 4% paving bonds offered on April 22—V. 128, p. 2334—were awarded at par, to the Board of Water and Electric Light Commissioners. Bonds are dated May 1 1929 and mature \$45,000, May 1 1930 to 1934 inclusive.

LAPORTE COUNTY (P. O. Laporte), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The following issues of 5% bonds aggregating \$84,200 offered on April 17—V. 128, p. 2334—were awarded to the J. F. Wild Investment Co., Indianapolis, at par plus a premium of \$556,00 equal to 100.66 a basis of about 4.83%: \$48,000 Charles Severs et al highway improvement bonds. Due \$2,400, May and November 15 from 1930 to 1939 incl. 21,800 Garland Slocum et al highway improvement bonds. Due \$1,090, May and November 15 from 1930 to 1939, incl. 14,400 Ewalt Werner et al highway improvement bonds. Due \$720 May and November 15, 1930 to 1939, incl.

Three issues are dated April 15 1929. Other bidders were:

Bidder	Premium.
Meyer-Kiser Bank, Indianapolis	\$152.25
LaPort Savings Bank, LaPort	246.30
Salem Bank, Goshen	480.00

LEE COUNTY (P. O. Fort Madison), Iowa.—BOND SALE.—The \$200,000 issue of annual coupon primary road bonds offered for sale on April 19—V. 128, p. 2510—was awarded to the White-Phillips Co. of Davenport, as 4 3/8%, for a premium of \$1,072, equal to 100.536%, a basis of about 4.64%. Due from 1935 to 1944, incl. Optional after 1934.

LEE COUNTY (P. O. Fort Myers), Fla.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until June 5, by the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, for the purchase of an issue of \$165,000 road bonds.

LEWIS COUNTY (P. O. Chehalis), Wash.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by the County Treasurer, until May 4, for the purchase of an issue of \$100,000 6% semi-annual school building bonds. Due in 20 years.

LIVINGSTON COUNTY (P. O. Smithland), Ky.—BOND SALE.—A \$50,000 issue of 5 1/2% road and bridge funding bonds has recently been purchased by Caldwell & Co. of Nashville. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Apr. 1 1929. Due on Apr. 1 1949. Prin. and int. (A. & O. 1) payable at the Hanover National Bank in New York City. Legal opinion of Squire, Sanders & Dempsey of Cleveland.

LOCHMOOR VILLAGE, Wayne County, Mich.—BOND OFFERING.—Philip F. Allard, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. April 30, for the purchase of the following issues of bonds aggregating \$186,300—rate of int. not to exceed 6%:

- \$9,830 Special Paving Assessment District No. 1 bonds, maturing May 1, as follows: \$1,830, 1930; \$2,000, 1931; \$2,000, 1932; \$2,000, 1933; \$2,000, 1934.
- 8,560 Special Paving Assessment District No. 2 bonds, maturing May 1, as follows: \$560, 1930; \$2,000, 1931; \$2,000, 1932; \$2,000, 1933; \$2,000, 1934.
- 14,750 Special Paving Assessment District No. 3 bonds, maturing May 1, as follows: \$2,750, 1930; \$3,000, 1931; \$3,000, 1932; \$3,000, 1933; \$3,000, 1934.
- 15,090 Special Paving Assessment District No. 4 bonds, maturing May 1, as follows: \$3,000, 1930; \$3,000, 1931; \$3,000, 1932; \$3,000, 1933; \$3,000, 1934.
- 15,140 Special Paving Assessment District No. 5 bonds, maturing May 1, as follows: \$3,000, 1930; \$3,000, 1931; \$3,000, 1932; \$3,000, 1933; \$3,140, 1934.
- 14,550 Special Paving Assessment District No. 6 bonds, maturing May 1, as follows: \$2,550, 1930; \$3,000, 1931; \$3,000, 1932; \$3,000, 1933; \$3,000, 1934.
- 14,880 Special Paving Assessment District No. 7 bonds, maturing May 1, as follows: \$2,880, 1930; \$3,000, 1931; \$3,000, 1932; \$3,000, 1933; \$3,000, 1934.
- 93,500 Special Paving Assessment District No. 8 bonds, maturing May 1, as follows: \$17,500, 1930; \$19,000, 1931; \$19,000, 1932; \$19,000, 1933; \$19,000, 1934.

All of the above bonds will bear the date, May 1 1929, with int. payable semi-annually. These bonds are Special Paving Assessment bonds providing for payment out of the general fund in the event of a deficit in the Special Assessment Fund.

All bids must be accompanied by a certified check payable to the Village Treasurer in the sum of 5% of the amount of the bid.

LOCKPORT, Niagara County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—H. F. Rommell, City Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. May 1, for the purchase of \$532,000 coupon Reservoir and Filtration Plant bonds, to bear a coupon rate not exceeding 5%. Dated May 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due May 1, as follows: \$18,000, 1930 to 1958, incl. and \$10,000, 1959. Prin. and int. payable at the New York Trust Co., New York. A certified check for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for is required. Successful bidder to furnish legal opinion.

LOCKPORT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Lockport), Will County, Ill.—BOND OFFERING.—W. W. North, Secretary Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. April 30, for the purchase of \$250,00 5% school bonds. Due August 1 as follows: \$30,000, 1930 to 1932, incl.; and \$40,000, 1933 to 1936, incl. Prin. and int. payable at a bank in Lockport, Joliet or Chicago, as the bidder may designate. A certified check payable to the order of the above-mentioned official, for \$1,000 must accompany each proposal. Legality to be approved by Chapman & Outler of Chicago.

LONG BEACH, Los Angeles County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until April 26, by the City Clerk for the purchase of a \$299,500 issue of 5% semi-annual harbor bonds. Due from 1931 to 1955.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY ACQUISITION AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 3 (P. O. Los Angeles), Calif.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 2 p. m. on May 6, by L. E. Lampton, County Clerk, for the purchase of an issue of \$175,535.52 improvement bonds. Int. rate is not to exceed 7%. Denoms. \$1,000, \$500, one for bonds. Dated April 15 1929. Due from April 15 1934 to 1953. Prin. and semi-annual int. payable in gold at the office of the County Treasurer. A certified check for 5% of the bonds bid for, payable to the chairman of the Board of Supervisors is required.

LOS ANGELES, Los Angeles County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—The four issues of bonds, aggregating \$2,400,000, offered for sale on April 23—V. 128, p. 2689—were awarded to a syndicate composed of the First National Bank, Blair & Co., Hallgarten & Co., Eldredge & Co. and Halsey, Stuart & Co., all of New York, the Anglo-London-Paris Co. and the National Bancitaly Co., both of San Francisco, the Detroit Co. of New York, the Old Colony Corp., Geo. B. Gibbons & Co., Inc., and R. W. Pressprich & Co., all of New York, at a price of 100.198, a basis of about 4.58%. The issues are described as follows:

\$900,000 bridge and viaduct bonds as 4 1/2%. Dated April 1 1929. Due \$25,000 from April 1 1930 to 1965, inclusive. Prin. and int. is payable at the City Treasurer's office or at Kountze Bros. in New York City. (These bonds are the balance of an issue of \$1,900,000 voted in 1926.)

500,000 4 1/2% Colorado River Supply bonds. Dated July 1 1928 and due on July 1, as follows: \$14,000, 1929 to 1963 and \$10,000 in 1964. Prin. and int. is payable at the office of the City Treasurer or at the Bowery and East River National Bank in New York.

500,000 4 1/2% water works bonds. Dated July 1 1928 and due on July 1 as follows: \$14,000, 1929 to 1963 and \$10,000 in 1964. Prin. and int. is payable at the City Treasurer's office or at the Bowery & East River National Bank in New York.

500,000 4 1/2% electric plant bonds. Dated July 1 1928 and due on July 1 as follows: \$14,000, 1929 to 1963, and \$10,000 in 1964. Prin. and int. is payable at the office of the City Treasurer or at the Bowery & East River National Bank in New York.

LOVE COUNTY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 (P. O. Marietta), Okla.—BOND SALE.—The \$12,000 issue of school bonds offered for sale on April 9—V. 128, p. 2334—was awarded to the American-First Trust Co. of Oklahoma City. Due from 1935 to 1945, incl.

LYNDHURST, Ohio.—BIDS REJECTED.—Perry Cook, Village Clerk, states that all bids were rejected, which were submitted on April 15, for the \$241,600 5% road improvement bonds, offered for sale—V. 128, p. 2510—Bonds are dated May 1 1929 and mature October 1, as follows: \$24,000 1930; \$24,000, 1931 to 1938, incl.; and \$25,000, 1939.

LYNWOOD ACQUISITION AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 19 (P. O. Lynwood), Los Angeles County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$120,000 7% improvement bonds has been purchased by the Brown-Crummer Co. of Wichita. Denoms. \$1,000 and \$500. Dated Feb. 13 1929. Due from Feb. 13 1933 to 1953, incl. Prin. and int. (J. & J.) payable at the office of the above named company.

LYONS SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 69 (P. O. Lyons), Rice County, Kan.—BOND SALE.—The \$170,000 issue of 4 1/2% school bonds offered for sale on Feb. 26—V. 128, p. 1265—was awarded to the Guarantee Title & Trust Co. of Wichita. Due \$10,000 from Feb. 1 1930 to 1946, incl.

McLENNAN COUNTY (P. O. Waco), Tex.—BONDS REGISTERED.—A \$655,000 issue of 5% road, series C bonds was registered on April 18 by the State Comptroller. Due on April 10 1954. A \$29,000 issue of 5% road, series A bonds was registered on April 17. Due on July 10 1951. A \$280,000 issue of 5 1/2% road, series C bonds was also registered on April 18. Due serially.

McLENNAN COUNTY (P. O. Waco), Texas.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—The \$1,160,000 issue of 4 1/2% semi-annual road bonds offered on April 22 (V. 128, p. 2334) was not sold. The county will issue temporary financing obligations until the market warrants the sale of bonds. Due \$29,000 from April 10 1930 to 1969 inclusive.

MANASQUAN, Monmouth County, N. J.—NOTE SALE.—The Manasquan National Bank purchased during February, \$19,500 refunding paving notes at a price of par. Notes bear a coupon rate of 5% and are payable on June 1 1929. Denoms. \$1,000, one for \$500.

MANSFIELD, Richland County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$161,450 coupon bonds offered on April 17—V. 128, p. 2334—were awarded as stated below:

- To the Mansfield Savings Bank, at par: \$118,250 5% improvement bonds. Due as follows: \$12,250, April and Oct. 1 1930; \$12,000, April and Oct. 1 1931 to 1934, incl.
- To the Citizens National Bank of Mansfield: \$36,300 6% improvement bonds awarded at par plus a premium of \$10, equal to 100.02, a basis of about 5.99%. Due as follows: \$6,300, April and Oct. 1 1930; \$6,000, April and Oct. 1 1931 and 1932.
- 6,900 5 1/2% improvement bonds awarded at par plus a premium of \$5, equal to 100.07, a basis of about 5.48%. Due as follows: \$1,300, April and Oct. 1 1930; \$1,300, April and Oct. 1 1931 and 1932.

The three issues are dated April 1 1929.

MARICOPA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS (P. O. Phoenix), Ariz.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 2 p. m. on May 15 by C. L. Walmsley, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, for the purchase of two issues of school bonds, aggregating \$52,500, as follows: \$17,500 school district No. 7 bonds. Denom. \$1,000, one for \$500. Due on May 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1932 to 1934; \$1,000, 1935; \$2,000, 1936; \$1,000, 1937; \$2,000, 1938; \$1,000, 1939; \$2,000, 1940; \$1,000, 1941, and \$1,500 in 1942. (Authorized by election on March 16.)

35,000 school district No. 45 bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due on May 1 as follows: \$3,000, 1940 to 1944, and \$4,000 from 1945 to 1949, all inclusive. (Authorized by election on March 30.)

Dated May 1 1929. Prin. and int. (M. & N.) payable at the County Treasurer's office or at the Bankers' Trust Co. in New York City. Int. rate is not to exceed 6%. Printed bonds and legal opinion to be furnished by the purchaser. A certified check for 5% of the bonds bid for is required.

MARION COUNTY (P. O. Indianapolis), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Harry Dunn, County Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. May 6, for the purchase of \$400,000 5% Flood Prevention bonds. Dated April 6, 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Interest payable on April and October 1, at the office of the County Treasurer. Due \$20,000, April 1 1930 to 1949, incl. A certified check payable to the order of the Board of County Commissioners for 3% of the amount of bonds bid for is required. No bids were submitted for these bonds on March 15. At that time they were offered as 4 3/8%.

MARION, Marion County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The Guardian Trust Co., Cleveland, bidding for 5 3/8%, has purchased the following issues of bonds, aggregating \$18,547.75, at par plus a premium of \$20.50, equal to 100.12, a basis of about 5.69%. These bonds were offered on April 9. Bids submitted which were taken under advisement appeared in V. 128, p. 2511.

- \$9,350.25 street cleaning equipment bonds. Due as follows: \$1,350.25, Mar. 1 and \$2,000 Sept. 1 1930, and \$1,000 Mar. and Sept. 1 1931 to 1933 inclusive.
- 3,087.50 bonds for the installation of traffic lights and stop signs. Due as follows: \$587.50 Mar. 1 and \$500 Sept. 1 1930, and \$500 Mar. and Sept. 1 1931 and 1932.
- 4,110.00 Fire Department equipment bonds. Due as follows: \$610 Mar. 1 and \$500 Sept. 1 1930, and \$500 Mar. and Sept. 1 1931 to 1933 inclusive.

Bonds are dated March 1 1929.

MARSHALL, Calhoun County, Mich.—BOND SALE.—The Detroit & Security Trust Co., Detroit, purchased privately, an issue of \$300,000 school construction bonds, bearing a coupon rate of 4 1/2%, at a price of par. Bonds are to mature in 30 years. This is the issue for which no bids were submitted on April 10—V. 128, p. 2690.

MARTIN COUNTY (P. O. Shoals), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$6,817.80 4 1/2% Perry Township road improvement bonds offered on April 20 (V. 128, p. 2511) were awarded at par to the First National Bank of Loogootee. Bonds are dated April 20 1929 and mature \$340.89 on April and Oct. 15 1930 to 1939 inclusive.

MASSILLON, Stark County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The City Auditor informs us that an issue of \$6,900 sewer and paving bonds has been purchased by the Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners.

MATAWAN, Monmouth County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—William A. Rodgers, Borough Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 7.30 p. m. (day-light saving time) May 7, for the purchase of \$100,000 5, 5 1/4 or 5 1/2% coupon or registered improvement bonds. Dated May 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due May 1 as follows: \$3,000, 1931 to 1952 inclusive; \$4,000, 1953 to 1960 inclusive; and \$2,000, 1961. Principal and interest (May and November) payable in gold at the Farmers & Merchants National Bank, Matawan. No more bonds to be awarded than will produce a premium of \$1,000 over the amount of the offering. A certified check payable to the order of the Borough for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for, is required. Legality to be approved by Hawkins, Delafield & Longfellow of New York.

MAYSVILLE, Mason County, Ky.—BONDS AUTHORIZED.—At a special meeting of the City Council held on April 17, an ordinance calling for the issuance of \$60,000 in refunding bonds was passed on its first reading.

MEDICINE RIVER DRAINAGE DISTRICT (P. O. Cherokee), Alfalfa County, Okla.—BOND SALE.—A \$9,000 issue of 6% semi-annual drainage bonds has recently been awarded at par to the Concho Construction Co. of Oklahoma City.

MELROSE, Middlesex County, Mass.—BOND SALE.—R. L. Day & Co. Boston, bidding 100.34, purchased on April 24, the following issue of 4 1/4% coupon bonds aggregating \$100,000: Cost basis about 4.17%.

\$40,000 Continuous Sidewalks bonds. Due \$8,000, May 1 1930 to 1934, inclusive.

35,000 sewer bonds. Due May 1 as follows: \$3,000, 1930 to 1940, incl.; and \$2,000, 1941.

25,000 Surface Drain bonds. Due May 1, as follows: \$2,000, 1930 to 1941, incl.; and \$1,000, 1942.

Dated May 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Prin. and int. payable at the Old Colony Trust Co., Boston. Legality to be approved by Ropes, Gray, Boyden & Perkins of Boston. Other bids were as follows:

Bidder	Rate Bid.
Eldredge & Co.	100.18
Arthur Perry	100.153
Old Colony Corp.	100.151
E. H. Rollins & Sons	100.14
F. S. Moseley & Co.	100.10
Estabrook & Co.	100.08
Curtis & Sanger	100.02
Stone & Webster and Blodgett, Inc.	100.02

MERIDIAN, Lauderdale County, Miss.—BOND SALE.—A \$60,000 issue of 6% sewerage fund bonds has recently been purchased by the Hibernia Securities Co. of New Orleans, for a premium of \$1,600, equal to 102.66.

MIAMI COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 14 (P. O. Osawatomie) Kan.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by Stella Stanley, Clerk of the Board of Education, until 7 p. m. on May 6, for the purchase of an \$80,000 issue of 5% semi-annual school bonds. Dated Aug. 1 1929. Due \$4,000 from 1930 to 1949, incl. A certified check for 2% of the bid is required.

MIDLAND, Midland County, Tex.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by J. C. Hudmen, City Secretary, until May 1, for the purchase of four issues of 5 1/2% bonds, aggregating \$260,000, as follows: \$185,000 sewer improvement; \$50,000 street improvement; \$20,000 city hall, and \$5,000 street lighting bonds. Maturing on a tax level plan over 40 years. A \$5,000 certified check, payable to Leon Goodman, Meyer, must accompany the bid.

MILFORD, Ellis County, Tex.—BOND SALE.—A \$28,000 issue of 6% sanitary sewer system bonds has been purchased at par by the Well, Roth & Irving Co. of Cincinnati. Due as follows: \$1,000, 1932; 1935; 1938, 1941, 1946, 1948, 1950, 1952, 1954, 1955 and 1957 to 1964, and \$2,000 from 1965 to 1969.

MILWAUKEE COUNTY (P. O. Milwaukee), Wis.—BOND SALE.—The \$1,150,000 issue of 4 1/4% semi-annual metropolitan sewerage bonds, offered for sale on April 22—V. 128, p. 2335—was awarded to Kissel, Kinnicut & Co. of New York, at a price of 101.79, a basis of about 4.35%. Dated April 25 1929. Due \$115,000 from April 15 1940 to 1949, incl.

The following is an official tabulation of the bidders and their bids:

Bidder	Price Bid.
*Kissel, Kinnicut, Chicago	\$1,170,694.99
*C. W. McNear & Co., R. M. Schmidt & Co., Kountze Bros.	1,160,695.00
Northern Trust Co., Wm. R. Compton Co., E. H. Rollins Co., A. B. Leach & Co., Taylor, Ewart & Co., and Guardian Detroit Co.	1,160,683.00
Stone & Webster & Blodgett, Inc., and White Weld & Co.	1,160,672.00
Chase Securities Corp., Stranahan, Harris & Oatis, Inc., and the Milwaukee Co.	1,158,959.00
First Wisconsin Co., Harris Trust & Savings Bank, and the Detroit Co.	1,157,314.00
Continental Illinois Co., First Trust & Savings Bank, and Halsey, Stuart & Co.	1,156,670.00
Guaranty Co., N. Y. Bankers Co., New York; Wells-Dickey Co., Minneapolis; and Marshall & Ilsley Bank, Milwaukee.	1,154,358.50

* Successful bid.

MONTANA, State of (P. O. Helena)—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by the State Treasurer, until May 20, for the purchase of a \$785,000 issue of State Historical Library and Capital Building refunding bonds.

MOUNTAIN CITY, Johnson County, Tenn.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 11 a. m. May 6, by the Mayor, for the purchase of a \$40,000 issue of water works bonds. Dated May 1 1929, and due on May 1, as follows: \$7,000, 1934; \$9,000, 1939; \$10,000, 1944; and \$14,000, 1949.

MULTNOMAH COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3 (P. O. Portland), Ore.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 7:30 p. m. on May 6 by A. G. Oates, District Clerk, for the purchase of a \$25,000 issue of semi-annual school bonds. Int. rate is not to exceed 6%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated May 15 1929 and due on May 15 as follows: \$2,000, 1940 to 1944 and \$3,000, 1945 to 1949, all incl. Teal, Winfree, Johnson & McCulloch of Portland will furnish the legal approval. A certified check for \$1,250 will be required with bid.

NEPHI, Juab County, Utah.—BOND SALE.—A \$25,000 issue of 4 1/4% electric light bonds has recently been purchased by Snow-Goodart & Co. of Salt Lake City at a price of 97.10, a basis of about 4.93%. Due from 1934 to 1941, inclusive.

NEW BEDFORD, Bristol County, Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—The National Rockland Bank of Boston, purchased on April 23, a \$500,000 temporary loan on a discount basis of 5.41%. The following bids were also received for the loan which is payable in about 7 months:

Bidder	Discount Basis.
First National Co., New York	5.625%
S. N. Bond & Co. (Plus \$8.00)	5.65%

NEWBURGH, Orange County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—The Newburgh Savings Bank purchased on March 28, an issue of \$80,000 4 1/4% registered hospital bonds, at par plus a premium of \$100, equal to 100.12, a basis of about 4.735%. Bonds are dated April 15 1929. Denoms. \$1,000. Due \$5,000 March 1 1930 to 1945, incl. Int. payable March and Sept. 1.

NEW EGYPT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Ocean) Ocean County, N. J.—BOND SALE.—The Teachers Pension and Annuity Fund purchased on Sept. 12, an issue of \$50,000 registered 4 1/4% new building bonds, at a price of par. Bonds are dated Aug. 1 1928, denoms. \$1,000, \$500 and \$100. Due serially from 1929 to 1958, incl. Int. payable Feb. and Aug. 1.

NEWHALL SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Los Angeles), Los Angeles County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—The \$30,000 issue of 5% semi-annual school bonds offered for sale on April 22—V. 128, p. 2691—was awarded to the National Bancitaly Co. of San Francisco, for a premium of \$467, equal to 101.556, a basis of about 4.83%. Due \$1,000 from April 1 1930 to 1959 incl.

NEW YORK, N. Y.—\$52,000,000 CORPORATE STOCK OFFERING.—Charles W. Berry, City Comptroller, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. May 7, for the purchase of all or any part of a \$52,000,000 issue of 5 1/4% gold corporate stock, for the construction of Rapid Transit Railroads. Stock is dated Dec. 15 1928 and is redeemable on Dec. 15 1932. Interest payable semi-annually on June and Dec. 15. Issued in coupon form and interchangeable, denomination of \$1,000 for coupon bonds, or in registered form in any multiple of \$10. Issue payable as to both principal and int. in gold in the City of New York. Conditions of sale are as follows:

- Proposals containing conditions other than those herein set forth will not be received or considered;
- No proposal will be accepted for less than the par value of the amount bid for.
- Every bidder, as a condition precedent to the reception or consideration of his proposal, shall deposit with the Comptroller in cash, or by a certified check drawn to the order of said Comptroller upon a Trust company or a State bank incorporated and doing business under the laws of

the State of New York, or upon a National bank, 2% of the par value of stock bid for in such proposal.

No proposal will be received or considered which is not accompanied by such deposit.

All such deposits shall be returned by the Comptroller to the persons making the same within three days after the decision has been rendered as to who is or are the highest bidder or bidders, except the deposit made by the highest bidder or bidders.

4. If said highest bidder or bidders shall refuse or neglect, within five days after service of written notice of the award to him or them, to pay to the City Chamberlain the amount of the bonds awarded to him or them at their par value, together with the premium thereon, less the amount deposited by him or them, the amount or amounts of deposit thus made shall be forfeited to and retained by said City as liquidated damages for such neglect or refusal, and shall thereafter be paid into the Sinking Fund of the City of New York for the Redemption of the City Debt.

5. Upon the payment into the City Treasury by the persons whose bids are accepted, of the amounts due for the stock awarded to them, including accrued interest from Dec. 15 1928, certificates thereof shall be issued to them in such denominations provided for by the Charter as they may desire.

6. It is required by the Charter of the City that in making proposals therefor bid by him at the same rate or proportional price as may be specified in his bid; and any bid which conflicts with this condition, shall be rejected; provided, however, that any bidder offering to purchase all or any part of the bonds offered for sale at a price at par or higher may also offer to purchase all or none of said bonds at a different price, and if the Comptroller deems it to be in the interest of the City so to do, he may award the bonds to the bidder offering the highest price for all or none of said bonds; provided, however, that if the Comptroller deems it to be in the interest of the City so to do, he may reject all bids. Under this provision, the condition that the bidder will accept only the whole amount in any bids, except those for "all or none" offered by bidders who have also bid for "all or any part" of the stock offered for sale.

7. The proposals, together with the security deposits, should be inclosed in a sealed envelope, indorsed "Proposals for Corporate Stock," and said envelope inclosed in another sealed envelope, addressed to the Comptroller of the City of New York. (No special form of proposal is required, therefore no blank is furnished.)

PREVIOUS CITY AWARDS.—The last public award by the City was made on Nov. 20 1928. At that time a syndicate managed by the National City Co. of New York, which consisted of 56 individual members, paid 100.839999 for \$29,000,000 corporate stock, due in 1978, and \$26,000,000 serial bonds, payable in equal annual instalments on Nov. 15 from 1929 to 1968 inclusive. The total award amounting to \$55,000,000 bore a coupon rate of 4 1/4%; the price paid representing a cost basis to the City of about 4.202—V. 127, p. 2933. Incidentally, the current issue of \$2,000,000 was originally intended to have been included in the aforementioned sale. Acting on the advice of city officials, Comptroller Berry decided to limit the award to \$55,000,000. On Feb. 29 1928, a \$52,000,000 issue of 4% gold corporate stock for Rapid Transit Railroad construction due on Dec. 31 1931, was awarded to a syndicate headed by the National City Co. of New York. At that time the city received a price of 100.48997 for its obligations, equal to a cost basis of 3.866%.—V. 126, p. 1396.

NEW ULM, Brown County, Minn.—PRICE PAID.—The \$125,000 issue of filtration plant bonds that was purchased by local investors—V. 128, p. 2691—was awarded to them at par.

NORFOLK COUNTY (P. O. Dedham), Mass.—TEMPORARY LOAN.—The First National Bank of Boston was awarded on April 23, a \$100,000 temporary loan due in about seven months, on a discount basis of 5.275% plus a premium of \$2.50. The following bids were also submitted:

Bidder	Discount Basis.
Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co., Boston	5.275%
Dedham National Bank, Dedham	5.32%
F. S. Moseley & Co.	5.38%
S. N. Bond & Co. (plus \$7)	5.65%

NORTH LITTLE ROCK SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. North Little Rock), Pulaski County, Ark.—BOND SALE.—The \$125,000 issue of school bonds offered for sale on Mar. 21—V. 128, p. 1438—was awarded to the American Southern Trust Co. of Little Rock, at a discount of \$6,000, equal to 95.20.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY (P. O. Sunbury), Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—Oswald Kramer, County Controller, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. May 17 for the purchase of \$200,000 4 1/4% bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Interest payable on June and Dec. 1. Bonds mature June 1 as follows: \$20,000, 1930 to 1939 incl. Bids at less than par will receive no consideration. A certified check payable to the order of the Board of County Commissioners for 5% of the amount of bonds bid for is required.

OAK CREEK, Routt County, Colo.—BOND SALE.—A \$10,000 issue of 6% sewer bonds has been purchased by J. H. Goode & Co. of Denver. Denom. \$500 and \$100. Dated Aug. 1 1928. Prin. and int. (F. & A.) payable in New York.

OOLAGAH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Oologah), Rogers County, Okla.—BONDS OFFERED.—Sealed bids were received until 7:30 p. m. on April 24, by C. A. Baltz, Clerk of the Board of Education, for the purchase of a \$27,000 issue of school bonds. Int. rate to be named by bidder. Denom. \$500. Due \$1,500 from 1932 to 1949, incl.

(These bonds were voted at an election held on April 26 by a count of 13 to 31.)

ORCHARD LAKE, Ashland County, Mich.—OTHER BIDS.—The First National Co. of Detroit offered a premium of \$910.00; and Morris, Mather & Co., of Chicago, offered par plus a premium of \$820.00, on April 15, for the \$70,000 bonds awarded as per the Detroit & Security Trust Co., Detroit—V. 128, p. 2691—at a price of par, plus a premium of \$915.00, equal to 101.207, a basis of about 4.89%.

PALISADE, Mesa County, Colo.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$150,000 water works system and reservoir bonds has been purchased by an unknown investor.

PATERSON, Passaic County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—Howard L. Bristow, Clerk Board of Finance, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. (daylight saving time) May 8, for the purchase of the following described 4 1/4% or 5% coupon or registered bonds aggregating \$2,295,000: \$1,173,000 water bonds. Due June 1 as follows: \$25,000, 1930 to 1935 incl.; \$30,000, 1936 to 1968, incl., and \$33,000, 1969.

1,020,000 general improvement bonds. Due June 1 as follows: \$30,000, 1930 to 1934, incl.; \$40,000, 1935 to 1940, incl., and \$45,000, 1941 to 1954, incl.

102,000 school bonds. Due June 1 as follows: \$3,000, 1930 to 1951, incl., and \$4,000, 1952 to 1960, incl.

Dated June 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Principal and interest (June and December) payable at the office of the City Comptroller, or at the Hanover National Bank, New York. No more bonds to be awarded than will produce a premium of \$1,000 over the amount of each issue. A certified check, payable to the order of the City for 2% of the amount of each issue bid for, is required. Legality to be approved by Hawkins, Delafield & Longfellow of New York City.

PATERSON, Passaic County, N. J.—NOTE SALE.—The following note issues aggregating \$1,700,000 offered on April 24—V. 128, p. 2691—were awarded as 5 1/8% to a syndicate composed of the Bankers Co. of New York, National City Co. and Harris, Forbes & Co., all of New York, at par plus a premium of \$1,868.30, equal to 100.109, a basis of about 5.45%: \$1,000,000 Tax Revenue notes of 1928.

500,000 capital notes.

200,000 Tax Revenue notes of 1926.

Three issues are dated April 24 1929. Due April 24 1931. The purchasers are reoffering the notes for public investment priced to yield 5%. There were three other bids for the notes. Lehman Bros. and R. W. Pressprich & Co. offered a premium of \$555 for 5.60s; Eldredge & Co. for 5 1/2s bid par plus a premium of \$663; Estabrook & Co. and Hannahs, Ballin & Lee, bid par plus a premium of \$170 for 5.90s. Assessed valuation of city is placed at \$207,800,000; total bonded and short-term debt including current obligations is reported as \$25,485,664.

PESCADERO SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Redwood City), San Mateo County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by Elizabeth M. Kneese, County Clerk, until 10 a. m. on May 6 for the purchase of a \$15,000 issue of 5% school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated May 1 1929 and due \$1,000 from May 1 1930 to 1944 incl. Prin. and int. (M. & N. 1) payable at the office of the County Treasurer. Purchaser to

turnish the legal opinion. A \$250 certified check, payable to the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, must accompany the bid. The following statement accompanies the offering notice:

"Said bonds are issued in pursuance of an election held in said district on the 5th day of April, 1929, in compliance with the provisions of the Political Code of the State of California, at which election 95 votes were cast in favor of the issuance of said bonds and 18 votes were cast against the issuance of said bonds.

"Said bonds were voted for the purpose of building new school building, supplying school building with furniture and necessary apparatus and improving school grounds.

"The assessed value of the taxable property in said district is \$312,280, and there is no present outstanding indebtedness against said district.

"The approximate population of said district is 600. The district includes the town of Pescadero and the surrounding country, with a total acreage of approximately 11,200 acres."

PIKE COUNTY (P. O. Petersburg), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by Thomas J. Wiggs, County Auditor, until 12 m. May 15, for the purchase of \$53,735.24 4½% bridge improvement bonds. Dated Sept. 15 1929. Due serially from 1929 to 1948, incl. Prin. and int. payable at the office of the County Treasurer. A certified check for 3% of the amount of bonds bid for is required. All bids submitted for these bonds on Nov. 12 were rejected—V. 127, p. 2858.

PINEVILLE, Bell County, Ky.—BOND SALE.—A \$28,000 issue of 5½% funding bonds has been purchased by Magnus & Co. of Cincinnati. Denom. \$1,000. Due on Jan. 15, as follows: \$7,000, 1938 and 1943; and \$14,000 in 1948. Prin. and int. is payable at the Chemical National Bank in New York.

PLATTSBURG, Clinton County, N. Y.—BOND SALE.—The \$24,000 4½% coupon or registered school bonds offered on April 5—V. 128, p. 1778—have been awarded at par to local banks. Bonds are dated May 1 1928 and mature May 1 as follows: \$10,000, 1948 and 1949; and \$5,000, 1950.

POMEROY, Meigs County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—R. G. Webster, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. April 27, for the purchase of \$13,300 6% refunding bonds. Dated Sept. 1 1928. Due as follows: \$700, March and Sept. 1 1929 to 1937, incl.; and \$7,900, March 1 1938. Interest payable semi-annual.

BOND OFFERING.—R. G. Webster, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. April 27, for the purchase of \$60,000 6% street improvement bonds. Dated March 1 1929. Due \$3,000, March and Sept. 1, 1930 to 1939 incl. Bids for bonds to bear a coupon rate other than the one specified are also invited. Interest payable semi-annually.

PORTLAND, Multnomah County, Ore.—BOND SALE.—The \$90,000 issue of 4½% street widening bonds offered for sale on April 17—V. 128, p. 2512—was awarded at par, as follows: \$45,000 to Mr. Abe Tichner of Portland and \$45,000 to School District No. 1.

(The above bonds are the remainder of the \$185,000 issue offered on March 19, of which a \$95,000 block was disposed of—V. 128, p. 2155.)

PORTSMOUTH, Scioto County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Talmadge Edwards, City Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. May 15 for the purchase of \$330,000 5% flood prevention bonds. Dated May 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$11,000 May 1 1931 to 1960 incl. Prin. and int. payable at the office of the City Treasurer, or at the First National Bank, Portsmouth. Bids for bonds to bear an interest rate other than the one specified will also be considered, provided, however, that where a fractional rate is bid such fraction shall be stated as a multiple of ¼ of 1% or multiples thereof. A certified check for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for is required. Legal opinion other than that of City Solicitor to be furnished by successful bidder.

Financial Statement.

Assessed valuation, Dec. 31 1928	\$72,321,600.00
Estimated value (true)	104,226,360.00
Total debt including these issues	5,377,319.44
Special assessment bonds included in total	1,597,095.03
Water works incl. total but retired from earnings of the water works	1,106,500.00
Sinking fund for redemption of bonded debt	338,898.94
This amount for sinking fund does not include Water Works Sinking Fund as money is transferred from the Water Works Fund to the Water Works Maturity Sinking Fund to take care of Water Works Bonds.	
Population, estimated 60,500; 1920 National census, 33,011.	

POTSDAM UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 8 (P. O. Potsdam), St. Lawrence County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Frederick T. Swan, District Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 7:30 p. m. (eastern standard time) April 30, for the purchase of \$300,000 coupon or registered school bonds rate of interest not to exceed 5%, and to be stated in a multiple of 1-10th or ¼ of 1%. Dated May 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due May 1, as follows: \$5,000, 1930 to 1952, incl.; \$10,000, 1953 to 1963, incl.; and \$15,000, 1964 to 1968, incl. Prin. and int. (May and November) payable in gold at the Citizens National Bank, Potsdam; or at the Irving Trust Co., New York. A certified check payable to the order of Robert H. Brynes, Treasurer, for \$6,000 is required. Legality to be approved by Clay, Dillon & Vandewater of New York City.

POTTAWATTOMIE COUNTY (P. O. Council Bluffs), Iowa.—BOND OFFERING.—Bids will be received until May 6 by W. A. Stone, County Treasurer, for the purchase of an issue of \$103,000 of county poor fund bonds.

PRESIDIO COUNTY (P. O. Marfa) Tex.—WARRANT SALE.—A \$30,000 issue of 6% courthouse and jail improvement warrants has recently been purchased by H. D. Crosby & Co., Inc., of San Antonio. Denom. \$500. Dated Feb. 1 1929. Due from 1930 to 1944.

PROSPERITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT (P. O. Lamar), Prowers County, Colo.—BOND SALE.—The \$11,000 issue of 6% drainage bonds offered for sale on April 22—V. 128, p. 2512—was jointly awarded to J. H. Goode & Co. and Henry Wilcox & Son, both of Denver.

PUTNAM COUNTY (P. O. Greencastle), Ind.—BOND SALE.—The \$6,000 4½% Daniel A. Hutcheson et al. improvement bonds offered on April 15—V. 128, p. 2512—were awarded to the Hutcheson Bros.; at par plus a premium of \$75.00 equal to 101.25. Bonds are dated April 15 1929 and mature on May and Nov. 15 1930 to 1939, incl. Alva E. Lisby, County Treasurer, makes no mention as to the disposition of the other two issues offered at the same time.

RALEIGH TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Raleigh), Wake County, N. C.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until noon on May 15, by H. F. Srygley, Secretary of Public Schools, for the purchase of a \$500,000 issue of 5% coupon or registered school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated May 1 1929 and due on May 1 as follows: \$10,000, 1932 to 1937; \$15,000, 1938 to 1948 and \$25,000, 1949 to 1959, all inclusive. Prin. and int. (M. & N.) payable in gold in New York. The U. S. Mortgage & Trust Co. of New York will certify the genuineness of the bonds and the legal approval will be furnished by Reed, Hoyt & Washburn of New York City. A certified check for 2% of the bid, payable to the School Committee, is required.

REDDILL GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT No. 6 (P. O. Reddell) Evangeline Parish, La.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 11 a. m. on May 18, by the District Clerk, for the purchase of a \$15,000 issue of 6% drainage, series A bonds. Dated June 1 1929. Due from 1930 to 1939, incl. Legal opinion of Thomson, Wood & Hoffman of New York will be furnished.

RED BLUFF SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Red Bluff) Tehama County, Calif.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 10 a. m. on April 29, by H. M. Koppin, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, for the purchase of an issue of \$1,000,000 6% semi-annual school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Due on July 1, as follows: \$3,000, 1935 to 1939; \$4,000, 1940 to 1944; \$5,000, 1945 to 1949; \$7,000, 1950 and 1951; \$8,000, 1952 and 1953 and \$10,000 in 1954. A certified check for 10% of the bid, payable to the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, is required.

RICHLAND COUNTY (P. O. Mansfield), Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$20,000 5½% coupon storage building bonds offered on April 24—V. 128, p. 2699—were awarded to the Citizens Savings & Loan Co., Mansfield, at par plus a premium of \$301.00, equal to 101.50, a basis of about 5.185%. Bonds are dated May 1 1929 and mature \$1,000 April and Oct. 1 1930 to 1939, incl. Other bids were as follows:

	Premium.
Richland Savings Bank, Mansfield	\$284.00
Mansfield Savings Bank, Mansfield	109.00

ROCHESTER SCHOOL TOWNSHIP, Fulton County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—William Foster, Township Trustee, will receive sealed bids until 2 p. m. May 15, for the purchase of \$25,000 5% school building improvement bonds. Dated April 1 1929. Denoms. \$1,000. Due \$1,000, July 1 1930; \$1,000, Jan. and July 1 1931 to 1942 incl. Prin. and int. (J. & J. 1) payable at the U. S. Bank & Trust Co., Rochester.

ROCKWELL CITY, Calhoun County, Iowa.—BOND SALE.—The \$10,000 issue of 5% park bonds offered for sale on April 5—V. 128, p. 2336—was awarded to Glaspell, Vieth & Duncan, of Davenport, for a \$68 premium, equal to 100.68.

RUSSELL, Greenup County, Ky.—BOND SALE.—The \$100,000 issue of 6% semi-annual water revenue bonds offered for sale on April 15—V. 128, p. 2512—was awarded at par to the Ashland National Bank, of Ashland. No other bids were submitted.

RUTHERFORD COUNTY (P. O. Rutherfordton) N. C.—BOND SALE.—The \$40,000 issue of 5½% semi-annual road and bridge bonds offered for sale on April 22—V. 128, p. 2692—was awarded to the Detroit & Security Trust Co. of Detroit, for a premium of \$1,846, equal to 104.615, a basis of about 4.89%. Due \$5,000 from 1945 to 1952 incl.

RUTHERFORDTON, Rutherford County, N. C.—BOND SALE.—The \$103,000 issue of semi-annual refunding bonds offered for sale on April 22—V. 128, p. 2692—was awarded to Stranahan, Harris & Oatis, Inc., of Toledo, as 5½%, for a premium of \$1,700, equal to 101.65, a basis of about 5.63%. Due from 1945 to 1959.

ST. ANNE SCHOOL DISTRICT, Kankakee County, Ill.—BOND OFFERING.—R. B. Hollingsworth, Secretary, Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. May 7, for the purchase of \$65,000 5% coupon school bonds. Dated Jan. 1 1929. Denoms. \$1,000. Due July 1 1939 incl.; \$6,000, 1940 to 1942 incl., and \$7,000, 1943 and 1944. Prin. and int. (Jan. and July) payable at the Continental National Bank & Trust Co., Chicago. Legality to be approved by Chapman & Cutler of Chicago.

ST. JOSEPH COUNTY (P. O. South Bend), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—George A. Swintz, County Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. May 13, for the purchase of the following issues of 5% bonds aggregating \$64,000:

- \$30,000 Liberty Township, Quinn Road construction bonds. Denom. \$600. Due \$5,000, May 15 1930 to 1939, incl.
- 21,000 West Township, Endive Road construction bonds. Denom. \$1,050. Due \$1,050, May & Nov. 15 1930 to 1939, incl.
- 13,000 Liberty and Union Twp., Oak Road construction bonds. Denom. \$650. Due \$650, May & Nov. 15 1930 to 1939, incl.

Three issues are dated May 1 1929.

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. St. Joseph), Buchanan County, Mo.—OFFERING DETAILS.—In connection with the offering of the \$250,000 issue of 4% coupon school bonds scheduled for May 1—V. 128, p. 2692—we are now informed that the bonds mature as follows: \$15,000 on Feb. 1 1930 \$5,000, 1931 to 1940 \$15,000, 1941 to 1945 \$25,000, 1946 to 1948 and \$35,000 in 1949. Prin. and int. (F. & A. 1) payable at the National Bank of Commerce in New York. A \$5,000 certified check payable to the School District is required.

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—BONDS OFFERED FOR INVESTMENT.—The \$2,000,000 issue of water works revenue bonds that was awarded on April 19 to a syndicate headed by Halsey, Stuart & Co. of New York, as 4½%, at 100.158, a basis of about 4.48%—V. 128, p. 2692—is now being offered for public subscription at prices to yield from 4.30 to 4.40%, according to maturity. Due from May 1 1934 to 1949. The following statement accompanies the offering notice:

The offering completes the program for the issuance of \$12,000,000 water works revenue bonds. The value of the water works system is officially given as \$48,839,634 and the value of all property owned by the City of St. Louis, sixth largest city in the United States, as \$170,843,269. Assessed valuation of all taxable property in the city as of 1927 amounted to \$1,358,451,461, while its net bonded indebtedness is \$40,978,426.

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—BONDS VOTED.—At a special election held on April 13 the voters approved a proposal calling for the issuance of \$400,000 in school bonds by a count of 5,070 "for" as compared with 2,592 "against."

SALEM, Columbiana County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Helen R. Woerther, City Auditor, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. May 11, for the purchase of \$39,042.29 5% special assessment street improvement bonds. Dated April 1 1929. Due April 1 as follows: \$3,042.29, 1931; and \$4,000, 1932 to 1940 incl. Bids for bonds to bear an interest rate other than the one specified are also invited, provided however, that where a fractional rate is bid such fraction shall be stated in a multiple of ¼ of 1%. Int. payable on April and Oct. 1. A certified check payable to the order of the City Treasurer, for 5% of the amount of bonds bid for is required.

SALT LAKE CITY, Salt Lake County, Utah.—BIDS REJECTED.—The \$1,000,000 issue of tax anticipation bonds offered on April 23—V. 128, p. 2692—was not sold as all the bids were rejected. It is reported that Walker Bros. of Salt Lake City have arranged for the purchase of the bonds as 5½%, with the allowance of 2½% on daily balance. Dated May 1 1929 and due on Dec. 31 1929.

SARASOTA, Sarasota County, Fla.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—The two issues of 5½% bonds, aggregating \$263,000, offered on March 25—V. 128, p. 1778—have not as yet been sold. The issues are divided as follows:

- \$133,000 refunding bonds. Dated April 1 1929. Due from April 1 1932 to 1954, inclusive.
- 130,000 refunding bonds. Dated Feb. 15 1929. Due from Feb. 15 1932 to 1934.

SCOTT TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Slippery Rock R. F. D. No. 4), Butler County, Pa.—NO BIDS.—James E. Burton, Secretary Board of Directors, reports that no bids were received on April 20, for the \$34,000 issue of 4½% bonds offered for sale—V. 128, p. 2692—Bonds mature \$2,000, Dec. 1 1929 to 1945, incl.

SEATTLE, King County, Wash.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until noon on May 17 by H. W. Carroll, City Comptroller, for the purchase of two issues of coupon or registered bonds aggregating \$1,300,000, divided as follows:

- \$900,000 municipal light and power bonds, 1926, series LW-3. Due \$45,000 from 1940 to 1959 incl.
- 400,000 water extension bonds, 1920, series WZ-5. Due \$26,000 from 1935 to 1944 and \$28,000 from 1945 to 1949, all incl.

Int. rate is not to exceed 6%. Denom. \$1,000. Dated June 1 1929. Prin. and semi-annual int. payable in gold coin at places designated by bidder. Delivery in Chicago, Seattle, New York, Boston or Cincinnati, at option of purchaser. Legal opinion on light and power bonds by Thomson, Wood & Hoffman of New York and on the water extension bonds by Chester B. Masslich of New York City. Separate bids upon blank forms furnished by the Comptroller are required. A certified check for 5% of their respective bids must be filed by the bidders. The following statements accompany the following notice:

Nine hundred thousand dollars of Seattle Light & Power bonds, 1926, being the unsold portion of \$3,400,000 of such bonds authorized by Ordinance No. 52134, entitled:

"An ordinance relating to, and specifying and adopting a plan or system of additions and betterments to, and extensions of, the existing municipal light and power plant and system; providing for the acquisition of certain transmission system rights of way; for the construction of a concrete arch dam across the Skagit River at Diablo Canyon, and (construction railway service being necessary and indispensable thereto, for the extension of the city's existing construction railroad from the Gorge Creek Crib Diversion Dam to said Diablo Canyon, as an incident to the construction of such dam; declaring the estimated cost thereof, as near as may be, and providing for the issuance and sale of bonds to provide funds therefor; creating and establishing a construction fund; and creating and establishing a special fund to pay the principal and interest on such bonds." Approved Dec. 9, 1926.

Four hundred thousand dollars of Seattle Water Extension Bonds, 1920, series WZ-5, being the unsold portion of \$6,000,000 of bonds authorized under Ordinance No. 40634, approved Mar. 10 1920, entitled:

"An ordinance relating to and providing for additions and betterments to, and extensions of, the existing water supply system of the City of Seattle, and amending Ordinance No. 37520, entitled 'An ordinance providing for additions and betterments to or extensions of, the existing water supply system of the City of Seattle, and specifying and adopting a plan or system thereof, declaring the estimated cost thereof as nearly as may be, provided for the issuance and sale of interest bearing coupon bonds to pay therefor, and for the creation of a special fund into which shall be paid

certain revenues of such water supply system to pay the principal and interest of such bonds, and providing for the terms and conditions of said bonds and for their sale. Approved July 13 1917, as amended by Ordinances numbered 37622, approved Aug. 13 1917; 37660, approved Aug. 30 1917, and 38506 approved June 4 1918.

SEWARD, Seward County, Neb.—BOND CALL.—F. D. Weber, City Treasurer, has called for payment on June 1 1929, the \$85,000 issue of 5% water bonds, dated June 1 1919, due on June 1 1959 and optional in 1929.

SHAMROCK, Wheeler County, Tex.—BOND SALE.—An issue of \$175,000 6% water works revenue bonds has been purchased by the Brown-Crummer Co. of Wichita. Denom. \$1,000. Dated Dec. 10 1928. Due from Feb. 10 1943 to 1959, incl. Prin. and int. (F. & A.) payable at the office of the above named company.

SHARON, CHERRY VALLEY AND ROSEBOOM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Frank S. Clapper, Clerk Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 4 p. m. May 16, for the purchase of \$125,000 coupon school bonds. Rate of int. not to exceed 6%. Dated June 1 1929. Denoms. \$1,000. Due June 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1930 to 1934, incl.; \$3,000, 1935 to 1939, incl.; \$4,000, 1940 to 1944, incl.; \$5,000, 1945 to 1954, incl.; and \$6,000, 1955 to 1959, incl. Interest payable semi-annually. Principal and interest payable at the First National Bank of Sharon Springs. A certified check for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for must accompany each proposal. Bids must be addressed to the above-mentioned official (care of) First National Bank, Sharon Springs. The total assessed valuation of said district in 1929 was \$1,572,145. Estimated population 1,000. The district has no other indebtedness. Official advertisement of the scheduled award of these bonds appears on the last page of this issue.

SHEBOYGAN FALLS, Sheboygan County, Wis.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 2 p. m. on May 14 by Erhart A. Demand, City Clerk, for the purchase of a \$25,000 issue of 5% semi-annual water works improvement bonds.

SHELBY AND STERLING TOWNSHIPS FRACTIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1, Macomb County, Mich.—BOND OFFERING.—Jack Harvey, Secretary Board of Education, will receive sealed bids until 7:30 p. m. (Eastern standard time), May 9, for the purchase of \$140,000 school bonds—rate of interest not to exceed 4 1/2%. Bonds are dated May 1 1929 and mature May 1 as follows: \$2,500, 1932 to 1935, incl.; \$3,000, 1936 to 1938, incl.; \$3,500, 1939 to 1941, incl.; \$4,000, 1942 to 1944, incl.; \$4,500, 1945 and 1946; \$5,000, 1947; \$5,500, 1948; \$7,000, 1949 to 1955, incl.; and \$7,500, 1956 to 1959, incl. Interest rate: 4, 4 1/4 or 4 1/2%. Each proposal must be accompanied with a certified check for \$1,000 payable to the order of the District Treasurer. Assessed valuation in 1928 reported at \$1,956,900. These bonds will represent the only indebtedness of the Village.

SHELBYVILLE SCHOOL CITY, Shelby County, Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by the Board of School Trustees, until 2 p. m. May 13, for the purchase of \$75,000 4 1/4% school building bonds. Dated May 13 1929. Denoms. \$500. Due as follows: \$2,000, July 2 1934; \$2,000 Jan. and July 2 1935 to 1941, incl.; \$3,000 Jan. and July 2 1942 to 1948, incl.; and \$3,000 Jan. 2 1949. Principal and interest (Jan. and July 2) payable at the First National Bank, Shelbyville.

SHIAWASSEE COUNTY (P. O. Corunna), Mich.—BOND SALE.—The following issues of 6% bonds aggregating \$38,003.24 offered on April 19—V. 128, p. 2692—were awarded to the Detroit & Security Trust Co., Detroit at par plus a premium of \$116.00 equal to a price of 100.35: \$24,028.84 Road Assessment District No. 78 bonds. 13,974.40 Road Assessment District No. 77 bonds. Successful bidder agreed to furnish printed and legal opinion.

SHOREWOOD (P. O. Milwaukee), Milwaukee County, Wis.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by Theodore B. Olsen, Village Clerk, until 8 p. m. on May 6, for the purchase of three issues of bonds aggregating \$246,000, as follows: \$175,000 4 1/2% sewer and drain bonds. Dated Mar. 1 1929. Due on Mar. 1, as follows: \$5,000, 1930 to 1934 and \$10,000, 1935 to 1949, all incl.

50,000 4 1/2% fire prevention bonds. Dated Oct. 1 1928. Due on Oct. 1, as follows: \$2,000, 1929 to 1938 and \$3,000, 1939 to 1948, all incl.

21,000 4 1/2% railroad track removal bonds. Dated Jan. 1 1926. Due on Jan. 1, as follows: \$1,000, 1939 2,000, 1940 and \$3,000, 1941 to 1943.

Denom. \$1,000. Prin. and semi-annual int. payable at the office of the Village Treasurer. Printing of bonds to be paid for by purchaser. Bids will be received for any or all of the bonds. A separate bid is required for each issue.

SOMERVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Somerville), Somerset County, N. J.—BOND SALE.—The State Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund, recently purchased an issue of \$73,000 school bonds according to the District Clerk.

SOUTHAMPTON, Suffolk County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—Benjamin G. Halsey, Town Supervisor, will receive sealed bids until 1:30 p. m. May 8, for the purchase of \$150,000 5% coupon or registered Hampton Bays bridge bonds. Dated April 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due \$15,000, April 1 1930 to 1939, incl. Prin. and int. (April and Oct. 1) payable at the Hampton Bays National Bank, Hampton Bays. A certified check for 5% of the amount of the bid must accompany proposal. No bonds to be sold at less than par. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids and offer the bonds at public auction. Official advertisement of this offering appears on the last page of this issue.

SOUTH ORANGE AND MAPLEWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. South Orange), Essex County, N. J.—BOND OFFERING.—Margaret M. Pryor, District Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. (daylight saving time), May 7, for the purchase of \$984,000 4 1/4, 4 1/2 or 4 3/4% coupon or registered school bonds. Dated Jan. 1 1929. Denominations \$1,000. Due Jan. 1 as follows: \$30,000, 1931 to 1940, incl.; \$35,000, 1941 to 1955, incl.; \$40,000, 1956 to 1958, incl.; and \$39,000, 1959. Principal and interest (J. & J.) payable in gold at the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York. No more bonds to be awarded than will produce a premium of \$1,000 over the amount of the offering. A certified check payable to the order of the Board of Education for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for, is required. Legality to be approved by Hawkins, Delafield & Longfellow of New York.

ENCERVILLE, Allen County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$50,000 water works system construction bonds offered on April 19—V. 128, p. 2693—were awarded as 5 1/2%, to Stranahan, Harris & Oatis, Inc., of Toledo at par plus a premium of \$395, equal to a price of 100.79, a basis of about 5.16%. Bonds are dated April 1 1929 and mature \$2,000, Oct. 1 1930 to 1954, incl.

STAR CITY, Monongalia County, W. Va.—BOND SALE.—A \$40,000 issue of sewer bonds has recently been purchased at par by the State Sinking Fund Commission.

STURGEON BAY, Door County, Wis.—BOND SALE.—The \$40,000 issue of 5% coupon bridge bonds offered for sale on April 23—V. 128, p. 2693—was awarded to H. M. Bylesby & Co., of Chicago, for a premium of \$907.75, equal to 102.269, a basis of about 4.65%. Dated May 1 1929. Due from May 1 1934 to 1938. (The purchaser also agreed to furnish the legal opinion and the printed bonds).

UDAN, Lamb County, Tex.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—The \$47,000 issue of 5 1/2% semi-annual water works bonds offered on April 9—V. 128, p. 1964—was not sold as no bids were received for the bonds. Dated Feb. 15 1929. Due from Feb. 15 1930 to 1969.

SURRY COUNTY (P. O. Dobson), N. C.—BOND SALE.—The \$50,000 issue of coupon funding bonds offered for sale on April 17—V. 128, p. 2513—was awarded to Braun, Bosworth & Co. of Toledo, as 5 1/4% bonds for a premium of \$100, equal to 100.20, a basis of about 5.22%. Dated May 1 1929. Due \$2,000 in 1931 and \$3,000 from 1932 to 1947 inclusive.

SWANTON, Fulton County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—H. D. Allen, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. May 6, for the purchase of \$1,250 5% special assessment bonds. Dated March 15 1929. Denom. \$125. Due \$125, Sept. 15, 1930 to 1939, incl. Interest payable on March and Sept. 15. A certified check payable to the order of the Village Treasurer for 5% of the amount of bonds bid for is required.

TERRY, Hinds County, Miss.—BONDS VOTED.—At a special election held recently, the voters approved a proposed \$15,000 bond issue to install a sanitary sewerage system.

TEXAS, State of—BONDS REGISTERED.—The following issues of bonds were registered by the State Comptroller during the week ending April 20:

\$4,000 5% San Patricio County Consolidated School Dist., No. 9 bonds Due on April 10 1968.

5,000 5% Dimmitt County Consolidated School District No. 9 bonds Due on Sept. 1 1968.

10,000 5% Cherokee County Consolidated School District No. 40 bonds Due on March 1 1969.

5,000 5% La Grange storm sewer bonds. Due serially.

2,500 5% Harris County Consolidated School District No. 7 bonds serially.

THURSTON COUNTY (P. O. Olympia) Wash.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 2 p. m. on April 29, by E. L. Van Epps County Auditor, for the purchase of a \$274,000 issue of annual coupon court house bonds. Int. rate is not to exceed 5%. Denom. \$1,000 and \$500. Dated June 1 1929. A certified check for 5% is required.

TOLEDO, Lucas County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Earle L. Peters, Director of Finance, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. May 6 for the purchase of the following issues of 4 1/2% bonds aggregating \$270,000 \$60,000 city portion sundry sewer bonds. Due \$4,000, Sept. 15 1930 to 1934, incl.

50,000 Public Bldg. repaid bonds. Due \$5,000, Sept. 15 1930 to 1939, incl.

26,000 Playground bonds. Due \$1,000, Sept. 15 1930 to 1955, incl.

25,000 Boulevard and Parkway paving bonds. Due Sept. 15, as follows: \$3,000, 1930 to 1934, incl. and \$2,000, 1935 to 1939, incl.

25,000 Park Bldg. repair bonds. Due Sept. 15, as follows: \$1,000, 1930 to 1934, incl. and \$2,000, 1935 to 1944, incl.

25,000 Water Course Impt. bonds. Due Sept. 15, as follows: \$2,000, 1930 to 1939, incl. and \$1,000, 1940 to 1944, incl.

24,000 Motor Apparatus bonds. Due Sept. 15, as follows: \$5,000, 1930 to 1933, incl. and \$4,000, 1934.

11,000 Fence Construction bonds. Due Sept. 15, as follows: \$2,000, 1930 to 1933, incl. and \$3,000, 1934.

10,000 Bridge repair bonds. Due \$2,000, Sept. 15 1930 to 1934, incl.

10,000 City portion, sidewalk construction bonds. Due \$2,000, Sept. 15, 1930 to 1934, incl.

4,000 Workhouse Farm Equipment bonds. Due \$1,000, Sept. 15 1930 to 1933, incl.

Above bonds are dated March 15 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Prin. and int. (March and Sept. 15) payable at the Chemical National Bank, New York. Bids for bonds to bear an interest rate other than the one specified are invited. If a fractional rate is bid such fraction shall be 1/4 of 1% or multiples thereof. A certified check payable to the "Commissioner of Treasury of City of Toledo," for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for is required. Legality to be approved by Squire, Sanders & Dempsey of Cleveland.

Financial Statement.

Actual value of property (estimated)	\$736,536,210.00
Assessed value for taxation (1928) as follows:	
Real	\$423,560,540.00
Personal	165,588,430.00
Total	\$589,148,970.00
Total outstanding bonded debt including this issue	29,597,722.33
Water bonds included above	1,819,000.00
Electric light bonds included above	None
Special assessment bonds included above	3,501,426.99
Sinking Fund—	
(Except for water, light and special assess. bonds)	4,468,542.14
Floating debt	None
Bonds authorized (not to be sold at this time)	9,875,000.00
Population, (1920 census) 243,164; population, (July 1 1928 estimate) 313,200.	

TOLEDO, Lucas County, Ohio.—\$640,000 BONDS OFFERED.—The \$500,000 University 4 1/2% bonds and the \$140,000 4 1/4% improvement bonds awarded on April 15—V. 128, p. 2692—at 100.04 a basis of about 4.43%, to Arthur Sinclair, Wallace & Co., of New York, and Otis & Co., Cleveland, are being reoffered for investment by the purchasers, priced to yield 5.00 to 4.25%.

Financial Statement.

Actual value of property, estimated	\$736,436,210
Assessed valuation, 1927	589,148,970
Total bonded debt (including this issue)	29,761,947
Water bonds	\$1,819,000
Sinking fund	4,539,037
Net debt	\$23,403,910
Population, (1910 census) 168,497; population, (1920 census) 243,164; population, (present estimate) 313,200.	

The above statement does not include obligations of other municipal corporations which have taxing power against property within the city.

TREZEVANT, Carroll County, Tenn.—BOND ELECTION.—On May 2, a special election will be held for the purpose of passing upon a proposed issue of \$60,000 in bonds to reconstruct a high school building.

TUSCALOOSA COUNTY (P. O. Tuscaloosa), Ala.—ADDITIONAL DETAILS.—The \$151,000 issue of 5% road bonds that was purchased on March 25 by Caldwell & Co. of Birmingham—V. 128, p. 2157—is further described as follows: \$1,000 coupon bonds. Principal and interest (M. & N. 1) payable at the National Bank of Commerce in New York City. Legality to be approved by Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge of Boston.

TUCSON, Pima County, Ariz.—A \$68,500 issue of 6% special paving bonds has recently been jointly purchased by Gray, Emery, Vasconcellos & Co. and Donald F. Brown & Co., both of Denver. Dated March 2 1929. Due in from 1 to 10 years. Int. payable on Jan. & July 1.

UMATILLA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 78 (P. O. Pendleton) Ore.—BONDS OFFERED.—Sealed bids were received until 2 p. m. on April 24, by Wilma Dick, District Clerk for the purchase of an issue of \$1,500 5% semi-annual school bonds. Denom. \$500. Dated April 1 1929. Due \$500 from April 1 1930 to 1932 inclusive.

UNION COUNTY (P. O. New Albany), Miss.—ADDITIONAL DETAILS.—The \$200,000 issue of road bonds that was awarded to W. L. Slayton & Co. of Toledo—V. 128, p. 1097—bears int. at 5%, and was purchased for a \$375 premium, equal to 100.187.

UNION TOWNSHIP (P. O. Union) Union County, N. J.—BOND SALE.—The two issues of coupon or registered bonds offered on April 24—V. 128, p. 2513—were awarded as stated below:

\$272,000 6% assessment bonds (\$273,000 offered) sold to Batchelder, Wack & Co. of New York, at par plus a premium of \$1,125.00, equal to 100.413, a basis of about 4.89%. Bonds mature May 1, as follows: \$50,000, 1931 to 1934, incl., and \$72,000, 1935.

118,000 5% public improvement bonds sold to the Union Center National Bank Union Center, at a price or par. Bonds mature Nov. 1, as follows: \$5,000, 1930 to 1934, incl.; \$6,000, 1935 to 1939, incl., and \$7,000, 1940 to 1948, incl.

Dated May 1 1929.

VALLEY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 23 (P. O. Frazer), Mont.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by J. C. Wall, District Clerk, until 2 p. m. on May 14 for the purchase of an issue of \$21,387.20 6% school bonds. A \$1,000 certified check must accompany the bid.

VENTNOR CITY, Atlantic County, N. J.—BOND SALE.—Of the \$275,000 coupon or registered municipal building bonds offered on April 22 (V. 128, p. 2513), Hoffman & Co. of New York, bidding for 5 1/4%, took \$274,000 bonds, paying \$275,140, equal to 100.41, a basis of about 5.21%. Bonds are dated April 1 1929 and mature April 1 as follows: \$10,000, 1931 to 1957, incl., and \$4,000, 1958.

VIGO COUNTY (P. O. Terre Haute), Ind.—BOND OFFERING.—J. O. Leek, Village Treasurer, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m. May 1, for the purchase of \$12,800 4 1/2% Otter Creek Township improvement bonds. Dated May 1 1929. Denom. \$640. Due \$640, July 15 1930; \$640, Jan. & July 15 1931 to 1939, incl.; and \$640, Jan. 15 1940. Int. payable on Jan. & July 15.

WADSWORTH, Medina County, Ohio.—BOND OFFERING.—Earl Richards, Village Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 12 m. April 27, for the purchase of \$5,634 5% High St., special assessment improvement bonds. Dated May 1 1929. Due Oct. 1, as follows: \$1,000, 1930 to 1933, incl.; and \$1,634, 1934. Prin. and int. payable at the office of the Village Treasurer. A certified check payable to the order of the Village, for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for is required.

WALES (P. O. Wales Centre), Erie County, N. Y.—BOND OFFERING.—The \$30,000 coupon or registered highway bonds offered on April 2 (V. 128, p. 2693) were awarded at par, to the Manufacturers & Traders' Peoples Trust Co., Buffalo. Bonds are dated Feb. 1 1929 and mature Feb. 1 as follows: \$2,000, 1930 to 1935 incl., and \$3,000, 1939 to 1942 incl. Interest rate not stated. No other bid submitted.

WALLA WALLA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 68 (P. O. Walla Walla), Wash.—BOND SALE.—The \$1,500 issue of school bonds offered for sale on April 13—V. 128, p. 2157—was awarded at par for 6% bonds, to the State of Washington. No other bids were submitted.

WARD RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, Hocking County, Ohio.—BOND SALE.—The \$12,600 6% school bonds offered on April 5 (V. 128, p. 1964) were awarded at par to the Farmers & Merchants Bank. This was the only bid received. Bonds are dated Jan. 1 1929 and mature \$630 April and Oct. 1 1930 to 1939 incl.

WARREN COUNTY (P. O. Indianola), Iowa.—ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.—The \$200,000 issue of annual primary road bonds that was awarded to Geo. M. Bechtel & Co. of Davenport, at a price of 101.125—V. 128, p. 2693—bears int. at 5%, giving a basis of about 4.76%. Due from 1935 to 1944, and optional after 5 years. The other bids were as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder and Premium. Includes Wheelock & Co., Des Moines, Ia. (\$1,560.00), H. H. Polk & Co., Des Moines, Ia. (1,793.00), A. B. Leach & Co., Chicago (1,100.00), Iowa National Bank, Des Moines, Ia. (2,250.00).

WARWICK, Kent County, R. I.—BIDS TAKEN UNDER ADVERTISEMENT.—It is reported that all bids submitted on April 23, for the \$300,000 4 and 4 1/2% bonds scheduled for sale—V. 128, p. 2693—have been taken under advisement. The offering consisted of \$250,000 4 1/2% water bonds due \$5,000, May 1 1930 to 1979, incl.; and \$50,000 4% water bonds due \$1,000, Nov. 1 1929 to 1978, incl. The 4 1/2% issue is dated May 1 1929; the 4% issue, Nov. 1 1928.

WATERTOWN, Middlesex County, Mass.—BOND SALE.—Curtis & Sanger, of Boston, bidding 101.07 purchased on April 23, for the following issues of 4 1/2% coupon bonds aggregating \$235,000. Int. cost basis 4.07%: \$200,000 West End Elementary School bonds. Due May 1, as follows: \$14,000, 1930 to 1939, incl.; and \$12,000, 1940 to 1944, incl. 35,000 Arsenal St. const. bonds. Due \$7,000, May 1 1930 to 1934, incl. Dated May 1 1929. Prin. and int. (M. & N.) payable at the Old Colony Trust Co., Boston. Legality to be approved by Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge, of Boston. Other bidders were:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder and Rate Bid. Includes Estabrook & Co. (100.95), Stone & Webster and Blodget, Inc. (100.74), R. L. Day & Co. (100.74), Union Market National Bank (100.68), Eldredge & Co. (100.65), E. H. Rollins & Sons (100.635), F. S. Moseley & Co. (100.62), Harris, Forbes & Co. (100.30).

WAYNE COUNTY (P. O. Detroit), Mich.—BIDS REJECTED.—All bids submitted on April 23, for the purchase of the following described bonds aggregating \$243,000, scheduled for sale—V. 128, p. 2513—were rejected. Bidders were to state rate of interest. The bonds are to be reoffered. \$135,000 Road Assessment District No. 9 bonds. Due \$15,000, May 1 1931 to 1939, incl. 108,000 Road Assessment District No. 10 bonds. Due \$12,000, May 1 1931 to 1939, incl. Dated May 1 1929.

WAYNE COUNTY (P. O. Corydon), Iowa.—BOND SALE.—The \$200,000 issue of annual primary road bonds offered for sale on April 11—V. 128, p. 2513—was awarded to the Iowa National Bank of Des Moines, as 5%, for a premium of \$560, equal to 100.28, a basis of about 4.95%. Due from 1935 to 1944, inclusive. Optional after 5 years.

WELLERSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Somerset), Somerset County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—B. F. Getz of Wellersburg, recently purchased an issue of \$1,500 5% school building bonds at a price of par. Bonds are dated Oct. 1 1929, coupon in denominations of \$100. Interest payable on April and Oct. 1. Due annually in \$100 instalments.

WEST ALLIS, Milwaukee County, Wis.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 8 p. m. on May 6, by M. C. Henika, City Clerk, for the purchase of five issues of 4 1/2% bonds aggregating \$247,000, as follows:

- \$70,000 school bonds. Due \$10,000 from 1943 to 1949, incl. Payable at the West Allis State Bank of West Allis.
52,000 water bonds. Due as follows: \$2,000, 1940 and 1941; \$3,000, 1942 and 1943; and \$7,000, 1944 to 1949. Payable at the First National Bank of West Allis.
50,000 police and fire building bonds. Due \$5,000 from 1940 to 1949, incl. Payable at the First National Bank of West Allis.
40,000 storm sewer bonds. Due \$4,000 from 1940 to 1949, incl. Payable at the West Allis State Bank of West Allis.
35,000 street improvement bonds. Due as follows: \$3,000, 1940 to 1944, and \$4,000 from 1945 to 1949, all incl.
Blank bonds to be furnished by the bidder. A certified check for 5% is required.

The following statement accompanies the offering notice: Under Chapter 67 of the Statutes of 1927 all bonds issued by this city are exempt from taxation.

Table with 2 columns: Assessed valuation of taxable property of the City of West Allis for State and County purposes; and Year (1924-1928) with corresponding values.

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Debt limit. 2,293,108.95
Bonded debt March 1 1929. 2,027,400.00
(These bonds were previously offered on April 13—V. 128, p. 2157.)

WEST POINT SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. West Point), Hardin County, Ky.—BOND SALE.—A \$15,000 issue of 6% school building bonds has been purchased by local investors, at a price of 101.75.

WEST TAYLOR TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Johnstown, R. D. No. 1), Cambria County, Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—Charles W. Lowman, Secretary Board of Directors, will receive sealed bids until 7:30 p. m. May 10, for the purchase of \$25,000 4 1/2% school bonds. Dated May 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due May 1, as follows: \$5,000, 1934; and \$10,000, in 1939 and 1944. A certified check for \$125, must accompany each proposal.

WEST UNION, Fayette County, Iowa.—BOND SALE.—A \$90,000 issue of 4 1/2% semi-annual funding bonds has been purchased at par, as follows: \$13,000 to the city sinking fund and \$6,000 to the school sinking fund.

WEST VIEW, Allegheny County, Pa.—BOND ELECTION.—An official advertisement bearing the signatures of D. A. Atkinson Burgess and W. M. Dickson, President of Council, states that on April 30, an election will be held to secure the consent of the electors to issue \$50,000 bonds for public improvement purposes. Present bonded debt \$303,759.24 last assessed valuation \$5,557,300.

WEST VIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT, Allegheny County, Pa.—BOND SALE.—The \$80,000 4 1/2% school bonds offered on April 23—V. 128, p. 2514—were awarded to the Mellon National Bank of Pittsburgh, at par, plus a premium of \$552, equal to 100.69, a basis of about 4.47%. Bonds are dated Dec. 1 1928, and are repayable on Nov. 1 1958. Other bidders were:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder and Premium. Includes Prescott, Lyon & Co., Pittsburgh (\$392), J. H. Holmes & Co., Pittsburgh (125).

WHITE CLOUD, Nawaygo County, Mich.—BONDS OFFERED.—M. N. Bird, Village Clerk, received sealed bids until April 26, for the purchase of \$12,000 Wilcox Paving bonds. Dated May 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Payable in 12 years. Interest payable semi-annually. The village reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

WICHITA, Sedgwick County, Kan.—BONDS NOT SOLD.—The \$45,344.18 issue of 4 1/2% coupon paving bonds offered on April 22—V. 128, p. 2694—was not sold as all the bids were rejected. Dated Sept. 1 1928. Due in from 1 to 10 years.

WILLIAMSPORT, Lycoming Co., Pa.—BOND OFFERING.—Byron C. Houck, City Clerk, will receive sealed bids until 10 a. m., May 15, for the purchase of \$250,000 4 1/2% coupon school bonds. Dated April 1 1929. Denominations: \$1,000. Due April 1 as follows: \$20,000, 1934; \$25,000, 1939; \$35,000, 1944; \$50,000, 1949; \$55,000, 1954; and \$65,000, 1959. Bonds are registerable as to principal. A certified check, payable to the order of the City for 2% of the amount of bonds bid for, is required. Legality to be approved by Townsend, Elliott & Munson of Philadelphia.

WILLITS COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT (P. O. Ukiab), Mendocino County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—The \$115,000 issue of 5% semi-annual school bonds offered for sale on April 18—V. 128, p. 2694—was awarded to Weeden & Co. of San Francisco, for a premium of \$3,011, equal to 102.618, a basis of about 4.75%. Due from 1934 to 1954. Newspaper reports give the other bids as follows: American National Co., and Securities Division National Bankitaly Co., \$2,218; Bond & Goodwin & Tucker, Inc., \$2,121; R. H. Moulton & Co., \$1,725; Heller, Bruce & Co., \$1,617; and National City Co., \$1,184.50.

WINCHESTER, Frederick County, Va.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until 2 p. m. on May 10, by W. T. Barr, City Treasurer, for the purchase of a \$349,000 issue of 4 1/2% coupon sewer, streets, school and refunding bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated May 1 1929 and are due on May 1, as follows: \$5,000, 1930 to 1933; \$6,000, 1934 to 1936; \$7,000, 1937 and 1938; \$8,000, 1939 to 1941; \$9,000, 1942; \$10,000, 1943 and 1944; \$11,000, 1945 and 1946; \$12,000, 1947; \$13,000, 1948; \$14,000, 1949 and 1950; \$15,000, 1951 to 1953; \$16,000, 1954; \$20,000, 1955 to 1957; \$25,000, 1958; and \$25,000, in 1959. Prin. and int. (M. & N.) payable at the U. S. Mortgage & Trust Co. in New York City. Prin. only of bonds may be registered. Legality to be approved by Thomson, Wood & Hoffman of New York. A certified check for 2% par of the bid, is required.

Table with 2 columns: Financial Statement (as officially reported). Includes Assessed valuation real estate, 1928 (\$8,259,028.00), Real valuation real estate, 1928, estimated (16,000,000.00), Assessed valuation tangible personal property, 1928 (1,610,733.00), Bonds outstanding (347,000.00), Floating indebtedness (90,000.00), Deferred purchase money on property recently purchased (4,666.66), Total bonded debt including this issue (696,000.00), Population, 1910 census (5,864; population, 1920 census, 6,883; population, 1928, estimated, 11,000).

WINCHESTER, Middlesex County, Mass.—BOND SALE.—The following issues of 4 1/2% bonds aggregating \$119,500 were awarded on April 24 to Estabrook & Co., Boston, at a price of 100.54, a basis of about 4.12%: \$47,000 sewer const. and surface drain. bonds. Due May 1, as follows: \$5,000, 1930 to 1938, incl.; and \$2,000, 1939. 40,000 water construction bonds. Due \$4,000, May 1 1930 to 1939, incl. 32,500 Public Park bonds. Due May 1, as follows: \$5,500, 1930; and \$3,000, 1931 to 1939, incl.

Dated May 1 1929. Denoms. \$1,000, one bond for \$500. Prin. and int. (M. & N.) payable at the Old Colony Trust Co., Boston. Legality to be approved by Ropes, Gray, Boyden & Perkins, of Boston. Other bidders were:

Table with 2 columns: Bidder and Rate Bid. Includes R. L. Day & Co. (100.44), Winchester Trust Co. (100.36), F. S. Moseley & Co. (100.26), E. H. Rollins & Sons (100.22), Harris, Forbes & Co. (100.20), Stone & Webster and Blodget, Inc. (100.082), Curtis & Sanger (100.02).

WINSTON-SALEM, Forsyth County, N. C.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received until noon on May 2, by W. H. Holcomb, Commissioner of Public Accounts & Finance, for the purchase of an issue of \$1,800,000 school bonds. Denom. \$1,000. Dated May 15 1929 and due on May 15, as follows: \$40,000, 1930 to 1935; \$60,000, 1936 to 1949 and \$80,000, from 1950 to 1958, all incl. Prin. and int. (M. & N.) payable in gold at the U. S. Mortgage & Trust Co. in New York City. Int. rate is not to exceed 6%. is to be stated in a multiple of 1/4 of 1%, and must be the same for all of the bonds. Bonds certified as to genuineness of signatures by the U. S. Mortgage & Trust Co. of New York. No bids are to be for less than par or for less than the entire issue. Legal approval by Reed, Hoyt & Washburn of New York. Required bidding forms furnished by the Commissioner or the above trust company. A certified check for 2% of the bid is required.

Table with 2 columns: Financial Statement April 19 1929. Includes Assessed valuation of taxable Real Property (\$83,699,634.00), Assessed valuation of taxable personal property (60,458,596.00), Total assessed valuation of taxable property (\$144,158,230.00), Actual value of taxable property (estimated) (225,000,000.00), Gross bonded debt (incl. proposed issue) (18,547,000.00), Water bonds (2,994,195.38), Sink. fd. (for bonds other than water bonds) (273,022.03), Special assess. (actual or est., applicable to payment of bonded debt) (4,167,740.50), Other legal deductions (school bonds) (4,108,000.00).

Table with 2 columns: Total deductions (11,542,957.91), Net bonded debt (7,004,042.09), Note.—There is no separate school district embracing the city in whole or in part. Bonds for schools are issued in the name of the city and included in the above statement. Population 1910 (U. S. Census), 22,356; 1920 (U. S. census), 48,395; 1928 (U. S. census July est.), 80,000.

WOODLAND ACQUISITION AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT No. 1 (P. O. Woodland) Yolo County, Calif.—BOND SALE.—\$32,340 issue of coupon improvement bonds was awarded on April 16 to the American National Co. of San Francisco, as 5 1/2%, for a premium of \$88, equal to 100.272. It is reported that R. H. Moulton & Co. offered a premium of \$912 for 6%; Anglo London Paris Co., \$113 for 5 1/2%; Freeman, Smith & Camp, \$176 for 6%; Dean Witter & Co., \$194 for 7s, and California National Bank, \$59 for 7s.

WOODRIDGE, Bergen County, N. J.—BOND SALE.—M. M. Freeman & Co. of Philadelphia, have purchased an issue of \$300,000 5 1/2% coupon or registered improvement bonds at par plus a premium of \$305,000, equal to 100.10, a basis of about 5.475%. Dated March 1 1929. Denom. \$1,000. Due March 1 as follows: \$45,000, 1930; \$35,000, 1931 to 1933 inclusive; \$50,000, 1934, and \$25,000, 1935 to 1938 inclusive. Purchasers are reoffering the bonds for public investment priced to yield 4.80%. Legality to be approved by Caldwell & Raymond of New York.

Table with 2 columns: Financial Statement. Includes Real value, estimated (\$5,000,000.00), Assessed values, 1929 (3,231,157.00), Assessed values (3 years average) (2,490,232.00), Total bonded debt (including this issue) (941,570.13), Less—Assessment bonds and taxes (\$621,782.11), Sinking fund (197,068.67), Net debt (122,719.35), Population (estimated), 4,000.

WORTH COUNTY (P. O. Northwood), Iowa.—BIDDERS.—The following is a list of the other bids submitted for the \$150,000 issue of 5% coupon primary road bonds awarded on April 17 to the White-Phillips Co. of Davenport, at 100.963, a basis of about 4.79%:

Table with 2 columns: Bidders and Premium. Includes Carleton D. Beh Co. of Des Moines (\$1,440), H. M. Bylesby & Co. of Des Moines (1,147), Geo. M. Bechtel & Co. of Davenport (1,130), First National Co. of Mason City (550).

WYOMING TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 9 (P. O. Grand Rapids R. D. No. 1) Kent County, Mich.—BOND OFFERING.—Theodore Rogers, School Director, will receive sealed bids until 8 p. m. April 27, for the purchase of \$60,000 school bonds—rate of interest not to exceed 5 1/2%. Denoms. \$1,000 and \$500. Due as follows: \$1,500, 1937 to 1943 incl.; \$2,000, 1944 to 1946 incl.; \$2,500, 1947; \$3,000, 1948 to 1953 incl.; \$3,500, 1954 and 1955; and \$4,000, 1956 to 1959 incl. Principal and

interest payable in Grand Rapids. A certified check for \$500 is required. Legality to be approved by Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone of Detroit.

YANKTON, Yankton County, S. Dak.—BOND SALE.—The \$51,000 issue of semi-annual water plant bonds offered for sale on April 15—V. 128, p. 2337—was awarded to the Paine-Webber Co. of Minneapolis, as 58, for a premium of \$37, equal to 100.072, a basis of about 4.99%. Due in 20 years.

YORK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 37 (P. O. Clover), S. C.—BOND SALE.—The \$50,000 issue of coupon school bonds offered for sale on April 15—V. 128, p. 2157—was awarded to Stranahan, Harris & Oatis, Inc., of Toledo, as 68, for a premium of \$4,780, equal to 109.56, a basis of about 5.22%. Due in 20 years. The following is a complete list of the bids:

Bidder	Int. Rate	Price Bid.
Stranahan, Harris & Oatis, Inc.	4 3/4%	\$54,780.00
Stranahan, Harris & Oatis, Inc.	5 3/4%	52,965.00
Stranahan, Harris & Oatis, Inc.	5 1/2%	51,665.00
Stranahan, Harris & Oatis, Inc.	5 1/4%	50,205.00
W. L. Slayton & Co.	5 1/2%	50,559.50
Ryan, Sutherland & Co.	6%	52,059.00
Ryan, Sutherland & Co.	5 1/2%	50,059.00
Magnus & Co.	6%	52,015.00
Peoples Securities Co.	6%	51,800.00
C. W. McNear & Co.	5 1/2%	51,016.89
C. W. McNear & Co.	6%	53,855.89
Prudden & Co.	5 1/4%	50,000.00
Prudden & Co.	5 3/4%	51,250.00
Walter, Woody & Heimerdinger	5 3/4%	50,910.00
Walter, Woody & Heimerdinger	6%	51,875.00
J. H. Hillsman & Co.	6%	51,515.00
Robinson-Humphrey & Co., and South Carolina National Bank	5 1/2%	50,077.52
Robinson-Humphrey & Co., and South Carolina National Bank	6%	52,126.50
Weil, Roth & Irving Co.	5 1/2%	50,201.50

* Successful bid.

CANADA, its Provinces and Municipalities.

BEAUPRE, Que.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bids will be received by J. O. Simard, Secretary-Treasurer, until 12 m. April 27, for the purchase of \$90,000 bonds. Dated May 1 1929. Coupon rate 5%. Denom. \$100. Due in 40 years. Payable at any branch of the Banque Canadienne Nationale in Quebec.

BRITISH COLUMBIA (Province of).—BOND SALE.—A syndicate headed by A. E. Ames & Co., including Wood, Gundy & Co., Dominion

Securities Corp. and the Canadian Bank of Commerce, purchased on Apr 25, \$6,000,000 5% coupon or registered bonds at a price of 98.65, a basis of about 5.09% (Canadian payment). Dated April 25 1929. Due Apr 25 1954. Bonds are issued for refunding purposes.

ROUYN, Que.—BOND SALE.—The \$25,000 school bonds offered of March 1—V. 128, p. 1268—were awarded to Hill-Clark-Francis, Ltd. of New Liskeard, at a price of 97 a basis of about 5.30%. Issue bears a coupon rate of 5% and is payable serially in from 1 to 15 years.

ST. HENRI DE TAILLON, Que.—BOND OFFERING.—Sealed bid addressed to U. Gosselin, Secretary-Treasurer will be received until 7 p. m. on April 27, for the purchase of \$30,000 5% 15-year serial debentures. Dated February 1 1929 in \$100 denom. and multiples thereof, payable at St. Joseph d'Alma, Quebec and Montreal.

SASKATCHEWAN SCHOOL DISTRICTS, Sask.—BONDS SOLD AND AUTHORIZED.—The following is a list of the authorizations and debentures reported sold as they appeared in the April 19 issue of the "Finland Post."

Authorizations Granted by the Local Government Board from March 30 to April 13 1929.

Schools: Gladstone, No. 1736, \$4,500; Dirksburg, No. 3190, \$1,800; Bedford, No. 3195, \$3,500; Wing, No. 1155, \$3,500; Hubbard, No. 1513, \$3,000; Edelaue, No. 824, \$4,800; North Plain, No. 1366, \$4,750; Pheasant Plain No. 572, \$4,500; Fosterdale, No. 3623, \$3,000; Big River, No. 32, \$7,000; Kutawagan, No. 3913, \$1,200; Alexandria, No. 1908, \$4,500; Gouverneur, No. 4557, \$4,400; Troy, No. 2757, \$4,000; Cretcher, No. 4784, \$10,000; Copeland, No. 2017, \$5,500; Glenrosa, No. 2577, \$4,500; Whiskacreek, No. 2468, \$4,300; Ailsa Craig, No. 642, \$4,200.

Debentures Reported Sold.
Schools: Newfield, No. 1760, \$1,200, 10 years 6%, Great-West Life Assurance Co.; Sanderson, No. 1566, \$5,000, 15 years 6%, H. J. Birkett & Co., Toronto; St. Henry R. C., No. 5, \$16,000 20 years 5 1/2%, Bond & Debenture Corp.; Sylburn R. T. Co., \$2,000 15 years 5 1/2%, H. J. Birkett & Co.; Bounty R. T. Co., \$5,200 10 years 6%, H. M. Turner & Co., Regina; Dunblane Village, \$3,500 10 years 5 1/2%, H. J. Birkett & Co.

SASKATOON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 13, Sask.—BIDS.—The following bids were also submitted on April 15, for the \$125,000 issue of 5% school bonds awarded to Wood, Gundy & Co. of Toronto, at a price of 92.70 a basis of about 5.50%—V. 128, p. 2694.

Bidder—
McLeod, Young, Weir & Co. Rate Bid. 90.57
Canadian Bank of Commerce 89.91

WILKE, Sask.—BONDS OFFERED.—Sealed bids were received by T. A. Dinsley, until April 26, for the purchase of \$27,000 Union Hospital District bonds, bearing a coupon rate of 6% and maturing in 20-installments.

NEW LOANS

\$125,000

Central School District Number One

Town of Sharon, Schoharie County, and Cherry Valley and Roseboom, Otsego County, in the State of New York

SCHOOL (COUPON) BONDS

Notice of Bond Sale

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Education of Central School District Number One of the towns of Sharon, Schoharie County, and Cherry Valley and Roseboom, Otsego County, in the State of New York, will receive sealed proposals at the First National Bank in the Village of Sharon Springs, New York, in said district, until **FOUR O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON ON THE 16TH DAY OF MAY, 1929**, for the purchase of bonds of one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000) of said district of the denomination of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) each, numbered from one to one hundred twenty-five inclusive and bearing interest at the lowest rate of interest obtainable, not exceeding six per cent per annum (6%) payable semi-annually.

Both principal and interest of said bonds will be payable at the First National Bank of Sharon Springs, New York, to the holder thereof, in New York exchange. Said bonds shall not be sold below par and shall bear interest at not exceeding six per cent per annum and shall be sold to the bidder who will take them at the lowest rate of interest, with accrued interest to be added.

Said bonds to be coupon bonds and dated June 1, 1929. Two of said bonds shall mature on the first day of June in each of the years 1930 to 1934 inclusive, and three of said bonds shall mature on the first day of June in each of the years 1935 to 1939 inclusive and four of said bonds shall mature on the first day of June in each of the years 1940 to 1944 inclusive, and five of said bonds shall mature on the first day of June in each of the years 1945 to 1954 inclusive, and six of said bonds shall mature on the first day of

June in each of the years 1955 to 1959 inclusive. Purchasers will be required to deposit with their bids in cash, by certified check or by bank draft, two per cent of the amount of such bonds and pay the balance, with accrued interest, if any, to be added, when such bonds are delivered.

Bids must be sealed and addressed to Frank S. Clapper, Clerk of the Board of Education, care of First National Bank, Sharon Springs, New York, and marked on the outside of envelope enclosing said bids "Proposal for School Bonds."

The right to reject any and all bids is hereby reserved.

The bids will be publicly opened and announced at the First National Bank in the Village of Sharon Springs, New York, on the 16th day of May, 1929, at four o'clock P. M., at which time and place all bidders are invited to be present.

The said district has no other bonded indebtedness.

The total assessed valuation of said district in 1929 was \$1,572,145. Present population of district is estimated at one thousand.

Prospective purchasers may obtain any further information by addressing Frank S. Clapper, Clerk, Board of Education, Sharon Springs, New York.

Dated, Sharon Springs, New York, April 19, 1929.
BOARD OF EDUCATION OF CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER ONE OF THE TOWNS OF SHARON, SCHOHARIE COUNTY, AND CHERRY VALLEY AND ROSEBOOM, OTSEGO COUNTY.

By Herbert L. Odell, President
Frank S. Clapper, Clerk

NEW LOANS

NOTICE OF SALE

\$150,000

TOWN OF SOUTHAMPTON

SUFFOLK COUNTY, N. Y.

Hampton Bays Bridge Bonds

NOTICE is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the Town Board of the Town of Southampton, Suffolk County, New York, at the office of said board in the Town Hall in the Village of Southampton, said town, at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon on the 8th day of May, 1929, for the purchase of any or all of an issue of bonds of said Town of Southampton in the amount of One hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) to be used for paying the cost of constructing a bridge and causeway or roadway across Shinnecock Bay in said town from the mainland in the vicinity of Lighthouse Point, Hampton Bays, to the Dune Lands to afford access from said mainland to the Dune Road and Ocean Beach, in said town.

The said issue will consist of one hundred and fifty (150) bonds for One thousand dollars (\$1,000) each, dated the first day of April, 1929, and maturing in numerical order as follows:— Fifteen (15) bonds aggregating Fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) on April 1st, 1930; and Fifteen (15) bonds aggregating Fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) on April 1st in each and every year thereafter until all of said bonds shall be fully paid.

The said bonds will bear interest at the rate of Five per centum (5%) per annum, payable semi-annually April 1st and October 1st in each year. Said bonds shall be in coupon form and may be converted into a registered bond and will be payable as to principal and interest at the Hampton Bays National Bank, Hampton Bays, New York.

All bids must be in writing, sealed and the number of bonds bidder will purchase, stated and must be accompanied by a certified check for Five per centum (5%) of the amount of the bid.

No bonds will be sold for less than par. Interest will be charged the purchaser from the first day of April, 1929, to the date of delivery. Purchaser will be credited with any interest received by the Town upon the amount deposited with the bid, from the date the bid is accepted to the date of delivery of bonds.

The right is reserved to reject any and all bids and to thereafter at the same time and place sell said bonds at public auction.

Dated April 24th, 1929.

BENJAMIN G. HALSEY,
Supervisor of the Town of Southampton, N. Y.

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